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# A30 MINUTES

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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 July 2009

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Don Jones". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping 'D' and 'J'.

### **SPECIAL NOTICE**

The Annual General Meeting and election of Office Bearers for the 2009/2010 year will be held on Wednesday 15 July in conjunction with the Club meeting at the Camberwell Uniting Church hall 314 Camberwell Rd Camberwell at 8 .00 pm

**Australian Austin  
A30 Car Club Inc.  
(Ass. Inc. No  
A008084W)**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 17 June 09 at the  
Camberwell Uniting Church Hall 314 Camberwell Road  
Camberwell.

**Meeting opened** at 8.55 pm. (and there were still some pies left)

**Attendance.** The President welcomed the 22 members for their attendance. Bob Talbot was also welcomed

**Apologies.** Ian Warren. Bruce & Glenys Hall, Mario & Angela Nepoleone, David & Bronwyn Taylor

**Minutes of previous meeting**

Moved. Dot Bacon. Seconded Graeme McIntosh.

**Correspondence**

Stan & Thelma Lovell re membership  
Car Club Showcase Series @ Feb Square. 30 Jan 2011  
Castlemaine historic Vehicles June 09  
The Tradsheet U K .May 09

Moved David Linke. Seconded Tom Bacon.

**Treasurer's report**

May 09 Income \$ 3.00. Expenditure. \$ 176-30  
Moved Dianne Davie. Seconded Warren Barry

**Membership**

Membership Fees for 2009-2030 are due on 1 July 09. See notice Page 6 .  
Renewal forms are being posted out separately.  
It is our hope that we can raise our membership to 90 this year.

**Editors Report.**

The June Newsletter was out on time.  
A vote of thanks was passed to Graeme and Dianne for producing and posting the newsletter

**Club Captain.**

British & European Car day a success with good turn up  
June 21 Don't Forget Combined A30 and A40 run to Dandenong Ranges.  
August Morang picnic weekend

**Merchandise**

Stubby Holders are selling fast @ \$ 5-50 plus postage.

It is proposed to have another draw for a prize of merchandise to Country and Interstate members.

### **General business.**

Don Jones has had a request from an A30 enthusiast in the Jersey Islands who is restoring a A30 Bakers van He is seeking the receipt for display Bread & Cakes etc.

Brian Brooks won the Spectators award at Winton Historical race meeting

Next meeting 8.00 P M. Wednesday 15 July 09 with combined A G M.

The Meeting closed at 9.50  
P.M.

### THREE A30S FREE TO GOOD HOME

THERE ARE THREE 4 DOOR A30S AVAILABLE IN SHORTLAND (A SUBURB OF NEWCASTLE) N.S.W. FOR FREE.

THEY ARE LOCATED AT THE REAR OF A HOUSE AND WILL REQUIRE WHEELS AND TYRES TO BE FITTED TO BE MOVED AND THEN PULLED THROUGH. ALL CARS HAVE A LOT OF RUST AND ARE SUITABLE FOR PARTS ONLY.THERE MAY BE SOME PANELS SALVAGABLE BUT THE OWNER IS NOT SURE.

THESE CARS/PARTS SHOULD BE RESCUED TO ENSURE AN ONGOING SUPPLY OF PARTS.

THERE IS A SCRAP METAL YARD CLOSE TO THE CAR'S LOCATION SO THE PARTS COULD BE REMOVED AND THE REMAINDER TAKEN TO THE SCRAP YARD EASILY.

CONTACT THE OWNER BILL HENDRY ON (02) 49558607 FOR DETAILS.

## Membership Secretary

Club Membership - Fees for 2009/2010

Included in this Newsletter (June) is the "Application for Membership/Renewal Form" (Light Green)

Membership is due the 1st of July 2009.

The cost remains the same \$40 for the Year.

I encourage all Members to support the club in the coming year, it is your Club without your support the Club may not be able to continue.

**Please send renewals to the Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc. - 21 Radio Street, Maidstone Victoria 3012**

(Do not use Membership Secretary)

Cheque/Postal Notes made payable to the Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc.

**Club Permit Members (Victoria)**

**Members recorded to have a Club Permit for their vehicle under our Club Scheme have until the 31st July 2009 to renew their Membership. This provides a one month grace on the deadline.**

**Members on Club Permit who have not renewed their Membership by the 31st July 2009 will be deemed to have the Permit Cancelled and as such WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE THE VEHICLE ON THE ROAD** as it will be not covered by the Club or VicRoads. Possibly a new Roadworthy Certificate may be required to gain a Club Permit again, plus the related Club Paperwork signed. I encourage all Members to aim before the 31st July 2009 to submit your renewal.

Thank you for your support over the past year, it has proven to be most encouraging to the Committee and Membership.

Thank you to the Members who have made a Donation to the Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc. it has been greatly appreciated.

Regards to all  
Tom Bacon  
Membership Secretary

## **British Motor Show**

It never fails when ever the British day is on the weather decided to change but why does it always change when we have a Club Outing.

But we do need the rain so we should not complain. The event was held at the Flemington Race Course which is only a stones throw from us, and as they advertised it did not open until 9.30am we took our time. The members who were already there had a place for us. They had the Austin's parked right down the back on the right hand side, in a way it was a great spot we could spread out. The Austin A40 members were parked along side and that made it even better.

All the Austin's together.

The weather was a bit cool but lucky the rain held off.

This year was the best turn up of A30's; we had one of our newer members Bob McCracken turn up and also a non member Peter De Jager.

While Tom and myself were strolling around browsing at all the vehicles we spotted this familiar body and who do you think it was, Bob Whitbourne had had come down from the cold Ballarat area with Glenn. It was great meeting up with Bob; he finds the trip down from Alfredton a little bit too much for him at night. He is still the same old Bob always laughing.

Overall the day was well attended by all makes of British Cars, it seemed to be more than usual and weather wise the rain held off, but the wind was cool.

About 3.00pm everybody decided to move off and head for home.

Thanks to all the Members who attended.

Dot Bacon

She was only a whisky maker but he loved her still.

Can you reverse the genders and still keep the thrust of the pronoun  
(in any language) Answers to the Editor.

## **MY A30 Bill Fitter**

I returned from Launceston on Saturday the 27th June after purchasing the A30 of John and Pamela Galvin ( Australian Austin A30 Car Club Inc. AACCI) .John and Pamela of Launceston looked after me ; meeting me at the airport and helped in acquiring the permit to bring over the car : both were caring and thoughtful people.

The A30 is in remarkably good condition , inside and out : with a *terrier* of a motor, new radials (including the spare), crank handle, jack, windscreen washers ashtray, radio, also sporting new door seal rubbers, driving lights, heater and official bumper badge.  
The body finish is faultless both inside and out : not a blemish in that department! I'm very pleased with the car.

This vehicle's condition is a bumper nudge, behind that of Lou and Gemma Zammit (AACCI) from Patterson Lakes Victoria : their A30 was featured on the cover of the April newsletter (no.306) being another professionally turned out unit.  
Thankyou, to all those members, who's advice was of great assistance in choosing a vehicle.  
Yours.

Bill Fitter

All Photos from the HISTORICWINTON  
web site

[www.historicwinton.org/gallery3.htm](http://www.historicwinton.org/gallery3.htm)



## Brian Brook's Wins at Winton

Brian,  
Congratulations on winning a deserved award.

On behalf of the Historic Winton committee I thank you for taking the time and effort in bringing along your car for others to enjoy. We are dedicating a lot of effort in providing the car display area, and cars such as yours are making it happen.

Refer photo front cover Brian Brooks

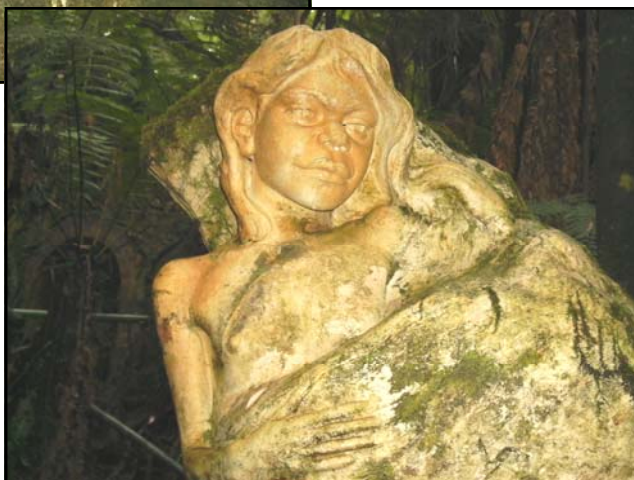
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**A30-A40 Outing to William Ricketts Sanctuary**





Photos supplied by Annette Brauneis



## **OUR TRIP to WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

Brian and Margaret Heaton

Margaret and I travelled to Perth with two other entrants from NSW, Geoff and Lyn Street from Wollongong and the Austin family from Chester Hill. We had decided to leave "Mousey" at home and take our campervan behind our Honda CRV as we had difficulty locating a trailer small enough to suit the A30 and fit in with the rated load limit of 1200kg. Then a few weeks before the event Ian Baistow offered the use of his trailer which had been built to take his 1934 10HP to Warwick AOA. As this fitted all the parameters we accepted his offer. The only problem we now had was that instead of the relative comfort of the air bed in our camper we would have to "rough it" in a tent!

We travelled via Narrandera and the Hay Plains to Port Augusta and then across The Nullarbor to Kalgoorlie, had a look at the sites around there and then on to York via Hyden and Wave Rock, arriving at our Wattle Grove campsite on the Tuesday afternoon before Easter. This gave us time to set up and find our bearings before the event and having lived only a few kms from Cronulla Beach for the past 42 years it takes a bit to get used to the ocean being West not East!

On the Friday we went down to Cannington to register and then returned in the evening for the Official Welcome and a chance to catch up with people from past AOA's. Then on Saturday we assembled at Cannington at 8.30 and departed in groups as per the comfortable cruising speed of your vehicle. This was very well done with slightly different travel routes for each group but all ending up at the same destination Whiteman Park. This is a large property which was left to the people of W.A. for community use and it also has a comprehensive Motor Museum which we all had access to. Our cars were displayed by year of manufacture in the grounds around the museum. After an excellent lunch we returned to camp and then back to Cannington for a get together and BBQ. Sunday saw us depart Cannington for a display by model at McCallum Park which is where the photo on the front of June A30 Minutes was taken. Sunday night we attended the Official Dinner which was a beautifully presented Buffet style meal and were entertained by the presentation of several trophies and some hard luck stories and a brief overview of the planning already in process for the next event in 2011 at Forbes in NSW.

Monday saw us leaving Cannington to travel North to Bindoon for a display on the town oval. Here the ladies from the local CWA provided Devonshire Teas and sausage sandwiches at a reasonable cost and there was a Motorkhana organised on the oval where many of the drivers and their passengers put their driving, navigating and dexterity skills to the test for the amusement of all. A large storm came up about 2.30 pm and looked very threatening so most of us said final farewells to friends we won't see till the next gathering and headed off. Everyone we spoke to thoroughly enjoyed the Perth event and thanks must go to the AMVCWA for putting the effort in to making it a success and to all who made the trip to support them.

We took the opportunity to travel South to Pemberton, Walpole, Albany and Esperance, before heading back across the Nullarbor again and we hope to return again but maybe we will take our comfy bed next time! (Must be getting old or something.)

Regards

Brian and Margaret Heaton (memb # 243)



# *On the Road*

with Bob Laughton

G'Day, well the Car scene on the world scheme of things, have gone quite, but the Industry it's self is not in good shape – that includes OZ. I just wonder if our 3 manufactures will be here (OZ), this time next year. Hope so.

OZ in it's self seems to be performing as good as any Country in the world, things are tight here and jobs are a problem, but could be a lot worse.

In our family we are some how helping out (I think) brought new small Holden and new house with Lake Views in Mooroopna\*, all we have to do now is pay for it?

Plenty sleepless nights and I do have a friend who know's how to cook, and another who owns a file, if we are in the College!!

On the home front, got our wish with kids at basket ball knocked off the Undefeated team by 3 points in the last game of the season, in front of a good crowd and noisy at that.

Next night I coached an Exhibition Match made up of kids from each team and Got the Chocolates, there as well by 3 points – Grade "6" a 10-11 year olds.

They are fun to coach, both Locky and Charizma enjoyed their day at Shepparton Airport with the Cadets. Going up for about 35 minutes each and with good instructors, held the controls for sometime.

Peugeot win at Le Mans, and some one in the Club had a birthday the other day, 16 years old, I believe Ha Ha; oops add on about 70 years - give to take. She knows who she is?

Enjoy ya Austins

Bob G'Day

You will keep Robert!!

Members please change Bob's address in your Directory

Bob & Emelda Laughton

15 Kalimna Drive

Mooroopna 3629

Victoria

03 58254485

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 VINTAGE,  
 SPECIAL INTEREST CARS

JOINT A30 AND A40  
 CAR CLUBS EVENT

VETERAN, CLASSIC &

# SHOW & SHINE

**Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th October 2009**  
**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**

Strathbogie Shire web site

[www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/page/page.asp?page\\_id=134](http://www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/page/page.asp?page_id=134)

## 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 2nd October, Saturday 3rd October, Sunday 4th October & Monday 5th October 2009.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**15 July 2009** (Wednesday)

Club meeting and **Annual General Meeting and election of Office Bearers for the 2009/2010 year** at the Camberwell Uniting Church at 8.00pm

**19 August 2009** (Wednesday)

Club Meeting at the Camberwell Uniting Church at 8.00pm

**29 – 30 August 2009** (Saturday/Sunday)

Federation Picnic at Marong.

Always a good weekend away and well supported by the A40 Club.

Contact Ron or Laraine Maddocks 03 5974 2304

**16 September 2009** (Wednesday)

Club Meeting at the Camberwell Uniting Church at 8.00pm

**20 September 2009** (Sunday)

Contact Fred 9457 4038

By popular request lunch at Bob and Saichon Dickson's Restaurant

Vilom Thai, 357 Smith Street, Fitzroy. Melway Map 44 B4

Looks like becoming an annual event it's so good.

**October 2009** (Saturday/Sunday) Contact Ted or Mary Jones 03 5772 1824

Eurora Show 'n' Shine Weekend

More details in magazine

**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.*

# **Buy, Swap & Sell**

## **WANTED**

Mesh or Plastic Sun Visor for Austin A30

**Contact** Sandy or Less 02 63626810

## **WANTED**

The screw that holds the two back door handles together : it winds through from the inside handle. 4x 13 inch wheels, with 4.5 inch rims. call 9710 1847 Bill Fitter

## **FOR SALE**

A30 carburettor with attached oil bath air cleaner \$50 call 9710 1847 Bill Fitter

## **WANTED**

A30 sedan. 948 motor, 4.5 diff' ideally ; but interested also in vehicles with smaller motor and different diff' ratio, too.

Straight body, no rust, or near enough : registered, or in good running order, near obtaining a rwc : duco and upholstery not that important : spare wheel and jack  
Price negotiable, according to car value and the above criteria being met or compensated .

Telephone ;(03) 9710 1847. please leave a message if unattended

## **WANTED**

Accessories to tart up my A30. Things like Bumper overriders, wind deflectors, fancy gear lever knob, 13inch wheel chromed wheel rims, badges etc

Phone David Linke 03 9543 8263

## **FOR SALE**

Twin carburettors and Monaro Motors manifold to suit Austin A30

The carburettors are standard Austin A30 Zenith (twin) mounted on a specially cast Monaro Motors manifold.

These were probably made in the 1950s and would make the ideal fashion accessory.

Contact Alan Mead for details Ph 03 54222450 ( Kyneton). He hasn't worked out a price so you will have to negotiate.

He also has a lot of A Series engine parts so it might be worth a call if you are looking for alternate cylinder heads etc.

## **FOR SALE**

AUSTIN A30 AS4 SEDAN 1956, reconditioned original 803cc engine 3000 miles ago. Excellent exterior paint and interior upholstery, good tyres, uses no oil, no rust.

Restoration finished in 2001 and driven from Sydney to Echuca Vic for A30 50th Anniversary event. Club registered 25291H (not transferable) Good club car with nothing to spend. 46,412 miles \$5,000 ono Allan 02 9522.8184

*Advertisements in this section will be inserted, free of charge.*



# July 2009

**Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun**

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13	14	15 <u>Club Meeting</u>	16	17	18	19
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## AUSTRALIAN AUSTIN A30 CAR CLUB INC.

### CLUB MEETINGS

Club meetings are held on the **3<sup>rd</sup> 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)

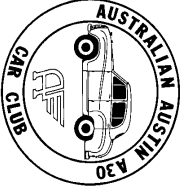
### SPARE PARTS

Contact Thorpe at

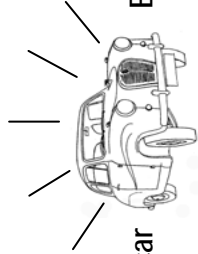
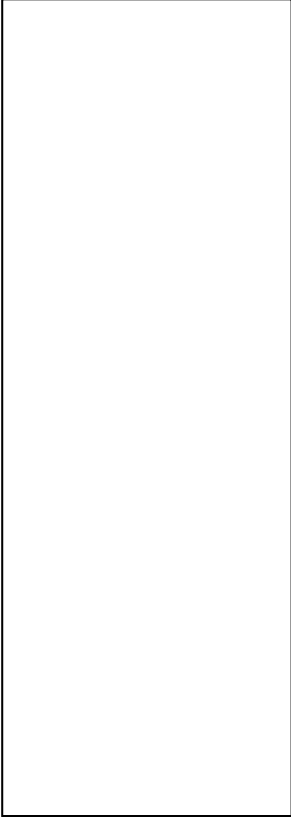
Morris Minor Australia, 56 Alex Avenue, Moorabbin. Victoria. 3189

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!