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## 2005

## AGM DINNER

When: 7.00pm til Midnight

Saturday, 27 August 2005

Where: Panorama Room  
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Cost: \$35.00 per head

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Meetings:	Held first Tuesday of each month excluding January (no meeting). November meeting is held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month due to Melbourne Cup public holiday.
Meetings Location:	Dandenong Library Stuart Street, Dandenong 3175

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**Presidents Report August 2005**

Welcome once again to another month of Free Wheeling.

This is my last Presidents Report, as the Annual General Meeting is around the corner and I'll be standing down from my position and from the Committee for the time being.

I came onto the Committee just four months after joining the club. The first two years I was the Assistant Secretary, then the Treasurer for a year, and then finally President for the last two years. It has been a very rewarding experience and I have made many new friends, both in the club and from elsewhere.

The General Meetings are the fun part, and there have been some memorable ones. Some that come to mind are:

- ⇒ The talk by Tommy, Peter and Patrick leading up to the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary reminiscing about their time in the club and the changes they have seen.
- ⇒ Noel Lees talking about the work the DSE do and the insight he provided into the historic Aberfeldy area.
- ⇒ Don Montague showing us his incredible Bush BQ and the never-ending attachments.

There are many people who contribute to the running of the meetings. Whether it has been selling raffle tickets, tea duty, being the guest speaker or just being present at the meetings. Then there are all the people that contribute to the main function of the club, and that is the running of trips. Thankyou to all of you. Without your input the club couldn't function.

There are many hours work spent between the General meetings, by many of the committee members. Your help and input over the year has been invaluable.

I would like to give a special thankyou to Lesley Peters. The work Lesley has done over the past couple of years has been immense.

Hopefully we'll see you at the AGM.

John.  
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# The Corner

**APPLE BETTY**

5 cooking apples , peeled cored and chopped

100g butter

half a cup of brown sugar

grated rind of one lemon

3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

pinch of ground nutmeg

3 cups of fresh breadcrumbs

**METHOD.....**

Cook the apples with one tablespoon of the butter, one tablespoon of sugar, the rind, cinnamon and nutmeg, for 15 minutes till the apples are soft enough to beat to a puree.

Preheat the oven to 180. Melt the butter in a frying pan over low heat and add the breadcrumbs and the remaining brown sugar.

Toss until all the breadcrumbs are coated and then fry till golden brown.

Spread the crumbs in a 1 litre ovenproof dish, and layer with half the puree. Repeat the layers, then finish with the final portion of crumbs.

Bake for 20 minutes, or until crisp and golden brown.

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## MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 05 July 2005

The July General Meeting was held at the Dandenong Library and opened at 8.10 by the President, John Partridge.

32 members present.

**APOLOGIES:** Neil and Norma Stephenson, Geoff and Rochelle Petersen, Roger Baird, Ray and Dawn Brown, Mary Wade, David and Rosalie Hughes, Anne Pettigrew, Verylle Rodger, Brian Martin, Bryan West, Bill Harwood, Lisa Petrou, Steve Pitcher, Steve and Tanya Utting, Terry Johninke, Annie Simpson, Ivan Santurini, Thelma Montague, Graeme Ralph, Judy Murray, Yvonne Hempston, Maxine Ryan, Paula and Gary Johnstone, Peter and Janine Frankland.

**VISITORS:** Welcome to Julie and Rod, Michael Filosa, Wayne Cople, Craig and Marijke.

### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes of the June meeting as per Newsletter.

Accepted: Peter Petrou. Seconded: Michael Rodger.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:**  
Nil.

**SUPPER:** Thanks Ashley and Peter Petrou.

### CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- ⇒ Email from Steve McAvoy of the Bacchus Marsh 4WD Club thanking the VFWDC members who participated in the interclub trip.
- ⇒ Letter of thanks from Tread Lightly! Australia acknowledging membership renewal for 2005/6, together with Certificate of Membership.
- ⇒ Club membership renewals from: Roger Baird, Ashley Martin, Pat & Ann Casey, Leigh & Anne Pettigrew, Linda & Andrew Remenyi, Alan & Jennifer Curphey, Paul and Louise Gillis, Colin & Katie Armour, Neil & Norma Stephenson, Peter & Janine Frankland.
- ⇒ Note from Chris and Karyl McGlenn advising they will not be renewing their Club membership.
- ⇒ Variety 4WD Bash: Invitation to the launch to be held on Saturday 9 July.
- ⇒ Duke of Edinburgh Award: Promotional material on safety/detection product called "Aerotape".
- ⇒ Letter and promotional material from the maker of the "Bush MultiTool".
- ⇒ Four Wheel Drive Victoria:
- ⇒ Invoice for Affiliation Fees.
- ⇒ Receipt for payment of Public Liability insurance.
- ⇒ Copy of FWDVic's response to the Draft

Recreation Framework for Bunyip Public Land.

- ⇒ In association with Heritage Victoria, FWDVic circulated a questionnaire on the Bluff Hut to be completed by all affiliated clubs.
- ⇒ Various club newsletters and company flyers.

### CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- ⇒ Letter to members enclosing Membership Renewal Notice and Nomination Forms for forthcoming AGM.
- ⇒ VFWDC's response to the Draft Recreation Framework for Bunyip Public Land which was completed and submitted by the President.
- ⇒ Bluff Hut questionnaire completed and submitted by Ashley.
- ⇒ Newsletter.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

In the absence of the Treasurer, Anthony read the report for the month of June.

Petty Cash:	\$200.00
Cheque Account:	\$1,638.04
Term Deposit:	\$5,249.31

Accepted: Ian Webber. Seconded: Murray Ogden.

### TRIP CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT:

JP asked Mark Capper to give a brief account on his recent trip to Northern Queensland. Mark and Julie headed off with Chris and Gavin for a two week trip to the top end. They didn't quite reach Cape York but had a great time. Mark kindly offered to provide a trip report on their activities!

### ⇒ Trip Reports:

- ◇ Bas Swart provided a brief overview of the interesting events of the Tallarook Day Trip which were comprehensively covered by Peter and Jan Davies in the July newsletter.

⇒ **Forthcoming Trips/Events:** Michael Rodger reported on the following upcoming trips as per calendar, including additional unlisted trips:

- ◇ 8-10 July: Weekend trip to Daylesford and surrounding area. Paul invited anyone interested to come up on Saturday for day's driving.
- ◇ 24 July: Noojee Day Trip – Ashley. Driving and sightseeing day.
- ◇ 5-7 August: Annual Snow Trip – Carl. If anyone interested, may camp in the snow?

- ◇ 27 August: AGM Dinner.
- ◇ 16-18 September: Annual Mystery Pub-to-Pub – David and Rosalie Hughes.
- ◇ 23 October: Annual Car Rally – David and Rosalie Hughes.

Note that the Ten Pin Bowling night scheduled for September has been cancelled.

Michael drew attention to the fact that there had been no trips added to the previous calendar and once again encouraged members to stand up and lead a trip.

You should find details of the above trips in Forthcoming Trips section.

#### FOUR WHEEL DRIVE VICTORIA REPORT:

- ⇒ ICOM is sponsoring the Driver Training Unit and has supplied hand-held radios for trainer's use.
- ⇒ FWDVic is a registered training organisation and offers courses on trip leading, presentation skills, chainsaw operation, winching, mechanical awareness and first aid.
- ⇒ Trip Leader Training: A new course has been developed by FWDVic for the Outdoor Recreation Centre.  
*Date and Time:* Saturday 30 July 2005, 9.00am-4.00pm.  
*Cost:* \$55 including GST.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS:

- ⇒ **Bunyip Recreation Framework:** JP's submission will be available on the Yahoo website. Part of the submission was to open up access to MVO tracks.
- ⇒ **Insurance:** Club public liability insurance has been renewed with Affinity at the same rate but with added coverage for the Club.
- ⇒ **Trip Leader Training:** Murray Ogden raised the possibility of incorporating a trip leader's course within the Club training course. Ashley responded by saying that the length of time involved would preclude us from incorporating any additional material. Club trainers have discussed how they can streamline our theory sessions, and the recommendation is to keep them as clear and concise as possible, rather than become bogged down in detail.

- ⇒ **Removal of Back Seat from Vehicles:** Graeme Lyne raised this matter which he had recently followed up with VicRoads. Ashley suggested Graeme submit piece on the subject for publication in the newsletter.
- ⇒ **Camping Code:** Lesley contacted Parks Victoria with regard to obtaining pamphlets on camping codes. Their preference was for members to take the information from their website, but agreed to provide 40 copies of their relevant Park Note. In meantime, info has been downloaded, copies of which are available to members. Thanks Paul and Ashley.
- ⇒ **Library:** Steve Boyle requested that all outstanding items be returned before the AGM next month.

#### RAFFLE:

Won by: Ian Webber – Torch.

Anthony Van Buiten – Car Rug.

James Holden – Bottle Red Wine.

**MEETING CLOSED** at 10.10pm.

**NEXT MEETING:** Will be held at Dandenong Library on Tuesday, 2 August 2005 at 8.00pm sharp.

#### CLUB NOTES:

28 June 2005: Rochelle and Geoff are proud to announce the arrival of their baby girl, Alicia, coming in at 7lb9ozs. Parents and baby doing well. Heartiest congratulations and warmest wishes to Rochelle and Geoff from the committee and members.

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**Reminder: The next Club meeting will incorporate the Annual General Meeting and we would like to see as many members as possible at the meeting, together with their nomination forms.**



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# Forthcoming Trips

## CLUB CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### AUGUST

Tuesday 2nd	Club Meeting	
Friday 5th-7th	Snow Trip	Carl Surtees
Saturday 27th	AGM Dinner at Mulgrave Country Club	
Tuesday 30th	Committee Meeting	

### SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 6th	Club Meeting	
Friday 16th-18th	Annual Mystery Pub to Pub	Dave and Rosalie Hughes

### OCTOBER

Tuesday 4th	Club Meeting	
Sunday 23rd	Annual car Rally—	Dave and Rosalie Hughes

## Annual Snow Trip

- Date:** Friday 5th of August
- Trip Leader:** Carl Surtees
- Contact No:** TEL: 9706 2692 MOB: 0403 024 490 / 0418 363 878
- Destination:** North of Licola, Annual Snow Trip
- Meeting Time/Place:** Officer Weighbridge at 430 PM
- Vehicle Limit:** *Min: 4, Max: 12*
- Grade:** *Wet: Medium—slightly different to normal wet conditions Dry: Easy*
- Approximate Kms:** Quite a long way
- Last Available Fuel:** Petrol/Diesel available at Licola
- Equipment:** Warm and waterproof gear to play and camp
- Maps:** None
- Radio Channel:** Channel 12
- Trip Activities:** Just general snow play, camping on the Friday night at the Wellington river below the snow line or for those more adventurous we can camp in the snow. A good trip to brush up on those snow driving skills that we very seldom get to practice

### For Sale

Will sell Roof Rack Basket which I had on Suzuki Grand Vitara for longer trips. The GV was 1.780 m wide. I have brackets as well. Price \$90.  
 It was used twice, been in garage since 2003.  
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 Maggie Tel: 0408 291 507.



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# Forthcoming Trips

## Mystery Pub to Pub

<b>Date:</b>	Friday 16th to 18th of September
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Dave and Rosalie Hughes
<b>Contact No:</b>	TEL: 03 9706 2966
<b>Destination:</b>	That's the Mystery Part
<b>Meeting Time/Place:</b>	To be Confirmed
<b>Vehicle Limit:</b>	<i>Min: 2, Max: TBA</i>
<b>Grade:</b>	<i>Its still early days in the planning but this is an event which is open to everyone so if there is any four wheeling, it wont be very hard</i>
<b>Approximate Kms:</b>	More of the mystery
<b>Last Available Fuel:</b>	TBA
<b>Equipment:</b>	TBA
<b>Maps:</b>	TBA
<b>Radio Channel:</b>	Channel 12
<b>Trip Activities:</b>	This is where the mystery part of it is. We will let you know the meeting place closer to the date. The rest of it is a surprise.

There will be a cost associated with the trip to cover the cost of staying at the pubs. We will let you know closer to the event what else you need to bring.

**Remember to put your names in the register if you intend to participate in these trips**

## Annual Car Rally

<b>Date:</b>	Sunday 23 October
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Dave and Rosalie Hughes
<b>Contact No:</b>	TEL: 03 9706 2966
<b>Destination:</b>	In the clues
<b>Meeting Time/Place:</b>	To be Confirmed
<b>Vehicle Limit:</b>	<i>As many as possible, the more the merrier</i>
<b>Grade:</b>	Wet—Easy, Dry Easy, Navigationally Challenged—Hard
<b>Approximate Kms:</b>	This is used to work out how many wild goose chases you went on so we cant really tell you at this stage
<b>Last Available Fuel:</b>	TBA
<b>Distance Between Supplies:</b>	This may depend on how lost you get
<b>Equipment:</b>	Lunch and a sense of humour
<b>Maps:</b>	Melways
<b>Radio Channel:</b>	Channel 12

**Trip Activities:** The car rally is an annual event that is a lot of fun for the whole family. For those that haven't been involved before, a list of directions is provided that may be subject to some interpretation. The idea is to get to the meeting point with the least number of wild goose chases and collect the largest number of items listed on the way. The rally is not a race, starting times are recorded and points will be deducted if you get there too quickly (i.e. no speeding will be allowed).

If you win you will be awarded a trophy and get to run the event next year. Good luck.

**Make sure you have completed a personal information sheet and are carrying it in your car**

# Trip Reports

## Hepburn Springs/Daylesford/Loddon River

**Trip Leader:** Paul Ryan  
**Participants:** Maxine & Madeline Ryan  
 Roger & Helen Baird  
 Ashley Martin & Lesley Peters  
 Brian ("Happy") Martin

After the predictable nerve-racking drive from Clayton to Port Melbourne to collect Ashley, we headed off at around 4.00pm. The traffic was as always on a Friday afternoon, but we had a fairly easy, uneventful run up to our destination – *Lulworth Cottages* in Hepburn Springs. We arrived at around 5.30, and were greeted by Roger and Helen who had made their way up earlier in the afternoon and settled in quite comfortably. The Ryans were not far behind us, as was Brian. We settled into our respective cottages – the Bairds in the *Aurora*, the Ryans in the *Argyle* and the Martins (and me) in the *Locarno* – and arranged to meet up a bit later for dinner. It was a relaxing evening and off the bed at a reasonable hour?

### Social Report

Saturday was chilly but no rain (good). The boys had made their plans the previous evening and they were off at around 9.00am to check out the tracks in the area. Maxine, Madeline, Helen and myself left a little later, driving into Daylesford to check out the shoppes. We spent about an hour "doing the street" and then made our way to *Lavandula* lavender farm. After a very pleasant couple of hours at the farm, including lunch and browsing the local wares, we headed back to the cottages to catch up on the day's four-wheeling activities and to make the all-important decision on where to dine. That decision made, we were off to *Lucini's Pasta Restaurant* in Hepburn Springs. What a great choice – the restaurant is located in the original Old Macaroni Factory which was established in 1859. Everything about this place was tops – the atmosphere, the staff, the food, the wine, and the music – Dean Martin's greatest hits – in particular *That's Amoré* – was a hit (scusa the pun). Oh – and they even hand out a colouring page for the kids – big and small! We eventually



shifted ourselves back to the Ryan's pad where we kicked on for a few more hours.

A casual start to Sunday morning – breakfast, followed by a stroll down to the Springs which were just next door to the cottages. Roger and Helen decided to head off for a "walk down memory lane" in the Malmsbury area. The rest of us left at around midday and made our way to the local wineries. We made a brief stop at Ellendale Winery, and then a long stop at The Big Shed Winery at Glenlyon. I must say that this was the longest I have ever spent at any one winery at any one time. The Irish host extraordinaire, Felix, was definitely one-of-a-kind and certainly a darn good salesman! We finally left with quite a few boxes between us and made our way to Kyneton for a quick lunch, after which we went on our merry separate ways.

Thanks heaps to Paul for organising this trip. It was a very pleasant respite from bush camping and definitely a fine idea for the colder months. The accommodation was very good, as was the company, and the variety of things to do made for a really great weekend. **Lesley**

### 4WD Report

The boys decided to take a trip around the Castlemaine Gold Diggings area. I jumped in with Paul, while Roger sat in as passenger with "Happy". First stop was at Jacksons Lookout which has a great view of Daylesford and the surrounding area, but in a few years the tops of the trees may need a trim. Next was Mount Franklin which also has great views. From there we toured around the Gold diggings area for a few hours, while there isn't any real four wheeling in the area, there is some great scenery. We managed to find a few gold diggings and some shafts. On our way back we stopped

at Vaughan Mineral Springs where we had lunch; there was no-one there and these springs would be less hectic than those at Hepburn. From there we made our way back to Daylesford for a look around the town. The ladies were still lunching, so we decided to sample a few ales at the local, from where we headed back to the cottages for a relax before dinner. **Ashley**

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## Man Versus Machine. By Barry

In the beginning only the rare, perceptive motorist understood that he was driving a better-than-usual motorcar, for the early autoist was generally a rotten driver. What could you expect from a nineteenth-century man who was suddenly expected to deal with machines which could blast along at a fearful twenty-five miles per hour. No wonder that when he abandoned his bicycle or horse-drawn buggy and found himself, terrified, at the controls of an automobile he just couldn't cope with.

Shifting gears without making frightful graunching noises or stalling the engine was a nightmare. He was baffled by any slight indisposition of the mechanism which might keep his car from starting, or cause it to expire, suddenly and mystifyingly, on the road. His usual remedy was a farmer's horses. Sometimes he even had no more than a vague notion of the difference between oil and gasoline. I quote just such an account published in 'Motors and Motor Driving' in 1902, edited by Sir Alfred Harmsworth. It is an account taken from the motoring diary of Mr and Mrs Koosens.

"Early in 1895, while travelling in Germany, I saw an advertisement of a motor-car builder with an illustration of a car. My wife said she liked the look of the thing, so I ordered one. I had then never seen a motor-car, and was under the impression that you take your seats, press the button, and the machine does the rest. Well, at last, on November 21, 1895, the thing arrived at Portsmouth Town station."

"I had been told in a letter from the maker that to start the engine you had to turn the flywheel towards you, which I did until darkness overtook me. The only result was a pair of worn-out gloves. And now I think perhaps it would be better to quote my wife's diary (I don't keep one myself)."

"November 23-Took train to Lee and tried to make our motor work; wouldn't; came home at 5."

"November 24-Awfully cold; played with our motor - no result."

"November 25-After luncheon saw to our motor, but didn't get it out of the shed."

"November 26-Drove to Lee and took Smith and Penning (engineers); Penning spent the day on his back with no results"

"November 27-Drove to Lee; first we drove to T White and Co to see about oil, but they gave us five gallons of the stuff costers burn in their flares over their barrows, which of course messed up our motor, which of course didn't go."

"November 30-Motor went with benzoline for first time; awfully pleased."

"December 2-Waiting for new oil from Bowley and Son."

"December 9-Drove to Lee at 10; motor sparked at once and went well. After lunch started for home in motor-car; came round by Fareham; had lovely drive; police spotted us; awful crowd followed us at Cosham; had to beat them off with umbrella."

"December 10-Policeman called at 1:30, took our names re driving through Fareham without red flag ahead."

"December 13-Went drive around common; tyre came off; sent her to Penning."

"December 16-Took train to Fareham; met Hobbs (Hide and Hobbs, solicitors) and Mr Heckett, and proceeded to Court House; filthy place; Hobbs spoke up well for motors (see Police reports). Silly old magistrate fined us one shilling and costs, 15s and 7d."

"December 27-Frightened an unattended horse attached to a milk cart, which bolted and sent the milk cans flying in all directions."

"December 31-Straps slipped badly, had to get them tightened."

"January 4, 1896-Lost nut off air valve; pushed home."

"January 6-stuck again, small tube supplying petrol to carburetter choked."

"January 14-Motor got stuck; made noises; sent her to Penning's."

"January 19-Motored to Eastney Loch; Jack got out to hold unattended horses, and I drove the car into the curb and smashed frame. Shoved into a stable close by."

"April 14-Accumulators gave out, bumped them into Pennings to get charged."

"April 19-Took fresh accumulators out to Lee, but they would not make the engine go, so took them back again."

"April 22-Took accumulators out again and started at once; did 30 miles for first time in 3.5 hours."

And so on....

If a man born in the mid-1800's couldn't adapt himself to the fast moving machinery of the 1900's, his son born in, say, 1885, could. And quickly, too. By 1907 or so, when cars had become reasonably sophisticated and reliable, a new generation which had reached maturity along with the motorcar not only had some mechanical sense, but was also crazy about cars. If papa had enough money (decent cars were still for the well-to-do), Junior had himself a wonderful time on the road.

The better built cars of the day had a longish wheelbase - 120 inches or more - both to allow for a side entrance to its commodious tonneau and to prevent the pitching and directional instability from which earlier, short-wheelbased machines suffered. (A rear entrance had previously been normal because a rear wheel, and often it's driving chain, had blocked the area where a side door might have been placed).

The chassis frame was in most cases a steel pressing and was sprung on semi elliptic leaf springs, although full elliptics were not uncommon in the rear. (The wood chassis had just about disappeared, except in odd instances like the American air-cooled Franklin, which retained it for some 25 years). Wheels were normally wood spoked. The wire wheel was still a rarity, although some of the earliest cars had used them.

Well, that's enough typing for 1 day. Anthony has promised us a trip to Tallarook tomorrow, and as it's been raining, it should prove challenging. The truck (which doesn't have a wooden chassis and wire wheels), is still sporting the mud and broken flare from Wombat last Sunday; seems hardly worth washing it until after tomorrow's exercise.

Catch you all later.

Barry Bo Sandals.

**Below are four (4) questions and a bonus question.**

**You have to answer them instantly.**

**You can't take your time, answer all of them immediately.**

**First Question:**

You are participating in a race. You overtake the second person. What position are you in?

Answer:If you answered that you are first, then you are absolutely wrong! If you overtake the second person and you take his place, you are second!

**Second Question:**

If you overtake the last person, then you are...?

Answer:If you answered that you are second to last, then you are wrong again. Tell me, how can you overtake the LAST Person?

**Third Question:**

Very tricky arithmetic! Note: This must be done in your head only.

Do NOT use paper and pencil or a calculator.

Take1000and add40to it. Now add another1000. Now add30. Add another1000. Now add20. Now add another1000 Now add10. What is the total?

Did you get5000?

The correct answer is actually 4100.

**Fourth Question:**

Mary's father has five daughters: 1. Nana, 2. Nene, 3. Nini, 4. Nono. What is the name of the fifth daughter?

Did you Answer Nunu?

*NO!* Of course it isn't.

Her name is *Mary*. Read the question again!

**Okay, now the bonus round:**

A mute person goes into a shop and wants to buy a toothbrush. By imitating the action of brushing his teeth he successfully expresses himself to the shopkeeper and the purchase is done.

Next, a blind man comes into the shop who wants to buy a pair of sunglasses; how does HE indicate what he wants?

He just has to open his mouth and ask...

It's really **very** simple....