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Presidents Report

Hi Guys, nothing like a monthly newsletter to make it bleedin obvious how quickly the month passes. We had a great turn up at our first meeting for the year, it was nice to catch up with everyone and hear what you have all been up to over the Christmas break. One thing we all agreed on was that it had been way too hot; at least we have been having a few cooler days this month. Let's hope both continue, the good turn up at meetings and the cooler weather

Since the last meeting I had a significant birthday. Not happy about it but it's better than the alternative hey? Vicki and I took a trip up to Darwin and travelled down to Adelaide on the Ghan which was a really great experience. Three days on the train was probably enough but if you ever get the opportunity I would highly recommend it. This is one big country we live in.

While we may not be able to jump in our VW's and travel Australia far and wide, we can certainly get them out of the garage on the weekend and do a bit of local sightseeing. That's the plan anyway. So keep an eye on the upcoming events and let's enjoy what we have.

Till next time....Happy cruisin....Murray

PS - I have had emails from Kangaroo Valley and Old Bar re deposits, if you are going to either and not heard probably give them a call

PPS – Yesterday was the Lighthouse Run which was organised by Kev; there was a really good show of cars and I am sure it would only have been bigger and better if the weather had not been so miserable. There will be a more detailed run report in the next newsletter

Barb's Bits

Hi guys, well I hope you enjoyed our first meeting of the year, it was a bit involved what with the new registration system but I hope you had a chance to reread the info in the newsletter, if you didn't receive one and you would like one, please let us know, or please just go on our website. I don't know if Al' got his car repaired or not but both he and Shane missed the meeting because Al's car broke down and Shane had to go and help him out. I haven't got a great deal of news for you as I really haven't seen many of you but I will do my best. First of all from all reports Murray and Vicki enjoyed a wonderful week celebrating Murray's 60th birthday. They flew to Darwin and spent a few days, then they caught The Ghan to Adelaide and then they flew home from there. Great holiday right there.... Steve and I have given Dan's Kombi a new name....."Bubbles" Why you ask, well, we followed Dan and Rochelle up to the Gosford Car Museum and all that darn ute did was snap, crackle and pop all the way!! Speaking of Dan and Rochelle, still no word on getting their house keys yet but I'm sure it won't be long now. I got to see some photos of their house and I have to say it's just beautiful. I'm sure Kevin and Amy won't mind me telling you that they have had their bathroom renovated and Kevin has a new car and it's not a Volkswagen!! Well there isn't much more to tell you but if you have any news or important occasions you would like mentioned, please let me know 'cause as you know we're all busy bodies at heart...

Well that's all for now, until next time, keep the shiny side up, Barb

Vintage Number Plate Covers

We had John come to the February meeting to show us the number plate covers he is making for the vintage plates. They are \$35 if you contact him and tell him you are from the club, otherwise he sells them for \$38.50 on Ebay. He can post or deliver. If you are interested his number is 0414 568 543.

Macca Garage-Registration Services

We have received a letter from Mark McDonald from Macca Garage offering his registration services of blue slips, pink slips and defect notices. He is across the new registration procedures for conditional registration. He is local at Ambarvale (29 Mantalini Street) open Monday to Friday 5pm-7pm and Saturdays 9am-3pm. His phone number is 0419 474 410. Mark is a classic car enthusiast himself so will understand what our old cars should look like. He is also the father of a friend of Dan's and is an awesome genuine bloke, so let's support his local small business.

Gosford Car Museum February 19th Rochelle Fleming

Dan and I met up with Steve and Barb at Preston's McDonalds a little later than initially planned. We had a rather quick and painless trip up the M7 and M2 to meet up with Club Vee Dub at Mt Colah McDonalds. When we arrived the car park was packed with VWs and they had spilled out onto the street. There were roughly 40 cars there with a great variety. There were beetles, kombis, a type 3 ghia, new beetle and even a Porsche. We managed to get both cars in the car park and headed into McDonalds for some breakfast. We left right on 8.30am as planned and headed up the Pacific Highway and joined back up with the Pacific Motorway at Hornsby.

We arrived at the museum and were guided into the car park by the museum staff. After a bit of a wander through the Volkswagens we headed into the museum. The museum was awesome! There were over 400 cars on display of all types. There were even cars there that the 4 of us had never heard of. There was a Karmann Ghia and 3 kombis inside the museum as well as 2 ovals and 3 kombis outside which were for sale. It was very interesting wandering through with Steve and Barb, hearing all their stories of all the cars they have had over the years and those that they wish they still had. After a couple of hours wandering through all the cars and a quick peruse of the gift shop we went and had some lunch from the Air Stream café which was very reasonably priced. Whilst we were having lunch the rain came again, thankfully we had a spot inside to sit. We headed home at around 2pm and had a pretty good trip home.

The museum was awesome! We were disappointed that mum and dad couldn't make it as we know he would have loved it! The good thing though is that they have an additional 100 cars which were not on display and they rotate through these so we will definitely be going back with mum and dad to check it out again.





Coming Events

The runs in *cursive* are runs that are on but are not official club runs. If anyone is interested in going, post on FB and other club members may be interested in joining you.

March

Saturday 11th Cars under the Stars at Sydney Dragway - check FB group. Please note if you wish to park in the show you need to pre-book your spot via the FB group. Entry for the first one is \$10 per car for display or as spectators up to 5 people; or \$5 for 1 or 2 spectators in the car. These prices are for the first even at Sydney Dragway, prices for the next event are yet to be advised.

Sunday 26th Picnic at Berrima. Meet at Narellan McDonalds leaving at 10am for a nice cruise down the old Hume Highway. Bring a picnic to have in the park

April

Friday 7th Harrys Café De Wheels Orange Grove Rd Liverpool. Meet at Casula McDonalds leaving at 6.30pm

Saturday 8th Cars under the Stars at Sydney Dragway. Please note if you wish to park in the show you need to pre-book your spot via the FB group.

Tuesday 25th ANZAC Day BBQ at Mount Annan Botanical Gardens. Meet at Narellan McDonalds leaving at 10am.

May

Fríday 5th Harrys Café de Wheels from 7pm Orange Grove Rd Liverpool

Sunday 7th Berry Show. Meet at Koshigaya leaving at 7:30am. The club meeting for May will be held at Kev and Amy's after the show.

Saturday 13th Cars under the Stars at Sydney Dragway. Please note if you wish to park in the show you need to pre-book your spot via the FB group.

Saturday 27th Go Karts at Luddenham for the nationals-details to be confirmed

Sunday 28th The Nationals. Meet at Casula McDonalds to leave at 8am

June

Fríday 2nd Harrys Café de Wheels from 7pm Orange Grove Rd Líverpool

Friday 9th to Monday 12th Kangaroo Valley Camping trip

Saturday 10th Cars under the Stars at Sydney Dragway. Please note if you wish to park in the show you need to pre-book your spot via the FB group.

July

Fríday 7th Harrys Café de Wheels from 7pm Orange Grove Rd Líverpool

Saturday 8^{th} Cars under the Stars at Sydney Dragway. Please note if you wish to park in the show you need to pre-book your spot via the FB group.

Saturday 15th Goulburn Brewery Cruise. Details to be confirmed.

Future Events

Friday 29th September-Monday 2nd October Old Bar Beach Festival

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

January

23rd Vicki Fleming

February

12th Murray Fleming 19th Jenny Raymond 21st Amy Critcher 27th Emily Raymond

March

5th Charlene Easton 13th Rod Raymond & Lyn Hobson 21st Steve Rae 23rd Jayan Easton 25th Pod Webster

