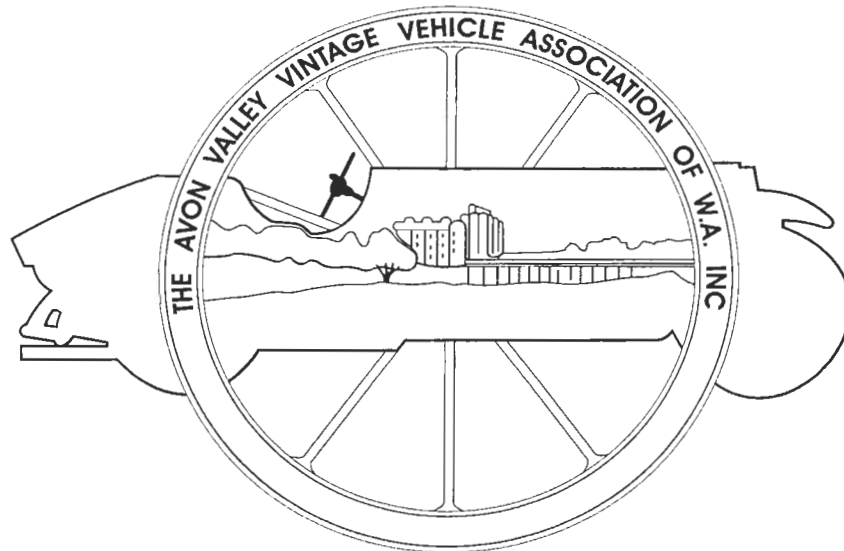


# **AVVVA NEWSLETTER**

**20 Years.....1985 – 2005**

## **JULY 2007**



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## NEXT CLUB MEETING - THURSDAY JULY 19th

8.00pm AT THE CLUB ROOMS FITZGERALD ST NORTHAM

The following Articles/Editorials are published as received and are not necessarily the views of the AVVVA.

**Deadline for articles: Last day of the month**

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Members from Northam, York, Beverley, Wyalkatchem and Cunderdin took part in our trip to Cunderdin on 24<sup>th</sup> June. On arrival at Cunderdin we visited the Museum for morning tea and the Cunderdin Aero Club. After a barbecue lunch at the Caravan Park we went up to the lookout where you can see for miles over the flat country, then on to John O'Hare's farm on the Old Goldfields Road to see his collection of vintage stationary motors and tractors. A lot of interest was shown in the farm scrap heap where there were many interesting articles of transport history back to the horse and sulky days. On the way home we travelled along the Old Goldfields and York-Northam Roads.

Our thanks must go to Arthur Millea for co-ordinating the event, Bert Miller at the Museum, Members of the Cunderdin Aero Club, Roger and Nola at the Cunderdin Caravan Park and John O'Hare for inviting us out to his farm.

Members who took part were:-

Kevin & Pat Jones – 1955 Peugeot  
Chris & Gail Alabach – 1971 Jaguar  
Garry & Deanne Slater – 1964 Humber  
Arthur Millea – 1928 A Model Ford  
Kevin Christmass – Club's 1965 Austin Sprite  
John King – 1971 GT Falcon  
Allan Hicks & Jeff Mills – Club's 1954 Morris  
Trevor Smith & Nathan Fischer – 1988 Chev  
Corvette

Chris Hasan and I travelled in a modern car.

JIM DONOVAN  
President

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

July 2007

The Annual General Meeting is held after the July 19<sup>th</sup> General Meeting, so come along and see if you can help on the AVVVA Committee for 2007-2008.

We are looking for some new faces, so now is the time to help us run the club.

As I will not be standing for Secretary (or filling in as Secretary) I would like to thank all those members who helped run the AVVVA over the last 7 years. The club has a solid membership base and just needs a few more helpers around the place for a very successful future.

Any new ideas for the Club's activities for the coming year are most welcome at the AGM night. See you there on July 19<sup>th</sup>.

FRED SINGLETON  
Secretary, AVVVA

### MEETING HELD AVVVA

#### CLUBROOMS

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2007

Summary of meeting held Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2007

**Meeting opened:** 8.10pm

**Apologies:** Fred Pane, Dale Keayes, Clarrie Doust, Theo Bekkers, Bill & Phyllis Kurz, Ted Leagas, Alf Brown.

The President, Jim Donovan then asked the members to stand for a minutes silence for the passing of members Sybil Gunther and Pauline Brown.

Minutes of the May Meeting taken as in the Newsletter.  
Moved by Jeff Mills, seconded Kevin Christmass.

**Business from May Meeting:** Nil

**Correspondence** In: 34  
Out: 1

Correspondence moved Mick McColl, seconded Allan Hicks

## **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Bank Balance: \$6,155.38

115 members now financial

8 Advertisers paid. 1 Advertiser did not want to renew.

Treasurer's Report moved by Ian Hitchcock  
seconded Andrew Wooding.

## **NEW MEMBERS:**

Sean Scott, 18 Esperance St, Northam 6401

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **EVENTS:**

1. June 24<sup>th</sup> trip to Cunderdin and to a farm nearby. To be arranged by Arthur Millea. 8.30 am depart at Caltex Service Station.
2. York Festival of Motoring Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July.
3. Merredin Show 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 2007.
4. Beverley Show 18<sup>th</sup> August, machinery compounds to be same as 2006.

**SHED:** No report this month.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Allan Hicks mentioned wood for the club.
2. Jeff Mills attended the Wagin 2007 Rally.
3. Scrap metal has been donated by Colin Campbell.
4. Jeff Mills mentioned members can donate scrap metal to the club.
5. Leanne Lee has photo's of the cars at Moondyne Festival 2007.
6. There is spare advertising space in the AVVVA Newsletter.
7. Mick McColl to inspect Martin Banning's cars.
8. Advertisement for a book keeper in the Advocate.
9. Next Busy Bee July 14<sup>th</sup>.
10. Next meeting and AGM July 19<sup>th</sup>
11. The Editor to set a new deadline one week earlier.
12. The Advertisers fees were due by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

Meeting Closed 9.10 pm

# **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

After the General meeting (8.00pm)  
AVVVA Clubrooms  
Fitzgerald St, Northam

# TO RESTORE A 1924 FORD T

**By Theo Bekkers**

It was lying in a shed and looked miserable, a frame with wheels and some rusted panels. In another corner was the motor.

Taken to my workshop the first thing to do was to completely clean the dismantled chassis for painting. Next step, the wheels which needed respoking and cleaning, ready for painting. The tyres are then checked and found to be 80% and able to be used on the restored vehicle, however after a long stint in the shed the tubes are unsuitable and have to be replaced in the restoration. At this stage the next stage is the springs and shackles need to be inspected and replaced if necessary.

Now for the motor, the head removed and the pistons and rings checked and the cylinders honed. After all this work is done which is quite a long job the motor is started and found to be not smoking which proves that the work on the motor was successful.

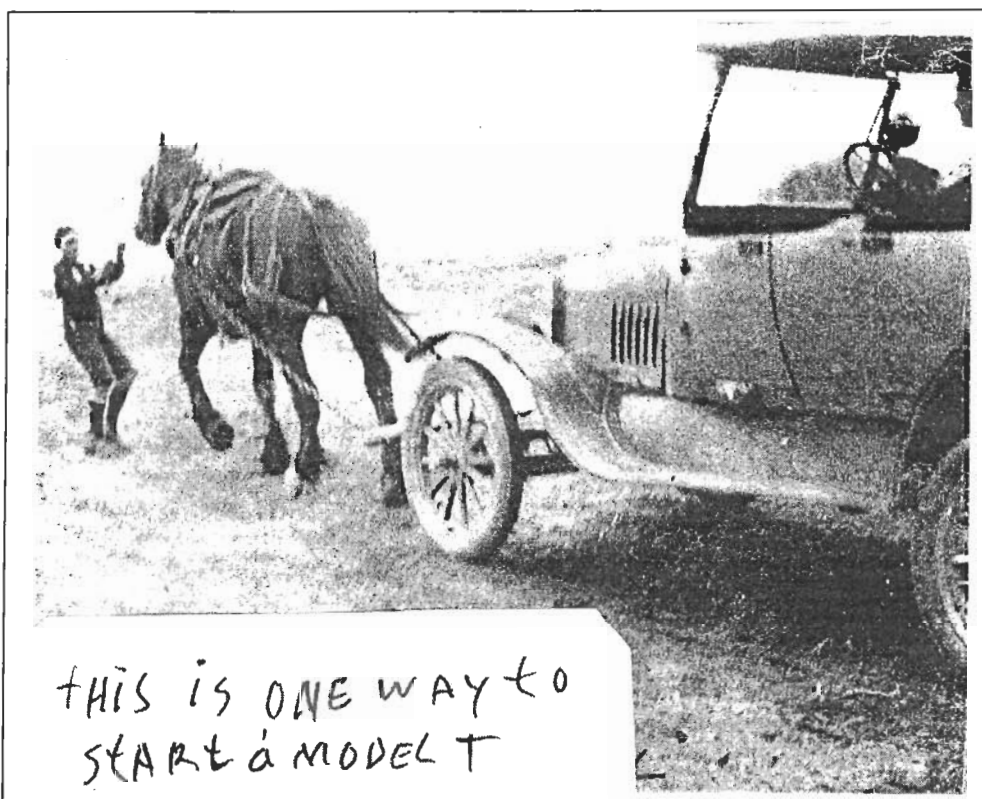
New transmission bands are installed with new bearings in the back wheel, new kingpins and bushes. For the steering, the tow in and the camber reset.

Now we know that the motor will go and the vehicle can be driven the time has come to restore the body. The original wood frame was broken and it was in a condition that new frames could be made using the broken frames used as templates. This required a great deal of accuracy in order that the new frames when fitted matched the panels that were to surround them. Prior to fitting the new frames to the chassis the starter motor was removed and checked and replaced on the chassis. The metal panels were then cleaned for repainting prior to being fitted to the wooden body work.

So now all that remains to be done is to fit the doors to the vehicle, the windscreen, the seats and the hood which was able to be obtained from Snyders who make Ford parts in the USA.

The final work to be done was fitting the running boards to the chassis and making a battery box for the right running board. Then my trade as a cabinet maker came in handy to enable me to fit a utility body frame on the back as it was in 1924.

A road test and after two years of hard work the restoration was complete.



# COMING EVENTS - 2007

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Shannon's Festival of Motoring at York  
York Motor Museum/Avon Terrace & by the river.  
10.00am to 3.00pm

**Meet-8.15am at Parking area opposite  
Caltex Service Station, Northam. Leave  
8.30 am**

*(Arrive York no earlier than 8.30 am  
All vehicles in place for 9.30 am  
Depart no earlier than 3.00 pm)*

## Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2007

**AVVVA Annual General Meeting &  
Election of All Office Bearers for 2007-  
2008**

## Sunday July 29<sup>th</sup>

German Car Day  
Perth to Northam  
Mercedes-Benz Car Club of WA

## Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August

2007 Avon Festival Float Parade (Friday pm)  
2007 Multiplex Avon Descent (Saturday am)

## Saturday August 11<sup>th</sup>

Perenjori Agricultural Show.  
Contact Carol Mason  
Phone 9973 4020

## Saturday August 18<sup>th</sup>

Beverley Agricultural Show  
Free entry to driver and one passenger.  
Phone 9646 0668

**Meet-8.15am at Parking area opposite  
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8.30am**

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Caversham Grand Prix  
Harrow Rd (Cnr Lord St)  
Access via Harrow Rd entry  
Caversham

## September Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>

Classic Touring WA 2007

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September

Coolgardie Day  
Coolgardie – Main Street

## Friday-Sunday October 12-21

Rally West tour of Southwest of WA in Veteran &  
Vintage Cars (pre 1931). Further info contact John  
McLean on 9448 2120 or 0417 189 475

**NOTE: Now Pre 1940 Vehicles accepted.**

## Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Merredin Community Show  
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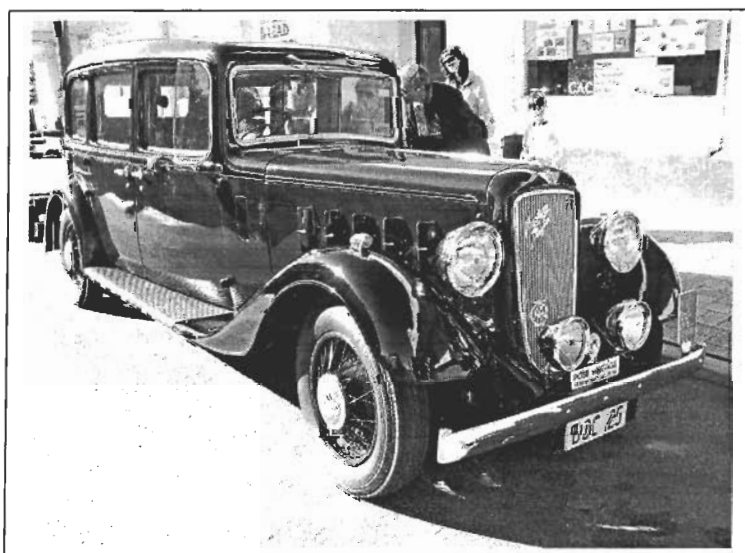
## Sunday October 28<sup>th</sup>

All Ford Day  
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## Sunday October 28<sup>th</sup>

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2nd September 2007

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Come along and be photographed driving down the main straight in your own classic or vintage vehicle, or you can be photographed along side one of the famous racing cars on display and be a part of motorsport history.

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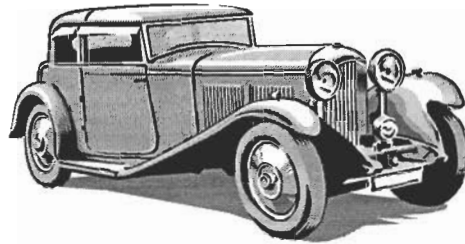


PRELIMINARY NOTICE

**MERREDIN COMMUNITY SHOW**

**20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2007**

**10.00AM START**



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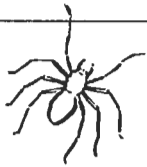
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AUGUST 16<sup>th</sup>

## BUSY BEE DATES FOR 2007

JULY 14<sup>th</sup>  
AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup>

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