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#### What's in the Boot? Social Activities to watch out for!

Opening the boot this month I have discovered a number of activities that you need to know about:

- 1) It is only 6 months till our National Meeting at Geelong!!!!!
- 2) The Concourse de Elegance will be held on the 18th November at the Caribbean Gardens from 11am till 2pm

Categories will be

Best Original V8
Best Original 6
Best Modified

People's Choice (Jim Wallace Perpetual Trophy)

Please note a restored car, which has been restored to original condition, will be judged as an original and may win if it is better than an unrestored car. Prizes will be awarded for 1st and 2nd except for People's Choice.

3) For the first time since 1975 there will be a P76 competing in the Alpine Rally, held every second year with 100 classic rally cars this years event out of Lake Entrance 24th and 25th November is shaping up as a marathon (we are still looking for a service crew contact John on 0429007080)



4) 21<sup>st</sup> Picnic at Hanging Rock on Sunday 10th February 2008

Following a proposal for one of our members in Omeo I put the following together for your consideration:

#### The 2008 P76 Australian High Country Heritage tour,

Next year we have an additional long weekend as ANZAC day falls on a Friday. I think the P76 Australian Heritage tour for the ANZAC day weekend would be most appropriate with P76 members in attendance at a dawn service at the Wangaratta war memorial after travelling up from Melbourne on the Thursday night. After a group breakfast we will head from Wangaratta into the Ovens Valley stopping at wineries along the way and lunch at Bright before settling at Dinner Plain for the night. We could descend to Omeo for a lunchime display at Omeo then on to the winery at Ensay and on to Bairnsdale. On Sunday head toward Melbourne via Heyfield and the Gippsland Motor Museum, before dispersing.

The whole journey would be on some of the best roads Victoria has to offer and would also present an opportunity to see some of the most spectacular scenery Victoria's high country has to offer. Travelling as part of a group will give you the confidence to feel supported on the journey. I intend to give you a range of accommodation options and would seek support from a major fuel supplier in order to get a group discount on fuel for the journey. Could you please indicate to me your interest in this activity through return email or letter.

Regards John Ernst



#### Minutes of the Leyland P76 Owners Club of Victoria Committee Meeting - 4-6-07



The President declared the meeting open at 7.15 pm.

#### 1. Present

President - Rick Perceval
Editor – Michael Clarke
Registrar - Martyn Hayes
Parts & Tech - Marcus Kneebone
Treasurer - Silvia Hayes
Secretary - David Walker
Social Secretary - John Earnst
Club members - None

Apologies - None

#### 2. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the last committee meeting dated 04-08-07 were tabled, and were accepted as a true record. Proposed: David Seconded: Marcus Passed

#### 3. Business arising

New membership cards have been produced

Rick has updated the contact details on the clubs website and is in the process of cleaning up the
rest of the site

#### 4. Correspondence In / Out

#### IN:

- David received a email from Peter Whittington re: Club trip proposal Details passed on to John
- Certificate of insurance/receipt & renewal forms.
- David received an email from Chris (Triumph club) re: combined club run Details passed on to John.
- Invite to the Cora Lynn car show in October.
- Don Wright sent a list of parts available Passed on to Marcus
- Magazine article from Athol Ham
- Interstate club magazines
- · Rick received email re: cars for sale, David and Martyn visited the cars on their Adelaide trip

#### OUT:

- Club magazine sent to members
- Annual statement & cheque sent to Consumer Affairs
- · Response to Peter Whittington's email
- · Response to Triumph club email
- · Email to Adrian re: car for sale

#### 5. Reports

#### President:

- Rick has a new job
- Received enquiry through club website re: cars for sale. Visited by David & Martyn on Adelaide trip

#### Vice President:

No report available - Ken still overseas

#### Treasurer:

Detailed treasurers report provided

#### Editor

- Two magazine articles received from members
- · Old article to be reproduced

#### Parts & Tech

- Still pursuing NOS
- Thanks to David & Martyn for the parts purchase in SA

#### Registrar

- Martyn provided a detailed Registrars report
- AMOC records Motion to purchase rego records from AMOC to be entered into club DB.
   Proposed by Rick, seconded by Marcus, passed. Martyn to contact the AMOC

#### Secretary

- Contacted Chris Newell from the Triumph owners club re: combined club event
- · Sent annual statement & payment to Consumer Affairs
- · Had a great time with Martyn in Adelaide, magazine article to follow
- Bathurst BBQ, 7<sup>th</sup> October, flyer to be produced and distributed to members
- NOS parts supplier contacted in Adelaide. Details passed on to Marcus

#### 6. General Business

Car purchased by David & Martyn in Adelaide for the clubs benefit. Silent auction to be held to sell car

#### 7. Coming events

- October 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Bathurst BBO.
- November Presidents run to Antique stores and Airfield in Tyabb. Details TBA.
- February 08 Picnic @ Hanging Rock.
- March 08 Nationals in Geelong. Not to be missed!
- April 08 A paint ball bay is being planned. Date TBA

#### 9. Close of Business

The Meeting was closed at 9.30pm

The next committee meeting will be held at the South Oakleigh Club on the 8th October starting at 6.00pm for dinner & 7.00pm for the meeting.

#### Committee meetings @ the South Oakleigh Club

Come and join the friendly committee members for dinner before the meeting. The Specials board has \$12.00 & \$15.00 meals that are value for money, really tasty and the desert menu is great!

2 for \$15 vouchers can be downloaded & printed from www.hotdockets.com.au

The South Oakleigh Club
No. 1 Victor rd <u>East Bentleigh</u>. Mel ref 78 D4

## Coming Events....

- \* 7 october 2007 Bathurst Barby at David Walkers place 11.30am start flyer to be sent seperately
- \* 18/11/2007 Sunday Club Concourse same place as last year Caribbean Gardens , Stud rd, Rowville Mel 72 J8 Slightly different categories to last year and a few more prizes!!!!
- \* 26 jan 2008 RACV Federation Vehicle display kings Domain gardens, city \$15 entry, entries close 9nov2007 ring john davis 03 5422 3570 for application form. Cars in very good condition are best suited to this event
- \* Jan/feb 2008 Picnic at hanging rock date tba
- \* Easter 2008 national meet Geelong

Other shows going on:

\* "last of the chrome bumpers" 7/10/2007 8am start car show/swap meet/market. All classic cars welcome Driver and display car entry free, food trophies, displays. Cora Lynn Recreation Reserve south eastern key map Page 14, 10 mins south of packenham enq dennis 0409861088 or terry 5968 4641

#### **Editorial**

Got a call from a gent in western Vic the other day his sister had to get rid of an old P, and she was going to shunt it off to the wreckers!!!

He fortunately persuaded her not to and located the club phone number (me). Fortunately this was a good weekend to find out about the car as we had two intrepid members going to and from Adelaide on a parts "expedition", they crammed in a visit to look at this car on the way back, and it was that good Dave Walker got in a drove it home!!!

You would all have details of this car now and have the potential of owning it. Another one saved!!!! Well done Martyn and David. If you are the lucky purchaser **please** keep it in original condition it is very rare.

Thanks to Peter Whittington on two great articles and pics for the mag...and congratulations on "tieing the knot!" Well done pete. Gee that Spanish olive looks good what a great colour...

Thanks to Jason Birmingham on his latest edition of "taxi talk"

Apologies to Athol Ham my scanner has packed up so cant use your hard copy article at this stage, this has prevented me from including some other stuff as well.

The trax nutmeg targa is out now get in quick to get your example. Cheap at \$40.

Newport Motors in South Australia has a variety of six cylinder engine parts and gaskets they can be contacted on...marcus has the number.

Go green and convert your car to LPG..10-15% less greenhouse gas emissions, and one fifth air toxic emissions of petrol.

Safety??? A correctly fitted LPG system meeting all aust standards is safer than a petrol fuel system.

#### .....SNOW P!.....

#### Presidents Run 2006

On the 24<sup>th</sup> September 2006 the president's run was a trip to Bright in North East Victoria. For those that may recall the trip report in the September magazine last year the weather was quite windy and squally with showers and hail. However the day was still very successful and enjoyable. It was the trip home to Omeo over Mt Hotham that turned out to be quite an interesting drive. As I got closer to the summit the road became quite slushy and icy, visibility deteriorated and I feared the worst. About 2 kilometres from the summit of Mt Hotham I turned a corner and the road was covered in snow. The Leyland slipped and slid up the road for another 50 metres until I eventually lost traction. That was it. Out with the snow chains. It was lucky I bothered to borrow them from a mate that morning before I left Omeo, though I never imagined I would need them. About half an hour later, with two frozen hands and wet clothes I had the ill fitting chains on the car and we were off again. The chains were about a size too big as they were for a late model Falcon. (Nothing half a dozen octopus straps can't fix). Fortunately everything heid together and I made it through the village and out of the snow, even if it was a slow trip. After nearly 12 months I finally have the filmed developed and some photos of the Leyland in the snow outside Hotham Central in the Mt Hotham Village.

Peter Whittington



### Assorted pics...

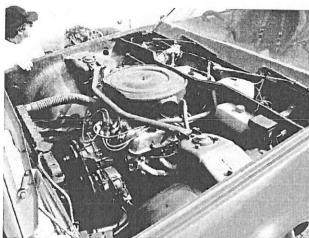
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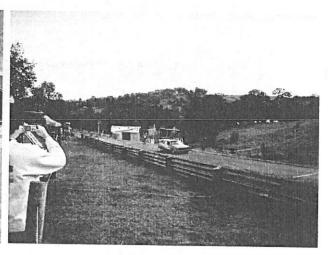
Some photos from Rob Roy Hill climb featuring the P76 of Daryl Lloyd.(president of the Morris Modified Register)This is an ex rally car (with Cams Logbook) that has been converted into a sports sedan,run a 4.4 litre P76 motor,mild state of tune,four speed single rail gearbox and a Ford 9 inch rearend still being sorted after being in mothballs for a while.

Regards John Lloyd.









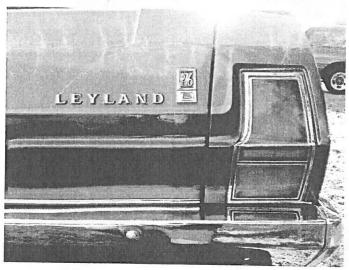
Omega navy force 7 now in New Zealand:



Replica wagon now owned by R. Warwick, my super, a NSW car.



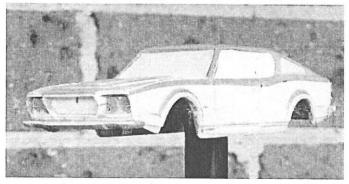


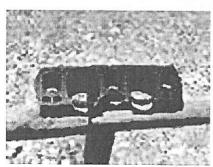


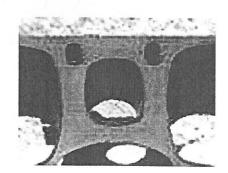
Queensland club cars at recent all british day:



Initial mold of Force 7 model currently in production, plus very rare mark 2 instrument facia.











# THE GREAT BATHURST BBQ 2007 IS ON!

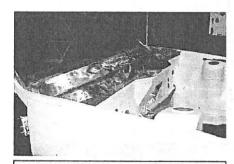
AUSTRALIA

Where - Sunday 7th October
Where - David & Rachel's house,
10 Jassa st, East Bentleigh ( Mel Ref 69C10)
Time 9.00am onwards

Come and join fellow enthusiasts of the great race and the great P76! Enjoy a cocked lunch and watch the race on the big screen. Lunch & drinks provided, BYO Alcohol. **RSVP David 0409675648** 

# Taxi Talk

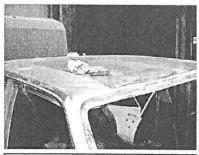
The 20<sup>th</sup> September marked the "6 months to go" mark, till the Easter National Meeting at Geelong. I really don't know if I will make it in time... there is soooo much work still to do.....I find more stuff to repair as I go along. I suppose the best way to look at it is YES, it will be ready & to go like crazy to get it finished, & at least if I don't make it, it will be that much closer than if I just gave up now.



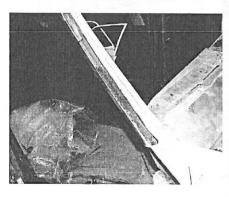
The plenum chamber area was in really good shape, with only a small repair right at the bottom. The hole for the "factory air" was made larger & the correct holes drilled



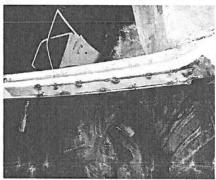
The engine bay in "high build Zinc Phosphate Primer" This a two pack Epoxy paint that sets like a rock, is difficult to sand, but will keep any missed rust spots from re-occurring



The roof in bare metal. again in pretty good shape with only a few repairs needed. Sealer was stripped out of the gutters & the seams painted with Por 15 rust paint.



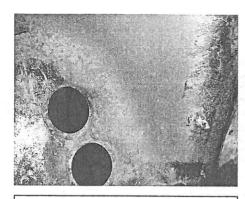
The drivers side windscreen pillar had a couple of small rust spots on the outside, near the gutter. This is what I had to cut out to get to good metal!! The pillar has a small divider piece running up the inside. This was sandblasted, treated & painted with rust paint.

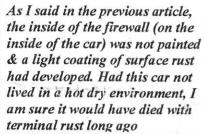


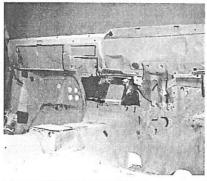
I then cut a piece of steel the same size, firstly tacking it in place, then welding it all the way around. I was not looking forward to this job, but it went really easily. Afterwards I drilled a small hole on the inside of the pillar so I could get access to the back of it to rust proof it.



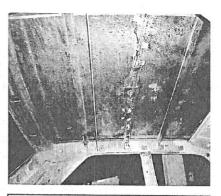
With a bit of bog it will be perfect!. I also welded the join where the front mudguards join the screen pillar to stop the paint from cracking later on.



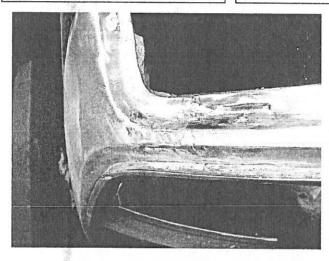




The inside again, now painted with the Por 15 rust paint. This paint soaks into any rust, dries by the absorbtion of moisture & cures to a glossy rock hard finish. Note the extra holes drilled for the Air cond. hoses

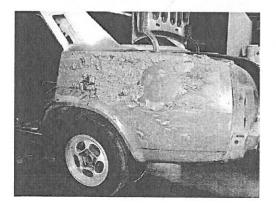


The inside of the roof will need the same treatment. The brown spots you see here is actually dried glue, where the sound proofing stuff was glued to the roof. You tell me this car was "Rota Dipped"!





What you see here is the roof joins on the front & rear pillars. These are normally lead filled, but the effects of sitting in a paddock for 20 years had caused the lead the "crack up", so it had to be removed. The join at the rear ¼ panel is quite neat, but check out how rough the screen pillar join is... I didn't put all those dents in there... they are "Factory Leyland Dents!" All the P76's may be joined like this.... You wouldn't know as it is expertly covered up. It makes no difference... It just looks bad when you see it like this!



Now I have turned the car around on the hoist so the bum is poking out & I can start work on the back. It's a bit disappointing... I thought the worst was over with the front stuff finished, but the back end holds plenty of scary stuff.... Then there is buggered door hinges, rusty sills & fitting of doors from another car to make life tough! Paint stripper works good though! See ya next issue! Jason B.

#### Our Wedding in Omeo

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February this year Terrianne Faithfull and myself Peter Whittington were married in the Livingstone Park in Omeo. We were lucky with the weather the day was warm and whilst the clouds were threating it never rained. Terrianne and her Matron of Honour arrived on horseback to the park accompanied by our two dogs a Curly Retriever and Beagle Labrador cross.

With a P76 in the garage there are no prizes for guessing what the wedding car had to be and the best man and I arrived in a gleaming spanish olive executive V8.

The service in the park was very relaxed and we all enjoyed a beer in the park afterwards while we chatted and had photos taken. The reception was held that evening in the Omeo Soldiers Memorial Hall with spit roast catering and band. A great night was had by all.

Here we are outside our Post Office Business in Omeo with the P76.

Peter Whittington



#### For Sale...CARS

New..Les from Horsham is selling a deceased estate country cream deluxe, 3 speed column shift manual. 1974 model, 128k on the clock P76 076 A4S2N26 14192 3/74 035 384 6313 \$2000 with spare car V8.

Jim McCarg is selling his bitter apricot super V8 VHK453 column auto reco motor 40 k ago reco gearbox 5k ago excellent brown interior layback buckets slight rust bottom door on gas tank in date september reg. Close to RWC new carpets, Venetian close to RWC \$3,500 ono 0418 507019

Bob Leonard is selling 3 cars: 6cyl Deluxe, Bench seat, 3 speed manual; plus two V8 Super 4 speeds Cars good condition no reg or RWC \$1000 each ono. Ring 03 94599285.

**NEW** ring steve exton he is selling his exec off road last 8 years straight body some spares pwr steer no reg or rwc \$1000 9548 4780

1973 Deluxe White V8 3speed column shift, towbar, 2 spare tyres, All Tyres as new. 92,000miles . 2nd owner...last 5 years. Good sound straight body. Interior good. New clutch and fuel pump. \$2,675. Situated Albury/Wodonga Russell 02 6059 4824.

1974 country cream deluxe 4 on the floor V8, IBC933, engine number 44081146, after market air, super grill, fair imperial leather interior, fixed buckets, tow bar, LSD, George Hammond Bairnsdale 03 51523953

1974 t-bar super six bold as brass p76076 E4S3A26 8-74 18065 excellent condition 109k since new outstanding example both inside and out, engine great, auto trans not so good \$7,000 ono ring norm southern suburbs Melbourne 03 9546 3127

1974 country cream super 4 speed six superb vehicle in every aspect nothing to spend multiple prize winner ring Joe Blitz 9379 4583 or 0407 823857 \$7,500

V8 Exec brown with parchment interior previous concours winner on gas RWC lrl919 \$6,800 ring Howard on 03 9782 5777

#### For Sale...PARTS.. new old stock

Radiator mount bushes \$18 set, Handbrake cable (long) \$15 Petrol cap new \$25, six cyl fuel pump \$40 new, steering column lower bush new \$25 six cylinder distributor cap new \$20 steering rack tie rod arms \$60 pair, steering rack pinion new \$20 **Ring Mick Clarke 03 97294005** 

New engine still in crate..V8..\$5000, also cars: blue targa exterior surface rust, bold as brass auto super V8 good nick Eric Johnson 03 97621248

#### NEW targa caps and badges, ring the S.A. club GEOFF CUTTING 08 82703799

**Wanted: NV GREEN P76** Ring Nick Demopoulos 04104 64850 Imperial leather front reclining. Parchment front reclining any condition Mick 03 97294005

Roadgoing Leyland P76 V8 auto, very good condition with little to do, no rust orvery little, roadworthy, ring Ian Cranney 03 54496977

NOS Parts list from Addisons, ring MARCUS to purchase..note: these are not club parts

- 2 x V8 water pumps \$400 ea
- 2 x Tailight assemblies ( L & R With globes) 60.00each
- 2 x Front Flexible brake hoses \$60.00
- 1 x rear flexible brake hose \$30.00 1 x frt Mudflap set \$25.00 1 x Top Steer Column bush \$15.00
- 1 x 6cyl Super MPH Speedo \$50.00 1 x Auto Pedal Rubber \$15.00
- 2 x V8 Deluxe Speedo's \$50.00 Ea 1 x Rear mudflap set \$25.00

#### Heated Rear Screens!!!

Tinted: \$230 Clear: \$220 Ring Troy Green 0409 988757 or Joe Green 02 9522 6529 The NSW classic club has had these made up and is waiting on orders to do another run. Ring to book yours now, and get rid of that misted up rear screen on those foggy cold mornings!





# Join the fun and have your machine seen at the Easter Nationals Geelong 2008



#### Leyland P76 Owners Club of Victoria Inc

#### Membership Application and Renewal Form

The Leyland P76 Owners Club of Victoria is dedicated to the preservation, support of enthusiasts and history of this ground breaking car. You are invited to join the club or renew your membership and share your passion for the car with others. The Annual Membership fee is \$40.

Please mail this membership form along with a cheque or money order payable to the Leyland P76 Owners Club of Victoria to the Registrar:

Martyn Hayes 245 Windermere Rd Lara Victoria 3212 Ph 0407170691 Email cybermuddin@dodo.com.au

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# Leyland P76



"Henry Ford's model T has been voted car of the century. Yet the standout candidate did not even rate a mention.

Organisers trotted out plausible justification for their choice: its assembly line production and affordability for the masses.

But these are trivial innovations compared to the edge of the seat excitement and red-hot flair of Leyland's

P76"

The Australian - date unknown.

Join the Leyland P76 Owners Club of Victoria; we will assist you to acquire one of the classic cars, and also to maintain it. The club is a source of tech tips; parts and social get togethers to celebrate this great Australian historical car. Call Michael on 97294005 for more information.