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CALENDAR

Monthly meetings

Chevrolet Car Club

(October 7th, November 4th, December 2nd, no January)

Camaro TransAm Group

(October 15th, November 19th, December 17th, January 21st)

Vic Vettes

(October 27th, November 25th, no December, January 27th) Gippsland/Latrobe Valley Chapter

(October 29th, November 26th, no December, January 28th)

- 1st Monday of the month Clubrooms Moorabbin Dinner from 6:45pm Meeting starts 8pm
- 3rd Tuesday of the Month Clubrooms Moorabbin Dinner from 6:45pm Meeting starts 8pm
- last Monday of the month Clubrooms Moorabbin Dinner from 6:45pm Meeting starts 8pm
- last Tuesday of the month Moe HotelDinner from 6:30pm Meeting starts 7:30pm

Events (full details available on the website) Where a contact number is provided, bookings are required

| OCTOBER | | |
|----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 6th | Bob Hayles Memorial Run | Euroa |
| | | Keith Taylor on 0421 287 350 |
| 20th | Lunch Longwarry Hotel | 4 Kennedy St, Longwarry |
| | | Michael Klein 0434 175 142 |
| 20th | Breakfast Soul Sisters | 9 Mackey St, Longwarry |
| | | Michael Klein 0434 175 142 |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| 3rd | Lunch Longwarry Hotel | 4 Kennedy St, Longwarry |
| | | Michael Klein 0434 175 142 |
| 10th | Sandown Historic Race Meeting | Sandown race track |
| | | Keith Taylor 0421 287 350 |
| 24th | Club Show and Shine | Moorabbin Clubrooms |
| | | Keith Taylor on 0421 287 350 |
| DECEMBER | | |
| 1st | Vic Vettes Xmas Lunch | Moorabbin Clubrooms |
| | | Chris Sultana on 0410 619 207 |
| | Gippsland Xmas Lunch | Neerim South Hotel |
| | | Michael Klein 0434 175 142 |
| 8th | Club Xmas Lunch | Moorabbin Clubrooms |
| | | Keith Taylor on 0421 287 350 |
| JANUARY | | |
| 1st | Lunch Meeniyan Hotel | 117 Whitelaw St, Meeniyan |
| | | lan Cole 0419 534 765 |

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COVER:

Geroge Tahatis's 1991 ZR1 Corvette

NEW MEMBERS

Applicants for Membership approved by the Committee

| M# | Name | Vehicle | Introduced by |
|------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 5310 | Oskar MAIER | 86 GMC Caballero | Nick Markogiannakis |
| | | | M#1260 |
| 5311 | Jim MURRAY | No Club-eligible Vehicle Listed | Club website |
| 5312 | Noel EDWARDS | 85 Chev Corvette | Club website |

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| | M#2080 | NEIL TITFORD | 0439 047 383 | | | |
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| Camaro/Firebird/Trns Am | : | Rotating Chair | | | | |
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CLUB REGALIA

Your club has a range of apparel available in Chev Club, Vic Vettes and Camaro/Firebird/ Trans Am designs.

See page 17 for full range

Contact George Tahatis (0419 339 343) or ask at any club meeting.

CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED

Do you have some photos or stories that you would like to share with other *Bow-Tie* members?

Are you going to an event that may be of interest to other car enthusiasts?

Contact us at Editor@ChevCarClubVic.org.au and let us know your information.

We are always looking for articles so why don't you contribute to your monthly *Bow-Tie*, even if it's for bragging rights.

Look forward to seeing your cars!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



GENERAL BUSINESS

Work is continuing on our 50th aniversary book and we are on the lookout for photos

of cars, members or events from the earlier days, if you can help please contact Andy Brain or a committee member.

Those of you who attend the clubrooms may have noticed some water stained ceiling tiles, obviously the result of a few leaks in the roof, most of these have been fixed and our plumber is in the process of replacing the flashing on both the clubrooms and factory 2 to prevent any further damage.

The committee was looking at having a presentation of the play "Garage Girls" at the clubrooms the play is about Alice Anderson, a female mechanic who opened her own garage and car hire business with all female mechanics and drivers in the 1920s. We assesed the level of interest at the monthly meetings, and also with the clubs that rent our clubrooms to see if we had the numbers we needed to make it viable. Unfortunately the date made available to us was a Sunday evening that clashed with other events, so we will try for a Saturday in the new year.

Sadly member #64 Peter McKenzie's wife Carol passed away on 29th September, we send our condolences to Peter and his family.

Upcoming Events

The calendar on page 3 shows events/meetings for the next 4 months.

Don't forget these ones:

AOMC Club and Trade Showcase, Shanons showrooms Saturday 26th October

Club Show'n'Shine 24th Nov.

New Years Day lunch at the Meeniyan Hotel

ON THIS DAY (FLASHBACKS FROM THE BOW-TIE ARCHIVES)

20 YEARS AGO (Oct 2004)

The October 2004 was not just Norm Darwin's first as editor, it also saw

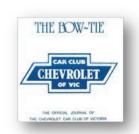


an increase in size to A4 and featured a new cover logo. In somewhat distrubing news the new members section listed a John Smith, as if one of them wasn't enough. The new John Smith was the owner of a 67 Impala, 65 Bel Air and 79 TransAm. The guest speaker at the September meeting was James Pierce speaking about his new business, Invisible Car Bras. There was a report on a run to Ballarat

which had 27 cars from the Pontiac Club as well as the VicVettes and Camaro groups. The run visited the private collections of Leigh Grigg and Merv Jeffries with a lunch stop at the Golf House Hotel in between. Another group visited the Barossa Valley to check out Eric Parker's collection of over 100 cars from 1916-75 including 8 1942 Chev convertibles. An informative article on the 69 Camaro was reproduced, including the special dealer 427's. While the version from Pennsylvania dealer Yenko is familiar to most, other dealers who prepared similar cars included Nickey in Chicago, Dana in California and Baldwin-Motion in New York and then GM topped them all with the all alloy 427 in the ZL1.

40 YEARS AGO (Oct 1984)

Member #68 Alan Olson was restoring a "63 Impala and was having difficulty with the Motor Registration Branch (now VicRoads) because his car has a tinted windscreen. Even though his car



was manufactured prior to ADRs they were insisting that it could only be registered with an ADR compliant windscreen i.e. no tint or a tint band at the top of the screen only. A run in September went to the Hughes Brothers Holden Museum where they saw restored Holdens from 1948-64. Other vehicles on display were a Camira prototype made of timber fibreglass and plastic with no mechanicals and a 4-cylinder Commodore that travelled from Melbourne to Sydney to prove it could be done on one tank of fuel. Also spotted were a prototype Statesman, Marlboro Racing Team Commodore and a restored Victa lawnmower. There was a request for a '66 or '67Pontiac Parisienne 4 door with a black vinyl hardtop and maroon body to be used in the filming of a documentary series on the late Prime Minister Harold Holt. Looks like it was a 90-minute documentary aired in 1985 on channel 10 called The Harold Holt Mystery. It would be interesting to find out if a club member did provide a car for this. Name badges were now available for members they were a blue laminate in the shape of a Bow Tie and cost \$4 so 40 years later \$10 sounds like a bargain.

Keith Taylor #3329



Motorvation Motivation



What exactly is the best form of transport available? Well, that's a really wide open question, so let's introduce some rules. How about we try to work out what the best form of transport is for Australia and our great Australian way of life? We will need to cover it all, commuting to work, popping down to the shops, supporting an active social life, taking domestic holidays (including the great Aussie interstate road trip), yes everything.

To ensure that we have the most precise findings possible I have decided that we will engage this column's highly reliable, respected and well-established principle of BBS. For those not familiar with it, BBS stands for 'Biscayne Bard Science' (not 'Bard Bull Sh1t' as some unkind Volvo driving and / or number crunching detractors have continuously tried to suggest...)

To uncover the overall best option, we need to look at a wide range of factors. How effective and convenient is the mode of transport? How does it impact on the environment? Is it safe? How does it affect our health and our state of mind?

Below I have created a grid that gives a rating for each selected mode of transport over a broad range of criteria. Dark green represents the maximum 5/5, then light green is 4/5, yellow is 3/5, light red is 2/5 and dark red is the worst at 1/5. Let's take a squiz.

| | How close to target | Comfort & relaxation | How fast | How safe | Fire safety | Environment when running | Environment when making | Is it a healthy option | Respect earned | Smugness rating | Heritage protection | Wow factor | Protection from weather |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Classic car | All the way | Cruising | Plenty there | Suitable for its age | Hot in a different way | OK, it's thirsty | Steel yourself | No sweat | Everybody loves you | Can't help it if there's some | Abso bloody lutely | Oozes wow | Reasonable |
| Luxury car | Pinpoint accuracy | Floating on a cloud | Prompt | All safety money can buy | Not a concern | Couldn't give a | Too much fancy sh1t | Will purchase health later | Respect & resentment | Look at me, I'm loaded | Might end up a classic | Wannabe wow | Of course |
| Hybrid car | Spot on | No worries | Adequate | Suitably safe | Not much risk | A compromise | More plastic | Idling along | Semi woke glory | No smoggy smuggy | Ooch funny | Aint happening | Sufficient |
| Car | To the doorstep | Simples | Quick | Mandatory | Insignificant risk | It is what it is | Plastic fantastic | Layabout | Average | Not a factor | Could end up a classic | With a bit of work | Good |
| Bicycle | Right there if local | Don't wait to be told | Give me strength | Exposed | Non flamible | Guiltiess | Minimal | Pump them pedals | W!nk@r | Mamil alert | Penny farthings only | Lycra has no wow | None |
| Taxi | Within reason | Easy peasy | Fast | Car good but driver? | Minimal risk | Does LPG help? | With the other plastics | Bludger | Maybe if drinking | Not really | Shilt no - too flogged | Just no | Fine |
| Motorbike | Bang on | Exposed & strenuous | Zoomin' | Right gear but high pace | Small risk | Low fuel consumption | Quite low | Slack mongrel | More like intimidation | Only specific brands | Only specific brands | Well some of 'em | Minimal |
| Train | Kinda | Share the viruses | Stopping all stations | Has its own track | Well protected | It's a bulk deal thing | Plenty | Semi healthy | Taking one for the team | Cringeworthy | Nuh-uh | No wow at the station | Upon arrival |
| Walk 🕺 | Short distances | ок | Slow | On footpath | No risk | Emission free | Free | Excellent work | Good job | Minor | Nothing | Nope | Zero |
| Jog 🍂 | A little further | Odoh, sweaty | Slow plus 50% | Bike/running tracks | Zero danger | No impact impacts | Gratis | Great effort | Ambivalent | Look! I'm healthy | Absolutely not | Forget it | NII |
| Electric car | Long range eventually | Relax and ride | Charging stops | With the lot | The infernal flame | Coal fired electricity? | Resources for batteries | Conclusion jumping only | Only from fellow wokes | You love you so much | Museum of failures? | Not even a little bit | Adequate |
| Bus | Sort of | Squished in | Frequent stops | Momentumus | Minor risk | Diesel belch | A lot | Partly | Your'e kidding right? | More like emparrasment | Not likely | Shhhhl | OK when on it |
| Tram | Limited sort of | Crowded | Traffic and stops | Adequate | Safe | Volts not fossils | Heaps | A bit | Broke yuppie | Not really | Kidding right? | That's untikely | On route |
| Plane | Limited destinations | Sardine fit | Jet propelled | Gravitational risk | Excellent precautions | Environmental bandit | Extremely costly | Relax baby | High flyer | let set no! | No way Jose | Maybe Spitfires | Once on board |
| E-bike scooter | Within battery range | Danger Will Robinson | Limited charge range | Not even a helmet | Charging risk | Fantastic mileage | Not significant | Lazy bugger | Crazy pr1ck | Lunatic fringe | Tip fodder | More like WTF factor | Nada |

Well, if you add up all the numbers, we have a winner, and amazingly it is the classic car! Now I am sure the more cynical readers would try to suggest there is a bias there (mostly because this is the official newsletter of a classic car club) but don't forget this was a fastidiously qualified and highly scientific investigation and the science is irrefutable. Yes, BBS delivers again.

So, until next time, keep that classic rolling, safe in the knowledge that you have made the best choice as far as transportation goes.

The Biscayne Bard

WHAT IS A LIFETIME AWAY...... " The NEW YEARS DAY RUN"

I know we all get excited about Christmas Parties and warm weather and after our National Festival in October Christmas this year will roll around quicker than normal.

From these festivities we will sprint to our "famous" New Years Day run.

Try as I might I simply could not "quaff down" enough Golden Ale to keep the lights burning at the Mirboo Nth Brewery.

Even Andy Brain's invisible brother gave up drinking water to try and save the brewery but alas our combined effort was all in vain and she folded like a crushed keg.

The good news is that our New Years Day lunch will be held at the MEENIYAN HOTEL in you guessed it Meeniyan on New Years Day 2025.

My motorbike experience will tell you that the roads between Mirboo Nth and Meeniyan are heaven to ride and super to motor in any type of Chev or modern so please circle this date on the toilet door and let's celebrate the new year together at the Meeniyan Pub.

lan 4782



1946 Australian GMH built AK Chevy Panel Van.



The following background is from research by Norm Darwin

In 1939, GMH in Australia assembled and built 129 Chevy Utility Vans in Australia.

In 1940, GMH in Australia assembled and built 15 Chevy Utility Vans.

In 1941, they changed the model with predominately a grill change, and the headlights placed on the guards instead of the sides of the radiator.

During World War 2, none were built for the public market, but they built an unknown quantity for the armed forces. The army dash had round gauges and is quite different to the civilian dash which was rectangular.

Post war, in 1946, GMH built around 2000 vehicles for the civilian market, but they were predominantly passenger vehicles. I have not been able to find how many Panel Vans were built. Apparently, all records were destroyed for this period. Some were made and used for ambulances and delivery vans and some were made for the Post Master General, (P.M.G., which split in 1975 to become Australia Post and Telecom).

During 1947, Chevy changed the model again with a considerably different grill and shape to the previous model. Chevys were imported in complete knock down form. This was the chassis, drivetrain, and the firewall/front of cab. The rest of the vehicle was "coach built," (hand built by coach builders). The internal frame was a timber frame and the steel side panels were nailed onto the frame.

I know of a small handful of Australian built Chevy Panel Vans in Australia. This one was handed down to me by my Grandfather who brought it from PMG. I'm restoring it to as original as possible including repainting it PMG Fleet Colour Mercury Red.



I started pulling it apart back in 1998 to restore it with my Grandfather. Unfortunately, I was involved in a work accident and work on the Chevy stopped. My Grandparents passed away and I never got to take them for a drive in it restored.

Next plan, Mum grew up with this car. Granddad used to drive my Mum to the Gold Coast where she would go surfing. I wanted to restore it and take her for a drive.

In 2021, without warning, Mum passed away.

In 2022, between Covid outbreaks, I travelled to Qld and with the help of some other family members, brought the Chevy home with me. It had been out in the weather rotting away and looked like a terribly hard restoration

project.

Two years down the road, it's been back to bare chassis and all the running gear restored. The wooden frame and floor are done. The Cab has now been sandblasted so it's time to start the steel work. I expect (hope) probably in the next two years it'll be on the road.

I have a Facebook page if people want to follow the progress. I post on here sort of regularly. https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1izmypcWCiw1k3BG/?mibextid=QwDbR1

Shane Graham #5169

1946 Australian GMH built AK Chevy Panel Van.



1998, moving to Brisbane from Toowoomba to start work on it. Me in the photo.



1998, let's start



2021, Mum died suddenly, travel to Qld to retrieve Chev. between Covid outbreaks

1946 Australian GMH built AK Chevy Panel Van.



2023 rolling chassis



NOW THAT THE DUST HAS SETTLED

For many years the CCCVi has attended the Australian National Show and Shine or as it's more commonly called the Euroa Car Show.

What a car show it is with up to 600 vehicles on display from all over Victoria and beyond. We would meet at Lilydale and head off in convoy (obeying all speed limits as responsible Chev drivers do) with Bob Hayles generally in the lead and grinning ear to ear.

The date of the car show is usually around the first week in October.

With the sad passing of my mate (Bob) the Committee decided to nominate this as...... "Bob Hayles Memorial Run" * to not only honour his memory but act as a reminder of his driving force behind this annual event........ miss you mate! (Ian)

Bob must have really "pissed off" someone upstairs or tried to pull the "if I'm not going no-one is" trick, because the car show was on, then off then back on with a new committee. So personally, I am happy I am going to the National Chevrolet Festival (which was never in doubt) with Yvonne which is being held in Lakes Entrance over the same weekend.

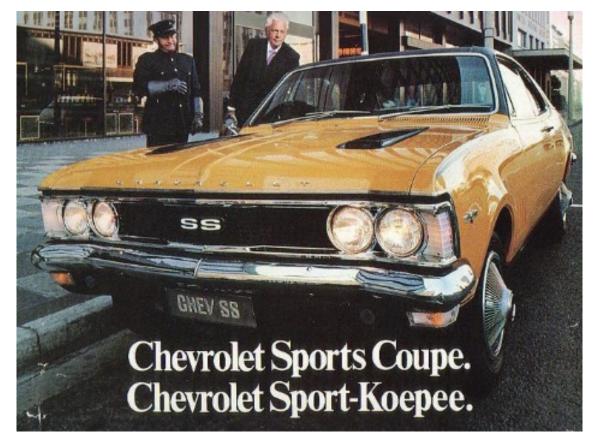
So, Bowties here is the rub...... we did not set the date of the Euroa Car Show we simply offered the info to our members who were unable to attend the Nationals weekend but may be able to attend Euroa as a day trip. A good comparison between the two is to be found when comparing the two Committees.

Michael and the team operated like a well-oiled 350 V8 while the Euroa group had to cancel the event before they secured enough volunteers to go ahead.

I hope those that joined us at Lakes had a super time as this was written on the 26/9. Ian #4782

*President's note: Whilst the committee acknowledges that many of our passed members have contributed a great deal to the club, we do not make a practice of allocating "memorial" events, in this case it was appropriate because the yearly trek to the Euroa Car Show was started and arranged every year by Bob.

Keith #3329



GM South Africa ad - a Monaro badged as a Chevrolet SS

FINAL SPONSOR FOLLOW UP FOR THE NATIONAL FESTIVAL

While you all thought the Festival was now over, it is still not too late to thank the remaining fantastic festival sponsors so let's start with a major sponsor......

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Contact details for OMEGA are 03513 136277 0409 940 341 nick@omeganetwork.com.au

I was personally sick of seeing overpaid pollies in hard hats and safety vests smiling away at the TV camera for tonight's news story.

That said, **POCKET WORKWARE and SAFETY** at 1 Hollie Drive Morwell 5133 3389 have changed this perception of mine for good.

The eye-catching safety vests they have supplied for the Festival will become collector items as they double up as a fashion accessory......." Well, done "POCKET WORKWARE.

Although this is written before the Festival the striking safety vests will enable our Festival marshals to be easily identified and as such create a safer environment for participants and general public alike.

The name John Benson should ring a bell with members.

John is the Sales & Marketing Manager of Davies Craig and several months ago gave a very informative talk on automotive cooling.

It was game on and even I was asking questions of him after the presentation.

John kindly donated an electric water pump kit with electronic controller plus a large diameter electric cooling fan for the National Festival raffle.

My hands trembled as I checked out the electric water pump what a great piece of kit.

John can be contacted at johnb@daviescraig.com.au 0418 130 600

Not to be outdone our final sponsor is "Les from the West"

Les was concerned that the winner of THE WORST HARD LUCK STORY Trophy was only going to receive a small prize. Les stated that it has to be "THE WORST" since "The BEST" has to be less worse than the worst because it is the best! You may require 7 Festival ports to follow the logic however Les in true Bow-Tie clubman tradition has commissioned a Garage Trophy to be produced and presented at the Festival.

It will be special because it is the only Garage Trophy being presented.

On that note I will close on the actual sponsors.

Without the dollar input from these sponsors this Festival would not have occurred (remember this was written 27/9) unless financed by the Club or other unknown sources.

As an outside helper to the Festival Committee, it was like watching a small snowball running down a ski slope.

As it ran down it grew larger and travelled faster and faster.

Michael and the Festival Committee meta morphed into a well-oiled machine and are no doubt just waiting for the chance to run the next Victorian National Chevrolet Festival Ian #4782

SEPTEMBER "SCUTTLE BUTT"

Occasionally when we look back in time, we see a fad where almost everyone gets involved in it.

Think flared pants, mullets, hush puppy's and gold chains.

When we think children's fads, we think yoyos and these were the rage with international yoyo contests to boot and this particular fad lasted a good few years.

The humble yoyo was attached to a string so all going well it returned safely when the correct wrist movement was used.

Not so the Gippsland Nova.

From mechanic misadventure to Auction issues this machine returned to its country owner like a well-trained Drouin Drovers Dog or adult yoyo for example.

We are led to believe this could be a story without end as well.

ANON



Camaro / Firebird Group

Camaro, Trans Am 17th September 2024

OPENING:

Meeting started sometime after 8.00pm

DINNER: Pizza as usual however this month we ended up having a two course dinner.

Both courses were pizza, there was an influx of people after the initial order was placed.

When we tried to increase the order the shop's phone was not working so we sent the driver back with a note for the second delivery.

APOLOGIES/NEW MEMBERS:

Michael Johnson.

No visitors and or new members 18 members present

PAST EVENTS:

Ross told us about the run to Charlies Auto Museum at Arthurs Seat apparently its full of amazing stuff and well worth a look if you're down that way.

FUTURE EVENTS:

46th National Chevrolet Festival AOMC Trade and Club Expo 27th Oct at Shannons All American Day AMOC Mornington Racecourse Feb 2025

SHOW CAR:

None

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A quick summary of Peter McKenzie's 1960 Nomad restoration and all the rust repairs and fabricated parts required.

Keith has updated his Camaro's steering column by replacing the knuckle on the intermediate shaft with a universal joint. I'm calling it a half Baker modification because Ron used two uni's on his TransAm. The update involved removing the old joint and machining a spline onto the shaft so that the steering column and intermediate shaft stayed in phase. If you're interested in doing the same John Smith is the man to see.

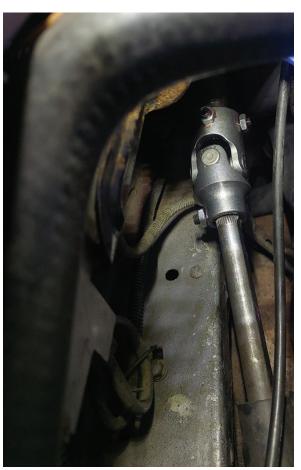
The use of molasses as rust removal method were also discussed.

MEETING CLOSE:

9.25pm

Chair and Minutes Keith Taylor #3329







CCCVI

Minutes of Monthly Meeting

Held on Monday 2nd September 2024 at Club Headquarters, Moorabbin

OPENING: Keith Taylor, our President chaired the meeting. The meeting opened at 8.03pm

PRESENT: There were 27 persons in attendance.

MINUTES: Minutes of previous Monthly Meeting as published in *Bow-Tie* accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil

DINNER: Ross Petousis, stepped in to cook dinner as Debbie Chalmers was unable to attend due to being stranded by storm damage. So, thank you to Ross and also to Bill Bailey & Geoff Taylor for the clean up after dinner. The meal of burger with chips was excellent. Advance menu details of the dinners are listed in The *Bow-Tie* magazine.

APOLOGIES: Les Scascighini, Ron Baker & Alan Walton.

NEW MEMBERS: Nil however there was a prospective new member in attendance, Jacob Fernander who is seeking to by a Corvette.

PAST EVENTS: Reports available in the September *Bow-Tie* but special mention of the very interesting run recently to the Mornington Peninsula. Especially the museum visited.

FUTURE EVENTS: Please check web site for details of future events. In particular the Chev Festival in October. The applications are coming in fast and accommodation is starting to become a problem.

GUEST SPEAKER AND SHOW CAR: Peter McKenzie (member # 64) was our guest speaker with his restored 1960 Chevrolet Nomad Station Wagon. Parked in the clubrooms was the beautiful, restored bronze Nomad.

Peter started the talk by explaining about the car and how it was a joint project with Perry Beckers. From his talk it was obvious that it was a big project and Perry had a lot of very interesting input into the job.

There were 212,000 Chevrolets produced in 1960 and they ranged from two door, four door and station wagons. This was the last year a Chevrolet vehicle was named as a Nomad.

Peter purchased the car in the USA as a left-hand drive, the 1960 vehicle was a face lift job of the 1959 and cost \$US3,000. Matt black in colour, it was then driven for 2,500 miles around the US before being packed up and shipped to Melbourne. The intention was always to restore the car as right-hand drive so it could be driven around Australia.

Now we come to the very interesting part of Peter's talk. On our big screen Peter had step by step photos of the actual dismantling of the car and restoration of the body. It was only realized when dismantled how much work was required to bring the car up to tip top condition.

The vehicle was separated from its chassis and both chassis and body were stripped back to bare metal and

all worn, damaged, rusted out and other dodgy parts were rebuilt, replaced, or fabricated resulting in better than new condition. Not a job to be undertaken light heartedly. It did take many years to achieve the high standard of the finished product. It is a credit to the determination of Peter & Perry to produce such a high standard of restoration. The restrictions of Covid gave the project the final push to get it finished.

A very good talk, well-illustrated with slides and Peter provided a wealth of details about every part restored. Peter was able to answer a number of questions from the assembled members.

TECHNICAL TOPIC: Held over to October.

HINTS, TIPS AND QUERIES: Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS: Garage Girls – This is a play about Alice Anderson and her all girl garage in Kew in the 1920s. It is proposed to have the play at our club rooms next year.

Videos produced by Chris Sultana were shown.

Raffle – there were seven prizes for the raffle.

CLOSURE:

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.45pm The next meeting is Monday 7th October 2024 at 8pm. Minutes Taken by Brian Comport Member # 850







VicVettes

Vic Vettes 26th August 2024

CHAIR: Shane Cooney stepping up for his second run in the

big chair. Respect mate MINUTES: Phil. A truly seasoned minute taking

traveller.

ATTENDANCE: 22

DINNER: Prawn fried rice and marinated chicken. Impeccable dinner as always and plenty of it. Thank you, George.

George wants a text 0419339343 by Friday

morning before the meeting to know how many to cater for.

APOLOGIES: Chris Sultana.

NEW MEMBERS, GUESTS: Nil.

PAST EVENTS: Group from the club went to a car museum at Arthurs Seat and went to Mount Martha hotel for lunch. 20 cars so well turned out

FUTURE EVENTS: Sept 15 run to a chocolate factory in Brunswick. Text Ross 0401103749 for bookings. Chev Nationals Lakes Entrance 4th to 7th October 6th October CCCV Bob Hayles memorial run to Euroa 7 rivers run car show. Meeting point Lilydale Repco at 7 am. Pity the event clashes with Chev Nationals but for anyone not going to Lakes Entrance, this is a great option. Miss ya Bob Corvette Nationals 28th March to 31st March 2025 in Parkes NSW

DISPLAY CARS: George's ZR1. Metallic Turquoise green. Left hooker. George has been in the market for a while. Was part of a collection. 27K miles. Tidy car. Radio has been swapped out. Motor puts out 425HP at the flywheel and 375 at rear wheels. Oct 90 build for 91 model. Has chrome wheels, pump up seats and tinted Perspex type roof. Not glass apparently.

VIDEO: Photo show of the XZR1 Corvette. Frunk has been removed for additional cooling. Cut away images shown.

PRESENTATION: A C4 corvette presentation. Why the C4 is an awesome piece of engineering. Improved aesthetics, aerodynamics and performance. C4 was the first with a digital instrument panel. The 1992 LTI produced 300HP. C4 is the most affordable way to own a sports car. Popular car for motor sports. 5 engine types through the years.

TECH STUFF:

GENERAL BUSINESS: E-Ray update, no news from GMSV but the club is hoping that they will bring one in soon. A member is waiting on delivery of his E-Ray.

General business. John was invited to see a C7 at Corvette clinic which is being converted to RHD. Hopefully it will be at the next Vic Vettes meeting.

MEETING CLOSE: Raffle time. Drawn and I didn't win yet again. 4 years of raffles now I think for a zero return. Next month is mine

Meeting closed at 10:00pm









Gippsland / Latrobe Valley Group

Held 27th Aug 2024 at Moe.

OPENING:

The meeting was opened by Neil Titford 7:30pm, with 11 members in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

- Leigh Smith
- Michael Klein

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

• The minutes of the meeting held 30th Jul 2024 at Moe were accepted.

FINANCE:

There has been no movement of funds since last meeting

PAST EVENTS:

The following events were held in the past month:

- Breakfast at Sherwood Park Orchard Bakery Café, Bunyip (16+ in attendance)
- Lunch at Robin Hood Inn, Drouin (12+ in attendance)

FUTURE EVENTS:

The following events are coming up:

- 1st Sep Father's Day Show & Shine at Old Gippstown, Moe
- 8th Sep Breakfast at Middells, Drouin

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Discussions were held around the format of the Christmas Lunch at Neerim South Hotel to be held 1st December.

MEETING CLOSE:

Next meeting 7:30pm Tuesday 24th Sep 2024 at Moe. Minutes taken by Neil Titford, mem #2080



MONTHLY MEETING DINNERS

Dinner is available for members at our monthly meetings. The cost is usually between \$7 and \$10 and it's normally served around 7pm. The menu for the upcoming meetings is.

Chev Club (1st Monday of the month)

October Roast, November Spaghetti Bolognese, December Tacos.

Camaro TransAm Group (third Tuesday of the month)

Pizza, Pizza and Pizza

Vic Vettes (last Monday of the month)

October Butter Chicken, November Roast Beef.

Chevrolet Car Club Merchandise

Polo Shirt

Available with CCCV, Vic Vettes and Camaro Logo (select as required)

Men's and Ladies \$35.00 each

Colour: Men's CCCV (Black) Vic Vettes (Black) Camaro

(Light Grey)

Colour: Ladies CCCV, Vic Vettes and Camaro (White)

Available in Small, Medium, Large, XL, XXL.

T-Shirts

Available with CCCV, Vic Vettes and Camaro Logo (select as required)

Men's and Ladies \$20.00 each.

Colour White Only

Available in Small, Medium, Large, XL, XXL

Hoodies

Available with CCCV, Vic Vettes and Camaro Logo (select as required)

Men's and Ladies \$60.00 each.

Colour: Light Grey Only

Available in Small, Medium, Large, XL, XXL

Bomber Jacket

Available with CCCV, Vic Vettes and Camaro Logo (Select as required)

Men's and Ladies \$150.00 each.

Colour: (Black only)

Available in Small, Medium, Large, XL XXL

Caps

Available with CCCV, Vic Vettes and Camaro Logo (select as required)

Men's and Ladies \$25.00 each

Colour: Black with Red trim and logo only

Stubbie Holder

In CCCV colours only \$10.00 each

Key Rings

Available in CCCV, Vic Vettes and Camaro Logo \$8.00 each.

Embroidered CCCV Club Badge In CCCV colours only \$5.00 each

Stickers

CCCV Car sticker: \$2.00 each

Misc

Name Badge \$10.00 each (as pin or magnet) Car Badge \$4.00 Each

Windscreen banner \$15.00 each





To place an order for any of the club merchandise; Please contact the merchandising office, George Tahatis 0419 339 343 or ask at any club meeting.

Check website for additional information and photos

CARS FOR SALE

1988 Corvette Auto

VIN: - 1G1YY2187J5120614 Has travelled 49300kms

Converted to RHD by Corvette Clinic in Melbourne in 2000 One owner since first registered in Australia in 2000, rarely

driven. Original except for 3-piece wheels

Vehicle is in good condition. Owner's & Parts manual included. Currently registered with club permit

Car is located in Ballarat.

No RWC No Reg

Contact: Josh Ph: 0449 008 233 during business hours

Price: \$30,000.00

1961 Belair

Chevrolet RHD white over argosy turquoise

VIN/Eng no 834436299. Has been restored and re-spayed however she needs a little TLC, always garaged.

MODS - Repco 70 grind camshaft

307ci bored to 327ci, balanced, fuelie springs, Holley 450

carby. T350 Auto Gearbox

ACCESSORIES - Sound System- Radio and cassette

overrider springs - Front Monroe Rear Shocks

Dragway Mag Wheels Anti-Theft Device Fitted

Contact: Olga Ph: 0433 558 080

Price: \$50,000.00

1927 Chev Truck Street Rod

1927 Chev truck originally built between 1976 and the mid

80's. Chassis number VREP5527R008

Stock 283 chev, 350 turbo gearbox, Holden front end, jag independent rear.

Vehicle is located at Harcourt Vic.

Comes with the trophy's it has won and a few spares.

Contact: Graham James Ph: 0432 946 788

Price: \$60,000

1957 Nomad Resto Mod

1956 Chevrolet Nomad Very Rare Car (2 door wagon). NSW reg # USA-20Z

Well over 250K invested (no expense spared) in the project. Fully Engineered in NSW (certificate will be supplied) Full Body off frame and body restoration.

Replacement full interior kit installed, and much more see

website for photos and further details Contact: Lou Rokas Phone: 08372931

Price: \$125,000

1964 Bel Air

One owner housed in a shed for the last 30 years In poor condition, the car is currently in a shed in central Victoria. I want to sell it for someone to get it going again, open to offers.

Contact: Rodney Spencer Ph: 0438200788 email: robynmarionspencer@hotmail.com

PARTS FOR SALE

58-69 parts

RHD steering box reconditioned \$580.00 suits 58/59 to 64 Centre carrier and bearing 58-64 \$80

Uni joints 58-69 \$80

High energy distributor new \$80

Brake drums machined and brake shoes bonded Water pump reco, Distributor caps rotors and points

Spares for Blue Flame motor Contact: Bruce Phone: 9807 0018

58-69 Parts

new crank for Chev 400 Motor \$300.00

12 bolt Diff for a 68-69 Chev axle and Drum \$650.00 1969 Chev Bonnet, Boot Lid, Front Bumper guards one new and the other SH

58 Chev Front guards and other parts Ballioints Top and Lower 1958-1969

Idler arm 1961-1964-1965-1966-1967-1969

Top Suspension bushes 1958-1969

Lower Suspension bushes 1965-1969

Caster Rubbers 1965-1969 and other parts

All new USA parts Bruce 9807 0018

1961 Bel Air/Impala Parts

pair of front indicator/park lights housing and lens \$80 the pair (left and right hand)

rear number plate light to suit 60-61 impala or Bel Air \$15

1988 Corvette A/C control Bel

Brand new unused air conditioner temperature door control motor to suit a 1988 Corvette.

Camaro Parts

1970 Camaro - headlight switch part number D1505A 1995216 brand new still in original box \$75

1988 Camaro - Right hand rear Lower Mould part number 20498092 (fits bottom/sill of quarter panel behind the wheel arch) brand new still in original box \$100

Contact Peter Mckenzie Phone: 0417 381 241

PARTS WANTED

235 Stovepipe parts

Inlet rocker arms for cylinders 2, 4 & 6.

Also complete 1953 235 Stovepipe that was connected to an auto or possibly a later model Blueflame 235 lan Cole 0419 534 765 iancole1946@outlook.com

283 or 327 chev engine, can be short block. Any condition considered.

Rod Stevens 0408 339 449

1962 Impala grille and matching bonnet moulding would prefer OEM: I'm also interested in any other parts, for 62 Impala, '61 Bel Air and my '65 Impala

Contact: James Ph: 0456 580 015



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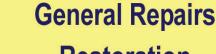
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Peter McKenzie's 1960 Nomad



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Members can contact Brian Comport during business hours on 9596 8123 for details.

The premises are ideal for small parties, sit down dinners or just a social night. The club provides a barman and catering facilities are available as required.