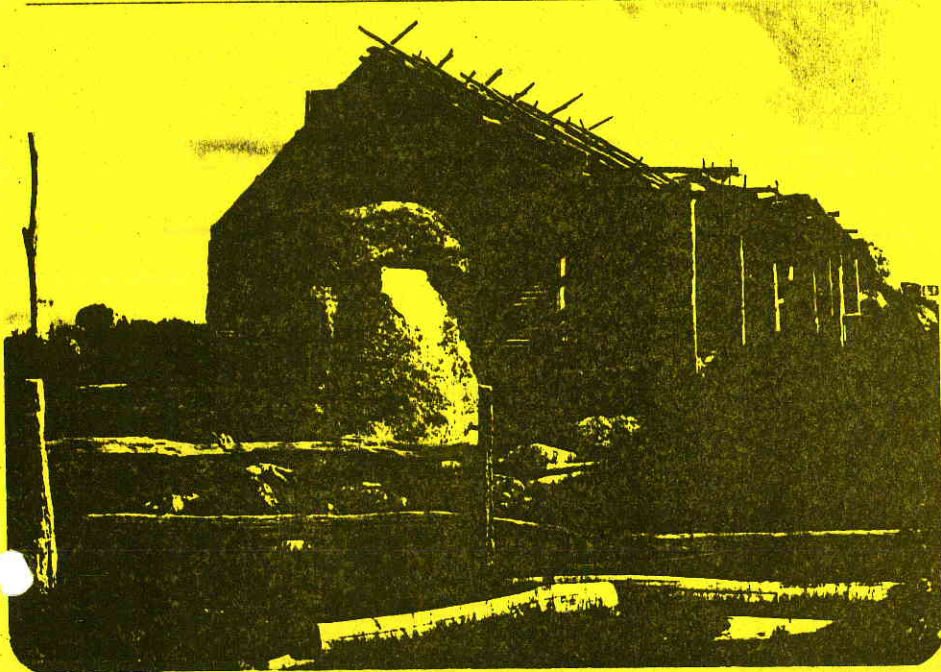
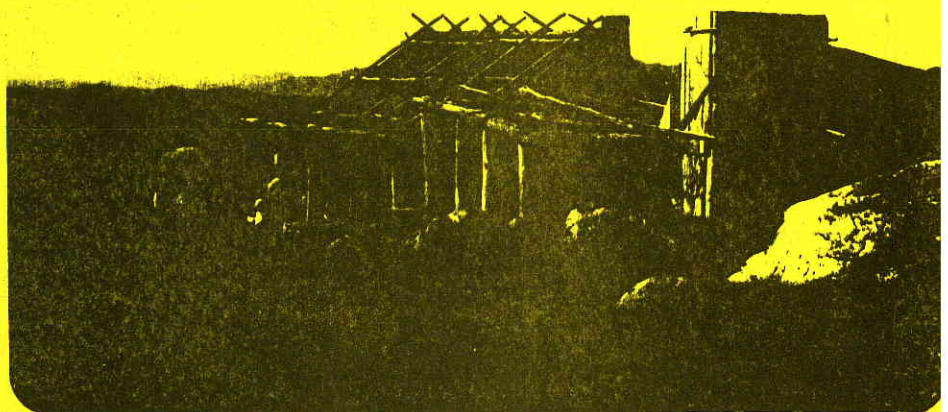


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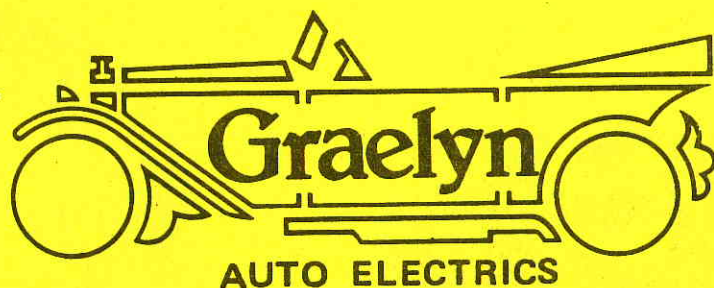
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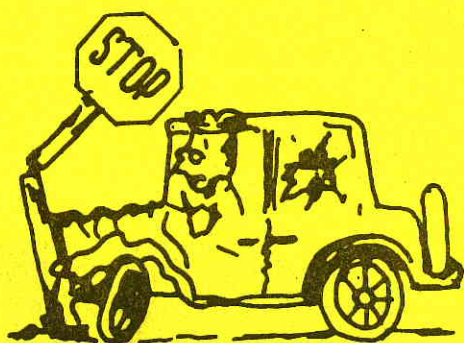


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TRIP CLASSIFICATIONS:

'A' Grade: Extensive use of 4 WD: Tracks may be difficult to negotiate - chains should be carried along with towing slings and anchor points: good winter tread pattern tyres are a must. Trip leader has the right to refuse a vehicle if above points are not met. Types of conditions likely to be met include: steep climbs and descents on all surfaces - rocky, muddy etc., mud & snow, deep river crossings and overgrown tracks.

Max. six vehicles.

'B' Grade: Virtually same conditions as 'A' Grade but track condition is more favourable: Good tyres are a must as well as necessary recovery gear.

Max. 10 Vehicles.

'C' Grade: Very limited use of 4 WD. These trips include car rallies etc. Type of tyres does not matter and recovery gear not essential.

No maximum number of vehicles.

In all above cases vehicles should be in sound mechanical condition and carry the basic spare part requirements as listed in previous Newsletters.

The Committee would like to express the fact that if in the opinion of the trip leader a vehicle is not suitable for a trip, then that vehicle may be refused permission to partake.

Newsletter items to

Ray West by General Meetings.

Radio Officer

Geoff Mann 233 2229 10 Fernhill St., Glen Waverley.

Club has one radio for hire at \$1.00 per day, or free if you are leading a trip.

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MEETINGS LAST TUESDAY
OF THE MONTH AT DANDENONG

CORRESPONDENCE
P.O. BOX 778,
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JANUARY 1984 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Members,

Welcome all to 1984 and I hope we can make the Club better than last year.

I hope everyone had a nice Christmas day and Santa did not forget you. I forgot to let Santa know where I would be but he found me when I got back home from the Christmas trip.

The Christmas trip to Winchester near Talbotville was great, there were 18 vehicles, many adults, kids and the odd dog or three. People came and left at various stages, the weather was very kind to us until the morning we left but that is par for the course.

On the way home Elo Olsen had some bad luck with his 7 month old Pajero, he and his son Brian, ended up in Sale Hospital but both are home and well on the road to recovery, best wishes to you both. Hopefully there will be a trip report on the Christmas trip next month.

Prior to Christmas there was the kids party up at Bimbimbie, it was also a great day with a lot more kids last year now!!! - looks like some people are doing their bit to make sure the Club has future members. I don't know who the cooks were but I think they deserve a kiss as the meat was cooked to perfection. Thanks to all of the people behind the scenes to make it a great day. Trip report later in this newsletter.

We have a few trips coming up in the next couple of months so hope there is something there for you. If you have a place you would like to go but may not wish to lead, please let us know. Sometimes it is hard for us to think of new places to go all the time.

Better close now and get this typed. See you at the January 31st Meeting.

PETER ROWE.

ITS AND BITS

Anyone wanting water walking lessons please contact the Handley Family - lessons only available with snakes in river.

Anyone wanting to sell a pair of floaties to fit a medium sized tent and a Honda generator - please contact Don and Thelma Montague.

Sue Williams must be planning a trip to a far away Island later this year or has she gone into the Sarong fitting business - prospective clients are Dave Heard, Peter Rowe, John Baldock, Peter Handley and anyone else willing. Good looking legs DEFINITELY not necessary.

Wanted - bottomless buckets for Trevor West on New Years Eve parties.

There is a 6'4" Four Wheel Drive Club President looking for an extra effective water repellent - must be available before next New Years Eve.

If rain is ever needed on a holiday, please contact John and Sue Lake and request a cooked chicken on a spit for tea.

Ross Lister has the perfect remedy for a New Years Eve party hangover - kick the whole family out of your tent and just die on your own.

Connie West is available for blackberry slashing - references available - just check 'Wednesday' and it has not one blackberry scratch on it.

Bluey Male has a new pass time for any parents interested - teaching children how to karate aluminium cans, when they look like perfecting the art, he just whips in a steel can to gain their line of concentration.

Donations gratefully accepted toward buying a certain trip leader a new pair of glasses or a consultation with an eye specialist or anyone able to help with 'how to read arrows carved in tree' signs. It is felt that the problem is only spasmodic as he missed an arrow but didn't miss a big boggy hole.

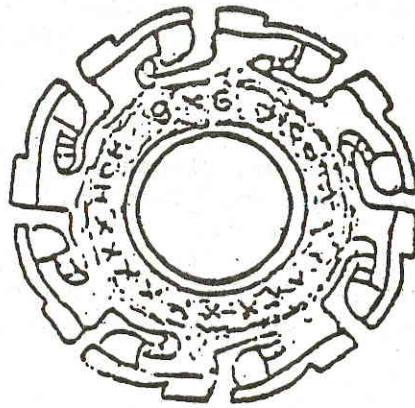
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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER AT EMPEROR'S COURT, MITCHAM

Roll Call - Don and Thelma, Bluey and Joyce, Ray and Debbie, Stumps (Ray's Mom), Bryan and Connie, Peter Adams, Peter and Joy, Peter Rowe, Dave and Mary, Tom and Liala, Veronica and Ross, Sue and John, Andy, Trevor and Helen, Alan and Mary, Peter and Debbie, Dave and Jenny, Kevin and Jenny, John and Margaret, Ray and Wife - Sorry if we missed anyone.

I am sure that all of us who made the effort to get along to the Restaurant would agree that it was a very enjoyable evening. Some of us that got there a bit on the early side thought the food would never begin but once it did it just kept coming. It was a banquet style meal and very tasty. On the music side of things we were entertained by a one man singer guitar player who would have to be one of the most versatile entertainers I have seen in a long time, with the Neil Diamond style songs and music mixed with a little rhythm and blues. Some of the more energetic tripped the light fantastic and then to top it off we heard the group sitting with Peter Rowe had trouble extracting the money from him for his meal. They tell me the Waiter attending their table began to get the Bruce Lee look in his eyes and the money was handed over forthwith and Port was partaken in the car park. An excellent evening, Thank you Thelma.

Veronica and Ross Lyster.

VICTORIAN FOUR WHEEL DRIVE CLUB

BIMBIMBE PARK

WELL THE DAY WAS A WARM ONE, A GOOD DAY FOR DRINKING. THINGS WERE GOING WELL, THE SPIT WAS ON AND COOKING AND IT SMELT GREAT. THE GANG STARTED ROLLING IN AT ABOUT TEN THIRTY am, WISHING EVERYBODY A MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND TALKING ABOUT WHAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO FOR CHRISTMAS, IF THEY WERE GOING AWAY OR STAYING HOME.

ROUND ABOUT TWO pm IT WAS TIME FOR LUNCH; BEEF ON THE SPIT AND CRISPY BARBEQUE SNAGS AND SALAD. GOOD JOB DONE BY THE COOKS. THEN IT WAS PAY TIME, THEY WERE GONE BEFORE YOU KNEW THEY WERE THERE.

AFTER LUNCH WE HAD A VISITOR. GUESS WHO? YEP, SANTA CAME TO SEE ALL OF US, ARRIVING IN THE BACK OF BRYAN WEST'S HI-LUX. AFTER GIVING THE KIDS THEIR BAG OF LOLLIES IT WAS TIME FOR PRESENTS. THE KIDS WERE HAPPY WITH WHAT THEY GOT , BUT TO THE SURPRISE OF PAUL WEST AND BRUCE NEWELL THEIR NAMES WERE CALLED BY SANTA. THEIR WIFE'S PLAYED A TRICK ON THEM. LEAVING THEM A BIT EMBARRRESSED, A GOOD JOB DONE BY SANTA.

AS THE TIME WAS ROLLING ON THE GANG STARTED MOVING HOME, BUT THERE WERE A FEW PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T WANT IT TO FINISH SO THEY THOUGHT THEY WOULD HAVE TEA THERE TO FINISH UP THE DAY. A GOOD JOB DONE BY EVERYBODY.

T. WEST

MONTH	TRIP DATE AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	TRIP LOCATION	TRIP TIME AND LOCATION	TRIP LEADER/S	CLASS	SOCIAL FUNCTION
JANUARY 1984	Australia Day Weekend Sat. 28th Jan.	Pineapple Flat	7.AM. Coldstream	PETER ROWE	B	
FEBRUARY	5th Feb Day Trip 11th & 12th Feb 25th & 26th Feb	Location to be decided <i>Big River, upbourne Reeves Beach (Woodside) Electricity Camdenvale Rd. 8AM SAT MORN.</i> Donnelly's Flat area <i>MANSFIELD TOLLS. 9 PM FRIDAY NIGHT.</i>	Andy Williams Tom Brachna Geoff Mann	B B-C-S A	Fishing, some sand driving.	
MARCH	10th & 11th March LABOUR DAY WEEKEND 10th & 11th & 12th Mar 24th & 25th March	Wandong Nat 4WD Jamboree & Country Music Festival Narbethong "Bog Hole" Water ski w/ end Mildon	"Narbethong The Pines Delatite Arm Terry Hincks	S B-S C-S	Part of "Woomba" Celebration Trips & "Bog Hole" Contest Water Ski-ing, small trips?	
APRIL	7th & 8th April Good Friday-Easter 20th to 25th April	Gippsland 4WD "Go Down" Macalister River area <i>Avee Goon.</i>	Labetouce	A-B-S A-B KNAD B.	Trips "Bog Hole" Contest	
MAY	12th & 13th 10th & 11th May Queens Birthday 11th	Navigation Trial <i>WOMBAT SITE STUDAYS Gembrook area</i>	David Heard	B-C		
JUNE						
JULY	21st July	Our 10th Anniversary		S	Golden Sands or Phoenix	
August						
September	1st September 31 weeks	Fraser Island		A-B-C-S	Annual Interstate Trip	



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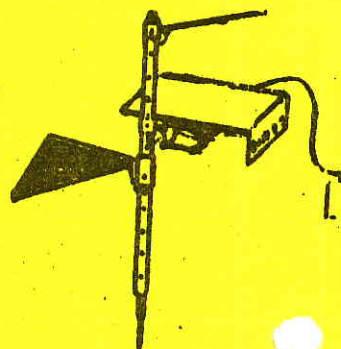
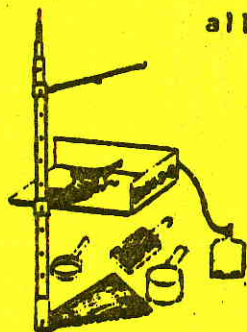
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