



# ALL BRITISH CLASSICS CAR CLUB

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**An incorporated club**

*A friendly family social motoring club*

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*Your A.B.C. News*

## **Vic & Qld inter-club meet at DENMAN**

This first meeting of the joint clubs, held at the Myambat Army Base in the Upper Hunter Valley was very successful.

Approx. 30 car lovers attended & enjoyed the interchange of ideas as well as the interesting scenery in that area.

We visited a number of Horse Stud Farms & we are now all very up to date on that old subject of multiplication of the species.

A visit to the Rosemont Estate Winery was interesting but most of all I think we enjoyed the rock bottom prices in the Army mess..

Just 35 cents for a top port.... We must do this again..

## **Pre War Vauxhaul Roadster at Denman**



### **President**

**Frank Douglas**

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**Tom Verney 9584 3482**

### **Treasurer**

**Tony Hodges**

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### **Secretary**

**Val Jefferyes**

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### **EVENTS**

**Chris Gardner 5942 7535**

**Lyn Higginson 9370 5236**

**Tom Cannon 9791 2949**

**Ray Higginson 9370 5236**

**Early morning runs**

**Neil Wakeman 0411 456 047**

### **Membership**

**John Gardner**

**5942 7535**



# Members Cars Lotus Elan Plus 2S



## Jim & Carol Price of Mornington

This car was imported new into Queensland in 1970 and had three owners in that state. In 1986 it was brought to Victoria by the fourth owner and purchased by the present owners in 1996. The car is almost completely original and has been carefully maintained over the years. It has the original owners handbook, service book and tool kit.

### HISTORY

The Lotus Elan Roadster was introduced in 1962 and was joined by the Larger Lotus Elan Plus 2 (2 occasional seats in the back) in 1967 intended for the Lotus driver with a young family. In Late 1968 the model was updated and made more luxurious and designed a Plus 2S (the first production car by Lotus not made available as a kit car). In 1971 the engine was upgraded to 126BHP and the model became a Plus 2S 130. In 1973 the car came with an optional 5 speed gearbox and production ceased in 1974.

### SPECIFICATIONS/TECHNICAL DATA

Reg number	LTS 002	Transmission	4 speed manual all synchro mesh
Colour	External White	Brakes	10" disc all round
	Trim Black	Suspension	
Construction	Fibreglass body	Front	Independent, coils, wishbones. Struts, anti-sway bar
	Steel backbone chassis	Rear	Independent, coils wishbones, chapman struts
Chassis no	7005 1000 76M	Length	14 ft
Engine no	F22652	Width	5 ft 6 in
Engine	Lotus Ford	Height	3 ft 11 in
	4 cyl twin cam	Fuel cap.	13 gallons
	1558 cc 82.55mm x 72.7mm	Drag factor	0.30 cd
	compression 9.5 to 1		
Power	118 BHP at 6250 RPM		
Torque	112 LB/FT at 4000 RPM		
Max Speed	120 plus MPH		
Standing ¼ mile	16.4 seconds		
Carburetors	2 dual choke weber		

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## Our new banner gets its first outing at scone

### 12 ESCAPEES MAKE IT TO Warburton

Sunday 21 March saw another of the very popular "escape" runs for British Sports Cars or those, like your vice-president's modified Rover 90 with sporting pretensions. Twelve of us, myself a first timer, turned up in the pre-dawn around 7 a.m. At Nunawading Civic Centre in a wide ranging spread of cars all the way from Rob and Maressa Rowland's mighty A.C. Cobra, its unpainted (as yet) aluminum body revealing what a sound and original car it is, to Steve Siladji's showroom Morris Cooper S, two stunning Sprites, organizer Neil Wakeman's green one and a blue one of Mike Summers accompanied by Ned Haverckin. A superlative Sunbeam Alpine owned by Michael Ban, the 'xotic XJS V12 of A.B.C. Club Prez Frank Douglas, two magnificent MGB's both in the rare light blue paintwork, a '66 model owned by Russell Rennie and Malcolm Young's '67 model, a brace of terrific Triumphs, Graeme Hayme's TR4 and a TR6 owned by Peter Lacey accompanied by son Kieran completing the line up, a heavenly Austin Healey owned by Bob Pethard.

We set off promptly at 7.15am and soon turned off the Maroondah Highway, taking the much more interesting back roads to Lilydale via Wonga Park. A spectacular sunrise was accompanied by glorious exhaust barks from assorted sports cars. Leaving the Maroondah Highway again via the Warburton Highway we were slowed down for a while behind a leisurely horse box eventually it turned off and we were soon in picturesque Warburton where we parked right by the Yarra River for coffee and a natter.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable morning's run and we had the best of the day, so if you have a British Classic with a bit of get up and go, why not join the "escapees" on their next Sunday morning run? I guarantee you won't regret it.

Ton Verney - Vice President.

Dates for early morning runs in May are:- 16th and 30th. Nunawading Civic Centre 7.am. Enquiries Neil Wakeman - 0411 456 047



# Joint Vic & Qns Clubs at Scone Racecourse



## Treasurers Report.. 12.2.99 till 8.4.99

**Cash book balance 12.2.99** **284.32**

**Add receipts for the period:**

<b>Members subscriptions</b>	<b>446.00</b>	
<b>Donation - Peninsula Health</b>	<b>2500.00</b>	<b>2946.00</b>

<b>Sub total</b>	<b>3230.32</b>
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**Less expenses:**

<b>Andamooka Rally</b>	<b>150.00</b>	
<b>Printing and stationery</b>	<b>122.35</b>	
<b>Name badges</b>	<b>364.00</b>	
<b>Club banner</b>	<b>225.00</b>	
<b>Bank charges</b>	<b>3.99</b>	<b>865.34</b>

<b>Cash book balance 8.4.99</b>	<b>2364.98</b>
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**Bank reconciliation**

<b>Statement P.20</b>	<b>2721.13</b>
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**Less unpresented cheques**

<b>24</b>	<b>25.00</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>281.15</b>

<b>balance as per cash book</b>	<b>2364.98</b>
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**Tony Hodges - Club Treasurer**



# Events Events Events

## 2 May Pakenham Picnic.

Hosted by the Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club inc.  
Come along and enjoy an old fashioned country picnic..

BYO Picnic lunch-- Tea & coffee supplied..

We will meet at Mc Donalds car park Pakenham. Melways 216. C6  
at 9.45 am so that we can drive to the Pakenham Racecourse  
AS A CLUB.

Details.. Ring Tom Cannon 9791 2949.

### SPECIAL ADVANCE NOTICE

Keep 18-19 September free as we are planning a visit to the  
Phillip Island Racetrack.

## 23 May.. A tour of the Dandenong Ranges with their Autumn tining.. Picnic B.B.Q

Meet at the Stamford Hotel in Wellington Rd car park at 10.am. For 10.15 am start.

Morning tea at Cardina Reservoir with the kangaroos. Along Wellington Road to  
Mt Dandenong Tourist Road. We then wander through the villages and the exotic  
autumn toned scenery until we arrive at the Observatory at the summit of Mt  
Dandenong where we stop for a picnic/BBQ lunch. After that we suggest a visit  
to the wonderful William Ricketts Sanctuary.

**6 June A visit to the Stately Mansion - Rupertswood at Sunbury where we will  
have a light lunch at the old gate house.**

**26 June Wine Tasting night at the Club Rooms, 737 Boronia Road. Wantirna - 7.30pm**

**10 July Saturday Night our Annual Dinner at The House of Cray at Mt Waverley.  
This is a wonderful dinner at \$25 a head and the company will be fellow Club Members.**

**24 July Trivia Night at the Club Rooms at 737 Boronia Road Wantirna - 7 for 7.30pm**

**1 - 21 August The Andamooka Opal Safari our exciting Opal Mining adventure.**

**5 September Either the Tram Museum at Kilmore or the Point Cook Air Museum.**

**18 - 19 September Phillip Island**

**3 October A visit to a wonderful private car museum on the fringes of Melbourne**

**17 October Either the Point Cook Museum or the Tram Museum at Kilmore.**

**30 October - 2 November (Melbourne Cup weekend) To be advised.**

**21 November Observation Run.**

**5 December Christmas Party at Frank & Pat Douglas's place.**

**31 December Year 2000 New Years Party at Frank & Pat Douglas's place.**

## Join in & ENJOY life



**This page is reserved for Members contributions... Put pen to paper????**

## **INAUGURAL ALL BRITISH CLASSIC CAR CLUB EASTER RALLY**

During the Easter weekend Frank & Pat Douglas, Tom Verney, Val Jefferyes and Tom & Heather Cannon attended the inaugural All British Classic Car Club Easter rally at Myambat army base at Denman N.S.W, 14 members attended from the QLD Club, 4 visitors from N.S.W. And our 6 members. We were looking forward to meeting the members from the Queensland club.

Saturday morning Craig, from Upper Hunter Tours arrived with a bus to show us the sights of the upper hunter valley, after driving for a day and a half we were all looking forward to letting someone else do the driving. The rest of the day was spent visiting the local sights that included, Woodlands horse stud and Rosemount estate winery, The day was finished off with more socialising in the officer's mess, enjoying the army's tax free prices.

Sunday morning found us back in our cars with Craig leading us on another tour. This time we would visit the Vinery horse stud where we were met by Graham Cochrane, the Vinerys stallion manager, who gave us a tour of the stud farm and an insight in the operations of breeding racehorses. Comment's relating to the value and performance of a good stud cannot be repeated, let's just say there were a few. After lunch at the Glenbawn dam we continued sightseeing in the Scone district.

Sunday evening was the masked ball where some interesting ideas were used for masks and although the Queensland club won the prizes for the best and worst masks, the Victorian club won all 3 prizes in the raffle, and you can't be much fairer than that.

Monday morning after packing cars and saying our goodbyes, it was time to head home.

Many thanks go to John Gagen for organising a great weekend.

*Tom & Heather Cannon*

**Thanks Tom & Heather.**

**Who has the next item to print?**