

ALL BRITISH CLASSICS

Car Club

(VIC) an Incorporated Club

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Well we are off and running. We had our first Committee Meeting on the 16 January and that was very successful. Chris Gardner has taken over the reigns as Secretary, her husband John is looking after the Membership Registrar and we have established a Membership Committee, we also have 2 Event Committees, one consisting of 3 nice, positively thinking ladies and the other 3 men with experience and background of long time car club involvement. Tony Hodges is the Treasurer, Tom Verney the Vice-President and Val Jefferyes is helping Kate on the Events Committee.

These 2 Event Committees are going to serve you up an exciting cocktail of family orientated events being a minimum of 2 events per month. Get your diary out and note the first event which is Picnic at Hanging Rock and we will all meet on the 8 February at the Woodend Information Centre at 10am. Please be early because the convoy will be proceeding away at 10am. It is BYO everything including your exotic motor machine and \$8 per car to get you into the Hanging Rock Reserve. If we all travel together we all park together and then we can all enjoy the day together. Ring 0418 387 259 if you are running late on the day.

Those of you who have not been to the Picnic at Hanging Rock before this is a wonderful collection of about 1500 Classic cars of all makes and models in a picnic atmosphere with events for children, badges to buy and lots of socializing with friends.

Our second event is on the 22 February which is the VDC Swap Meet at Yarra Glen. Bring your own lunch and we will meet at Yarra Glen Race Track at 11am.

We are liaising with our Sister Club in Queensland the "All British Classic Car Club" of Queensland and jointly with them we are getting name badges done for all our members. These will probably be available for the Picnic at Hanging Rock but latecomers will get theirs at the Swap Meet at Yarra Glen. Jointly we are working on a number of projects, more news in our next newsletter.

We are compiling a list of members together with their cars and family members names and phone numbers. When this is completed it will be circulated to all so that you can maintain contact with your fellow members. We have put in an order for 70 name badges so far.

If you have ideas for events or if you want to put in your contribution to the running of the Club in some form or another and if you are interested in events talk to either Kate McLaren phone number is 9720 8623 or talk to Peter McLaren phone number is 9878 9171. Yes they are related, Kate is Peters daughter-in-law.

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If you want to help with the membership drive, talk to John Gardner The phone number is 5942 7535.

Incidentally the first event that we had which was a barbecue-picnic in the gardens at the rear 737 Boronia Road, Wantirna was a resounding success with about 35 people attending in the 42 degree heat, but because of the sprinkler system and the way that the garden was laid out it was quite pleasant in the shade and a very nice enjoyable time was had by all.

Those that attended received a overnight bag to commemorate the fact that they had attended the first meeting of your exciting new Club.

Don't forget as with all Clubs you only get out of it what you put into it, so come along, enjoy, be friendly, make friends and lets between ourselves have one heck of a good time.

Incidentally in passing I personally will be overseas from the 23 January till the 22 February. In my absent the Vice-President Tom Verney on phone number is 9584 3482 has the reigns.

Subject to jet lag and late planes I'll probably see you at the Swap Meet on the 22 February.

Regards

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President