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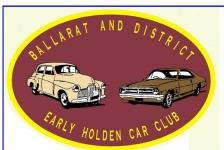
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#### CLUB MEETINGS

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 \$50 Family Membership \$70 New M/ship Application Fee \$15 Immediate Access Red Plates

\$100

## COMMITTEE

### President

Jeff Dickson 0411 837 506

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Paul Irvin 0419 524 607

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Paul Irvin 0419 524 607

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Peter Wilmot

## LIFE MEMBERS

Scott Campbell Doug Reid Anne Turner Randall Lourey Paul Irvin Peter Skrypko Rob Whitten **Greg Turner** Andrew Wheeler Sandra Campbell Jim Hare

## **TOP CLUBPERSON**

2003/04 Scott Campbell 2004/05 Peter Waterson Paul Irvin 2005/06 & Jason Barby 2006/07 Greg Turner & John Preston 2007/08 Greg King 2008/09 Anne Turner & Rob Whitten 2009/10 Peter Skrypko 2010/11 Jim Hare Craig Loveridge 2011/12 2012/13 Jeff Dickson 2013/14 Justin Mitchell 2014/15 Rob Whitten 2015/16 Peter Wilmot Bernie Sharp 2016/17 2017/18 2018/19 Daniel Dickson Doug Reid 2019/20 **Pandemic** 2020/21 **Pandemic** Mark Davies 2021/22 2022/23 Paul Irvin 2023/24 Murray Rogers

## Front End December 2025

The Front End is the monthly newsletter of The Ballarat and District Early Holden Car Club. Correspondence, articles & items of Holden news and interest are invited and should be sent to:

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## **Events Calendar**

## **CLUB EVENTS December 2025**

- 2 Club Meeting
- 10 Little Dog
- 14 Club Run—Christmas Party
- 16 Pub Night
  - Red Dog—no December run

## **Other Events December 2025**

- **6** Seymour Cars & Coffee
- **7** Beeac Cars & Coffee
- 14 Maffra Cars, Coffee & Motorbikes
- 14 Classic Muscle Cars & Coffee Port Melbourne
- 14 Holden of Age Show n' Shine Halls Gap
- 21 Benalla Cars & Coffee
- 21 Caffeine & Gasoline North Geelong
- 31 Nathalia NYE Car Show



## **Events Calendar**

## **CLUB EVENTS January 2026**

- **6** Club Get Together
- 7 Little Dog
- 20 Pub Night
- 26 Australia Day
- **27 Committee Meeting**
- 28 Red Dog Run

## **Other Events January 2026**

- 4 Beeac Cars & Coffee
- 8 Street Machine Summer Nats Canberra
- 11 Korumburra Swap Meet
- 11 Classic Muscle Cars & Coffee Port Melbourne
- 17-18 Sandown Revival Motoring Festival
  - 18 34th Central State Swap Meet Bendigo
  - 18 Hahndorf & Districts Lions Club Swap Meet
  - 24 Horsepower in the High Country Mansfield
  - 25 Australia Day Show 'n Shine Wonthaggi
  - 26 Australia Day Car & Motorcycle Show
  - 31 Canberra Festival of Speed





## **President's December 2025**

G'day everyone!

Hasn't December come around quickly! What a year it been from the get go.

It has been a fantastic effort from our Run Committee and other members who have kept us busy with all the fantastic runs for 2025. These include our monthly runs, additional Saturday runs, Red Dog and Little Red Dog runs. Those Red Dog runs have made me jealous as I unfortunately have to work. Our Pub social nights are still proving to be popular. Thanks to Jude for keeping this monthly catch up alive. Lisa has kept us up to date with our newsletter and editing my mistakes. Thanks Lisa.

Our Christmas party is on **Sunday 14 December 2025** from **3pm**. This is always a fantastic day for our members to celebrate the festive season. This year the cost is **\$5 per head**. It represents fantastic value with the great meal providing by our catering committee. A reminder; Santa will be visiting. Ensure you have a wrapped book for your little ones to receive from Santa.

There will be opportunities to catch up in January 2026. Paul has arranged a get together on 6 January 2026, an Australia Day Breakfast and the Little and Red Dog runs are in the diary.

Merry Christmas to you and your families. Stay safe, enjoy the holiday season. Looking for seeing everyone in the 2026.

Jeff Dickson President

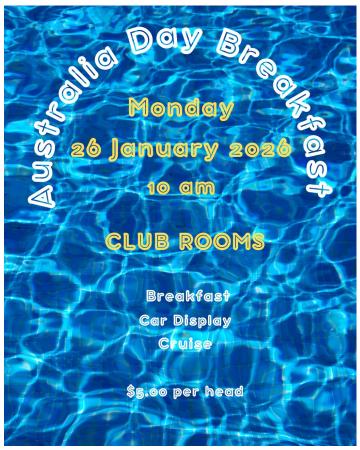


## **Club Run December 2025**



# **Club Event January 2026**





# Forward Planning—2026





## **Club Merchandise**





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## **Club Events**

## LITTLE RED DOG RUN

**WHAT** Another Day Out

**WHERE** Meet at Lucas McDonalds

**WHEN** Wednesday 10 December 2025

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

## **SOCIAL PUB NIGHT**

WHAT Meals and Drinks

## **WHERE**

Lakeview Hotel
22 Wendouree Parade Lake Wendouree
WHEN Tuesday 16 December 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 NO RUN

**WHEN NO RUN** 

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



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## **Club Events**

## LITTLE RED DOG RUN

**WHAT** Another Day Out

WHERE Meet at Lucas McDonalds

WHEN 7 January 2026

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

## **SOCIAL PUB NIGHT**

**WHAT** Meals and Drinks

## WHERE

Western Hotel 1221 Sturt Street Ballarat

WHEN Tuesday 20 January 2026 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 28 January 2026

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

## **November Club Run**

We left the service station with sixteen members and nine cars travelling through Lucas, Haddon and Smythesdale. We picked up three more Members in Smythesdale before heading to Lismore. After a quick toilet break in Lismore and having four more members join us we headed to Camperdown.

Our drive included many speed restrictions to dodge potholes, the odd shower and a heavy shower as we pulled up to Camperdown. Once in Camperdown we were joined by Di and Mad Molly.

We headed to Laurie's collection of cars, motorbikes, trucks, signs and tractors. Some of the group choosing to drive to the shed which was to the back of the property. Once we had all had a chance to experience the large collection it was a no brainer to donate \$10 each to the Camperdown aged care home. Many photos were taken of the collection with Hunter taking out the chocolates for his photo in the open Truck. The group had started to get hungry so it was time for one quick look at Laurie's front shed full of all sorts of second-hand items for sale and head to lunch.

The Commercial Hotel Camperdown was our destination. We were welcomed with our own area set aside. There was a great selection of meals for us to enjoy, with some even ordering sweets. The Manager made sure we enjoyed our meals; we were happy to let her know it was a great lunch with helpful staff considering the Bistro only opened on Tuesday.

There was much chatter around the tables during lunch and we all slowly started to make our way home before the prediction of rain later in the afternoon. Most headed home but some of us needed a second fix at the other second-hand shop in the Camperdown main street!

Great Day for a Run with some rain along the way, but well worth a look at Laurie's collection with an enjoyable lunch to finish off the day. Our final numbers were twenty four members, fourteen cars and Mad Molly the Dog.

Paul Irvin

Run Coordinator

# **November Club Run**











# **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	
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:

- 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 vehicleFront ViewDrivers PositionDrivers Side ViewRear ViewEngine BayChassis NumberEngine Number
ls the vel	nicle modified beyond VSI8 and/or VSI33?YESNO
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
Veh	icle YearBuild Date
Eng	ine#Chassis #
List	any modifications from standard:
Σ.	
 I mer	(Print Name) the undersigned, being a financial nber of the Ballarat and District Early Holden Car Club, hereby declare that I:
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 of the 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.
Siar	ned 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 2025**

Meeting commenced at 7.37pm.

Members present: 47.

Apologies: Peter Skrypko, Justin Mitchell, Anne and Meagan Turner, Sarah Millard, Steve Booker, Dianne Wood, Peter Nikkelson, Jeff and Sharelle Dickson, Murray and Catherine Rogers, Craig Loveridge, John Bourke, Clinton and Renata Johnson.

Guests/New Members: Nil.

Previous General Meeting minutes read by Peter. Moved Jodie Cairns, seconded Neil Leckie. Carried.

President's Report: Newsletter Pg 8. Business arising: Nil.

Treasurer's Report: Read by Sandra. Noted that there are still some members who have not paid their fees which fell due in August. Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet provided.

Moved Sandra, seconded Theo Goossens. Carried.

Membership Officer's Report: Just one new inquiry.

Run Co-Ordinator's Report: The annual Bay To Birdwood was very enjoyable and well represented by our club with 15 adults and 3 children attending. The Avoca Market run was a cold and wet affair, however we all made the most of it and enjoyed a lovely lunch at the Beaufort Railway Hotel. We had 36 participants for the day.

On the 16th of November the run will be a mystery "cook's tour" followed by a sit down lunch. Further details in Newsletter.

The Monaro State Titles will take place on November 23rd.

Our Christmas Party will take place at the clubrooms on Sunday 14.12.25 A small charge of \$5.00 per head will apply.

Red Dog attracted 16 cars on it's October run.

It is proposed that next Australia Day we will hold a breakfast at the clubrooms, followed by a cruise around Lake Wendouree.

Bar Report: John reported that all is well behind the bar.

Clubrooms: Paul reported that all is well.

Merchandise: Jodie reported that six new club shirts have been ordered.

CPS: Nothing new to report. AEHF: Scott advised nil to report at this stage.

General Business: Maldon Swap Meet will take place on 14.12.2025

Talbot Swap Meet will be held on 30.11.25. Bendigo Swap 15 & 16.11.2025

Tom's Torque: Brocks At Winton, Scott's WH Magnum caused significant grief due to a crook coil.

The Ballarat Torana Run from Lake Wendouree to Kirk's Reservoir attracted 21 cars. It is hoped that this will become an annual event.

Sell: Peter Bingley has a set of four VK Interceptor wheels for sale @\$100.00

Greg King has a VH 44 brake booster available.

Paul Irvin has two grey blocks available, EJ and FC.

Buy: Thomas is chasing a silver hard lid to suit his VZ ute.

Jim Hare would like to borrow or hire a car rotisserie.

Membership Draw: No show. 50/50 Greg Turner won \$78.50. Minor winners: Greg King and Russell White each won a bottle of wine.

Sergeant At Arms: Peter annoyed a select number of members and collected \$26.00

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

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