



# AVVVA NEWSLETTER

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## JULY 2008

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22<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2008

### AVONDALE CLYDESDALE AND VINTAGE DAY



## NEXT CLUB MEETING - THURSDAY July 17th

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

#### Men's Health Week Concert 12<sup>th</sup> June

Thank you to members who provided cars for the Men's Health Week Concert.

Arthur Millea – 1928 A Model Ford  
Arthur Ferguson – 1955 Rover  
John King – 1928 Austin  
Gary Slater – 1964 Humber Super Snipe  
Allan Hicks and I supplied modern cars.

Country music was by "Bridging The Gap". Those who attended enjoyed the music and dancing with one of our members giving a demo of his jiving ability.

#### Avondale Clydesdale and Vintage Day 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Some members travelled to Beverley for the Clydesdale and Vintage Day at Avondale Farm. There were demonstrations of horse drawn ploughing and also with vintage tractors. There were displays of vintage vehicles and tractors.

Members displaying with the AVVVA were:-

Allan Hick & Kevin Christmas – 1954 Morris Oxford  
Chris & Gail Alabach – 1971 Jag XJ6  
John King & Malcolm Strahan – 1928 Austin  
Mick & Roma Oliver – 1953 Austin  
David & Serrenity Brinckley – 1965 Chevrolet  
Arthur Millea – 1928 Ford A  
James & Lucy Toland – 1958 Morris Oxford  
Ron Poultney – 1926-27 Chrysler 60  
Jim Gault

#### AGM

The **Annual General Meeting** will be on **17<sup>th</sup> July**, so come along and see how you can help with the running of our Club.

**JIM DONOVAN**  
President

Apologies to Mick McColl as I left his name off the list of members attending The ANZAC Day Parade

**Jim Donovan**

#### MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2008 AT THE AVVVA CLUB ROOMS

Meeting Commenced at 8.05 pm with President Jim Donovan in the Chair

#### **In Attendance**

Jim Donovan, Gary Slater, Stan Eastwood, Bob Starling, Deanne Slater, Kevin Christmass, John King, Andrew Wooding, Mick Oliver, Allan Hicks, Sandra Ferguson, Ruth Ireland

#### **Apologies for Non Attendance**

Dale Keayes, Sean Scott, Leanne Lee, Ted Leagas, Fred Plane, Hazel King, Bill Kurz, Phyl Kurz, Theo Bekkers [Snr], Jeff Mills, Colin Campbell, Malcolm Strahan, Phil Chapman, Isobel Keyes, Fred Singleton, Robin Board.

#### **Guests**

Nil.

Minutes of Previous General Meeting Accepted  
*Moved* John King, *Seconded* Andrew Wooding

#### **Business arising from minutes**

Allan Hicks thanked the Treasurer for the presentation of the budget as requested.

#### **Correspondence Inwards**

\* Toodyay Classic Cars – fundraising for RFDS

\* Mt Helena Residents and Ratepayers Association.  
Community Party for Pioneer Park on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>  
October, 2008, 10.00am – 2.00pm.

\* Country High Schools Hostel Authority as reported in the May newsletter. 'Thank you' letters from the staff and students re trip to Wundowie.

\* Old Machinery Club newsletter May 2008, includes AGM.

\* Shire of Northam re a public forum on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2008. Provides an opportunity for the community to contribute to the strategic planning for the next five years.

\* Gavin Farmer, motoring writer and historian, promoting his latest work on the Leyland P76 - \$85-00 (or \$225-00 hardback) plus \$15-00 postage.

\* Shannons – 2008 Melbourne Winter Action 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

\* Northam Over 60's Club has an All Stars Concert on 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2008.

\* Jerilderie Tennis Club. Raffling a 1948 MG TC.

\* Bonhams and Goodman – 15 June 2008 Sydney.

\* El Caballo Resort.

\* Quins Gourmet Butchers.

Further information or entry forms for the above are available from Hazel 9622 8541

#### **Correspondence Accepted**

*Moved Stan Eastwood, Secoded Allan Hicks*

#### **Correspondence Outwards**

\* Letter to Malcolm Strahan to validate his purchase of the Rover 2000.

\* Letters to new members Phillip Hastings, Dennis McDeed, Stephen and Ron Withnell.

#### **Correspondence be Endorsed**

*Moved Allan Hicks, Secoded Stan Eastwood*

#### **Treasurer's Financial Report – June 2008**

*Opening Balance 30 April 2008* \$12047.27

#### **Receipts**

Membership	\$290-00	
Donations	100-00	
Sale of Rover	500-00	
Advertising	<u>35-00</u>	\$ 925-00

#### **Payments**

AVVVA Plates	390-00	
Stationery	291-41	
Postage	200-00	
Donation	100-00	
Insurance	293-58	
Telephone	68-99	
Web Site	110-00	
Repairs (Flag Pole)	22-50	
Busy Bee Expense	<u>38-15</u>	1514-63 (\$589.63)

Closing Balance 30 June, 2008 \$11457.64

Treasurer's Report Accepted

*Moved Stan Eastwood, Secoded John King*

## **Club Events Report**

### **Event Organizer**

Allan Hicks thanked Hazel King re the Avondale Clydesdale outing. John King, Jim Donovan, Allan Hicks and Ruth Ireland expressed an interest in attending.

Thanks to John King, Gary Slater, Arthur Millea and Arthur Ferguson who used their old cars, and Jim Donovan and Allan Hicks who drove their modern cars, for the Men's Health Week concert in Northam.

### **Shed**

Nil

### **New Members**

We welcome Phillip Hastings from Merredin, into the Club. Phillip has a number of army vehicles in his collection. We welcome Dennis McDeed of Westonia into the Club. Dennis has a 1981 BMW. We welcome Stephen and Ron Withnell of Northam. We welcome Ruth and Michael Ireland of Bassendean.

### **General Business**

\* Motion - 'Life Members do not pay for postage costs of their newsletter'.

*Moved John King, Secoded Alan Hicks AIF*

\* At the next Busy Bee the roses are to be pruned, gutters cleaned and wood split for the winter fire.

\* A Club jacket (XL) is in stock and is available for purchase by any member interested.

\* Junior Membership – the family has been issued with a Membership Form. The Club is waiting for the form to be completed and returned.

\* The Rover has been sold for \$500-00.

\* Follow up re the Swap Meet Bond – the Bond gets rolled over every year.

\* Club regalia (a badge and 2 cloth logos) are to be forwarded by the Treasurer to Queensland.

\* Wish List for the Hospice – Sandra Ferguson and Allan Hicks to visit the Hospice and get further information on what equipment they would prefer.

\* Discussion on the current system used to record members attending Club outings. A sample attendance sheet was circulated amongst those present.

*Motion* – 'That it is the responsibility of each Club member to sign the Attendance Sheet for each Club Outing. This will ensure that you will be recognised in the Club newsletter'.

Moved Ruth Ireland, *Seconded* Sandra Ferguson  
AIF

\* A request from Hazel for a copy of the photo of the late  
Clarrie Doust, published in the Advocate on May 7<sup>th</sup> 2008.

\* 'Buckets' for the truck cost \$76-00.

\* Two quotes are needed for the replacement of the roof on  
the Club's Sprite. The door on the driver's side also needs  
rust repairs. Allan Hicks to follow up on this.

\* The Club's Morris needs attention to the seals around the  
doors.

\* Club Outings – 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2008 not attending the German  
Day. 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2008 Beverley.

\* Andrew Wells notified the Club that the motor bike has  
not been inspected. The reason is that the bike is 'laid up'.

\* A Committee Meeting is to be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2008 at  
7.00pm, at the home of Allan Hicks.

**Meeting closed** 9.15 pm

*Committee Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2008.*

*Busy Bee on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2008*

*Next General Meeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2008 at 8.00  
pm in the Clubrooms.*

### AVVVA UPDATE OF DETAILS

By now you should have received your 2008/2009 Membership invoice.

Attached to your invoice is a form to update the details of each Member.

It would be appreciated if you would **complete and return this form** so that we can  
ensure that the information held by the Club is correct.

*Thank You*

**Thank you to all of you who have returned these forms**

### AVVVA Club Outings

In recent times it has been reported that members attending Club outings  
have had their names omitted from the Newsletter. To overcome this, the  
Committee has devised a form to be filled in by members attending any  
outing.

**If you attend an outing please ensure that your  
details are included on this form.**

*Thank you*

# AVVVA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2008

The Annual General Meeting is on July 17<sup>th</sup> and there was a note in the June Newsletter that some office bearers and committee members will be **resigning at the AGM.**

The club needs committee members to function, "Too few members doing too many jobs". This sounds all too familiar to me.

**Just consider this.....do you want the AVVVA to  
continue as a club ?**

As our founding Secretary always says "I will leave that one for the general membership to decide!"

Remember in a democracy the opinions of a majority always outweigh the individual's.

This however does not say the majority are always correct.

Sometimes the individual is proved to be correct but often too late.

Don't wait until the club is in a crisis, act now, come to the July AGM and put your hand up for a committee position.

Hard work never killed anyone but some do not want to put that one to the test.

*See you at the July AGM.*

*P.S. The AVVVA Committee did not ask me to write this, it is all my own work. Blame me if you like but the club may fold if no action is taken in July.*

*Regards  
Fred Singleton*

## AVVVA NUMBER PLATES

A reminder to those people who have asked us to reserve AVVVA number plates. We cannot reserve them indefinitely so if you still want your reserved number please pay for them so we can get them ordered for you before someone else asks for them.

Dear Club Members,

As you may already be aware The York Motor museum has become a storage facility since the Fremantle museum closed.

Due to this it is not viable to run the Festival of Motoring at this point.

We will advise all clubs when the event is on in 2009.

Thank you again for your support in the past it is most appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2009 Festival of Motoring.

Regards

York Motor Museum and Shannons

## The Customs Officer and the Vegemite

After working for a number of years I was due for long service leave so, with the children old enough to look after themselves my wife and I decided to fly back to the old country Holland to catch up with our living relatives.

On the day we were to leave Western Australia we had to be at the airport with our three large cases at least an hour before the plane took off. Before boarding the plane we had to submit to a Customs check of our luggage. The Customs officer started checking and passing our first bag and finalized the check when as he turned to check the second bag he said, "What is that bulge in your pocket?" I replied "That's my Vegemite. My wife likes to have a Vegemite sandwich and I know you can't get it outside Australia."

"That's not right", said the Customs officer, "Vegemite is an Australian invention and is known all over the world so you should be able to get it anywhere."

He then went on to tell us how his wife liked Vegemite and all the other anecdotes contributed to Vegemite for so long that my wife and I were wondering if he was ever going to stop and we would miss our plane as he had not checked our two other bags. He could see we were anxious to catch our plane so he said "Off you go and have a safe trip."

And off we went without having our remaining bags checked, thanks to that small jar of VEGEMITE.

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**ACT BELONG COMMIT**

**A Wish –**

A man was riding his Harley along a California beach when suddenly the sky clouded above his head and, in a booming voice, The Lord said, "Because you have TRIED to be faithful to me in all ways, I will grant you one wish."

The biker pulled over and said, "Build a bridge to Hawaii so I can ride over anytime I want."

The Lord said, "Your request is materialistic, think of the enormous challenges for that kind of undertaking; the supports required to reach the bottom of the Pacific and the concrete and steel it would take! It will nearly exhaust several natural resources. I can do it, but it is hard for me to justify your desire for worldly things. Take a little more time and think of something that could possibly help mankind."

The biker thought about it for a long time. Finally, he said, "Lord, I wish that I, and all men, could understand our wives; I want to know how she feels inside, what she's thinking when she gives me the silent treatment, why she cries, what she means when she says nothing's wrong, and how I can make a woman truly happy."

*The Lord replied, "You want two lanes or four on that bridge?"*

### Explanations of accidents made on Insurance claim forms

- ❖ Coming home I drove into the wrong house and collided with a tree I don't have.
- ❖ The other car collided with mine without giving warning of its intention.
- ❖ I thought my window was down, but I found it was up when I put my head through it.
- ❖ I collided with a stationary truck coming the other way.
- ❖ The guy was all over the road. I had to swerve a number of times before I hit him.
- ❖ I pulled away from the side of the road, glanced at my mother-in-law and headed over the embankment.
- ❖ In an attempt to kill a fly, I drove into a telephone pole.
- ❖ I had been shopping for plants all day and was on my way home. As I reached an intersection a hedge sprang up, obscuring my vision and I did not see the other car.
- ❖ I had been driving for forty years when I fell asleep at the wheel and had an accident.
- ❖ I was on the way to the doctor with rear end trouble when my universal joint gay way causing me to have an accident.
- ❖ As I approached an intersection a sign suddenly appeared in a place where no stop sign had ever appeared before. I was unable to stop in time to avoid the accident.

Q. What is the difference between a woman and a dog?

A. The later you are the more excited the dog is to see you.

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A doctor examining a woman who had been rushed to the Emergency Room, took the husband aside, and said, "I don't like the look of your wife at all."

"Me neither doc," said the husband. "But she's a great cook and really good with the kids."



# JERILDERIE TENNIS CLUB INC.

ABN 141 620 797 69

**President:** Nick Ellwood  
**Vice President:** David Curtin  
**Secretary:** Rozie Kennett  
**Treasurer:** Terri Leeds

P.O. Box 94  
Jerilderie  
NSW 2716

Dear Secretary,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Jerilderie Tennis Club, which is conducting a raffle of a fully restored **1948 MG TC Roadster**.

Jerilderie is a country town situated in the Riverina district of NSW.

The club is raffling this classic car to raise money to fund the construction of 4 new mod-grass courts.

Being an MG enthusiast myself, I am sure that your members will be interested in this raffle. The restoration has been meticulous and the car drives beautifully.

We would appreciate if you would be able to include this information in your newsletter or on your website and notify your members.

Anyone wishing to purchase tickets should send a cheque or money order to; Jerilderie Tennis Club at the above address.


Tickets are \$20 each and purchasers should enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope so tickets can be forwarded by return post. (please include a phone number).

The raffle will be drawn at 4pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> of November 2008 at the Jerilderie Sports Club. The lucky winner will be notified by telephone and mail.

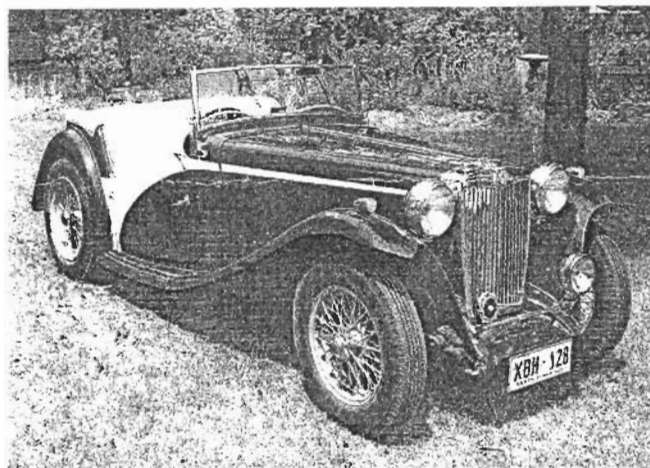
Further enquiries can be made to me on 0429 861772 or by email [genstocknsw@bigpond.com](mailto:genstocknsw@bigpond.com). Should you want electronic images of the car feel free to email me.

I thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,



David Kennett  
Jerilderie Tennis Club  
Raffle Organiser





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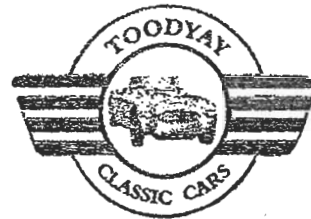
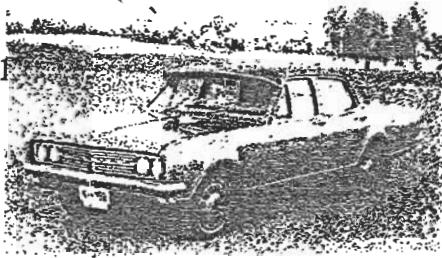
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# COMING EVENTS

## 2008

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July

#### AVVVA Annual General Meeting

8.00 pm in the Clubroom,  
Fitzgerald St, Northam

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July

German Car Day – Perth to Northam  
(Mercedes-Benz Car Club)

### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August

Beverley Agricultural Show

*Anyone intending to attend could they please notify Allan Hicks on 9622 1007 so we can let the organisers know approximate numbers to allocate space.*

### 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September

Targa West Tarmac Rally

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September

Caversham Fathers' Day event (VSCC)

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Northam Agricultural Show

### Saturday/Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> September

KATMACH Vintage Fair  
Katanning

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September

Toodyay Music Festival

### Saturday 11 October

Waroona Show  
Waroona Showgrounds

### 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October

2<sup>nd</sup> National Tractor Trek  
Anyone interested please contact Hazel King for  
Registration form or contact Hamilton Pastoral Museum  
Inc, 2008 National Tractor Trek, PO Box 220, Hamilton  
Vic 3300

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October

French Car Festival

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October

Mercedes-Benz Display Day  
Stirling Square, Guildford  
[www.mbccwa.org.au](http://www.mbccwa.org.au)

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

Margaret River Show

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Mount Helena Community Party  
Pioneer Park, Mount Helena

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October

British Auto Classic  
Waroona Town Oval

### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Busselton Show

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Chidlow Show

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Brockwell Memorial Run  
to Whiteman Park

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

GM Owners Day  
Bassendean

### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November

Vintage Stampede  
Barbagallo Raceway (VSCC)

## 2009

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2009

NHMA Rally. Sturt Reserve  
Murray Bridge, South Australia  
Enquiries – PO Box 2105 Hackham SA 5163  
Phone 08 8382 9413 or email [awheaton@adam.com.au](mailto:awheaton@adam.com.au)

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> to Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2009

Austins over Australia 2009  
Perth, WA.

All Austins from 1905 to the present day are welcome to  
attend.

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# NOTICE BOARD

## MEETING DATES FOR 2008

THURSDAY JULY 17<sup>th</sup>  
THURSDAY AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup>

## BUSY BEE DATES FOR 2008

SATURDAY JULY 12<sup>th</sup>  
SATURDAY AUGUST 16<sup>th</sup>

### FOR SALE DODGE 4'S

#### 1917 Tourer

Vehicle is mostly complete having been stripped, chassis is powder coated

#### 1919 Light Truck

Original condition and complete

#### 1924 Tourer

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contact **David** on 9622 1251

**\$30,000**

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**Contact Wendy on 9641 2070**

### FOR SALE

VK Panels - \$20 each  
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BBQ 2 Burner Modular Brick - \$100

Car Parts

**Phone: Allan Hicks**  
**9622 1007**

### WANTED

Any parts for – Bren Gun Carrier, "Stuart"  
Tank, Valentine Tank, "Gen. Grant" Tank.

Items needed for restoration:-

engine parts, tracks, road wheels,  
gear box parts, tools, turrets, tool  
boxes, radio gear, ammunition bins.

**Phone Tony - (08) 9530 1222**  
Please leave message if no answer.

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