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Front Cover story

Owner Lance & Adele Brazier

1989 Red Aston Martin Virage

At the July annual luncheon, as we were standing in the car park, our heads turned as we heard a V8 car enter. It was this lovely Red Aston Martin. Thanks Lance & Adele for providing some history and photos to share.

Message from the President

I hope everybody is coping O.K. under the present restrictions, which look very likely to continue into September, with the last three club events cancelled and the Tocumwal Airshow postponed it has not been a happy month.

I previously announced that the accommodation in Tocumwal would be rolled over to next April, this did not happen, they were already booked out for that weekend and we were unable to find an alternative in Tocumwal. So our best option is The Sportsman Motel in Barooga which is less than fifteen mins from Tocumwal and I have reserved rooms for the 8th, 9th and 10th April. This is a four star motel and the best rate I could get is \$130 per night and it is located directly opposite the Sporties Club a venue we used on two FTF Tours. The Airshow has been changed from a Saturday to a Sunday so I have booked the accommodation for Sunday because I think most of us would prefer to stay over rather than drive home Sunday night.

The new itinerary will now be, Friday 8th. Meet for lunch en route (venue to be decided) with dinner that night being your own choice, from memory the motel has a excellent outdoor covered BBQ area. Saturday 9th. After breakfast (not included) we will drive to Deniliquin and visit the car museum with the rest of the day free. Dinner that night at the Sporties Club. Sunday we are off to the Airshow everything the same as previous pay to go into the airport or watch for free at Chrysties Museum. George has also offered anyone with a caravan can stay at the museum.

Because of the changes and to ensure we have enough rooms reserved, please confirm your attendance unless you have done so within the last two weeks.

With the lock down in Sydney extended to the end of September it is becoming extremely doubtful the Sapphire Coast Tour will go ahead, at this stage I am adopting a optimistic wait and see attitude. If all else fails we will go to plan B a few days in Lakes Entrance.

On a more optimistic note let us all hope next year will be free from lockdowns, everybody vaccinated and we learn to live with COVID, so all our event organisers are not working for nothing. To this end, COVID permitting, we will have our calendar meeting on Sunday 17th October, as always, this meeting is for event organisers only, if you have some ideas and can't attend let us know and we will try and incorporate them. Please notify Maxine if you are attending for catering purposes.

Take care

Tony Pettigrew
ABCCC President

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Vale Gordon Lindner

March 1940 –August 2021

It was with great sadness I had to report the passing of Gordon Lindner whose funeral was held on Friday 27th August.

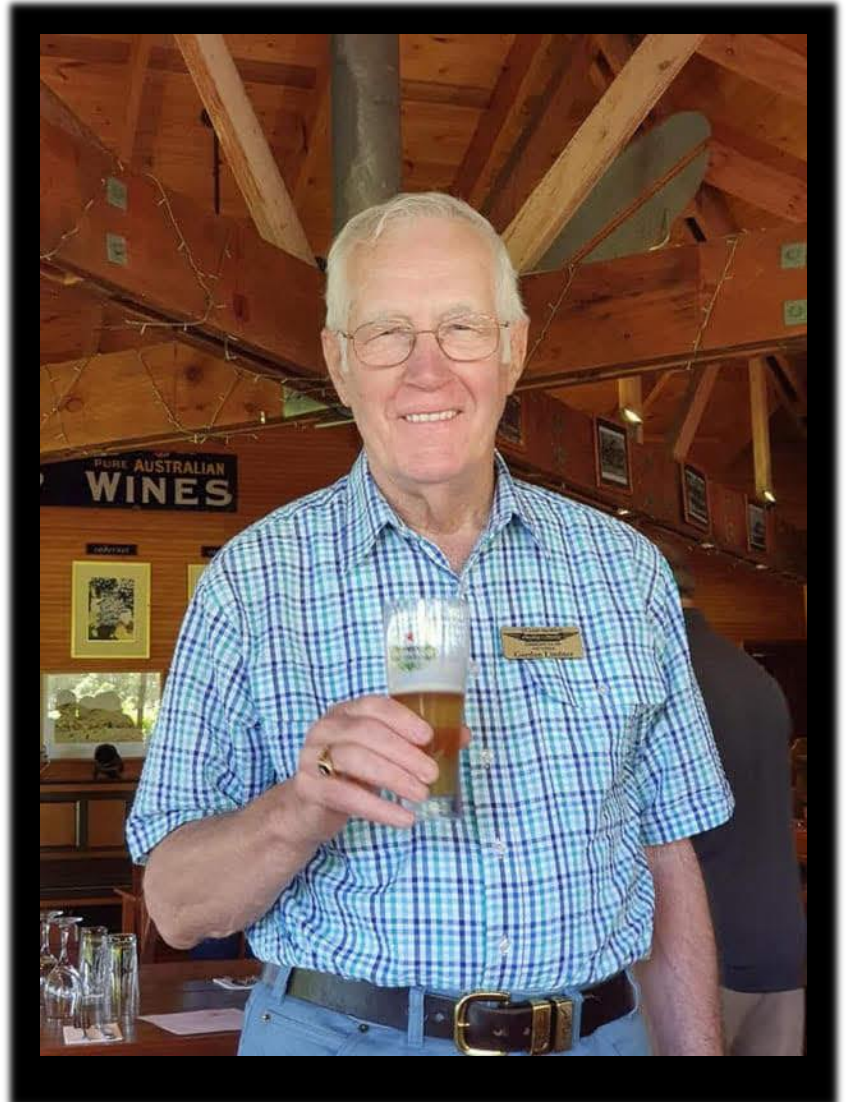
I first met Gordon on the Fly the Flag in 2002 when even then he was busy with his camera and on subsequent FTF's his expertise grew to an almost commercial operation when he would take orders for his cd's and post them to tour participants all at his own expense to raise money for the RACV Community Foundation, Gordon was a generous man and made many donations to charity including to PeterMac.

He joined the ABCCC in 2009 and quickly became a regular attendant at our functions and events, around 2014 he became Membership Secretary a role he did very well, chasing annual dues, maintaining CPS and membership records. He

helped on the GAR committee with the design and manufacture of the rally badge and paid for it all out of his own pocket as a donation to PeterMac. One of the last conversations I had with Gordon was that the few remaining badges be given to his grandchildren and I was to deliver them to him at the annual lunch, sadly he didn't attend, but I will make sure his wishes be kept.

He will be greatly missed by all in the Club, our thoughts at this time are with Elaine and the family

Tony Pettigrew
ABCCC President



Tribute to Gordon Lindner

Gordon built a comprehensive photographic record of ABCCC events including Fly the Flag & Great Australian Rally's dating back to 2002. Gordon was always ready with his camera and seen at every corner & turn of these and many other events.



Some more snaps from Gordons comprehensive photographic records of ABCCC events
A link on ABCCC website to view lots more of Gordons photos, it's a must see.



These photos have been downloaded from Gordons collections of photos. Only a very small selection from the many photos he has taken over many years. Gordon started to use flickr, picaso and then Google, he generously uploaded all his photos for others to enjoy! Such lovely memories that we all will cherish thanks to Gordon.

CLUB INFORMATION

Visit the club's Website for information about how club matters are conducted. This Website also features information about how the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS) is operated by the All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc.

Our club does have one explicit rule – for those motor cars operating on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS), using the auspices of the All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc., for the ongoing benefit of the VCPS, their owners must continue to be a financial member for the duration of the permit period, and attend a minimum of three club events during the permit's active year. Failure to respect this rule will result in the VCPS renewal being insupportable and void.

YOUR COMMITTEE

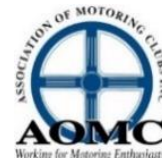
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MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual membership subscription for the All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc. is \$45.00 per annum. This subscription fee also includes the club member's partner. In addition to that, there is a once-only \$30.00 Joining Fee.

Note: Membership subscriptions are due before the end of December each year.

LIFE MEMBERS

The All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc was founded by the late Frank E Douglas on 19th September, 1997. The Club is proud to grant Life Membership to those who provide exceptional service to our club.

Current Life Members are: Pat J Douglas and Mike Allfrey

CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

ABCCC is a VicRoads authorised Club to participate in the VicRoads Club Permit Scheme (CPS)

The ABCCC has set rules & conditions for operating a motor vehicle [twenty-five (25) years old and older on the CPS, for further information about how the CPS is conducted by the All British Classics Car Club please visit the club's Website Link [ABCCC Club Permit Scheme information](#) All the information is available online.

1. **Initial contact** should be made with the club's Vehicle Logbook Club Permit Scheme (VLCPS) Applications Officer, currently Wally Thompson. He will advise the procedure for application with respect to the conditions set by the ABCCC. He must also provide a first inspection of the vehicle.
2. **PERMIT RENEWALS** VicRoads requires that an ABCCC authorised VLCPS Officer's signature is entered on the permit renewal notice. Therefore, your VLCPS 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 VLCPS 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.

Both Wally & Colin's position are entirely voluntary, so due consideration should be given when contacting them.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Payment of ABCCC Annual Fees of \$45.00 were due by 1st January, 2021.

Please note that, should you be unfinancial and driving a classic car under the auspices of our club on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme, you are effectively driving an unregistered motor vehicle.

Bank details: BSB 063 863, A/c No.1001 3709, please provide your details as a reference. Renewal Form can be downloaded if required to update information, from the ABCCC Website.

Thank you,



Did you watch last month's recommendation?
Here are a couple more.....

'Old Australia - Used Car Dealers from days Gone By'



2002 Fly the Flag thanks to Gordon Lindner. Good memories



press the red buttons



Other Events cancelled/rescheduled we have been made aware of due to COVID19

- Sept 2021 Bay to Birdwood - Cancelled this year. Link to Bay to Birdwood [News](#)
- 3 Oct 2021 Euroa Show & Shine – Cancelled this - Link to [website](#)
- RACV Alpine Trial Centenary – event rescheduled from November 2021 to October 2022.

This is our Aston Martin DBS. Built 1968.

4 Litre ,6 cylinder Vantage Spec. 5 speed ZF gearbox. Alloy hand built Body. One of 787 built from 1967 to 1972.

These cars were designed by William Towns , are 6 inches wider than the DB6. This was to install a V8 engine. However fuel injection problems saw some 6s being installed until V8 was ready.

These 6 cylinder engines were originally a W. O. Bentley design and were in Lagondas, After buying Aston Martin in 1947 David Brown, also purchased Lagonda to get use of this engine.

Tadek Marek [a polish refuge] upgraded this motor & in Vantage tune [triple twin barrel Webber Carbs] develop 325 BHP.

Lance & Adele, 4th owners purchased this car from South Australia in Oct 2003

The owner having had it for 25 years. He bought it from the importer , & only sold it because he had the chance to buy an early RR. & had no parking for it. The DBS was used by George Lasenby in the James Bond film "On Her Majesty's Secret Service " & this car is in Victoria , its also famous for having its photo taken along side George & our " Pussy Galore

On our collection trip from SA. We went to a Victor Harbour Motel & after declaring me James Bond, told Adele she must be "Pussy Galore".

WE have driven this car to many Club functions including Tasmania, SA, Q'land & Victoria.



This is my red Aston Martin Virage. Built 1989 (front cover)





Chassis no 2. 5.3 litre V8 330 BHP. 3 Speed Auto [Chrysler] gearbox. Alloy Body, last hand built Aston ,before Steel body DB7. 355 of our model & 1050 total varieties over 6 years. Ford [owners of AM] built 7,500 DB7s. AM used lots of other car parts in their cars & DB 7 was Jaguar based.

Lance & Adele purchased their Virage from Victoria , while still living in Batemans Bay . The previous owners had imported it to Australia in 2005 after using it to tour Europe, & owned it here until selling it Dec. 2012. They went on import a DB7 to replace it.

This is one of about 10 Virages in Australia, & another red one [5 speed manual ZF gearbox] is in Victoria & they have been side by side at several AMOC [Aston Martin Owners Club] outings.

This is a very good touring car & while owning it we have had trips to WA. QLD, ACT 100 year Aston Martin Nationals & Victoria several times.



Timelines showing a brief history of the Aston Martin.

Acknowledgement to Lance Brazier

- 1912. Robert Bamford & Lionel Martin go into partnership as Singer Agents. Lionel Martin competes in Singer at Aston Hill Climb.
- 1913 Bamford & Martin Lit. Formed.
- 1914 First Aston Martin built with 1389 Coventry Simplex motor named Aston Martin as Bamford didn't want name on car .
- 1915 Car registered, Nick named Coal Scuttle.
- 1920 Bamford leaves.
- 1925 Company goes into receivership & rescued by Lady Charnwood, John Benson, "Bert" Bentelli & Bill Renwick. Renamed Aston Martin Motors & Lionel Martin leaves.
- 1932 Bentelli wins Biennial Cup @ Le Mans in 1.5 Liter car. Sir Arthur Sutherland takes ownership.
- 1938. Factory starts producing parts for Wellington & Mosquito bombers & fighters
- 1944. Factory damaged by Flying Bomb.
- 1946. AM. Again for sale.
- 1947 Purchased by David Brown [tractor fame] & also purchases Lagonda.
- 1948 DB1 [2 Litre] wins at Spa.
Production of DB2, DB4 , DB5 [made famous by James Bond] in Goldfinger film .
Followed by DB6.
- 1967 William Towns designed DBS, with De Dion suspension introduced.
- 1969 V8s put in DBS & this style car continues for many years.
- 1972 AM. Sold to Company Developments.
- 1975 From receivership, sold to Peter Sprague & George Minden
- 1976 Towns designed Lagonda" Wedge" launched.
- 1980 Sold again to Tim Hensleys C H Industrial & Victor Gauntletts Pace Petroleum.
- 1984 Automotive Industries has brief ownership, then back to Gauntlett & Peter Livanos.
- 1987 Ford takes over & introduces Virage to replace V8 range. Last of hand built Alloy bodies.
- 1989 AM Racing formed & runs again at Le Mans.
Racing continues in Various classes to this Day.
Famous drivers include Stirling Moss, Carrol Shellby, Roy Salvidori.
- 1993 DB7 6-cylinder steel body, based on Jaguar, produced.
- 1996 V12 put into DB7. Over 7,500 built.
- 2003 1st of new generation AMs DB9 on sale.
- 2007 DBs name revived. Ford sells AM.
- 2009 4 Door Rapide introduced & badged AM, rather than Lagonda
Finally under various owners / consortiums AM now financial.
As well as using their own V12 engines a joint venture is formed with AMG for a V8 to cut costs.
- 2012 Invest Industrial now owners.
- 2013 AM celebrates 100 years.
4 X 4 Cars are now being built, as are electric vehicles.
Older DB range can also be converted to electric, with no external changes.



ASTON MARTIN

Good resource to look at all the models go to: <https://www.astonmartin.com/en-au/models/past-models>

ABCCC EVENTS DIRECTORY

Note: This ABCCC Events Directory lists only those events organised by the ABCCC. There have been other events that, due to constraints, have been deleted from this issue. Only those events scheduled in this Directory qualify for Victorian Club Permit Scheme requirements. All events are also listed on the club website.

WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO – Keep Your Eyes On Your E-mail In-box for updates. September, 2021

Postponed Friday September 17th to 19th Tocumwal, ABCCC Event New dates Friday April 8th, 9th & 10th
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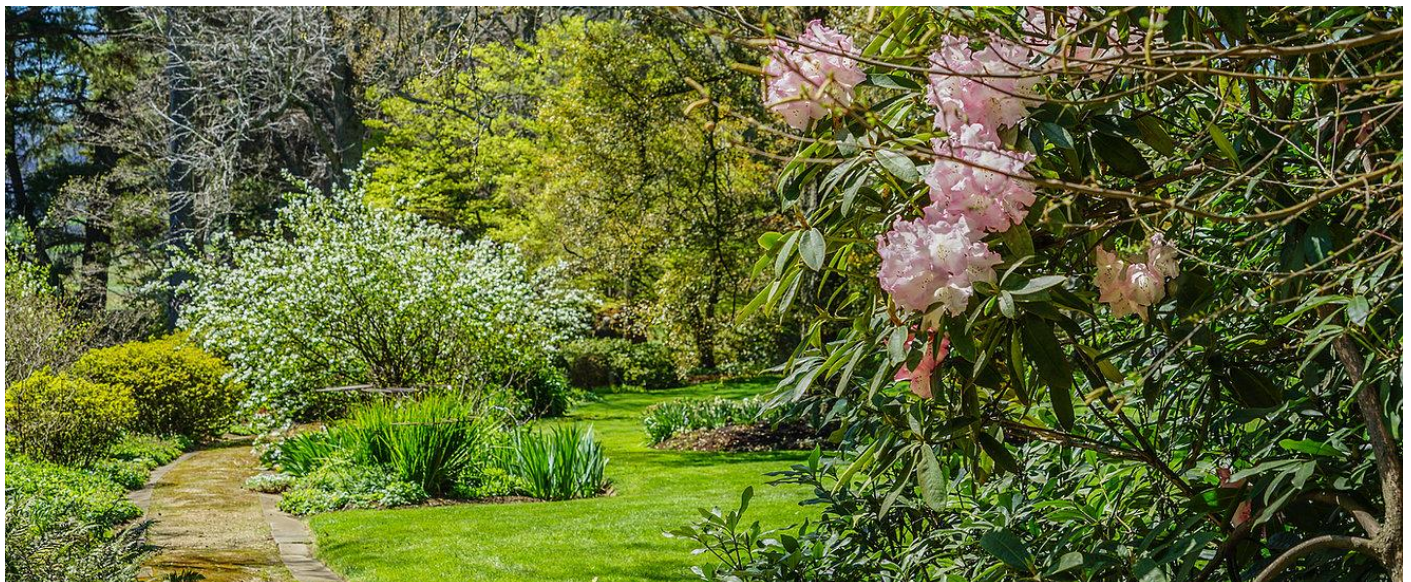
Sunday September 26th Ned Kelly's Birth Place Run An ABCCC Event Phil Cook 0468 680 538
Venue – Meeting Point to be Confirmed.

We will meet at the car park outside Harvey Norman located on Whitehorse Road in Nunawading, Melway Map 48; Reference: G9. Time 9:00 am for a 9:30 am drive off. After driving through Warrandyte and Panton Hill, we will drive up the hill to Kinglake. Then on to Pheasant's Creek where we will stop at the Flying Tarts Bakery for morning tea/coffee. After a short break, we will drive to a lovely country pub where we will have lunch. Meals will be at a nominal charge. Drinks will be at bar prices. As catering needs to be confirmed, will those members who are interested in participating on this event, please let me know. Full route details will be given at the start of the event. Contact Phil Cook on 0468 680 538.

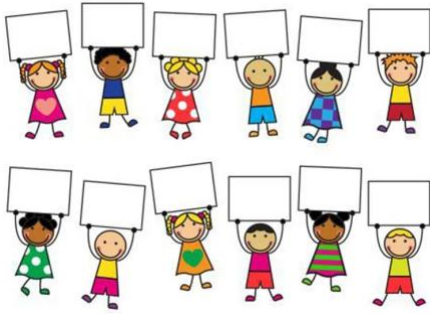
October, 2021

Cancelled Friday October 1st to 3rd The Terri Allen Garden Tour – An ABCCC Event
Kate Senko 0412 126 369

Regrettably this event has been cancelled due to the current uncertainty surrounding COVID-19 restrictions in Victoria, the Garden Lovers' Fair committee has decided to postpone our 2021 event.



Sunday October 17th Calendar Meeting



Event organisers only
Calendar Planning of events
planning meeting
17th October

Friday October 22nd to 24th The Justly Famed Indulgence Tour An ABCCC Event.

Peter McKiernan 0407 876 023

Touring – The Port Fairy Area. This year it is proposed we visit Port Fairy in western Victoria. We will be meeting at the BP Service Centre, Princes Highway (Geelong-bound), Little River at 10:00 am for a 10:30am start. Lunch will be at Mortlake prior to proceeding to Port Fairy. Accommodation has been arranged at The Ashmont Motor Inn however accommodation is limited and it will be a case of first in best dressed. The balance of participants (if any) will be accommodated at an adjoining motel. The format for the weekend will be in-line with that of previous years, and the cost will be \$250pp plus accommodation. If you wish to be part of this weekend extravaganza, would you please confirm your intent to Peter on 0407 876 023. You may have previously indicated a desire to be part of this even however, with what has developed over the past few months, you may care to re-consider your position in relation to the weekend. Meeting point is at BP Little River (Geelong Bound) at 10:00 am.

November, 2021

Tuesday November 2nd Cup Day Out An ABCCC Event
Venue – Yarra Valley Racecourse, Armstrong Drive, Yarra Glen.

Colin Brown 0408 343 176

Thursday November 4th to 17th The Sapphire Coast Tour – An ABCCC Event

Maxine Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146

Venue – Meeting Point to be Confirmed.

Sunday November 28th Tasty Tour of Gippsland An ABCCC Event
Tour Details to be Confirmed – Lunch at Harman Wines, Wattle Bank.

Ian Terry 0409 097 496

December, 2021

Sunday December 12th Christmas Luncheon An ABCCC Event
Venue – Chirnside Park Country Club, 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirnside Park.

Maxine Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146

February, 2022

Wednesday February 9th to 10th Seaside Retreat – An ABCCC Event

Brian and Marj Pepper 0407 392 330

Expression of interest!!

Take a trip back in time and join us for a relaxed tour of the beautiful and bountiful Bellarine Peninsula, including magnificent wineries, produce farms, Seaports and surrounds, all in close proximity to Portarlington, Drysdale, St Leonards, Queenscliff, Indented Head and more.





We will be based at the historic Point Lonsdale Guest House (circa 1884) with access to the Communal kitchen, BBQs, Swimming Pool, Tennis Court and the iconic Point Lonsdale Lighthouse.

BYO breakfast in your room or enjoy the outdoor area and fully equipped kitchen together.

All other organised meals will be on a pay as you go basis, to be advised.

22 Rooms available from \$100 - \$140 per night , booking details available after registering with us.

Please register your interest to us at: bmpepper1@bigpond.com or Marj mobile 0407 392 330

We look forward to hearing from you,

Regards Marj and Brian

April 2022

Friday April 8th, 9th & 10th Tocumwal Air Show An ABCCC Event

George Chrystie 0427 791 202

Includes Visit to a New Museum in Deniliquin. Airshow: Sunday 9th April 2022

Bookings: Tony Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146

Venue – Meeting Point to be Confirmed.



WHAT DID WE MISS OUT ON DOING

Sunday August 15th Yarra Valley Run – An ABCCC Event

Sunday August 29th Tour of China Town – An ABCCC Event



From the FEDERATION

Bendigo's swap meet has been cancelled, due to ongoing uncertainties of COVID especially about interstate travel restrictions and the vaccine rollout.



From the AOMC

[Link to latest AOMC News](#)

VicRoads is now making same number club permit replacement number plates and same number club permit slimline replacement plates available. Because of systems limitations they are only available for order online for permit holders who have a myVicRoads account. Replacement and slimline club permit plates cannot be ordered at VicRoads' Customer Service Centres (CSC).

- Slimline club permit plates are only available for new issue club permits at CSCs. Currently, only 'H' or 'CH' plates are available in the slimline format. 'M' plates and 'SR' plates will be available shortly, and I will advise when they are available.

The fees are:

Fees for same number replacement club permit plates and same number slimline replacement club permit plates:

Plate Type	Single	Pair
Standard Size (Replacement)	\$35-60	\$71-20
Slimline (Replacement)	\$125-00	\$185-00
Mixed (Standard and Slimline)	Not Applicable	\$160-60

Fees for first issue club permit plates:

Plate Type	Single	Pair
Standard Size (New Issue)	\$19-20*	\$38-40**
Slimline (New Issue)	Not Applicable	\$185-00***

* Veteran, Vintage, Motorcycle and Trailer. ** Classic and Historic Motor Vehicles and Modified Vehicles.

*** Classic and Historic Motor Vehicles Only.

It would be appreciated if you could distribute the attached information to your constituent clubs. John Lewis.

Principal Practice Advisor – Registration and Licensing.

VicRoads is part of the Department of Transport.

Here are some answers to possible questions to assist.

Q. When can I request a replacement number plate?

A. Same number replacement number plates can be requested online through customer's myVicRoads account if existing club permit number plate(s) is lost or damaged. All types of club permit plates can be ordered as same number replacements. Replacement fees apply. Stolen number plates cannot be replaced with the same number.

Q. How can same number replacement club permit plates be ordered?

A. Not at Customer Service Centres. They can only be ordered as a same number replacement, online through customer's myVicRoads accounts.

Q. Are slimline plates available for all club permit vehicles?

A. Slimline club permit plates are now available as same number replacements for CH and H plates. The range will be expanded to include slimline SR plates and M plates shortly.

Q. How can I get a myVicRoads account?

A. If you don't have a myVicRoads account, go to to find out more. myVicRoads also allows online registration and permit renewals, vehicle status checks, allows vehicle transfers to be completed online, check driver licence status and demerit points order a replacement driver licence.

Q. Why are replacement plates only available to order online?

A. Ordering of same number replacement plates in either the standard or slimline size by existing club permit holders is offered as an online service to ensure an efficient ordering process that is compatible with VicRoads' systems. Same number replacement plates cannot be ordered at VicRoads' Customer Service Centres as the system is reliant upon customers entering details through their own myVicRoads account.

Q. Why can't slimline plates be made available for purchase at Customer Service Centres?

A. For efficiency of transactions and to minimise demand at Customer Service Centres, VicRoads is only making optional slimline plates available as slimline replacements. VicRoads' club permit database is not designed to readily allow changes of club permit numbers and changes of number are only allowed in rare circumstances, such as where plates are stolen.

Q. Can I request slimline club permit plates if I am getting a new club permit?

A. Good news! If you are obtaining a new club permit for your classic historic vehicle, you can request a pair of slimline H plates (for an additional fee). In future, you will also be able to request slimline M plates or SR plates for eligible vehicles (for an additional fee) when a new permit is issued.

Q. What should I do if my club permit plates are stolen?

A. Stolen club permit plates cannot be reproduced. A report to Victoria Police must be made and a new set of club permit plates (with the next available number) obtained by paying the appropriate fee.

Q. Can I replace a single club permit number plate that is damaged/lost?

A. Yes. Club permit number plates can be requested as a single (same number, same size), pair (same number, same size) or a combination (standard plus slimline – if eligible).

Q. Can I request a Slimline plate if my permit type is not Classic & Historic?

A. Slimline replacement plates are currently only available for CH and H club permit plates. It is intended to make M and SR plates also available in the slimline size in the future.

Q. How will the new plates be received and how long will it take?

A. Plates ordered through the myVicRoads portal will be mailed to the myVicRoads account holder's postal address. It may take up to 10 working days to receive them. An E-mail with a tracking number will be sent when the ordered plates are dispatched.

Q. What should I do if I don't see my club permit vehicle in the myVicRoads account?

A. If you wish to order a replacement plate online and cannot see the club permit vehicle in your myVicRoads account, please contact VicRoads on 131171 to have the permit linked to your myVicRoads account.

Q. Can I request a replacement plate when my Club permit is expired?

A. Replacement plates can only be requested when club permits are 'current'. Replacement plates cannot be ordered for expired, suspended, or cancelled permits.

Q. What should I do with my existing number plate when I order a slimline plate?

A. Any existing plates must be destroyed and not affixed to another vehicle when you order a replacement plate. It is an offence under Road Safety (Vehicles) Interim Regulations 2020, to display number plates on a vehicle for which they were not issued.

Q. What is the fee for ordering slimline club permit plates online?

A. Slimline plates requested in a Customer Service Centre at the time of initial application (next out of the box), and through the myVicRoads portal as a conversion of the existing standard size plate (same number) are priced at \$185 / pair.

From VicRoads – With Thanks

Last month's front cover featured this great photo of the Jenson 541R.

Did you guess when/where this photo was taken?

- *What year?* 2012
- *What event?* Fly the Flag
- *Theme/tour name?* Heritage Tour
- *What location?* The Barn

only Tony Pettigrew replied, he was correct on all four questions!



Toyota Warns (Again) About Electrifying All Autos. Is Anyone Listening?

By Bryan Preston March 2021

Depending on how and when you count, Japan's Toyota is the world's largest automaker. According to Wheels Toyota and Volkswagen vie for the title of the world's largest, with each taking the crown from the other as the market moves. That's including Volkswagen's inherent advantage of sporting 12 brands versus Toyota's four. Audi, Lamborghini, Porsche, Bugatti, and Bentley are included in the Volkswagen brand family.

GM, America's largest automaker, is about half Toyota's size thanks to its 2009 bankruptcy and restructuring. Toyota is actually a major car manufacturer in the United States; in 2016 it made about 81% of the cars it sold in the U.S. right here in its nearly half a dozen American plants. If you're driving a Tundra, RAV4, Camry, or Corolla it was probably American-made in a red state. Toyota was among the first to introduce gas-electric hybrid cars into the market, with the Prius twenty years ago. It hasn't been afraid to change the car game.

All of this is to point out that Toyota understands both the car market and the infrastructure that supports it perhaps better than any other manufacturer on the planet. It hasn't grown its footprint through acquisitions, as Volkswagen has, and it hasn't undergone bankruptcy and bailout as GM has. Toyota has grown by building reliable cars for decades.

When Toyota offers an opinion on the car market, it's probably worth listening to. This week, Toyota reiterated an opinion it has [offered before](#). That opinion is straightforward: The world is not yet ready to support a fully electric auto fleet.

Toyota's head of energy and environmental research Robert Wimmer testified before the Senate this week, and said: "If we are to make dramatic progress in electrification, it will require overcoming tremendous challenges, including refueling infrastructure, battery availability, consumer acceptance, and affordability."

Wimmer's remarks come on the heels of GM's announcement that it will phase out all gas internal combustion engines (ICE) by 2035. Other manufacturers, including Mini, have followed suit with similar announcements.

Tellingly, both Toyota and Honda have so far declined to make any such promises. Honda is the world's largest engine manufacturer when you take its boat, motorcycle, lawnmower, and other engines it makes outside the auto market into account. Honda competes in those markets with Briggs & Stratton and the increased electrification of lawnmowers, weed trimmers, and the like.

Wimmer noted that while manufactures have announced ambitious goals, just 2% of the world's cars are electric at this point. For price, range, infrastructure, affordability, and other reasons, buyers continue to choose ICE over electric, and that's even when electric engines are often subsidized with tax breaks to bring pricetags down.

The scale of the switch hasn't even been introduced into the conversation in any systematic way yet. According to FinancesOnline, there are 289.5 million cars just on U.S. roads as of 2021. About 98 percent of them are gas-powered. Toyota's RAV4 took the top spot for purchases in the U.S. market in 2019, with Honda's CR-V in second. GM's top seller, the Chevy Equinox, comes in at #4 behind the Nissan Rogue. This is in the U.S. market, mind. GM only has one entry in the top 15 in the U.S. Toyota and Honda dominate, with a handful each in the top 15.

Toyota warns that the grid and infrastructure simply aren't there to support the electrification of the private car fleet. A 2017 U.S. government study found that we would need about 8,500 strategically-placed charge stations to support a fleet of just 7 million electric cars. That's about six times the current number of electric cars but no one is talking about supporting just 7 million cars. We should be talking about powering about 300 million within the next 20 years, if all manufacturers follow GM and stop making ICE cars.

Simply put, we're gonna need a bigger energy boat to deal with connecting all those cars to the power grids. A LOT bigger.

Acknowledgement to Jack Craven for finding & providing this article

A British Car (ABC) Quiz!

How good is your knowledge?

Quick quiz, put your knowledge to the test. it's easy. Answers at the bottom of the page.

1. When did the first British Motor Corporation Mini roll off the production line?

- A. August 1959
- B. January 1960
- C. September 1958

2. Who hated the Morris Minor and described it as looking 'like a poached egg'?

- A. Dame Edna Everage
- B. Morris Chairman Willian Morris
- C. Prime Minister Harole Wilson



3. What classic car did TV detective Inspector Morse (played by actor John Thaw) drive around Oxford

- A. Hillman Avenger
- B. E type Jaguar
- C. Mark II Jaguar

4. Who owns Land Rover after buying the company in 2008

- A. Ford
- B. BMW
- C. Tata Motors



Something different to think about....Clever anagrams

(Wait till you see the last one)!

PRESBYTERIAN When you rearrange the letters:
ASTRONOMER When you rearrange the letters:
DESPERATION When you rearrange the letters:
THE EYES When you rearrange the letters:
THE MORSE CODE When you rearrange the letters:
DORMITORY When you rearrange the letters:
SLOT MACHINES When you rearrange the letters:
ANIMOSITY When you rearrange the letters:
ELECTION RESULTS When you rearrange the letters:
SNOOZE ALARMS When you rearrange the letters:
A DECIMAL POINT When you rearrange the letters:
THE EARTHQUAKES When you rearrange the letters:
ELEVEN PLUS TWO When you rearrange the letters:
AND FOR THE GRAND FINALE:
MOTHER-IN-LAW When you rearrange the letters:

BEST IN PRAYER
MOON STARER
A ROPE ENDS IT
THEY SEE
HERE COME DOTS
DIRTY ROOM
CASH LOST IN ME
IS NO AMITY
LIES - LET'S RECOUNT
ALAS! NO MORE Z 'S
I'M A DOT IN PLACE
THAT QUEER SHAKE
TWELVE PLUS ONE

WOMAN HITLER
Thanks to Lance

ABC quiz Answers:

1.A – August 1959, 2. B Morris Chairman Willian Morris 3. C. Mark II Jaguar4. C. Tata Motors

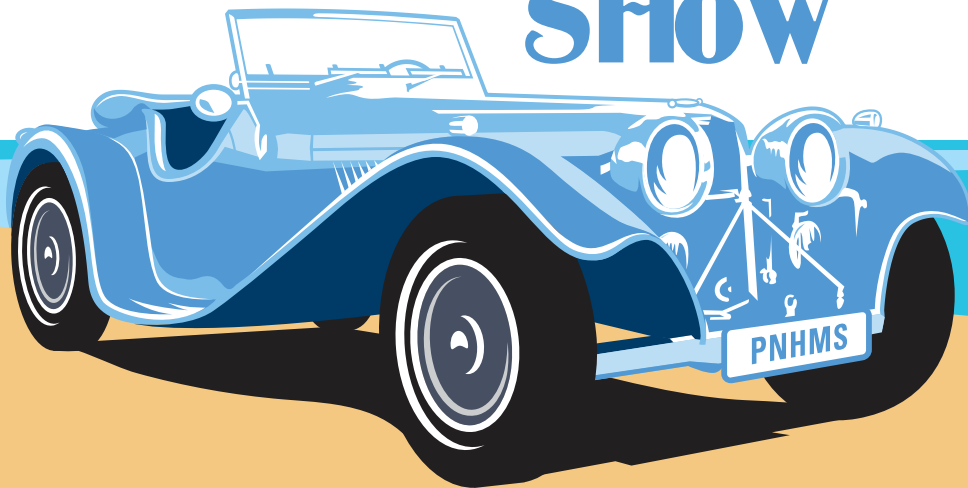
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