



# All British Classics Car Club (Vic)

A Friendly Family Social Motoring Club

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## SHINING AT RACV MOTORCLASSICA!



*Peter Lester's superb 1934 Singer Le Mans — dwarfed by the Rolls Royce!*

### MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual membership subscription for the All British Classics Car Club Inc. is \$35.00. There is a once-only joining fee of \$30.00. Please send membership subscriptions to Pat Douglas, PO Box 201, Chirnside Park, VICTORIA, 3116.

**Please Note: Membership subscriptions are due by end of December.**

*Life Members: Pat J Douglas, Ross Wolstenholme.*

**THE ALL BRITISH CLASSICS CAR CLUB (VICTORIA) INC.,  
FOUNDED 23<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 1997.**

**Club Founder – The Late Frank E Douglas**

**“OWNING AND/OR APPRECIATING THE SPIRIT OF FINE  
BRITISH CLASSICS”**

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\* Till next AGM

### IMPORTANT CLUB INFORMATION

The All British Classics Car Club (Victoria) Inc., (ABCCC) is a fully incorporated club in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act. Accordingly, any publication or document officially issued by the ABCCC must carry the ABCCC's Association Incorporation Registered Number: A00035462V.

#### The Official Club Magazine – *Your ABCCC News*

*Your ABCCC News*, is the official magazine of the ABCCC (Vic) Inc. The magazine's issue date is during the week of the 25<sup>th</sup> of every month. To make the Editor's task a little easier, it is requested that articles, event information and photographs are with the Editor prior to the 14<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Articles published in *Your ABCCC News* may be used without permission, however, the ABCCC does ask that appropriate acknowledgement be given.

For those members who receive their issue of *Your ABCCC News* via E-mail, the magazine will be available to download from the ABCCC Website at the same time that the printed copy of the magazine is mailed to those who do not have access to the Internet.

#### Disclaimer

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All correspondence should be addressed to the Editor *Your ABCCC News*, 59 Rowson St, Boronia, Victoria, 3155. Other Editorial contact information is listed above.

It is club policy to have the right to refuse placement of advertising material in *Your ABCCC News*, from those who are not members of the ABCCC Inc.

#### The Victorian Club Permit Scheme

The ABCCC Inc. is a club that is authorised by VicRoads to operate vehicles under the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS). On the Committee there are two VCPS Officers and their contact details are listed above.

Club members will be kept up to date with respect to changes and improvements to the VCPS. However, it cannot be stressed enough, that a vehicle operated on the VCPS, must carry the VicRoads Logbook and Permit (current) and proof that the permit holder has a current membership in the auspicious club (e.g., your ABCCC membership card). All enquiries should be addressed to the VCPS Officers.

# THE VICTORIAN CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

## NEW PERMIT APPLICATIONS

For members wanting to operate a motor car on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS) under the auspices of our club, please contact Nello Mafodda on (03) 9719 7949, who is the ABCCC VCPS Officer In Charge. Nello will be able to provide all the information required to operate a motor car on the VCPS. Nello's position is entirely voluntary, so due consideration should be given when contacting him.

The ABCCC has the following conditions for operating a motor vehicle [twenty-five (25) years old and older] on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme:

1. Initial contact should be made with the club's VCPS Applications Officer, currently Nello Mafodda. He will advise the procedure for application with respect to the conditions set by the ABCCC.
2. A club member who proposes to place his/her motor vehicle on the VCPS under the auspices of the ABCCC must have been a ABCCC member for more than one year.
3. A Roadworthy Certificate must accompany an application for the Victorian Club Permit Scheme under the auspices of the ABCCC.
4. A club member who operates a motor vehicle on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme, under the auspices of the ABCCC, must attend a minimum of three (3) club events per year. The car does not have to attend three events, just the owner. Excluded from the count are the Annual Winter Luncheon and the Christmas Luncheon events.
5. VicRoads requires a permit holder to be in good financial status in order to drive the car under this Permit.
6. The ABCCC will notify VicRoads when a permit holder becomes an unfinancial member.
7. The ABCCC will maintain a Register of those Motor Vehicles operated on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme under the club's conditions. Such Register will be submitted to VicRoads upon request.
8. The motor vehicle operated under the Permit Scheme should be used within the spirit of the motor vehicle club scheme.

## PERMIT RENEWALS

VicRoads requires that an ABCCC authorised VCPS Officer's signature is entered on the permit renewal notice. Therefore, your VCPS renewal should be sent to Colin Brown, PO Box 40, Coldstream, Victoria 3770. Enclose with it a stamped envelope addressed to VicRoads, along with a cheque/money order for the VCPS fee. Colin will sign on behalf of the ABCCC, and then forward the permit renewal on to VicRoads. The form also requires YOUR signature, so be sure to sign it as the permit holder as well.

Colin's position is entirely voluntary, so due consideration should be given when contacting him.

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## ABCCC EVENTS DIRECTORY

**Note: All events listed in this directory are placed in good faith. Events for inclusion here, must be provided to the Magazine Editor prior to the 14<sup>th</sup> of each month. Official ABCCC events are those with 'ABCCC Inc.' shown after the event's title. These events are recorded for the Victorian Club Permit Scheme's Register. Events organised by other clubs or associations have their own telephone number to use prior to the event.**

**The Registrar for ABCCC Inc. events is Sue Allfrey. Event organisers, please send attendance lists to [sue.allfrey@bigpond.com](mailto:sue.allfrey@bigpond.com) as soon after the event as is practicable.**

**IMPORTANT: TEXT IN RED INFORMS OF CHANGED OR CORRECTED EVENT INFORMATION.**

### November 2013

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>. Driving Melba's Yarra Valley – [An ABCCC Event](#) Wal & Sue Thompson (03) 9761 9192  
Meet Point – Old Lilydale Court House, 61 Castella Street, Lilydale (Melway Map 38; Ref: F4).

### December 2013

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Luncheon – [An ABCCC Event](#) Tony & Maxine Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146  
Bookings Close On **1<sup>st</sup> December!**  
Venue – Chirside Park Country Club, 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirside Park (Mel 37; K3).

### January 2014

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> RACV Great Australian Rally – [A Major ABCCC Event](#) Colin Brown (03) 95964 9291  
Start Points: Melbourne, Stud Park and Hastings.  
Main Display – Mornington Racecourse, Mornington.

### February 2014

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> A Mega Run – [An ABCCC Event](#) Frank Sawyer 0408 633 778  
Start Venue – To Be Advised

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> The [Annual General Meeting of the ABCCC Inc.](#) Pat Douglas (03) 9739 4929  
Venue – Chirside Park Country Club, 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirside Park (Mel 37; K3).

### March 2014

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> A Special Day Out – [An ABCCC Event](#) Bryan Tootell 0412 549 906  
Start Venue – To Be Advised

**March 2014 (cont'd)**

Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Phillip Island Classic – Historic Racing Register Venue – Phillip Island Motor Racing Circuit, Back Beach Road, Phillip Island.	
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> to Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	2014 RACV Fly The Flag Eastern Tour – <a href="#">A Major ABCCC Event</a> Start Point – RACV Noble Park	Tony Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	RACV Classic Showcase – ABCCC Members to make a big effort. Conducted by The Association Of Motoring Clubs Inc.	AOMC Office (03) 9555 0133

**April 2014**

Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Como Gardens Open Weekend – <a href="#">An ABCCC Assist Event</a> Venue – 79 The Basin To Olinda Road, The Basin	George Hetrel (03) 9761 1341
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	An Interesting Run – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Mary and Rob Nolan 0488 547 499

**May 2014**

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	The Rex and Deanna Hall Run – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Rex Hall (03) 9795 7669
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	AOMC Heritage Motoring Day – An AOMC Fostered Event Use Your Classic Car And Be Seen.	AOMC Office (03) 9555 0133
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Historic Winton – Austin 7 Club Venue – Winton Motor Raceway, Near Benalla.	

**June 2014**

Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> to Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Hamilton Rally – Hamilton & District Car Club Inc. Venue – Hamilton, Victoria.	Tony Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	An Interesting Day Out – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Peter Lester (03) 9795 0033

**July 2014**

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Run To Point Cook – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Colin Oberin (03) 9817 3182
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Weekend Away – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Details – To Be Advised	Bryan Tootell 0412 549 9065

**August 2014**

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	The ABCCC's Annual Luncheon – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Venue – To Be Advised	TBA
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	A Mid-week Run With A Difference – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Marj Pepper (03) 9439 7875
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup>	A Run Put On For Us – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Greg Anglin (03) 9876 3293

**September 2014**

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Run To Maldon – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Torre Panuzzo (03) 9764 2276
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	A Phantastic Day Out To Mount Macedon – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Phil Cook (03) 9842 5449

**October 2014**

Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	A Most Enjoyable Outing – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Lyn Higginson (03) 9310 5286 (BH)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> to Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Proud Mary</i> River Murray Cruise – <a href="#">An ABCCC Holiday Event</a> Meet-up Point – To Be Advised (See Page 10 for trip details)	Marj Pepper (03) 9439 7875
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Como Gardens Open Weekend – <a href="#">An ABCCC Assist Event</a> Venue – 79 The Basin To Olinda Road, The Basin.	George Hetrel (03) 9761 1341

**November 2014**

Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Club Run – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Gordon Lindner (03) 9707 1294
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	The Famous Indulgence Tour – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Peter McKiernan (03) 9787 6003
30 <sup>th</sup>	A Special Surprise Run – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Start Venue – To Be Advised	Rob and Mary Nolan 0488 547 499

**December 2014**

14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch – <a href="#">An ABCCC Event</a> Venue – To Be Advised	Maxine Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146
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## EVENT ORGANISERS!

PLEASE ENSURE THAT EVENT INFORMATION IS WITH THE EDITOR THREE MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE EVENT BEING PROMOTED. FREQUENTLY, SCHEDULES CAN BE A BIT TIGHT. HOWEVER, WE NEED TO BE AWARE THAT THE MEMBERSHIP BE INFORMED OF EVENT MEETING POINT AND OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION IN A TIMELY MANNER SO THAT MAXIMUM EXPOSURE PROVIDES GOOD RESULTS.

### EDITORIAL NOTES – ISSUE NUMBER 166

Well! It has finally been proved! There is one of those *human nature* type habits where readers of magazines such as this, turn to the back page first to find information they are looking for. This was graphically illustrated with respect to the booking form for our annual Christmas luncheon function in our October edition. Then the cry went out "Where, and at what date and time will the luncheon be held? There is no information in the magazine!"

Ah! But there was! On Page 11!

It has been policy to provide details about our Christmas function in the *Coming Events* Section with all pertinent details. The reason for placing the booking form on the last page is so that minimal damage may occur to the printed magazine when the booking form is cut from the page. The best way is to print directly from the electronically distributed magazine, or, if a printed version is what has been received, then a scan or photocopy will be happily accepted by the organisers.

Commencing on Page 3 of this issue, there is a comprehensive Events Directory. At this stage there are a number of 'To Be Advised' notations, but fear not! In the next few issues, all the information will be there.

Mike Allfrey – Editor. E-mail: [michael.allfrey@bigpond.com](mailto:michael.allfrey@bigpond.com)



Como Gardens Pty. Ltd.  
79 The Basin – Olinda Road  
The Basin  
VICTORIA 3154

A.B.C.C.C.  
Attention: T Pettigrew  
16 Lawler Lane  
Coldstream 3770  
28/10/2013

Dear Tony,

Would you please convey our appreciation to those fellow club members who assisted in the running of the recent Open Gardens Weekend and gave generously of their time.

The event raised \$15,000 for local charity under ideal weather conditions. I have pleasure in enclosing a \$1,000 cheque in favour of the All British Classics Car Club.

Best regards,

Signed: George Hetrel.

*Above: A letter from George Hetrel.*

## A COMPETITION IS ANNOUNCED

### Win A Ride In The Vintage Reo Speed Wagon!

Club members who carry a membership card for RACV are invited to take part in a competition that is being run in conjunction with the coming RACV Great Australian Rally in January. The RACV is offering the winners a day out at the Rally in the Ventura Bus Lines sponsored Reo Speed Wagon (right) from Stud Park to Mornington and return. There will be time for viewing the large display and watching the ceremony for awarding prizes to the winners of the numerous vehicle categories. Lunch will be provided in the main dining room.

Members are advised to look out for details of the competition in the December/January issue of RoyalAuto magazine. Or, visit the competitions page on the RoyalAuto ([www.royalauto.com.au](http://www.royalauto.com.au)) website from 20<sup>th</sup> November. Be sure to have your RACV membership card handy so that you can enter your card's number accurately.

Good luck!



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## NEWS EXTRA!

### Our Club Shines At RACV Motorclassica



The ABCCC was well represented at the RACV Motorclassica which was run in October. As far as we can ascertain three club members' motor cars featured in the awards results. They were as follows:

1947 Ford Tudor – Post-War Classic Class – Winner (Peter Hibbert)

1951 Daimler Special Sports Drop-head Coupé – Runner-up in Class (Colin Brown)

1934 Singer Le Mans – Runner-up in Class (Peter Lester) (*Front Page*)

To all of you, hearty congratulations! It was a fantastic event this year. Apparently attendance was up by 70%. As George Hetrel commented on the last evening, "The event has come of age".

*Left: Peter Hibbert receives the award for Best Post-War Classic.*

The result for Colin's lovely Daimler (*on the front cover of Issue No. 160, April 2013*) was a pleasant surprise, because it scored so highly in spite of not taking part in Tour-Classica and Colin not being present to show the cars tool kit and other bits to the judges. That proves what a stunning car that Daimler really is. It was recently on display in the foyer at the RACV City Club, with groups of people enjoying a good look.

It seems that the show wasn't 'all beer (Champagne) and skittles'. The Singer's gearbox failed just before the start of Tour-Classica. The car limped to the Royal Exhibition Building for the static show and had to be transported home thanks to RACV Total Care. The gearbox had been professionally rebuilt only 4,500 kilometres ago. Needless to say it's on its way back for a warranty repair!

*Peter Lester*

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## ARCHIVED YOUR ABCCC NEWS

Be sure to visit the ABCCC Website, where you can access all issues of *Your ABCCC News*, right from the commencement of our club. Go to – [www.abccc.com.au](http://www.abccc.com.au) and on the Welcome Page, at left side, click on Archives below the Newsletters heading. Then scroll right down to the last listings. If you do not have access to the Internet, contact the Editor and a printed, monotone, copy of your selection will be mailed to you.

Our thanks are due to Ed Bartosh for assembling the complete archive for us to use.

*Mike Allfrey – Editor*

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## RACV GREAT AUSTRALIAN RALLY – PLEASE HELP!

As Colin Brown mentioned at our Christmas-in-July function, we are (as always) seeking items for inclusion in the rally bags for next January's rally. Small items such as product samples and branded promotional gifts (pens, key rings, mugs, caps, stress balls, note pads etc.) are suitable. We also offer companies providing gifts with the opportunity to include a limited amount of advertising materials in the rally bags. I have received a couple of offers already but any additional offers or contacts for businesses which may be interested would be appreciated.

Please contact me on 0411 646 769 or at [Ancolk@gmail.com](mailto:Ancolk@gmail.com) if you can assist.

*Colin Oberin*

## EVENT REPORTS AND NOTIFICATIONS

### PAST EVENTS – WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING

#### REPORT ON PHIL COOK'S RUN – Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> September 2013

On the appointed morning the weather was fair, which I am sure is just what Phil had ordered. Thus the decision was made to fold down the top, and enjoy as much of the day as possible. With the exception of a detour due to road works, the journey to the allotted start point was most enjoyable. On arrival at the starting location, there was already a group of British classics, gathered, all nice and early ready for the off.

We were given the usual ABCCC warm welcome. Then we chatted with the assembled group until it was time to set off. Phil, having given every car a set of directions, led off on our run. We took a picturesque drive through Panton Hill and St Andrews and on through Kinglake to the Flying Tarts Bakery for morning tea. The staff there did an excellent job and, in no time at all, we had all been served. Then it was on our way again towards Whittlesea and cross country to our destination, the birthplace of Ned Kelly - the township of Beveridge, where the staff at the local hotel had tables reserved for us. Having consumed an excellent lunch. Phil then informed us that he had arranged for those that were interested, a visit to the house where Ned Kelly was born. On the way out of the hotel, some took the opportunity to take photos of the giant carved wooden statue of Ned which guards the front door of the pub. We then headed towards home, having had another great day out with our club friends old and new. We arrived home, put the car in the garage and, as I closed the door, it started to spit with rain. Perfect timing, as we had driven all day with the hood down.

Our thanks to Phil for organising the weather and the day out. Our thanks also go to all the members and guests who attended the day as it is your input that makes our days out together so special!

*Frank Sawyer*

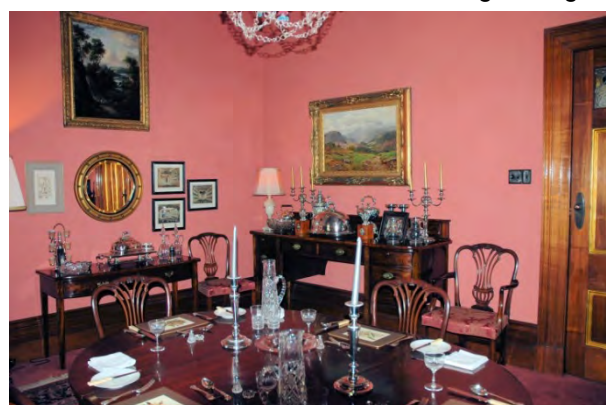
#### OUR VISIT TO BELEURA HOUSE – Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2013

##### A Most Interesting Day Out

For some of us, this event required an early start. We decided to use *Pea Soup* for this run, mainly because of the Rover being reasonably lockable. As we departed down the Peninsula towards Mornington, it started to rain and the sky to the west was ominously very dark with rain squalls. Having left early on account of the TomTom's traffic forecast, we arrived a little bit early. We joined a group huddled under the awning generously provided by *Dollar Curtains*' shop. The sea breeze was quite fresh and some took to the warmth of the shop's interior to do some browsing. Right on time, the Beleura bus arrived and took the first of our group up to the house; soon it was back for the rest of us.

*Right: The 'Orange Group' on the garden tour.*

Upon arriving at the house, it was immediately apparent just why access to the grounds is by bus only. It was an instant step back in time! We gathered in the reception room, contained in a modern adjacent building. On entry, each of us was presented with a coloured visitor identification tag, along with a numbered



envelope containing National Trust information. The number was to be used as a door prize later. Morning tea and coffee were served and our group was addressed by one of the staff, informing us about the history of what we were about to see. We were then separated into our colour-coded groups and we, in the orange group, set off with our guide to explore the gardens around Beleura House.

*Left: The dining room we were shown, note the paintings on the walls and the cutlery and other items on the table.*

The garden is very extensive with a number of theme areas and several water features. All were very peaceful on what had become a delightfully sunny day. It was soon realised that the gardens were really extensive, quite a number of portions divided into peaceful retreats – ideal for resting or reading a good book. There was a sundial operated clock garden and what looked like a very productive vegetable garden. Near that, there was a small area that featured quite vigorously growing bamboo. Once we had completed the extensive tour of the garden, we joined up with the other groups in the reception room for a light lunch.

Then it was our turn to tour the inside of the main house. Immediately on entering what was originally, the servants' area and used for many years as the favoured entrance, we were struck by the small size of the rooms, throughout the house. Particularly small were the bathrooms, in some the baths were very narrow. Stepping into the house was like stepping back in time. When last owner, John Tallis, died in 1996, he left Beleura to the people of Victoria. Everything in the house is as it was in 1996, and most of the fittings and items used by John, have been preserved in the way that they were used. Even the large linen cupboard in the servants' area still contains the

original household linen. The cutlery on the several tables is also of the older style, some items being the same as my grandfather used in his household.

The National Trust Tour Guides were very enthusiastic about the history of the house and about the room displays that we were shown. The fact that the interior of the house appears to be lived in, not a stoic display, is a credit to those who look after it. The surrounding gardens are in such a natural state. This is credited to all of those volunteers.

A special thank you to Robyn and Robert for organising the visit with total military precision, and to the staff who entertained us with their enthusiasm.

*Mike Allfrey.*

## **THE ABCCC CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

### **Come Along And Enjoy Some Yuletide Faire! – Bookings Close On 1<sup>st</sup> December!**

This year's Christmas Lunch will be held at the Chirnside Park Country Club, 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirnside Park.

Please Note: Our venue has asked that full payment be made prior to 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Our festive luncheon will feature three (3) courses – soup, main course and dessert. These will be followed by tea and coffee. Cost of the entire meal will be 35.00 per person. Drinks will be provided by our club. The lunch is for financial club members only.

Father Christmas will, of course, be in attendance and we are asking that gifts for distribution in our 'Kris-Kringle' be of \$10.00 minimum. Please remember that if you do not put in, you are not eligible to take out gifts.

#### **Luncheon Information**

Time 12.00 N for Lunch at 12.30 pm

Finishing Time 4.00 pm

There is a booking form at the end of this newsletter.

#### **Menu**

Starter Creamy Potato and Leek Soup with a freshly baked bread roll

Main (1) Medley of Turkey, Ham and Pork with Seasonal Vegetables

Main (2) Roast Sirloin of Beef – Tender Fillet with Red Wine Glaze and Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert (1) Traditional British Christmas Pudding, served with Brandy Anglais Dessert

(2) Country Style Apple Pie served with Vanilla Ice-cream.

*Maxine Pettigrew.*

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## **THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ABCCC INC.**

### **To be held at Chirnside Park Country Club – Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2014**

The Annual General meeting will be held at the Chirnside Park Country Club, 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirnside Park (Mel 37; K3). A club-subsidised two-course luncheon, costing \$10.00 per person for financial members, will commence at 12:00 N in readiness for a 2:00 pm AGM. Drinks will be at bar prices. For catering purposes your attendance must be registered with the Secretary, Mrs Pat Douglas before the 6<sup>th</sup> February. Money will be collected at the door. Late cancellations and 'no shows' will be charged \$10.00 each. It is our wish to have as many club members present as possible.

Be sure to mark your calendar, diary or electronic scheduler with the date and time of the meeting.

Please note that at our AGM, **all Committee positions** are declared vacant. Remember that, under the new rules (excerpts shown below), any financial member can nominate themselves for any position, and all elections will be by secret ballot if more nominations are received than are needed for the offices.

There will be a comprehensive report on our club's activities and achievements for the year just gone. There are a number of club events scheduled for the coming months and information about all that is happening will be provided. There will also be an election of office bearers for our club's future management. If you wish to assist our club, please come forward and help make the election exciting. And importantly, offer your HELP.

Below are extracts from the Club's Bylaws, based on the Associations' Incorporation Act's 2012 Model Rules, which relate to the AGM and to the election of Committee Members:

### **Division 3. Election Of Committee Members And Tenure Of Office**

#### **49. Who Is Eligible To Be A Committee Member**

A member is eligible to be elected or appointed as a committee member if the member –

- (a) is 18 years or over; and
- (b) is entitled to vote at a general meeting



## **50. Positions To Be Declared Vacant**

- (1) This rule applies to –
  - (a) the first Annual General Meeting of the Association after its incorporation, or
  - (b) any subsequent AGM of the Association, after the annual report and financial statements of the Association have been received.
- (2) The Chairperson of the meeting must declare all positions on the Committee vacant and hold elections for those positions in accordance with Rules 51 to 54.

## **51. Nominations**

- (1) Prior to the election of each position, the Chairperson of the meeting must call for nominations to fill that position.
- (2) An eligible member of the Association may –
  - (a) nominate himself or herself; or
  - (b) with the member's consent, be nominated by another member.
- (3) A member who is nominated for a position and fails to be elected to that position may be nominated for any other position for which an election is yet to be held.

## **52. Election Of President, etc.**

- (1) At the AGM, separate elections must be held for each of the following positions –
  - (a) President;
  - (b) Vice-President;
  - (c) Secretary;
  - (d) Treasurer
- (2) If only one member is nominated for the position, the Chairperson of the meeting must declare the member elected to the position.
- (3) If more than one member is nominated, a ballot must be held in accordance with Rule 54.
- (4) On his or her election, the new President may take over as Chairperson of the meeting.

## **53. Election Of Ordinary Members**

- (1) The AGM must by resolution decide the number of ordinary members of the Committee (if any) it wishes to hold office for the next year.
- (2) A single election may be held to fill all of those positions.
- (3) If the number of members nominated for the position of ordinary committee member is less than or equal to the number to be elected, the Chairperson of the meeting must declare each of those members to be elected to the position.
- (4) If the number of members nominated exceeds the number to be elected, a ballot must be held in accordance with Rule 54.

## **54. Ballot**

- (1) If a ballot is required for the election for a position, the Chairperson of the meeting must appoint a member to act as returning officer to conduct the ballot.
- (2) The returning officer must not be a member nominated for the position.
- (3) Before the ballot is taken, each candidate may make a short speech in support of his or her election.
- (4) The election must be by secret ballot.
- (5) The returning officer must give a blank piece of paper to –
  - (a) each member present in person; and
  - (b) each proxy appointed by a member.

### **Example**

If a member has been appointed the proxy of 5 other members, the member must be given 6 ballot papers – one for the member and one each for the other members.

- (6) If the ballot is for a single position, the voter must write on the ballot paper the name of the candidate for whom they wish to vote.
- (7) If the ballot is for more than one position –
  - (a) the voter must write on the ballot paper the name of each candidate for whom they wish to vote,
  - (b) the voter must not write the names of more candidates than the number to be elected.
- (8) Ballot papers that do not comply with Sub-rule (7)(b) are not to be counted.
- (9) Each ballot paper on which the name of a candidate has been written counts as one vote for that candidate.
- (10) The returning officer must declare elected the candidate or, in the case of an election for more than one position, the candidates who received the most votes.

- (11) If the returning officer is unable to declare the result of an election under Sub-rule (10) because 2 or more candidates received the same number of votes, the returning officer must –
- conduct a further election for the position in accordance with Sub-rules (4) to (10) to decide which of those candidates is to be elected; or
  - with the agreement of those candidates, decide by lot which of them is to be elected.

#### Examples

The choice of candidate may be decided by the toss of a coin, drawing straws or drawing a name out of a hat.

#### 55. Term Of Office

- Subject to Sub-rule (3) and Rule 56, a committee member holds office until the positions of the Committee are declared vacant at the next annual general meeting.
- A committee member may be reelected.

Tony Pettigrew – President.

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## TRIP TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA - Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2014

### ONLY SIX CABINS LEFT: CONTACT ORGANISER ASAP TO SECURE YOUR BOOKING –



We will leave Melbourne on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October and travel through Ballarat, Stawell, Horsham, and Dimboola with an overnight stop at Nhill before reaching Murray Bridge in South Australia to board the riverboat *RB Proud Mary* for two nights. The destination is Mannum.

Secure, locked car accommodation is available to us at no cost. (*Photo at left from brochure – with thanks*)

*RB Proud Mary* accommodates thirty-six passengers in eighteen twin-share rooms, all with private bathroom facilities. All meals are prepared on board by two top chefs and are all inclusive along with a bush BBQ Saturday night and entertainment around the campfire. We will return to Murray Bridge on Sunday, the 19<sup>th</sup>, for a two night stay in a Murray Bridge Motel.

Touring from Murray Bridge we will include: Hahndorf, Adelaide, Goolwa, Victor Harbour and wineries – all accessible for a pleasant day of sightseeing. On leaving Murray Bridge we will travel to Kingston on the Limestone Coast, via Naracoorte, for an overnight seaside stay and possibly a seafood feast for those who wish to indulge. Our final night will be in Warrnambool after travelling the coast road home via Robe and Port Fairy.

#### Deposits And Costing

Cost of *RB Proud Mary* accommodation, meals and entertainment: \$699 per person for two nights

The estimated cost of five (5) nights' accommodation, including breakfast: \$335.00 or \$67.00 per person per night.

Senior's discounts will apply at some motels.

A \$100 deposit is required by the December 1<sup>st</sup> (2013) to secure your booking. We have the appropriate information/booking forms ready to send out. All payments will be **advised by us**, and all participants will be making payments direct to the Proud Mary Company. If you intend to join our cruise, please contact us **ASAP** so that our block booking for the *RB Proud Mary* can be maintained.

**NOTE:** There may be space for later bookings, but we cannot guarantee space on the *Proud Mary* if you wait until after next week - **December 1<sup>st</sup>** (2013)

Marj and Brian Pepper on (03) 9439 7875 or, 0407 392 330, E-mail: [bmpepper1@bigpond.com](mailto:bmpepper1@bigpond.com)

Marj Pepper.

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## MAJOR ABCCC EVENT NEWS – THE RACV GREAT AUSTRALIAN RALLY

### 19<sup>th</sup> January 2014 – Note: This Article Has Been Updated

The All British Classics Car Club and RACV are proud to announce that arrangements are in progress for the running of the 2014 RACV Great Australian Rally. It is now time for all motor vehicle clubs to write this important fund-raising event into their newsletters' *Events Calendar* sections. As in the past, the beneficiary of our fund-raising will be the Peter MacCallum Cancer Foundation. This year we raised a record \$62,000 for our friends at Peter Mac, with the stipulation that the funds raised were to be used solely for research purposes.

Start venues will be the same as in previous years –

- At the Deaf Children Australia, at 597 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne. This start venue has been provided for those who wish to participate over the entire rally route to Mornington.
- At the Stud Park Shopping Centre, Stud Road, Rowville. This start venue has been provided for those entrants who live in Melbourne's eastern suburbs.

3. At the Western Port Marina Car Park, Mullet Street, Hastings. Entry to the Marina is from Mullet Street. This start venue has been provided for those entrants who drive older (slower) motor vehicles.

All start venues will feature, for pre-booked entrants, a free sausage sizzle, tea and coffee. Each entrant, on checking in with their Rally Number, will be presented with a Rally Bag.

Rally Marshals will direct rally vehicles into reserved parking spaces. Entrants are asked to arrive at the start venues just before 7.15 am (8.15 am at the Hastings start venue) so that the sausage sizzle can be enjoyed at its best.

At each start point a VIP will attend to conduct the flag off to send the vehicles on their way. Flag-off will be at 9.15 am at the Melbourne start and at 9.30 am at the other two starts.

The RACV Great Australian Rally finishes with a public display at Mornington Racecourse. The organisers ask that entrants enter the display area *via* a left turn only, from Racecourse Road. Mornington Racecourse, for quarantine reasons, employs a 'No Dogs At Any Time' policy. That rule must be strictly adhered to.

Veteran, vintage, classic, late-classic motor vehicles, motor cycles and commercials of similar classes are eligible to enter. Motoring-interest clubs are encouraged to stage displays of their vehicles in the display area – please advise the rally organisers if your club is staging a display.

Trophies will be awarded for the following categories – Veteran, Vintage, Early Classic, Late Classic, Modern Classic motor cars, Commercial Vehicle, Motor Cycle, the Dr. Max Lay Trophy, and the Penrite Oils Trophy. The organisers urge clubs to involve their members in the competition! A vehicle from the best club display will be eligible for display at the RACV Melbourne.

Early-bird entry in the RACV Great Australian Rally will be \$35.00 per pre-booked vehicle in 2014. No early-bird entries will be accepted after the official close-off date (10/01/2014). Entries will be accepted at all of the rally start venues on the day of the RACV Great Australian Rally. The rally fee for such entries will be \$45.00, and these entries will not qualify for a rally bag or being judged for trophies. There will be exclusive RACV Great Australian Rally apparel advertised on the entry application form, to be paid for along with entry fee, all goods to be picked up at Mornington.

Information about the 2014 RACV Great Australian Rally can be obtained by contacting Colin Brown on 0408 343 176 and at: [greataustralianrally.com.au](http://greataustralianrally.com.au). RACV and the All British Classics Car Club are looking forward to a tremendous entry of British classics that will truly help with our *Rally For A Cure!*

**Note: This article can be copied and freely used in other club magazines to help promote this vital fund-raising event. Acknowledgement of its source will be appreciated.**

*Mike Allfrey.*

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## A WARM WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

A hearty welcome to the well-oiled machine that is the All British Classics Car Club. Our club is one of the fastest growing motoring interest clubs in this country. We hope to be able to welcome you and, in actual fact, your British classic motor car, at one of our events soon. Our club aims to have two motoring events each month, so there are plenty of fabulous events for you to select from. Welcome!

Name	Car	Model	Year
Mac & Mary Wilson	Jaguar	420	1967

*Pat Douglas – Membership Secretary.*

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## AN UPDATED VERSION OF THE ABCCC INSIGNIA



As part of our preparations for the RACV Great Australian Rally, it was determined that better quality artwork for our club's insignia would be desirable. The new artwork is shown at left.

Colin Brown has kindly organised the artwork and, if you look closely, there is amazing detail, particularly in the driving gloves and goggles. The British lion is also nicely crafted.

The new version replaces the old scan of a cloth badge on the front page from now on. Our collective thanks are due to Colin for having this update completed on our behalf. Should anyone require a copy, please contact the club.

*Mike Allfrey.*

# RACV GREAT AUSTRALIAN RALLY NOTICE

## Hastings Start – A Request

The Hastings Start Committee for the RACV Great Australian Rally is seeking a few extra Rally Marshals to assist with parking for entrants, and guidance for them to the flag-off point. If you can provide marshalling for a short period in the morning of 19<sup>th</sup> January 2014, in the Hastings Marina car park, please contact Mike Allfrey on (03) 9729 1480 or, Len Butcher on (03) 5979 1232. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

*Mike Allfrey – Hastings Start Committee.*

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## THE REAL MEANING OF INSTRUCTIONS IN CAR SERVICE MANUALS

Most of us have, very likely, become a little bit frustrated when trying to repair a car while referring to the relevant Service Manual. Service Manuals, in the motor trade, have been written under the assumption that dealer mechanics have attended the company's service training sessions on the vehicle.

Listed below is a set of, slightly *tongue-in-cheek*, explanations of some terms found in Service Manuals. It will suit most of us attempting to repair our older motor cars. For current cars, the manual probably starts off with 'Visit www.whatever'. You probably need to move your computer into your garage for a lengthy spell. First you will have to sort out the intricacies of the World Wide Web (Internet) before gazing at all of that black plastic that is revealed when the bonnet is raised. Probably, this is a good time to let the local service workshop take on the job!

Please note that the observations below have been 'sanitised' a little.

**Instruction:** 'Rotate anticlockwise.'

**Translation:** Clamp with Molegrips then beat repeatedly with hammer anticlockwise. You do know which way is anticlockwise, don't you?

**Instruction:** 'Should remove easily'.

**Translation:** Will be corroded into place. Then clamp with adjustable spanner then beat repeatedly with a hammer.

**Instruction:** 'This is a snug fit'.

**Translation:** You will skin your knuckles! Clamp with adjustable spanner then strike repeatedly with hammer.

**Instruction:** 'This is a tight fit'.

**Translation:** Not a hope in hell matey! Clamp with adjustable spanner then strike repeatedly with hammer.

**Instruction:** 'As described in Chapter 7.'

**Translation:** That'll teach you not to read through before you started, now you are looking at scary photos of the inside of a gearbox.

**Instruction:** 'Pry blah, blah'

**Translation:** Hammer a screwdriver into.

**Instruction:** 'Undo blah, blah.'

**Translation:** Go out and buy a tin of WD-40 (industrial size).

**Instruction:** 'Ease as blah, blah.'

**Translation:** Apply superhuman strength to it.

**Instruction:** 'Retain tiny spring and . . .'

**Translation:** 'Crikey what was that, it nearly knocked my eye out!'

**Instruction:** 'Press and rotate to remove bulb.'

**Translation:** Oh well – that's the glass bit taken out, now fetch some good pliers to dig out the bayonet part and remaining glass shards.

**Instruction:** 'Lightly'

**Translation:** Start off lightly and build-up till the veins on your forehead are throbbing. Then re-check the manual, because what you are doing now cannot be considered 'lightly'.

**Instruction:** 'Weekly checks.'

**Translation:** If it isn't broken don't fix it!

**Instruction:** 'Routine maintenance.'

**Translation:** If it isn't broken . . . it's about to be!

**Instruction:** 'One spanner rating (simple)'

**Translation:** Your Mum could do this. So how did you manage to botch it up?

**Instruction:** 'Two spanner rating'

**Translation:** Now you may think that you can do this because 'two' is a low, tiny little number. But remember you also thought that the wiring diagram was a map of the Tokyo underground (in fact, that could have been more use to you).

**Instruction:** 'Three spanner rating (intermediate)'

**Translation:** Make sure you won't need your car for a couple of days and that your RACV cover is Total Care.

**Instruction:** 'Four spanner rating'

**Translation:** You are seriously considering this ain't you; you the untrained one!

**Instruction:** 'Five spanner rating (expert)'

**Translation:** All right – but don't expect us to ride in it afterwards! Or –

**Translation:** Don't ever carry your loved ones in it again, and don't mention it to your insurance company.

**Instruction:** 'If not, you can fabricate your own special tool like this.'

**Translation:** Haha!

**Instruction:** 'Compress.'

**Translation:** Squeeze with all your might, jump up and down on, swear at it. Throw it at the garage wall. Then search for it in the dark corner of the garage whilst muttering 'Oh Bother' repeatedly under your breath.

**Instruction:** 'Inspect.'

**Translation:** Squint at really hard and pretend you know what you are looking at. Then declare in a loud knowing voice to your wife, "Yep, as I thought, it's going to need a new one!"

**Instruction:** 'Carefully.'

**Translation:** You are about to cut yourself!

**Instruction:** 'Retaining nut.'

**Translation:** Yes, that's it; that big spherical blob of rust.

**Instruction:** 'Get an assistant.'

**Translation:** Prepare to humiliate yourself in front of someone you know.

**Instruction:** 'Refitting is the reverse sequence to removal.'

**Translation:** But you swear in was in a different place.

**Instruction:** 'Prise away plastic locating pegs.'

**Translation:** Snap off.

**Instruction:** 'Using a suitable drift or pin-punch.'

**Translation:** The biggest nail in your tool box isn't a suitable drift!

**Instruction:** 'Everyday toolkit'

**Translation:** Ensure you have an RACV Card and Mobile Phone.

**Instruction:** 'Apply moderate heat.'

**Translation:** Placing your mouth near it and huffing isn't moderate heat. Or –

**Translation:** Heat up until glowing red. If it still doesn't come undone use a hacksaw.

**Instruction:** 'Apply moderate heat.'

**Translation:** Unless you have a blast furnace, don't bother. Clamp it with adjustable spanner then strike repeatedly with hammer.

**Instruction:** 'Index'

**Translation:** List of all the things in the book except the job you want to do!

**Instruction:** 'Remove oil filter using an oil filter chain spanner or a length of bicycle chain.'

**Translation:** Drive a screwdriver through it and strike handle repeatedly with a hammer.

**Instruction:** 'Replace old gasket with a new one'

**Translation:** I know I've got a tube of Silastic Goo around here somewhere.

**Instruction:** 'Grease well before refitting'

**Translation:** Spend an hour searching for your tub of grease before chancing upon a bottle of washing-up liquid. Wipe some congealed washing up liquid from the dispenser nozzle. Use that since it's got a similar texture and will probably get you to Super-Cheap to buy some Castrol grease.

**Instruction:** 'See illustration for details'

**Translation:** None of the illustration's notes will match the enlarged pictured numbered parts. The unit illustrated is from a previous or variant model.

*From A Schoolmate*

## BOOKING FORM – ABCCC CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



### Timing

Date: Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013  
Time: 12:00 Noon for 12:30 pm commencement  
Cost: \$35.00 pp

### Booking Details

Reserve Seats for . . . . . People

Name(s) . . . . .

*Note: Financial Club Members Only.*

Payment \$ . . . . .

Please Post this form and your Cheque, payable to the All British Classics Car Club Inc. to:  
Maxine Pettigrew, 16 Lawler Lane, Coldstream, Victoria, 3770. Telephone No.: (03) 9739 1146

*Note: If you do not wish to damage your magazine, a photocopy of this form will be quite acceptable.*

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