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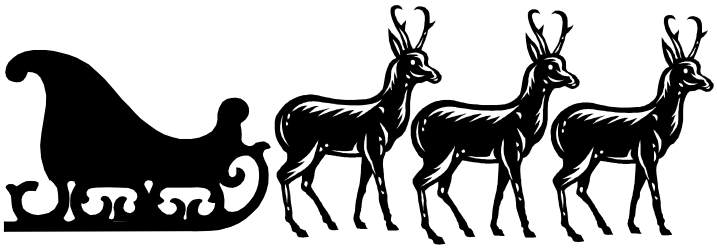

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All

December 2006
January – February 2007 Newsletter

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Club Meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday, Bi-monthly, commencing at *11:00 am,* and followed by a sausage sizzle.

The Next Meeting Dates are:

December 3rd GM *"AT THE XMAS PARTY"*
February 18th GM *"AT THE ALL FORD DAY"*
April 15th 2007 General Meeting

Our Meeting Place is at the Sunbury R.S.L. Rooms Corner of Barkly & Macedon St. Sunbury. Melways Ref: 382 F 4.

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Contact the Secretary and ask for a membership application form to be mailed to you.
Come along to a General Meeting and introduce yourself to the Club Officials.
Send an e-mail to the Editor and get an application by return e-mail.

Visitors are always most welcome to visit these meetings.

A Word from our President

Hi Everyone.

December General Meeting Note

Please take note that the "December General Meeting "WILL NOT" be held on the 17th", due to the third Sunday being very close to Christmas. The next general meeting will take place on the day of the All Ford Day Run on the 18th February, at the venue, so I hope to see you all there.

Also would all members please take note that all future General Meetings at the Sunbury RSL Hall will start at *"11:00 am"*.

We had quite a few good runs throughout the year to places such as the Shepparton Swap Meet, Cuckoo Restaurant, the Swiss Mountain Hotel, and the Tyabb Packing House. Several Show 'N Shines were attended throughout the year with a few members picking up quite a few trophies, great work fellas.

We will be organising quite a few more runs for the coming year, and I am looking forward to seeing a lot more of our members attending our runs in 2007, after all we are there for you and we would really love to see you. I am especially looking forward to the All Ford Day in February where we get the chance to show the public our fine cars.

Christmas time is coming around again very quickly and on behalf of the Committee and Myself I would like to wish all members and their families a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I would also like to thank the Committee, Members and their families for their efforts in running the Club throughout the year, and to all those people involved in putting on such a wonderful Christmas Party at the Arthurs Seat Car Museum, and to thank all those attending for such a wonderful and enjoyable day.

I am really looking forward to a great year with the Club for 2007, so for now, Safe and Happy Cruzin.

Your President.
Don Macumber.

Congratulations.

Congratulations to Ma & Pa Paterson, and to Crystal & Paul on the birth of their baby son, Jay, born on the 29-11-2006, a new brother for Trae. The Club wishes them all the best for now and the future.

COME ON OUR RUN TO THE "ALL FORD DAY" AT GEELONG

Please make a big effort to attend this run as we want to show ourselves off to the public. Its our really "ONE BIG DAY OF THE YEAR". So come on all you armchair Customliners, get your butts off the sofa and make the trip with the rest of us. We are all really nice people and we all love Customlines, so get those little bits fixed up, give 'er a little polish and we're away. Its held at DEAKIN UNIVERSITY GROUNDS, on the Princess Highway, just a few K's South West of Geelong. Meeting details are in the run sheet. Please note also that the February General Meeting will be held on this day at the venue, not at Sunbury. See you all there.

Sugarloaf Reservoir Picnic Run

We have at long last rescheduled our picnic run to "Sugarloaf Reservoir" for a quiet picnic lunch by the waters edge. The last time we were to attend this run the temperature topped 42.2 Degrees Celsius and we called it off. So lets hope for more moderate weather this time. Details as per run sheet. See you all there .

FOR SALE - FOR SALE - FOR SALE

1955 Customline. 98% Complete. 272 Y Block.
Perfect Stainless. $11,000.00.
1955 Mainline Ute. Incomplete. Rusted Out.
1956 Good doors & Guards. POA.
Ring Gerard Bariola. (03) . Rd Healsville.

FORD TO THE RESCUE

Here is a great line-up of Customline Ambulances in front of the Wagga Wagga District Ambulance Station.

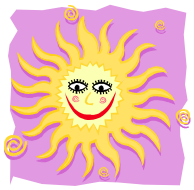
Picture supplied by Ray Shalders.

SHEPPARTON SWAP MEET

Weekend Away 9th–10th September 2006

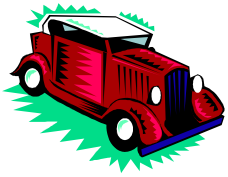
Well, Cherie and Myself decided to take our time and just cruise on up to SHEP. Filled up the Cusso at Lilydale, checked the air and we were off. You always have the intention of takin' ya time but once behind the wheel it's "Pedal to Metal".

Up over the slide it can be so different, there's either Cops or no Cops. Na only joshin', it's like really wet at the start then once over Mt Slide it starts to warm up a bit, the Suns out and you just enjoy the scenery.



We stopped at YEA for our cuppa, found a really nice bakery, mmm' one of those and one of these please, then back on the road again.

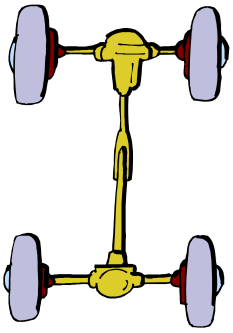
With all of the new road works from Seymour to Shepparton, whew', it has just made the trip so much better, wider road, smoother, I can just go on, no I can't we're at Shepparton. Found the Motel and we're the first ones there. Took a drive up the street and saw a nice lookin' Red 54.



Gave my car a well deserved wash, the Suns out, it's really warm, you just knew it was going to be a great weekend. We went back to our Motel to have a cuppa and a rest and we met Ken & Shirley Lee, who informed us that Ray & Brenda Shalders were at Shep also, but they were in a different Motel (ours was full).

So after a while we all went out to the R.S.L. for tea, and what a meal it was. There were some jokes and some real good welly laughs and a bit of laughter from all. The next morning we were all up at about 8:00am, a quick bite at Macca's then onto the swap meet.

Took the Cusso in for their display, but we still had to pay to get in. It was way bigger than last year and hotter also. There was so much stuff and so many sellers we just couldn't see it all. Ken got some good stuff, a big yellow Sheep, he said he is going to put a light in it so as it glows. No, I don't know where he's putting it, I will leave that up to your imagination. I bumped into Graedon Munro up at the swap meet as well. I think a good weekend was had by all.



Safe Cruisin' till next time, Phil Butt 56.

"The largest collections of antiques and old wares under one roof in the southern hemisphere. You will find everything for the connoisseur & collector with a constantly changing collection of antiques & much more."

I had never heard of the Tyabb Packing house until I read a run report from a Motor Cycle Club Newsletter last year, and thought to myself this is just my cup of tea, so I suggested it for a run for the Cussie Club.

Come on girls, move it.

So hear I am now writing the run report on a great day out. As it turned out I must have been living under a rock, as every one else had either heard of or

had been going there for a long time. It was a great turn out of members from all over this great City of ours, and a perfect day for it. We all headed in to

hunt out bargains and then to meet up for lunch at 1pm at the café. There were many bargains but also some very over priced items as well, which left

Have a look at these old Jugs.

Nice to meet you Mr Bell.

one to wonder how many suckers are there in this world, and how long did certain items sit gathering dust.

Bargains were snapped up for the kitchen, library, garden and garage by various members and we all claimed to get the bargain of the day. Much, to the hilarity of others. After all that browsing and walking and talking and money spending we all needed a reviver at the café, with lots more talking, then it was off again to spend what

Phil 'er up Fill ?

money we did have left in our wallets, before finally deciding to call it a day and head off homeward bound with all our treasures.

Jim Pierce (have a chat) bringing up the rear, (what's new) with his bargain and the biggest grin I have seen in a while. He was happy.

All in all a great day out.

See you all soon Helen Tuo

Now guys, I'll give ya the drum on what to buy.

Bright Rod Run
10, 11, 12th November 2006

Sponsored by the Northern Suburbs Rod Club.

Well, time has passed and here we are again at Bright for the 2006 Rod Run. Shirley & I arrived the week before the Run and set up camp in the caravan park.

Some of the rods started to arrive on Thursday as did our members Jeff Cilia in his 49 Red Convertible and Phil & Cherie Butt in their 56 Sedan.

Friday seen Wayne & June Paterson, Jim Pierce & Helen Tuo, as well as our president Don Macumber arrive.

Shane & Liz Goodall also arrived on Friday and who immediately jumped in our TBird and we headed off to the Wandiligong Pub for our annual constitutional drinks.

Friday night saw the Rod Run festivities start, with all the usual activities. Saturday morning there was a cruise to Porepunkah which some members attended while the others relaxed at the caravan park.

Saturday night we all got stuck into a BBQ tea at the caravan park and had a few beers to wash it all down.

Sunday brought the Show 'n' Shine in the main street, with over 400 entries, which gave us plenty to see and drool over. There were also quite a few Customlines in many shapes and colours.

The weekend ended Sunday afternoon with trophies being presented about 3:30pm, just as the rain started.

Some members then adjourned to Ken's caravan while others headed off home. Others again stayed overnight and headed for home on the Monday.

Another great weekend away was had by all and all are looking forward to the 2007 Bright Rod Run.

Ken & Shirley Lee.

Bright Pictures

Here are some picture of the festivities at Bright over the weekend.
Top left you see the girls getting stuck into all the luscious food.
Down one to the right Phil is preparing to burn the crap out of some sausages,
while down again and to the right we have the Two Chief Drink Tasters,
giving their OK for everyone to drink the canned stuff.
A Couple of nice Cussies at the top and Ken's T-Birb third down on the left.
All above pictures courtesy of Ken Lee.

LET'S GO TO THE DRIVE IN

5th Annual Show N Shine & Movie Night.
Luna Drive In Dandenong. 25th November 06.

The 25th Nov was looking good with 23-degree forecast, but after a number of showers over the Mornington Peninsula, I was not to sure about that forecast.

Looking to the skies I decided to back the clean Vicky out of the garage, only to have another short shower of rain. (Murphy's Law)

We departed Langwarrin about 4.00pm with friends Peter (Richo) and Sandra Richardson in tow, with their 59 Star Model, for the short cruise to Dandy.

We were greeted by members of the Ford Customline, Mainline and Rod Club at the gate, and purchased some raffle tickets, the proceeds of which were to go to an elderly couple, Jack and Jean Peterson who had lost all their belongings when their house was destroyed by fire. I understand over one thousand dollars was raised. Great work guys and gals of the F.C.M & R.C.

After parking the cars and having a cool drink, we did a slow stroll to check out all the great cars (around 200) and chatted with a number of people. It was great to see so many Cussy's and Mainlines. There was a small showing of cars from our club, and it was nice to catch up with them.

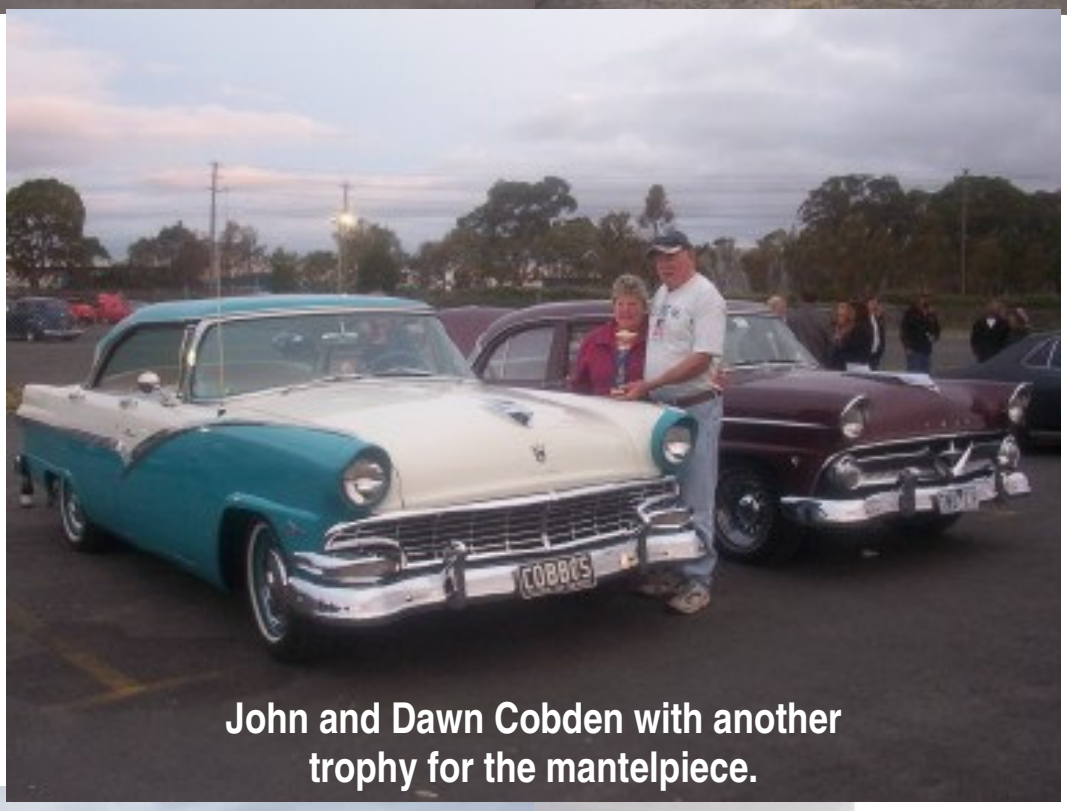
The show and shine trophies were awarded, and we were lucky enough to pick up the "Top Classic Trophy" so we were rapt about that.

As the movies were about to start we decided to depart to the "Richos" for some more refreshments to top off a great day.

Dawn and John Cobden.

LUNA DRIVE IN

A great line up of cars to the left and a few Cussies to the right.



John and Dawn Cobden with another trophy for the mantelpiece.

Richard's 54 lined up at the left and a brightly painted Vicky to the right.

CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY 2006

3-12-2006

Sunday morning started of a bit cloudy, with a coolish breeze but that did not stop Joan and I from meeting up with other Club members at Macca's in Edithvale for some breakfast and a quick chat. We were soon on our way heading off to Arthurs Seat for our annual Christmas BBQ Party celebrations.

After turning off the freeway we headed up the Arthurs Seat, very windy and steep road, which gave our cars a good work out. The quick views to the north and south around the bay were spectacular, but I did not have much time to take in the scenery.

Reaching the top we turned into Purves Rd and just down the road we entered the Arthurs Seat Auto Museum. There was plenty of car parking with expanses of grassed areas and a beaut gazebo with plenty of seating and a couple of BBQ's.

Once everyone had set up for the day there was plenty of chatting and catching up with the odd sound of a beer or two being cracked. The BBQ's were fired up about midday and it was not long before Wayne & Richard had a good heap of steak, sausages and hamburgers ready, which were well cooked and tender. Jim was rounding everyone up to buy raffle tickets of which he sold many as there were plenty of prizes to be won.

Santa arrived early afternoon to the great enjoyment of all the kids and adults present. He had a good sack of presents to hand out and a Christmas stocking for each child. You know that old Santa really does a great job entertaining everyone. Shortly after the kids played some games and the deserts were served to everyone's delight.

Shortly after the raffle was drawn with prizes going to, Wayne Paterson, Cherie Butt, Jim Bryant, Don Macumber, Helen Tuo, John Cobden, Sandra Kilby's granddaughter and I think Richard Van Egmond. Wayne was the most excited winner as he took the men's prize containing the Viagra boxer shorts, you know they don't have any elastic in them, they just stay up by themselves.

The trophies for the day went to Richard Van Egmond for the 49-54 class, Wayne Paterson for the 55-59 class, and to Jim Pierce for the Best American. Shortly after quite a few members ventured into the Auto Museum for a good look at all the cars, auto memorabilia, and other displays which I can personally say were very interesting.

About 4:30pm people started to head for home as some had quite a long drive ahead of them. We arrived home about an hour later after enjoying another great Christmas BBQ Party and meeting up with all our friends once again.

Bye for now and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Rob and Joan Brereton.

Chrissy BBQ Snaps

There was lots of activity at the Christmas Party, like cooking the BBQ, having a beer or two, plenty of conversation, Santa's arrival, kids games, raffle prizes, the car museum to see, and just generally lazing about. Pictures by Rob Brereton

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

Best Wishes to these people and all others celebrating their Birthdays during these months.

December

9th Mario Barroso
16th Rob Mawditt
22nd Bill Mills

January

8th Michael Adams

26th Richard Van Egmond
31st Jenny Taylor

February

7th Ray Shalders
16th Peter Hibbert
25th Shirley Lee

Crack a Giggly at These

This guy was frantically driving up and down the street and getting in a sweat because he had an important meeting to attend and he couldn't find a parking spot anywhere at all.

Looking up towards the heavens he called upon the power of prayer to help him in his situation.

"Lord, take pity on me", he pleaded with every ounce of his breath. "If you find a parking place for me I will go to church every Sunday and contribute to the community for the rest of my life and I will give up that dreaded whisky".

Miraculously, just then, a parking spot appeared to his amazement.

He then turned his eyes towards the heavens once again and said,

"Never mind lord, I just found one".

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A guy calls his buddy the horse rancher and says he's sending a friend over to look at a horse. His buddy asks, "How will I recognize him"? "That's easy. He's a midget with a speech impediment".

So the midget shows up and the guy asks him if he's looking for a male or female horse.

"A female horth", the midget replies. So the guy shows him a prized filly. "Nith lookin horth. Can I thee her eyeth"?

So the guy picks up the midget and he gives the horse's eyes the once over.

"Nith eyeth. Can I thee her earzth"?

So he picks the little fella up again and shows him the horse's ears.

"Nith earzth, can I see her mouf"?

The rancher is getting pretty ticked off by this point but he picks him up again and shows him the horse's mouth.

"Nice mouf, can I see her twat"?

Totally mad as fire at this point the rancher grabs him under his arms and rams the midgets head as far as he can up the horse's twat, pulls him out and slams him on the ground.

The midget gets up spluttering and coughing. "Perhapth I should rephrathze that".

"Can I thee her wun awound a widdlebit"?

Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adultery?

Why is the third hand on a clock called the second hand?

Cussy Club Meeting July 1986

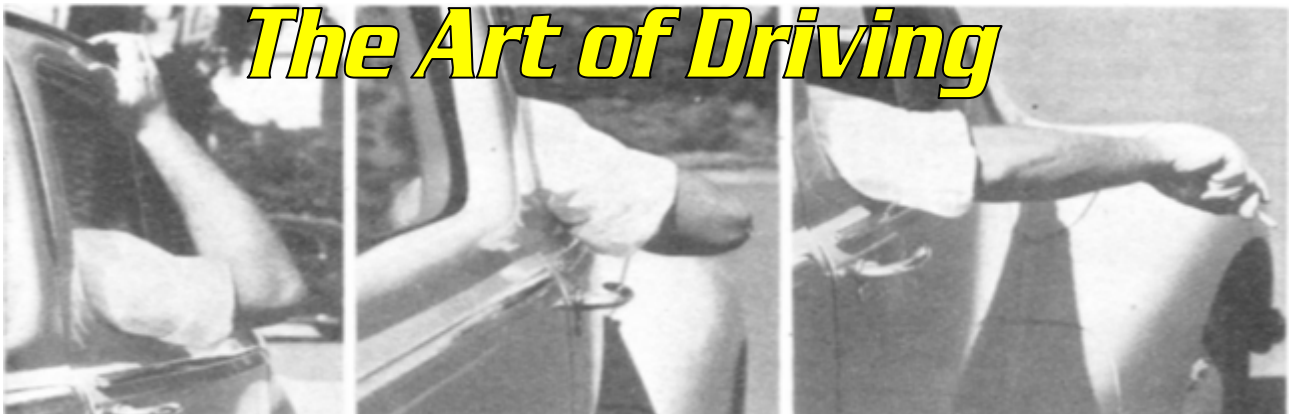
Opposite is a photo of a Customline Club meeting back in July 1986, at the old Sydenham Hall and includes a close up of a Black 54 sedan.

The nice original low milage Black 54 belonged to Mel Stevenson from Footscray, what ever happened to him, does he still own the car, and is he still in the club?

Cheers
Gary Hallett

Club Meeting
Sydenham Hall
July 1986

The Art of Driving



Here are three Foolish driving habits above: "Gutter Gripping" shows careless steering. "Protruding Elbow" is dangerous to the driver. "Idle Ash Dropping" may be mistaken for a hand signal.

Vanity Number Plates

Here are a few more Vanity Number Plates for you to ponder over.
The first six are from people's cars that I personally know. Ed.

YYYYYY	Makes you wonder why?
707-707	Its the first thing he thought of.
CB-013	Carlton football club member number 13.
AVEE8	He has a pilots licence to fly.
PLUMBA	No need to explain what this one means.
OPTIKS	He runs a telescope shop.
PNLBTR	I just knocked this one up myself.

Happy Snaps

The Three Wise Men At the Christmas Party 1999.

Wayne: "Richard, when the hell is Santa arriving, I've been waiting all afternoon".

Richard: "Well Wayne, I wrote to him months ago, so I suppose he is still coming, and I hope he has my pressy too".

Harry: "Yeah guys, if he doesn't arrive soon I will have to drink this stubby I opened for him".

All Is Not Lost

IAN: "I'm telling ya Richard, it was really only a very small pebble that I lost, and it has to be around here somewhere.

Graedon & Sandra are checkin out that spot over there, but I don't think they have found it yet.

Helen recons she seen it roll past her left foot, but June has her doubts about that, as she recons it might be hiding in the ornaments down the back".

Valet Parking

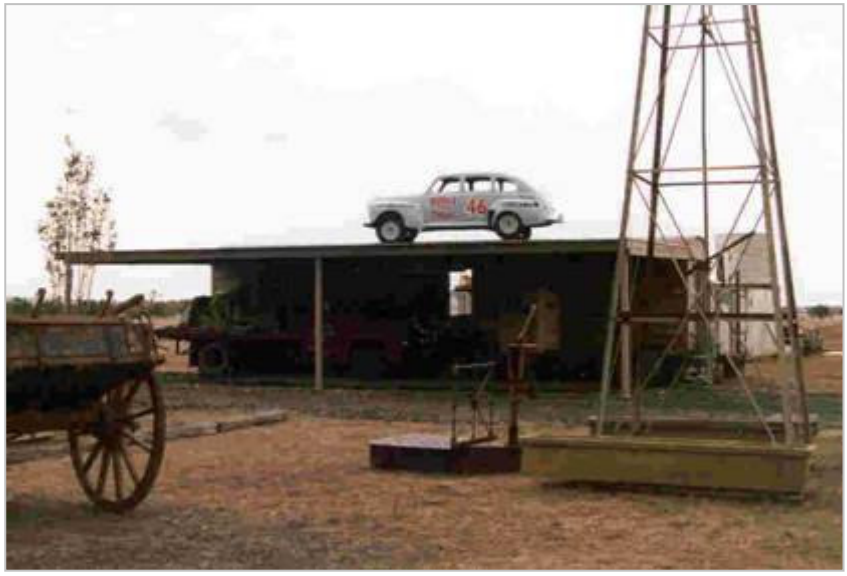
They told me down at the pub that the guy who drives this car actually works for a car parking company!

Well, it just makes you wonder really what does go on in these car parks when you are not around, considering where this car is parked.

I was later told that the guy actually asked his missus to put the car in the garage for him as he had drunk a couple too many beers at the pub.

Obviously his missus had a few beers also while he was out at the pub.

Car 46 where are you?



Forthcoming Events

Official Club Runs are in: ***"Bold Italics"*** **with** **indicated.**

December 2006

	Please note that the "December General Meeting" was held on the 3rd December at the Xmas Party.

January 2007

5th-7th	Kustom Nationals held at the Phillip Island Race Track.
14th	Korumburra Swap Meet, held by the Gippsland Historical Automobile Club, held at the Korumburra Showground's. Gates open at 6.00am.
26th-28th	Hot Rod Show, Exhibition Building Carlton.
28th-29th	Centre State Rodders. 15th Annual Hot Rod & Collectables Swap Meet held at the Bendigo Trotting Track. Gates open at 6am.

February 2007

4th	Drouin Rotary Swap meet at Drouin Football Ground, Sinclair st Drouin.
11th	***"Picnic at Hanging Rock" – Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club. Venue – Hanging Rock Reserve, Woodend.***
18th	***"Kiwanis: All Ford Day" Held at DEAKIN UNIVERSITY GROUNDS, on the Princess Highway just a few K's South West of Geelong. Meet at Fleetwings Servo in Laverton at 8.00am then again at The Ford Factory in Geelong at 9.00am, to cruise onto the venue together. Please make a big effort to attend this run as we want to show ourselves off to the public. The February General Meeting will be held at venue. See you all there.***
26th	AOMC Delegates Meeting.

March 2007

11th	***"Sugarloaf Reservoir" Melways Ref: 273-A2 BYO picnic lunch etc. Meet at McDonald's Nunawading, cnr Maroondah Hwy & Springvale Rds. Meet 9.45am, depart 10.30am.***
17th-18th	Jailhouse Rock. Ararat.

April 2007

1st	***RACV "American Motoring Show", Flemington Showground's, Flemington.***
15th	***"General Meeting", RSL Hall Sunbury. Corner Barkly & Macedon Streets, Sunbury. Melways Ref 382 F 4. Meeting starts at "11:00 am", followed by a sausage sizzle.***

PLEASE NOTE: "TRIP TO TASMANIA"

There has been interest mentioned, in the Club conducting another trip to Tasmania in 2007. It would be in September/October 2007. Any one expressing an interest in going, should please ring Richard van Egmond on (03) .

Also, we are always looking for interesting places to go on our runs, so if you find somewhere interesting then please contact our Runs Coordinator, Helen Tuo on .

Confucius Say:

Man who lives in glass house should change clothes in basement !

TOOL TIME

Some Definitions.

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands, spinning it like a propeller, so that it smacks you in the wrist, flinging your beer across the room and splattering it against that freshly painted part you were drying.

7-12-2006 RJB