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On the Cover this issue:

122S at Adelaide IKEA store (submitted by John Priest, Volvo Club of SA)

John writes: "If you've been to IKEA for the post-Christmas sale specials in flat pack furniture and homewares, what better way to get them home than atop a Swedish Volvo? That was the thinking at the new IKEA store adjacent to Adelaide Airport when the marketing department was planning an entrance foyer display. The team approached David Bennett, President of the South Australian Volvo Car Club who was happy to loan his immaculate bright red two-door 1965 122S for the promotion. The car and display was a head-turner and certainly helped raise the profile of Volvo in Adelaide." *Thanks for the pictures John - let me know if you want them returned via post. I was shocked to see the IKEA store in Adelaide on my last visit - what more could "Adeladians" ask for now? So much for it being a sleepy country town! Ed.*



Cars on the way home from the SA Club's Mt. Gambier trip. See SA Club section for more details & pictures.



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Did you know? Volvo turns 80 years old in 2007!

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Volvo Club of Victoria Calendar of Events

For the latest event information, check out the Club's web site at www.volvovic.org.au
Unless specified below, all night meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 8pm sharp at the South Camberwell Tennis Club, 332 Burke Road, Glen Iris, Mel/Ref 59 H6.

March 2007

Sun 4th British & European Display Day - Volvo Club of Victoria Display Day
Location: Flemington Racecourse.
Details: This is the club's major display day, held in a great location. There will be people's choice voting in a variety of car classes, and a free BBQ for all paid-up members. Give your car a wash and show up before 9AM (time to be confirmed closer to the event) so we can get all the cars in position before the show opens to the public. Cars do not need to be in "concours" condition many people will be displaying their daily driver - the more cars the better! Cost is approximately \$12 per vehicle including all occupants. A great day to check out the Volvos and many other interesting classic British and European cars.

Wed 7th Night Meeting
Guest speaker information see www.volvovic.org.au

Sat 31st Girls torque drag racing training day
Location: Heathcote Raceway
Details: See MOTORSPORTS REGISTER for more info.

April 2007

Wed 4th Night Meeting
Guest speaker information see www.volvovic.org.au

May 2007

Wed 2nd Night Meeting
Guest speaker information see www.volvovic.org.au

Sun 20th National Motoring Heritage Day
This event is a nation-wide mobilisation of historic and classic cars, and is being coordinated by the Australian Historic Motoring Foundation. The Volvo Club of Victoria plans to participate in some way, either organising a drive, picnic or other way to get our cars on the road for the day. Further details will be available on the web page or at the April/May night meetings (or contact a committee member)

June 2007

Wed 6th Night Meeting
Guest speaker information see www.volvovic.org.au

July 2007

Wed 4th Night Meeting
Guest speaker information see www.volvovic.org.au

Sun 8th Winton Fun Day
Mark this day on your calendars now - more info to follow or contact the Motorsports Register captains for more details.

Birth Notices: If you "adopt" another Volvo, email details and picture to the Editor and we'll publish the info as space permits.

Stories & Pics wanted - what cars have you owned? How many Volvos? Any interesting cars? What car did you learn to drive in? See photos and info about Mark Richardson's cars in this edition and send something similar to the Editor for future publishing in *Rolling*. The Editor has been working on a story about the Sievert's first Volvo - preview pic below. 1975 245DL in "Berkshire Green" with B20F engine (yes, the first 240s in the USA had the pushrod engine!) Pictured from left to right are brother Steve, mom Nancy, and the editor Greg. Pic taken at an American highway rest stop during a cross-country trip.



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President's Report

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NOW HEAR THIS: Are Volvos Becoming Popular?

Due to the way our editorial works we need to write and submit articles well ahead of time to give Greg plenty of time to edit and publish the magazine. This sometimes puts us out of sync with the major events. We will have to wait until the next magazine to cover the British and European Car Show for instance.

We have had small turn ups for all events held in January and I hope this is not a trend. Enjoy your cars in the good summer weather because a cold, wet winter is not very far away.

I have been surprised in recent months as to the increased interest in Volvos. I get many phone calls every week now from people looking at buying late model Volvos and in most cases it has been their first look at the Volvo. I get follow up phone calls to say they are now the proud owners (I still say we adopt Volvos not buy them) of a Volvo and they are very happy. This trend appears with the new cars as well and I understand that Volvo have a waiting list for the new C70. Now the new C30 is on the horizon and we hear from the USA that people are actually stealing C30 Volvos (where will it all end?) I must admit that the C30 has me intrigued and if it ends up being as good as it looks we may end up with one in the garage.

This popularity is not restricted to Volvo cars with Volvo parts and early accessories doing very well on eBay. Some people in Australia have made some truly astounding sales with a pair

of 123GT exterior mirrors fetching close to \$1,000 (if you were the seller good luck to you). We also have an increased interest for good quality early model Volvos from England and Canada. If anyone has a very good, restored 1971 142GL that they may want to sell then send me a line as I have a contact in England that is seriously looking for such a car. This could of course also become a problem in the future if all our good cars go overseas.



The increase in 'muscle car' prices in Australia makes our Volvos just that little bit more precious and ultimately useable. After attending the recent 20th annual Picnic at Hanging Rock, this time in the 242GT, I could honestly say that there were not that many truly useable classics on display. The test, to me, is how they handle the trip up and back and if cruising comfortably and safely on the speed limit without mechanical problems is the true test of a useable classic, then the Volvos remain unmatched. Most of the 'muscle cars' made their way up slowly due to the minor mist and rain and the return trip was dotted with, quite frankly, way too many classics on the side of the road due to overheating or other mechanical failures. I think a large portion of the cars we looked at on the day had been involved in some sort of epic just to travel the eighty-odd kilometres up from Melbourne. There were of course many cars from interstate and I think many cars were also trouble free,

but just wandering out among the cars the conversation did seem to be around troubles on the way up and the hope of a trouble-free run back. Yes I know Volvos do breakdown as well but I really can't remember attending a Volvo rally where the talk centred on breakdowns and I know on several occasions that we have been unable to find someone to award a 'hard luck' trophy. Before people with other classics get emotive, I think the reliability factor of even the early Volvos is largely overlooked or even expected. This is particularly evident when a Club member thought it necessary to apologise when his beloved (do I dare say it?), PV needed a push start because it was flooded and the poor six-volt battery was unable to cope. Of course it sprang straight into life with a minor push, and most of us needed the exercise anyway, but the look of disappointment of the owner when his well over 40 year old car had a minor hiccup sums up our expectations and experiences with our preferred marque. Keep our classics on the road and use them and enjoy them.

Later on in the year we will give you information on an initiative to have all Veteran, Vintage, Classic and Special Interest cars on the road at the same time through out Australia. This is designed to stop any anti old-car propaganda or movements started and as a show of strength to the public and politicians alike that old car does not equal polluting the atmosphere. Support your respective clubs throughout Australia because a failure to impress on this day may see us spiralling down the same route that they took in England which saw many priceless cars needlessly crushed in a frenzy that was difficult to halt.

*Until next time
Heino Nowatzky*



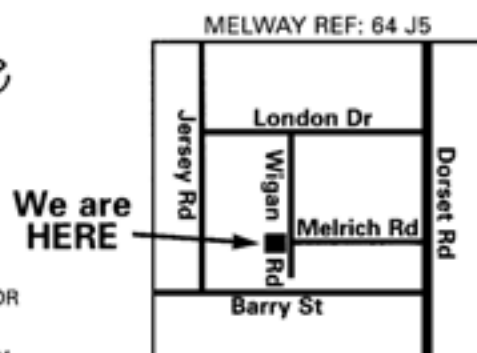
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Rain Dance

Welcome to the March/April edition of Rolling Australia. By the time you read this, I'm quite certain it will have rained on my 1800ES again. Seems like every time I take it out of the garage, it rains. It all started with the infamous 2006 British & European show at Flemington, wherein we received what seemed like half of Victoria's 2006 rainfall in one day. The car made its Australian debut during our annual Volvo Club display day on that day, and it absolutely bucketed down rain. Let's hope the 2007 Display Day at Flemington (4th of March) has better weather and a lot bigger turn-out than 2006. It had better be more impressive than the pathetic turn-out of 3 cars we had at the Picnic at Hanging Rock on 11th of February. Only 3 Volvos - the Nowatzky family in Dion's 242GT, Kevin Holden in his 244, and us in the 1800ES (YES - IT RAINED!) We did have a pretty good turn-out of Volvos at the Great Australian Rally in January (see pictures and story elsewhere in the magazine - of course IT RAINED!)

On the Australian automotive scene, the next big event is the Melbourne Motor Show. I hope we get to see the new Volvo C30 and S80 in the flesh there. I suppose they'll be at dealers soon, but it's nice to be able to see them under the bright lights and

glitz of the motor show environment. The new V70 is due to be unveiled later in the year - see spy photos in this edition of the magazine. It looks pretty much like an S80 from the front seats forward. The rear section looks fresh, although it has strong hints of Subaru Forester. It's a shame the more daring looks of the XC60 show car don't appear in the V70. Guess we'll have to wait a few years for that one! In any case, 2007 should be a pretty good year for Volvo Australia with the recent and planned new model introductions (including several diesels). See Justin's 2006 sales wrap-up elsewhere in this edition - it's an encouraging sign that Volvo was one of the most-improved marques in 2006.

If you haven't checked out the Volvo Club of Victoria web site recently, be sure to do so. Ben has done a great job of improving the appearance and content in recent months. Ads are very easy for Ben or me to post, so if you have a car or parts to sell, email the ad through to one of us and it can be posted immediately (no waiting for the next magazine to be published). Do remember that you must get your ad to me if you want it in the magazine. There seem to be some real bargains out there, especially in the early S & V70 models, and even the C70s. They have all dropped substantially in the

last year, so it may be a good time to pick up one of the "new-fangled" front wheel drive Volvos in the near future. Also, we've still only got a few cars in the "Member Cars" section on the web site. It would be great to have every member's car up there some day, so please email some pics and a story about your car to Ben. I've been getting emails from all around the world asking questions about the supercharged 240 - it's a great way to have contact with other Volvo enthusiasts and share your pride and joy with everyone.

In the next edition, we should have some results from the upcoming (24 February) Swinburne Tafe Dyno Day (thanks to Cam Tuesley for organising the event). I'm hoping to take the 1800ES (do you think it will rain?) and see if I can crack the magic 50 kw barrier. Seems possible since the car is rated at 110 hp at the flywheel - similar to the 240s with B230F engine that hit 50 kw at previous dyno days. It'll be interesting to see how the old pushrod engine compares to the newer OHC engines.

Regards,

Footnote: Took 1800ES to dyno day - IT RAINED on the way there! Details next edition.



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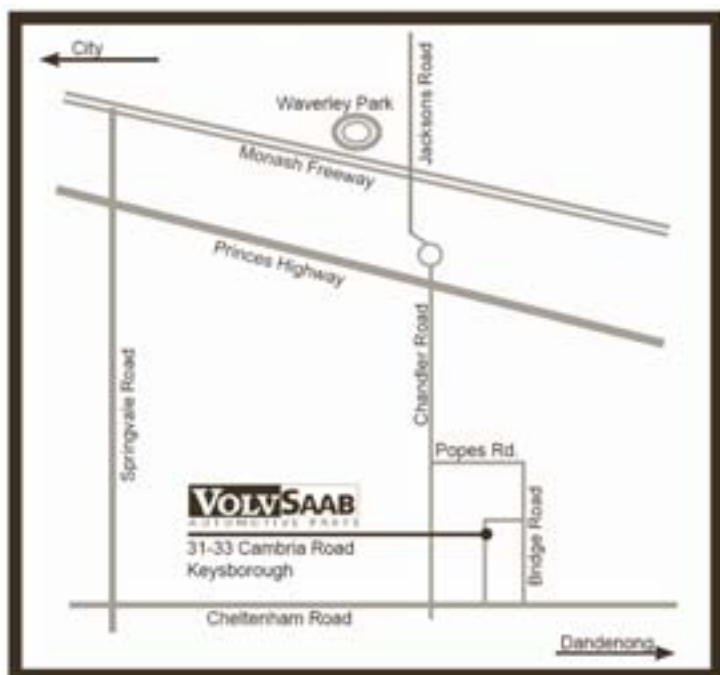
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MONEY BUSINESS

As at February 7th the account balance was \$1463.26.

The following is a summary of the club's expenses and income for the period from December 7th 2006 to close of business February 7th 2007. This is the time period between the last meeting in 2006 - which was not formally constituted as it was the

Christmas barbeque at Voldat - and the first monthly meeting of 2007. It does not include monies collected at the February meeting because at the time of writing this report these had not been processed and banked.

INCOME:

Magazine contributions: \$215.66
Membership subscriptions: \$420.00
Gross income: \$635.66

EXPENSES:

Bank operating fees: \$22.80
Magazine production: \$720.01
Total expenses: \$742.81
Net income: -\$107.15

If you have any questions or comments about the above report please raise them with me at the next monthly meeting or call me on the number above (after hours please).

Adrian Beavis

Membership Report

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Hello Members,

Thank you to all the members who have updated their membership information on their renewal forms. We currently have a high of 155 financial members, this is outstanding!

Please Note - Membership Renewal Changes:

To help reduce costs we are no longer sending out membership cards and receipts directly back to members. We will now send your membership card and printed receipt with your next magazine. This may mean that it takes longer for you to get a receipt. To make this process easier we will be including a self addressed envelope (stamp is required) with your printed personalised renewal form. Please do not act on a renewal form if you have recently sent in your membership renewal. Please do not cut off the bottom of the membership renewal form, the entire form should be returned.

Direct Bank Deposit is Coming!

Direct deposit is now being rolled out for Volvo Club of Victoria membership renewal. It is important that you follow the instructions below if you are going to pay by direct deposit:

1. You must receive a personalised renewal form with direct deposit details.

2. You MUST return your personalised renewal form - failure to do so will mean we have no record of your payment and the onus will be on you to prove that you have paid your membership. Members who make payments to the Volvo Club bank account and have failed to return their personalised renewal form will NOT have their membership renewal processed!
3. Use the account details as printed on your personalised renewal form.
4. Use the Deposit Description as printed on your personalised renewal form (membership number, initial of first name and surname up to 18 characters - eg. John Smith would enter - 20070602JSMITH).
5. Once payment has been made to the Volvo Club bank account, return your signed and completed membership renewal form in the supplied envelope (note: stamp is required) or bring the form to the night meeting and give to the Membership Secretary.

Membership Status:

Number of members: 163
Number of expired members: 8
Number of current financial members: 155

Club Permit Scheme (CPs) for Victoria

All club members with CH plates should make sure that your vehicle details are up to date with the club by signing and returning your renewal form with complete vehicle details.

Please REMEMBER if your membership is not current then your CH plates are also not valid and your vehicle should not be driven.

If you have any queries about your membership please feel free to contact me via email waynebowers@unite.com.au or phone (03) 9397 5976.

New Member List:

A big welcome to the following new club members who have joined the Victorian club over the past few months:

Mark & Wendy Icton 740 Turbo
Robert & Mary Boan 240 & 244
Paul Monro 240GL Wagon

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Victorian Events Coverage

RACV Great Australian Rally

21 January 2007

Cloudy skies threatened once again for one of our events - the Melbourne to Mornington rally. As

usual, we had several Volvos in attendance. Three Volvos started from Docklands (Philip Perkins & sons in the 122S, Thorben in the 242GT and Greg & Wayne in the 1800ES) and two from Casey (Lance in the 242GT and John Johnson in the 1800S). There were a

couple other non-member Volvos, including a very original 1978 244DL with only 165,000 km, recently bought off E-bay by Ron Yeates. According to Ron, no work was necessary for the car to pass a RWC inspection, and he plans to use the car as a daily driver!



Phil Perkins' 122S at Docklands



Old-timer at Docklands



Lance's & Thorben's 242GTs at Mornington



RACV Great Australian Rally



Greg Sievert's 1800ES at Docklands



John's 1800S and Greg's 1800ES



Thorben's 242GT

Lance's 242GT

RACV Great Australian Rally

Ron Yeates' 244DL



During the morning we had a few light showers, but not enough to spoil a picnic lunch and checking out the myriad of unusual and rare cars. There was even an early "Detroit" electric car from around the turn of the century (1900 that is, not 2000 - so it was definitely ahead of its time!) The only problem with starting in the city is that you end up sitting behind a lot of OLD, SLOW cars on the way down the traffic-light ridden Nepean Highway, so it takes what seems like forever to get to Hastings (the morning tea stop). From there we got stuck behind some dill in a Jag XJS who drove 20 kph UNDER the speed limit all the way to the Mornington Racecourse (now I see why Grumpy is complaining about Road Rage in his article for this edition!) We would have overtaken the Jag, but unfortunately Phil was between us and the Jag and he was driving like a gentleman - I wasn't game to overtake the 2 cars as it would have involved excessive speed and also there was too much oncoming traffic and numerous pushbikes on the beach road through Dromana. Next time we'll go via

Citylink to Casey and catch up with Lance and John from there - seems like a less painful drive!

This event is better in some ways than the Picnic at Hanging Rock, especially in the fact that the people in attendance seem to appreciate the Volvos. We had a lot of people stop and talk with us about the cars, and a few people were asking me where they could buy an 1800ES (sorry, mine is not for sale!) It seems to be a more relaxed atmosphere where people come to look at the classic designs and engineering of the cars instead of bragging about how big the tailpipe in their Torana is and how many "naugas" died in the process of re-trimming the interior in white and orange "naugahyde". [Side bar: check out <http://www.naugahyde.com/history.html>] Next year it would be nice to see a few more Volvos than this year - as usual!

Picnic at Hanging Rock 11 February 2007

This year's event, hosted by the Macedon Ranges and District Motor

Club, was the twentieth annual Picnic at Hanging Rock car display day. As usual, there were thousands of cars of every make and model. Unfortunately the Volvo contingent was down to a poor showing of only 3 cars (Kevin Holden in his 244, Dion, Heino and Chris in Dion's 242GT, and Greg & Wayne in the 1800ES). The day got off to a rocky start (rain!) but it turned out to be a nice afternoon with temperatures not too hot. There were a couple brief thunder claps and a sprinkle (which send many a muscle car home due to the threat of having to drive on wet pavement?) Some of us climbed the rock (and realised that we're not as fit as we used to be) and everyone took a long stroll to look at the cars. It was almost impossible to see everything - the cars were still streaming into the last open area (the sports oval) at well past 10AM.

Next year, maybe we'll give the early start a miss in favour of trying to get more Volvos to show up. Something to think about as there is strength in numbers.



Picnic at Hanging Rock

**Kevin's 244 and Dion's
242GT at the club's picnic site
(above and right)**



**Great-looking VW Beetle
with all the accessories**



'57 Chevy with huge billet alloy wheels



Greg's 1800ES at the picnic site
**Anonymous mannequin enjoying
view of the rock**





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The SA Pages

The Pages dedicated to the Volvo Car Club of South Australia Inc.

Mt. Gambier Australia Day Tour January 2007

On Friday 26th January the "Volvo" group headed for the 43rd Australia Day Tour held by the Mount Gambier Veteran & Vintage Car Club. Most left from the home of our Club Captain (Ken). Barry and I followed up the rear, about hour & half behind them because we put "Porscha Rose" (our black pug) in the boarding kennels.

When the group stopped for morning tea, we received a phone call ...Where are you? We caught up to them at the lunch stop. Our little 1800 had wings until we caught them, then it was a comfortable drive to the Mount. We registered at the Club and returned to the Clubrooms for our evening meal and to catch up with other entrants.

The following day was morning tea at the Clubrooms and a run to Masasa Harvest Organic Farm and "Gum Tree Collectables", lunch at the Apple Farm. That afternoon some attended the Mock trial at the Old Courthouse, others visited the Old Mount Gambier Goal, others went shopping and resting. In the evening a BBQ was held at Umpherston's Cave. We had hoped to feed the possums, I collected the fallen plums, apples, and pears from the grounds where we were staying, but they weren't as silly as we were, it was too cold for them to show.

Sunday morning all cars were on display at the oval, again it was a bit cool, with light rain, although the weather improved. We drove to a private display of vehicles owned by Allan Scott, as we looked over the cars,

we picked out the one we wanted and then drove to McNamara Park for lunch. Bikes were on display and sidecars did laps of the track. (This is what caught my eye). After lunch our group wandered off, some to walk the Blue Lake others to art galleries.

The evening dinner was at the "Quality Inn International" again every thing was very nice and during the evening raffles were drawn. The Volvo tables weren't very popular with the other guests, we took a majority of the raffle prizes.



Helen and Paul on the sidecar at McNamara Park

Monday morning it was breakfast at the Clubrooms, good-byes to everyone and homewards bound with CB's on all the way. A good trip and safe journey was had by all.

The Volvo Car Club was represented by 10 cars and twenty-three people. We wish to thank all that attended. A big thanks you to Raelene from Mount Gambier for opening her home to a noisy group of Volvo owners.
Helen Judd

See pic of cars inside front cover. Ed.



Barry, Alex & Christine



Rebekka, Ralph & Helen



Colin, John & Annalise

VOLVO CAR CLUB OF SA 2007 EVENTS

MARCH
9TH

Club Meeting

7.30pm – Glandore Community Centre

25TH

National Railway Museum

10.30am – Museum Carpark

Lipson Street, Port Adelaide

BYO Picnic Lunch or purchase from nearby shops

Cost – Adults \$10, Children (3 & over) \$4.50,

Concession \$7, Family \$25



APRIL
15TH



Gorge Wildlife Park

9.00am - Meet McDonalds Carpark – Tea Tree Plaza

BYO Picnic Lunch

Cost - Adults \$12, Children (3-15yrs) \$6, Students & Aged

Pensioners \$9, Family Pass \$32 (2 Adults & 2 Children).

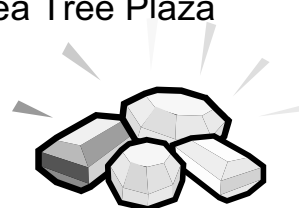
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6TH

Palmer Gem Fair

8.30am – Meet McDonalds Carpark – Tea Tree Plaza

BYO Picnic Lunch

Cars on Display (not only Classic)



11TH

Club Meeting

7.30pm – Glandore Community Centre

JUNE
17TH



Club BBQ with Show and Shine

Details of venue closer to the date

Compulsory for Historic Registration Inspections

All books to be signed at the AGM

JULY
13TH

Annual General Meeting

7.30pm – Glandore Community Centre

All Historic Registration Books to be signed

17TH

Mid Year Lunch

11.00am – Meet Victoria Hotel

Victory Hotel – Sellicks Hill

Afternoon Tea at Club Presidents House

Please bring afternoon tea to share.



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Volvo Car Club of SA 2007 Events (Continued)

AUGUST

19TH

Strathalbyn Antique & Collectables Fair

9.00am – Meet Victoria Hotel

BYO Picnic Lunch

Cars on Display



SEPTEMBER

14TH

Club Meeting

7.30pm – Glandore Community Centre

22ND

Pre Bay to Birdwood Get Together

Details Closer to Event

23RD

Bay to Birdwood

Details Closer to the Event

OCTOBER

7TH



Pine Point Crabbing Weekend

8.30am – Depart Globe Derby, Port Wakefield Road

Bring shoes to wear in the water, rakes, buckets and eskies

Catch your own lunch or if not in luck BBQ lunch supplied

BYO chairs & drinks

NOVEMBER

9TH

Club Meeting

7.30pm – Glandore Community Centre

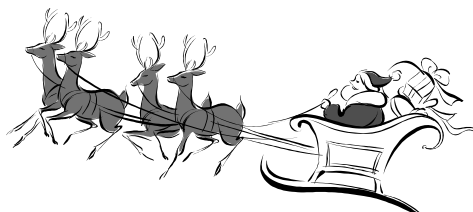
10TH

Christmas Pageant

25TH

Christmas Lunch

Details closer to the event



Cost of admission etc is a guide and may change without notice.

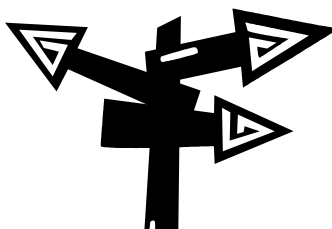
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Brickbats & Bouquets

with "Grumpy"

ROAD RAGE

Dear gentle reader, have you ever suffered "road rage"? I'll let you into a secret - some time ago an idiot undertook me on the left and swerved in front of me without indicating and nearly collided with the front of my car. If I could have caught him I would have punched his stupid face in.

Now for years I had been telling friends that I was too easy going and laid back to ever suffer road rage. When my heart had stopped racing and my breathing had returned to normal I counted slowly to ten and got my emotions under control.

What irritates you most while driving around the World's most Livable City? Besides clowns that overtake me at illegal speeds when I am travelling at the legal limit I suppose the absent minded driver that pulls up at a red light in the right hand lane and then when the light turns green moves forward two metres and turns on his right indicator and waits for the next red light to turn right. Thus condemning me to wait through TWO changes of lights.

There used to be an old joke in the miles per hour days of the two biggest dangers on the road were *"Those under 20 doing over 70, and those over 70 doing under 20"* Some how it doesn't quite translate into metric.

The speed freak in heavy traffic who buzzes in and out of lanes like a blowfly in a bottle and at the next red light is only three cars ahead of you - all that rubber and petrol fumes to gain a few seconds on his trip.

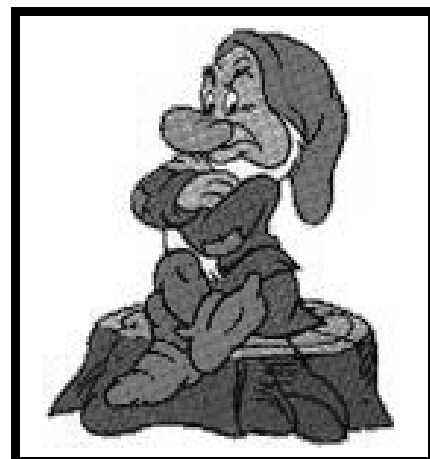


At the traffic lights you get a green arrow and before you can move off the goon behind you starts leaning on his horn. Not once but repeatedly. There was an little old white-haired lady that this happened to as she was starting to move off, so she switched off the ignition, climbed out and walked back to the astonished young bloke and said gently ***"Was there something troubling you young man?"***

Thinking of horn happy bastards; recently I was driving down the beach road, Elwood, on a Saturday morning in the right lane with seven or eight other cars. About sixteen or seventeen cyclists were in the left lane travelling at a fair speed. A large SUV came barrelling



past me on the left and kept blowing his horn until he had driven all the cyclists into the gutter so he could thunder through. The last time I read the road code cyclists had as much right to use the road as cars and are

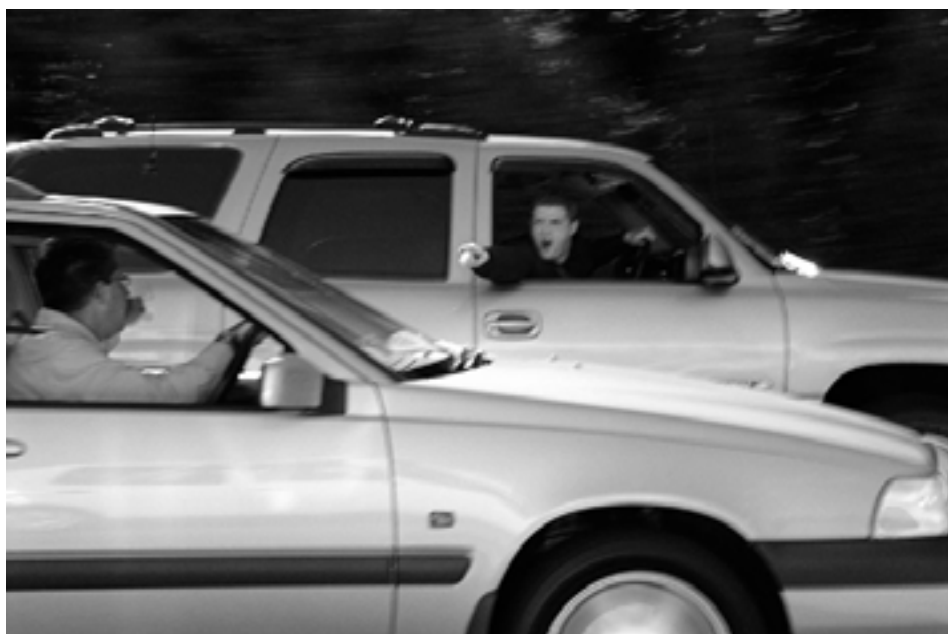


permitted to ride in pairs. I felt for the poor bloody cyclists and for once in my life would have liked to see a copper pull over the SUV bastard and give him a good tongue lashing. Trouble is cops are never around when you need them!

I know it is difficult for big heavily-laden trucks to stop at red lights, but why do so many go belting through on the red? Then there are car drivers who do not seem to know who has right-of-way at an intersection.

Lastly there are these revenue raising speed cameras, they must be contributing to the stresses of driving as they "catch" many drivers doing 64 kph in a 60 zone and 105 in a 100 kph zone. Only a freak can keep one eye continually on the speedo while watching the car in front.

Grumpy





Congratulations Mark & Karin 12-1/2 years of marriage!

Mark Richardson (Volvo Club of Victoria) and his wife Karin are celebrating their twelve-and-a-half year wedding anniversary in mid-March. This is traditionally a big milestone in his Dutch homeland. It all started out on 16 September, 1994, when they were married and the wedding car was a PV544 Sport (hired from a fellow Dutch Volvo Club member). Mark also thought it would be fun to share some memories of his previous cars, so here goes (Mark, I hope I got the story correct - I'm guessing on some of it!)

Mark's first car was a 1971 144DL (shown here in pieces - Mark, did you buy it that way or was it a restoration project?) Not sure if this was in the pre-Karin or post-Karin era!

Next Volvos (in Holland) were a 1976 244GL with the "American" front (guess we call it the "California" front in OZ) then a 240 Turbo sedan (shown here having the windows cleaned by Karin at a petrol station after what looks like some driving in adverse winter conditions).

Following that, they downsized to a screaming yellow 1990 Opel Corsa (due to high petrol prices and the tax scheme which favoured smaller, lighter cars).

When they moved to Australia, the first car (bought in 1996) was a 1988 Holden Camira wagon. From the looks of several of the photos, Mark and Karin like to travel by car and possibly do some tent camping. Sadly the Camira was wrecked that same year.

The Camira was replaced by Mark's current car in 1997 - a white 240 on gas that had 256K km on the clock then (now 478K and going strong - has been on several bush tracks around Australia!)

Thanks Mark for the trip down memory lane and congratulations to you and Karin on your anniversary - you're a quarter of the way to the 50th anniversary - will the Volvo last that long?





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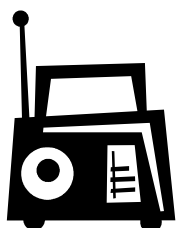
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Website

Everyone should have received their login details for the members only section of the website. Hope you are all enjoying the content. This area will gradually be expanded as time permits so if you have any suggestions or anything you'd like to add to the site, please let Brad know via email: **website@volvoclubqld.org.au**

Wanted

Does anyone have a CR-728 Volvo head unit (or other Volvo 940 head unit) lying around they no longer want? Mine chewed a tape and busted a gear and no-one knows where I can get a replacement. Please contact Brad (Volvo Club of Queensland) on 0424 056 190.



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VCQ COMING EVENTS:

Sunday 11th March 2007 - Spit

Roast Lunch at Historic Apollonian

Hotel, Laguna Street, Boreen Point.

Meet at 11am. Cars will be put on

display on the Hotel Lawn so please

make sure your car is presentable.

RSVP to Helen by 3rd March.

Sunday 29th April 2007 - Note

new date! Tech Day at Brad

Wightman's House - 26 Felchow Court,

Wamuran. 10am. If you get lost on the

way Brad's number is 0424 056 190.

Tech Day's have been popular in the

past so come along and get advice on

your Volvo issues and check out other

member's Volvos. BYO Meat for a BBQ

Lunch.

23rd & 24th June 2007 - Weekend

at Stanthorpe. Please contact Gaye

Carey on 5467 2383 to let her know if

you intend going so that a blanket

booking can be made at a motel in

Stanthorpe. We intend to stay

Saturday overnight with touring the

area on Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday night will be a dinner at a

restaurant.

Members are urged to book early to

avoid disappointment. When booking

be sure to mention that it's for the Volvo

Club of Queensland. Final deadline will

be 1/5/2007 if you're coming, make sure

you let Gaye know.

Queen Mary Falls. In attendance were Helen & Grahame (760GLE Turbo wagon), Vic & Eunice (740 Turbo), Terry & Gaye (242GT), Wayne & friend (740 Turbo Wagon), Brad & Glennys (940GL sedan). Chris, Jennifer & Diana (244GL) met us at the falls (They snared the only sheltered table for us. Thanks!!)

A brief AGM was held wherein committee positions were elected for 2007. It's safe to say nothing has changed since last year. It was a little disappointing to see that only 1 nomination form was returned however. The 2008 rally was discussed and the committee has some preliminary organising done. Again, if you have any ideas please contact anyone on the committee. Members should have received a summary of the meeting by now. If not, please contact Helen or Grahame.

Mention was also made regarding the lack of attendance at meetings. We understand that people do have other commitments but even if you could make it to one or two meetings during the year it would be great to put faces to names. We try to organise events catering for various interests and locations but if you have any suggestions please let us know.

It was nice to see the falls had some water in them despite the drought but if you take a look at the pictures you'll see that it's a far cry from what it used to be.

Australia Day BBQ

Members met in Boonah on Sunday 21st January for a day trip to



Australia Day Cars



January 2007
Queen Mary Falls



May 1999

NEW VOLVO V70!!

The new Volvo V70 has been previewed on the Volvo Cars USA web site. See images below. The car appears to be based on the new S80, with common front doors, front seats, dash and front end sheet metal. The car is due to be released later in 2007. Introduction date for Australia has not been officially announced, but should be late 2007 if they decide to import it. The XC70 version hasn't yet been shown to the public, but you can bet Volvo will have a high-riding AWD version of the V70 to continue sales of the popular model.



NEW Volvo V70

VOLVO 2006 Sales Report: Rolling Again

by Justin Chiew

The drought is over. Perhaps merely a dream for those living on the parched lands of Southern Australia, but for those in the offices of Volvo Car Australia, 2006 was a year to celebrate. Starting the year with a press release titled *"Volvo Perfectly Poised for 2006"*, Alan Dessels' team in North Ryde can be proud for leading Volvo to its best year in Australia since 1985.

After three years of struggling to break 3000 units and gentle growth in a booming market, Volvo Cars shot through to 4000 units in 2006. In doing so, it achieved the third best year on year growth in the market at 37.1%, behind Chrysler (45.6%) and Aston Martin (91.4%) and just pipping Volkswagen (36.7%), which now finds itself in the top ten manufacturers in Australia.

Worldwide, Volvo Cars saw its sales fall from 443,947 units in 2005 to 427,747 units in 2006; a drop of 3.6%. With the S80 now fully launched in the North American market, the first full year for the new C70, and the C30 coming on stream, plus a new V70 and XC70 due in 2007, the company is optimistic for a strong result this year. Between 2006 and 2009, Volvo Cars is scheduled to introduce seven new cars - an unprecedented level and a far cry from the era when 200 Series were sold for almost two decades.

Locally, 2006 began with a significant repositioning of Volvo's range, specifically of its passenger cars. Specification improvements and keen price cuts of between \$5000 and \$9000 took place on sedan and estate models. Such moves were arguably necessary, given that Volvo's sales mix had become distinctively SUV biased in recent years. Despite the launch of the impressive S40 and V50 in June 2004, Volvo's passenger models failed to record significant growth, whilst the XC70 and

XC90 rode the wave of changing consumer preferences for SUVs over estates. It is important to note that Volvo's SUV offerings did receive significant value improvements during 2005.

The S40 2.4 became the S40 S, gaining some equipment and shedding \$8000 off its price tag to arrive at an tempting entry price point of \$39,950. The S40 2.4 SE became the S40 LE and became \$5000 more affordable, as did its T5 brother, which also gained extra equipment and AWD. Equivalent moves took place in the V50 range. In addition, a new television advertising campaign for the S40 was launched. By the end of 2006, the S40 had increased sales year on year by 121%, with the V50 following at 97%.

The S60 SE became the S60 LE and gained some equipment to harmonise it with the S40 LE and was repriced by \$7000 to \$49,950. The S60 AWD's pricing was reduced by \$9000 and the S60R gently disappeared from the local range. S60 sales year on year grew by 8% during 2006.

After quietly disappearing during 2005, the V70 returned to Volvo's local range as the V70 LE, \$9000 cheaper than its predecessor, the V70 SE. V70 sales grew by 8% in 2006 compared to 2005, albeit off a small base. Volvo Car Australia is currently ascertaining the business case for the third generation V70.

With a replacement in the offing, after being discontinued late in 2005, the last few S80s quietly found new homes in 2006. Unsurprisingly, its sales results fell by 41% over 2005, making it the only Volvo model to record a decline in sales over 2005. Some would say that the S80 also had the somewhat dubious honour of recording the 14th largest decline of any model on the Australian market in 2006; still better than the Renault Laguna with an 83.9%

drop in sales. A result of 26 units was well off the 364 S80s sold in 1999, but merely reflected the last few vehicles remaining after the discontinuation of the model at the end of 2005. It's a fairly safe bet that the second generation S80 will beat 2006's sales figures comfortably. It could well record one of the largest percentage year on year growth figures during 2007.

Returning after an absence from the market since 2004, the C70 recorded sales of 97 units in the few months that it was on sale during 2006. With 2007 being its first full calendar on sale since 2004, expect to see a good few hundred more C70s on the road this year.

The XC70 had no changes of note to its line up in 2006 and sales were a constant 653 units, coincidentally the exact same amount sold as in 2005. An all-new model is scheduled to be revealed this year. (See spy photo from the Internet below)



The XC90 continued to dominate Volvo's sales results, achieving a record 1699 units during 2006. The model received a mid life freshening in the second half of the year, which included a new Diesel D5 variant and the replacement of the T6 with the V8 variant. Both variants also saw the introduction of a new Aisin-Warner six speed automatic with benefits in performance, economy and refinement. XC90 sales grew by 25% over 2005 and its overall sales placed it fifth in the Luxury SUV segment. By the end of 2006, 4609 XC90s had been sold in Australia, making it the top selling Volvo on the P2 platform. With the MY07 refinements, the XC90 looks secure in retaining its dominant position in the Volvo Car Australia model range.

With the C30 due to arrive shortly, a new generation S80 and S40/V50 D5 Diesel models on the market plus the all new XC70 in the offing, 2007 bodes well for Volvo in Australia. Let's hope the momentum keeps on rolling.

	YTD		Change		Share of Volvo Sales
	2006	2005	YTD	YTD	
Volvo Cars					
Volvo C70	97	0	97	-	2.4%
Volvo S40	767	347	420	121.0%	19.2%
Volvo S60	211	195	16	8.2%	5.3%
Volvo S80	26	44	-18	-40.9%	0.7%
Volvo V50	464	236	228	96.6%	11.6%
Volvo V70	83	77	6	7.8%	2.1%
Volvo XC70	653	653	0	0.0%	16.3%
Volvo XC90	1,699	1,365	334	24.5%	42.5%
Volvo Cars Total	4,000	2,917	1,083	37.1%	



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President's Report

If you have a job where your mind races from one drama to the next (like mine), then there is nothing like the images of classic Volvos to soothe when you are chilling out. Memories of the great convoy of Volvos through Canberra in 2004 and the beautiful display at Varley Oval at Inverell in 2006 are great soothers.

For 2007, the 1800/120 club has a terrific line up of events for members to participate in, and for more fond memories to add to the memory banks. The adjoining report from Maida Skaarup, our Events Director gives further details.

We haven't gone for anything fancy, but rather events that members have enjoyed in the past.

By now, our first event for 2007 at Daisy Hill Forrest has been and gone. Thanks for all members who attended, I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

For those of you who haven't been to an event for a while, please make the effort as it will be well and truly worth it. There is nothing like coming along to a great event, and talking Volvo, not to mention the chance to check out other members' great classics (and guys, don't forget the under the bonnet look too!)

For our next event, we have been invited to a weekend away at the Darling Downs, with a surprise stop on the way, by the Motoring Enthusiasts Club. These guys have the most amazing classic cars, and they know how to have a great time at their events. A super opportunity to come along and check some other great marques.

For further information, please contact me on 07 3283 8067 or via email:
robert@robertbakkerlawyers.com.au.

On another note, it has been great being in contact with members and chatting or emailing about their cars. I warmly extend the invitation to any member to contact me to talk Volvo. If you want some advice about a car for sale, or aren't sure about parts, or just want to yack about what's under your bonnet, you are most welcome to contact me.

I also welcome any feedback about the club, the events, or anything Volvo, for that matter! Look forward to catching up soon.

RB

Hello Volvo Enthusiasts,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be the new Social Events organiser (SEE CALENDAR ON NEXT PAGE). Just a brief note to introduce myself to you all.

I look forward to meeting and talking with you all at the upcoming events planned for 2007. It's great to see that we have passionate Volvo car members and we are hoping this year we can invite new members to be a part of this club.

How did I become involved with Volvos?

Well I first set my eyes on a 240 Volvo when I was in Hawaii in about 1997 and I thought to myself, "not a bad looker!"

I moved to Brisbane in 1999, being born and bred in Auckland, New Zealand. It was then I bought my first 240 Volvo. I enjoyed this car very much and got around Brisbane venturing to new places. It was through this Volvo I met and married the Volvo Guru, Peer. We have adopted into our Volvo family a 120 1966 Volvo, which is undergoing surgery. Keep fingers crossed we can have her on the road soon. Peer has kept me keen on Volvos and it's now VOLVO FOR LIFE.

Maida Skaarup

THE BANK MANAGER WANTS TO SEE YOU

At last, after almost three years of hard work and gaining a whole new respect for authors, I have finished writing my memoirs, **'The Bank Manager Wants to See You'**. The finished copy is A4 size, contains 340 pages, 150,000 words and in excess of 300 photos and illustrations

It begins with a brief family history and then evolves into social history. I've recorded memories of growing up in the forties and fifties and through my twenty-three year career as a bank officer/manager with the Commercial

THE 1800/120 VOLVO CAR CLUB OF QLD EVENTS CALENDAR 2007

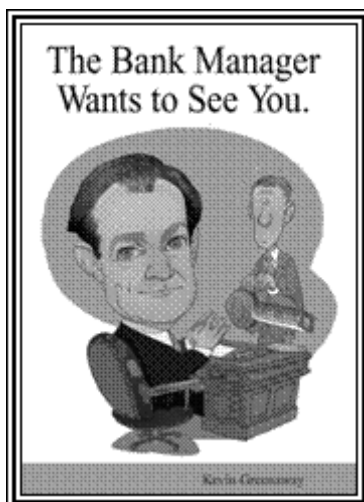
Sunday March 11th	0.800 CHAPAGNE BREAKFAST MEETING Daisy Hill Forest Park - Car park 4
Saturday/Sunday May 5th-6th	Motor Enthusiast Club - Neil Summerson Drive to Darling Downs, Toowoomba Please contact Robert Bakker
Saturday May 26th	0.800 - 12pm TECH DAY AT GLT CAR CENTRE CAPALABA followed by FREE BBQ SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Sunday July 15th	OBSERVATION RUN Details to follow by mail / E-mail to members
Saturday/Sunday August 4th/5th	Motor Enthusiast Club A motor display at Lismore Further information to follow
Saturday October 6th	09.00 - 3.00pm GLT CAR CENTRE CAPALABA - VOLVO OPEN DAY BBQ SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Sunday November 25th	12.00PM AGM LUNCH/MEETING SIRROMET WINERY - MT COTTON

We look forward to getting together and having a good time!

Banking Company of Sydney. I worked throughout Victoria and New South Wales in seventy-nine different branches, including small country towns where I met many interesting 'characters'. I've also included Australian history, amusing incidents and details of appliances now considered antique, and long forgotten methods of doing things.

Reviews of my book appear to indicate that it has general appeal, especially to people of my era who can relate to the events described and it will, I hope, give later generations an insight into what life was like in an earlier and quite different era.

I have self-published the book and limited copies are available direct from me for \$30 plus postage within Australia of \$9.80 (for up to 3 books in one package). Please note - Credit card facilities are not available.



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Member Car: 1800E - James Dillon

Turn the page to see photos of James Dillon's outstanding gold 1800E. James is a member of the 1800/120 club residing in Queensland. Thanks for the photos James. If any member has photos they would like to share with the club, please email to the Editor for placement in the magazine. Reminder if you have photos in vertical orientation, they may be suitable for use on the front cover. I'm always looking for pictures and stories, so send them through! Ed.

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**Member Car: 1800E
James Dillon (QLD)**



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DEARLY DEPARTED V70R

For the births, deaths and marriages section...

Lament to a well hammered car.

We sold the car. The good car. The V70R. It wasn't advertised, but as Noel would say "everything's for sale".

We had this discussion ages ago - The car is getting old. The car has done a LOT of kms. The car needs some work. We can either sell it or spend money on it, but what to do???? And that's as far as the process went really. So when someone walked up and offered to buy it, we let the decision make itself.

Now we are down to one Volvo and, just quietly, I am having somewhat of a panic. I mean - we are going to Sydney on the weekend. The 122 is out of rego right now. This leaves us with the option of driving the very uncomfortable (and by comparison - gutless) BMW which has been given the unkind yet appropriate moniker of "the German Gemini".

After having to be persuaded to buy a Volvo in the first place, I will have some fond memories of being in the "R" club. For example:



- The first time I drove it and realised just what Turbo charged was all about!
- Driving in the wet with the fabulous traction control doing all the worrying for me.
- Overtaking people.
- Travelling in leather and suede coated comfort (eat that, BMW)
- Pulling away from 'sports cars' at traffic lights.
- Driving behind the car on the way to Canberra wondering why the hazard lights/brake lights/tail lights etc were flashing at random (turns out someone was having fun working out what all the buttons were for!)

- Heated seats/ heated mirrors and electric bloody everything!

I can quite see why one of my children is disgusted that we are considering selling. However, her track record includes bawling her eyes out when we sold our 740 turbo, so there's no accounting for taste.

So now I suppose we will be having the OTHER discussion... Do I replace the car with a less travelled, similar aged C70 or a slightly younger S60? Keep and eye on the births column to find out! *Lyn Foster (& Noel Bruin)*



VOLVO *Imagineering*

Thanks Dion for sending in these cool creations. If you have similar ideas for hotted-up Volvos, or other weird and wacky creations, please email to the editor for inclusion in future magazines.

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Volvo in Miniature

Collecting can become an obsession as I am sure a number of club members can attest to this.

The early Years:

I purchased my first Volvo 'toys' around 1980. They were purchased as just that for the boys to play with. These were the plastic promotional models released each year by Volvo with a new model range. At the time I did not think of collectability for the future. I owned a white 245L so when I picked up a white 245 model I did keep it for myself.

On a posting to Queensland in late 1983 I detoured via Sydney to purchase 2 of the promotional 122 models which

was also a stepping stone into the obsession. These were for me not the boys.

Whilst in Queensland in 1984/5 I visited the Volvo truck factory to do a story for the Club magazine. This resulted in being given a couple of truck models including the pewter 1927 version of the first truck. Back in the early 1980's Volvo models were a bit thin on the ground in Australia. Matchbox made some King-size 245 wagons in various colours and combinations in approx. 1:43 scale. There were also the 1:64 truck with different backs and the odd 760GLE. I

also have a collection of trucks and some buses to add to the variety

In Australia the truly collector models were the 1800 and 122 series made by Corgi/ Dinky and Spot On. These were mainly sourced by touring the antique shops of Camberwell and elsewhere. It was always exciting when one was found at a reasonable price in one of these shops. My collection slowly increased over the years. Police versions of the 1800 were also produced by Metosul which added a new dimension. Not all of my models are mint boxed as you bought what you could when you could. The Saint version of the 1800 by Corgi is also popular with collectors. I



Some of Lance's HUGE collection of Volvo Miniatures and Volvo Keepsakes

would have several rare models in the collection. The 140 and 160 series were always hard to find but some were produced by Tekno.

There were also new hand built ones by Robeddie and Brooklin which included other Volvo versions from the 40's & 50's.

I contacted a model maker in Switzerland who hand finished models which were mainly cast by another company called Tin Wizard. One of my three favourites is a P1900 coupe [#60 of 67 he produced] which was given to me as a present. I treasure this one. My second favourite is a 1973 144GL by Robeddie in light metallic blue which is a replica of my first Volvo down to the colour and my third is a promotional 242GT which took a long time to obtain but thanks to Bob Taylor I was able to do a deal.

The Later Years:

Volvo miniatures are so prevalent that there are catalogues of them now and one could spend their whole pay or more just buying models. I admit I increased my collection with a number of the British Touring Car versions as



More of the collection

well as some Minichamps. The models out of China including the Minichamps are so detailed compared to the hand built ones of the English and European companies. They are also excellent value for money compared to the hand built ones.

The prevalence of all these models has taken the edge off collecting for me now and as I am not a bottomless pit of money so I have reduced what I buy now to something I really like and not just for the sake of owning it.

The collection:

If I include all the trucks, cars, tractors, earth moving etc. I estimate that I would have in excess of 200. I have not counted for a long time. I also

diversified into my other passion Falcon models of road cars and race cars but once again have tapered off on these as well. The biggest bug bear is keeping them dust free.

[Lance - thanks for sharing your collection with us. I had been wanting to write a story on Volvo miniatures for some time now, but never seem to have the time! Check out <http://volvo1800pictures.com/> and click on the "miniatures" link - there's a huge collection of photos of P1800 miniatures there. Also google search for more info. There's a lot about it on the web.Ed.]

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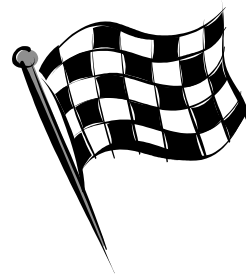
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Welcome to 2007!

By the time you read this the Daytona 500 will have been run and won, we'll have a leader after the first round of the V8 supercar championship, and the Melbourne F1 GP will be upon us.

Club motorsports events are being penciled in and we hope to have some more members of the club participating actively.

The last 'fun day' of 2006 was great with quite a few of our members (and members by association) making the drive to Winton and spending a hot day racing around the track. See photos on next page.

We had 5 club members enter as well as a friend of mine join us for the day.

- Greg Sievert - Volvo 240 SC
- Ben Winkler - Volvo 240
- Noel Bruin - BMW 323i
- Justin Chiew - Falcon XR6 Turbo
- Paul Meddings - VN Holden Commodore
- Ash Davies - Volvo 240

Of course our entourage was there wielding ice creams, sitting on the grass and occasionally glancing as we sped along the short front straight.

The good (albeit very hot) weather also made for a more pleasant day and the toll on cars was largely just tyres, brakes and fuel.

True to my recent form, I had a spin during the day - my third in as many outings. Prior to this little run, I

hadn't spun a car on a track event in about 3 years.

Moving along though...

Events for 2007:

4th March 2007 -

Sandown Supersprint. Run by the Nissan Datsun Sports Owners Club. email me for more details.

10th March 2007 -

Winton 'Test and tune' day. Open practice at Winton. Phone Winton Motor Raceway for more details. (03) 5766 4235

30th March 2007 -

Winton Supersprint. Run by the Ford Four Car Club email me for more details.

31st March 2007 -

Girls Torque all-female drag racing training day. Run by The Australian Women's Motorsport Network. Visit www.awmn.com.au or email me for more details.

10th May 2007 -

Calder Supersprint. Run by the Ford Four Car Club email me for more details.

8th July 2007 -

Winton Fun Day see web site www.wintonraceway.com.au

20th July 2007 -

Calder Supersprint. Run by the Ford Four Car Club email me for more details.

17th August 2007 -

Winton Supersprint. Run by the Ford Four Car Club email me for more details.

Prior to events, a few of us often get together to go over cars and for a very relaxed tech session/chat, If you're interested in catching up at some stage to go through your vehicle prior to an event, please call me on 0412 709 695 or email, ash.davies@dvs.net.au
*Regards,
Ash Davies*

Local Motorsports Information

Check out these web sites for more info about track days and other events:

Wakefield Park website:

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Winton Motor Raceway website:

<http://www.wintonraceway.com.au>

Calder Park motorsport:

<http://www.motorsport.com.au/>

SDMA website:

www.sdmahillclimb.com

AROCA Victoria website:

www.alfaclubvic.org.au

Holden Sporting Car Club of Vic

website: <http://www.holdenclub.com/>

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Calder Park run 'open practice sessions' on most Wednesdays on the circuit track. Drivers must have a helmet and current drivers license. Safety officers are onsite during the day. Cost is \$165 per vehicle.

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have jobs to go to!) to arrange leave, we could look at this as an option for the club.

Should you be interested in attending any of the events listed or if

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WINTON FUN DAY 17 December 2006



Photos, clockwise from top left corner:

Ash (240), Greg (240SC), Ben (240), Justin (Falcon XR6 Turbo), Cars and members (Neil, Noel, Jae & Ash) in the "pits", Ben again, Noel (BMW 3-series)



Volvo Utes: Part 2

1975-1992

Back in March, 2006, I ran some pictures of Volvo Utes up to 1974 (basically anything pre-240 era. This

time, it's the 2-7-9 series Utes. Part 3 in a future edition will deal with the FWD and AWD Utes. I also have been collecting pictures of Volvo convertibles

(not factory-built ones). Thanks to those who have already contributed - that story will run in a future edition as well. Enjoy the pictures!



Late 240 Ute owned by Berry Motor Group in Victoria



240 Ute owned by Swedish Car Company in Western Australia



Classy Orange Australian 240 Ute (above) with 740HP alloys and bonnet scoop. QLD number plates - anyone every seen it in the flesh?



2-tone 240 Ute with roll bar from California



2-tone 240 Ute - another Australian one (possibly from NSW). Anyone know the history?

240 Ute owned by Eastgate Volvo. This pic was taken at one of the motorcross events at a USA Volvo Rally



Bumper Sticker seen recently on E-bay:

"Volvo; were made to keep dickheads out of Utes!"

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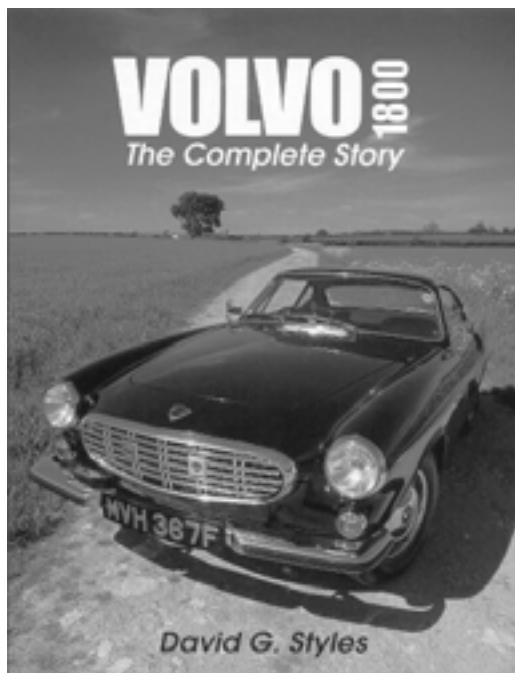
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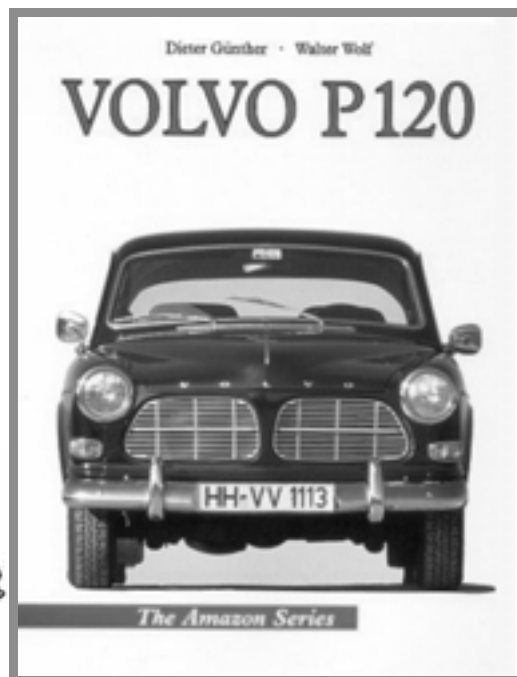
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Now there is a new one. This is a hard cover book, with a colour jacket, of some 190 pages full of information on mainly the 1800 series and other Volvos that the author finds related to this model. A real 'must have' book. I thought I had everything I could ever have on the 1800 series until a shipment of this book arrived, and I am amazed at the amount of new information and new photos, both B&W and colour, in it. The contents cover the start of the Volvo company, the PV444 and beyond, the Amazon and then onto the main subject. From prototypes to production with teething troubles at the Jensen factory and then onto production in Sweden, exports and the introduction of the ES. It goes on to show what other marques the 1800 had as opposition at the time with great comparisons with many other cars of other makes from the sixties era. There is also a chapter devoted to what the press said at the time, with the author's comments on them all. The last chapter goes into the progression of Volvo to their latest coupe, the C70. A great read with a lot of help to owners and would-be owners giving advice on buying, owning and enjoying the 1800.

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1989 760GLE Silver with tan leather with 161ks from new, recent work includes new radiator and full service CD player good condition \$3500. Car located in Toowoomba. Ph: Chris 0407 457 559. (25Jan07)

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excellent condition \$2,200. Car located in Toowoomba. Ph: Chris 0407 457 559. (25Jan07)

1971 1800E (AWU 15W - NSW) manual overdrive with black trim sporting a period Webasto soft sunroof and 240GT mag



wheels. Needing some minor detail work. Asking \$15,000 ono please call Victor on 0418 679386 or email vhdavalos@telstra.com. More details and photos on carsales.com (23Jan07)

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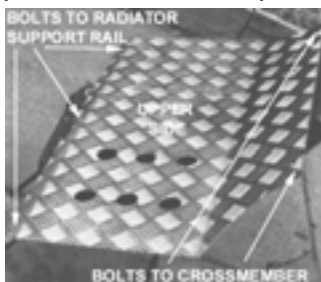
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