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Our Club Meetings are held on the third Sunday Bi-monthly, commencing at <u>11 am</u>.

The Next Meeting Dates are:

July 20th 2014: Comm/Gen & AGM Meeting September 21st 2014: Comm/General Meeting November 16th 2014: Comm/General Meeting December 7th 2014: Annual Xmas Party

Our Meeting Place is at the Sunbury RSL Rooms at the corner of Barkly and Macedon St, Sunbury. Melway Reference Map 382 F4. Rob Brereton. Newsletter Editor.
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The Club Newsletter.

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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.

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<u>Visitors are always most welcome</u> to attend the Club's meetings.



A. Word from Our President

Hi Everyone, and welcome to the last newsletter for the current Club year, as the next newsletter will be after the Club's AGM, which is to be held on the 20th July at the Sunbury RSL hall at 11:00 am and it would be great to see as many members as possible at this meeting.

If anyone is interested in standing for a position on the committee or nominating someone else for a position then please contact our Secretary, Ray Kilby on 9716-1771 by 20th July. We are also looking at

creating two new positions on the committee which we think are important to the Club's future which were discussed at the last meeting. The positions are a Welfare Officer and Historian, for more information on either position please contact the Secretary.

The next item I need to mention is the **Membership Fees**, which are due and need to be paid by 1st July as you need to be a current financial member to vote at the AGM and please find your renewal form within this Newsletter.

Please read the run reports to see how much fun and enjoyment we have had in the past three months, and read the runs calendar for the next three months. Thanks to Mick for all his hard work organising these events.

Welcome to any new members who may have joined in past few months. Happy Birthday to all members who are having birthdays in June, July and August.

Just a reminder to all committee members that we need all end of year reports done by 13th of July so that they can be attached to the Agenda for the AGM. Please forward your report to the Secretary.

As this is the last Newsletter before the AGM I would like to thank all the Members and the Committee who have helped to make this another successful year for the Club.

June 2015, this is the 40th Birthday for the Club and we would like to celebrate by getting together for a chat, drink and looking at photos of the past 40 years. Any suggestions for the day please forward to the committee. One suggestion we have already received is going to a nice Pub for a lunch. A decision was made that we will be presenting "Years of Membership Badges and Certificates" at this event.

I would like to thank everyone again for the support I received during the year, I have really enjoyed being your President.

Let's Keep on Cruising... (In Our beautiful Fifties Ford V8's)

Loursine Carroll

Your Club President.



From the Editors Desh

Hi Everyone. I hope you all received your last Newsletter OK, all be it a bit later than normal, but sometimes some things are just beyond your control which upsets the applecart. I hope you enjoy this issue as much as those in the past and it is once again full of everything you need to know, within reason of course. And once again we have

some excellent Run Reports and some good pictures to go with them. Our "RUN" SHEET" once again is packed with interesting places for you to go in your Cussy, so keep an eye on the calendar so you don't miss any Runs.

Rob Brereton Newsletter Editor & Mick Breheny Assistant Newsletter Editor.

OUR NEW MEMBERS: We have ONE new membership this issue, so let's all congratulate them on joining the Club. They are: David \$ Shayne Healey from Attwood who have a stock Green 1956 Tudor LHD.



<u>MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS:</u> See the Presidents Report for all the details and find your "Renewal Form" included in this Newsletter.

Annual General Meeting – 20th July 2014

The July Meeting for the Club is the Annual General Meeting which is to be held on the third Sunday, the 20th July 2014 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, so come along and enjoy the day.

"SAUSAGE SIZZLE SUPPLIED AFTER THE MEETING"

See the run sheet for more details. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy.

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.

WALLACE RUN MARCH 1874



We arrived at the Wallace recreational reserve at 9:00 am where our

club was just starting to put together our club display, which would have already been up if they had gone to the correct oval in the first place, (who was the leader?).





We all chipped in to assist with our display and the day was very windy and overcast. The Club display looked magnificent as always

thanks to Mick, Rob, Wayne, Kevin, Jim & Helen, Lorraine, Kevin & Brenda Lee and of course Henk & I.

Rob, Kevin & Brenda Lee, Lorraine, Henk & I all went to the Wallace

Hotel for lunch which was great. It started to pour down with rain and was very windy, it nearly blew our car display away, so the boys took it down while we enjoyed our lunch and kept dry, (sorry boys).



We wandered around and looked at all the cars and there was a great crowd and a jumping castle for the young ones.

Thank you to Benny's Mob for creating such a relaxing atmosphere. They were supporting the Leukaemia Foundation and many people supported the greatest shave for 2014.

Then it was time for trophies, and our Club won the Best Club Display, thanks to all involved.

Once again we had a very enjoyable day with our fantastic FORDS. Margaret Mennen.



Kilmore "Rock n' Roll" "Show n' Shine" 23 March 2014

Nearly didn't go to the Kilmore car show as Deb cut her finger tip off on Saturday, which tasted really nice, and she ended up in hospital, but all is OK as she didn't cut the nail. She is fine now, thank goodness for that.

Now it's off to the show with brother Rob, and the two Kevin's. We were there fairly early in the morning to set up our Club Display. It doesn't take too long now as we are getting pretty good at it. The other cars then started to roll in and line up. Barry and Georgina in the 56 Cussy with the 56 trailer in tow. Joe and Linda and Billy plus





Lorraine, Paul and Carol, Jim and Dave, Les Cross and myself and two grandsons, Kyle and Jacob.

There was a good selection of cars and a lot of the people were dressed in 50's gear. Tony and Helen from the Chrome Bumper Car Club got best dressed and they looked just great and my two grandsons got best dressed kids in their leather T/Bird jackets with their greased and brush-backed hair. There was great food all day and a lot of "Rock n' Rolling" going on. We picked up best Club Display which was due to the effort of the Club Members who came along on the day.



It was also good to attend a car show where you did not have to pay to get in. Alice and Rob Askworth put a lot of work into this show and I would like to thank them and the Kilmore Racing Club for a wonderful day.

Mick Breheny. 49-59 Cussy Club.

Shepparton Motor Show & Market



Off again on another great weekend away to the Shepparton "Show n' Shine".

Met up with Mick and Deb, Rob and Marg, Kev and Jackie, Les and Sue and June and Wayne at the BP Wallan.

There was just time enough to grab a quick coffee as we were last to arrive and it was a beautiful day for "Cruisin".

We stopped for a while at the car museum just outside of Shep, which kept the men busy while the ladies perused the knick knack and chockie shops. We all had a light lunch and

coffee before heading off to the motel.

Barry and Georgina were already booked in and awaiting our arrival. Once everyone had settled in, a few went out under the Pergola for a few drinks and a chat.

Later we all strolled down to the RSL Club, only a couple of blocks away, for dinner. A nice meal was had by all and a few went in to try their luck on the Pokies. Wayne and Rob were the only big winners, but the rest of us left small

donations.

The next morning a few of the guys were up really early to go set up the Club Display and Gazebo whilst the rest of us had nice sleep in.

Kev and Brenda - Lee came up on the Sunday for the show and it was lovely to see Norm and Linda arrive for a

few hours in the afternoon.

Rob strolled over to the little 50's shop and picked up 2 nice Rock & Roll shirts. Later, Marg, Brenda and I went over and Marg bought a beautiful black and white 50's dress.

Winners on the day were Barry and Georgina with their Customline and Trailer and Les and Sue with their Sunliner. Both took out Top 10 Trophy's.

Congratulations well deserved.



Once again the Club took out Best Club Display Trophy.

Thank you to those few guys who put in all the effort of setting it up.

A Great Weekend Away. Bill and Marg.







Great Escape 2014 Force Day Accordes 23rd to 30th March 2014

Wednesday 23-3-2014:

We left home and met up with the Stock's at the local servo, we then drove to Ararat and was soon joined by more members. After a bite to eat and filling up the cars we headed off to Kaniva. After arriving there we were greeted by Paula and Paul and made welcome. After unpacking, chatting and some drinks it was tea time and it was ordered from the local take away and the burgers were great as usual. After all that it was time to call it a day. PS. Thanks to all who helped me fix the water leak in my Ute, Mick said it was caused by the radiator hose that Kevin Mulroney gave me that had a crack in it.

Wayne and June.

Thursday 24-3-2014:

We woke up to a beautiful day and enjoyed a lovely brekky. At 9:15am Mick, Debbie, Kevin, Brenda Lee, Rob, Marg, Bill, Marg, Les, Maureen, Wayne, June, Joe, Linda, Kevin and myself left Kaniva, with Bernie and Judy "in her PJ's" waving us farewell. An uneventful drive to Tailem Bend to top up with fuel and buy our picnic lunch at Subway. Then back in the Cussies to drive to Old Tailem Town, a reconstructed pioneer town.



Fun was had by all with many conversations starting with "I remember that". When looking at all the memorabilia Kevin Shepherd surprised Deb, Kevin and myself when we stepped into the old grocers shop to find him behind the counter ready to serve us. While walking Les and Sue caught up to us after spending the

previous night in Ararat, another Cussy to join our convoy. Some of the boys drove their beasts into the town to get some old time pictures. After spending a couple of hours walking down memory lane we set off for our destination, the Marion Big Four caravan park. A little ways down the highway Les and Maureen turned back as Maureen could not find her phone! Back at old Tailem Town, no luck, then success as it was found in the ute as someone had been sitting on it, thank heavens the vibrator was on.



Meanwhile we were still travelling when a blue and white flash passed us and taking the lead was Jim and Helen who joined us in their Vicky. So nine Cussies arrived together at our base for the next four days. We all settled into our lovely units and prepared to go out for dinner. A delicious meal was enjoyed by all at the Marion Hotel. Some trying their luck on the pokies, no big winners tonight, even though for a few minutes we thought Rob was going to shout us all, wires got crossed and it wasn't his lucky night. Mick, Deb, Rob, Marg, Kevin, Brenda Lee, Kevin and myself ended up back at the unit carrying on with the frivolities. Rob and Mick were trying to be relative serious and Kevin Mulroney was told to "shut up" a few times. Now climbing into bed about Midnight, goodnight.

Kevin and Jackie.

Friday 25-3-2014: Rob got a shock at 6:45am when Marg woke him up telling him he was late for the Car Show, "oops wrong day", so the day could only get better which it did. At 12:30pm we all hopped into the cars and after dropping the girls at Hahndorf Shops the boys headed for the car museum, however not

BUPLOUS WOTEN MOSEUM

knowing there was a music festival just up the road they soon found themselves on a very



slow journey, "2 hours for a 30K trip", but our boys certainly had some sights to see along the way, girls dressed in flimsy micro minis and a strong wind brought smiles to their faces and Mick had his own floor show as "a girl on a bus Mooned him, Poor Mick", however they all had a good time at the museum. Lots of cars and heaps of stuff to see. The girls had their own



fun, first up we had lunch at one of the many eating places, "it was lovely", and then we hit the shops, "so many shops and so little time". The handbag shop was popular and there were dress shops, lolly shops, ice cream shops and even a shop selling stuff, something for everyone and Jackie the super shopper, well she added another Teddy to her collection, Kevin was so happy.

When the shops closed and the boys returned we went to the Windmill Pub for a smorgasbord tea. All enjoyed it, some a little too much and of course there was pokie-ing happening, however alas it was not our time to win, mat be next time. Another great day was had by all.

Marg and Rob, Kevin and Brenda Lee.

Saturday 26-3-2014:

CAR SHOW DAY (The big day): As I laid in bed this morning, Sue heard the first Cussy start up, it was around 6.00 clock, as that was time that Mick, Rob, Kevin S and Kevin M were going to leave to set up at the car show with all the flags and so forth. We both rolled over and went back to sleep.



I then woke up about 7.00am and thought I better get up and get ready and start to head out to the car show. As I was leaving Wayne, Bill and Marg were also on there way out, so we



decided to all head off together. 40 mins later we arrived at our destination. Mick said that Joe had just called him asking for directions.



10 mins later Joe called back again, we overheard Mick say to him "you are where"!! Mick then says where, "Victor Harbour, Victor



Harbour is in the opposite direction to where we all are". Only Joe could do that.

Next minute Jim, Helen, Marg and Brenda Lee, Ray and Les H drove in. All ten cars had arrived. All the gates were shut by 10.00am. It is now 10.20 and Joe and Linda still haven't arrived. The clouds were starting to roll in by now and it became very over cast. Joe and Linda finally



arrived, but he wasn't able to drive his Cussy in, as the gates were shut. So they had to park out the front and walk in. The judging of all the cars had begun. Ray Kilby was asked to judge the A Model Fords because that was his era. Next minute along comes this guy named Eddie, pushing his zimmer frame. Guess who asked him to come and sit down and have a chat, Joe of course. Then we couldn't get rid of him, so we all stood up and left him on his own. (Good one JOE). All of the girls that didn't go to the car show, which was Debbie, Sandra, Jackie, Maureen and Sue decided to go shopping at the Marion Plaza centre. June decided to stay



back at the caravan park and have a rest day. The other girls that went to the car show went shopping at Smythfield Plaza. All of girls had a fantastic day shopping. The judging of all the cars had been finalised. The boys won the Best Club Display & Mick won the best car trailer. Ray Kilby won first place for best steel bumper and our visitor, Jim Randall, won the Blue Ribbon Best Overall Car. It was now quite late in the afternoon and they had opened up all the

gates, so everyone started to head back to the park. The Marion girls had finished shopping and just made it back to the park, just before all of us arrived back. We finished off the day with a BBQ tea and a few drinks. Most of us had a reasonable early night, except for Joe and Linda who I believed were still parting up until the wee hours of the morning...

Another great day was had by all. Les and Sue.

Sunday 27-3-2014:

This was a "do what you want" day, some chose Victor Harbour, Jim and Helen, Les and Sue, Maureen and Les, Rob and Marg, Kevin and Brenda Lee all had lunch at the pub and strolled along the Esplanade where there was a market. Mick, Kevin, Debbie and Jackie took off in another direction to look at a house. Linda and Joe had decided to stay back at the cabins and take it easy just relaxing. Ray and I drove down to the Marion shopping centre where we had lunch and a stroll along the shops where we got a coffee and sat out on the balcony and enjoyed the sunshine. June. Wayne. Marg and Bill took a drive to Goola to catch up with some friends. It was a good day for us so we decided to go for dinner at the Marion Hotel but the taxi's we ordered never came so we jumped into some Cussies and headed off. It was a good evening and we headed back to the cabins to bed down for an early start the next

Sandra & Ray.

Monday 28-3-14:

Sad to be leaving Adelaide – and the Big 4 Park – at the end of another great run and holiday. Our first stop was for a petrol top-up and tummy top-up at Tintinara. After enjoying a lovely lunch we all gathered outside where Rob gave a great



speech thanking all involved for the organisation of the event and said what a wonderful trip it had been.

After the speech Rob and Marg and Les and Sue departed back to Melbourne while the rest of us journeyed onto Mt Gambier. We arrived at the Comfort Inn on the Jubilee Highway in the late afternoon and after a bit of unpacking, rested and had a few drinks on the balcony or, in Joe and Les's case – noisily in the car park!! Dinner was at the Restaurant at the Motel and was very enjoyable. During the dinner I asked the question "What was the highlight of your trip?" and here are their answers:

Kevin Shepherd: "Kicking the butt of the Modified Ford Club on their own turf for the Best Club Display".

Joe Faralla: "My car running so well as a result of Billy's hard work — plus receiving news of Billy's recovery from illness".

Linda Faralla: "Joe wasn't a twin!!"

Sandra Kilby: "Surviving a near-death experience with Maureen in a cab coming back from the shops at Marion".

Ray Kilby: "Lifting his head off the pillow this morning". (Not the Editors note: Must have been a torrid night before with Sandra!! Who said that?).

Wayne Paterson: "Feeding the ducks and wildlife at the Caravan Park in Adelaide".

Jim Pierce: "Helen".

Bill Stocks: "2 Highlights for me – (1) Maureen playing the spoons and singing 'We are the navy Blues' together and (2) Car museum (good all round trip)".

Maureen Horne.

Tuesday 29-3-2014:

We stayed at Mt Gambier Motel over night and the next day was pouring with rain so we decided to move off to Apollo Bay. Billy and Marg, Wayne and June, Mick and Debbie, Kevin and Brenda Lee, Kevin and Jackie, Linda



and myself headed off to Heywood. Jim and Helen stayed another night at Mt Gambier. We had morning tea at Bill's cousin's house at Heywood. Barry and Di put on a beautiful morning tea for us, quiche, sausage rolls, fruit and our favourite, scones jam and cream, (for the scone gobblers). Barry showed us his two door Rambler he is restoring and he is doing a wonderful job on it. We said goodbyes to our lovely hosts but Wayne and June and Bill & Marg stayed a bit longer. We had a pit stop at Port Campbell for coffee and mud cake with lovely views before we were back on the road again to Apollo Bay. We had dinner at a seafood restaurant and had a great time then

we turned in for the night. Luckily Joe left the bathroom window open cause he had locked us out. Kevin and Brenda Lee Joe and myself headed home the next morning and we had a dream run home followed by Kevin and Brenda Lee. Many thanks to bill Patton for all his hard work getting my car back on the road. We all wish Bill a speedy recovery from his illness. Joe and Linda.

Wednesday 30-3-2014:

Had a sleep in today, Deb and myself, Kevin & Jackie had breakfast at the shops in Apollo Bay. Debbie and Jackie decided it was time to hit the



shops and Kevin and I just wandered along the street and sat at each seat along the way. I think shoes and dresses were bought and the girls had a lovely day. Tea was at the pub and what a meal as we all had too much to eat.

Thursday 31-3-2014:

Breakfast was at Arabs Restaurant at Lorne. The girls did one last lap of the street and we were on our way on the Great Ocean Road. The cars handled the Highway beautifully. Kevin called me on the CB Radio and said the trailer was following beautifully and I said to him "it hasn't got much choice cause it is hooked to the tow ball". Next stop was at the Little River BP for lunch and coffee where the girls saw the



fruit shop was having a sale so they had to go in, \$35 later we were on our way home. All in all a great trip and it's a credit to the people who come along on these trips that we can travel all those kilometres in our Cussies and all that went wrong was a little water leak, which was Kevin Mulroney's fault for giving Wayne a cracked water hose.

Deb and I would like to thank all of you for a great trip.

Mick Breheny.

SHANNONS AMERICAM MOTOR SHOW - FLEMINGTON



Well it's off to the Shannon's American Motor Show at Flemington, with great weather and met up with the rest of the crew who were Terry Usher, Jim Camilleri & Dave, Peter Hibbert & Mason, Les Cross, Rob Breheny, Kev Mulroney, Mick Breheny, and visitor Frank Beale.

A great selection of cars were on display and we all ventured around to look at them all and the many club displays, but we all decide ours was still the best. It is very hard to compete against other clubs with 30 or so vehicles and unfortunately we did not win the trophy this time, with our only 8 cars

plus the trailer. Hopefully we can improve on this number of vehicles for next year.



All in all it was a great day out with the Cussy Club and all too soon again it was time to pack up and head for home.

> Mick Breheny. 49-59 Cussy Club.



Shannon's and the AOMC presented the: 2014 American Motoring Show at Flemington



Racecourse
Car park.
There were



about 1000 vehicles on site and many thanks to all who attended.

Fletch, from TV's "Classic Restos", was on site doing filming and interviews. We would expect this AOMC show to be screened on TV in a few months. Ed.



2014 Keilor Rotary Car Show 4th May 2014

Present on the day were: Rob Breheny, Mick Breheny, Kevin Sheppard, Jim Camilleri & Dave. Kevin and I set off to Keilor at 7am. The road was very wet and not looking promising. We pulled up at the Keilor pub and venue car show where the

It was the perfect spot right next to the entrance. We put up the display and we all lined up for our free bacon \$\psi\$ egg sandwich and drink (included in the entry fee).

organisers gave us number one spot on the grass.





It was a poor day weather wise but about 150 cars turned up. I'm please to say this

was the best display I've been to. The people were very



friendly and many of them coming into our display for a chat. I personally recommend we keep going to this display in the future.

The trophies were great! We scored: Best Club, Best Classic & Best Entrant. Overall a great day there. Regards Rob Breheny.



Happy Birthday to You



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

Tony Gill 13th Garry Westwood 16th June Paterson 16th **Lorraine Carroll** 16th Charles Edmonds 19th Norm Myers 19th Carol Cattach 21st Graeme Dahlstrom 30th John Young

July	<u>:</u>
5 th	Wayne Paterson
16 th	Terry Usher
16 th	Mark Wheatland
18 th	Maxine Woollaston
19 th	Leigh Turnbull
21 st	Gayle Conneely
24 th	Peter Bull
26 th	Ria Gascoyne
28 th	Bernie Anstee
30 th	Simon Woollaston
31 st	Silvana Usher

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5 th	Helen Tuo
5 th	Greg Hamilton
5 th	Georgina Miles
7 th	Sandra Munro
8 th	Col Pass
10 th	Sue Cross
12 th	Shayne Healey
13 th	Bill Stocks
16 th	Jeanette Auer
19 th	Graedon Munro

IN THE DRIVERS SEAT VISUALLY IMPAIRED RUN

4 MAY 2014

"Weather report not sounding too good, 15 degrees and showers".

On the way to Springvale we drove through heavy rain and dark gloomy grey skies were all we could see, then clearing at times, so when we arrived at Sandown it was not looking too good at all.

Linda and Norm Myers arrived just after us and we registered our vehicles etc, for the day.

132 people registered for the day to be "IN THE DRIVERS SEAT".

Each Visually affected person had their allotted time for their turn in the cars and some were able to have a second drive, which pleased them. They had the usual Glaucoma Test there for people to take advantage of, if they wanted, and the never ending supply of sausages, hamburgers, drinks, tea, coffee and biscuits to keep everyone fed and happy. On this cold day the tea and coffee kept flowing and those cooking the hot food were kept busy all day, so much so that sometimes there was a small waiting time to get your hot food as they tried to keep up to the demand.

11:00 am and the motorbikes were allowed onto the track and 1:30 pm the cars were allowed on the track, so everyone took advantage of that and put their cars to the test on the race track, "Men and their Need for Speed."

David Patching had his immaculate Red and Black 56 Victoria.

Norm and Linda Myers had their famous 58 Star Model Customline Sedan.

Les Horne with his Goldie 1955 F100 pickup.

Ray and Sandra Kilby with their 67 Fast Back Mustang.

Bill Sherman had bought his 65 Dodge Phoenix along as well.

As usual we all managed to make a lot of

people happy by taking them in our cars. It was a good feeling for all who participated.

Ray and Sandra Kilby.





INTIONAL MOTORING HARITAGA DAY 18TH MAY 2014



It was off early to the National Motoring Heritage Day at Yarra Glen, with the Sun shining brightly and arriving at the Flying Tarts Bakery for breakfast. There was Kevin Mulroney, Rob Breheny, Joe Faralla, Bill Patton, Kevin Shepherd, myself and grandson Kyle. Egg and bacon toasties was the go for breakfast then "someone" had to have his Mocca Coffee.

Then off for a nice cruise down the Melba Highway to arrive at the Yarra Glen Racecourse and true to his word the organiser from the AOMC gave us prime position to set up our Club Display.

The others Present on the day were Charlie Edmonds, Jim Camilleri & Dave, Rob Bruton, Paul Cattach Los Cross in his hot rad and it was great

Cattach, Les Cross in his hot rod and it was great to see Norm and Linda Myers there as well.

There was a good display of vehicles so we had a good look at them all and ordered a hamburger, that only took 1 hour and 10 minutes, we then picked up our metal bumper badges for the event.

We were all sitting around under the gazebo and had a mini meeting, where a few things were discussed, where we decide we could change the world but all too soon it was time to pack and head off for home.



Another great day out with the Customline Club.

Mick Breheny. 49-59 Cussy Club



THE "BIG MORNING TEA"

On the morning of Saturday the 24th May 2014 several of our members attended the "Rubber Connections Big Morning Tea" to aid the Cancer Council of Victoria. There were members and vehicles from other Clubs including Fairlanes, Thunderbirds, Hot Rods and a few other Customlines.



NOW HAVE A LAUGH AT THESE.....

Budget Cuts:

The AMA has weighed in on Joe Hockey's proposed changes to Australia's health services.

The Allergists voted to scratch them, but the

Dermatologists advised not to make any rash moves.

The Gastroenterologists had a sort of a gut feeling about it, but the

Neurologists thought he had a lot of nerve.

The Obstetricians felt he was labouring under a misconception.

Ophthalmologists considered the ideas short-sighted.

Pathologists yelled "Over my dead body!" while the Paediatricians said, "Oh, Grow up!"

The Psychiatrists thought the ideas were madness, while the

Radiologists could see right through them.

The Surgeons were fed up with the cuts and decided to wash their hands of it.

The ENT specialists didn't swallow it, and just wouldn't hear of it.

The Pharmacists thought it was a bitter pill to swallow.

and the Plastic Surgeons said, "This puts a whole new face on the matter...."

The Podiatrists thought it was a step forward,

but the Urologists were pissed off at the whole idea.

The Anaesthetists thought the ideas were a gas,

but the Cardiologists didn't have the heart to say no.

In the end.

the Proctologists won out, leaving the entire decision up to the arseholes in parliament!

CATHOLIC GOLF: Catholic or not you have to laugh at this one.

A Catholic priest and a nun were taking a rare afternoon off and enjoying a round of golf.

The priest stepped up to the first tee and took a mighty swing.

He missed the ball entirely and said "Shit, I missed."

The good Sister told him to watch his language.

On his next swing, he missed again. "Shit, I missed."

"Father, I'm not going to play with you if you keep swearing," the nun said tartly.

The priest promised to do better and the round continued.

On the 4th tee, he misses again. The usual comment followed.

Sister is really mad now and says, "Father John, God is going to strike you dead if you keep swearing like that."

On the next tee, Father John swings and misses again. "Shit, I missed."

A terrible rumble is heard and a gigantic bolt of lightning comes out of the sky and strikes Sister Marie dead in her tracks.

And then from the sky comes a booming voice "Shit, I missed."

In GOD we trust.

SMILE, it gives your face something to do.

Benson Ford Shiphouse



Built in 1924 for use by the Ford Motor Company, the Benson Ford (I) was originally utilized to transport iron ore and related materials across the Great Lakes by the growing auto company. Measuring 612' X 62' with a moulded depth of 32' and a carrying capacity of 15,000 net tons at midsummer draft, the ship was built by Great Lakes Engineering, Ecorse, Mich., and was launched April 26, 1924.

A sister ship, the Henry Ford II, was commissioned to the American Ship Building Company, Lorain, Ohio, and scheduled for completion several weeks prior to the Benson Ford; however, a tornado struck Lorain prior to completion and delayed construction of the Henry Ford II. Consequently, the Benson Ford sailed first.

Both ships were named after Henry Ford's grandsons and the Henry Ford II was officially launched by the youngsters through electrical remote control in Detroit. Clearly the most modern ships on the Great Lakes, the twin ships were the cornerstone of the Ford Motor

Company's lake transport system.



The maiden voyage of the Benson Ford began on August 2 with a coal load from Toledo, Ohio, being transported to Duluth, Minn., and returning to the Ford Rouge plant in Dearborn, Mich., with iron ore.

Although the pride of the ford fleet, the Benson Ford seemingly was not flawless. On June 12, 1959, the ship ran aground in the Amherstburg Channel, near the Canadian mainland, and then a second time on August 16, 1959, in the St.

Mary's River between Michigan and Canada.

After more than 50 years of tireless service, the Benson Ford was decommissioned in December of 1981 and renamed the John Dykstra II so the original name could be released to another ship in the Ford fleet.

Stripped of the engine and other salvageable parts, the Dykstra was sold to Frank J.

Sullivan of Sullivan Marine, Cleveland, Ohio, for intended use as a barge; however, it never sailed again. On December 21, 1984, Sullivan had the ship towed to the Ontario Stone No. 4 dock on the Cuyahoga River where it sat for almost two years while the new owners pondered what to do with the ship.

After much consideration, Sullivan decided it would not be cost effective to utilize the ship on the Great Lakes and opted for a less conventional use. On July



3, 1986, the entire forward superstructure of the Dykstra, including the forecastle deck, was removed and transported by the barge Thor 101 to South Bass Island, also called Put-in-Bay. The 62' X 59' foot section would be initially used as a 7,000 square foot, four story, summer home for the Sullivans (pic above). From the internet, Ed.

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

June 2014



"Afternoon Bowling Day" in June with the Ford Customline Mainline Rod Club, at OZ Ten Pin Bowl, 1 Linmax Crt, Point Cook, Melway Map 203 Ref G12, meeting there at 2:00pm, and then tea at the Altona Sportsman's Club, 11 Altona Rd, Altona, Melway Map 55 Ref B10. Please ring Mick for your booking for Bowling and Tea. Bring the Cussy if you wish.

Julyl 2014



There will be a "Mobile Text Run" or e-mail - Picnic or Pub Lunch weather permitting, more details to follow.



"Committee" & "Annual General Meeting"



Our Meeting Place is at the Sunbury RSL Rooms at the corner of Barkly and Macedon St. Sunbury. Mel Ref: 382 F4. We will start the meeting this day at 11 am. After the meeting we will have a sausage sizzle. Tea and coffee will be provided. Come along and show us your support. Don't forget to POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy

August 2014



Run to the <u>"Gisborne Market"</u> on the 3rd of August, first meeting at the BP Calder Park for a Departure at 8:30am, as Special Parking has been arranged for us at the market. We will then, after the market, have lunch in Gisborne.

31st

"Picnic at Marong" FULL CLUB DISPLAY

Our Meeting Place is at Macca's, Robertson Street, GISBOURNE. Meet there to depart at 8:30 am for the Cruize to Marong.



Please ring Mick on 0418 if you wish to attend this Run.

Don't forget to POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.

If you have come from the Eastern Suburbs you will need to refuel at Gisborne as there is no fuel stops in between.

September 2014

14th

Shepparton Motor Show & Market Day. Make your own plans for this day if you wish to attend at the Shepparton Showgrounds or ring Mick for further travelling details.

21st

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March 2015

I have put together a short Great Escape for next March 2015. This is a mini escape to the Ararat Jailhouse Rock Festival. Leave on March 10th, 3 nights in Echuca, then 3 or 4 nights in Ararat. Lots to do and a deal has been locked in at \$85.00 per night at Echuca and have 15 rooms secured at Ararat ranging from \$100 to \$150 per night on this Festival Weekend. If you wish to attend the first or second part of this trip then please book early as the rooms are filling quickly. Please call Mick on the number below for further details.

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