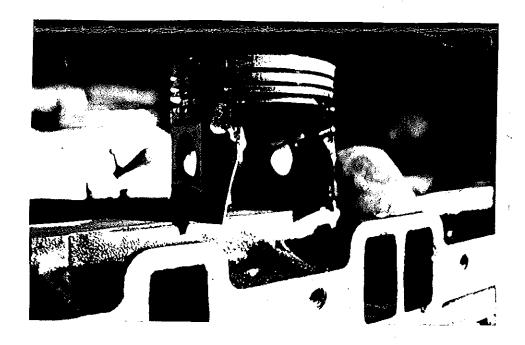
# LEYLAND P76 SOUTH AUSTRALIA



Why it rattled... Robert Batchelor's V8

JULY 2003

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General Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month, except January, at St. Andrews Manthorpe Uniting Church hall, corner Unley Rd. and Edmund Ave, Unley.

# Next Meeting is the AGM on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2003.

Uraidla Hotel, 1p.m., following lunch. The committee may change meeting dates if required.

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# COMING EVENTS

# July

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>

Transport SA Traffic control centre, 7pm, Cnr The Parade & Sydenham Rd

Norwood. 2 hours of info about Adelaide traffic management.

August

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Saturday 9th

Meeting. AGM

September

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Meeting

# **Editorial**

Happy 30th birthday P76! The WA club got its act together and celebrated the day (26th June) in style... see the report from the Australian in this issue.

Historic Rego: documents, documents! An avalanche of forms, regulations and requirements threatens to overwhelm the car clubs on the first of August 2003. A draft copy of the vehicle rules is included in this month's mag. Some things are still in the air, so keep your prospective Historic cars as close to original as you can.

Membership fees are due. Renewals are most important if your club is to survive. Owners of historically registered cars please note that your rego is void if you don't renew your subscription.

Jilden Reichardt

# *FOR SALE*

P76 V8 Super T-bar auto, Bold-as-brass, black vinyl roof, excellent black interior. 133,000 miles, new tyres, extractors, good service history, \$2200 o.n.o.

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Ford C4 auto gearbox conversion, complete with tail shaft, shifter, recently reconditioned, \$450, Ph. Andrew Kloot (see spares list for contact details)

# MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE LEYLAND P76 OWNERS CLUB (SA) INC. ST ANDREWS UNITING CHURCH HALL, EDMUND AVENUE, UNLEY, TUESDAY JUNE 3, 2003

**OPENED:** 

7:58 PM

PRESENT:

13 as per register

APOLOGIES:

John Wilson

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Read: Wayne

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Amendments:

none

Confirmed:

Kristian

Seconded:

Jilden

Adopted:

all

# **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

 Graham to attend Federation meetings to represent our Club. Be sure to learn about 2 aspects of Historic registration, viz. after-market accessories; qualification of lifetime Club members.

 Wayne learned that L&G Traders cannot provide boot mats. Interior loop pile set (front & rear) is \$120. Graham to contact ExactFit about boot mats.

### CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Sporting Car Club have arranged for Michael Gasking to speak on July 30. He will reminisce about motor racing in the 50's and 60's. Meet at 7:30 for 8:00 at SCC rooms, 51 King William Rd. Unley. Call 8373 4899 for booking; payments (\$5 per person) by July 25.

2. Various advertising and magazines

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:** 

Advice to Federation that Graham will attend their meetings.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

\$4,563.03

SPARE PARTS REPORT:

\$606.33 + \$90 postal note + additional funds due.

Need stock valuation as of end July for yr. end finl. report.

Nigel to check on die for Targa cap.

Andrew was commended by all for his excellent work in assisting Club members with supply of parts.

**COMING EVENTS** 

Saturday Aug 9, AGM

1:00 pm at Uraidia Hotel (Jilden to book).

**GENERAL BUSINESS:** 

Bill Bull at Naracoorte has spare parts for sale.

Graham to invite Dave Potter (ex. P76 Dealer) to talk about

his experiences at a future meeting (not before the AGM).

Graham to ask NSW CLub about electric window mods.

Wayne will organise a Committee meeting prior to the AGM.

**NEXT MEETINGS:** 

Tuesday July 1, 2003 at 7:30 pm

NOTE: no monthly meeting Tue. Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>

**MEETING CLOSED:** 

9:05 pm followed by tea & coffee

# Letter to the SA P76 Car Club.

# Targa unearthed,

A good friend from Darwin who travels to the Hunter to spend time at my depot repairing our 'B' doubles has caught the P76 bug and has purchased a Targa and a Super. The Targa will be fully restored

For our various historians the Targa is; 3A44 17888 OMEGA Eng 4412???? The Super details will follow.

# Alloy Wheels,

Alloy wheels are listed in the product specification for P76 sedan dated 11/04/73 along with 5.00inch and 6.00inch steel wheels, then in a memo to all recipients of product specification it is stated that all level two cars would have the 6.00inch steel wheel as standard. That memo is also dated 11/04/73

The alloy's are simply listed as 14" X 6" Cast Alloy.

Interestingly the same specification document lists "A limited slip differential is available on V8 engine versions".

# I need a club.

Sadly the Hunter Valley Club has folded after lasting 21 years. The club was started by myself on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June 1982 at Speers Point. This acts as a reminder or wake up call to this disjointed affair that we call Leyland P76 club of Australia. I certainly hope that we soon wake up and produce a national magazine quartly instead of all the individual ones that are produced monthly. With all the individual articles going into one magazine it must give us a quality magazine that all P76 owners could be proud of.

I received an interesting letter from Robert Batchelor supporting this idea.

How many more years must we keep beating this drum.

## F.I.A Recognition document.

The recognition document for P76 is an interesting document as it has the weight of individual parts from a P76 so that CAMS could see if any cheating took place. The document quotes, Steel wheel 8.60kg Front bucket seat 13.59kg Front bumper 8.15kg and the rear 9.96kg

Quiz: From this document, what is heaviest, a V8 crankshaft or a V8 flywheel and what is the weight difference in grammes. I will send a colour photo of Darrell Eastlake's racing P76 for the person who is closest. All entries to Jilden.

# ABC Radio

I was recently asked by the ABC to do an interview with Simon Marney on the radio. I went on air live at 8.45am and people were asked to ring in with P76 experiences while Simon spoke to me about the book.

Calls came in from western NSW as well as Sydney areas and all were favorable including one chap who said that the window chrome strips came of his dads new P76 but the family were not to mention it as dad was so proud of his Leyland. The reason I was asked to go on air was as a result of a listener who heard Don Loffler speak on air about his FJ Holden book so the listener rang and said "What about the P76 book"

The radio people told me who the chap was and I phoned and thanked him, it turns out he worked for Boral

## Nowendoc Rally

My son John ran my Rally P76 in the Evan Green Rally at Nowendoc two weeks ago and finished =6<sup>th</sup> against some quick opposition.

Now I realise that time is catching up with me.

Faye always said she woke up with old age creeping all over her.

### Coffs Harbour

I traveled to Coffs last weekend to meet up with the Qld club and took them out to Thora to Bruce and Pam Rose's place to have a look at the P76 "Rallye" which is still stored there. Bruce and Pam operate a Macadamian plantation, wrecking yard, trailer sales and anything else that's needed. Bruce gave us all some home brewed "Cherry wine" that my office girl named after tasting it "Rocket fuel".

No I did not have the office girl at Coffs with me, she tasted the wine on my return.

Hal Moloney

# SUBSCRIPTIONS DUE FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2003/2004

A friendly reminder that your subs are due and no further magazines will be posted after the 31 August 2003 if they remain unpaid.

Also if you have Historic Registration I need to update your Log Book.

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\$35.00

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\$ 5.00

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\$17.50

Please forward membership subscriptions to:

The Treasurer
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# **NOMINATION FORM**

For the AGM on the 9th of August 2003 at 2 pm

# To be held at the URAIDLA HOTEL Uraidla SA

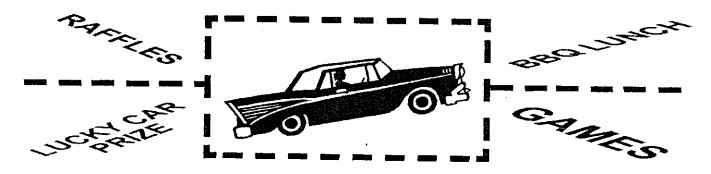
To the Secretary:
I,(nominator) hereby nominate
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Please return to the Secretary by 1 pm on day of meeting.

The Secretary Graham Gurr 15 Chapman Street ROSTREVOR 5073

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### Entry Form

For catering purposes

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Club Name:

Vehicle:

No. of Adults:

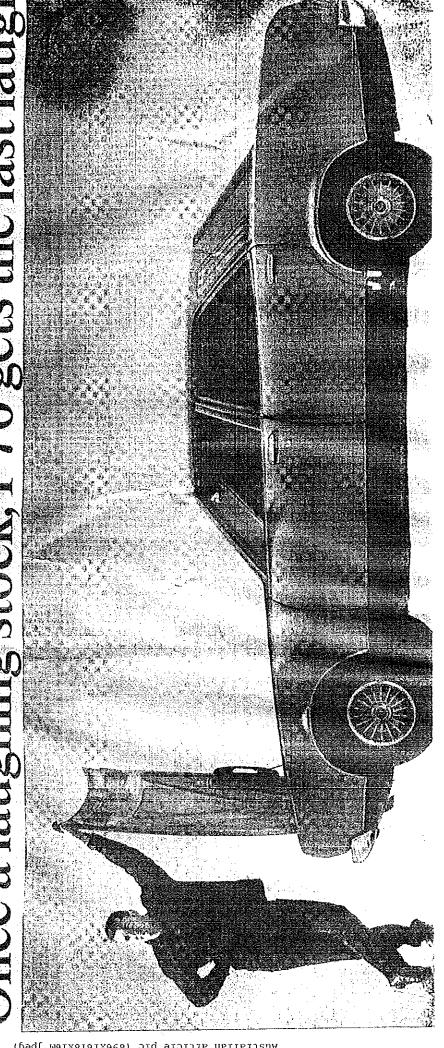
No. of children:

Address to: CPA Midwinter Run, 5 Coach St Salisbury East OR

call Antoinette on 0402 113 307

THE AUSTRALIAN - Monday June 16 2003

# Bastock, P76 gets the last late



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# Anthony Pancia

production plant in 1973 with the aim of being anything but IT roared out of a Sydney average. And indeed it was

be recognised as a national makes out there wouldn't be in mind — is once again set to 44-gallon-drum and a hay bale the world designed with a and perhaps the only car in nation's first locally designed The Leyland P76, the and manufactured vehicle

collectors of the vehicles around Australia will be preparing to celebrate its 80th anniversary on June 26 with icon. In the next two weeks. city-displays.

called a lemon But if they were as bad as everyone 30-year-old afficionado James "The P76 has survived so well over the years," says Mentiplay. "It's been the butt of hundreds of jokes, and

After buying his first P76 when he was 18. Mr Mentiplay has expanded his fleet to 10, so many around today — and that's worth celebrating."

which he houses in a Perth

about the P76, and their value either." he says. "People are becoming better-educated is definitely increasing." selling "I'm not storage shed.

Three models of the P76, the Deluxe, Super and Execu-

# tern Australia

tive, rolled off the production line ahead of the beefed-up rarga Florio.

rear storage unit. capable of course the signature large All four models featured holding a 44-gallon drum of a den windscreen wipers, and of forward hinging hoods, hidbale of hay

lems signalled the end of the energy crisis, coupled with But by 1974, the looming mechanical and design prob-

says Sean Young, editor of Australian Classic Car P76 and production ceased. "It was a glorious failure," Monthly. "But the P76 has stood the test of time.

amount of cars that have sunk without a trace. But the P76 has something about it "You'd be shocked by the come and gone over the years,

Hal Maloney, author of Leyland PTR agrees. "They're a people liked."

and boogles.

bit like the Titanic - the interest in them has never really died." he says.

say T had one, or 'My uncle Jack had one or 'It was the "You mention Leyland P76 to anyone, and they lieither biggest bomb I ever owned.

car to drive It really gets up really wouldn't buy one for the looks, but they're a greak his P76 as he spoke, said: "Yob Maloney, who was washing

# Great News!!

# The Sporting Car Club of SA is proud to present

# "THE RETURN EVENT" An evening with Michael Gasking

THE RETURN EVENT is for those who missed out on hearing the entertaining and informative talk at the Sporting Car Club in February about the heroes of what is called the Golden Era of Motor Racing, Entitled ANTICS and ANECDOTES of THE 50's and 60's HEROES, and presented by Michael Gasking, listeners were regaled with stories of triumph and tragedy, and who was considered to be the fastest, who graduated from a tractor to a Maserati 250F and the advice given by Stirling Moss, an unusual pit stop, the driver who scared the flag Marshals so much they deserted their post when he came by, how Gelignite Jack got his name, and some homilies from the brilliant but eccentric engine designer Phil Irving. It was a non technical presentation of the era before wings and before advertising and when the big battles were between the front and rear-engined cars, and the factory best against the innovative, ingenious Australian Specials.

Michael Gasking was in a unique position to be able to collect these ANTICS and ANECDOTES as he was responsible for the engine assembly and Dyno testing for the F1 and Tasman Climax engines during a career of almost 20 years with the then Australian multi-national, Repco.

Where:

Sporting Car Club of South Australia Club Rooms

51 King William Road

Unley

When:

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2003

Time:

7.30pm for an 8.00pm start

Cost:`

\$5.00 per person

Nibbles and coffee provided. Bar facilities are available.

Bookings essential to Robyn or Dean on 8373 4899.

Payment and hookings by Friday 25th July please

# Federation Meeting 14/6/03 Graham Gurr

The Federation of Historic Motoring Clubs meets every other month on the third Saturday night. I attended to represent our Club.

**ACTION:** Put Federation secretary on the mailing list for our newsletter.

Alan Pickering, Secretary FHMC Unit 9/20 Amber Rd Hope ValletySA 5090

Much of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of historic vehicle registration. The Federation has made a submission to TransportSA arguing that period accessories should be acceptable. No response has been received as yet.

# **COMMENTS:**

- Clubs are the ultimate authorities on historic authenticity. They should create
  a list of standard items documented to have been contemporaneously
  available. The rules have not changed; if it was acceptable before the recent
  "clarification" it is still acceptable (except LP gas). The Clubs have
  responsibility for decisions made.
- Every individual applying for Historic Registration must be a Club member in good standing and with full voting rights. Family and Lifetime members must convey full voting rights to each individual. We must document that as being our Club practice (and perhaps revise our Constitution to reinforce that).
- Termination or Transfer of Membership/Ownership:
   Club must cancel old log book
   If membership lapses notify the Registrar
   If transfer, inspect car, issue MR334, new log book with registration
- · The Federation has a website under development.
- The recent Federation fun run to the West Coast was a big success. The next run being planned will be to the SouthEast.
- There are numerous social activities of other Federation Clubs to which we are invited and which will be publicised through our newsletter.

# Proposed regulations for Historic Vehicle Registration - Due 1/8/2003 - 10

# 7. Eligibility Criteria

All aspects of the vehicle must conform to the spirit of the period of when the vehicle was manufactured. The vehicle's bodywork, paint, interior etc must be in good condition (allowing for fair wear and tear). Original replacement vehicle components cannot be varied in any way from OEM specifications.

# > Body

The shape of a vehicle's body, doors, mudguards, bonnet, boot etc must remain the same as originally manufactured. Any replacement part must be identical to the original component but may be manufactured of an alternative material. Air scoops etc cannot be added.

The bodywork of vehicles, which were sold in chassis form, must be of a type and style current at the time of manufacture for that period.

Modern equivalent paint and fabrics may be used provided that paint schemes and colours, as well as interior trim fabrics, are of a type and style current at the time of manufacture for that period.

# > Suspension

Suspension must be of the configuration and type as originally manufactured for that vehicle. Suspension location points must remain as originally manufactured. Springs may be replaced with a newer part provided that they are similar in size and rating as the original part. The lowering of the vehicle's suspension is not permitted and stub axles are to be an original part.

# > Rear Axle

The rear axle may be upgraded to an alternative, provided that it was an option or available rear axle assembly from the vehicle manufacturer for that make and model at the time of production. Different final drive ratios are acceptable provided they were originally available and the housing remains unaltered.

# > Steering

The steering box or rack, column and steering wheel are to remain positioned as originally manufactured. However, a vehicle may be converted to right hand drive provided that:

- the conversion is a 'mirror image' of the original steering configuration, and
- the components used in the conversion are from the same era and manufacturer or would replicate a OEM right-hand drive derivative of that make and model

## OR

• the conversion is performed using a "chain or angle drive" type system where the original steering components, apart from the lower steering column and shaft remain unmodified.

In all cases, the left to right hand drive conversion must be certified by a Charted Professional Engineer in accordance with Vehicle Standards Bulletin Number 4.

# > Brakes

Disc brakes may be fitted provided they were an option at the time of manufacture of the vehicle. If fitted, they must be the same size and type as provided by the OEM, with the same type caliper.

# > Transmission

The transmission must be as fitted by the OEM, or an option available from the original vehicle manufacturer at the time of manufacture. Column change can only be changed to a floor change or visa versa if it was an option on that particular model of vehicle. The selector, either manual or automatic, is to be of an original type for that model of vehicle.

Variations to a gear selector can be made to cater for a person's disability if supported by medical recommendations.

# > Engine

The engine must be of the size, make and configuration as provided by the OEM or an engine that was available to that make, model and year of manufacture. Inlet and exhaust manifolds, carburation, air cleaner, camshaft and heads to be as originally supplied by the OEM or available as an option. Variations are limited to OEM reconditioning tolerances. Crankshaft stroke must remain standard for the model and year of the vehicle.

Air cleaners are permitted to be fitted where the OEM did not provide them as original equipment. The fitting of LP Gas as a single or alternative fuel is not acceptable unless originally supplied by the vehicle manufacturer. If already fitted it must be removed within 2 years of the date of this code.

# > Wheels and tyres

Standard or OEM optional wheels can only be fitted provided they were available on that make, model and year of vehicle. Tyres must be suitable to the size of rim fitted, but may be of modern design. Beaded edge rims and tyres may be replaced with well-based or straight-sided components, provided the external diameter, offset, style, material and width of the rim and the overall diameter of the tyre/rim combination are not altered by more than 10%.

## 7.1 Variations

The electrical system may be upgraded from 6 to 12 volts.

If an original part is no longer available or deemed to have been manufactured to an inferior (unsafe) standard, then the club is to liaise with the Federation, who can provide a determination if the part is considered acceptable.

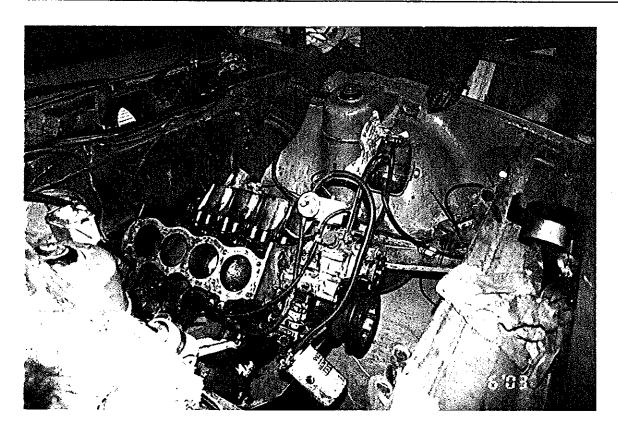
The part will only be considered if the original cannot be sourced, is deemed unsuitable due to its quality of manufacture, is identical or as close as possible to the original in all aspects and does not affect the performance of the vehicle.

Vehicles manufactured prior to 1949 may be fitted with replacement components from the same make of vehicle manufactured within 5 years from when the original vehicle was manufactured if they do not detract from the spirit of the original vehicle.

Acceptable accessories are restricted to those offered by the OEM or the OEM's authorised dealer at the time of delivery as a new vehicle. i.e. GMH/Nasco.

The vehicle owner may be required to submit evidence of the availability of an accessory at the time of delivery.

Any alterations should be restricted to those required to ensure the safe use of the vehicle on the road, or because relevant parts are no longer available or possible to make at reasonable cost. Vehicle alterations should be in a way that the vehicle is able to be converted back to original condition with the least possible effort, damage and cost.



Open heart surgery: Robert Batchelor FIXING RATTLES

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