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The Official Newsletter of  
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**\*\* (No change to fees for 2022/23, making membership in our Club most cost effective) \*\***

**ALL ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE RELEVANT OFFICER**

**OUR COVER PICTURES: Top: - Presentation Dinner—Right: John Courtney & Deb Schiller. Left: Brenda Cowie, John Courtney, Neil Burbidge. Bottom: - Pub Run- Left: Lunchtime. Right: Neil & Dianne Burbidge 196 Morris Minor.**

# Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	WHO, WHAT, WHERE
Aug. 2nd (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Aug. 14 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Finch Restorations	Claude & Liz Minge
Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup> (Thursday)	Drive your Old Car Day	Jan Hall
Sept. 6th (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21st (Wednesday)	Patron's Run	Bob Hunter
Sept. 24th (Saturday)	Murray Bridge Show	Jeff Martin
Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup> (Sunday)	Wellington Strawberry Fete	Lyn West
Oct. 4th (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 30 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Callington Show	Brenda Cowie
Nov. 1st (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday)	MB Xmas Pageant	Claude & Liz Minge
Dec. 6th (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 11 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Christmas Party	ACCMB Committee
2023	No General Meeting in January	
Jan.13 <sup>th</sup> (Friday)	Pizza Night	John & Vicki Courtney
Feb. 7th (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 10 <sup>th</sup> (Friday)	Cruise Night	Jan Hall
Mar. 7th (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Mar. 12 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Sausage Sizzle	Terry & June Mabbitt
Mar. 14th (Tuesday)	Committee Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Apr. 4th (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
Apr. 19 <sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)	Ladies' Day	Brenda Cowie
April	Conrod Weekend	To be advised
May 2nd (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
June 6th (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.
June 17 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday)	Presentation Night	ACCMB Committee
July 4th (Tuesday)	Annual General Meeting	Clubrooms – 7:30 p.m.

## PROCEDURES FOR ORGANIZING CLUB RUNS

*Anyone organizing a Club Run is responsible for supplying relevant information about the coming event for the Newsletter prior to the event. They are also responsible for a Run report for the Newsletter following the event. (This can be delegated to another person – but the organizer is responsible for getting the article to the editor). Please note that there are available spaces, in the Club Calendar, for members to offer their services in organizing a Club Run.*

## Other Events of Interest

Aug. 7th (Sunday)	Cars & Coffee	Wharf at Sturt Reserve Murray Bridge
Sept. 4th (Sunday)	Cars & Coffee	Wharf at Sturt Reserve Murray Bridge
Oct. 2nd (Sunday)	Cars & Coffee	Wharf at Sturt Reserve Murray Bridge
Oct. 16 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Bay to Birdwood	Bay to Birdwood Website
Nov. 6th (Sunday)	Cars & Coffee	Wharf at Sturt Reserve Murray Bridge

*(For more information on any of the above, please contact the Club Secretary*

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## MAGAZINE/WEBSITE ARTICLES

Would members who organize Club Runs please write a report on their run and deliver to Yvonne Mach either by post/hand delivery to the letter box at 296 Adelaide Road, Murray Bridge, 5253, or email to as a **WORD Document** to [autocollectorsmb@outlook.com](mailto:autocollectorsmb@outlook.com) Also, please send same to our Webmaster, Pieter Kriel, [autocollectorsmb@gmail.com](mailto:autocollectorsmb@gmail.com) for inclusion on the Club Website. Coming events information and any other articles for the Newsletter should be passed on in the same way. To ensure inclusion in the next Newsletter, articles should reach the Editor **AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR** to the October meeting. Many thanks for your cooperation – Yvonne.

## BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS To **JAMIE BRINE**

On his **50<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY** Celebrated recently.



Also, congratulations are extended to any Club Member and their family who have also celebrated a special birthday or anniversary recently.

## RARE SPARES

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# President's Report



Report presented at the July A.G.M.

The 2021-2022 year is over. As we reflect on the year that was, I believe it would be fair to say that it was better than the previous year BUT it was still not back to the "normality" that existed prior to Covid 19 restrictions.

Some events experienced issues with restrictions and some of our members exercised caution in attending meetings and club runs. Illness due to Covid and the flu has affected many of our members and/or their families, including myself. Hopefully, the worst is over and there is such a thing as "building up a resistance to the bug".

For those who participated in our club runs during the year, we experienced a great social gathering of like-minded people, visiting various venues, enjoying meals together and interacting with the owners of the venues we visited.

From our annual club runs-the Pub Run to Angaston in July, the Patron's Run to Strathalbyn, and the Ladies' Day Run to Langhorne Creek-to our club cars being on public display at the Murray Bridge Show, the Callington Show and the Murray Bridge Pageant.

There was a Cruise night to Swanport Reserve, as well as the Biggest Morning Tea and Sausage Sizzle-but Covid restrictions cancelled our annual Pizza night and the Strawberry Fair at Wellington. A large contingent headed to the Mallee to see an amazing collection of vehicles and motor bikes at Alawoona.

We were told many stories about "who flung dung" and other "crappy products" at our Neutrog visit at Kanmantoo.

Our club was founded in 1972 and we celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary over 2 days in March.

This was a wonderful reunion of past and present members, vehicle, and photo displays, combined with a riverfront BBQ and reunion dinner.

The final activity for the year was the annual presentation dinner at Park Lane Vietnamese Restaurant.

Thank you to all who participated in these events. Thank you to the organisers of the events and club runs. Thank you to the Club Officers and Committee members who have volunteered their time, energy, and expertise during the year.

As we begin our 2022-2023 year, we are hopeful that Covid restrictions will not return, and we can enjoy a full program of events and runs. BUT events and runs don't just happen-we need your thoughts and ideas on places to visit or activities in which we can participate as a club. Talk to me or anyone on the Committee if you have any ideas.

Let's all enjoy the year ahead.

Claude Minge.

## DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Is extended to any club and family members who have experienced the loss of loved ones recently. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.





## From the Editor

Welcome to the latest edition of "Auto Torque".

I enjoy getting into the car and driving around, not particularly to any destination, but just driving. As children, our family of five often went driving on a Sunday, and at a road junction, we took it in turns to direct the driver of the vehicle to turn either left, right or straight ahead. At around lunch time, the nearest area that presented as a picnic spot was selected in the same manner, and we paused in our journey, for a picnic lunch. A rug was laid upon the ground, and we all sprawled out to enjoy the lunch goodies our mother had prepared for the day.

Often, there was an exploration journey. On these occasions, there were places to visit and explore, lookouts, parks or reserves, waterfalls, whatever road sign markers that took our interest.

Whichever the occasion however, at the appropriate time in the late afternoon, it was time to go to the nearest main road and head in the direction of home.

On these outings, we learnt about our surroundings and places in our district, to remember to respect, obey and enjoy, spot the changes, and above all, the enjoyment of family time and exploration. They were quiet, peaceful times!!!(with three excited children issuing directions), on the back roads, yet they were lots of fun and full of nice surprises.

Peter and I pack a picnic lunch on occasions, and just drive. It is amazing what we find to explore in our district and to just witness the changes occurring. Above all, it is great to get out for the day, to aimlessly wander, away from the hustle and bustle of our normal routine. These have become our body and soul restoration days.

Safe and Happy driving to all.

Yvonne

## **THE LATEST ON OUR NEWEST MEMBERS**

Our New Provisional Members are: -

- Tommaso & Karin Marinucci – 1942 M72 (Ural) Motorcycle, 1949 Model Enfield Motorcycle, 1957 Lambretta Scooter, 1964 Moto Guzzi Motorcycle, 1985 Kawasaki Motorcycle, 1970 Mercedes Benz 280SE Sedan.
- Ian & Rosemary (Rosie) Rick- 1986 BMW 525E Executive Sedan.
- Craig Bowie- 1997 XT Oka Bus.
- David & Genine Hallandal – 1993 XT Oka Full Body, 1996 LT Oka Dual Cab.



Achieving Full Membership

- Jeffrie & Debbie Schiller – 1969 Jaguar XJ6 Sedan, 1985 Nissan Patrol MQ 4x4.

Congratulations to you all. We look forward to your continued company at meetings and events.

Trevor Wehrman (Membership Officer)

# COMING EVENTS!

## FINCH RESTORATIONS

(MOUNT BARKER, SUNDAY 14th AUGUST 2022)

Meet at Johnstone Park Clubrooms on Sunday morning for a 9:15 a.m. departure. Travel to Oborn Rd, Mount Barker for a guided tour of Finch Restorations. Various workshops with many and varied vehicles. Tour of approximately 90 minutes. Travel to Hahndorf to the Old Mill Hotel for lunch, arriving 12:15 to 12:30 p.m. We have a separate dining area booked which holds 50 people. Lunch is \$20.00 per head. 2 courses, main and dessert.

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| Options for mains | 1/ | Chicken schnitzel with chips and salad |
|                   | 2/ | Roast of the day with vegetables       |
|                   | 3/ | Crumbed fish with chips and salad      |
| Dessert options   | 1/ | Fruit salad with ice cream             |
|                   | 2/ | Sticky Date pudding with ice cream     |

There will be a sheet at the August monthly (2.8.22) meeting to note your attendance and meal choice. If you are not attending the August meeting, please advise me of your attendance by Wednesday 10th August.

Claude Minge 0408 813 436 (Run Organiser)

## DRIVE YOUR OLD CAR DAY

(Bethany Reserve, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022)

The first day of Spring is promoted by the Federation of Historic Motor Vehicles SA as "Drive It Day" in SA, to be out and about and seen in your historic vehicle.

We are again going to take up the invitation from the Gawler Veteran Vintage and Classic Vehicle Club to join them at Bethany Reserve, Bethany Road, Bethany on Thursday September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

We will leave the **Johnstone Park Clubrooms at 9:00 a.m.** and travel to Lovells Bakery at Mount Pleasant. BYO Smoko or buy coffee and/or Bakery items from them. Toilets also provided. "Hill's dwellers" are welcome to meet us there, but it would be appreciated if you could let me know if you are going to do so.

At around about 10:30 a.m. we will leave from Mount Pleasant to travel to Bethany Reserve. Bethany Reserve has a large shelter shed and toilets. Please bring your own chairs, tables and whatever else you may need. There are no other facilities there, so bring your own lunch. This is generally a very well patronised gathering by other clubs and individuals, so a very interesting gathering of vehicles should be present.

Travel home at your leisure.

If you wish to attend, please put your name on the run sheet at the General Meetings.

Jan Hall 0438 607 116 (Run Organiser).





### **PATRON'S RUN**

(Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022)

We will be leaving the clubrooms at 9:30 a.m. and drive to Ben Finniss' Collectable Classics Car yard in Strathalbyn to view his collection. Morning tea of coffee and biscuits will be provided. Proceed to Robin Hood Hotel in Strathalbyn for lunch. Price approx. \$20.00 per head. Please place your name on the run sheet at the meetings or contact Run Organiser Bob Hunter on 8532 1603.

### **MURRAY BRIDGE SHOW**

(Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022)

Would anyone interested in including their vehicle/s in a Static Display at the Murray Bridge Show on the Saturday, please indicate same on the Run Sheet at the General Meeting. The programme for the day, will be much the same as in previous years, with showing all day and taking part in the Grand Parade at about 2:30 p.m. Vehicles are requested to remain until the completion of the Grand Parade. There will be free entry for the driver only of the vehicle taking part in the display. Any inquiries to Run Organiser Jeff Martin on 0409 321 961.

### **WELLINGTON STRAWBERRY FETE**

(Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022)

- Meet at the Clubrooms at 8:45 a.m. for a 9:00 a.m. start.
- Drive to Wellington to take part in the Strawberry Fete activities as a static display.
- Either B.Y.O. morning tea/lunch, or purchase from the available stalls and/or BBQ on site.
- You will need to bring your own chairs, tables, etc.
- The Fete will be in progress from 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.
- The Strawberry Fete is organised by the Wellington Progress Association and features Strawberries and Ice-cream, BBQ plus much more in the food lines. There are lots of feature stalls which include Art & Craft, Plants, Books, Bric-a-Brac, Preserves, and much more. There will also be live music (DJ) throughout the day.



The Wellington Progress Association relies on the proceeds from this annual Fete for the upkeep of the Wellington Hall, so it is a worthwhile project, especially as the impacts of Covid have threatened any fundraising over the last couple of years, as has been with many organisations.

The Wellington Fete has a good reputation, and we were looked after very well in previous visits.

Please fill in the attendance sheet at the August or September General Meetings, or ring Lyn or Tom West (85 326908) to register your interest or for more information.

# CLUB CLASSIFIEDS

## June Meeting

### Wanted

- Land Rover 4 cyl petrol engine. F. Head or overhead valves. Morris 1500 parts. Contact Bret Zastera, 0458349203.
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## July Meeting

### Wanted

- Early English Ford Parts, Ford 10, or Prefect pre-1940. Contact Peter Sellick, 0407675187.
- Older style Torsion/Antisway bars for towing caravan. Contact Jeff Schiller 0419008919
- International Truck illuminated sign. Contact Han Robot, 0404044752.
- Datsun A Series A14 Engine parts, mainly timing cover & many smaller parts. Contact Tim Stroh, 0428131383.



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- 4 X 4 Daimler Benz (Mercedes), LA 911 Chassis, with motorhome body. (Unfinished project). Needs work. Offers Welcome. Contact Meg Stephens, 0437647247.



## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT for ACCMB August 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting – 7-30 pm**

**\*1\*** Presentation of 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Anniversary Special Edition Clock – made and donated by **Jeff Martin** & won at the 50<sup>th</sup> Saturday night dinner raffle by our Late Founder (Vernon Graetz) wife Cecily. **Cecily will be present on the night.**

Cecily has kindly donated the clock back to the ACCMB in Honour of Vernon. Recognition of that and the new 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Anniversary & 40th Anniversary photos will be on show at that meeting.

**\*2\*** The completed 25-minute USB of the 50<sup>th</sup> weekend will also be shown on the night, produced, and donated to the ACCMB by **Graham Edwards**. An order form will be available on the night for anyone to submit an order. **COST - \$10 each**

**Orders close** – September ACCMB meeting, September 6<sup>th</sup>. **(No money will be payable until delivery)**

**For further details of the USB production – Contact Graham – 0428813070**

**We hope to see as many as can attend on the night, to witness these two events in the life and times of your club, the ACCMB.**



THE HON PETER MALINAUSKAS MP

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Mr Claude Minge  
THE AUTO COLLECTORS CLUB OF MURRAY BRIDGE INC.  
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Dear Mr Minge

I am writing to you today to let you know we are delivering on our commitment to extend the conditional registration scheme for historic vehicles.

**From 1 July this year, a vehicle will be eligible as a historic vehicle or left-hand drive vehicle if the owner is a financial member of a registered club, and their vehicle is 25 years or older as of 1 January the year in which the vehicle was manufactured.**

This means a vehicle will now be eligible for the scheme if it is manufactured before 1997, rather than 1992 under the 30-year restriction.

This initiative will get more classic and historic vehicles onto the road for club events and exhibitions, and support the car restoration industry, including panel beaters, spray painters, mechanics, auto electricians and motor trimmers.

It will also help to preserve South Australia's proud car manufacturing history.

As a result of this change, the Code of Practice for the Scheme will be amended to reflect the change in eligibility criteria for historic and left-hand drive vehicles. No changes will be made to the conditions of vehicle use. The new Code will be available online from 1 July 2022 at [www.sa.gov.au](http://www.sa.gov.au).

In addition to this, as part of our commitment to support car clubs my Government is also delivering \$2 million over 4 years for a grants program.

This will mean car clubs can better meet the growing operating costs, including managing the conditional registration scheme. It will also allow clubs to host bigger and better events and get more South Australians involved.

This grants program will open later in the year and we will provide further details to your organisation this in coming months.

Please pass this information onto your members.

Yours sincerely

Peter Malinauskas  
PREMIER

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# ***Run Reports***

## **PRESENTATION DINNER 18/6/2022**

The Presentation Dinner for this year was held at the Parklane Vietnamese Restaurant, somewhat different to some of our previous events, but seemed to go down very well. Great food and plenty of it, so thanks must go to the staff, who were also very obliging when things did not go quite to plan. Thanks also to Brenda and Jan for organising things.

We were a little worried that our presentations may unduly interfere with other patrons, but the staff said not to worry, "you were here first". In reality, it did not seem to be a problem, especially by the time we presented the majority of trophies, as most of the other diners had gone home.

Unfortunately, Claude and Liz were unable to attend due to family commitments, so it fell to me to do the presentations, ably assisted as usual by Brenda, who of course does most of the work anyway. So, after our three different entrees were consumed, we proceeded with the presentation of the "Keeper Trophies". Trophies that are presented to members each year are perpetual trophies (we'll come to them in a minute), so recipients of perpetual trophies presented at the previous year receive "Keeper Trophies" the following year so that they can have a permanent memento in their homes forever.

So, the "Keeper Trophies that were presented are as follows: -

Valvoline Trophy 2020/2021 - Jan Hall  
Patron's Run 2020/2021 - Jan Hall  
President's Trophy 2020/2021 - Brenda Cowie  
Sausage Sizzle 2020/2021 - Maureen & Graham Edwards  
Ladies' Day 2020/2021 - Liz & Claude Minge  
Founders Trophy 2020/2021 - Graham Edwards & John Courtney  
Mal Fountain Run 2020/2021 - Graham & Maureen Edwards

Then it was time for the main course to be served. That certainly kept everyone quiet and occupied for a while. It was quite a spread and a very contented group waited with bated breath for the 2021/2022 Perpetual Trophies to be presented, which were as follows: -

Valvoline Trophy - Most points scored for attending meetings & runs -  
2021/2022 - Graham & Maureen Edwards  
Patron's Run - Winners of competition set by Patron-  
2021/2022 - Neil Burbidge  
President's Trophy - Member chosen by President for continuing Club service  
2021/2022 - Graham Edwards  
Sausage Sizzle - Winner of quiz set by organiser of run  
2021/2022 - Dennis Scarman & Susan Loveday  
Ladies Day - Winner of quiz set by organiser of run  
2021/2022 - Deb Schiller & Brian Rainey  
Economy Run - Members on run to determine amount of fuel used by nominated car -  
2021/2022 - N/A  
Most Improved Vehicle - Progressive restoration viewed by judging panel during year for  
nominated vehicles – 2021/2022- N/A  
Founders Trophy - Most interesting run during year decided by Cecily Graetz  
2021/2022 - 50th Anniversary Committee





Mal Fountain Run –  
2021/2022 - N/A

The presentation of the President's Trophy to a very worthy Graham Edwards produced a phenomenon that I had not witnessed before, a speechless Graham! He did, though, eventually recover.

Staff at the restaurant were then thanked and congratulated on a job well done and thus the official part of the evening concluded. It then took a while for the talking between members to gradually subside as we all eventually left for home. A very pleasant evening indeed.

(Thank you to John Courtney, Vice President, for the report and Graham Edwards for the photos.)

### **PUB RUN 17/7/2022**

Ten years ago, I organised the first "Pub Lunch Run". It was to the Greenman Inn at Ashbourne, so as this is the tenth anniversary of that run, it seemed like a good idea to do it again.

The day was forecast to be wet, but sunshine greeted us at the clubrooms, although I saw no one complaining it was too hot. Good to see David and Trudy Brew, in their 1968 Fairmont on their first run with us and Fred and Helen McNerny joined us at Strathalbyn. I know David Negrin has been to our events before, but I don't recall seeing his Cadillac on a run, so that was good to see too. At 10.30 we departed for Strathalbyn via the Old Princes Highway, Callington and Woodchester. There were a few light showers, which caused a slight problem for Peter Sellick, when the Jag shed its windscreen wiper. After wandering up and down the road for a while without finding it, Peter continued on to Strathalbyn where he swapped the LHS one to the driver's side so he could see again. I know he had another look for the wiper on the way home but have not heard if it was found.



The Strathalbyn "pit stop" presented a few problems, as our arrival coincided with the departure of the "Cockle Train", something I had not taken into account. Parking was at a premium, but we all got by. At 11.30 we departed for Ashbourne, a very scenic drive despite a shower or two, arriving at the Greenman Inn about a quarter of an hour later. The Greenman Inn was built in 1865 as the original store and post office for the Ashbourne area before being converted to a pub. We were soon comfortably accommodated, but because there were 54 of us, some were relegated to the enclosed verandah, which, although heated, was not quite as "cosy" as had been described. It was quite OK though and was absolutely roasting when the sun came out between showers, but that did not occur very often. But what a busy place. There were people everywhere with the staff going

flat out, no doubt assisted by the fact that we had pre-ordered our meals. So, the food was good, the drinks were good and conversations in full flight.

Eventually it was time to go home, so we went our separate ways, although some of us decided to partake of coffee and cake back at Strathalbyn for some reminiscing of past working lives and other stories.

I thought a great day was had and hope the other participants agreed. (Thank you to John Courtney, Run Organiser, for this report and Graham Edwards for the Photos.)





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