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The Morris Minor Garage at North Harcourt, site of this year's "Day of the Morris Minor"

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NEXT CLUB MEETING:

**11th September 2014 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 2nd THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**

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Morris Logo Vinyl Sticker \$3.00

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Graham Harper

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New applications and renewals between 6 and 25 of October are to be sent to Michael Dobson at 10 Rangeview Rd, Diamond Creek, 3089. 9438 1695 – 0400273 328

secretary@morrisminorvic.org.au

Don't forget to send early.

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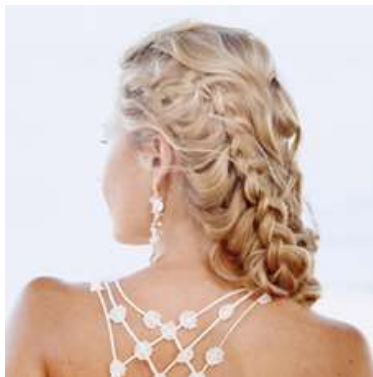
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President`s Report September 2014

Hi All

Sue and I are away from home again, this time we are in Brisbane visiting Sue`s sister and catching with old friends. We had a good trip up pulling our caravan, it`s nice to be back in some warm weather after the cold and wet we have had in Melbourne over the last few weeks, though we did bring the rain with us.

The Day of the Morris Minor is not far away. The committee have been working hard and have come up with an interesting programme. Full details of DOMM are further on in the Generator. It should be a great event and to make it even better we need your support, so please smarten up those Morrisies and come along. There will be plenty of prizes and trophies to be won, not all for the best show and shine Morrisies. (eg, Lucky car prize, Committee`s Choice) also the Morris Minor Garage to visit, market stalls and a band that is playing throughout the day. Some of us are making it a weekend away, and as it is Melbourne Cup weekend, those of us staying on the Sunday night are arranging a run on the Monday to get us all home again.

It is now only a few months to the MMCCV Christmas party. Due to the fact that we can no longer get the Masonic Hall and the caterer is not available, we have changed the venue to Box Hill Golf Club. As the price is more than we usually pay, the club will subsidise part of the cost. Those that have been there before, advise that it is a great venue (more details further on in the generator).

Look forward to seeing you all at next meeting.

Keep on Morrying
Mark

Club Captain`s Report September 2014

Hi everyone,

This month we are heading to Yea to go for a nice train ride on the Kerrisdale Mountain railway. We are meeting at McDonalds in Nunawading at 9am.

Don`t forget about next month, if you would like to do something on your car and don`t know how or just want to learn a little more about the internal combustion engine why don`t you come along to my place at Buln Buln East.

All details for both runs are in the Up Coming Events later in the Generator.

Keep On Morrying

Stewart

AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA INC

Thursday, 11th September 2014 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

UP COMING EVENTS 2014



September 21st

Trip to Yea and the Kerrisdale Mountain Railway

Meet at McDonald's at Whitehorse Rd, Nunawading (cnr Springvale Rd) at 9am for a 9.30am start or meet us on the way at Yarra Glen or at Yea. Bring your modern if your Morris isn't ready or running.

Come along for a great run and a trip back in time to the world of train travel.

One group will be travelling in convoy from Nunawading via Lilydale, Coldstream, Yarra Glen, Yea then Kerrisdale. (about 100km's)

Others will join us at Yarra Glen travelling via Eltham. We will be at the McKenzie Reserve in the main street of Yarra Glen for morning tea. Either BYO or buy it there.

We will have a BYO Picnic/BBQ lunch at the Historic Yea Railway Station or you can buy your own at nearby cafés and bakeries. This precinct has a children's playground, skatepark, BBQ facilities, toilets and the historic buildings and plenty of parking for cars.

After lunch, we will move on to the Kerrisdale Mountain Railway where we have a group booking to ride the 2pm train.

Afternoon tea will be available to purchase at the site.

A Concession Price of \$12 per adult (train/museum entry) has been negotiated. (Children \$10)

This includes an Introductory talk explaining development of the railway then the train journey (35 minutes return) accompanied by a talk at 'Summit Station'

For more information, contact Mark Parritt on 5976 4437 or 0403 194 021

October 5th

Mechanics Day

Come along to Stewart and Stephanie Carr's property at 109 Mizpah Settlement Rd, Buln Buln East. Here you will learn all you want about your morry and find out how to do the day to day jobs around your car. Bring along a picnic lunch or something for the BBQ.

We are meeting at McDonalds Nunawading on the Cnr of Whitehorse Road and Springvale Road at 8:30am for 9:00am Departure.

We will make our way out through Poweltown and the Neerim district. For those of you that can't make the run and would like to join us on the day we will be arriving at Buln Buln East between 10:30am-11:00am.

November 2nd

DOMM

This year the venue will be The Morris Minor Garage at North Harcourt. There will also be a theme this year "An Escape to the Country". If you wish to make a weekend of it there is no shortage of venues in the area. It's a great day to come along and see all the different models of morries and to show of your pride and joy.

PLEASE SEE PAGES 17 TO 20

November 29th to 6th December

MMCCCCCV (5C) week away to Cohuna on the Gunbower Creek is about 60km west of Echuca. Gerry Sargeant, Graham and Lesley Dines have been up to Cohuna and have advised there are lots of great things to do in the town and local area. The camp is open to all members and their friends. This should be a great camp and a chance to meet new people. Accommodation bookings can be made at the Cohuna Waterfront Holiday Park. The park has a number of one and two bedroom cabins available, powered and non-powered caravan and tent sites. The MMCCV has reserved 8 site but there are plenty more sites available. For further information on the accommodation contact Jane at the Cohuna Holiday Park on 1800 672 372 or 03 54562562. <http://www.cwhp.com.au/index.php>.

For any further information on this event contact Mark Parritt 0403 194 021 or president@morrisminorvic.org.au

December 11th Christmas Party

A great evening to farewell the year with excellent people
The Venue has changed this year and we will be heading to the Box Hill Golf Club 202 Station Street Box Hill, 7pm. Parking is available on Riversdale Rd Melways Map 61 D2.5. The cost for the evening is \$30 per person for a 2 course meal. Notify Barbara Urquhart (membership officer) if you have any dietary requirements. Please make payments by the November meeting, either by cheque or electronic transfer (please state name & what the payment is for. BSB No 633000 Acc No 146935168.

Other Events

Australian National Show & Shine, Euroa
October 5th
Historic Commercial Vehicle Show, Yarra Glen
November 9th
Watsonia Motor Show
November 9th
Bendigo Swap Meet
November 15th and 16th

Please think of runs you would like to do next year.

Future Guest speakers

September meeting

Ben from Antique Tyres will be giving us a talk on tyres and rims, this will be a most interesting presentation so don't miss it.

Check out their web site
www.antiquetyres.com.au

2015 NATIONAL RALLY



The 5th Bulletin is now available on the Albury Wodonga Website for the 17th Morris Minor Nationals

http://www.17thmorrisonationals.org.au/uploads/content/upl_12.pdf

Hay?? Now I've seen everything



TREASURER'S REPORT

30/08/2014		01/08/2014 to 30/08/2014	CM	YTD
<u>Opening Balance</u>		<u>Income</u>		
MMCCV Cheque A/C	\$5,952.93	Advertising	\$0.00	\$230.00
		Club Raffle	\$47.00	\$430.00
		Events	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
		Interest Earned	\$0.00	\$320.00
		Membership Dues	\$20.00	\$2,545.00
		Regalia Sales	\$36.00	\$782.00
		Badges	\$15.00	\$30.00
		Donations	\$0.00	\$50.50
		Library fees	\$0.00	\$36.50
		Refunds	\$0.00	\$19.58
		<u>Total Income</u>	\$118.00	\$5,793.58
<u>Closing Balance</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>		
Undeposited Funds	\$0.00	Bank Service Charges	\$477.32	\$760.46
MMCCV Cheque A/C	\$4,464.47	Hall Hire	\$402.00	\$402.00
Bendigo Term Deposit	\$8,320.00	Club Events	\$530.00	\$2,000.24
		Licenc & Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>Total Balance</u>	<u>\$12,784.47</u>	Newsletter costs	\$110.79	\$810.61
		Office supplies	\$0.00	\$112.84
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		Postage	\$0.00	\$48.00
Unpresented cheques	\$53.00	Professional fees	\$0.00	\$120.00
		Regalia	\$0.00	\$81.00
		Consumer Affairs	\$0.00	\$0.00
	<u>\$53.00</u>	Suppers	\$66.35	\$299.30
		Trophies	\$20.00	\$500.35
		Post office box rental	\$0.00	\$107.00
		BMC Experience Subs	\$0.00	\$83.00
		Webpage Hosting	\$0.00	\$44.00
		AOMC	\$0.00	\$0.00
		Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00
		Refunds	\$0.00	\$20.00
		Donations	\$0.00	\$250.00
		<u>Total Expenditure</u>	\$1,606.46	\$5,638.80
		<u>Net Income/Deficit</u>	\$1,488.46	\$154.78

RUN REPORTS

Woodlands Historic Park & Homestead plus lunch at Macedon Railway Hotel

Attendees: - 19 members 6 Morries, 4 modern

This run was indeed a “double banger” for places to see and food. Attendees were, Michael & Veronica Dobson, Barbara & Ken Urquhart, Wayne Cunningham & Lyn Waites, Rosalee & Graham Harper, John Mason & Ceres Mason, Mal & Margaret Baker, Cheryl & Percy Scicluna. Joy Wescombe, Phil Plumbe & Liz Sambell, Noel Theodore, & Neil Cheney.

As we headed west for the meeting location at Woodlands Homestead the skies cleared and we had a morning tea with warm sunshine on our backs. A large offering of home baked cakes were enjoyed by all. We toured the homestead, partly a kit home imported from Ireland in 1842. We also had a chance to see some the now retired major stake winners in Australian horse racing.

Joy, Phil and Liz, headed off to other commitments and our small convoy set out for Macedon where Neil, Wayne, Lyn and Theodore were to meet us for lunch. Michael and Veronica had mapped out a very scenic and Morrie friendly route to Macedon. So much so, it was elected as the return run after lunch.

Barbara had booked us into the railway Hotel which was very comfortable and had a menu with extensive choice. Making a selection was difficult and although all were happy with their choice many were heard to say “I nearly chose what you have.”

Our thanks to Barbara, Michael and Veronica for putting together another very enjoyable day for us.

CHRISTMAS FUNCTION RAFFLE

A request for items to be donated for the Christmas Function Raffle
Please think about donating something worth over \$10 for this raffle, it will help
to subsidise the evening.

Please no second hand goods .

Either deliver to a Club meeting/run or bring to the function.
Barbara Urquhart (Membership Officer) is taking delivery of goods
See details of the function elsewhere in the Generator.



TRADING PLACES
September 2014



Contact: Graham Dines : 0400 893 483

Or email editor@morrisminorvic.org.au

For Sale

Make and model: blue Morris Minor 4 door 1958 sedan.

Registration Number: SBX 445

Engine Number: 9MUH275137

The gearbox and clutch are in good condition and I have had the engine completely reconditioned. The car has had little use since then. I had intentions of restoring the car, , but sadly no time. Rust spots, some attention to the upholstery, and a good paint job is needed.

The car is in Kilsyth if anyone is interested in checking her out.

The price for the car is \$2300 negotiable. This is the amount I paid to have the engine reconditioned.

Thanks and regards,

Malcolm Coram (0416 173010)



FOR SALE

1959 Morris Minor 1000

Unregistered. Last registered in 2011 but hasn't been driven for 8 years.

Reconditioned Morris engine and gearbox.

Interior had been altered (Ford front seats and indicators)

Cream exterior. Black interior

Quite rusty but will suit someone who has time and enthusiasm to restore.

Much loved car and I would love it if it went to a good home to be restored.

Booster brake system

Original number plates

Very happy to sell as a car to be restored or to be used as parts.

North eastern suburbs location

Contact: Phoebe 0409 016 866 or email bbfriggs@hotmail.com

\$700.00 Any offer considered and need to sell now.

Hi my name is Andrew

I have a 1952 model gear box from a Morris

I thought I would let you guys now

The gear box is complete and in exceptional good condition like new intact.

My number is 0418209324

I am asking \$200

cheers

Andrew Cowen

I have "The Morris Minor (Series "MM") Workshop Manual and was wondering if this is of any use to your club. You can phone me on 0413202203 if you are interested. Regards, Gwenda



<http://www.morrisdownunder.com/forum/index.php>

This forum is the common portal to link all the clubs together and where Morris Minor owners from all over the country can swap information, search for parts

And make new friends.

**MINUTES OF MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA INC. GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT THE HORRIE WATSON HALL, DEEPDENE ON THURS 14th AUGUST, 2014**

Present:- President, Mark Parritt, Vice-President, Braidy Davies; Secretary, Michael Dobson; Regalia, Graham Harper; Membership, Barbara Urquhart; Club Captain, Stewart Carr, Treasurer, Neil Cheney,

The President welcomed the members present and opened the meeting at 8.05pm.

Apologies:, Graham Dines (Standing Apology), Veronica Dobson, Ross and Ann Carr, Joy Vears

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

Visitors and New Members; new member Devon who is restoring a MM series 2 and his mate Tom were warmly welcomed by those present.

Minutes of the previous meeting: were accepted on the motion of, John Druery seconded by Percy Scicluna

President's Report as per the Generator

Vice President's Report as per the Generator

Secretary's Report The Secretary indicated that due to the volume of correspondence received comprising other club newsletters and advertising material he would save the meeting's time and list those items in the Generator. Correspondence items advertising the following events listed as follows: (a)* 28 August- SAE 1st Vehicle Technology Engineer Workshop at Swinburne University Hawthorn on the latest developments in engines, fuels and general mobility technologies

- 25th August Shannons Sydney Winter Classic Auction *30 August – AOMC Club Editors Seminar * 7 Sept to 26 Oct – various spring events in the Shire of Loddon (Wedderburn) *3-4 Oct Deniliquin Ute Muster with Jimmy Barnes and various others * 5th Oct Euroa Show & Shine and at Warragul the last of the chrome bumpers 18th Oct Trafalgar Holden Museum's 1st opening 26th Oct Mucklefest (vintage cars,, antique machinery, heritage horses, vintage tractor pull and more) at Muckleford near Castlemaine and Maldon * 8th Nov Watsonia Motorshow , * 9th Nov 33rd Annual Historic Commercial Vehicle Show at Yarra Glen Racecourse, 16th November Day of the Volkswagen at Yarra Glen Racecourse including Beetle restoration raffle draw
- (b) Flyer advertising from Albury Electroplaters (ph 02 60211205) offering 15% off all electroplating and repairs for club members until the end of October
- © Newsletters from various car clubs including AOMC and Morris Car Club of SA were placed on view on the night of the meeting for the perusal of members
- (f) e-mail from an Alex of NSW advertising the sale of his Morris Minor Traveller which from the video link he sent appears to be in great condition. It was according to Alex purchased for a Barclays bank commercial. Alex can be contacted via e-mail alex@rapidfilms.com. No sale price given

Treasurer's Report: Neil reported a current balance of \$5334.82 and also mentioned that the Club had been penalised by the Bendigo Bank in the amount of \$440 for the early return of the eftpos machine but that this loss was offset by an initial saving per annum of \$220 and by \$320 in interest earned from the Club's term deposit. He also mentioned that

the Club had subsidised the the highly successful mid year lunch at Bridges Restaurant @ approx. \$4 per member.

Membership Officer

Barbara reported that currently there were 161 financial members (43 postal and 118 e-mail) 8 life members and 64 red plated vehicles listed in the Club.

Club Captain: Stewart gave a brief run-down of recent Club events and mentioned future events as listed in the Generator

Stewart also indicated that he was looking for members to volunteer to organise club runs next year and asked members to give some thought of possible runs they could put forward and assist in running in 2015

Regalia Graham reported all going well and plenty of regalia available for sale

Editors Report; nil

A O M C-

Stewart indicated that he had nothing to report other than he would report back following the next AOMC meeting on Mon 18th August where the forthcoming changes to the Club Permit Scheme are to be discussed.

National Rally President encouraged members to book their accommodation asap as Rally promises to be well attended.

Touring Club: (Geoff & Bev O'Donnell):

Geoff advised that Tasmania trip planning had been finalised involving 27 vehicles

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Tips and Hints: Mark indicated he was seeking a good spray painter for a friend and Ken advised that he had finally heard from the Antique Tyre company that its representative will be attending the September meeting as a guest speaker to talk about the various tyres suitable for morries

For Sale / Parts Sought At Marks invitation Sue Parritt spoke about her new book ,copies of which, were available for sale after the meeting. Mark also mentioned that the Mornington Men's Shed were shortly hoping to restore a donated or reasonably cheaply purchased Morrie and asked members to assist in sourcing a suitable morrie.

Guest Speaker Before the close of the meeting Neil Cheney gave a very interesting talk with overhead projection on the kidnapping and planned murder of Lord Nuffield in 1938

There being no further business

The Meeting closed at 9pm after the drawing of the raffle by Percy and Cheryl Scicluna(thanks Percy and Cheryl and also thanks Rosie for the great supper)

Michael Dobson (Secretary)



REGALIA

For purchases contact Graham Harper 03 9439 5791
regalia@morrisminorvic.org.au



Reversible Vest \$45



Long Sleeve Rugby \$40



Short Sleeve Polo \$30



Long Line Jacket \$70



Club Logo Caps \$25



Cloth Club logo patch \$10



Grille Badge \$20



Stubbie Holder \$9



Mugs \$10



Lapel shirt pins \$5



Magnetic Car Signs -Large \$15



Small \$10



Promo Keyrings \$5



Preparing your car for the DOMM

Every Morrie has a story. (and don't people want to tell you their Morrie story all the time!)

Most of us have created the story with the work we have done on the car.

Some of us have created the story with adventures we have had.

Whatever the case we all have a relationship with our Morris and this is what brings us together as a club and particularly on the Day of the Morris Minor.

So let's tell this story/history to everyone on a DISPLAY BOARD. Foam boards are easily bought in a variety of colours or even a piece of ply wood.

Write the history - when it was adopted, what TLC you have given it and its most outrageous adventures. Google "Car show display boards ideas" to get some inspiration.

And you thought this was going to be about washing windows, blacking tyres and removing stickers - all good to do but it's the public voting, not concours judges.



Chroming your boot tools might just do the job as well! DOMM 2006 (apologies I don't know whose car this is)

It's time to tell that story at the 20th Day of the Morris Minor!



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Hi Morris Minor Owners,

This year the DOMM is being held at the Morris Minor Garage, 36 Ford Road, Harcourt North, Victoria 3453. This is such an exciting and new place to hold this event, as there is nowhere else in Australia where you can see so many restored and rare Morris Minors. Including a Morris Minor Million, Morris Minor police car (ex. Scotland Yard) and a UK Royal Mail Van. There are also many other Morris and Classic cars dating from 1925 in the museum. For more details on the Morris Minor Garage go to www.morrisminorgarage.com

For those wishing to make a weekend of it, there is plenty of accommodation available in nearby Bendigo. Contact the **Bendigo Tourist Information Centre**.

There will be plenty to do on the day, including visiting the Museum, sales stalls, Garage Cafe, or bring your own picnic and sit under the apple trees and admire the view across the valley. B.Y.O chairs. During the course of the day there will be entertainment by the famous iconic Thompson Foundry Brass Band of Castlemaine.

Entrance fee is \$ 2.00 per person
Registration for judging is \$10.00 per vehicle

Program

- 9.30am - Complimentary Morning Tea
- 10.00am to 11.00am - Registration (*fee of \$10.00 per vehicle*)
- 11.00am to 1.00pm - **Voting for the following categories (people's choice)**
 1. Light Commercial (*Panel Vans, Ute's*)
 2. Convertibles (*Any Year*)
 3. Series 2 Cars
 4. Series MM (*Low Lights*)
 5. Series 1000 Cars
 6. Travellers
 7. People's Favourite Morris Minor
 8. Best Car other than a 1949 to 1972 Morris Minor
 9. Customised (*Hot Rod*) vehicle (*All Makes*)
 10. President's Choice
 11. M Factor (*DOMM committee's choice*)
 12. Best story board / Presentation display
 13. Dr Dave Warren Trophy

Please note none of the Morris Minor Garage Museum cars will be judged.

- 2.00pm
 1. Trophies presented
 2. Drawing of the lucky car prize
 3. Committee's choice prize (*For whatever the committee thinks needs celebrating*)
 4. Dr Dave Warren Trophy (*Best maintained vehicle*)

For further information contact: Mark Parritt **0403 194 021** president@morrisminorvic.org.au

We are looking forward to seeing you all at Day of The Morris Minor – Escape to the Country!

Keep on Morrying

Mark Parritt

20th Day of the Morris Minor 2014 in Harcourt at Morris Minor Garage

What else is there around?

Wikipedia: Harcourt is a small Central Highlands town located approximately 9 km northeast of Castlemaine, where the Midland Highway meets the Calder Highway. At the 2006 census, Harcourt had a population of 439.

History

The Post Office opened on 27 February 1858 replacing that of nearby Mount Alexander open since 1856. (Clearly the gold rush beginning in 1853 gave this town its start)

Set in a lush valley at the foot of Mount Alexander, Harcourt was once the premier apple growing region in Australia (a title yielded to Tasmania some time ago). Still the apple centre of Victoria, the local area is fast getting a name for wine and cider production.

Other things of interest in and around the town are trout fishing and the numerous walking tracks and Koala Park in Mount Alexander Park. Within the park boundary there is an old oak forest which was established by the tanning industry for the acorns. This is the only oak forest in Australia. It is home to a World's largest apple. Harcourt granite stone is widely used through Australia for soldier memorials, headstones and buildings of historical note.

Around the area:

Bendigo 30 km away from Harcourt

Castlemaine 9km away from Harcourt

Maldon 22 km away from Harcourt

DOMM weekend:

Saturday 1 November:

Idavue Estate Reds & Blues

470 Northern Hwy, Heathcote

Live blues music, food, wine and fun, featuring Greg Dodd & the Hoodoo Men.

Entry cost \$10.00ph

Platters/wines/beer will be available for purchase.

Heathcote Bush Market

When: 7:30am - 1:00pm

Location: Heathcote

High Street, Heathcote Victoria

All weekend:

THE BODY BEAUTIFUL IN ANCIENT GREECE

Dates: 2 Aug 2014 - 9 Nov 2014

Address: Bendigo Art Gallery, 42 View Street, Bendigo

Maldon Folk Festival

Experience the legendary festival atmosphere, showcasing an abundance of music, dance and theatre in the historic, National Trust Classified Maldon township.

Maldon

Castlemaine and District Agricultural Society Inc. Annual show

Fireworks and Parade Friday night, Animal day Saturday

MORRIS MINOR GARAGE

