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CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month except January. At the Clubrooms Ballarat Airport Airport Access Road Wendouree (off Learmonth Road) at 7:30pm Visitors are most welcome

MEMBERSHIP Annual Fees

Single Membership \$40 Family Membership \$60 New M/ship Application Fee \$15 Immediate Access Red Plates \$100

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Events Calendar

CLUB EVENTS December 2024

- 3 Club Meeting
- 8 Christmas Party
- 11 Little Dog Run
- **17 Pub Night**
- Red Dog Run NO DECEMBER RUN

OTHER EVENTS December 2024

- **1** Western Car Bike Show n Shine Kings Park
- **1** Weekend in Dunolly—Show n' Shine
- **18 Wandin Rotary Custom Car and Bike Show**
- 14 Yea Cruise & Night & Display
- 15 Broadford Cars & Coffee
- **15 Caffeine & Gasoline Federal Mills Geelong**
- 18 Wandin Car & Bike Show
- 28-31 FX FJ Nationals Redlands Coast QLD
 - **31** Nathalia NYE Show n' Shine

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Events Calendar

CLUB EVENTS January 2024

- 7 Club Catch Up (no Club Meeting)
- 8 Little Dog Run
- 21 Pub Night
- 26 Club Run
- 29 Red Dog Run

OTHER EVENTS January 2025

12 Korumburra Swap Meet

18-19 Colac MotorFest

- 19 8th Northern Car/ Bike Show n' Shine
- **19 AOMC Festival of Motoring, Cruden**
- 19 Centre State Swap Meet, Bendigo
- 26 Dandenong Vallet AUS Day Car Show
- 26 AUS Day Car & Bike Show—Ballarat
- 31 Bathurst 12 Hour



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President's Report December 2024

G'day everyone well hasn't the year flown by!

What a great year it's been in our fantastic club with plenty of great club runs. One of the best for me was the Christmas in July run, but they all have been fantastic. Well done to our run committee who have done a great job. I'm looking forward to seeing what has been organised for next year.

The club Christmas party is this coming weekend; Sunday 8 December 2024. It is always a fantastic day to catch up and enjoy everyone's company.

Don't forget! If you have children who are coming along—wrap up a book with your child's name on it, so Santa can hand them out.

Merry Christmas to you and your family's and have a safe and happy new year. See you all in the new year.

Jeff Dickson President

CHRISTMAS PARTY



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Club Events

LITTLE RED DOG RUN

WHAT Another Day Out

WHERE Meet at Lucas McDonalds

WHEN Wednesday 11 December 2024

Please let Paul Irvin know if you are attending 0419 524 607

SOCIAL PUB NIGHT

WHAT Meal and Drinks

WHERE The Park Bistro— 1615 Sturt Street Alfredton WHEN Tuesday 17 December 6.30pm

Please let Judy Lourey know if you are attending 0417 530 498

COFFEE N CRUISE (RED DOG RUN)

WHAT Another Day Out

WHERE Meet at Lucas McDonalds

WHEN Wednesday NO DECEMBER RUN

Please let Paul Irvin know if you are attending 0419 524 607 Suppliers of quality pre-owned vehicles & the home of INEOS Grenadier





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WHAT Another Day Out

WHERE Meet at Lucas McDonalds

WHEN Wednesday 8 January 2025

Please let Paul Irvin know if you are attending 0419 524 607

SOCIAL PUB NIGHT

WHAT Meals and Drinks

WHERE The Royal Mail Hotel—290 Albert Street Sebastopol

WHEN Tuesday 21 January 2025 6.30pm

Please let Judy Lourey know if you are attending 0417 530 498

COFFEE N CRUISE (RED DOG RUN)

WHAT Another Day Out

WHERE Meet at Lucas McDonalds

WHEN Wednesday 29 January 2025

Please let Paul Irvin know if you are attending 0419 524 607

Club Merchandise



ALL HATS \$20 Each

BLACK TEES (ADULTS + KIDS) \$30 Sizes to 3xl can be ordered

> MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE AT CLUB MEETINGS EFT AVAILABLE





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Horse Drawn Carriage Tour

After a quick briefing of the day's activities which spanned across from Lethbridge, Bannockburn and Gheringhap, we headed off the BP Service Station. We were a group of twelve adults and nine cars with our first stop being Lethbridge.

We made good time and were early to into Lethbridge. We were greeted by Don with a big clean shed full of carriages; twenty-eight carriages plus two Furphys. As we were early we missed Di on the main road but after a quick phone call, with a quick phone call and some directions the FC soon caught up. Sorry Di!

Don's collection had all sorts of carts ranging from milk, breaking in, hearses, gigs, butchers, bakers, grocery, fire, Furphy and many more. After thanking Don, it was off to our lunch stop.

It was a quick trip to the Bannockburn Hotel. As we arrived we gained two more for lunch; Rob and Annette. After a great lunch it was time to head off, with a few photos of the cars being taken by Neil.

Back on the Geelong Road we headed towards Gheringhap to catch up to Noel. On arrival we were greeted by Noel to check out his very large collection in his very clean huge shed, (24.5M X 48M). There was much to see before we headed in to the shed; including the Bedford trucks and Grey Ferguson tractors.

Rob and Annette's son Brett arrived in a very nice VL V8 Berlina Wagon to join us on the tour. We followed Noel up the rows of carriages as he provided a commentary on everything in front of us including history, price, completed mechanical work and their origins. The carriages ranged from milk, bread, hearse, stagecoach, wagons, trotting sulky, gigs, buggies, and open coaches. I am sure I have missed a few examples on my list!

We learnt there were different horsepower for the different sizes and jobs of carriages. Horsepower could be one, two, three, five, sixteen or all sorts of combinations.. Two that were mentioned were a hammerhead team consisting of three at the front and two at the back, and a sixteen horsepower team pulling a very heavy large metal wheel wagon.

Noel also had a twenty-six passenger dray driven in Geelong by his grandfather's brother Bill, it was driven from Lovely Banks to a ball in Anakie where they danced to 2am and in the summer to Torquay beach before coming back through Grovedale at 9.30pm. Noel also let us into another shed where he and his son are fixing up and painting a Milk cart. After Noel's it was time to head home after we all signing the visitors book. We all headed off at their own pace after a great day thanks to Don and Noel's hospitality.

Participants:

John W HR,

Peter & Helen HR

Neil FE

Wayne VP

Paul & Alan EH

Di FC

Peter & Joan LJ GTR XU1

Kim R FJ One Tonner

Hendo VF

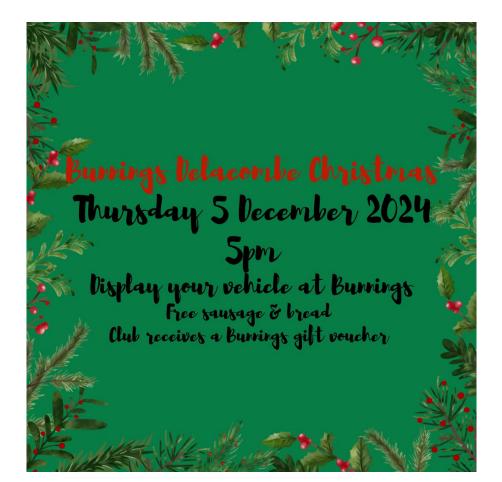
George G HG

Rob & Annette VL

Brett F VL V8 Berlina Wagon



Events



PICNIC AT PYKES

"The Nationals without being at the Nationals"

For those that are unable to attend the QLD 2024 Nationals and will be suffering from a bit of FOMO. Let's meet at Pyke's Reservoir for a Picnic Lunch. It's also a great excuse to take your early for a drive!

SATURDAY 28th DEC @ 12pm BYO Picnic Lunch and Chairs

All Welcome!

No need to book, just turn up. Might be a few, might be a lot, either way it'll be a nice day! Hope to see you there!

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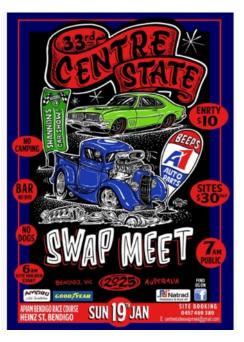
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Out and About

November Club Run











Out and About

Red Dog Run

The November 'Red Dog Run' saw some 15 car club members meet at Maccas, Lucas. Co-incidentally, Peter McKay, who went to school with Tony Little and Dave Trengrove (both from Beaufort) who were present and was a cricket umpire with Neil L, was also at Maccas – 'old home week'!

After the usual chit-chat it was a matter of 'Where are we going today?' As Joh Bjelke-Petersen would say: 'Don't worry about that!' 'Just follow John! We followed John Turner and when Hendo's red ute crossed the railway in Heinz Lane, all were present, so it was off to Invermay where 14 cars (sadly not all Holdens) found easy parking in Neil G's back yard.

Neil showed us his impressive collection of about 15 cars, including a HT Monaro, a couple of Toranas and a few other exotic cars such as a Camaro and a Lotus Eclat. When asked which car he would most likely want to drive to Melbourne, however, Neil said his Commodore VF GTS. Many of his other exotics had very low ground clearance and even driving into a service station to refuel can cause a problem!

Thanks to Neil for showing us his little treasures and John who organised the visit. You have some work in front of you Neil!



Club Runs 2025





Membership Application



Ballarat and District Early Holden Car Club PO Box 184 Howitt St PO, Wendouree, VIC 3355

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

Personal Details:

Name:	
Address:	
Mobile:	
Email:	
Family m/ship names:	

Vehicle Details:

Model	Body Style	Year	Colour	Rego	Current State	Immediate Club Rego Required?

Current state: (A) completed (B) Near Completed (C) Street vehicle (D) Project

Notes: Minimum vehicle age to qualify for club permit (red plate) scheme is 25 years.

New members requiring <u>immediate</u> access to the red-plate scheme will be charged a <u>one-off</u> fee of \$100 to waive the normal pre-qualification requirements (attendance at 3 meetings and 3 club runs within the first 6 months of membership).

A current Vic roadworthy certificate is required for red-plate applications (to be supplied later)

Fees:

Туре	Cost	Tick as applicable
Single Membership	\$50	applicable
Family Membership	\$70	
Immediate Red Plates	\$100	
Application Fee	\$15	
Total		

Note: Application fee includes name badge, key-tag, sticker, monthly newsletters, and access to free club ap.

Payment Options:

- 1. In person attendance at first meeting
- D/Deposit: Ballarat Early Holden Club (Bendigo Bank) BSB:633 000 A/C:110 408 309 Please include your name as a reference

Email completed forms to New Membership Officer: mark.davies.met@gmail.com

Sign: I hereby apply to become a member of the Ballarat and District Early Holden Car Club Incorporated and agree to comply with the rulings of the club.

Signature

Permit Scheme Application (Page 1)



Ballarat & District Early Holden Car Club Club Permit Scheme Checklist

- Applicants are required to supply originals of the documentation as listed below when applying for Club Permit Scheme (CPS) approval.
- A RWC is required for all Vehicles entering the scheme.
- Applicants must have been a member for at last six calendar months
- Applicants must be a financial member.
- Applicants must have attended at least two Club General Meetings prior to application
- Applicants must have attended at least two club runs prior to application

CHECKLIST

- ____ Original VicRoads Club Permit Application Form
- ____ Original of VicRoads Vehicle Eligibility and Standards Declaration Form
- ____ Original Road Worthy Certificate
- ____ A signed and completed copy of this Checklist and Declaration
- ____ Proof of current financial Membership (Membership Card)
- ____ Proof of ownership of the vehicle
- ____ Photographs of vehicle
 - Front View
 Drivers Side View
 - Engine Bay
 - Engine Number

___Rear View ___Chassis Number

Drivers Position

Is the vehicle modified beyond VSI8 and/or VSI33? YES NO

If YES to above provide:

____ - Original VASS Approval Certificate

Permit Scheme Application (Page 2)



Ballarat & District Early Holden Car Club Club Permit Scheme Declaration

Mak	eModel
Vehi	icle YearBuild Date
Engi	ine#Chassis #
List	any modifications from standard:
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l men	
1)	Have detailed a true account of this vehicle being considered for the Club Permit Scheme
2)	Will only use or permit to be used, the unregistered vehicle described above, and issued with a valid permit for its restricted use, in accordance with the requirements as specified by VicRoads.
3)	Will remain a financial member of the club at all times this vehicle is on Club Permit and will maintain the vehicle is a safe and roadworthy condition.
4)	Will notify the Ballarat and District Early Holden Car Club ofthe Permit Number and the expiry date as soon as the permit is obtained from VicRoads.
5)	Will notify forwith the BDEHCC in the event of (a) disposal by sale or otherwise of the above vehicle, (b) the vehicle becoming fully registered, (c) the permit being surrendered to VicRoads for whatever reason.

Signed_____ Date____

Club Run Etiquette

There is nothing better than sharing our love of cars with a group of likeminded enthusiasts out on the road, and we encourage all members to join us on our club runs. You can come along in any car, it doesn't need to be old, and it doesn't even need to be a Holden. It's about getting out as a group and enjoying each other's company, not about what we're driving.

However, there are a few simple protocols to ensure everyone has a good day...

- Always RSVP to the Run Coordinator and let them know if you change your mind. It's helpful to know how many are expected and saves the group waiting around for a no-show who's changed their mind.
- Listen to the pre-run briefing to get a basic understanding of the route and more importantly the destination. Blindly following the car in front is great while they're there.
- If the weather forecast issued the night before a run is over 35 deg C, then the run will most likely be cancelled. Keep an eye on the App for any updates.
- Get to the departure point on time or phone ahead if you're going to be late.
- Out on the road, work off the car behind, not the car in front. In other words, keep the car behind in your mirrors and adjust your speed accordingly. Don't try to catch up to the car ahead. This helps ensure the group stays together.
- Make sure the car behind has seen you when turning a corner wait at the turn until the car indicates before continuing, then they will wait for the next car etc. Don't be concerned about losing contact with the car in front, as they should be looking out for you.
- Leave a reasonable gap between you and the car in front so that other motorists can overtake if they wish.
- If you're joining us on route, make sure the Run Coordinator knows of your pickup point to ensure we take that route. Also be ready to roll as the convoy approaches.
- We don't leave anyone stranded on the road if you lose sight of the car behind, pull over and wait. If they don't appear, turn around to render assistance.
- Always follow the car in front. If you think they've taken a wrong turn then let's all take the wrong turn. It's better the club gets lost together than splits up in all directions it also saves the person behind you having to make a split decision as to who they trust the most!
- Remember it's a club run, not a club race. If there's a tired old grey in front, so be it enjoy it for what it is. Who cares if you're late in your 308.
- Generally, the return trip from the destination is up to you but let the 'Run Coordinator' know when you're heading off.

Following these simple pointers will help ensure everybody has a good day – together!

General Meeting Minutes Nov 2024

Meeting opened 7.34pm.

Members present: 53.

Apologies: Justin Mitchell, Alan Darrell, Peter Nikkelson, Paul Furneaux, Rod Hammill, Graeme Paizis, James Lowe, Mal Laurie, Peter Skrypko, Murray Rogers, Arnold Thiell, Darren Nagle, Michael and Jodie Cairns, Sarah Millard.

Guests/New Members: Kim Radenik, FJ tray and FJ sedan. David and Heather Zillner, EJ sedan.

Previous minutes read by Peter. Moved Neil Leckie, seconded Theo Goossens. Carried.

Business Arising: Reminder of impending Indian Motorcycle Ballarat major event November 22 to 24. Volunteers being sought to assist, particularly with catering. Memberships are now overdue. Members who's fees are not paid, their vehicles on CPS will be deemed unregistered.

Correspondence In/Out: One only membership application in.

President's report: Read in newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Read by Sandra. Balance sheet and Profit/Loss provided. Moved Sandra, seconded Anne Turner. Carried.

Membership Officer's report: New member Kim Radenick, guests Dave and Heather Zillner.

Run Co-Ordinator's report: Paul reported that the Bay To Birdwood Run was a great success as is always the case.

The Memorial Run went well with a visit to the Creswick Market, followed by a picnic lunch at Mt. Franklin. Thanks to Jim for taking care of the event.

Next club run will be to Lethbridge to view a collection of horse drawn carriages, followed by lunch at Bannockburn, and then another shed to explore.

The next Red Dog Run will include a shed inspection.

Bar report: All good.

Clubrooms: Paul seeking cleaning volunteers for 2025 roster.

Next Committee Meeting we need to do a stocktake of keys, who has them, and who should relinquish them.

Merchandise Report: In Sarah's absence Anne will look after anyone wishing to purchase merchandise.

CPS: Nothing to report.

AEHF: Anne gave a brief report on the recent State Titles held in Shepparton. Six members attended.

The event will be held bi-annually from 2025.

Megan Turner spoke of planned picnic at Pykes Reservoir.

General Business: Wayne Burridge spoke of FE/FC State Championship, refer page 17 of newsletter.

Scott spoke in glowing terms of the recent Monaro Nationals held in Wangaratta. A big event and fabulous range of Monaros.

Portsea Quarantine Station, all makes car show.

Possible car show at new Ballarat Showgrounds some time in the future.

St. Arnaud car show very good well run event with over 150 cars to see.

Steve Booker would like 10 or so cars made available for display at Freemasons Aged Care.

Jeff thanked Tom for his great work on Facebook, always many great photos to view.

Buy: Jim is chasing two HQ front mud flaps.

Sell: Jim has a 3300 and Trimatic, both fully reconditioned available for \$4,000.

50/50 raffle: Ivan Crowley scooped the pools pocketing 65.00. Ivan also won six stubbies in the membership draw.

Peter Bignell and Ken Vincent each took home a bucket and stubby holder.

Sergeant At Arms: Peter collected \$10.65.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm.

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