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This is the official monthly newsletter of the Bendigo Sports & Classic Car Club Inc. (Inc. No. A0010849), A club dedicated to the enjoyment of sport/ classic car ownership, the maintenance and preservation of the marques. The BS&CCC is affiliated with the Confederation of Australian Motorsport (CAMS).

Red Plate Signatories:

New registrations:
Graeme Jenkins

Renewals:
Graeme Jenkins

Sarah Hickman

Marianne Healey

Alan Healey

Pressoe's Rambles - Graeme Jenkins



Hi fellow members,

Welcome back to all

I hope you are all well and fired up for another year of motoring and socialising within this fantastic club that we have.

The year has started off very strongly with a big gathering for our January get-together at Lake Weeroona, held in glorious conditions.

Not sure if anyone received any new cars for Xmas, but if you did come along to one of our events and show it off.

I did hear that Chris Beale is putting his EH Holden back together after receiving a new coat of paint, can't wait to see it back on the road.

In February we will be back to our normal monthly events starting at the Sports Club on the 14th and **will be looking for a volunteer for the Sunday run.**

Wednesday run has a volunteer in place.

So get behind these events and enjoy what the club has to offer.

ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR 4 COMPULSARY ATTENDANCE STAMPS

Thank you to all.

Graeme

Drive, Dine, Discover

KANGAROO SPOTS CLUB - Booked every second Tuesday of the month for the remainder of the year.

BSCCC COMING EVENTS

February 2023

14/2/2023	Club Meeting Kangaroo Flat Sports Club	Dinner 6PM
	Book a table in Bistro	5447 1214 Meeting 8PM
15/02/2023	Wednesday Run	Leave All Seasons Car Park 11AM John Harris & Deidre
19/02/2023	Sunday Run	Leave Lake Weeroona 8AM Volunteer required

March 2023

14/3/2023	Club Meeting Kangaroo Flat Sports Club	Dinner 6PM
	Book a table in Bistro	5447 1214 Meeting 8PM
15/03/2023	Wednesday Run	Leave All Seasons Car Park 11AM Volunteer required
19/03/2023	Sunday Run	Leave Lake Weeroona 8AM Volunteer required

Non Club Events

- *SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2023 PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK*
 - 10 – 12 March 2023 Phillip Island, with nine international drivers competing at the Festival of Motorsport will host a number of spectacular historic F1 cars from Europe.
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EVENTS REPORT



10 /1/ 2023 Get- Together at Lake Weeroona

Photos: Roger Huthnance / Brendan O'Donoghue



After a fairly hot day of about 34C, Lake Weeroona with its expansive lawns and shady areas, was the ideal place for a picnic get-together - the first club event for 2023.

A large number of members enjoyed their particular favourite picnic foods - pizza, fish and chips, chicken, salads and other goodies. - then mingled socially until about 9pm.





Sharyn Rowe / Liz Dingfelder / Barb Huthnance



Scott and Kerryn Benni Family



Potential Future Member - Hickman Family



Sharyn and Barry Rowe



Liz Dingfelder / Gail Jenkins / Gwen Willman



Alannah Harris



Paul Hansen



Les Dingfelder



David Jobe



Gaye Jenkins

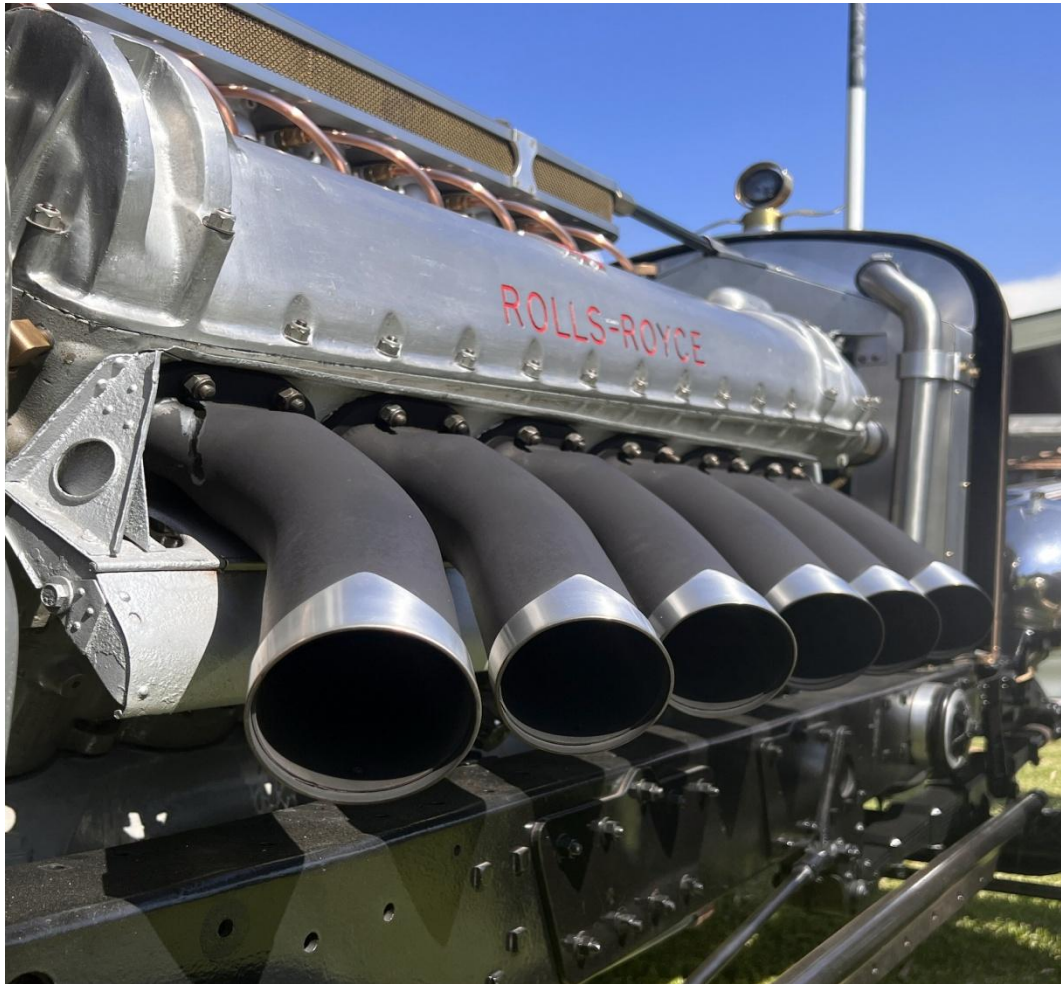


Geoff and Trish Maxwell

A very successful event aided by the very big attendance of members.



Rolls- Royce Special



Rolls - Royce Merlin V12 Tank Engine



Pontiac - 1950s Excess!



Ford Coupe



Damien Harris / Mark
Hickman - "Wheeler
Dealers"



Ford Thunderbird



Chevrolet Bel Air



Ford Fairlane

Ford Fairlane Coupe



Chevrolet Corvair

Chevrolet Corvair Coupe



Buick Riviera

Buick Riviera



Ford Falcon Cobra



BENDIGO SPORTS & CLASSIC CAR CLUB INC.



Treasurer's Report

BENDIGO SPORTS & CLASSIC CAR CLUB INC.	
31st January 2023	
Balance brought forward	10982.40
Add Income	\$0.00
New Membership	\$0.00
Membership Renewals	\$0.00
AGM	\$0.00
October Rally	\$0.00
Xmas Party	\$0.00
2022	
This months Income	\$0.00
Total Income	<u>\$10982.40</u>
Minus Expenses	
Newletter Costs	\$0.00
Membership Adj	\$0.00
Meeting Room Hire	\$0.00
Badges & Engraving	\$0.00
Bgo. Bank Fee/CAMS	\$0.00
Catering Expenses For Xmas	\$104.00
Refund October Rally (Member could not go)	\$280.00
This Months Expenses	\$384.00
Balance at month end	<u>\$10,598.40</u>

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No Club meeting January 2023

FROM THE EDITOR



Contributions to your newsletter are always welcome, as I am constantly looking for articles, technical information and photographs, brochures are welcome.

I can assist with the scanning / processing / editing.. **Send to: bautotravel77@yahoo.com or give me a call 0438 395 707.**

- *It's so good to note the very strong member support for various club activities:*

E.g. Strong numbers at monthly meetings, Christmas Dinner, December Run and the Picnic Dinner at Lake Weeroona.

VICROADS

- **If your mislay your license - it is easy to apply for a replacement via the internet - cost about \$25 and will be mailed to you. Much easier than visiting VICROADS!**
- **SIMILAR CONVENIENCE FOR REGISTRATION RENEWALS**
- **CHECKING DEMERIT POINTS**

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- I believe, a member is looking to perhaps purchase a **Hyundai N** model. You might ask - what's so special about that?

The **N** models are developed and fine tuned at the famous **Nurburgring** racetrack in Germany, for performance, handling and road holding.

Hyundai N is the performance arm of the brand - similar to BMW's M and Mercedes-Benz AMG.

It is common for many of the big players in the auto industry to have an annex at the Nurburgring - for development of new and performance models.

- Also, I believe that an certain EV- denier, not only possesses an electric bike, but also uses an electric scooter!

Bendigo Showgrounds - Sunday Market

- There is a stall in one of the sheds at this market, which deals exclusively in model vehicles - there is a very good array and price points.

Ed.

MALDON: Saturday January 7, was a pleasant sunny day, so I decided to expend a bit of electricity and take drive to Maldon, for lunch at Le Sel, which is a little piece of France in Maldon, operated by a French couple, adding some additional charm to Historic Maldon.





For a Saturday, Maldon was surprisingly busy.
- most parking spaces taken.



Vegetable Garden



Le Sel (salt) was busy and vacant tables scarce - the staff did a fine job, despite being short-staffed. I enjoyed a crunchy baguette with greens and apple chutney and glass of local white wine.



Photos: Le Sel



Photos: Le Sel

Apart from table service, there is take away and a very good range of French delicacies, cheeses, meats, cakes and wines, etc. So, when next in Maldon, you may like to check it out. Check their website re operating hours. **Ed.**



Le Sel 's 1950s Peugeot 203 - a car that was very successful in Round Australia Reliability Trials in the 1950s. Well engineered and sturdy and a decent drive.



Impossible to miss - taking up two parking bays - Ford Fairlane 2 Door Hardtop c.1958



*Different Era Fords:
Thunderbird / Mustang*





Ford Thunderbird 1959

Memory Lane.....



Lake Weeroona

AUSTRALIA DAY 26 January 2023



International Harvester 1908. This vehicle lives in Kennington and was driven to the event. It is occasionally driven in rallies and has a top speed of 16 mph. A true representation of the transition from the horse and cart to the horseless carriage.

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An Unusual Site - Bendigo Creek Parking

From Phil and Judy Wust - an beautiful story courtesy of their daughter Angela, about her neighbors Bill and Pat of Harwinton Heights, Connecticut, USA.

A Romance on Wheels.

BY Bud Wilkinson 30/9/2022



Unlike in their younger days, Pat and Bill Green of Harwinton don't drive their dove grey, two-seat 1960 MGA roadster very often. In fact, since giving the British sports car an expensive freshening with new hoses and other rubber elements a year or so ago, it has mostly

sat silently in the garage. "I don't think we've driven it 25 miles since then," Bill said recently. That's OK, though, as it could probably use a rest after 63 years of being enjoyed. They've put 130,000 miles on the odometer over the decades. Pat bought it new at a dealership in Farmington in October 1959 – before she even met Bill.



Bill and Pat Green of Harwinton and the 1960 MGA roadster that she bought new in October 1959

A plate on the dashboard above the radio confirms her original ownership. It reads "This car made especially for Patty Sargent," a reference to her maiden name.

"I was out of college and I needed a decent car. I wanted an Austin Healey, but that cost \$3,500 and this cost \$2,700. It took me three years to pay for it," she recalled. She sought out a British model "because so many American cars were not great" at the time. The MGA was her daily driver back then. "I drove it from Avon where I lived with my parents to Cherry Brook School in North Canton because I was a first grade teacher. Sometimes it didn't behave. It didn't like being outdoors at night in the snow."

Noting "it's very unusual to have a one-owner car" after so many years, Bill hedged when asked if he fell in love with Pat or with the MGA first all those years ago? He responded wryly, "You really want me to answer that?" Pat instantly countered with her version of the truth. "I always say to people he married me for my car, but he had to pay big time for restoring it," she said, prompting Bill to retort, "I will tell you that I made sure the car was paid for, before I married her."



The MGA was a focal point of their wedding day in 1963, and they have black and white pictures to prove it. (The pictures are in a video story at wheels.rep-am.com.) It remains a fond memento of their courtship and enduring marriage to this day. Bill's now 86 years old and Pat is 84.

The MGA has been restored with various aspects being corrected at various times. "The rocker panels all rotted out so we had to have that all re-done and repainted. And then the next thing that went is the front end all froze up. You couldn't get parts very easily at that particular time. Now parts are pretty readily available," Bill said.



MG built its MGA roadster model from 1955 through 1962. The 1960 edition had a 1,588cc, four-cylinder engine that produced 80 horsepower. Top speed was reportedly under 100 miles per hour and it would go from 0 to 60 miles per hour in a pokey 13.3 seconds. In the early 1960s.

"The engine has never been rebuilt," Bill reported, adding that "MG engines last about 45,000 miles. The last time I had work done on it the mechanic said, 'You're going to need to have an engine rebuild sometime,' but we put so few miles on it now, I'll wait."

When running, the MGA is fun to drive, but it has stranded them. "It's fun. It goes around corners quite nicely. It hugs the road pretty nicely," said Bill. Pat took it to Cape Cod and New York City years ago. She said the manual transmission took some time to get used to. "It took me a while to learn how to come to a complete stop before you put it in first. It took me a while to figure that one out," she said. While Pat bought the MGA, Bill also feels great pride of ownership. He recalled his days working at The Torrington Company in Torrington. "When I was working at Torrington, I would drive this car every day when the sun was out in the summertime. It was just my transportation back and forth, which was fun."

Misc.....



(Pinterest)

Buick Concept 1938 - note some of the styling similarities with the "FX" Holden -of ten years later.



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