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LEYLAND P76 CLASSIC CAR CLUB



BERRIMA 2014

**ULTIMATE CAR COLLECTION
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GENERAL MEETINGS

Venue: San Souci Literary institute
Address: 107 Ramsgate Road, Ramsgate
(cnr Campbell Street)

Time: 8:00pm Wednesday Nights



MEETING DATES 2014

FEB 19TH, MARCH 19TH, APRIL-NIL
MAY 21ST, JUNE 18TH, JULY 16TH,
AUGUST 20TH, SEP 17TH, OCT 15TH,
NOV 19TH, DEC 17TH

PLEASE NOTE

If you are able to write up an article for our newsletter, it will be much appreciated. If you wish to sell a car please send in your add. There is no cost, it is free. It must be received by the 1st of the month to be in the next newsletter, however to ensure that your write up or add is included in the newsletter, please observe the following:

Email it to force7v@hotmail.com

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Well the Silly Season is well and truly behind us now, hopefully everyone had a relaxing holiday time.

Troy and Ken, Joe and Sue, Ross and young Aiden, Pauline and I attended the 39th "Berrima Rally" on 8th and 9th of February. As usual an excellent weekend with approximately 100 cars on show. Included in the program was a drive to Mittagong country side to visit the property of Andrew Lidden a car and bike enthusiast. His collection is extensive and varied. Vehicles range from the easily obtainable to the extremely rare. This is no ordinary collection it is a gold mine!

There were four P76, 7 or 8 Rolls Royce , Rovers, V12 Jags, Bentleys, Hummers, Packards, a Lotus V8, Aston Martins, Ferraris , V12XJS twin turbo 7 litre jags, a Ford 500 Special Ute, an R/T Dodge Charger and a Marcos racing sports car! This is the tip of the ice berg!

Over the years those cars and bikes that require restoring are being tended to, other vehicles are in wonderful exhibition state and some vehicles are being used to provide restoration parts. The property is enormous as are the 'barns' used to house the in excess of 700 motor cars and at least 400 motorcycles. It was well worth the visit and we appreciate Mr Lidden's kind invitation.

The Berrima District Historic Vehicle Club always host a good weekend and special mention must be made of the delicious morning teas that are always provided - everything is homemade Yum!

There will be more Car Club events organised in the near future (don't forget the Easter National Meeting in SA) so stay tuned.

Have a safe driving month!

Special wishes go to Troy and Julie who are due to begin the wonderful journey of family life in the next few weeks. All the best!

Peter

THANKS TO

To all who assisted in organising and making the Christmas party at the club rooms a great success.

DID YOU KNOW...

At 7:32pm on Sunday 12th January 2014 in the Australia versus England test, Australia were no wickets for 76 Fact!!

A friend of Rick's who was a spectator at the 40th Anniversary meeting in the ACT counted the cars on display and totalled 76 Fact!!

In a recent magazine it was claimed that 76 was the percentage of online shoppers will make an impulse buy if they think they are getting a bargain.

Thanks to Rick Hopkins for the above information

GASKET UPDATE

The News is that the gaskets won't be to far away they are very close to being delivered for those members that have ordered.....

FUTURE EVENTS 2014

23rd Feb Bobbin Head Street & Custom Car Show if you are thinking of going along for a look , ring Troy.

South Coast Holden Club - We are going to Participate in some of the their events this year some dates for events next month.

40th Targa Birthday Event

On Sunday the 27th July there will be a 40th Targa Birthday One Day Event Hosted by the Hunter Valley Club which will include a tour of the Lost in the 50,s museum and a BBQ afternoon & memorabilia followed by a large Targa cake.....

more info to come in next months magazine or

For more information contact Troy or Hal Moloney



2014 Berrima Rally

Another great Berrima Rally was had by all, it was a top weekend as usual. Sue and I took the station wagon and Troy took his peel me a grape P76.

We arrived at the venue, The Mittagong Public School at about 9:30am and soon after Peter and Pauline O'Brien, Ross Rickard and his son Aiden, Ken Halstead and Rick Hopkins turned up.

The mix of cars was excellent and this includes some commercial vehicles. The host club provided us with a very nice morning tea.

After lunch we booked into our motel and then we went with the host club to visit a shed full of interesting old vehicles, (more details about the shed later on). After a great afternoon of viewing so many unique cars we then went back to the motel to get tidied up to get ready for the dinner dance at the RSL Club.

The smorgasbord dinner and entertainment was fantastic. The band "STYLE" was exceptional, Rusty and Graham are great performers and their rock and roll music was appreciated by all. The theme for the night was come dressed up as "International Style" and the costumes were great.

On the Sunday morning we were up early and had a quick breakfast at Maccas, it adjoins the motel. We then went on a nice run to Fitzroy Falls and morning tea was again provided by the host club.

We then returned to the RSL and headed for home. After a great weekend even though the weather was extremely hot. Many thanks must go to the Berrima Club for organising a great weekend.

Joe Green



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SATURDAY DISPLAY



A Collectors Dream

After lunch on Saturday we left Mittagong to visit the "SHED" I was expecting to view about 20 to 50 good old cars. Well I was way out it was very hard for me to convey the enormous and magnificent collection of vintage, veteran, classic and modern cars that were on display.

The property was very large, several hundred acres and the original home on the property has been restored to its historic origin.

The cars were mostly housed in what I would call aeroplane hangars, massive slabs of concrete floors, metal buildings with a ceiling height of about 50 feet and the total number of cars would be 800 to 1000 and the owner has rows and rows of all different models. A row of about 20 E type Jags, a row of about 20 3.4 and 3.8 Jags, also Mercedes, old Fords, Chevs, Falcons, Rovers, Hummers, Hilmans, Vauxalls, Chargers and unbelievable number of Range Rovers from way back to modern ones. Maseratis and yes you guessed it he even had Leyland P76's. I could say if you named a car he would most probably have it in his collection, he is an eccentric collector.

The owner also has an extensive range of motor bikes and push bikes, trucks and tractors and a great old speed boat that came from USA New York, it looks like one you would see in a murder mystery. Again the number of bikes on display and packed away is unbelievable.

At the top section of the property he has just built a new "BARN" I guess it could have cost about \$750,000.00 + and this is built of full sand stock bricks and is a 2 storey building with a timber lined ceiling with concealed electricity and all of the cars and bikes in this barn are the ones he is using at the moment and he has a great set up for keeping the batteries charges up.

However I could go on and on, we met the owner and he is a very nice guy and it was most gracious of him to allow our large group to walk through all of his shed and barns at our leisure.

On conclusion I must say that I have watched a lot of great car shows on Foxtel and have never seen a collection as large as this and presented so well.

Many thanks to the owner and the Berrima club for organising this magnificent tour.

Joe Green



SAT NIGHT DINNER DANCE



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FUTURE EVENTS



23rd FEBRUARY

Bobbin Head Rod & Custom Car Show

April 2014

Robertson Show & Shine

18th May

National Motoring Heritage Day Bella Vista

17th August

Shannon's Eastern Creek

31st August

British Display Day Kings School

21st September

BMC Heritage Lunch re-union Day

October

Chevalier College Highlands Motorfest

South Coast Holden Club some dates for events next month

Easter 2015

National Meeting South Australia

Date to be Announced

Visit to Club Member Rick Hopkins Auto Museum

Date to be Announced

Orange Blossom Show & Shine



Minutes of the Leyland P76 Classic Car Club held at the Sans Souci Literary Institute on Wednesday 18th December

Peter O'Brien opened the meeting at 8:15 pm. Members in attendance as per the attendance book.

Apologies – Angelos Frangopolous, Ron Frith, Valda Chappell, Ian & Bev Lyons

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Moved – Kevin Ward **Seconded** – Troy Green

Business arising from the minutes: Nil

Treasurers Report:

Income

Nil

Outgoings

Council of P65 Clubs \$ 20.00

Officeworks \$ 37.20

Total \$ **57.20**

Bank Statement No 236 Dated 29th Nov 2013 Balance - \$1748.99

Moved – Ross Rickard **Seconded** – Terry Route

Correspondence In:

SA P76 Newsletter

WA P76 Newsletter

Correspondence Out: Nil

Acceptance of correspondence.

Moved – Joe Green **Seconded** – Sue Green

General Business:

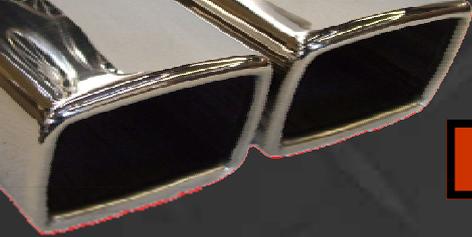
Hal Mahony sent Troy Green an e-mail regarding a Get Together At the old Motto Farm Motel now known as the Country Comfort Motel at Raymond Terrace to be held on the 26th and 27th July 2014.

Tony de Luca gave a report on the CMC AGM

National Heritage Day will now be held on the 3rd Sunday in May.

CMC and RMS are to re-write the Historical Vehicle Registration Regulation and Rules.

The meeting concluded at 8:50 pm followed by supper.



TAILPIECE



CAR COLLECTION CONTINUED

INTERESTING STUFF



Bobbin Head Rod & Custom
NATIONAL PARK
Car Show 2014 *First Annual*
Hot Rod Customs & Muscle Car
Show 'n' Shine

Sunday 23 February 2014
Ku ring gai chase road at Bobbin head picnic area
Ku ring gai national park.

ASRF
Sanction Number: S14/15

All welcome so bring the kids and family, and enjoy the day out lots of cars on show, plenty of activities for the whole family, Prizes raffles and trophies, BBQ.

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