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Top photo: Rex Hall's !928 Chevrolet at the Homestead on Motoring Heritage Day.

Bottom photo: Jaguar XJ6, Triumph Stag, Mini Moke, Saab at the Homestead.

Photos courtesy of Greg Margetts.

Editor's Note

Hopefully more people can send me the odd photo in portrait mode so that I can consider them for a front cover. Apart from all the events we have done and are coming up we have an article from Lance Brazier about his visit back to NZ recently. I think Lance may have diesel running in his veins! Also, this month, just for a change we have a car for sale from a member, and it is a rare beast, a 1973 Jensen Healy.

David Cook

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President's Report

June already, why is it the older you get the quicker the time goes? We had a good May for Club events, the jazz lovers had a great time at Emerald Hill, a great few days in Moama and to cap it off a great display for Heritage motoring day, that's what this Club is all about. I would like to tell you a little story about my experience with VicRoads and the Club Permit Scheme (CPS) and to make members with cars on the CPS aware they are responsible for their permits, not VicRoads. In October last year my Lea Francis and Vanden Plas Princess came up for renewal, so I quickly signed the papers (because I can), wrote out a cheque and posted it back to them as I have been doing for years, then continued on with my life. Off to Mildura with the Club, Christmas Lunch and then in early February off to Tasmania for a month. On my return I picked up my mail and I had received a letter from VicRoads dated 25th Feb. stating "Your application cannot be processed because we haven't yet received your full payment, the cheque enclosed is for \$123.20 and the total cost is \$173.20, please send a new cheque and we will complete your renewal." So, I immediately wrote a new cheque and enclosed a copy of their letter, remember they still have all the paperwork, and continued on with my life. Towards the end of April, I realised I hadn't heard from VicRoads, so I phoned them and after 40mins hanging on and then transferred to another department I finally spoke to someone who knew what he was talking about. Bad news, my permits are cancelled, good news, send them a cheque and they will complete the process, they claimed they never received the second cheque I sent them. Next morning I took off to VicRoads Ringwood only to find they don't have any parking, you have to park at Eastlands or on the street, so after a fifteen minute walk with a arthritic big toe, I finally got to speak to a very helpful lady, who after many phone calls sorted everything out and one hour later I came home triumphant.

I was speaking to our treasurer Phil Cook, and he told me he had not received his CPS renewal for his Morgan due in June, and I advised him to get on to it quickly. Phil didn't waste time on the phone straight to VicRoads Ringwood. He was informed his permit had been cancelled but he had

proof of payment, and it turned out they had not processed the payment, so everything turned out well. On checking our latest CPS list of current cars from VicRoads, I noticed Phil's Morgan had been removed.

Last week the cps renewal for Maxines Porsche came in and as I already had a My VicRoads account I decided to pay online, I signed and scanned the documents and then went step by step through their easy to follow instructions and paid by credit card at a cost of .42c, cheaper than post. Three days later the receipt with all the details was emailed to me to be included with the logbook. In light of the hassles I have had, I highly recommend renewing online.

Keep Warm Regards from Coldstream. Tony Pettigrew President



Maxine and Tony at Heritage Day

What We Have Been Doing

Saturday 3rd May 2025 Big Band Concert

Cheers to John and Dawn for their exceptional recent jazz band event. The luncheon was delicious, and the musical performances provided by the extraordinarily talented band was truly a highlight.

The atmosphere was wonderful, adding to the enjoyment of the event. A special bravo to Ian Hodge for his wonderful sing-along – it truly added a special touch to the afternoon. Road to Gundagai that Ian dedication to his Ford fans!

It is no wonder that John and Dawn are regular attendees, always eager to watch and enjoy these exceptional jazz band members. We know Dawn loves her ice-cream ③









Article by Glenda Prewett

Monday 12th May to 15th May Relax on the Mighty Murray @ Moama - Quick Trip Recap

Attendees

Gordon Paterson & Gillian Hutchings	Ian & Mary Hodge	Richard & Barbara Wellard	
Peter & Michelle Flavelle	Terry & Elwynne Kift	Judi & Leon Cousins	
Garry & Glenda Prewett	Tony & Maxine Pettigrew	Jenny & John Mason	
Lance & Adele Brazier	Theo Hendriks	David Peck & Pam Telford	
Jack & Shirley Craven	Neil & Cathy Sproal (Guest)	Geoff & Lisa Odgers (Guest)	

As planned, we met up at Heathcote's Gaffney's Bakery for a quick catch-up and bite to eat before heading off to Moama and checking into our motel, Cadell's on the Murray.

Lance, Adele, David, and Pam brought their caravans or mobile homes and stayed at Maiden's Inn Caravan Park.

This trip was all about escaping the hustle and bustle of city life—relaxing by the Murray, enjoying the beautiful weather, and spending quality time together. That meant dinner gatherings, happy hour at the motel with river views, and a few fun events. Everyone seemed to enjoy the break! Day 2 – The Depot, Deniliquin

We visited The Depot in Deniliquin, where a couple of fun challenges were set up:

- For the men:
 - Q: What engine is in the 1946 Ford Jailbar commercial truck?
 - A: No one guessed it—it was an ISUZU-type 4-cylinder, 16-valve SOHC with a displacement of 5,193cc!
- For the women:
 - Q: Find the blue Combi with letters on the roof of each vehicle, then unscramble the letters.
 - A: The answer was Pink Cadillac.

There were four entries, with Gillian taking the win!

Day 3 – Cruise on the MV Mary Ann

Everyone loved the lunch and cruise aboard the MV Mary Ann, which was chartered exclusively for the ABCCC. We were joined by our invited guests, Neil & Cathy Sproal and Geoff & Lisa Odgers, who were warmly welcomed.

Fun Moments & Highlights

- Lance had a go at crabbing on the Murray—he caught a couple, kissed them (true fisherman style!), and threw them back in.
- Michelle was caught pick-pocketing John's stash of lollies from the Darrell Lea factory. It took a while to find out where the factory is—if you're curious, just ask Jenny!
- Our President Tony was spotted wearing Maxine's sun visor hat. Check out the photo—was it a bad hair day or a punk rocker impression? You decide!
- Judy reminded us to ring the bell on the boat, and we certainly had a go at that too!
- We had a Black & White Stripe Night, only not everyone was aware of that, but it was still a hit! The President requested a "black pants night" ... only to discover his own pants were actually grey! A classic mix-up that had everyone laughing.
- The courtesy buses were a great idea—except for the few "orphans" accidentally left behind at the motel! Just unlucky for Richard & Barbara, who were left behind twice! Don't worry, we did the right thing and sent the driver back for them
- We were lucky to have a healthcare professional among us, who kindly offered her podiatry skills to help out a few sore feet—talk about travelling in good company!
- Terry found what he thought was a comfy, quiet seat on an old dunny—only to later realise he was in full public view! Oh no... definitely not a good look!

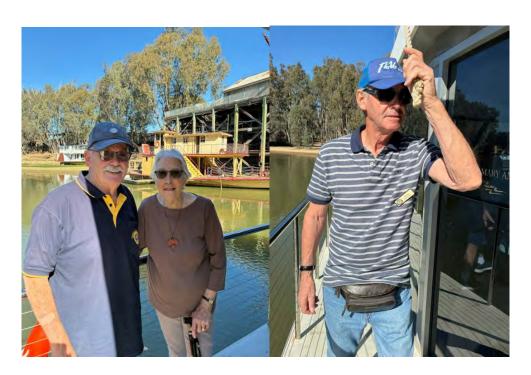
Near the river, a large gum tree proudly displayed the 2022 flood level—a stark reminder of
nature's power. Barbara stood beneath it to demonstrate just how high the water had risen.
It was a striking visual, with the mark towering well above her head. Gave everyone a real
sense of the flood's impact—and made for a great photo opportunity too!

It was also fantastic to catch up with fellow *Fly the Flaggers*, Geoff & Lisa, and share memories of the good old days.

The weather was perfect, the company even better—there's no better way to spend time than with our fellow ABCCC'ers! Thanks to Shirley Craven for sharing her photos. Wonderful as always.

Hope you enjoy the photos.

Glenda & Garry Prewett















Rex's Big Day Out.

Celebrating National Motoring Heritage Day 18th May 2025.

56 Club members attended Rex's Big Day Out to celebrate National Heritage Day. The visit to Stamford Park Homestead with vehicles on display on the lawns in front of the Homestead was a highlight with many visitors inspecting the Classics and Vintage with many complimentary comments given.





A list of club members attending and classic/Vintage displayed is shown below

HALL - Rex & Deanna	Chevrolet 1928 AB Tourer
PROVIS – John & Dawn	apology
BEAUMONT – Trevor & Jill	1996 Aston Martin DB7
MARGETTS – Greg & Lilly	1966 Morris MK1 Cooper S
TELMAGE – Graeme & Kate	apology
CONWAY – Tex & Leonie	2008 SAAB Eco Linear Cabriolet
TOOTELL – Anne & Bryan	apology
MAFODDA – Nello & Dianne	1976 Jaguar XJ6L series 2
WILSON – Robert & Anne-Marie	1982 Jaguar XJS HE.
CRAVEN - Jack & Shirl	1994 Jaguar Sovereign
BROARDBENT – John & Tia	1977 MG B Roadster
MASON – Jenny & John	1937 Packard Super 8 1500 Tourer

COOK – Phil & Ann	1974 Morgan 4/4
ROGERS – Ron & Glenda	1968 Morris Cooper S
COX – Tony	1952 Jaguar Mk VII
FLYNN – Ray & Hilda	1996 Jaguar XJ6
LAWRY – David & Julie	1967 MGB Roadster
PATERSON – Gordon & Gillian	1980 Leyland Moke
ANGLIN – Greg & Geraldine	1966 Jaguar Mark 10
PECK – David & Pam	1963 Rolls Royce Silver Cloud 3
DICKINSON - Gary	
WISHART – Leigh & Sandra	1967 Lotus Cortina MKII
GUNN – Graham & Mary	1966 Ford Mustang Coupe
McKiernan – Peter &Joan	apology
McCann – Robin & Freya	1996 Jaguar X300
CONSTANDINE – Chris &	1948 MG YA Type
Geraldine	
BIRKETT – Geoff & Judy	1962 Mini
PETTIGREW – Tony & Maxine	1950 Lagonda 2.6 L DHC
COATES – Barry & Kate	1969 Jaguar 420G
BROWN – Colin	1958 Jaguar XK150
SULLY – Terry & Elwynne	1970 Sunbeam Allegro
JOINER – Robyn & Robert	1965 Jaguar Mark II
COUSINS – Lein & Judy	apology
COOK – David & Joan	1981 Jaguar XJ6

Ben, Sienna and the Staff of the Homestead looked after all of our luncheon needs, which all enjoyed. Sienna chose the 1963 Rolls Royce Silver Cloud 3 of David Peck as her preferred classic and presented David with a \$100.00 Stamford Park Homestead meal voucher.



A history of the Stamford Park Homestead was presented by Kevin Coxhead who has taken a personal interest in the history of the Homestead. The presentation was much appreciated by club members.



Message from Kevin Coxhead:

Hello there, Rex and Deanna!

A very quick thank you for your very kind comments left on the Stamford Park Homestead Facebook Group.

It was a real pleasure speaking with your group recently and I am so glad you found my little talk and the information interesting. Thanks for chatting with me as well. It was lovely to meet you both.

Very warmest regards, Kevin

Some photos follow:











Stamford Park Homestead advertised the event on Facebook and has photos and comments. Log in to see the photos and give a comment.

It was a great day and thank you all for participating in the car show.

Cheers Rex and Deanna

CLUB INFORMATION

Visit the club's Website for information about how club matters are conducted. This Website also features information about how the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS) is operated by the All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc.

Our club does have one explicit rule – for those motor cars operating on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme (VCPS), using the auspices of the All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc., for the ongoing benefit of the VCPS, their owners must continue to be a financial member for the duration of the permit period, and attend a minimum of three club events during the permit's active year. Failure to respect this rule will result in the VCPS renewal being insupportable and void.

YOUR COMMITTEE

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The Federation of Veteran, Vintage and Classic Car Clubs Website http://www.federation.asn.au/

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On The Web http://www.abccc.com.au

On Facebook www.facebook.com/AllBritishClassicsCarClub

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MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual membership subscription for the All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc. is \$45.00 per annum. This subscription fee also includes the club member's partner. In addition to that, there is a once-only \$30.00 Joining Fee. Please address membership enquiries to: Membership Secretary PO Box 190 Coldstream Victoria, 3770. Telephone Number 03 9739 1879.

LIFE MEMBERS

The All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc was founded by the late Frank E Douglas on 19th September 1997. The Club is proud to grant Life Membership to those who provide exceptional service to our club.

Current Life Members are: Pat J Douglas, Mike Allfrey, Tony & Maxine Pettigrew, Colin Brown

CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

ABCCC is a VicRoads authorised Club to participate in the VicRoads Club Permit Scheme (CPS)

The ABCCC has set rules & conditions for operating a motor vehicle [twenty-five (25) years old and older on the CPS, for further information about how the CPS is conducted by the All British Classics Car Club please visit the club's Website Link ABCCC Club Permit Scheme information All the information is available online.

- 1. **Initial contact** should be made with the club's Vehicle Logbook Club Permit Scheme (VLCPS) Applications Officer, currently Wally Thompson. He will advise the procedure for application with respect to the conditions set by the ABCCC. He must also provide a first inspection of the vehicle.
- 2. PERMIT RENEWALS VicRoads requires that an ABCCC authorised VLCPS Officer's signature is entered on the permit renewal notice. Therefore, your VLCPS 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 VLCPS 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.

Both Wally & Colin's position are entirely voluntary, so due consideration should be given when contacting them.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Payment of ABCCC Annual Fees of \$45.00 are due by 1st January each year.

Please post or transfer money to: All British Classics Car Club, Membership Secretary PO Box 190 Coldstream Victoria, 3770. Tel 0438 508 235

Bank details: BSB 063 863, A/c No.1001 3709, please provide your surname as a and "dues" as reference.

Please note that, should you be unfinancial and driving a classic car under the auspices of our club on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme, you are effectively driving an unregistered motor vehicle.

Renewal Form can be downloaded from the ABCCC Website if required to update information.

Thank you, Ed Bartosh

NEW MEMBERS

A hearty welcome to the well-oiled machine that is the All British Classics Car Club. We hope to be able to welcome you and, in actual fact, your British classic motor cars, at one of 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	Year	Car	Model
Neil & Cathy Sproal	1998	MG	F
Chris Logue	1954	Jaguar	Mk7





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Some more photos from the Heritage Day courtesy of Shirley Craven









ABCCC EVENTS DIRECTORY

Note: This ABCCC Events Directory lists only those events organised by the ABCCC. Only those events scheduled in this Directory qualify for Victorian Club Permit Scheme requirements. All events are also listed on the club website.

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ABCCC Calendar of Events for 2025 If you are attending any of these events please contact the Organiser, as numbers are often required Further details will be provided closer to the event					
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				June 2025	
				6 th to 9 th June	Kings Birthday Hamilton Rally ABCCC Contact only Tony Pettigrew
				18 th June	A run to Flinders Peter McKiernan
				29 th June	Jervis-Read Run Robyn Jervis-Read
July 2025	July 2025 August 2025		25	September 2025	
6 th July	ABCCC Annual Club Luncheon Colin Brown	3 rd to 9 th Aug	Federation Open Tour Contact Michelle Goddard Mob 0409 185 906	17 th Sept	Gippsland Run Graham Talmage
13 th to 19 th	Interclub run QLD & VIC (Leigh & Lance)	20 th Aug	Pub Run Greg & Geraldine Anglin	19 th to 22 nd Sept	Sandra's September Tocumwal Air Show
20 th July	The Wesburn Lunch - Warby Hotel Bryan Tootell 0412 549 906				
		November 2025		December 2025	
12 th Oct	Tops Down Phil Cook	14 th to 16 th Nov	The Justly Famous Indulgence Tour Peter McKiernan	14 th Dec	Christmas Lunch Maxine Pettigrew
22 Oct	Picnic in the Park Greg & Geraldine Anglin	26 Nov	Coffee with the Braziers Lance & Adele Brazier		
26 Oct	Terrys Tour Ian & Lyn Terry				

Look at what events are coming up soon?



A Run to Flinders

Wednesday 18th June 2025

Hopefully the weather Gods will be good to us on that day.

We will meet at the BP service station, 1501 Eastlink Southbound at Scoresby, for 9-30 am.

Following our morning refreshments, we will depart along East link joining Peninsula link for a tour through the Mornington Peninsula arriving at our luncheon venue, the Flinders Hotel, where we can enjoy the fare and a drink prior to returning home (note only one drink maybe two.)

If you wish to be part of this event please advise Peter McKiernan on 0407 876 023 or e-mail petermckiernan@tpg.com.au

Look forward to seeing you on the 18th

ABCCC Lunch – Sunday 29 June 2025

Drive straight to:

The Vic Bar and Bistro 67 High Street Woodend

11.15 - 11.30 am - Arrive

If you would like a tea or coffee - order downstairs at the bistro bar with your name.

Your coffee will be delivered to you upstairs.

Continue upstairs and select your seats at the table of your choice.

Select your lunch from the menus and order from the bar upstairs with your table number.

12.00 - 1.15 pm

Your meals will be delivered to your table.

Enjoy your lunch.

Tea and coffee can be ordered as required from the bar.

1.15 – 1.20 pm approx.

Move across to the film viewing seating area.

1.20 - 3.30 pm approx.

Film show – Ferrari.

There will be an interval, and classic Magnums can be ordered from the bar.

After the film by all means stay for tea or coffee, which can be ordered from the bar.

There are toilets available just off the eating/viewing area.

Contact Robin Jervis-Read 0412 258 998 or jervisread@ozemail.com.au



ABCCC ANNUAL CLUB LUNCH

Sunday July 6th, 2025, Eastwood Golf Club 332 Liverpool Road Kilsyth South Time: 12.00 noon for 12.30pm



The annual club luncheon will be at the same great venue as last year, book early to make sure of a place.

Members Only, as it is a club subsidised lunch with drinks Cost of this luncheon is \$40 per person,

Menu: Alternate Drops.

Entrée: Potato & Pumpkin Gnocchi, with bacon, tomato & basil.

Pork Belly, with carrot smear, plum jus and golden crackle.

Main: Chicken Breast, filled with Yarra Valley Feta, sundried tomato and spinach, placed on scallop potato with Pesto Velouté.

Slow roasted Lamb Shank, with roasted vegetables and sweet potato mash.

Dessert: Sticky Date pudding, with butterscotch sauce and cream.

Baked Berry Cheesecake, with cream and Berry Coulis.

Pre booking and payment is required by Friday 20th June Please include member name on deposit slip Bank details: CBA BSB: 063-863 A/C: 10013709

Please confirm payment and any dietary requirements to: colin.brown@hotkey.net.au

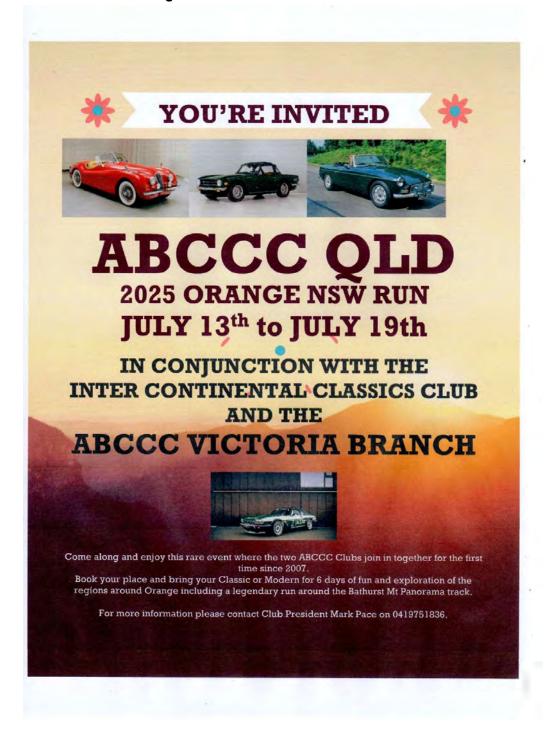
Sunday 13th to 19th July ABCCC Inter Club Gathering



QLD & VIC ABCCC clubs are looking to gather around Orange NSW

Lance has advised that this tour was previously fully booked with 15 vehicles from Victoria (30 people) and 15 vehicles from Queensland attending. However apparently there are still some places available if anyone is interested. See Flyer below from ABCCC Queensland Branch.

Victoria ABCCC Contacts are Leigh Wishart 0403 243 700 & Lance Brazier 0403 032 158



The Wesburn Lunch

Sunday, 20th July

You are invited to join us at the 'Warby Hotel', Wesburn for lunch at midday.

After leaving Lilydale, turn right onto the Warburton Highway and proceed just over 30 kms. to Wesburn.

Please respond by 14 July to the Tootells so catering can be finalised.

Bryan and Anne Tootell 0412 549 906



Before and after of the Warburton Hotel

A trip into Gippsland in your favourite classic on Wednesday 17th September 2025



Take a trip for lunch into the wilds of Gippsland, meet at the Lilydale Lake at 9-30 am for departure by 10 am. We will drive to our lunch spot via such places as Neerim South, Ripplebrook, Loch for a loo stop and stretch those muscles and on to the Cape Patterson Tavern where Michael is waiting to welcome you into his restaurant.

I have invited members from Bass Coast Historical Automobile Club who will join us at Loch.

I need to confirm numbers by the 10^{th of} September as Michael is opening specially for us.

Please either ring my mobile 0419 399 752 or e-mail hydewood@bordernet.com.au

Graham Talmage



Sandra's September Run – 19th to 22nd 2025

This year we are off to Tocumwal for the Air Show, and we only have 17 rooms available. Starting point will be McDonalds on the Hume Highway, Wallan @ 9.45 am for 10.30 am departure on the Friday. We will be going through some lovely little towns following the Art Silo Trail on the way to Barooga and we will be stopping for lunch at Goorambat Railway Hotel where a booking has been made for 12.30 pm. On Saturday George and Lorraine have put together some ideas for us, one being a visit to a property where the owner has some very interesting machinery. One is a tractor that he installed an aircraft engine into for a tractor pull. In Berrigan the Op Shop will be open from 10.30 to 12.30. The bakery will be open until 1pm and the book shop will be open until 4pm. Lorraine mentioned that the book shop has 18 rooms of all kinds of books with chairs and couches in various spots to sit and peruse the books.

Of course on Sunday we will be off to George and Lorraine's to watch the Air Show.

At the moment there are 3 spaces available for anybody wanting to come along. If you want any more information, please don't hesitate to call either Leigh 0403 243 700 or Sandra 0402 215 367. Looking forward to seeing you there.



Events of interest: Calendar dates from Federation and AOMC, All the details of these events are published on **AOMC** or Federation websites



2025

2nd August 2024 (Woorineen)

3rd to 9th August 2025 31st August 2025

18th October 2025

2026 August/September 2026

Federation – Delegates Meeting –

Federation - Open Tour ** Federation - Marong Picnic

Federation – Delegates Meeting – (Llanelly)

Golden Oldies Tour https://www.aomc.asn.au/events ** Open Tour Entry form available from Federation website 3rd to 9th August 2025

Wheels and Tracks at Wanaka, NZ.

At Easter Lance Brazier, one of our members returned to his old stamping ground in New Zealand to get his diesel fix at Wanaka near Queenstown. His story follows:

When retiring in Batemans Bay 7 years ago Adele and I sold our fleet of water tankers and tippers. Many years before that I had worked for an earthmoving firm in NZ named Baker Construction, since renamed CR Developments but still owned by the Ross family of Cambridge. Over the years we have kept in touch and visited their museum a few times.

I was invited to a reunion at the Luggate Hotel on Thursday night and a lot of dirt was shifted and beer drunk. Friday at Wanaka was an earth movers only day with all old classes of machinery at work at different times. My highlight was the Green Machines, Terex and Euclid's at work mostly with 71 series GM two strokes. Beautiful music from twin engine bulldozers and scrapers!

Saturday and Sunday was a big programme at the arena including 54 Land Rovers, classic cars, various classes of classic trucks, traction engines and steam trucks, 242 Caterpillars, machines and motorised trucks in one place broke the world record!

Amongst the 500 tractors there were some doing tractor pulls. There was a rally car demo, snow machine racing and much more. A World War 2 submarine engine on a trailer created a lot of interest when it was fired up with nitrogen.

Approximately 350 trucks were in attendance with a lot from the north island and some from Australia, including locally built Kenworth's from Bayswater. The largest Mack production truck producing 770 Hp was impressive. Sludge and Yogi from Outback Truckers were there as well as me.

Classic buses assisted people to get around the three parks with 7 bus stops.

40,000 people were expected but 65,000 turned up over the three days. I was probably counted three times! If you had a bit of dirt, petrol or diesel in your blood it was just HEAVEN!

This was to be the last Wheels at Wanaka because the site is going to be built on.

As a top up we went to the Wanaka Toy and Transport Museum on Monday for a few hours where it only got better.

I hope some of you enjoyed my brief story as much as I did getting my fix.





Classifieds

Car For Sale: 1973 Jensen Healy Roadster - Mk 1



Body completely rust free.

New genuine floors and rails, professionally welded and sealed.

Older red paint with some minor dents.

New soft top and tonneau cover.

New tyres and wheels refurbished.

Drives OK with original engine and gearbox.

Registration recently expired with no RWC.

Requires suspension and steering bushes with some wiring tidy up, etc.

Interior requires a new complete carpet kit and dash pad repair plus fascia, available ex. UK.

Some parts and history available.

Asking: \$9,500.

Call Rob 0418 538 155

Available to view during business hours in Braeside, Vic.