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YOUR A.B.C. NEWS



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During a recent holiday in Phuket Thailand Pat Douglas was checking out replacement pets for her Rottweiler Brutus. Jumbo seemed to be about the right size, however shipping Jumbo on a Jumbo is a problem.

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**9 September.. A DELI Run organized by Ross Wolstenholme
Ring Ross on 5975 0970 .We will be starting at Berwick &
travelling approx 180 km thru some of the most interesting
Gippsland countryside calling at interesting deli stops..**

See details in THIS Magazine.

No events scheduled during the Olympic Games.

October..

**15th Combined event with the Antique Airplane Association of
Australia at Riddells Creek.. Read Oct Magazine for details.**

November..

**4th to 7th. Melbourne Cup long weekend visit to EDEN. Including
an opportunity to go Whale watching.. We have 12 booked for
The Whale adventure & would like your company for this
interesting long weekend. Ring Heather Cannon on 97912949.**

Have a whale of a time...

Join in & ENJOY life

You only have ONE LIFE.. This is it, use it, or lose it

FOR EVER

CLUB CHIT CHAT

New members. Lewis Johnson & Hymie & Lorraine Greenblat have recently joined. WELCOME, enjoy our friendship as we will enjoy yours.

We have had a rush of membership inquiries lately so look forward to more members joining in with us.

Club two way radio's.

We will be using our radios on the Sept 9 Deli run & will give a briefing on how to operate them prior to the start. Have fun using them on the run but treat them kindly & remember to RETURN them at the end of the day to either Frank Douglas or Ross Wolstenholme. They will need recharging prior to their next outing..

tech warning for everybody

"Fire Damaged Motor Parts"

Mr. Paul Walters, the Executive Director of the TACC, recently drew the attention of the motor trade to a hazard that could cause the loss of a limb to any person who inadvertently comes in contact with fire damaged motor vehicles or spare parts. Mr. Walters quoted from a NRMA technical bulletin which issued a grim warning about "Vitron", a material found in head gaskets, O-rings, oil seals, drive belts and electrical items.

Vitron is a fluoro-elastomer, or, in lay terms, a synthetic rubber-like material containing fluorine. When subject to temperatures above 600 deg C, Vitron can partially decompose into highly dangerous hydrofluoric acid. At this stage, the melted substance looks like a black sticky mass where the hydro-fluoric acid may have condensed as a clear liquid onto the burnt part of adjacent equipment. The acid is extremely corrosive and almost impossible to remove-especially from human tissue. What is a real concern is that in dilute form, the acid does not cause any burning or stinging sensation when it comes in contact with the skin.

The first thing that the unfortunate victim is aware of is the appearance of a small bleached area on the skin, some hours after initial contact. By this time the acid has leached into the internal tissue and has eaten away the bone mass. The best that can be expected at this point is for the exposed area to be amputated.

So, before carrying out any work on fire damaged vehicles or stock, a check for decomposed drive belts hoses, seals or gaskets, which appear as a "charred or black sticky mass". Under no circumstances touch either the component or surrounding area. Decontaminate the affected areas by cleaning with wire wool and detergent and make sure that you wear heavy-duty neoprene or plastic gloves and heavy-duty overalls.

September 9.....

NOT TO BE MISSED

Join us with your Classic Car on the **GREAT JINDIVICK GOURMET DELI COUNTRY TRAIL**

Meet at the **BERWICK MOBIL Service Station** approx 5 km east of Berwick on the M1 Freeway towards Warragul for 9 am **DEPARTURE.**

- # Programme will include two way radio's on **LOAN** to each car.
- # Morning tea **AT THE ROBIN HOOD INN.**
- # Oakbank-Angora & Alpaca farm, to look & buy locally made goods.
- # Jindivic Smokehouse. Local smoked hams, trout etc etc.
- # Jindivic Nursery- for the green finger brigade.
- # Redback Gourmet Chili. Table sauces, chutneys, relishes etc etc.

- # **LUNCH** at Neerim South **KINGS ARMS HOTEL BISTRO.** Good food and just great country views..

- # **Woodfired Bake House,** Just a short walk up the road from lunch.
- # **Noojee Trout Fish Farm.** Catch your own fish or just buy for dinner.
- # **Piano Hill- Farmhouse cheese** etc etc.
- # **Had enough.** Well we will wend our way home via an antique shop.

Distance from Berwick is approx 180 km so bring your Classic & come & join us on a great outing. Inquiries, Ross at 5975 0970.

WHALE WATCHING TOUR WEEKEND

Well the Melbourne cup weekend is fast approaching and the whale watching weekend plans are falling into place nicely. The whale watching tour is currently all booked but anyone is welcome to ring me and put there name down, because there is always the possibility that someone can't go so there is a vacancy.

We are planning on staying at the **WHALE FISHER MOTEL - 170 Imlay street, Eden 2551**

PH 02-6496-1266 which is in the main street of Eden, it has only one entrance and the owners residence is at the front of the motel. Overlooking the ocean, it looks to be a nice place to stay with the fisherman's club across the road. We are asking everyone to make their own bookings as soon as possible, \$55 double or twin, \$44 single. Although the Whale watching tour is full we welcome people who would like to come along just for the weekend. We are planing on spending one day at the **BEGA CHEESE FACTORY** in Bega and then we are visiting a winery that is close by, any other time that we have to spare we will decide as a group what to do.

The Whale watching tour is \$50 per person could the people who are going please send a cheque of \$25 per person to Tony Hodges (the club Treasurer) at 41 Harvey street-Anglesea, vic 3230 by the 16th of September so he can forward it on.

The Whale watching tour sounds like it will be a fascinating outing, we leave the dock early in the morning and are out for about four hours aboard the "CAT BALOU" on the way we hope to come up close to some whales. The whales we are most likely to see are **HUMPBAC, SOUTHERN RIGHT, MINKIE, KILLER AND THE RARE BLUE WHALES,** on the way will be given morning tea and soup on the return journey. So watchout for more in the next magazine.

Any enquires ring Heather Cannon 9791-2949 or 0410497912

During the recent Thailand holiday this charcoal sketch of club president Frank Douglas was done. Excellent dart board material.....



The ABC Club is looking at having a joint Easter 2001 meeting with our QLD ABC Club. We need to visit Wellington & do some research. Anyone interested in going with Frank Douglas to do this please ring Frank on 9739 4829.....

Wellington.

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The world famous Western Plains Zoo is only 45 minutes up the road. Take a drive to Mudgee and discover the many wineries. Visit Orange and Cabonne Country, Australia's food basket. There's plenty to see and do in Explorer Country.

With quality, affordable accommodation, some great restaurants and traditional country pubs, Wellington, in the heart of Explorer Country, is the ideal base to discover the wonders of the region.

Look forward to seeing you soon!!

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Thats the **LAST STRAW**

Two straw brooms were hanging in the closet & after a while they got friendly & then decided to get married.

The Bride Broom was very beautiful in her white dress & the Groom Broom was handsome in his tuxedo.

The wedding was lovely. After the wedding, during the bridal dance the Bride broom whispered to the Groom broom, "I think I am going to have a little whisk broom!..

IMPOSSIBLE!!! Said the Groom broom.....

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Wait for it...

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----- "WE HAVEN'T EVEN SWEEPED TOGETHER"!!!!

Early morning run. The next early morning run is on the Tenth of September. Details from Neil Wakeman on 0411 .456.047. The last run had 21 cars participating.. Apart from cleaning up a kangaroo, all enjoyed themselves.. Good one Neil !

THE LONE RANGER And **TONTO**

The Lone Ranger & Tonto were in a bar when a cowboy walked in & wanted to know who owned the white horse outside. The Lone Ranger said "I do, why?" The cowboy replied. "I thought you would like to know the horse is in a poor way." The Lone Ranger & Tonto rushed outside & the horse Silver was suffering heat exhaustion. They got water to Silver & soon the horse was feeling a little better. The Lone Ranger said to Tonto. "I want you to run around Silver & see if you can create a breeze & cool Silver down." Tonto said "Yes Kemosabe ." & started running circles around the horse. The Lone Ranger returned inside to finish his drink. Several minutes later another cowboy enters & says, "Who owns the white horse outside?" The Lone Ranger stands up & says. "I do, what's wrong now?" The cowboy looks him in the eye & says....

Wait for it.....

"Nothing,,,,,,," "BUT YOU LEFT YOUR INJUN RUNNING."!!!!!!!!!!!!