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# Club Meetings & Information

Club meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month (except January), at the SCHVC clubrooms, commencing at 7:30pm. The SCHVC complex is located at 15 Greigs Flat Rd, South Pambula, with entry off the Princes Hwy via Settlers Rd.

The workshop is open Tuesdays & Saturdays from 10:00am to 3:00pm for Members to work on their vehicle. Members must check with the Workshop Coordinator beforehand to ensure access is available.

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**Editors Note:** This edition of "Spoke" is in a revised layout which has removed some of the regular items which are now readily available to view on our website. Upcoming events very quickly became outdated in Spoke as it is a quarterly publication, and could not be relied upon for satisfying the requirement to carry a printed list of events. A printable up to date event list is available at "Print this years events" in the "Events" page on our website or from the App.



## **You can't take it with you!**

Many Historic and classic car lovers are now entering the age where we perhaps need to accept we are no longer invincible, and that perhaps we may not complete those "projects" that have been sitting in our sheds or paddocks awaiting our loving restoration. Perhaps you have already completed a restoration or have a collection of vehicles you are able to enjoy driving.

But have you given any thought to what's going to happen when you experience life changing illness or mobility issues, or pass away? Have you thought about what will happen to your vehicle or parts collection, or that great heap of "precious" spare parts laying in the corner of the shed. Remember you can't take it with you! Is it fair to leave what is your responsibility up to a grieving spouse or family member to dispose of??

Car clubs are often contacted by families asking for guidance on value and how to dispose of such collections, and most clubs willingly assist. But let's face it, those situations most times can be avoided if we accept the responsibility to get our collections in order and act in advance. Look at your collection critically and swallow a reality pill – are you really going to restore that vehicle that's been sitting there untouched for the past 10 years! Is it time to sell some items you know won't be needed, and remember a stripped down "project" vehicle is worth very little in a forced sale, and even less as scrap metal.

How much is a 20's wooden spoker now worth, or a 50's in need of total restoration, or even in good running order. At a minimum, discuss your collection with your spouse and family and ascertain if a family member is keen to keep a vehicle, and perhaps prepare a list of realistic values for your collection and advice on potential buyers for some or all items.

Spare a thought for whoever will be dispersing of your treasures, and if you have given no prior consideration or planning, then the day you die is the start of someone else's problem!



The Sapphire Coast Historic Vehicle Club

A Founding Member of the NSW Historic Motoring Association Inc

<https://historicismotoring.com.au>

## FROM THE PRESIDENT:



Winter is usually a bit quieter at the club with club members chasing the sun or not as keen to venture out on winter days or evenings. Even so we have had very good attendance at meetings, working bees and events, well done! Our monthly Monday lunches are as popular as ever. The June "Sunday Winter Run" was lunch at the Bermagui Hotel followed by a tour of the nearby historic Montreal Goldfields. There was plenty for club members to do in August with a Sunday run to Mallacoota where we were hosted by the Mallacoota and District Car & Bike Club, with a pub lunch and a tour of the WW2 Bunker at the airport. Also in August was our "Member's Day" where club members, new and not so new, were encouraged to bring along their vehicle for display at the club and enjoy a provided lunch, while being entertained by talented club members. Member's Day was a great success with an amazingly diverse display of 40 classic/historic vehicles. Thank you to those who organise and volunteer their time for all these events.

In August we received news we've been waiting for...our permit for the five bay garage build finally arrived.

The Learmont Pavilion has been receiving attention also, it is now well appointed with power points, both inside and outside the building. Thankyou bob C and Craig R for their great work. Coming soon will be a concrete drive into the eastern doorway.

As well as the usual maintenance, gardening and other jobs done at our Working Bees we have also replaced the Laserlite sheeting in the Grenenger Pavilion and installed Security Cameras on site.

Club vehicle projects: the Railton, Republic Truck and Oldsmobile Pickup have all progressed. Thanks to the club members and the High School boys from our Mentoring Program for your great work.

Continuing our community service we have once again donated a motor car to a worthy local family, via Mission Australia. Thank you to the suppliers for their products/services, club members for working on the vehicle and to Bob and Sue Cechet for donating the Mondeo.

Sadly, we lost a popular and valuable club member, Denis Kimber. Denis could be found in the workshop most Tuesdays, helping with member's vehicles, club projects, and was a mentor in our important Mentoring Program. As a mark of respect the club was proud to provide a Guard of Honour, comprising of 20 club vehicles, at Denis' funeral service.

Finally, a very warm welcome to the new members of the club, we look forward to your participation at meetings, working bees and events. Please get involved where and when you can.

Geoff



## Information contained in the August edition of DRIVE Lite from NSW Transport

On Saturday 5 August 2023, Transport for NSW (Transport) Investigators and Regulatory Compliance Officers assisted NSW Police with an operation targeting modified light vehicles within the Macarthur region.

NSW Police directed 58 vehicles to the Camden Council Carpark where Transport Regulatory Compliance Officers and Investigators inspected vehicles for compliance.

Some of the key results from the operation are outlined below:

- 37 vehicles were inspected by Transport Investigators and Regulatory Compliance Officers.
- 33 vehicles were issued defect notices.
- 11 vehicles were issued with a Yellow Defect label.
- 22 vehicles were issued with a Red Defect Label and were Major Grounded

### **Can a vehicle on Historic or Classic registration be transferred to another person?**

Historic and Classic registration is part of Transport's Conditional Registration scheme. Every year, the customer is signing to declare that they are agreeing to abide by all relevant conditions. Similarly, the relationship between the owner and their car club has been established, with club membership, payment of fees and acceptance of club rules and bylaws. **These responsibilities cannot be transferred during the registration year.**

To sell a vehicle on Historic or Classic Registration, the current owner must hand in the number plates to Service NSW and cancel the registration. The current owner should advise their car club that the vehicle is no longer associated with that club, and the vehicle can now be sold unregistered.

The recommendation to the buyer would be to utilise an unregistered vehicle permit (UVP) from Service NSW to safely transport the vehicle <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-for-an-unregistered-vehicle-permit>. Alternatively, a tilt tray tow truck provider could be used to safely transport the vehicle to its new home.

The new owner can now join a recognised car club and commence the process of obtaining Historic or Classic registration in their name should they wish to pursue this registration option.

[Registering and using a historic vehicle | NSW Government](#).

A hulk of dented, torn and scorched metal that was, decades ago, a Ferrari race car just sold at an RM Sotheby's auction in California for US\$1.9 million. While that may be surprising, it's not quite as horrible an investment as it looks, especially if the buyer is after something more than money: racing history and, for the new owner, a shot at a glory all their own.



One of only 13 made, this 1954 Ferrari Mondial Spider Series I wasn't one of Ferrari's famed V12 models but an entirely different design. The four-cylinder car was designed for driving on twisting tracks with lots of curves and few straightaways, where a smaller, lighter engine was desirable.

Ferrari Mondial Spiders in good shape can sell for just over \$2 million, said Brian Rabold, vice president for automotive intelligence at Hagerty, a company that closely tracks collectible car values. In recent years some have sold for as much as \$5 million.

It could easily take \$1 million to bring the car back to its pre-crash appearance and make it drivable again, Rabold said. So, the new owner could at least break even on that total investment. But making money is not the main reason someone would want to purchase a car like this.

"The sale price doesn't leave much room for financial upside, but for the new owner the bigger reward may be in getting this historic car back to like-new condition and in front of appreciative enthusiasts again," Rabold said in an email.



# Members Day 2023

Nearly 100 Members and partners enjoyed the 2023 Members Day at the club premises, with a varied and interesting display of vehicles, lunch provided by our volunteer caterers, and finally entertainment provided by a group of Member muso's. This is an annual event and offers a great opportunity for newer members to meet other members and display their pride and joy. Many thanks again to member Kim Armstrong for capturing photos of the day!



Craig (left)- the "driver" behind this event, and his assistant Neville (below) and many other members whose hard work made this such a successful event!



Some of the member vehicles on display







## SCHVC Community Support Activities

SCHVC actively supports many community activities each year, and some of our recent support activities have included:

Anzac Day - Member and Club vehicles were used to transport war veterans to Anzac Day services at Eden & Merimbula, where we also laid wreaths.

National Motoring Heritage Day at Bombala where a total of \$2170 was raised for the Towamba RFS.

Residents from local Nursing Homes were picked up by members and joined other club members in a lunch at Sea Horse Inn before being returned to their Nursing Homes.

15 Members formed a display of their vehicles to support the opening ceremony of the Merimbula Jazz Festival.

The club donated a vehicle to Mission Australia for use by a very worthy recipient.



Pictured above is the presentation of a cheque for \$2170 to Towamba RFS which was raised at the National Motoring Heritage Day at Bombala, and on the right is some of our dedicated car lovers braving the elements at the Bombala event.

# Funds raised for RFS

**Sam Tonks**

Blown in with icy rain and rare glimpses of sunshine, over 100 vehicles from all over the South East of NSW converged on Bombala on May 21 to celebrate National Motoring Heritage Day.

Each year the Combined Car Clubs of the region come together with their classic cars, motorbikes and commercial vehicles to mark the occasion and raise funds for the Rural Fire Service.

"Despite very challenging weather - cold, rain and strong winds - \$2170 was raised this year which will go to the Towamba RFS," Geoff Dunstan of the Combined Car Clubs said.

"Thanks to the Bombala RFS for their support and assistance, and thanks to the Rotary Club

of Bombala who kept everyone warm with food and drink."

And weather aside there was plenty for spectators to enjoy, with the display of 108 cars well exceeding the usual 80 or so vehicles lining up on the recreation ground near Apex Park.

Among them was a 1921 Model T Ford from Cooma which attracted plenty of attention, while everything from Corvettes to MGs and a Volkswagen Beetle were in the mix of cars to admire.

The weather may have kept some of the drivers cooped up in their classics for a good part of the visit, but all are thanked for making the trip to Bombala for the event, with National Motoring Heritage Day once again celebrated in style while supporting a good cause.



CLASSIC: A 1921 Model T Ford attracted plenty of interest as National Motoring Heritage Day was celebrated in Bombala on May 21.

**The club recently donated another vehicle to assist a local family via Mission Australia  
Thankyou to everyone who worked on this project & thankyou to Bob & Sue Cechet for donating the vehicle**



**Founding member Max Sinclair hands over the Ford Mondeo**



**Gary Harvey is ably assisted in fitting the new registration plates**



The Club participates in Anzac Day ceremonies by laying wreaths plus transporting some of the diggers to the ceremonies at Eden & Merimbula.



Harry Keys receiving his award from Alex McQueen for services to the Club Mentoring Program.



Denis Kimber receiving his award for services to the Club Mentoring Program from club Registrar John Turbet. Dennis unfortunately recently passed away after a long illness, and his contribution to the Club will be long remembered, along with the recording of his MGB driving off into the distance which was played at his funeral. We'll miss you Dennis.





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