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Jim Pierce's 1950 Convertible Details Inside

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of V8 Fords built throughout the years 1949 to 1959”.**

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Or if you wish you can send an e-mail to the
Cussy Club at: cussyclub@optusnet.com.au

Our Club Meetings are held
Bi-monthly, commencing at 11:00 am.

The Next Meeting Dates are:

October: 12th 2008, not the 19th
Committee/General Meeting.

December 2008: No Meeting.

Saturday February 21st 2009: General Meeting

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

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The Club Newsletter.

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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 visit the Club's meetings.**



A Word From Our President

Hi Everyone.

Well here we are again with another Annual General Meeting completed and a new committee to run the Club for the next year, and again as President I will endeavour to do my best for the Club. I would especially like to thank all those committee members for their help and support throughout the past year, as without them we would not get very far.

Our runs co-ordinator, Helen Tuo, has organised some more interesting runs for the next few months, so lets make her efforts worthwhile by turning up and taking part in these runs, and as you know we really do have a good time when we are all together on our runs, so get the calendar down and pencil in those run days. If you know of any place of interest then please let Helen know. Also special thanks to Brenda and Ray Shalders for the wonderful run day put on by them.

Our Ernie Taylor Memorial Trophy for Achievement was again won by Rob Brereton for his ongoing contribution to the club over the past twelve months, we now congratulate Rob and hope he keeps up the good work.

At our October meeting we will move a motion to ratify the Clubs new Constitution and Rules of Association the sub-committee recommended, and hopefully with this new document it will allow the Club to operate more efficiently.

Finally I would like to invite all members to contribute to the Club in some way over the next twelve months which will help to make us a better Club.

Safe Cruising, see ya all at the next Meeting or Run.

Your President. Wayne Paterson.

Notice of a Special Resolution

As the Club has adopted the Constitution and Rules of Association, as determined by the Constitution Sub-Committee, at the Clubs Annual General Meeting on the 17th August 2008, it is now necessary to pass a special resolution to ratify the Clubs acceptance of the New Constitution and Rules of Association.

This notice is given to all Club Members advising you that on the 12th October 2008 a special resolution will be moved at this meeting "to ratify the Clubs acceptance of the New Constitution and Rules of Association".

It will then be sent to Consumer Affairs Victoria, with the appropriate fee, for them to check that everything is satisfactory. We then hope that it returns intact and we don't have to make any amendments.

Secretary. Rob Brereton.

Annual General Meeting

The Club's Annual General Meeting was held on the 17th August 2008, at the RSL Hall in Sunbury. The usual meeting matters were dealt with and the new Committee was voted into office. They will continue to run the Club for the next twelve months. Their mugshots are on the next page.

Your new Committee for 2008-2009



President
Wayne Paterson



Vice president
Ken Lee



Secretary
Rob Brereton



Treasurer
Ian Burgess



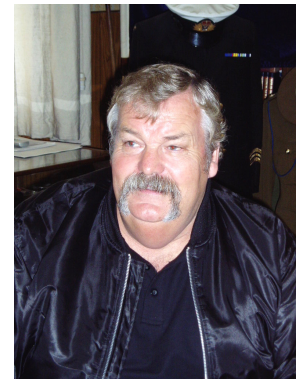
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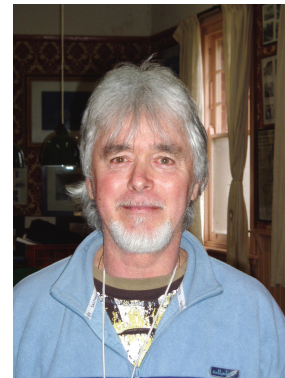
Merchandise/Property
Mick Breheny



Committee Members

Don Macumber, left.

Bill Macumber, right.



ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

At the 2008 Annual General Meeting the members present voted for the member who had displayed great commitment and contributed to the Club over the last twelve months. The Trophy was awarded in the memory of Ernie Taylor who was always a faithful member displaying a great love for Customlines and the Club.

This year the Trophy was again awarded to Rob Brereton for his outstanding effort in re-drafting the Clubs Constitution, maintaining the Clubs Web Site and once again for producing such an excellent Club Newsletter for us over the last twelve months, and in colour also.

Well done Rob, and keep up the good work,
From all at the Customline Club.



FROM THE EDITORS DESK



Hi All. My turn to say a few words again, or should I say to request a few words, from all you members out there. I am sure you all have something of interest you could send in about your Customlines. It doesn't really have to be a three page letter, just a small paragraph of some repairs you did or even about a short trip you did in your Cussy. Once again, many thanks to all those who contributed run reports over the last twelve months, as it makes my job easier to get the newsletter out on time. I know you see a lot of photos in our newsletter of our runs etc, which I take myself, but I cannot always get to all the runs, so if you have any you have taken, then please send them to me as they may be just what I am looking for.

Your Editor. Rob Brereton.

DON'T FORGET OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY.

See the flyer attached to the front of your Newsletter. Send back the reply slip, with your payments if necessary, ASAP, so we won't forget to cater for you and your family. To be held at Como Gardens, Basin-Olinda Road, The Basin. We will be taking the Club BBQ Trailer. All the details as per attached Flyer and Runs Sheet. Please return forms to Ian Burgess by the 16th November, so the committee can organize this function.

Our New Members

We have two new member and their wives to welcome into the Club this newsletter, so let's all congratulate Mick & Debbie Breheny and Ernest & Michelle Raso on becoming our newest members. Mick has a very nice Black & Yellow 57 sedan which has already been on a couple of runs and Ernest has a White 53 sedan, which we may not see much of, as Ernest & Michelle live in Cairns, Qld.

Jim Pierce's 1950 Convertible

On the cover of our newsletter this edition we have a picture of Jim Pierce's 1950 Single Spinner Convertible. The picture was taken at the Early Ford V8 Nationals, back in June 2008. The Nationals were held at the Bendigo Exhibition Centre, where Jim won the "Geelong Award" of which he is very pleased. Well done Jim.

Please keep in mind these couple of dates.

FEBRUARY 2009 15th All Ford Day Geelong. More in the next Newsletter.

MARCH 2009 7-8th Weekend away to Maffra & visit the Gippsland Vehicle collection Motor Museum. More in the next Newsletter.

For Sale

1956 F100, Complete Truck, USA
Pick Up Bed, many new parts,
Very Good Condition. \$ 11,500.00.
Ring Richard Jones on 0438 397 133.

Wanted

Left and right interior door trims and
stainless mouldings to suit
a 1955 Ford Crown Victoria.
Ring Richard Jones on 0438 397 133



SUNDAY 29TH JUNE 2008

Rob & I left home this windy morning and met June & Wayne just past Kalkallo just after 10am. We then cruised up the Hume Highway with Ken & Shirley catching up with us before turning off at Broadford to head for Strath Creek then Kerrisdale. It was a very pleasant drive through all the hills and valleys and the Cussy just purred along.

We arrived at Kerrisdale just after 11am and found our way into the Railway & Museum property where we found that Helen & Jim and Mick & Debbie, with family attached, were already there. We all parked our cars under the big gum tree, probably not a very good idea, and wandered up to the entrance. After a while several more members arrived and then some more.

We were given a short talk on all the steam powered engines in the museum area and how they all come to be there. Eventually everyone gathered here and had a good look around. About midday some of us took the train up to the summit of the mountain, which was fairly steep, where the driver told us some history of the pioneers in this area and pointed out some landmarks. It was quite breezy by now and starting to get very cold.

Once back at the bottom station we were treated to a display of all the steam engines working, which were all powered from one big steam tractor. The whole lot was very well presented and laid out, with many historical posters and photos set out on the walls.

Eventually we all wandered back to our cars for a bite to eat and a bit of a chat. It had become very cold by now and someone suggested we leave and head for the Trawool Resort for a good hot coffee. We all did just that, except Smiley & Marie, as Smiley had to get off to work.

At the Resort the Paterson's, Pierce's, Munro's, Kilby's, Lee's, Butt's, Brereton's, Breheny's, and not forgetting Ian Burgess, all piled into the dining area and plonked down in front of a big wonderfully warm wood fire where all continued to chat over a lovely warm coffee or hot chocolate.

Mid afternoon we departed the lovely warm fire, got into our Cussies and headed for home. This time we went back through Tallarook and down the Hume to Melbourne, leaving the Breheny's at Wallan and the Paterson's at the ring road, to bring to a close another great day out with the Customline Club.

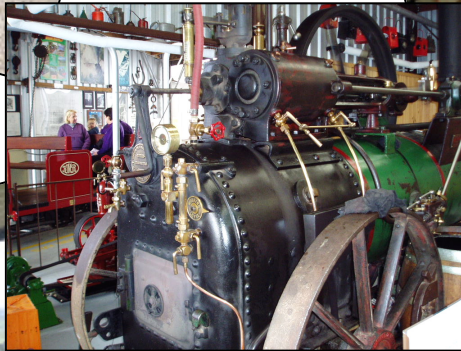
Joan Brereton.



At the entrance.



Inside the shed.



Our Ladies all rugged up. Peek a "BOO"



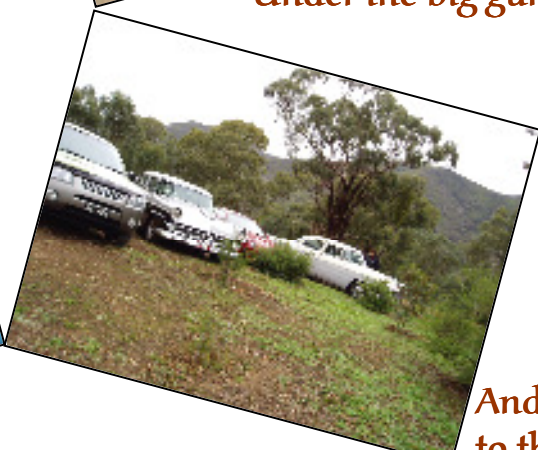
A happy passenger.



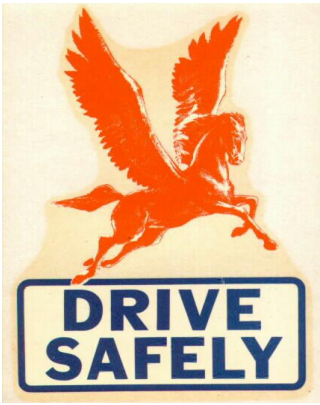
Under the big gum tree.



Cussies to the left.



And Cussies to the right.



TARNETT GARAGE

CLUB RUN TO RAY & BRENDA SHALDERS

3RD AUGUST 2008

I received an e-mail for any interest in going to Ray & Brenda's place for a run and get together over in the west side suburb of Tarneit. So I rang Rob and put our names down as quick as I could, as it's been around 4 years since our last visit there. Well the weather looked promising, fine with odd showers, was the forecast. We were also going to be meeting with another car club from the west called the "Western Districts Restorers Club", these guys had an unusual mix of cars from an EK sedan, EH sedan, an early Ford GT Cortina, and down to a little Green Peugeot with a "Kermit the Frog" tied to it's grille, and they were a nice bunch of folks.

When we arrived, there was Brenda, telling everyone where to park, and she did a great job. We had a good turnout of members being, Richard & Barb, Jim & Helen, Don, Bill & Michelle, Graedon & Sandra, Rob & Joan, Ray & Sandra, Mick & Debbie, Joe & Connie, Jim & Barb, Ken & Shirley, and Wayne & June, but Wayne had to leave early due to him not feeling 100%.

If you haven't been to Ray & Brenda's before, do yourselves a favour, if there is another run there in the future, come along, as it's a very interesting place. It's like a private museum with plenty of things to see and it's just getting bigger by the day. Ray had wonderfully restored old carts, and an old truck trailer made into a trucking history of Australia. They have worked really hard to make things like it was when we were young, and before some of us were young at all.

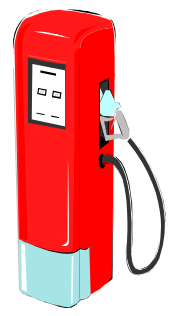
I would also like to thank them for supplying a great lunch and hot and cold drinks for everybody who attended, and I am sure that all who were there enjoyed the day and the sights to see, and the catching up of old friends who we haven't seen for some time.

Phil & Cherie Butt.





Lunch was served in the old garage building amongst old oil cans, cars and old signs.



The Club's little gathering at the Shalder's "Tarnit Garage"



WHAT did you GET BRENDA? I DON'T KNOW RAY, but I DON'T THINK it's ANYTHING YOU'VE GOT!





Mobil was the first oil company in Australia. It began as Vacuum Oil, opening the Queen Street, Melbourne, branch in February 1895, less than 30 years after Vacuum first started operations in the United States. Vacuum Oil's first salesman in Australia, Mr David Clarke, sold the company's first barrel of lubricating oil to a gold mining operation at Eaglehawk, near Bendigo, on his first day in the job.

In March 1904, Vacuum Oil was officially incorporated under Victorian Law as a proprietary company, and in 1906 the company

issued Australia's first ever chart of "Recommendations to Motorists" covering about 200 makes of car. By 1908, Vacuum was growing rapidly and merged with the Colonial Oil Co, a company marketing kerosene and motor spirit, adding to Vacuum's specialty lubricant products. In 1916, Vacuum introduced its "Plume" and "Laurel" brands to the Australian market and a year later brought its first 100 gallon, horse drawn tank wagon into service.

As motor vehicles became more popular in Australia, Vacuum expanded its operations. In 1924 Vacuum opened its first bulk petroleum products terminal at Pulpit Point in Sydney and took delivery of its first imported bulk oil products cargo, a 1.5 million gallon shipment carried from the United States by the tanker "HT Harper".

A decade later, Vacuum introduced "Ethyl", Australia's first Super grade motor spirit. Around the same time in the US, Vacuum's parent company, Vacuum Oil Inc, merged with the Standard Oil Company of New York to become Socony Vacuum, then Socony Mobil that ultimately became the Mobil Corporation.

Socony Mobil introduced the Flying Red Horse (Pegasus) logo. It appeared in Australia in 1939 and became one of Australia's best recognised corporate symbols.

In October 1946, Mobil began constructing the Altona oil refinery. The refinery commenced operations in June 1949, initially making lubricating oil and bitumen from imported crude oil.

A multi-million dollar expansion program that came on stream in December 1954, extended the refinery's product range into motor vehicle fuels and, in 1956, it produced Australia's first locally made aviation gasoline.

In 1958, Mobil unveiled plans to build an oil refinery at Port Stanvac, south of Adelaide, which came on stream in 1963. At the same time, Mobil announced the construction of a major petrochemical plant next to the Altona Refinery in Melbourne that produced its first products for sale in June 1961.

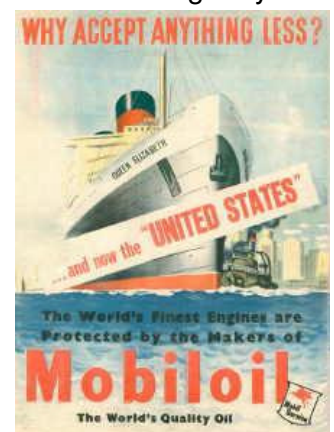
The discovery of vast reserves of crude oil and gas in Bass Strait in the early 1960's changed the Australian refining industry dramatically, as all companies changed to processing the locally produced oil instead of importing their raw materials.

In 1970 further expansion and modification of the Altona Refinery near Melbourne was completed, making it possible for Bass Strait crude to be processed in the plant. In 1973 MOA announced its return to the production of lubricating oils in Australia and commenced construction of a lubricating oil refinery alongside the existing Adelaide fuels product refinery. The lubricating oil refinery, the most modern one in Australia, opened in 1976.

In 1985, Mobil Oil Australia negotiated a major asset swap with BP Australia in which Mobil vacated the Perth retail market in exchange for acquiring a large portion of BP's South Australian, Victorian and New South Wales retail market. Two years later, Mobil completed a major upgrade of its Yarraville bulk fuels terminal in Melbourne to create the most efficient and technologically advanced petroleum products terminal in Australia.

In late 1990, MOA announced the purchase of Esso Australia's refining and marketing operations. This gave MOA 100 per cent ownership of Petroleum Refineries (Australia) Pty Ltd, the company that operated both the Altona and Adelaide refineries. Completed in January 1991, the acquisition lifted Mobil to second place among the petroleum marketing and refining companies in Australia.

In December 1995 Mobil re-entered the West Australian market when it purchased the service station network and wholesale business of Amgas. A program of investment and expansion in Western Australia took place over the next few years through upgrading the chain and building new sites.





Happy Birthday to You



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

September:

7th Chris Lavery
14th Peter Carroll
18th Barbara Black
18th Ken Lee
25th Cherie Butt
25th Rob Brereton

27th Karen Hird

October:

24th Sandra Kilby

November:

2nd Ian Hayward
2nd Shane Owen
12th Bill Reaper
18th Joan Brereton
26th Phil Butt
30th Les Horne

SOME USELESS INFORMATION




If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days you would have produced enough sound energy to heat one cup of coffee. (Hardly seems worth it).
If you farted consistently for 6 years and 9 months, enough gas is produced to create the energy of an atomic bomb. (Now that's more like it!)
The human heart creates enough pressure when it pumps to squirt blood 30 feet. (Oh My God..!).
A pig's orgasm lasts 30 minutes. (In my next life, I want to be a pig).
A cockroach will live nine days without its head before it starves to death! Creepy.
(I'm still not over the pig).
The flea can jump 350 times its body length. It's like a human jumping the length of a football field. (30 minutes, lucky pig! Can you imagine?).
The catfish has over 27,000 taste buds. (What could be so tasty on the bottom of a pond?).
Some lions mate over 50 times a day.

(I still want to be a pig in my next life...quality over quantity).
Butterflies taste with their feet. (Something I always wanted to know).
Right-handed people live, on average, nine years longer than left-handed people. (If you're ambidextrous, do you split the difference?).
Elephants are the only animals that cannot jump. (Okay, so that would be a good thing).
An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain. (I know some people like that).
Starfish have no brains. (I know some people like that too).
Polar bears are left-handed. (If they switch, they'll live a lot longer).
Humans and dolphins are the only species that have sex for pleasure. (What about that pig??).
Now that you've smiled at least once, while reading all this, it's your turn to spread these crazy facts by reading them to someone you want to bring a smile to, maybe even a chuckle...



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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



September 2008

6 th 	<i>"Movie & Dinner at The Sun Theatre & The Victoria Hotel"</i> . Meet at the Theatre 4.45pm in Ballarat St, Yarraville. Phone Helen: 5345-1420, as she will have to book a table at The Victoria Hotel for dinner. Bring the Cussy.
6 th	Picnic at Muckleford, Steam & Diesel Trains, historic cars, bikes, machinery etc.
14 th 	<i>"Shepparton Swap meet"</i> . Contact Ken Lee 93178406. Come along and enjoy this weekend away with the Club. Visit the Ardmona factory sales and especially the Swap Meet on the Sunday for that bargain.
28 th 	<i>"Tyabb Packing House"</i> 14 Mornington Tyabb Rd. Tyabb Vic. Melways 148 H 10. For all members travelling from the North we will meet at McDonalds Edithvale, corner of Wells & Edithvale/Springvale Roads, departing at 10:30am to arrive at Tyabb at approx 11:15am, or see you there.


October 2008

5 th	Euroa show n shine. Sevens Creek Park, Kirkland Ave, Euroa.
12 th 	<i>"Committee/General Meeting"</i> RSL Hall Sunbury. Meeting starts at 11am. See you all there. Cnr Barkly & Macedon Streets, Sunbury. Melways Ref 382-F4. Tea, and coffee supplied. So come along, show us your support, and Bring the Cussy.
19 th 	<i>"Marsh Rodders Annual Swap Meet"</i> , Hot Rod, Custom & Bike show. Maddingly Park in Station Street Bacchus Marsh. Melway Ref 333 H10. Meet at McDonalds Deer Park at 9:00 am, or see you there.



November 2008

1 st -2 nd 	<i>"Johns Rod and Custom Picnic"</i> . Pakenham Racecourse. Download entry forms as required. More arrangements made at October meeting.
2 nd	Torquay Motor Show. Event is at "The Elephant Walk"- Torquay Foreshore. 11 am to 4 pm. Entry is gold coin donation. Entries available at www.torquayrotary.org.au .
7 th -9 th 	<i>"Bright Rod Run"</i> . A great weekend away with lots to do and cars to see. Make arrangements with other members or see you there.
15-16 th	Bendigo National swap meet at the Bendigo Showgrounds.

December 2008

7 th 	<i>"Customline Club Christmas Party"</i> . BBQ at Hetrels, Como Gardens and Car Museum, Basin-Olinda Road, The Basin. \$6 donation/entry per person. See Christmas Party flyer for full details and PLEASE return your attendance slip to Ian Burgess ASAP or by 16 th November.
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January 2009

9-11 th 	<i>"Kustom Nationals"</i> at Phillip Island Race track. More details later.
11 th	Geelong Jukebox Rockers Annual Festival.
18 th 	<i>"BBQ Lunch at Jim & Helen's"</i> . 14 Prince St Creswick. Short walk to the Creswick woollen Mill for the girls, while the boys talk cars. BYO alcohol. More details later.
26 th	Hot Rod Show at Exhibition Building in Carlton.

Don't take Life Too Seriously:

"I don't jog", It makes the beer in my stubby go all frothy.



TOOL TIME

More Definitions.

Electric Hand Drill: This tool is used mainly for spinning steel pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age. It is also used to rip pieces of metal from your hand as you try to enlarge that small hole, but never use a sharp bit for this operation as you may just accomplish what you started. It can also be used for drilling mounting holes in body panels, exactly in line with that brake line that goes to the rear wheels.

26-08-2008 RJB