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Cover Photo

Celebrating the 'Year of the Blitz Truck' at the Annual 'Corowa Swim In' 2024 are ACCAW Members Bob Bevan, Neil Bartel and Graham Robb. Graham's superbly restored 1941 Ford Blitz Truck is nestled amongst the gum trees beside the Murray River, Corowa. All of the details can be seen on Page 12 & 13 of this Newsletter.



A.C.C.A.W. Inc. Coming Events

- * Sunday 31st March—Hot Cross Bun Run Coffee Event—10.00am—Brown's Lagoon Sth Albury
- * Sunday 14th April—Chiltern Cancer Cruise—8.15am meet at Gateway Island, Causeway.
- * Thursday 18th April—Mid Week Coffee Morning—Howlong Bakery—10.00am
- * Thursday 25th April—Anzac Day Parades—Albury/Wodonga/Berrigan/Finley/ Jerilderie

General Meetings: Monthly Meetings are held at the Albury Men's Shed Nowland Avenue,

North Albury (Behind the North Albury Swimming Pool), on the

2nd Monday of every Month at 7.30pm. (except January Sunday outdoor Meeting)



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ACCAW Inc. Calendar

'Cough & Splutter'

Accaw Inc Events Coordinator:—Bill Sherwood—Ph: 0407 253 704

All Events (*) listed in the calendar below have been sanctioned by the ACCAW.

| Month Date Day Events Description Contacts | | | | | Туре |
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| # Indicates more detailed info located in this Newsletter / % Other known local events | | | | | |
| Mar | 24th | Sun | *Jindera Swap Meet & Show and Shine—Jindera NSW - Football Ground—7am onwards | Club Event / Make your own way | Club Run |
| Mar | 31st | Sun | *# Hot Cross Bun Run Coffee Event—10am-Brown's Lagoon Sth Albury - See P5 | Peter 0408 204 432 Deb 0408 204 433 | Club Run |
| Apr | 1 | Mon | *# Military Easter 4 x 4 Drive—TBC—Lunch at Holbrook Hotel 12noon. | Bob Bevan 0438253092 | Club Run |
| Apr | 8 | Mon | * ACCAW Monthly General Meeting—7.30pm—Albury Mens Shed | Club Event | Club Run |
| Apr | 14th | Sun | *# Chiltern Cancer Cruise—8.15am meet / depart 8.30am—Car & Bike Show—See P5 & Ad on Page 6 | Meet Gateway Island | Club Run |
| Apr | 15th | Mon | * ACCAW Committee Meeting—7.30am—Albury Men's Shed | Make your own way | Club Run |
| Apr | 18th | Thur | *# Monthly Coffee Get Together— 'Howlong Bakery' Main Street—10am—See P5 | Make your own way | Club Run |
| Apr | 25 | Thur | *# Anzac Day Parades—Military Section—Albury/Wodonga/Finley/ Berrigan/Jerilderie P5 | Street Parades Neal Bartel / Bob Bevan | Club Run |
| May | 4-5 | S-Su | * Beechworth Back In Time Drive—8.20am meet Gateway Island Carpark or at the Beechworth Hospital at 9.30am if you want to park with the ACCAW Group—See P6 Ad P6 | Meet Gateway Is. | Club Run |
| May | 13th | Mon | * ACCAW Monthly General Meeting—7.30pm—Albury Mens Shed | Club Event | Club Run |
| May | 15th | Wed | *# Monthly Coffee Get Together— 'The White Owl' also know as 'BBB's—Opposite Noreuil Park Sth Albury—10am—See P5 | Make your own way | Club Run |
| May | 19th | Sun | * National Motoring Heritage Day—Albury Wodonga combined Clubs—Noreuil Park Sth Albury—See P6 | Make your own way | Club Run |
| May | 20th | Mon | * ACCAW Committee Meeting—7.30am—Albury Men's Shed | Make your own way | Club Run |
| June | 7-10 | F-M | * Wagga Veteran & Vintage Rally— Long Weekend in June—See P6 for more info—entries by 3rd May 2024 | Bill Sherwood 0407253704 | Club Run |
| June | 10th | Mon | * Walla Show & Shine—Walla Football Ground 8am onwards | Make your own way | Club Run |
| Apr | 6-7 | Sa-S | % Rutherglen Ramble—Cars/Trucks/Bikes—Rutherglen Showgrounds-Ad P6 | | |
| Apr | 26-28 | F-Su | % National Tractor Convention—Memorial Park Deniliquin NSW | | |
| May | 25-26 | S-Su | % Historic Winton—Austin 7 Club Organising—Ad P7 | | |
| Sept | 22nd | Sun | % Finley Show & Shine + Swap Meet—Finley Show Grounds—gates open @ 8am—\$5.00 entry-Ad P7 | | |
| Nov | 16-17 | S-Su | % Bendigo Swap Meet—7.00am both days—Bendigo Showgrounds | | |



Have an 'IDEA' for a Car Club Run!

Why not bring your ideas along to our Monthly Meeting?

Our Events Coordinator, Bill Sherwood, would be more than happy to assist with your planning and preparation on the 'what to do' in the lead up to your planned event.

All 'ideas' will be warmly received and supported.

The Deadline'- For all Cough & Splutter Articles, Event Reports, Photographs, Messages, For Sale Items etc, is the 15th day of each month. Forward all information to the ACCAW Editor, Bob Bevan, via this email *address*: accaw2018@gmail.com

Below: — Details of Upcoming ACCAW Events



Jindera Swap Meet & Show and Shine

Sunday 24th March— Jindera Football Ground
Show & Shine conducted in the Jindera Primary School Precinct.

7am gates open—Make your own way top the event.



Hot Cross Bun Run—Easter Sunday

Sunday 31st March—meet at 10am—at Brown's Lagoon Community Gardens—South Albury—Drive south on Olive Street, turn into venue opposite Nurigong Street—Plenty of parking-toilets-covered area with tables and seating—BYO Coffee or drinks. The Hot Cross Buns + Butter will be supplied by our Club.

Need more info, call Peter 0408 204 432 / Deb 0408 204 233



Easter 4 x 4 Annual Military Drive

Monday 1st April—Details of the route are yet to be finalized.

Lunch at Holbrooke Hotel 12 noon—numbers essential by Monday 25th March.

If the run goes ahead, dirt roads & tracks & off road steep hill climbs involved.

Contact Bob Bevan for all of the up-to-date details please—0438253092



ACCAW Monthly General Meeting—Monday 8th April

Venue: 7.30pm—Albury Mens Shed—Nowland Avenue North Albury

Members and Visitors all welcomed.

(Behind the North Albury Swimming Pool)



Chiltern Cancer Cruise—Car & Bike Show

Sunday 14th April — 9.00am—2.00pm

Meet at Gate Way Island Car Park at 8.15am—depart at 8.30am

BYO Chair etc—BYO Lunch or buy at the venue in Chiltern

\$10 entry per vehicle—Park and Display



ACCAW Inc. Mid Week Morning Coffee for April 2024

Thursday 18th April — 'Howlong Bakery' 10am—Main Street Howlong.

Make your own way to the venue or team up with another member and travel together.

All Members and Friends are most welcome to participate.

A great way to take your Club Vehicle for a short run.



ANZAC DAY PARADES—MILITARY SECTION

Thursday 25th April—Street Parades

Street Parades Albury 8.30am / Wodonga 11.00am—Neal Bartel Coordinator

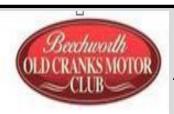
Street Parades Berrigan 8.30am / Jerilderie 10.00am / Finley 11.00am—Bob Bevan Coordinator



ACCAW Inc. Mid Week Morning Coffee for May 2024

Wednesday 15th May — 'The White Owl' / formerly BBB's—Opposite Noreuil Park - Wodonga Place.

10.00am—All Members and Friends are most welcome to participate.



Beechworth Back In Time

Sunday 5th May—Street Parking and Display—Centre of Town, Beechworth

Always an interesting adventure. Drive, park and display. Either meet at the Gateway Island Car Park at 8.20am or alternatively, meet at the Beechworth Hospital at 9.30am if you want to park with the ACCAW Group. Otherwise make your own way to the event. BYO chair, morning tea & lunch or buy at the venue.



ACCAW Monthly General Meeting—Monday 13th May

Venue: 7.30pm—Albury Mens Shed—Nowland Avenue North Albury

Members and Visitors all welcomed.

(Behind the North Albury Swimming Pool)



National Motoring Heritage Day—Sunday 19th May

Venue: Noreuil Park—Wodonga Place—9am onwards—park and display with numerous other local car clubs. BYO Chairs, Morning Tea / Lunch—or buy at the River Deck Café or nearby venues.



Wagga Wagga Veteran & Vintage 2024 June Rally

Venue: Wagga NSW - Friday 7th - Monday 10th June 2024 inclusive.

Entries by Friday 3rd May—entry form & details are included in the email forwarded to ACCAW Members on Sunday 10th March or alternatively contact our ACCAW Events Coordinator, Bill Sherwood ASAP—Ph 0407 253 704. Bill highly recommends that if you intend to participate in this event, you should consider booking your own accommodation ASAP.







ANNUAL DRIVE BACK



4TH & 5TH MAY 2024





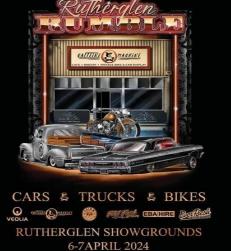




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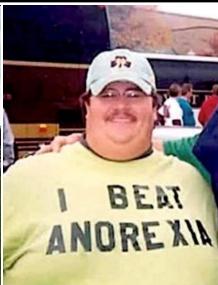
JUMBO RAFFLE - TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY















47th Historic Winton Anniversary Displays Announced

Presented by the Austin 7 Club Inc in association with <u>HMRAV</u>. 25th & 26th May 2024, Winton Motor Raceway, near Benalla

This year's Historic Winton will showcase one of the biggest and most spectacular array of anniversary vehicles alongside the excitement of historic car, motorcycle and sidecar racing.

The vehicle, company and club anniversaries being celebrated are:

120 years

Crossley Motors, Hispano Suiza, Maserati, Rolls Royce, Rover.

110 years

Dodge, Henderson Model C motorcycle.

100 years

Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix, Bugatti Type 35, Brough Superior SS100 motorcycle, Chrysler Six, HRD Motorcycles, MG Supersport.

90 years

Austin 7 Nippy (Type EB), Austin 7 Ruby, Austin 7 Pearl, Austin 7 Opal, Austin 7 Open Road Tourer, Datsun in Australia, Douglas 494cc Endeavour motorcycle, Chrysler Airflow, Citroen Traction Avant, Ford Ute (Australia), Tatra 77.

70 years

Alfa Romeo Giulietta Sprint, Austin A40/A50 Cambridge, Ansair Flxible Clipper (Bus), Nash Metropolitan, Mercedes 300 SL, Triumph Tiger 110 motorcycle.

60 year

Ford Mustang, Austin 1800, Plymouth Barracuda, Posche 911, Honda 600S, Honda CT trail motorbikes, Sunbeam Tiger.

50 years

Citroen CX, Fiat 131, Lamborghini Countach, Volvo 164TE (Australian release).

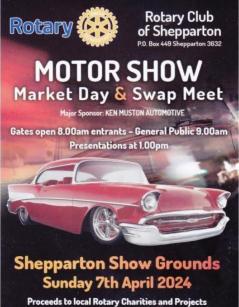
CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Volkswagen Club of Victoria (70 years).

Celebrating 60+ years of Cortina in Australia - the Historic Touring Car Association of Victoria (HTCAV) and Cortina Mk 1 Owners Club. Plus see the Cortina Challenge on Saturday 25th May.

The Macedon Ranges and District Motor Club (40 years).













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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ANTIQUE CAR CLUB ALBURY WODONGA INC.

HELD AT THE MEN'S SHED NOWLAND AVENUE NORTH ALBURY

ON MONDAY 11 MARCH 2024

Meeting opened at 7.35 pm by President John Hawking.

ATTENDANCE: Present: 32 members as per attendance book. Apologies: Peter Neilson, Bob Bevan, Julie Morgan

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The members resolved that the minutes of the meeting of 12 February 2024 are a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Graham Robb, seconded by David Cornell. The resolution passed.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Janet McMahon provided the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2024.

The following invoices were recommended for payment:

Anne Webster - \$87.80 - Printing and postage of Cough and Splutter

Janet McMahon - \$22.30 - Stationery and supper supplies

Resolution: That the Treasurers Report be approved. Moved: Janet McMahon, seconded by Anne Webster

The resolution passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Outgoing: Nil.

Incoming: Various magazines from other clubs, cheque from Bendigo Swap Meet organisers

EVENTS: Coming Events Upcoming events are in the *Cough and Splutter*.

A weekend run to Echuca is proposed. This will be on the weekend of 6/7 September (to be confirmed). Jim McDougall will organise the event.

A lunch run at Yackandandah is proposed for either June or July. Details are to be finalised.

Hot Cross Bun Run Coffee Event on 31 March. The meeting agreed that the hot cross buns should be purchased by the Club.

Past Events:

Open day at Graham and Bernice Robb's property – there were 12/15 cars present from the Wodonga Historic Car Club. The event well.

Wodonga Historic Car Club Kalimna Rally – a good rally celebrating 50 years since is was first held.

Chiltern run – Seven cars went. The museum was an interesting array of motoring-related items spread over a number of sheds.

Festival of the Submarine (Holbrook) – there were 45 cars at the event.

Karl Richardson told the meeting about an event he went to, to talk with Norm Beechey. At 92 years old, Karl said he is very active and now has only two cars in his possession. The meeting then talked about the Hume Weir race track, watching Norm race there in the 1960s.

GENERAL BUSINESS: The following matters of general business were raised:

Defibrillator: the time for the grant application has passed. It was proposed that Laurie and Bob arrange to meet with Justin Clancy MP to discuss how a defibrillator might be funded for ACCAW.

Left-over Club goods stored by members – a number of Club Members have equipment/gear that is owned by the Club but has not been used for a long time. It was proposed that the equipment /gear be bought to the next general meeting to see if anyone in the Club wants it, or how to dispose of the items via donating it to another organisation.

The Pre-1931 Rally is being held in Orange, NSW this year.

The meeting was advised that Glass 4 Classics in Brisbane area able to supply proper butyl-rubber seals for vehicles, rather than using mastic.

FOR SALE: Chris McQuellin is selling a BMW 1993 E36, 6 cylinder. Currently registered.

Graham Robb has a 2002 Jeep Cherokee for sale, with a blown-up motor for \$2,000.

NEXT MEETING: The next scheduled general meeting is on Monday, 8 April 2024 starting at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed 8.45 pm. Raffle Winners: Bernice Robb, Mark Carden, ?.

March Coffee Morning—The Ripe Tomato—East Albury



The warmer weather didn't deter our caffeine addicted members who gathered at the 'Ripe Tomato' East Albury, on Wednesday 13th March for this month's 'Coffee Get Together'. Thank you to Bill Sherwood who continually manages to 'suss out' then book a variety of suitable venues for our rather large party of members. Next month's gathering is scheduled for Thursday 18th April, when you will be able to take your club car for a leisurely drive to 'The Howlong Bakery'. Arrive by 10.00am so that you don't miss all of the action.



Vale

Julie Morgan
Passed away on

Monday 11th March 2024.

ACCAW Inc. Committee Person 2021 Vice President 2022 / 23

& Acting President Aug—Nov 2023

Julie was an active and much loved member of our Club. She joined the Club with Husband Geoff in late 2016 and following Geoff's death in July 2017 Julie threw herself into attending meetings and events.

Julie was always outgoing and friendly and enjoyed a chat with anyone. In November 2021 she was appointed to Committee then in November 2022 was elected as Vice President. She always said she knew nothing about cars but was happy to take on the responsibility which meant chairing meetings when our President became ill. Her diagnosis with Cancer in the middle of last year came as a great shock to us all and it meant she had to step down to undergo treatment and unfortunately it was down hill from there. She still remained her cheerful, positive self through it all.

We had wonderful times together on local runs and weekend rallies away. Griffith and the Wagga June long weekends were extra special; being able to enjoy the time with other members who attended. Julie was often my navigator and we could be seen in my little blue Austin touring around, mostly without any car problems!

Julie we miss you and are sad to say goodbye. Our thoughts are with Julie's son Sean and family at this very sad time. (Janet McMahon on behalf of all ACCAW Members)

Pictured Left: Julie's very distinctive 1957 Ford V8 Customline at last November's ACCAW Annual Inspection Day gathering.





ACCAW President John Hawking's April Message to Our Members.

It was wonderful to see the collaboration between ACCAW and the Wodonga Historic Car Club, with them joining us at Hume Shire's Australia Day gathering at Wymah and our club joining them for morning tea at the Robb's shed. The committee is looking forward to future collaboration with WHCC and other clubs.

As mentioned in the C & S, our editor is looking for interesting photographs from past events, especially those of early runs, special excursions, Booligal Rallies, photos that include yourself, family members or other club members from much earlier times etc, for articles in the Cough & Splutter. Therefore, before Bob comes calling, members

please dig out your old photographs, past newspapers articles etc, from that old photo album or scrapbook and forward them to Bob via the Club's email address (accaw2018@gmail.com) or alternatively, contact Bob and he will willing arrange to copy your selected photos and gather the required information from you.

It would be also great to have some of this information presented at our general meeting as short talks (Oral or PowerPoint), especially as we have over 50 years of history which should be shared with newer members and a be bit of nostalgic reminiscing for the longer time members.

As usual, Rally Director Bill has some interesting upcoming events: Hot Cross Bun & Coffee Run (31st March) and the Chiltern Cancer Cruise (14th April). The April mid-week Morning Tea is an 'out of town event', which will involve a short drive to the 'The Howlong Bakery'. In addition, the Military Section has the Easter 4X4 Drive (1st April) and ANZAC Day Parades (25th April) coming up. The full details of the events are highlighted in the Cough & Splutter.

Happy motoring, President John. (4.3.24)

Words from Seniors!!!

I'm on two diets. I wasn't getting enough food on the first one.

- # Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.
- # She says I keep pushing her buttons. If that were true, I would have found mute by now.
- # There is no such thing as a grouchy old person. The truth is that once you get old, you stop being polite and start being honest.

You Decide Series No 8 — Who Wears It Best?







Antique Car Club Albury Wodonga Inc. - Military Enthusiasts and Collectors



Coming Event—Anzac Day Parades—Thursday 25th April 2024

Albury 9 am / Wodonga 11 am / Berrigan 9 am / Jerilderie 10 am / Finley 11 am — Street Parades commencing at various times. Albury Jeeps assemble at 8.30am near Cinema Car Park—Contact Neal Bartel for details Ph 0418 356 637.

No. 34 The ACCAW Inc 'Military Enthusiasts and Collectors' - we are NOT a formal Motor Vehicle Club, but proudly fly under the banner of the Antique Car Club Albury Wodonga Inc. We are bonded together by this newsletter and the intention of this page is to share information about our vehicles, future displays, trips and events. Contact can be made with the group by contacting the Club's Military Contact, Peter Jervois. Photo below: Line up of Blitz Trucks at the Corowa Swim In 2024



Corowa Swim In Event March 2024—Celebrating the 'Year of the Blitz Truck'

Those ACCAW Inc. Members Attending (that were spotted):

Graham Robb – Blitz Truck + Willys Trailer, Bob Bevan – Jeep, Kevin Day – Jeep, Richard Coutts Smith – Austin Champ, Barrie Wilson – Jeep, Neal Bartel – Jeep, Lloyd Aylward – Jeep, Gary Ryan – Holden Panel Van, Robert Reid—Jeep, Peter Jervois—Jeep.

This year's 2024 'Corowa Swim In' was dedicated to the magnificent Blitz Truck. In the early 1940's, in a rare instance of manufacturer collaboration, Ford and Chevrolet in Canada got together and secured a Commonwealth contract to supply trucks for Allied Forces, but coincidently not the USA. These vehicles were to be right-hand drive, have engines unique to their badge (the Chevs incorporated a straight-six, whilst the Ford versions received a more powerful flathead, the 239 V8). The Blitz Trucks were produced in a variety of wheelbases and drive-train combinations – yet they all had a common and interchangeable body, along with many other bits and pieces.

The Ford-built CMP (Canadian Military Pattern) trucks used a 95 bhp (71 kW), 239 cu in (3.9 L) Ford V8 Flathead engine while most of the Chevrolet-built CMP trucks had an 85 bhp (63 kW), 216 cu in (3.5 L), straight-6 overhead-valve engine.

The Ford and Chevrolet trucks shared a standard cab design, which evolved over the years of production. The first (designed at Ford by Sid Swallow), second and third cab designs were called No. 11, 12 and 13, respectively. The first two types were similar, the main difference being a two-part radiator grille in the No. 12 cab (its upper part was opened with a bonnet, which was known as the "Alligator cab"). The final No. 13 cab, an entirely Canadian design made from late 1941 until the end of the war, had the two flat panes of the windscreen angled slightly downward to minimize the glare from the sun and to avoid causing strong reflections

that would be observable from aircraft.



Left: The Albury Jeep contingent—Lloyd, Neal, Bob & Kevin's Jeeps in the shade at Ball Park. **Above**: The magnificent Blitz Truck in the background of the Albury Crew. **Con't on the next**

'Corowa 2024 Annual Swim In' continued: The usual street parade was conducted on the Saturday Morning. The infamous Swap Meet and Static Vehicle Display was the main focus, which was held at the Corowa Race Track / Showground precinct. Throughout the week, a large number of military vehicles trekked to various venues within the surrounding Corowa District.

On the Saturday Morning, several ACCAW Club Members shared a 'swap meet site.' As the weather was extremely warm in the afternoon, anyone who owned an Army DUK or a GPA Jeep, headed for the coolness of the Murray River. Many visitors enjoyed a joy ride in these fascinating amphibious vehicles.

Most participants departed for home on the Saturday afternoon, the remainder on Sunday. A top event was had again by all concerned, particularly if you enjoy khaki green vehicles.















Photos Above: A selection of activities and the wide variety of vehicles that could be seen from some 200+ Military Vehicles that attended the Corowa Swim In 2024. **Continued on the next page:**

Corowa Swim In—continued





Coinciding with the Corowa Swim In was the Photo Shoot for the '100 Years Anniversary Tour' of the Chrysler Car. This activity was organised by ACCAW Member John Schuurman. The Dodge Family Military Vehicles at Corowa were invited to take part in this activity, before the Chrysler Vehicles continued on their extensive 'tour' to the Albury Area.

Photos supplied by Neal Bartel & Bob Bevan / Article by Bob Bevan



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Down at the Volksy Shed.

'Down at the Volksy Shed'

Part 2: A Follow-Up to the Part 1 Article published in the February 2024 Cough & Splutter

While we always plan to work on our cars in an organised way, the need for running repairs can rapidly send an unanticipated job to the top of the priority list.

This was the case recently with our VW Kombi. As a 1965-year model, ours has two windscreens split down the middle. A Kombi with this feature is affectionately known as a 'Splitty'.

Technically, our Kombi is a VW Transporter Microbus. The Microbus was the 'people mover' version of the Volkswagen Type 2. There is a range of naming conventions for the VW Type

2, but in my experience most Australians use the general term Kombi, rather than 'Bus' or 'Transporter' which are used in other parts of the world. One online definition helps with origins of the Kombi moniker - 'the original German name was Kombinationskraftwagen, meaning "combination vehicle" (a passenger and cargo vehicle combined), as the rear and middle seats could be added or removed.

All very interesting - but while we're enjoying our history lesson, we're not getting the Splitty back on the road!

Having been in our possession for 25+ years, over time the running gear has been refreshed which means it should be one of the more reliable VW's we have. So I was initially puzzled to when I noticed a 'clunk' on engaging and disengaging the clutch, and also when riding over bumps. The noise was getting progressively worse on our trip home from the in-laws, to the point that on arrival at home immediate investigation was required. Possible causes I'd considered on the trip home included a broken gearbox mount, shocker bush, clutch pressure plate issues, or sabotage by the in-laws.

Once on the hoist, I was relieved to quickly rule out major problems - and sabotage! The problem was the four M12 set screws mounted through a rear spring plate to the reduction hub*. Evidently, they had worked loose (for reasons unknown) allowing for movement, and thankfully the 'clunk' that alerted me to the problem. A quick check of the workshop manual for torque settings and a dab of Loctite for good measure meant we were back on the road with a minimum of fuss. Thankfully it's been smooth running since then!









There's no shortage of projects in the pipeline. Chat again soon! The offending set screws x 4

*Kombis were originally powered by 25hp VW Beetle engines that were never designed to move a vehicle and payload as large as the kombi could manage. The reduction hubs fitted to the rear of early Kombis lowered the gearing to help the small engine and they also gave ground clearance and height to the bus.

Article & photos by Peter Summerfield - ACCAW Member.

Photos Far Left: A lack of height means some jobs are still done on my back, but it helps to be comfortable!

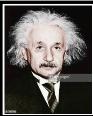
Photo Left: I'm grateful the ride on mower was in use by a family member while I worked, but parking it back under the vehicle on the hoist wasn't all that helpful! 💇

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- Half of seeming to be clever is keeping your mouth shut at the right time! Patrick Rothfuss
- I think I have discovered the secret of life—you just hang around until you get used of it! Charles Schultz
- The public have an insatiable curiosity to know everything, except what is worth knowing! Oscar Wilde

Winding Back the Clock—ACCAW Style No 2—with Tom Boyd

This month's blast from the past—Tom Boyd first joined the ACCAW in November 1976, then rejoined after a brief break in April 1983. Tom served as ACCAW President in 2013, Secretary from 2003—06 and currently holds the positions of Victorian Inspection, Compliance Officer & Technical Inspector and NSW Inspection Officer for the ACCAW. Tom was our 'Club Person of the Year' in both 2008 & 2009. Tom has provided the following memorable photographs of his earlier association with our Club.



Tom's 1926 'T' Model Ford as found under a peppercorn tree in Dallinger Road Lavington, December 1965.



Same 'T' Model, after a 20+ year restoration. This photo was taken by the Border Mail in May 1993. Tom looks rather relaxed.



Tom in the driver's seat of the 'T' during a test drive up the driveway of his Lavington home—1988



1992— First ACCAW Rally—Griffith NSW. Note the older club number plate—Tom standing beside his car.



Mid 1990's— the 'T' Model preparing for a local run—Tom at the wheel with daughter Tamar and grandson Mitchell.



May 1998—Overnight run to Omeo—Club Cars parked on top of Mt Hotham (Red Tourer owner unknown, David Cornell's 1927 White Chev, Tom's 1928 T Model & Barry Rogers Maroon Citroen.

The ACCAW Editor invites all of our Members to forward 5 or 6 photographs of the early days of their association with our Club—hopefully photos will include not only your vehicles but will include yourself, family members or other club members—include a small caption with each photo to indicate what type of vehicle, people's names, where the photo was taken and the approximate date or year the photo was snapped. Photos & information should be forwarded to the Club's email address.

(accaw2018@gmail.com)

Winding Back the Clock—ACCAW Style No 2—continued

Following on from the previous page, a youthful Tom Boyd was interview by Albury's 'Border Morning Mail' in 1993—marking the 66 anniversary of the end of "T Model Ford production".

The car model that sparked an evolution



• Tom bought his car in 1965 for 10 pounds.

HENRY Ford's Model T was the ideal vehicle to take the world from the horse and cart to the motor car, T Ford owner Tom Boyd, of Lavington, said yesterday.

"Other cars had crash gearboxes and clutches and people had to learn to double shuffle to drive them," he said.

"But the T Model had just pedals which were depressed to make it go forward or reverse.

"It is difficult to get used to if you have driven other cars but for those who had only driven horses, it was ideal."

Monday marks the 66th anniversary of the end of T Ford pro-

By DAVID CARTER

duction after almost 20 years and 15 million cars.

It was the first mass produced car — "any color you like provided it is black" — and the vehicle which put much of the world on wheels.

Tom's Canadian-built 1926 model had all the refinements of the last models such as an electric starter and a color other than black.

"But at the end of its production it was completely obsolete," Tom said. "How they managed to sell against the like of the Chevrolet is amazing. Maybe it was because Ford owners couldn't drive anything else."

When Tom, a motor mechanic, bought his car in 1965 for 10 pounds it lain battered but virtually complete under a tree in Dallinger Rd for many years.

He moved about a lot in those days and the car was dragged from town to town.

He finally completed the project last year, partly because his daughter, Tamar, wanted to use it for her wedding, and partly because there was a T Ford rally at Griffith.

Above photos and newspaper article supplied by Tom Boyd — Article penned by the Editor

'Dad Jokes' ha ha ha!

I used to be a baker, but I couldn't make enough dough!
How do you make holy water? You boil the hell out of it!
Why was six afraid of seven? Because seven eight nine!







ACCAW & WHCC Combined Event Wednesday 21st February—Morning Tea and Tour







An enjoyable get together of the ACCAW and The Wodonga Historic Car Club was conducted at a Table Top Property when some 25+ Members from both clubs experienced the hospitality of Graeme and Bernice Robb. After a wonderful morning tea, Graeme encouraged all of the guests to view his wide and varied collection of vehicles and memorabilia which was on display. Following the informative presentation, ACCAW Members were invited to join the WHCC for lunch at the Thurgoona Golf Club. Thank you to Margaret Martin, Winton Hare and Darrin Wright from the WHCC for providing the opportunity and arrangements for this combined Car Club Outing.

Report & Photos provided by Bob Bevan.









ACCAW Members who attended—Jim McDougall, Ken & Helen Paton, Ruth Rennick, Bob Bevan and Paul Payne who chaperoned his mother Josephine. Above 3 Photos: Club Vehicles parked in the surrounds of Graeme & Bernice's out buildings.

Left: Our hosts. Graeme chatting to Helen whilst Bernice checks on the hot water level.

Right: WHCC & ACCAW combined morning tea.

Bottom Left: Paul with Josephine whilst in the background are some Graeme & Bernice's historic vehicles glistening in the sunlight.

Bottom Right: Graeme's 1941 Willys Jeep and Ford Blitz Truck.





Chiltern Leisurely Drive Sunday 18th February







The 'Albury/Wodonga Fun Run' which began at Sumsion Gardens, altered the morning tea plans for our Chiltern event, thus Rally Director Bill changed the meeting point to the West Wodonga Service Station, which turned out fine as it was the start of our route. Bill was first there in his A Model Ford, followed by me in my DA Dodge, Tom in his EJ Holden and Robert Jeffcott in his veteran T Model Ford. Robert was out for a short early morning drive and came to send us off on our adventure. We were nicely surprised by the arrival of a lovely restored 1939 Pontiac Sedan, which was owned by new member, Michael Cole, with his navigator on the day, his father Bill, who is also a member.

We took the quiet back road route, via Plunketts Road, which was a pleasant drive to our destination, Stephen's Museum, a few kilometres south west of Barnawartha. A welcome surprise was the arrival of David Boyd in his lovely black veteran T Model Ford. The Museum is a collection of sheds which housed different displays of auto memorabilia and associated vehicles and machinery. One shed was full of service station items, ranging from old oil bottles to antique bowsers to advertising signs. Another shed housed an old Chiltern White tow-truck, a bulldozer and a stationary engine. Other sheds housed many tractors and varied old engines. There was a lot of other interesting bits of machinery, which has taken a lifetime to collect.







After the museum we headed to Chiltern to find some nice shady trees near Lake Anderson. Some members ventured up town to buy lunch, while others sat down for a chat. We were joined by Barry Rogers, who was out and about in his newly restored yellow Austin Chummy. It was given a good check over by all and Barry explained issues with getting the carby working properly. After a relaxing lunch we closely examined Michael's Pontiac and he told us about his restoration project. Michael's father, Bill informed us of the issues he is experiencing with his vintage Chevrolet. Many passersby were fascinated by the group of old cars, with one group especially intrigued with David's T Model Ford.



Photos Top: The gathering at West Wodonga Service Station prior to departure.

3 x Photos Above & Right:

Stephen's Chiltern Museum which contains thousands of artifacts and memorabilia,.

Left: Tom, Michael, Bill C, David and Bill S—lunch break at Lake Anderson, Chiltern.



The weather was reasonably warm, so around 2.30pm we said good bye to David who headed back to Beechworth and Michael and Bill took the small under pass road back to Yackandandah. The rest of the cars followed Bill back to Wodonga after a very pleasant and relaxing day driving and talking about our old cars.

Thanks Bill, for organising an enjoyable day. Article and photos submitted by John Hawking.

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