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SOME OPPOSITE LOCK!



Continuing our series on members' cars.

Canberra 1992 – the Editor's Jowett Javelin on the ACT Police Driver Training Centre skid pan, where liberal water application made it interesting. This Javelin is with its second owner and has not been restored. It is a 1951 De Luxe model and has been driven more than 120,000 miles. It is now in storage waiting for an engine change and repairs to brakes, suspension and rear axle. It will be back on the road to celebrate the Jowett Car Club's 50th anniversary at Armidale, NSW, over Easter 2006.

To prevent more pictures of Jowetts appearing here, send in your photographs!

"Owning and Appreciating the Spirit of Fine British Classics"

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The publication, *Your ABCCC News*, is the official magazine of the ABCCC Inc. It is published once a month, with the exception of December. The magazine's issue date is during the week of the 25th of each month. To make the editor's task a little easier, it is requested that articles, events information and photographs are with the Magazine Editor prior to the 14th of each month.

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The Association of Motoring Clubs Inc.

The ABCCC Inc. is a long-time member club of the Association of Motoring Clubs Inc. (AOMC). It maintains two Delegates to the AOMC, who attend four Delegates' Meetings conducted by the AOMC per year. The meetings are on the fourth Monday of February, May, August and November and they commence at 8:00 pm. The venues for the meetings can be obtained from the ABCCC Delegates. Visitors are very welcome at all AOMC Delegates' Meetings.

The ABCCC also sends representatives to AOMC conducted Information Seminars. The ABCCC also supports, enthusiastically, the motoring shows presented by the AOMC.

The Victorian Club Permit Scheme

The ABCCC Inc. is a club that is authorized by VicRoads to operate vehicles under the Victorian Club Permit Scheme. On the Committee there are two Victorian Club Permit Scheme Officers, and their contact details are listed in the Committee Directory.

Club members will be kept up to date with respect to changes and improvements to the Victorian Club Permit Scheme. However, it cannot be stressed enough, that a vehicle operated on the scheme, must carry the VicRoads Permit (current), the AOMC Victorian Club Permit Scheme Handbook and a copy of *Your ABCCC News* that contains details of the event the permitted vehicle is participating in.

All enquiries should be directed to the ABCCC Victorian Club Permit Scheme Officers.

Membership Subscriptions

The annual membership subscription for the ABCCC Inc. is \$35.00. There is a joining fee of \$20.00.

Please send membership subscriptions to Pat Douglas, 12-14 Grandvalley Drive, Chirnside Park, Victoria, 3116.

Membership subscriptions should be paid prior to the end of December.

COMING EVENTS

Note: All events listed in this directory are placed in good faith. Events for inclusion must be with the Magazine Editor prior to the 14th of each month. Events organized by other clubs or associations have a contact telephone number, that should be contacted prior to the event, if giving consideration to take part in it, to confirm date and venue.

August 2004

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| 8 | Visit to Polly Woodside Museum – ABCCC Inc. Event. | Ross Gardiner (03) 9818 5094 |
| 22 | Run to Castlemaine, Historic Motor Car Centre for our Nation | Bill Allen (03) 9846 2323 |
| | Full details on Page 8. | |

September 2004

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| 5 | Snowballs in September – ABCCC Inc. Event. | Frank Douglas (03) 8704 2533 |
| 26 | Tasmania Temptations Tour Briefing Barbecue. | Don Johnson (03) 9830 0945 |

October 2004

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| 9 – 17 | Tasmania Temptations – 2004 – ABCCC Inc. | Don Johnson (03) 9830 0945 |
| 30 - | Cup Day Weekend at Lorne. | Tony Hodges (03) 5263 1580 |
| 2 Nov | Early Details, but Book Now! | |

November 2004

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| 13 – 14 | Bendigo National Swap Meet – FVV & CVC. | |
| 21 | RACV Wings & Wheels Day – ABCCC Inc. | Frank Douglas (03) 8704 2533 |
| | Venue – Lilydale Airfield, Lilydale, Victoria. | |

December 2004

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| 5 | Christmas Break-up Luncheon (Note could be on 12 th) | |
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January 2005

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| 23 | The RACV Great Australian Rally – ABCCC Inc. | Frank Douglas (03) 8704 2533 |
| | Start Points – Fox Classic Car Collection, Docklands; Brandon Park, Glen Waverley; Casey City Council, Narre Warren and, Western Port Marina, Hastings. | |
| | Finish point – Mornington Racecourse. | |

March 2005

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| 12 – 19 | 4 th RACV Fly The Flag Tour – ABCCC Inc. | Frank Douglas (03) 8704 2533 |
| | "Alpine & Lakes Tour". | |
| 20 | RACV British & European Motoring Show – AOMC. | Frank Douglas (03) 8704 2533 |
| | Venue – Dandenong Showgrounds, enter from Sinclair Street. | |

April 2005

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| 17 | RACV American Motoring Show – AOMC. | Frank Douglas (03) 8704 2533 |
| | Venue – Mornington Racecourse, Mornington. | |
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EDITORIAL NOTES – ISSUE 77

It seems like it was only yesterday that the last issue was sent out and here we are today preparing to get this issue to you tomorrow. Our months seem to be flying past this year, and there is a part-reason for this, our events have been so successful. Time flies when having fun! So, be quick and get your plans of participation to our events' organisers, a task always appreciated.

In this issue we have a rather special flyer for the Tasmania Temptations Tour, being run by Don and Aurora Johnson. It is through this that I have discovered that Don and I have a mutual admiration for things IK Brunel – the SS Great Britain in particular. Hence our "All Aboard!" picture. Don also claims that it is near the SS Great Britain display that the best bacon sandwiches can be obtained. I could possibly dispute that claim as, in the 'old days' the **very best** bacon sandwiches were found at the lorry drivers' café in Tetbury, Gloucestershire. At those times, on a winter's morning those bacon sandwiches were sensational! Probably, the café has been bulldozed in the name of progress. Anyway, the SS Great Britain did bring 15,000 migrants to our shores, so there is a connection. If you are ever in Bristol, take a good look at Brunels' screw driven ship, a ship of so many 'firsts' – you will be well rewarded.

On Page 5 is an announcement about our club's involvement with the AOMC Motoring Shows, it is a very important development and needs your support. Please contact Frank or myself if you can provide some help. Remember, the AOMC works hard for our hobby, and it is appropriate that we be of assistance to them in return.

We have some enjoyable events planned for the rest of the year and planning is well advanced for next year's RACV Great Australian Rally. The brochure for this event is now printed and will be distributed soon. As always, we are looking for marshals to help make the Rally run smoothly. If you can assist, then contact Ray Higginson, Tony Pettigrew, Frank Douglas or myself. We need parking marshals and logistical assistants at the start points, plus a group at the finish at Mornington. This is an important event for us, so please pitch in and help. If you are not sure, please call us and we will be pleased to help.

Mike Allfrey.

THE OTHER ELECTION WHERE YOUR VOTE WILL COUNT!

The annual cycle of elections for membership of the Board of the RACV is soon to get underway and Board member Peter Chandler is standing for his second three year term.

This has particular significance to motoring club members as he has been a strong champion for our movement and during his term the RACV has substantially increased its support for our activities.

Some members may be aware that Peter Chandler has chaired the organising committee for the RACV Great Australian Rally since its inception – an event which now attracts nearly 1,000 vehicles to Mornington each year and has become a 'must attend' fixture for many club members.

He has also been chairman of the RACV Fly the Flag Tour in 2003 and 2004 and is currently working on the 2005 Tour that will head to the Victorian Alps for a seven day travel experience.

A further chairmanship is for the RACV Wings and Wheels event scheduled for 21st November this year when classic aircraft and vehicles will come together at Lilydale airfield for public display.

Peter also chairs the RACV and Motoring Clubs Steering Committee where representatives of the bodies meet to work on projects that will advance the interests of the clubs.

To maintain this momentum, members are encouraged to vote for Peter at the forthcoming election which is open to both RACV Club and Roadside Assistance members. The ballot papers will be issued in the Royalauto Magazine that members will receive during the week commencing 27th September.

Leaving aside our direct interests it should be said Peter has a range of other professional experiences and attributes that make him a valued member of the RACV Board. No doubt these will be elaborated in the voting papers in Royalauto.

Editorial Note: Peter is a member of our club and has an immense understanding of the historic vehicle movement.

Brain Teaser

Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday?

Answer – Look for it, hidden in the text in this magazine! Sure beats the GTC!

THE AOMC MOTORING SHOWS – AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Negotiations have been taking place between our club and the Association of Motoring Clubs (AOMC), with respect to the ABCCC's involvement in running the two Motoring Shows. At the Trivia Night meeting, a show of hands was called for to approve of our club conducting the British & European Motoring Show® and the American Motoring Show® on behalf of the AOMC. There was a majority show of hands. This indicates a willingness, of those present, to assist in the promotion of the shows and to provide help with marshalling on the events' days. There is a reward for the ABCCC on this, for each show the ABCCC will receive a donation of \$2,500.00 towards club funds. Further discussion with the AOMC and the RACV has confirmed our club's role in conducting the two Motoring Shows.

This is all very positive for our club, it means that subscriptions can be kept at their current low level and, just as importantly, it will provide our club with excellent publicity. It is also a recognition of the degree of expertise in running motoring events in Victoria.

The most important aspect of this development is that we, and that is you, must rally round and give the organising group some assistance – in the planning, promotion and on the day. This will be a case of 'the more helpers, then the less work for each'. We will be discussing this topic in *Your ABCCC News* as the shows approach.

Our thanks to Frank Douglas for negotiating with the AOMC and RACV on our behalf.

The AOMC Motoring Shows – Background

More years ago than I care to remember, a group of enthusiast motorists from the Vauxhall Owners Club, the Jowett Car Club, the Daimler Lanchester Car Club, Club Lotus, the Austin Car Club and the Zephyr Zodiac Owners Club, at the invitation from the Vauxhall Club, met to 'put the peg in the ground' for a British Car Display Day. Other clubs may also have been involved, but those are the ones that are recallable right now. That first British Motoring Show was held in February 1980, at the Templestowe Hill Climb course site. It was then decided that a second show would be held after a two-year interval. The second show was held at Mornington Racecourse.

Later, in 1984, the AOMC was approached by the group and requested to organise the future shows. At very close to the same time, the AOMC took on the 'All American Day' to stage the American Motoring Show. For some years the two shows were held on alternate years, totally organized by the AOMC – in fact they became the major source of funds for that body. Over the years the two shows grew in popularity and there were soon demands for a European Show, from the clubs of that ilk. A separate European Motoring Show was organized, but failed to attract sufficient numbers to cover staging costs. It was subsequently decided to combine the British Motoring Show with the European Motoring Show to form the British & European Motoring Show. Britain being by then a member of the European Union. The American show is still very independent, the clubs refusing any liaison with Australian or Asian vehicles.

The motoring shows have always been shows for the clubs, run by the clubs under the AOMC umbrella. The intention is to keep our shows to this format for the foreseeable future. For the past

few years the shows have been stage managed by Eric Norton (*Chevrolet Car Club*). Eric has helped to upgrade the two shows into the popular, and important, events that they are now. After this year's shows, Eric decided to have a well earned rest from this activity.

Our sincere thanks to Eric for a truly superb running of these important shows. It is now up to us to continue the tradition!

Mike Allfrey.

AN INTERESTING PAINT PROTECTION PRODUCT

At the May AOMC Delegates' Meeting, we had a guest speaker. Actually, our speaker was a three man team who presented a fairly hard-sell presentation that demonstrated the Toughseal Paint Protection system. One of the team explained that Toughseal is a product they are importing from the United Kingdom, after extensive searching in the United States of America, that contains 8 per cent Teflon. This product, when applied to the paint finish or any metal on a vehicle will provide a lustre which will last for five years. They claim it protects from road grime, bird droppings (provided they are washed off within a week), ultra violet rays, fading, tree sap, acid rain, oxidation etc. Prepsol can be used to clean off Toughseal from paint finish, so it is popular with panel repairers who currently struggle with silicone polish residue.

They approached some new-car dealers to try Toughseal, numerous excuses have been given, but they suspect that the current cost of the product, added to the much longer life of Toughseal does not appeal to the dealers. Mr Cameron Richardson explained that he is a car enthusiast, who went to the USA and England looking for a product that would protect the paint finish better than the polish products being supplied at about \$900.00 by the new-car dealer trade.

The Toughseal crew will either detail a car themselves with Toughseal, and guarantee its finish for five years, or sell the treatment kit to the owner to apply themselves for \$110.00. They believe that the owner can do just as good a job, but lacks the guarantee.

In response to questions from Delegates, the team stated that unlike polishes and waxes, you don't have to worry about getting Toughseal on rubber or vinyl parts of the car. They do suggest that it be applied in shade in summer, and not be applied to a hot bonnet after the car has been running. One Delegate asked about application to the polished aluminium bonnet on his Veteran car. He was assured that application of Toughseal in this case, would result in a requirement to do nothing more than washing for the next five years. The same applied to brass fittings on the Veterans, and chrome on more recent cars. One Delegate asked about the chrome exhaust pipes on his motor cycle. They were unable to answer this, but undertook to experiment on such an application, and would get back to him directly.

The Toughseal crew are, however, visiting various car clubs, and are offering Toughseal kits to club members at \$50.00 each. This was a very impressive demonstration, with the whole crew staying till after the meeting when they were inundated with questions from interested Delegates.

Telephone 1300 554 944, or visit their website www.toughseal.com.au – Usual disclaimers apply.

Graham Hutchinson – AOMC Delegate.

WANTED!

The front cover of Your ABCCC News features member's cars with a short description. With today's ease of sending photographs from digital cameras via E-mail, there should be no shortage of material for our magazine's cover. Please E-mail your favourite picture of your beloved British classic to the Editor on moubray@tpg.com.au. Interesting comments about how the car was found, or restored or bought will be of great help. Thank you for your input.

Mike Allfrey – Editor.

PAST AND FUTURE EVENT REPORTS

THE GREAT ABCCC TRIVIA CHALLENGE – Saturday 10th July 2004

It was on a cold winter's evening that the knowledgeable amongst us gathered at Meg Wood's Deli and Wine Bar at Wandin, for another running of the ABCCC Trivia Challenge. We all settled down at our tables and were ready for the first of three sheets of questions. Before proceedings got under way, we had a mini general meeting to announce coming events and to discuss other matters, reported elsewhere in this issue. We were then handed the first sheet of twenty questions and, before we could commence the serious business, had to write in a name for our teams. Our table became the 'Dictators' simply because, with pen in hand, a request was made to have the answers dictated by our team members.

There were a few questions of dubious origin, but were informed that the Question-master's decision was final. Frank was our MC for the Challenge and Pat was the official score administrator of the answer sheets. It soon became clear that the teams' names had to be written in on the answer sheets, otherwise no points would have been given.

As part of the rules, the teams with lesser numbers were awarded credit points. There was a formula for this and it seemed to work well. Thus it was that pencils were licked and wits sharpened for the first of the three sets of twenty questions. The questions were of a general nature and, thankfully, there were none about film directors' names. After the second sheet was marked and handed to Pat, it was time for a break to replenish wine glasses and to consume yet more delicacies that were brought to us.

After a few minutes, the third sheet was handed out and the competition warmed up. Soon, we had filled in all the answers that we could, and passed the sheet on for marking. After a remarkably short time, the results were announced and the scores are recorded:

Bush Rangers	Hot Peppers	Devils	Italian Job	Lea Francis	Dictators
33	35	40	45	45	52

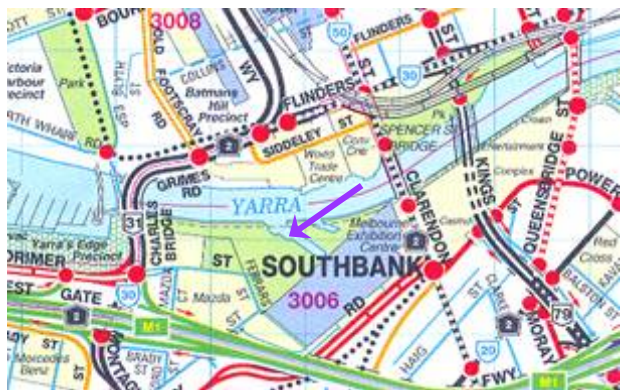
Thanks are due to the Dictators team members, Lyn and Ray Higginson, Ross Gardiner and Sue and Mike Allfrey, for their valuable input. Our Great Trivia Challenge prize was an enormous cake which was expertly divided and consumed by all present.

Special thanks are also due to John Wood and his family for making the venue available and for laying on so much wonderful finger food. Thanks also to Frank and Pat for superb handling of the ABCCC Great Trivia Challenge. Thanks also to all of those who came along and made it such an enjoyable evening.

Here's looking forward to next year – Carn the Dictators!

Mike Allfrey.

PIRATES AND PARROTS, POLLY WOODSIDE – 8th August, 2004



The restored tall ship, 'Polly Woodside' is moored in the historic Duke & Orr's Dock. Epitomising the ships that were used to found and shape Australia, the 1885 restored barque *Polly Woodside* is the centre-piece of the Yarra riverfront museum. The 640 ton, three-masted iron barque was built in Belfast for the South American coal/nitrate trade, and rounded the infamous Cape Horn sixteen times. By the 1960s, she had become a wreck and was earmarked for scuttling. Instead, she was donated to the Victorian branch of the National Trust of Australia and funds

were raised to restore her. The location of the Polly Woodside Museum is shown by the purple arrow in the map above. The Museum can be accessed from Lorimer Street.

There are all sorts of activities and interesting stuff to see in the maritime museum apart from the *Polly Woodside* herself. There is easy car parking right at the rear door of the Museum. We will be making use of the on-site barbeque facilities between 11:30 am and 2:30 pm.

The event will be a fancy dress affair, so dig out your pirate's gear, sharpen your cutlass, don an eye patch and practice saying, "AAAAAHHHHHRRRRR Me Hearties!" Oh, and don't leave the parrot at home!

As usual, we need to know the numbers, so, if you wish to join in the fun, please contact me on telephone number (03) 9818 5094. Or, E-mail to consultanalogue@hotmail.com.

Ross Gardiner.

RUN TO CASTLEMAINE – 22nd August, 2004

We will meet at the Botanical Gardens on the Calder Highway at Malmsbury – approximately one hour's drive from Melbourne – at 9:15 am for morning tea. Either bring your own or purchase at the nearby bakery.

After our refreshment break, we will depart Malmsbury at about 10:00 am and travel on B180 to Castlemaine, arriving at 'BUDA' Historic home and Garden at 42 Hunter Street, Castlemaine.



Hunter Street is indicated by the dark green arrow on map at left. We expect to arrive at 'BUDA' at about 10:30 am. A tour of this charming 19th Century Gentleman's Residence and Picturesque Garden has been arranged. Cost of the tour is \$6.00 per person and is a group concession price. There are also a gift shop and a plant nursery that features hardy water-conserving plants.

Following our visit to 'BUDA', we are booked for lunch in the Bistro at the Cumberland Hotel, located at 191 Barker Street (orange arrow). Our booking is for lunch at 1:00 pm.

After lunch and, time permitting, a visit to the famous Restorer's Barn at 129 Mostyn Street (purple arrow), Castlemaine. Or, we can visit some of the town's antique shops, which will appeal to some.

Our final stop for the day is the Castlemaine Rod Shop on the Pyrenees Highway (B180) south-east of the town at Chewton. Here, at 3:00 pm, we have arranged for Rod Hadfield to give us a talk on the Street Rod and Old Car Movement in the Castlemaine area. There will also be a tour of the spacious and well equipped workshop, and the amazing display of Memorabilia and fantastic array of custom-built Street Rods and Custom cars. Also on display will be "The Final Objective" – the most powerful street registered car in the world – a 1957 Chevrolet featuring a 27 litre (4,185 cu in) Rolls Royce Merlin aeroplane engine.

The cost of this tour and talk is just \$2.00 per person.

Editor's Note: The coloured arrows indicate the street, not the actual location of the venue.

Because several bookings for the day have been made, confirmation of numbers will have to be made in advance. So, if you wish to take part in our Castlemaine Run please contact Bill Allen on telephone number (03) 9846 2323, before 15th August.

Bill Allen.

SNOWBALLS IN SEPTEMBER – 5th September, 2004

This event will take place in Marysville – note that the date is now 5th – and we will meet at Coldstream at 9:30 am for a 9:45 am departure to Marysville and morning tea at the Marysville Motor Museum. Club members Fred and Dot Sawyer own this interesting museum and will be providing morning tea for us. Fred will give us an entertaining tour of the museum's goodies. After this, we will then visit the Mountain Lodge Guest House, where we have previously stayed as a club, and enjoy a great four-course meal with Suzette our hostess. Cost is only \$26.00 per head. This lady cooks a top meal! After lunch, we head for Lake Mountain and play snowballs.

This should be a real good day and we need bookings for catering. Please ring Frank on the usual number, (03) 8704 2533, to make your booking.

Frank Douglas.

LORNE, GREAT OCEAN ROAD WEEKEND TRIP – 30th October to 2nd November, 2004

Provisional bookings have been made at the Coachman Inn at Lorne, south west of Geelong, on the Great Ocean Road. The Coachman Inn has been selected, tariff is \$140.00 per double per night and the rooms include kitchenettes with microwave oven and toaster etc, so that you can prepare your own breakfast if you wish.

If you wish to join in, please contact Tony Hodges on (03) 5263 1580, or you can E-mail Tony at:

siddeley@pipeline.com.au

Please contact Tony as soon as possible. We look forward to your company in Lorne.

Tony Hodges.



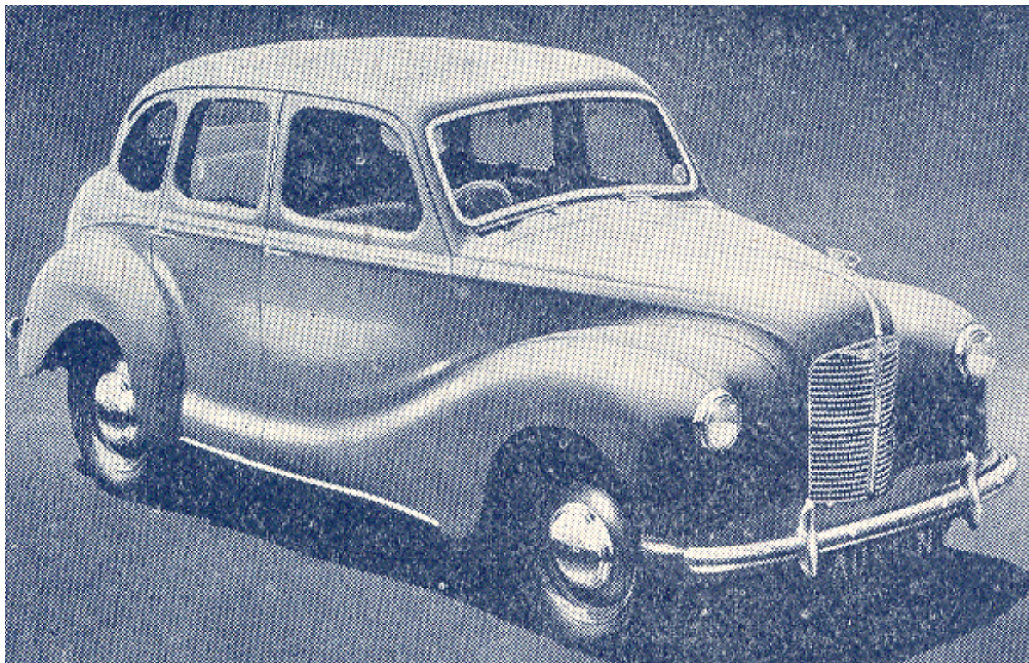
Now we know Frank's fascination with Bagpipes

1949 CLASSICS

The *Australian Motor Manual 1948-9 Annual* features interesting reviews on all motor cars that were available in this country for 1949. Each month we are going to feature one of the cars here. It is interesting to read what was said then, about the British cars in the market place. We now know how they all performed, but let's enjoy the writers' expectations of the British offerings for 1949. The motor cars described will appear in manufacturer alphabetical order.

Here is Number 5 in this series:

AUSTIN A40 11 h.p.



Australia welcomes the advent of the first popularly priced car that shows – and gives – a big advancement over the pre-war era. Its notable 10.6 h.p. O.H.V. motor delivers as much as 40 b.h.p. at 4,300 revs., quite enough to enable it to shoot up to 70 m.p.h. but it is best in the fifties, at which speed it will give 30 miles per gallon. It has independent suspension. The A40 is now the smallest member of the Austin family and is available in two body styles – the saloon with sunshine roof, with four doors, or as a sports tourer. Its compactness is further justification for its place in the city.

From Motor Manual – with thanks.

ABCCC MAJOR EVENTS NEWS

RACV Wings and Wheels Day

This event is progressing quietly and we are currently working on a Souvenir Programme to hand out at this important event. A part of the planned programme is an item describing close relationships between the motor car industry and the aeroplane industry. We need useful information about such relationships or associations to make the article complete.

If you have any information that would be suitable, then please pass it on to Mike Allfrey.

For this event, we will also need some help with Marshalling, the contact details are below.

RACV Great Australian Rally & RACV Fly the Flag Tour 2005

We are well advanced with preparations for our two major events for next year. We have received the brochure/entry forms from the printer and they are now ready for distribution.

Members who are Marshals on the RACV Fly the Flag Tour receive substantial discounts for being Marshals on the event. There are a limited number of vacancies for this rewarding activity and, if you wish to join in and help, please call Ray Higginson on (03) 9390 5236 (at work) or on (03) 9336 7306 (at home). If you are interested, DO IT NOW, or you may miss out.

Don't forget, we also need Marshals and start-point helpers for the RACV Great Australian Rally. The contact for this event is also Ray, but you can call Mike Allfrey on (03) 9729 1480 or Frank Douglas on (03) 8704 2533.

A WARM WELCOME FOR NEW MEMBERS

The All British Classics Car Club extends a warm welcome to our new members, and their cars, who have joined our club since the last issue of *Your ABCCC News*. We look forward to meeting you at one of our events very soon.

New Members	Motor Car	Model	Year
David Clarke	MG	'B'	1969
Richard Stubbs	TBA	TBA	TBA

Richard, a long-time member of the All British Classics Car Club (Queensland Branch), has transferred to Melbourne. He has taken the position of Marketing Manager at Rare Spares and we wish him well with his new appointment. This is the first time there has been a transfer of membership from Queensland.

Well known motor vehicle auctioneer, Bill Wellwood, has retired and has re-joined our club. What a wonderful way to start a retirement! Welcome back Bill.

Pat Douglas – Membership.

CLASSIC SALE YARD

Note: Victorian law requires that the full selling price of a vehicle must be stated in any advertisement that is circulated within Victoria. A motor vehicle advertisement must also state the vehicles current registration number or engine serial number. Should the vehicle be operated on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme, then the engine serial number must be shown. Advertising material must be with the Editor prior to the 14th of each month.



FOR SALE

This 1972 MG B Roadster has the following features that may tempt you:

- Colour – Burnt Orange
- Registration Period – To November 2004
- Registration Number – MG 2940 (Vic)
- Five brand new chromed wire wheels (6 in)
- Five new tyres
- Electric Overdrive

In addition, this car has always been garaged, it was re-sprayed seven years ago, has leather interior trim, a chrome roll-over protection bar, new chrome bumpers, and features a half-tonneau cover. This superb car won a trophy at its last showing.

All of this comes at \$26,500.00 or near offer. To find out more call Hymie on (03) 9570 1222 after 8:00 pm. Or, write to H Greenblat, 9 Adrian Street, East Bentleigh, 3165.

THE OLDEST PROFESSION!

Yes, it's desperation time again, but here goes:

In a pub after work, an electrician, a brick layer and a carpenter were enjoying a thirst quenching beer, after a hot day's work. After a while an argument developed about which trade was the oldest. Finally, the argument swung around to their own trades.

The chippie stated proudly that his trade must be the oldest there is. "Well, look, when Noah built the Ark, it was constructed in timber – hence carpentry is the oldest trade."

The brickie, not wishing to be got the better of, stated just as proudly, "No, no way! The ancient Egyptians built the Pyramids, using stones, bricks and mortar. That surely qualifies bricklaying as the oldest trade?"

The electrician listened to both their cases and started to wander away from the bar, chuckling as he went. The other two called him back and demanded to know what was so funny.

"Way back", said the electrician, "when God said 'Let there be light . . .', . . . we already had the cables laid!"

AOMC NEWS – Stop Press!

Member clubs and delegates would be aware that recently the Association took the decision to assist a vehicle owner with representations regarding a traffic infringement relating from the use of his Victorian Club Permit Scheme operated vehicle. The background to this situation was that in early December 2003 a vehicle was on a road test for oil leaks and a trip to a tyre retailer for tyres and a front end alignment. The vehicle was observed by a traffic patrol car in a car park adjacent to a yacht club on the Mornington Peninsula. The owner was issued with an infringement notice for the use of an unregistered vehicle. The penalty for this is \$500.

Given that the infringement was issued a short distance from the vehicle owner's residence, and the general circumstances, the Association sought the opinion of a barrister who recommended that the infringement be taken to court for decision. The infringement was listed for appearance on 21st June in the Frankston court and was deferred. On 12th July the matter was heard by a magistrate and the infringement was struck out with costs awarded to the vehicle owner.

The magistrate concluded that the police had in fact laid the wrong charge. The vehicle at the time had a valid club permit in place and accordingly was not unregistered. The owner had the club permit documentation in his glove box but only provided the police officer with documentation indicating his club membership. If a charge relating to failure to produce a permit had been issued it may have been a different case.

Both the magistrate and the police officer indicated that they had little knowledge of the club permit scheme and had very little experience in dealing with the scheme.

This was a good result for the owner and the Association, but there are a few salient points that should be made:

- **Documentation is important when using Club permitted vehicles, if you intend to test your vehicle always take with you evidence of the forthcoming event that you are testing for. Note there are no guidelines governing the testing of vehicles under the scheme so common sense should prevail**
- **If you are having your vehicle repaired or new tyres fitted etc., take proof of your appointment if possible, and take the most direct route.**
- **Don't go shopping on your way, as you will leave yourself open to prosecution for misuse under the Traffic Act.**
- **And it is imperative that you have a copy of your VicRoads permit with receipt attached in your vehicle at all times.**
- **And that your club membership is current!**

The AOMC Committee – With thanks.

CLUB REGALIA

Pictured below is a superb pure wool, hand crafted Jumbuk Jumper, just right for those winter days, and on *Spirit of Tasmania's* deck during crossing. These jumpers are made specially for the ABCCC and there is an exclusive offer on them for our members.



Front (left) and rear (right) views of the Jumbuk Jumper, note ABCCC badge patches and the leather shoulder and elbow protectors.

These super winter quality jumpers are crafted from wool that is unique in this country. Jumbuk Wools is the only company that manufactures naturally greasy garments, from washed fleece to finished product, under the one roof. Some lanolin is left in Jumbuk Wools to give you all the natural benefits – extra warmth, resilience and water resistancy. The wool is soft, springy and durable – it holds its shape well, yet is quite soft for you to wear.

These Jumbuk Jumpers are available in two weights, light and heavy knit styles. Every jumper is individually created at Jumbuk Wools, a small family business located in Bairnsdale, East Gippsland. They are made with total 'hands-on' care. Individually knitted pieces and complete quality control through all stages of manufacture give you a guarantee of quality workmanship.

The ABCCC is offering the Jumbuk Jumper on an individual order basis. Please state the size and weight you require when you place an order.

The ABCCC Jumbuk Jumper, heavy or light knit, is available at the following very special prices:

With ABCCC logo patches, shoulder and elbow protectors	\$120.00
Plain with shoulder and elbow protectors	\$100.00

These are prices that will never be seen again, so, please get your orders to me soon. The Jumbuk Jumpers will be modelled during our winter events.

Set out below is a listing of the ABCCC's current stock of other Club Regalia items:

1. Metal Bumper/Grille Badge	\$35.00 Each
2. Window Decal – Club Logo	\$2.00 Each
3. Cloth Badge – 75 mm Diameter with Club Logo	\$3.50 Each
4. Cloth Badge – 205 mm Diameter with Club Logo	\$25.00 Each
5. Club Polo Top White and Blue (some with ABCCC on collar) All Sizes	\$35.00 Each
6. Club Polo Top White and Black – Small Size Only	\$7.50 Each
7. Club Polo Tops 1 White, 1 Dark Blue (Small Size Only)	\$12.50 Each
8. Tee Shirts White, Black with Club Logo (Small Size Only)	\$7.50 Each
9. Caps with Club Logo, Blue/Fawn	\$15.00 Each
10. Caps with Club Logo, Black	\$12.50 Each
11. Hats – Plain, Colour Fawn (Slightly Soiled) Large Size Only – Special at	\$5.00 Each
12. Jackets with Club Logo (Heavy Weight) S. M. L. XL. & XXL.	\$140.00 Each

I will bring a limited range of Club Regalia to all events that we attend for perusal or purchase.

For all your Club Regalia requirements, please contact me on (03) 9846 2323.

Bill Allen – Regalia Purveyor

TASMANIA TEMPTATIONS 2004



ALL ABOARD!

**THE TASMANIA TEMPTATIONS TOUR, WELCOMES ALL CLUB MEMBERS
to a**

PRE-TOUR BARBEQUE-AND-BRIEFING SESSION

WHERE: 'TELETECH' – 61 BETULA AVENUE, VERMONT, 3133
(Melways Ref. 62, H1)

WHEN: SUNDAY 26th SEPTEMBER AT 12:00 NOON

BRING: THE USUAL

PROVIDED: SAUSAGES, BREAD, DRINKS

PROGRAMME:

- Introduction – Collect Tour Packs
- Promotional Movie
- Ticketing and Sailing Procedures
- Any Questions

To date, the following members have signed up:

DOUGLAS – Frank and Pat
CANNON – Tom and Heather
BROWN – Colin and Joy
SPENCE – Jim
NEWELL – Chris and Janet
NOLAN – Rob and Mary

HIGGINSON – Ray and Lyn
JOHNSON – Don and Aurora
JEFFERYES – Val
SWINCHAT – Patrick and Joan
GAGAN – John and Marg
COATES – Barry and Kate

New joining members – Please note there are a couple of places still available.
Call Don or Aurora on (03) 9830 0945, or 0417 118 093, or 0418 536 238.