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A friendly family social motoring club

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Now A.B.C. NEWS

Our recent trip to Maldon was enjoyed by 10 Car Club Members. On arrival in town we had a tour of the shops then afterwards we headed up to Mt Tarrengower for a short stop(it was very cold)then back to our accommodation for a freshen up for Dinner. On Sunday we went on a Bus tour of the Town with a local guide the after lunch in Castlemaine everyone headed home, Thank you to Ray Higginson for a nice relaxing weekend.



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EDITOR'S PAGE

Recently I was contacted about a member who was in Hospital after a stroke

Best wishes Jeffery we hope you are getting better and see you at a club run soon..

We now have some new merchandise but prices have gone up

Polo Shirts ----- \$ 35.00

Caps----- \$ 15.00

Badges ----- \$ 7.50

Window Decals are still the same price at the moment.

The Car Club has recently acquired a new Tally T8006 color laser jet printer for the printing of the magazine.

If anyone would like to know more about this new printer please give me a ring Heather Cannon

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ABC CAR CLUB – weekend at Anglesea Proposed program (October 19 and 20)

Anglesea is about 130 kms south – west of Melbourne on the Great Ocean Road, taking around 2 hours at standard driving speed along the Geelong Road.

It could be a quick 2-day weekend or a more relaxed 3-day weekend for those with more time. I will organize a visit to local attractions like the Anglesea Golf Club, with its world famous Kangaroos, as well as scenic lookouts along the Great Ocean Road.

On arrival on Saturday we can have a B.B.Q lunch by the Anglesea River. Then on to Harvey street for afternoon tea. Dinner on the Saturday night will be at the Erskine House, Lorne.

On the Sunday morning it would be a walk out to Lorne pier, purchase some fresh seafood (no Frank I'm sorry but crayfish are out of season), go window shopping and then a drive up to Teddy's Lookout. Lunch on Sunday will be at Anglesea Golf Club where some can try their luck at the pokies.

For accommodation I recommend you book at either Erskine on the Beach (phone 5289 1609) \$100 - \$150 per double per night; or the Grand Pacific Hotel (phone 5289 1609) at around the same price both including breakfast.

It should be a great weekend. Please let me know how many to plan for at the dinners etc.

Tony Hodges

On a golf tour in Ireland, Tiger Woods drives his BMW into a petrol station in a remote part of the Irish countryside. The attendant at the pump greets him in a typical Irish manner completely unaware of who the golfing pro is.

"Top of the mornin' to yer, sir" says the attendant. Tiger nods a quick "hello" and bends forward to pick up the nozzle. As he does so, two tees fall out of his shirt pocket onto the ground.

"What are those, son?" asks the attendant. "They're called tees" replies Tiger.

"Well, what on the good earth are they for?" inquires the Irishman.

"They're for resting my balls on when I'm driving", says Tiger. "I'll be darned", says the Irishman, "BMW thinks of everything

Victorian Club Permit Scheme

Revised June 2001

IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

This page is a summary only, refer to the main text for details.

1. When driving a vehicle on the VicRoads Club Permit Scheme –

The receipted VicRoads Club Permit Certificate and the Special Use Voucher (if applicable) must be carried in the vehicle at all times, AND you are advised to carry in the vehicle:

- (a) a copy of this Handbook and
- (b) a copy of the Club Newsletter or Newspaper or other notice which gives details of the event. (pp. 5, 9)

2. Club Membership –

Owners of Club Permit vehicles must maintain Club membership at all times. (pp. 8, 9, 10)

3. Each Club should –

- (a) Appoint Officer/s within the Club to manage the Club Permit Scheme. (pp. 6, 8)
- (b) Decide on its Rules relating to Special Use Vouchers. (p. 7)
- (c) Publish these Rules within the Club so that members know what will be accepted as a legitimate use. (p. 7)
- (d) Follow those Rules. (p. 7)
- (e) Have in place disciplinary measures to control abuses of the Club Permit Scheme. (pp. 7, 11)
- (f) Periodically forward Blue copies of the Special Use Vouchers to the AOMC or FVV&CVC. (p. 5)

4. The nominated Club Permit Officer/s should –

(pp. 7, 8)

- (a) Have knowledge of the Club Permit Scheme.
- (b) Have knowledge of the members.
- (c) Use common sense in issuing vouchers.
- (d) Prevent potential abuse of the Scheme.

5. Abuse of the Special Use Vouchers privilege could jeopardise the entire Club Permit Scheme. (p. 7)

6. The owner/driver is responsible for maintaining the vehicle in a safe condition. (pp. 8, 9)

7. Left Hand Drive Vehicles –

(pp. 3, 4, 5)

- (a) The driver of a Left Hand Drive (LHD) vehicle on the Club Permit Scheme must hold a full (not probationary) licence.
- (b) LHD vehicles not fitted with headlights which dip to the left must not be driven between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

Victorian Club Permit Scheme

All British Classics Car Club Requirements

The club is required to have in place in house rules to govern the manner in which it plays its part in administering the Victorian Club Permit Scheme.

Accordingly the committee proposes to put in place the following...

- 1/ A Club Permit holder MUST maintain CURRENT financial membership at all times. Please note... When your membership is UNFINANCIAL your permit is CANCELED.
- 2/ To avoid being taken advantage of, to be eligible for Club Permit status you must attend a minimum of three events per calendar year.. Your permit WILL NOT be renewed if this does not occur.
- 3/ To obtain a permit from Vic Roads you will require either. A full current roadworthy certificate' or a statement on Club letterhead by the ABC roadworthy officer that the vehicle is safe to use on public roads.. Robert Chapman is our roadworthy officer..
- 4/ The club is required to 'Maintain appropriate systems & checks to ensure that CH plate vehicles are in a safe condition.' Accordingly renewals of the annual Vic Roads permit will also require an inspection by Robert Chapman PRIOR to the renewal notice being signed by the President, Secretary or Permit officer. It is your responsibility at all times to maintain your vehicle in a safe roadworthy condition..
- 5/ The vehicle may be driven on advertised ABC club events or another authorized clubs advertised events.[Carry written evidence of the event]
- 6/ The act provides that club permit officers, Frank Douglas & Tom Cannon, may issue a special use voucher for any length, route or duration of private social use. But the vehicle cannot be used for hire or reward or for normal work use.
- 7/ Permit holders MUST purchase from the All British Classics Car Club the Permit Scheme Handbook & carry this in the vehicle at all times..

Frank Douglas
President.

EVENING

OCTOBER 6TH LUNCH AT BRIMBANK PARK KEILOR EAST

We will be meeting at Brimbank Park at 12.00 for a relaxing lunch and a get together and chat with friends. Mel 14 j9 meet near information building. Contact Heather for more details

OCTOBER 19 & 20TH WEEKEND AT ANGLESEA

Tony Hodges has organized a program for us for the weekend that sounds great.

Meet at Shell petrol station 9.15 to depart at 9.30 to travel to Anglesea as a group. For more details contact Heather or Tony

NOVEMBER 10TH MEET ANTIQUE AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

AT COLDSTREAM AIRPORT

I will have more details about this event in next months Magazine.

NOVEMBER 16TH TEDDY BEAR PICNIC

To raise money for Kids In Crisis. Rotary Club Bundoora for more details contact Cliff Rattray-Wood on 9404-2818

NOVEMBER 24TH BREAKFAST & TOUR OF MELBOURNE

DECEMBER 14th CHRISTMAS BREAK UP R.A.C.V. HEALSVILLE

This is a lunch at the Rotunda of \$24.00 per person

JANUARY 19th THE GREAT AUSTRALIAN RALLY

MARCH 22ND FLY THE FLAG TOUR

MAY 31ST TO JUNE 15TH TRIP TO ANDAMOOKA

Early morning drives. Ring Neil Wakeman on 9841 7773

13th October At 7.am to leave at 7.15 am Nunawading Civic Center

A B C CAR CLUB VIC INC Treasurer's Report
Year to Date (1 January 2002 – 31 August 2002)

Opening Balance 1 Jan		4888.93
Add receipts for the period:		
Membership subscriptions	1625.00	
Sale of club merchandise	119.00	
Donations received	2500.00	
Interest received	4.07	
Club events	584.38	4832.45
Sub total		9721.38
Less payments for the period:		
Printing postage and stationary	1510.00	
Purchase of club merchandise	364.50	
AGM reg. fee	33.00	
Urn	50.00	
Computer costs	240.00	
Trailer signs	216.15	
Club events	920.00	
Trailer rego	28.00	
Bank Charges	13.80	3375.45
= closing balance		6345.93

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REPLY TO An Insight into Morris Australia

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A Copy of the article was sent by one of our car club members to a friend and this is his reply.
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Thank you for the Article recalling S.A. Cheney's contribution to the Australian motor industry and his association with William Morris. Morris was a brilliant marketer rather than designer or builder of cars. Until 1927 his vehicles were always put together by Morris from good quality parts manufactured by experts in their fields. Even the engines were out-sourced as we say today. A consequence was that the vehicles, such as Cheney's troublesome truck's, were never developed or tested as entities before being put on the market. In 1927 Morris purchased Wolseley Motors with a personal cheque for \$ 720.00. It was the depth of engineering skills and infrastructure at Wolseley, which enabled him to become a major vehicle manufacturer in his own right. Morris was an empire and empire preference and strongly believed that the Australian market was not exploited strongly enough – hence his many visits to Australia. After WWII the Morris – Austin (BMC) penetration of the Australian market was very high, with more dealers than any other marque.

One day, when I was a freshman in high school, I saw a kid from my class was walking home from school. His name was Kyle. It looked like he was carrying all of his books. I thought to myself, "Why would anyone bring home all his books on a Friday?" He must really be a nerd.

I had quite a weekend planned (parties and a football game with my friends tomorrow afternoon), so I shrugged my shoulders and went on.

As I was walking, I saw a bunch of kids running toward him. They ran at him, knocking all his books out of his arms and tripping him so he landed in the dirt.

His glasses went flying, and I saw them land in the grass about ten feet from him. He looked up and I saw this terrible sadness in his eyes.

My heart went out to him. I jogged over to him and as he crawled around looking for his glasses. As I drew closer I saw a tear in his eye. As I handed him his glasses, I said, "Those guys are jerks, they really should get lives.

"He looked at me and said, "Hey thanks!" There was a big smile on his face. It was one of those smiles that showed real gratitude. I helped him pick up his books, and asked him where he lived.

As it turned out, he lived near me, so I asked him why I had never seen him before. He said he had gone to private school before now. I would have never hung out with a private school kid before.

We talked all the way home, and I carried some of his books. He turned out to be a pretty cool kid. I asked him if he wanted to play a little football with my friends he said yes.

We hung out all weekend and the more I got to know Kyle, the more I liked him, and my friends thought the same of him.

Monday morning came, and there was Kyle with the huge stack of books again. I stopped him and said, "Boy, you are gonna really build some serious muscles with this pile of books everyday!" He just laughed and handed me half the books.

Over the next four years, Kyle and I became best friends. When we were seniors, we began to think about college. Kyle decided on Georgetown, and I was going to Duke.

I knew that we would always be friends, that the miles would never be a problem. He was going to be a doctor, and I was going for business on a football scholarship.

Kyle was valedictorian of our class. I teased him all the time about being a nerd. He had to prepare a speech for graduation. I was so glad it wasn't me having to get up there and speak.

Graduation day, I saw Kyle and he looked great. He was one of those guys that really found himself during high school. He filled out and actually looked good in glasses.

He had more dates than me all the girls and loved him. Boy, sometimes I was jealous and today was one of those days.

I could see that he was nervous about his speech. So, I smacked him on the back and said, "Hey, big guy, you'll be great!" He looked at me with one of those looks (the really grateful one) and smiled. "Thanks," he said. As he started his speech, he cleared his throat, and began:

"Graduation is a time to thank those who helped you make it through those tough years. Your parents, your teachers, your siblings, and maybe a coach but mostly your friends.

I am here to tell all of you that being a friend to someone is the best gift you can give them.

I am going to tell you a story." I just looked at my friend with disbelief as he told the story of the first day we met. He had planned to kill himself over the weekend.

He talked of how he had cleaned out his locker so his Mom wouldn't have to do it later and was carrying his stuff home. He looked hard at me and gave me a little smile.

"Thankfully, I was saved. My friend saved me from doing the unspeakable." I heard the gasp go through the crowd as this handsome, popular boy told us all about his weakest moment.

I saw his Mom and Dad looking at me and smiling that same grateful smile. Not until that moment did I realize its depth.

Never underestimate the power of your actions.