



All British Classics Car Club (Vic)

A friendly family social motoring club

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Bryan Tootell's brother Ken uses the cream Sunbeam Talbot on runs conducted by the Western District Car Club. Ken is 85, lives in Geelong and still drives this car as well as a later Rapier model.

There is an Editorial soft-spot for these Sunbeams. Rides in one tired example in the early 1960s entailed the passenger holding the column shift gear lever in third gear when accelerating hard!

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual membership subscription for the All British Classics Car Club Inc. is \$35.00. There is a once-only joining fee of \$30.00. Please send membership subscriptions to Pat Douglas, PO Box 201, Chirnside Park, VICTORIA, 3116.

Please Note: Membership subscriptions are due by end of December.

Life Member: Pat J Douglas

**THE ALL BRITISH CLASSICS CAR CLUB (VICTORIA) INC.,
FOUNDED 23rd SEPTEMBER 1997.**

Club Founder – The Late Frank E Douglas

**“OWNING AND/OR APPRECIATING THE SPIRIT OF FINE
BRITISH CLASSICS”**

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The All British Classics Car Club (Victoria) Inc., (ABCCC) is a fully incorporated club in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act. Accordingly, any publication or document officially issued by the ABCCC must carry the ABCCC's Association Incorporation Registered Number: A00035462V.

The Official Club Magazine – *Your ABCCC News*

Your ABCCC News, is the official magazine of the ABCCC (Vic) Inc. The magazine's issue date is during the week of the 25th of every second month – February, April, June, August, October and December. To make the Editor's task a little easier, it is requested that articles, event information and photographs are with the Editor prior to the 14th of each of those months. Articles published in *Your ABCCC News* may be used without permission, however, the ABCCC does ask that appropriate acknowledgement be given.

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All correspondence should be addressed to the Editor *Your ABCCC News*, 59 Rowson St, Boronia, Victoria, 3155. Other Editorial contact information is listed above.

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The Victorian Club Permit Scheme

The ABCCC Inc. is a club that is authorised by VicRoads to operate vehicles under the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS). On the Committee there are two VCPS Officers and their contact details are listed above.

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

THE VICTORIAN CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

NEW PERMIT APPLICATIONS

For members wanting to operate a motor car on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS) under the auspices of our club, please contact Nello Mafodda on (03) 9719 7949, who is the ABCCC VCPS Officer In Charge. Nello will be able to provide all the information required to operate a motor car on the VCPS. Nello's position is entirely voluntary, so due consideration should be given when contacting him.

The ABCCC has the following conditions for operating a motor vehicle [twenty-five (25) years old and older] on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme:

1. Initial contact should be made with the club's VCPS Applications Officer, currently Nello Mafodda. He will advise the procedure for application with respect to the conditions set by the ABCCC.
2. A club member who proposes to place his/her motor vehicle on the VCPS under the auspices of the ABCCC must have been a ABCCC member for more than one year.
3. A Roadworthy Certificate must accompany an application for the Victorian Club Permit Scheme under the auspices of the ABCCC.
4. A club member who operates a motor vehicle on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme, under the auspices of the ABCCC, must attend a minimum of three (3) club events per year. The car does not have to attend three events, just the owner. Excluded from the count are the Annual Winter Luncheon and the Christmas Luncheon events.
5. VicRoads requires a permit holder to be in good financial status in order to drive the car under this Permit.
6. The ABCCC will notify VicRoads when a permit holder becomes an unfinancial member.
7. The ABCCC will maintain a Register of those Motor Vehicles operated on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme under the club's conditions. Such Register will be submitted to VicRoads upon request.
8. The motor vehicle operated under the Permit Scheme should be used within the spirit of the motor vehicle club scheme.

PERMIT RENEWALS

VicRoads requires that an ABCCC authorised VCPS Officer's signature is entered on the permit renewal notice. Therefore, your VCPS renewal should be sent to Colin Brown, PO Box 40, Coldstream, Victoria 3770. Enclose with it a stamped envelope addressed to VicRoads, along with a cheque/money order for the VCPS fee. Colin will sign on behalf of the ABCCC, and then forward the permit renewal on to VicRoads. The form also requires YOUR signature, so be sure to sign it as the permit holder as well.

Colin's position is entirely voluntary, so due consideration should be given when contacting him.

ABCCC EVENTS DIRECTORY 2012

Note: All events listed in this directory are placed in good faith. Events for inclusion here provided to the magazine editor prior to the 14th of January, March, May, July, September and November.

IMPORTANT: TEXT IN RED INFORMS OF CHANGED OR CORRECTED EVENT INFORMATION.

June 2012

22 – 24 Weekend In Apollo Bay — [An ABCCC Event](#) Bryan and Anne Tootell 0412 549 906
Venue — Depart Melbourne Friday morning, stopping for lunch in Colac, before continuing to Apollo Bay.

July 2012

7 – 8 Weekend In Tocumwal George Chrystie (03) 5874 3358
Venue – Give George a call if you can bring your car for the Grand Parade.

22 Xmas In July Lunch – [An ABCCC Event](#) Colin Brown 0408 343 176
This is our club's annual luncheon and is rather special.
Venue – Marybrooke, 10 Sherbrooke Road, Sherbrook, Melway 75, H2.

August 2012

5 The Famous ABCCC Coach Tour – [An ABCCC Event](#) Ray and Lyn Higginson (03) 9336 7306
Provided by the renowned Higginson Charabanc Tour Company
Venue – Starts from Moonee Valley Bus Lines, 6 Tullamarine Park Drive, Keilor, Victoria. (Melway 15, D4)

29 – 30 A Rusty Springs Adventure – [An ABCCC Event](#) Marjorie and Brian Pepper (03) 9439 7875
Meet Point – The Lilydale International Club Car Park (Melway 38; J8).

September 2012

2 Fathers' Day

9 A Run Through The Yarra Valley – [An ABCCC Event](#) Colin Brown 0408 343 176
Venue – TBA.

23 Phil's Touring Day Out – [An ABCCC Event](#) Phil Cook (03) 9842 5449
Venue – TBA.

October 2012

- 7 High Tea On The High Seas! – [An ABCCC Event](#) Karen McDonald (03) 5975 1867
Venue – TBA Lyn Higginson (03) 9336 7306
- 20 – 21 Como Gardens Open Weekend – [An ABCCC Assist Event](#) George Hetrel (03) 9761 1341
Venue – Como Gardens, 79 The Basin – Olinda Road, The Basin, Victoria.
- 12 – 25 Club Holiday Abroad (**First Group**) – [An ABCCC Event](#) Paddy and David Bullard 0429 140 182
This Tour has been filled.
What It Is – A Very Compressive Tour of Vietnam.

November 2012

- 6 Classic Car Display – [An ABCCC Must Attend Event](#) Colin Brown 0408 343 176
Melbourne Cup Day
Venue – Yarra Glen Racecourse, Yarra Glen, Victoria.
- 11 Log Cabin Picnic – [An ABCCC Event](#) Frank Sawyer 0408 633 778
Venue – TBA.
- 16 – 29 Club Holiday Abroad (**Second Group**) – [An ABCCC Event](#) Paddy and David Bullard 0429 140 182
To make the Tour fully viable, we are looking for four more participants.
What It Is – A Very Compressive Tour of Vietnam.
- 17 – 18 Bendigo National Swap Meet – Veteran, Vintage & Classic Club Bendigo info@bendigowswap.com.au
Venue – Prince of Wales Showgrounds, Holmes Road, Bendigo, Victoria.
- 29 – 2/12 Jindera Pop The Top Festival – Jindera & District Multi-purpose Stadium Committee
Venue – Quality Resort Siesta, Albury, NSW Telephone (02) 6025 0200

December 2012

- 9 The ABCCC Christmas Lunch Run – [An ABCCC Event](#) Tony and Maxine Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146
Seal off an astounding year of fabulous ABCCC Events of great note with a glass of good cheer!
Venue – Chateau Wyuna, 170 Swansea Road, Mount Evelyn.
- ?? A Special Observation Run – [An ABCCC Event](#) Craig Douglas (03) 9753 9557
A new date will be advised soon.
Venue – **PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS EVENT HAS BEEN POSTPONED** Colin Oberin (03) 9817 3182

EDITORIAL NOTES – ISSUE NUMBER 151

Our front cover picture, this time around, features a beautiful brace-and-a-bit of Sunbeam Talbots. Thanks Bryan, for sending the photo for publication. As mentioned in the caption, there is an Editorial soft spot for these fine cars. A work colleague of mine used to run a very worn (£7 10s from 'Old Baker', a rather doubtful purveyor of older cars in Bristol) example in all shades of black and rust. It took us to many pubs out in the country, which had just become a 'trendy' activity then. The engine drank oil, but never suffered from the dreaded sooted plugs malady. Maybe the throttle openings were too wide! The Sunbeam Talbot 80 and 90 models, fine cars though they were, always suffered a bit from the "Glorified Hillman Minx" syndrome, particularly from my father, who was a Roesch Talbot enthusiast!

There has been a fairly busy 'season' of events organised by the Association of Motoring Clubs (AOMC) with the RACV Classic Showcase attracting a record number of vehicles, probably, for the first time outnumbering those attending the AOMC American Motoring Show. Thank you to those who came along and helped to bolster the numbers. Maybe we will have more join in next year.

I have resumed the task of being the AOMC Delegate for the Jowett Car Club and am attending Delegates' Meetings again. That is why there is a fairly comprehensive report about the May Delegates' Meeting in this issue. It is very important that our membership is kept informed of what is happening in the heritage motoring world. After all, it was the hard work of the AOMC committee members that got the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS) up and, now, running very successfully.

The E-mail system never ceases to amaze! On Page 7, there is a piece about road tests and such being available to owners of, and enthusiasts for, British motor cars. Dianne Knox, the operator of the service, has compiled a very comprehensive listing for our use. It is quite likely that owners of classic cars may already have such printed matter in their possession, but you never know what might turn up. Please note that some model names and numbers appear to be a bit weird, but that is how they arrived in the E-mail message.

Mike Allfrey – Editor

OUR BRAIN TEASER

A man and a son were driving home one rainy night. They had an accident. The father died on the spot. The people who were nearby took the son to the hospital emergency room. The surgeon refused to operate on the boy, saying, "I cannot operate on him, he's my son!" How is that possible?

The answer is on the next page, look for it, it is definitely there!

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26 May 2012

Tony Pettigrew

President – All-British Classics Car Club (Vic) Inc.

Dear Tony,

Re: The Famous Cream Sponge Run, 20 May 2012

I hope your members enjoyed the day last Sunday, not in the least Judy's fabulous sponges for morning tea. As always, your club was most welcome to kick off proceedings from the Sassafras-Ferny Creek Fire Brigade station.

Would you please pass on our thanks to your members for the generous donation of \$253 to the brigade. As a wholly volunteer brigade, the support of the broader community is essential to our efforts and we really do appreciate the club's contribution.

Yours sincerely,

Signed

John Schauble

Captain

RACV FLY THE FLAG TOUR – From Viking Torque, With Thanks

The 2012 Tour As Seen By A Rover Car Club Member

Editor's note: Being a member of the Rover Car Club of Australia Inc. I receive Viking Torque, that club's newsletter and took the opportunity to 'borrow' this report. It is good to see how others regard our major events. Our thanks to the Rover Car Club of Australia for the use of this article. Note: This is the first of two reports, the other is on Page 13.

The RACV Fly The Flag Tour has been recommended many times and this year I was able to convince Liz to come along for the ride. We were both very glad we did. This week long rally was expertly organised and marshalled by the All British Classics Car Club, and had some 205 vehicles with over 400 passengers. No mean feat to manage such a large tour.

The tour started with breakfast in Keilor followed by an easy run to Warrnambool via Barwon Park Manor for the first of all our catered meals. This set the scene for lots of eating and nattering, over the whole week. Day Two saw a local self-guided tour of the district including the Great Ocean Road, and dairy district concluding with a gourmet BBQ at the Maritime Village. There we were also privileged to witness the firing of a very large and loud 19th century cannon.

Day Three saw the tour amble to Mt. Gambier via Port Fairy, Portland and the odd volcano. Again punctuated with coffee stops, more eating and nattering. Mt Gambier saw plenty of dancing at the evening meal followed the next day with another ambling drive thru the area. We caused traffic chaos in sleepy Penola. This was followed by lunch at Yallum Homestead which amazed all with its original fittings, furniture and wallpaper. An afternoon's sleep was necessary before the evening feast with yet more entertainment.

Rovers were well represented with nine vehicles displaying excellent examples of every model from P2 to P6B plus the obligatory Landy. We Rovers were privileged to lead the Flag-Off from Mt. Gambier past the local primary school with all the kids out front waving at us. The Tour then proceeded to the small town of Merino (Pop 300) where we more than doubled which provided the town its first traffic jam. The local school committee provided lunch - which subsequently gave them the equivalent of about three years fundraising. The local Pub has an old Art Deco theatre in the back which was playing old 1920s newsreels. The evening's banquet was in Hamilton, as was the

overnight stay. Day Six saw us stop at Dunkeld to view the local Gothic mansion currently under restoration. Great views from the tower and an unusual building for its time.

Ballarat was the last night's stay where more food was consumed. Fancy dress was the attire for all and a great fun night followed. The last day saw an easy drive back to Keilor for yet more food and presentation of awards. This was an excellent run and the organisers deserve top praise for their efforts. Liz has agreed to do another tour in the future which speaks volumes when we talk about something involving cars. Not to mention the fact that a substantial amount of money was raised for the RACV Foundation charity.

Steve Young – from Viking Torque, Newsletter of the Rover Car Club of Australia Inc.

A WARM WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

A hearty welcome to the well-oiled machine that is the All British Classics Car Club. Our club is one of the fastest growing motoring interest clubs in this country. We hope to be able to welcome you and, in actual fact, your British classic motor car, at one of our events soon. Our club aims to have two motoring events each month, so there are plenty of fabulous events for you to select from. Welcome!

| Name | Make Of Car | Model | Year |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Pam Wellwood and Maureen Box | Mercedes-Benz | 280 CE | 1982 |
| Gavin and Lorraine Sorrell | Jaguar | S Type | 1965 |
| Kevin and Jenny Watt | MG | B-roadster | 1967 |
| | Austin | Cambridge 10 | 1938 |
| | Austin | A30 | 1956 |
| | MG | Magnette ZA | 1955 |
| | MG | Magnette Mk III | 1959 |
| | Ford | Prefect 100E | 1956 |
| | Ford | Prefect 100E | 1959 |
| | Ford | Anglia Tourer | 1949 |
| | Commer | Mk VIII Utility | 1956 |
| David Wood | Morris | Minor | 1959 |
| | Ford | Truck | 1953 |
| Victor Pace and Niki Pantazis | Reliant | Scimitar V6 Coupé | 1968 |
| | Triumph | Mk II 2.5 Saloon | 1970 |
| | Mercury | Marquis Brougham | 1974 |
| Terry and Helen Apps | Austin-Healey | BJ-8 | 1967 |
| | Ford | Mustang Cobra Jet | 1969 |
| | Ford | Roadster | 1932 |
| Steven and Lyn Spiers-Kendall | Riley | Special Roadster | 1950* |

* Please note that in Issue Number 150 – there was a typing error for the age of the Riley. Editorial apologies.

Pat Douglas – Membership Secretary.

IF MY BODY WERE A CAR

If my body were a car, this is the time I would be thinking about trading it in for a newer model.

I have got bumps and dents and scratches in my finish and my paint job is getting a little dull, but that's not the worst of it – not at all.

My headlights are out of focus and it's especially hard to see things up close.

My traction is not as graceful as it once was.

I slip and slide and skid and bump into things even in the best of weather.

My whitewalls are stained with varicose veins.

It takes me hours to reach my maximum speed.

My fuel rate burns inefficiently.

But here's the worst of it: almost every time I sneeze, cough or sputter, either my radiator leaks or my exhaust backfires!

With a smirk – Mary Cheng.

The surgeon is his mother!

SERVICE PROVIDERS NOTED IN CLUB MAGAZINES

The following list of commercial service providers and components used by the old car movement has been gleaned at random from motor club magazines. The AOMC offers this information in good faith and without prejudice or special knowledge about the providers. The AOMC makes no claim as to quality of goods or services offered nor their suitability for any particular purpose. The AOMC is not endorsing or promoting the supplier in any way.

| COMPANY NAME | LOCATION | TELEPHONE | SERVICE |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Automotive Surplus | Mitcham | (03) 9873 3566 | Parts |
| AA Bearings | Nunawading | (03) 9874 1660 | Parts |
| Historic & Vintage Restorations | Blackburn | (03) 9877 0666 | Restorations |
| Lacey Plywood Products | Brunswick West | (03) 9822 1299 | Wood veneers |
| Ringwood Speedo Service | Mitcham | (03) 9874 2260 | Gauges, cables |
| Scotts Auto Rubber | Oakleigh | (03) 9563 3023 | Sealing rubbers |
| Thompson Rubber | Bayswater | (03) 9870 1728 | Sealing rubbers |
| Vintage Wiring Harness | Ringwood | (03) 9870 0583 | Wiring looms |
| Wilson Carburettor Service | Airport West | (03) 9330 3216 | Fuel systems |
| Vinneys Metal Polishers | Dandenong | (03) 9794 7530 | Stainless steel trim repair |
| Coljen Gear Cutting & Machining | Heidelberg | (03) 9458 2741 | Machine shop |
| Ferntree Gully Platers | Ferntree Gully | (03) 9763 7955 | Plating |
| Ariel Batteries | Clifton Hill | (03) 9481 5731 | Rubber case batteries |
| Modern Plating | Oakleigh | (03) 9568 4588 | Plating |
| Beveridge Coopers | Beveridge | (03) 9745 2362 | Steam bending of wood |
| Egge Machine Co | Dookie | (03) 5828 6250 | Machine Shop |
| Bayswater Chrome | Bayswater | (03) 9729 0999 | Metal polishing |
| Quality Fibreglass Products | Bayswater | (03) 9761 1112 | Fibreglass work |
| George White & Co | Clayton | (03) 9544 1100 | Non-ferrous metal sections |
| Dandenong Abrasive Blasting | Dandenong | (03) 9794 0100 | Abrasive blasting |
| Colorex Paint Stripping | Huntingdale | (03) 9548 8119 | Non-caustic paint stripping |
| Ron Brownrigg | Donvale | (03) 9842 3963 | Engine valves etc. |
| John Williams | Hill End | (03) 5635 4212 | Blacksmith, hood irons |
| Ro-Jo Tooling | Dandenong | (03) 9706 8101 | Metal stamping |
| MLP Carburettors | Reservoir | (03) 9462 2288 | Fuel systems |
| Mr Bolts | Mornington | (03) 5976 3999 | Fasteners, machining |
| Classic Wiring Looms | Mount Evelyn | (03) 9737 0101 | Wiring looms |
| Gary's Rewinds | Rowville | 0419 521 575 | Generator repairs |
| Filter Distributors | Mitcham | (03) 9874 6352 | Filters and oils |
| DAF Industries | Mordialloc | (03) 9587 0280 | Abrasive blasting |
| Lightfoot Engineering | Mont Albert | (03) 9898 3677 | Spoked wheel rebuilding |
| S & S Springs | Tottenham | (03) 9314 9833 | Spring manufacturers |

From The Association Of Motoring Clubs Inc.

A ROAD TEST REPORT SERVICE FOR YOUR BRITISH CLASSIC

Editor's Note: The following service offer arrived via E-mail. The ABCCC does not endorse the services offered. The original was not too well assembled and all reference to foreign motor cars has been deleted. The ABCCC also makes no claims about the accuracy of car model names and/or numbers. As has been said – buyer take care!

As owners and restorers of classic cars we all appreciate the importance of correct detail about our vehicles. Original road tests, photos, specifications and design drawings are invaluable to the classic car owner. With this in mind, I wish to make your club members, (and perhaps your club librarian), aware of the huge range of original road tests that I have available which may feature their cars.

These are not photocopies or reprints, but are original magazines from the UK, USA and Australia (dating back to 1945). All contain road tests and features on the various models. Prices vary depending on age, but average between \$10 – \$15 per magazine. This a small price to pay for a magazine that sometimes contains pre-release tests of the some model of cars (perhaps even in the same colour), of the car you now own. If you have the car, you need these to go with it.

Postage costs are reasonable, and can be reduced even further by combining orders within your club. I have included a list of the road tests and features that are available.

An e-mail to me at dksk_03@yahoo.com.au indicating vehicle type, model and year is all that is required.

You will receive a return e-mail telling which magazines, (plus month and year of printing) that are available along with prices delivered to your door.

Road tests and features are available for the following British makes:

Allard – J2 Drop-head: J2 - 1952:

Alvis – Alvis 1950

Aston Martin – DB-4: DB-6: DB-3: DB-3-S: 1946 1.5 Litre: DB-7: Volante V8: DB-4-GT: DB-9 V12: DBR-1: DB-2: Aston Zagato: 1934 Mk 2 Two: For Sports: Virage: Vantage V8: Vantage V12:

Austin – A70 Hereford: A40 Sports: A90 Atlantic Sports: Maxi: Austin 16 Saloon - 1946: Metro/ 1300: 1800: 2200HL: Allegro :A55: A40: A110: A40 Devon: Austin Nash 1954: A90 Westminster Mk 3: A50: A95 -1958: A99: A40 Somerset: Sheerline 110 - 1947: Princess 120 - 1947: Countryman Wagon - 1955: Lancer - 1959: A30: A35:

Austin-Healey – Austin-Healey Sprite Mk 2: Race And Rally Healeys: Austin-Healey 3000: 100/4: 100-S: Austin-Healey 100:6 -1957: Austin-Healey 3 Litre Sports -1952:

Bentley – S3: Mulsanne Turbo: R-Type Continental: 6 Cylinder - 1999: Continental GT: 3.5 Litre Sports - 1981: Bespoke Racer - 1997: 3.5 Litre - 1945: 8 Litre: Mk 6 Sports Saloon - 1952: 3 Litre - 1925: 1930 4.5 Litre Blown:

Daimler – Hooper 2.5 Litre: Majestic - 1961: SP250: Conquest - 1954: Vanden Plas V12 - 1972: 1947 2.5 Litre Saloon: DK400B: Sovereign X2 - 1973:

Ford – Consul 3000 GT - 1973: Anglia - 1961: Zephyr-Consul - 1951/52: Granada Estate: Granada 2.8 Litre: Capri Sports Car: Corsair: Popular - 1959: Consul Capri - 1961: Cortina GT Mk 1 - 1964: Cortina Mark 3: Sierra 2.3 Auto: Fiesta - 1976: Lotus Cortina: Sierra XR4i: Cortina 1600-E Mk 2: Capri 2000-GT - 1971: Capri 1600XL - 1972: Capri Mk 3: Cortina Mk 4 & 5: Capri 3.0 Litre: Capri Janspeed: Capri RS-2300: Capri V6 Cosworth: Capri - 1969 Twin Cam: Escort V6: Escort Rally Cars: Escort 1.3 Front WD - 1980: Escort 1600 Mk 1 - 1977: Escort Twin Cam: RS-2000: RS-Turbo - 1984: Escort Cosworth - 1992: RS-2000 Front WD - 1991: XR-3: XR-3i: Escort Mk 1 - 1968: Escort Mk 2: Zephyr Consul -1956: Zephyr 6 -1954: Zephyr 6 - 1950-51: Zephyr Mk 4: Zephyr Mk3:

Hillman – Minx Convertible -1951: Avenger: Imp: Super Minx - 1962: Minx - 1953: Minx - 1954: Californian:

Humber – Super Snipe - 1946: Super Snipe Mk 3 - 1951: Super Snipe -1960: Hawk: Hawk – 1950-51: Sceptre 3:

Jaguar – XJ-S V12: Type 2.5 V6 Sport: XJ-6 - 1994: E-Type V12: XJ-R - 1994: C-Type: XJ-6 Sports -1996: XJ-220 - 1992: Mark VII - 1952: XJ-6 - 1986: XJ-40 - 1986: XJ-S Hatch: XJ-S - 1977: XK-R - 2006: Mark 10: XJ-12 HE: D-Type: F-Type: XJ-S - 1991: XJ-R - 1989: New S-Type - 2002: XK-8 - 1996: TWR 220-S: TD - 2004: XK-R - 1998: X-Type - 2001: LWB Sovereign - 1996: XK-SS - 1972: XJ Spider: XJ-S Cabrio: SS-100: E-Type: Mk 5 3.5 Litre - 1950: Mark 10 - 1964: 240 - 1968: 340: Mark 2:

Jensen – 541: Interceptor Cabrio - 1952: Interceptor Chrysler V8: CV-8: Jensen-Healey:

Jowett – Javelin: Javelin Jupiter: Jupiter R4

Lotus – Lotus 11: Elise 3S: Excel – 1982-83: Elite: Esprit Turbo: Eclat: Elan Sprint - 1971: Esprit: Elan - 1996: Europa: Elise - 1996: Elise - 2001: Elan: Lotus 15: Lotus 23: Lotus 9: Caterham 7: Caterham 21:

Mini – 850: 998: Cooper-S 1275: Mini Race Cars: New Style 2001: Cooper-S - 2007: Cooper – 2007: Clubman 1100:

Morgan – 3-Wheeler: 4/44: Plus-4: Plus-8:

MG – MG-NA - 1932: Black Maria -1932: J2: PB - 1936: Monoposto Magnette - 1945: 1947 Saloon: MG-B: MG-A: TC: TD: TD Midget - 1950: TF: MG 6 Mk 3: MG-A Twin Cam: MG-C: MG-C V8: R-V8: MG-B GT V8: MG-Q: Metro Turbo: MG Midget: MG-F: MG-ZT:

Morris – 1920 Bullnose Morris: Minor: 10/4 - 1945: 10 Saloon - 1947: Morris 6 - 1950: Morris 8: Oxford - 1954: Morris Minor V8 Transplant: Oxford Traveller - 1962: Marina:

Reliant – Regal 3-Wheeler - 1955: Scimitar - 1965: Rebel Estate - 1968: Scimitar - 1981: Scimitar SSi - 1984:

Riley – Falcon - 1934: 2.5 Litre - 1946: Riley Imp – 1958:

Rolls Royce – Light 20 - 1905: B-Series Engines: Silver Spirit 1981: Straight 6: Silver Shadow:

Rover – 75 Saloon - 1952: 90 - 1954: 80 - 1959: 100: 110: P5 3-Litre 6-Cyl: P5 3500: P6 2000: P6 - 1963: P6 2200-TC: 2600 - 1979: P6B 3500-S: 3500 Twin Turbo Janspeed: 3500 SD-1: 45 - 2000: 3500 Vanden Plas - 1983: 200: 2000 SD-1: 2000 Vitesse SD-1 - 1983: 111Si: 800: 620i: 825-TD: 600:

Singer – SM 1500 - 1949-52: Gazelle - 1964: Vogue - 1965:

Standard – Standard 12 - 1947: Vanguard Ute - 1950: Vanguard - 1952: Vanguard Phase 3 - 1953: Standard 8 - 1954: Ensign Estate - 1959: Vanguard Vignale - 1959: Vanguard 6:

Sunbeam – Talbot 10 - 1948: Talbot 90 - 1950: Rapier - 1958: Rapier Mk 3 - 1960:

Triumph – 10/20 - 1923: Mayflower - 1950-51: Renown - 1950: TR-3: TR-4: TR-5: TR-6: TR-6 Pi: TR-7: TR-8: Stag: GT-6: Herald - All Models - 1961-1969: Dolomite - 1973: Toledo - 1974: Dolomite Sprint - 1974: Dolomite 1500: 1300 - 1966:

TVR – 390-SE: 300-M: Tasmin: Taimar: Grantura: Turbo - 1979

Vauxhall – 1912-20hp: 30-98: Wyvern - 1950-52: Velox - 1950-52: Velox - 1950-54: Victor - 1961: Victor 2000 - 1967: Viva HA: Viva HB: Viva HC: Viscount - 1966: VX-490: Astra 1.6 Litre - 1982: Victor 101 - 1965: Magnum 1800 & 2200: Victor/VX and Carlton - 1978: Royale Coupé - 1979: Cavalier: Firenza: Wyvern - 1956:

Wolseley – 4/50: 12/48: 14/60: 21/60 Straight-8: Classic - 1921: 6/40 - 1955: 1500 - 1958:

Via E-mail from Dianne Knox.

A SOLUTION TO AN AGE-OLD PROBLEM

I would just like to share an experience with you and it has to do with drinking and driving. As you know I have had brushes with the authorities on the way home from the odd event over the years. Well I have done something about it:

Last night I was out for a few drinks with some friends and had way too much beer and wine, knowing full well I was drunk, I did something I've never done before. I took a bus home.

I arrived home safely and without incident, which was a real surprise, since I had never driven a bus before.

Colin Brown.

AOMC NEWS

Winter Seminar for Car Clubs – Saturday 4th August 2012

This very popular event has been put together for us by the AOMC. The theme this time around is Vehicle Restoration with speakers from the restoration and restoration supplies industries. The AOMC needs to know numbers so, if you wish to attend, please Ross Gardiner or Bill Allen know before 17th July 2012.

AOMC Delegate's Meeting Report – 21st May 2012

Meeting opened by President Iain Ross (*Bristol Car Club*) sharp on 7:30 pm. With the reminder that the new postal address for the AOMC is now: Chevrolet Clubrooms, AOMC, 1/3 Edgecombe Court, Moorabbin, 3189. Delegates were asked to notify their Club to amend their records.

The usual opening procedures of welcoming all, especially those who had come great distances; new Delegates and visitors; confirming minutes of the February meeting were dealt with. Then Standing Orders were suspended to introduce the guest speaker.

Roy Francis from Prostate Cancer Foundation spoke about Men's Health in general, but mainly on prostate cancer. Roy stated that the idea that men die with prostate cancer rather than from it, is a myth. Now there are far more men dying from prostate cancer. Roy explained that our fathers' life expectancy was 50 to 60, but now we live to be 80 and beyond. Therefore, as prostate cancer is so common in men, it is now a leading cause of death.

The main theme of the talk was to encourage men to visit their doctor regularly. Not put it off until it becomes too late for medical intervention having a chance to prolong lives. Mr Francis suggested that having regular tests such as PSA levels is one way the doctor determine if you are at an increased chance of developing cancer. In which case some remedial action can be taken. Roy stated that an enlarged prostate can often be detected early, if we are seeing our doctor regularly, so that something can be done before it develops into a full blown cancer. Roy stressed the responsibility of the ladies encouraging their men to not neglect those regular visits. Diet may be an important means of controlling the condition. Details of diet can be found on the www.prostate.org.au.

Mr Francis is available to speak at a club meeting, free of charge. Please call 1800 220 099. Roy was thanked for his very useful talk, and we all went off for a supper break, and natter.

Standing Orders were resumed with President Iain Ross urging Delegates to seriously considering offering themselves for the AOMC Committee at the AGM in November. This was supported by committee member Dennis Brooks (*Historic Commercial Vehicle Club*), who has been compiling the AOMC Calendar.

Treasurer David Williamson (*Rover Car Club*), reported that the finances are healthy, with a good response from both the American Motoring Show and the British & European (RACV Classic Showcase). David explained that it cost the AOMC nearly \$40,000 to put these two shows on at Flemington in April this year, but that there were 1,157 American cars, with 1,338 visitors. The figures for the RACV Classic Showcase (British and European Show) this year were 1,182 cars with 1,241 visitors. It was pleasing to see the numbers of cars and visitors up on previous years.

President Ross gave a report on the four shows put on by the AOMC this year. He was happy with the greater support from the British and European Clubs this year. President Ross suggested that there was a need to re-think the Japanese Show with plans for consultation with Toyota being in progress. Iain also reported that a sizable donation went to the local SES as a result of their manning the gate at Yarra Glen again this year.

Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS) report – Vice President Rod Amos, (*Vintage Sports Car Club*), reported that the AOMC was looking for suggestions on permit windscreen labels to assist VicRoads, which intend to add information about the cars. Delegates suggested that open cars have trouble with them getting wet; some of the earlier cars had small windscreens, etc. While agreeing with more information, we would like smaller labels to reduce a serious blind-spot. The Delegate from the *Veteran Car Club* reported that one of their members had solved the problem by placing the sticker on the inside of the near-side headlamp glass. Rod said VicRoads had reported there were now about 12,000 vehicles on the VCPS.

VicRoads is concerned, as are many clubs, with the emerging of seriously modified vehicles. They are looking at ways to control this, as well as, the developing guidelines on roadworthy testing on historic vehicles. Street Rod Regulations not been developed.

The AOMC is looking to produce a 'Code of Practice' for clubs with VCPS owners as non-financial members and late payment of Permit. It appears that some clubs are very strict in reporting non-financial members to VicRoads, while others are much more lenient. Late VCPS renewal can result in unregistered vehicle penalties.

Several Delegates reported that it was almost impossible to get a reply to correspondence with VicRoads, There are errors in the VicRoads computer system not showing that last year's permit had been paid. NOTE: It was advised to take your Log Book with you, when renewing, as the receipt is pasted to the inside cover.

Engine Number Records – Philip Johnstone (*Triumph Sports Owners Association*) asked if there were any questions, and as there was no response, Philip then moved on to the AOMC Winter Seminar. This year the topic will be Restoration Techniques. Some of the suggestions from the floor were – chrome plating, bead and sand blasting, powder coating, brakes, lost wax casting, seat springs and instruments. More details are to be sent out to all clubs when speakers are confirmed.

AOMC Calendar of Events – Dennis Brooks, (*Historic Commercial Vehicle Club*). Dennis reminded Delegates that items for inclusion in the *AOMC Newsletter* Calendar of Events need to be for events well ahead, as the *Newsletter* only comes out quarterly.

Club Reports

1. Veteran Car Club Delegate reported on the re-enactment of the 28-day crossing in 1912 from Freemantle to Sydney in a Brush. This event was for 1 and 2 cylinder vehicles up to 1918. 33 cars and motor cycles started on 16th March and finished on the 29th. While there were many problems solved along the way, it was a great event.
2. The Austin Healey Sprite Club had an event in Wangaratta recently, at which they had set up a video link direct to Stirling Moss.
3. Military vehicles run at Bairnsdale in November.
4. The VDC Delegate reported that they had again conducted their Concours at the Yarra Glen RACV Cavalcade Of Transport (Heritage Motoring Day). It was won again this year, by Noel Keogh with his 1929 Hupmobile.
5. The Alvis Club Delegate reported on their recent tour in Tasmania.
6. The delegate from the Dandenong Valley Club reported that they had combined with many of the Mornington Peninsula Clubs and staged their own Heritage Day at the Koorngal Shopping Centre at Frankston. They had 160 vehicles attend.
7. Patrick Devine (*Mercedes-Benz Club*) reported on a recent Mercedes-Benz Club run to South Australia using the Great Ocean Road. Patrick said around 80 cars took part.
8. Graham Hutchinson (*CHACA*) reported that this year CHACA had combined their 46th Birthday Run with the RACV Cavalcade Of Transport at Yarra Glen. He joined with many others in congratulating Iain Ross and the AOMC Committee/Volunteers for a great day. Graham also mentioned that it has become policy at CHACA to fine any of their members who inadvertently refer to club vehicles by the terrible 'old cars' terminology. They are to henceforth be known as 'Historic Vehicles'.
9. A Delegate from one of the Morris Clubs reported that 2013 was to be the centenary of Morris, and that they were planning for the coming year.
11. One of the Delegates reported on a recent TV programme about Sir Jack Brabham. (ABC Australian Story)

AOMC Newsletter – There are a number of useful articles worth including in club newsletters. Certain items will appear here. Below is a summary taken from the May 2012 issue:

Page 5. Calendar of coming club events.

Page 11. There are two letters from Fergus McDonald, about VicRoads policy on late payment of both full registration and club permits. The other relates to their policy on return of plates.

Note: Fergus McDonald is a useful contact at VicRoads with respect to the VCPS.

Page 14. An article about a council which has nasty rules about historic vehicles.

Page 15. An article on the VCPS Log Book scheme, written by Richard Snedden (*Wolseley Car Club*).

Page 25. Features an interesting list of petrol stations around the CBD in 1912.

Editor Note: If you wish, I can scan and post/E-mail some of these articles to you. Not all of them will appear here in *Your ABCCC News*.

Next AOMC Delegates Meeting – August 20th at the Chevrolet Clubrooms, Moorabbin. 7:30 pm start.

Our thanks to Graham Hutchinson (CHACA) for the basis of this report.

BOOK REVIEW – CLASSIC BRITISH CARS

A Retrospective View of the British Automobile Industry

This coffee table book by Ian Ward was published in 2010 by The Abbeydale Press, and was produced for Anness Publishing. The book is of a fairly large format and features fine, clear photographs of well-preserved British Classics. For some of us, there are a number of glaring omissions from the rich variety of British marques and models.

The text is informative, but not too technical. It features ghost portions of photographs that have been over-printed and are thus quite difficult to read. It is also disappointing that there is not a chapter that describes the overall scene of the British motor car industry as promised by the cover's sub heading.

Classic British Cars, originally priced at \$49.00, can now be picked up for \$20.00 at book sales. That represents good value, because the overall quality of the book is good – the binding is sound and the paper is of particularly good type for printing and for subsequent handling. It is just unfortunate that some text is not too easy to read and, to some of us, important British marques are missing.

The acknowledgements feature quite a number of specialist car clubs from all over Britain indicates that the author has contacted the proper sources for information on the makes and models he has selected.

At times, while reading this book, I was under the impression that it was aimed towards North American readers.

Mike Allfrey – with thanks to Bill Ballard

A SPECIAL OFFER

One of my habits (*habits are bad, customs are good – Sue*) is to place instruction books for various purchases on to CD-R disc, for easy access on the computer. Some time ago, I purchased a Metz *Mecablitz 58 AF 2 Digital* electronic flash unit for my Nikon camera. The instruction book that came with the flash unit is comprehensive and features several languages, which makes the book heavier than that for the camera!

To make use of this book easier, the English section has been scanned, converted into a MS Word document and finally, converted into a PDF file. This has been quite a time consuming project and therefore, if there is anyone out there with such a Metz flash unit used with a Nikon reflex camera, then I am happy to provide the instruction book, on a CD-R, free of charge. Contact details are on Page 2 of this magazine, or, michael.allfrey@bigpond.com

Keeping the book on disc means that the information is always there, should the actual book be mislaid.

Mike Allfrey

EVENT REPORTS

THE CREAM SPONGE RUN – Sunday, May 20th 2012.

It was a cloudy cool morning at Ferny Creek for the start of the Cream Sponge Run. We had 43 adults and 4 keen children with a sharp appetite for cream cake, which was very satisfying for the cook.

This year a turtle primarily made of Mini parts was part of the questions – we will not elaborate, you had to be there. Unfortunately the turtle's tail came off at some point, and Frank Sawyer was seen to be pocketing it. This was a desperate attempt to gain extra points for his team, but we can reliably report that it failed.

Geoff and I tidied up the common room at the Fire Station and headed home to swap cars for the drive to Flowerdale. Plenty of Club Members were still at the Fire Station collecting answers for their clue sheets. We were hopeful of having an early lunch before the rest of the day was taken up with marking entries.

The sun was out by this stage and the drive across was very pleasant. There were still touches of gold on the vineyards, and autumn colour on the trees.

One or two preferred just to make the drive to the lunch destination and not bother to answer questions on the way. We did not receive a sheet from Brian and Marj Pepper. The rumour is that it is being used as evidence in divorce proceedings. Somehow Val and Colin ended up in Marysville at the pie shop; no idea how they managed it. There must be a good story there somewhere. Unfortunately David Peck had car trouble and turned back for home. We hope his British Classic is fully operational by now, and will see him again soon.

For the record, here are the final results.

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| 1 st | Ben Gearing and Louise Robinson | 41 |
| 2 nd | Hans and Christine Pedersen | 40 |
| 3 rd = | Frank Sawyer and Val MacRae | 39 |
| 3 rd = | Ken and Karen MacDonald | 39 |
| 5 th | Bryan and Anne Tootell | 37 |
| 6 th | Nello and Dianne Mafodda | 35 |
| 7 th | Rick and Gillian Lloyd | 34 |

Followed by:

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|-----------------------------|----|
| Steve and Tania Power | 33 |
| Peter and Michelle Flavelle | 32 |
| Daniel and Joshua Power | 31 |
| Rob Nolan and friend | 29 |
| Colin and Joy Brown | 25 |
| Neil and Margaret Clayton | 15 |
| Heather and Bill Bonner | 11 |

We will have a rest from Cream Sponges next year, so we hope you enjoyed this last one for the time being. Your generosity on Sunday raised \$253.00 for the Sassafras-Ferny Creek Fire Brigade, and it was gratefully received. The total raised to date exceeds \$1,000.00.

Thank you all so much again from us both on behalf of the Brigade. See you soon at the next Club event.

Geoff and Judy Birkett

REX'S BIG DAY OUT – Sunday, 3rd June 2012

Well, having regard to the wintry weather conditions, we had a beautiful, although cold, day on Sunday 3rd June for the Big Day Out.



We all met at the Stud Park Shopping Centre car park, headed down North Road to St Kilda Street then on to Williamstown. 'Lefty' Hall unfortunately had two problems with his left and right sides in route instructions. This saw a large buildup of cars at the Whitehall and Francis Street intersection. An embarrassed 'Lefty' Hall returned to the scene for a wrist slap for his misdemeanor.

We arrived at Leigh Goodall's 'Garage Classics' where morning tea was purchased and the car/motoring memorabilia was viewed. What a fine collection of cars and memorabilia.

It was then off to the private collection of Noel Klower who has a fascinating collection of Cadillac cars and some other American classics. Noel was anxious to please the crowd and took us on a tour of the collection including a very animated, interesting background talk on each vehicle.

Whilst touring the collection Joe and Johnny, Noel's assistants, were busy cooking our lunch consisting of roast beef, pork and potatoes. They also set up tables and chairs for the prawns and smoked salmon, crackers, bread rolls and sweets, all generously provided by Noel at his own expense. Salads were provided by participants as well as cakes and slices. To say the least it was a banquet that we all enjoyed. We collected \$5 a head to thank Joe for cooking up some delicious roast meats. Noel was presented with a plaque of appreciation by Tony on behalf of the Club. Thanks to the 48 fellow ABCCC members who attended and enjoyed Rex's Big Day Out.



Rex and Deanna Hall

COMING EVENTS

WEEKEND IN APOLLO BAY – 22nd to 24th June 2012

Fellow Members are invited to join us for a relaxing couple of nights away. We propose to depart Melbourne late Friday morning; stopping for lunch in Colac; before continuing to Apollo Bay; checking in to our Motel (at \$100/night). The evening meal will be at the Hotel Bistro. On Saturday, following morning tea, we will all visit the local lookout; then it's on to a waterfall before returning to town. You are then free to follow your own pursuits, e.g., visiting the 'Otway Fly', Lighthouse tour, game of golf, fly over the Twelve Apostles, etc. Dinner will be at an Italian restaurant.

Off on Sunday morning, we will be stopping at Wye River for morning tea. Then it's on to Geelong for lunch at an acclaimed 'pub of the week' before individually departing for our home destinations.

Costs for food and extras will be at the discretion of the participants. Bookings are limited to be accommodated in the motel, and keep the 'Group' to a manageable size. Please contact us promptly to secure your position on our mobile number 0412 549 906 or, E-mail annbry@optusnet.com

Anne and Bryan Tootell.

A MID-WEEK RUN WITH AN OVERNIGHT STAY – Wednesday, 29th August 2012

This interesting, quirky and fun B&B experience is definitely a country run with a difference.

We will meet at the Lilydale International car park (Melway 38; J3) at 10:30 am and travel north to a country venue for a light lunch.

After lunch we continue on our scenic drive before reaching Rusty Springs, our overnight destination at around 4:00 pm. This will allow us time to relax before a sumptuous three-course dinner and an evening of frivolity and fun. Our hosts - Bob and Judy, are both welcoming and delightful thus ensuring your stay is a memorable one.

Accommodation - double or twin, dinner and fully cooked breakfast \$75 per person. BYO drinks, nibbles and the obligatory sense of humour.

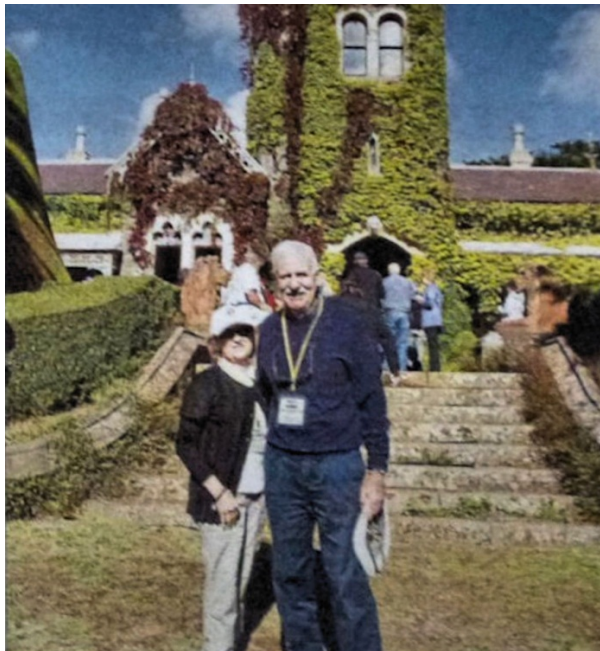
Please contact us by Saturday 11th August, to secure your booking. Marj and Brian Pepper at (03) 9439-7875 or 0407392330.

Marj Pepper

IN THE NEWS

ARARAT – Ararat's Russell and Grace Rachinger were among hundreds of motoring enthusiasts who took to the road for the 2012 RACV Fly the Flag Tour.

The Tour, now in its 11th year, celebrates the spirit of adventure and passion for motoring. The Rachinger's Austin



Healey BN1 was among the 220 veteran, vintage, classic and modern-classic vehicles (more than 25 years old) that participated in the seven day tour.

Mr Rachinger said cars ranged in age from a 1924 Dodge Roadster to vehicles from the mid-1970s. "There was also a beautiful 1952 Mark IV Bentley and a 1949 Ford Boat Tail, which is shaped like a boat at the back," he said. "There was a tremendous mix of cars."

The 1,268 km tour retraced parts of the first motoring tour undertaken by RACV founders, when they toured to their pastoral properties in the Western Districts in 1904. The tour included a lunch stop at historic Wickliffe residence, Narrapumelap.

Left: Ararat's Grace and Russell Rachinger take a break at Narrapumelap during the RACV Fly the Flag Tour. (Please bear with us on the photo's quality. it is an enhanced version of a photocopy from a newspaper.)

"We spent two nights in Warrnambool, two nights in Mt Gambier, a night in Hamilton and a night in Ballarat," Mr Rachinger said. "One of the most amazing things was there were 460 people at the final dinner in Ballarat, where everyone was dressed in fancy dress." Mr Rachinger said the

attendees dressed in accordance to the era of their vehicle. "One guy had a Russian car and he was dressed as a Russian General. His costume was immaculate," he said.

Mr Rachinger said another highlight was the visit to the township of Merino, near Hamilton. "We had a lunch stop there one day. We paid for our lunch (most meals were included in the tour) and we ended up raising \$3,500 for the Merino State School," he said.

Mr Rachinger said the 220 cars filled the township of Merino and the residents were thrilled with the spectacle. "At many places people took the opportunity to come out and look at the cars. We were lined up a lot and they stopped to talk to the drivers" he said. "We saw a lot of school kids along the way. They all waved and we tooted at them like mad. A lot of them would never have seen a lot of these cars before." Mr Rachinger said the tour was extremely social, with a range of events planned in the evenings. "It was so well organised, it was an outstanding event", he added.

From The Ararat Advertiser.

PLEASE NOTE!
VIETNAM TOUR – 16th TO 29th NOVEMBER 2012
WE STILL HAVE PLACES ON THIS EXCITING TOUR
ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE TOUR HAVE BEEN MADE ON YOUR BEHALF
IT IS UP TO YOU TO HELP MAKE UP THE NUMBERS SO THAT A
GENEROUS DISCOUNT CAN BE ENJOYED BY ALL WHO JOIN US
TO BOOK YOUR PLACE, CONTACT PADDY BULLARD ON 0429 140 182
THE HOLIDAY OF A LIFETIME – GUARANTEED!

CHRISTMAS IN JULY – Sunday, 22nd July 2012

Yes it is on again, our Annual Dinner and Christmas in July at the popular Marybrooke venue (formerly the *Baron of Beef*). By popular demand they will be serving a traditional Xmas dinner, drinks will be provided by the Club.

Luncheon information:

- Time:** 12:30 pm for 1:00 pm
Location: MARYBROOKE, 10 Sherbrooke Road, Sherbrooke (Melway 75; H2).
Menu: Cream of butternut pumpkin soup.
Roast pork and turkey with crackling and cranberry sauce.
An assortment of roasted vegetables, pan gravy and condiments.
Plum pudding with warm custard.
Coffee/Tea
COST: \$30.00 per head.

Please do not forget the **Kris Kringle**, bring a gift to receive a gift. (\$10.00 minimum)

Note: This is the Annual Club Luncheon, and is a Members only event. Pre-booking and payment is required by the 14th July.



BOOKING FORM
CHRISTMAS IN JULY LUNCHEON – 22nd July, 2012



Please Reserve Seats For: (Name)

Enclosed is my cheque/postal note/money order for \$.....

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Send to: Colin Brown
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