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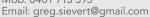
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Victorian Events Calendar

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2 (Wed)

Mel/Ref 59 H6.

Night Meeting, 8PM

Guest speaker: Peter Rowland from Adhesive Coating Services. South Camberwell Tennis Club, 332 Burke Road, Glen Iris,

Visitors always welcome!

20 (Sun)

RACV / AOMC National Motoring Heritage Day

Yarra Glen Racecourse (Melway 275 C1). Gold coin donation for admission.

A number of us may meet up in Mill Park and drive from there to Yarra Glen in a group. Contact Heino Nowatzky.

26-27 (Sat-Sun)

36th Historic Winton www.historicwinton.org

Highlights include non-stop classic racing featuring over 400 historic cars and motorbikes, car and motorbike displays, etc.

Entry fees: \$20 Saturday,

\$30 Sunday, competition paddock \$5.

Enquiries: Noel Wilcox 03 5428 2689 or email noelwilcox@rocketmail.com

Contact John Johnson if interested in attending as the club may have some free tickets for members.

6 (Wed)

Night Meeting, 8PM

See the website for more information on tonight's guest speaker.

South Camberwell Tennis Club, 332 Burke Road, Glen Iris, Mel/Ref 59 H6.

Visitors always welcome!

TBA

Drive Day

We're looking at organising a drive day out in the country, possibly to a car museum, in either June or July. Details to be finalised and info presented at the night meeting, or watch the website for updates!

4 (Wed)

Night Meeting, 8PM

See the website for more information on tonight's guest speaker.

South Camberwell Tennis Club, 332 Burke Road, Glen Iris, Mel/Ref 59 H6.

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1 (Wed)

Night Meeting, 8PM

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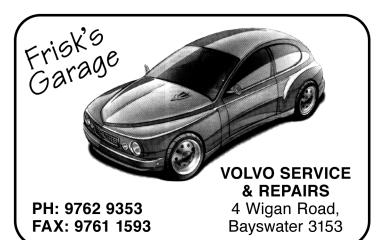
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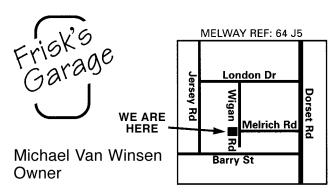
18-19 (Sat-Sun)

Council of Motor Clubs (NSW) Shannons Eastern Creek Classic (Sydney)

Last year's event was a huge success, with many Volvos in attendance! The NSW club has put the welcome mat out again for members from interstate clubs to attend this year. See the NSW club magazine report for more information, and email Julie Williams (NSW club) ASAP on hollymist@bigpond.com if you plan to attend. If enough VIC members plan to attend, we can organise to drive up as a group (let Greg Sievert or John Johnson know if you're interested so we can organise it!)

Event flyer available at www.councilofmotorclubs.org.au (then click on the Eastern Creek link)





President's Prattle

LANCE PHILLIPS 03 9707 2724 AH LANCEPHIL@BIGPOND.COM

As we head towards the end of the financial year the Club is progressing well.

March started off with the weekend in Swan Hill with our friends from the South Australian Volvo Club. The weather was magic as was the camaraderie. Seven cars from each Club made the trip with in excess of 30 members and quests. As part of the weekend we visited the Catalina Flying Boat Museum and learnt another part of our military history. We cruised the flooded Murray on a paddle steamer and looked at history in the Pioneer Museum. Two of our dinners were in the Caravan Park pergola with a BBQ and a Pizza night. Overall a great weekend was had by all. We look forward to the next one. I would like to take this opportunity to thank David Bennett and his members for the weekend and organising the dinners over the weekend. It was very much appreciated.

On the same weekend some members went to Phillip Island for the historic racing and the Shannons Walk. John's 1800S was a part of the inside display where it was judged best car on display so congratulations to John on another top effort.

The guest speaker for April was supposed to be Rebecca Tasker from the Motorclassica Committee to discuss this year's event and a wrap-up of 2011. Our

club will once again be participating in the October "Picnic with the Classics" outside the Exhibition Building. Rebecca unfortunately had to cancel but told me we could have the same spot as last year with an increase of 5 cars to 15. Hopefully we will reschedule her for another month.

Our speaker for May will be Peter Rowland who will discuss and show samples of his coating system for automotive parts as an alternative to powder coating.

NATIONAL RALLY 2013

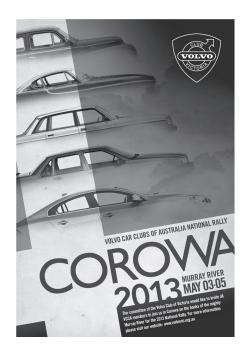
Expressions of interest are coming in to help us with planning how much accommodation we will need as well as numbers for the functions over the weekend.

If you haven't sent me your EOI yet but plan to come please get them in. I hope to see a lot of emails after I return from Canada in June!

By the time you read this Pam and I will be either cruising the inside passage to Alaska or on the train/bus to the Rockies. I hope to be able to catch up with a couple of Canadian Volvo enthusiasts time (and Pam) permitting.

Regards, Lance Phillips President, Volvo Club of Victoria

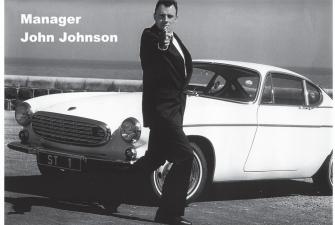






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Notice to members of all clubs: for magazine delivery issues please contact the Editor and also your club's membership secretary (for address changes); if you're receiving duplicate magazines, please advise the Editor so we can keep costs down in future.

Welcome New Members!

The Volvo Club of Victoria would like to welcome the following new members to the club:

- Stephen & Jenny Tanner (850 T5, V70XC)
- Steven Domenis (P1800S)
- Daniel & Antonella Baschera (C70, V50)
- Ron & Jocelyn Horgan (144GL, 240GL x2, 244GL)
- Alan Marriage (Mercedes 230E)
- Bram & Margaret Vanderjagt (122S)
- Dr. Ric Bate (850 T5)
- John & Verna Flanagan (940GL)
- Natalie Grima (242GT)
- Tracey Burchall & Ari Koivusalo (144)
- David Allen & Dee Hutchison (122S)
- Rick & Sharon Hargreaves (XC90, V50)
- Paul & Virginia New (S60R Polestar)

As of 22nd April 2012, the Volvo Club of Victoria has 211 members, with 10 having outstanding membership payments due. Note you should receive a renewal form in your magazine when your membership is due to expire. There's also an expiry date on your mailing label on the back of the magazine.

Payment can be made by cheque, cash (at the night meeting) or direct deposit (details on the renewal form - be sure to include your member number and name on the direct deposit memo). Your new membership card will be posted out with the next magazine following receipt of your renewal payment.

Remember, if you have a car on Victorian club (CH) plates linked to the Volvo Club of Victoria, it is mandatory to keep your membership current. The club is required to advise VicRoads if any member with club plates allows their membership to lapse. Refer to www.aomc.asn.au/cpsnewfaq.htm for Frequently Asked Questions. The FAQ were also reprinted on Page 14 of the Sep/Oct 2011 magazine.

If you have any questions about your club membership status, please contact the membership secretary, Greg Sievert on 03 9397 5976 (AH) or 0401 713 595, or email greg.sievert@gmail.com

Treasurer's Report

Bank balance at 22 April 2012: \$5,231.08. Any questions, please contact the treasurer. Adrian Beavis, Treasurer

New Club Stickers!

The new club stickers are now available for purchase. They are highly-detailed "3-D effect" stickers with the clear polymer "dome" on top, and look great on the back window of your car (or on your fridge, computer, etc.)

Size is 65 mm in diameter approx. Prices



are as follows: \$4 each, or 3 for \$10, or 4 for \$12. Stickers are available for pick-up at the night meetings, or can be posted for \$1 extra regardless

of quantity. Lance is handling the sales, so please see him at the meeting or contact him on 03-9707-2724 or via email lancephil@bigpond.com. John Johnson at Voldat also has them available for sale, or you can pay for stickers when you renew your membership and they will be posted out with your next magazine and membership card.

Corowa National Rally 2013

Reminder that we're in the initial planning phase for the Volvo Clubs of Australia National Rally to be held in May 2013 in Corowa (on the NSW/VIC border). If you're thinking of attending, please let Lance Phillips know ASAP. We need expressions of interest now so we can start pre-booking accommodation and function centres.

10 Years of VP Tuning

Congratulations to Mark Richardson - VP Tuning - for achieving a milestone 10 year anniversary of the formation of his company. Most of you will know that VP Tuning offers a range of tuning and performance parts, as well as replacement parts, for many Volvos from the earliest 120s to the latest-released models. During April and May, Mark is offering special anniversary discounts to everyone, with even more savings for club members.

Mark can be contacted on 0403 814 545 or email mark@vptuning.com.au. Check out the VP Tuning website at www.vptuning.com. au. Thanks Mark for continuing to offer great service to club members!

CMC Shannons Eastern Creek Classic Invite

The NSW club has put out the welcome mat for interstate members to attend the Shannons Eastern Creek Classic on the 18-19 of August.



The main day is Sunday the 19th. More info in the NSW section of the magazine. If you're interested in attending, please email Julie Williams ASAP (hollymist@ bigpond.com) so they can organise window



stickers. The official event flyer can be downloaded from the CMC website: www.councilofmotorclubs.org.au (then click on the Eastern Creek link).

For Victorian members thinking about driving up, please let Greg Sievert or John Johnson know as we may be able to coordinate going up as a group if that suits people. It should be a great event, and those who went last year had a blast!



The Editor's Desk

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Hi all - I hope you enjoyed the last edition of Rolling Australia, with the new layout Ben has designed. We've had quite a few positive comments about it and I think it looks great - helps to have a more creative mind on it as my engineering background usually drives me to putting every image in a box the same size, all aligned to one side of the page!

As you read this, we will have had the Victorian Club annual display day at Flemington. I hope we have a good turn-out, and several new members have promised to attend. I hope to have the electric 240 put back together after another mechanical issue took its toll on the motor-to-transmission coupling.

As with any new design, I guess you have to work out a few bugs. I hope this time we have it right...only time will tell. I do know that over the past month of driving the other Volvo, I haven't enjoyed stopping for petrol on a regular basis as I had become accustomed to simply plugging in the EV at night and getting a "free" top-up with the solar panels on the house.

We've had an amazing number of new members this year as you can see by the new member welcome in the "News" section of each addition of Rolling Australia. It's great to see - and there's a good mix of modern and classic Volvos (everything from early 122s to the latest

S60 R-Design Polestar) adding to the diversity to the club.

As Lance mentioned in his President's Report, planning is well under way for the 2013 National Rally (to be held in Corowa on the NSW/VIC border, 3rd-5th of May 2013). There's already a good response to the expression of interest flyer that went out in the March/April magazine, with an equal mix of Victorian and interstate members so far. I urge you to let Lance know if you're even thinking about attending, as we need to start reserving accommodation and function rooms for the event. Every National Rally I've been to has been fantastic - if you haven't been to one, I encourage you to do so, and if you have been, I'm sure you'll make every effort to come along as well. The more the merrier, and we should have a number of activities to suit everyone during the weekend.

If you're looking to attend a big classic car and motorsport festival, the NSW club has cordially invited interstate club members to come along to the Council of Motoring Clubs (NSW) Shannons Eastern Creek Classic in Sydney in August. See the "News" section for more details and let Julie Williams know ASAP if you plan to attend. I missed last year but plan to check it out this year - should be fun!



Finally, Irv Gordon continues to rack up the miles on his record-breaking P1800. He sent the attached update and a few photos to accompany it. Keep rolling safely Irv!

Regards, Greg Sievert Editor, Rolling Australia

NEW MEMBER CAR

New member David Allen from McCrae, Victoria sent this photo of his 1969 122S. Welcome to the club David, and we hope to see you and your car at upcoming events!



Volvo's Monster Ute

Hi Greg,

I thought you and your readers/members might find the attached pictures of interest. I recently was asked by Volvo to attend their national dealer meeting in San Antonio, Texas...a short 5000+ mile round trip jaunt for my old 1800 which now is just about 50,000 miles short of 3,000,000 miles.

On the way to and from Texas, I stopped to visit friends at the Volvo Heavy Truck Plant in Dublin, Virginia where I was treated to view their latest development of which only one exists in the world...and the opportunity to drive it as well.

Knowing how popular the "Ute" is Down Under... this was built to display at one of the Heavy Truck Exhibits that Volvo Trucks attended... and is the only one like it in the world. It has a 16-gear automatic transmission and holds 150-200 gallons of fuel. Among all the amazing electronic goodies in the crew cab, it also has a 40-inch TV for the rear seat passengers. The paint scheme celebrates the Volvo Ocean Race.

I parked my 1800 next to it for size comparison. Enjoy!

Best to all,





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Swan Hill Weekend with the Volvo Club of Victoria

On the weekend of 9th-12th of March, the Volvo Club of SA organised a weekend away to meet with our Victorian club friends. It was a beautiful weekend and a great time was had by all. For more photos and a write-up, see the Victorian Events coverage section of this edition.





Volvo Car Club of SA 2012 Events

May

11 Club Meeting 7.30pm - Glandore Community Centre

20 Mystery Drive 9.30am - Meet Glandore Community Centre BYO lunch or purchase along the way

June

17 Historic Registration Vehicle Inspection and BBQ Compulsory historic vehicle inspections, all members and vehicles welcome. Use of hoists will be limited and Chris will be happy to answer mechanical questions. BBQ supplied by the Club. Please BYO drinks, chairs and a salad or dessert to share. Please contact Helen on 8341 8908 by 15 June with numbers to assist with catering.

July

Annual General Meeting 7.30pm - Glandore Community Centre Members with vehicles on Historic Registration please remember to bring along your log books for stamping.

Volvo Club of Victoria Events

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Swan Hill Weekend

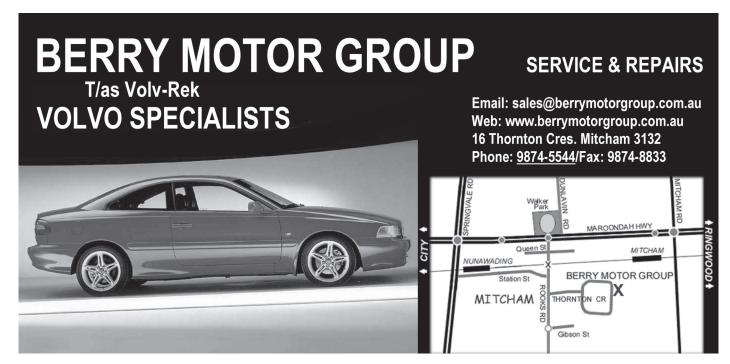
On the March long weekend, the South Australian club organised a get-together in Swan Hill for club members. Thank you David Bennett and the SA crew for pulling it all together, including the weekend activities and meals - well done!

It was great to see our old friends and make new ones, with most activities occurring around the Big 4 Riverside caravan park, where the majority were staying. In all, there were 7 cars from SA and 7 from Victoria, with probably 30 people (give or take) up for the weekend.

On the Friday night, after everyone arrived and got settled, we had dinner at the local club and enjoyed catching up on the latest club news. Saturday, many of us went down to the Pioneer Village and had a look around before departing on a Murray River paddle steamer cruise. It was a fairly rare sight to see the river almost to the top of the levee banks! After the cruise, we had plenty of time to check out the quaint shops at the Village, and see demonstrations of blacksmithing, old tractors, take a ride in an old car or in the horse-drawn carriage.

Saturday night David organised a BBQ at the caravan park for everyone, and we had a great time talking Volvo (or not!) Some of us then went back to the Pioneer Village for the "Light Show", which was a bit underwhelming, mainly because it was





a bit difficult to hear the historical narrative due to a large wedding being held at the on-site reception area. Give that a miss and spend your time browsing the village during the day when it comes alive!

Sunday morning, we had a photo shoot at the park. It was all we could do to keep Alexander from jumping up and down on his poor 240 wagon! For shame, Alex! That's no way to treat our beloved Volvos. Later we checked out the Lake Boga Catalina museum and learned about how it was an important part of the war strategy. A large base was set up at Lake Boga to serve as a maintenance facility for the Catalina flying boats - with the lake being far enough inland so as to be protected from potential enemy strikes. Sunday afternoon we had an enjoyable lunch in town and generally relaxed the day away after that. David and crew organised a pizza dinner at the caravan park on Sunday night, and those who didn't take the boat cruise earlier took a sunset cruise.

Monday it was time to pack up and head for home. Most of the SA crew had already left by the time we arose, as they had a much farther drive back to Adelaide. Most of the Victorian crew departed around 10 AM, stopping in Castlemaine for lunch. Mark Iceton "knew a great little pub" there that turned out to be a bit more upscale than we would have preferred. Must have changed hands and been re-branded since Mark was last there. Needless to say, we had a fancy and expensive (but not too filling) lunch. Lesson learned - look at the menu before committing!

Thanks again to David and the South Australian club, and everyone who attended, for making it a fun weekend that we won't soon forget.

Greg Sievert













Blast from the Past

Here's a photo provided by Peter Hoffmann, showing a gathering of club members at the awards banquet held in Williamstown about 15-20 years ago.

Do you recognize anyone in the picture? Nobody's changed, right?

Blast from the Past 2

This photo was provided by Lance Phillips. It's obviously Lance on the left, but who is the mystery character on the right? Also, who's that on the ground between Lance and Mystery Man #1?



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Phillip Island Classic

On the weekend of the 10th of March, a number of club members attended the Phillip Island Classic Festival of Motorsport, proudly flying the flag for the Volvo Club. Gerard Gowans got some fantastic photos (a small sample of which are included here). Thank you Gerard - we'll see if we can get them all up on the club website soon.

John Johnson took out 1st prize in the concours event with his P1800. Congratulations John!

Everyone who attended had a great time - it was unfortunate that we had to make the difficult choice between this event and the Swan Hill gettogether held on the same weekend, but great to see a good turn-out of members at each event.





Welcome Oliver Peagam!



MEDIA RELEASE

29 February 2012

Volvo Car Australia Appoints Public Affairs Manager

Volvo Car Australia has announced the appointment of Oliver Peagam to the position of Public Affairs Manager effective immediately.

Oliver brings a wealth of industry experience to the role from Australia and the UK through various roles in automotive journalism and, more recently, as Marketing Communications Manager for the Skoda brand at Volkswagen Group Australia.

"We are delighted to welcome Oliver to the team," said Matt Braid, Managing Director, Volvo Car Australia.

"Volvo Car Australia has an aggressive growth plan in place, which requires a strong and versatile character as its head of public affairs. Oliver was an outstanding candidate and the obvious choice," he added.

Oliver replaces Laurissa Mirabelli who will continue to work in public affairs for Volvo on a part-time basis. Laurissa will be the primary contact for all Volvo enquiries until March 12 when Oliver returns from the Geneva motor show.

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Life Members: Kevin & Margaret Greenaway

122 Members

President's Report

As I write this, I am fresh from a family holiday over the Easter period to Cairns. Our precious margue was thin on the ground in FNQ. The harsh hot climate seemed tough on the paintwork of any vehicle more than about 5 years old up there!

Our club enjoyed an interesting drive into Beaudesert on Sunday 1 April. We left from McDonalds at Beenleigh, and drove, following our events director Richard, on our merry way through Beenleigh, and south, ending up at a lovely picnic/camping ground.









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We had an excellent array of old and new. I drove my 122, with SWMBO as co-pilot. I must say the 122's engine continues to impress. There is so much power, it really is a pleasure to drive.



The next event is 29 April, but I will be in Melbourne for the Vic Club's big annual display, so see my report to come in future columns.

Volvo 1800-120 Club Australia Inc.

123GT

Work continues at a steady pace on this lovely GT. Please follow my exploits on facebook. The car has been returned now from its paint job. Now the fun begins!

The engine reassembly was interesting, as to overhaul the engine, I fitted original sized rings, as there was very little wear in the bore of the B18 block. It made me wonder just how nice will this car feel when it is eventually back on the

Even though I have now restored several 120s, you can still make mistakes and get confused. It took me a couple of goes to work out which side window was left, and which was right! It all works out in the end though!





Red 122

Keen followers of my column may wonder of the fate of my red 122, reported in the Christmas edition of Rolling last year. After a thorough refurbishment, she has gone to a new home. The curious thing was that my usual medium for sale of a vehicle of late has been carsales.com.au. This time, hardly a whisper of interest. So I tried ebay, and the result speaks for itself! At the end, I had something like 88 watchers! Bidding was very competitive too. So maybe ebay is the place to sell these sorts of vehicles. In the end, a new 120 owner took off with his car, very happy. I hope he joins our club.

This month, I have profiled this vehicle, so take a look.

Until next time, Volvo for life

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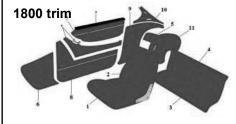


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Our Trip to Inverell



Starters from SE Queensland

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The drive to Inverell

Several of us met up at the BP service station on the Pacific Highway at Chinderah, NSW for a quick cuppa on the Friday morning while the rest left Brisbane on the Saturday morning. After a quick browse through Tweed Heads Wrecking, where there are several 140s in very bad shape but plenty of good parts, we headed to Bangalow for a browse through the shops. In case you're wondering, yes we were going to take our time since we were going to spend the night at Tenterfield and then drive to Inverell on the Saturday morning.

The road between Casino and Tenterfield is not that great but we all got there safely. While taking a walk in town late in the afternoon, we saw Jeanette cruising into town with her SAINT 1800S. She had to work on the Friday so she decided to take her car to work and leave early and follow us to Tenterfield. It's much more fun travelling with a group when there is no rush. We stayed at the local Bowling Club and had dinner there where the service and the rooms were great. There is nothing like a friendly small country town.

Saturday morning

Saturday morning saw us travel the short distance to Tenterfield where the rest of the gang drove in later that afternoon. Much to our surprise, John & Bev Reeves who were supposed to be coming in a modern car, drove in their newly restored 1968 122S. John and Peer (GLT Motors 122S) had worked very hard to put this car together after the paint job in record time just so they can come in it for this run. Dinner was at a local Thai Restaurant where Rex and Edith Sneyd (1800E), who are locals, joined us there for dinner.

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Display Day

We found our way in convoy to the National Motor Museum (http://www.nationaltransportmuseum.info/) where a special spot was given to us right at the entrance to the Museum complex.

The museum had three Volvos on display. Rex and Edith Sneyd's two Volvos, an 1800E and a 242GT (the 242GT is for sale 02 6722 2253) and one of the earliest two door 122S.

Another Volvo in town is club member David Mould's 123GT that he has owned since about 1977. Well, we (David, John Reeves, Gavin Janson and I) had to go and see it! This one is not for sale, no matter how we tried. In fact David is about to start the restoration soon. We verified the original engine (David was unsure as to which of the many B18s he had belonged to the GT) which was the one still in the car.

The other attraction at the Museum is Bob Taylor's huge Volvo Memorabilia collection that is on display there. Well worth stopping to look at that for any Volvo enthusiast.





VEHICLE PROFILE by Robert Bakker

VEHICLE: 122S (1966)

Recently sold by Robert Bakker OWNER:

TYPE: 12234HL

214847 **CHASSIS NO:**

ENGINE:

COLOUR: 46 (CHERRY RED)

UPHOLSTERY: 168-503 (BLACK VINYL)

This month sees a review of a 122 owned for a short time, my red 1966 122S.

Purchased off carsales.com.au from a young enthusiast in Herston, Brisbane, it was love at first sight for me, and she followed me home one sunny Sunday, much to SWMBO's surprise (?). The vehicle was somewhat "famous", as I later noticed it featured quite a bit in photos in the old 1800/120 magazine, before we went national. What I had purchased was a basically sound 122S. There was no rust. However, some cosmetic items needed attention, such as paint on the front panel, some rubbers, wheels, dash etc. The worst part of

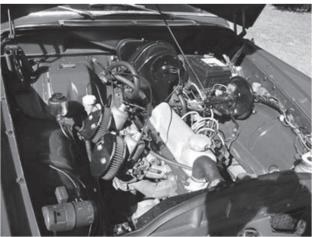
the car was the interior as it had 360GLT seats! These were replaced with the correct items sourced locally.

A full engine service liberated guite a bit more power and smoothness from the old girl, and new whitewall tyres transformed both the looks and the ride of this machine.

It was very satisfying to bring back a good car and give it a new lease on life.

At some stage, she had received a B20 block, and curiously retained the B18 head. Some tweaking of the carbs brought back a nice snarl when you gunned her. In the end, heaps of fun to drive, attracting plenty of attention.





Alas, she now resides with a new owner, and I believe shares a garage with a Cortina GT and a Karmann Ghia. Certainly, if they could talk there would be some stories to tell!

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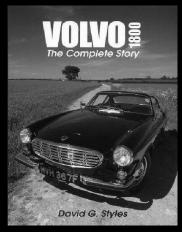
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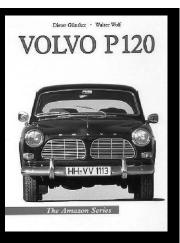
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MAY

MacLeans Bridge at Lakeside - Sunday 20th No excuses for non attendance as now not on Mothers' Day. See http://www.macleansbridge.com/ Details of meeting point will be on the Club web site once times are locked in.

JUNE

Lunch Run Picnic - Bunyaville to Andy Williams Park. Shortish days so shortish run- nice & cool

JULY

RACQ Motorfest - 15th

Epicurean Lunch Run Sunday 29th – In the Maleny district - Watch the Club Web Site

AUGUST

Lismore Summerland Sport & Classic car club Sat 4th & Sun 5th - Make it a weekend away - Classics Car Show.

MG CC - Come & Try - Motorkhana - Willowbank -Sunday 19th - Again Something new to try

Leyburn Sprints- A day or two for a quiet country drive over the week end of 18-19th

SEPTEMBER

Short Run for Mt Tamborine Lunch - Something Different to Taste - Sunday 9th - See Club Web Site for details

Noosa Classic Car Show Sunday 30th.

OCTOBER

GLT Car Centre Open Day - Hosted by Peer Skaarup, the Volvo Magician- Saturday 6th

1800-120 Car Club AGM - AGM & BBQ Lunch -Sunday 28th

NOVEMBER

Long Run for Lunch - MOOGERAH DAM - Sunday 18th See Club Web Site for Details

DECEMBER

Short Lunch Run for Christmas - Mt Cootha -Sunday 9th See Club Web Site for details.

John and Bev Reeves 1968 122S

It's not about the car!

It's all about the family that owned it for 37 years.

Peter and Elsie Cleal of Mosman originally purchased this 122S from British & Continental Cars in Sydney on the 23 January, 1969. Peter and Elsie moved up to Erina on the central coast, around Gosford in their later years. It was the family car for a period of 37 years, and on the passing of Peter, Elsie sold it in February, 2006. After recently going through a couple of hands, this original Volvo 122S is ready for restoration to the original state. We owe it to the family.

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An end of sorts for a 142GT

NYRIE BUTTERFIELD 03 9786 8490

I purchased my white 1974 142GT somewhere about 1980 in Adelaide after I got back from my 12-month trip overseas. It was sitting on the nature strip in Adelaide with a "For Sale" sign on it and it cost me about \$2000. Not a bad price I thought at the time. It did hundreds of miles between Adelaide and Melbourne as I would often come home and visit my folks on weekends or come back for parties with friends. You tend to do that in your 20s. Then it did lots more miles between Wagga Wagga and Adelaide as my boyfriend had moved there with the Army. Then I moved so it got the trips from Wagga to Melbourne on a regular basis and the odd trip to Sydney. I got work in Melbourne and my husband and home were in Wagga, so it got lots of driving up and down the highway each week as I travelled back and forth. I had my 142 for 30 years - the last 10 unfortunately it has been sitting in my front yard not doing anything but getting rusty and growing moss. The idea was that one of the children would appreciate my sports car and want to drive it when they got their licence - but who was I kidding? It did have

twin carbies and although it only had 4 gears it was fun to drive. I kept immaculate records of mileage, fuel consumption and repairs but that's no use now. It only had a few problems. Every 50,000 km it did a clutch cable, but my boyfriend got good at replacing them and even I could do it in the end. When it broke down it usually did so in style and I had a special sign "ON TOW AGAIN" in the back seat. But I suppose 5 or 6 times in 20 years isn't really that much (and considering I only did breakdown maintenance on it!) I guess it really was a very economical vehicle, doing 300 km around town for the 60-litre tank (but I could do Wagga to the service station at Seaford - 576 km - in one hit on a trip home).

A couple of things made me stop driving it. I got a mobile mechanics in one afternoon to service and tune it. He had no idea on how to work on Volvos even though I offered him all the workshop manuals. After about 4 hours he left and of course I paid him. I went to drive the car and it wouldn't drive right. After investigation he had tuned it 180 degrees out. Soon after that it stopped again and my acquaintances who towed it

home, without me, some-how broke the front wheel mountings. This took a while to fix and I wasn't really confident in it after that so it sat in the front yard while I drove the newer 1980 242GT with a 5 speed gear box.

This year my husband wanted a trailer to carry wood up at the farm so I eventually consented he could use my 142 chassis. He has been having fun since Christmas stripping all the parts out of it. He sold the engine and gearbox to someone that was going to put it into a boat. I hope he gets as much driving pleasure out of it as I did. Everything else, except the front windscreen that broke as the boys lifted it out of the frame, is intact. So if anyone wants any bits, panels, seats, lights, wiring loom, clips, interior, etc. please make me an offer or they will end up in the rubbish bin.

I will miss my first 142, now a wood trailer. It now has connections between the new draw bar and steering arm so the front wheels will move as it is towed behind the tractor. A sad end but better than the crusher I guess.

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85 Years of Volvo

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On 14 April 1927, the first mass-produced Volvo car rolled off the production line at the Lundby factory in Göteborg. Now, 85 years later, the Volvo Group is one of the world's largest manufacturers of commercial vehicles and Volvo Car Corporation sells almost 500,000 cars each year.

At 10 in the morning on 14 April 1927, sales manager Hilmer Johansson drove the first mass-produced ÖV4 model through the factory gates in Lundby in Göteborg. Now, 85 years later, the same model will pass through exactly the same gates to celebrate Volvo's birthday. Stefan Jacoby, President and CEO of Volvo Car Corporation, and Olof Persson, President and CEO of the Volvo Group, will be behind the wheel. "It's a fantastic car, but it's easy to see how much has changed over the last 85 years," says Stefan Jacoby, who recently premiered the new V40 at the Geneva Motor Show.

The Volvo Group and Volvo Car Corporation are two companies with a long shared history. However, what was at that time one company began as a very unpromising project, because Volvo's founders Assar Gabrielsson and Gustaf Larson had no direct experience of cars or the automotive industry. During its first year of production, Volvo sold a very modest 300 cars. However, in the following year business really began to take off, when the company also started manufacturing trucks and buses. Even back then Volvo realised that the key to



The same car in the same place...

success lay in exports. "Our roots are still very important to us. Around 30,000 of the Volvo Group's 120,000 employees work in Sweden, but 95 percent of our products are sold outside the country," says Olof Persson. The equivalent figures for Volvo Car Corporation are 14,500 employees in Sweden out of a worldwide total of 21,500. Around 87 percent of all Volvo Car Corporation's sales take place outside Sweden.

In 1999, the Volvo Group sold its car business. Since then, the two companies have continued to grow in different directions. Volvo Car Corporation is now in the premium segment and last year sold around 450,000 cars in 120 countries, with the USA as its single largest market. The Volvo Group produces trucks under the Volvo, Renault Trucks, Mack and



...but 85 years later

UD Trucks brands, together with buses, construction equipment, drive systems for marine and industrial applications and components for aircraft engines. With a turnover of SEK 310 billion, the Volvo Group is the world's second largest manufacturer of heavy trucks and Sweden's largest company. The group has production sites in 20 countries and sales organisations in 190.

As a result of Volvo's birthday Volvo Museum in Gothenburg will keep an open house at 11.00-16.00, April 14. If the weather is fine, a parade to the city center with both new and vintage vehicles will be organized.

Visit Volvo Cars Heritage online at : www.volvocars.com/intl/top/community/ heritage/Pages/default.aspx

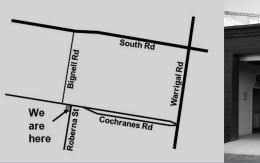


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WITH GRUMPY

REFLECTIONS & RECOLLECTIONS

The other day I saw the latest Holden V8 SS utility. It was in showroom condition with the silver metallic paint and the 18 inch alloy wheels glittering in the sun. The tonneau cover was the solid, lockable type, with gas struts to support it; it also had four exhaust pipes. The ute has a 6-litre V8 motor with 270 kW (362 hp) and 530 Nm (391 lbft).



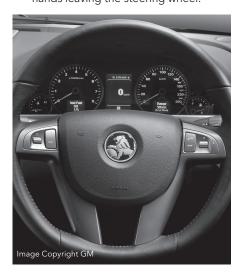
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CONSTRUCTION SITES

If this was a tradie's work vehicle how would it look after a few weeks on a big industrial construction site? In my working life I have been on many sites and in the winter they are usually ankle deep in mud and after very heavy rain even concrete trucks get bogged.

IN THE BUSH

My thought was of my late Uncle Bill, he was a no nonsense grazier in central NSW. A stocky, muscular man with a weatherbeaten face with a wide grin and a handrolled cigarette in his lips. His regular ute was an FJ Holden.

I think if he had been alive today and saw a fully-optioned Holden V8 Ute he would have probably growled that it was "a bloody pansy machine."

LEAPING LENA

But for the really rough work in the paddocks he used "Lena". This had started life as a 1920's regular car, but as it aged it slipped down the social ladder. Eventually someone decided to convert it to a ute by the simple expedient method of chopping the body off behind the back of the front seats with an axe. The tray at the back was built by nailing boards of varying thicknesses and length across two thick planks bolted to the chassis.



As it never left the farm [sheep station] it had not been registered for years. Its main purpose was for doing the really rough work - transporting the barbed wire, fence posts, fencing wire, firewood and the occasional dead sheep. With its big wheels and great ground clearance it was perfect for chugging around the paddocks.

Leaping Lena looked like this but without roof and doors and with a hand-made tray at the back;, and no paint just mainly rust.

I was staying with him in the 1950's and he said to me "like to come with me to pick up some gravel at the creek?" Wanting to be useful I agreed. But instead of the Holden he took me round the back of the sheering-shed where Lena leaned against the wall. The years had not been kind to Lena. She had lost the canvas roof and headlights, the upholstery seats had rotted away and had been replaced with wheat bags. Because it had been out in the weather for years the wooden floor boards had rotted away and a plank had been placed across the hole to stop the driver's and passenger's legs from falling on the road.



It had a gravity petrol tank just forward of the remains of the windscreen and Uncle measured the amount of petrol with a dip-stick. He opened the side-bonnet and turned on the petrol tap, tickled the carburettor, then went round the front and pulled on the crank handle until, with a few asthmatic wheezes, the old engine rumbled into life. We then rattled off the property and onto the local potholed dirt road. It was here that the "Leaping" part of Lena's name became obvious. The ute had semi-elliptic leaf springs on each corner and no shock absorbers. The old girl bounded from pothole to pothole and

from side to side of the road like a drunken kangaroo. We were probably only going about 40 or 50 kph, but it felt like 120! To add to the excitement, with no windscreen the brim of Uncle's battered felt hat kept blowing down in front of his eyes. We made it safely to the creek and back. I am all for a basic car... but this was going too far!



Some forty years before the dirt road had been only a bush track and Bill had been a school kid and had been driven to school by his big sister. The vehicle had two timber-spoked 48-inch wheels fitted with very low profile-steel tyres while in the front the motive power was by four hooves.

The horse's name was "Tricksy" because she had a habit of opening gates on the farm and tip-toeing over the cattle-ramps that stopped all the other animals from straying down the road. In the mornings she was difficult to catch and harness, she would blow up her belly so the girth straps would come loose. Then if the mood took her she would roll over on the grass and scream as if in agony with stomach pain. If you released the harness she would leap to her feet and run off to the far side of the paddock and the catching process would start all over again.

On the way to school Tricksy, despite much urging, would never muster more than a fast walk. On arriving at the paddock she was unharnessed and released to socialise with the other school kid's horses. When school was finished she was waiting at the school gate for her passengers and even backed in between the shafts for the harness to be connected. But then she would take off at a gallop like Phar Lap at the start of the Melbourne Cup; and if the kids were too slow to get aboard they would have to walk home.

Grumpy

Kev's Mystery Car





Here's Kev's mystery car for May/June. Kevin says "Hint: it is NOT a Corvette!" Send your guesses to the editor!



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President's Message

Finally the weather fined up long enough for us to be able to have our Show & Shine; what is normally our first event of the year. With all the rain we had to postpone it a few times. The turnout for the event was fantastic and Julie went to a lot of trouble scouting for venues around Sydney so we could hold the event no matter what type of weather we had. I would really like to



thank Julie for all her time and effort in organising this venue.

We also had a few new members attend the event on the day which was really nice to see. The Guerreiro family turned up with their 850 wagon, to which Wally has fitted a very different body kit.

One fantastic thing that came out of the Show & Shine was speaking to some of the young members and discussing our website. They put up their hands to try and monitor the website from us oldies. I found it really hard to drive and I physically don't have enough time to learn how to use it. I am so grateful to Brendan MacGillicuddy who has managed to add events etc on the website for us. THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!

We have moved our meeting room back to our old club and it was nice to see Pat & Stuart Allsopp at our last meeting after a lengthy absence.

Many great events have been organised for you so keep an eye on our website and your latest magazine for event information.

I hope you all had a safe Easter and we can't wait to hear of Ted's tips as he went down to Targa Tasmania as a support team member for Ashley Yields.

Take Care, Dolly

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Monthly General Meetings

WE HAVE MOVED MEETING HOUSE.....AGAIN !! Our meeting room at Ashfield Bowling Club is being turned into a TAB, so we have gone back to the Western Suburbs Australian Football Club at 40 Hampton Street, Croydon Park

IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS FINDING YOUR WAY CALL JULES ON 0409 161 357.

Speaking of websites; we have a new website manager, Brendan Machillicuddy.

Brendan has taken over the site for us and it won't be long before everything will be ship-shape again. So, we encourage you to check the site as often as you can. It's the best place to get all the events and news as it happens. Jules



Social Calendar FROM THE DESK OF JOHN GRIST

Saturday & Sunday 5th & 6th May Denman Wine & Food Festival. See the flyer on the next page.

Sunday 20th May is National Motoring Heritage Day. We will be following the same format as in the past with the idea being to get out on the road, visits as many venues as you like and be seen. There are 7 venues for you to visit. The Heathcote Hotel venue, while being a good day out with a wine and food festival and some good blues music, was not well patronised last year so we are dropping it this year.

- - Southern Highlands
- The Illawarra
- North West
- Southern Sydney
- South Coast
- North

- Bella Vista Farm 2 Elizabeth Macarthur Drive, Bella Vista
- Mittagong Public School, Mittagong (replaces Chevalier College)
- Motorlife Museum Integral Energy Recreation Park, Darkes Road, Kembla Grange.
- Macquarie Park Bridge Street, Windsor (Northern side of Windsor Bridge) - Australian Botanic Gardens, Mt Annan
- Berry Showground Gillam Street, Berry
- Harbour National Park Crane Close, off Middle Head Road, Georges Heights.

June is still in the works.

July - We are booked into the Dural Country Club for a luncheon run. We are currently in negotiations with the club to see if we can have our Christmas in July lunch on that day,

Sunday 19th August is the Council of Motor Clubs (CMC) Shannons Eastern Creek Classic. Because the August event this year was so successful for us, we may follow the same format and take a garage again in 2012. After all, since when do we need a reason to celebrate. Just owning a great car like the Volvo is reason enough. We would love to see some interstate visitors again this year. We will put out the Welcome Mat again for you, so come and make a weekend of it.

September Lunch Run - another event still in the works.

October - Claytons Show 'N' Shine. This one is always a hoot, with 'gag' prizes for ridiculous things like the cleanest boot, or the shiniest radiator cap. This year I'll try and match the prizes to the part of the car they are given for. Like a rubber boot (a nice one) for the cleanest boot etc. Come up with some suggestions guys. We could really have some fun with this one.

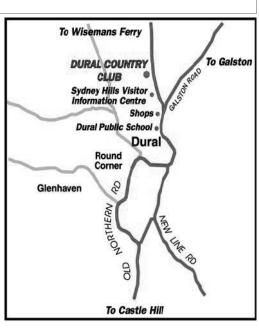
November - Open to suggestions.

December - Christmas Party. Change of plans for the Christmas Party. The date is now 8th December. Watch this space for more details.



Dural **Country Club Sunday Lunch** 8th July

Sunday 8th July, we're having lunch at the Dural Country Club. If you haven't been there before check out the map on the right. It's not a huge club, but the venue is very comfortable with a large bistro where you can dine indoors or on the terrace (see pic above). I've booked the terrace, but if it's too cold or wet we can move inside. It's a nice easy run and we'll let you know soon which is the best place to meet up so we can travel in convoy. The food is excellent and very reasonably priced. We hope to see you all there.





By now you have probably read in the latest magazine that the National Motoring Heritage Day is on again being Sunday 20th May next. The idea of this day is to get your car out on the road and meet up at a designated place.

At the last monthly Club meeting it was decided that we would drive to the Southern Highlands venue being Mittagong Public School.

Details of trip are as follows:

Members to make their own way to Mobile Service Station, Pheasant's Nest, (on the left side of the highway, heading south) to meet there and be ready for 11.00 am departure to Mittagong (for those members & guests traveling from South Coast or Canberra they can choose to meet us at the school). Once parked at the school we will then choose a café to have lunch at. I understand that the school is about 10 minutes walk to main shopping part of town. Apart from being on the

road for this day there are plenty of things to do and see in Mittagong and surrounding towns e.g. Bowral.

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See you on the day

John Grist

Social Co-ordinator

WEEKEND AWAY TO SANDY HOLLOW IN UPPER HUNTER. WITH A CLUB BBQ DINNER & ATTENDANCE AT THE DENMAN WINE & FOOD FAIR. 5" & 6" MAY 2012

This is a weekend away for members and your friends. Yes friends are more than welcome - Another event using our cars and for you to join us for a areat weekend. Those who been before to this event will tell you it is just a fun fun weekend Yes I already have expressions of interest for this event.



I have arranged for a weekend away on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th May 2012 to Sandy Hollow in the Upper Hunter near Denman. Of course, for those who want to go to Sandy Hollow on the prior Friday can join the other members on that evening.

The reason of choosing Sandy Hollow is that it offers a better range of accommodation than Denman. The second reason for choosing the weekend of the 5th and 6th May next is that it enables us to attend the Upper Hunter Wine and Food Fair being held at Denman on Saturday, 5th May next commencing at 11.00 a.m. and ending late afternoon.

On the Saturday, the main street of Denman will be transformed. Instead of cars it will be filled with white gazebo's, tables, chairs and gourmet food outlets from across the Upper Hunter. Visitors, locals and ourselves will be able to relax as all will be given the perfect opportunity to sample the vast array of Wine and Food available in the Upper Hunter. This Fair attracts the best of the region's gourmet food producers, and olive growers and vineyards. The wines, produced by some large and some small family-operated vineyards are some of the best in the Hunter Region to tempt and delight your taste-buds. Live music, taste testing samples and a fantastic atmosphere will set the scene for a great day out.

At the Fair, you can join us at the local pub for lunch or alternatively you can take your own lunch or buy it there at one of the other food places

We will be staying at Sandy Hollow Tourist Park which have various types of accommodation to suit a member's budget. I will be arranging to us to use their common building to hold our dinner party on the Saturday night. It will be BQ –BYO food & drink. See below details regarding Sandy Hollow Tourist Park.

So that we can have a drink on the Saturday, I have contacted the local bus company at Sandy Hollow regarding picking us up at the Tourist Park at approx. 10.45 a.m. and take us to Denman and bring us back from Denman at about 4.00 p.m. Cost approx. \$20 per person for return trip. At the time of writing this article the Bus Company was not sure if it was running on that day or not. In the event it is not then we will need to organise car pooling.

Regarding booking for this weekend no registration is necessary. Just "rock up" but it would be appreciated if you could tell me if you are coming so I can arrange the numbers for the bus if it is running. Of course, if we can get a decent attendance at this event then I maybe able to get the bus to take us anyway.

You will need to arrange for:

- Booking direct with Sandy Hollow Tourist Park for your accommodation see below
- It is important that you book as soon as you can to secure your accommodation
- Bring your own food and drink for the weekend including the BQ dinner on the Saturday night
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2012 Invitation Motor Sport Events



Fiat Car Club Motorkhanas - 2012

Sunday, 29th April

Sunday, 27th May

Sunday, 24th June

Sunday, 29th July (Rain out date)

Sunday, 23rd September

Sunday 28th October

Sunday 11th November (Rain out date)

Fiat Club Motorkhana R2

Fiat Club Motorkhana R3

Fiat Club Motorkhana R4

Fiat Club Motorkhana

Fiat Club Motorkhana R5

Fiat Club Motorkhana R6

Fiat Club Motorkhana

Motorkhanas are held at Ansell Park, **Cnr Richmond Rd and Percival** Street. **Richmond**

(across from Richmond RAAF Base) **Access is from Percival Street** 8:30am arrival to register.

We need Volvo Car Club members to come out in force for the Motorkhanas. We have a great venue; the event is very well run; there's a sausage sizzle for lunch at a very minimal cost, or you can bring your own, as you choose. You don't have to have a Junior in the family to come out and enjoy the day. The grown-up kids have a good time as well. Jules





Thornleigh Car Club Events - 2012 From the Desk of John Grist

My other Club, Thornleigh Car Club. are promoting the following events for 2012:

- Sunday 27th May TCC Interclub Supersprint Wakefield Park
- Sunday 26th August TCC Ernie's Revenge Motorkhana Ansell Park
- Sunday 21st October TCC State Khanacross Round 7 Ansell Park

The sup-regs and entry form can be obtained from TCC website -

www.thornleighcarclub.org John Grist



A DAY WITH THE CLASSIC RALLY CLUB (CRC) NAVIGATION TRAINING DAY 14TH MARCH

For those who have not heard of the Classic Rally Club of NSW it is the home of classic navigational rallying on the east coast of Australia. Classic rallying involves recreational car rally events held on sealed roads open to the public. Classic rallies are not races. The emphasis is on using navigational skills to follow route instructions with not always with road maps.

On 14th March 2012 the CRC held a navigation training day which I attended. The topic of the day was to teach you how to do Apprentice Navigation. The course was convened by Jeff West; Garry Maher and his wife Wendy attending to the "backroom" paperwork. The course was held at North Richmond Community Centre and the room was packed with would to be apprentice navigators together with several mentors. This event was conducted as CAMS approved Social Event so members of other CAMS affiliated clubs could attend. I attended as member of my other club, Thornleigh Car Club. Apart for myself the only other Volvo Club person there was Mike Batten and ex-club Arthur Bransgrove with his grandson, Adam.

The reason why I attended is because I have only participated in two CRC rallies both in the Touring Category – one as navigator and one driving. Therefore I still have "heaps" to learn. (Apprentice is next category up from Touring).

The navigation school started about 9.00 am with introduction by Garry Maher followed by an excellent powerpoint presentation by John Henderson with comments by both John Henderson and Jeff West. This was then followed by practical map work learning how to use mapping reading devices including map roamers. The next stage was plotting for afternoon rally run for some 119 kms, from instructions handed out

We then went on the rally run which took about three hours. It was intense as the CRC people had incorporated every difficult navigation thing they could think of.

I thoroughly enjoyed such an interesting and educational day and I certainly learnt a lot.

Many thanks for CRC, its committee and members; mentors for organizing the event.

a great day. John Grist 30/3/2012

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Uncle Ted's Tips

I have a pleasant experience to let you all know about. It involves the BOB JANE TYRE people in Taren Point.

I was preparing 122S for the show and shine that had been deferred due to the heavy rains back in February. The rear left tyre was looking a bit flat and I knew it had been doing so for some time but not as badly as now. It was the

and a Saturday – the event was the next day.

I had spent a fair bit of time washing cleaning and polishing and then as the afternoon wore on I thought I'd better get that tyre checked.

Thinking that I could just duck down to my usual favourite tyre places,

well blow me down - not a single one was open. I went to five places- all shut!!

Then I saw a few blokes wandering around the Bob Jane place in Taren Point – yes I had travelled quite a distance from home in my search – and yes I had removed the wheel.

The very friendly owner there Peter explained that it would be no problem to take a look at the tyre – even though they too were not far off closing.

The tyre was quickly stripped off the rim and the fault found.

I had checked the tyre before I left to see if there were any visible nails or screws in the tyre but there were none.

Now I need to tell you that these are 215x65 x14 Kelly Springfield tyres.

Yes 14" - why do you ask two dogs - well back about 38 years ago it was difficult to buy 15" performance tyres in any larger sizes. Seeing as the go was "widened rims", I had the rims cut down to 14" and had a 6" rim fitted by "Wheels in Rockdale" – they were fantastic fitted up with I think CR70 x 14" Bridgestones.

The car hung on like the proverbial s**t to a blanket.

Then I bought a Volvo 121 wagon and fitted the rims to it and bought a set of Performance Stryker maas and fitted a new set of tyres to these and have had them ever since - I think it was around 1978.

The 122S was my daily driver up until 1996 pretty much – I did get a few company cars in that time.

Well back to Bob Jane. Peter took a look at the tyre and pronounced that it could have been on the rim since 1986! I had told him that the tyres were old and very hard - giving rise to some interesting handling in the wet and dry.

He pronounced the tyre dead as we could see an old repair that had started the

tread lifting off the tyre - you could see something was wrong as the inner casing was a different colour around the crook looking old puncture repair.

At this stage I was between the proverbial rock and hard place.

I had been thinking about what to do about wheels and tyres - I had enquired with Gerry Lister about the Performance Minilite look alikes in 15" x 6"

and also the possibility of stainless steel wire wheels in 15" x

The latter as I have a magazine advertisement from the 60s showing a 122S with chrome wire wheels and I used to lust after a dark blue 122S that roamed around Sydney a long time ago that had chrome wires - sadly to see it one day all smashed up in a wreckers yard in St Peters some years later and the wheels all twisted as well.

So back to Peter – I said I didn't want to have to decide on a new set of tyres - did he have a one off used tyre I could have. You know that our spare is a standard

165 x 15" Michelin hardly suitable for the Show 'n Shine.

Now we have to insert the Jan factor at this point - when I discuss the thousands of dollars involved with new wheels and new tyres she astounds me with the logic of "well what is wrong with the wheels the car has on already?"

I mean what sort of intellect does this girl have - doesn't she realise that simple logic has no room in matters of Volvo 122S.

However the little voice inside me was having a dilemma was Peter giving me the "you need a new set of tyres" sales pitch – well I knew I needed a new set of tyres. Jan had also recently agreed that while we were in the UK later in the year we would go to Goodwood Revival so she is certainly on the same wavelength (more of this later) Was I simply dreaming ??

Well I asked Peter what tyres he had in this strange size – I can tell you there are not many 215 x 65 x 14 tyre choices and I needed this size to maintain the rolling radius - albeit the speedo is still about 11% out of whack due to the OD.

And yes one can fix it - and one should have when the g'box was out - as one has to change the speedo drive ring as well as the nylon drive – believe me – you cannot just fit a standard drive as it gets chewed up - I have three yellow nylon drives chewed up by the OD drive on the back end of the box. How did I not remember to do it while the box was out - *@#!*^

Well the end of the story is close - the choice was a BOB JANE ALL ROUNDER

Or a BOB JANE ALL ROUNDER – so I chose the BOB JANE ALL ROUNDER.

I challenged Peter as I am always cautious about tyres that go out of round. He assured me that these were OK and made by Bridgestone for the BJ group.

The car was back on the road that evening but the display was in the arvo and I hadn't done the final prep and detail for the event so the other 3 had to wait until Monday morning.

Alas all my effort was in vain as there was a superb new red 122S present on the day and it pipped me at the post for the best 122S – congratulations Graham

But don't get the least complacent - I coming back right at you next time.

I did take the car back and Peter directed the fitters to taking the other wheels off with wheel braces instead of the rattle gun – everything was done with utmost professionalism and care. As well there was a bit of interest in the car from the younger generation of fitters and some of the clientele.

The car now has the 4 tyres fitted and I must say how nice the car feels. I haven't driven it in wet weather yet nor are the tyres adequately worn in.

But they are definitely better than the 1986 Kelly Springfields! There is a bit of criticism of these tyres – as "out of rounders" and slippery when wet – but we shall see. Oh and they weren't very expensive either.

I am certain that if I have any complaint about the tyres then I am certain that they will be listened to as the customer service I received was second to none.

Oh and I received a \$50 fuel voucher as well -

See you later, Ted

The Show 'N' Shine....Sunday 18th March

Where to start......at the beginning I guess. We were supposed to have the Show 'N' Shine in February at our usual venue, Prince Edward Park at Woronora. But, the weather man had other ideas about that. Because of all the wet stuff......tons and tons of it (I haven't managed to convert it to metric yet) the park became water logged. I'm thinking the Council is likely to change its name to Woronora Wetlands. So.....there we were with nowhere to go that we wouldn't need gum boots to get around.

We looked at a venue (a local club very near where I live actually) and it looked to be the perfect solution. Plenty of hard-stand parking in their parking lot.....even had the spots line-marked; a park right on the edge of the parking area with swings etc for the littlies and a club with a good bistro where we could eat if we didn't want to picnic in the park. Negotiations began and then came to a dead stop.....the club closed its doors.....for good......just 2 weeks prior to our event! So, where to now? It turns out one of our members, Terry Thompson, knew someone who was on the board of the first club, who was also a board member of another little club in the same area. Negotiations began yet again between the club and yours truly and we quickly came to a deal. Small RSL and Community Club with a really good bistro.

The day was windy, but dry....thank goodness. And we had sunshine for most of the day. The rain started to set in later in the afternoon after all the judging was over.

We expected 30 people and 40 actually turned up; some old friends who we hadn't seen for a while and some new members, who came along to a club event for the first time that day. They both said they were good for a laugh and some chit chat, so they fitted right in straight away.

We had a couple of other 'newbies' arrive with a club member (young ones!!) So, now the average age of our membership has been substantially reduced.

Yours truly has come into the possession of a 740 recently. Can you believe that? Secretary of the club and hadn't owned a Volvo for about the last 8 or 9 years! Anyway, when the trophies were handed out we actually won one.....not hard as we were the only 740 there so we won our class!! Those are the kind of odds I like!

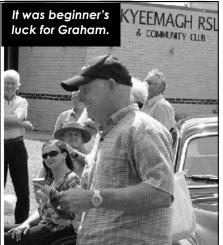
We had a great lunch and everyone seemed to have a good time as evidenced by the photos I have attached for you. Thanks to Fern Lecuna I have more pics than I know what to do with this time....!!! Jules



The Show 'N' Shine....Sunday 18th March

The People....



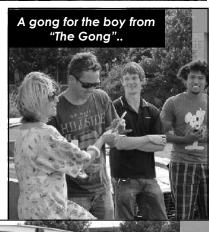




















I think I'll come back as Mdme President in the next life.....she gets to flirt with all the guys!!

My day to Shine by Sven

First I'd like to start with before I retired, I used to lead a very busy life... Originally driving doctors around to visit sick patients, then after several years I was travelling over a hundred kilometres a day, transporting people and things.

Eventually I semi retired, and was lucky enough that my friend decided to arrange for a new paint job, and some fun upgrades. We use to go out occasionally, then his children grew old enough to drive, and I was honoured enough that Boyd trusted me to teach them right. (In hindsight I should have declined, those trees use to get awful close... and don't even get me started on gear changes)

In recent years, Boyd has been doing more tinkering and upgrades, and we have enjoyed working our way towards more improvements, but the down side is that we don't go out often. A few show & shines, hill climbs, track days, etc

However last weekend was different, Boyd came in on Friday and gave me a good clean inside and out, must be a car show. Then on Saturday he came down to the garage and tied ribbons on me, as well as sticking a teddy bear to my grill, and putting more of the furry things on my back shelf. What's going on is this joke, or what?

Finally I was taken out and parked in front of the house where there was another car with a ribbon tied to it, then these girls came out of the house pointed and giggled at me and headed for the other car, what's going on? Then that little girl that I once drove to and from work, to school dances, came out of the house all dressed up in white (gosh she's pretty) she was on her way to her wedding, and guess who's taking there? ME. They managed to fit her into the back seat and we where off on a nice slow drive, and that jag limmo I followed was

We got to the park where there were lots of people waiting for us, my little girl got out and headed off into the gardens for her wedding. I waited quietly in the car park with the jag, while others walked back and forth looking at us.

She came back a while later with those girls, and this time there were boys as well. They took lots of photos of me, and the girl was in some of them with a man they called the groom. (Funny he was dressed like one of those furry bears.) Then the boys and girls got into the Jag, and the Bride and Groom got into me. I was so proudWe drove to a tram museum, and now the jag had to follow me. So many people waved and beeped at me, I looked so good. We parked at the museum where they wonder around having there photos taken, the Bride and Groom returned and we where off again to a reception lots more people waved and beeped at me, when we got to the club and there where more photos taken of us. They went inside and I got the park in director's car park out the front of the club where everyone could see how nice I looked.

Several hours later, I was still waiting when the strangest thing happened. Two white horses pulled into the parking lot, pulling a big white carriage and they parked next to ME. I wondered if they had special permission to park here like I did... Then I worried about what might come out of their exhaust pipes, if any of that stuff gets caught in my tyres I'm going to be very angry. They stayed there for a while and when people started coming out of the club, they drove up to the doors. My little girl and her new husband came out, and after making a fuss of the horses, got in and hey took them away. I was a little sad, why didn't they come home with me, but then as I took Boyd and Karen home I realised it was ok, they only had 2 horses, and I have a LOT more than that!

Sven



My Bit & Laugh Lines

Hope you all had a great Easter. I will refrain from idle chatter this month otherwise there won't be enough room for some seriously good laughs.



Can you imagine the nun sitting at her desk grading these papers, all the while trying to keep a straight face and maintain her composure! Pay special attention to the wording and spelling. If you know the bible even a little, you'll find this hilarious! It comes from a catholic elementary school test.

Kids were asked questions about the old and new testaments. The following 25 statements about the bible were written by children.

They have not been retouched or corrected.....incorrect spelling has been left in.

- 1. In the first book of the bible, guinessis, god got tired of creating the world so he took the sabbath off.
- 2. Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of ark. Noah built and ark and the animals came on in pears.
- 3. Lots wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.
- 4. The jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic genitals.
- 5. Sampson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a jezebel like Delilah.
- 6. Samson slayed the philistines with the axe of the apostles.
- 7. Moses led the jews to the red sea where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients
- 8. The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert, afterwards, Moses went up to mount cyanide to get the ten commandments
- 9. The first commandments was when eve told Adam to eat the apple.
- 10. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
- 11. Moses died before he ever reached Canada then Joshua led the hebrews in the battle of geritol.
- 12. The greatest miricle in the bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.
- 13. David was a hebrew king who was skilled at playing the liar. he fought the finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in biblical times.
- 14. Solomon, one of Davids sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines
- 15. When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the magna carta.
- 16. When the three wise guys from the east side arrived they found Jesus in the manager.
- 17. Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.
- 18. St. john the blacksmith dumped water on his head.
- 19. Jesus enunciated the golden rule, which says to do unto others before they do one to you. he also explained a man doth not live by sweat alone.
- 20. It was a miricle when Jesus rose from the dead and managed to get the tombstone off the entrance.
- 21. The people who followed the lord were called the 12 decibels.
- 22. The epistels were the wives of the apostles.
- 23. One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.
- 24. St. Paul cavorted to christianity, he preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marraige.
- 25. Christians have only one spouse. this is called monotony.

I can hear you all now....."Oh no!! Here she goes with the critters.....AGAIN !!! Well, sorry guys you'll just have to "suck it up" because "furry people" are here to stay !!!!

> Okay, Ralph let me 'splain it you again. You're big, I'm little; BUT!!! you're dog, I'm cat that makes me the boss. Got it ??



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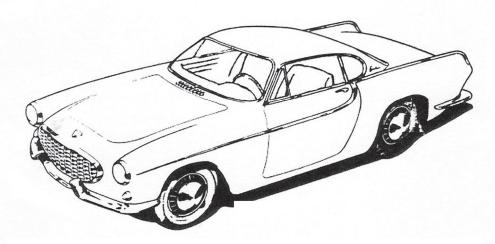
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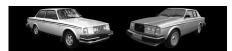
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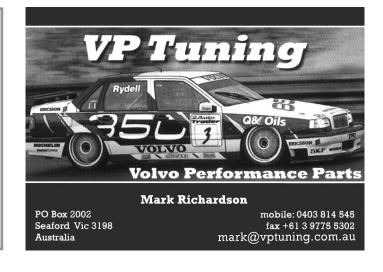


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VOLVO MEMORABILIA. Cutting down on Volvo memorabilia collection, so the truck department has to go! Collection is anything from model trucks to ad's, brochures (several languages). This a large section of my own personal collection beginning late 70s. There are at least 3 moving box sized boxes of models ranging from old to fairly new models and scale. Some in boxes or packed and new condition. More info just email or phone me. Collection is open to all realistic offers! Mark Richardson, VP Tuning 0403 814 545 or email mark@vptuning.com.au

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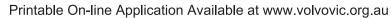
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