



# HERITAGE TIMES



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*The newsletter for members of*

## THE BEGA HERITAGE MOTOR CLUB Inc.

BHMC since 2002. Prior to that, it was the Bega Branch of the Classic & Historic Automobile Club of Australia

**Our aim:** *TO ENCOURAGE THE PRESERVATION, RESTORATION & USE OF OUR MOTORING HERITAGE*



Bega Heritage Motor Club at the Nimmitabel Show

Photo by Gary Thornton

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**Meetings:** Club Bega, 82 Gipps Street, BEGA  
At 7.00pm on the second Wednesday of each month (except January)

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Jack Sargent

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Jack Sargent

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Garry Thornton



# Presidents Message

Well folks, I don't know where the time has gone but we're into March already.

I said I would let you know how the "Australia Day Rafting" went. After a 5am start (took Janelle to her regular Wyndham market to hang her quilts); then back home to tractor & trailer the raft down to the lake with the boys (GT; John Rigby & Col McRae); after getting tangled in the bumper bar on the tractor which punched a hole in the raft I returned home to the shed for "100 -mile-an-hour-tape" which worked wonders. We then launched onto the lake; stopped at the bridge where we raised \$142.10 from punters, then onto Spencer Park. Arrived home 4pm. Total monies raised for charity: - still being calculated but approx. \$1600. 1<sup>st</sup> February saw Club Members travel to Nimmitabel Show – 13 cars from Bega Club. Always a great day. Thoroughly enjoyed by all. Sheep shearing demo was great to watch; chain saws very noisy as usual; chook show & information was very informative; the Pavilion was down this year owing to the death of two of their main organizers.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February - a good roll up of club cars journeyed down to Eden to view the departure of one of the many cruise ships into that port. Good to see Joe & Jenelle Gorsch in their latest car, a Rover sedan. A wonderful job done by Maree & Anna in organising the lunch/nibbles' supplied by the Club.

Because of a necessary "Audit" of Rego papers, it's been a very busy time contacting everybody concerned. I thank you all for your co-operation. The Rego's are working out well on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month. No complaints so far.

Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> saw a fantastic roll-up of members airing their Club Cars at Tathra for morning tea, then onto Bermagui for lunch.

My old black snake has found a mate & moved out of the vege.garden & into the shed. Now have to keep an eye out for them. Hopefully they will move on soon as there's no food in there for them.

It was lovely to see our daughter again, up from Victoria this last weekend to celebrate Janelle's Mum's 97<sup>th</sup> birthday. A grand time had by all.

Another successful Committee Meeting was held last week. Thank you to all concerned; & to Fran for afternoon tea.

**Bemboka show is our next event on Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> March; hopefully a good turn-out again.**

**Our Treasurer, Tony & myself had a meeting this week with the Horizon Bank manager. More news on this matter at our meeting, WEDNESDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> March at Club Bega.**

**Looking forward to catching up with you all there.**

**Well folks, must go now & get this report off to our Editor Rhonda.**

**Hope this finds everybody safe & well.**

Cheers,

**HENRY**

# AUSTRALIA DAY

## SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

Written by: Rhonda Crowe

Photos by: Garry Thornton

Four members from our club Henry Petterson, Col McRae, John Rigby & Garry Thornton built & floated a raft to raise funds for the Pambula Surf Lifesaving Club in the Merimbula Float on Australia Day. This almost started in disaster as when launching the raft at Henry's it turned & hit the tractor leaving a hole in the side that had to be repaired with "Gaffer tape". When they returned the raft to dry land, they discovered another bigger hole, but luckily it didn't sink. Last year they ran out of petrol on the way home. Good luck next year boys.

Bendigo Bank, Bega Heritage Motor Club & many Business Houses donated towards the fundraiser. A total & photo will be announced at presentation time.





# NIMMITABEL SHOW

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February**

Written by: Maree Smith

Photos by: Garry Thornton & Maree Smith

A very hot day was had by 18 members at the Nimmitabel Show. 11 Heritage vehicles made their way up the mountain for a very successful day. GT had a visit from Kristy McBain our local member.

Those attending were:-

Arthur Rollason & Terry Bradley – Mazda Titan Truck

Ray Long – FJ Holden

Maree Smith & Sami – Toyota Corona

Col McRae – Valliant Charger

Garry & Fran Thornton – Toyota Corona

Tony Winterburn & Jack Sargent – Morris

Henry & Janelle Petterson – FJ Holden Ute

David Wilcox – Jaguar

John & Veronica Rigby – V W sedan

Reinhold & Hanne Goersch – VW Combi

Andrew & Sue Duchesne – Holden Statesman



# MID WEEK RUN EDEN

## Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February

Written by: Maree Smith

Photos by: Maree Smith & Garry Thornton

The Mid-Week picnic day at Eden Lookout was a great success and despite the “rather strong N/NE wind” there was a good roll up with most attendees bringing a club car. A point of interest on the day was the cruise ship “Seabourn Quest” which left port around 2.30pm. The attendees gathered at the lookout to watch the ship depart into what could only be considered strong and prevailing winds with lots of white caps for company. Following the ships departure some members accepted the invitation extended and arranged by Garry Thornton to have a dock side look at the Eden Marine Rescue Vessel and an informative chat with Guy & Greg, two marine officers on duty plus Garry. The consensus regarding the overall outing was positive and that a good day was had by all who attended. We had 26 attendees and 2 apologies.

Arthur Rollason and Maree Smith - Toyota Corona Sedan

Terry and Anna Bradley - modern

Garry and Fran Thornton – Toyota Corona sedan

Henry Petterson – F J Holden Ute

Ray and Margaret Long – F J Holden Sedan

John and Veronica Rigby – Modern

Reinhold and Hannelore Goersch – Volks Wagon Beetle

Peter and Jan Wilton – Ford Zephyr

Bob Russell – XY Ford Falcon

Tony and Dee Watson – Modern

Len and Rhonda Crowe – Holden Kingswood Sedan

Neil and Kerri Woods – Modern

Jo and Jenelle Gorsch – Rover P 90 (1<sup>st</sup> Club Outing for this vehicle)    Dave and Linda Boardman – VW “Tim Tam”

Visiting Kim and Jenny Armstrong and Friends









# MONTHLY RUN BERMAGUI

## Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Written by: Maree Smith

Photos by: Maree Smith

WOW !, what a day, picture perfect weather, and the attendance was amazing with 32 members and 2 visitors.

We started at the Lions Park Tathra for morning tea with young Harvey Duncan taking the spotlight as a young and upcoming car enthusiast, Harvey was accompanied by his grandparents Greg and Jane. We had extended a club invitation for Graeme and Janene Dixon to visit the club outing and apparently, they are considering joining our club.

Moving onto Bermagui, most of the members opted for fish and chips or a self-provided picnic at the park near the wharf whilst a few members went to their favorite "hangout uptown" for a feed, joining the picnickers early after lunch. The Weather !! Well it was to say the least, "Perfect"; the mood was happy, and the conversation was engaging. From the event coordinators perspective, I feel I can say on behalf of all who attended that a happy day was had by all.

### Attendance

Arthur Rollason, Maree Smith and Sami (Club Mascot) - Toyota Corona Sedan

Terry and Anna Bradley – Modern

Henry and Janelle Petterson – F J Holden Ute

Dave and Linda Boardman – VW "Tim Tam"

Andrew and Sue Duchesne – Holden Statesman

Wayne and Sue Milford – Toyota Corona Hatchback

Colin Reid and Mandy Jackson – Holden Ute

Greg, Jane, and Harvey Duncan – Holden Calais

Peter (Soupy) and Janet Campbell – Mustang

Garry and Fran Thornton – Modern

Neil and Kerri Woods – Mustang

Simon and Kathy Fox – Nissan Pulsar

Rick and Joan Fletcher - Modern

Graham Withers - MGB

Russ and Alison Napper – Triumph Stag

Graeme and Gina Peterson – Holden Ute

### Visiting:

Graeme and Janene Dixon – HG Holden Kingswood Potential new members

### Apologies:

Jan and Peter Wilton, Rhonda and Len Crowe, John and Veronica Rigby









# New Members

Please welcome new members who moved to our area from Canberra & joined our club late last year  
Then found themselves nominated as the new Secretaries of our club & chef's for our Christmas lunch.

**Christopher and Linda  
Gilligan**

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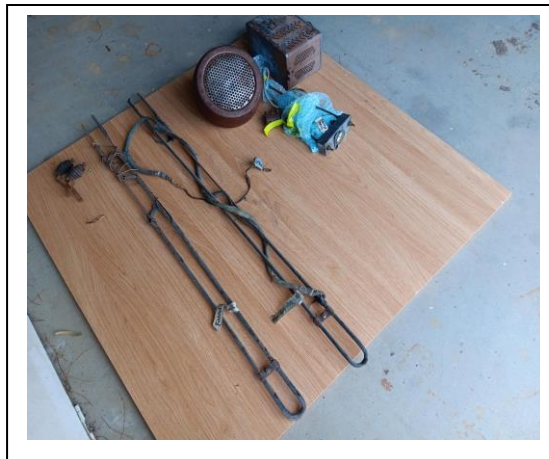
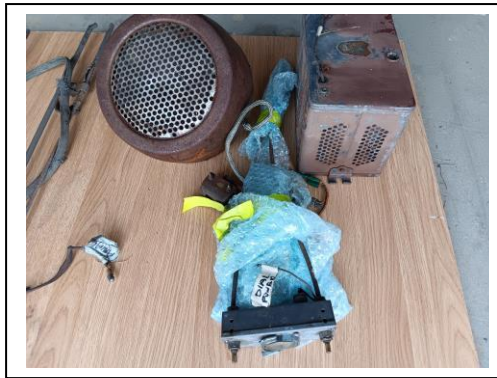




# Car Club Classifieds



**For sale. Make an offer -1936 Astor Air Chief radio. Complete including running board  
Aerials, speaker, etc.      Contact Andrew Szery 0413232281**





## **FOR URGENT SALE – 1959 JAGUAR MK 1 3.4L Automatic Sedan**

**(Due to ill health)**



The car was purchased new in 1959 and remained in the one family from purchase until I acquired it in September 2012. It was one of the last MK. 1 cars manufactured before the introduction of the MK. 2 Sedan in 1960 and was sold with wire spoke wheels, 4 wheel disc brakes and the taillight assemblies as used on the MK. 2. The car remains in its original paint colours of British Racing Green Body and cream wire spoke wheels. At the time of purchase, the car was in very good condition for its age, with the speedometer at 74,000 Miles, which was genuine. Restoration included mechanical (full engine rebuild and components deemed necessary for overhaul/replacement) completed by Mike Roddy (Jaguar Specialist). Additional electrical and interior work was completed, as well as full body respray. Recently 4 new tyres have been fitted. Price \$65,000. Contact Charles Hodsdon – 0439952441





# Club Merchandise

## Polo Shirts with BHMC badge and your name



Colour: Navy/sky blue

Price: \$46

### Women's

#### Garment Measurements

Size	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26
Garment 1/2 Chest (cm)	42.5	45	47.5	50	52.5	55	57.5	60	64.5	69.5	74.5

### Men's

#### Garment Measurements

Size	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
Garment 1/2 Chest (cm)	53	55.5	58	60.5	63	68	73

## Jackets with BHMC badge and your name



Colour: Navy/sky blue

Price: \$63

Unisex Sizes	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
Full chest (cm)	119	124	129	134	139	144	154
Length (top shoulder pt)(cm)	70.5	73	75.5	78	80.5	83	88

### Club caps

Colours: Sky blue or navy

Price: \$18



### Logbook wallet

Colours: Black or tan

Price: \$30



### Number plate frames

Car: \$25 Motorbike: \$10



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