



# AVVVA NEWSLETTER

23 Years.....1985 – 2008

## May 2008

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Moondyne Festival - Toodyay  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2008



# NEXT CLUB MEETING - THURSDAY MAY 15<sup>th</sup>

8.00pm AT THE CLUB ROOMS FITZGERALD ST NORTHAM

The following Articles/Editorials are published as received and are not necessarily the views of the AVVVA.

**Deadline for articles: Last day of the month**

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

A small group attended the April Busy Bee which was also the second inspection day for 2008 with seven vehicles being inspected on the day.

At the ANZAC Day parade Geoff Smith and Bob & Colin Betts provided WW2 Jeeps for the ex-service members unable to march. Allan Hicks, Alf Brown, Kevin Christmass and I marched in the parade.

There will be a report on the Moondyne Festival in the June newsletter.

**JIM DONOVAN**  
President

## **MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 17th APRIL 2008 AT THE AVVVA CLUB ROOMS**

Meeting Commenced at 8.10 pm with President Jim Donovan in the Chair

### **In Attendance**

Jim Donovan, Gary Slater, Bob Starling, Jeff Mills, Phil Chapman, Deanne Slater, John King, Andrew Wooding, Allan Hicks, Isobel Keayes, Colin Campbell, Sandra Ferguson, Bruce Sharman.

### **Apologies for Non Attendance**

Dale Keayes, Shaun Scott, Clarrie Doust, Ted Leagas, Wendy Wolfe, Fred Plane, Hazel King, Bill Kurz, Phyllis Kurz,  
Fred Singleton, Kevin Christmass, Theo Bekkers.

### **Minutes of Previous General Meeting Received**

*Moved* Phil Chapman, *Seconded* Sandra Ferguson

### **Minutes of Previous General Meeting Accepted**

*Moved* Allan Hicks, *Seconded* Andrew Wooding

### **Business arising from minutes**

The amended date for Men's Health Week is 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2008.

### **Correspondence Inwards**

1. Old Machinery Club newsletter for March 2008.
2. Beverley Agricultural Show is on the 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2008.
3. Veteran Car Club – a rally on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2008, to recreate the first historical car rally held in WA in 1958, fifty years ago. Pre 1931 vehicles are invited to attend. The first rally was organized by the Weekend Mail. Ampol Petroleum

sponsored the rally. The interest created by the rally led to the formation of the VCC of WA in late 1958.

4. NHMA – a rally on 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2009. Registration forms are available.

5. Trevor's Waterless Car Wash.

6. Billy Service Station Auction in Queensland.

7. Past Times – March /April.

8. Bonhams & Goodman Auction.

**Further information or entry forms for the above are available from Hazel 9622 8541**

### **Correspondence Accepted**

*Moved* Jeff Mills, *Seconded* Isobel Keayes

### **Treasurer's Financial Report – March 2008**

*Opening Balance as at 29th February, 2008* \$12,883.97

### Receipts

6530871 – 6530877  
Membership \$127.00  
Donation 20.00  
Sale of Morris Minor 300.00 \$447.00

### Payments

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H/Davidson Licence 28.85  
Truck Licence 35.75  
Advert for Swap Meet 429.45  
Gas Refill 16.00  
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Sausage Sizzle 50.00 964.66  
(\$517.66)  
Closing Balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2008 \$12,366.31

### **Treasurer's Report Accepted**

*Moved* Allan Hicks, *Seconded* John King

### **Club Events Report**

#### *Event Organizer*

Allan Hicks reported on

- • Theo's Run to Dowerin – three club members are attending.
- • Moondyne Festival at Toodyay is on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2008.
- • Arrangements are being made for a day in Toodyay. More details to follow soon.

### *Shed Report*

Jeff Mills reported that a further seven vehicles were passed at the recent Concessional Licence Inspection day.

### **New Members**

Welcome to Arthur McDonald, Thomas and Alan Tyack, and Scottt Whitsed.

Arthur's interests are in BSA motorbikes, years 1952 and 1949.

Scott owns a 1972 Holden.

### **General Business**

- • A request for a budget, for the next twelve months, to be prepared by the Treasurer and presented at the next meeting.
- • The rope on the flagpole is very worn and needs replacing. The flag was donated to the Club by Max Trenorden and Judy Moylan. Suggested we raise the flag on busy bee days. Allan Hicks to purchase the rope and Jim Donovan will replace the rope.
- • Men's Health Week on 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2008. A number of members have offered their time and car, to provide transport to the concert. A few more vehicles would be much appreciated. Please contact Jim if you can assist.
- • Bethavon is to be contacted to try and arrange a day out with the Senior citizens. Judging from previous years, at least five vehicles will be required on the day. Residents are most appreciative of the contact with the Club members and thoroughly enjoy recalling memories of their younger days.
- • The donation for the Hospice, from proceeds of the Swap Meet, will be prepared and presented at the next meeting.
- • A suggestion was made that at the Swap Meet in 2009 a vehicle is used to sell cool drinks to stall holders. Many stall holders are not able to leave their bay and purchase refreshments. This will be a consideration for next year.
- • Jeff Mills displayed a considerable number of photos he had taken at the Brookton Show. Thank you Jeff for sharing some of the exhibits with those members who were unable to attend on the day.
- • Apologies to members who receive newsletters via email. Fred Singleton has had computer problems and consequently the emailed newsletters haven't been sent as yet. This will be rectified as soon as possible.
- • Moondyne Festival in Toodyay on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2008. Members attending will meet at 8.15am at the Club rooms, for an 8.30am departure, and a 9.30am arrival in Toodyay. Suggested that when travelling in a convoy, all driver's are aware of the car following and keep it in sight.
- • Toodyay Music Festival is to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2008.
- • The Harley Davidson motorbike is to be given a little TLC. Bruce Sharman is interested in helping with repairs.

**Meeting closed** 9.05 pm

*Next Busy Bee on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2008*

*Next General Meeting on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2008 at 8.00 pm in the Club rooms*

### **Theo's Run, Dowerin**

Some AVVVA members who attended Theo's Run were Frank and Kaye Lewis in their 1960'S Vauxhall and Arthur Millea with his 1928 Ford A Phaeton.

Great to hear that it was such a successful weekend.

## **BETHAVON CAR DISPLAY DAY**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2008**

Car display at Bethavon Aged Hospital

**107 Duke St, Northam**

**9.30am** in the parking area in front of Bethavon.

Judging from previous years, at least five vehicles will be required on the day.

Residents are most appreciative of the opportunity to look at the vintage cars and reminisce about their experiences of the past.

Any enquiries please contact Allan Hicks on 9622 1007

***Hope to see you there***

## MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2008**

A number of members have offered their time and car, to provide transport to the concert.  
A few more vehicles would be much appreciated.

Please contact **Jim Donovan** on **9622 2386** if you can assist.

### THE VINEYARD

In a certain area in Italy wine grapes are grown as the basic crop.

Mario, who owned the vineyard, worked it with his two sons, Vincette and Tony.

One day Mario became very ill and a few days later passed away. The law at that time decreed that on the father's death the eldest son, Vincette would inherit the land, a situation the youngest son Tony took exception to as he had worked just as hard for his father as had Vincette.

As result of the law's decision, Tony went to see the local lawyer to see what he could do. On hearing this Vincette also went to the same lawyer. The lawyer said to Vincette that he could not take his case as he was representing Tony. He said to Vincette, "I will give you a letter of introduction to a fellow lawyer in another town to take your case."

Vincette then took the train to see this lawyer in the distant town, however, on the way curiosity got the better of him and he decided to see what Tony's lawyer had written.

Imagine his surprise when he read, "I am sending a client to you who is in dispute with his brother over some land. As I am representing one brother and you the other, we should be able to make this case drag on for months. By that time the costs will be so great that the eldest brother will have to sell the land to us."

On reading this Vincette hurried home to show his brother the letter and as a result agreed with Tony to go into partnership with him.

Mind you, not all lawyers are as greedy as these two.



*Told to me by an Italian workmate*  
**Theo Bekkers**

### Things you *really* needed to know.....

No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver or purple.

'Dreamt' is the only English word that ends in the letters 'mt'.

There are two words in the English language that have all five vowels in order – 'abstemious' and 'facetious'.

The words 'racecar', 'kayak' and 'level' are the same whether they are read left to right or right to left (palindromes).

There are only four words in the English language which end in 'dous' - tremendous, horrendous, stupendous and hazardous

# National Motoring Heritage Day

“A tribute to Australia’s Motoring Heritage”

Promoted by the Australian Historic Motoring Federation  
and  
Local Motoring Clubs

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2008

*National Motoring Heritage Day will be shared with fifteen to twenty students from the Northam Residential College. Club members will meet at the Club rooms at 9.00am for morning tea. We will then proceed to the College and collect the students. Students will be allocated to a club car, and then, as a group, we will drive to Toodyay for lunch (BYO) at the mini railway picnic grounds. The railway will be running. We will return to Northam, as a group, early to mid afternoon. It is anticipated that each student will enjoy a ride in every Club car that is in the convoy.*

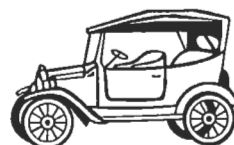
*It is likely that some students from the Residential College will be at the next Busy Bee to help wash Club cars etc in preparation for the National Motoring Heritage Day run the following weekend.*



The Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF) created in 2007 a National Motoring Heritage Day (NMHD). It is now a fixed date on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in MAY each year.

The objective of the event is to get as many veteran, vintage, post vintage and classic vehicles on the road at the same time throughout Australia to gain publicity for these vehicles, the individual motoring clubs and the events that they run. The target audience is the public and government – local, state and federal. This publicity will highlight to government that the recreation and hobby vehicle movement is a significant force in the community. The event will enhance your chances of gaining new members to your club. Also it is the opportunity to highlight some of the civic and social works undertaken by some clubs. Many clubs have a run or static event on their calendar to assist a charity and this is the ideal time to promote that event both for your club and the charity.

Vehicles maybe anything that moves: motor car, truck, motorcycle, tractor, bus, modified hot rod and in our case in WA, non motorized cycles. Events may range from a simple static display, a cruise, through to an autokhana or tractor pull. The location can be anywhere, but a high profile area is more likely to gain the publicity.



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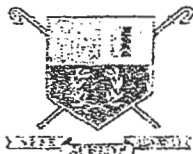
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*Thank you to those members who have notified us of any  
changes in your details.*

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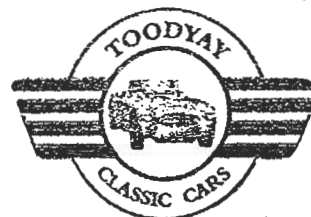
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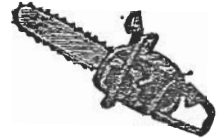
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# COMING EVENTS

## 2008

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May

National Motoring Heritage Day

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Veteran Car Club rally

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May

British Car Day (JCC)  
Gingin

### Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Car display at **Bethavon Aged Hospital**  
107 Duke St, Northam  
9.30am in the parking area in front of Bethavon.  
Enquiries contact Allan Hicks on 9622 1007

### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Men's Health Week  
Volunteers and vintage cars required to transport Senior  
Citizens to a concert at the Town Hall.  
Please contact Jim Donovan on 9622 2386

### 21<sup>st</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June

"Great Aussie Down Under" (4WD)  
WA to NSW

### Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June

Albany Classic round the houses (VSCC)  
Albany

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July

German Car Day – Perth to Northam  
(Mercedes-Benz Car Club)

### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August

Beverley Agricultural Show

### 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September

Targa West tarmac rally

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September

Caversham Fathers' Day event (VSCC)

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Northam Agricultural Show

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September

Toodyay Music Festival

### 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October

2<sup>nd</sup> National Tractor Trek  
Anyone interested please contact Hazel King for  
Registration form or contact Hamilton Pastoral Museum Inc,  
2008 National Tractor Trek, PO Box 220, Hamilton Vic  
3300

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October

French Car Festival

### Sunday October 12<sup>th</sup>

Mercedes-Benz Display Day  
Stirling Square, Guildford  
[www.mbcewa.org.au](http://www.mbcewa.org.au)

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October

British Auto Classic  
Waroona Town Oval

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Brockwell Memorial Run  
to Whiteman Park

### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November

Vintage Stampeed  
Barbagallo Raceway (VSCC)

## 2009

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2009

NHMA Rally

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> to Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2009

Austins over Australia 2009  
Perth, WA.  
All Austins from 1905 to the present day are welcome to  
attend.

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## **Apologies.....**

.....to everyone who has received a newsletter with a black and white cover but there has been a technological breakdown (computer spat the dummy). However all will be fixed by next month.

Thanks for your understanding.

*Apologies again, all will be fixed by next month we hope.*

# NOTICE BOARD

## MEETING DATES FOR 2008

THURSDAY MAY 15<sup>th</sup>  
THURSDAY JUNE 19<sup>th</sup>

## BUSY BEE DATES FOR 2008

SATURDAY MAY 10<sup>th</sup>  
SATURDAY JUNE 14<sup>th</sup>

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## FOR SALE

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Thank you

Hazel

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