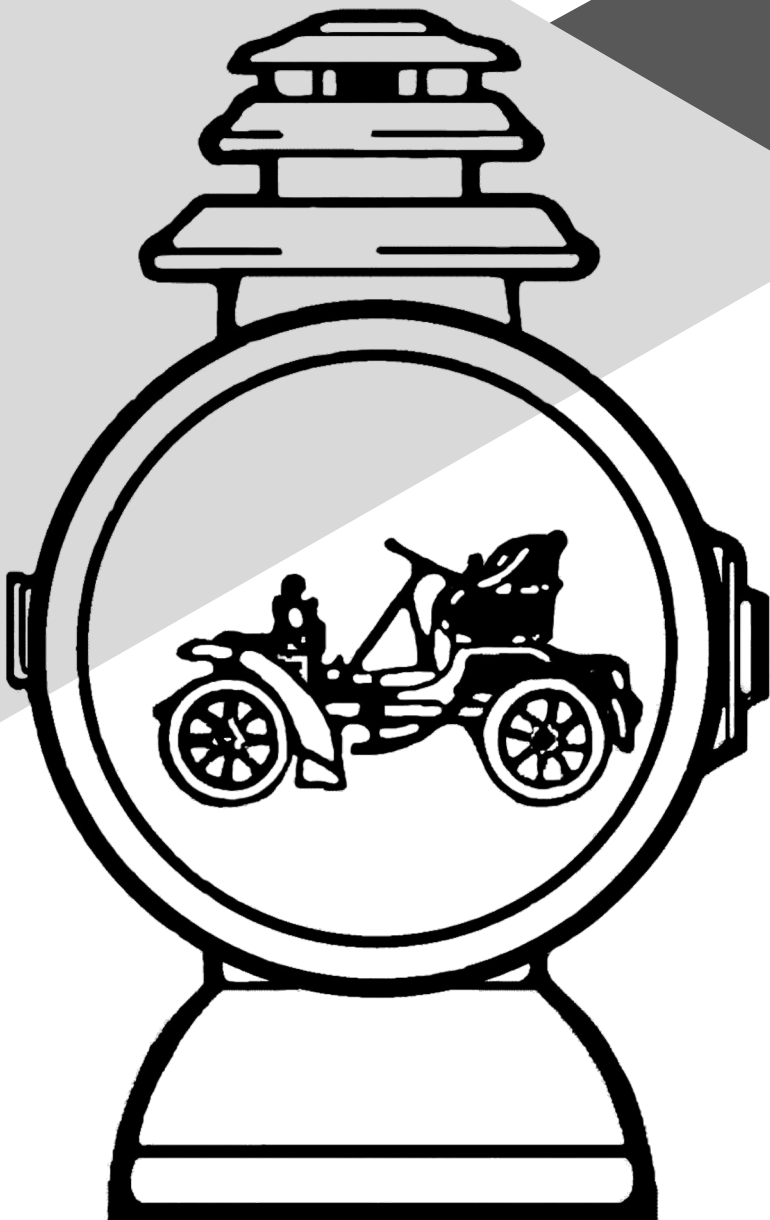


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FEBRUARY 2025



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<u>SOCIAL EVENTS</u>	<u>CLUBROOM OPERATIONS</u>	<u>REGISTRATION</u>	<u>MAGAZINE</u>	<u>JUNE RALLY</u>
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Pam Tarlinton		Neil Cole		

PUBLIC OFFICER Rodney Bredin

MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held at 7.30 pm on the first Friday of each month at the Shaw Street Community Hall, Corner Shaw Street and Kent Crescent, Wagga Wagga. All members, guests and visitors are welcome.

CLUB EVENTS

Club events are held on various days during the year. Please check the "Coming Events" section of this newsletter for details. For all events it is necessary to complete your log book

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS

The Club's Statement of Objects is as follows:

For the association of persons interested in Veteran, Vintage, Classic and Post Classic motor vehicles.

To encourage the restoration, preservation, use and display of these vehicles and associated literature, films, photographs, tape recordings and video tapes.

To demonstrate the capabilities of these vehicles by engaging in competitions including economy trials, regularity runs, observation events, motorkhanas, concourse competitions and vehicle rallies.

To encourage goodwill, friendship, and communication between members of this Club, and between members of this Club and all other persons, clubs and associations having like Objectives

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING 7th FEBRUARY 2025

Held at Duke of Kent Community Hall. Meeting opened by Vice President Rob LeLeivre at 7.30pm

PRESENT: 25

APOLOGIES: 6

VISITORS: 1

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Leanne Thomas, 2nd Sue Kelly that the minutes from the Monthly Meeting held on the 6th December, 2024 and as read at the February 2025 meeting be accepted with the correction that Trevor Garth passed away on 31st October Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

*All the surplus equipment from Brunskill Road has now been cleared out. Key will be handed back to WWCC.

*Waiting on an answer from WWCC re container.

COMMITTEE MINUTES 3/2/25 Present – 6
Apologies – 4

Downside Hall has received a lot of damage from the storm in January – it will be restored. The club will support the Halls Centenary in 2026.

All surplus contents from Brunskill Road storage have been cleared out by Rob LeLievre & Mark & Leanne Thomas with all finding new homes.

Childcare Centre fence to be moved next month

Peacock Insurance all transferred to the Community Centre - \$10,000 contents, \$4,000 for the container. Brunskill Road to be deleted as a location.

While on the Australia Day Run to Yerong Creek we were invited by member Pauline Hopkins to her new home. The park next door is set up with BBQ's & power points, so the committee plans to hold the 2026 New Years Breakfast there.

Craig Kelly to follow up on some potential new members

Events – Observation Run – 8th February, 7pm start from the Club Rooms BYO supper at The Rock Recreation Grounds.

Mid-week Runs for February & March to be Coffee Runs

Run to Rockleigh Shearing Shed at The Rock Sunday 9th March. More details to follow

Corowa High Wheelers – 11th April

BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MINUTES

*Downside hall was saved by the club many years ago. WWVVMC will assist with the Hall's 100th Birthday Celebrations in 2026.

The Childcare Centre would like to connect with us with a get together

CORRESPONDENCE IN / OUT **IN**

*Magazines from Mildura Vintage Vehicles Club & Wodonga Historic Car Club, Illawara Vintage Club, South Coast Vintage Car Club, VVCMCC
Emails

*Transport for NSW Newsletter- Drive lite Historic & Classic Vehicles

*CHMC Youth Awards Information Package

* Geoffrey & Margeaux Holgate re Robert Shannon Foundation

*CHMC re Community Grants

*National Heritage Day Flyer

*Historic Winton 24-24 May 2025 Flyer & letter

OUT

*CHMC to update records to show that Leanne Thomas is now Secretary

*CHMC Youth Awards Information Package was emailed to all members

It was moved Leanne Thomas 2nd James Clay that the correspondence in and out be accepted. Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chris Billingham moved that the report as tabled be accepted 2nd Bob Smith Carried

PAST EVENTS

*Christmas Party 14/12/24 28 people attended. Leading Light – Chris Billingham, Stirrers Spoon - Craig Kelly

*Christmas Lights Drive 19/12/24 was well attended

*New Years Breakfast & run to Butterbush Road & back 5/1/25 attended by 39 people in 23 cars

*Warrangong Vintage Harvest Day at Pleasant Hills 11/1/25 11 cars attended.

*Australia Day – Lockhart Shire at Yerong Creek 26/1/25 – 5 cars & local member Pauline Hopkins attended.

COMING EVENTS

* February Twilight Observation Run to The Rock has been postponed to a date to be confirmed

*Robs Shed Day - recommences 25/2/25

*March run to Rockleigh Shearing Shed (approx. 120 years old) at The Rock - 9/3/25

* Corowa Military Vehicles Swim in – 10th March

*High Wheeler Rally – Corowa in April

* Next years New Years Breakfast will be held at the Yerong Creek Park.

Please refer to club magazine for further details.

EDITOR

*Ray Harrison to organize March Newsletter

CLUBROOM OPERATIONS

*A few general issues still to be sorted out.

* Meeting to be organized with U3A

WEB ADMINISTRATOR

Nil

ASSETS

Nil

REGISTRATION

Only one car still to clear from registration day.

GENERAL BUSINESS

*Geffrey Holgate's son, Lachlan is applying for the CHMC Youth Grant. He will need a Club Mentor. Geffrey gave the meeting a progress report on Lachlan's Jeep project.

It was moved that the WWVVMC support Lachlan Holgate in his application for the CHMC Youth Grant funding. Moved Ray Harrison, 2nd Chris Billingham.

*Milk Roster Ray Harrison to provide for the March meeting.

*Jock Last's story will be in February's magazine.

*Bob Maslin recommended the Motor Museum at Whiteman Park to anyone travelling to Perth.

*Chris Billingham to look into whether we need any more Club Banners requested by Ray Harrison

Meeting closed at 8.45pm



Man: Would you like to pay my new dog?

Boy: It looks vicious, does it bite?

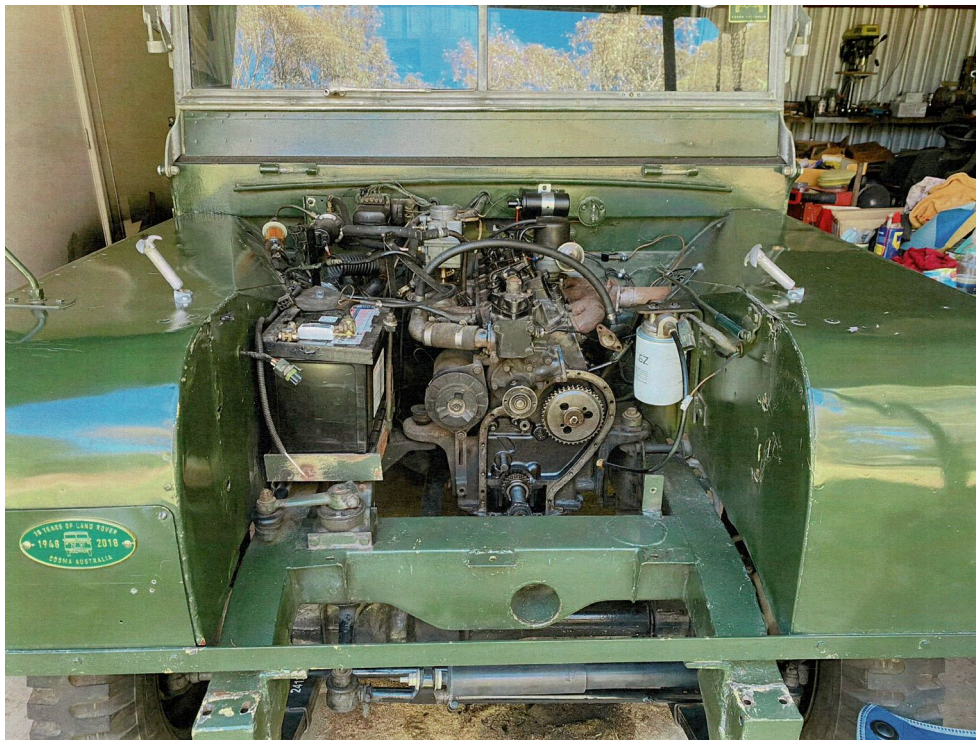
Man: I don't know. That's what I would like to find out.

Contributed – someone gave me a slip of paper. Apologies I can't remember who.

THE STORY OF THE LANDROVER SERIES 1 – JOCK LAST



The "Landy" back home



I am confiding a very interesting true story

I had a 1950 Landrover Series 1 which I had started restoring ten years ago. Then three years ago I decided to sell it.

We advertised it on carsales.com.

After a short period, we received a reply from Winton in Queensland. Very interested and purchased unseen.

A truck was sent down to take it to Winton which is a long way away.

After I sold it I decided to take my wife on a trip overseas, which I did for a whole month.

I didn't expect to take the loss of the vehicle the way I did, which was pretty devastating.

However, I got over it after the trip which was so satisfying.

Then three years after it was sold one of my sons saw an advertisement on carsales.com with the photo and recognised it as the old Landrover.

The strange thing, one more son was in Queensland at the same time and he got him to go and check on it, which he did.

Then a lot of this unbeknown to me, he purchased it back and got it delivered to his shed, which is 1km from our place.

Then one day he rang me and asked if we'd come down for a drink as he wanted to show me something.

After a couple of days I went down, the boys were standing around outside the shed. I got out of my car and they opened the door and to my surprise there was "Landy". I couldn't believe my eyes, there she was.

I found out that the purchaser had passed away, hence the resell.

I have spent the last three months repairing various parts.

It is a "miracle", don't you think?

Bredin's "Bay to Birdwood" Adventure . - 20th October 2024

Well, the months have just flown and I was going to have this article ready for the December Magazine, but here we are in January .



Back in October I had to go to Adelaide for work, our good friend Michael Sawyer asked us if we would like to go in the Bay to Birdwood with him. Michael always attends the June Rally in Wagga in his Vauxhall. We were lucky enough to go in the Vauxhall with Michael and Rodney's brother Peter for the Bay to Birdwood. Rodney even got to drive through the finish line which was so cool and very generous of Michael to allow him to do this.

We had an early start as we were travelling down from Tanunda to the start at Adelaide, we were all dressed for the occasion as you will see in the photos.

The Bay to Birdwood has been a bucket list thing to do for Rodney as he had heard so much about it. I didn't really know what to expect.

When we arrived at the start, I was amazed at how many cars of all shapes and sizes were there. Over 1500 entries. It was amazing to see everything from the early veterans right up to the Holden Sandman panel vans and the Tesla Cyber truck. There were some beautiful cars in pristine condition and some that had come straight out of a farm shed.





It was so good to see so many people dressed up in the period of their vehicles it adds to a special day and something I really miss seeing at our June Rally.

It really is amazing the way they coordinate the day. They have the cars parked in years and categories and it took a quite a while to send us all off on our way. There was some traffic control at the start but once we got out of Adelaide we were on our own (well not really on our own - there were lots of cars).

The one thing that we couldn't get over were the number of spectators on the side of the road all the way from the start to the finish.

A lot of people set up picnics for the entire day along the way. Others have BBQ's with friends in their driveways. They were all so excited, waving and yelling out to us as we drove past. It truly was a wonderful experience to be a part of.

We left the start in Adelaide at about 9am and arrived in Birdwood at about 11am. There were still cars arriving at the finish after 1pm. The finish destination was a park area behind the Birdwood Motor Museum, which we went through while we were there (another amazing place). The organisers did an amazing job of parking the cars in their categories'. It was a spectacular site to see. I still don't think we got around all the vehicles in the time we were there. It also got quite hot throughout the day. When we left Tanunda at

around 6.30 am it was cool and our clothes were quite appropriate for the weather but as the day went on, we all started to get very hot.

There were food vans, and a few market stalls, along with a band playing old time jazz music so there was plenty to keep us occupied. All in all, we had the best day and would highly recommend doing it if ever you have the opportunity.

Rodney & myself would like to thank Micheal for his hospitality while we were there.



Michael we will be back
Kathy & Rodney Bredin

CHRISTMAS LIGHT RUN –

The run was well attended, leaving the club rooms and heading over to Best Street display.

From there we drove through Turvey Park to Bourkelands – Hill Top was definitely worth a look, and we popped in to see the ever growing South Park Christmas family.



Over the hill and around Lake Albert – again some wonderful displays, people go to so much trouble. Finishing at Koorungal Macca’s for an ice cream and chat, a good opportunity to catch up with each other before the break – from teens to 92 year olds enjoying the night.

Contributed C Billingham

CHRISTMAS PARTY REPORT

What a fantastic evening we had at the Club rooms this past Saturday! A huge thank you to everyone who was able to attend and make the event so enjoyable. The food was delicious, with special thanks to John Rockliff and his assistant Gerald for manning the BBQ, and to all those who contributed a salad or dessert.



The venue was beautifully decorated, thanks to the hard work of Pam Tarlinton and Robyn Petts. Chris Billingham took on the coordination role, handling the job list, shopping, and money collection. Many others helped in various ways, including setting up (Stu and Rob), counting votes (Sue and Craig), handing out presents, prepping and serving food, and cleaning up afterward. It’s clear that many hands make light work, and we are so grateful for the teamwork shown!



The point score competition was incredibly close this year, with just one point separating the top three positions: Chris Billingham, Pam Tarlinton, and Rob Le Lievre.

The coveted Leading Light award was presented to Chris Billingham, with Sue Kelly coming in a close second. Both of these ladies contribute so much to the club, and it was wonderful to see their efforts recognised.

James passed on the stirrers spoon to Craig Kelly. This is the second time Craig has received the spoon, a well-deserved privilege?



Point Score in 2025

In an effort to encourage older cars to participate in as many events as possible, my committee and I have decided to revise the point scoring system for 2025. The goal is to better recognise and reward the effort and challenges involved in driving vehicles of different ages.

- As a **trial for 2025** the bonus point score will be
- 3 points for cars manufactured pre-1950, Veteran, Vintage and post Vintage vehicles
- 2 points for cars manufactured between 1951 and 1969, Classic vehicles
- 1 point for cars manufactured after 1970 to cut-off

Contributed C Rainbird

BREAKFAST IN COLLINS PARK

On Sunday January 5, 39 club members met at the Club rooms. Most then proceeded on a run around Lake Albert, travelling on Koorungal Rd, Vincent Rd, Kyeamba Ave, Alder Rd, Sycamore Rd, Brunskill Rd, Mitchell Rd to the destination of Butterbush Rd. This is a relatively new area of Wagga with many large houses that most had not seen. This along with a drive in the country was the goal of the route. The return trip was via Lakehaven Dr, and Plumpton Rd.



Some busy helpers

All 26 cars duly made it to Collins Park for a fine breakfast cooked by Ray and Carol Harrison, Alan Fraser, Ian Condon, Gerald and myself. Rob Le Lievre did a great job organising all of the equipment we needed to take to the park.

The relaxed park setting provided the perfect opportunity for members to catch up and enjoy each other's company.



The cool shady park

A big Thank You to all those that helped out.

T MODEL FORD WHEELS FOR SALE

These T model ford truck rear wheels for sale. Contact details are John Jarick, The Rock, Phone 0429 337 480.



The T Model truck when it was in action

AUSTRALIA DAY - YERONG CREEK

We had 5 cars and 1 walker attend the Australia Day/100yr anniversary of the Yerong Creek hall.



A free breakfast was on offer with some enjoying seconds, members also were able to catch up with some local friends for a good chin wag.

The Yerong Creek Hall committee were very pleased with the roll up of vehicles, including several of the locals displaying their pride and joy.

We then popped over and visited the newest resident of Yerong Creek and our club member Pauline, who is now the owner of the original Post Office building. Thank you Pauline for the cold beverages, the tour of your home and fantastic back yard.

Contributed C Billingham

AIR CONDITIONING IN THE HUPP!!



On our return trip from Yerong Creek on Australia Day we had to turn the AC onto high in the Hupp as it was about 34 degrees. The only issue is that wildlife can enter the car otherwise it is quite an efficient system when the car is moving.

A BIG THANKYOU

Thanks to Ray Harrison for helping me with this months magazine.

Ray will also be doing the March Edition of Reflection on his own because the Kelly's will be away, so please send him lots of photos and stories to make his job easier –

email: rayharrisonau@gmail.com

S Kelly Editor

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GETITOUT & GETITGOING

Coming Events – Events Calendar

February 2025

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Remember to fill out your logbook before you leave your driveway

CLUB EVENT

Date	Organiser	Details		
Saturday February 8	Events	Night run and scavenger hunt concluding at the park in the main street of The Rock concluding with a shared supper. TO BE COMBINED with March run to Thomas' Woolshed	1	1-3
	Pam Tarlinton Phone - 0429966684	MEET at Botanic Garden car park near The Garden Café at- 9:30am for morning tea and catch up chatter. Then - a visit to the Museum of Riverina (Free Admission) followed by lunch of our choice for those wishing to continue our outing. Please email /message Pam by Monday evening 17th Feb if intending to attend & giving us time to advise the venues. Pam's Email - ray.tarlinton4@bigpond.com	1	1-3
Tuesday February 25	Rob Le Lievre 0419 445 625	Rob's Shed/Social Day. Bring a long a project, some morning tea and lunch. This is a great social outing- starts 9:30am	1	1-3
Monday March 3		Committee Meeting. 6 pm Clubrooms		
Friday March 7		Monthly meeting. 7:30 pm Clubrooms	1	1-3
Sunday March 9	Events	Observation run postponed from Feb to Thomas' Woolshed. Depart Clubrooms at 8:30. Please bring something to share for Morning Tea. More details to follow about lunch.	1	1-3
Tuesday March 25	Rob Le Lievre 0419 445 625	Rob's Shed/Social Day. Bring a long a project, some morning tea and lunch. This is a great social outing- starts 9:30am	1	1-3
Monday March 31		Committee Meeting. 6 pm Clubrooms		
Friday April 4		Monthly meeting. 7:30 pm Clubrooms	1	1-3
Sunday April 6	Events	Visit the High Wheeler Rally in Corowa. Lunch at Rutherglen first	1	1-3

EVENTS FROM OTHER CLUBS AND SPECIAL INTEREST

Monday 10th March to Sunday 16th March	Entry forms available email Events	Corowa Annual Swim in and Military Vehicle Gathering. All types and makes of ex-military vehicles are encouraged to attend.
Friday March 28- Monday March 31		CHMC Rally 2025. Dubbo Antique Automobile is hosting the CHMC Rally. Entry forms available from Events
April 6-11	High Wheeler Rally	Rally in Corowa. More details from Bob Maslin
Sunday May 18		National Motoring Heritage Day Wodonga

Watch your emails for last minute information and events!! AND check for cancellations, email or call organiser.

PLANNING AHEAD

Are you planning beyond the Club's Calendar? Here is how it works unless it is affected by Public Holidays/ Rally.

General Meeting: First Friday of the month, excluding January

Committee Meeting: Monday prior to General Meetings

Sunday Run: Sunday following the general meeting

Mid-Week Run TBC **Rob's Social day** last Tuesday of the month

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