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CLUB DIRECTORY

The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, South Australia Inc.

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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 \$35.00 - Metro family \$40.00 - Country single \$25.00 - Country family \$30.00

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COMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

Wednesday 12 May 2021

Wednesday 9 June 2021

Covid rules permitting

CLUB RUNS / EVENTS

Saturday 15th May 2021

Cruise to Mt Pleasant Farmers Market and back to Birdwood and visit The National Motor Museum.

Saturday 5th June 2021

Club Registration Day at the CCC Clubrooms.

Sunday 18th July 2021

Run to Mannum and lunch at the Mannum Club.

INVITATION/OTHER CLUB'S EVENTS

Sunday 23 May 2021

Copper Coast Classic Cavalcade

of Cars and Motorcycles. Entries close on the 14th May 2021. Entry forms are to be done on-line.

SWAP MEETS

Not currently swapping ...

Entry Forms etc.

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

Chrysler Australia Archives



August 1964 Tonsley Park - Body build

Membership / Records

NEW MEMBERS

Roger & Pauline Taylor, Modbury North

Nathan Taylor, Fairview Park

1967 VC Chrysler Sedan

Mark Verrall, London UK

1929 Chrysler Roadster Sedan

Cover Photo

Dean and Sue Hurst's AP5 Valiant Regal - Photo Richard Tapp at 2021 Twilight Cruise

COMING EVENTS

Mt Pleasant Farmer's Market & National Motor Museum

Saturday 15th May 2021

Meet at Waterworld Aquatic Centre carpark – City of Tea Tree Gully, (on the corner of Jack High Lane and Golden Grove Road Ridgehaven), 8am for an 8.30am departure.

Around a 45 minute run to Mt Pleasant Farmers Market (reserved parking area gold coin donation) for a catered breakfast, cost from \$5.00 for egg roll to

around \$15.00 for bacon, sausage, egg, tomato and mushrooms before having the opportunity to purchase fresh county produce from the stall holders and then back to the National Motor Museum Birdwood. Free entry to the Mill, with off street parking within the grounds.

A great opportunity to view the new Holden display, with many

experimental vehicles not seen by the general public before. Cafés and Bakery in Birdwood for lunch if you are still hungry.

Please Note This Run is on Saturday and for breakfast it is cash only, no card transactions.

**Chris Howes
08 8165 3971**

Club Registration Day

Saturday 5th June 2021

At the CCC Clubrooms

Please come along and renew your club membership and if you have vehicles on club registration please bring all of the relevant paper work with you. All of the paper work will

be forwarded to you in a separate envelope at the same time as the May/June magazine.

There may be some minor changes as to the number of people allowed in the club rooms at any one time due to Covid 19 restrictions.

Time is between 10am and 2pm.

Please Note: This is on Saturday not Sunday as per usual.

**Chris Bennett
Sharon Gibb**

Pub Lunch Run to Mannum Club

Sunday 18 July 2021

NO DIRT ROADS!

Meet at Gepps Cross Homemaker Centre at 9.15 for a 9.30 departure.

Drive through the hills to have lunch at the Mannum Club overlooking the River Murray.

Please book on Attendance Sheet at club meeting or ring Lorraine.

\$10 deposit per person for lunch will be required, pay to Lorraine Beythien. Note this a deposit only, not full payment.

**Lorraine Beythien
0409 096 070**

[I'm not sure whether the "no dirt roads" is because the Beythiens have a reputation for organising off road camping trips, or whether this is an indirect reference to the Editor relocating out to "the sticks" in the vicinity of Mannum! Ed.]

2022 National Rally

The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, Victoria Inc has begun planning for the 2022 National Chrysler Rally to be held in Wangaratta in 2022 (Sept 25th to 1st October).

Despite the disruption caused by the Covid-19 lockdowns a sub-committee has been formed to begin the planning of the rally, and although it is early days still, we are hoping that we can keep on track to deliver a spectacular rally centred in the old bushranger territories around Wangaratta in North Central Victoria.

We will provide updates when appropriate, but the next significant milestone is the release of entry forms in late 2021.

Stay safe - we would love to see you all at what is sure to be another memorable event organised by the state that does things better! (lockdowns, curfews, hotel quarantine, covid-19 controls, and AFL Grand Finals excepted)

**Mark Fenton
Secretary
Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia (Vic) Inc**

FROM THE COMMITTEE

President's Message



Welcome to the May/June 2021 Chrysler Collector Magazine. I hope all members are well.

The April meeting was conducted back in the CCC clubrooms for the first time since March 2020. 60 people are allowed to be in the clubrooms using social distancing rules. This was a great bonus for the club especially seeing we are moving into the cooler months. There are still a few things that we cannot do including no shared supper at the moment and no more than 2 people in the kitchen. Greg Newley's dodgy raffle is back in full swing.

On Sunday the 21st March the club attended the All Chrysler Festival held at Gaza oval on North East Road. We had a good turn out from our club with approx. 29 cars on display. The Chrysler car club put on a great day with a variety of Chargers on display for the car's 50th anniversary. Thanks to our members that displayed their cars and made our display once again a spectacle. Thanks also to the R&S club for joining our display.

Still on runs Brenton Gibb and John Goddard organised a run to LaserWorx Manufacturing at Angle Vale for a tour of the premises and a look at some of the products they are producing. Morning tea was provided by the Lions Club with our club paying for members, a small donation was also included in the payment. It was then off to Lyndoch for a BYO lunch. Unfortunately, Ann and I were unable to attend due to family commitments. I believe a good day was had by all and John Goddard is doing an article for this magazine.

Jeff Knowles has been working on the 40th Anniversary plaque, members that attended the Balaklava event on the 15th November 2020 will be given one of these plaques as a commemoration of the 40th year of the club's existence.

Ann and I are looking forward to our run in May to the Farmers Market and breakfast in Mt Pleasant and then onto the Birdwood Mill to take a look at the Holden display. Also do not forget Registration Day on the 5th June at our clubrooms. More information is provided in this magazine.

I look forward to meeting up with you all at our coming events. Keep up your continuing support for our club.

Stay safe and keep motoring.

Greg Lind
President

COMMITTEE POSITIONS VACANT

At our Annual General Meeting to be held in July 2021 all Committee positions will become vacant, so if you wish to apply for any of the positions please see our Secretary, Ann Lind for a nomination form.

After many years on the Committee serving in a number of positions **Chris Howes** has called it a day and will not be re-standing as our **Technical Liaison** Person or on the **General Committee** so we need to fill these spots, and the **Runs Coordinator** position will also become vacant as **Brenton Gibb** will be nominating for President. **Alan Driver** has indicated that he is willing to stand again next year as **Treasurer** but is willing to train someone to take over this role in coming years.

If you would like to become more involved in your club and not sure about taking on one of the major roles, members are always welcome to join the **General Committee**. New faces with new ideas will help the club to proceed forward in the coming years. We have 4 Committee meetings per year.

From the Editor

CONTRIBUTORS

This issue comes to you courtesy of Brenton and Sharon Gibb, Mark Fenton, Greg and Ann Lind, Bob Haywood, John Goddard, Chris Howes, Trevor and Lorraine Beythien and Chris Bennett.

Many thanks to the magazine despatch team, being Sharon and Brenton Gibb and Ann and Greg Lind,

Please submit articles and entries to the magazine as early as possible but no later than the Friday date shown on page 3.

WEBSITE STATISTICS

	Mar 21	Apr 21	Apr 20	Apr 11
Sessions	168	186	187	655
Users	140	141	140	224
Page views	356	415	370	8926
Pages/session	2.1	2.2	2.0	13.6
Average session (m:ss)	1:32	1:54	1:45	3:01
Flickr views		696k		-
Facebook mbrs	898	942	487	-

CLUB NOTES

Membership Renewal



2021/2022

Membership Renewal

Your membership renewal form has been posted and is due by **30 June 2021**.

Please check all details (especially your mailing address and email address) are correct and amend details if necessary.

Please note these categories.

- **Email address** (good for notifying members of any updates, especially in the current situation)
- **Option to have Magazine by Email Link** (Tick box if preferred option)
- **EFT Payments available**

WHERE TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

- **Registration Day: Saturday, 5th June 2021 at CCC Club Rooms (10am – 2pm)**
- *Club Meetings (after meeting has closed)*
- *Post: The Treasurer, Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia SA Inc, PO Box 667, PLYMPTON SA 5038*
- *EFT Payments can be made to: Chrysler Restorer's Club of Australia SA Inc. BSB: 065 151 Act No. 00900500. Please either post completed form to CRCA SA Inc. PO Box 667, PLYMPTON SA 5038 or Email a scanned copy of your membership form to: records@chrysler-restorers-sa.org.au showing your Banking Receipt Number.*

Membership renewals WITHOUT Historic Vehicle Registration

(Check Boxes)

- *Renewal Form – checked, amended if necessary, signed and dated*
- *Payment*

Membership renewals WITH Historic Vehicle Registration (HVR)

(Check Boxes)

- *Renewal Form – checked, amended if necessary, signed and dated*
- *Payment*
- *Complete Current 'Registration Details Certificate' (Blue form issued by DPTI)*
- *Registration Receipt of payment, showing registration expiry date*
- *Logbook/s*
- *\$2 for each new Logbook required*
- **Late Renewal of membership with HVR will incur a \$20.00 administration fee**

Any questions regarding HVR please contact: Chris Bennett: 0418 802 764
Email: chrisbennett20151@gmail.com

CLUB NOTES

Minutes of the Meeting held 10th March 2021

The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, SA Inc. Summary of minutes of the meeting held 10 March 2021 – commenced at 7:30pm.

Meeting was held on the lawns outside the CCC clubrooms in keeping with regulations of no more than 40 in the CCC clubrooms. Covid19 QR code and contact tracing forms were completed. Covid19 marshals on site.

Emergency Wardens

G Lind explained emergency response plan.

Apologies:

Per attendance book

New Members & Visitors

Tony Nash – Charger and VIP Valiant
Roger and Nathan Taylor – VC Valiant originally sold by Lindsay Gibb at Orroroo

Trevor Kramm

Trevor passed away on 7 February 2021.

Sick List

Jan Van Rhoda – has been in hospital but is now on the mend

Minutes Previous Meeting

Read and moved by A Lind, seconded J Knowles, carried.

Correspondence

In/Out Emails - various forwarded to Brenton Gibb regarding upcoming events and information for club runs.

21/2/21 – Chris Howes regarding proposal to relocating Chrysler material in lockers to Birdwood Museum .

25/2/21 – CCC regarding new Covid19 contact tracing forms. 7/3/21 – Letter to DPTI requesting MR334 booklet for HVR Chris Bennett.

7/3/21 – Email to CCC regarding Covid19 limits to CCC clubrooms, nothing has changed from 14/12/20 40 person limit.

7/3/21 – Email from Denis Ahier regarding parts for sale

Treasurer's Report

A Driver moved report to be correct, seconded K Williams, carried. \$85.12 payment to B Haywood approved for payment.

Committee Reports

Runs Coordinator – Brenton Gibb spoke re future events

Editor – Richard Tapp - Keep sending in articles.

Public Relations – John Goddard - see pp20-21 of magazine

Records – Sharon Gibb - New member signed up tonight. Fee now covers next financial year.

Librarian – Nothing to report

Tech Rep – an apology

HVR – Chris Bennett - all good. Looking for volunteers for Registration Day.

Triple C – Vince Isola - no meeting

Federation Rep – A Driver -did not attend

Past Events

Kevin Williams spoke on the February breakfast run, great day, was good to see so many members attending this event. The hotel did a wonderful job with the breakfast.

Bruce Bragg spoke on the first Coffee and Chrome event held since Covid19. Was held at the Morphetville race track with about 500 cars attending. Great morning.

Kevin Williams spoke on a Morris Register run – fish and chip run to Henley/Grange on the lawns. Orders and money were taken prior to the day and a couple of people collected the order and took down to everyone at the park. Worked very well.

General Business

Greg Lind advised meeting we are looking into hiring Clark Hall for future meetings now that daylight saving is coming to an end and the weather conditions will change.

Raffle

Greg Newley conducted a free Easter raffle

Conclusion

Kevin Williams told a joke in memory of Ron Hincks
President summarised the coming events.
Meeting closed at 8.25 pm



Nana Marlene showing her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren how it is done ...

CLUB NOTES

Minutes of the Meeting held 10th February 2021

The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, SA Inc. Summary of minutes of the meeting held 14 April 2021 – commenced at 7:45pm.

Greg Lind welcomed all attending to our first club room meeting since March 2020. We have finally been able to increase numbers in clubroom to 60 as of 31st March 2021.

Emergency Wardens

G Lind explained emergency response plan to members attending meeting. Covid sheet for everyone to sign in – will be using this as our attendance sheet as well

Apologies:

Per attendance book

New Members & Visitors

Visitor – Bill Karkapetis – E38 Charger RT – Greg Lind welcomed Bill to the meeting and hopes he enjoys himself.

Sick List

None advised

Minutes Previous Meeting

Read and moved by A Lind, seconded J Knowles, carried.

Correspondence

In/Out 21st March – Ann Lind to Chris Bennett regarding MR334 forms – Chris Bennett advised he had received the forms from DPTI

24th March – Richard Tapp advised Ann Lind of Bob Haywood's new email address

31st March – CCC advised new Covid Plan for CCC clubrooms from 31/3/21 60 people are now allowed

5th April – Ann Lind advised committee of email received from CCC regarding numbers change for clubrooms.

13th April – Jeff Knowles – proceeding with 40th Anniversary plaques

Various new member requests forwarded to Sharon Gibb

Various external run information forward to Brenton Gibb

Treasurer's Report

A Driver moved report to be correct, seconded C Howes, carried. Various accounts approved for payment.

Committee Reports

Runs Coordinator – Brenton Gibb spoke re future events

Editor – Richard Tapp - Keep sending in articles.

Public Relations – John Goddard - refer pp 20-21 of magazine

Records – Sharon Gibb - Absent. Ann Lind advised meeting club membership and registration details will be included in the next magazine May/June 2021.

Librarian – Nothing to report, good to be back in library

Tech Rep – Pretty quiet

HVR – Chris Bennett - Everything is going along ok. 3 cars on historic registration. Gearing up for registration day.

Triple C – Vince Isola - nothing to report

Federation Rep – A Driver - nothing to report

Past Events

Greg Lind spoke on the March twilight run from clubrooms down along the Esplanade back to the clubrooms for a bring your own dinner. Good night and good attendance, the Beythien's and ourselves were the last men standing. Packed up about 9.30pm.

Brenton Gibb spoke on the All Chrysler Day held at the Gaza oval on 21st March. Good turnout around 340 cars, 29 from the Chrysler Restorers with the R&S club combing with our club, a very good display of chargers was on show and this was the centrepiece of the event.

Greg Newley also spoke on the March twilight run – great night good catch up with members.

Trevor Beythien spoke on the Federation run and advised meeting that whenever you go away anywhere there are always people who are prepared to help you out. Trevor experienced a few problems with his car and he was so blown away by the people who were prepared to help him out.

General Business

Greg Lind spoke to the meeting regarding the 40th Anniversary plaque that Jeff Knowles is organising on behalf of the club. Everyone who attended the Balaklava display day, AGM and presentation event will receive this plaque.

Raffle

Run by Greg Newley

Conclusion

Kevin Williams told a joke in memory of Ron Hincks President summarised the coming events.

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm



PAST EVENTS

Twilight Cruise

13 March 2021

Saturday evening's twilight cruise back at the start of March was planned as a simple no fuss run showing the changes that are currently happening to the northern end of South Road.

Instead of a nice balmy evening we were greeted with a very breezy and somewhat chilly evening so a slight change to the run sheet became necessary. We departed the CCC clubrooms at 6.00pm and headed north up South Road onto the Port River Expressway, out to Outer Harbor and then followed the coast back to Glenelg where some opted to buy tea before making their way back to join the rest of us in the shelter of the CCC veranda where some good fellowship was had by all.

Brenton Gibb

At Outer Harbour, as I rounded "the point", I saw that a massive new structure had been erected since I was last there. But gradually it became clear that it was "a ship Jim, but not as we know it." [*That's a Star Wars paraphrase ...*]

It had a name, Wisteria Ace, and is a car transporter.

The photos below are stolen from the internet as I didn't stop, as that would have meant navigating instead of following the car in front.

Richard Tapp



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MarineTraffic.com

PAST EVENTS

Twilight Cruise (ctd)



PAST EVENTS

2021 Chrysler Festival

21 March 2021

With South Australia's Covid19 restrictions lowered I decided to attend the All Chrysler Festival Display Day. The Royal hadn't been out for a while and I have missed the last couple of year's All Chrysler events.

The weather was perfect, so I headed out to the Gaza Oval arriving around 8.15am just in time to be directed into position by Brenton Gibb, doing what he loves doing. The Chrysler Restorers site was already set up with gazebos for some shade during the day. The many flags the Club has for their displays really adds to the atmosphere. The Club was well represented with 28 vehicles attending with my Royal being the only Royal on display for the day.

The Gaza oval proved to be an ideal venue with plenty of room for the 340 vehicles on display. Plenty of food

and refreshments with the Gaza Football Club bar facilities open. Apparently due to another booking at Hart's Mill at Port Adelaide the Port Adelaide Enfield Council suggested and arranged for the Gaza Oval to be available. The public were admitted free of charge so consequently we had a good crowd of motor enthusiasts attend and showed a lot of interest in the great variety of Chrysler vehicles.

These open days are a great way to catch up with other members and creates a real social day out.

Well done to the Chrysler Car Club for another successful day, with such short notice of venues they put together a great day.

At around 3.00pm people were starting to move off, and after helping to pack up the Club's display gear I headed off home after a great day out. Many thanks to



PAST EVENTS

2021 Chrysler Festival (ctd)

Brenton, Sharon, Greg and Ann for their part in preparing the site and the attending members who helped to make the day a success.

Bob Haywood

With the uncertainty surrounding The Covid 19 restrictions the approval to go ahead with the weekends activities was a very last minute thing. The venue for the last couple of display days has been Hart's Mill at Port Adelaide and as this has become a Covid Testing Station a new location had to be sourced. The chosen location was The Gaza Sports and Community Oval situated only minutes from the CBD on North East Road Klemzig. This proved to be an excellent choice with no fences and ringed with trees and shrubs it had an open park feel about it. The theme for this year's event was celebrating 50 years of The Australian Valiant Charger released in August 1971. President Greg and myself were invited onto the grounds earlier than general entrants to prepare our display and what a display it was, with 29 cars from

our club and a scattering of cars from the R & S Series Valiant Club. The number of vehicles on display was around 340 with some making the journey from interstate. As this was a sponsored day it meant free admission to both entrants and spectators resulting with a large number of spectators on hand. It had the usual style of traders on hand selling Chrysler related products. The Gaza Football Club had the BBQ and canteen cranking all day and the bar open which proved a popular place to sit in the air conditioned comfort to escape the sun for a bit. Speaking at the end of the day with representatives from The Chrysler Car Club of SA they wanted me to thank all of our members who attended, adding that the diversity of vehicles that we have in our club really adds to the event. The day concluded around 3pm and I would like to thank our members for coming along and for helping pack up at the end of the day.

Brenton Gibb

Photos: Brenton Gibb



PAST EVENTS

Lazerworx Manufacturing

Sunday 18th April 2021

The club members met at the Homemaker centre at Gepps Cross.

Once all had arrived I led the cavalcade all the way out to Angle Vale, mainly via the Main North Road.

Frank and Kelly were our hosts with Frank taking half the members to view the Laserworx and Kelly entertained the second half with morning tea. The O'Rileys are members of the local Lions club so morning tea all baked by Kelly was paid for with a donation by the Chrysler Restorers Club.

Frank's hobby is making plaques, signs keyrings and much more using his machinery. Frank's CNC router was made of mostly bin bits from the Uni he worked at. His workshop included a lathe and milling machine which were used to produce the other components he required. Frank also acquired his laser table through work when the machine became surplus to the Uni's requirement.

A demonstration was given with very thorough explanations by Frank of both the CNC Router and Laser Table in action. The Router made a Chrysler Australia plaque from MDF timber. The laser was set to make two Chrysler Restorers keyrings in super quick time. (see photos) To our amazement Frank gave all present a keyring.

All programming is undertaken by Frank which sounds like a very time consuming activity.

Various Chrysler plaques were on show and some members bought them with all money going to the Lions Club.

Once all the viewing and morning tea was complete, Brenton Gibb gave the donation and



apologised that the O'Rileys missed their own car club run to Mallala in their lovely Corvette which was scheduled that same day.

We proceeded for the completion of the run to Lyndoch for a lovely bakery lunch from the Sunrise Bakery in the main street of Lyndoch. Everyone made their own way home after lunch

John Goddard



CHRYSLER AUSTRALIA ARCHIVES

Chrysler Chronicle

Chrysler Royals Selected for Emergency Work...



Warren District Service orders Chrysler Ambulance from D. R. Agnew

Photo shows the latest addition to the Warren District Ambulance Service, a Chrysler Royal, which was supplied by well-known Chrysler-Simca dealer for Warren, D. R. Agnew.

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Fleet Changeover Decision by South Gippsland

Shown above is the first of three Chrysler Royal Ambulances ordered by the South Gippsland Ambulance Service through Schubert & Staff, of Sale, Victoria.

An interesting feature of this unit which is fitted out as a single berth, is the provision for immediate conversion to a four-berth unit for multiple accident casualties, a conversion that takes just 50 seconds.

The value of this feature was proved when shortly after delivery the unit was called to the scene of a road accident.

The Superintendent of the service, Mr. Laurie Wells, is well pleased with the new ambulance, and anticipates a long, useful life with a standard of service in keeping with Chrysler tradition.

Tamworth and District choose Chrysler

Delivery of a Chrysler Royal ambulance was taken recently by the Tamworth District Ambulance Service. This unit now brings the service to its full complement. Its acquisition was necessary for the service to operate efficiently over the extensive area covered.

PAST EVENTS

AHMF Rally - 2nd try

We are all aware of the year it has been, with border closures, lockdowns, and the cancellation of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation Tour.

Trevor and I decided to go to Albury Wodonga for the re-run of the tour as we already had accommodation available from last year's booking.

On Wednesday 17th March, 3 days before the start of the tour, we set off with our Covid Passes in hand to get into Victoria and back into South Australia. (New South Wales didn't want one at that stage) We didn't get checked anywhere except for fruit fly on way home at Pinnaroo.

We travelled through the Adelaide hills past Pinnaroo and stayed the night at Walpeup in a very small caravan park just over the border into Victoria on the Pinnaroo – Ouyen road. Cost \$10 per night for power, showers, bbq and lawned area. We have stayed here many times over the years. It's near the road but after the travelling you don't hear a thing.

That night Trevor was sitting having a drink and a lady came up to him and asked if that was your car. He said YES. She said "Trevor", so that was the start of a night of reminiscing with an old Chrysler Club member who was down from Queensland.

The next day, we travelled through, 'Back Roads' (should be on TV) to keep out of the traffic. We went through Patchewollock, Hopetoun, Beulah, Birchip, Wycheproof, Boort, Durham Ox, to Lockington where we stopped at another nice caravan park (power, water and showers \$15)

The next day we cut across to

Yarrowonga missing Echuca & Cobram. We crossed the River Murray and went into NSW to arrive in Albury that afternoon.

The Caravan Park had changed hands and we met the new caretakers who were really helpful; also they had drawn up a leaflet of trips for 7 days around the area. This was very helpful as we had left our Tour Book with all the directions for last year's tours at home

There were 2 other couples on the tour, staying in the park who had come from Northern NSW and said they had a mouse plague at home, but by the time the tour was over I think that all of the mice would have been drowned because it rained heavily for 3 days all over NSW and Albury Wodonga.

The welcome dinner was well arranged at the SSA Club in Albury (Soldiers Sailors and Airmen's Club) we dressed in Country Costumes for the Blue Grass Country Hoedown Music night and the music was fantastic. (Not too loud to talk above)

Each night there were activities for the Tour group at the SS&A club with Whiskey, Beer & Wine tastings on different nights. Meals were available there also.

Like the Welcome Dinner the final dinner was well organised with Jazz trio who were fantastic.

We dressed to the era of our cars and Trevor won best dressed male.

The tours took us to places like Bonegilla Migrant Centre (very informative) Hume Dam, Holbrook, Yackandandah, Beechworth, Stanley



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to name a few.

Whilst on the Beechworth trip our front wheel developed a squeak and we stopped and couldn't work out what was wrong so we kept in contact with some other participants.

Leaving Beechworth in front of them we thought if anything happens they are behind us. BUT we decided to go into a waterfall about 6ks in and they didn't, while we were in there they passed us and a few Ks down the main road we ran out of fuel.

It's a long storey to do with new tyres and a different circumference and our speedo.

So after waiting a few minutes we decided that we had missed the others and we rang the RAA (being SA members) our call was transferred to NRMA (NSW) which took about 25 minutes to answer. When they answered they realised we were in Victoria so were transferred to RACV then they had to check with the RAA in SA that we were members. So waiting, waiting, eventually they got the ok and said we will have someone come asap as the rain was making them very busy. So next thing we get a phone call from HowLong a town in NSW on the other side of the River



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Murray and the Patrol said they would be coming to us. PHEW, 10 Litres later we were on our way to Chilton which was only 7 ks away in Victoria.

The wheel was still scraping so next day (Friday) Trevor decided to take the wheel off. Halfway through, he thought that if he got it off he had no way off going for parts or whatever was needed.

So we decided to drive around Albury to a Brake & Clutch workshop. Three

and he knew Trevor & Greg Newly from 5 previous Chrysler Restorers National Rallies.

They found a spring out of a New Yorker and the problem was fixed in 5 minutes and we are still running sweet.

Neither the guys with part or Ivan would take anything for their time and effort. That's country hospitality for you.

We came home in 2 days as we



Bandiana Museum - coffin carrier

places said can't help or come back Tuesday. So while sitting in the last one a chap walked past and said nice car what are you doing in here. Trevor told him his suspicion but was having no luck so Ivan said go back and pull off the wheel and if you need anything here is my name and phone number, I can run you around.

So we did this and Ivan was there in a flash when Trevor found it was a broken brake return spring.

Ivan and Trevor spent 2 ½ hours running from one place to another with recommendations to the next place.

The last place was turn left at Red Rooster right at the 1st roundabout and down there is a little lane and at the end of the lane you might get some luck.

After up and down the street a few times to find the lane and down at the far end of it found a 36 Dodge on a hoist and a fellow who came out and said "Trevor what are you doing here"

couldn't get fuel along the way at the small towns we had travelled through on the way over, as most shut at



Yackandandah

midday on Saturdays. We did cut through from Swan Hill to Speed and back to Walpeup and then to Pinnaroo.

We had good trip and met many Interstate people with similar interests and travelled to some very interesting places around Albury & Wodonga.

A good time was had by all who attended the AHMF 2nd time around. With thanks to the organisers.

Overall we travelled 2700 kilometres and used 540 Litres of fuel.

Trevor & Lorraine Beythien

Photos: Chris Bennett



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Winning the War with Chrysler Power

Trevor Beythien has gone through back issues of our magazines and selected articles worthy of repeating. Thank you Trevor. This is from May/June 2003, issue 146.

Richard Tapp

MOTOR CITY MUSINGS

Winning the War with Chrysler Power



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Ever since the new Chrysler Museum in Auburn Hills, Mich., opened to the public in October of 1999, history buffs visiting the corporate shrine may have walked away wondering why none of the displays had featured Chrysler's most notable contribution to the war effort -- tanks. Indeed, we even made mention of that fact in a previous *Motor City Musings* column about American Motors' role in the company culture ("Deutschland Uber Alles -- The Irony of Jeep at DaimlerChrysler")

But two of the biggest reasons for the omission have recently been revealed and the problem has now been rectified. As we surmised, it had nothing to do with the company's German leadership wishing to avoid being reminded of the role that Chrysler-built U.S. Army tanks played in the Allied defeat of Germany. Rather, it was a classic case of supply and demand.

Although we figured it'd be a good idea for them to just go out and find a WWII-vintage Sherman tank to put on display, what museum officials had in mind to join the Jeep in their war-era diorama was an engine. Two of them, to be precise. You see, Chrysler's ability to land military contracts during the Second World War was based on its ability to design and build engines - one for tanks and another for fighter planes. By having the

museum display concentrate on the motors, Chrysler's engineering expertise could be highlighted - and in both cases with passenger-car marketing implications.

Let us explain. Most war veterans right on down through Vietnam know that the old Chrysler Corporation was this nation's most prolific military tank supplier. Chrysler's huge tank factory in Warren, Mich., had long been heralded as part of America's "Arsenal of Democracy" ever since it helped to turn the tide on the Axis forces during World War II. But the company got out of the defense contract business a while back when it had to divest itself of non-core businesses in order to survive. Today, the once-proud Warren Tank Command facility in suburban Detroit remains shuttered.

But the story behind Chrysler's tank and aircraft engine expertise will live on, thanks to the efforts of the Walter P. Chrysler Museum, the Department of Defense, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the Smithsonian. That's because it took a concerted effort from those four groups to help locate, acquire and restore one example each of a WWII Chrysler tank engine and a Chrysler aircraft engine for the company's museum. Chrysler produced thousands of its Multibank tank engines at the Jefferson Avenue Assembly plant in Detroit between 1942 and 1943, and installed them in some 7,500 Sherman M4A3 tanks built at its Tank Arsenal in nearby Warren. But only 50 Sherman tanks remained in the United States after the war, and only a small percentage of those even exist today - the vast majority on outdoor display with the engine removed.

After 18 months of searching the

globe following leads, museum officials finally tracked down one of the Multibank tank engines in Argentina and began negotiating to bring the engine home for restoration and display. Chrysler's aircraft engine is even rarer, for it was part of an experimental project commissioned by the government that was cancelled before going into production because the war had ended. Only three of the prototype engines exist today - and they are in the Smithsonian Institute, the New England Air Museum, and now at Chrysler's museum.

But what of those passenger-car implications we spoke of earlier? Well, that's the interesting part. It turns out that the Sherman tank was designed to be powered by a Curtiss-Wright nine-cylinder radial engine. But because that engine was also used to power aircraft being built in record numbers, there simply weren't enough to go around. So the government turned to the auto industry for help.

General Motors came up with a plan to place two supercharged diesel engines side-by-side, but the idea was a long way from being production ready. Chrysler figured it would take at least two years to design and build a completely new power plant and get it into production, so its solution was to come up with something out of its existing parts bin.

With war's necessity becoming the mother of invention, Chrysler's tank engine combined not two, not three, but five Chrysler Windsor six-cylinder, passenger-car engines on a single gear casing. It displaced 1,253 cubic inches, weighed nearly four tons and delivered 445 horsepower. Better still, most all of the components were readily available.

The 30-cylinder engine placed its

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No. 1 engine in a normal vertical position, Nos. 2 and 5 at a 45-degree angle on either side of the vertical block and Nos. 3 and 4 at slightly less than a 90-degree angle below vertical. They called it a "Multibank" engine, while the military officially called it the A-57. But to the soldiers who drove and maintained the five-block beast, it was known as the "Egg-beater" or "Porcupine" motor, and even the "Dionne Quintuplets" after the then-famous five little ladies born in Canada in 1934.

The five engines were geared together and operated as a single unit. This was done by bolting a gear to the "clutch" end of each of the five crankshafts. These five gears then meshed with and drove a center power unit "driven gear" which, in turn, propelled the tank. Each engine had its own carburettor, coil and distributor, and later moved from five to a single water pump. Having only one fuel pump, generator and starter was sufficient.

The Chrysler-built Multibank-powered U.S. Army tanks helped rout Germany's Rommel in Africa and led the charge in Burma where Sherman tanks covered 820 miles in just 20 days. General George S. Patton Jr. extolled the Sherman's virtues when he wrote: "In mechanical endurance and ease of maintenance, our tanks are infinitely superior to any other." And it couldn't hurt auto sales to know that the war was being won using Chrysler car engines.

Even the aircraft engine would later leave its mark on Chrysler passenger cars. Chrysler had developed the large XI-2220 reciprocating piston engine in 1941 for use in fighter planes. The water-cooled, 2,500-horsepower inverted V16 power plant was essentially two, narrow-angle V8s mated nose-to-nose. Engineers solved the problem of vibration from coupling so many cylinders to a single, long

crankshaft by placing the reduction gears to drive the propeller in the middle of the engine rather than at the front or back.

The XI-2220 was flight-tested in a couple of X-P-47 fighters in 1945, but the war ended before production could begin so the project was cancelled, sending most of the engineers back to designing car engines. But the XI-2220 has a special place in Chrysler history because it was the company's first "Hemi" - it was designed with a hemispherical combustion chamber that had the spark plug in the center for more-even burning of the fuel-air mixture. As we all know, this design was applied to large V8 car engines in the 1950s and later

spawned the famous racing and muscle cars of the 1960s and '70s.

It's now plain to see why officials at the Walter P. Chrysler Museum wanted to have these two war-effort engines take their rightful place on display among the company's most historically significant artefacts. Not only does it lend engineering credibility to Chrysler's passenger-car reputation, but it serves as a testament to the power of good-ol' Yankee ingenuity ... or should we say "engine-nuity?"

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The Plaque!

Apparently when Mitsubishi took over the Chrysler Factory at Tonsley park, this plaque was removed - but put into storage.

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Mitsubishi recently donated to the National Motor Museum at Birdwood and that Chris Howes has been documenting as a volunteer.

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Richard Tapp

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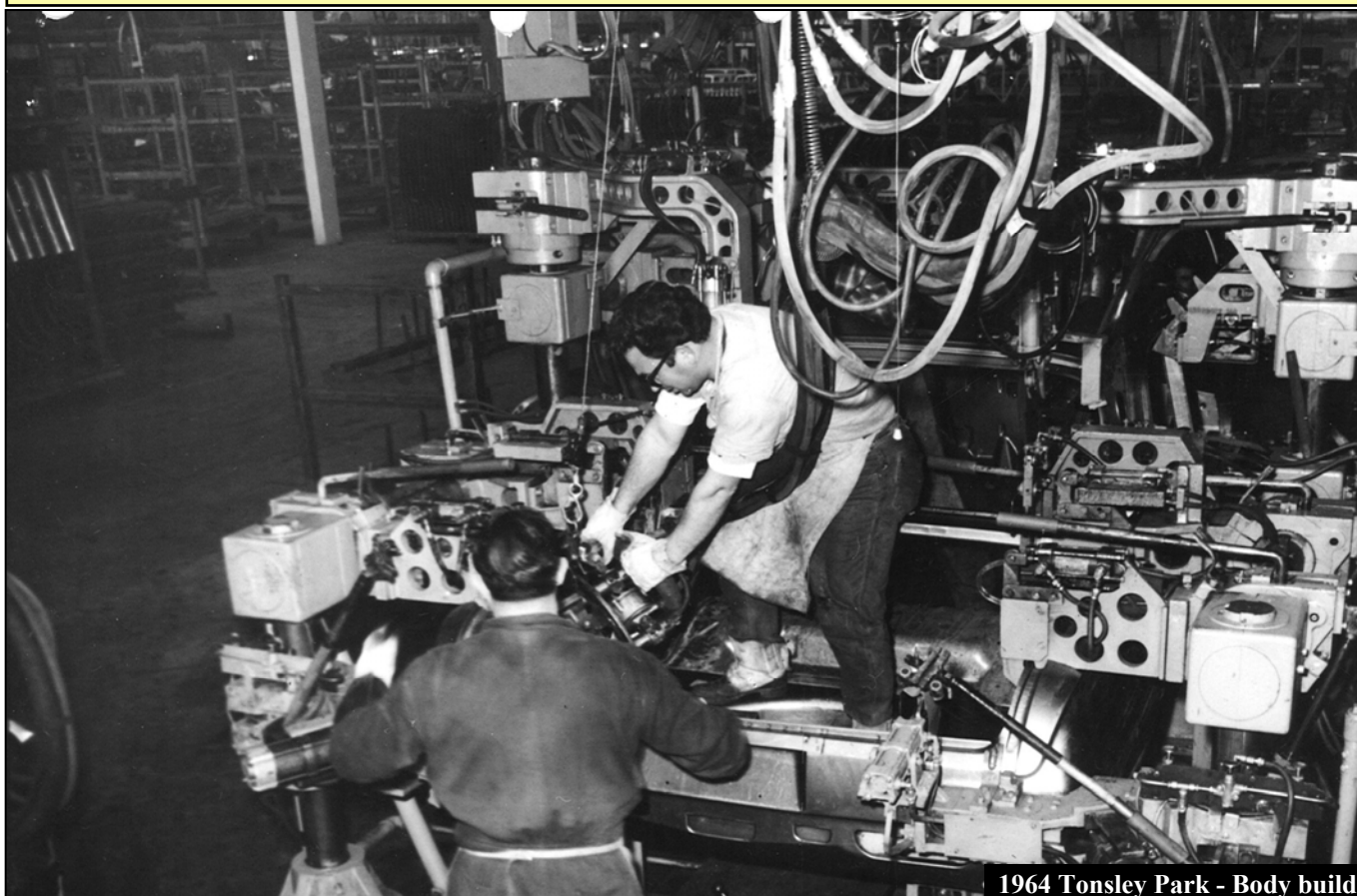
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