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# The Oily Rag

Issue No 376 January 2026

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

### 2026 PRESIDENT'S REPORT - JANUARY 2026

There was no Oily Rag in December due to our Christmas Function, when I wished everyone present a happy and safe Christmas and a great New Year.

Rhonda and I were very honoured and surprised to both receive Life Memberships of our Club. Both of us remain dedicated to providing our continued support to the Club. We will do our utmost to contribute wherever possible, ensuring that our efforts align with the needs of our Club and its members. Our availability may vary, but we are committed to assisting in any way we can to help the Club achieve its goals. Thank you again to all those members who support both myself and Rhonda.

It was disappointing that all previous Life Members received personal invitations to attend the Christmas function on 8th December. Some giving apologies. I understand with a busy month and personal reasons that others could not attend. These Life Member badges will be presented when they are at the next club meetings.

Both Jennie and Rhonda met with the Accountant early in January trying to sort out the 2023/2024 also 2024/2025 Income Tax Return to the A.T.O. Our GST - BAS - Activity Statements are now all in order. And our refund already received for the Oct/Nov/Dec 2025 return. Thanks to you both on behalf of the Club Members.

Now with our Annual Rally only a few weeks away. We all must work together for another successful rally, although figurers from other Clubs who have already had their rallies are saying numbers attending are down. We will have to wait and see!!!

The ladies this year will only be doing Devonshire Teas, tea, coffee and cold drinks in the Clubrooms, due to the issues from last year at the Annual Rally and Swap Meet. The ladies no longer want to expose themselves to that kind of behaviour or scrutiny from ill-informed members. The ladies will prepare lunches for the members who volunteer on Rally Day, they will receive a wrist band when they register in the morning. If volunteering remember to register with Jennie so that your lunchbox is prepared. Otherwise, food will be available to purchase from food vendors at your expense.

Saturday night BBQ will be \$10.00 per person, the men will cook the BBQ, and the ladies will prepare and serve. Salads would be most appreciated on the night.

The meal will be served after the mini tractor pull on the Saturday evening. Also, if our valued club ladies could bring a slice or a cake for the afternoon tea on the Sunday this would be greatly appreciated. We must remember the ladies are also a big part in the Club also. Thank you all.

Regards - David

Your President

**Minutes of the Ballan District Vintage Machinery & Vehicle Club Inc. No. A0016493R**

Meeting Opened at 8.05 pm, Monday 12th January 2026 in the clubrooms at Ballan Racecourse.

The Meeting was chaired by President Mr David Smith.

**Present.**

30 Members - 0 visitors as recorded in Attendance book.

**Apologies.**

Chelsea Tabone, Lucy Butterfield, Rob and Sue Tolley, Steve Pohlner, Chloe, Nathan and Joel Jones, Carolyn Morton, Les and Phyl Bubb, Roger Wood, John Jenzs, John Pedretti, Maxine Lawford, Gary Shaw, Peter Wandin, Barb Palmer, Ray Portlen, Greg Browne, Teresea Butcher, Peter Burke.

**Moved:** Martin Ball    **Seconded:** Daniel Tabone    **Carried**

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**Moved by** Neil McPherson and **Seconded by** George Boyes that the minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary, are correct and will be accepted as a true and correct record.

**Carried.**

**Business Arising**

Martin Ball reserved the right to address the minutes from the November meeting once published in the Oily Rag.

**Correspondence**

**Outwards Correspondence / Inwards Correspondence**

As recorded in the correspondence book.

**Moved:** Peter Geddes    **Seconded:** Martin Ball    **Carried**

**Treasurer's Report.**

**Moved by** Rhonda Smith and **Seconded by** Fred Palmer that the treasurers report tabled be accepted and ask that all outstanding invoices be paid. Motion carried.

Rally commitment \$4000

Swap commitment \$3000

FFU commitment \$1000

**Reports**

**AOMC**

NIL

**Safety Report – Safety Committee**

NIL

## **General Reports-**

**David Smith** read his Presidents report. David presented Ian Erwin with his Life Membership badge.

**Martin Ball** visited the Bellarine Railway in Queenscliff. Wonderful day put, trips to Drysdale on the train run on weekends. They do themed days, like the Polar Express. It would be great club day out.

**Phil Butcher** went to Geelong Classic Truck and Vintage Machinery Show, crowds were down. They advertised there 2027 Rally will be in February. Displays were down but overall a great event considering the weather.

## **General Business**

**Daniel Tabone** – discussed some quotes from Nagel Electrical for power to the Pine Shed, Cottage and outside lighting. It will be discussed again at a later date. We would need to dig the necessary trenches; it was suggested we do it in stages. We will revisit it after our lease renewal.

**Jennie Tabone – Defibrillator** A discussion was held regarding whether the defibrillator should remain available to the general public or be removed from the Good Sam register. The liability to the Club was discussed. As the Club was not aware they were responsible for the maintenance of the defibrillator, the committee have decided it best it be moved, to be installed on the outside of the Blackstone shed. This will make access for our members a priority. A decision will be made at the next general meeting on whether the defibrillator will be locked for Club use only or remain accessible. Phil has added it to our monthly checklists, making sure pads and battery are still in date and charged. Once moved user groups will be notified.

**Jason Palmer** - Rally flyers being handed out at lot of events being attend. Rally working bee is scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026 along with the tractor pull training session. Moorabool News have offered to do an article on the Rally, Jason suggest we put an ad in the paper. Peter Geddes moved a motion to put an ad in the paper at a cost of \$150 and it was seconded by Ian Erwin. Motion was carried. David has offered to do some mowing to get the grounds ready for the Rally. Jobs for rally were discussed and allocated. If you want a job please see Jason, we need many more volunteers for the Rally to be successful.

Ladies will be doing Devonshire tea, coffee and cold drinks only. Due to the issues from last year at the Rally and Swap Meet, the ladies no longer want to expose themselves to that kind of behaviour or scrutiny from ill-informed members or the public. The ladies will prepare lunches for the members who volunteer on Rally day, they will receive a wrist band when the register in the morning. Members attending and displaying will be able to purchase food at the vendors at their own expense.

Saturday night BBQ will be \$10, the ladies will prepare and serve dinner. Note: all visitors will be served first. Dinner will be after the members mini tractor pull. Ladies we would appreciate a salad being bought along for Saturday dinner.

**Jennie Tabone** advised we are still waiting on the new lease. We have exercised our right to an overholding clause which allows us to extend our current lease on a month to month basis. We have paid our rent in full and in advance for the financial year ended 2026. Ian Erwin spoke in his capacity as Chairman of the BRRCM and advised other user groups are still waiting on their new lease, which expired in February of 2025. DEECA has changed its procedures and the way they communicate with committees of management. This is delaying the timely advancement of our new

lease. Ian advised elections were held and new committee members were elected, and Anne Mullane retired from her long held position. He advised satellite Wi-Fi is being installed, probably on the Mullane Shed. We were advised our rent will be going up, it was suggested it would be \$460 per annum.

David Smith discussed the proposed donation of a MF saw bench; it needs a lot of work to restore it. It would be a great project for the members, not a lot of cost involved. A motion was put forward by Ian Erwin to accept the donation, it was seconded by Phil Butcher and the motion was carried.

David Smith has donated a draw bar for the new MF tractor.

Smith's forklift - is going. Not sure what work has been done. Its back together, Ian Erwin advised Brian Barry has completed some work on it.

First Aid – expression of interest went out to the working bee; you require a USI number to register for any courses on offer. Please see Jennie if you require any info on obtaining one or would like to enrol in a course. Anyone who holds a current accreditation can send Jennie their current certificates. Rod and Jennie are enrolled to do a course in the coming week.

Daniel Tabone – discussion was had surrounding the future of the trusses. They are in the road, are we scrapping them? If they are to be scrapped, we will obtain a better price if we separate the cast. The iron can go straight on the truck, not worth cutting into smaller pieces. We will revisit after the swap meet. Try sell at swap meet.

Richard Rowland has been offered a MF 35 petrol tractor with a loader. The owner is happy to give it away, it needs tyres, doesn't run. It would need to be fully restored; it would need to be picked up from Parwan. It was discussed and it was suggest the Howard still needed to be restored to working order. It was suggested we already own a tractor in need of restoration, that runs, is registered and doesn't need tyres. We have no room to store it. It was rejected.

Neil McPherson has kindly donated some books to the Club Library. Thank You Neil.

Quambatook Heritage Working Machinery Assoc. has invited the Club and members to its Harvest Working Machinery Rally and Tractor Pull on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of January.

The Raffle made \$81.80

Meeting closed at 10.10 pm

Meeting Opened at 8.10 pm, Monday 10th November 2025 in the clubrooms at Ballan Racecourse.

The Meeting was chaired by Vice President Mr Daniel Tabone.

**Present.**

24 Members - 0 visitors as recorded in Attendance book.

**Apologies.**

Chelsea Tabone, Lucy Butterfield, Rob and Sue Tolley, Steve Pohlner, Chloe, Nathan and Joel Jones, John and Carolyn Morton, Peter and Noelene Geddes, Les and Phyl Bubb, Peter and Maxine Lawford, Leon Manly, Pamela Lord, John Pedretti, David Smith, Peter Wandin, Barb Palmer, Ray Portlen, Greg Browne, Teresea Butcher.

**Moved:** Fred Palmer    **Seconded:** Ken Tingate    **Carried**

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**Moved by** Rod Phillips and **Seconded by** Brian Verity that the minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary, are correct and will be accepted as a true and correct record.

**Carried.**

**Business Arising**

Fred Palmer asked that the information regarding the tractor be on display in the workshop with the logbook.

**Correspondence**

**Outwards Correspondence / Inwards Correspondence**

As recorded in the correspondence book.

**Moved:** Anthony Ick    **Seconded:** Gary Shaw    **Carried**

**Treasurer's Report.**

**Moved by** Rhonda Smith and **Seconded by** Anthony Ick that the treasurers report tabled be accepted and ask that all outstanding invoices be paid. Motion carried.

The club credit was cancelled unbeknown to the committee and me; we were only made aware when it was used for our Cup Day Red Plate BBQ. We thank Phil Butcher for running around and coordinating the Ballan Cup BBQ in Geelong. It was very cold and windy but we had 12 members in attendance on the day. Martin asked for clarity around our tax returns. He was advised that we are still awaiting the completed returns, we had to supply new information to the accountant.

Our Term Deposit is due to renew; this will be discussed in general business.

Rally commitment \$4000

Swap commitment \$3000

FFU commitment \$1000

**Reports**

**AOMC**

NIL

## Safety Report – Safety Committee

NIL

### General Reports-

Daniel Tabone reported on the Annual Bowling Night. We had 12 members in attendance, we had dinner at La Porchetta and it was a fun night. Jennie and Chelsea Tabone were the overall joint winners with a total of 110, the men and ladies had separate lanes. Will Morton was runner up with 108.

Fred Palmer: reported he had the best day ever on the September tractor trek. It was a great route and he thanked Phil for the use of his tractor. Thank you to everyone involved.

Daniel Tabone attended the Ballan Cup in Geelong. It was miserable day but we were undercover this year. Attendance was down, but it was a great social day. Phil said the form guide was very handy, a few bets were put on. He thanked all those who volunteered their time in such awful weather.

Phil Buther went to Urana Vintage Machinery Club Truck Show and rally, he went on the tractor trek covering 60 kms. Drove around the lake and they had a BBQ lunch. There were over 60 vintage trucks in attendance.

### General Business

Daniel Tabone – A lifting jib for the new Massey Ferguson tractor was discussed. We will discuss again at next meeting, there was a flyer being circulated. Travis Morton advised it was approx. \$2000.

Jennie Tabone – Rally/ Swap / Fergie Fire Up update- Our rally food vendors have been locked in, we have Coffee, Ice Cream, Pancake Kitchen, Scouts BBQ and the Potato Van. Club ladies will be serving cold drinks and Devonshire Tea in the clubrooms. Our sponsorship letters have gone out for the Fergie Fire Up. Flyers will be printed in the new NHMA magazine.

Jason Palmer - Rally flyers being handed out at lot of events being attend. Rally working bee is scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026. Daniel advised our sled training day will be on that afternoon around 2pm for anyone helping on the tractor pull.

Jennie Tabone spoke about the cancellation of the club debit card. Members were advised who has previously had cards on the bank account and how they were used. We attempting to purchase BBQ supplies for the Cup Day club event, the purchase was declined at the register. After contacting the Bendigo Bank in Ballan, we were advised the card had indeed been cancelled in early October by Brian Barry. A member asked who had authorised Brian to cancel the card. Members were advised that committee were all unaware of his actions. The cards have always been shared when purchases were needed for the Club. Moving forward the members have agreed that Phil Butcher will be the only card holder on our account. Phil is happy to coordinate with members for any purchases requiring the card. A member stated that they were disappointed that Brain had not communicated with the Treasurer or committee that he was no longer wanting to have a card on the Club account. Jennie was asked to speak to the Bank and find out the circumstances surrounding the cancellation. Members are happy to be reimbursed for any purchases in the future.

Daniel Tabone – Asked the working bee attendees if they had any updates on the progress of the forklift repairs being undertaken by Brian Barry? Brian was not in attendance at the meeting but will be contacted for an update. It is currently pulled down, and as we need it for Rally Day there is an urgency around the repairs being completed in a timely manner. Daniel or David to follow up.

Daniel Tabone – has asked Darren Nagel to attend the Club to quote for the power to be run to the Cottage, some lights and a power point in the Shearing Shed, the Storage Sheds and some outside lights. It was discussed what was needed around the Club grounds.

Jennie asked members to indicate their attendance on the sign in sheet tonight for the Club Xmas Dinner in Bacchus Marsh in December.

Jennie updated the members on the recovery of Gordon Benn. Gordon suffered a medical emergency at the club a few weeks ago, he is on the road to recovery and is making steady progress. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing him once he is well. Elizabeth, his wife is keeping us updated on his progress. Gordon is dearly missed on a Wednesday.

We are reminded that it is not appropriate to discuss a member's personal private medical information, it is up to the member themselves if they wish to share this information.

Jennie discussed the need to update our membership application and renewal form to include medical emergency contact details. If we could also consider who is certified/ qualified to administer First Aid within the Club. We currently do not have a register of First Aid trained members with up to date qualifications. We will circulate an expression of interest at the next working bee for the participation in first aid training. Anyone else interested can come and see me later. This will be paid for by the Club. Anyone interested will be booked into a course in Ballarat.

It was mentioned that some members hold accreditation with organisations or workplaces, those members would need to supply a copy of their accreditation to be added to our register. This can be done anytime they update or renew their accreditation too.

Anthony Ick got some quotes for Oxy for the workshop for members and committee to review. This was discussed and left with the committee.

The Raffle made \$83.50

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm

What's the difference between the bird flu and the swine flu?  
One requires *tweetment* and the other an *oinkment*.



## **Diabetic Emergency Kit**



**Noelene Geddes has very generously donated a**

**Diabetic Emergency kit for the Club**

**It contains a blood sugar monitor and diabetic Jelly Beans etc**

**The kit can be found in the Kitchen First Aid Cabinet**

### **Reminder**

**Special Working Bee on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Special working bee to get the grounds prepared and a general tidy up for the annual Rally and tractor pull.**

**We require some mowers and Whipper Snippers and a few other minor jobs.**

**There is also a training session on using the tractor pull sled for those who are interested on learning how to use the sled.**

**This is the Saturday prior to the February meeting.**

## NHMA - Ian Stewart - Young Enthusiast Award

The Ian Stewart award was established in 2020 to perpetuate the memory of Ian Stewart, who was instrumental in the formation of the NHMA.

This award has been established to encourage young people to become involved in the old machinery restoration movement while learning new skills to keep the movement alive for future generations

There are two age groups for each state/territory

10 -16 Years - \$500 + restoration book

17- 25 Years - \$1000 + restoration book

**Entries must be submitted 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2026**

**Please pass this information on to your junior members. Entry forms and information sheets are attached and are available on the NHMA website.**



### **The 2026 Wednesday working Bee year begins**

with Peter working on the Howard Rotary Hoe as he has last year and the year before and you get the gist !

Jokes aside it won't be too much longer before it's finished now , just some cleaning up to do.

And

Ian Beginning the reassembly of an 1863 wool press into the shearing shed more information on the wool press will follow in coming editions of the Oily Rag

## Please Note

**The Quambatook Harvest Working Machinery Display and Vintage Tractor Pull has been postponed.**

The Event has been postponed due to extreme weather forecasts throughout the region .

The event will now take place on : **Saturday January 31 and Sunday February 1st 2026**

It would be great to see as many of our club members attend as the Quambatook Heritage working machinery Association have enhanced our Rally each year by bringing their sled along for our Saturday Afternoon tractor Event

**QUAMBATOOK**  
2026

HERITAGE WORKING MACHINERY ASSOCIATION  
Presents

**HARVEST WORKING MACHINERY DISPLAY  
& VINTAGE TRACTOR PULL**

**SATURDAY 24th & SUNDAY 25th JANUARY**  
**GATES OPEN 10am**

All Makes and  
Models Welcome

Working Demonstrations of Heritage Machinery  
Vintage & Classic Tractors, Cars & Trucks  
Farming & Household Memorabilia/ Collections Welcome  
Sites available for Buy, Swap & Sell  
Shade areas available  
Full catering on-site. 2 course meal available Saturday evening

**For more information please contact:**

Doug 0427 346 634 Graeme 0429 346 110 Ian 0427 571 381  
Like us on **Facebook** @Quambatook Heritage Working Machinery Association  
Accommodation: Caravan Park 0428 857 122



# BALLAN'S GREAT VINTAGE RALLY

## Featuring

**Sunday  
FEBRUARY 15th  
2026  
9.00am to 4.00pm**

- Vintage Stationery Engine
- Classic Cars and Trucks
- Old Cottage with Wools Spinners and Weavers
- Variety of Old Time Wares
- Classic Motorbikes
- Vintage Tractors
- Vintage Machinery Working Demonstrations

**ADULTS \$10  
FAMILY \$20  
KIDS UNDER 12 FREE**

## Exhibitors

- Must have insurance card and comply with all NHMA requirements.
- Camping available.
- One companion free entry only.
- Set up on Saturday available.

## Event Highlights

### Tractor Pull

Rev up your engines and sit back enjoy the Vintage Tractor Pull.

### Shearing Demonstration

Come and experience the age old art of wool haversting at our shearing demo.

### Ronaldson Tippett Museum

Largest collection of Ronaldson Tippett Engines in Australia.

### Devonshire Tea

Come and enjoy a delicious Devonshire Tea served on vintage china with freshly baked scones.



Food vans available onsite

At Old Ballan Racecourse, 105 Racecourse Rd Ballan

**Contact us**  
 Jason 0409557541  
 Jennie 0425772431

**Ballan District Vintage Machinery and Vehicle Club Inc .**

# BALLAN VINTAGE SWAP MEET



**SATURDAY  
FEBRUARY 28  
2026**

**Buyers Can Find Vintage & Classic Items for Sale**



**OLD BALLAN RACECOURSE  
RACECOURSE RD, BALLAN**

- ✓ CAR PARTS
- ✓ TRUCK PARTS
- ✓ MOTORCYCLE PARTS
- ✓ TRACTOR PARTS
- ✓ STATIONARY ENGINES
- ✓ FARM MACHINERY
- ✓ VEHICLES FOR SALE
- ✓ VEHICLES FOR DISPLAY
- ✓ COLLECTABLES

**CASH ONLY AT GATE**

**STALL HOLDERS**

**GATES OPEN 7.00 AM**

**Early Set Up Friday**

**Strictly By Prior Arrangement**

**STALL HOLDERS**

**\$20 Per Site**

**Includes 2 Adults**

**PUBLIC  
GATES OPEN 8.00 AM**

**ADULTS  
\$5 Per Ticket**

**CHILDREN UNDER 16  
FREE**

**Food & Drinks Available on site • Dogs Must Remain On Leads  
No Alcohol • No Glass**

**ENQUIRIES JASON 0409 557 541 After 5pm or BEN 0411 189 520 After 5pm**

Coordinated by Ballan District Vintage Machinery & Vehicle Club Inc.  
and Ballarat Engine & Machinery Preservation Society Inc.

The Ballan Vintage Machinery and Vehicle Club Inc

PRESENT

# Fergie Fire Up

Gates  
Open  
9am

Entry  
\$10

Kids under 12  
Free

Fergie  
Badged  
Implement  
Display

Up to  
and inc  
100 series

Grand Parade  
Skills Tests  
Tractor Demos

Camping  
For  
Exhibitors



**Ballan Racecourse  
Sunday 15th March 2026**



FERGIE FIRE UP



JENNIE 0425 772 431  
RHONDA 0408 317 872

Like

Comment

Share

# CLUNES



BALLARAT BRANCH

## Historic Vehicle Show



★ Exhibits - 25 years or older

- Trucks, small engines, cars
- Caravans, Tractors & more...
- Food stalls



SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026

**Brandt**

9AM TO 4PM

Clunes Showgrounds

- Exhibitor set up
- For information

Jon Paine 0459 654 413 Chris Londish 0423 644 025

NATIONAL HISTORICAL MACHINERY ASSOCIATION



# NATIONAL TRACTOR CONVENTION

4TH, 5TH & 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026  
AT THE GULGONG SHOWGROUND

#### ENTRY

ENTRY FORMS BY DOWNLOAD  
FROM NHMA WEBSITE  
OR BY CONTACTING BRUCE MCLEHOSE



[NHMA.COM.AU](http://NHMA.COM.AU)

#### CONTACT

EMAIL: [SMCLEHOSE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SMCLEHOSE@GMAIL.COM)  
PHONE OR TEXT: 0413 025 674



#### HOSTED BY

CUDGEGONG VALLEY  
ANTIQUA MACHINERY CLUB



# NHMA NATIONAL TRACTOR CONVENTION

4TH, 5TH & 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026 AT THE GULGONG SHOWGROUND



## ENTRY FORM

NAME _____	EMAIL _____	NHMA MEMBER NO. _____
PHONE _____	VEHICLE TYPE - MAKE & MODEL _____	

NOTE: TRACTORS, TRUCKS & CARS MUST BE REGISTERED AND CAPABLE ON A MINIMUM OF 20KM PER HOUR

### MEALS

		UNIT PRICE	QTY.	TOTAL
Camping Flat Rate	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50.00		
Friday - Afternoon tea & dinner	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$28.00		
Saturday - Breakfast, morning tea & lunch	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$44.00		
Saturday - Main dinner & function	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$38.00		
Sunday - Breakfast, morning tea & lunch	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$44.00		
Saturday Wine Tour for Non Trekkers	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$65.00		

### MERCHANDISE



Rally Badge  UNIT PRICE QTY. TOTAL  
\$26.00



Cap  UNIT PRICE QTY. TOTAL  
\$28.00

### PAYMENT

All entry form money is to be paid by  
**Direct Deposit**  
CVAMC BSB: 802 207  
Account No.: 100010309  
Please use your name and TT as  
the reference.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

smdehose@gmail.com

OR

PO Box 1076 Mudgee 2850

**CLOSING DATE:**

1-8-2026

# SAVE THE DATE



**BALLAN AUTUMN FESTIVAL**

**Your favourite community festival will be back on Sunday 15 March 2026!**

**BECOME INVOLVED IN 2026**

**The Ballan Autumn Festival is put on for the community by the community.**

*There's many ways your business, group or family can assist our volunteers to make the festival bigger and better!*

Scan to find out more



[www.ballanautumnfestival.au](http://www.ballanautumnfestival.au)

The poster features a blue tractor in the foreground, a string of colorful bunting flags at the top, and a background scene of a festival street with people and buildings.



**Save the date!**

**5th - 7th June 2026**



**70 years on, Wentworth Flood Rally**

The poster has a solid blue background with a white tractor in the center. The text is in yellow and white, with the dates in a green starburst shape.

**APPOINTMENT OF PROXY- General Meeting**

I, .....

of (insert address).....

.....

being a member of **Ballan District Vintage Machinery and Vehicle Club Incorporated**

(an Incorporated Association) appoint

(Name).....

Of (Address).....

.....

being a member of that Incorporated Association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the General Meeting of the Association to be held on (insert date)

Signed .....

Date ...../...../.....





## Future Activities

### February 2026

- 1st Wings, Wheels and Coffee. Bacchus Marsh Airfield. Aerodrome Rd Parwan.
- 7th Rally Working Bee. General Tidy up and preparation for our rally and upcoming events.
- 7th & 8th Darnum Heritage Display. Pedder St Darnum
- 8th Picnic at Hanging Rock car show.
- 9th Club Meeting
- 15th Ballan Rally and Tractor Pull
- 21st Kingston Swap Meet.
- 21st Wandin Draught Horse and Yesteryear Festival. At Mont De Lancey Wandin North.
- 28th Ballan Vintage Swap Meet

### March 2026

- 7th to 9th Steamfest. Melbourne Steam Traction Engine Club. Ferntree Gully Rd Scoresby.
- 7th & 8th Cobden Vintage Rally.
- 7th & 8th Corowa vintage rally and tractor pull
- 7th-9th Newport Railway Workshops Open Days. Champion Rd, Nth Williamstown
- 8th Clunes Historic Vehicle Show. Clunes Showgrounds.
- 9th Club Meeting
- 15th Fergie Fire Up. Note at Ballan Racecourse.
- 21st & 22nd Stawell Tractor, Engine & Hobby rally. Theme Fordson Tractors and Lighting Plants.

### April 2026

- 11th Crawl in' The Hume. Wallan to Albury Motoring Event.
- 13th Club Meeting

### May 2026

- 11th Club Meeting

Working Bee at Clubrooms 9am Saturday, following Club Meeting.  
Also working bee most Wednesdays 9am, come along.

## LADIES CORNER

***ANYTHING THE LADIES WOULD LIKE TO ADD EMAIL Greg***



**Easy Passionfruit Slice      Prep time 15mins / cook 5 mins**

### **Ingredients**

- 1/2 cups sweetened condensed milk
- 125g Unsalted butter ,melted
- 250g milk arrowroot biscuits, finely crushed
- 1tsp lemon zest
- 1 cup desiccated coconut
- 2 cups icing sugar sifted    pulp of two passion fruits
- 15g unsalted butter , softened

### **Method**

1. Stir the condensed milk and melted butter in a medium bowl until mixed together well. In a separate large bowl, use a big wooden spoon to mix the crushed biscuits, lemon zest and coconut. Carefully pour in the butter and condensed milk, and stir well until everything is mixed together.
2. Line a 28x18cm tin with baking paper, and then use your hands to press the mixture into the tin. Transfer into the refrigerator to chill for 1 hour.
3. To make the passion fruit icing, use a wooden spoon to combine the icing sugar, passion fruit and butter in a medium bowl. Mix well until smooth and creamy. Pour the icing over the chilled slice and return to the fridge for 30 minutes.
4. While you wait for the slice to set, be sure to lick any icing that is left on the spoon! Once set, cut into squares

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