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A30 MINUTES

A NEWSLETTER OF THE AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB INC.



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From the Front Seat

A message from Club President, Don Jones

Welcome to August 2008

At the annual general meeting the 2007 – 2008 committee was re-elected, With only one change. James Fowler was elected our vice club captain to help Fred with the runs.

Our raffle of the jacket will be drawn at our August meeting. Winners will be notified on the night

Must go now yours in the 30
Don Jones

PRESIDENTS REPORT JULY 2008

The last club year has again been successful. I thank all my fellow committee members for a job well done because, if it was not for the work you put in the club could not continue forward

To all the ladies that supplied supper I say thank you, to all those that help set out the meeting room and cleaning up afterwards we thank you.

To those members who organized runs during the year we say thank you

To our country and interstate members, keep up the good work with your reports and we hope you continue to send them to our editor. As I know we all enjoy reading about your experiences

In the next 12 months lets get our cars out on the runs , as I know it can be disappointing for the run organizers when only a few club members turn up to the events

To the incoming committee may I wish you all the best for the next twelve months.

Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc. (Ass. Inc. No A0008084W)

Minutes of the meeting held on the 16 July 08
at the Camberwell Uniting Church Hall 314 Camberwell Road Camberwell.

Meeting opened at 8.12 pm.

Attendance. The President thanked the eighteen members present for their attendance.

Apologies. Bryan Brooks, Cristina & David Napoleone, Ian Warren, Ron and Laraine Maddocks, Bronwyn & David Taylor.

Minutes of previous meeting 18 June 08.

Moved. Dot Bacon Seconded Lou Zammit

Correspondence.

Dept of Consumer Affairs re Annual report.

Jardine Lloyd Thompson Insurance 31October 07 to 31October 08.

Depender July. 08.

The Light Shaft. July 08.

Austin News W. A. July-August 08.

Castlemaine Historic Vehicle Club. July 08.

A 40 Newsflash July-August. 08.

The Tradsheet. July 08.

.Moved. David Linke Seconded Bob Talbot

Treasurers Report.

Receipts for the month were \$1,544.89 including \$1,440 of 2008/09 membership payments.

Payments for the month were \$157.70.

Moved Dianne Davie. Seconded Tom Bacon.

Membership

Tom Bacon reported that our membership at 87.

56 have paid their subs already.

Members who are on Permit Plates approved by the Australian Austin A30 Car Club and are not current 2008/2009 Financial members, your permit is no longer legal, thus your vehicle cannot be driven on the road.

Editors Report.

The Newsletter was out on time.

The Editor has need again for more articles.

Interest from England from our web site.

Club Captain

Coming events

Marong Victoria August 30th, 31st & 1st September 2008

Official Club Run. Club Permit Vehicles may be used on the three days to attend the event.

Next meeting to be on 20 August 2008.

The meeting closed at 8.53 pm.

Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc. (Ass. Inc. No A0008084W)

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 18 July 07 at the Camberwell Uniting Church Hall 314 Camberwell Road Camberwell.

Meeting opened at 9-05 pm.

Attendance. The President thanked the eighteen members present for their attendance.

Apologies. Bryan Brooks, Anglia, Cristina & David Napoleone, Ian Warren, Ron and Laraine Maddocks, Bronwyn & David Taylor.

Minutes of previous meeting.

Minutes were read and amendment was made to the third para. of General Business. This should read "Bruce Hall at the last AGM asked could contact be made with other Austin Clubs in view of forming an A30 Austin Register.

Sheets relating to a Register were issued to all Austin owners at the AOA in Canberra.

Moved. Bob Talbot. Seconded Percy May.

President's Report. Don Jones.

The President read his report to the meeting. (This will be printed in the Newsletter)

Treasurers Report. Dianne Davie.

Income for the year was \$4699 less increase in stock of Memorabilia \$399 = \$4,300

Expenses were	\$3,135
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Net operating surplus	\$1,165
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Moved David Linke

Seconded Don Jones

The president then declared all positions vacant and left the chair.

Graeme Blair was then elected to the chair, and called for nominations.

President

Don Jones was nominated by Bob Talbot. Seconded by Dot Bacon.

Don Jones was elected.

Vice President

Brian Brookes was nominated by Mario Napoleone. Seconded by Graeme McIntosh

Brian Brookes was elected.

Secretary.

David Linke was nominated by Tom Bacon. Seconded by Ro.
David Linke was elected.

Treasurer.

Dianne Davie was nominated by Ro. Seconded by Dot Bacon.
Dianne Davie was elected.

Editor, Web Master & Librarian.

Graeme McIntosh was nominated by Bob Talbot. Seconded by Fred Braunies.
Graeme McIntosh was elected.

Membership Secretary

Tom Bacon was nominated by David Linke. Seconded by Don Jones.
Tom Bacon was elected.

Club Captain. Fred Braunies was nominated by Mario Napoleone. Seconded by Graeme
McIntosh.

Fred Braunies was elected.

Club Vice Captain. Jim Fowler was nominated by Don Jones. Seconded by Percy May.
Jim Fowler was elected.

Club Permit Officers

Bob Talbot

Don Jones

Tom Bacon were nominated by Ro. Seconded by Lou Zammit
These nomination were elected.

Public Officer

Mario Napoleone was nominated by Tom Bacon. Seconded by Don Jones.
Mario Napoleone was elected.

Merchandise, Fund raiser.

Brian Brookes was nominated by Graeme McIntosh. Seconded David Linke.
Brian Brookes was elected.

General business

Mario Napoleone drew the meeting's attention to a new requirement by the Dept of
Consumer Affairs requiring a member of the Committee to certify that they had attended
the AGM and for a copy of all resolutions passed by the meeting . The Secretary
volunteered to supply the declaration.

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

David Linke
Secretary

Newly Elected 2008-2009 Committee

It is the same members as last year except for the addition of Jim Fowler as Club Vice Captain.

No photo available of Jim but the photo of the others is from last years AGM.

(Much better photo as everybody looks twelve months younger)



Newly elected committee members at the AGM

(from left to right)

Graeme McIntosh, Editor / web / librarian.

Dianne Davie, Treasurer.

Don Jones, President.

Brian Brooks, Vice President

David Linke, Secretary.

Fred Braunies, Club Captain.

Tom Bacon, Membership Secretary. (Lower right)

Publish photo of Jim Fowler when available



Federation Picnic at Marong

30 - 31 August 2008 (Saturday/Sunday)

Always a good weekend away well supported by the A40 Club.
For enquiries ring Ron or Lorraine Maddocks 03 5974 2304

"Official Club Run" Club Permit Vehicles may be used on the three Days to attend the event August 30th, 31st and September 1st 2008.

Euroa Show and Shine BBQ

On the Saturday Night we will be having a BBQ starting at 5.00pm while it is day light and that allows people to sit around and relax and have time to talk.
Ladies are requested to bring a Salad or Sweets.

Ted & Mary will get the meat and the cost for each person will be \$7.00.
More details later

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2008/2009

A reminder to Members who may have not renewed your Membership.

To Members who have not renewed membership by the 1st September 2008 the AUGUST NEWSLETTER will be the last posted.

Members who have a **CLUB PERMIT** issued by the Australian Austin A30 Car Club and are not a financial member **CANNOT** use their vehicles for any purpose, as it is no longer legal to be on the road irrespective of a current Permit being held from **VicRoads**. We ask that any member who may have overlooked the renewal please support the Club, thus encourage the Committee to continue with the great work they are doing for all members.

Tom Bacon
Membership Secretary

EUROA

JOINT A30 AND A40
CAR CLUBS EVENT

VINTAGE, VETERAN, CLASSIC & SPECIAL INTEREST CARS

SHOW & SHINE

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th October 2008

at

**SEVEN CREEKS PARK
KIRKLAND AVENUE
EUROA. Vic.**

SATURDAY:

Depart Shell Service Station , Cnr Hume Highway & Donnybrook Road, Kalkallo.
Meet 9.00 am for 9.30 am start.

Morning Tea at Grasstree Rest Area on Northern side of Seymour, left hand side of Freeway.

(Club members can contact Ted or Mary Jones for information on motel arrangements)

SUNDAY:

Show & Shine.

10.00 am start at reserved parking on bank of Seven Creeks.

Rocker Cover Races during the day. (Details will be sent out to participants before the event.)

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT:

Ted or Mary Jones on (03) 5772 1824

CLUB PERMIT VEHICLES OWNERS PLEASE NOTE:

Due to the distance involved some participants may decide to travel to the event a day earlier and return a day later than the dates shown above.

The Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc. therefore authorizes the use of its Club Permit Vehicles participating in this event for Friday 3rd October, Saturday 4th October, Sunday 5th October & Monday 6th October 2008.

ECHUCA STEAM HORSE & VINTAGE RALLY **Sat-Sun 7-8th June 2008**

2008 was the 45th Rally - unfortunately I've missed the first 44. O Missed by that much!
I accompanied our esteemed leader to Echuca for the Rally, them in their 7 and us in our A30. We agreed that we would sit on about 100km/h but it was still a long way. The cars went extremely well, them in their Commodore and us in our Toyota with our little trailers following along behind obediently.

The Victorian Austin 7 Club were the invited club and therefore Cliff went with them and I ran the best line of bullshit I have for many a day.
The A30 when first released was called a new Austin 7 as was the Mini in its day. So naturally they accepted me. Obviously no one knew what an A30 was. So modern! So Smooth! So radical! and so was the car.

The 45th Rally followed the pattern of the previous ones so I'll tell yo¹ all, I've never seen a steam truck and there were 5 of them circulating the arena all weekend. There were steam tractors, steam rollers, steam engines, steam pumps, I knew I should change over to a steam car.

They had put gravel on the arena track so these vehicles were grinding, crushing and smoothing it out all weekend and you could walk beside, in front, behind them and take photos and see and smell it all happening. It was safe! there were hundreds if not thousands of people there - it was big - it was busy - it was full of action.

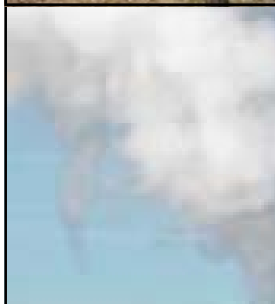
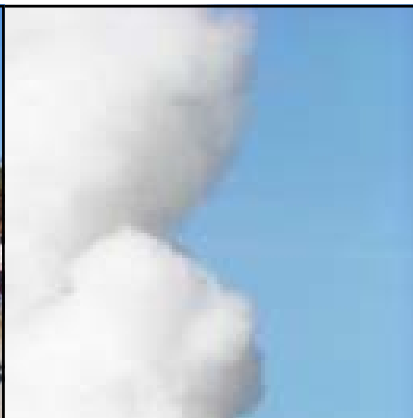
We got to drive around the arena in the Grand Parade with hundreds of tractors and steam trucks etc on each side of us on both days. We did about 3 laps each.

There were 25 Clydesdales pulling logs, scarifying the ground, going around in their own circle looking great. There were blacksmiths, wood chopping, burning of the dunny, hot potatoes, chips, wenches serving hot scones and cream, a scottie band OClan Macleod¹ with Peter and Ruth Heritage in it - well Peter anyway.

There were about 40 Austin 7's in the middle of the arena and 50 or so historic club cars in the car park near the entry gate. It had everything! It was fantastic! Miniature rail rides, animal farm, pony rides, market stalls, shearing, model boats, history everywhere.

We hightailed it home and the A30 went so well but at these speeds it leaked through the windscreen and bulkheads - take this as a warning.

Allan Hogg



Club Outing to the Austrian Club

Club members enjoying a lunch time meal at the Austrian Club. The lunch time stretched on a bit as about 400 other patrons turned up for lunch as well. The staff were worked of their feet for a couple of hours but eventually we were served, there was no real hurry.



From left to right there is Paul Ilko, Ron Maddocks who is missing from the photo as he is off ordering more sweets, Larriane Maddocks waiting for her sweets, Nina Ilko watching Fred and Annette Brauneis starting their main meals and Don Jones who was last to order his lunch and first to get it, and finally myself Graeme McIntosh behind the camera as I prefer to be.

Free A30 Club BBQ at the McIntosh's farm 28 September 2008 (Sunday)

171 Old Dandenong Rd Heatherton

Melways 78H10

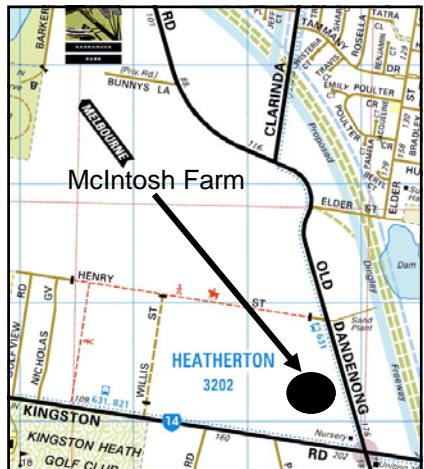
(All food, soft drinks and some alcohol if
requested provided)

Starting time NOON onwards

As the club is catering for this event it is essential to notify Fred or Graeme of your intention to come by Friday the 19th September. (No notification NO food)

Contact Fred Brauneis 9457 4038

Graeme McIntosh 0447 714011



**SOUTH DYNON DIESEL ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE MAINTENANCE
CENTRE CLUB RUN 24th AUGUST 2008**

**Meeting Time Change
11:30 instead of 10:00 as previously advertised**

Due to Brian not having access to the planned trip site on the day an alternative trip has been planned to go over the Rail Museum at Newport. Brian will act as our in house guide.

Ring Fred Brauneis on 03 9457 4038 or Brian Brooks on 03 9386 9385 to advise attendance.

We will meet at Gate F Footscray Rd West Melbourne at 11:30 am and proceed to the Newport Rail Museum in convoy.

Meet at GATE F for Railway Museum tour

Gate F at 11:30 am



Gate F

Newport Rail Museum



On the Road

with Bob Laughton

G'day. We had good rainfall for July across the Goulburn Valley, in fact it made 'average' something that has not been obtained very often over the last 10 –12 years.

The Goulburn Valley looks good but the long term outlook is not so bright as we head toward summer with possibly not enough water for irrigation, dairy farms and orchards. Water in Victoria, Australia, China, in fact the whole world is becoming a problem. I wish some selfish people could work that out in Victoria – it's not rocket science.

I believe all Australians enjoy a cuppa, if not a couple of showers a day. In Lockey's case once a month is far over the top ha ha.

We had a couple of severe frosts here towards the end of July and it seems like we have been having warmer winters over the last 10 years, I wonder what's going on? I saw a couple of magpies heading off with sticks into a gum tree yesterday but I have not seen a robin red breast this winter as yet.

Our local football team looks like going through the season without a win at this time. Mooroopna or Seymour look in good form to be premiers.

My only thoughts on the Olympic Games - well poor old uncle Kevan Gosper seems in trouble (again) we can all remember the incident with his daughter prior to the Olympic torch relay Athens to Sydney, the IOC has some thinking to do. He may just hang on. I wonder how our basketball teams will go at the Olympics. With a bit of luck our men's and women's teams could pick up a medal of some sort.

Ford and General Motors in America have had big monetary problems lately and I guess it's no wonder. Both companies along with Chrysler have failed dismally in their efforts to read the outcome of the world fuel (oil) problems – let's say only 25 years or more!

What a joke! As management and directors salaries go up, sales of vehicles (along with profits) have been falling. It is the same here in Australia where the three big manufacturers are looking for Government handouts, the oil crisis goes on to affect us as well.

It is good to see some positive steps in the industry to get away from petrol. Electric or hybrid will have a niche in the market, but in Australia we should be looking into using more LPG or even CNG and diesel, anything but petrol.

It's work as usual for Locky and Charizma with their basketball. Charizma's team cannot get a win no matter how hard they try. Lockey's Marist Saints had a good win over the Rumbalara (Aboriginal boys) last Thursday night. The Aboriginal boys are good ball handlers, as you can gather from the AFL most teams include an aboriginal player. One of the boys from here is playing for Essendon, P Atkinson.

I see my old girl friend Elizabeth Taylor, 76, is in a Los Angeles Hospital, a spokesman denying reports she was close to death. At the moment she is surrounded by family, friends and fabulous jewels, he said. Chin up Lizzy? Luv ya still!

Keep the LPG and diesel bowsers ticking over and enjoy ya Austins.

Bob

Engine is back from hospital even if it's looking a bit green under the carby, still wanting a little TLC.

Dear Austin A30 members

Just a follow up on Bob's 'On the Road' report from Echuca's Steam Rally.

We had our A50 with Teardrop Caravan, A70 Ute with 'Austinny' and fishing gear, Austin Healey and of course the A30. Our son, Robert, had his 1948 BSA 500 motor bike there also.

Yes, numbers were down as cars were restricted to pre 1959 and I guess the cost. There are advantages to entering your car and that is two free entries per car, even if the entry forms are confusing.

So you might want to think about spending some time in Echuca next year.

Hope to see you

Regards Robyn and Bill Simons
Echuca

Can Anybody Help Find This A30

It's a long shot but we are seeking any assistance you may be able to provide in helping us locate our old Austin A30.

The only clue we have is that we sold it in 2001 to a fella in Goulburn (we think??)

Rego is **AA 0030 (NSW)**

The RTA could tell us that it is currently registered but unable to pass on any other information. (blah blah)

In the chance you may know this person, please pass on the information below if they are interested in making contact.

Thank you

Regards

Bruce and Sharon Hocking

c/o 109 Tumbi Road, Wamberal. NSW. 2260

m 0412552870

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

20 August 2008 (Wednesday)

Club meeting at the Camberwell Uniting Church at 8.00pm

24 August 2008 (Sunday)

Outing to the rail museum at 10:00am. Contact Brian Brooks 9386 9385
Refer page 13 for details.

30 - 31 August 2008 (Saturday/Sunday)

Federation Picnic at Marong. Always a good weekend away well supported by the A40 Club. For enquiries ring Ron or Laraine Maddocks 03 5974 2304

28 September 2008 (Sunday)

Free A30 Club BBQ at the McIntosh's farm 171 Old Dandenong Rd Heatherton
Contact Fred 9457 4038 or Graeme McIntosh 0447 714011
Refer page 12 for details.

4 - 5 October 2008 (Saturday-Sunday) Contact Ted or Mary Jones 03 5772 1824

Eurora Show 'n' Shine weekend
Refer pages 9 and 10 for details.

Fred Brauneis - Club Captain. Tel: (03) 9457 4038 (ah)

CLUB PERMIT VEHICLES ARE AUTHORISED TO ATTEND THESE EVENTS.

Note: Owners of vehicles operating with Club Permits should carry a current copy of this Newsletter & a copy of the AOMC Club Permit Handbook in their car at all times.

Anyone wishing to receive the newsletter via email in addition to the hard copy can send me an email using the email button on the clubs website and I will send a PDF file of the newsletter in full colour and as big as your computer monitor can display. (Looks much better in colour and bigger to read.)

Let us know if you have broadband or dialup as I will try and make the files smaller for quicker download times.

Bottom button on our website austina30.asn.au

Graeme McIntosh

Buy, Swap & Sell

FOR SALE

I have a A30 van I want to sell. It is located in Jacobs Well QLD.
 It is in a prime coat with all rust cut out. It will need re-assembling as it was stripped down for painting but all parts are there and is 100% complete with extra parts like radiators, grills, etc. and was running and licensed in W.A. prior to the strip down.
 I know the rarity of the thing and want \$5000.00 for it (non negotiable). It has cost me \$4000.00 to get it to the stage it is at now. It will need top coat painting and as mentioned, reassembling.
 If any one is interested in it let me know. I have a few pics I can email.
 My mobile number is 0412 191421
 Cheers.

Paul Watson.



WANTED

A 30 BONNET AS3 TYPE (TYPE FITTED WITH CROSSBRACE RUNNING FROM THE FRONT TO THE BACK DIAGONALLY OPPOSITE CORNERS)

ALSO A 30 AS3 STEERING BOX – BURMAN TYPE.

WILL PAY REASONABLE PRICE.

PH BRIAN 03 9386 9385 HOME OR 0413 304 585 MOBILE.

Advertisements in this section will be inserted, free of charge, in two issues unless I am advised otherwise. The notation at the end of the advertisement indicates how many times it has been displayed. ie: (1/2) - first insertion , (2/2) - second insertion. Ed.



August 2008

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 <u>Club Meeting</u>	22	23	24 Rail Yards
25	26	27	28	29	30 Federation Picnic Marong	31

September 2008

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 <u>Club Meeting</u>	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Free BBQ
29	30					

AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB INC.

CLUB MEETINGS

Club meetings are held on the **3rd Wednesday** of each month from **February to December**. Commencing at **8.00 pm**.

VENUE

CAMBERWELL UNITING CHURCH
314 Camberwell Road, CAMBERWELL. VICTORIA.
(Near Camberwell Junction)
Melways 45 J1

Parking available at front and rear of the building.

CLUB MERCHANDISE

Club Lapel badge	\$ 5.50
Club Window Sticker Badge (internal)	\$ 3.00
Club Key Ring	\$ 5.00
Club Grill Badge (Members)	\$20.00
Club Grill Badge (Non Members)	\$25.00
Tea & Coffee Mug with Club Badge	\$ 8.00
A30 50th Year Rally Cloth Badge	\$ 9.00
Barbecue aprons Heavy black cotton with Club emblem and pocket	\$20.00
A5 Binder for copies of 'A30 Minutes' inc. 25 pockets	\$10.00

All items are plus postage, if applicable

**All Club Merchandise enquiries to Brian Brooks
Telephone: (03) 9386 9385**

CLUB CONTACTS

Please direct information & enquiries as follows:

Correspondence to the Secretary – David Linke

Newsletter articles to the Editor – Graeme McIntosh

Membership enquiries to Membership Secretary – Tom Bacon

(Contact details are shown inside front cover)

SPARE PARTS

Contact Thorpe at

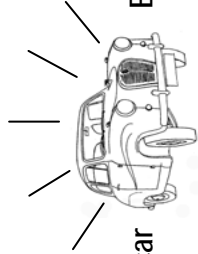
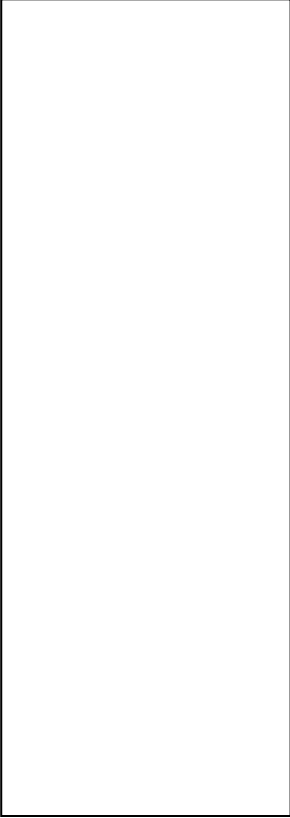
Morris Minor Australia, 56 Alex Avenue, Moorabbin. Victoria. 3189

Telephone: (03) 9555 1793 Fax: (03) 9532 2241

Note: The current membership card is now laminated and has the Club stamp on the reverse side. Members wishing to purchase items from Thorpe of Morris Minor Australia, Moorabbin, Vic. should present the card to obtain a discount. Country & Interstate members must quote their name and membership number. Thorpe has been provided with a current membership list to identify members.



IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO: THE SECRETARY, AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB,
Unit 2 12 Catherine Ave MT WAVERLEY VIC 3149



Austin A30 - small car

BIG personality!