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



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The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, South Australia Inc.

Established in 1980, catering for the following vehicles:

Dodge * Plymouth * De Soto * Chrysler * Imperial * Maxwell * Fargo * Graham Brothers * Valiant

Postal Address

PO Box 667, Plympton SA 5038

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

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COMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

Second Wednesday of each month except January

CLUB RUNS / EVENTS

Monday 21st September to Friday 2nd October 2015

Bay to Birdwood Motorfest events

Sunday 27th September 2015

Bay to Birdwood.

17th and 18th October 2015

Jamestown Air Show. The tri annual Jamestown Air Show is on again.

Chris Howes

Sunday 1st November 2015

CCC picnic lunch. Meet at 9.30am for a 10.00am start at Bonython Park Port Road Thebarton (opposite Coca Cola). Hosted by the Veteran and Vintage Chevrolet Club.

Ken Barnes
8293 7923

Sunday 6th December 2015

Christmas Picnic, Beefacres Reserve.

accomm. and breakfast. \$245 return.
More info;

Greg Lind

INVITATION/OTHER CLUB'S EVENTS

19th and 20th September 2015

Victor Harbor Rock n Roll Festival.

12th to 17th October 2015

Muscle Car Challenge, 6 day challenge, 1450kms through SA and Victoria.

17th and 18th October 2015

Coorong Mechanical Restoration Club Meningie. Rigs on the Run

25th October 2015

London to Brighton Down Under Hosted by the Vintage Sports Car Club of SA. Assemble at London Rd Mile End for a short ceremony before a 10.00am start

14th and 15th November 2015

Return travel to Bendigo Swap,

SWAP MEETS

Sunday 13th September 2015

Gawler

Sunday 4th October 2015

Morgan and District Lions

Sunday 18th October 2015

Strathalbyn

14th and 15th November 2015

Bendigo

Entry Forms etc

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

Welcome New Members

Suzannah Lambert and Peta Black

Reynella

1978 Chrysler CL Charger

1980 Chrysler CM sedan

Heather and Chris Bennett

Clarence Park

1938 Plymouth P6 sedan

1954 MG TF tourer

1963 Ford Futura tourer

1979 Ford Escort panel van

Vale: Colin and Elizabeth Frith

Esteemed CRCSA members Colin and Elizabeth Frith recently passed away. Colin passed away suddenly on 19th July aged 82 years, followed by his wife Elizabeth three days later after a long illness.

Colin and Elizabeth had been members since 1992 with Colin

attending most monthly meetings. They were both enthusiastic rally/ run attendees.

Colin was a quiet man with a wonderful memory and was a great offsider to Dick Hart during many restorations/repairs. He was known to never utter a bad word about anyone.

Family and friends farewelled Colin and Elizabeth on 31st July, followed by a celebration of their life at Colin's "drinking hole" at the Southwark Hotel.

They will be sadly missed.

Kevin and Roxanne
Rick and Sheena

Cover Photo

Ray and Deirdre Knight's 1963 AP3 Chrysler Royal sedan: Photographed at Peterborough on the 2015 Federation Outback Odyssey Run. *Photo Bob Haywood*

COMING EVENTS

Jamestown Air Show

17th and 18th October 2015

This is a tri-annual event and members of our club enjoyed the last show. Accommodation should be booked by now. They have limited caravan park sites although the showgrounds have

caravan facilities.

Saturday night is schnitzel night at nearby Caltowie Hotel, a great country meal and only a few minutes from Jamestown. The main show event is on Sunday. An area has been set aside for our cars

to displayed.

Jamestown is only 2.5 hours from Adelaide so it is possible to make a day trip if you would prefer.

Chris Howes

South East Dodge Weekend

October 16th to 18th 2015

Attention all pre 1938 Dodge Brothers owners! A rally is being held in Mt Gambier for SA and Victorian DB owners. Drives at a leisurely pace of around 100kms are planned to the coast on Saturday and to Penola and Coonawarra on Sunday. A welcome bbq will be held on

Friday and a fellowship get together dinner Saturday night. After a great rally at Forbes for the Centenary of Dodges last year, this more local event offers the chance for old or new members or even non-members to enjoy a great Dodging experience with a "Tail-end-Charlie" as security if you'd care to join us.

More info, 08 8739 3145 email hunt2468@dragnet.com.au

Early expressions of interest will help greatly with catering. Please consider joining us.

*Nick Hunt
Kalangadoo
08 8739 3145*

Combined Car Club Picnic

Sunday 1st November 2015

The day will begin with a display of Historic Vehicles in Bonython Park Port Road Thebarton (opposite Coca Cola). This will be

followed by a run to Maccelsfield, for a picnic lunch at Davenport Square. There will be a market for food and other interesting items. The day will be hosted by the

Veteran and Vintage Chevrolet Club.

*Ken Barnes
8293 7923*

2015 Christmas Picnic

Sunday 6th December 2015

2015's annual Christmas Picnic will be held in the same venue as last year at Beefacres Reserve, Windsor Gardens near the Darley Road Bridge. Assemble at 10.15am at the CRC clubrooms for a 10.30am departure. On arrival at the reserve there will be various children's activities to entertain the children until lunch time.

A Chicken lunch, plates, cutlery, serviettes and Christmas 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 is \$10.00 (2 adults only + children under 12) 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 September, October and November meetings. If you don't attend the meetings please ring or email 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 the 11th November, 2015.

PLEASE NOTE THAT GIFTS WILL ONLY BE GIVEN TO THE CHILDREN WHO ARE LISTED AND WHO ATTEND ON THE DAY.

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FROM THE COMMITTEE

President's Message



Hi All,
Following the AGM on the 8th July, I feel really honoured to lead our club as

President for the forthcoming term. For the benefit of those who don't know me let me introduce myself. I was born into a family involved in the motor industry and this interest has flowed on to me. I joined the Chrysler Restorers Club in 2003 along with my wife Sharon and we were made to feel welcome from the beginning. We have 3 adult daughters, two son-in-laws and 2 grandsons. One grandson is already sharing the passion for cars (and he is only 2).

I soon became a committee member and then Run's Coordinator for many years before becoming Vice President. I have a 1972 Limelight VH Charger and a White 1972 Town & Country Ute plus a couple of

other Valiant's awaiting restoration. We have had many great outings with fellow members over the years.

I would like to acknowledge Richard Tapp for the way he has led this club for the last two years as President and look forward to his help and guidance this year, also thanks to last year's committee for all their hard work. Graham Bailey and Jenette Black have both stepped down from committee duties as they intend to return to NSW early in the new year, many thanks for many years of service. This year's committee consists of a reshuffle with two new people coming on board, Jim Dawson as Assistant Librarian and Sharon Gibb taking over the role of Membership/Vehicle records. Jim has also taken on the role of Tour Director for the 2019 National Rally.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a county member Max McLeod from Quorn for salvaging boxes of Chrysler/Mitsubishi workshop manuals, parts and other booklets from his local

mechanical workshop that closed down and donating them to us. They are in the hands of the librarians to catalogue before being available to borrow.

On the 20th August we conducted a midweek tour of the old Chrysler Manufacturing Plant where a new TAFE College has been built. I did not attend myself but the feedback has been positive, with 33 people attending. If anyone has any other places that they think maybe of interest to us please make Runs Coordinator, Greg Lind aware. Check out the upcoming runs from Greg Lind and I hope to see you all soon. Since our last magazine 3 club members have passed away. Colin and Elizabeth Frith, and Ken Dart, our thoughts are with their families.

Brenton Gibb



From the Editor

CONTRIBUTORS

This issue comes to you courtesy of Greg and Ann Lind, Kevin and Roxanne Frith, Rick Frith and Sheena Backhouse, Brenton Gibb, Lorraine Beythien, Chris Howes, Ken Barnes, Richard Tapp, Alan Driver, Graham McRae, Bruce Forbes and John and Debbie Goddard. Many thanks to the magazine despatch team, being Jenette Black, Ellen Haywood, Rhonda and Garry Williams and Dean Davis.

A REMINDER. *In future all articles and entries to this magazine must be submitted by the Friday date shown on page 3.*

Bob Haywood

WEBSITE STATISTICS

	July-15	Aug-15	Aug 14
Visits	565	482	496
Pages	2683	3095	3100
Average visit duration	2:26	2:46	2:41

Statistics include photos but exclude videos.

CLUB NOTES

Federation Meeting Report



Last meeting was the AGM. There was no new business forthcoming.

Alan Driver

Historic Vehicle Registration

Things are going along well on the historic registration front, I have recently sent a letter to the DPTI informing them of those members who are un-financial or have not had the 3 yearly inspection carried out and the number is quite small.

While I seem to be harping on about the 3 yearly inspections it is because that if the vehicle is over the 3 year period since inspection then it is non compliant with the requirements

of the Code of Practice (Section 6.4.3), remember this inspection is a recurrent one. One thing that may affect some owners is that if they become non compliant and let the registration lapse then if they have a historic number plate this may be taken and reissued, this depends on how the plate was issued in the first place.

Another thing is that all historic owners (and I don't just mean our elder members!) are reminded that if the vehicle is

disposed of then the logbook must be cancelled by the club registrar. This can be done by posting the logbook to me with a stamped addressed envelope and it will be returned or bring it along to a meeting. Lets hope the weather continues to warm up so we can enjoy some touring in the older cars.

Graham McRae

Vale: Ken Dart

With deep regret we announce that long time member Ken "Kenny" Dart passed away on Monday August 24th.

Ken and wife Bev joined the Chrysler Restorers Club in 1987 and were both active members until recently; unfortunately Ken suffered with health problems and had been unable to attend

club functions for the past year or two.

There was never any doubt that Ken was nearby at any gathering, with his characteristic squeaky voice giving him away long before you saw him. His beaming smile and unforgettable greeting "Hi there errr...what's your name again", will live long in our memories.

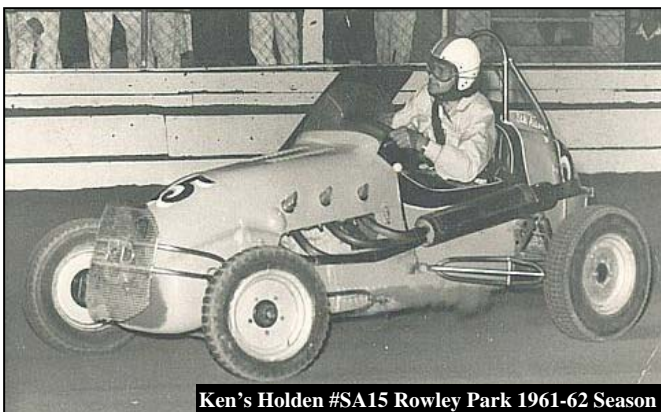
Many of you may not know that Ken was a serious Speedway competitor back in the days of Rowley Park; he had some wins but was better

known for his talent at hitting fences at the track, and not surprisingly he was affectionately known as "Squeaker".

In his quieter years he reverted to vintage motoring and owned a lovely maroon DA Dodge sedan, until his health prevented him from driving; nevertheless with help from his son Robert he kept tinkering away on a 1954 Dodge Kingsway to keep his motoring interests alive.

All of us at the Chrysler Restorers Club will miss the loveable Kenny among our midst and we offer our deepest sympathies to Bev and sons Wayne, Tony and Robert.

Chris Howes



Ken's Holden #SA15 Rowley Park 1961-62 Season

CLUB NOTES

Minutes of Club Meetings

Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia (SA Inc.)

Minutes of Meeting Held at CCC Wednesday 8th July 2015

Meeting opened by President Brenton Gibb, members welcomed and newly elected committee members congratulated. OH&S regulations cited

Members present; Apologies, as recorded in attendance register.

New Members and Visitors; Nick Trcantafuov and Michael Kelman (previous member rejoined)

Sick report; Ken Dart admitted to hospital following a fall.

June meeting minutes; Read and moved by Secretary Ann Lind, seconded Graham Bailey.

Correspondence in; CCC minutes, new member applications, Goolwa Central Motel accommodation offer. A Linn moved correspondence be accepted seconded Noel Cowie.

Treasurers Report; Alan Driver presented his report, moving it be accepted, seconded by Kevin Williams.

Committee Reports presented by office holders.

Past Events; Brenton Gibb commented on the Presentation Dinner awards and thanked Alan Driver for his selection of venue.

General Business; Brenton Gibb advised members of a get together for interested members involved in the 2019 National Rally after this meeting. Lorraine Beythien advised the meeting of the absence of members at the August meeting due to their involvement in the Mount n Hill n Town run.

Raffle draws; Lindsay Gibb acknowledged members for donating prizes

Meeting Closed at 8.55pm.

Minutes of Meeting Held at CCC Wednesday 12th August 2015

Meeting opened by President Brenton Gibb, members welcomed and OH&S safety regulations cited.

Members Present; Members present and apologies as in attendance register.

New Members and Visitors; None.

Sick report; Michael Bartsch, Wayne Bartlett

July Meeting Minutes; Read and moved accepted by Ass. Secretary John Goddard seconded (not recorded)

Correspondence in; Membership and log books, various Club magazines, swap meet notices.

Correspondence out; Sympathy card, Advertiser notice re. Passing of Colin and Elizabeth Frith.

Treasurers Report; Alan Driver presented and moved his report be accepted, seconded by Kevin Williams.

Committee Reports; Presented by office holders.

Past Events; Alan Driver commented on the recent Pub Lunch at the Swanport Hotel, Richard Tapp mentioned a larger number turned up than booked. Brenton Gibb thanked Richard for organising the run.

General Business; Alan Driver made comment about seeking more advertising in the Club Magazine as some current ones will be withdrawing. Ashley Farrow spoke of car related parts during their recent North American visit. Brenton Gibb advised of the following; Gavin Farmer running a Chrysler sites tour on 23rd August, notice given to membership asking that name badges be worn at meetings and events, meeting of Chrysler Royals at Le Cornu's site for photo 23rd August, Chris Howes congratulated on Life Membership. Graham Bailey asked about embossed Dodge emblem and informed meeting of products from Garage Art Australia.

Raffle draws; Lindsay Gibb thanked members for donating raffle prizes, Brenton thanked Marlene and Lindsay for organising raffle.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

MEMBERS NOTES

Bendigo Mid State Mopars

6th and 7th June 2015

We departed Adelaide on Friday 5th June heading for Bendigo for the Central Victoria Chrysler Club's Mopar weekend, "Fins" being the theme.

After a coffee and snack stop at Tailem Bend we were on our way. Tintinara was a fuel stop, I find this area can be often cheaper than Adelaide prices. We decided on an overnight stay at the Comfort Motor Inn at Horsham.

Setting off Saturday morning we enjoyed the comfortable, reasonably short drive to Bendigo. We chose to book in for a night stay at the Best Western Heritage Motor Inn. Several "lush" Chrysler owners were also staying in the same motel.

Sunday morning the Chrysler owners departed in convoy for the "show n shine" display in central Bendigo. I headed off myself and spent several hours wandering

around the Chrysler occupied city centre with camera in hand.

We left Bendigo later that day using Horsham again for an overnight stay. Monday was an easy drive back home to Adelaide. A lot of driving but a lot of very fine Chryslers.

Bruce Forbes



PAST EVENTS

Swanport Hotel Annual Pub lunch



PAST EVENTS

Swanport Hotel Annual Pub lunch (ctd)



PAST EVENTS

Mount n Hill n Town Tour

8th to 15th August 2015

A group of CRC members met at Mount Pleasant on Saturday morning and enjoyed a wander around the local produce and craft markets prior to meeting at the bakery. An assortment of eleven vehicles with twenty two people took part, with two groups consisting of a dirt road group and a caravan group.

The Caravan Group left Mount Pleasant and travelled to the first overnight stop at the River Palms Park at Blanchetown, via

entertainment.

The campers woke to a sunny morning and cooked breakfast on the coals from the previous night's campfire.

Both groups met at the arranged lunch stop at Moorook. Huge hamburgers, a speciality at the local take away, was the favoured bite to eat and can be highly recommended.

Once again the two groups headed off for the camp site for the night. Overland Corner was

selected for the dirt group campers, and Cobdogla Caravan Park for the caravanners. A most enjoyable meal at the Cobdogla Club was welcomed by the Caravan group.

Monday morning we all got together again, meeting up at the historic Overland Corner Hotel. The Overland Corner Hotel was originally a Police Station in 1855 and was established as a Hotel in 1859. As a hotel it was used as a wood storage area for River Murray paddle steamers and a rest place for drovers.

We then headed off to Morgan for a lunch break over looking the Murray River. After a short break and a wander around a couple of local craft shops we again got back on the road to Mount Mary Hotel, our destination for the night. This had limited power for caravans, but ended up being one of our favourite spots. We enjoyed a get together in the hotel for a couple of drinks and a chat before lighting the campfire and cooking tea. There Was a most enjoyable evening spent around



Walker Flat and Swan Reach. The dirt road group took the Sanderson and Black Hill road to the John S Christian Reserve for a lunch stop. After lunch they travelled north along the western side of the river to their first camp night at a private property near the Murbko-Morgan Road. The bush camp organised by Kevin Frith had a supply of firewood and a great time was had cooking over the open fire and telling yarns. Trevor, a local country and western singer and guitarist, supplied some great



Overland Corner Hotel

PAST EVENTS

Mount n Hill n Town Tour (ctd)



A Challenge Project

Caravanners for a beautiful morning tea supplied by a group of local community ladies. There was an interesting general store opposite, and was a favourite with most members paying a visit for a step back in time. Shoes of another era were available to purchase (no extra charge for the dust), and a few took advantage for a unique buy.

Leaving Robertstown we split up again into the two groups all heading to Burra for our next break. There we enjoyed a lunch stop and a casual stroll around

the fire, with lots of stories and quite a few laughs, the publican joined us after closing the hotel. Mount Mary is located near the Morgan/Eudunda road and consists of four houses and the hotel. It was a busy rail siding during the early River traffic days. The line closed in the early 60's

After a cold night we were all ready for the day's travel. The dirt group travelled to Robertstown via a newly graded gravel road meeting up with the

The Only Place To Be



Group at Jamestown



the shopping area. From there we headed off to Jamestown for the next two nights. Passing through Hallet we decided to call into the Wildongolee Hotel, also known as the "Wild Dog" Hotel. We found a "closed" sign, but after a couple of knocks on the door the manageress, upon seeing the number of potential customers, made us more than welcome.

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PAST EVENTS

Mount n Hill n Town Tour (ctd)



Merv Robinson's Auburn



After all travelling together we arrived in Jamestown with a very threatening sky showing. The next couple of days were spent dodging the showers.

Next morning there was an arranged visit to a part of Merv Robinson's car collection. A very interesting selection of rare vehicles, including a beautiful 1930's super charged Auburn roadster and an engine from a B52 bomber. Some ladies were happy to catch up on some retail therapy and made a visit to Charlene's Quilt shop and certainly added to their stash. After lunch a visit to a scale model vehicle collection

certainly filled in the day. That night we enjoyed a terrific 3 course meal at the Jamestown Bowling Club.

Thursday already!! Due to the proposed conditions of the dirt roads after the rain the dirt road group decided to travel with the caravan group. Our destination for our next night stop was Melrose. As an alternative route we decided to take in a short visit to Peterborough with an "Op Shop" visit and a cup of coffee. From there we travelled to Orroroo for lunch. A word to the right people and we were able to contact Geof Gibb and had a look at some of his car

collection, and although the vehicles were covered in a bit of dust it was still worth a look. We continued on the road for a short distance and found ourselves in a very wet Melrose. The park was great, with a very fast flowing creek at the rear of our vans, the result of their recent heavy rains. An evening meal at the local hotel and another day down.

Friday morning was a casual start time and a lunch break at Georgetown. The general store, with a variety of goods and signage from the 1950's era, was worth a visit prior to lunch of home made pies at the Georgetown Hotel. Clare was

Orroroo Line Up



Taken from a Plaque in Georgetown



PAST EVENTS

Mount n Hill n Town Tour (ctd)



Melrose Caravan Park



Dinner at Rising Sun Hotel Auburn

our next break with some time to have a wander around. The last leg of the drive was to nearby Auburn Caravan Park, our last night's camp. That night was spent enjoying a beautiful meal at the Rising Sun Hotel.

The last day of the tour had arrived. After many farewells we each made our way home.

Many thanks Lorraine and Trevor for a great tour. Also a thankyou to fellow members for

coming along and helping to make this tour one to remember.

*Lorraine Beythien
Bob and Ellen Haywood*



Lorraine, Garry and Trevor

Exclusive Roadside Service

We have a faultless roadside service in South Australia supplied by the RAA.

I have found a service which surpassed anything the RAA could supply.

During the recent Mount n Hill n Town run the battery in my

Pajero was showing signs of deterioration. I decided when I got to Jamestown I would replace it.

While passing through Burra Independent Batteries rep. Brenton Gibb recognised the vehicles from the CRC and

acknowledged Lorraine with a wave. After making a phone call I arranged for Brenton to meet up with me. A new battery was purchased and fitted and we were on our way.

Thanks Brenton.

Bob Haywood

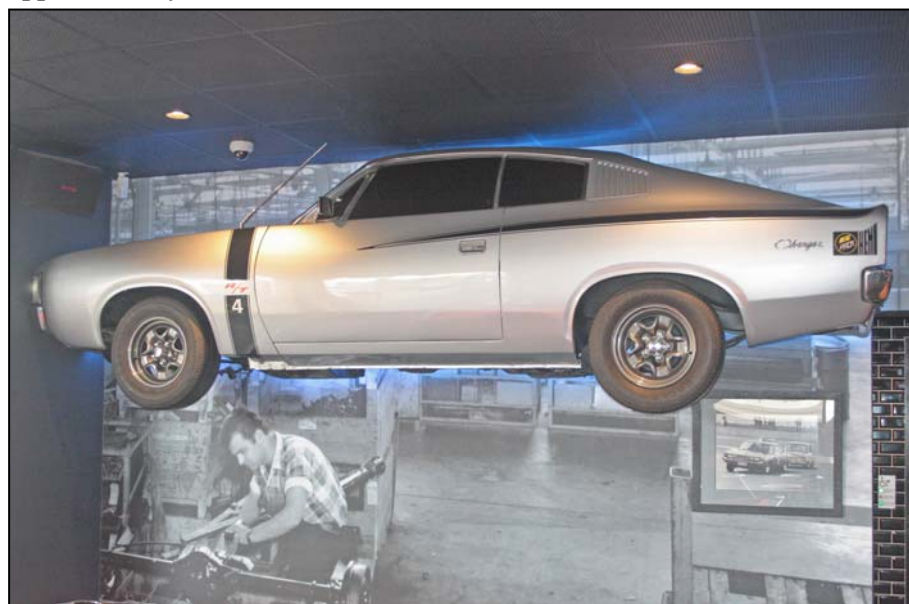
PAST EVENTS

Tonsley Park Visit

Thursday 20th August 2015

Our members met at the Chrysler Bar located within the Tonsley Hotel, where lunch and laughter was consumed. This bar has a variety of photos, video and complete fronts and sides of South Australian manufactured Chrysler cars mounted to the walls.

The front of a CL Regal Valiant with the lights flashing, in conjunction with a pager that beeps at your table, was a novelty effect to announce a meal served and ready to be collected. The other car display was approximately 300mm of the



plant's machinery looked like. It was explained to us that during the rebuilding process it was cheaper to be left in situ rather than dismantled and lowered for scrap metal.

During an informative introduction and slide show about the TAFE College, one slide showed cars on the assembly line, and we were told that the car was a Galant. Members soon corrected this as it was pointed out as being a Centura. Safety glasses and Hi-vis vests were handed out and the tour was under way.

passenger side of a VH Charger RT.

After lunch Lindsay Gibb organised the group for the short trip via Alawoona Avenue to meet at the western entrance to the Tonsley TAFE. The group gathered together and were addressed by our tour guides. On entering the building we were made aware of the features of the complex, which included a unique water cooled air conditioning system. Just above this there is an overhead crane that remains in position as a reminder of what the



PAST EVENTS

Tonsley Park Visit (ctd)



lift. Trades that involve heights have teaching aids at that higher level. A particular area was used for the teaching of the specialised solar requirements to qualified electricians wanting extra skills. This area has become particularly busy in recent times with solar becoming so popular.

After thanking our guides the group gathered at one of the cafes for coffee and cake to round off the afternoon. It seemed people enjoyed this informative afternoon visit which looks to be a successful new life for the iconic factory that it once was. The site is only 1/3

The TAFE complex is for the teaching of building trades. The aim is to combine trades to work together during the construction of a building. Areas visited included bricklaying, tiling, plastering/ rendering, painting, refrigeration, electrical and carpentry. The guides explained that their project aim is to build a cabin allowing the students to co-ordinate their trades whilst experiencing what real life situations would occur on a real building site.

All 33 of the members who attended were able to rise to the upper level in the one very large



finished with residential housing and commercial business to be built in the future.

Thanks must go to Lindsay Gibb for organising and making the visit possible. It was very informative and I am sure enjoyed by all

*Debbie and John Goddard
Photos Richard Tapp
Bob Haywood.*

PAST EVENTS

2016 Calendar Photo Shoot

Sunday 23rd August 2015

A smaller group than past years turned out for the 2016 calendar photo shoot in near perfect weather condition. Derek and Joy Birkin made the trip from Ardrossan to join us. We met at the arranged point and headed off to Houghton Oval at 10.30am.

On arrival at the oval cars were positioned awaiting further placement for photographing. A

natural bush setting made interesting background. This took the pressure off the both Matthew and Richard not having to concentrate too much on location according to the backgrounds.

We had a good variety of cars covering most decades from the 30's onward, the latest was a Jim Dawson's PT Cruiser.

Members enjoyed the country atmosphere happy to relax with a

morning coffee and lunch while their respective cars were being photographed.

Many thanks to Han Robot for arranging the venue, which is going through a transformation in the near future. Thankyou to Matthew and Richard for your camera work, and members who attended.

Bob Haywood



PAST EVENTS

2016 Calendar Photo Shoot (ctd)



Lindsay and Marlene Gibb's S Series and Brenton and Sharon Gibb's Town & Country ute



Derek and Joy Birkin's S Series



Lorraine and Trevor Beythien's 1936 Chrysler with Shaun the Sheep

OUR MOTORING HERITAGE

David Brown and Tonsley Park

To build a completely new manufacturing facility, \$36m of American money was invested at Tonsley Park. Construction began in 1963 and was completed in just over a year. The opening ceremony was performed by Prime Minister Sir Robert Menzies on 2nd October 1964.

This manufacturing site can be attributed to Chrysler Australia's David Brown with the vision and energy to chase his dream.

Born in North Carolina in 1915 he attended the University of Cincinnati where he graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering. During WW 2 he served as a major and his main task was designing military tanks.

After the war he was employed by the Chrysler Corporation. Early 1958 Chrysler posted him to Chrysler Australia Limited to its small subsidiary company in Adelaide. The plan was for him to work in Australia for five years. His family remembered it as a great adventure. Little did they know what adventure it was going to be. After a year in Adelaide he returned to America and packed up his family of wife and three daughters and brought them to Adelaide in 1959.

His Managing Director role began in March 1960. Chrysler at this stage was at the bottom of the market with just a one percent share in the car market. He was aware of the new Valiant sedan about to be released on the United States market. He knew it would be the right car to rebuild Chrysler in Australia. Through

The Late David Hall Brown



continued persistence he persuaded his superiors in Detroit to allow an engineer to be sent from Australia to the US with the task of converting the Valiant to RH drive. American colleagues said it couldn't be done. But it was!!

Once released in Australia the R and S series Valiants were in big demand. From there he convinced Detroit to fund a new manufacturing facility at Tonsley Park in Adelaide. An engine plant was also built at

Lonsdale to supply the new Valiants.

During this time the Chrysler market reached twelve percent for several years, before plummeting in the late 1970's.

Of all cars built in Australia it was the Charger for which David Brown was most remembered.

His Managing Director role was lost to, and held by a number of American colleagues, who unlike Australians did not have David Brown's vision and knowledge of the local scene and the company witnessed a long downward slide.

David Brown retired in December 1972 to pursue other interests. Sadly he passed away in December 1987 aged 72 years. His wife passed away in January 2009 aged 95 years after having lived in Australia one week short of 50 years.

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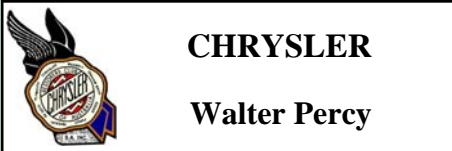
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