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Dooen Hall circa 1967

Victorian Governor Rohan Delacombe Visit
Photo courtesy of Helen Curkpatrick

Next Meeting: March General Meeting
Dooen Hall
Thursday 13th March at 8pm
All welcome

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ClubPersons of the Year: Mauro & Sue Boddi

Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society Events Calendar

DATE	CLUB EVENT	TIME	CONTACT
MARCH			
Sunday 9th	Fellowship run to Stawell for Coffee and Cars at Green Leaf Café, Stawell to meet with Ararat car club members	Cancelled	New date - Wed 12th March
Sunday 9th	Wack Car Show May Park	9am-2pm	\$10 entry donation to display your vehicle
Wednesday 12th	Fellowship run to Stawell for Coffee and Cars at Green Leaf Café, Stawell to meet with Ararat car club members	Members to gather at Aquatic Centre car park 8.30am on for 9.00am departure	OR plan to arrive at Green Leaf Café – Stawell by 10.00am Nev Thomas 0419 385242 for questions/info
Thursday 13th	General Meeting at Dooen Clubrooms	8pm	Just turn up Please bring a small plate of supper
Sunday 15th	Run up to Rainbow, Pella Church and Bow Bakery	8am Dooen Hall	Details page 7
Wednesday 19th	Mystery Run for older red plate vehicles	Meet at Hungry Jacks Horsham at 9 am	Short run less than 25 kms so please bring out the older red plate vehicles
Saturday 29th	Natimuk Show		See poster page 7
APRIL			
Thursday 3rd	Working Bee for Swap Meet	1pm	
Friday 4th	Swap meet prep as per volunteer roster		
Saturday 5th	WMHVS Swap Meet Volunteers required See poster page 8	Reminder to volunteers for the annual swap meet to place their names on sheets for Friday 4th and Saturday 5th April which will be handed around at March General Meeting 13th March.	If you are not attending the meeting please contact Terry Pollock (Swap Meet Director) 0406 006 040 to volunteer.
Thursday 10th	General Meeting at Dooen Clubrooms	8pm	Just turn up Please bring a small plate of supper
Saturday 12th	Steampunk Display Dimboola		See page 7
Thursday 17th	Events committee meeting	7.30pm	Doug & Jenny Mitchell's home
Friday 18th	Good Friday Lincoln Land Display Pomonal Explore a rare collection of world-class cars and memorabilia, enjoy live	10am-6pm music, delicious BBQ and coffee while soaking up	\$25 the scenic grounds with a picnic (BYO welcome)
Saturday 19th	Easter Parade and Car Show Warracknabeal	11am	See facebook or online for more info
Wednesday 23rd	Mystery run for older vehicles	followed by Coffee n Cars	at Up Tempo Horsham at 10am
Saturday 26th	Entertainment night hosted by Neil Smith	BYO Tea 6pm	Fun starts at 7.30pm Please bring a small plate of supper
MAY			
Thursday 8th	General Meeting at Dooen Clubrooms	8pm	Just turn up Please bring a small plate of supper
Thursday 22nd	Coffee and Cars Dimboola General Store and Bakery		

WMHVS March 2025 President's Report

Hi all

What a month February was for the motoring enthusiast, we had the Horsham Hot Rod event, Minyip Show and Shine as well as a couple of club events giving everyone the chance to get out and enjoy their interests. It's great to see our club members supporting these events, so well done to those who have taken the opportunity to show their toys.

Again, the Hot Rod event drew a large number of interesting vehicles and provided a number of opportunities for the public to see them. From all reports the main street was rather busy on Saturday night and the car display Sunday drew large support. These events are a great boost to Horsham's economy.

The events committee recently met to adjust and add to the impressive number of events coming up so make sure you're across these and join in when you can.

The long weekend will again see the WACK Car Display at May Park where I hope our club can show its support by providing many members' vehicles on display to help raise funds for this important group.

With our annual swap meet now less than a month away I encourage all members to support Terry and get your names on the volunteers registers at the March meeting so he can be well prepared, and we can work on any areas of the schedule that need extra support. As with any club run event, many hands make light work so please help when and where you can. Hopefully some of our members will again be cleaning out their respective sheds and having a site on April 5th. Please try to stick to the golden rule and try not to buy more than you sell.

As mentioned at the February meeting, when attending any club functions or events it is your responsibility to have your name included on the attendance register. Generally, there will be a book or sheet to register on and making sure your name is included might save any angst or follow up when the membership renewals arrive. We are all responsible for making sure our attendance is recorded.

Please, anyone interested in attending the Dooen Hall AGM, make sure you let Neil know as it's important for our club to be well represented on this committee of management.

I hope you are all enjoying the pleasant autumn weather and getting out with your toys, I know I always enjoy seeing other people's vehicles out and about, so good health and happy motoring.

Cheers, Col



Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society – General Meeting No. 546 – MINUTES
Held at WMHVS Clubrooms - DOOEN - 13th February 2025

Meeting Opened : 8.00pm

Visitors : President Colin Kemp welcomed visitor Colin Velt

In Attendance : D. Robertson, C. Kemp, N. Thomas, L. Doolan, A. Jolley, V. Jolley, T. Pollock, J. Buckley, S. Hateley, R. Hateley, K. Tough, K. Zacher, F. Miller, N. Eltze, C. Thomas, C. Duldig, P. Duldig, J. Starks, K. Hutchinson, A. Cannane, S. Garwood, B. Brody, P. Anthony, D. Papst, K. McMartin, H. Curkpatrick, P. Curkpatrick, C. Velt, K. Duff, K. Taylor, J. Brack, P. Sudholz, R. Schneider, L. Hogan, I. Brown, J. Taylor, M. Atwell, A. Saunders, D. Perry, D. Lupton, M. Schilling, G. Ussing, G. Exell, J. Gaspirini, A. Fidge, R. Wilksch, R. Kotz, D. Mitchell, I. Walker, R. Davies, A. Macchia, G. Streeter, A. King, J. Perronne, M. Boddi, S. Boddi, M. Butsch, C. Boddi, N. Smith, K. Grosser, G. Mills, G. Smith, D. Wood, P. Wood. (63 Members - 1 visitor)

Apologies : R. Binns, J. Goodwin, J. Thierry, M. Griffin, G. Gibson, J. Payden, M. Zbierski, T. Lawrence, W. Gunn-Duff, F. Turzi, J. Mitchell, N. Slocombe, K. Jakobi, H. Russell, B. Schilling, Z. Stephan, C. Ladlow, R. & M. Warrick

Minutes : Alan Jolley moved that the minutes of the previous General Meeting (No. 545) be received as true and correct.
Seconded by Neil Smith - carried

Secretaries Report : Inwards Correspondence : Invoice - Australia Post
Invoice - VicRoads Trailer Registration
x Exchange Newsletter

Correspondence Out : Minutes of previous Meeting

Moved Bruce Brody, seconded Col Thomas, that the Secretaries report be received - carried

Treasurers Report : Treasurer Dean Robertson presented his up to date report, asked if any questions and moved it be received.
Seconded by Frank Miller - carried

Membership : Leigh Doolan reported that a WMHVS information pack has been sent to Neville McIntyre. No other applications.
We now have 195 Members

Reports : AOMC – Neville Thomas reported that the AOMC had called a special meeting on Monday 10th February, in order to allow a new Membership Category ‘MembershipPLUS’ and to update delegates on the proposed ‘Club’ Insurance scheme. He was unable to attend due to the short notice. However more details should be available for our March Meeting.

Federation : Alan Jolley gave a comprehensive report on the recent Federation Meeting. Vic Roads are considering the re-issue of Historic Plate Numbers. Members were reminded that the Federation Tour will be held in Horsham in August and our Club has agreed to be involved. The future of Bendigo Swap was discussed. More Volunteers desperately needed for the continued success of the long standing event.

Clubrooms : Neil Smith advised that the AGM of the Dooen Hall Committee of Management will be held at 7.30pm on 18th March 2025. He encouraged Club Members to ‘turn up’ to show our support.

The DHCOC community event ‘trivia night’ is set for Saturday 22nd February. Numbers are required – so please indicate your attendance. **Note : since cancelled**

Peter Sudholz asked Neil if there has been any correspondence from the Mining Company re possible use of the Hall. Neil didn’t think so.

Blue Ribbon : Neil Smith reported that this was a successful event once again and thanked those members who volunteered their time and vehicles for this charity event

Executive Meeting : Colin Kemp reported on the recent Exec Meeting. He reminded members that it’s your responsibility to have your attendance recorded when attending Club events. Neville Thomas advised the Exec that he was organizing an Australian Get together for Douglas Motorcycle Riders in September 2026. As this is not official Club, however riders attending from all over Australia he asked that our club the WMHVS list the event as an invitation event, as we did in 2010, and encourage our members to be involved. This was carried over to next General meeting

Events : Peter Anthony gave an events update. We have plenty on in March/April with quite a number of opportunities to join in and exercise your Historic Vehicles. The Events Committee meet regularly and members should keep an eye on the Newsletter.

Swap : Swap Director Terry Pollock gave a Swap prep update. The Committee have everything under control. However, its our major event for the year and members are asked to put aside some time during Thursday/Friday and Saturday to help out. We need Gatekeepers/Parking attendants/Security etc. The ‘Mark out’ working bee will be on Thursday 3rd April. Site Holders will arrive to ‘set up’ from Friday am. Saturday 6.00am until 2.00pm is Swap.

Terry also advised that he would like an Historic Vehicle display at the Showgrounds. This is for Club Members only and he would like vehicles on site from 8.00am until 1.00pm. He also asked that members prepared to display a vehicle, advise him before the Swap.

Steam Punk – Dimboola Jonathan Starks reported on the upcoming Steam Punk Festival in Dimboola 12th April. Theme is 1940’s/1950’s and Jonathan invited our Club to be part of the festival with a vehicle display.

General Business : Australian Douglas Get Together. Ken Taylor moved that the WMHVS include the 2026 Australian Douglas Motorcycle Riders Annual get together, to be held in Horsham in September, as an Invitation WMHVS Club event. Seconded by Neville Thomas - carried

Meeting Closed : 8.45pm

Federation Meeting Rowsley 8/2/25

President Tim Christie welcomed and read out a history of the area and invited all after lunch to inspect members cars and a display of their new fire trucks and listen to their special features.

Main points- Federation grant to Wangaratta Club to assist purchasing a new computer.

Federation trophy grant to Mildura Club for 25th Rally

Treasurers report stated that the Federation was in a sound condition.

Professionally fitting seat belts can be expensive and some vehicle have insufficient room in back for baby capsules and also may require an engineer's certificate

Red plate vehicles must have log book filled out when out on the road unless vehicles are being 'shuffled around in driveway. This is allowed up to 100 metres from home. Any vehicle parked in a street without correct dating in permit book is unregistered.

Vic Roads is reissuing old not used number plates

New Federation members- Bullock Car Club and Goldfields Car Club

Encourage Younger members to come and have a drive to boost involvement in club runs red plate vehicles.

Federation, in May, will be asking for volunteers for 2025 swap

Federation open tour, 3/8/2025, will start at Kerang and will be a 6 day hub tour around Horsham and finishing on 9/8/2025

AHMF is lobbying government to consider dropping luxury import tax on historic vehicles

Bendigo Swap report, Size of 2024 sites still recovering from covid times

900 sites booked, 150 on 2025 waiting list Rebooking sites expires February.

A large building to be build on site has yet to start so this is making planning sites difficult

Catering was a problem again with high demand and canteen power failure

Updating computerised site booking

In 2026 sole control will return to the Federation from 50/50 Federation and Bendigo C/C

Federation is calling for club to take this opportunity and join in running the swap

Bendigo Show Grounds have been booked to 2031

Because of danger created, this year unauthorised Gofers and scooters will not be allowed to travel around sites.

Federation Reps

Alan and Lavinia Jolley

Regalia

Jumpers		Hats		Shirts		Souvenirs	
LS Polar Fleece	\$50	Beanies	\$15	Dress Shirt	\$50	Grille Badge	\$20
Polar Fleece Vest	\$45	Bucket Hat	\$20	Polo Shirt	\$30	Lapel Badge	\$10
Windcheater	\$25	Wide Brim Hat	\$25			Stubby Holder	\$10
NEW Ladies LS Wool Cardigan	\$70	Cap	\$20			Teaspoon	\$10
						WMHVS window stickers	\$3

Sue Boddi & Sue Zbierski have a great selection of WMHVS regalia in stock and on display at every monthly meeting held at Doon Hall. Both men's and women's styles are available.

15/03/25 Rainbow Trip

Meet at Dooen Hall 8am. Due to the distance some people may want to car pool or travel in a modern car.

Travel to Rainbow via Blue Ribbon Road to the end then turn right then turn left on Rainbow Road to the end turn left to the end turn right to Rainbow.

Meet in Federal Street at the Mecca Theatre (toilet at theatre) where we will meet Mal Drendel who will lead us to the Historical Pella Church where he will play the pipe organ and have morning tea.

Back to Rainbow for lunch either BYO lunch or we will stop at Bow Bakery.

After lunch a short drive north to Chag Fuller place with a very interesting collection.

Cost for the day is \$20.00 person

Names to Bruce Brody 0428 825 353 by 13/03/25 or names will be taken at the March General Meeting

PS: For those people who are going to Rainbow and aren't leaving from Dooen Hall meet in Rainbow at Mecca theatre 9.45am ready to leave at 10am for the drive to Pella Church



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Wimmera Steampunk Festival and Car Display

The Wimmera Steampunk Festival is back, bigger and better than ever! Dimboola, 9-13 April. After the roaring success of 2023, Lloyd Street will be closed again and it would be great to have a selection of vintage, veteran and classic cars displayed again. The car display will be on the main day, Saturday 12 April.

Members of WMHVS are invited to join in the fun and bring along a fine old car, particularly those from the 1950s and earlier. Cars will need to arrive before 4:00pm.

For more information, check out their website <https://www.wimmerasteampunkfestival.com.au>



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CAR & BIKE SWAP MEET



Saturday April 5th, 2025

Horsham Show Grounds

Trading 7am to 2 pm

- Ample Sites Available, No Pre-Bookings
- Site Fees \$30 (admits 2 adults) Additional sites \$20 ea.
- Site Holders arrivals from 12 noon till 9pm Friday 4th
- Generous site sizes, most 7m x 8m
- Phone Terry: 0406 006 040
- Email: swap@wmhvs.org.au



Blue Ribbon Ball Photos taken by Lynne Eltze



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Minyip Show & Shine

Photos and captions courtesy of Helen & Phil Curkpatrick



Even with bikes surrounding him the farmer continues to check his crop

Fancy a smaller vehicle?



If you like maroon which car would you prefer?



A smaller version of transport awaits passengers



In memory of a great supporter of motor sport Danny Landrigan



Minyip Show & Shine

Photos and captions courtesy of Helen & Phil Curkpatrick



The crowds gather



The Dunmunkle Sump Oilers continue to give support



Minyip's historic Majestic Hotel was a prominent landmark in the Flying Doctors TV series



This XK 1960 Ford sedan won best car in show



Three red outnumber the one blue

February Mystery Run Photos taken by Lynne Eltze



Bacon & Egg Brekky Photos taken by Lynne Eltze



WMHVS Classifieds

For Sale

1960-61 Chrysler Royal AP3
6 cylinder, 3 speed push button automatic on club permit 0708H8

Zac would like to sell this car to a WMHVS member if possible. With this in mind all sensible offers will be considered

For full details contact owner

Zac Stephan 0447 282 922



For Sale

1988 BMW K100RS
Comfy long distance tourer
Fuel injected 4 cylinder.
BMW panniers, tankbag, toolkit, workshop manual.
Givi topbox
Club Permit rego 7579H

\$3500 ONO

Darrell Jeffries 0418 564 010



For Sale

1954 Vauxhall utility
Comes with various gaskets and seals
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Ring Max 0428 123 364



For Sale

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