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This months front cover photo is the 1950 MGY Sedan of John and Sue Turner



STATE AND NATIONAL EVENTS

Note: To participate in any event, eligibility criteria and entry requirements put in place by organisers must be satisfied.

20th October 2024 Gordon Fysh Memorial Day at Miena.

More information on Page 19.

18th - 23rd November 2024 - The 2024 National Veteran Vehicle Rally

Launceston, Tasmania. Expressions of interest are now open.

Please head to our website and click on the link to complete your EOI.

Thanks,

Rally Directors - P - 0404 917 366 (Ben) - P - 0448 678 291 (Jill)

N.B. – Please be aware of all current COVID19 restrictions when attending events.

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The material was researched by Wendy Muddell OAM .



Something to ponder – During the 1980's the then Federal Government discussed the matter of retaining Australia's "moveable cultural heritage" in this country. In 1986 the "Protection of Moveable Cultural Heritage Act" came into law. Moveable items mentioned in the Act were agricultural machinery of which much was manufactured here. Aircraft get a mention, items with significant Aboriginal Heritage are naturally heavily protected as are many items of significance to Australia's past. Even meteorites get a mention.

The Cultural Property Section of the Department of the Arts is the relevant authority within the National Government. Motor vehicles are of course covered, which is the part of the legislation those reading this may be most interested in. **The process for someone selling a historic vehicle overseas** is that the owner should apply for a Permit to export such a vehicle. The application is then handed on to one of the Federal Government appointed "Expert Examiners", each of whom has specified the area of their expertise within this group.

It would be unlikely that anyone would have expertise across the very broad range of motoring history. The assessment usually takes two to three days of work as a volunteer, plus any costs incurred. Some of the Expert Examiners found that in many cases getting the history of a vehicle from the Australian owner was difficult. Networks within the heritage vehicle movement are therefore an essential part of the scheme. The Examiners reports are then submitted to the Department. At that point the E.E. is no longer a part of the process, and receives no further information from the Department.

A review of the legislation was undertaken in 2015 as a consultative process by Mr. Shane Simpson with meetings in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane – there may have been others, these are the gatherings of which I am aware. The proposed changes to "the Act" heartened those "at the coal face", but they have not been enacted, to the disappointment of all involved.

A further review by a committee in Canberra was established in 2022 but has so far, to my knowledge, not produced a result. There is a suspicion at the moment that a request for an assessment prior to export of an item MAY be handed out ignoring the stated expertise of the various Expert Examiners. For example, an assessment for a veteran vehicle could be handed to someone whose stated expertise is Formula 1.

Many motor vehicles (and other important items, e.g. tractors) have just disappeared, and then popped up in an overseas auction catalogue. There was on display at Alice Springs airport an intact and presentable, but "made into a ute" Silver Ghost of 1920 having belonged to the gentleman who founded Conellan Air. He had purchased it in 1939, the car having been in Australia since 1922. Cattle King Sir Sidney Kidman's first car was a 1909 Thornycroft and was somehow allowed to be exported to England in 2007.

This situation is constantly being agitated on by a few but successive Federal Governments give the appearance of them having other priorities. At one stage it seemed that clubs looking after traction engines and portables were having some success. Many significant items of farm machinery have just disappeared, then turned up in other countries, mostly UK and USA. As many have found, shipping containers are so convenient!

The entire historic vehicle movement should be aware of the problems inherent in this legislation and its management, and add their weight of numbers to support a major revision of the method of dealing with this historic and extensive problem.

Any Club reading this who might have a question on any of the foregoing can contact the writer, email wendymuddell@outlook.com, 0499 348 899. **Clubs are also invited to reprint this item, should they so wish, in their club newsletters or magazines.**

Southern section events

OUR CLUBROOMS ARE OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY 12 NOON - CALL IN FOR A CUPPA AND CHAT

If you have any items for Small Torque – car related For Sales or Wanted, or stories of your first car, your first restoration etc. or anything you think would be of interest to other enthusiasts - please submit to Section Editor before the 12th of each month.

WE ALSO NEED IDEAS FOR OUTINGS and RUNS –

Feel free to contact a committee member with any suggestions of a run ,a pub meal etc

NOTE**SEPTEMBER 1st MEETING**NOW***BBQ LUNCH AT CLUBROOMS**

COMMITTEE/GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY 1/9/24 11AM *FOLLOWED BY A BBQ AT CLUBROOMS NUMBERS ATTENDING TO TONY 0458 731 615—MEAT ETC SUPPLIED BY CLUB.**

OCTOBER Meetings resume on the 1st Tuesday of the month 7pm for a 7:30pm start.

AUGUST

Sunday 18th August - Exec Committee Meeting 11am Northern Section clubrooms

Sunday 18th August – “Coffee and Cars at Richmond”

9am onwards till noon at The Richmond Arms Pub car park. Open to all-comers. Just turn up and show off your vehicle and enjoy a coffee and chat. Ladies can wander the many artisan shops and galleries. This event is the 3rd Sunday of each month, similar to “Classics on the Beach”

Wednesdays 21st & 28th August – Club rooms open from 12 noon – All welcome

Come on out to your club rooms and meet fellow members – you may like to help out if anything needs doing – it is always appreciated. Have a cuppa and a chat, browse the library - lots of old photos etc. Check the spares shed, new area now complete - you may find a part you need.

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 1st September – Monthly meeting 11am Committee/General Meeting at the Club Rooms followed by BBQ At Clubrooms

Sunday 1st September– Classics on the Beach

Lower Sandy Bay Beach from 9am. Make your own way there. 1st Sunday of month.

Tuesday 3rd September - NO MEETING- see above Sunday 1st September + BBQ Clubrooms

Wednesdays 4th & 11th September – Club rooms open from 12 noon – All welcome

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Wednesdays 18th & 25th September – Club rooms open from 12 noon – All welcome

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OCTOBER

Committee /General Meetings Revert to 1st Tuesdays Monthly

Tuesday 1st Oct - Committee/General Meeting Clubrooms 7pm for 730pm start

Wednesdays 2nd October – Club rooms open from 12 noon – All welcome

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Sunday 6th Oct – Classics on the Beach

Lower Sandy Bay Beach from 9am. Make your own way there. 1st Sunday of month.

Wednesdays 9th & 16th October – Club rooms open from 12 noon – All welcome

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Sunday 20th - 2024 October Gordon Fysh Memorial Day - more info on page 19

Wednesdays 23rd & 30th October – Club rooms open from 12 noon – All welcome

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Saturday 26th October - Shannons “Take Your Tops Off” Convertibles Car Show

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North West Section Events

August

Thursday 29th August- Father's Day Car Show 6pm-8pm, Bunnings at Devonport.

September

Sunday 1st September- 11am General meeting, followed by a BYO Lunch/BBQ and chat at the Club Rooms. Maybe a short run depending on the weather.

Wednesday 4th September Cuppa & Chat - These gatherings are held at the NW Section clubrooms starting at 1:30pm. Come along for a cuppa and enjoy the company of fellow members. Spare parts and the library will be open. Have a look, you may find a spare part, or a book of interest.

Wednesday 4th September, Committee Meeting- Commencing 6pm, at the club rooms.

Saturday 7th September- Games/tidy up/BYO BBQ/Bonfire afternoon/night- starting from 1.30pm. Can you find the hidden items during the moving of the beach rocks from the property? Other Games and prizes to be won followed by BYO BBQ Starting at 4pm and Bonfire. Please bring your own food for the BBQ and drink for the afternoon/evening. Contact Karina 0450 706 519

Sunday 15th September – Monthly Sheffield classics and coffee. 3rd Sunday of each month from 10am and 3pm. Come and go as you please but don't forget to enjoy Sheffield murals, shops, cafes. Parking beside and behind the Sheffield RSL and Citizens Club, 77 Main Street Sheffield.

Friday 20th September 4 DAY / 3 NIGHT NORTH EAST COAST TOUR. Details in August Small Torque pages 10 & 14. Contact Doug Eastley 0427 490 540

October

Wednesday 2nd October Cuppa & Chat - These gatherings are held at the NW Section clubrooms starting at 1:30pm. Come along for a cuppa and enjoy the company of fellow members. Spare parts and the library will be open. Have a look, you may find a spare part, or a book of interest.

Saturday 5th October General meeting starting 7.30 pm- Please bring supper to share.

Sunday 6th October Catering a welcome breakfast at the clubrooms, for "Dodge Brothers Club of Australasia National Rally".

7.00am for breakfast. \$18.00 per head

Numbers to Marie Ritson 0438 097 604 by 28th September

Club members are welcome to come and look at the cars if you don't want breakfast.

Wednesday 9th October - Committee meeting, Commencing at 6pm.

Sunday 20th October - Gordon Fysh Memorial Day - more info on page 19

Wednesday 23rd October - Visit to the Don River Railway. Join with the Devonport Men's Probus Club at the Dell Luck Reserve on Forth Rd., Don, at 10 am for coffee and socialising. Visit includes an inspection of the workshop, model train, train ride and a sausage sizzle. Invitations open to all members of the VCCA and their friends. Enquiries to Laurie on 0438 282 443.

November

General meeting November, Date TBA.

November 2nd, 3rd and 4th - Steam Up at Pearn's Steam World. 65 Meander Valley Road Westbury.

Are you looking for an excuse to get your pride and joy out onto the road? Then why not take a day trip to Steam Up! The Westbury Preservation Society would like to invite you and your members to Steam Up 2024. Entry to Steam Up is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 5 to 15 years. A group discount is available on enquiry. Save the Date! for Steam Up at Pearn's Steam World Westbury.

Tuesday 5th November Melbourne Cup Day-We will be holding our annual Melbourne Cup Ladies Day event on Tuesday 5th November 2024 and we will be introducing a cover charge of \$5 per person. Bring your sisters, mothers, neighbours and friends. There will be games, sweeps and raffles with lunch and refreshments provided. In order that we can cater sufficiently please advise Toni Bishop on 0448 022 616 or Alana Ayton on 0417 703 841 if you are intending to attend, by October 30th.If anyone has any prize donations also let us know as these will be gratefully appreciated. We always have so much fun, pe to see you there!

Wednesday 6th November Cuppa & Chat - These gatherings are held at the NW Section clubrooms starting at 1:30pm. Come along for a cuppa and enjoy the company of fellow members. Spare parts and the library will be open. Have a look, you may find a spare part, or a book of interest.

Wednesday 6th November Committee meeting- Commencing at 6pm.

Saturday 16th November- Working Bee, Shed/parts clean up, clean and decorate the clubrooms for the Christmas dinner function, plus mow the lawns. Contact Rocco 03 6424 4718.

Sunday 17th November– Monthly Sheffield classics and coffee. 3rd Sunday of each

month from 10am and 3pm. Come and go as you please but don't forget to enjoy Sheffield murals, shops, cafes. Parking beside and behind the Sheffield RSL and Citizens Club, 77 Main Street Sheffield.

Saturday 23rd November Christmas Dinner at Clubrooms' – It's that festive time of the year again. N.W section invites all members and their friends to come and enjoy each other's company at our Christmas Dinner. All sections welcome to attend.

Venue: - North West Clubrooms, 40 Maskells Rd.

Time: - 5.30 pm for nibbles.

Time: - 6.30 pm sit down for three (3) course Christmas dinner.

Cost: - \$35.00 p/p

Tea and coffee provided, BYO wines etc. (when booking please advise of any special dietary requirements). Bookings and payments to Toni Bishop, on 0448 022 616 by the 9th November.

Saturday 30th November, Circular Head Show (Stanley). Meet at the truck stop approx. 400 meters west of the first entrance to Wynyard on HWY 1. Depart at 8.45am, assemble at Trethewies Lookout, approx. 3kms from Stanley. This allows us to proceed to the show as one group. We need to be at the show ground by 10am. Laurie 0438 282 443

December

Sunday 1st December General Meeting starting at 10.30am.

Wednesday 4th December Cuppa & Chat - These gatherings are held at the NW Section clubrooms starting at 1:30pm. Come along for a cuppa and enjoy the company of fellow members. Spare parts and the library will be open. Have a look, you may find a spare part, or a book of interest.

Wednesday 4th December Committee meeting- Commencing at 6pm.

Saturday 7th December Run to Wilmot Summer Market-9.30am at the clubrooms for 10am departure. Arrive Wilmot and enjoy market. Bring chairs, BYO or buy lunch at the market. If weather is favourable lunch will be at Lake Gairdner. Four kilometres of good gravel road to the lake. Even good enough for a Vauxhall. Clubrooms to Lake Gairdner 60 kilometres. Laurie 0438 282 443.

Sunday 15th December Christmas BBQ at Clubrooms-more details to come.

January 2025

Sunday 12th January New Year's run to somewhere.

Northern Section Events and Meetings

The Northern Section Clubrooms at 67 Lawrence Vale Road are open on Wednesday from 1.00pm to 4.00pm. Come in for a cuppa and a chat and visit the spare parts shed. All members state wide are welcome.

NOTE: - VC vehicle inspections please contact the Northern Section Technical Officer, Ashley Monks, on 6344 3134 or 0409 703 440 for an appointment that is mutually convenient.

Veteran Car Sheet Metal Work - every Friday 9.00am until early afternoon. Build your own vehicle body or just a bonnet or mudguard. Other projects also catered for. Just come along to the downstairs workshop at the Clubrooms to become involved. You will be made most welcome.

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Sun 1st - Shannon's & VCCA North Spring Swap Meet at Mowbray Racecourse, Vermont Road, Mowbray. Gates open 7.30 a.m. Entry \$2 per adult, trade stands \$10. Traders can enter from 6.30 a.m. onwards. If you can help out please contact Joe Clippingdale on 6396 1144.

Sun 1st - Classic cars and coffee Georgetown – Hosted by Don Mario's restaurant. Park in council car park in the Main St. 9.00 a.m.–3.00 p.m. but come and go as you please. Ph. 6382 1821 to book for breakfast or lunch. (Event is first Sunday of every month)

Fri 6th - Northern Section Committee Meeting – commencing at 7.00 p.m. followed by **General meeting** at 7.30 p.m. at Northern Section Clubrooms, 67 Lawrence Vale Road, Launceston.

Sun 8th – Wheels to Westbury - Coffee & cars 2nd Sunday each month from 10.00 a.m. Meet at the RSL near Village Green. Enquiries Joe Clippingdale on 6396 1144.

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Friday 13th - Tyler Village Nursing Home Prospect - Display and short rides for residents 1.30 p.m. If you can help out phone Mike on 0458 944 001.

Thur 19th - Lunch at Blueberry Barn Frankford at 12.00 return drive via Beaconsfield. Meet at Woolworths car park Legana, leaving at 10.45 a.m. You can come early for coffee at Banjo's, Westbury members can meet us at Birralea Road. Numbers to Mike 0458 944 001 by Sept. 16th .

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Fri 11th - Aldersgate Aged Care, Kingsmeadows - Display and short rides for residents 11.00 a.m. - 12.30. If you can help out phone Mike on 0458 944 001.

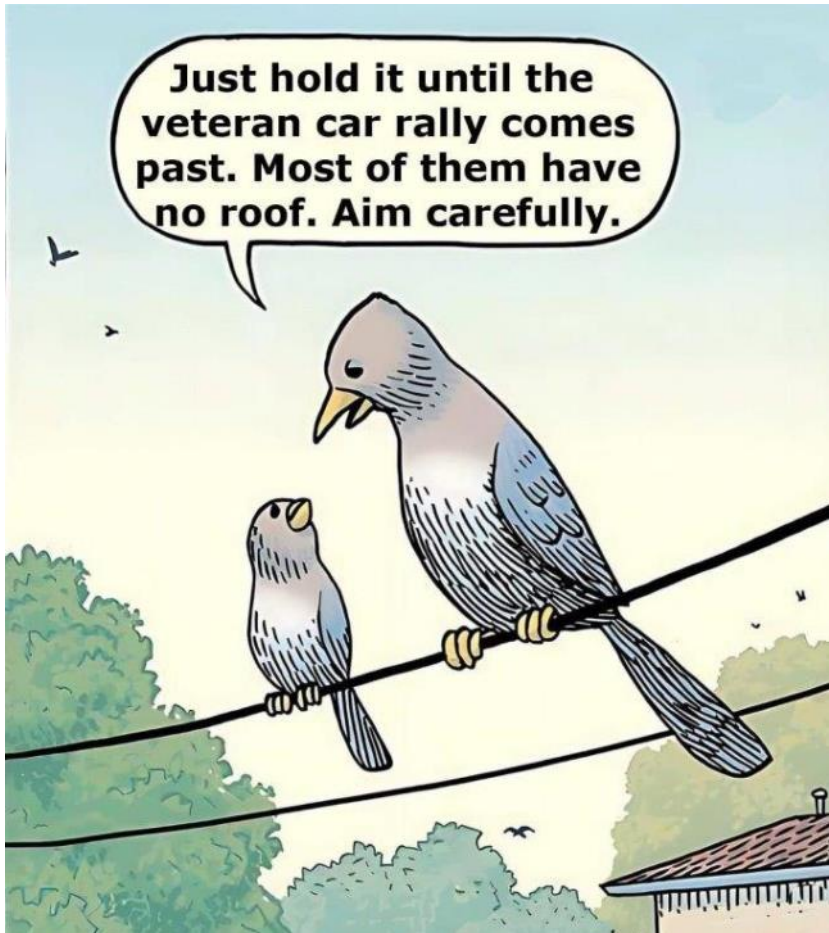
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Sat 19th - Springfield Plantfest at St. Pauls Church - A great Spring outing, lots of plant and food stalls or bring a picnic. Meet at 9.30 a.m. at the rear entrance to the VCCA Northern Clubrooms or make your own way. We will be travelling via The Sideling with a rest stop at the Sideling lookout about 10.15 a.m. Then onwards to St. Pauls at 35727 Tasman Hwy Springfield arriving about 11.00 a.m. There will be 10 car parks set aside for us. Cars must be in place by 11.00 a.m. as any vacant car spots will be filled by others. Organised by Peter Riggall Ph. 0427 358 289.

Sat 19th - Franklin House Car Show & Swap Meet - 10.00am. - 2.00pm.- free entry and also free entry to House. Some veterans and vintage would be good.

Sun 20th - Gordon Fysh Memorial day to Miena - Entry forms on VCCA website - see North West Events for details.

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OVER A BREW

WHO'S HEADS ON THE BLOCK

Well it that time again folks- this month "GUILTY AS CHARGED" Brian Briggs

For the crime of "Plymouthery" (Having desires of a Plymouth or 3)

Brian I first met when I was newly inducted into the Early Ford Club of Tasmania around 1998 or so -Yep I had more hair and Brian was less grey HEY MR BRIGGS.

Brian is one of a few Briggs brothers all of whom have petrol running thru their veins. A true lad in gents clothing one might say in Brian's case , although having met the brothers they're all top guys.

Back to Brian- it was easy to spot he was a one eyed Plymouth Dodge man from the start. Brian as most would know has been around the early vehicle scene for many years. A chippy by trade most probably as he realised early on that to possess lots of vehicles you better know how to whack a few walls around and a roof on top to cover them up.

On that note, Julee Briggs I notice a 2 story home so there's a whole ground floor for those ladies in waiting.

Moving on here - so a visit around the humble abode where his ladies live under the house sees they are well looked after. Another obvious is he must love the colour BLUE as that appears a favourite dress code for more than one of his Plymouths. Although- there is Green on a 1930 tourer and a Mustang.

On arrival the roller door to heaven was up and the Lord himself was awaiting his interview.

10am was my booking and I got there with a minute to spare. Pad and biro out and then it was enter stage left we go.

1930 PLYMOUTH TOURER entry first left on the ground floor.

Unmolested vintage style here with this lady. She's the first stunner you spot, salubriously voluptuous in every way.

Gorgeously dressed in two tone green like a flapper in waiting- ready for some true gangster action. Only a more recent addition to the family since arriving 2018ish.

(But at least Brians seen the light with a vintage restored amongst the collection)

1937 PLYMOUTH SEDAN

She's resides next in waiting and what was the daily drive when I met Brian all those years ago. She's also the first to





have got dressed in Blue that I spot when looking around. Purchased 1980 from a lady in Sandy Bay with a mere 80,000 miles odd on her and on the road in 1990 with her revamp. After a face lift or two - oh that's the Plymouth - not the lady selling her by the way. Yes his love for speed shows here, as this girls had a 70s 265 Chrysler 6 pushing her along in Brian's early days of her on the road. However now the lad in him a few years back got the better of him and so she's received 360 v8 Chrysler power transplant around 96/97 ish. The great part in Brian's modifications is that other than a set of mags his lady's aren't visibly modified till you look up their skirts so to speak.

1966 FORD MUSTANG

Now this girl's reversed in with only the daily pickup in her way, suggesting Brian only has to move one to tear out of the garage to go late night Stanging (Mustanging) at a moments notice.

Now who doesn't have an ooooooh for a Stang. 289 V8 and purchased I think Brian said around 1975? This girl's stock and original to look at- but at the same time another stunner as Mustangs are meant to be. She came to Australia as a right hand drive by FORD Brian says, to promote the Oz produced V8 in the GT Falcons of the era.

1937 PLYMOUTH PICKUP

Now this big boy is Brian's daily driver. By now it's easy to see the chippy's as good on the metal work as his carpentry skills are on the timber.

This build was a cut and shut sedan to create the ute/truck cab look and a hand fabricated pickup bed to match perfectly. Rear cab reworked from a Morris Commercial truck cab blended spot on to the Plymouth screen/doors and roof line. Brian took this on he said as a 6 month total build project on his retirement around 2011.

I wonder Julee- is he this quick on the housework?

A surprise here that Brian deep down has honour to Queen and country at the time as the English origin 4.4lt V8 gives this tuff boy the grunt.

Now the last on the list is Brian's latest build and I'd say his tradie vehicle.



Maybe retired or not- every Chippy carpenter needs a flat tray.

Or Brian?? Is wife Julee's list of home maintenance jobs requiring a truck for the tasks And so no doubt we'll see the upcoming flatray carting the garden loam home ???

1938 DODGE FLAT TRAY

Now here it takes a turn.

This bad boy is under the build stage still and so no reveal yet.

Another cut down sedan worked into a 1935 Chevy truck cab but this one is to get a tray back fitted.

This time it's 318 Chrysler n Auto- so he's gone for another kick back in the seat ride.

With Black duco on this one Brian I wonder as its not a Plymouth does it not qualify for "Plymouth Blue" maybe.

Now the surprise here before leaving- was tucked into the corner under the blanket is wife Julee's project on the awaiting construction to do list.

A mid to late 70s Red Leyland Mini - so that's a story in a year or two.

In closing, thanks Master Brian for opening the shed doors.

Next Head on the Block MMMMM lets collar that newly signed up Ben Reed maybe if we can pin him down.

Or at worst I might come knocking on***** YOOUURR DOOOOR

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When I recently checked with the Central Highlands Lodge Miena, there were only two rooms of the thirteen still available but as mentioned in the July edition of Small Torque there is the Great Lake Hotel and many BnB's around Miena.

Again as mentioned the Saturday evening meal will be at the Lodge followed by an evening of Bingo at the Community Centre should you be interested.

For the actual day of the Gordon Fysh our plans have changed with the Sunday Luncheon and Presentation now being held at the Central Highlands Lodge, meaning all of Sunday's events will now be held at the Lodge.

Should any member in the North of the state be interested in travelling to the Great Lake as a group on Saturday 19th, we will be leaving the Deloraine Train Park at 2:00pm and for Sunday 20th it will be a 9:00am departure from the Train Park for the Lodge.

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Alan Smith

Sunday August 11th – Wheels to Westbury

Our monthly Wheels to Westbury event continues to gain in popularity, and again this month we had a very eclectic mix of vehicles and their people.

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Thanks to Damien Giustini for the photos, and the ladies and gents of the RSL for their hospitality.

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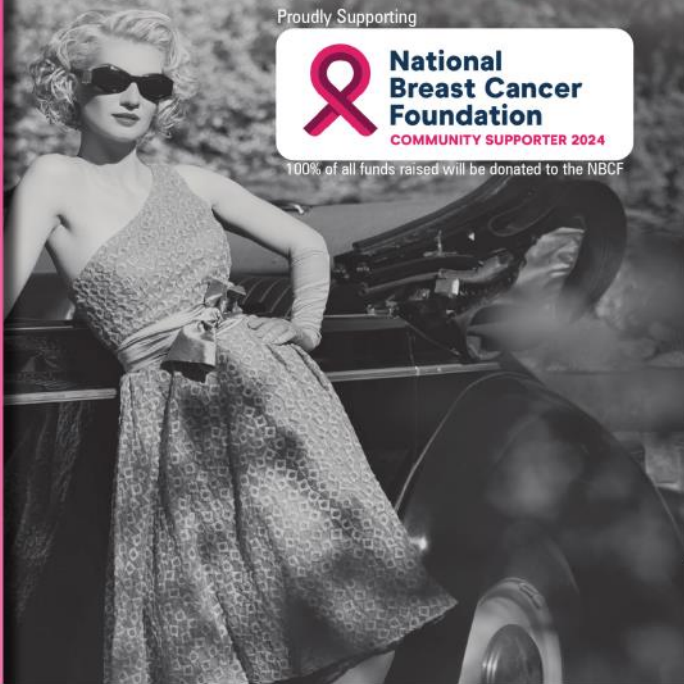
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Morris Minor - 1932 2door SV Saloon

Miss Morris, defined by my mother as Dads mistress ,he could generally be found in the garage in New Town, Tasmania, tinkering behind her MG M type sparkling grille with its tiara of Daimler like flutes that set her apart from simpler squared grille of the racy 1929 OHC 4 speeder and 1930-31 OHV , the '31 £100 SV 2seater and the 5 cwt vans .That grille is only found on '32 Minors and bigger head lamps were first seen .

Car No.SV 14557 1932 series marked the introduction of longer bonnet, bigger and heavier 4 seater body, 19in wire wheels on nickel capped larger hubs, squarer stamped guards. Landed complete to receive a Fisher body ,similar to English models ,but for the black windscreen surround , lower belt line, more glass, wider back window with roll up blind and central hinged doors. Fisher used a rubber like fixed roof, full wood trim surrounds , grey tweed trim fitted hood lining including a smoked glass interior light ,all indicative of American quality , first registered March 1933 .



Young Frank purchased her in 1936 , 24,000 miles for £146/4/6 from Robert Nettlefolds that became Motors Pty Ltd, still trading Tasmania wide, to seriously court my mother, obviously with some success. The War intervened, petrol was, as were babies, rationed but as an early baby boomer I was brought home in a bamboo basket on the back seat. Later the domain of two sons , shared with a baker light mantel radio for the shack, 2 suitcases on a folding rack when we made the 50 mile journey on corrugated roads up through the east coast hills for our summer holiday .Preceding days Dad spent greasing, checking points ,tools, pump tyre patching kit , maybe even a valve grind and adjusting those cable brakes -to which the first 4 pages of my Information Manual, published by late Harry Edwards UK, in 1999 are devoted.

She was sold with 53,000 miles in 1960 for £17/10, to an electrician with a Morris 8 van who swore to look after her, as Frank didn't want either of his teenage sons to be at risk , especially the brakes and plate glass .

The electrician didn't, she was found mostly dismantled in a boat shed in 1986. Now exactly restored except for the '33 headlamps, came back to me as a trade in on a new Mercedes-Benz in 2004

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