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# 49 – 59 Ford Customline Car Club of Victoria Inc.

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Our Club Meetings are held on the third  
Sunday Bi-monthly, commencing at **11 am.**

## **The Next Meeting Dates are:**

**June 19<sup>th</sup>-2011:Committee/General Meeting**

**August 21<sup>st</sup> -2011: Annual General Meeting**

**October 16<sup>th</sup> -2011:Committee/General Meeting**

**Our Meeting Place is at the  
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## **Membership.**

Anyone interested in becoming a Club Member can do so in one of the following ways.

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, or download an application form from the Clubs web site.

**[Visitors are always most welcome to attend the Club's meetings.](#)**



## A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello members,

May 6th 2011

Firstly on behalf of all the members who participated in our Tassie trip, I would like to thank our Tasmanian Members and friends for the hospitality they showed to us whilst we were in their state. We were welcomed with open arms all the way. It was a very enjoyable stay with a blend of organised events and runs as well as free days to do our own thing.

Mick Breheny's efforts showed through once again with smooth sailing and great discounts, thanks Mick from all of us. I would also like to congratulate John and Pat on the announcement of their engagement, while we were away.

I was very happy at the last meeting with the way a few issues were sorted. So as to prevent misunderstandings in the future on Club rules etc. Also we put in place a system so that a run such as the Vision Impaired Day will have a back up system of members as required. It is great to have an understanding to be able to air any problems, and keep all items transparent and clear for the future.

Also thanks to the cooks for the sausage sizzle at the meeting. With a couple of volunteer cooks each meeting it makes smooth running and an ideal chat session for after the meetings.

The run to Hawkstowe Park was a great picnic afternoon, with a good roll up of members and their cars. The weather being good made a pleasant afternoon of laughter and cheer.

Another well attended run was the Mount Franklin Picnic. Starting off at the Daylesford market, with a few bargains and a view of the Cussies in the car park. We moved onto the Mt Franklin picnic area, with around 11 Cussies for lunch.

Keep an eye on your newsletter events page for the future activities and if you have any ideas please pass them onto Mick or bring them up at the meetings.

Now, I have a very important message for you all. Your membership is due for renewal and payment by the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011. You will have already found your renewal form inserted into the middle pages of your newsletter so please fill it all in and send it back to the Secretary, at his address, as soon as possible, to be assured of your continued and un-interrupted membership of the Club.

I would like to finish off by also reminding you all that our Annual General Meeting will be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August 2011. There are more details on the next page. So come along and show us your support for the Club on this day.

Keep on Cruising (in a Fifties Ford V8).

*Jim Pierce*

Your Club President.



## From The Editors Desk:



Well here we are back again with another bumper edition of our Club Newsletter. We hope you will enjoy what we have put together in this issue, especially the Great Escape 2011, the "Tassie Trekkers" run report, which Rob and I pondered over for many hours to co-ordinate all the reports and pictures. There are also a few other run reports for you to read and a short note from the Club Permit Officer regarding the Club Permit Scheme, plus all the usual stuff and birthdays list. The Forthcoming Events page is there for you to cut out and nail to your fridge so you don't forget what is coming up.

We hope you will enjoy this issue and keep it handy for easy reference.

Mick Breheny Newsletter Editor & Rob Brereton Assistant Newsletter Editor.

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### AGM - 21<sup>ST</sup> - AUGUST - 2011

The August Meeting for the Club is the Annual General Meeting which is to be held on the third Sunday, the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2011 at the RSL Rooms Sunbury at 11:00 am. This allows the Club time to have the financial records audited and ready for presentation at the meeting. We would like to see as many members as possible, old and new, at this meeting to show us your support for the Club. If you can only attend one meeting a year, please try and make it this one as this is where you can nominate your favourite members to be a committee member to help run the Club for the following year.

We would really love to have your support, so we hope to see you all there.

**"SAUSAGE SIZZLE SUPPLIED"**. See the run sheet for more details.

**Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.**

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### ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

At the Annual General Meeting all financial members will be eligible to vote for the member who has displayed great commitment and contributed to the Club over the last twelve months. The Trophy is awarded in the memory of Ernie Taylor who was always a faithful member displaying a great love for Customlines and the Club.

You must be in attendance at the AGM to be eligible to vote.

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### TRAVELLING ETIQUETTE

Due to some rumblings at the last meeting the Club has decided that we should all be reminded about our Travelling Etiquette when on our Runs.

- On any Run the leading vehicle should be a Member who "KNOWS" where to go.
- There should also be a member, who knows where to go, at the rear of the Convoy, just in case there is a breakdown or a loss of contact with the leading vehicles.
- If you loose sight of the vehicle behind you then slow down or stop, if it is safe to do so, until that following vehicle catches up.
- Newer Members should travel in the middle or near the front of the convoy.
- It is preferable for our Customlines to lead the way with all other vehicles travelling behind them, but there are always exceptions to the rules.
- It would also be advisable for every member to have a copy of the membership list permanently present in their glove box as most members can be contacted by mobile phone in case of breakdown or emergency.

**49-59 Ford Customline Car Club of Victoria.**

# Hawkstowe Park Picnic Afternoon

27th March 2011

Here we are again on another Club Run to a Picnic Lunch at Hawkstowe Park in South Morang. Joan and I had a good run through the suburbs this morning and arrived at the park with the sun shining nicely. When we arrived we met the Breheny's and Jim Pierce, and shortly after arrived the Mulroneys, Shepherd's, Cross's, Myer's and Kilby's.



We all set up our tables and chairs under the shade of the trees as the sun was quite warm, but very pleasant. The day progressed with us all chatting about our cars and the state of everything mingled with a cuppa and some nice cakes. There may have

even been a beer or two consumed as well to keep the thirst at bay.

It was not long before the hunger pains took hold so it was time for lunch, and everyone seemed to have much more food and drink than was needed to sustain us poor souls, in other words we did not starve.

After lunch more chatting continued and a few photos were taken. Jacob particularly wanted his picture taken so Joan sat beside him and told him to smile while Rob took the picture, (see below). Then there appeared, a short distance away, some kangaroos, who



were feverishly pursued by Joan, Jacob and Kyle. Unfortunately for the kids the roo's disappeared very quickly but they did make a brief re-appearance a bit later.

Joan kept the boys busy for quite a while with a



walk around to the lake to feed the ducks and YES she was allowed to feed these ones.

As the afternoon pressed on it was



very pleasant just sitting around chatting and having a quiet drink and the big boys did some Customline

Comparisons as per usual, while Sue looked quite the picture under the warm glow of her red umbrella. There were also quite a few other picnickers there who admired our cars and asked many questions about them.

As the afternoon pressed on it then came time to head for home after another very enjoyable day out with the Customline Crew. **Joan & Rob Brereton.**





# 2ND TO 13TH MARCH 2011 THE GREAT ESCAPE "TASSIE TREKKERS"

## WEDNESDAY: 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

Those members from the northern suburbs, who were travelling by sea, were to meet at the BP Servo Epping at around 3:30pm. They were Mick & Debbie Breheny, Jackie & Kevin Mulroney, Billy Patton, Ray Kilby & Graedon Munro. Jackie and Kevin were a little late due to a loose wheel on their car, so Mick gave Kevin a lesson on how to tighten wheel nuts.

The next stop was at the Shell servo at Todd Road to meet up with Jim Pierce & Helen Tuo, Bernie & Judy Lawson, John Newman & Patsy Kelly, Robert & Margaret Breheny and Les Horne.

We all headed off to the boat and while other people were all lined up to board the boat, Robert, (who has some clout and knows certain people), drove straight onto the boat followed by the rest of our crew.

We all settled in well and there were no incidents to report, other than a reasonable good trip was had by all. After a 5am call we had brekky and got into the cars ready to disembark.

RAY KILBY.



## WEDNESDAY: 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH.

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2011, saw Jim and I heading off to Port Melbourne in anticipation to meet up with our travelling companions at the Westgate bridge, where we travelled in convoy to the Ferry terminal. We were all pretty much all hyped up for the trip over, and waiting in the queue was frustrating and a chance to do the usual car talk. The cars were all in line so we would be able to be parked together on the same deck, unfortunately we were split up with Rob and Margaret Breheny and Graedon Munro being sent to



the dungeon and the rest of us going to the top garage deck. Not the end of the world. It just took longer for them to wait at the other end.

Once we had all found our

cabins and our bearings we of course all headed to the BAR, which over the evening offered some very good entertainment. Once the ferry started to move out of its moorings and out onto the bay, Jackie had us all in fits of laughter at her comment on the fact that we had not moved as the pole with the basket was still in the same spot, it was actually attached to the boat. By the time the boat started to rock and roll we decided that being inebriated was the best way to be so that we could walk straight, (sounds great in theory). Not so good in reality as a few certain people found out with much hilarity when wending their way back to the cabins around midnight. A certain member spent most of the night up due to something called sea sickness and being unable to find his cabin. Arrival in Devonport had us having breakfast at Macca's before heading off on the next part of our adventure. **Regards Helen and Jim.**



## THURSDAY: 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH.

Sandra Munro had stayed the night with me so we could set off early to drive to Les Cross's (factory) where I would leave my car as he was kind enough to drive us out to the Airport. Les and Sue Cross were to come on the trip to Tassie but due to business commitments they were unable to come. When Sandra and I got to the Airport we had time for a Coffee, then Lorraine Carroll joined us and soon after that Maureen Horne arrived.



Our flight was all on time and we arrived in Launceston at 9:30am to be greeted by Graedon Munro, Les Horne & Ray Kilby.

We then drove to meet up with the others at a place called Ross, but we did stop off for a quick bite to eat on the way. After meeting the others at Ross we had a chat and then it was back into the cars and off to Hobart.

We arrived there about 3:00pm at the Discovery Holiday Park. After settling into our cabins some drove to the local supermarket for some supplies as we would be staying here for a few days. At 6pm we all walked down to the "Willows Tavern" for a very nice meal, some laughs and a few drinks. Some of us retired early due to our previous sleepless night and early start the next day.

So far so good. **SANDRA KILBY.**

## SUNDAY: 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH.

At 6:30am Les Horne and I went down and washed our Utes in preparation for the Shannon's Hobart Car Show.

Then at 8:15am we all met outside the reception of the Discovery Holiday Park, there was Paul Cox, Les Horne, Jim Pierce, Graedon Munro, Mick Breheny, Robert Breheny, Kevin Mulroney, John Newman, Billy Patton and myself. We all left in convoy for Rosney Park about 10 km down the road, picking up Rodney Williams in his immaculate 54, one owner, Cussy on the way.

We had prime position to park the Cussy's and set up the new Club Gazebo (it takes a lot longer to set up than my old one) and I should know.

Once settled in we had a squiz at the local cars which were pretty good over all with a good variety from 1910 – 2011 and with a good array of Marques with Pommy, Yankie and Wog cars, all there on the day. It was like a mini Hanging Rock and they weren't lousy with trophies either, with one Original and one Modified for each decade. I think we actually made a Club record at this show by having Les Horne pick up a Trophy for his decade with his Maloo Ute and being in the Customline Car Club of Victoria (I think this is the first time a Holden has ever done this), good on you Les.



Jim Pierce & Helen Tuo really excelled over there with Jims 56 Vicky picked in the top 5, a wonderful effort Jim. I think the judges got it right this time, congratulations Jim. Thanks Shannon's for a great show.

I haven't mentioned that the girls went shopping at Eastland, the Biggest Shopping Centre in Hobart. They got around the whole place in less than an hour, Sandra Kilby said. **RAY KILBY.**





## MONDAY: 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH

Monday morning, the Bus picked us up at the caravan park, for our trip to Port Arthur. Then after picking up more passengers in central Hobart we headed for Port Arthur, The noisy children as usual were in the back row. Our Host on board was lively and a bit of a comedian which of course was very good for putting the nervous at ease. After the donning of those glamorous overalls and the safety presentation came some ginger tablets, of course he said not to chew them and of course some silly souls did, (YUK), then we were on our way.



In one word AWE-INSPIRING. I grew up on boats of various sizes and have been on some fantastic trips but I have to say this three hour trip was up there with the best of them. The scenery was absolutely spectacular, the running commentary was excellent and the jokes pretty good. Nobody was physically sick so that was very good for all of us. Watching a fisherman land a good sized Tuna was great, and we all gave him a round of applause and a cheer. We all got wet to varying degrees and our bones had a good shaking. I think we all thought it was cool going into the small caves and the Captain had a good reading of the waves. Finally we arrived at Port Arthur, a short cruise around the bay then it was good bye to them and a short walk for some, bus

ride for others and we were dropped off at the Gaol.

Lunch was very filling, I certainly had no complaints. Then it was a guided tour, we were split up for this, and our group had a very (should I say) loud and out there guide, who just happened to be a fellow Kiwi, much to my embarrassment, but I played along with her, as did everyone else she picked on. I think we were all too scared not to. She was however very knowledgeable on her history of the Gaol.



Then after exploring on our own, we all staggered back to the visitors centre for refreshments and to wait for the bus. By the time we got dropped off at the caravan park we were all pretty much exhausted. All in all a terrific day out. **HELEN and JIM.**

## MONDAY: 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH

An early start today for the troops at 7:15am, then all aboard the luxury coach to head for a three hour cruise around the Southern Tasmanian coast. An adventure is anticipated.... Our first stop was Taylor's restaurant for an early morning tea and to our amazement this year we are the "SCONE GOBBLERS".



Next we drop off the not so adventurous, Judy, Bernie, Rob and Margaret, to get a head start on discovering Port Arthur. The Kilby's and the Horne's had decided to stay with the water theme and booked a cruise for Peppermint Bay.

Back on the bus for ten minutes and then aboard a speedy 12.5 metre Naiad (powered by three 300hp supercharged outboards) for an unforgettable ride. We started the fun by donning the



provided red waterproof gear in which we nearly lost Sandra Breheny. The seats up the front were for the thrill seekers, so Helen was game. The rest of us stuck to the middle rows. Deb started the WAHOOing as we hit the waves and as the spray hit us back.

The commentary and rapport with the Captain, Col and his first mate Olli, was excellent, only bettered by the dramatic beautiful and awe inspiring Tassie coastline. When in Tasmania make sure you do a Tasman/Bruny Island cruise in the bright yellow boats.



We lunched and then some of us joined a guided tour while others explored and relaxed on their own. A guided tour is recommended so as to put the history and the stories told into perspective.



Kevin, Jim, Helen and Deb spent time in the solitary punishment cell and discussions were held as to whether maybe Kevin and Jim should have received longer terms. The memorial garden made in remembrance to the victims of the 1996 massacre is very impressive and sobering.

A quick visit to the gift shop and back on the bus where our bus driver Phil was relieved that the "noisy ones" were up the back again, (Deb and her sister in law Sandra). One stop was made to collect twelve dozen oysters for those onboard who partake.

On arrival at Risdon Holiday Park we all went our separate ways to rest our weary bones.... Goodnight. **JACKIE MULRONEY.**

### **WEDNESDAY: 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

**Launceston:** We were invited by the President, Karl Mansfield, to the Van Diemens Car Club at Prospect (a suburb of Launceston) for a B.B.Q. They put on the B.B.Q before their club Meeting and about 12 Members from our Club attended and about 6 Members from the Challengers Hot Rod Club and about 30 Member from the Van Diemens Club.

The blokes put on a great B.B.Q with Callam and friends cooking up steak, chops and snags. That went down well with the cold beer from the bar. What a great atmosphere with all the Signs, Posters and Memorabilia around the Club rooms. With the Rods and restored cars out in the car park it could have been back in the 60s (if you were there).

The Club rooms are a credit to their Members, and we would like to thank the Van Diemens for putting on the B.B.Q. There was only one thing missing and that was the Dancing Girls, (maybe the girls will be there next time).

We would like to thank Andrew Wabbley who chaired the meeting for a great welcome; their hospitality was just as good as our last trip to Tassie when we attended the All American Day Run with the Van Diemens club. **Ray Kilby.**



## THURSDAY: 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH

On the morning of Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March we headed off to the National Automobile Museum of Tasmania in Launceston. The Museum consisted of cars dating from around 1912 up until the 1980's.

The highlight for the writer of this report was the HO Falcon Phrase 3 which was in perfect finish and condition, registering only 30,000 miles on the speedo. We then went onto Deloraine to visit the 50's Diner which featured memorabilia plus hamburgers, rock 'n roll jukeboxes and hot rods, which were fantastic and well worth the visit.

The whisper is that Ray Kilby bought a trophy for himself as he missed out at the Shannon's car show and was very envious of Jim and Les (especially as Les was in a Holden!!).



Things got very petty at the Diner and many cheap shots were fired back and forth by a bunch of happy blokes having a great day out together.

Some went off to the Country Club Casino for tea and the rest went to the Restaurant at the Motel. What a rowdy bunch at the Restaurant, Kevin, Mick and Billy were all in fine form, but Maureen was very reserved. Lorraine especially enjoyed the delicious meal and the girls, in particular 'Hands Helen' entertained the diners. John and Pat (newly engaged) were not to be seen

anywhere due to being struck down by the Tassie bug.

John & Pat's engagement and Ray & Sandra's 43rd wedding anniversary were celebrated by all.

Another top day in a wonderful trip, enjoyed by a top group of people. **LES HORNE.**

## OVERVIEW:

Here is my overview from the Tassie trip as others have written more detailed day reports.

We all had a fantastic time thanks to all the members who attended for making it such a great holiday. As you will see from the photos we had a lot of fun exploring Tassie, most days we travelled as a big group and on other days just a few cars.

I enjoyed the whole experience, from the meals shared with friends, at all the locations we travelled to, boat rides, bus rides, ghost tour & historical towns we visited, also the Salamanca market was a great day.

The cars were always looking at their best and attracting lots of onlookers and people wanting to have their photos taken with the cars. As one of the photographer for the trip I took over 600 photos and will have them in an album for anyone to view at the August meeting. Thanks go to Mick, from all who attended, for a great trip.

I am looking forward to the next Great Escape. **Lorraine Carroll.**



## THANK YOU:

I wish to thank all Members and others who made our trip to Tassie so great. It was so good to have a relaxed and stress free trip. Everybody we met along the way were so hospitable it must be something in the water, NO, that's right I meant the Beer. We travelled around for 10 days with the worst of our troubles being a flat tyre. On behalf of Deb and Myself, I Thank You, and we are looking forward to the next Great Escape. **Mick Breheny.**



### LES CROSS – Club Permit Officer.



I would like to take a few moments of your time to bring you up to date with the Club Permit Scheme. The 90/45 Day Logbook option has now been in operation for a few months and everything seems to be operating successfully, although there have been the odd questions about its use. The only real change to the scheme is that members who have vehicles on the Club Permit Scheme no longer have to use a Special Use Vouchers, they simply fill out the Logbook whenever they wish to use their vehicle.

Also I would like to remind you that since the Club signed the Deed of Agreement with VicRoads, they have made it quite clear that it is the Clubs Full Responsibility to manage the Club Permit Scheme. “**YOUR**” failure to comply with all the rules and regulations could mean the cancellation of “**YOUR**” Club Permit and also the cancellation of the Clubs Authority to issue Club Permits.

Can I also remind you of the requirements for having your vehicle approved for the Club Permit Scheme. At our General meeting in October 2009 the Club passed the following rules for applying for a Club Permit. Please familiarise yourselves with these Rules and there will be no delays in processing your application.

#### The Club Permit Scheme Requirements:

1. A Person wishing to have a vehicle approved for a Club Permit must first be a Current Financial Member of the Club.
2. A Financial Member of the Club can then apply to have a Vehicle approved for a Club Permit by following the requirements provided by the Club Permit Officer, which includes the requirement of supplying a current roadworthy certificate and a current photograph of the vehicle.
3. A Member's first vehicle to be approved for a Club Permit must be a Ford Customline, not any other vehicle.
4. If a Member already owns a Ford Customline, which has full VicRoads Registration, then the first vehicle approved for a Club Permit does not have to be a Ford Customline.
5. There is no limit to the number of vehicles a Member can have approved for a Club Permit.
6. It is the Members full responsibility to comply with all the rules, regulations and requirements set down by the Club and by VicRoads, whilst using the Club Permit vehicle.

**Thank you for your time, Les Cross, Club Permit Officer.**



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU



*Best Wishes to all Celebrating their Birthdays during the next Three Months.*

#### June:

12<sup>th</sup> Ernest Raso  
13<sup>th</sup> Judy Lawson  
16<sup>th</sup> June Paterson  
16<sup>th</sup> Lorraine Carroll  
16<sup>th</sup> Charles Edmonds  
19<sup>th</sup> Norm Myers  
21<sup>st</sup> Graeme Dahlstrom

#### July:

5<sup>th</sup> Wayne Paterson  
12<sup>th</sup> Laurie Westcott  
16<sup>th</sup> Terry Usher  
18<sup>th</sup> Maxine Woollaston  
19<sup>th</sup> Michelle Raso  
28<sup>th</sup> Bernie Anstee  
30<sup>th</sup> Simon Woollaston  
31<sup>st</sup> Silvana Usher

#### August:

5<sup>th</sup> Helen Tuo  
5<sup>th</sup> Greg Hamilton  
7<sup>th</sup> Sandra Munro  
10<sup>th</sup> Sue Cross  
13<sup>th</sup> Bill Stocks  
16<sup>th</sup> Jeanette Auer  
19<sup>th</sup> Graedon Munro  
24<sup>th</sup> Smiley Edmonds

## New New - New for You - Club Merchandise

### Be Seen in the Latest Gear from our Club

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**Payment is required at time of order.**



# IN THE DRIVERS SEAT

## VISUALLY IMPAIRED RUN

### SANDOWN MOTOR CIRCUIT 3-4-2011

The morning started with a call to Kevin to see how many cars had turned up. Shortly after Joan and I headed off to Sandown as only Kevin's Cussy and Paul's Holden had turned up. Apparently illness, and electrical problems stopped others from attending. We arrived about 11:00 am on this mild but overcast day. After registering it was time to get the Cussy going and taking the Visually Impaired People for rides in our cars.

Kevin was by himself today except that his mate Paul and wife Mary, came along as well. They have a very nice EH Holden sedan which

was very popular with the attendees.

After many trips around the outer road and car parks with our passengers it was time for a break and some lunch. Soon it was our turn to take our cars onto the track for a bit of a work out. Our passengers were absolutely thrilled to be able to take rides in our old cars around the racing circuit, something that not many people, or the drivers for that matter, get the opportunity to do.

After the lunch break it was

back into the ferrying of passengers, talking with people about our cars and generally explaining just what we do in our club. Most people were very interested in our cars as they asked many questions about how old it was, where it was built, what colour it was and how big was the motor, amongst a myriad of other questions.

As the day wore on the demand for rides diminished but the few light rain showers did not deter anyone from enjoying the day. Paul even commented on how all his passengers were so happy to be able to do this, and Paul himself said that he was glad that he had attended the day.

About 3:00 pm the presentations were made and our Club was thanked for our attendance. We finished the day off with a beer and a bit of a chat before wandering off home about 4:00 pm.

Although we only had 3 cars attending it was still a very satisfying day.

**Rob & Joan Brereton.**



**PS.** The Club has since received four letters of appreciation from a Mr T Farrugia (Springvale), a Mr J Hardie (Narre Warren), H & K Sharp (Wodonga) and Peter Watts, the organiser of the day from the Lions Club of Warrandyte, thanking the Club for the effort the members put in ferrying the Visually Impaired People around the Sandown Motor Circuit during their "In the Drivers Seat" day. All also thanked the members for taking the time and trouble to provide such a wonderful service for the participants on the day, and also stating that the members were very knowledgeable and willing to share the history of their custom built motor vehicles in a friendly and helpful nature. Ed.



# MT FRANKLIN RUN

## & VISIT TO THE DAYLESFORD MARKET 1-5-2011

For the first part of the weekend Run to Mt Franklin Joan and I met up with Mick and Debbie at



Woodend, my old home town, and then travelled to East Trentham to the Pig & Whistle Hotel. Joan worked out that my last visit to this pub was about 46 years ago, so we all had a drink and some lunch there and took a few photos before moving on.



We arrived at Daylesford about 2:30pm and found the Station House where we were staying, right opposite the Market site, then a few minutes later Les and Sue arrived. **Rob Brereton.**

Les and I decided to join Debbie, Mick, Joan and Rob and stay at the Station House B&B in Daylesford on Saturday. So our day started with us leaving South Morang around 12.00pm on Saturday to join the others. We all arrived at the B&B around the same time. We all checked into our rooms, and then decided to go into town and have a look around. The guys headed off to a place called The Old Mill Market, while Debbie, Joan and myself headed to the local pub for a couple of drinks and have a go on the pokies.



The B&B was so nice we decided to stay in for the evening and have a few drinks and order takeaway. What an epic that was for us to get takeaway that night, when we finally decided to order our pizzas and call, they told us that the delivery guy didn't turn up for work that night and if we wanted takeaway we would have to catch a taxi into town to pick it up. So a taxi was called and Joan and I headed into town. After we finally arrived back with our pizzas, we enjoyed a few more drinks and settled in for the evening in front of a lovely open fire.



Next morning we all meet in the conservatory for breakfast, which we all thoroughly enjoyed. Next stop for us was to meet up with the rest of the crew at the Daylesford market, which just happened to be across the road from the B&B. Helen



and Jim arrived first, and then followed by the rest of the crew. Everyone enjoyed browsing around at the market and finding a few little treasures. Then it was time to head off to Mount Franklin picnic ground. Rob wasn't feeling too good, so he and Joan decided to call it quits and head for home. Hope you are feeling better now Rob. Helen and Jim drove their Sunliner convertible, of course with the

roof down. The weather was a little cool with rain clouds looming when we all arrived at the picnic area but we all enjoyed a lovely picnic lunch and catch up. With the rain starting to fall, some of the crew called it a day and headed for home. Helen, Jim, Debbie, Mick, Les, Cherie, Phil, and I decided to go to a place called The Chocolate Mill back at Daylesford and have a hot chocolate and coffee, and a very welcome pit stop. We all purchased some tasty chocolates from the retail store, we then said our good byes and then we all headed for home.

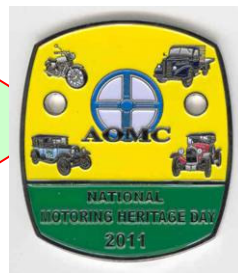
Thanks to all who attended and hope you all enjoyed yourselves. **Sue Cross.**







# NATIONAL MOTORING HERITAGE DAY



## Cavalcade of Transport Run to Yarra Glen 15-5-2011

Kevin and I headed off in the Vicky about 8:30am on this very chilly morning, lucky for us it was not raining (but packed the umbrella just in case, along with my blanket, pillows and an extra coat) as you would guess I hate the cold, ha-ha. We made our way to Whittlesea around



9:00am where we meet up with Mick and Debbie Breheny with their 57 Cussy, Kevin Mulroney with his XY ute (love to Jackie who was not



well with the flu) and Rob Breheny with his Buick, hi to Marg as well who could not make it today. We then made our way to the Flying Tarts Bakery where Joe and Lyn Faralla with their grandson Jack and their 58 sedan joined us. We all had coffee and morning tea and a good chin wag, and it was good to catch up with Joe and Lyn as we have not seen them since the



Wallan car show.

With all the catching up and the chatter over we all headed off to Yarra Glen racecourse where we meet up with Phil and Cherie, Phil was a bit disappointed as he could not fire up the Cussy, it was having a day off so they had to bring the modern. Rob and Joan Brereton

joined us as well with their 56 Cussy.

With the weather holding out we all set up the tables and chairs with the men discussing whether to put the tent up, so us girls left them to it and went to the Yarra Valley food Wine and Craft Market, the car show had a bus running to and from, so no extra walking for us. At first us girls got a bit lost when we got off the bus and went for a scenic tour off the gardens, we eventually managed to find our way to the market where there was lots of different fresh produce and a lot of taste testing was done by us all. All us girls found something to bring back and were happy with our purchases. We returned from the market to find that none of the men had managed to put the tent up, it was still tucked away neatly in its bag in the boot. Young Jack was having heaps of fun as he had his face painted as Batman and a Ben Ten watch on his wrist, (what a cutie he is). We all had something to eat and chatted about our next outing which is a Bowling Afternoon at Mentone on June 4<sup>th</sup>. If Kevin and I aren't there can someone please ring us as we will probably be lost or have the wrong day, ha-ha, as we have done a couple of times now. Around 2:00 pm we all started to pack up and make our way home with



Phil and Cherie leaving a bit before us as Phil was not feeling the best.



As always we all had a great day.

Well people, until the next time stay safe and Kevin and I hope to see everyone at the bowling afternoon.



**Brenda-Lee Shepherd.**



# FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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



## June 2011

<p><b>4<sup>th</sup></b></p> 	<p><b><i>"Bowling Afternoon Mentone Bowl"</i></b> Corner of Nepean Hwy &amp; Warrigal Rd, Mentone. Meeting there at 3:30 pm and then onto dinner at the Royal Oak Hotel, 1375 Nepean Hwy Cheltenham at 6.00pm, after you have built up an appetite bowling.</p>
<p><b>19<sup>th</sup></b></p> 	<p><b><i>"Committee/General Meeting"</i></b> Our Meeting Place is at the Sunbury RSL Rooms at the corner of Barkly and Macedon St. Sunbury. Melway Reference 382 F4, &amp; we will start at 11 am. Tea &amp; Coffee supplied. Sausage Sizzle after the meeting. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.</p>

## July 2011

<p><b>10<sup>th</sup></b></p> 	<p><b><i>"B24 Liberator Restoration Visit"</i></b> Meet at the Shell Westgate Outbound (Todd Rd) at 10am for a 10:30 departure. B24 address, corner Princess Hwy and Farm Rd Werribee, Melway Ref 205 F10. Then we will proceed to the Point Cook Homestead Café for lunch at No:1 Homestead Rd Point Cook, Mel 199 J3. Must ring Mick ASAP to reserve your lunch seat 0418- . Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.</p>
<p><b>31<sup>st</sup></b></p> 	<p><b><i>"Lunch at Reno's" All You Can Eat Smorgasbord.</i></b> (old Smorgys on Melway) Plenty Rd Bundoora. Melway 19 G3. Meet at 11am at Reno's car park. Club Discounted price \$20 per head. Must ring Mick ASAP to reserve your seat, 0418- . Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.</p>

## August 2011

<p><b>7<sup>th</sup></b></p> 	<p><b><i>"Christmas In August"</i></b> at The Tangled Maze Creswick, Christmas Lunch with all the trimmings \$27 per head. First wander through the Tangled Maze before lunch and then a competitive game of Mini Golf, Girls V Boys with prizes after lunch. First meet at BP Maccas Rockbank at 9:45 am for a 10am departure. Must ring Mick ASAP to reserve your seat, 0418- . Cut of date for bookings is the 19<sup>th</sup> June. The Tangled Maze Cnr Midland Hwy &amp; Smokeytown Road Creswick. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.</p>
<p><b>21<sup>st</sup></b></p> 	<p><b><i>"Annual General Meeting"</i></b> Our Meeting Place is at the Sunbury RSL Rooms at the corner of Barkly and Macedon St. Sunbury. Melway Reference 382 F4, &amp; we will start at 11 am. Tea &amp; Coffee supplied. Sausage Sizzle after the meeting. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.</p>

## September 2011

<p><b>4<sup>th</sup></b></p> 	<p><b><i>"Caribbean Gardens &amp; Market"</i></b> Mel 72 G9. Meet in the car park at 10:30am at our designated reserved spot. Northern members meet at Maccas Nunawading Maroondah Hwy &amp; Springvale Rd at 9:30am. Wander through the market and then meet back at the cars at 1:00pm for lunch. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.</p>
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If you have any suggestions about where we can go on a Run, then please contact our Run's Co-ordinator Mick Breheny, on (03) , or 0418- , as I am sure he would be most grateful for your input and suggestions.

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bit hard to read the  
speedo and operate  
the blinkers when you  
don't have a passenger.**

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meet the OH&S  
standards either.**

**I was driving to work this morning when I saw an RACV van parked up.  
The driver was sobbing uncontrollably and looked very miserable.  
I thought to myself, "that guy's heading for a breakdown".**

**23-5-2011. MJB & RJB.**