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# Flashback



This month's FLASHBACK shows another vehicle which we believe was owned by Val Stocks. Where and when was it taken? Respond to the editor.

Greg Smith recognised the FN in the November FLASHBACK photo. He advises it was owned by Val Stocks who can be seen driving in the picture. This was confirmed by an "old time expert" from the old days on FN, Russell Beach. I caught up with Russell at the Bendigo Swap, and he confirmed my thoughts on ownership. We also both reckon, the photo was taken sometime in the seventies, but that is purely a guess. We also both recollect that the FN went, and is still in South Australia. I reckon the more "recent expert" on FN's, Stan Bone, will be able to definitively tell us who owns it, and provide further details.

# Merry Christmas

**Merry Christmas from the Editorial Team**

We hope you have great Christmas and New Year. The Editorial Team will be taking a break and the next issue of *Brass Notes* will be February of 2020.

## Coming Events

1 December 2019	<b>Combined Clubs Family Christmas Picnic - Como Gardens</b> Contact: Doug Stevenson 9333 6419 events@vdc.org.au
10 December 2019	<b>Natter Night – Christmas 7:15 nibbles for 8pm meeting</b> Sausage Roll Extravaganza!
15 December 2019	<b>VSCC Two-Wheel Brake Rally</b> Contact: Peter Donald 0409 224 700 or peterinsteam@yahoo.com.au
26 January 2020	<b>Australia Day Motorshow - Fashions - Ballarat</b> Vintage & Classic Car Club Ballarat Inc.
1 February 2020	<b>42nd Annual Berwick Swap Meet</b> Akoonah Park, Princes Highway, Berwick
2 February 2020	<b>Midsumma Pride March - Fitzroy Street, St Kilda</b> Contact: David Provan, david.provan@optusnet.com.au, 0409 136 301
9 February 2020	<b>Torquay Motor Show - on the Torquay Foreshore</b> Torquay Rotary Club - 0423 620 009
23 February 2020	<b>RACV/AOMC British &amp; European Car Show - Yarra Glen Racecourse</b>
29 March 2020	<b>Shannon's/AOMC American Car Show - Yarra Glen Racecourse</b>
18 April 2020	<b>Echuca Swap Meet - Rotary Park</b> Rose Street, Echuca - 0456 010 665

## Major Events

12 -15 March 2020	<b>RACV 1 &amp; 2 Cylinder Rally - Hamilton (Vic)</b> Rally Director: Doug Palmer 0409 010 730
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## National Events

1-7 April 2020	<b>National 1&amp;2 Cylinder rally – Charleville</b> www.vccaq.com/2020-1-2-national
11 – 17 October 2020	<b>RACV 2020 National Veteran Vehicle Rally - Swan Hill, VIC</b> Contact: Michael and Claudia Holding 0407 008 895
17 - 22 October 2021	<b>National Motorcycle Rally - Manjimup, WA</b>
24-29 October 2021	<b>National Veteran Vehicle Rally - Brusselton, WA</b>
12 - 15 April 2021	<b>National Brush Rally 2021 NSW</b> Rally Director: Alan Miller - mrcherman@bigpond.com

## International Events

1 November 2020	<b>London to Brighton Veteran Car Run 2020</b>
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**Front Cover:** Simon and Tess Anderson in the 1909 Hupmobile on the RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally at Wangaratta (Photo by Gordon Berg)



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20 November 2019

Mr Paul Daley, JP  
President  
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Dear Paul

Thank you for your letter of 18 November, 2019 inviting me to be Patron of the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Victoria).

The RACV values the long relationship with the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Victoria) and I am pleased to accept your invitation to be Patron.

I know our members and regional communities very much enjoy the tours by your members and their wonderful cars, particularly when you visit near RACV Resorts.

I will aim to participate in your annual awards event or similar during 2020.

Regards

GEOFF COSGRIFF  
PRESIDENT AND CHAIRMAN

# President's Message

By Paul Daley

## We Welcome our new Patron

On behalf of all VCCA (Vic) members I extend a warm welcome to Mr Geoff Cosgriff, RACV President and Chairman who has graciously accepted our invitation to become our Club Patron. I thank Ms Netta Griffin for her service to our Club as Patron during her tenure.

## Alex Downie retires as RACV Director

RACV Director Alex Downie, retired on November 12 after 15 years of outstanding service to the RACV. Alex has taken particular interest in the VCCA (Vic) and at the recent RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally at Wangaratta I was able to thank Alex on behalf of our Club for his interest and regular attendance flagging off the cars at our Rallies. Alex and Di Downie have been wonderful friends and supporters of our Club, and we will always make them welcome to our events in the future.

## Thank you David Nichols and Jeff Alcock

The RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally at Wangaratta was an outstanding success, and Rally Directors *David Nichols* and *Jeff Alcock* must be congratulated for putting together a program of spectacular scenery, interesting visits and superb meals. The rally was conducted in good humour and was enjoyed immensely by all. A full report is on page 14.



Lunch at Tatong pub (pic Richard Balsillie).

## Petanque Open Day at Clubrooms

Sunday November 17, saw a wonderful turnout for the annual Open Day and BBQ at the Clubrooms. *John Prior* again manned the BBQ, and as the official 'tong master' he was assisted by his partner *Paula McNicol*. *Andrew* and *Frances McDougall* wore their Alvis Club badge for the day and were seen busily taking the lead and ensuring things ran smoothly. *Paul Daley* entertained the Girl Guides with joy rides in his '13 Model T Tourer – the screams of delight could be heard from quite a distance as Paul did circuits of the area. 'Better than Luna Park – here comes the Big Dipper' – as the girls laughed, screamed and yelled out to the smiling onlookers. The 1<sup>st</sup> Hartwell Guides has 24 girls

involved aged 7 – 11, while the Lynden Park Guides has 15 girls aged 11 – 17. Interestingly Girl Guides are a totally independent group from Scouts, and the two groups do not feed off each other.

There was a marvellous sense of community on the day, with our members including *Debbie* and *Ben Alcock*, *Geoff* and *Sue Payne*, *Richard* and *Maureen Balsillie*, *Kim Coillet* and the *Savory* family all calling by for the social interaction. It's events like these that build our relationship with the City of Boroondara who encourage diverse groups interacting.



Paul Daley takes Girl Guides for a Veteran ride.

## Overseas Visitors at November Natter Night

We were privileged to have *Harold Peters* and *Janita Doerksen* visit us, and have *Harold* speak during the November Natter Night. Their *Isotta Fraschini FENC Tipo A*, chassis no 6023 has been a Concours winner not only at Pebble Beach but at events all over North America and Europe. *Harold* delivered a detailed overview of how he acquired the car and also the amazing connection with VCCA (Vic). It was by chance that *Harold* was reading 'Brass Notes' online from our website and saw a magneto advertised by *Brian Hussey*. The magneto was period correct for the restoration that he was undertaking on the *Isotta Fraschini*: *Harold* is a polished and engaging speaker and was a guest of *Peter* and *Ann Latreille*, and *Peter's Isotta Fraschini* is well known in our Club.



Harold Peters and the 1909 Isotta Fraschini FENC Tipo A, chassis no 6023.

## RACV – A Welcome Helper

Driving up the Hume Highway on the way to our Annual Rally at Wangaratta, *Peter Hammet* ran into heavy rain, and even though the 1914 De Dion-Bouton was well covered on the trailer, the underside of the car copped a real drenching. It was not surprising then, when the car was unloaded and Peter began to crank start that the motor simply refused to kick. Fortunately for Peter, Ian Shepherd, the RACV patrol man assigned to the Rally came to the rescue, and they quickly diagnosed water in the magneto. Ian had a hair dryer on board and before long he had dried out the magneto, and the De Dion was able to join the Shakedown run. It was back in 2006 when Ian was first involved with the VCCA (Vic) at a Rally and he always enjoys our events.



*Peter Hammet, 1914 De Dion-Bouton.*

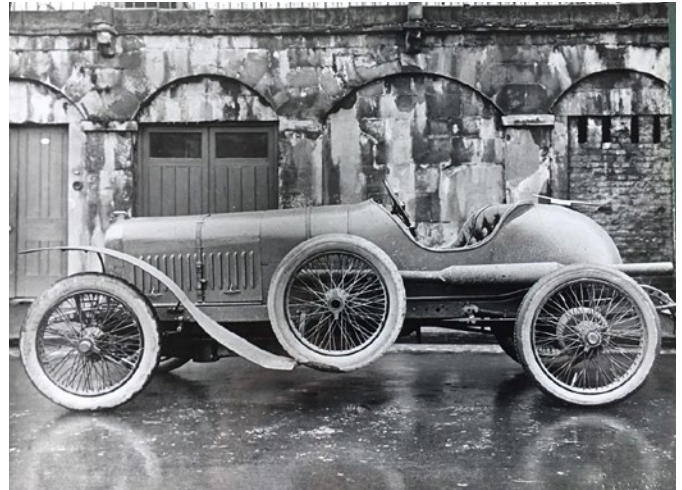
## 2020 Calendar of Events is Out!

*Ben Alcock* has completed our 2020 Calendar of Events which are inserted in this edition of *Brass Notes*. There has been more difficulty than usual in getting accurate dates for events, with many clubs and organisations not publicising or finalising their 2020 programme on a timely basis. The 2020 year is actually busier than normal, and many of our members are already booked month by month at a major event. A notable absence this year is the Great Australian Rally which used to be a highlight in January, and the All British Classic Car Club Victoria have confirmed that this event will not be held in 2020. The Australian Historic Motoring Federation is holding their National Motoring Festival at Albury-Wodonga March 28-April 3, and are encouraging entries as numbers are less than expected at this time. The event is open to all vehicles more than 25 years old.

## News from Andrew Howe-Davies

Many members forward on the electronic version of '*Brass Notes*' to friends and potential members – it's a great way to connect and promote our hobby. Every month I do the same – and Andrew Howe-Davies in the U.K. is a contact who really appreciates the link with our Club. Andrew is a regular visitor to Australia, and I first met him at the Nationals in Ulverstone, Tasmania some years ago – he was also at our RACV 1&2 Cylinder Rally at Bright this year. Andrew has been busy working on a 1914 Straker project – the chassis

and parts came out of Melbourne, and he is also using 'bits' from Terry Parker's 1918 SS. The engine, gearbox and axle were acquired over the years, and Andrew says 'Straker Squire project is limping on... everything takes so long and costs so much – arghhh – 70% done now.' Andrew and Nicola Howe-Davies are active in the veteran scene in the U.K and have just completed a 1500 mile tour of Ireland's west coast. They plan to visit Australia again next Easter – there being some urgency, 'before all flying is banned here by the Greens'. Andrew participated in the London to Brighton Run, and is 'busy as ever.'



*1914 Straker... an impressive classic.*



*Body panels formed.*



*Work in progress.*



Getting closer to finishing.



Engine block complete.



Andrew and Nicola in their 1908 Renault.

### Here's Cheers - for a successful Rally

The first stop on Friday's Shakedown run at the Wangaratta event was the Boorhaman Hotel, some 20km out of Wang.

The pub was a welcome stop, as many entrants had been driving all day to get to the event, indeed some like *Euan* and *Wilga Coutts* who travelled down from Orange NSW. *Brian Hussey* with his guest *Jill Bartlett* welcomed a refreshment or two and were joined by *Alan Long* and *Claudia Holding*.

Out the back of the pub is the Buffalo Brewery which won a gold in the dark ale and lager category, plus a silver in the ale and stout - awards that completely mystified *Brian Hussey* - whose review of the brew was unprintable!

The trip back from the pub began with dark clouds – an ominous warning of a storm brewing. The clouds opened and seemed to dump an inch of rain in 10 minutes, completely saturating the entrants en route back to Wangaratta.

*Lis Donald* was aiming the 1910 Renault toward Wangaratta, and the deluge seemed to turn into a tsunami of water, but somehow she got back to base – completely drenched, but smiling.



L-R Jill Bartlett, Alan Long, Brian Hussey and Claudia Holding.



Lis Donald and Colin Daniels- wet through!

### Public display at Wangaratta:

On the Sunday morning at Wangaratta many locals took the opportunity to meet and greet our members and admire the cars. Local identity Jeff Nye (no relation to our *Wally Nye*) of the Veteran, Vintage and Classic Vehicle Club of Wangaratta, took time to chat with our *John Stanley* – their club's oldest car is a 1924 T Model Ford, and their 200 members enjoy historic motoring with 'lots of 50's, 60's, 70's and 80's vehicles – Mercedes are popular'. I caught up with an old friend of mine from the Model T Ford Club, John Docker, another local identity who has the 'old car bug!' John was thrilled to see my 1913 Overland 69T – his Great Grandfather purchased an Overland in Melbourne back in 1913 and drove it to Wilcannia NSW via the 'Hume Highway' - a rough road in those days, enroute to the family 'Billillia Station', located some 37km from Wilcannia. John sent me some historical pictures of the Overland enroute to Wilcannia.



Wangaratta local Jeff Nye with John Stanley.



Josh and Sean admired the display of cars.

Also visiting the district were two interesting chaps up from Melbourne to attend the Celtic Festival in Beechworth. Josh and Sean are old car 'aficionados' and are up to speed with the range of clubs in the movement, and were very interested in our Club and its diversity of members and activities. Naturally, I extended an invitation for them to join our Club! At the Saturday night dinner, which is always a rally highlight, RACV Director Alex Downie acknowledged the role we play in visiting country Victoria and linking in with

the community our historic vehicles and passion for motoring. This community liaison is part of our charter with the RACV.

The display of vehicles was summed up by our Chief Scrutineer, *Brian Hussey* who observed, 'What's impressing me is the presentation and standard of the cars at this event.' *David Couper* was unfortunate to lose an era correct petrol cap off his 1916 Oakland – he spoke to the police and 'she was extremely helpful and went out of her way to assist.'



Singer in foreground with Overland.



The 69T enroute to Wilcannia.

### Tragic Death on London to Brighton Run



Billi and Ron Carey.

The international fraternity of historic motorists are shocked to learn of the death of an 80 year old retired oil executive, who was killed during this year's London to Brighton Veteran Car Run. Ron Carey and his wife Billi were travelling in their 1903 Knox Porcupine, when Ron took a wrong turn off the main route and ended up on the M23 motorway where the veteran car was struck by a lorry. Billi Carey was critically injured with severe head injuries. In April he told *The Calgary Herald*, 'I had some antique cars and it became a disease.



They're really fortunate to have cars like that here. They're just beautiful pieces'. The couple have participated in the London to Brighton at least three times before. We understand that Billi is now on the 'road to recovery'!



Wreckage: Ron Carey's car at the scene of the fatal crash on the M23 (UK News in Pictures).

### Motorclassica... An Event With Style

Motorclassica have once again pulled off a motoring exhibition with style and pizzazz. The variety of vehicles this year seemed to be British centred, with marques such as Bentley and Alvis prominently featured. Most years there is a reasonable representation of veteran vehicles – enough to 'fly the flag' of our era, but this year's line-up was rather sparse. I visited on the Sunday morning and normally when strolling you bump in to Club members – no luck on this occasion!



1911 BSA Model A Motorcycle... built at the time of the Olympia Motor Show



1904 De Dion-Bouton, Model V Tonneau 'Daisy Belle (B1-01) – Geoffrey Mitton – SA

What was interesting was the 'Staff Wanted' A board, and the display 'Staff Wanted – can you help build these'. Without doubt the biggest challenge I see in years to come, is that the need to obtain trades persons who will embrace the restoration of historic vehicles. Many of the core stalwarts of the industry are approaching retirement, and there is a desperate need for retraining and recruiting in our movement.



Any Takers?



Opportunities for those interested.

All vehicles entered in this year's display must drive the tour route that precedes judging, and this is a compulsory requirement. Our Club members fulfilled an important role in the judging of the Concours, with *Brian Hussey*, *Daryl Meek* and *Andrew McDougall* all being appointed as official judges for the event.

### Membership Remains Strong

Our Registrar *Geoff Payne* advises that at the end of October our financial membership was 561 members. The past two years have seen our membership grow significantly – in 2017-18 we grew by 101 members, and then 2018-19, this growth remained stable and new members during the past year enabled us to withstand the attrition of members passing on, or simply too old to maintain their interest. The Club membership remains strong, and your Committee is focused on delivering services of quality and relevance to our members.

### Additional Club Name Badges

As our membership grows, partners and spouses often enquire as to the procedure to obtain a name badge. Simply contact our Registrar *Geoff Payne* who arranges the supply of badges. The cost is \$10. We are trying to encourage members to bring their name badges to rallies, rather than printing custom badges for each event!

## A Christmas Reflection...

*Sue Watts delivered this delightful 'Christmas Reflection' at our December Natter Night 2018.*

Paul Daley asked me to tell you a story: a rather curious, unlikely one I told him a few years ago. If there is any title to this talk it is "*The things we do for love*" including giving this talk!

On the Hamilton 1&2 Cylinder Rally a few years ago, I was reminded of all those early European settlers who carved out a life at the end of the world they knew. They bravely coped with isolation, drought, sickness, and cultural dislocation to raise the finest merino wool, and become a new landed gentry.

One of the traditions I have kept is making Christmas puddings from a well-worn recipe written in my aunt's hand. For the last 30 years I have made these in Michigan, to the groans of my American friends. I have brought them to Australia, carefully wrapped in many layers of foil around the tin in which they were steamed for hours. I then have packed them in the middle of my suitcase, always wondering if they would be confiscated, either by the strict Aussie Customs agents (there is an exception made for Christmas puddings...who knew?), and more somberly, in this post 9/11 world, a Christmas pudding really does look suspiciously like my idea of a bomb. I have always been surprised that I have carried them unhindered across international borders. Imagine, the Christmas pudding as a possible instrument of destruction.

This pudding was also used as a gift for special people by my mother. In retirement, our poor father was conscripted to chop, grate and stir, and solemn drama accompanied this annual Christmas rite. The prime recipient was my mother's beloved Jewish doctor. He graciously accepted her gift from our non-kosher kitchen. Who knows if he ate it!

The things we do for love.

*Now for my story:* A few years ago, my husband Bob and I spent several days in Washington DC before Bob set off on his annual hiking trip in the Blue Ridge Mountains. We looked for a special place and found the *Embassy Circle Guest House* - a grand colonial Georgian mansion near Dupont Circle. We set off early from Detroit and arrived at 9am planning to leave our luggage and have a day of exploring DC. We were welcomed by a very gracious woman. "Come and join us for breakfast" she said. We entered the elegant dining room and were introduced:



*The elegant dining room.*



*The Embassy Circle Guest House Washington DC.*

This is John from Toronto, negotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement

Giovanni from Italy, with the World Health Organisation.

Stephan and Gudrun from Sweden, here for a medical conference,

The Kelly sisters from San Diego who come each year.

And Sue and Bob from Michigan.

Please come to our wine and cheese reception at 5pm before you head out for dinner. So we did, and met some more illustrious guests. I was most fascinated by the Innkeeper- her grace and ability to make this such a warm and welcoming place.

"How did you come to be the chatelaine of this beautiful place?"

"I'll tell you another time", she said, and floated around the room, deftly facilitating social interactions.

The next morning at breakfast I sat next to her, and I asked the same question, and she answered "Jesus made me do it"..... Unexpected.

Then she told me her story.

She met her husband at University in Washington DC. He was a Palestinian refugee from Lebanon where he had been in a terrorist training camp. He turned his life around and ended up in the US. They joined forces, married and he ran a very successful construction company. She raised her children and started to think about what to do with the rest of her life.

One Christmas she was thinking about the story of Mary and Joseph, and how there was "no room in the Inn" for the baby Jesus to be born. And it came to her.

*"I will create an Inn that will welcome people from all over the world, that is the best I can possibly make it "*

And for 30 years she and her family have done just that.

May you be inspired this season to

Remember "Those we love and see no more"

Value what is important from the past

And do crazy things for love

*Sue Watts is Paul Daley's sister. She and Bob reside in Melbourne over the summer months and return to the United States mid year. They are both active in VCCA (Vic).*

**Member News...**

John Anderson was a 'First Time Out' at Wangaratta in his 1913 Nazzaro. Accompanied by Geoff Pullar, the Edwardian race car was seen making good pace on the country roads. John acquired the car some four years ago, and it has an interesting history. Some 40 years ago the ex WA car was bought at auction and from around 1958 it rested in a shed behind a pub at Kilmore (Vic). Yes, they were the days of the 'barn find.'



John Anderson, 1913 Nazzaro.

David and Julie Jones were given a warm reception at Wangaratta, having been MIA for some years. David has 'put up the white flag', and announced, 'I need help!' It seems the 1914 Vinot has some issues, and they have decided to host an 'I'm desperate day', on February 14, at their residence in Rosebud, extending an open invitation to assist with commissioning the car. Already there's a group of willing helpers – Chris Dillon, Daryl Meek, Andrew McDougall, all have offered to assist! It seems that even Valentine's Day takes a back seat!



David Jones – white flag!

Simon and Tess Anderson gave their 1909 Hupmobile a 'First Time Out' at Wangaratta. The ex Canberra car has been restored over the past 15 months, and both Simon and Tess have worked together to bring the car back to its glory. When they acquired it, although 'near complete,' there was a lot not correct – eg the gearbox was missing seven important parts, and for Tess it was

a case of 'hold this, hold that, and screw this up'. Tess is both charming and practical, in fact she has a Heavy Semi Rigid endorsed driving licence, so the Hupmobile is in the 'easy' category. The couple sprayed the car themselves, and motoring movement identity Bruce Walker lined the car with pin striping. Simon has been a VCCA (Vic) member for 22 years, and it was back in the 1960's when his father Tony Anderson first put him in a veteran car at six months old.



Simon and Tess Anderson, with 1909 Hupmobile.

The Petanque Open Day at the Clubrooms on Sunday November 17, saw the Club field a team to participate in this popular annual event. Kim Coillet joined with the Savory family – Darren and Jennifer and daughter Mikaela, who was accompanied by Mikaela's fiancé Elvin Rego. The happy couple were engaged on June 30 – the day before Mikaela's birthday – that's a birthday present with real meaning! Elvin, ever the gentleman, was a courteous and cheery competitor on the petanque rink and enjoyed mixing with the VCCA members.



L-R Kim Coillet, Elvin Rego, Mikaela Savory, Jennifer Savory and Darren Savory.

The prestigious Bonhams London to Brighton Veteran Car Run held on the first weekend each November, has been a regular event for our member *Jennifer Atherton* and partner *Rodney Anderson*. Pictured is Jennifer rugged up with an old friend on the morning of the event pictured by the historic Serpentine – a 40 acre lake that was established in Hyde Park back in the 1730's. One of the landmarks near the lake is the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fountain. Jennifer and Rodney have been in Europe for nearly six months now, and we look forward to their return to Melbourne and they assure me they will be back in time for our Christmas celebration.



*Jennifer Atherton (R) rugged up for the Run with one of the Best Period Dress contestants.*

### **Wangaratta Video**

New member, *Richard Balsillie*, joined us on the recent Annual Rally at Wangaratta. A short video he made of the event was shown at the November Natter Night, and has now been loaded onto Youtube. To view the video, go to (or click on):

<https://rbalsecars.blogspot.com>.

The *Natter Night* on December 10 will be a special *Members Christmas Evening*, with drinks and nibbles being served from 7:15pm. Following the formal meeting at 8:00pm, *Sue Watts* will again deliver a Christmas message. A feature for supper will be a smorgasbord of delectable sausage rolls, prepared by a team of members – it will be ‘variety plus’, an extravaganza! There will also be a Christmas Raffle with prizes for over a dozen lucky members in the draw.

**The Committee joins with me and my wife Lena in wishing you and your families a very Merry Christmas and send our best wishes for every happiness in the New Year.**

*Yours in Veteran Motoring*

*Paul Daley*

*President*

## NATTER NIGHT



**TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup>  
DECEMBER**

**7.15pm - Drinks & Nibbles**

**8.00pm - Natter Night**



*Join us for a special night of Christmas celebrations and Christmas cheer. Our highlight this year will be the Sausage Roll Extravaganza - a selection prepared especially by members!*



## THE CLUB LIBRARY

Members are welcome to borrow books from our Library which is open each Natter Night.

Daryl Meek is continually adding new acquisitions to this invaluable resource.

## MEMBERSHIP

### **WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS**

*The committee and members warmly welcome the following new members to the Club.*

- *Richard and Maureen Balsillie of Camberwell*
- *Terry and Nika Lyness of St Ives*
- *Brian and Isobel Wroe of Boronia*

## Road Safety Act 1986 and Road Safety (Driver) Regulations 2019 Overview of changes

On 29 October 2019 a number of changes to the Road Safety Act 1986 will take effect.

The Road Safety (Driver) Regulations 2009 are also due to expire and a new set of regulations will commence on 29 October. The new regulations will be the Road Safety (Driver) Regulations 2019.

Following is an overview of the changes that will occur from 29 October 2019.

### Changes to Road Safety Act 1986

#### Deemed Service of notices

VicRoads notices will be deemed 'served' seven days after they were sent, even if the notices are returned undelivered. Limited exceptions will apply for genuine reasons (e.g. domestic violence). This is consistent with the service of traffic infringement notices.

VicRoads will have the authority to update a customer's address based on notification from an authorised third party (e.g. Victoria Police).

#### Demerit Point Scheme changes

A range of changes will be made impacting how demerit point suspensions and extended demerit point periods are served, including:

- Demerit point suspension will not be interrupted and will run concurrently with any other licence suspension or cancellation. An extended demerit point period will not be interrupted and will run concurrently with a licence suspension or cancellation
- Broadening of the number of offences that will breach the 12 month extended demerit point period (include non-demerit point offences e.g. speeding where there is a licence ban).
- Demerit points will be applied to the following existing offences; learner driver driving a motor vehicle without a supervising driver sitting beside the driver (3 points), failing to display "L" plates (1 point) and motorcycle learner permit holder not wearing an approved high visibility vest or jacket (1 point).

### Changes to Road Safety (Driver) Regulations

#### Requirement to convert to a Victorian Licence

Interstate and overseas licence holders will need to convert to a Victorian Licence/learner permit after living in Victoria for six months. International drivers will need to convert their licence and those driving on learner permits will need to take a Victorian learner permit test.

There is no change to the licence requirements and assessments.

#### Passenger Restrictions (XPAS)

Currently a P1 driver whose licence has been suspended or cancelled for a driving offence has a restriction applied to carry no more than 1 passenger, regardless of age. This condition will no longer apply and existing XPAS conditions will end at midnight on 28/10/2019. The review of the graduated licensing scheme did not find any benefit in this additional restriction which has only ever been applied to a small number of drivers. The peer passenger restriction however will continue to apply through the Graduated Licensing System where P1 drivers can only carry 1 passenger aged 16 to under 22 years of age. Exemptions apply.

#### Probationary Prohibited Vehicles

Probationary prohibited vehicles will be determined based on power-to-mass ratio. Exemptions to drive a lower performance turbo/supercharged vehicle will be removed, such as Club Permit/historic vehicles.

#### Heavy vehicle licences

Heavy vehicle combination licence will require the applicant to have an Australian Medium Rigid or Heavy Rigid licence for at least 12 months and complete a VicRoads approved Heavy Combination training course.

The requirement to hold an Australian car licence for 24 months has been removed.



<https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/online-services/sign-up-for-a-vicroads-online-account>

A range of minor, mostly technical initiatives will also be implemented to improve the operation of the regulations (clean up, new or amended definitions, etc). They include interpretation of time provisions and renumbering of regulations, and general regulations updates.

For more information about these changes visit:

<https://getinvolved.transport.vic.gov.au/driverreg2019>

View the new regulations when they are remade on 29 October 2019 at <http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/>

# RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally, Wangaratta, 2019

By Jill Bartlett (Photos by Gordon Berg)

A cold start to Friday was followed by an enjoyable drive to Wangaratta, a town at the confluence of the King and Ovens rivers, in anticipation of a rally in weather conditions reminiscent of Midwinter events. Rally Headquarters was the Gateway Motel where many Veterans assembled for the 40 kilometre afternoon circuit incorporating a chat/drink at the Boorhaman Hotel. The name, according to a local is aboriginal for - no school no church just a pub - said in jest. From here we returned to Wangaratta in weather conditions which deteriorated from windy and cold to a hailstorm encounter with many drivers and their passengers arriving at their accommodation wet and cold but always in good spirits. We re-convened for beverages and tasty finger food at the Motel later, midst lively conversation and sharing of tales tall and/or true.

Unfortunately we were unable to join the troops on Saturday morning but were taken on a tilt truck, with the Motor home to Albury and collected a hire car. The rally drove past Winton and Glenrowan, enjoyed morning tea and an exploration of the Benalla Aviation Museum and arrived at the Tatong Tavern for lunch. We re-joined the group numbering more than 80 at this point and again enjoyed a hearty buffet, alongside wood fires inside and out and debriefed on the events of the morning. After lunch we all returned to Wangaratta, some 126km altogether, blessed with some blue skies and less wind. The roads traversed offered scenic distant views of hills with sheep and cattle contentedly meandering.



Entrants assemble at the start on Saturday.



Andrew McDougall and Peter Fagan head the two wheel entrants.



At the Tatong pub for lunch.

The Rally Dinner on Saturday night was at the Motel and was enhanced by good tucker, conversation, acknowledgement of awards and a welcome and farewell speech by retiring RACV director Alex Downie

Sunday marked the final day of this Rally and we gathered at Apex Park for a briefing and many took advantage of the coffee cart which had been arranged. The first stop was the Eldorado Dredge, with many exploring the remains and history and others walking around the site wherein the story was presented on interpretive boards. It had been used from 1934 to 1959 amidst a thriving township and considerable gold and tin were extracted it was moved to its current site in 1954 and enjoys Victorian Heritage status. Our next stop was at Brown Brothers Milawa Vineyard, with immaculate buildings complemented by landscaped gardens featuring manicured flower beds and lawns featuring huge exotic trees including a peppercorn from the 1860's. The final gathering was for lunch at the Milawa Hotel, before returning to Wangaratta to trailer the cars for the journey home.

From Friday to Sunday the weather improved incrementally. Drives were scenic and roads suitable for these gorgeous cars. Some areas were clearly in drought and others lush, particularly near Milawa where the dairy farms provide for the iconic Cheesery. The eucalypts lining many roads were notable for the mistletoe draped along their branches almost translucently.

Thank you to the Rally Directors, David and Jeff, I am sure everyone would concur that this was a great success.



Paul and Kim Williams Wolseley at Brown Bros.



Neil and Betty Ferguson head of from Tatong in the Alldays and Onions.



Daryl Meek was tail-end-Charlie and much appreciated in his new RACV rig.



Alex Downie reflected on the rally and the mutual benefits of the RACV and the VCCA (Vic) at the Saturday dinner.



President Paul thanks David Nichols and Jeff Alcock on their great efforts in organising the rally.



At Apex Park the local constabulary were amused by the suggestion that this could be their next pursuit vehicle.



Lis and Alex Donald arrive in the Renault AX.



Jeff and David address participants at the Sunday start at Apex Park.



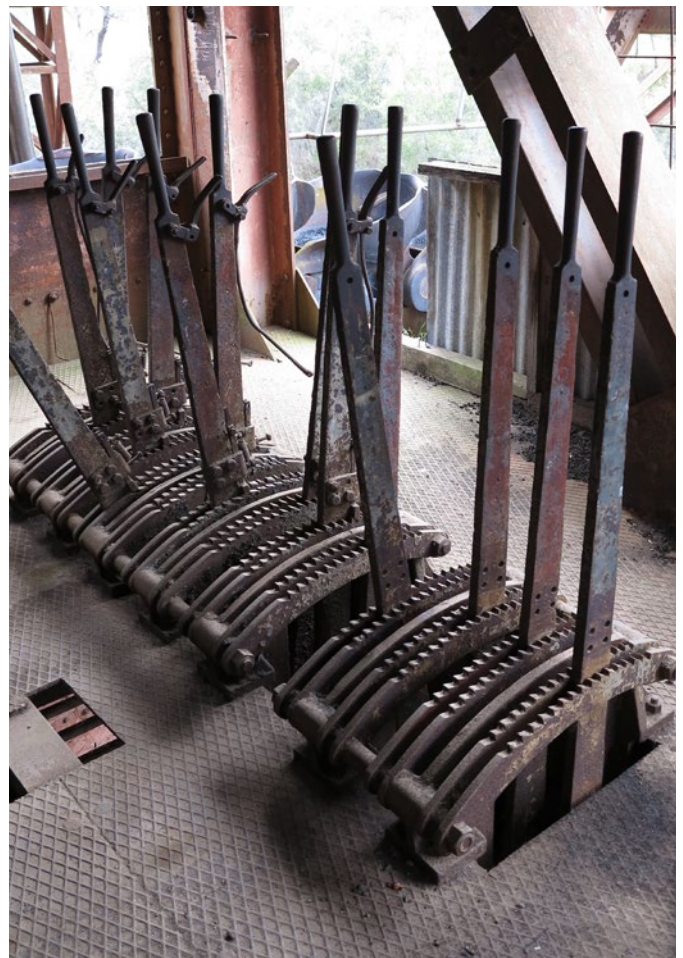
At the Eldorado dredge.



Peter Fagan and Peter and Judy Fitzgerald arriving at the Eldorado dredge.



Greg and Kate Orde arriving in the Itala.



If you thought changing gears in a veteran car was challenging try it in the Eldorado Dredge!



# List Of Entrants 2019 RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally - Wangaratta

Entrant	Passengers	Car
Peter Jordan Hill	Mark Herbstreit	1912 Ford T
Scott Staples	Caree Staples	1914 Ford T
Stan Bone	Maggie Bone	1910 FN
Paul Daley	Lena Daley	1913 Overland
Brian Hussey	Jill Bartlett	1913 Ford T
Bill Lindsay	Glenice Lindsay	1911 Ford T
Brian Scudds	Joan Scudds, Ian Heyme	1904 De Dion Bouton
Peter Fagan		1914 Triumph M/C
Fiona Lane	Daryl Meek	1916 Ford T
Simon Anderson	Tess Anderson	1909 Hupmobile
David Provan	Robert Tenney, Stephen Hobbins, Alex Napolitano, Andrew Warburton	1907 Cadillac
Chris Dillon	Fiona Dillon	1909 Minerva
David Lang	Peter Conroy	1915 Ford T
Ralph Provan	Lois Provan	1909 Renault
Ralph Provan	Rodney Provan, Jennifer Towt	1915 Dodge
David Couper	Trish Markie	1916 Oakland
Rick Thege	Heather Gingell	1914 Hotchkiss
Tim Harris	Marie Harris	1910 Briton
Alan Long	Janne Long	
Andrew McDougall		1914 Matchless M/C
Colin Daniels	Lis Donald, Karl Donald, Melinda Daniels, Alex Donald	1910 Renault
Roger Stewart	Margaret Stewart	1917 Overland
Gordon Berg	Catherine Berg	1910 Renault
Kim Coillet	Lea Coillet	1909 Renault
Greg Smith		1913 GWK
Michael Holding	Claudia Holding	1910 Buick
Neil Ferguson	Betty Ferguson	1912 All Days & Onions
Peter Hammet		1914 De Dion Bouton
Alan Esmore	Heather Esmore	1911 Berliet
Paul Williams	Kim Williams	1911 Wolseley
Jeff Alcock		1914 Overland
David Nicholls		
Robert Caffyn	Peter Caffyn	1912 Talbot
Deb Alcock	Demetri Kourouzides	
Peter Fitzgerald	Judy Fitzgerald	1912 Rover
Ken Russell	Julie Zhu	1913 La Buire
John Stanley	Christina Torio	1913 Stoewer
Greg Orde	Kate Orde	1909 Itala
David Jones	Julie Jones	1914 Ford T
John Anderson	Geoff Pullar	1913 Nazzaro
David Boyd	Gail Boyd	1915 Ford T
Brendan Walsh		
Bob Ballinger	Helen Ballinger	1915 Ford T
Euan Coutts	Wilga Coutts	1911 Scat

# 13th Model T Ford National Tour – Maryborough, QLD

Words and Pictures by Alan Flude



*More Ford Ts than you can see, parked opposite the historic Theebine Hotel.*

It had been three years since we were last together in Warragul Victoria, and this year's tour based in Maryborough from 29th September to 5th October. The 13th Model T Ford National Tour hosted by the Model T Owners Queensland, the theme 'Pop into Maryborough – 2019'. A perfect location for the event, Maryborough has a long and rich history, gateway to Hervey Bay and doorstep to Fraser Island. Maryborough is well known as birthplace of Pamela Travers in 1899, author of Mary Poppins children's book series.

During the 1,900km trip from Melbourne to Maryborough, we saw veteran cars being trailered home after the 2019 National Veteran Vehicle Rally at Bundaberg. Some veteran Model T Ford owners attended both Queensland events. Daily postings on Facebook made interesting reading, as participants shared their travel progress and experiences.

## **Sunday - Registration day**

Entrants were greeted at tour headquarters, the Brolga Theatre by the Tour organisers. All 145 entrants received their packs, a friendly and festive atmosphere with entrants from all Australian states and overseas getting together.

That evening the Mayor of Maryborough and Town Crier greeted us during the Welcome Dinner, opening the event with a deafening blast from the city's historical cannon. Tour Director, Peter Cameron and Don Hill, President MTOQ welcomed entrants and provided information on the coming week's activities.

## **Day 1 - Monday in the Country**

Each day we commenced our run from the Brolga Theatre, collecting sponsors materials and the daily newsletter.

A gentle 150km country drive on undulating roads in the Fraser Coast District. Morning tea provided by the 'Tucker Truck' in Tiaro Memorial Park. Lunch at the historic Theebine Hotel was a treat, with live music adding to the atmosphere. That small town of 35 people swelled by over 300, a great sight with 135 Model T's lined up opposite the pub.

## **Day 2 - Tuesday we go Farming**

A longer drive of 190km starting with a visit to a Macadamia Farm for morning tea, with an interesting tour of the nut processing plant. A long line of Model T's driving through sleepy towns to Tin Can Bay for lunch. The Tucker Truck once again providing excellent food and hot drinks, fortunately a heavy rain shower passed quickly.

Returning to Maryborough was a great drive, straight flat road with plenty of overtaking spots made for a 'fast' run.

## **Day 3 - Wednesday and a Whale of a Time**

Hervey Bay was our destination today, a 160km drive starting on a busy road with regular traffic. Morning tea overlooking the beach at Burrum Heads. with Model T's filling the carpark. Then a drive to Hervey Bay for an afternoon of sight-seeing and lunch with friends.

Dinner at Brolga Theatre that evening, with the 2013 Walt Disney movie 'Saving Mr. Banks' screening for our entertainment. The Mary Poppins history lives on.



Don Hill welcomes and provides instructions to entrants, and Tour Director Peter Cameron was the Rally Spokesperson.



Heading off at the start on day one of the tour.



Lunch at the Theebine Hotel, real country hospitality.



*The historic Portside Display on Thursday.*

#### **Day 4 - Thursday, Display Day**

A short drive to the 'Portside' district of Maryborough for our display day. Model T's filled the streets and parks, amongst historical buildings under sunny Queensland skies. What a marvelous sight, adding to the experience were tour entrants dressed in period costume, mingling with locals enjoying the day. Plenty to do exploring local museums and parks, or jumping aboard the 1870's steam powered 'Mary Ann' log hauler (replica). Also Market Day, a chance to taste local produces.

A scrumptious lunch was hosted by Fraser Coast Council in the heart Portside. Organisers did an excellent job to serve over 300 people without queuing or delays, plenty of seating with hot and cold drinks provided.

As the sun went down, Model T's assembled at Brolga Theatre for a 'Gas Light Parade'. Our vehicles came from 2 different directions, meeting at an intersection in the middle of Maryborough. An amazing spectacle and sound event, like going back to the Model T era as the constant stream of vehicles crisscrossed in all directions; old-time lighting, honking horns and exhaust/spark plug whistles amused a large number of spectators lining the streets.



*Morning tea stop at the macadamia farm.*



*The Tucker Truck 'T' provided refreshments every day.*



Some Ford T's are well travelled - this car came from the USA and has toured the world.



Gas light parade - an amazing spectacle for the locals.



Veteran Ts on display at Portside.



Traveling through the cane fields en route to a sugar cane farm for morning tea.

### Day 5 - Friday and a Sweet Time

Our final day on the road, a distance of 119km starting with a tour through Maryborough to see some 'Old Queenslander' homes, before heading out to see how a sugar cane farm works. After visiting the farm and morning tea we continued to the old township of Brooweena. Hosted by the historic group who maintain this town, we had an enjoyable lunch before visiting the museum and sights.

Final dinner at the Brolga Centre, the venue looked like a gala occasion. We were gob-smacked at the sight of endless white table cloths and black chairs, black and white balloons, hundreds of table settings neatly laid out. Entrants in period costumes, speeches by the Tour Committee and various awards made the farewell a memorable occasion. The beautiful 3 course dinner topped everything off perfectly.

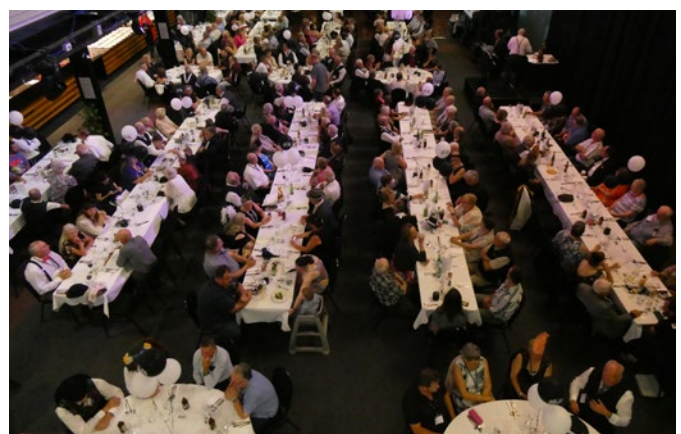
### Saturday - Farewell Breakfast

Always sad when a National Tour comes to an end. Breakfast at the Brolga Theatre was a chance to reflect on the great times we shared during our week at Maryborough, say goodbye to friends. Also an opportunity to thank all those who organised and made 'Pop into Maryborough - 2019' such an enjoyable and successful event.

The Model T Ford Club of Australia (NSW) Inc. announced the 14th Model T Ford National Tour will be held at Dubbo, NSW in 2022.



1911 Model T Tourer at Brooweena.



Final Dinner at the Brolga Centre, Maryborough.

# Combined Clubs Petanque Competition, November 2019

By Andrew McDougall



*Serious business of measuring shots.*

This event goes back decades and was formed by David and Moira Wischer with the fun day and light hearted competition held between members of the Alvis, Bristol, Daimler-Lanchester, Armstrong Siddeley and Jowett Car Clubs.

For the past couple of years the annual event has been expanded to include the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Victoria). Not only was this year's event sponsored by the Veteran Car Club, but also the other clubs who occupy the Lynden Park club rooms, the Camberwell Girl Guides and the Petanque Club members supported the day. The Girl Guides provided tea/coffee and cakes and the Petanque Club members assisted with the setting up and allowed us to use their rinks.

The day also saw a great display of respective club vehicles. There were three veterans: an AX Renault and two Ford T Models, four Alvis: 2 Speed 20s, a Silver Eagle and a Silver Crest Saloon, three Armstrong Siddeley saloons, two Daimlers and two Bristols, supported by a very nice Volvo. These cars provided a lot of interest for the members of the other organisations associated with Lynden Park and the members of the other car clubs.



*Andrew McDougall welcoming entrants at lunch.*



*The successful Bristol team with David Wischer.*

People started arriving from 11.00am through to midday and many enjoyed a cuppa from the Girl Guides for a gold coin donation. Lunch from midday to 1.00pm was self catered or the opportunity to enjoy a sausage sizzle provided by Veteran Car Club Members.

At 1.00pm it was time to get serious and commence the Petanque competition under the direction of Frances McDougall, who had prepared the teams' playing schedule. All car clubs had sufficient participants to form teams in their own right, with the exception of the Jowetts who required one supplementary member. Each of the car clubs played the teams, in turn, from all the other car clubs, with 3 games per round. There were four players per club in each round. The adherence to the strict rules of Petanque were not necessarily followed – some may refer to them as playing by Rafferty's Rules, however a very enjoyable time was had by all, going by the friendly banter heard.

By mid afternoon it was time to total up all the scores. Last year the Bristols won the competition and stated that they planned to build a permanent case to house the David and Moira Wischer Trophy, so the other teams were hoping to put the Bristols in their place. Alvis last year finished at the wrong end of the competition.



*Alvis and VCCA club entrants.*

So the final results for this year were:

Daimler-Lanchester 8, Alvis 9 (an improvement of one place), Jowett 13, Armstrong Siddeley & Veteran Car Club 15 and the runaway winner, Bristol 19. So we all failed to knock the Bristols off their pedestal and they may well now carry out their threat to build a permanent home for the trophy.

We really appreciated having David Wischer in person to present the trophy, he having turned 90 the week before.

It was a most enjoyable day of great camaraderie and light hearted banter and at its conclusion there was a unanimous call to hold the competition again next year at the same time and at the same venue.

I wish to thank all who assisted in making the day so successful: the Girl Guides, the Petanque Club members, the Veteran Car Club members and in particular, Geoff Payne, Kim Coillet, John Prior and his team, Frances McDougall for running the competition, Bob Northey for bringing the Alvis Car Club's secret

weapon – Eric Nicholl who is an active 98 and importantly Richard Tonkin for collecting and looking after David Wischer.

The day was a great demonstration of interclub association and the full utilisation of a much valued council provided facility.



*Armstrong Siddeleys and a Bristol.*

# Private Classifieds

## FOR SALE

1. De Dion Bouton Radiator a row of tubes missing.

**Price: \$300**



2. Gas producer, "Colonial Lamp & Motor Accessory MFG. Co. Pty. LTD. Melbourne"

It is a copy of a "Dietz". Not complete, a couple of dents in the tank and 3 lug sawn off..

**Price: \$400**



3. Mogal Carriage bell, U.S.A. Working order.

**Price: \$ 300**



4. 1913/14 Swift oil tank.

**Price: \$ 200**



5. Circa. 1900 surface carburettor.

**Price: \$ 400**

**CONTACT: Alex Selley**

**E: alexkaye@iprimus.com.au**



## FOR SALE

Tandem Trailer 3600mm x 1600mm internally. Perfect for the small to mid sized veteran. Although you can squeeze an Overland on it. Roller rocker springs, new tyres and wheel bearing. Tows well.

**CONTACT: Annette Newell**

**M: 0417 344 670**

## FOR SALE

Acetylene headlamp. 'Reflex Paris', eight inch. Brass body with both ends and top copper. The only lamp I have seen combining copper and brass. Would make a searchlight that is different.

**Price: \$750.**

Smiths Klaxon-type horn. All brass body and 5" trumpet. Near mint condition, no dents. Great noise.

**Price: \$650.**



Renault AX. Three half rear axle casings. No innards.

**Price: \$100 each or \$250 the lot.**



Electric motor Crompton Parkinson 240 volt, 4H.P. continuous, 1435 RPM, 2 amp, single phase. Weight 12kg.

**Price: \$50.**

**CONTACT: David Inglis**

**T: 9878 0496.**



## IDENTIFICATION WANTED

Unidentified radiator

Height o/all 530 mm, width o/all 535 mm, unusual is that the water out let is on the bottom/base of the radiator tank, core has 30mm square fins x 3 rows. Approx. year 1909/1913.

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# Events

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## COMBINED CLUBS FAMILY CHRISTMAS PICNIC

### COMO GARDENS

Our annual Christmas celebration for all the family will be held again at the beautiful Como Gardens, home of George and Pat Hetrel who have generously welcomed us over the years.

This is a BYO everything event, lunch, picnic tables and chairs, and enjoy the activities in this outstanding garden setting. By special arrangement, Father Christmas will be arriving at 2.00pm.

He will give out gifts that you will have clearly labelled and left discreetly in the designated VDC car near the entrance gate. Children will receive a drink and some lollies on arrival.

Vehicles entered for the Vintage Driver's Club Concours Trophy 2019 will be judged during the day. Please remember this is a private home, and make sure you pick up all wrapping paper and other rubbish before you leave.

**Note: If severe weather conditions occur this event will be cancelled.**

**When:** Sunday 1st December 2019  
11.00am onwards.  
**Where:** Como Gardens, Basin-Olinda Road,  
The Basin. (Melway 65 K8)  
**Contact:** Doug Stevenson  
Phone: 9333 6419  
Email: events@vdc.org.au

## THE VINTAGE SPORTS CAR CLUB PRESENTS:

### THE 2019 TWO-WHEEL BRAKE RALLY.

In 1919 a major technological advance was inaugurated in Melbourne with the opening of the first electrified heavy-rail service in the southern hemisphere and the first outside Europe and North America. In this its centenary year (which has largely been ignored by officialdom) join us as we peruse some of its features and finish with the remaining Tait and "Dogbox" stock itself which is stored in the depths of the Newport Railway Workshops.

ENTRY OPEN TO ALL TWO-WHEEL BRAKE CARS AND VSCC CARS; \$10 per brake drum, first two free.

**BRING:** Paper, portfolio, pens and ink in unfailing supplies and a MELWAY Street Directory.

**Start:** Dallas Brooks Drive, South Yarra (outside the Royal Botanic Gardens). Arrive from 7am for briefing at 7.45am and cars away from 8am (to beat the heat and the traffic).

**Finish:** Newport Railway Workshops, West Block (the current heritage precinct for operational rolling stock) then on to lunch in Williamstown as individually arranged.

**When:** Sunday 15th of December 2019  
**Contact:** Peter Donald  
0409 224 700  
peterinsteam@yahoo.com.au

## MIDSUMMA PRIDE MARCH

For the first time, the Club will be a participant - along with many other clubs and organisations - in Melbourne's iconic Pride March. The 25th Anniversary of the Pride March will grace Fitzroy Street on 2 February 2020 transforming the strip into a show of community pride. In a show of solidarity, we'll participate in the event that celebrates diversity and inclusion in our community, organisations and clubs. Everyone is welcome to walk with the Club in the parade. Just turn up on the day!

**When:** Sunday 2 February 2020  
**Where:** Fitzroy Street, St Kilda  
**Meet:** Ian Johnson Oval up the top end of Fitzroy Street near Lakeside Drive at 10.30am for a 11.00am start

### Vehicles:

The number of vehicles the Club can have in the parade is capped at four. If you are interested in participating in your veteran vehicle, please call David by 11 November. Please note that for safety reasons only registered vehicles and drivers approved by Victoria Police are allowed to participate

**Bring:** Comfortable walking shoes, hat, water, sun protection, family and friends  
**Contact:** David Provan, 0409 136 301  
david.provan@optusnet.com.au,

## RACV/AOMC BRITISH & EUROPEAN CAR SHOW.

Trophies in several classes, Club displays welcome. Display car entry from 9am, spectators from 10am. Food and children's entertainment available. Admission \$15 for display cars, spectators \$8.

**When:** 23 February 2020  
**Where:** Yarra Glen Racecourse

## RACV 1 & 2 CYLINDER RALLY, HAMILTON

The 2020 Veteran Car Club 1 & 2 Cylinder Rally will be based on the highly productive Lava Plain of the Western District of Victoria.

**Thursday:** On arrival at Rally Headquarters (which is the Clubrooms of the Hamilton & District V.V.C. Drivers Club) within the Pastoral Museum complex on the corner of Hiller Lane and Ballarat Road. You will be quite welcome to park your Tow vehicles and Trailers within the locked up complex for the duration if you wish. There will be a hot cuppa available on arrival.

In the afternoon there will be a short 'Shake-down' drive through the extensive German settlement areas of the district followed by a 'bar-b-cue' tea in the Rally Headquarters.

**Friday:** At 10.00a.m. we will begin a drive through the extensive cropping and grazing areas North of Hamilton and on into the picturesque Victoria Valley which leads to a very pleasant drive along the base of the Grampian

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Mountains. Lunch will be at the Grampians Golf Club Rooms which usually has an abundance of wildlife grazing along the fairways.

Following Lunch we will return to Hamilton via the 'swamp-country', nearby the base of the mountains, with its extensive bird life.

This will be followed by a 2-course Dinner at the nearby Grange Burn Motel on Ballarat Road.

**Saturday:** We will depart at 10.00a.m. on a Southerly Journey via the beautiful Mt.Napier volcanic country and pass by the largest Wind Farm in Victoria with a stop at Historic Macarthur for an early Lunch. From there we will drive out to Mt.Eccles for a look at one of the oldest volcanos in the Western District Lava Plain and the hidden lake therein. Following this we will return to Hamilton along one of the extensive Lava Flows that dominate our area.

There will be a Dinner/Dance at night in the Historic Alexandra House complex which once was a school for the daughters of the wealthy local landowners.

**Sunday:** Visit some of the Museums within City (Campe's Motor Museum and Ansett Transport Museum) and the Pastoral Museum Sheds will be open for your pleasure along with the newly erected replica of the Deutcher Foundry that once operated very successfully on Lonsdale Street.

There will be a Bacon & Egg Roll Brunch available for those prepared to travel early after Lunch.

**Name Tags:** Must be worn at all times as they could gain you entry to the Museums at less cost.

**ACCOMMODATION:** You will need to book and pay for your own accommodation and we have booked out 3 motels and a caravan park for the weekend, but there are many more available within the City if you book early as Hamilton is a very popular destination at that time of year.

**Bandicoot Motel** (Ballarat Road and a short walk to Rally Headquarters). There will be a special deal on all rooms if booked out during the Rally period.

**Grange Burn** (Ballarat Road and a short walk to Rally Headquarters). They have a few rooms available as they have booked in a Bus Tour for the weekend.

**Lake Hamilton Motel** (Ballarat Road, about a ten minute walk to Rally Headquarters). No room for Tow Vehicles and Trailers. Opposite the Ansett Transport Museum.

**Lake Hamilton Caravan Park** (Ballarat Road, a short distance from the Lake Hamilton Motel).

**When:** Thursday 12 to Sunday 15 March 2020  
**Contact:** Rally Director: Doug Palmer  
0409 010 730 or 5572 1070

## SHANNON'S/AOMC AMERICAN CAR SHOW.

Trophies in several classes, Club displays welcome. Display car entry from 9am, spectators from 10am. Food and children's entertainment available. Admission \$15 for display cars, spectators \$8.

**When:** 29 March 2020  
**Where:** Yarra Glen Racecourse.

## THE ECHUCA & DISTRICT HISTORIC VEHICLE CLUB INC. ECHUCA SWAP MEET ROTARY PARK,

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**When:** Saturday, 18th April, 2020  
**Where:** Rose Street, Echuca  
**Gates Open:** Sellers: 5:00 am  
Buyers: 7:00 am  
**Enquiries:** 0456 010 665,  
echucaswap@outlook.com

## RACV 2020 NATIONAL VETERAN VEHICLE RALLY SWAN HILL

### HAVE YOU BOOKED YOUR ACCOMMODATION YET?

We have over 100 confirmed accommodation bookings and you may miss out on your first property choice. **BOOK your accommodation NOW!**

**The Big4 Riverside** (Rally HQ) cabins are fully booked but powered sites are still available. (1800 101 012)

**The Big4 Swan Hill** has cabins with various floor plans, powered and ensuite sites (1800 990 389)

**The Lazy River budget motel** has rooms available. (03 5032 2123)

NOTE: We have removed the Swan Hill Resort from our list of recommended properties. The properties above will provide the level of service we all expect.

Contact the Rally Directors below should you need assistance.

We have received over 120 Expressions of Interest. You can register on-line or forms are accessible from the rally web pages (see below).

This is going to be a big event!

All the information you need is on the rally pages. Click on the National Rally link on the club website [www.veterancarclub.org.au](http://www.veterancarclub.org.au)

The rally starts with a Mayoral Welcome, Sunday afternoon, October 11th 2020 and finishes with breakfast on Saturday morning October 17th.

**When:** 11 October – 17 October 2020  
**Where:** Swan Hill, Victoria  
**Contacts:** Rally Directors  
Michael & Claudia Holding  
0407 008 895  
[nationalrally@veterancarclub.org.au](mailto:nationalrally@veterancarclub.org.au)

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# Kalorama Rally

Kalorama Memorial Reserve

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Sunday 22nd March 2020



For Further Information:

Iain Ross: 0409 027 392

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# Natter Night Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, 12 November 2019 commencing @ 8.00 pm**  
**Veteran Car Club of Australia (Victoria)**  
**Clubrooms, Lynden Park, Wakefields Grove,**  
**Camberwell**

## 1. Opening

The Club's President, Paul Daley, opened the meeting at 8.00pm and welcomed all in the attendance.

## 2. Attendance

There were 48 members who attended the meeting.

## 3. Apologies

Claudia and Michael Holding, Betty and Cliff Ward, Peter and Robert Caffyn, Ian Berg, Jenny Savory, Wally Nye, Hugh and Rayna Guthrie.

## 4. Visitors

Paul Daley welcomed Mr Harold Peters & Mrs Wanita Doerksen from Vancouver, Canada. Owners of a 1909 Isotta Fraschini FENC Tipo A.

## 5. Member News

Paul Daley reported that Rick Thege has back surgery coming up and Cliff Ward is having some respite care. Jeff Alcock appreciated the help of Steve Hobbins in soldering a microphone cable on the Annual Rally.

**Paul Daley advised our membership had grown year on year, 535 to 563. Something to be proud of.**

## 6. Events Report (Ben Alcock)

### 6.1 Past Events

Daryl Meek advised he attended the Nhill Airshow where three historic Nhill cars returned to the area for the weekend. The cars being the 1923 Emmerson Cadillac, the Ken Russell 1917 Studebaker and the John Stanley 1922 Stoewer.

RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally Wangaratta – 8-10 November 2019. A very successful rally with Jeff Alcock and David Nichols thanked as the organisers.

### 6.2 Future Events

Bendigo Swap – 16-17 November 2019 – members needed to help run the Site on Sunday

Inter Club Petanque Competition – VCCA Club Rooms – 17 November 2019

Geelong Revival Motoring Festival – 22-24 November 2019

Combined Clubs Family Christmas Picnic Como Gardens – 1 December 2019

VSCC Two-Wheel Brake Rally – 15 December 2019

## 7. Library and Archives Report

Daryl Meek advised a donation of books from Shane Edwards from the late Graeme Edwards estate. Kim Coillett donated 2 x Motorcycle books, and Daryl donated a Spyker book (in Dutch).

## 8. Wanted, For Sale or Swap

David Ingliss has a large circa 1910 Copper and Brass headlight.

Shane Edwards has a De Dion book for sale, and 5 red hides.

Robyn Blackwell has a 6 digit vitreous enamel plates for sale.

Jeff Alcock needs a 1910 AX Renault Steering Box.

## 9. General Business

David Cooper lost his Fuel Guage on the Annual Rally.

## 10. Next Meeting:

Christmas Meeting commencing at 8.00 pm on Tuesday, 10 December 2019

## 11. Meeting Closure

The President closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

## 12. Speakers

Ben Alcock spoke about Inventions by Ladies back in the early days of motoring. Fiona Lane displayed and talked about her vintage dress collection on show.



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*Heading off at the T Ford rally from Portside.*



*Tim and Marie Harris in the 1910 Briton on the RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally at Wangaratta (Photo by Gordon Berg)*



*John Anderson and Geoff Pullar in the 1913 Nazzaro on the RACV Veteran Car Club Annual Rally at Wangaratta (Photo by Gordon Berg)*