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# A30 MINUTES

A NEWSLETTER OF THE AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB INC.



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## *From the Front Seat*

A message from Club President, Don Jones

Welcome to June 2007

At the last meeting, discussions took place about the club fees, and it was decided to increase the fees by \$5.00 this financial year, so this brings the fees up to \$40.

The \$5.00 increase is needed as postage and printing costs have risen and also the day-to-day running costs of the club.

The Club Annual General Meeting will be held in conjunction with the Club General meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> July. Now is the time for you to consider taking a place on the Committee and make a direct contribution to the running of the club. Every club needs new blood to keep the club in good stead.

To keep your club-registered vehicle on the road you must be a financial member of the club. All dues are due on the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

The Annual General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers for the 2007 / 2008 year will be held on Wednesday, 18th July, in conjunction with the Club July Meeting, at the Camberwell Uniting Church, 314 Camberwell Road, Camberwell at 8.00 pm.

**AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB GRAND RAFFLE**

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**Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc.**  
**(Ass.Inc.No.A8084W)**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2007.  
at the Camberwell Uniting Church, 314 Camberwell Road, Camberwell.

**Meeting opened:** The meeting was opened at 8.07pm

**Attendance:** 20 members were in attendance.

**Apologies:**

Joe & Fay Reilly, Angela Hall, Ian Warren, June Overton, Bob & Shun Dickson, Ted & Mary Jones, David & Bronwyn Taylor, Annette & Fred Braunies and Janette Allen.

**Birthdays:**

Diane Davie & Bob Talbot

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2007 were accepted as a correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Brian Brooks      Seconded: Bob Talbot      Carried.

**Business Arising:**

Nil

**Correspondence:**

Out: Nil

**In:** AOMC – Changes to the AOMC Constitution  
 The Tradsheet – Traditional Car Club Doncaster UK – April and May  
 Austin 7 Journals – Austin 7 Club of SA – April  
 A40 Newflash – Austin A40 Car Club of Australia- May/June  
 The Light Shaft – Austin 7 Club – May  
 Austins News – Austin Motor Vehicle Club of WA – May/June  
 The Depender – Austin Motor Vehicles Club of NSW – May  
 Castlemaine Historic Vehicle Club – May

Moved: Bob Talbot      Seconded: Percy May      Carried

**Treasurer's Report: - Dianne Davie**

Dianne gave an update report on the finance of the Club.

Moved: David Linke      Seconded: Lyall Dowell      Carried

**Editors Report: Graeme McIntosh:**

Magazine going well. Graeme is still wanting Members to send items for the Newsletter, such as write up on their cars, even though you have written one up before we have new members in the Club that have not read them.

**Librarian Report: - Bruce Hall**

Bruce has a wide range of books and technical information available to members.

If you need any information at all please do not hesitate to give Bruce a call. Bruce indicated that he would be handing over the Librarian's position at the end of June. To help the person taking over the Library Bruce has put all the information in a Library Computer Program. He has been very busy getting all this together. Good to see Glenys looking much better.

### **Membership Report: - Tom Bacon**

Tom Bacon reported that the membership now stands at 89. Theresa from Bundaberg rang and asked about the Club and said she would like a Membership form sent. Apparently both her Father and Grandfather were involved with A30's.

### **Club Captain:**

In Fred's absent Don Jones gave a report

### **Coming Events:**

20<sup>th</sup> May – Picnic at Cranbourne Botanic Gardens.

17<sup>th</sup> June – Run to Tyabb

Run sometime in July out West somewhere. Bob Talbot is looking at a venue.

### **Regalia: - Bob Talbot**

We now have a new supply of Mugs at \$8.00 each. Dark Green Band around top instead of Gold. Also suggested that we order more Cloth Badges and Grille Badges. Don to check on cost.

Bob also had a new item of Regalia for sale, a BBQ Apron, Black with the Club Logo on the front. Price \$20 each. Bob thanked David Linke for obtaining the aprons.

There was much discussion about the Regalia the Club still has in stock. Some of the items are very slow in selling so it was suggested that the Key Rings be sold at a Special Price of \$5 each.

Bob also suggested that a Special Committee for Regalia be formed, so new items may be brought. The Committee will consist of – Bob Talbot, Pam & Warren Barry and Don Jones.

It appears that with the new technology of today, the Club is not required to order excessive number of badges, as it has in the past years. Which will help to save our finances.

### **General Business:**

**Insurance** – Dot Bacon inquired on the cost of the Insurance through Jardine, as it seemed high.

**David Linke** suggested we look for cheaper Insurance.

**Tom Bacon** asked that Don Jones contact Mario Napoleone and ask if he would do some checking.

### **Fees 2007/2008**

The 2005/2006 Financial Year was detailed regarding Income / Expenditure. A comparison was made with the current financial year. Great deal of discussion continued to ensure the Club remains financial for the coming year.

Finally it was moved by David Linke and seconded by Brian Brooks that the Annual Fees for 2007/2008 should be \$40. This was duly passed by the members present.

Membership Secretary was directed to list \$40 as a renewal fee for Membership.

**Brian Brooks**

Brian presented printed literature and information he had secured on a Website for the Club. He also produced a "Wish Bone" for an A30. It was totally reconditioned and carried new technology which Brian proposed that a pair of Wish Bones could be raffled to obtain money to support the Web site.

Brian has donated the Wish Bones.

Members were interested in the proposal. But due to other issues a conclusion was not reached.

Brian also indicated that in the coming weeks he would be appearing on the program "Cruising" on Channel 31.

Many thanks to Brian for all his effort in obtaining the information about the Web Site.

**Tom Bacon** reported that he had been in contact with Bob Laughton, and happy to say that Bob was able to get another Engine for his A30 from a member in Denilquin. Bob also wished to thank the people that stopped and helped him and his family while stuck on the highway.

Also during the week we had a call from Ted Jones to report that their daughter Meagan was the proud owner of another A30.

It is all original, no rust but does make a noise when it needs refueling. Meagan and James have called her Caeley Jane she was 7lb 3 ozs. Yes they have a lovely baby daughter and Mary and Ted are very proud Grandparents. Congratulations to all concerned.

David Linke also became a Grandfather; he is the proud Grandfather of a Grandson named Angus. Congratulations to you David

**Don Jones** reported that Bob Dickson our Secretary has retired from the position owing to commitments he and Shun have with their Thai Restaurant. We wish them well in the their Restaurant and hope that the members may be able to all drop in to sample the food.

Thank you Bob for your excellent work as being Secretary.

Don also reported that Kevin Churchill has resigned from his position as President of the Federation. Don requested that a card be sent to Kevin from the Club.

Positions Vacant

If anyone is interested in taking up the position of Secretary would you please let Don Jones know.

To all our members who are not 100% we wish you a speedy recovery.

Meeting closed at 9.50pm

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **20<sup>th</sup> June 2007 at 8.00pm**  
at the Camberwell Uniting Church.

Dot Bacon  
Acting Secretary.

Don has asked if I would be prepared to help out with the Secretary Position up to the July Meeting. This I agreed to as I am not interested in taking on the Secretary Position.

Dot

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2007/2008

Please find enclosed with this Newsletter a “**BLUE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM**”  
It has been very pleasing over the past financial year to have our Membership increase to 87 Members.

Yes a few Members did not renew their Membership, but we have welcomed some new members, which took our numbers above the previous year.

To all Members may I thank you for your support to the Australian Austin A30 Car Club “Your Club” and in particular the endorsement you have given the Committee which makes them feel that their work to assist you has been on sound lines.

You will note that the Members voted to increase the Annual Subscription to \$40 for the coming year.

I have also included two boxes on the Renewal Form that may be ticked if details of your vehicles are unchanged. (Saves filling out all details again)

**Note** Please do not use “**Membership Secretary**” on the return envelope, as a few envelopes were found to be slit last year. (Possibly looking for money)

Thank you for your support over the past year and I hope you will continue to support your Club.

Regards

Tom Bacon  
Membership Secretary

*I love my little Austin car  
But, my comfort is in peril  
It came with folding bucket seats  
And I really need a barrel.*

*Pat Linke*



## *Austins over Australia Part 2*

### *Dot Bacon*

Sunday was the big important day, after leaving the Headquarters we once again had the Marshals showing us the way, this time was in the middle of Canberra at the grounds in front of the Old Parliament House. After all the Austin's of all shapes and sizes were parked on the lawns, we decided it was time to have a browse around and catch up with old friends.

During the day they had the Tappet Cover Derby, and it was terrific to have a winner from our Club, Bob & Imelda Laughton's daughter Charizma.

We ambled over to the other side of the gardens to have a look at the Mustangs, they also had a Show and Shine, across to the Questacon centre, this was very interesting. There were plenty of places to see such as Old Parliament House, National Archives or you could just go for a stroll around Lake Burley Griffin.

Our lunch was excellent, I do not think anyone could complain. The Vietnam Veterans did all the cooking and serving, it was a credit to them. Well done boys. After wearing out our legs it was time to head off to have a little rest before the Farewell Dinner.

This was also organised very well. The meal was terrific and the entertainment as well. After a long day we all hit the sack to get ready for the final day.

The day started off a little foggy, no I did not have anything to drink the night before. It was certainly fog, in Downer anyway. We met at the Burns Club for the last time, here Joe Vavra presented the banner to the Western Australian Club Member, as the next AOA in 2009 will be held in Perth.

All the cars left in single file for Yass. As we headed out past Tuggeranong you could see the scars of the big bush fire Canberra had. As we travelled along the Barton Highway towards Murrumbateman there were flashing lights ahead, as we got closer it was the police doing a breathe test. Well all the Austin's were pulled over. "Please count to ten Sir" came the policeman's voice. Tom looked and counted to ten then went to blow into the device the policeman had. No you don't blow in it sir, just count to ten. Apparently when they test you for Alcohol you only have the device near your mouth and count. Not like ours where you have to blow in it. But everyone passed the test.

Continuing on to Yass to the Cooma Cottage. This was another excellent day, the scenery from the old cottage was magnificent. After our lunch and a stroll around the grounds it was time to say goodbye and head back to Canberra before the holiday people got on the road. We were very lucky to leave early as some said later the traffic was bumper to bumper. On our way back Don suggested we go up Black Mountain to the Telstra Tower. We all made it and the view from the Tower was fantastic. The day was nice and clear and you could see right over to the mountains. While we were there we ran into Pat & Colin Dane, we had to watch Colin because he had his eyes on Dons wheels. After a quick cuppa we then headed off back to Downer, to get ready to head for home the next day.



*Canberra from  
Black mountain*



Tuesday it was time to make tracks for home via Beechworth. Stopping at Gundagai where we meet up with Margaret and Grant Wallace we all travelled together plus Don Jones to our overnight stay at Beechworth. Arriving at the motel. Rob the manager gave us a big welcome but was looking everywhere for Bob Talbot, we explained to

him that Bob could not make it. But we would certainly have another club weekend in Beechworth.

Wednesday morning we all headed for home, dropping in at Seven Creeks to check if the creek had come up while we were away. No still dry.

Margaret & Grant left us at Seymour and we turned off at Craigieburn leaving Don to travel home to Bittern.

The weekend was terrific, our thanks to the A40 Club especially Geoff Wolhers for arranging the motel at Holbrook and inviting us to their Pizza night.



*Innee Laughton*

Congratulations to the Canberra Car Club for a most successful AOA. For such a small club they did a terrific job.

Well we arrived home safe and sound, unpacked and hit the sack.

Overall we did 1,117 miles (1861km approx)

46.9 MPG @ 48 MPH Speed (80K{KPH)



*Colin Dane, Dot Bacon, brother Alex, Tom Bacon and Don Jones atop Black Mountain Telstra Tower*



*The Bacons, Don Jones and Margaret and Grant Wallace at Holbrook*

## Outing to The Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne



*Club members enjoying the day, it was not as cold as it looks*

On a cool overcast Sunday morning three A30s one Austin 1800 and one EH Holden lined up in the Bunning's car park for the drive across Cranbourne to the Cranbourne Gardens. After arriving we headed to the reception to pay our entry fee, after paying I was devastated to find the young lady had issued me with a concession ticket, she had assumed I was as old as rest of the members. Other than that it was a good day walking around the tracks looking at lots of desert plants I have never seen before. Don was able to check out some building construction and Fred was seen checking out some of their pipes. It would be nice to come back again when the weather is warmer and sunnier.

Graeme McIntosh



*Two of the clubs Delicate Beauties, Dot Bacon and Fred Brauneis.*



David Taylor, Pam Barry and Fred Brauneis admiring some Blackboys.



President Don Jones (our resident building inspector) checking out the window frames. (I wonder if he has noticed the roof and walls are missing)



*All rugged up waiting for lunch to be served, David Taylor, Fred and Annette Brauneis.*



*Austin line up in the car park*



## **The Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne** **Organized by Pam & Warren Barry**

You know the saying "Why go over seas to look at all the attractions when there are plenty of greater places in our own back yard". Well this is one of the places.

Today we are off down to Cranbourne to visit The Royal Botanic Gardens, we were thinking, oh yes just like the Melbourne Botanic Gardens, brother were we wrong.

Today was Heritage Day for the older cars, they wanted all Car Clubs to see how many Club Members would take their cars out for a run. We decided to take the EH instead of the A30, well at least they are both Vintage just like their owners.

As we were to meet up with the others at Bunning's in Cranbourne by 10.30am, we thought perhaps it would be better to leave a little early, so it was an 8.30am start. Travelling from Maidstone we drove around the Telstra Dome, not much traffic, as the footy crowd had not arrived. Footscray was playing Collingwood and the Doggies won. Continuing on down through the Domain Tunnel Freeway, and what a sight that is. Bridges and roads going in every direction. It will certainly make it a lot easier to get from Ringwood to Frankston etc. About 9.30 we arrived at our destination and not a member in sight, of course not, we were one hour early.

Well Tom could not resist going into Bunning's, anyway, he did get some paint plus we had to have our fix, a cuppa. Then we got the whiff of the Sausage's cooking, so naturally we tried them. By that time Don Jones had arrived, followed by David Taylor, Graeme McIntosh, Pam & Warren Barry then Annette & Fred Braunies. We had quite a gathering of cars, so about 11.45 we headed off to the Gardens.

Arriving at the car park we were very surprised to see so many people there. Thinking it was just like most Botanic Gardens, were we in for a shock, it was just mind boggling.

The Gardens contains one of Victoria's most precious areas of native bushland and is home to an amazing range of plant and animal life. There was an entry fee to get in, but it was well worth it.

Once you get through into the Visitor Centre it just another world. The first thing you see it the Red Sand Garden it was red sand just like up in the Northern Territory. As we walked through the Exhibition Gardens they had Diversity Garden, Water Saving Garden, now that was most interesting, Future Garden and Kid's Backyard. Plus many more to browse through. It is for young and old and so neat and tidy but most of all clean.

After we walked for sometime we decided to have lunch at the Restaurant, as the wind was pretty nipping and too cold to head for Tooradin. While we were feeding our faces Robert Taylor and Peter Hannah arrived, they were on their way home from Wonthaggi and read about the trip in the Newsletter so they decided to join us.

About 2.45 it was time to depart and head for home.

Many thanks to Pam and Warren for organizing the day, Tom and I thoroughly enjoyed it. We never knew it existed. I am pretty sure that we will have a Club run there again when the weather is a bit warmer. I know we will go again.

Thanks again Pam and Warren

Dot Bacon





# On the Road

with Bob Laughton

Through to Murumbateman, down to Canberra, past the Institute of Sport, round the big roundabout and into the peak hour traffic. Down the main drag, three abreast, stop start all the way for a couple of kilometers, round the back of the Parliament House, traffic moving faster now, heading towards Queenbeyan hoping to find a motel. The kids and Imee keeping their eyes out for a place to stay. We found a nice motel on the Canberra side of Queenbeyan, The Margeurita, it was only small, ten units, reasonable price, and clean. That was it for us, it's about five pm.

By this time I was "had it" and Imee suggested we go down to Queenbeyan and buy a pizza, a good suggestion. Found a car park and pulling in next to a Falcon ute I asked if there were any pizza parlors in town. He gave Imee some directions then asked if our car was an Austin! I said we were here for a rally, he said to me, "you will see my PoP (Grandfather), he has a big old Austin, and it's got lots of brass on it and it's nearly the oldest in the world. You beauty, our first contact with Austin since leaving home. It just happened to be Rob and Roslyn Odell's (ACT) 1913 Austin Vitesse Phacton.

Back to the motel, a quick shower for all, and we were out like a light. I did forget to mention I stole a bit of cardboard out of the "skip" to put under the car, but no need to as it did not leak one drop of oil all the time we were away.

Up early next morning, Imee did some shopping in Queenbeyan, back to the motel and ask the owner did he know where the Robbie Burns Club is in Canberra. His eyes lit up, he could help, he drew a sketch on the back of a postage stamp, suggested turn left at the lights, go about 5k, turn right, go about 5k, turn right and go about another 2k. How simple is that, we found it no trouble (and no proper map). The Burn Club is bigger than Myers, only trouble was we were a day early, Ha Ha, PS we were not the only ones either, another couple from Orange and another from Sydney both in 'Moderns'.

Off to Manuka for lunch, phew count ya pennies! A bit up market for me, then of to the Telstra Tower. A good pull for the little car, but no problem. I can tell you it was pretty windy up the top, having to hold onto Charizma, I though she may go over the edge. It was cold also and a slow grind down hill, but ok. Now over to the Fairbairn air field, not sure if they get any passengers, but they get plenty of Feds and Cops, PS not a good place for me!. Down the back road to Queenbeyan , it was nice, past Duntroon on the way Imee found a nice fish shop and we had an early tea. Still no dawn Austin's, shower and early to bed.

Good Friday and McDonalds for breakfast, but ok, off to the Burns Club, yippee, a black Austin A30 on the side of the road, but ok, we must be in the right town after all. A few detours and a look around and we notice 'Autumn' is all around us, at least two weeks earlier than the Goulburn Valley.

Now on our 'Postage Stamp Map' bingo there in no time, plenty of Austin's. Getting our 'Goodie Bag' containing info, numbers, etc. A nice cup of coffee, talk etc. Everybody was quite friendly and all was well organized, quite a few A30 and A40 members at this time.

Back to the motel with our chicken supper , all ok at this time.

Assembly 10:00am at the Burns club Saturday morning. Joe Vavra gave a speech (Joe is the boss cocky)

We were off to Goulburn, older cars starting off first, then probably our A30's, A40's, A50's, A70's etc. Down through the city centre, every main intersection had a club

member giving hand signals of which road to take, an excellent job. Down the main drag (Northbourne Ave) and onto The Federal Highway, how different to the Barton Hwy. All cars were moving along pretty quick, we were overtaken by A50's and A90's etc and Joe Vavra gave us a wave as he went past.

Now back onto the Hume and into Goulburn, more car club members on intersections. Finally to 'The Brewery', it is Australia's oldest, we loved it there and so did the kids, some photos, drinks, and a hamburger and we were heading back to the motel. Sitting on a steady 50MPH we got a wave from the local police (holding a radar gun in the other hand), not only that, they had a smile on their face. The Federal Hwy runs beside Lake George which must be about 45k long and 8k wide, but it's dry and cows are grazing on it, now is that a sign of the times or not what!

Took a road signposted Queenbeyan, I like these back roads, and again nice road and scenery winding along through small 'acreage' hobby farms. Lovely, a nice day, good weather, a chicken dinner, we were having a good time, shower and watch TV for a while and it was lights out.

Sunday morning 8th April, left overs for breakfast, all pile in the Austin and off to the Burns Club for 10:00 am assembly. Joe in control again, and we were off to the Show and Shine at Reconciliation Place on the shores of Lake Burley Griffin. Sadly I did not notice Lake Burley Griffin at the time, maybe I was just happy looking at our Magnificent Display of Austin's.

In some sort of order with all exits manned by club members, excellent, we all arrived at the back of The Old Parliament House where we parked in rows, in a fashion, A30's, A40's, etc, down the back the Sheerlines and Princesses.

The weather had been nice for a couple of days but some one turned the key to perfect. It was great with 150 or more cars and what a great site it was. The Mustangs over the road were not doing as much business as the Austin's.

I was parked right behind the Odells 1913 Vitesse and next to two black A30's, about 22 A30's and probably 14 or 15 members cars.

Lunch was a hamburger with the lot and then the Rocker Cover Racer. Charizma, in her 'Donald Duck' driven 'Charizma racing' Buick Rocker Cover got 'The Chocolates' in the juniors. She was so excited she forgot to enter in the 'Open' class where the winner was the 'Raceil' she beat in the juniors. Oh well not to worry, after that, about 1:0pm the kids went to "Questacom" to our grassed car park (probably about 20 acres in size).

Questacom is like our Science Works here in Melbourne, and the kids had worked out a system how I could get in without paying, you beauty, that's for me, Ha Ha.

Probably after 3:0pm some of the cars were leaving, I stopped with my car and there were plenty of visitors and plenty of 'yacking' going on. There was also an unwanted visitor, a European wasp who was tacking a liking to my can of Coca Cola, and if that was not bad enough the local Health and Safety Officer, or what he was, just happened to be on the spot, but it was a happy ending all round as the wasp took off when I mentioned I had a can of Mortein in the car, Ha Ha.

We went to the Questacom, no pay entry, beauty. It was great, we all loved it, the only problem was time, I came out and there was only two cars in the park, our A30 and one of Joe Vavra's Princess's just driving off. Time I walked to our car we had more visitors, more stories, but all was nice, we were the last to leave the park and back to the motel.

A quick shower, put on some "going out" cloths and it was back to the Burns Club. Busses had been organized for some but we chose to take our car. Our table was Dot and Tom, Dot's twin brother Alex, President Don, an A40 member, Imee myself, Locky and Charizma and what a good company it was. But the good news is I can inform all members, I can reveal the question of why Dot is a bit short, she will not eat her veggies

or greens ! Ha Ha. And for the President Don, having a good night doing deals with Locky and Charizma, ie a piece of steak for a piece of fish, a piece of pumpkin for a roast potato etc, but it was smiles all round. But it was smiles all round , the meals were good, but as usual some people were not happy, but in general ok.

The entertainment was a Magician and he was excellent, coming to all the tables as well, it was tops. Speeches and presentations were short and Joe Vavra with holding control of the mike. Charizma getting a 'Big Easter Egg' for first junior in the Rocker Cover and Locky got a spot prize, an oil can, good one Shell. Our sweets were nice but our President Don and Locky were still in trading mode, a good night was had by all.

Monday morning packed the car up and left the motel after 8:00am, coming through Canberra there were eight hot air balloons aloft. Locky wanted to know if one of them landed near Parliament House.

It was a lovely morning, quite sunny and warm even at this time. At the big roundabout we spotted Ted and Mary Jones in the ute. Down the Barton Hwy, through Murrumtaman and plenty of Mustangs going past. Just sitting on a steady 45 to 50mph we drove into Yass and Ted and Mary went on to the Hume Hwy. Slow going through Yass as we were doing lots of looking. Calling into the big Caltex garage to fill tank and tummy. Checking oil and water I put in half a litre of oil, the only oil since leaving home, next stop Albury.

Having a nice run along the Hume and keeping a steady 45 to 50 down past Coolac I could hear a noise in the engine, and it sounded pretty expensive. Drove on about a kilometer and I had to stop, not knowing exactly where we were, but I did notice we stopped about five metres from the Gundagai sign.

Dawn, this was the first time in my life I would not make it home, before I have made it on a wing and a prayer, limp home or what ever. Having the family on board this was trouble. Rang Dot and Tom, they were not coming through until the next day. An old EH Holden pulled up to help us, he was boiling and sizzling, then he could not start, I put the screwdriver across the starter connections and he was away. I rang a friend in Shepparton and he would come up with a trailer and pick us up. A Mustang stopped and offered us drinks etc. He was from SA. A couple of Austin's stopped, an 1800 Ute , "Priscilla" from Bendigo, some drinks and cakes, thank you. An A50 from Queensland going to see Rally's in Melbourne, thank you for all your support.

My friend Allan arrived about 5:15 and we had it on the trailer just at dark. Stopped at the huge service station just down the road (Dog on the Tucker Box). Had a meal, filled Allan's (Falcon) up with gas next stop Holbrook only for a pit stop. Some coca cola, a couple of snakes and I was now driving along the new bypass of Albury to stop at the BP Wangaratta and then home about 11:00pm. Had enough for the day, we were all 'had it'. Getting the A30 off the trailer next morning, what away to end a trip, after such a good time.

PS a con rod bolt had broken, piston in a 1000 pieces, con rod bent and crankshaft with marks on it. Just the beginning of a new adventure. Perth (WA) here we come.

Enjoy ya Austin's

Bob Laughton

## **AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB GRAND RAFFLE**

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# **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**17 June 2007 (Sunday)**

**FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

Time from 10.00am on at the Scout Hall in Tyabb on the Frankston-Flinders Rd Tyabb. Melway Map 148 H10

Tea and Coffee supplied. If you could bring a plate for afternoon tea. For all those people going could you please let Fred (club Captain) or Don President know so that we can organize the sausage and bread.

The Scout Hall is 50 yards past the traffic lights in Tyabb on the right hand side. We will have an Austin sign out front.

Any questions phone Don on 03 59838788 or 0427392219

**20 June 2007 (Wednesday)**

Club Meeting at the Camberwell Uniting Church at 8.00 pm

**1st July 2007 (Sunday)** All Makes Swap Meet - Sandown Racecourse

**18th July 2007 (Wednesday)**

Club Meeting and **Annual General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers** for the **2007 / 2008 year** at the Camberwell Uniting Church at 8.00 pm.

**Late July or early August 2007**

Christmas in July, Details being finalized for a surprise outing west of the city

**Watch this space for a club outing in Spring.**

'Sail and Rail the Bay in a Day.' Voyage Port Phillip Bay in stylish 'Art Deco' ambience on the luxurious 'Victoria Star' to Corio Bay, Geelong and return by the 'Geelong Flyer' Australia's fastest steam locomotive of the 1920's in fully restored 90 year old carriages.

**26th August 2007** Marong Picnic

**7th October 2007** Euroa Show and Shine

**Fred Brauneis - Club Captain. Tel: (03) 9457 4038 (ah)**

**CLUB PERMIT VEHICLES ARE AUTHORISED TO ATTEND THESE EVENTS.**

*Note: Owners of vehicles operating with Club Permits should carry a current copy of this Newsletter & a copy of the AOMC Club Permit Handbook in their car at all times.*

**NEWS FLASH  
MEMORABILIA STOCK CLEARANCE  
WHILE THEY LAST**

**CLUB KEY RINGS. Reduced to \$5 for birthday presents or Christmas presents**

**New item**

**Barbecue aprons. Heavy black cotton with Club emblem and pocket \$20**

**All items are plus postage if applicable**

**All orders to Bob Talbot (03) 9546 1347.**

# **Buy, Swap & Sell**

## **Wanted to Buy**

Exhaust manifold for an Austin A30

**Contact Stuart Howe 0402 383 625 or email howie88@optusnet.co**

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## **FOR SALE**

1964 - EH Holden 179 Special, Manual - Red Interior

Immaculate condition - Inside and Out, Registered to 10/07, One Owner - R.W.C.

127,000 Miles

**Contact: Ray Bult 03 9547 1907 Mobile 0400882436**

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## **Free Tyres**

Dunlop Cross Ply 5.20 x 13 tyres with full tread. Some cosmetic crazing on sidewalls.

Ideal for spare wheel when car is using radials as it will fit into spare wheel cavity in sedan boot.

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**Contact: Bruce Hall 03 98363196**

## **AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB GRAND RAFFLE**

### **PRIZE No 1: Two reconditioned A30 lower front wishbones.**

These wishbones have been stripped, crack tested, realigned ,rebushed and tapped after fitting and fitted with grease nipple adaptors both ends allowing proper greasing to both bushes to ensure longer life. Value over \$ 200 the pair

### **PRIZE No 2: Tupperware to the value of \$ 200.**

Lots of containers useful around the house (and maybe the garage if you don't tell her you won ).Tupperware has a lifetime guarantee, so this is a really great prize.

Thanks Tupperware for the generous donation.

### **300 Tickets at \$2 each or 3 for \$5**

Send cheque/money order payable to the club to:

Brian Brooks - 55 Burnell St ,W Brunswick 3055

Ph 03 9619 7341 Work or 03 9386 9385 Home

Funds will go to the Club web site setup and ongoing maintenance cost.

Prizes will be drawn on Wed 19 Sept 2007 at the club meeting.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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4	5	6 Copy Deadline	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Tyabb BBQ
18	19	20 <u>Club Meeting</u>	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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## **AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB INC.**

### **CLUB MEETINGS**

Club meetings are held on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday** of each month from **February to December**. Commencing at **8.00 pm**.

### **VENUE**

CAMBERWELL UNITING CHURCH  
314 Camberwell Road, CAMBERWELL. VICTORIA.  
(Near Camberwell Junction)  
Melways 45 J1

Parking available at front and rear of the building.

### **CLUB MERCHANDISE**

Club Lapel badge	\$ 5.50
Club Cloth Badge	\$ 5.00
Club Window Sticker Badge (internal)	\$ 3.00
Club Key Ring	\$ 5.00
Club Grill Badge (Members)	\$20.00
Club Grill Badge (Non Members)	\$25.00
Tea & Coffee Mug with Club Badge	\$ 8.00
A30 50th Year Rally Cloth Badge	\$ 9.00
Barbecue aprons Heavy black cotton with Club emblem and pocket	\$20.00
A5 Binder for copies of 'A30 Minutes' inc. 25 pockets	\$10.00

**All items are plus postage, if applicable**

**All Club Merchandise enquiries to Bob Talbot  
Telephone: (03) 9546 1347**

### **CLUB CONTACTS**

Please direct information & enquiries as follows:

**Correspondence to the Secretary – Vacant**

**Newsletter articles to the Editor – Graeme McIntosh**

**Membership enquiries to Membership Secretary – Tom Bacon**

(Contact details are shown inside front cover)

### **SPARE PARTS**

Contact Thorpe at

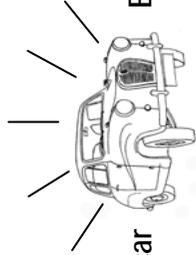
Morris Minor Australia, 56 Alex Avenue, Moorabbin. Victoria. 3189

Telephone: (03) 9555 1793 Fax: (03) 9532 2241

**Note: The current membership card is now laminated and has the Club stamp on the reverse side. Members wishing to purchase items from Thorpe of Morris Minor Australia, Moorabbin, Vic. should present the card to obtain a discount. Country & Interstate members must quote their name and membership number. Thorpe has been provided with a current membership list to identify members.**



IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:  
THE SECRETARY, AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB, 6A DUMOSSA AVE, BULLEEN. VIC. 3105.



Austin A30 - small car

BIG personality!