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Morries in the Mist
Mt Dandenong Skyhigh Run

Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month.

NEXT MEETING:

Club Meeting on Thursday 8th January 2026

Meeting to commence at 8:00 pm. Our President, Russell Hatton will send a Zoom link a few days prior to the meeting for those unable to or not wishing to attend in person.

at the Horrie Watson Pavilion Deepdene Park, Whitehorse Road, Deepdene 3103

on the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people

(Melways Map 46 Ref. A8)

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Thanks to everyone who helps with the various chores necessary for the successful running of the club.

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Web Address: **www.morrisminorvic.org.au**

Username: **mmccv**

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BSB No : 633 000

ACCOUNT No : 1469 35168

ACCOUNT NAME : Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria Inc.

In the reference field, please quote your Membership Number and what the payment is for.

IMPORTANT UPDATE TO CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

Important: The following rules apply from 1st September 2025

ALL Club Permit Holders.

For new applications and renewals please mail your forms to:

CPS Registrar Mail: PO Box 1112 South Melbourne 3205. Or Email morrisminorclubplates@gmail.com

enquires PH Geoff Shepherd 0419 13 77 11

It is the Club Member's responsibility to send renewals and applications in a timely manner.

New Permits (Morris Minor and non-Morris Minor Vehicles and Motorcycles)

You must be either a life member or financial (paid up) member before you can apply for a new permit. An application fee of $20 is required. Payment can be made via cash or cheque to the MMCCV Secretary or a Committee member at MMCCV monthly meetings. There is no 6-month membership qualification time for any Morris Minor vehicle for new members.

When applying for a permit for a:

Morris Minor

Email or mail a copy of the vehicles current RWC, proof of ownership and the following **(2) VicRoads forms** 1. Club Permit Application form 2. Vehicle Eligibility and Standards Declaration for Club Permit Scheme Vehicle form.

Non-Morris Minor Vehicles and Motorcycles

Applications must be accompanied by all the above plus proof of current registration of a Morris Minor vehicle held in the name of the applicant. Members wanting to register a N**on-Morris** Minor or motorcycle must have been a member of our Club for at least 6 months.

All Morris Minor and Non-Morris Minor vehicle applications must include (6) recent photos:

1. Vehicle front	2. Vehicle rear	3. Vehicle driver's side
4. Vehicle driving position (side on, driver's door open)	5. Chassis no or ID plate	6. Vehicle engine bay

Motorcycle photos should include 1,2 & 5 (above) plus LHS RHS views and speedo.

Mailed photos should be signed and dated on back. Electronic photos are authenticated by email date.

You **must** notify The Committee of your red plate permit number within 48 hours of VicRoads issue via email to morrisminorclubplates@gmail.com . Failure to notify the Committee of your club permit number can have serious consequences for the Club and may cause the Club's permit scheme to be suspended by VicRoads for failure to keep up to date records.

Renewals

Remember to sign your renewal application. If your application is not signed it will be returned to you. No photos are required for renewal applications. Please email or, **if mailing, send a stamped self-addressed envelope with VicRoads Renewal form.** No renewal reminders will be issued to permit holders. Please do not request the Committee to mail your renewal and payment to VicRoads.

Rules Regarding Club CPS Responsibilities

A vehicle is not eligible for a Club Permit if any of the following conditions exist:

The member has ceased to be financial.

The vehicle is being used for commercial gain.

The vehicle is unroadworthy.

The vehicle is sold with logbook and plates.

The vehicle is sold to a friend so that a new logbook might be obtained.

Further information on the Club Permit Scheme (CPS) can be found on the VicRoads website.

President's Report January 2026

Hi Everyone,

I hope you've all been having a great festive season and wishing you a very happy New Year! With any luck, there may have even been some time to catch up on any repair/maintenance items on our Morry's. With mostly good weather upon us, it's also a great opportunity to get out and about in our cars.

As a club, the end of 2025 finished with another information morning in late November at Morris Minor Australia. The event was very well attended and enjoyed by all. We also had a visitor attend, Les Robinson, from the Lancashire Morris Minor Club in the UK. Les had also attended our November General Meeting. Morning tea was also included, and I know that I enjoyed a mince pie and slice of Christmas cake (or two). Special thanks to Thorpe for the use of his workshop and to Mark for his informative lesson on all thing's ignition related in our Morry's.

In early December we had the Christmas Lunch at Hurstbridge. This was another well attended outing with a delicious traditional Christmas menu. Thanks to Mark for his work in arranging the event.

Later in December there was a Pop-Up Picnic run to Sky High in Mt Dandenong. Amongst the attendees of this run was Andrew Dyer, the President of the Auckland Morris Minor Car Club Thanks to Craig Ellis for organising this run and bringing Andrew along.

As we head into 2026 there are some dates to add to the calendar.
January- Monday 26th Australia Day Breakfast at Westerfolds Park Fitzsimons Lane Templestowe.
February – Saturday 21st The combined MMCCV/MG Car club swap meet at Shannons Insurance, 40 Corporate Drive Heatherton. This is the time to sell off those unwanted/surplus parts and to find that rare part that you've searching for! Please contact Alan Todd or Leigh Wallace to book your site or let them know you're coming.
Further information regarding these events will follow in the Club Captains report.
I look forward to seeing you at the January meeting.
In the meantime,
Keep On Morrying.

Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria
Russell Hatton
President

MMCCV Marketplace
CLUB REGALIA

Want to buy some gear? Contact Alan Todd

Mobile 0419 505 200 or email

regalia@morrisminorvic.org.au

From now on we are aiming to include a list of all the regalia items we have for sale. This will make it easier for you to know what we have in stock so you can order directly from Alan Todd who is our Regalia manager.
Contact Alan Todd Mobile 0419 505 200 or email regalia@morrisminorvic.org.au

Long Line Jacket $75	Reversible Vest $45	Long Sleeve Rugby $40	Short Sleeve Polo $35
Club Badge Keyring $5	Club Cloth Patch $12	Club Mug $10	Club Logo Cap $15

This list will be revised in the next few months to be a more extensive representation of our stock.

Apparel available to order…

Chambray shirts (pale blue) with club logo.	$39.
Navy Scarf with logo.	$17.
Club lapel badge.	$10.
Various badges.	

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AUSTRALIA

Thorpe

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CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT JANUARY 2026

Hello members.
It is members that make the club run successfully.
If you have any suggestions for runs or events, please contact any member of the committee or Mark Bosley - 0407 418 115 or clubcaptain@morrisminorvic.org.au

January- Friday 26 January Australia Day Breakfast at Westerfolds Park
Fitzsimons Lane Templestowe
Our traditional Australia day breakfast and brunch in the park.
Arrive from early in the morning, stay for morning tea or lunch or arrive and leave when you can.
Bring your own food and drink. A BBQ will be available for cooking.
Enter via Fitzsimons Lane Templestowe follow road to first big round-about turn left and look for the club banners.
Thank you to Michael Dobson help organise day.

February – Saturday 21 February - Combined swap Meet with MG Car Club
Shannons Showroom Forecourt 40 Corporate Drive, Heatherton VIC 3202

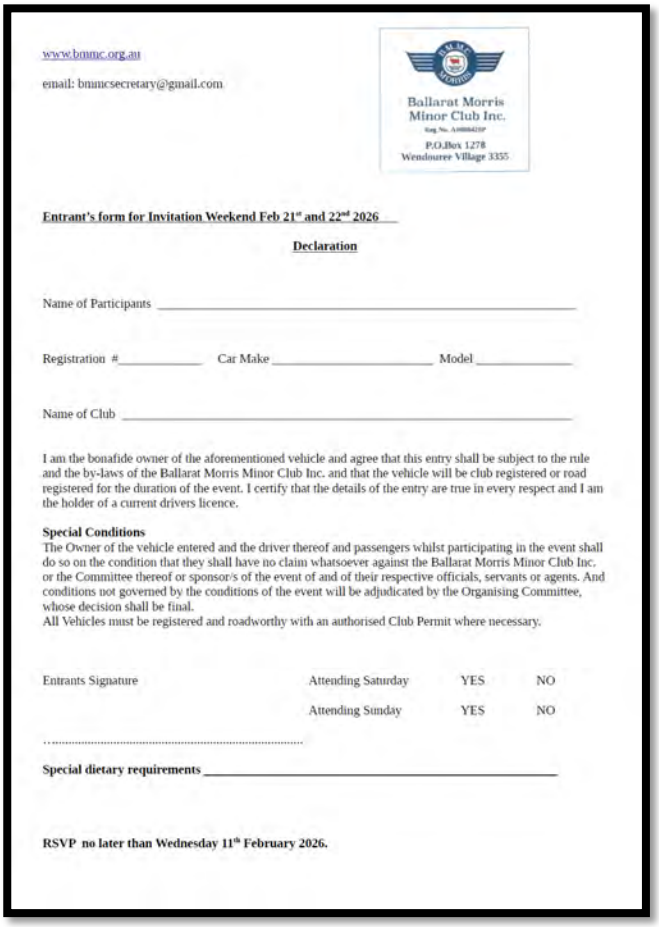
Our Bi-Annual swap meet in conjunction with MG Car Club. This year it will take place in the forecourt, carpark of Shannons showroom in Heatherton. We are hoping to other Morris Minor clubs attending as well. $20.00 per site for sellers.
Start collecting all your excess items and get them ready to sell or swap.
More details to come.

British & European Motoring Show *Sunday 15th February 2026 at Yarra Glen Racecourse*.
Shine the car, bring it along put it on display and have a picnic under the big Oak Tree.
Have a look at other European cars and maybe even buy some spare parts.
Meet at Lilydale McDonald's 08:30 – 09:00 an drive in convoy to Yarra Glenn.

March 2026– International Women's Day Luncheon Saturday 14 March
Last year we hosted our first International Women's Day lunch.
This year we are going to again host a lunch at winery which will be open to all car clubs, friends, and family with the aim of raising funds to donate to a women's charity.
This should be a momentous day with the aim of getting as many people along as we can.
We are looking to head to a winery in the Macedon Ranges and include as may clubs and friends as we can. More details to come.

Other events

Ballarat Morris Minor car club are organising a weekend event on February 21 & 22. It will include several events and a Dinner on Saturday night.
More details at www.bmmc.org.au or contact Maxine Andrews 0408354022. Entry Form and details:



www.bmmc.org.au

email: bmmcsecretary@gmail.com

Ballarat Morris Minor Club Inc.
Reg No. A0086420P
P.O.Box 1278
Wendouree Village 3355

Entrant's form for Invitation Weekend Feb 21st and 22nd 2026

Declaration

Name of Participants _____

Registration #_____ Car Make _____ Model _____

Name of Club _____

I am the bonafide owner of the aforementioned vehicle and agree that this entry shall be subject to the rule and the by-laws of the Ballarat Morris Minor Club Inc. and that the vehicle will be club registered or road registered for the duration of the event. I certify that the details of the entry are true in every respect and I am the holder of a current drivers licence.

Special Conditions
The Owner of the vehicle entered and the driver thereof and passengers whilst participating in the event shall do so on the condition that they shall have no claim whatsoever against the Ballarat Morris Minor Club Inc. or the Committee thereof or sponsor/s of the event of and of their respective officials, servants or agents. And conditions not governed by the conditions of the event will be adjudicated by the Organising Committee, whose decision shall be final.
All Vehicles must be registered and roadworthy with an authorised Club Permit where necessary.

Entrants Signature

Attending Saturday YES NO

Attending Sunday YES NO

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Special dietary requirements _____

RSVP no later than Wednesday 11th February 2026.

April 2026

A month with Easter and Anzac week end squeezed in We will organise a small run in the nearby Northen Hills with a nice lunch.
More details to come.

May 2026

May 1 -3 Florence Thomson Tour
For those participating good touring.

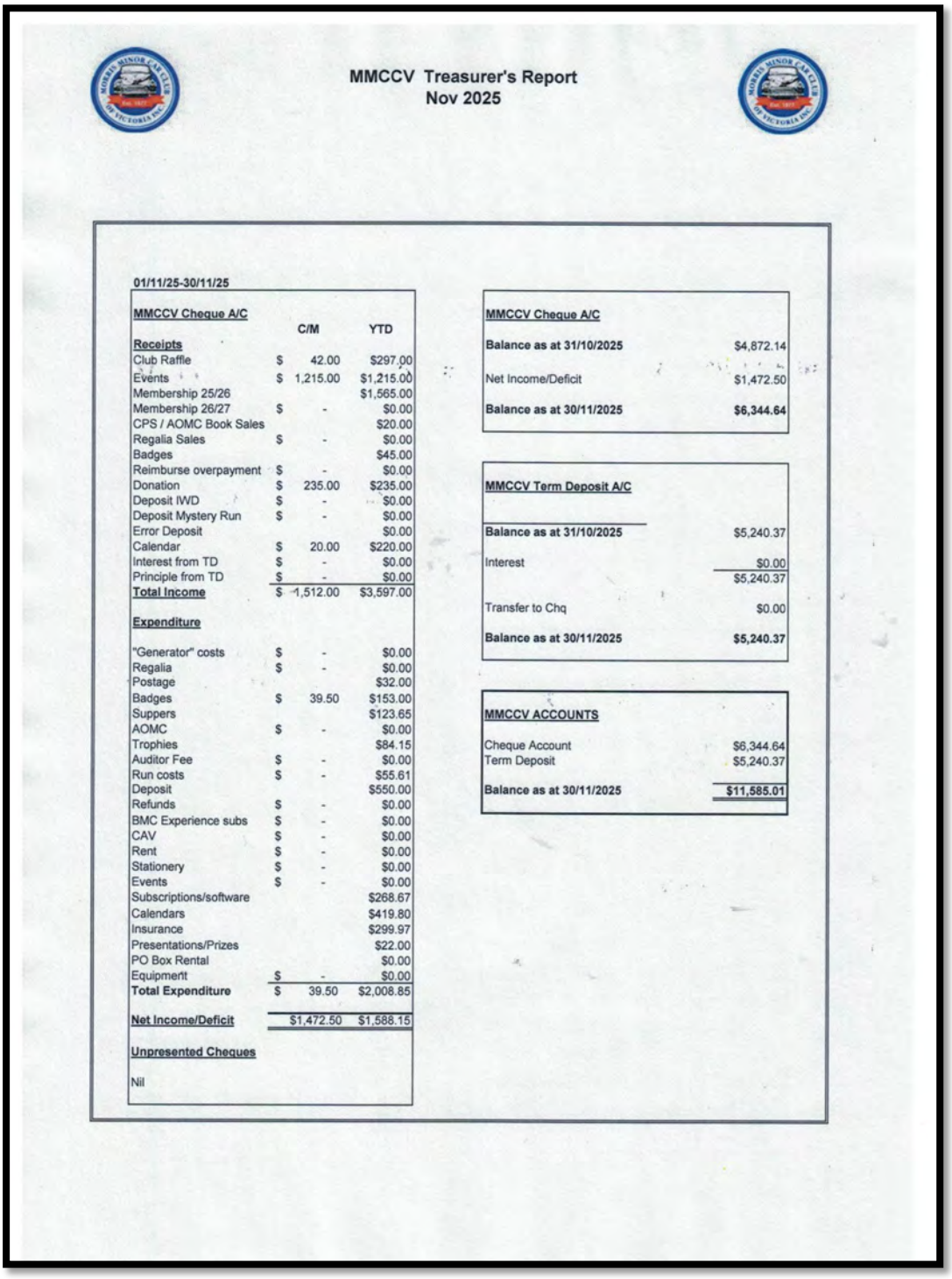
Mid – May
Combined run with Morris Car Club and Rootes car club to private car collection and then tractor museum near Bachus Marsh followed by lunch at Ballan pub.

Secretary

I receive copies of newsletters from the following clubs. If anyone would like a copy please email me at secretary@morrisminorvic.org.au and I will forward a copy.
Brisbane Southside Morris Minor Car Club
Central Victoria Morris Minor Car Club
Minor Matters Ballarat Morris Minor Club
Toowoomba and Downs Morris Group
Geelong Morris Minor Club & BMC club.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria Inc.



MMCCV Treasurer's Report
Nov 2025

01/11/25-30/11/25

MMCCV Cheque A/C		C/M	YTD
Receipts			
Club Raffle	$	42.00	$297.00
Events	$	1,215.00	$1,215.00
Membership 25/26			$1,565.00
Membership 26/27	$	-	$0.00
CPS / AOMC Book Sales			$20.00
Regalia Sales	$	-	$0.00
Badges			$45.00
Reimburse overpayment	$	-	$0.00
Donation	$	235.00	$235.00
Deposit IWD	$	-	$0.00
Deposit Mystery Run	$	-	$0.00
Error Deposit			$0.00
Calendar	$	20.00	$220.00
Interest from TD	$	-	$0.00
Principle from TD	$	-	$0.00
Total Income	$	1,512.00	$3,597.00
Expenditure			
"Generator" costs	$	-	$0.00
Regalia	$	-	$0.00
Postage			$32.00
Badges	$	39.50	$153.00
Suppers			$123.65
AOMC	$	-	$0.00
Trophies			$84.15
Auditor Fee	$	-	$0.00
Run costs	$	-	$55.61
Deposit			$550.00
Refunds	$	-	$0.00
BMC Experience subs	$	-	$0.00
CAV	$	-	$0.00
Rent	$	-	$0.00
Stationery	$	-	$0.00
Events	$	-	$0.00
Subscriptions/software			$268.67
Calendars			$419.80
Insurance			$299.97
Presentations/Prizes			$22.00
PO Box Rental			$0.00
Equipment	$	-	$0.00
Total Expenditure	$	39.50	$2,008.85
Net Income/Deficit		$1,472.50	$1,588.15
Unpresented Cheques			
Nil			

MMCCV Cheque A/C	
Balance as at 31/10/2025	$4,872.14
Net Income/Deficit	$1,472.50
Balance as at 30/11/2025	**$6,344.64**

MMCCV Term Deposit A/C	
Balance as at 31/10/2025	$5,240.37
Interest	$0.00
	$5,240.37
Transfer to Chq	$0.00
Balance as at 30/11/2025	**$5,240.37**

MMCCV ACCOUNTS	
Cheque Account	$6,344.64
Term Deposit	$5,240.37
Balance as at 30/11/2025	**$11,585.01**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT JANUARY 2026

Membership statistics are as follows:
170 Financial members including 7 Life members.

New Members:

Rachael Archer, Member #1848 along with her husband Brett have restored her Dad's 1963 Morry 1000 Beige Ute. The car has been in storage for the last 20 years but it is now ready for registration and hoping for it to be on the road early in the New Year.

Frank Roberts. Member #1849 has spent the last 18 months mechanically restoring a 1955 Morry 1000 Green sedan. Frank has restored many mini's in the past but this is his first Morry. The car is ready for roadworthy and he is looking for an authorized tester in the Sunbury area who handles classic cars.

Club Name Badges:

These are available for $15 per person, contact me to order a badge. Come to a meeting wearing your badge and be in the running to choose a prize from the raffle table

Jim Gourlay, Membership Officer

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.

There was no formal Club Meeting in December, the Christmas lunch is a fine substitute for this meeting, therefore there were no minutes recorded.

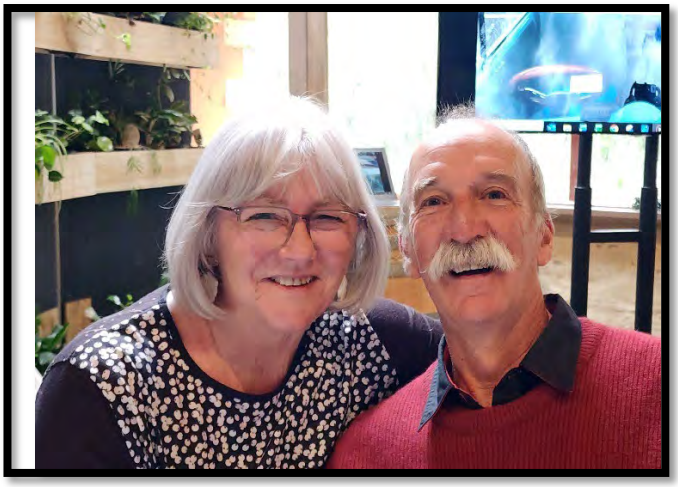
RUN REPORTS:
Christmas Lunch

Rain and inclement weather seem to be a dominant feature of the last two runs (the Christmas lunch & the Mt Dandenong Pop Up Run). Our trip up to Hurstbridge for the Christmas lunch was impacted by torrential rain but it didn't dampen our spirits!

We arrived at the beautiful Bridges Restaurant and once indoors we really enjoyed everyone's company. The food was good and it was a change to have the event during the day and at the weekend. You can see from the photos that it was a fun event. Do you think we should have the Christmas Party on the second Thursday of December or are you partial to a lunch?

Thank you to Mark & Brigid Bosley for organizing the venue, the meals and Brenda Stork for the fantastic slide show.

Barb Went



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POP UP RUN: Mt DANDENONG Saturday 20th December 2026:

Run to Mt Dandenong Oservatory 20/12/25 Members met at McDonald's Nunawading around 09:30 for 10:15 departure. 14 people attended , Graham and Lesley bought their 2 Grandchildren along . Gavin Dyne joined us for the first leg and headed home due to a prior engagement.

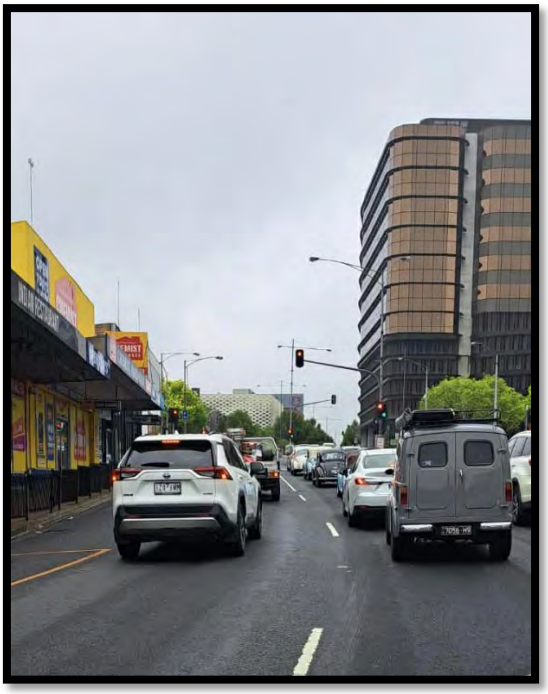
The weather was not on our side despite our efforts to move the run to a day earlier with the hope we'd have fine weather . Andrew Dyer the president of the Auckland Morris Minor Club attended while in Melbourne for a few days .Tammy & Ben drove 3 hours from their home to attend which is no mean feat return . 6 Morris Minors attended . Tammy and Ben in their Birch Grey Van , Kate Hutson in "Joyful" the Smoke Grey Convertible Minor 1000 (with Sabi) . Graham & Lesley Dines with grandkids Emily & William in "Baby Blue" the Minor 1000 (automatic) Convertible. Gavin Dyne in "The Count " Valley Green Minor series 2 . Andrew Dyer & Craig Hollands in Mickey the Black Minor 1000. Craig Ellis in Hector the English Grey Minor 1000. Geoff & Cheryl Nougher in their Modern .

The Convoy got away on time and stayed together very well. The drive was very beautiful going up the Mt Dandenong Tourist Rd , until we suddenly hit fog and could barely see the car in front of us. Visibility was very poor for a while there . We arrived in to the car park and we basically had cloud all around is with zero view of the city and surrounding areas. Well at least it wasn't raining at this stage ! .

Most of us bought coffee and tea from the kiosk . We settled on an enclosed area with tables and chairs where we had our picnic. Cloud seemed to roll in around us even more and the temperature plummeted

We made the most of it and each other's company. People gradually departed home. Thanks to all for making an effort to come along so close to Christmas.

Thank you to Craig Elliss for the Run Report. Photos courtesy of Graham Dine, Kate Hutson and Craig Ellis.



Traffic going through Ringwood on the way to the Dandenong Run

Andrew Dyer, President of the Auckland Morris Minor Club

One of our canine members: Sabi

Olive Returns Home

Ryan Watson tracked down the history of his Minor and discovered more than he expected

I have always thought that old cars carry with them echoes of the lives they once fitted into, and my 1950 Morris Minor Tourer, MYB 248, is no exception. When I became its custodian three years ago, I inherited not just a car but a mystery. Where had it been, who had owned it and why had it disappeared from the road for so long before being discovered? I didn't expect those questions to lead me on quite such an adventure, nor that it would end with me parking the car outside the house of its first owner and taking his daughter for a drive more than 70 years after it first left the showroom.

What I did know at the outset was that the car had been discovered in the early 1980s in a sorry state in a barn near Chard, Somerset, by Mark Havard, an MMOC member and proprietor of Canterbury Convertibles. It had evidently been off the road for at least a decade, possibly longer, as the last tax disc in the windscreen had expired in 1971. From there it passed to John Ford, another well-known MMOC member, who undertook a full restoration in the late 1980s. John is something of a legend among Minor enthusiasts and is credited with rescuing many of the surviving Minor Millions.

In 1998, MYB 248 passed to my good friend Andrew Dyer, who cherished it for more than 20 years before entrusting it to me three years ago. The car had by then acquired the nickname 'Olive', bestowed during Minors on Tour 2009 when, quite humorously, a mis-seated O-ring on the oil filter housing left a delicate trail of oil across the campsite. Someone suggested Olive, after Olive Oyl of Popeye fame, and the name stuck.

Since then I have rebuilt her engine, familiarised myself with her endearing quirks and enjoyed touring with her to destinations including the Isle of Wight and the Netherlands and France for Minors on Tour. Despite this the car's early life remained a blank. The year I assumed stewardship, Andrew applied to the Somerset County Council archives for a copy of the relevant registration record, after which a certified copy duly made its way to my letterbox. I spent a satisfying evening deciphering the registrar's spidery handwriting, and among the blots and loops I was able to make out the name of the first owner: Kenneth Parker of Canada House, Alhampton, Somerset. It was the first clue in decades and I felt like a detective hot on the trail. I wrote to the address, explaining the story and asking, on the off-chance, if I might park the car on the driveway for a photograph. To my surprise an obliging response soon arrived, granting permission.

Given that the freshly rebuilt engine needed running in before its planned outing to the Netherlands for Minors on Tour 2024, it seemed the perfect excuse for a trip. My partner Aaron and I set off from my home in West Sussex and we made our way to my MMOC friend Richard O'Brien's house near Frome, Somerset, where we stayed overnight before making the final leg to Alhampton that weekend. The current owners of Canada House were away, but true to their word had left the driveway clear for us. It was a strange and rather moving moment to see Olive back outside her first home after all those years, knowing she had once trundled the same lanes brand new.

We then headed to the pub a couple of doors down for lunch. As we sat outside feeling rather pleased with ourselves, a very confident and enthusiastic lady strode up and asked if my name was Ryan and whether the 'old crock' on the street was my Morris Minor? This was Chrys, a local resident, who explained that her neighbours had mentioned my visit but she clearly hadn't known who to look for. When I told her the car had originally belonged to Kenneth Parker, her eyes lit up. "Oh, Ken! Yes, we knew him," she said. "We've lived here since 1966 and he and his wife Maud were our neighbours."

I must have looked astonished. I had been thrilled enough to trace a name and an address, but to unexpectedly meet someone who had actually known him was extraordinary. We chatted for a while, sharing what scraps of history we each knew, and then parted ways later that afternoon. I left Alhampton delighted, but convinced that was as far as the trail would go. I was wrong.

About 18 months later an email landed in my inbox from Chrys, explaining that she had managed to track down Ken's daughter, Jenny, and that she would love to speak to me. I was dumbfounded. A few days later, I phoned her and we arranged to meet. She lives in Castle Cary, just a few miles from Alhampton, and was as warm and enthusiastic in person as our telephone conversation had suggested.

Jenny would have been between three and seven years old when her father owned Olive, yet her memories were

CLOCKWISE: A picnic stop somewhere near Weymouth in the early 1950s; Jenny as a little girl; Jenny and Maud with the car at Weston-super-Mare; Jenny and Olive outside Canada House; Jenny and Ray's wedding with Maud on the left and Ken on the right

Archive photos courtesy of Jenny Cox

TOP: Olive outside Canada House in 2024
ABOVE: Jenny with Ryan and Andrew in August 2025
ABOVE RIGHT: Jenny in Olive

vivid. We had made our way to her house on a very wet August morning, it was sheeting with rain as we arrived, and once we were inside in the dry, she began to share her stories. She remembered her parents taking her to Stickland's Garage in Gillingham to collect the new car, having previously driven a black Austin of unknown model. Kenneth Parker worked at Station Road Garage in Castle Cary for 47 years, including during the war when he focused on agricultural vehicles, and was known locally as the man to go to. Jenny spoke fondly of her loving parents and happy childhood outings in the car; she recounted many memories and said that during school holidays, she helped serve petrol on the forecourt where Ken worked. She recalled that Olive was garaged opposite their house as they had no garage of their own, and that Ken used a Primus stove under the engine to stop it freezing in winter. One particular memory made me smile; Jenny remembered being told not to touch the perspex side screens as they were prone to splitting, and indeed she said that she remembers her dad having repeated trouble with them. In around 1954, Ken part-exchanged the tourer for a black saloon, bringing Olive's first chapter to an end. Ken died in 1976 aged 61, still remembered locally as a highly-respected and hardworking mechanic who would happily turn out on Saturdays and Sunday mornings as well as all week.

Jenny had even dug out photographs from the family album, including some of the car and one from her wedding day showing Ken and Maud. We were welcomed with great kindness by Jenny and her husband Ray, who was equally warm and hospitable. Seeing her face light up when she first saw Olive was unforgettable. She climbed in, laughing at how small it now seemed, and I took her for a drive. She seemed genuinely touched to be reunited with the car that was such a prize possession of her dad's, and also a source of many fond memories for her. Indeed, she shared a few more as we trundled through the lanes.

Driving back to a friend's that evening, I reflected on how extraordinary it was that this little car had outlived its first owner, survived decades off the road, crossed the Channel several times and yet still found its way back to where it all began. Cars like Olive may be made of steel and canvas but they also carry the stories of the people who lived their lives around them. Reuniting Jenny with her father's old car was a privilege and a reminder that preserving these vehicles is as much about safeguarding memories as metal. ●

You will noticed Andrew Dyer, President of the Auckland Morris Minor Club, who recently attended the Mt Dandenong Pop Up Run, in this article.

EVENTS CALENDAR 2026

Club Captain Mark Bosley 0407 418 115 or clubcaptain@morrisminorvic.org.au

Date:	Event:	Details:
Club Meeting	8 pm Thursday 8th January	Horrie Watson Pavilion Deepdene Park, Whitehorse Road, Deepdene 3103
Australia Day Run Monday 26th January 2026	Australia Day Breakfast Westerfolds Park Fitzsimons Lane, Templestowe	Arrive from early in the morning, stay for morning tea or lunch or arrive and leave when you can. Bring your own food and drink. A BBQ will be available for cooking. Enter via Fitzsimons Lane Templestowe follow road to first big round-about turn left and look for the club banners. Thank you to Michael Dobson for helping organise day.
February 14th to March 6th 2026 Tour of Tasmania	Comprehensive Tour of Tasmania	Graham & Leslie Dines Details are listed on page 23 of the Generator
February 15th 2026 British & European Motoring Show	British & European Motoring Show. Yarra Glen Race Course	Shine the car, bring it along put it on display and have a picnic under the big Oak Tree. Have a look at other European cars and maybe even buy some spare parts. Meet at Lilydale McDonald's 08:30 – 09:00 an drive in convoy to Yarra Glenn.
February 21st 2026	MG Car Club & Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria Swap Meet	Shannon's Insurance Buildings, 40 Corporate Drive, Heatherton 40 Corporate Dr, Heatherton VIC 3202, Australia
March 14th 2026	International Women's Day Luncheon	Last year we hosted our first International Women's Day lunch. In 2026 we are going to host a lunch at winery which will be open to all car clubs, friends, and family with the aim of raising funds to donate to a women's charity. We are looking to head to a winery in the Macedon Ranges and include as

		many clubs and friends as we can. More details to come.
May 1st – 3rd 2026	Florence Thomson Tour	Ladies, the Florence Thomson Tour for female drivers in classic cars is happening again. We will be based in the midst of Victoria's rich farming country, just 191kms form Melbourne.
March 12th – 14th 2027	Auckland Morris Minor Club National Convention	More details to come

TRADING PLACES

email editor@morrisminorvic.org.au

or

Contact: Barb Went 0409 002 531

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For Sale 48/49 Morris Minor Project 2.

Car located in Nyah. Blue Grey in colour.
Body has had repairs done, many years ago. Some rust to be removed then paint. All mechanics have been overhauled.
Price: negotiable

Contact: Geoff Cane 0408 703 517

Beehive heater for Morris Minor 1000 **1.**

Genuine Smith's heater .
Good working order.
$150-00.
Contact Cliff 0400 169 172
Located in Ocean Grove, Victoria

Other Upcoming Events:

BRITISH & EUROPEAN
MOTORING SHOW 2025
Supported by the RACV
OPEN TO ALL VEHICLES MANUFACTURED IN THE UK & EUROPE
presents
AUTOFESTA ITALIA
CARS, BIKES, MELBOURNE
Display cars from 9.00 am
Spectators from 10.00 am
Event details 0473 832 277
For site plan and more info:
www.aomc.asn.au/britishandeuropean
fb.com/infoaomc
50th Anniversary of the Triumph TR7
Sunday 16th February 2025
Yarra Glen Racecourse Armstrong Grove, Yarra Glen

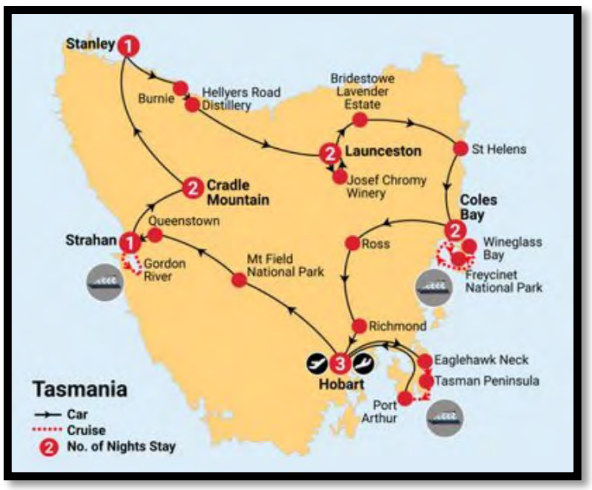
RACV
Redkite
For families facing childhood cancer
THE ASSOCIATION OF MOTORING CLUBS
Festival of Motoring
at Cruden Farm
Sunday 18th January 2026
Open to all Historic, Veteran, Vintage, and Classic vehicles over 25 years old.
Club displays welcome
A Celebration of Motoring Throughout the Decades.
Cruden Farm, Cranbourne Frankston Rd, Langwarrin
The McClelland Drive gates open for display vehicles from 9am
$20 Entry for display cars (Includes passengers)
Spectator entry and car park off Cranhaven Rd.
Spectator Admission $10 per person, Children free
All profits from this event will be donated to Redkite
Childrens Entertainment, Music, Food & Trophies
Presented by the Association of Motoring Clubs in association with RACV
For further details contact 0473 832 277
www.aomc.asn.au and aomc facebook

Cavalcade of Transport
Trentham Historic Railway Station
To celebrate National Motoring Heritage Day
SUNDAY 18th MAY 2025
Victoria Street, Trentham.
Entry from 10am for Display vehicles & 10.30am for spectators
Veteran, Vintage, Classic, Historic and Collector Vehicles.

Graham & Lesley Dines Tour of Tasmania:

Lesley and I along with Wayne and Lyn are planning on doing a tour of Tasmania in early February 2026 in our Morris Minors. The plan is to start in Geelong and board the Spirit of Tasmania at 8.30am for a day sail. It arrives in Devonport at 7pm.
Itinerary is first night in Devonport then Sheffield, Deloraine, Launceston, Bridestowe, St Helens, Bicheno, Freycinet, Ross, Richmond, Hobart, Port Arthur, Russell Falls, Queenstown, Strahan, Gordon River, Roseberry, Tullah, Cradle Mountain, Smithton, Stanley (The Nut) then back to Devonport. We have yet to work out where the overnight stays will be. It will be about 21 days long. About 1300 kms from leaving Geelong. People can do a shortened trip if they want.

Saturday 14th February 2026. Depart from Geelong
Thursday 5th March 2026
Drive to Devonport
Board the Spirit of Tasmania for a night sail, Sails at 6.45 pm. Boards at 4.15pm
Friday 6th March 2026
Arrives at Geelong at 6am
I have another more comprehensive itinerary showing where we will be visiting.



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EDITOR'S JANUARY 2026 REPORT:

Hello everyone,

I have one, only 2026 calendar remaining. If anyone is interested in purchasing it, I will bring it to the Club Meeting in January. It is $20 – a bargain! If anyone would like to purchase it before then, you can contact me via email and I can arrange to post it to you. Postage is $5.00.

If anyone has any suggestions for future speakers please let any Committee member know so we can arrange them to attend one of our regular Club Meetings.

Barb Went, Editor