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**"Dedicated to the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of V8 Fords built throughout the years 1949 to 1959".**

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

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

**See Run Sheet for exact details as to Where & When**

**January 19<sup>th</sup> There will be NO Meeting this Month**

**March 15<sup>th</sup> 2020: Committee/General Meet**

**May 17<sup>th</sup> 2020: Committee/General Meet**

**July 19<sup>th</sup> 2020: Comm/Gen/AGM Meet**

**All Club Runs are as per the Club "Run Sheet"**

**Our Meeting Place is at the Sunbury RSL Rooms at the corner of Barkly and Macedon St, Sunbury.  
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**Visitors are always most welcome to attend the Club's meetings.**





## A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello everyone and welcome to my last report for 2019.

The year in review. We have again had a fun filled year of runs, shows and trips away with our beautiful Cussies, just to mention a few, Fish and Chip Night, Keilor Show N Shine, Rusty Springs/Euroa Show N Shine weekend, Bright and the extended week trip of touring Victoria, Kilmore Show N Shine and of course our Christmas Party. I am sure everyone who attended these events had a wonderful time enjoying the cars and each other's company. I would like to take the time on behalf of the members to thank Dave Healy and Mick Breheny for organizing these events. I look forward to seeing what the new year holds for us in the way of chances to enjoy our beautiful Cussies and each other's company, which is what the club is all about.

I also have some very special thank you's to make for all the hard work and time spent getting our Christmas Party together and always to put on a cuppa and something to eat at our runs, these people are Rob and Marg Breheny.

Thanks to Henk and Marg Mennen for offering their home for the Xmas Party, when the other venue needed to be cancelled, due to a lack of numbers wishing to attend.

Thanks to Ray Kilby for getting the trophies for the party and when needed during the year.

Thanks to Rob Brereton for the jobs he has done during the year.

Thanks to David Healy and Graham Bushby for setting up and running our Facebook page.

Special Thanks to all the committee for a job well done this year.

If anyone has any queries or suggestions we would love to hear them, you can contact any of the committee or have a look at our website.

All committee details are in the Newsletter on Page 2.

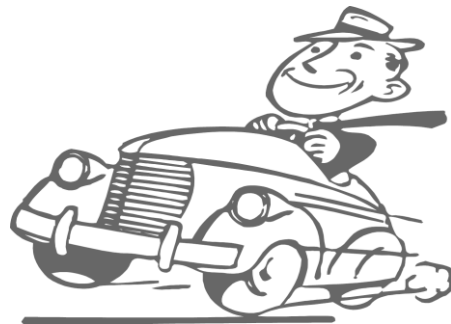
Thanks again to every-one and I look forward to seeing you all at our events in 2020.

From my family to all of yours, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe New year for 2020.

Let's keep enjoying our beautiful Cussies.

*Lorraine Carroll*

*Your Club President.*



# Happy Birthday to You

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

## December:

7<sup>th</sup> Ray Shalders  
7<sup>th</sup> Les Cross  
10<sup>th</sup> Kate Anderson  
11<sup>th</sup> Henk Mennen  
11<sup>th</sup> Helen Nicholson  
17<sup>th</sup> Alice Micallef  
23<sup>rd</sup> David Healey  
28<sup>th</sup> Alan Gascoyne

## January:

3<sup>rd</sup> Ian Caldw  
10<sup>th</sup> Mick Breheny  
12<sup>th</sup> Stewart Miller  
22<sup>nd</sup> Harry Beckwith  
24<sup>th</sup> Margaret Breheny



## February:

1<sup>st</sup> Margaret Mennen  
1<sup>st</sup> Ian Waters  
14<sup>th</sup> Brenda-Lee Milton  
(Shepherd)  
16<sup>th</sup> Peter Hibbert  
16<sup>th</sup> Linda Faralla  
18<sup>th</sup> Gavin Anderson  
20<sup>th</sup> Maureen Horne  
21<sup>st</sup> Peter Auer

## From the Editors Desk

Hi All. Once again we have another Newsletter successfully Edited and sent out via the Clubs E-mail News Bulletin Service. Once again we did not have any problems at all with the last issue. Don't forget to keep a copy of the Run Sheet handy for quick reference. See you all on a Run or at a Meeting.

**Rob Brereton Newsletter Editor and Cindy Stocks Assistant Newsletter Editor.**



## New Members... We have Two New



Membership this Newsletter. So lets all welcome Ian & Ann-Marie Fletcher from Merrijig who have a Blue & White 58 Star Model Sedan. They joined up on the Euroa Car Show Run. We also have Ian Caldw from Horsham who has a White and Light Green 56 Sedan. We all hope you enjoy your time with the Club.



## Greetings from Bernie Dwyer

Hi. I went to the Deniliquin Ute muster this year and then went on to see my brother in How Long NSW. The photos show a yard with some project material! He has a few early 50's F100's as well.

**Regards from the West. Bernie Dwyer**



## New Club Mugs

The New Club Mugs are displayed for you at right.

They are white ceramic and they "do" have handles.

If you wish to purchase one or several then please see Rob Breheny or Mick Breheny at a run or a meeting.

**For Members they are only \$10.00 each.**





## Wallan Car Show and Swap Meet 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

Last Sunday a small number of members made the trek to Wallan for the Wallan Swap Meet & Car Show.

Unfortunately on arrival Graeme had a mishap that saw his car loaded onto a tow truck and taken home.

The rest of us set up on the oval for the display. Only 4 cars, but we still had the best looking club display in my opinion! Rob Breheny took the Peoples Choice award so it was a worthwhile trip for him.

There was a good turnout of cars and rods, which made the day enjoyable. Plenty to see at the swap meet too. The event at Nagambie draws much attention and a number of members from the club went there instead of coming to Wallan. It would be good to get a run report from some of them as well. Next year I think we should look at incorporating that run into our calendar, as well as the Wallan Show.

Graeme made it back to Wallan after his car was dropped at home, you can't keep a good club member down! He advises that the Starry is now in the shop for repairs, hopefully it will be back looking as good as new as soon as possible! **David Healey.**



## WALLAN SWAP MEET & Classic Car Show



## Rusty Springs & Euroa Show N' Shine. by Rob & Joan Brereton.

*Joan and I left home at 9:50am, in the Cussy, on this cloudy but fine morning to head for the Wallan Service Centre where we were to meet other Members taking part in the Rusty Springs Stay and the Euroa Show N' Shine. Arriving at the Service Centre it was "get a park if you were lucky", as I have not seen so many vehicles in a Service Center as that day. Other Members soon arrived and a few had a bite to eat but it was 12:55pm before*





we headed off to Avenel and Rusty Springs with our small convoy of 7 Cussy's. We had a short stop at the Avenel Road House and arrived at Rusty Springs mid afternoon and the weather was partly sunny and warm. The rest of the afternoon was spent unpacking and setting up in our rooms in Brewery Lane. Then it was time to sit down and have a drink, a nibble and a good old chin wag. Some wandered around inspecting all the stuff our host Kim had collected over the years. Tea that night was an assortment



of BBQ and Take Away. We also stoked up the furnace with half trees to warm the place up a bit which was very pleasant all evening. We all sat around this fire chatting, laughing, and havind a drink or two until it was time for bed.



There were 7 rooms we occupied that night and they were very snug but comfy. We were all up on the Saturday morning between 7:30 and 8am looking for our egg and bacon breakfast, and all cooked by Kim. There were also sausages and toasted rolls for all and washed down with a nice hot cuppa.

At 10am we were on the go again and headed off for a short cruise to Nagambie to have a look at the market where we also had a coffee and cake. Some



members came back with some bargains others just a full tummy. Rob organised the purchase of 60 hot dogs from the surermarket and ordered 60 bread rolls



from the bakery for our lunch on Sunday. It was then time to head back to the Springs and think about lunch, which was mainly just nibbles as our big breakfast and morning tea had filled us up.





The rest of the afternoon was spent sitting around having a drink or two and chatting



about all and everything. There were quite a few more members arriving during the afternoon which swelled our Cussy tally to 14 at the Springs. Kim came around and cut up some more logs for the fire and Joe wheeled it all in. As the afternoon passed the conversation turned to tea so then it was time to take action so some went to the Café and others went to the Pub.

After arriving back at the Springs there was plenty more chatting, laughing and merrymen. Most sat outside and the ladies had a great night together. Later in the evening Kim came over to invite all to take part in his Cock's Plate Racing Game. You have not seen everything until you have seen four Dildos, vibrating like crazy and racing each other down a corrugated sheet, every one was in hysterics, (except Joan as she was inside), something I have



never seen before in all my years. Eventually we all settled down and then Kim serenaded us with his little song and sent everyone off again, but all settled down after a while and thanked Kim for his entertainment. Some time went by and by 11pm I headed to bed and the rest did likewise soon after and we occupied



another 7 rooms.

We were all up again at 6am or so, and got an hours less sleep due to daylight saving, but were all packed and ready to head off to Euroa by 7:15am, after a quick cuppa. Some of the ladies stayed back and Kim drove them up later in the morning. We arrived at Euroa at 7:45am found our parking area and started to





set up the Gazebos and Flags etc. Mick had it all under control and guided everyone on what needed to be done, then it was time for something to eat. After a small feed it was time to give the cars a bit of a clean as we had collected many bugs and lots of dust. The grass was nice and green for our



display and it all started to take shape.

When we first set up we had 14 Cussy's then as the morning progressed



we ended up with 21 Cussy's on display. What a great display they all made which attracted many visitors during the day. We even got a new member



signed up and another application form handed out.

Our lunch today was with compliments of the Club being a couple of hot dogs with cheese, mustard or sauce and washed down with a bottle of sparkling water. Thanks Rob for cooking and doing it all on your birthday.



I must say a special thank you to all the members who attended today and put their Cussy on display. It was an amazing sight to see so many Cussy's all together in the one place and all looking immaculate, **"THANKS GUYS"**.

The time had now come to pack up all our display and head for home. We left Euroa at 2:45pm and cruised back to the Avenel



Road House for petrol and a coffee and a final chat. The



weather was partly sunny and warm which made the day better. We all left about 3:50pm and headed back to our homes. The highway was pretty busy as was the Melbourne traffic but we got home about 6:10pm and all in one piece.



What a great weekend we had and the Show N Shine was the cream on the cake.



Hope to see more of you there next year. **Rob & Joan Brereton.**



Now check out the list of Members who attended this weekend.

Mick & Debbie Breheny	57 Sedan & 57 Trailer		
Rob & Margaret Breheny	56 Victoria	Joe & Linda Faralla	58 Star Sedan
Kevin & Brenda Shepherd	56 Victoria	Rob & Joan Brereton	56 Sedan
Dave Healey	56 2Door Coupe	Kevin & Jackie Mulroney	58 Star Sedan
Brian Drechsler	58 Star Sedan	Wayne Paterson	57 Mainline
Bill & Margaret Stocks	58 Star Sedan	Jim Stocks	58 Star Sedan
Cindy & Renee Stocks	58 Star Sedan	Bob & Estelle Stocks	58 Mainline
Les Stocks & Lorraine	58 Star Sedan	Henk & Margaret Mennen	58 Star Sedan
Norm Myers	58 Star Sedan	Stewart Miller	58 Mainline
Bernie Anstee	57 Sedan	Graeme Bushby	Modern
And our newly signed up Members:		Ian & Ann-Marie Fletcher	58 Star Sedan
Including our visitor:			
Rowan	58 Light Green Mainline		

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## ***BACCHUS MARSH. 20-10-2019***

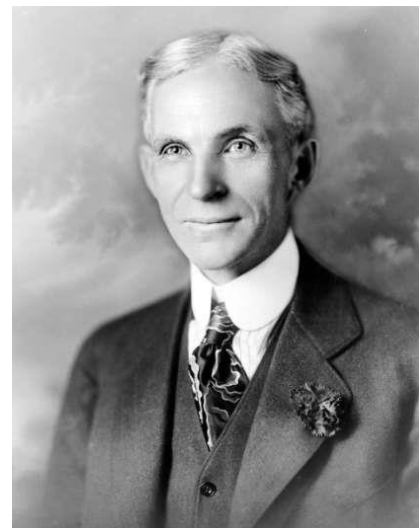
Marsh Rodders Show and Swap meet was attended by 3 Club members, myself, Dave and Chris Healey. A bit disappointing, but these things happen. The Show N Shine side was a lot smaller than other years, but the Swap side seemed slightly bigger. Jim's daughter Zoe and husband Colin had their Victoria there which attracted a lot of attention with his refurbished engine and blower. Keep on Cruising, **Helen Tuo.**

## **HENRY FORD LIFE & DEATH**

### **Who was the real Henry Ford?**

(Source: "Ford, The Men and the Machine". Robert Lacey, Heineman 1986.)

Henry was born on 30 July 1863 in the rural community of Greenfield, Michigan which has since been absorbed into the City of Detroit. He became an apprentice mechanic in 1879 at age 16 in a Detroit machine shop owned by a friend of his father. At an older age Henry rewrote the history of his early years several times to suit whoever he was trying to impress at the time but a time-line of his life can be drawn, based on publicly available documents. At the conclusion of his apprenticeship, he worked around Detroit; as a mechanic at Detroit Dry Dock; as a contract mechanic for Westinghouse and as a





mechanic/engineer then chief engineer for Edison Illuminating Company. By this time, (in his mid-thirties) he was considered by his contemporaries to be a tinkerer with no real direction or ambition. Then he discovered motor cars.

On 30 November 1901, he registered the Henry Ford Company. In March 1902, Henry was sacked by the Board in almost a re-run of the earlier company troubles. The Board then reorganised the company to become the Cadillac Automobile Company which then morphed into General Motors Corp. in 1909. Henry was not about to give up, in August 1902, he established Ford and Malcolmson Ltd. Around November 1902, Malcolmson disappeared out of the company and for the first time we see "Ford Motor Company"! Henry then consolidated his hold on the company by having it incorporated in June 1903.

In 1905 he got deeply involved in a patent dispute with a fledgling car-maker; Selden. As part of the settlement of the dispute, Henry had to swear an affidavit setting out his total involvement in vehicle manufacture to that time. The affidavit and company registration documents show that Henry (with the support of keen rich businessmen in the town) had established the Detroit Automobile Company in August 1899. The same company was dissolved in November 1900 because Henry couldn't get his own way with his financial backers.

Even then, he wasn't rid of some who wanted to tell him how to run his company. In November 1905, (fresh from his patent dispute) he created the Ford Manufacturing Company with a new Board that did not include those he didn't want. When the miscreants were well and truly out of any claim on running the company, Ford Manufacturing Company was absorbed into Ford Motor Company and life picked up a pace.

Ford developed the first "vertical integration", commencing with his vehicle assembly, then branching into iron and coal mines, rubber plantations and pine forests, all linked with fleets of trucks, railways and ships. He reorganised his assembly systems many times until he came up with the continuously moving production line. The Rouge River (Michigan) plant commenced production in 1918 and became the largest industrial complex in the world. Henry tried very hard to control the major aspects of the life of his employees; they were able to earn \$5.00 per day (very radical for the time and opposed by every business owner in Detroit), if they did not join the union, abstained from alcohol; socialised with barn dancing only, no clutching the partner and went to church at least once per week.

Henry died on 7 April 1947 leaving a family dynasty and a totally revolutionised vehicle manufacturing industry. **Sourced from the Internet Ed.**

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**RACV AUSSIE CLASSIC CAR SHOW**

**NEW DATE**  
**Saturday 2nd November 2019**  
Yarra Glen Racecourse, Armstrong Grove, Yarra Glen

**Celebrating the products of the great Australian Motoring Industry**

The show for all the great Australian Makes Holden, Falcon, Valiant, BMC and those lesser known makes.  
Trophies, club displays, refreshments, music, kids entertainment, trade stalls.

THIS CAR SHOW WAS A TEXT MESSAGE RUN FOR THE CLUB BUT DUE TO THE FACT THAT IT WAS A VERY WET SATURDAY, "NO" CLUB MEMBERS ATTENDED.

LET'S HOPE NEXT YEAR WILL BE A BETTER AND A DRYER DAY.

SEE YOU ALL THERE NEXT YEAR.

49-59-FORD CUSTOMLINE CAR CLUB.

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# BRIGHT ROD RUN

## 8<sup>TH</sup> TO 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

**Friday Nov 8<sup>th</sup>:** Here we go again - off to the Bright Iconic Hot Rod weekend. Mick and Deb Breheny, Rob and Marg Breheny, Kevin Shepherd and us, Kevin and Jackie Mulroney, met at the Outbound BP at Wandong at 11.00am. We set off for our lunch spot at the Milawa Bakery. Leaving there we headed for our weekend accommodation at Porepunkah and Bright.

Later in the afternoon Bill and Marg Stocks arrived at the caravan park and Brian Drechsler joined Kevin Shepherd at the motel. Jimmy Stocks and friends finally got settled in after a very disappointing inspection of their unseen accommodation, but luckily they had a plan B to fall back on. Phew!

Remembering last year's walk around town to find somewhere or something to eat, fighting the crowds, we all decided to do our thing.



**Saturday Nov 9<sup>th</sup>:** Went into town aboard the boys pride and joy Cussy's to find our spot we had last year to set up for some car watching. The girls and Jimmy wandered into the main street for coffee. On coming back Rob had cooked burgers for lunch and for just a cuddle he fired up again to cook me one, what a Champion. Unfortunately the weather got the better of us, it was freezing, so we packed up earlier than usual and most of us went back to our accom for a SCAN (senior citizen afternoon nap). Plans were made to meet at Mick and Deb's place for take away tea.

Mick phoned in the order and Kevin Shepherd's Vicky was best positioned to drive him to pick it up. The food was enjoyed by all, especially Marg and Rob's chips, personally I only had a few hehe. After laughter and chatting we were already for bed.



**Sunday Nov 10<sup>th</sup>:** The boys headed off too early for brekky and to find a parking spot to watch the cars cruising. We girls taxied in at a much more reasonable time to enjoy brunch and a wander around the shops. The boys made themselves very comfortable by setting up the portable gas cook plate with the makings of tea and coffee. Late morning Brian left for his journey home to Wagga. Mid afternoon we packed up and headed back to our cabins etc. And agreed to meet up again for takeaway tea. I'm betting there was some more SCANS taken. By 6 o'clock Mick was taking orders and Marg had poll position so she played chauffeur.



More chatting and laughter, except the Block lovers, who sat inside to watch the final, keeping us updated. Plans were made to meet in the morning at 9.30am for those of us doing the Silo Art Tour. **Jackie Mulroney.**



# Cussy Club Silo Tour

## Must See Murals in Victoria

### 11<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> November 2019

**Monday Nov 11<sup>th</sup>:** Kevin Shepherd, Jimmy Stocks and friends headed home, Bye....

First we were off to Myrtleford to fill the Cussy's tanks and all the other fuel stops had been planned, as we were going to cover a lot of open rural road. On to Goorambat where we met up with our fellow travellers, Ray and Sandra Kilby, Norm Myers and Les and Maureen Horne, making a very impressive caravan of six Cussy's and one very smart Ford XD Fairmont Ghia.

Our first experience of Silo Art was outstanding, painted by Jimmy D'Vate, an Australian



Barking Owl.  
Jimmy also



portrayed the importance of agriculture and the Owl's habitat on another silo and on another a team of Clydesdales. Just a couple of hundred metres along the road was the Goorambat Methodist Church and inside was a stunning full wall mural of "Sophia", the female representation of God.

We travelled on to Devenish for lunch and refreshment (typical Aussie style boys on one table and girls on another, haha) at the Devenish Community Hotel. Across the road was the town's War Memorial adorned with hundreds of red poppies and as a back ground three very relevant silos. These depicted the Defence Forces. A



fully uniformed soldier by his horse, a registered nurse also in nurses uniform and a female in camouflage uniform.

We moved onto St James. Their Silo Art showcased a portrait of G J Coles, and the North Eastern Store. Along with two farmhands filling, then sewing up sacks of produce and finally shown loaded onto a very early ute and a wagon drawn by Clydesdales. Next Julian, with beautifully painted very colourful Galah and Kookaburra



among the eucalypt leaves. The other silo had two Brolgas among some ears of wheat.

We had a fuel stop a Numurkah and from there to Moama/Echuca for two nights.

**Tuesday Nov 12<sup>th</sup>:** Today is a free day, where we could amuse ourselves so after much deliberation and no surprise Deb and I chose to go shopping..... Most of us walked down to the Chinese for tea which was fine, except my order got mixed up, but as they say "all's well that ends well".

**Wednesday Nov 13<sup>th</sup>:** Driving to Boort firstly for fuel and then to visit the Piccoli's Spanner Structures. There are many spanner structures spread over John and Sonia Piccoli's country garden property. An interesting talk was given by Mr Spanner Man on how his hobby has grown and his great love of birds.

A favourite bird was a gorgeous Blue and Gold Macaw. Forcing myself to leave this bird and his antics I wandered around the garden snapping all his incredible structures, quite remarkable. He uses only spanners old and new. To my disappointment later when talking to the others I had missed a few photo opportunities. We continued on for our Swan Hill two night stay.

**Thursday Nov 14<sup>th</sup>:** After brekky a short drive to Lake Boga and the Catalina Museum. This museum is very well managed and curated by the Local Lions Club. We learnt that in 1942 Lake Boga was chosen as the site for a secret airplane service and repair depot for allied airplanes. The Museum houses a full sized Catalina Airplane, many models, full size defence vehicles and engines along with much memorabilia. Outside and underground was a bunker used for communications. A couple of hours just flew by. At the entrance to the Museum was a cafe selling local produce, honey and jams etc. It was only polite to sit and indulge in coffee and cake..... It is here we bid farewell to Rob and Marg who had places to be and people to see. A free afternoon so Norm organised a trip to visit a property to view all kinds of tractors etc. Deb, Marg, and I opted for a pedicure.

**Friday Nov 15<sup>th</sup>:** We leave Swan Hill stopping for fuel at Sea Lake and continuing on to



Lascalles Silo Art. Beautiful sunset colours with a young girl sitting on rocks fishing while the other showed Emus with same glorious background. Next, Patchewollock had two silos, one with a very descriptive

portrait from the chest up wearing the



great aussie flannel check shirt looking out over the land. The second silo was a matching portrait of a woman with a satisfied smile looking over the opposite way. Roseberry, choosing a farming theme, a man with arm around his horse's neck with rope in hand. Next to this a silo with a young woman in jeans and shirt leaning on a post with a



sheep by her side. Last silo for today is Brim, painted by Guido Van Helten. These depict more workers of the land. Four different figures with no identities disclosed. Paintings done in sepia and white on concrete silos.





Tonight's stop over is Warracknabeal. When we arrive there are some visitors. Bobby Stocks, Shelly and Rose. They drove from Naracoorte to catch up with Billy and Marg. We had a great chat and a cuppa on the verandah and did ring for a booking for dinner at Creekside Hotel. We all enjoyed our last night together and if your ever out that way we recommend The Creekside, food good and setting lovely.

**Saturday Nov 16<sup>th</sup>:** Farewell to Bobby, Shelly and Rose and also Norm who is off to visit family. Then on the road again for Sheep Hills silo art. Incorporating beautiful colours showing very expressive portraits. We all had a giggle commenting that one looked like an aged Gordon Ramsay, without profanities.

Final silo at Rupanyup, it is beside the now disused railway station. Painted are intricate figures in white and grey of one young adult male and one female.

Unfortunately I didn't find displayed a relevance or description. On to Ararat for a drink for the Cussy's and lunch for us. Kisses and cuddles til the next time. Destination Home.

It would be extremely remiss of me if I did not mention the effort and time Mick put in to planning this itinerary for us all who had a brilliant time. Thanks again Mick. **Jackie Mulroney.**





# Kilmore Show N Shine 24<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Hi all, we had a lovely day on Sunday at Kilmore Show n Shine and swap meet. The weather was terrific, lovely and sunny. We arrived at the oval with greetings from Mick Breheny, Rob Breheny, Dave Healey, Joey Faralla, Paul n Carol Cattach, Kevin Mulroney, and soon afterwards Billy n Marg Stocks arrived.

Lots of chatter going on. Mick purchased a customline speedo he was excited about and Rob Breheny purchased an aeroplane to hang in his man cave. We won Best Club Display, so a big thank you to all who attended to contribute to this great day. Shortly after we all packed up and headed on our way home.

A Great day out with our Customlines.

**Henk n Margie Mennen.**





# CUSSY CLUB XMAS PARTY

## 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2019



Joan and I left home in the Cussy at 9:00am and headed for the Club's Xmas Party at the Mennen's home at Sedgwick. We had a pleasant cruise up the highway this Sunday morning although we hit misty rain north of the divide and arriving at our destination at 12 Midday. Some members were already there setting up for the days activities and Henk and Marg had the place looking spic and span for the Party. Greetings were made all round and a lot of chatter filled the air. Tea and coffee, and possibly a cold beer, were consumed whilst we waited for the BBQ to be fired up ready for the hungry hoardes.



Then it was time for tucker. The BBQ was working overtime and everyone pitched in to help in any way they could. Hamburgers and Sausages were all sizzling away on the barby with Joe & Henk in control. Our plates were loaded with meat and different sorts of salads topped off with a splash of tomato sauce. Once that part of the feast was over it was time for sweets, of various sorts, cheese cakes, fruit salads, pavlovas and more, as much as you could eat.

Then who should turn up, yes it was SANTA, and loaded down with presents for all the kids, young and old. Everyone was greatly pleased to see him and he brought a smile to everyone's face.

The feasting had finished and it was time for the for the hampers to be drawn. Tickets had been sold all morning with many members buying multiple tickets for a chance to win, and I am sure that each winner went home pleased as punch with their win. Then it was time to present the trophies and I am sure each member who took home a trophy was thoroughly pleased with their win. With all that over it was time to settle back and relax and enjoy the rest of the day, may be with a beer, a wine or a cool lemonaide or sparkling water, all mixed in with plenty of chatting and merriment. A lot of members wandered around the Mennen homestead admiring all the country views and scenery although the weather was a bit inclement and cool. Henk had the big wood fire going which kept everyone warm. Mid afternoon arrived so it became time to head for home and members drifted off in their Cussy's.

We greatly enjoyed the day and hope you did also. On the way home we ran into some very heavy rain around Kyneton which slowed everyone down a bit but we arrived home in one piece.

Thanks Marg & Henk for your hospitality.  
See you all next year. Rob & Joan Brereton.

Merry  
Christmas



# XMAS PARTY PICTURES





# Tire or Tyre.....You Choose

[From Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia.](#)

A tire (American English) or tyre (British English) is a ring-shaped component that surrounds a wheel's rim to transfer a vehicle's load from the axle through the wheel to the ground and to provide traction (or not) on the surface traveled over. Most tires, such as those for automobiles and bicycles, are pneumatically inflated structures, which also provide a flexible cushion that absorbs shock as the tire rolls over rough features on the surface. Tires provide a footprint that is designed to match the weight of the vehicle with the bearing strength of the surface that it rolls over by providing a bearing pressure that will not deform the surface excessively.

The materials of modern pneumatic tires are synthetic rubber, natural rubber, fabric and wire, along with carbon black and other chemical compounds. They consist of a tread and a body. The tread provides traction while the body provides containment for a quantity of compressed air. Before rubber was developed, the first versions of tires were simply bands of metal fitted around wooden wheels to prevent wear and tear. Early rubber tires were solid (not pneumatic). Pneumatic tires are used on many types of vehicles, including cars, bicycles, motorcycles, buses, trucks, heavy equipment and aircraft. Metal tires are still used on locomotives and railcars, and solid rubber (or other polymer) tires are still used in various non-automotive applications, such as some casters, carts, lawnmowers, and wheelbarrows.



Assorted new automotive road tires, showing a variety of tread patterns.

**Etymology and Spelling:** The word tire is a short form of attire, from the idea that a wheel with a tire is a dressed wheel. The spelling tyre does not appear until the 1840s when the English began shrink fitting railway car wheels with malleable iron. Nevertheless, traditional publishers continued using tire. The Times newspaper in Britain was still using tire as late as 1905. The spelling tyre began to be commonly used in the 19th century for pneumatic tires in the UK. The 1911 edition of the Encyclopædia Britannica states that "the spelling 'tyre' is not now accepted by the best English authorities, and is unrecognized in the US", while Fowler's Modern English Usage of 1926 says that "there is nothing to be said for 'tyre', which is etymologically wrong, as well as needlessly divergent from our own [British] older & the present American usage". However, over the course of the 20th century, "tyre" became established as the standard British spelling

**History:** The earliest tires were bands of leather, then iron (later steel) placed on wooden wheels used on carts and wagons. A skilled worker, known as a wheelwright, would cause the tire to expand by heating it in a forge fire, place it over the wheel and quench it, causing the metal to contract back to its original size so that it fit tightly on the wheel. The first patent for what appears to be a standard pneumatic tire appeared in 1847 lodged by the Scottish inventor Robert William Thomson. However, this never went into production. The first practical pneumatic tire was made in 1888 on May Street, Belfast, by Scots-born John Boyd Dunlop, owner of one of Ireland's most prosperous veterinary practices. It was an effort to prevent the headaches of his 10-year-old son Johnnie, while riding his tricycle on rough pavements. His doctor, John, later Sir John Fagan, had prescribed cycling as an exercise for the boy, and was a regular visitor. Fagan participated in designing the first pneumatic tires. Cyclist Willie Hume demonstrated the supremacy of Dunlop's tires in 1889, winning the tire's first-ever races in Ireland and then England. In Dunlop's tire patent specification dated 31 October 1888, his interest is only in its use in cycles and light vehicles. In September 1890, he was made aware of an earlier development but the company kept the information to itself.



In 1892, Dunlop's patent was declared invalid because of prior art by forgotten fellow Scot Robert William Thomson of London (patents London 1845, France 1846, USA 1847), although Dunlop is credited with "realizing rubber could withstand the wear and tear of being a tire while retaining its resilience". John Boyd Dunlop and Harvey du Cros together worked through the ensuing considerable difficulties. They employed inventor Charles Kingston Welch and also acquired other rights and patents which allowed them some limited protection of their Pneumatic Tyre business's position. Pneumatic Tyre would become Dunlop Rubber and Dunlop Tyres. The development of this technology hinged on myriad engineering advances, including the vulcanization of natural rubber using sulfur, as well as by the development of the "clincher" rim for holding the tire in place laterally on the wheel rim.



John Boyd Dunlop on a bicycle c. 1915

Synthetic rubbers were invented in the laboratories of Bayer in the 1920s. In 1946, Michelin developed the radial tire method of construction. Michelin had bought the bankrupt Citroën automobile company in 1934, so it was able to fit this new technology immediately. Because of its superiority in handling and fuel economy, use of this technology quickly spread throughout Europe and Asia. In the U.S., the outdated bias-ply tire construction persisted, until the Ford Motor Company adopted radial tires in the early 1970s, following the 1968 article in an influential American magazine, *Consumer Reports*, highlighting the superiority of radial construction. The US tire industry lost its market share to Japanese and European manufacturers, which bought out US companies.

***Sourced from the Internet. Ed.***

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## ***Hume Highway, Freeway, Motorway***

***From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia.***

The Hume Highway, inclusive of the sections now known as the Hume Freeway and Hume Motorway, is one of Australia's major inter-city national highways, running for 840 kilometers (520 miles) between Melbourne in the south and Sydney in the northeast. Upgrading of the route from Sydney's outskirts to Melbourne's outskirts to dual carriageway was completed on 7 August 2013.

From north to south, the road is called the Hume Highway in metropolitan Sydney, the Hume Motorway between the suburbs of Edmondson Park and Prestons and Berrima, the Hume Highway elsewhere in New South Wales and the Hume Freeway in Victoria. It is part of the Auslink National Network and is a vital link for road freight to transport goods to and from the two cities as well as serving Albury-Wodonga and Canberra.

The main alternative route between Sydney and Melbourne is the Princes Highway/Princes Freeway/Princes Motorway route (A1/M1) which follows the coast for most of its length. Other inland alternate routes include the Olympic Highway route (A41) between Albury and Sydney via Wagga Wagga, Cowra and Bathurst, and also the Federal Highway / Monaro Highway route (M23/A23/B23) via Canberra which links with the Hume Highway near Goulburn and the Princes Highway in East Gippsland.

In New South Wales during 2013, the National Highway shield, National Highway 31, was replaced with a standard alphanumeric route number, the M31 south of Prestons (along with the A22 east of Liverpool into the Sydney CBD and the A28 for a short length through Liverpool). This re-numbering for the first time in over 20 years created one continuously signed route along the Hume Highway, having already been signed the M31 in Victoria during the 1990s. During 2013, the route between Berrima and Prestons was also renamed the Hume Motorway.

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# RUN SHEET




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

## December 2019

1 <sup>st</sup>		<b><i>"Cussy Club Annual Xmas Party"</i></b> Come along on this fun day and see Santa. It's being held at the Home of Henk & Margie Mennen in Sedgwick, this year. See the text message you received. Ring Dave for more details. Don't forget to POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy. See you all there.
6 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Whittlesea Cruise Night"</i></b> <b>FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Whittlesea Main Street. 6:00PM-9:00PM. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
20 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Wallan Cruise Night"</i></b> <b>FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Wellington Square Main Street Wallan. 6:00PM-9:00PM. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.






## January 2020

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17 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Wallan Cruise Night"</i></b> <b>FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Wellington Square Main Street Wallan. 6:00PM-9:00PM. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
19 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Northern Car &amp; Bike Show"</i></b> Cole Reserve Pascoe Vale. Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Don't forget to POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.

## February 2020

7 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Whittlesea Cruise Night"</i></b> <b>FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Whittlesea Main Street. 6:00PM-9:00PM. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
15 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Creswick/Daylesford Weekend"</i></b> <b>SATURDAY</b> Proposed weekend trip away to Creswick/Daylesford. Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details.
16 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Daylesford Motorfest"</i></b> <b>SUNDAY</b> The second part of the weekend away. Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
21 <sup>st</sup>		<b><i>"Wallan Cruise Night"</i></b> <b>FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Wellington Square Wallan. 6:00PM-9:00PM. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
22 <sup>nd</sup>		<b><i>"Fish N Chips" &amp; "Hamburger Run"</i></b> <b>SATURDAY</b> Come along and have tea in the Altona Beach Foreshore Park. You choose Fish & Chips or Hamburgers. Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.

## March 2020

1 <sup>st</sup>		<b><i>"Mernda Fair"</i></b> <b>SUNDAY</b> Come along on this Run with other Members. Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
6 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Whittlesea Cruise Night"</i></b> <b>FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Whittlesea Main Street. 6:00PM-9:00PM. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
8 <sup>th</sup>		<b><i>"Yarra Glen Swap Meet and Car Show"</i></b> <b>SUNDAY</b> Come along on this Run with other Members. Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
15 <sup>th</sup>		<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. Mel Ref: 382 F4. We will start the meeting at 11 am. Tea and coffee will be provided. Sausage Sizzle after the Meeting. Don't forget to POLISH & DRIVE the Cussy.
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**April 2020**

<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>		<b><u>"Whittlesea Cruise Night"</u> FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Whittlesea Main Street. 6:00PM-9:00PM. <b>POLISH &amp; DRIVE the Cussy.</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>		<b><u>"Wallan Cruise Night"</u> FRIDAY</b> Call the Runs Co-ordinator for details. Wellington Square Main Street Wallan. 6:00PM-9:00PM. <b>POLISH &amp; DRIVE the Cussy.</b>

Please contact our Run's Co-ordinator Dave Healey for full Run Details.

Phone Dave's Mobile: 0419 217 044 & before 8:30 pm.

Or E-mail him at: [dhealey2355@live.com](mailto:dhealey2355@live.com)

**NOTE: Keep an eye out for a Text Message  
or an E-Mail re some fill in Runs.**

*Regarding our Runs and Events, if you are not attending any of these then you are missing the best part of being a Cussy Club Member.*

*At these Runs and Events you can get to meet all the Committee members who run the Club and all the other Members who attend, just for the fun of meeting up with other people with the same intrests in our Customlines.*

*If you have a place of interest you think might suit a Run then please contact the Runs Co-ordinator Dave Healey as he is open to suggestions.  
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