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Rob Leman inspects a 1935 British Chevrolet Ute.

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Editorial

Hello all Club Members,

The Chevrolet Club continues to grow, with 3 new members joining up this month. The Club can offer all sorts of technical advice on a huge range of the GM products, where to get that hard to find spare part, and with plenty of Club activities and car shows to attend, your weekends are never dull.

A good example of a well planned event was held on Sunday March 12, where we visited a number of places in the northern suburbs of Perth. More about that in this issue.

The Classic Car Show is looming up toward the end of April and we have 14 confirmed entries from the Chev Club, with one spare. If you can make it, please call me or email, first comer accepted. You should be aware that the organisers expect that all cars nominated will attend, or the Club may face penalties. This is to prevent clubs from nominating big numbers and not filling them, as space is limited at the Ascot venue. I'll be there on Sunday April 9 to get our space allocated.

Keep on Chevying,
Hugh.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome three new members to the Chevrolet Club.
Todd Beckett from Gosnells owns an original 1987 Corvette.
Ken Bliss from Huntingdale also owns a 1987 Corvette, and
Shannon Byers from Kalamunda owns a restored 1967 Camaro.
We look forward to meeting up and admiring these iconic cars.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello Chev Enthusiasts

The North Shed Run was a great day enjoyed by all. It was pleasing to see a good turn out for the day and to have non-members open their sheds for us to peruse.



The Australian Customs have just come up with a new rule for importing cars from overseas. No asbestos is allowed to be imported into Australia. Therefore any cars now being imported need to have all asbestos removed by a qualified mechanic before it leaves the country of origin. This means that brake shoes, clutch and exhaust gaskets have to be removed. This is just another hurdle to deal with when importing cars. To find out more visit the customs website.

Until then,

Neil.

How Sweet the roar of a Chev four!

COMING EVENTS

Apr 9: Historic Racing Car Museum - www.warm.org.au

Apr 23: Shannons Classic Car Show

May 7: Dardanup Heritage Park (Entry Fee required)

May 24: First Mid-Week Twilight Run (Mandurah)

May 26-30: Busselton Weekend Away. See page 5.

Jun 11: Presidents Run

Jun 28: Second Mid-Week Twilight Run (Hillarys)

Jul 2: York Motor Show

APRIL EVENT (9th) –Historic Racing Car Museum

Meet 9am at Chicken Treat Jandakot (Verde Dr & Armadale Rd)

We will visit a Historic Racing Car Museum before a small stop for the ladies. Our lunch stop will be at a tavern and those with a picnic can use the beer garden.

MEETING 9th Apr – Clubrooms @ 3pm

APRIL EVENT (23rd) – Shannons Classic Car Show

Entries Closed. More info please contact Hugh – 9345 3674.

New venue - Ascot Racecourse.

There will be some minor changes with the new venue, but please feel free to speak with Hugh as he should have the current information.

MAY EVENT (7th) – Dardanup Heritage Park(\$20/person entry)

Meet 8:30am at McDonald's BP Service Station, Kwinana Freeway

Southbound, Baldivis (Just after Mundijong Road)

We will be meeting with the Buick Club on this day at Dardanup as a day run, but the Buick Club have offered us the opportunity to join them for the days prior as they will be staying at the Esplanade Pub in Bunbury for the weekend. If you would like to join them for the weekend away, please contact Harold Hitchcock of the Buick Owners Club of WA (inc) by

buick51@bigpond.com or 0412 760 980 for costs, etc. I have not organised any Lunch as members can do what they want when they leave, or stay for the whole day. There is a \$20 entry charge per person for the Dardanup Heritage Park.

MAY EVENT (24th) – First Mid-Week Run (South)

Meet 6pm at Chicken Treat Jandakot (Verde Dr & Armadale Rd)

This will be our first mid-week run. We will meet monthly on the 4th Wednesday in Jandakot and head south or north. This first run will be to Mandurah foreshore. Bring along a picnic or grab something at the end.

BUSSELTON WEEKEND AWAY

4 nights stay at the Bayview Geographe Resort, commencing Friday 26th May until Tuesday 30th May, 2017.

Cost per room is \$213.00 for the 4 night stay. At this stage, 2 villas have been booked and there are no rooms left. However, there is another villa available if 3 more couples are interested. Please contact Mark or Marie on 9455 7109 evenings after 6.30pm. Lots of fun, eating, drinking and sight-seeing. Don't forget the casserole nights/potluck dinner

PAST EVENTS

March Event, see pages 10,11 & 13.

Guildford Heritage Festival.

As usual the day was a great success, even though we did not have the Buick club joining us in the end (their whereabouts are still a mystery). It was great that the weather held off and it turned into a nice day, even though there were some grey clouds on the horizon. All 12 attending cars (and their occupants) along with other members who stopped by were treated to live bands with lots of dancers, great craft stalls and some fantastic displays of the past.



Cody Fullwood tries out a penny farthing cycle at Guildford.

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Karen's birthday book

The entries for this month are:-

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| 1 | Marion Gathercole | 1943 |
| 3 | Jayden Wood | 2008 |
| 4 | Dorothy Ryle | 1943 |
| 4 | Patricia Saliba | 1949 |
| 14 | Neil Fullwood | 1967 |
| 14 | Wes Gartrell | 1981 |
| 18 | Lyn Glaskin | |
| 18 | Chevrolet Club | 1981 |
| 23 | Chevaun Hedley | 1982 |
| 30 | Anne Holland | 1939 |



To have your name in the Birthday list please advise Paul Fullwood, so we can recognise all milestones.



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Verses from 'The Wandering Buff'.

Those of a certain age will remember the Buffalo Lodge, one similar to the Masonic Lodge, but made up of working men, not business oriented people. This is one of the Wandering Buff's verses.

The Professional.

I've thrown down the pickaxe and spade
No more will I carry the 'monkey',
For I've found out a different job
And I'll work no more like a donkey.
I've been and drawn my back time
So all on the job said Goodbye,
And just as a parting salute
I blackened the old boss's eye.
For I'm going to be a professional,
I'm going to be a pro,
And when on the stage I'll be all the rage,
Everybody will shout 'Bravo, Bravo!'
And when I am a professional,
I'm going to be a great star.
No more will I mix the mortar and bricks
Tra la la, tra lal la, tra la la.

Deep in the Heart of Taxes.

I'm in a jam, I find I am
Deep in the throes of taxes.
I earn ten quid, of five I'm rid
Deep in the throes of taxes.
This might sound queer
But I can't buy beer
Deep in the throes of taxes
And when I die, I'll lie bone dry
Deep in the heart of taxes.

March Event

Sunday March 12 started out a little overcast and ended with an electrical storm and a lot of rain. I thought I was in Brisbane!

To start the day we assembled in the northern car park of Hillarys' Marina, then proceeded to Rob and Jenny Leman's home in Padbury for morning tea. Rob has a very spectacular high domed roof over his home which enables a lot of storage and workspace for his projects, including a Chevy pickup, the 'Frog' and a Holden Torana. There were parts and things of wonder in this man cave, including the starting handle for an International tractor.



Next stop on the tour was out to Gnangara in Perth's northeast corridor to the home of Maurice McGregor's place. What an impressive lineup of vehicles were on display. Most of the cars were from the 1920s and 30s, all in mint condition and amongst them some very rare examples, including a replica Ford T racer, A Rolls Royce and a Chrysler hearse which came from Busselton.

The value of these magnificent vehicles would be hard to measure, but should be kept together on display.





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Last stop on the day was at Bob Beames' property in Wanneroo, where his workshop is a veritable Aladdin's cave of vehicles, with a Dodge, Chrysler, MGA, Morris 8 tourer, various Minis in a state of construction, and a rare British Chevrolet ute which once belonged to our Roly Richardson. Bob's wife showed us a huge collection of dolls inside the upstairs area, and the biggest collection of small car models you will ever see. Afternoon tea was enjoyed on the veranda.



The colour of the MGA, called sky, was a stock colour for these models, though not many of them received this shade. The STOP sign goes way back to WWII, when charcoal gas took the place of very scarce rationed petrol. Why one could not pass the point mentioned is not clear, but perhaps escaping gas could ignite in a closed area. Who knows?

At this venue the skies opened up and we retreated back to home.



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1936 Master Sedan, in original condition, runs well but carby needs attention. \$20,000 ono. Contact Paul on 0450 003 567.

Wanted

Carburettor to fit 6 cylinder 1929 Chev Tourer International series ac. The book says a RJHO8-125S fitted in early cars but a replacement RJHO8-136 should be used to replace it!

Now I don't know for sure what one I have but providing it's all complete, either should work. Contact Mike Davey on phone 0468 319 202.

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Various attempts had been made to use steam as a motive power source, and though it was universal in railway engines toward the end of the 19th century, it failed to make the grade on the road until the Stanley Steamer of the 1920s.

The first internal combustion engines were built in France around 1884 and powered on town gas, but after one exploded the enthusiasm somehow waned.

After working at other companies, Gottlieb Daimler and Carl Benz, who never met personally, simultaneously developed the world's first automobiles in Mannheim (Benz) and Stuttgart (Daimler) in the year 1886. However, several years lay between the invention of the automobile and its economic exploitation. Their prototypes ran on benzene using the four stroke principle patented by one Nikolaus Otto. When Otto's patent was declared void in 1886 both makers began selling motor vehicles under their own names. Benz's vehicle was a three wheeler as he hadn't worked out how to steer with two wheels, whilst Daimler built a four wheel vehicle much like a light buggy using the same turntable steering mechanism as horse drawn vehicles, so he gets the honour of building the first real motor car.

The rest, as they say, is history.

Extracts from Tony Davis' book, 'Step On It'.

CHEVROLET CLUB OF WA INC
GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE Ridleys
Holden Close Bertram
SUNDAY 12th February 2017

Meeting Opened: 4:03pm by President Neil Fullwood

Present: as per the attendance book.

Apologies: Hugh, Rosina, Mark & Marie, Mat Hall

Visitors: Danny Gotti (President of A.A.B.I.C.), Tim Tapping (Chairman G.M.O.D.), Tanya Morris (Secretary G.M.O.D.), Bruce Jones (Committee Member G.M.O.D.), Jim Fitzgerald (President Holden Club).

Previous Minutes of General Meeting held on the 11th December 2016

Printed in Chevroletter.

Moved: Peter

Seconded: Phil

Matters Arising:

Trophy Cabinet: Installed

Library to be installed

Correspondence:

IN: Shannon's auctions,

National Pen

House auction (held yesterday)

Moved: Roly

Email Traffic

Inwards: 18

Outwards: 7

Club Magazines

Veteran Car Club x2, Holden Torque, Small Torque x2,

Chevolution x2, American Car Club x2

OUT: Only Emails.

Moved: Paul

Seconded: Phil

Treasurer's Report: Opening Balance \$5,984.64

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| Income | \$2,102.73 |
| Expenditure | \$1,264.96 |
| Closing Balance | \$6,822.41 |
| GMOD 50% Share | \$1,528.25 |

Moved: Paul Fullwood **Seconded:** Anne

Past Events:

Captain Munchies 10th Jan, then to Kings Park D.N.A. Tower

Upcoming Events:

Fish & Chips 14th Feb

Guildford Show 26th March (with Buick Club)

Dardanup weekend T.B.A. (early May)

Classic Car Show 23rd April (May be put back a week at Ascot
Raceway -Public \$5.00 entry)

Proposed Night run fourth Wednesday (date T.B.A.)

Tickets purchased for Busselton (date T.B.A.)

CMC Report: Code 404 now finalised.

Peter gave talk on vehicles from estate.

General Business:

Vehicle Examinations Originality Check to be carried out by Rick or Neil

Vehicle Examinations - Annual Safety check, Do the club members wish to continue to have voluntary safety check upon request, to be carried out by Rick & Neil?

Fee Increase for coming year by \$5.00 with an additional \$10.00 (optional) for hardcopy of Chevrolletter.

Bob thanked Roly for opening Hall for meetings.

Bits and Pieces:

NIL

Presentation of check to .A.A.B.I.C. from Holden Club and Chev Club.

Meeting closed: at 4:35pm. Next meeting will be held on Sunday 9th April 2017 at the Ridley's GM Museum at 3:00pm.

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The next Club meeting will be held at Ridley's Holden Museum, Bertram, on Sunday April 9 at 3pm.