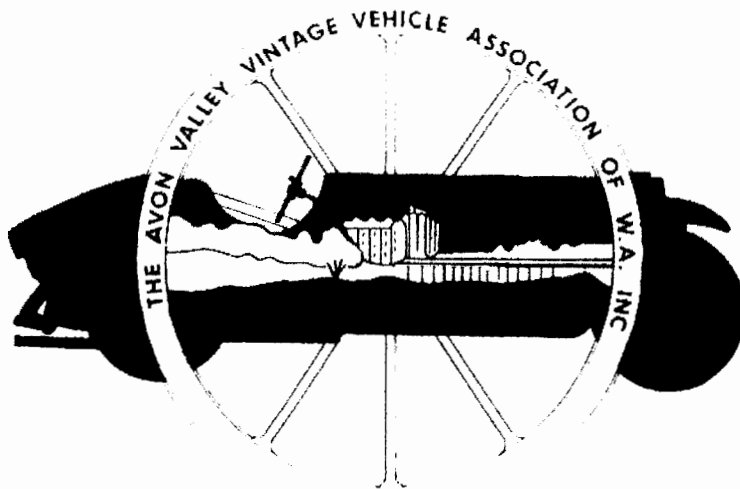


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NEXT CLUB MEETING THURSDAY MAY 19 2005

8.00pm AT THE CLUBROOMS FITZGERALD STREET 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

March Notes: The attendance at the February busy bee was down a bit from the usual numbers. The petrol bowser has been restored and thanks to Dave Lucas for the great job of the restoration and painting and to Phil Chapman and the Shed team for putting it all together. The long room has been cleared ready for the carpet laying. The electric stove has been connected, thanks to Dale Keayes and family, so now we can look forward to some of Colin's famous Campbell's Soup at the winter busy bees.

The annual vehicle inspections have started this month, if your vehicle is laid up let the Club know to avoid losing your concession

April Notes: Toodyay's Moondyne Festival on May 1 was attended by a small group of our members displaying their vehicles. The threat of rain kept the numbers down on previous years but the rain stayed away and everyone enjoyed the day. We were lucky we turned up early and had the best position closest to the action. Shortly after we arrived the A Model Ford Club turned up followed by the MG Club, GT Falcon Club, Holden Club and the Vauxhall Club making the largest display of Vintage and Classic cars seen at the Moondyne Festival. AVVVA Members displaying their vehicles were: Theo Bekkers & Kevin Christmass 1926 Whippet: Bob Starling Club 1949 Ford Truck: Stan Eastwood 1929 Chev: Garry Slater 1963 Humber Super Snipe: Arthur Millea 1954 Ford Consul: Colin Campbell 1965 Humber Super Snipe: Rex Downey 1929 DeSoto Roadster: Allan Newton 1955 MG TF: Isobel Keayes 1986 Magna: Alan & Andrea McCandlish and I attended in modern.

JIM DONOVAN.....President

COMING EVENTS

Sunday May 15 British Car Day at Gingin.

Sunday June 5 Albany Around the Houses Vintage Sporting Car Club.

Saturday June 11 Collie Agricultural Society, Food and Wine Festival
Details Helen Teahan 97347229.

Sunday June 26 Winter Auto Jumble.
Veteran Car Club, cnr Ranford & Warton Rds
Southern River Book B Beames 0419276411

Saturday July 9 AVVVA Annual Dinner and 20 Years of AVVVA Celebrations. At Northam Residential College. \$20 per head. Details Leanne Dunn 96221383.

Wed July 13 CMC Quiz Night. Cannington Greyhounds. Tables of 8. \$8 per head. Bookings FAX 93975515.

Sunday July 31 German Car Day. Perth-Northam. Mercedes Benz Car Club.

Sunday October 16 RAC 100 years Centenary. Details from the Fremantle Motor Museum. Phone 0407330390 or Website 100years.rac.com.au

Sunday Nov 13 Maurice Brockwell Memorial Run. Departs South Perth.

2006

Sunday Feb 19 AVVVA 2006 Swap Meet. Northam Showgrounds.

ATTENTION - ATTENTION

To those Members with
CONCESSIONAL LICENCED VEHICLES
Last Northam Inspection Day
Saturday May 14

at AVVVA Shed behind the Clubrooms in Fitzgerald Street Northam. For other inspection locations & dates phone Andrew Wells on 92951572

FROM THE SECRETARY

It is good to be back home after travelling through NSW, QLD, NT and WA. We missed the air conditioning of a modern car but otherwise the 1956 Austin Westminster performed very well. Total distance was 6500 miles. The most expensive petrol was in Sandfire (WA) at \$141 per L. Most of the public were surprised that we would do a trip like that in an 'old' car but we saw a few modern cars with problems, so it is how the vehicle is maintained not the age.

There have been some questions on the concessional licensed and fully licensed vehicles. To be brief, the AVVVA do inspect ALL concessional licensed vehicles ONCE A YEAR. If you have a vehicle on a full licence then you can come and go like any modern motorist. Also, you can not display the concessional plates on your fully licensed vehicle. These are only for concessional licence. Questions are best directed to Andrew Wells on 92951572.

It seems we have a date of SATURDAY JULY 9 for the 20th Anniversary Dinner, so keep that date free as this should be a great night.

Happy Motoring FRED SINGLETON

2005 SWAPMEET REPORT

Well, we have had a very successful 2005 Vintage Swapmeet. This event will grow, year by year and the Club needs to consider how to get more volunteers to help. Some things can be given to community groups in Northam, so that we can concentrate on the gate and the grounds. Maybe we can charge a bit more on the gate and let someone else run the food stall. Have a think about this before the 2006 event.

FRED SINGLETON

SUMMARY OF MARCH MEETING

Apologies: Mick McColl, Fred Planc, Don McIntyre, Dale Keayes, Dave Lucas, Fred Singleton.

Minutes read: Accepted by ?, seconded by ?.

Business arising from those minutes: Nil

Correspondence: Per file. Moved Clarrie Doust, seconded Phil Chapman.

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance \$8827.30. Alan Hicks moved that the Club invest \$5000 in a short term investment account. AIF. Treasurer's Report accepted: Moved Kevin Christmass, seconded by Phil Chapman.

Committee Reports:

Events Committee:

- 1 Pingelly Show.
- 2 Moondyne Festival at Toodyay.
- 3 Northam Flying 50.
- 4 Allan McCandlish addressed the members re Narrogin Speedway Association Celebration of 57 years. Invited all/any members to attend at what would appear to be a great meet for all ages. Noted invitation was received too late to be published in Newsletter.

Shed Report:

- 1 Phil Chapman reported that the Morris is coming along very well and the Bowser is nearing completion. Moved that the Club purchase the decals to finish off the Bowser. AIF Carried. L Dunn to place order.
- 2 Phil also commented on the recent clean out the shed has been given. Photocopier needs to be taken to the tip. Suggestion that Shire/Town Council be approached to secure a skip bin.
- 3 Annual Vehicle Inspections now have 3 apprentices: Alan Hicks, John King, Geoff Mills.

Registrar's Report: Nil.

Swapmeet/Fair Committee Report:

- 1 Swapmeet 2006 needs more volunteers. Ron Morris instigated a discussion regarding requiring more volunteers. Letter from Fred Singleton read to members. Will be printed in May Newsletter.
- 2 Swapmeet 2006 to be held on February 19 2006. To be booked immediately.
- 3 Hospice donation agreed 10% ie \$300.00. Moved Phil Chapman, seconded Rex Downie. AIF carried.

New Members:

Gary Slater with a 1963 Humber Super Snipe. Just started a 1965 Humber. Address ?

General Business:

- 1 David Brinkley addressed the members and gave a summary of his recent trip to Sydney.
- 2 Suggested the AVVVA consider sale of Club trailer. Recently Chris Alabach undertook repairs to enable to be kept on road, include 3 hrs repairing lights. However was

requiring further repairs. Moved Phil Chapman, seconded Leanne Dunn there be no fee payable for the hire of trailer on this occasion. Alan Hicks & Ron Morris suggested add be run in Newsletter calling for Tenders. However John King subsequently offered to sandblast trailer during remainder of 2005. Members accepted this as preferred option pending feedback from John into costs.

3 Ted & Jenni invited members to attend a block clearing day sale at 8am Sunday March 20. Too late to be advertised in Newsletter.

4 Wheatbelt Initiates addressed the members regarding the allocation of small room for office. After inspection of facilities it was indicated room at rear of Clubrooms be preferable and would be able to be secured from main building. In return WI would install carpet in back area and undertake other repairs as directed/required. Contract to be formalised. L Dunn to follow up.

5 Wheatbelt Initiates also confirmed to members official opening of the restored Northam Railway Station would be held on Tuesday April 5 2005. Alan Hicks to attend the Clubrooms.

6 Member queried AVVVA attending Flying 50 as a Club. Consensus was that it would not be a Club function.

7 Invitation received from Pingelly show. Only one members expressed an interest in attending.

8 Member queried use of vehicle on full licence. Was advised can be taken/driven anywhere if on full licence. Did not need to advise Club of event. Only needed to advise if on concessional licence.

9 Discussion from members regarding Anniversary Dinner. Tentative date of July 2 was noted and tentative place of Northam Residential College suggested. L Dunn to check availability and report next meeting. NRC would also be available to cater. price to be decided next meeting.

Meeting Closed: 9.20pm.

Next Meeting Thursday April 21 2005.

FRED SINGLETON.....Secretary

SUMMARY OF APRIL MEETING

Apologies: Don McIntyre, Dale Keayes, Ted Leagas, Fred Singleton, Kath & Barry Ferguson.

Minutes read: Accepted by ?, seconded by ?.

Business arising from those minutes:

- 1 L Dunn proposed waiting for insurance payments before investing monies due to penalties if Term Deposit withdrawn before maturity.
- 2 Order placed for bowser decals. Awaiting arrival.
- 3 Alan Hicks opened shed on day of opening. Very positive feedback. suggested further opening on Sat & Sun in future. Subject to someone being available to open. Hicks to follow up dates station are open.
- 4 Swapmeet 2006 for February 19. Booked. Cheque to be sent. \$100.
- 5 Annual Dinner and 20 year celebrations Saturday July 9 2005. Cost to be established at \$20. Dignitaries to be paid for by the club. Dave covered by club. Event to be held at Northam Residential College. 6pm Pre Dinner Drinks, 6.30pm sit down dinner. Moved Clarrie Doust, seconded Mick Oliver, AIF.

Correspondence: Per file. Moved Clarrie Doust, seconded Phil Chapman. Invitation. Sunday May 1. Moondyne Festival at Toodyay. 8.30am from clubrooms.

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance \$8453.12 Treasurer's Report accepted: Moved Stan Eastwood, seconded Rex Downie

Motion to close financial year at May 31 2005. Moved Jeff Mills. seconded Rex Downie to close financial year May 31 2005.

Committee Reports:

Events Committee:

- 1 Moondyne Festival at Toodyay.
- 2 Pingelly. A disappointing membership attendance.
- 3 Capel Festival April 3 invited. Displayed four =engines. Fencing drew large amount of attention. Club fencing is preferable to orange fencing. Report by Fred Plane. Fencing costed and advised accordingly.
- 4 Corringin 'Dog in a Ute' attended by Jim Donovan with his dog. Previous record not broken. Camped at Hyden. Attended museum. A30 in museum. 1919 Model Ford in visitors centre.

Shed Report:

14 Vehicles through for inspections in Northam in April. Clarified Concessional Licence fees. Charge of \$5 per vehicle. Next inspection May 14 2005 in Northam.

Registrar's Report: Nil.

New Members: Nil

General Business:

- 1 Fred Plane mentioned the fencing.
- 2 20th Anniversary Dinner. Proposed change date to July 16. Discussion agreed to keep existing date and see if fits for majority.
- 3 Asked if Moondyne was only for vehicles. Ron Morris advised generally only for cars. In the past machinery has been set up near Flour Mill, however did not appear a popular decision with Mill staff. Fred decided not to display his motors on this occasion but would like to display during the Toodyay Show. MG Car Club attending Moondyne. 'Fun Club' also attending. Ron spoken to them to see if they would like to be part of AVVVA. Will follow up.
- 4 4 Bar Stools \$20 each for sale (3).
- 5 Extend shed over Crossley motor. Suggested by Theo Bekkers. Ron Morris will donate timber. Theo to check out. Further investigation will be required in regards to Cranes, transport etc. Colin Campbell mentioned motors were given from the Water Supply and a small plaque was to be attached.
- 6 AVVVA Sign Board mentioned Ron Morris. Colin Campbell and Ron Morris to check all names. Cost \$9 per name tag.
- 7 Work for the dole to be approached regarding provision of room for their belongings.
- 8 Query painting and general maintenance.
- 9 Theo advised he would be taking his jeep for ANZAC day parade. Note as a club event.
- 10 Jim Donovan passed on club condolences regarding passing of Leanne Dunn's father.
- 11 Mick Oliver purchased a book and queried if anyone knew where it was.
- 12 Gift for Dave Lucas? Certification of appreciation suggested, similar to Cert given to Clarric Douse? George Sheen plaque? Photo of all members should be taken at Dinner.
- 13 Alan Hicks queried cost of banner. Suggested a sign be made up to attach to the AVVVA Shed. Approx 3mtrs.
- 14 Fred Plane asked for details of letter to be sent to him via email
- 15 Provided details of attendance at shows.

Meeting Closed: 9.20pm.

Next Meeting Thursday May 19 2005.

FORE SALE

1962 Ford Anglia
Many spares some new. Handbook, Service Manual, Parts book. In family 15+ years.
Seeking \$4500 ONO.P May 0400899921

WANTED

By a collector & AVVVA member
Early Australian Military insignia including hat badges, buttons and belt buckles with emblems, particularly WA items. Cadet badges also of interest.
Julian Russell phone 93850419 or
e mail j.russel@ecqc.com

BUSY BEE DATES FOR 2005

MAY 14 - JUNE 11

JULY 16 - AUGUST 13

SEPTEMBER 10 - OCTOBER 15

NOVEMBER 12

DECEMBER TO BE ADVISED.

MEETING DATES FOR 2005

May 19 - June 16

July 21 + AGM - August 18

September 15 - October 20 -

November 17 - December 15

Safe and Happy Motoring

SECRETARY....Fred Singleton