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‘Need to get one of the “Leyland P76 Parking Only’ signs, some joker parked their XP Falcon in my garage!’

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Cunderdin Hot Rod & Classic Car Show

21st October 2023

So a couple of weeks ago myself and a few other club members made the trek out to Cunderdin to check out the display that was happening over the weekend. Adam & I went up early to meet up with Adrian & Kirsty to have a wonder around a local Farmer's Market . We were later met by Ken, Paul, his son Nicholas & friend Brad

Once we were all assembled and pretty sure nobody was running late, we set off with Paul leading the way in his Ford XD 351, followed by Adrian & Kirsty in their Corinthian Blue Deluxe, Adam & myself in our Bold as Brass Super and Ken in his Home on the Orange Super.

We got into Cunderdin just before 12 and as we had already decided not to display parking was easy. The variety of cars on display was small but many that we hadn't seen at previous shows. After many casual walks around looking at the cars & bike's on display we decided to call it a day but not before we all met under the Tiger Moth mounted on a pole for a group shot.



Overall it was a great day and run out, with many thanks to Paul G for organizing the meeting point and convoy.



Country Cream Executive - Part 2

By Eric Woodward



So I'll begin with apologies to all who have been hanging out to see an update on my country cream executive.

So where did I leave off? Right so with the engine out of the car and off to have a new cylinder sleeve installed as well as new cam bearings, what better time to pay some attention to the developing rust in the fire wall around the factory air conditioning.

As well as the fire wall rust there is also rust on the inner guards where that horrible executive sound deadening is. And the battery tray needs to be replaced.

So after removing the sound deadening all that was left was rust and the crappy glue residue so I decided to have the entire engine bay and plenum sand blasted.



After the sand blasting was done the car was masked up and a nice clean looking coat of primer went on and the real extent of the rust was revealed.



Under the battery tray was pretty bad!



And an entire replacement section was found and made to fit.



Next it was on to the firewall.

The rust in the firewall was in some pretty difficult positions so I decided to remove the firewall completely to make it a little easier, and the side bonus is that it allows me to treat and prime the metal between the 2 skins.



< Both sides needed this treatment in the lower corners of the ac port.

Even the holes for the heater hoses needed some attention.



In-between working on the firewall and replacing the battery tray I also has to have a look at the inner guards where the old sound deadening was.

One such spot made a good marker holder for a brief time before the section was replaced.

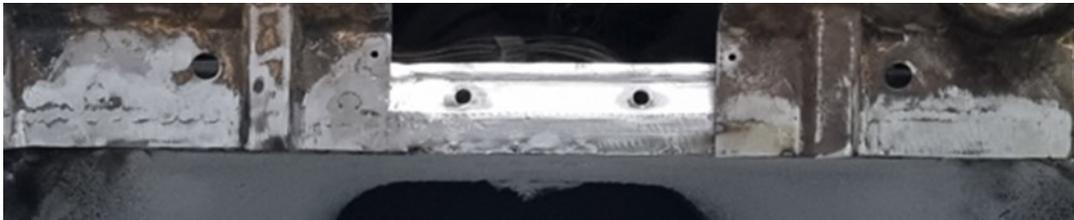


Whole bits were replaced where needed and some holes I managed to get with spot welds. Again, both sides were like this in sections.

But with all these areas treated it was time to move on the re-installing the fire wall.



The fire wall that I removed from the car was pretty trashed in some spots, but as we all know panel fitment between cars can be pretty bad so a donor fire wall wasn't really an option.



75% of the lower section was replaced and double layer of steel was removed on both sides where the heater hoses and brake booster are located, this will prevent any further build up of moister between the layers and causing rust later on down the track.



Orange Car

By Kathy Archer

The “Orange Car” is a 1974 matching numbers factory 4-speed V8 Super Home on Th’orange P76. Like many P76’s the Orange Car was unregistered for many years. By the time I bought it a fair bit of mechanical work had been done in preparation for getting it road registered again and this occurred when I purchased it in July 2019. It does not seem as long as 4 years ago! As with many of us, life happens and my cars took a back seat for a while. Since I have started to drive the Orange Car, I have come across things that I have wanted to change for my own satisfaction and peace of mind.

I had a relay for the starter motor installed and because I don’t really trust 50-year-old wiring I had an in-line 30-amp fuse put into the main wiring harness to minimise the possibility of electrical fires. After a bit of driving, I found that the contacts in the ignition switch were causing the car to “do its own thing” in terms of starting and shutting off – or not, what happened in the engine bay was unrelated to the key.

Very disconcerting.

I bought a specially made ignition switch wiring assembly and installed that into the back of the ignition switch and at the same time removed the steering lock. So far so good. The ignition job required the dash to come out

(and we all know what a pain that is) so at the same time I changed over all the dash globes to LEDs, installed a new oil pressure gauge in the switch facia, installed and wired up a new stereo, installed a new blanking plate (to close that semi-circle gap above the steering column) and did a general tidy up of the cavity and wiring behind the gauges.

During the process of removing the gauges and the surrounds the brittle plastic cracked. I came across a great product called “Rapid Fix” which bonds plastics, metal and rubber to fill cracks and gaps and can be drilled, sanded and painted. It is easy to use, sets very quickly and it sealed and strengthened the cracks I accidentally put in the dash. Interestingly, it is also suitable for use with petrol and oil so can be used to repair plastic fuel tanks on items like whipper snippers.



Over time anything vinyl in the car becomes dry and stiff. Research suggested that one way to remedy this (before I get around to reupholstering the seats) is to wipe over the vinyl (and any plastic like the dash pad and door cards) with a very thin layer of mineral oil (aka baby oil). Applying mineral oil allows the material to absorb the chemicals that have leached out over time. I have been pleasantly surprised at how much the vinyl and plastic absorbs the oil and gets rejuvenated. Obviously, it does not fix the cracks in vinyl or plastic but it does make dry stiff vinyl look and feel heaps better. I've been doing this regularly with all the cars and it has certainly improved them.



Before Oil



After Oil

When driving I found that the car would quite happily get rather hot even in cool ambient temperatures. Initially, I changed the coolant (just to be sure), and then with no improvement I installed a slightly cooler thermostat, a brand-new viscous clutch fan and an in-line coolant filter. The in-line filter has been very beneficial in catching all sorts of debris so I can remove it from circulation. Quite an eye opener really. I'm yet to drive it in warm/hot weather to test the new fan, I dare say that will happen soon, but so far, I've noticed an improvement. Fingers crossed. The other thing I have done in the engine bay is to sand blast and re-paint the air cleaner. Stamps Industries were very helpful in matching the paint colour and making up a couple of rattle/aerosol spray cans to do the job. My next task is to blast and paint the rocker covers to tidy them up a bit.



My efforts to date have been aided by the practical help of my husband Adrian and the valued input from various members of the P76 community, near and far.

Minutes from October General Meeting

Monday 2nd October 2023

Meeting Opened: 6:30 pm

Attendees: Adrian Carr, Adam & Kate Woodward, Mick Le Cocq, Paul Goerke, Paul Strestik, Ken Domeyer, Ray Bourne, Mick LeCocq, Paul Banham, Kathy Archer (TEAMS), Jason Spooner (TEAMS), Peter Leam

Apologies: Darek Goray, Geoff Smith, Dennis Woodward

Previous minutes:

- Minutes of the previous meeting (September 2023) be passed as read and accepted as a true & accurate record by Ken Domeyer and seconded by Paul Goerke.

Business arising:

- Christmas Catch Up - we are trying to promote that the concessional cars be bought as we are no longer having inspections.

Incoming Correspondence:

- Nil

Correspondence out:

- Nil

Treasures report:

- \$24, 523.93
- Haven't heard from Matt Truman. David Hooper, Angela or Lesia in regards to memberships.

Spare parts:

- Nil sold.
- Rocker Cover Gaskets - 6 pairs ordered, to be sold at \$30 a pair.

Events/runs:

- Multiple generic runs coming up - check the TEAM app and Westwords for information.
- Get your concessional out for Christmas at the Bowls Club - Kate has sent out survey for dates, please respond ASAP.
- Paul to organise the run to Cunderdin - Saturday 21st October.
- Adrian - Breakfast run to Redcliffe/ Ascot. Details to come.
- Kate is going to organise a burger run down to Pop's Diner in Mandurah - details to be advised.

Minutes from October General Meeting

Westwords Magazine:

- Members car of the month, if everyone could send a photo or two of their pride and joys with a short blurb, this will then be chosen at random to be the cover of Westwords each month.

Register:

- Paul has updated all the information for the C4C/ 404 Historic regarding rules and guidelines. This will be sent through to be included in as a reoccurring part of Westwords.

C4C/ 404 Historic:

- Adam wants to put a tractor on C4C - 56 Fordson Major - are we allowed to do this? Paul to check.

Cars coming off.

- Nil

General business:

- Everyone is happy with the new start time, be happier when we have more sunshine, and we can have a sausage sizzle.
- AGM first meeting in July, bi-monthly meetings starting in January 2024
- TEAM App - Kate to look at this so members can add their impromptu runs etc. Try to create a template or guidelines.
- TEAMS - send the email again and explain what it is and the process better.
- Next year join the Northern Steel Club and Mustang Club at the Ledge Point Fair as a Show & Shine
- Charger Club are happy to do combined runs with us.
- Summer Creek Brewery & Mrs. Sippy BBQ sound like good locations for a run/ lunch.
- Possible new member from the UK - Adam is currently in contact with him.
- Flyers/ advertisements for the club for when we go to events etc - Possibly from Vista Print.
- Targa Models - should be ready for release by the end of the year from Authentic Collectibles.

Meeting Closed: 7:30pm

Spare Parts List

- V8 Oil Filters \$25 ea.
- Pair of V8 Points Set \$25 ea.
- V8 Rocker Cover Gasket (cork) \$45 pair
- V8 Head Gasket \$35 ea.
- V8 Main Bearings (10th & 20th) \$110 set
- V8 Valley Cover Gasket \$100 ea.
- V8 Water Pump Bearing & Seal \$95
- Number Plate Light Lenses \$60 pair
- Indicator Switch Mechanism (new) \$250 ea.
- Handbrake Cable (Short) \$5 ea.
- Engine Mounts (Exchange Only) \$65
- Gearbox Mounts (Exchange Only) \$80
- Strut top Bushes \$50 pair
- Overhauled Fuel Senders (Exchange Only) \$175 each
- Overhauled Manual Steering Shaft (Exchange Only) \$250 each
- Overhauled Power Steering Shaft (Exchange Only) \$250 each



Note: A selection of fast-moving parts will be brought to the club meetings. If there is a particular part you require, please contact Mick Le Coq on 0414 731 535 to place an

Parts for Sale, donated by Jason & Ray

GOLD COIN donation on some parts.

MAKE US AN OFFER!

All proceeds going to club.

- Front crossmember and manual steering rack.
- Front strut leg housings bare.....
- Front springs
- Early model sill plates. \$20
- Rear tail lights from \$5 each.
- Column auto steering column \$20
- Highest offer wins/ random draw if several people interested.

No I cannot store the items, they must be collected within 2 weeks, or by the end of November this is when the skip is arriving!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Classic Cars & Coffee

November 5th, 9am - 11am

UWA, Carparks 3 & 4,
Hackett Drive, Crawley

Cars \$10.00

Bikes \$5.00

Spectators FREE

All proceeds go towards
supporting The Prostate
Cancer Foundation of Aus-
tralia

General Meeting

Monday 6th November,
6:30pm onwards

Veteran Car Club of WA

Big Rigz Burger Run, organised by Kate

18th November - Meeting
at Armadale Sydney Tools
@ 5:30 for a 5:45
departure.

Joondalup Festival of Motoring

Friday 24th to Sunday 26th
November

Grand Blvd, Joondalup, WA

See their Facebook page for
more details

American Car Club Show

Saturday 25th November,
12pm - 4pm

Stirling Square Guildford.

Food Trucks, Traders &
Live Music

FREE ENTRY

All Classic Cars Welcome!

November 2023

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
		1	2	3	4	5 Classic Cars & Coffee
6 General Meeting 6.30	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Big Rigz Burger Run	19
20	21	22	23	24 Joondalup Festival of Motoring	25 American Car Club Show	26 Joondalup Festival of Motoring
27	28	29	30			

December 2023

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3 Christmas Function
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Classic Cars & Coffee

Get your Concessional Car out for Christmas

3rd December, Bowls Club Safety Bay

This year Mick has graciously offered up the Bowls Club for our Club Christmas event where we can once again enjoy a yummy meal, followed by a friendly game of bowls.

The bowls club has a awesome car park where we can all meet, park the cars and hopefully grab a few photos for the magazine.

This isn't an inspection but it is a great opportunity for all club members to dust off those 'special' cars and bring them out into the sunshine for everyone to enjoy.

In order to finalise the cost of this per person, Mick needs to know who will be in attendance as soon as possible. If you can attend this event please let myself or Adam know by the 19th November via phone or email.

This will be our final Club event for the year so we would love to see as many of you there as possible!



Big Rigz Burger Run

It's BURGER time!!



Saturday 18th November.

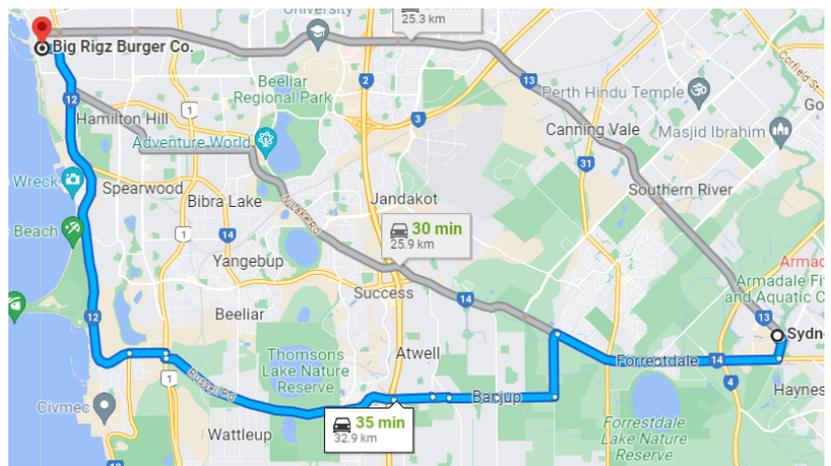
Meeting at Sydney Tools in Forrestdale at 5:30pm to be ready for a 5:45pm departure. We will follow the highlighted route below for a cruisy and scenic drive to Big Rigz Burger Co in South Fremantle.

This is a family friendly event so bring your family, bring your friends and we can all enjoy the cars, company and of course burgers.

Please let us know if your coming via email or phone.

Hope to see you there.

Kate



Events in the coming months

Classic Cars & Coffee

December 3rd, 9am - 11am

UWA, Carparks 3 & 4, Hackett Drive, Crawley

Cars \$10.00

Bikes \$5.00

Spectators FREE

All proceeds go towards supporting The Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia

Get Your Concessional Car out for Christmas.

3rd December

Classic Cars & Coffee - NYE

December 31st, 9am - 11am

UWA, Carparks 3 & 4, Hackett Drive, Crawley

Cars \$10.00

Bikes \$5.00

Spectators FREE

All proceeds go towards supporting The Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia

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