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MEETINGS

2nd Tuesday of each month
Drag-Ens hot rod club
17 Childs Rd Chipping Norton 7.00pm
Members, family & visitors
welcome

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

G'DAY MEMBERS

TIME IS FLYING AS WE ARE HEADING INTO MAY AND WE HAVE SOME GREAT EVENTS THAT ARE COMING UP I WOULD LIKE TO SEE AS MANY CLUB MEMBERS ATTEND WITH THERE FAMILY AND FRIENDS ☺

- *HOT ROD AND CAR EXPO AT ROSE HILL*
- *MOTOR X*
- *3 G RUN*
- *CAMDEN SHOW*

I HOPE YOU ALL HAD A GREAT EASTER WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND THE EASTER BUNNY WAS GOOD TO YOU ALL.

WE JUST HAD OUR ANNUAL BREAK DOWN AT KIAMA FOR THE ANZAC WEEKEND AWAY, WHAT A GREAT TIME AWAY WITH FAMILY AND CLUB MEMBERS. WE COULDN'T COMPLAIN ABOUT THE WEATHER, IT WAS JUST PERFECT. WE HAD A TOTAL OF 23 CABINS BOOKED & CONDUCTED OUR ANNUAL CHICKEN AND PRAWN FEAST AND CRUSIED INTO BERRY. WE HAD A GREAT TIME FISHING, 8 FISH WERE CAUGHT IN ONE DAY AND WE ALSO LOST ABOUT 7 IN TOTAL IN ONE DAY. ALSO HAD SHARK ALERTS

KIAMA ALSO HELD A DAWN SERVICE AT THE LIGHT HOUSE (LEST WE FORGET)



WE HAVE REBOOKED ALL CABINS FOR NEXT YEAR, THE DATES WILL BE FROM THE 23RD OF APRIL 2018 TO THE 1ST OF MAY 2018. SO PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOUR INTERESTED IN ATTENDING AGAIN. WE WILL HAVE PICTURES UPLOADED IN OUR WEB PAGE, CLUB MAG AND FACEBOOK. I BELIEVE CHRIS COOMAS WITH HIS '55 WAS GIVING AWAY FREE FUEL IN THE CARAVAN PARK LOL AND OUR 55 DECIDED HEADING TO KIAMA TO BE HERBIE AND WANTED TO DRIVE IT SELF DOWN THE FREE AWAY AND HAVE HIGH WAY PATROL CHASE MY TAIL. THE REST IS HISTORY ☺

I WILL SEE YOU ALL AT THE NEXT MEETING WHICH IS ON THE 9TH OF MAY. PLEASE CALL OR MESSAGE ME ON THE MONDAY BEFORE LUNCH TO CONFIRM IF YOUR ATTENDING.

REGARDS

JOHN FENATO



MINUTES

Minutes of GENERAL Meeting for No.495 of the 55'56'57' Chevrolet Club Of Australia INC.



Held on Tuesday 11/04/ 2017 at Drag-Ens Clubhouse Milperra.

Meeting opened at: 8.03pm

Apologies: Rick May, Charlie Pace, Richard Mifsud, Brian D'Alfonso

Attendance: 21 members

Visitors: Warrick Mitchell ('57)

• New Member: Ryan Goodchild (HT Holden) ,

• Meeting Chaired by: John Fenato President

Present - Committee members John Fenato, Gary Wright, Ben Marks, Bevan Joseph and Frank Mamone. Garry Tant.

Minutes Read /Business Arising from previous Minutes for March - None.

Accepted: Aldo Mazzucco. Seconded: Andrew Trollope

Treasurers Report:

Monthly financial report shown to members on request as well as being witnessed by a minimum of two members at each meeting. Signed and accepted by David Gauci and Greg Richardson. The funds are as follows

Monies In \$ 2,515.35

Monies out \$ 656.20

Available funds \$46,750.24

GENERAL

Web page is being used and is easy to negotiate.

Mail

Pony Express – Mustang club (March) QLD Chevrolet (February) Camaro/ Firebird (February & March)
Chev Car Club of NSW (April) Chevrolet WA (March)

Camden Car Show.

The Charity that will be supported on the day will be "One Meal" nominated by Garry Tant. More info forthcoming in future. Garry Tant will process the correct letters and insurance details etc More Camden Car Show raffle tickets to be sold and will be printed earlier. There will be a requirement that members must sell at least two books each as compulsory. They will be either posted or handed out at the next meeting. Raffle prizes to be sought for the day. Glyn and BM to donate items. Members are asked to also help.

The two proposed show Flyers that are to be voted on were shown to the meeting. They were designed by members Steve Barks and by Ben Marks. The meeting voted to accept the flyer prepared by Ben Marks. We will arrange to print 3000 flyers asap for hand out to all clubs etc. It will also incorporate the sponsors as acknowledgements.



MINUTES

Events and Club invitations

Read out by Peter Bryen and featured in the month's Magazine.

A new venue that we could go to will be the Bargo Pie Shop on the Old Hume Highway. Frank Vittacco to investigate.

"GM day / Shannons" Club event Day display Cards will be looked at for future display days.

CLUB SANCTIONED EVENTS

A quick look at upcoming events, generally all year round:

2nd Sat Cars under the stars.

1st Sat Smeaton Grange

2nd Sunday Cars & Donuts - Penrith Panthers

6th -7th May Wings Over Illawarra

23rd April GM Day at Penrith Fire Museum. Sanctioned club run

21st-24th April-- Kiama weekend away has 2 spaces left, John has announced that any members who want to go, please pay the deposit of \$100.00 ASAP. The weekend costs are \$600.00 for 4 nights for the accommodation. There is a total of 24 self-contained cabins booked, a Chicken & Prawn night @ \$15.00 per head and a casual run is organized. New members invited. The additional rooms if not sold will be handed back by next week.

7th May 3 "G" May Run. \$15 per car, meeting at GW's place 9.30am. Travelling to Garry Foreman's place for lunch and the afternoon. The arrangements will be sorted out. Cost \$15.00 per car. 20 members are coming, plus members from other clubs invited It is envisaged that there will be 35 cars on the day Please notify GW with numbers from other clubs that are attending.

14th-15th May Rose Hill Hotrod & Custom Car Show by Andy's Resto's No time slot for set up as yet. Venue -Rose Hill gardens. We have reserved 8 spots The bonus for the club is that there is a \$1,500 prize for best display. Club has 6 sails that will be used. Black plastic will be used as flooring was agreed to. JF will get the rolls from his brother. No Drip trays required. Members asked for set up assistance. Investigation of a banner and new signs as the old one is looking tired and marked etc. We are going to have a Drive-In theme displayed. Member '58 Peter Bryen will be arranging a special display of 50's-60's drive in memorabilia We have the following going to display: "57's Ben Marks, Joe D'Alfonso, Terry Burrows, and '56's Joe Oliver, '55's Brian D'Alfonso and John Fenato. Andy will be asked to allow 2 hours for set up. JF to tow his trailer in with props. Bollards, Chain and flags as we are having a roped off area.

22nd & 23rd July 2017 Motorex Venue – Homebush Olympic Dome 15 x 15 metre site in the hall areas The Dome will house trade stalls. Members showing their cars 6 x '57's have entered as well as a few other models.

7th January 2018 Rooty Hill RSL Elvis Festival Further meetings that must be held with JF and GW.to settle the requirements of the RSL and our club's expectations. To date the requested meeting has not been held. Time is being wasted. If no meeting soon we will inform the RSL club that we will not participate or organize the event.



MINUTES

Magazine and Insertions

The magazine will now feature a BUY and SELL section in future, not limited to cars. If you have anything to sell or want to buy please send Ben a request etc. Raffle Raffles were drawn and prizes were won by Frank Mamone

Meeting BBQ

Members should confirm attendance so catering can be arranged. We had enough for the night and no left overs taken home.

CVS & HCRS Schemes

Please remember to carry the club magazine in your car as well as the 60 Day log Book. It is a requirement for the scheme to exist legally. No Log Book or Magazine =FINE!!! Please sign the log book if you are on HVRS.. No need to sign log book for CVS if it's a club run.

Club Renewals.

Be advised that all members should be financial by the end of June 2017 this is a RMS requirement to be Financial for the start of the new financial year. As participants to the CVS and HVRS schemes those members MUST be financial at that time. Or the cars WILL NOT BE REGISTERED.

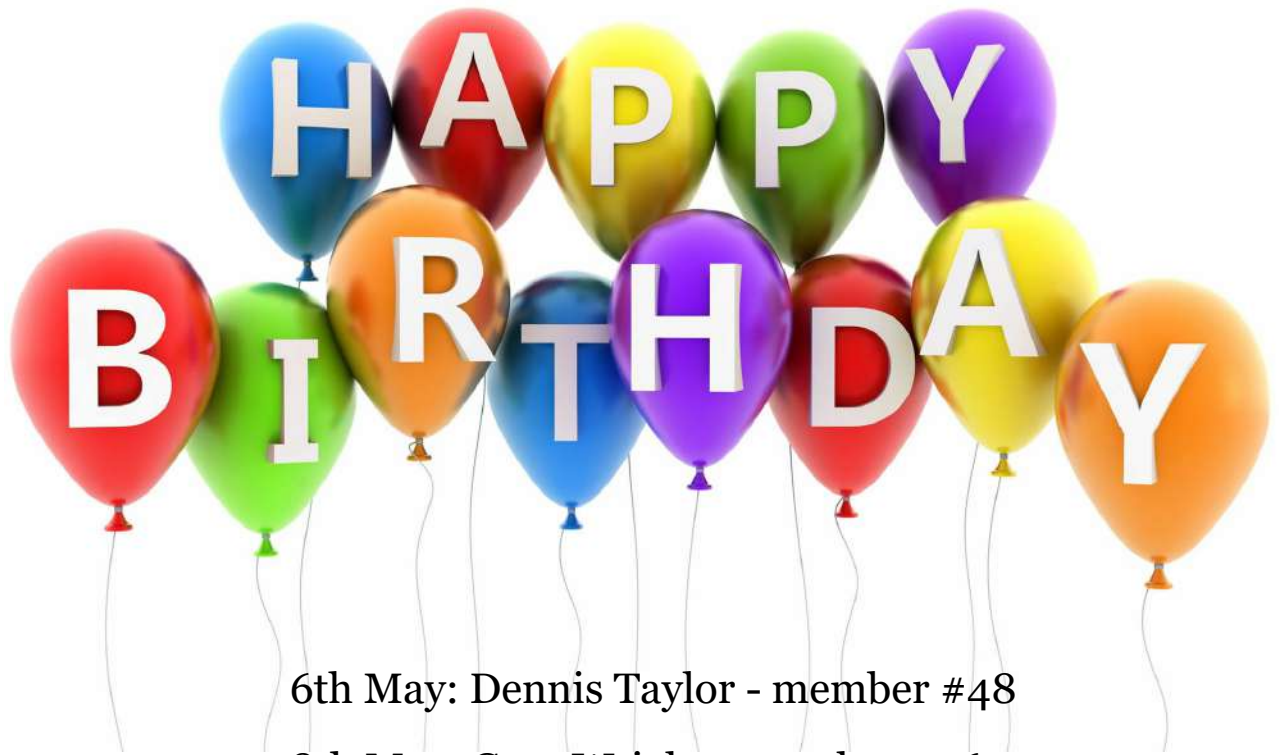
The Police now have license and registration recognition in all patrol cars. Members have reported that the have been pulled over to check if the CVS / HVRS log book has been signed. No signature = Fine and the plates will be removed on the spot = No rego.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Bevan Joseph

Secretary





6th May: Dennis Taylor - member #48

8th May: Gary Wright - member #56

25th May: Jim Dowse - member #102

NEW MEMBERS

The '55, '56, '57 Chevrolet Club would like to welcome the following new members:

Ryan Goodchild - HT Holden

Al & Kim Nightingale - 57 Bel Air

(See their stories on page 20 and 21)



EDITORS NOTES

G'Day Everyone,

Welcome to the May edition of our magazine.

As John mentioned, we have some great events on the horizon. The **3GGG Run** is back, and at the time of print we have had 56 people confirmed with their cars. It should be a great day to get your car out for a run and to catch up with other members for a chin wag and a nice bite to eat. Full story and pictures will be in next months magazine.

If you know of an upcoming event, please let me know so I can include it in the magazine and also let other members know via the website (www.567chevclub.com) and aswell as our ever growing Facebook page (www.facebook.com/55-56-57-Chevrolet-Club-of-Australia). I hope you enjoy the stories of our new members cars on pages 20-21, I got a kick out of 'em! If you have a project on the go or a new ride, please let me know.

Members on HVS and CVS are reminded that memberships **MUST** be paid by June 30 to ensure you remain registered, regardless of when your registration was paid. Please liase with Gary Wright or Garry Tant for further information. And just a reminder, **the 60-day Log Book is in addition to club runs and is for personal use.** You can take the family to the beach for fish & chips or whatever else you like but the Log Book must be filled in (in ink) before you take the car out of the garage. You can travel interstate for up to 3 months but each day on the road must be log-booked. Maintenance runs for your vehicle or runs to the RMS for rego etc. don't need to be log-booked provided it is within a 'reasonable distance' from where the car is garaged. Up to 10 or 15ks would be the limit. The police have been checking log books so make sure you fill it in. Also, carrying evidence of a club run in the car during an event is a good practice.

Happy cruising

Ben Marks



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2017 3 GGG Run, Sunday 7th May

It has been 10 years since the 3 Garry's have organised A 3 GGG run, and we are looking forward to doing it again. Nothing has changed on how we did it in the past, just that we have all got a bit older!

Morning tea will be at Gary & Kay Wright's
67 Bowman Ave, South Camden @ 10am.
Followed by lunch at Garry & Brenda Foreman
which is at Tahmoor (directions will be given on the day)
Don't forget to bring a picnic blanket and a chair on the day.

\$15 per car
Please RSVP for catering and kids goody bags.
Gary Wright: 0409 55 56 57 or
email: garynkay@bigpond.com



Upcoming Events

1st Saturday night each month

All American Mystery Cruise Night. 7pm Parramatta Pools car park, O'Connell St.



2nd Saturday night each month

'Cruise & Dine Night' - Hungry Jacks Cnr Box Rd & Port Hacking Rd, Sylvania. From 5.30pm

'Grange Classic Garage' - at Euro Cafe, 24 Anzac Av, Smeaton Grange. 4pm-late.

1st Sunday Morning each month

'Cars & Coffee' - Kellyville Plaza, 40 Wrights Rd Kellyville. 7am to 9am

2nd Sunday each month

'Cars and Doughnuts' - Krispy Kreme, Panthers carpark, Mulgoa Rd, Penrith. 8am

4th Sunday each month

'Shifters Cruise' to various places south of Sydney. Call Bob for a run sheet: 0433 945 350

Sanctioned Club Runs for Historic & CVS Vehicles are highlighted with the club logo



5th May 'Roll Racing. 6.30-11pm Sydney Motorsport Park. Check www.sydney motorsport park.com.au for info

6th May Oran Park Festival Motor Show, Oran Park Anglican College, Central Av & Peter Brock Dr, Oran Park

7th May 3 GGG Run. See flyer.



6th-7th May 'Wings Over Illawarra'. Illawarra Airport 9am-5pm

13th May Silverwater Motor Festival. Clyde St, Silverwater.

13th-14th May 'Hot Rod & Custom Auto Expo' - Rose Hill. 9am to 5pm.



21st May The National Motoring Heritage Day at the Museum Of Fire, Museum Dr, Penrith.

21st May Central Coast National Heritage Day. Memorial Park, The Entrance.

21st May 'Blast From the Past', Rock n Roll Picnic, Victory Parade & The Boulevard, Toronto.



28th May Weekend On Wheels. Jack Neil Oval, Cowper St, Taree.

2-5th June Wintersun 2.0 - Murwillumbah

7-11th June Cooly Rocks On 2017 - Coolangatta/Tweed Heads

11th June Brasher Nats - Eastern Creek

2nd July - Blacktown Swap Meet

15th - 16th July Man Cave Experience. Sydney Showground. For everything Man Cave related.

22nd-23rd July 'Motorex' - Sydney Olympic Park - Homebush



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- 3:00pm - Motor awards
- 3:30pm - Close

DETAILS AT A GLANCE

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ANNUAL CLUB RUN TO KIAMA - ANZAC LONG WEEKEND.



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All GM Day at the Museum Of Fire - Penrith



A big thank you to Steve Barks for supplying the pictures of the day.





Ryan's got a 'Wood !



It was very early in 1970 when Dorothy Mathews of Ryde got her car license for the first time approaching 40 years of age. With a license came the requirement for a car and being a die- hard Holden family off they went to the local Holden dealership – Pat Cullen Holden.

Buying the first brand new car for the family was a big thing so they decided if they were going to get a new car they would order exactly what they wanted. The HT Holden had only been out for months but it was soon decided it was the model for them. It was here that the tragic decision was made to go for the Kingswood rather than the Monaroo for the convenience of four doors. (sigh)

However they did love the look of the earlier Red HK Monaroes and decided on placing a special order rather than choosing from the lot. Optioned to be Spanish red it was with the additional option of a black interior. It has never been confirmed but believed to be one of only about 20 cars ever produced with this colour combination.

After 26 years of loyal service and all of 48,000 miles with the passing of her husband, Dorothy decided it was time to pass the “Red Rocket “ on to her two grandsons who had always loved it.

After a brief stint with the elder brother the entire Ht's driveline had suffered from some over eager teenage driving and was bought out by the younger brother. (me)

The decision was made to re do and upgrade the entire driveline whilst maintaining the original interior and exterior appearance of the car which is how it remains today.

Exterior – Bare metal 2 pak respray in Spanish red, all original mouldings

Interior – Original – Black

Driveline – 327 Chev, Turbo 350, 9” Diff



AL & Kim's 4 door hardtop



Our 57 Chevy Bel-air pillar less is still on its way to Oz. We are hopeful the car will arrive in late May. The pictures are of it in Texas and California.

We have always loved the 57 Bel air and have been sort of keeping a eye out for a few years. We found the car on the internet and thought it was what we were looking for, the correct colour and numbers matching original pillar less. After thinking about it for 5min. We made a offer to purchase the car from the owner in Texas, we did a bit more question asking and research and found that the car was owned by the same man for all of its life in Texas and was left in his will to a charity, the charity sold 200 tickets at \$100 each and the lady that won it after 6 months decided it was not being done justice by sitting under cover in her care (she did 18 miles in it). So she advertised it and we drought the car. It is original paint, interior and drive train in great condition for its age. It has taken a while to find the correct car but now waiting for it to arrive seems forever (LOL).

We are looking forward to getting out in it and cruising with other club members.

Cheers

Al & Kim



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