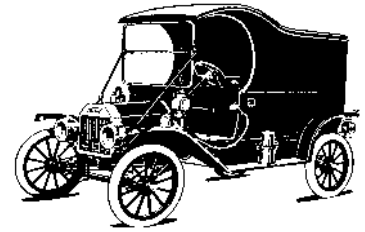




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Ts lined up under the Silo art at Devonish on the March Long Weekend Rally.

"That the devil finds work for idle hands to do is probably true. But there is a profound difference between leisure and idleness."

- Henry Ford -



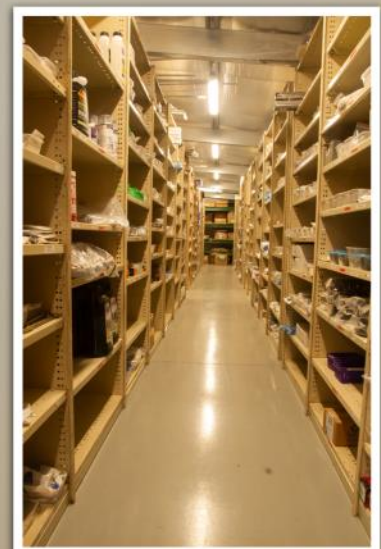
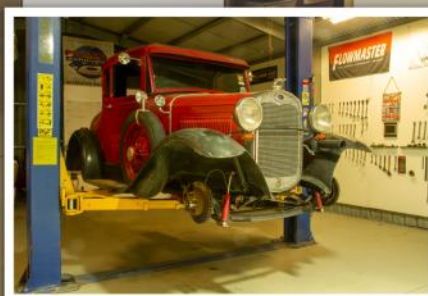
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President's Message



Greetings to all Members,

It was a good roll up at August General Meeting, both in person and on Zoom. As the projection screen at library was still out of action, we were able to use the TV there for Zoom and it worked quite well.

Warwick Landy's presentation of his family life of Model T Fords was excellent & enjoyed by all. It shows that we can do this. Perhaps some of our country members may have something that they would like to share with us, whether it being about their car collection, farm or work they do.



At this stage there is no Rally planned for Labour Day weekend next year, so if anyone has any suggestions, you can contact myself or David Jenkins (Events co-ordinator).

This month's activity will be the Auction night at the Library at our September General Meeting and Zoom members will also be able to bid on items, which is fantastic. It is great to get back to these activities since the interruption of Covid.

Don't forget our Christmas party coming up in December. If anyone can help with any goods they would like to donate for the raffle, you can contact Steve Brown or Thelma. All items are appreciated.

Reminder : Graham & Maree Hadden's Grand Final Weekend Rally at Coleraine. It should be a great weekend, with some untravelled country for some of us. I hope to see you there.

We need some volunteers to help out at our site for the Bendigo Swap Meet. It's normal for the President to attend this event, but regretfully I am unable as we have had an overseas trip booked since last year which prohibits me from being there.

From over another Running Board, — John & Thel —



'Under the Hood' by the Editor



Greetings Members,

Let me start this month's editorial, with a big shout out to our members who provided content for this month's edition. After an email shout out to our members, a number of articles were emailed in. Coincidentally, they all had a bit of a restoration update theme about them, so this month's edition is pretty much devoted to our members' projects. It is great to see that there is still plenty of restoration happening amongst our members.



Of course, if you are driving your T, there is always something to fix after you get home. After finishing up the Fordor crankshaft replacement project (see article below), the 16 pickup had been leaving puddles of water underneath so it was time to investigate. I removed the radiator and found evidence of a leak around the top tank water outlet and also the bottom tank, so it was time to get it off to the radiator repair shop for a little TLC. What was meant to be a small repair has turned into a major rebuild of the radiator, as it was found that during its original manufacture, nowhere near enough solder had been applied in very important locations. As a result, its structural integrity was compromised, and it was actually breaking apart with numerous leaks! Repairs are nearly complete, and I look forward to cooler and leakless driving!

This month's research has also unearthed a couple more old Victorian Ford dealerships. I hope you enjoy the Plenty Motors dealership article which is very suburban Melbourne!

Melbourne Cup Weekend Rally planning is coming along very well. If you have booked accommodation and committed to coming, please call or email to confirm your attendance. For planning purposes and catering, it is critical that we have accurate numbers of participants.

Until next month

Keep Touring in your Ts! — **Warwick Landy**

Email your contributions to torquenews@hotmail.com or send to mailbox. Submissions are due the 3rd Friday of the month.



General Meeting Minutes



Meeting opened Fri August 11 2023, 8:06pm, by President John Huitt at Ashburton Library, Ashburton & via Zoom

New Members: Greg Gunn **Visitors:** Nil **Present:** 23 as per sign in register and 11 on Zoom

Apologies: Steve Brown, Brian Smith, Barry Hancock, Noel & Rhonda Huitt, Cheryl Weatherhead, Bernie McKeegan

Confirmation of minutes: Moved: Julie Jones Seconded: Bill Wallace **Business arising from minutes:** Nil

Tonight's Meeting: Talk by Warwick Landy

Correspondence In: Backfire magazine, The Bent Wire magazine, The Side Valve V8 Times magazine, Vintage Ford magazine, Shannon's Auction catalogue, bank statement, lots of subs, Country Motor Australia magazine, Euroa Show and Shine tickets for sale, Baw Baw picnic, Trafalgar Holden Museum Car Anniversaries – EH Holden 60th Anniversary, FX Holden 75th Anniversary. John Huitt received an email from someone in Cranbourne who would love to take their Dad for a ride in a Model T for a birthday present, if anyone is interested please contact John Huitt. John also received an email from a lady at the Sydenham nursing home hoping to get some of us to bring cars down to give the residents a ride, like we did on Benalla rally. David Jenkins has offered to organise this.

Correspondence Out: All subs – 23 letters to members and corporate sponsors, many emails of subs notices and receipts to members.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was presented to the members by David Jones. David also welcomed new members Darrell Jeffries, David Beaty and Greg Gunn Seconded: Jo Baulch

Last month's rally report: Chris Bagot gave a report on our night out to Garage Girls.

Swap Meetings/Clearance Sales report: Nil

Upcoming Swap meets: August 27th Hamilton Swap Meet, August 27th, August 28th Avalon Swap and Sell, 10th Shepparton Swap meet, September 17th Bairnsdale Swapmeet, October 1st Euroa Show & Shine, October 15th MTFCV Swap Meet, November 11th-12th Bendigo Swap

REPORTS

2025 Rally: 18 people have paid, the rally fees will be going up on September 26th. Geof and Jo been going on some drives looking for spots. Ron Harris is keen to do a run and they have spoken to the people who will be doing the main meal.

Delegate's Reports:

AOMC: As Bernie was absent tonight there was no report.

Federation: Meeting was in Werribee and Geof will put report in magazine.

Upcoming events: August 27th Marong Picnic, September 8th Club Auction Night at General Meeting, 29th-30th September AFL long weekend rally, October 2nd-8th Griffith National veteran Vehicle Tour, October 22nd Ford Flathead Festival, November 3rd-7th Cup weekend rally

Auction Night: The Auction Night in September is going to be held in the Ashbuton library. We are trying to include the members on Zoom so they can bid on parts too. We are proposing that David Jones will liaise between Auctioneer and Zoomers. David Jones will bring cash to meeting and anyone on Zoom that buys something can put that money into club bank account, they will then contact John Huitt to organise a time to pick up their purchase.

Other Events: Some unconfirmed events that are being looked into are: David Jenkins looking to organise a midweek run (probably a Wednesday) for those that are interested. This will either be 11th or 18th October. He is also looking at organising a Saturday morning run to Penrite Car Museum in Boronia. We are looking into a Labour Day long weekend rally but hoping to have it either the weekend before or after labour Day as to avoid crowds and over pricing, this will possibly be held around Mansfield and visiting our members at the Mansfield CFA and seeing their restored Model T Fire Truck. Also a trip to Warrnambool is being looked into.

Restoration Progress: Jenny Smith is working on upholstery & David Jenkins got his wheels back from Dean Williams.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Our **new member**, Greg Gunn, introduced himself. He is from Heidelberg and has 2 Model Ts, A 27 ute and a 27 pie van.

Jo has been looking into **club clothing**. The company can open a "virtual shop". This will be open for a limited time, members can get online and purchase what clothing they want and pay direct to clothing company. The clothing will then be delivered to Jo who will bring to meeting.

Next Meeting/Activity: Auction Night

Raffle Draw: Drawn by: Chris Bagot Won by: Pam Weidemann **Prize selected:** Bunnings Voucher

Meeting Closed: 9:50PM

— Ann Cupid, Secretary —





Club Calendar 2023



CLUB MEETING: 8 8pm General Meeting
CLUB EVENT: 29-30 'No Frills' driving weekend, Coleraine area (See Upcoming Club Events)



CLUB MEETING: 13 8pm General Meeting
CLUB EVENT: 21 Christmas Hills Club Run
OTHER EVENTS: 1 Euroa Show & Shine
 2-8 Griffith National Veteran Vehicle Tour 2023 (Refer to Upcoming Events)



CLUB MEETING: 10 8pm General Meeting (TBC)
CLUB EVENT: 3-7 Cup Weekend Rally (TBA), Yarram (Refer to Upcoming Club Events)
 15 Mid week T run, details to come
OTHER EVENTS: 11-12 Bendigo Swap Meet



CLUB MEETING: 8 8pm General Meeting
CLUB EVENTS: 3 A & T Christmas Party



CLUB MEETING: No meeting
CLUB EVENTS: TBA
OTHER EVENT: TBA

Next General Meeting - Fri September 8 at the library & via 'Zoom'!



Club Permit Renewals



Club permit renewals must be signed by the club permit holder and an authorised MTFCV officer to confirm that the permit holder is a current member of the club. Members having vehicles permitted through MTFCV must be a financial member. If you no longer own or have the listed vehicle on red plates, please contact the secretary.

Ann Cupid, 0427 984797 secretary@mtfcv.com



If members need a permit signed & can't attend safety officers in person, mail the permit with a stamped self addressed envelope to a safety officer. These will be processed & returned in mail.

September

Geoffrey Brooke 7376
 Bruce Csorba 5251
 Paul Daley 791
 Barry Hancock 3719
 Noel Huitt 45515H
 Rodney Kieseker 8201
 Peter Natoli 6202
 Andrew Phillips 09594H, 73804H,
 73805H
 Linda Phillips 84347H, 4193H7, 96801H
 Gregory Russell 6100
 Scott Staples 316
 David Weatherhead 4378

October

Geof Baulch 3837
 Stephen Brown 7644
 Robert Dalton 557
 Craig Holst 010
 Rodney Kieseker 6437
 Bernie McKeegan 4585
 Malcolm Moors 49220-H
 Andrew Phillips 02321 M
 Harmuth Scholz 8437
 Ray Smith 5199
 Alexander Trifonov 4428

November

Paul Daley 981
 Chris Dillon 3220
 John Huitt 5325
 Noel Huitt 74998H
 Russell Medhurst 8-245
 Andrew Phillips CH9993
 Linda Phillips 24744H, 51257H, 24745H
 Russell Gregory 26760H
 Hartmuth Scholz 7646
 Graeme Wagland 8188H
 Bill Wallace 99499H, 260RH
 Richard Wearne 6102
 Colin Weidemann 8314



Article of Interest



TRAVELLING PICTURE-SHOW MEN. VICTORIA. 1920-22

A favourite Saturday night movie was the Aussie made "Picture Show Man", featuring well known Aussie actors of the day, John Meillon and Gary McDonald. I was surprised recently, to come across the following picture and text of one of the original picture show men of the day, set up to travel in their trusty 1915 T Tourer. — *Ed*



In the first decades of the 20th Century when 'moving pictures' were a novelty, purpose built theatres (cinemas) only existed in major cities.

Showmen would therefore travel the dusty roads bringing their entertainment to smaller rural communities.

These men would bring everything with them including Screen, Projector, Films, even a Ticket Box. They would book local shop-fronts or halls, or if necessary, set up in the open air. They would screen their silent, usually one reeler movies to the local population over a night or two, pack-up and move onto the next town.

Here, a couple of Show men are

photographed with shoeless local children. They are about to set off to the next town somewhere in country Victoria, carrying with them everything they need in their T Model Ford and trailer. Much detail to be seen if you enlarge the photo, including the little boy sitting on the crank handle. Note the large spotlight affixed to the front of the bonnet-less car... necessary for night driving on primitive (read rough) roads.



Restoration Update



I was once told, if you drive a T long enough, you will one day break a crankshaft. I have been driving Ts awhile, and this is the second time it has happened, ironically twice in the same car, years apart!

At the July meeting, my broken crankshaft was viewed with interest by the members present so I thought I would share it here. Some breakages appear somewhat random, but it is always nice to find a reason. Model T crankshafts



Material ground away all the way up to the bearing journal.



Large amounts of material ground away from the web.

are small and weak by design, however, in the pursuit of balance and/or smooth running, the previous restorer/rebuilder had ground large amounts of material from critical areas of the crank adjacent to the bearing journal areas, in what appears to have been the pursuit of balancing. I have no doubt, the removal of material close to the bearing journals has weakened the crank and subject it to more stress than it could handle.

Fortunately, I was able to source a good original standard size crank to replace the broken one. It was crack tested, the mains and rod bearings reamed to suit and then reassembled. A big thanks to Frank van Ekeren for assisting with vital tools and equipment and a wealth of knowledge about assembly. A new camshaft and bearings were also installed along with a new transmission brake drum, and a turbo 400 clutch assembly. I particularly enjoyed my first test run drive after the repairs and look forward to many more years of driving in this T. — *Warwick Landy* —



Restoration Updates



Graeme Wagland



Graeme has been making progress on his 1927 Camper. He fitted a new replacement for the old accessory gearbox, and a new KC Warford to the driveline.

The steel body framing is complete and external cladding fitment to the body is next. Graeme will just have to work out the details for a big long trip when the camper is finished!

— Ed.

Chris Bagot

Vice President, Chris has been keeping busy on numerous restoration and T repairs.

A recent focus has been on his daughter, Jacinta's 1926 Roadster project. Some members will recall Jacinta being the raffle prize winner of the new radiator at the Warragul National Rally. The new radiator has become the cornerstone of a new project which truly has become a family project. Grandfather Neil has been helping out with panel and assembly work on the project. A recent visit captured the featured photos. — Ed.



Top: Roadster body under restoration

Bottom: Chassis assembly



Old Victorian Garages



Plenty Motors, Preston, Victoria



Pictured outside the showroom in 1925 showing 3 of the new Model range on display. A rare RHD Canadian supplied Coupe, A Tarrant bodied Tourer and also a bare TT Truck chassis ready for the customers own custom built body.

Plenty Motors opened its doors in 1925 and continued operating from the same site on the corner of High Street and David Street until at least 1974. Now a commercial shop, it bares little resemblance to its days as a garage. The garage made an immediate impact when it was chosen as the site of the first outer suburban ambulance service. This continued until a custom built station could be constructed for the ambulance service. The service covered Preston, Northcote and Heidelberg.

Plenty Motors not only serviced cars and sold petrol but also was a car sales room and sold both Fords and Chevrolets as part of its inventory. As part of the Made in Australia week in 1930 Plenty Motors exhibited the latest Ford motor vehicle body. The Ford factory in Geelong could assemble at car in just under nine hours, including building the chassis frames, painting, trims, and a road test.

In July 1931, engineer Stanley Hughes attempted to steal petrol from the bowser at Plenty Motors, damaging the bowser in the process. At that time the owner of Preston Motors was Herbert Stewart.

Mr W. Maltzhan was the owner of Plenty Motors by 1934 and represented the Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce at a motor trade meeting in June of that year.

In 1942 a large amount of engineering equipment and tools were sold as the business changed hands. Amongst the items sold included lathes, drills, hydraulic hoses, spanners, pulleys, etc.

By the early 2000's the building was Gary's Car Radio and has since become a clothing shop.

Do any of our Northern suburbs members have any information about this dealership to add?



Rally Report



Federation Picnic— Marong

Shirley and I attended this event, arriving around 10.15 to be one of the last to arrive. It is only a short drive from our property at Ravenswood to Marong.

Most of the oval was covered with vehicles and many were parked outside of the main oval.

We had a very enjoyable day and met up with many friends and many car club members. The event was very well attended, with a huge display of vintage and classic, but only 3 veteran vehicles.



A busy oval full of cars and people.



On the way to the picnic in 'Bluey'.



Trevor Sleeman and family from Serpentine with their TT

The weather was excellent and the wafting, enticing smell from the Rotary Club barbequed sausages and hamburgers added to the very pleasant atmosphere.

Our compliments go to the Federation for a very successful event.

Left: John Paas from Daylesford with his 1927 Chrysler tourer. We had a very interesting yarn about his many cars including Ts.

— Shirley and Bob Draper —





Restoration Update



First up, I've been working on a non-Model T project. Over the past couple of years, I've been restoring a Massey Ferguson tractor. I rebuilt the whole thing including new tyres, rebuilt the engine, gear box, repainted it in 2K paint and did lots more to it. It was a big job but it's done now. I was able to sell that straight away to a guy in Goughs Bay. It's now up there working again.

I have also been working on the Plymouth restoration but got sick of that. Since the tractor was no longer in the shed, I had some spare room, so I brought the Model T Ute project back home.

It had been at my Mum's place in the farm shed. I haven't done much to it in the last 2 years, so I needed to clean up the metal and panels. I treated them with rust cleaner. I've now fitted the doors on. I had to make 2 door hinges from scratch. I had to have 2 goes making them, the first attempt

didn't

come up too well, but I tried again, and the second attempt was more successful. I also made a one-piece windscreen frame to fit between the 26/27 windscreen posts. That took some time, but it has come up great.

So now I am now up to making the roof bows. The hoods frame and bows are almost finished. They just need some tweaking, then clean them up and final paint. I also ordered a '26 - '27 bonnet from Henry's. It arrived in 3 and a half weeks, so Ann and I went down to Henry's and picked it up. We spent the weekend down there and had a lovely lunch down the road in Daylesford and spent the afternoon looking around the town. There were some amazing antique shops and a chocolate shop for Ann. It really is lovely over that side of town.



Hopefully this spring I can get it painted, then it will be almost finished. I just have to cut and patch some rust out of the front mud guards, make the hood covering, get the interior done, floor, motor, gearbox, front end, back end, tyres, wheels. Oh, wait I've already done the spokes!

— Dean Williams —



Restoration Update



Romsey Men's Shed TT Truck Restoration Project Update

The Tuesday edition (15th August) of the Midland Express newspaper has an article on our TT restoration project. The article was featured on the front page of the newspaper with the article details a few pages in. We were quite excited to be interviewed and even happier to see the project placed on the front page.

We also have been donated an "In poor condition, but complete" 1926 T engine and gearbox. Internally we have been able to salvage most of the gearbox internals and the crankshaft. On the gearbox was also the "period correct" gear change pedal which will find its way onto our gearbox. The engine had been under a shearing shed the other side of St Arnaud for some 35 years, previously been found in Powelltown Victoria.



Romsey Men's Shed Ford TT Team Members

Project perfect to a T

A 1925 Model T Ford truck is putting skills to the test at Romsey Men's Shed. Local identity Doug Newnham donated the model in September last year to give it a new lease on life.

The proviso was that it be restored to its original working condition and remain with the Romsey Men's Shed.

"It was pretty exciting the moment we got it going," shed secretary Eric Foster said.

"The first time it kicked over it sputtered. It was amazing to see it kicked back to life."

Ex-Army Reserve mechanic Jeff Smith is one of the project's key restorers and currently working on the engine.

Normally repairing old mowers to fund-raise, he said the vehicle had set a whole new and exciting challenge.

"It had been in the shed for about 35 years," he said.

"We want to try and restore it as close to the original as possible but with a few changes. We're imagining the finished product will have a cabin in Romsey Men's Shed maroon with gold lettering."

Model T enthusiasts from outside of the shed have also assisted with advice.

A crucial contributor has been Vic Ashton from Woodend, who has completed

about 20 of his own restorations.

"He has a wealth of knowledge about Model T Fords and has been really helpful," Mr Smith said.

"There are a lot of parts that we don't know are missing because we started restoring it from a bare skeleton."

Some parts will need to be specially ordered from the USA, while others can be sourced from fellow car enthusiasts, collectors and suppliers. Vital pieces the shed is now seeking to secure are tyres and tubes.

The project has certainly achieved one of the shed's main objectives of bringing people together and sharing skills.

Romsey Men's Shed is a not-for-profit association that supports men's mental health by providing a meeting place where men can come together.

It is hoped that once restored and used within the community, the Model T will help raise community awareness of the shed and the importance of men's health.

Volunteers aim to have the vehicle restored by 2025-26 (the vehicle's 100th birthday).

The Romsey Men's Shed has created a GoFundMe page for donations toward the project. They are also eager to hear from anyone with knowledge in Model T Fords and collectors with parts.



Romsey Men's Shed secretary Eric Foster, president Kevin Fothergill, Jeff Smith and Brian Neivandt with the vehicle so far.

The engine has now been washed and has new valve guides, new valve seat inserts, new stainless one piece valves, the block decked, and also the head has a few thou off it to get it perfectly flat. The cylinder bores have had a light hone as we feel standard diameter pistons will still be suitable. The camshaft is in Dookie Victoria getting a grind and clean up. Adjustable cam followers are coming from Henry's as are a new set of Kevlar transmission bands. The chassis has also been returned from being sand blasted and primed ready for final painting. The four wheels have now been disassembled so the metal rims can be sandblasted and primed ready for new paint. The steering column in nearing completion after a complete tear down. The throttle and spark levers are with a Nickel plater in Nth Sunshine.



Restoration Update continued...



Romsey Men's Shed TT Truck Restoration Project Update



Of new parts we have the transmission screen kit, new brass contacts for in the coil box housing, new wiring loom, new gasket set including head gasket.

The front springs have now been stripped of all rust and painted. The ends of the long spring still need rebushing which is one of the next jobs along with cleaning and sanding/oiling, all of the wooden spokes.

Prior to disassembly of the truck we were able to get it running long enough to get an idea of any major issues with the gear box, Moore gearbox, or the Ruckstell differential but no untoward sounds were heard.

— Jeff Smith —

Romsey Mens Shed
Working on Friendships



Federation Meeting— 5/08/23



This meeting was held at Hobson's Bay Men's Shed in Werribee. Also included was the AGM.

Matters Discussed:

1. The Bendigo to Castlemaine Run on 26th August starting at the Bendigo Club with breakfast (\$5) then runs to Castlemaine for a static Car display at the Western Reserve.
2. Marong Picnic on 27th August with the usual requirements, catered for by Rotary, no car movements between 10.30am and 1pm. The Open Federation Tour will leave from here and will tour to Kerang, Echuca and Shepparton.
3. The Baw Baw Picnic on 29th Oct. This is a great event with lots to see in the display Shed and surrounds.
4. The Bendigo Swap 11th and 12th November. All outdoor sites are booked out, all BEC sites are booked but several remain in the REC Centre. The feature this year will be Barn Finds or Survivor Cars. The swap needs lots of helpers this year. The new Table Tennis Facility to be built on the Stables area, has not been cancelled yet but if it goes ahead we believe we can cope with the impact on the 2024 Swap.
5. Central Victorian Restoration Group are holding a display at Prince of Wales Show Ground (Swap site) on 3rd December in conjunction with the Market. This will celebrate 100 years of Farmall Tractors. Historic Vehicles, tractors and stationary engines are welcome.

2024 EVENTS:

Mortlake Picnic 24th March. This is the 20th Mortlake Picnic, so a special effort should be made by clubs to attend. Wunghny Vehicle Machinery and Collectibles Display 30th and 31st March (Easter Weekend). These days will also commemorate 100 years of Farmall Tractors.

The Peter Mac fundraiser that all clubs Federation clubs undertook may reach \$5000 (some monies still to come).

Joint Federation and AOMC meetings at Gisborne have been continuing each month. Both met with Vic Roads to talk about varied subjects with Vic Roads to make further enquiries as to outcomes. John Lewis is no longer the contact person for CPS matters at Vic Roads. The recent CPS windscreen stickers that have a conditions line on them was asked about and clarification is coming.

The Golden Oldies Tour 2024 will be held in and around Ballarat.

A new Picnic Day will be held on National Motoring Day at Murabit 19th May.

Several Grants were approved by the members at the meeting to various clubs: Western Vehicle Restorers Club (For Banners and Vests), Central Victorian Restoration Group (Defib Battery and Plant Equipment), Westenders GHAC (Laptop), Mildura VVClub (Laptop),

Next Federation Meetings: 21st Oct - Echuca and District Historic Vehicle Club, 10th Feb '24 Melbourne (Location TBA)
18th May Kerang, 3rd August Mildura, 19th Oct Baw Baw,
Regards,

— **Geof Baulch (Federation Representative)** —



42nd Annual General Meeting Minutes 2023



Meeting opened Fri July 14 2023, 8:10pm, chaired by Bernie McKeegan at Ashburton Library, Ashburton & via Zoom

Present: 33 attending the library, 5 via Zoom as per attendance register

Apologies: Ross and Maureen Cartledge, Roger Wotherspoon, Robbie Dalton, Alan Flude, Graeme and Marj Wagland, Russell Medhurst

Confirmation of minutes held on Friday 15th July 2022: Moved: David Weatherhead, Seconded: David Jones

Business arising from the 2022 AGM minutes: Nil

Bernie acknowledged the passing of some of our club members who we lost through the year. Geoff White, Kate Wotherspoon, Dixon Fielder, Ian McLaughlin, Pam Landy, Bill Formby, Alan Long

Bernie also thought of those members who are in poor health and reminded us to notify the club if we know of anyone who is unwell so we can send a card. A visit or a phone call to them would be appreciated.

Reports:

- **President** - Given by David Weatherhead
- **Treasurer** - Given by David Jones, Moved: David Jones, Seconded: Rhonda Huitt
- **National Rally 2025** - Geof Baulch reported on the progress that has been made on this rally. Cheryl Weatherhead gave a financial report.

Election of Office Bearers:

All positions declared vacant. We have Nomination forms for all the following positions. All nominations signed by the Mover and Seconder. All those nominated have signed to accept their nomination

President: John Huitt, **Vice President:** Chris Bagot, **Secretary:** Ann Cupid, **Treasurer:** David Jones

Members agreed to change the number of General Committee to be part of the executive to 3.

Committee Person 1: Steven Brown, **Committee Person 2:** David Jenkins, **Committee Person 3:** Noel Inman

Non-Executive Committee

Communications: David Jones (was named but this needs further clarification as he did not accept),

Editors: Paula and Warwick Landy, **Club Library:** Brian Smith, **Webmaster:** Andrew Brand,

Scrutineer/CPS Office Bearer: David Weatherhead, **Scrutineer/CPS Office Bearer:** Chris Dillon,

Scrutineer/CPS Office Bearer: Ray Smith, **Scrutineer/CPS Office Bearer:** Brian Smith,

CPS Office Bearer: Ann Cupid, **Webmaster:** Andrew Brand, **Mail Collection:** Roger Wotherspoon,

Delegate Federation: Geof Baulch, **Delegate AOMC:** Bernie McKeegan

Outgoing committee members will assist new committee members with their roles. Handovers to be carried out within the next 14 days.

Acceptance of all Committee Positions: Moved: Barry Hancock, Seconded: Geof Baulch

Membership Fees: The outgoing Committee have reviewed our finances, both debits and credits, for the last 12 months and are recommending subscription fees for the next 6 months to be as follows.

With emailed T Torque magazine \$55.00. Printed magazine \$15, posted and emailed T Torque magazine \$70

Going forward no subscriptions will be accepted prior to the AGM where the current year's fees will be set.

General Business.

- Please contact Secretary Ann Cupid if you have club items as the Committee is updating the assets register.
- Club person the Year nominations will, in future, need to be sent in 2 weeks prior to AGM.
- The Secretary will lodge annual statement with Consumer affairs Victoria within 1 month of the AGM.
- Bernie gave thanks on behalf of the members to the outgoing committee for their work over the past 12 months, David Weatherhead, Geof Baulch, Rhonda Huitt and Graham Hadden. John Huitt was also thanked for his time as general committee member. Thanks was also given to persons who undertook door duties and mail collection, kitchen helpers, raffle ticket sellers, contributors to T Torque, rallies, events etc. and everyone who helped in any way. Congratulations to the incoming committee for offering to help the club move forward over the next 12 months. We request we all stay united and support the new committee including helping where possible,
- Meeting closed at 9:00pm.
- Bernie then called on new President John Huitt to give out the Club Person of the Year award to Secretary Ann Cupid.
- John Huitt and Secretary Ann Cupid then conducted a quick General Meeting.

— Ann Cupid, Secretary —





Upcoming Club Events



MTFCV AUCTION NIGHT **Sep 8 – General Meeting**

The Club Auction night is back on for 2023. An added feature this year is the option of purchase and participation from those members on Zoom.

Auction Guidelines:

1. Only items brought to the club rooms will be in the auction.
2. Members on the Zoom meeting (Not present at club room) will be able to bid by displaying their 'thumbs up' Emoji. The treasurer will act as their proxy financial representative at the auction. If the Zoom member is the successful bidder, the Treasurer will use club funds to pay the vendor and the President will take the Zoom member's successful bid to the President's home for subsequent pick up. The Zoom member must reimburse the club for the purchase that was made on their behalf. An invoice will be issued - payable within 7 days.
3. All items up for auction must be displayed to the Zoom participants via the club camera.



Contact: Andrew Brand 0414 219250 Email: webmaster@mtfcv.com



MELBOURNE CUP WEEKEND RALLY

Fri 3 - Tues 7 November

This year's Melbourne Cup Weekend Rally will be held in Yarram, a previously largely un-toured area by our club. This is a great area for driving our Ts with lots to see and do.



- **Friday Afternoon:** visit to Senior Citizens, Welcome BBQ and Rally pack collection
- **Saturday:** 90 Mile Beach Tour and Historic Swing Bridge
- **Sunday:** Historic Port Abert, Port Welshpool and Agnes Falls.
- **Monday:** Tarra Falls, National Park and Mini Ha Ha Falls.
- **Tuesday:** The Yarram Mural Trail and Historical Society

ENTRIES CLOSE: 6/10/23 to enable confirmation of numbers at all venues

ENTRY FEE: \$25 per vehicle and driver, \$10 per passenger. Friday night welcome BBQ and rally guide included.

Accommodation:

- Ship Inn Motel, where we have negotiated an extremely competitive rate of \$110 per night for a Queen room including continental breakfast. Direct phone bookings only or other rates apply. **Ship Inn Motel, Call Jodie, mention Model T Ford Club. Ph: 03 51825588.**
 - Yarram Holiday Park. Cabins (deluxe) @\$170 per night, and caravan sites (book early) are available. **Ph: 03 51825063**
- Other Accommodation Options:**
- Windmill Caravan Park, Adjacent to the Ship Inn Motel, Budget powered sites for campers and motor homes as well as self-contained on site vans and bungalows. Rates unconfirmed at time of printing
 - Tarra Motel, Phone 03 51285444

Please book your accommodation early as it is a busy weekend in the area.

Your hosts for the weekend:

Warwick & Paula Landy 0400 168319 landylandy@bigpond.com

Frank & Kerri van Ekeren 0409 064140 fvanecker@bigpond.net.au

— Warwick & Paula Landy, and Frank & Kerry van Ekeren —



Upcoming Rallies and Events



Sun Oct 22, 10am-3pm

- Open to all Flathead Ford Cars
- Celebrate Ford Heritage 1908-54
- Food vans, coffee \$5 per display car
- Melbourne Steam Centre (1200 Ferntree Gully Rd, Scoresby)

More information
[Click here](#)

BENDIGO SWAP MEET

11-12 Nov - Bendigo Show Grounds
Gates open: 6am Sat & 7am Sun



Admission: Sat \$15, Sun \$5, Children free

Visit the club tent to store or show your purchases and share a BBQ sausage at lunch time! More Information [here](#)

MTFCV SWAP MEET

9am Sun Oct 15

Dillon's Motors, Factory 7, 10
Pilgrim Court, Ringwood



Cars Projects, Parts, Accessories, Tools, Literature

This event has been a fun day and a continued success for many years. Please come along even if you think you don't need anything - there are always interesting things to see and there's bound to be something you want! Please bring a few spare parts too - you may just help to put (or keep) another member's car on the road.



AFL GRAND FINAL WEEKEND T RALLY – Fri 29 - Tues 30 September

Join us for a weekend of driving around the Western District. This will be a casual weekend and we ask that you provide all your food except for Saturday night dinner which will be a camp oven roast at a small cost of \$10 pp.

Everyone is welcome to camp at our place, 16 Wards Road, Coleraine and we have ample room for tents, caravans or camper trailers. Shower and toilet facilities are available if needed.

Friday: We will leave early and travel to Harrow for a BYOO morning tea and then travel on to Garoke for lunch, which can be purchased in the town and visit places of interest. We will then travel back to Coleraine for a barbeque tea.

Saturday: Today we will take a drive to Merino and then to Wilkin where we will have morning tea (BYO) then drive to Casterton where you can purchase lunch. We will then travel back to Coleraine for a social evening and dinner.

Could you please remember to bring your own crockery, cutlery, chairs and refreshments? A jerry can of fuel is recommended to have in reserve.

For more information contact Graham on 0408 002





TRAD'N' TABLE



A free trading place to advertise your goods. Note that an ad stays in for two issues unless otherwise advised. All 'For Sales' must include prices. Vehicles for sale must include engine number or registration number (not club permit number), by law. Publication of ads does not constitute endorsement of price, condition or authenticity by the club. Please send ads to the Editor at torquenews@hotmail.com

FOR SALE: 1923 Runabout

For sale: 1923 runabout. Engine C435867. Fairly complete original car with history. Body rewooded, mechanicals unrestored. Great project. Owners are looking for offers around

\$3000

Contact: Andrew Brand Ph: 0414219250



FOR SALE:

1916 Ford Model T Tourer on Club Permit

Car set up to rally. Demountable wheels, Wade camshaft, counterbalanced crankshaft, Riser timer, Rocky Mountain Brakes, Ruxstell rear axle. Auxillary oil line, full 12Volt system, starter motor and indicators.

All steel USA 1916 body with RHS drivers door added making it a 4 doored tourer like the Canadian models.

\$26000

Contact: Ivor Austin (Hastings) PH: 0428 578222



FOR SALE: 1925 Ford Model T Station Wagon

Castlemaine GARAGE/Rowe Motors history

Completely restored original, with spares, parts books and maintenance manual.

Engine no. C633974

\$10,000 ONO considered

Contact: Malc Moors (Bendigo) PH: 0484 120419





Newsy Bits



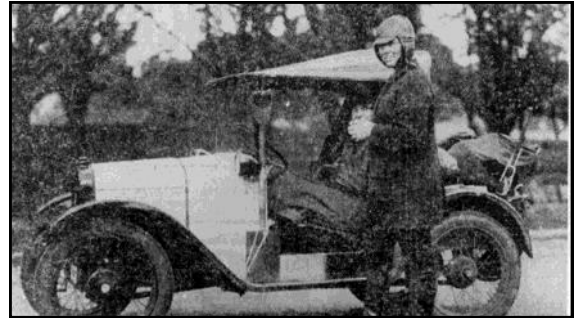
UNKNOWN BADGE INFORMATION

In response to last month's newsy bits article, ("Unknown Badge"), Swan Hill member, Mark Bail, messaged to say the badge is the same as what is on the inside door of his Aussie built 1939 Ford Sedan. It is a nice badge, but not as early as Model T era! Mark has only recently acquired his very original 1939 Ford sedan that will share garage space with his 1925 T Tourer.



Alice the Austin 7!

Following on from our attendance at the "Garage Girls" stage show, Julie Jones has named her Vintage Austin 7, "Alice" after the star of the show Alice Anderson, who drove her Austin 7 from Melbourne to Alice Springs.



Interesting Fact

Did you know our club merchandise clothing colour combination is gold, based on brass, black based on any colour you like as long as its black?? Thanks, Geof Baulch for this little snippet!



DAVID LANG RECEIVES HIS PIONEER MEMBER CERTIFICATE

The Saturday after the August General Meeting, Ann and I drove up to Deniliquin to visit some friends of Ann's. While we were there we called in to see David Lang and presented him with his Pioneer member certificate. This photo was taken in front of his 1916 Model T Tourer.

-- Dean Williams --



Progress at Henry's

Henry's T & A have just completed some recommissioning works on a 1912 Model T Mother in Law Roadster.

Does this one belong to a member? It has one of our club badges on it. To see it running, click [here](#).



Do you have any 'Newsy Bits'?
Send them through to us at: torquenews@hotmail.com



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Membership

The club welcomes new members who have an interest in the Model T Ford.

Members receive 11 monthly editions of the Model T Torque newsletter. The Model T Ford Club participates in and administers the VicRoads Club Permit Scheme. Members have access to a full register of Model T owners and their vehicles.

A full calendar of club activities including monthly meetings, annual rallies and other motoring events is planned annually. Generally, three annual rallies over the traditional, March, June and November public holiday weekends are planned in Regional Victorian locations for member participation.

The club conducts an annual Model T only, cars and parts Swap Meet. Member participation in other club gazetted events is also encouraged.

Meetings

General meetings are held on the 2nd Friday of each month (except January) at **8pm** at the **Ashburton Library Meeting Room**, (154 High Street, Ashburton) and / or via 'Zoom' online.

Meetings start promptly and usually include a guest speaker and informal supper. They conclude at approximately 10pm.

Annual Subscriptions

- \$55—Base Membership Subscription (incl 11 Emailed Newsletters)
- \$70—Printed & Posted Newsletter 11 Editions (Members Only)

BANK DEPOSIT:

- BSB: 083-004
- Account: 03-923-0022

Please put your name as a reference.

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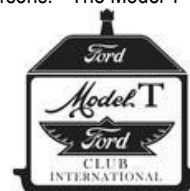
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Both clubs produce excellent magazines (Vintage Ford, Model T Times) and the Model T Ford Club encourages membership of both organisations.





Period Feature Photo



This one pretty much speaks for itself. Body by A W Hinton & Son, Prahran for W Clarks Ice Supply in South Yarra. Do any members have any further information about either of these two companies?

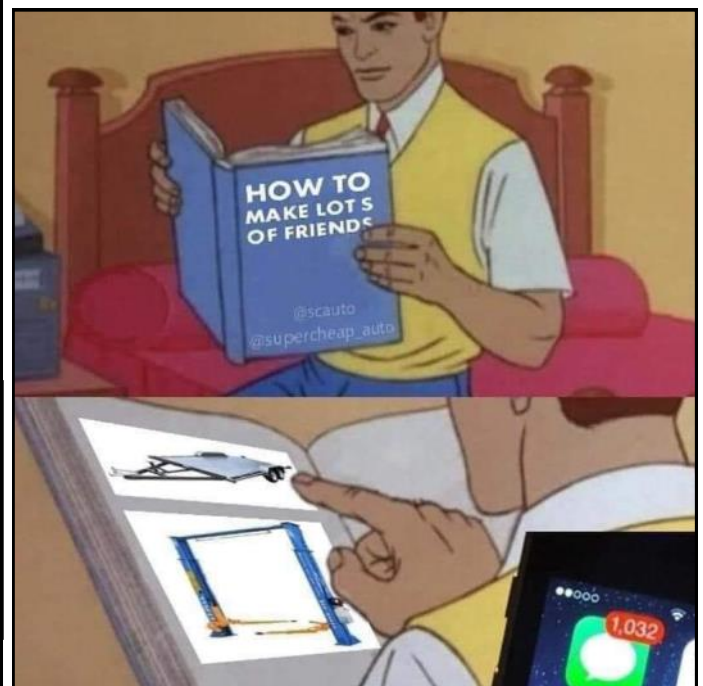




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