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Greg Anglin enjoying the ABCCC event Hill Climb at Christmas Hills. Did the Hills come alive, read more about the event on page 9



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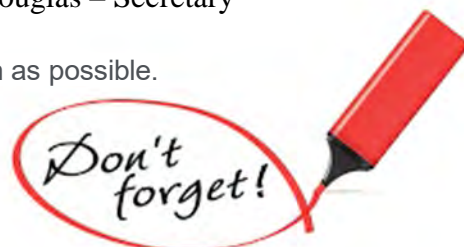
NOTICE OF THE 2022 ABCCC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

Sunday 20th March, 2022

Make sure you have this date in your calendar & RSVP now

The venue for our Annual General Meeting will be at the **Crown Hotel, 273 Main St, Lilydale**. The meeting will be preceded by lunch at 12:00 noon and the meeting will commence at 2:00 pm. Cost of lunch is \$20.00 and drinks are at bar prices. Please advise Pat Douglas if you intend to join us for lunch for catering reasons, and with requests for items to be placed on the Agenda. Telephone Number 0425 712 973 or, E-mail secretary@abccc.com.au
All lunches to be paid for on entry with cash please. Pat Douglas – Secretary

If you haven't **renewed your membership** yet, please do so as soon as possible.



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.

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MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS – *Have you renewed?*

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. **Note: Membership subscriptions are NOW due**

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 and Mike Allfrey

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, 2022. Please post or Transfer money to: All British Classics Car Club, Membership Secretary PO Box 190 Coldstream Victoria, 3770. Tel 0438 508 235

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.

Bank details: BSB 063 863, A/c No.1001 3709, please provide your details as a reference. Renewal Form can be downloaded if required to update information, from the ABCCC Website. 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 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!

<u>Name</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Year</u>
Andrew & Cheryl Soligo	Cadillac DeVille		1966
Alan & Barbara Neal	Jaguar XJ6 Heritage		1997

Ed Bartosh – Membership Secretary

Did you watch last month's recommendation?
Here are a couple more.....

History of Sunbeam motor company (documentary)



2007 Fly the Flag & Alpine tour
(thanks Gordon Lindner's collection) - Great memories



press the red buttons

Feedback on the 'Mildred' Story

We enjoyed immensely the interesting articles & fun in the January ABCCC newsletter! The story of the 'MILDRED', the 1965 M/M is wonderful. The visit to the North Harcourt Morris Minor Garage was very interesting to Sandy & me. I bought the book offered covering the "ONE IN A MILLION" M/Minor restored 1,000,000. For those who may not have visited others that have, a web site is worthy of a look: www.morrisminorgarage.com
I have restored a few early M/M's in the past & still hold fond memories of them. Peter Hibbert

Extract below obtained from www.morrisminorgarage.com

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A Minor Classic

People | Holly McKay

IT may have taken two years but one Canterbury man has achieved more than he could dream.

Richard McKellar and his father Bill restored a 1960 Morris Minor One Million. Richard has written and self-published *Morris Minor One in a Million: A Father and Son Restoration Adventure*, a hard copy coffee table book that tells how they restored the the old "morry minor" together.

The book will be launched this month but has so far sold about 250 copies in Australia and the United Kingdom.

Richard said they imported the car from the UK in 1994 and it was used to teach his children how to drive.

He said the car was kept at his father's home in North Harcourt and in 2008 the pair decided to restore it.

"I would bring parts home with me and work on them in the lounge," Richard said.

He said the idea to write a book had been a life-long dream.



Richard McKellar has written a book about how he and his father Bill restored a Morris Minor One Million. N41PP238

"I'd always wanted to write a book and I thought what better to write about than Morris Minors and restoring one with my father," he said.

The book was "full of humour, tech talk and history" and included about 500 photos of the restoration in progress, Richard said.

"It brought us closer

together, it became a talking point."

The car was now sitting at the Morris Minor Garage Museum in North Harcourt with the 15 other cars he and his father had restored over the years, he said.

The book is available at Dymocks in Camberwell and Motor Book World in Canterbury.

Sunbeam 1935 (known as the Bank Car)

Chassis built in Wolverhampton, England and is believed to be one of the last five Sunbeam chassis ever to roll off the assembly line before Sunbeam was taken over by Talbot and Durac.

Chassis was purchased by Bank of NSW and body built to order in Australia by Diskon and Molyneux of Sydney under the instructions of Mr Henry Davis, the Transport Manager of the Bank at that time.

The vehicle had special security features to order including all four doors opening from the front (double suicide doors), no boot, a hidden security/document compartment below the rear floor and two spare tyres.

The body is of Australia hard wood and has an aluminum skin with special reinforcing for the "rough Aussie conditions" faced by vehicles of the day.

The vehicle was used for many years by Sir Alfred Davidson, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank of NSW. The Bank Car as it became known, car was retained till 1950.

For many years until 1950, the car with a driver was used by the Chairman of the Bank of NSW and was also at the disposal of Thomas Baker Heffer, for official duties as the General Manager of the bank. Thomas Baker Heffer was General Manager from 1945 until his retirement in 1950.

Mr Heffer was the Grandfather of Julie Warren hence the close connection to the vehicle.

The vehicle was restored by Mr Gordon Davis between 1998 and 2000. Gordon had followed his Father's footsteps as the Transport Manager for the Bank of NSW and acquired the vehicle in a poor state. He had wanted to restore the car back to its original glory due to the close association his father had with the car.

Unfortunately, Gordon died not long after the restoration was completed and the car was sold by his



estate to Mr Don Waterall of Loscoe, England. Mr Waterall a Sunbeam enthusiast, quickly, without clearance, whisked the vehicle away to England on the cargo ship, Optimism.

By a series of remarkable coincidences Tom and Julie Warren became aware of the car, its history and its close association with Julies Grandfather.

Tom and Julie were able to purchase the car from Mr Waterall who has failing health. We were able to bring the car back to Australia in November 2020.

We have been able to get a full history of the vehicle while owned by the Bank of NSW.

The vehicle is believed to be the only surviving Sunbeam with an Australia body and the youngest surviving Sunbeam in the world.

We are thrilled to now have it in our garage.

Article provided by Tom Warren owner of the vehicle, with his permission to print this story for Your ABCCC News.



CPS Solution for my personalised plates

At Lakes Entrance Motel in November, the usual late afternoon activity happened. The ladies were sipping white wine and talking about quilting, the blokes were chatting about their cars and drinking red wine or beer.

One of the topics of the bloke's conversation was about the expense of having to fully road register a historic vehicle on custom or personalised plates.

I demonstrated my solution in the pictures below. I have a 1970 Mini Cooper S you will see I have the personalised number plate MCS 70 but have the vehicle on the Club Permit Scheme. My solution was solved by the application of about 6 Velcro dots on each number plate.

Whenever I drive on the road, I fit my CPS Plates and when I am at a display, I apply my Personalised Plates. These are my personalised plates reserved with VicRoads.

A cheap solution to a rather expensive problem.

Gordon Paterson



Vale ABCCC Member – David Adreassen

Just a note on David's contribution to Victorian road safety.

David was Chief Engineer at the Road Safety and Traffic Authority Vic Govt. working with Dr A P Vulcan (Chairman) and a team of road safety experts to achieve reduction in road tolls and improve the traffic management of the State.

Under his watch many ground breaking road and driving safety initiatives were created and became law in Victoria. He worked at RoSTA in the 1970's and early 1980's when many achievements in road toll reduction and traffic mgt. were attained.

Examples of these changes included compulsory seat belt wearing, child passenger safety restraints, .05 legislation, new speed limits, better traffic control through new signals, intersection construction, new and upgraded pedestrian and school crossings, school crossing supervisor scheme to name some highlights.

It was an exciting time of change and I was an admin officer at this time and always remember the dedication of David and his engineers who worked hard to achieve a safer driving environment for road users and pedestrians in this fair state.

Ian Terry ABCCC Member

ABCCC EVENTS DIRECTORY

Note: This ABCCC Events Directory lists only those events organised by the ABCCC. There have been other events that, due to constraints, have been deleted from this issue. Only those events scheduled in this Directory qualify for Victorian Club Permit Scheme requirements. All events are also listed on the club website.

ABCCC Events Directory

If you are attending any of these events please contact the Organiser as numbers are often required

	February 2022		March 2022		
	9 th - 10 th	Seaside Retreat. Marj & Brian Pepper 0407 392 330 Note Fully Booked	3 rd - 6 th	Bright in Autumn Peter McKiernan petermckiernan@tpg.com.au	
	20 th	AOMC British and European Day Yarra Glen Racecourse Flyer in newsletter	16 th	Greg's visit to Westgarth Town, Greg Anglin 0419 882 155 More details to come	
April 2022		May 2022		June 2022	
8 th -10 th	Tocumwal Air Show, Tony Pettigrew (03) 9739 1146	15 th	Rex's Big Day Out Rex Hall 0408 303 129 More details to come	10 th - 16 th	Prewett's Country Run (South West Coast) Garry & Glenda Prewett 0418 345 499
27 th	Run to Healesville followed by lunch at Mt. Dandenong Hotel. Phil Cook 0468 680 538	29 th	Anne Tootell's Surprise Day Out Anne & Bryan Tootell 0412 549 906	26 th	Brian Tootell's Wesburn Pub Lunch Bryan Tootell 0412 549 906
July 2022		August 2022		September 2022	
10 th	Annual Lunch, Killara Winery Colin Brown 0408 343 176	7 th (new)	"On your Marques" run to a country pub with a bit of a twist Geoff & Judy Birkett (03) 9755 1772	7 th	Terry's Magic Island Run Ian Terry 0409 097 496
24 th	Gippsland Countryside Run Heather Cannon 0477 227 027	21 st	Visit to China Town Greg Anglin 0419 882 155	21 st - 22 nd	Sandra's September. Sandra Wishart 0403 243 700 More details later
October 2022		November 2022		December 2022	
2 nd	Ned Kelly Run, Phil Cook	1 st	Cup Day Car Display and Picnic Yarra Glen Racecourse Colin Brown 0408 343 176	11 th	Christmas Lunch Venue and details TBA
21 st - 23 rd	Indulgence weekend to Pt Fairy Peter McKiernan	3 rd - 16 th	Third Time Lucky Sapphire Coast Tour Tony 0425 789 997 (if your Lucky) 27 th Paradise Run, visiting Vietnam Museum and lunch at the RSL at Philip Island. Ian Terry. Details later.		

Assistance: If you are attending any of these events pls consider writing a few quick lines or comments and send to the editor, we can include in the next edition! Email editor@abccc.com.au

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING

16th January 2022 Hill Climb at Christmas Hills

We were all looking forward to a cool day, but alas, that was not to be. The sun was out and we spent most of the day hiding under the Anglin's shelter or the trees, both not looking over the track. Food, drink and a good chat was the order of the day.

Motor sport is not an integral part of our club's makeup and none of us stayed to the end to watch the presentations to the various class winners. I think you need to participate in running your car up the hill to feel involved, as spectators were few.

At least the following members can say they have attended a meeting at one of the oldest hill climbs in the world. (Circa 1938)

Thank you for your company, Leigh & Sandra Wishart, Greg & Geraldine Anglin, Ian & Mary Hodge, Tony Pettigrew, Wally Thompson, Alex Farrow, Gary Dickinson, Phil Cook & Anne, and my wife Joy.

Barry & Margaret Collett made a valiant effort to attend, but in the end, gave up.written by Colin Brown



28th January 2022 - Friday Day Trip to Kyneton

Unfortunately, this event was cancelled due to current Covid environment and some other unforeseen circumstances. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Facebook - don't forget to like ABCCC on facebook
link.....<https://www.facebook.com/AllBritishClassicsCarClub/>



Reminder for upcoming ABCCC events

Please note that if the event falls on a total fire ban, code Red or Extreme weather day, the event will be cancelled so pls check with the event contact person.

February

9th & 10th February 2022 Seaside Retreat Fully booked, we look forward to the event report and photos

Sunday 20th February 2022 AOMC British & European Day

Held at Yarra Glen Racecourse, Armstrong Grove, Yarra Glen

Open to all Vehicles manufactured in England & Europe

Club Displays. A trophy for the best club display will be awarded. To park together, it's a good idea to arrive together.

Please support this event, Phil Cook is the contact person Mobile 0468 680 538. Spaces are limited, first come first served so pls let Phil know asap. If the weather is going to be hot Phil will bring a Gazebo.

Admission

- Display cars \$15.00 (includes all occupants)
- Motorcycles \$10.00
- Spectators \$8.00 RACV Card Holder \$5.00 Children free
- Pass outs will be available for vehicle occupants and spectators

- **COVID Information** admittance to the venue will be within strict compliance with the Government's COVID legislation effective at the time of the show. It is anticipated that this will include QR code to enter, confirmation of vaccine status and any other protocols required by law. Watch our website for updates on Government COVID requirements.



NOTE If there is a Code Red Fire Warning for the district this Racecourse site will become an emergency assembly area and this Motoring car show may have to be cancelled.

March

3 – 6th March 2022 Bright in Autumn – Fully booked, we look forward to the event report and photos

16th March 2022 Greg's visit to Westgarth Town

Visit to Westgarthtown on March 16th.

Meet at 100 Gardenia Road Thomastown (Melway 8 H5) at 9:45am for Morning Tea prior to our guided tour.

Westgarthtown is an historic dairy farming settlement sixteen kilometres north of Melbourne established in 1850 by German and Wendish immigrants.

Although now located within the residential suburbs of Thomastown and Lalor in the City of Whittlesea, many of Westgarthtown's outstanding bluestone heritage buildings and structures still survive.

These include Ziebell's Farmhouse (c.1850-51) pictured, Victoria's oldest German immigrant building; a picturesque Lutheran Cemetery (1850); and Australia's oldest operating Lutheran Church (1856).

Cost: \$7.50 per person for morning tea and guided tour

Following our visit, we will have lunch at a local hotel.

Please **RSVP before 8th March** by contacting Greg or Geraldine Anglin 9876 3293 or 0419 882 155 or gregsbusy@msn.com



If you can't attend and want to look up the History, here is a link: <http://westgarthtown.org.au/history/index.htm>

Latest News from Federation

Update on Federation Events



- Mortlake Picnic 20th March.
- Wunghnu picnic. 26th & 27th March. This includes the start of the Golden Oldies Tour.
- Scoresby Picnic. 3rd April.
- Bendigo to Castlemaine event 27th August.
- Marong Picnic. 28th August
- Bendigo Swap 12th and 13th November.



Dipstick.....

A guy goes into a Spare Parts shop and says to the guy on the counter.
“ Please help me, I am looking for a longer Dipstick for my cars engine.
When I check it, I find that the Dipstick is too short.
Can you please tell me if you have stock of one that is about 70 mm longer”

No need to say what the counter guy had to say!!!



“I'm after a longer dipstick. This one doesn't reach the oil anymore.”

Thanks to Phil Cook



Thanks to Peter Hibbert



Recipe corner

A Classic Cocktail - SideCar recipe

THE STORY BEHIND THE SIDECAR

Try your hand at recreating a classic 1920s cocktail, the sidecar. Its easy to adapt – simply use cognac, or go with equal parts cognac, triple sec and lemon juice.

Sourced from Wikipedia

The sidecar is a cocktail traditionally made with cognac, orange liqueur (Cointreau, Grand Marnier, Dry Curaçao, or a triple sec), plus lemon juice. In its ingredients, the drink is perhaps most closely related to the older Brandy Crusta, which differs both in presentation and in proportions of its components.

The exact origin of the sidecar is unclear, but it is thought to have been invented around the end of World War I in either London or Paris.^[2] The drink was directly named for the motorcycle attachment, which was very commonly used back then.

The Ritz Hotel in Paris claims origin of the drink. The first recipes for the Sidecar appear in 1922, in Harry MacElhone's *Harry's ABC of Mixing Cocktails* and Robert Vermeire's *Cocktails and How to Mix Them*. It is one of six basic drinks listed in David A. Embury's *The Fine Art of Mixing Drinks* (1948).

In early editions of MacElhone's book, he cites the inventor as Pat MacGarry, "the popular bartender at Buck's Club, London", but in later editions he cites himself. Vermeire states that the drink was "very popular in France. It was first introduced in London by MacGarry, the celebrated bartender of Buck's Club." Embury credits the invention of the drink to an American army captain in Paris during World War I and named after the motorcycle sidecar that the captain used.

Journalist O.O. McIntyre reports in his 1937 summary of a visit to New York City that bartenders there attributed the drink to American expatriates Erskine Gywnne and Basil Woon.^[3]

Both MacElhone and Vermeire state the recipe as equal parts cognac, Cointreau, and lemon juice, now known as "the French school". Later, an "English school" of sidecars emerged, as found in the *Savoy Cocktail Book* (1930), which call for two parts cognac and one part each of Cointreau and lemon juice.

According to Embury, the original sidecar had several ingredients, which were "refined away". Embury also states the drink is simply a daiquiri with brandy as its base rather than rum, and with Cointreau as the sweetening agent rather than sugar syrup. He recommends the same proportions (8:2:1) for both, making a much-less-sweet sidecar. However, Simon Difford, in his book *Encyclopedia of Cocktails*, notes Harry Craddock's ratio of 2:1:1 in *The Savoy Cocktail Book*, and then suggests a middle ground between Craddock's recipe and the "French School" equal parts recipe of 3:2:2, calling Embury's daiquiri formula "overly dry" for a sidecar.^[4]

The earliest mention of sugaring the rim on a sidecar glass is 1934, in three books: Burke's *Complete Cocktail & Drinking Recipes*, Gordon's *Cocktail & Food Recipes*, and *Drinks As They Are Mixed* (a revised reprint of Paul E. Lowe's 1904 book).



Ingredients


- 50ml cognac
 - 25ml triple sec
 - 25ml lemon juice
 - handful of ice
- To serve
- dash of Angostura bitters (optional)

Method

- **STEP 1**
Put a coupe glass in the fridge to chill. Tip all of the ingredients into a cocktail shaker.
- **STEP 2**
Shake well, until the outside of the shaker feels cold, then strain the cocktail into the chilled glass. If the lemon juice is too sharp, add the bitters to taste.

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/>

From the ABCCC Archives....Interesting in 2002 front page new Solar Energy Car enters the ABCCC Great Australian Rally**




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THE NEW SOLAR ENERGY CAR & THE OLD WOLSELEY SIDDELEY 1909 AT THE MELB. TOWN HALL START FOR THE RACV GREAT AUSTRALIAN RALLY 20 JANUARY 2002.

<p>President Frank Douglas. 8704 2533</p> <p>Vice President/ Treasurer Tony Hodges. 5263 1580</p> <p>Secretary Val Jefferyes. 9879 1213</p>	<p>EVENTS. Tom & Heather Cannon 9791 2949 Ross Wolstenholme 5975 0970 Pat Douglas 8704 2973</p> <p>Early morning runs. Neil Wakeman. 9841 7773</p> <p>MEMBERSHIP. Tom Cannon 9791 2949</p>
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**ABCCC Great Australian Rally was an annual event held normally in January for classic car enthusiasts to display their favourite vehicles to support a great cause: the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre.

A credit to the ABCCC organizing committees over the many years who did a fantastic job in bringing together this event and display of great cars. Great memories from our ABCCC Archives.