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Meetings

Meetings are held at the Combined Car Clubs (Triple C) Club rooms, Glandore Community Centre, Clark Avenue, Glandore at 7:45 pm on the second Wednesday of each month, except January. Entry to club rooms is through the car park. Visitors and guests are welcome. Please bring supper to share.

Subscriptions

Metro single \$30.00 - Metro family \$35.00 - Country single \$20.00 - Country family \$25.00
Fee is for a calendar year. Membership ceases if not renewed by **31 March** of following year.

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COMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

Second Wednesday of each month except January

CLUB RUNS / EVENTS

Sunday 4th December 2011

CRC Annual Christmas Picnic at Beefacres Reserve, Windsor Gardens, near the Darley Road Bridge. More information Sharon Gibb 8263 2908

Sunday 22nd January 2012

Ray Miels Memorial Presidents Breakfast run. Meet at CCC clubrooms 7.30am for 8.00am departure.

Sunday 5th February 2012.

Registration day and car boot sale at CCC club rooms. 10.00am till 2.00pm

Sunday 4th March 2012.

27th Annual Power of the Past Mount Barker Oval.

INVITATION/OTHER CLUBS' EVENTS

Sunday 27th November 2012

Clayton Bay Picnic on the shores of Lake Alexander. Hosted by Historic Motor Vehicles Club Inc. Victor Harbour.

Thursday 26th to 30th January 2012

Round About Mount Gambier 2012 tour, entry forms available from Brenton Gibb.

Thursday 26th January 2012

Gawler Car Club Run

BYO Picnic lunch which will be held in the Roseworthy College grounds. The historic machinery museum will be open and the Roseworthy club will have their model railway open for the day. Shaded parking around the oval from 10.00am. Many clubs have been invited along. Similar format to the drive your old car day at Bethany.

Thursday 26th January 2012

Cavalcade of vehicles hosted by the City of Playford. Open to all vehicles up to 1977. Entry forms available from Brenton Gibb

Saturday 28th, Sunday 29th January 2012

Milang Yesterday Power rally. Entry forms available from Brenton Gibb

Saturday 17th, Sunday 18th March 2012

Chryslers on the Murray. Entry forms available from Brenton Gibb

21st and 22nd April 2012

Yorke Peninsula Saltwater Classic, Stansbury. There will be various

attractions including a seaside market, historic stationary engine and tractor display, wooden boat regatta display and historic vehicle display. Those interested in taking cars and caravans please contact Lorraine Beythien. She has bookings at the Stansbury Caravan Park.

SWAP MEETS

15th January 2012

Hahndorf.

26th February 2012

Campbelltown.

4th March 2012

Mt Barker.

Brenton Gibb
8263 2908



Entry Forms etc

Club events co-ordinator has contact details and / or entry forms for other club's events.

Welcome to our New Members

Noel and Janice Hurd

Cherry Gardens 1971 Valiant VG Sedan

Patrick McGrath

West Beach 1971 Valiant VH Charger and Hardtop

1972 Valiant VH Wagon

1976 Centura Sedan

Cover Photo

Garry and Rhonda Williams' 1960 Chrysler New Yorker, photographed at the Chrysler Restorers Club 30th anniversary. *Photo: Richard Tapp*

COMING EVENTS

Christmas Picnic 2011

Sunday 4th December 2011

2011's annual Christmas picnic will be held at the same venue as last year at Beefaces Reserve, Windsor Gardens, near the Darley Road Bridge. Assemble at 10.15am at the CCC clubrooms for a 10.30am departure. On arrival at the reserve there will be various children's activities to keep them entertained.

A chicken lunch, plates, cutlery, and serviettes supplied.

Gifts for children under 12 years old who attend, will be provided by CRC. Please bring your own chairs, tables and drinks.

Cost per family (2 adults only + children under 12) is \$10.00 or \$5.00 for a single.

Members please bring a large salad or sweets to share.

Father Christmas will visit during the afternoon. There will be a list circulating at the November meeting. If you don't

attend the meetings please ring with numbers for lunch and children's names, sex and ages to allow time for purchasing and wrapping of gifts. Please let us know all details by 10th November.

Please note gifts will only be given to children who are listed and who attend on the day

*Sharon Gibb
Home 8263 2908*

Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast Run.

Sunday 22nd January 2012

Meet at the CCC at 07.30am for departure at 08.00am.

Breakfast with car club friends old and new is a great way to

start the club year.

This will be a short run and I hope will be well attended.

There are only two BBQ's available so please bring your own.

BYO food, drinks, table and chairs etc

*Cathy Woods
8165 3971*

Membership Renewals and HVR

Sunday 5th February 2012

Club Registration day and car boot sale (no trailers)

at CCC Club rooms. 10am till 2pm.

Come along and renew your fees and get your log books signed. Have a chat while enjoying a barbecue,

compliments of the club.

*Chris Howes
8165 3971*

Mount Barker Power of the Past

Sunday 4th March 2012

Club Run to 27th Annual Power of the Past at the Mt Barker Oval.

Club has been invited to put on a display to celebrate 50 years since the release of the first Valiants.

More information.

*Brenton Gibb
8263 2908*

Stansbury Wooden Boat Festival 2012

20th to 23rd April 2012

We are arranging a weekend at Stansbury for the Wooden Boat Festival with displays over 2 days. We are booking sites at the Stansbury Caravan Park. The club attended this event two years ago and found it to be a success, we had displays on Saturday at Port Vincent and again at Stansbury on Sunday.

There is also a market in Stansbury on Sunday.

Trevor and I are going to Stansbury on Friday and staying until Monday morning, but you can attend any or all days.

If you would like to attend and book a caravan powered site please contact me asap. A deposit (\$29) for one night is to be paid by mid November to

hold a site. I have already booked some sites. If you would like to attend please contact me. More details will be available at a later date. If you would like to book a motel, the Oyster Court Motel in Stansbury has been recommended. Ph. 8852 4136

*Lorraine Beythien
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FROM THE COMMITTEE

President's Message



The last committee meeting for 2011 has already been held and I need to express my thanks to all Committee

Members. Any time I have asked for help they have been supportive and cooperative.

The AGM is February 8th 2012 and if you would like to contribute to the continuing success of the club please consider nominating for a Committee position.

The runs are planned for the first half of 2012, but I would encourage all members to consider places they would like to visit and submit all ideas to any Committee member.

The club has continued to grow with new members since January. These new members have been active in attending club meetings, runs and the presentation dinner. We must foster the new members as they will be the committee of the future.

September was a sad time for our Public Relations Officer Andrew Norton as his wife Sharon passed away after a brief struggle with bowel cancer. Andrew was the public relations officer for the 2010 Renmark National Tour but was unable to attend due to Sharon's illness. A donation to the Hanson Institute at the RAH in Sharon's name has been made by the club. Andrew has a young family and he knows he has the club's support.

Jenette Black has made great headway with the upgrading of club forms, membership application, information leaflet, renewal forms and a welcome pack for new members. The forms were presented at the last Committee meeting and minor changes are still needed. Look out for these in 2012.

The \$20 administration levy was passed at the September meeting and we hope this will encourage members with cars on conditional registration to fulfill their obligations prior to 31st March 2012.

Vice President, Lindsay Gibb spent a year with the Motofest Committee and arranged a

pleasant outing to Balaklava. Club members, Norma and Roy Schopp are both active members of the Balaklava Museum and the combination made for a successful day enjoyed by sixty four people.

Bay to Birdwood was a highlight in September with 7 club Chrysler Royals and 2 other club cars taking VIP's and special guests to Birdwood. We had the honor of following the lead car the Police Historical Society Chrysler Royal and the guests and drivers alike had a great day

The Presentation dinner was a successful evening arranged by Ann and Greg Lind, with 90 club members enjoying the food and festivities. (Please see the dinner article for all award winners)

There are still a few club functions left for 2011 with opportunities for you, to join us, bring a modern car if you wish but participation is the key.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and travel safely over the holidays. I am looking forward to 2012 with new people to meet and new places to visit.

Cathy Woods

From the Editor

CONTRIBUTORS

This issue comes to you courtesy of Brenton, Sharon and Lindsay Gibb, Lorraine Beythien, Cathy Woods, Chris Howes, Jenette Black, Graham Bailey, Margaret Edwards, Ellen Haywood, Ann and Greg Lind, Harold and Patricia Heaven, Richard Tapp and Graham McRae.

Our thanks to the magazine despatch team, being Richard Tapp, Jenette Black, Garry Williams and Dean Davis.

Bob Haywood

WEBSITE STATISTICS

	Sept 2011	Oct 2011	October 2010
Visits	752	703	748
Pages	5,105	10,821	10,458
New Visits	32%	37%	41%

Statistics exclude videos.

CLUB NOTES

Membership Renewals and HVR

Our end of financial year is approaching (31st December 2011) and membership renewals will be issued in the next magazine.

For those members with vehicles registered under the conditional registration for Historic Vehicles scheme, it is a requirement that you be a financial member of the club that issued your log book. If your membership lapses you no longer have a registered vehicle, despite the expiry date on your registration papers.

For those members who remain unfinancial beyond March 31st 2012 the club registrar is obliged to notify the authorities (DTEI) of your lapsed membership status and you will receive a letter from DTEI advising that your vehicle is no longer registered.

For those members who renew after March 31 2012 an administration fee of \$20 in addition to membership fees will apply.

As has been discussed in recent months, there are no changes to the Code of Practice requirements for historic vehicles at this time; however proof of current registration status will be required on the revised format registration papers.

For renewal of membership and historic entitlements there are 3 options :

- attend the club registration day on **February 5th 2012** at the club rooms with your **membership renewal form, current registration papers and current log book**; it will

not be possible to process your renewal without all of these documents,

- post with **enclosed cheque/ money order, renewal form, current registration papers, log book and stamped addressed envelope for return of your papers (enclose 4 x 60c stamps if log book needs renewing)** to:

Chris Howes
4 Peter Place
Campbelltown 5074

- renew your membership by post to the club secretary and bring your log book and registration papers to the March (not February) meeting.

Chris Howes
8165 3971

Christmas Pudding

A well tested pudding passed down through our family

1 cup self raising flour
1 teaspoon carb soda
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon mixed spice
1 tablespoon butter

Place all ingredients in a bowl, pour water/brandy over ingredients, mix well and let stand over night.

Next day add 2 eggs add a handful of almonds if preferred and mix well.

1 cup currants
1 cup each of raisins
1 cup sultanas
1 heaped tablespoon plum jam
1 cup sugar
1 cup boiling water or 1/2 water and 1/2 brandy, (we like it with 1 cup of Brandy).
Almonds (optional)

This pudding can be cooked for 3 hours in a cloth or in a slow cooker for 6 hours on high. Place the mixture in a suitable container, and cover with alfoil tied with string. Place bowl in cooker with adequate amount of water. Serve with custard or ice

cream. Enjoy

Margaret Edwards



National Rally Badges

I am still looking to complete a collection of National rally badges. Missing are: 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. Also our club's 15th

and 20th anniversary. Any help in completing this collection for the club's display board would be greatly appreciated.

Graham Bailey

CLUB NOTES

Federation Meeting Report



:Meeting held 15th October 2011
Federation Tour for 2013 to be a National tour as it is the 100th anniversary of Canberra.

Bay to Birdwood: heavy traffic due to no one way road closures. Anyone who had difficulties please put the problem in writing to the Federation.

Cruising Classics: numbers down but all runs were well received. Again it was suggested that the clubs do not push the

Cruising Classic runs enough.

Shannon Foundation: 3 grants with one going to Jarryd Just from the Chrysler Restorers Club.

Warning: if you are in the Eastern states the 98 octane fuel will contain ethanol but it may not be marked on the pump so be aware of this if ethanol affects your car.

The law on child restraints interstate is different from SA with regard to historically registered vehicles, so if going check and don't be caught as you go over the border.

The DTEI have sent an email to the federation stating that the changes to the Historic Vehicle

Registration and the Special Interest Vehicles have been approved, and are to be submitted to Cabinet this month and they expected to be passed and come into effect at end of March 2012.

The Federation is talking with DTEI re. standard format for declaration and wording so that all will be consistent.

As the Code of Practice will be reviewed at this time any comments are to be in writing to the Federation and need to be factual so that the case may be argued.

The Federation is asking DTEI to run a seminar on the changes.

Graham McRae

Chrysler in Australia Image Archive



13TH NATIONAL CHRYSLER RALLY UPDATE

This is the first update on the 2013 National Rally in Warrnambool, Victoria. Our organising team has confirmed an excellent evening venue, a range of accommodation options that will allow most entrants to be in either of two venues, that are an easy walking distance apart, as well as identifying the daily runs. Obviously, there is still heaps to do, but our team is keen enthusiastic, and committed to continue the standards set with

previous rallies.

The Warrnambool "National Chrysler Rally" is now less than 2 years away, being scheduled for Sunday 29th September to Saturday 5th October, 2013. This coastal Victorian city, and the surrounding area, is ready and willing to have us come and enjoy all that it has to offer.

The Victorian host club is well into the rally organising, with our aim to ensure that we put

together a week full of activities, so that every participant will leave with enduring memories.

Entry forms will be distributed in June 2012, whilst the Victorian club website will be updated regularly with more details as they are finalised. <http://www.chryslerclubvic.org.au>

13th National Chrysler Rally Committee.

PAST EVENTS

Cruising Classics Run to Historic Balaklava

Tuesday 20th September 2011.

Our club's day out was to Balaklava and sixty four people made the journey including eleven from the Eastern States. Thirty one from our club and the balance from the Adelaide Metro area.

Although it was quite windy the rain held off apart from a misty shower or two.

On our arrival in Balaklava we were greeted by our hosts Roy and Norma Schopp along with their volunteer group. They were keen to show us around the Agricultural Museum which was our first place to visit.

Being a rich farming area there were many items relating to farming, dating back to the start

of the century. As we wandered through the sheds and buildings many memories flooded back while for others it was a great lesson in farming history.

Lunch was delivered by local identity, Wendy's Café n Cakes, in a strong paper bag and included a baguette of choice, a piece of cake and a cold drink. Tea or coffee was also included. Everyone appeared quite satisfied as we sat and chatted.

After lunch we moved onto the Folk Museum which was equally interesting, this covered the life style of yesteryear.

The local Art and Photography Gallery was also opened especially for our visit and a number of our people dropped in

for a viewing. I found the visit entertaining with some unusual photographs that had us guessing about the subject matter. Judging from the feedback it was a great outing and my thanks go to Roy and Norma Schopp who worked so willingly with me to make it all happen.

The Bi-annual Cruising Classic event this year was quite diverse with day trips covering many places of interest from Snowtown in the north to the Murray Mouth down south. Twelve days of good fun with many new acquaintances being generated.

*Lindsay Gibb
Photos Bob Haywood*



A selection of vehicles at the Balaklava Museum



Lunch at the Balaklava Museum

PAST EVENTS

Twin Bridges Rally 2011

1st, 2nd, 3rd September 2011.

Murray Bridge Auto Collectors Club have again turned on a most enjoyable weekend celebrating their bi-annual Twin Bridges Rally.

We arrived in Murray Bridge at around lunch time on Friday. After booking in, and setting up our caravan at Long Island Caravan Park we headed into Murray Bridge, locating an op shop or two for that usual search for the next treasure.

We made our way to the clubrooms at Johnstone Park later in the day to collect our rally pack. Afternoon tea was served and a chance to catch up with some other entrants and friends we hadn't seen for a while.

The official welcoming and opening of the rally was done and serving of the evening meal was announced and was soon underway. This was prepared and served by the lady club members and included various hot casseroles, which proved to be quite popular, so much so seconds were taken by a few people.

After the meal was cleared away

we were entertained with a trivia quiz, set, and strictly supervised, by Secretary and Rally Director, Brenda Cowie. Prizes were awarded to table groups for nearest correct answers and created a bit of fun.

Saturday morning was an early start with an assembly of vehicles at Sturt Reserve for judging prior to leaving for the day's run.

Vehicles were released and set off in their respective classes and headed off for our first destination at Langehorne Creek for morning tea. A quiz looking for particular points of interest along the way kept the passenger occupied and at times distracted the driver, we still missed finding a couple of the points.

Morning tea consisted of the usual country ladies assortment of treats.

Back on the road and our next stop was Clayton, with scenic views of the southern lower lakes, looking great with plenty of water to enhance the landscape. From there we ventured back to Milang to the local sports oval, the venue for lunch. Some local trading tables being a good way to spend some time waiting for the lunch call.

We were treated to a prepacked cold meat and salad lunch which was a credit to the caterers, a few found it hard to get through it all. The afternoon was your own choice, stay on for afternoon tea or return to Murray Bridge at your own pace. We chose to

Clayton Bay lookout



Entrants vehicles at Clayton



return and prepare for the nights entertainment.

The presentation dinner was held at the local golf club and the theme for the night was to come green. This made some very interesting sights with people putting a lot of work in to their dress. Another beautiful meal was served up by local caterers with sweets to follow. Raffle prizes were drawn throughout

PAST EVENTS

Twin Bridges Rally 2011(ctd)

the night with some Chrysler Restorers members winning their share. The best dressed green person was chosen from both sexes to finish off a terrific night.

Sunday morning we all met at the club rooms for the morning's activities, which included flower arranging for the ladies, and the

men, accompanied by a few ladies gathered at the local funeral home owned by the Minge family. There we were shown a part of their collection of hearses, including a beautifully restored 1926 Nash, and a range of makes through to the late 80's. The family was known to be collectors of

Mercedes cars, and of particular interest was a Ferrari Dino bought new in Adelaide in 1971 by Mr Minge senior.

On returning to the club rooms we were served lunch and trophy winners for the weekend were announced. David and Julie May won best commercial with their Fargo Utility. The rally was officially closed and welcomed all participants back in two years time.

Congratulations to the Auto Collectors Club of Murray Bridge for a fantastic weekend, with a special mention to the directors Brenda and Les Cowie, thanks for a job well done.

*Ellen and Bob Haywood
Photos: Bob Haywood*

Sunday Morning at Murray Bridge Auto Collectors Club



Judging of Ladies Green Theme



Judging of Men in Green



Graham and Maureen Edwards' Trophy Winning Zephyr



Claude Minge Jr. with his 1926 Nash Hearse



PAST EVENTS

Bay to Birdwood 2011

Steele and Joan Hall



Restorers Club was approached via Richard Tapp asking if we could supply Chrysler Royals with a back up of a couple of other vehicles to carry some dignitaries to Birdwood. These included past State Premiers, along with other guests who wished to take part.

The result was Steele Hall, Lyn Arnold, The Mayor of Adelaide Steve Yarwood, and a couple of visiting Federation representatives. I took Steele and Joan Hall and enjoyed their company, with quite an interesting chat along the way and was pleased I was given the chance to be a part of this arrangement.

Sunday 25th September 2011

Another two years have passed us by, the Classic Bay to Birdwood has been run again and still attracted a large number of vehicles. I believe the number of entries exceeded the cut off number with 1,808 entered.

I was a part of this years run to Birdwood in a slightly different role than normal. The Chrysler

As members are aware I have been scanning some photographic negatives from Chrysler Australia, and remembered seeing a photo shoot of Steele Hall when he was Premier, unveiling the 1969 Valiant two door hardtop. I printed these and presented them to him on the day, he seemed pleased, he had a couple of stories relating to the event and that model car in particular. It

was this event that the Valiant two door became a part of the Premier's fleet of vehicles

Another advantage of being chosen to take part in this was, we were first to leave and of course first to arrive at Birdwood.

The run to Birdwood was uneventful, so much more

Flag man Glen Dix



Geoff and Cynthia Chase's 1962 Dodge Phoenix and Bob and Ellen Haywood's 1962 Chrysler Royal



PAST EVENTS

Bay to Birdwood 2011 (ctd)

One of the Car Parks of Entrant's Vehicles at Birdwood.



enjoyable being amongst the leading cars, and we were soon being treated to the cheers and waves from the large gathering of spectators. People found vantage points with their picnic and barbecue areas, looking as if they were settled in for the day.

We arrived in Birdwood around 10.30am and were guided into a special park area to offload our guests.

The collection of vehicles was astounding and although I wandered for the next two to three hours there was no way you could have seen half of the entered cars.

Following a bite to eat I decided to make tracks home at about 2.00pm and was surprised to meet a few remaining cars still making their way to Birdwood,

showing the enormity of this wonderful event. A most enjoyable day.

Bob Haywood

After the VIP's arrival at Birdwood



The Picnic Atmosphere at Birdwood



PAST EVENTS

Joint Run with R and S Valiant Club

On Sunday 23rd October 2011 the Chrysler Restorers Car Club and the R and S Valiant Club enjoyed a joint run to the Mallala Motor Sports Park, to view Clem Smith's private collection of historic motor vehicles and race cars. We met on Pt Wakefield road at Bolivar at 10.00am under an overcast sky.

We headed off on a nice leisurely drive to Mallala and arrived at Clem Smith's collection around 11.00am.

The sun had broken through the clouds so it was very nice to find refuge in the large shed used to house the cars. Greg, myself and a friend wandered around the amazing collection, stopping to

discuss the cars with other car club members. It was amazing to see how well preserved and original these cars were and a great credit to Clem and his helpers who must spend an

incredible amount of time preening these cars. Morning tea and biscuits were provided, which Greg was most appreciative of.

Members Gather in Readiness for Mallala Run



Clem Smith's collection



Cathy Woods and Alan Pike thanked Clem and his helpers for allowing us to see and experience the wonderful history he has preserved. Clem and a few of his mates reminisced on the old Rowley Park days of car racing and how they made a few modifications to the cars along the way to give them the extra edge for their wins at Rowley Park.

We left the shed and drove down

A Number of Participants Cars at Mallala



PAST EVENTS

Joint Run with R and S Valiant Club (ctd)



garden. You can certainly spend quite a few hours there and still not get around to seeing everything. Greg and I had a great day as I am sure everyone else did.

*Ann and Greg Lind
Photos Bob Haywood*

to the race track for a picnic lunch and while we were having lunch quite a few of the car club members sat on the hill and watched the Sporting Car club racing their cars around the track.

After lunch we packed up and drove to the Virginia Nursery, which was our next port of call to enjoy a nice cup of coffee, milkshakes, iced coffees and

cakes for some.

Sharon Gibb and I headed for the gift shop and kitchen shop area after our drinks and wandered for quite some time, before we headed back to our partners, who I must say were surprised we arrived empty handed. The Virginia Nursery is certainly a wonderful place to visit with shops, plants, outdoor areas and some wonderful ideas for the



Presentation and Thankyou to Clem Smith from Cathy Woods and Allan Pike



MEMBERS CARS

History of our 1935 Plymouth Tourer

In May 1986 Harold was asked if he would be interested in a vehicle which had been parked in the open behind a shed for quite a long time in a suburb of Adelaide.

After giving it some thought we decided to go and have a look at it, and to our surprise found it half buried in saw dust. Neither of us had any idea of its make, so seeing the offer was there, a deal was made. With the help of our son we returned with a trailer and brought it home.

It sat on this trailer for a long time as we were restoring another vehicle. When it came time to start on this restoration, and after sorting out some of its parts we found it to be a 1935 Plymouth PJ 17 tourer. We were sure at this stage the vehicle would be restorable.

The following information was found on the registration disc, engine number DP 145688, chassis number 2419628. The

current registration number is 835S.

When we made a start on this vehicle we had the offer of a wrecked one from which we were able to salvage parts, as swap meets did not seem to have much in this era. It was a coincidence that this car had a serial number only one removed from the one we were restoring.

After knocking out a few dents and having it upholstered we then painted it in colours we thought would have been appropriate for the time. We made a decision that we would make its first run to the Nationals for the Chrysler Club in Adelaide up at Tanunda Oval.

We were surprised to learn that only 9 of these vehicles were actually made.



We did this run without the hood which was still unfinished.

We had my sister and her husband with us. It poured with rain on the way home, but lucky for us we had packed some plastic covers and rugged ourselves up, but one of the roads had many large puddles of water and sure enough we hit one. The next thing, water came over the top of the vehicle into the back section and absolutely soaked my wife and sister. When we got home we just laughed at the experience and how the girls looked all soaked from head to toe.

It has been a big help that in Patricia's childhood days she was

MEMBERS CARS

History of our 1935 Plymouth Tourer (ctd)

brought up by her father, a motor mechanic, who had his business in their backyard. Her mother made her a pair of overalls when she was 3 years old as she was always down helping her father with their 1927 Chevrolet tourer.

I have always like doing vehicles up from a young age so the combination of both of us has

worked out well.

Our vehicle collection has grown over the 53 years of marriage and is as follows:

1929 Chevrolet Business Man's roadster, which was restored for Pat's 70th birthday gift.

1939 Chevrolet sedan, our first restoration which was purchased

from Toop Motors Auction.

1960 Chevrolet Belair sedan, a one owner and in which we have travelled half way around Australia.

1964 Cadillac Coupe Deville.

1938 LaSalle sedan.

Harold and Patricia Heaven

2011 Presentation Dinner

Ann and Greg Lind organized a wonderful evening for 90 club members at the Oakden Central on the 29th of October. As usual the event appears effortless but I know they contributed a lot of time and thought to making it the success it was. Thank you.

There were 16 first time attendees and some of these members are in their first year of membership.

A Mad Hatters theme added to the fun with a wild and wacky selection of head gear from Graham Bailey's Chrysler Building on his head to Mike Osborne who was renamed "Richard" for the night. You had to be there!

The male winner was Bruce Bragg with a true Mad Hatters creation from Alice in Wonderland. The female winner was Raice Tapp with a tea party on her head. Other special head wear was Sharon Gibb with a

black veil of photos of her and Brenton, and Jenette Black whose hat was a small Christmas tree. Amazing efforts and it made for an easy conversation starter for newer members.

There were raffles galore with all the prizes having been donated. This meant that every second person won a prize. Thanks to those club members who continue to generously donate each year. David and Julie May were unable to attend and donated the cost of their ticket to be used for prizes.

Four awards are presented annually with Judy McNair presenting the Ron McNair Memorial award to Brenton Gibb, for club member of the year, as voted by the members. Brenton as the runs coordinator never leads us astray and contributes to every outing by acting as Marshall and writing the run sheet. Brenton and Sharon Gibb are the chief organizers of the Christmas picnic and supported Ross Fleming with this years Pub Run.

I was pleased to present the Presidents Award to Vice president Lindsay Gibb who has been my mentor and guider. I will tell you more about my choice at the November club

meeting.

Richard Tapp presented the Alan Toul memorial award to Bob Haywood for his outstanding contribution as editor, photographer, calendar arranger and scanner of 2,700 negatives.

All three expect no reward but the club sees and appreciates all that they do.

Ken Barnes said at the time of getting stuck in the ditch at Piccadilly "I hope I don't get the disaster Award" Guess what he did. Alan Driver was last year's recipient and was pleased to pass the trophy onto Ken. The video playing over dinner even showed the disaster for all to see.

Those attending enjoyed the meal, fun and conversation and it was an ideal way to celebrate and reward the contributions of the award winning club members.

Cathy Woods

Photos Bob Haywood



Brenton Gibb and Judy McNair



Lindsay Gibb and Cathy Woods

OUR MOTORING HERITAGE

Cars that made Chrysler

1914 DODGE

Throughout its long history, Chrysler has been both an innovative automotive leader and an anaemic crisis-riddled company.

But its history dates back much farther than the Chrysler name and is tied to the most iconic American car ever made, the Model T Ford.

Brothers Horace and John Dodge were among the earliest auto parts suppliers, making about 80% of the mechanical parts used in the Ford Model T between 1903 and 1912.

The Dodge brothers eventually became major shareholders in Ford. Wealthy from their holdings they went on to build their own car, a famously tough



all-steel bodied touring car. That vehicle made Dodge synonymous with "dependability" for forty years.

Horace and John died in 1920 from a flu contracted during the New York Auto Show. Their car company was acquired by Chrysler Corporation in 1928. Sources: *Walter P. Chrysler Museum*; *Chrysler: The Life and*

Times of an Automotive Genius," by Vincent Curcio (Oxford University Press); *Wheels for the World: Henry Ford, His Company, and a Century of Progress,*"

1924 CHRYSLER B70

Automotive historian L. J. K. Setwright has referred to the Chrysler B70 as perhaps the finest mass-produced car in the world when it was introduced.

The company that made it was called Maxwell Motors. It didn't become Chrysler Corp. until 1925, when Walter P. Chrysler, who had taken over Maxwell two years after quitting his job as head of General Motors' Buick division, officially renamed the company.

A pressure-lubricated six cylinder engine capable of sustained 70 mph speeds, air and oil filters, four-wheel hydraulic brakes, tubular front axle and an internally lit dashboard with

temperature gauge were some of the car's groundbreaking features.

This car established Chrysler as "the engineering company."

Source: *Walter P. Chrysler*



OUR MOTORING HERITAGE

Cars that made Chrysler (ctd)

1932 PLYMOUTH PA

Chrysler launched the low-priced Plymouth brand in 1928 to compete with Ford and Chevrolet. Plymouth gained traction in the Thirties with a combination of strong value and clever promotion. Presaging Lee Iacocca's role decades later, Walter P. Chrysler was featured in ads urging buyers to "Look at all three!" low-priced makes.

The PA introduced "Floating Power," an engine mounting system that isolated engine vibration, providing "the smoothness of an Eight with the economy of a Four."

Plymouth soon lifted Chrysler Corporation into second place in U.S. domestic production, a



COURTESY: WALTER P. CHRYSLER

position it held until the early fifties.

Chrysler shut down the Plymouth brand after the 2001

model year. *Source: Walter P. Chrysler Museum; Standard Catalog of Chrysler," edited by James T. Lenzke (Krause Publications)*

1934 DE SOTO AIRFLOW

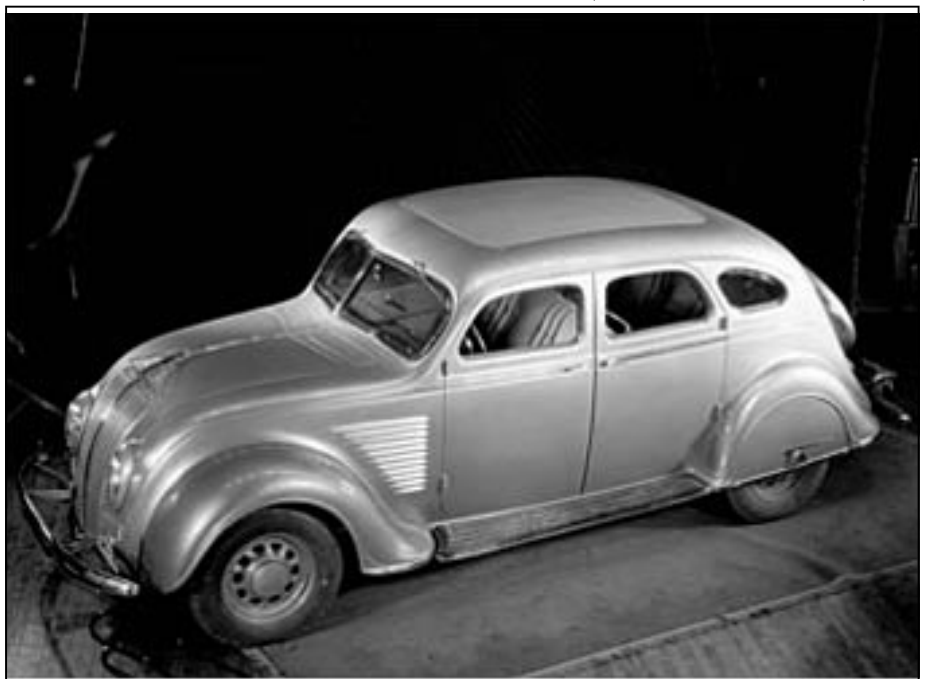
The DeSoto brand was introduced by Chrysler in 1928 to fill the gap between high-priced Chryslers and low-priced Plymouths. That same year, Chrysler bought Dodge and the two brands co-existed until DeSoto was shut down in 1960.

Although remembered as the first American mass market car designed with the aid of wind tunnel testing, and for disappointing sales the Chrysler and DeSoto Airflows were cars that changed the way cars were made.

By moving the engine and passengers forward, enclosing the trunk and improving ride, handling, and weight distribution, the Airflow influenced auto design

worldwide. The body of the first Toyota was based on the DeSoto Airflow

Source: Walter P. Chrysler Museum; Standard Catalog of Chrysler," edited by James T. Lenzke (Krause Publications)



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OUR MOTORING HERITAGE

Cars that made Chrysler (ctd)

1942 WILLYS-OVERLAND JEEP

The famous World War II Jeeps were manufactured by Willys-Overland, a company that Walter P. Chrysler briefly ran in the early 1920s. The company was headed by a former Chrysler executive when these tough off-landers went into production.

General George C. Marshall called them "America's greatest contribution to modern warfare" and they became the saviour of Willys-Overland, laying the foundation of a global brand.



Jeep became part of Chrysler in 1987. Source: Walter P. Chrysler

1957 CHRYSLER 300C

With "Forward Look" styling by Virgil Exner and a Hemi V8 capable of 390hp, the 1957 version of Chrysler's 300 series was dubbed "the beautiful brute" by automotive journalists. The dramatically lowered "Forward Look" cars inspired car designers around the world.

Source: Walter P. Chrysler Museum



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1968 PLYMOUTH ROAD RUNNER

Available with a street legal version of Chrysler Corporation's Hemi racing engine, the Roadrunner offered performance at a bargain price. Named "Car of the Year" by *Motor Trend* in 1969, the Road Runner helped make Chrysler Corporation's parts division, Mopar, synonymous with performance in the muscle car era. Source: Walter P. Chrysler Museum

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