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Wonderful photo of Morries on Sugarloaf Dam wall

**Official Club Newsletter of  
THE MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**

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**NEXT CLUB MEETING:**

08<sup>th</sup> August 2013 7.30pm for 8.00 pm at Horrie Watson Pavilion, Deepdene Park,  
Whitehorse Road, DEEPDENE. 3103. (Melways Map 46 Ref. A8)  
MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup> THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

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**Club Regalia**

**Clothing**

Short Sleeve polo Shirt	\$30.00
Long Sleeve Denim Shirt	\$40.00
Reversible Vest	\$45.00
Winter Jacket	\$70.00
Tee Shirts	\$15.00
Club Logo Tri Colour Caps	\$20.00
Cloth Club Logo Patch	\$10.00

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**For Purchases Contact Regalia Officer**

**Graham Harper**

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## AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA INC

Thursday, 08<sup>th</sup> August 2013 Horrie Watson Pavilion Deepdene Park  
Deepdene 3103.

1. Apologies
2. No. of Members Present (Quorum)
3. Confirmation of last minutes
4. President's Report
5. Treasurers Report
6. General Business
7. Close of Meeting

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Please note that access details for our Members Only Web Page have changed to:

**Username:** mmccv

**Password:** valve

### **RUN REPORTS**

## **Mid-Winter Lunch 21<sup>st</sup> July 2013**

Driving home from a wonderful morry run, I found myself ticking off a check list of my highlights to help me write the report for the mid-winter lunch it then seemed a fun way to do the report so here goes. ....

- \* **Weather sunny and clear** ✓
- \* **Macca's for coffee & cake** ✓
- \* **15 Morris Minors in convoy** ✓
- \* **Great views at Sugarloaf Dam** ✓
- \* **Wonderful photo of morries on dam wall** ✓
- \* **Meeting some new members on the run** ✓
- \* **Amazing scenery** ✓
- \* **Lots of talking over the radio** ✓
- \* **Great venue with lovely gardens & atmosphere** ✓
- \* **More morries there & a couple of moderns** ✓
- \* **Lots of talking & laughing** ✓

- \* **Yummy food** ✓
- \* **The usual checking out of cars** ✓
- \* **Watching Hudson Park aged 2 ½ being so happy & proud of his club name badge.** ✓
- \* **Lucky door prizes** ✓
- \* **Even more delicious food. Especially the sticky date** ✓
- \* **And baby Mitchell Park aged 4 months being passed around for lots of cuddles** ✓
- \* **Everyone relaxed and in no hurry to go** ✓
- \* **A wonderful day.** ✓
- \* **But sadly we all did have to head for home.** ✓
- \* **I drove “frog” for the first time. (our green sedan)** ✓

So there's my highlights of what was one terrific mid-winter lunch. A big tick and thank-you must go to Michael & Veronica Dobson for putting it all together for all of the 44 members that attended the lunch at Bridges at Hurstbridge ....

Rosalee Harper...

**Attendees:-**

**44 members, 15 Morries, 3 visitors, 9 moderns**

**Stewart & Stephanie Carr, Graham & Rosalee Harper, Percy & Cheryl Scicluna, Ken & Barbara Urquhart, Graham & Lesley Dines, Wayne Cunningham & Lyn Waites, Bruce Kerr & Ann Rasmussen, Mark & Sue Parritt, Henry & Marlene Edwards plus daughter Michelle, Tim Lengyel plus Julie's sister Janet & her husband Steven, Michael & Veronica Dobson, , Craig Warner, Tracey & Garry Ikin, Malcolm & Margaret Baker, Andrew, Jude, Hudson & Mitchell Park, John Mason & his daughter Jana Mason (Jana a very new member), John & Ann Druery, Dave & Carol Bamford, Lesley & Lloyd Harrington, Neil & Sue Cheney, Sue & Gary Turner, Daryl & Anna Clark (their first outing with the Club).**





## Club Captain's Report August 2013

Hi Members,

What a fantastic lunch we had at Hurstbridge, I would like to thank the Dobsons for organising such an excellent run.

This month is a short mystery run/picnic lunch in the eastern suburbs leaving from the meeting hall. Hope to see you there.

We also have a great weekend away coming up in September to the wonderful Goulburn Valley. We need to know of numbers before the September meeting so if you are interested in going please get in touch with me. [clubcaptian@morrisminorvic.org.au](mailto:clubcaptian@morrisminorvic.org.au)

Keep on Morrying

Stewart

## Presidents Report August 2013

Hi to you all.

What a glorious winter's day out for our midyear lunch after such a bad weather day on the Saturday. I did enjoy the run through the countryside. I would like to thank Michael & Veronica for arranging such a great run and lunch. The venue was just right. (More in the run report).

I also would like to thank Richard McKellar for his presentation at the last club meeting. I found it very interesting to find out what is going on in the UK scene.


We would like more club members to come forward and do a short talk, it can be technical or something of interest. Please contact me if you would like to do one.

In the last few months we have had quite a lot of new members; I have had a chance to catch up with some of them. I ask you all to make them most welcome at the club meetings and runs as we all know is hard to get to know people when you first join a club. The best way to meet other club members is on a club run. The mystery run this month is a perfect run for getting to know club members as it is only a short distance from the club rooms. If your Morris Minor is not on the road or you are concerned that it will not make the distance do not let that stop you from coming on the runs come in your modern car and enjoy the day out. Please wear your club name badge on the club runs.

See you all at the next meeting and run.

Keep on Morrying

Mark



### **Centenary Day of the Morris Car Show n' Shine**



Brought to you by the Morris Car Club of Victoria

**Sunday 6th October, 2013**  
**9am - 2:30pm**

Caribbean Gardens, Scoresby, Vic  
(Enter off Ferntree Gully Rd. Entry fee of \$5 per vehicle)

- Prizes
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- Regalia

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# **UP COMING EVENTS 2013**

August 11<sup>th</sup>

**Eastern Suburbs Mystery Run**

**Meet at 11:00am at Meeting Hall, Horrie Watson Pavilion,  
Deepdene Park, Whitehorse Road, Balwyn (Melways Map 46 Ref A8)**

**The run will be approx 20km long & you will need to supply a picnic lunch (BBQ is available at the final destination)**

**This run I advise you to have at least 2 people in the car**

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September

**Mid-Week Run**

**THURSDAY 19<sup>th</sup> of SEPTEMBER – MID WEEK RUN**

**Cranbourne Botanical Gardens**

**The Gardens provide a number of walks with a variety of gardens to see. Picnic facilities as well as a café (licensed) and shop are also available. A trolley car is available, for a small cost, as an alternative to walking the gardens and has a number of drop off and pickup points.**

**Meet at the McDonalds on the corner of Wellington and Springvale roads at 10.00 am for a 10.30 departure.**

**Final numbers at the September meeting please.**

September 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>

**Goulburn Valley Gallop**

**SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup>.**

**Arrive Emerald Bank, Goulburn valley Hwy. Kialla around 12:00 for lunch stop. BYO or café on site. Motor Museum, Pot Workz, Local Produce provender, Nursery, Homemade chocolate shop. Lots to see. Entry fee to Museum. (Will try and organise a group disc.)**

**On completion of lunch drive (app 15 Min) to the Chocolate Apple Factory at an orchard at Shepparton East. Yummmmmmm! All sorts of apple juice, chocolate covered apples and more chocolates. (the apples would be great for Sat. night desert)**

**When ready; travel to Numurkah accommodation either at 139 (sleeps 2) or 140 Fuzzard Rd Numurkah (will accommodate 10 easily 12 at a pinch) 140 across the road had all things needed for a great stop over, Urn, Jug, full stove, microwave etc. Cost could be a small donation to cover power etc. Heaps of parking. There is also a Motel in the town the El Toro and the Numurkah Caravan Park beside the Broken Creek.**

**Monichino's Winery is about 5 km away if you so desire and time available.**

**If the water is not too cold in the dam we can put in some yabby nets overnight.**

**Saturday night BBQ at 139 BYO Salad stuff or dietary requirements, we will supply the animal flesh for cooking. Bon fire in the back yard weather permitting.**



**SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> (Julie's birthday)**

**Check the yabby nets.**

**After breakfast, a quiet drive to the Murray River (20/30 min) for morning tea / early lunch (BYO everything). A couple of km of dirt road into the river spot but well worth the trip.**

**Fishing if you wish (need a NSW Licence)**

**When ready head back to Melbourne via Shepparton, Seymour. Northern and western suburbs via the Hume Hwy. For those in the east the trip home via Yea is a great drive.**

**Come and enjoy the Goulburn Valley in Spring**

**There are a few possibilities for accommodation**

**Numurkah Caravan Park ph 5862 1526 or**

**Stay at the Stanyers but you will need to arrange it with them.**

**Ph 5862 3829**

**Contact Stewart 03 9808 5586 or 0409 215 907**

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**October 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Morris Car Club of Victoria Celebration of 100 Years of Morris**

**Caribbean Gardens 9am to 2:30pm**

**Entry \$2.50 or \$5.00 to display car**

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**November 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Melbourne Cup Day Lunch at the Cunningham/Waites (Ballarat)**

**More info to come.**

**NOVEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Trinity Grammar Founders' Day Fair**

**40 Charles Street, Kew**

**Meet at 4 Second Ave Kew home of Barbara & Ken Urquhart at 9:30am for morning tea/coffee. BYO picnic set (cups, mugs etc) also a small plate of food to share.**

**Depart for the school about 10:30am, line up the cars for display, then check out the activities etc that the school is providing. More info on this later.**

**BYO lunch or try the great food on offer at the fair.**

**This is a short run, so hope to see many morries there, dust off the cobwebs & come & show your car**

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**December 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Christmas Party**

**To be held at the Canterbury Masonic Centre, 5 Rochester, Rd, Canterbury, 3126.**

**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING OF THE MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**  
**HELD AT THE HORRIE WATSON HALL, DEEPDENE**  
**DATE 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2013**

**The President opened the meeting at:-** 8pm with a welcome to those attending.

**Apologies:** Sue Cheney, Garry & Sue Turner, Tom O'Regan, Ann & Ross Carr

**Attendance:**

Approx. 29 members were present at the meeting as recorded in the attendance book.

**New Members & Visitors:** nil

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** as published in the Generator were accepted as printed.

Moved: Stewart Carr Seconded Henry Edwards: - Carried.

**President's Report:** as per the Generator

**Vice President :** nothing to report other than Sept mid-week run reminder

**Secretary's Report:** nothing other than some inconsequential advertising material

**Treasurer's Report:** Neil Cheney advised meeting of current account balance of \$ 6887.93 and of the recent acquisition of the Club's new Eftpos machine. He also indicated that the Club was donating the amount of \$200 to Bowel Cancer research following the recent death of Club member Julie Lengyl.

**Membership Officer:** Barbara Urquhart indicated membership was as per the Generator

**Club Captain:** Stewart Carr briefly referred to the various future events listed in the Generator as well as advising of this Year's Cup Day celebration generously being hosted by Wayne Cunningham and Lyn Waites at their Ballarat home in November.

**Regalia:** Graham Harper indicated that he had plenty of regalia available and reminded members that a regalia order form is now included in the Generator

**Editor:** Graham Dines indicated that there was little to report in relation to the Generator but referred to continuing problems with the Club's website which will shortly be rectified

**National Morris Minor Rally 2015 :** Richard McKellar indicated that he had nothing further to report beyond the release of the 1<sup>st</sup> Rally Bulletin

**Morris Minor Touring Club:** Geoff & Bev O'Donnell – nil

**A.O.M.C:** Stewart Carr and Geoff O'Donnell Secretary- nil

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. The Secretary indicated that over 40 members had paid for the Club's mid-year lunch and that the cut-off date for payments had been extended to Wed 17<sup>th</sup> July.

2. Tim Lengyel thanked the Club for the support he had received following the recent death of his wife Julie

**Tips & Hints:** Richard indicated that it may be worthwhile for members needing parts to contact the firm “Minor Magic” who advertise in the Generator as he considered their prices competitive

**For Sale:** Tim Lengyl advised the meeting that he has a trailer-full of MM parts including doors, radiators, steering wheels etc and at Graham Dines’s suggestion agreed to provide a list of same.

**The Meeting Closed at** 8.25 pm.

At the closure of the meeting Richard McKellar gave a very interesting presentation on his attendance at the International Morris Rally held in Oxford (UK) in June

**Raffle draw** took place under the control of Percy and Cheryl Scicluna followed by supper with thanks to Graham and Rosalee Harper.

**Michael Dobson (Secretary)**

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**Morris Minor Car, Caravan, Cabin, Camping Club of Victoria**  
**Halls Gap (Grampians)**

Planning is under way for an early summer 5C run to the Grampians for a week. The date for the trip the 30th of October to the 6th of December. I need to get some idea of the numbers of people that are interested in coming so I can finalise some of the planning. Please either contact me at the meetings or by phone or e-mail if you would like to come on the trip or require further information.

Early next year we plan to have a trip for a week to Nelson on the South Australian and Victorian borders.

Contact Mark Parritt 03 59764437 or 0403194021. e-mail president@morrisminorvic.org.au.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

31/07/2013		01/07/2013 to 31/07/2103	CM	YTD
<u>Opening Balance</u>		<u>Income</u>		
MMCCV Cheque A/C	\$6,983.61	Advertising	\$50.00	\$50.00
		Club Raffle	\$68.00	\$440.00
		Events	\$805.00	\$1,540.00
		Interest Earned	\$274.53	\$274.53
		Membership Dues	\$70.00	\$3,495.00
		Regalia Sales	\$120.00	\$1,020.10
		Badges	\$0.00	\$45.00
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Unpresented cheques	\$0.00	<u>Total Income</u>	\$1,387.53	\$6,864.63
<u>Closing Balance</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>		
Undeposited Funds	\$0.00	Bank Service Charges	\$36.30	\$268.05
MMCCV Cheque A/C	\$4,691.54	Hall Hire	\$0.00	\$390.00
Bendigo Bank Term Deposit	\$8,000.00	Club Events	\$1,350.00	\$1,441.32
ANZ Term Deposit	\$0.00	Licences & Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>Total Balance</u>	\$12,691.54	Newsletter costs	\$150.09	\$1,050.02
		Office supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00
		Postage	\$0.00	\$18.00
		Professional fees	\$0.00	\$100.00
		Regalia	\$0.00	\$394.00
		Repairs	\$0.00	\$0.00
		Consumer Affairs	\$0.00	\$50.10
		Suppers	\$29.29	\$269.72
		Trophies	\$0.00	\$40.00
		Post office box rental	\$0.00	\$99.00
		Donations	\$200.00	\$600.00
		Webpage Hosting	\$0.00	\$235.00
		AOMC	\$0.00	\$65.00
		Newspaper tributes	\$0.00	\$85.84
		<u>Total Expenditure</u>	\$1,765.68	\$5,106.05
		<u>Net Income/Deficit</u>	<b>-\$378.15</b>	\$1,758.58



## TRADING PLACES

August 2013

Contact: Graham Dines : 0400 893 483

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Running gear: Fitted to the car is Minor 1000 suspension (hubs, 7" drums and back axle), brake-cylinders are renewed, with new rubber-bushings virtually all-round. Some brake-pipes are new, the steering-rack is checked, leaving you to fit the supplied/correct MM steering column, dashboard switches, the dials and chrome.

As sold the car has NO engine or gearbox. For separate purchase is a choice of:-

a) an unchecked MM side-valve engine and matching gearbox, OR

b) a hotted but unchecked Minor 1000 engine, plus a used Minor 1000 gearbox and radiator.

(\*\*There is also a Toyota 5-speed conversion to consider, for use with the more powerful 1000 engine, but again that is in a separate sale).

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**Kind regards**

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**Sea Lake Vic 3533**

**[loreleiwright@hotmail.com](mailto:loreleiwright@hotmail.com)**

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**I have 2 Morris Minor series 2 gearboxes for sale. One is complete and one is gears only.**

**I wonder if these would be of interest to members of your club.**

**Regards Steve Holden**

**[birdies@aussiebb.com.au](mailto:birdies@aussiebb.com.au)**

## MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership statistics as of July 26<sup>th</sup> are as follows:-

Standard - 49 Email Standard -105 a total of 154 members.

If any member would like a membership card sent to them, please send a stamped self-addressed envelope to the PO Box. Should you have any Membership queries or suggestions do not hesitate to contact me at 9817 5385, or email - [membership@morrisminorvic.org.au](mailto:membership@morrisminorvic.org.au)

Club Name Badges :- are available for \$7.50 per person, contact me to order a badge. Wear your badge to a meeting & be in the running to choose a prize from the raffle table.

### NEWMEMBERS

Jana Mason, member # 1632.

Monica & Peter Dowling, member # 1631, owners of a 1958 British Racing Green 4 door reg # GPS 650. A welcome to you & hope we see you at a Club meeting or a Club run. We wish you a long & enjoyable association with the Club.

### WELFARE



Deepest Sympathy to Lesley Dines in the sad passing of her mother Joyce.  
To those members of our Club who are not well, we wish you the best & hope you recover quickly. If you know of any member/s that are on the sick list, please let me know.

### \*\*\*\*\*MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS FOR AUGUST\*\*\*\*\*



<b>Jo Hawkesworth</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>Anne Ripper</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>Margaret Hender</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>Bev O'Donnell</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>Colin Files</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Richard Milligan</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Margaret Chapman</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>Delia Tobin</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Gladys Brumhead</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Peter Bowes</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Robyn Wright</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Diania Dearie</b>	<b>30</b>



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**Barbara Urquhart**  
**Membership Officer**

## **Morris 100 year Celebrations - Cornbury Park, Charlbury UK.**

**Kim, myself and Kate Hutson, represented the Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria at the recent Morris Centenary Celebrations. The village of Charlbury is literally just down the road from Kate's parents estate. Many of the participants stayed at historic Charlbury, just outside Oxford. We had a lovely large room at the Bell Hotel which was built in c.1735.**

**We arrived at Cornbury Park early Saturday morning to help set up the Minor Million display and Marque. Phil Smith cleverly chose the theme "The Lavender Hill Mob" (from the 1950s Movie of the same name). The stand created much interest.**

**My book was also on display and I signed copies and answered questions. I was requested to do a broadcasted presentation on the 1960 Minor Million milestone. At the same time a Minor Million was driven around the arena to demonstrate the various features of the car.**

**Shortly afterwards I was interviewed by three reporters, who snapped photos of me posing with the book in-front of the Million display.**

**One journalist, Chis Larkin informed me that the book was judged by Classic Car Weekly as their 'Book of the Year!' (nice surprise!).**

**Between showers of rain, I dashed around checking out all the spares/services and parts available.**

**On display was about 1,200 Morris Minors, as well as 800 or so Morris related vehicles. Performing dogs and birds, Morris Dancers, pipe bands were also featured... but I was too busy chatting and looking at cars. To say it was a mind blowing experience would be an understatement.**

**Sunday I was asked by Ray Newell to do an opening address for the Rally as an international guest. I spoke about our car club and the Morris Minor & classic car movement in Australia.**

**Afterwards I attended a judges meeting (held in a double decker bus) and was lucky enough to judge the Concours Cars with the MMOCs head Judge. He briefed me in detail about the criteria in which to judge the various cars and trucks. This was a challenge and lots of fun. Whilst the judging was taking place a Tiger Moth display was taking place overhead. Many of the planes we built and repaired at the Cowley factory during the war.**

**Immediately following the judging, the overseas visitors were treated to a special reception, presented by Ray Newell and John Fry and on behalf of the MMOC. As International Guests we were presented with a memento of the Centenary Rally as well as a copy of a special edition of 100, hard cover 'Morris 100 years' commemorative book by the author Ray Newell.**

**We were lucky to catch up with fellow Australians - Chris Coats and Darren Goff. As a small group of die-hard Morris enthusiasts, we decided to plan some extra Morris activities, which included a trip into Oxford to locate where William Morris first set up his bike shop, and to Longwall Street to see the first purpose built factory where Morris produced the Bullnose Morris of 1913. We also visited what little remained of the Cowley Plant, and visited the token monument - The Nuffield Needle - (which took us a quite a while to find as no one we asked knew what we were talking about!**

**We visited Nuffield House (the magnificent home of W Morris) and even ventured to the Nuffield Church, to see where Lord Nuffield was buried. It took us a few minutes to find his burial site, as a simple stone marked his grave in the small church cemetery. I found this quite remarkable, considering this was someone who had given away to charity(s) something in the order of 12 billion pounds in today's money.**

**After the rally I was able to chat with Ray Newell at length about the finer details on how the MMOC run their National Rally(s) in the UK. Some interesting things to note - which I thought may be worth considering.**



**1. Low entry fee - and no Show Bag. (Grill badge and other Rally merchandise could be purchased only if required)**

**2. One Evening event (only) - hard to believe... but on the Saturday night, food and band only. (we have three night time gatherings) - which must be an enormous undertaking by the host club, and would keep the costs down.**

**Food for thought...but what a great Rally and UK holiday (..ops ...I mean book tour) - lucky David Floyd is my accountant and member of the MMCC of Vic!**

**Richard McKellar**



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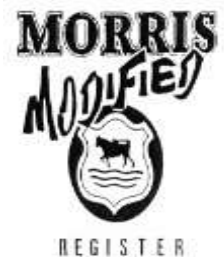
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