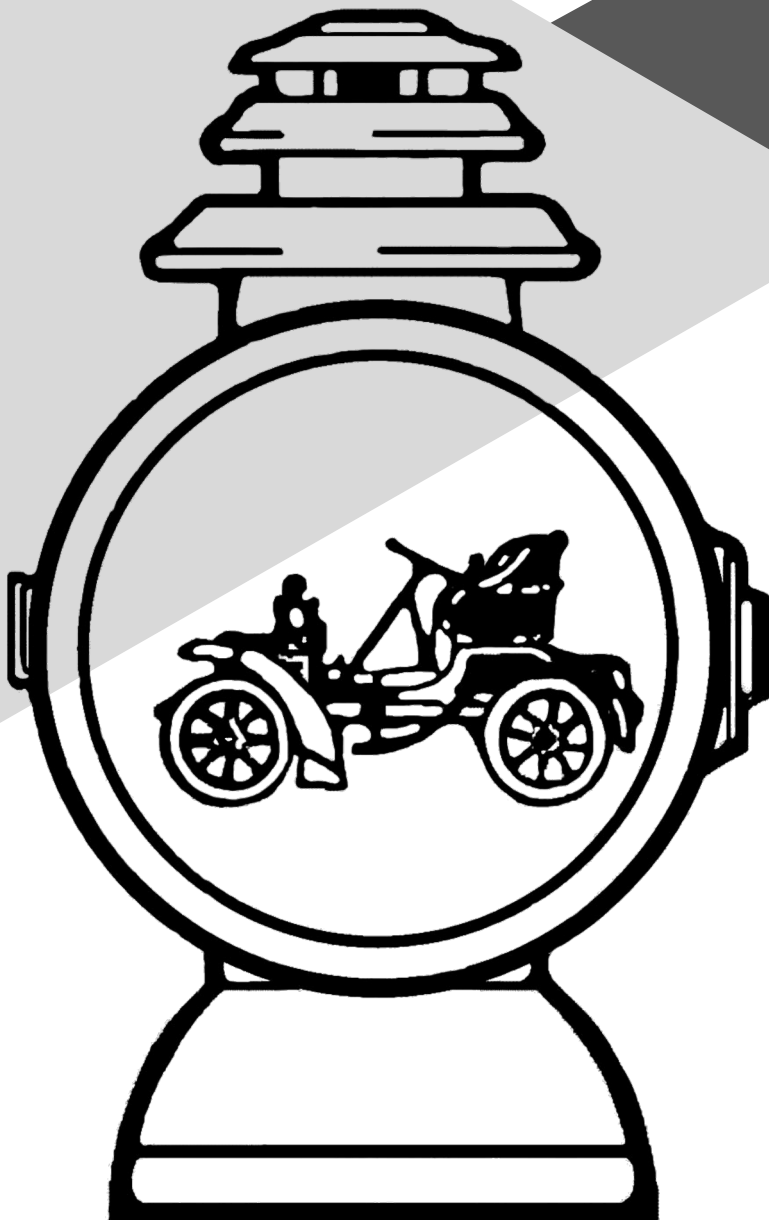


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and Vintage Motor Club Inc.  
“The Family Club”**

**JUNE 2025**



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### SUB – COMMITTEES

<u>SOCIAL EVENTS</u>	<u>CLUBROOM OPERATIONS</u>	<u>REGISTRATION</u>	<u>MAGAZINE</u>	<u>JUNE RALLY</u>
Colleen Rainbird	Stuart LeLievre	Gerald Rainbird	Sue Kelly	
Rob LeLievre	Alan Fraser	Colleen Rainbird	Craig Kelly	
Craig Kelly	Ron Tilyard	Chris Billingham	Ray Harrison	
Stu LeLievre	James Clay	Peter Billingham	Chris Billingham	
Chris Billingham	Robyn Petts	John Rockliff	Rob LeLievre	
Pam Tarlinton		Neil Cole		

PUBLIC OFFICER    Rodney Bredin

### MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held at 7.30 pm on the first Friday of each month at the Shaw Street Community Hall, Corner Shaw Street and Kent Crescent, Wagga Wagga. All members, guests and visitors are welcome.

### CLUB EVENTS

Club events are held on various days during the year. Please check the "Coming Events" section of this newsletter for details. For all events it is necessary to complete your log book

### STATEMENT OF OBJECTS

**The Club's Statement of Objects is as follows:**

For the association of persons interested in Veteran, Vintage, Classic and Post Classic motor vehicles.

To encourage the restoration, preservation, use and display of these vehicles and associated literature, films, photographs, tape recordings and video tapes.

To demonstrate the capabilities of these vehicles by engaging in competitions including economy trials, regularity runs, observation events, motorkhanas, concourse competitions and vehicle rallies.

To encourage goodwill, friendship, and communication between members of this Club, and between members of this Club and all other persons, clubs and associations having like Objectives

## **MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025**

Held at Duke of Kent Community Hall. Meeting opened by Vice President Rob LeLeivre at 7.30pm

**PRESENT: 22**

**APOLOGIES: 14**

**VISITORS: nil**

### **MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was moved by Leanne Thomas, 2<sup>nd</sup> Geoffrey Holgate that the minutes from the Monthly Meeting held on the 2nd May, 2025 and as read at the June 2025 meeting be accepted as correct  
Carried

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

\*Major Events Survey due in by tonight. A good response. Ray Harrison & his sub committee to meet to summarize results to present to July Monthly Meeting

\*Car Banners are still to come.

### **COMMITTEE MINUTES 2/6/25**

Present – 7 Apologies – 4

\*CHACA Wagga Region Motor Show is on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June

\*One new membership enquiry

\*Swap Meet Roster needs to be filled

\*Coming events Culcairn 22<sup>nd</sup> June more details to come

\*Report on webpage visitation

\*Membership to remain at \$75.00 for next year.

\*AGM Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August – BYO Dinner at Clubrooms from 6 pm. AGM starts at 7.30pm

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Nil

### **CORRESPONDENCE IN / OUT**

IN

\*Magazines Dinkum Oil, Klaxton, Oil Rag, Bulbhorn, Backfire

Emails

\*CHMC Minutes

\*HMA Membership Renewal, Meeting Reminder, Meeting Minutes

\*Albury Tafe re motorcycle courses

\*Membership Enquiry (replied to as well)

\*Lithgow Small Arms Factory Museum

\*Wagga Rock'n'Rollers

OUT

\*Major Events Survey

\*Updating Membership Forms

\*Don Manwaring's passing – members emailed

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Chris Billingham moved that the report as tabled be accepted 2<sup>nd</sup> James Clay Carried

### **PAST EVENTS**

\*Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May Mid-Week run to Kapooka Army Base visit & lunch Thank you to Pauline Hopkins for organising

\*Ladies Craft Morning 9/5/25

\*Robs Shed Day - 27/5/25

\*Echuca Steam, Iron & Trade Revival 6-8<sup>th</sup> June

### **COMING EVENTS**

\*Ladies Craft Morning 20/6/25

\*Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June Combined run with ACCAW to Culcairn Hotel for lunch.

\*Robs Shed Day 24/6/25

\*Run to Adelong & Tumut 6/7/25

**Please refer to club magazine for further details & reports**

### **EDITOR**

Nil

### **CLUBROOM OPERATIONS**

Nil

### **WEB ADMINISTRATOR**

Monthly Visitation Report

### **ASSETS & MEMBERSHIP**

One prospective new member

### **REGISTRATION**

Report from CHMC re Registration statistics

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

\*AGM 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025 Committee to recommend Membership remains at \$75.00

\*Guest Speaker Phillip LeLievre to talk on Artificial Intelligence in Education at July Meeting.

\*U3A Tony Dare Edwards has requested a Model T Ford for a talk on 14<sup>th</sup> August at 11am.

\*Update on Lachlan Holgate's Jeep Restoration from his father Geoffrey.

\*Graham Armstrong gave a talk on fundraising for the Brain Foundation.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

## **GUEST SPEAKER FOR JULY** **MONTHLY MEETING – 4<sup>th</sup> July**

### **ALL THINGS AI**

What is AI you may ask? Come along to the July general meeting to find out all about “Artificial Intelligence” and how it is already in our everyday life.

Speaker: Phillip LeLievre, Corowa High School

## ***Membership Reminder***

Our Constitution states that Fees and Subscriptions must be paid before the 1st of July in each calendar year.

Members who have not paid their subs by the 1st of July will be deemed an UNFINANCIAL MEMBER. There is no grace period. When you are unfinancial your vehicles are UNREGISTERED and UNINSURED. Annual Subs - \$75 - are due before the 1st of July. Get in now so you don't forget and get caught out.

Direct debit details for Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc.

General account.

Bank: Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 062600

A/C No: 00900546

## **FOR SALE**

**1945 Studebaker 6 x 6 Army Truck**  
Currently club registered which is not transferable.

Fully restored. Travelled about 600 kms since restoration in 2017.

Includes all the steel sections for the troop carrier section. It has all been sand blasted.

Plus, a lot of new old stock spare parts.

Price on application.

Contact: Peter FitzPatrick  
0428423633



### **MID WEEK RUN 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY**

On Wednesday 21st May we enjoyed a mid week run to visit the Kapooka Army Base .





Special thanks to Pauline Hopkins for organising a wonderful day for us & Steve for sharing his knowledge on the amazing collection throughout the Museum.

A very special ceremony was held on the Base from 14:00 to coincide with the 80th Anniversary of the tragic event which occurred during live explosives training exercise 21st May 1945. 26 Australian Army Engineer servicemen lost their lives in Australia's worst military training accident.



Our day started at Jubilee Park, 20 members and 2 visitors lined up and departed at 09:30am, travelled along Olympic Highway to arrive at the Kapooka Base.



After our security check in we headed up to the cafe for a lovely morning tea, Museum tour next on our list, then a drive up to the lookout with amazing views.



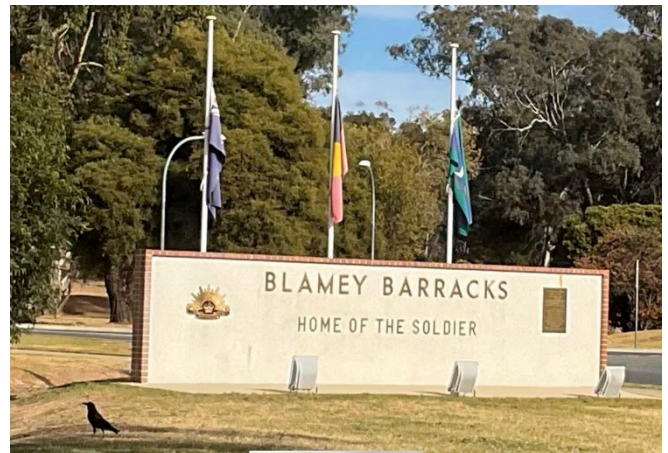
A five day training event was in progress at the shooting range. Which we were overlooking with amazing views of the surrounding countryside.







The Sargents Mess with numerous lunch choices was most enjoyable, and the lounge area gave us a relaxed time chatting until departure time.  
Pam T.



## STEAM IRONS AND TRADE REVIVAL – RUN TO ECHUCA June 6 - 9

We had Harrison's, Clout's, Holgate's, Billingham's, Le Lievre's, Taylor's, Condon, Kelly's and Rainbirds. It was possible to purchase the "all in one heritage package" which gave us access to Port of Echuca wharf, paddle steamers and museum tour, Billabong carriage ride and the Great Aussie Beer Shed.



Some of the crew on the Wharf tour on the border of NSW and VIC

*Helpers wanted for CHACA  
Swap – Sunday July 20*





Some of the crew plus our tour guide on the Wharf tour

The weather was cold but fine Friday afternoon and Saturday so we made the most of this and enjoyed the tour of the wharf and surrounding port on Friday with a nice tea at a pub up the road from our motel.



Steam shed display on the wharf

Saturday morning we attended the steam iron and trade revival which showcases the rich history and traditions through the machinery, vehicles and trades that built the nation.



Attractions included – steam power displays, working horses, demonstrations, lost trades,



classic vehicles, miniature railway and country cooking



R761 Steam train



Ian Holgate took out best vehicle with his Gardner

Next stop was at the Port of Echuca where we enjoyed a relaxing ride in the horse drawn carriage along the streets of Echuca. Clip clop past the Bridge Hotel, taking in the sites as we passed some of the beautiful old buildings.



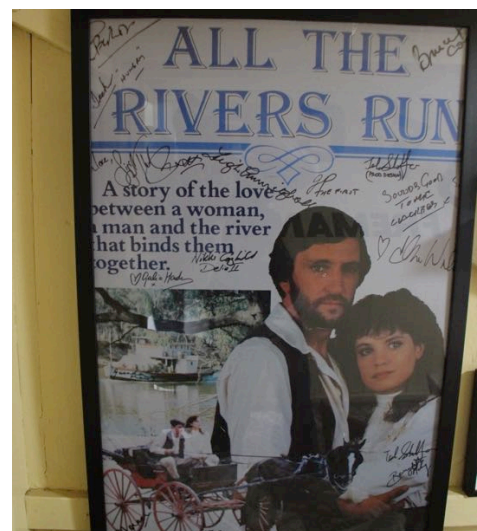
Echuca Wharf from the water



We followed the carriage ride with a ride on the paddle steamer - PS Pevensey

Built in 1911, the Pevensey is special because it is an authentic paddle steamer with its original steam engine.

Today the Pevensey is known to people all over the world for its role as "Philadelphia" in the Australian television mini-series 'All The Rivers Run', made in Echuca in 1982-1983.

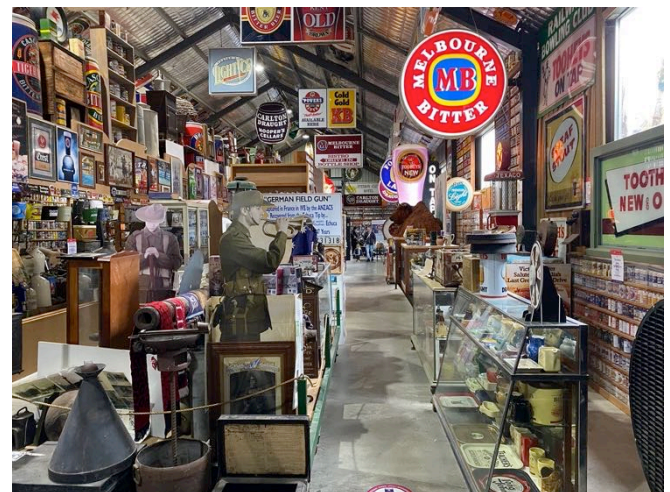




A most enjoyable tea was had at the Moama RSL Club

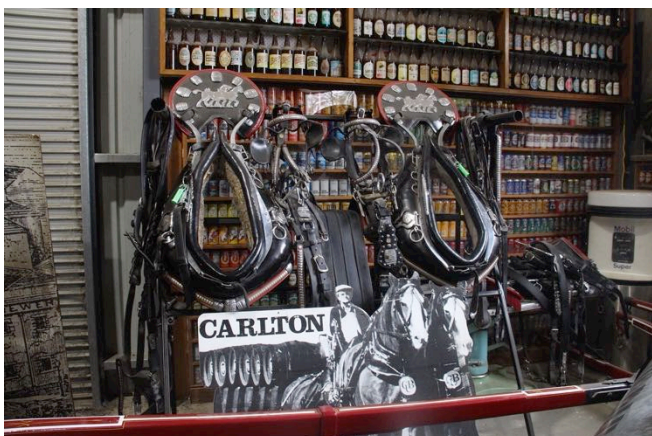
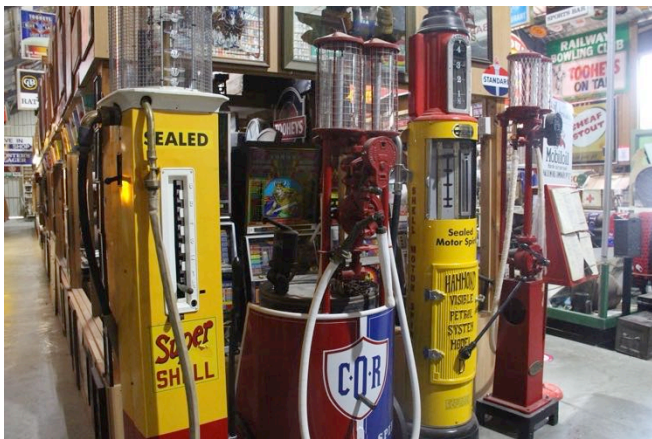
Sunday was wet and cold, so we headed to the Great Aussie Beer Shed which is really a site to see – some 20,000 beer cans, tap tops, handles, barrels, bottles, signs, brewery manufacturing equipment and machinery, old petrol bowsers, washing machines, a coca cola collection, kitchen and laundry items and so much more.

There were sheds, containers, containers and more sheds of memorabilia... The collection is always growing.

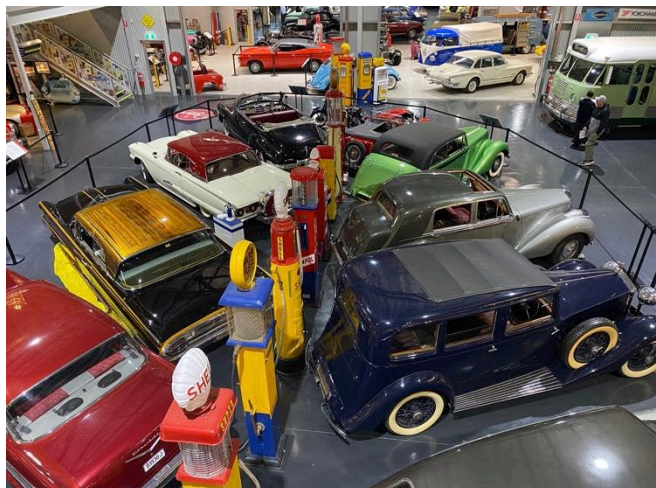


Lunch was had by some at the Deniliquin Cruizin Diner, a casual yet sophisticated atmosphere and boasting all the elements to transport you back to the 1950's.

Next door is The Depot – historic vehicle and memorabilia collection which houses over 100 vehicles, it is a time capsule of cars, trucks, buses and memorabilia from the 40's, 50's and 60's







The depot has grown around the historic vehicle and memorabilia collections of Neville and Debbie Purtill and the Purtill family.

A most enjoyable weekend spent with good friends.

Chris Billingham

## **AGM**

Our AGM will be held **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August** at our club rooms, corner Kent Crescent and Shaw Street Wagga. This will be a BYO dinner from 6pm. Meeting at 7.30pm. Plates, cups and cutlery available.

## **AGM AGENDA**

Meeting will open at 7.30pm

- \*Previous AGM minutes from 2024
- \*Business arising from previous minutes
- \*Review annual club subscription. Currently \$75.
- \* Committee reports
- \*Treasurer's financial statement

August general meeting to follow

## **SUDOKU 99 SOLUTION**

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## **SUDOKU 100**

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# GETITOUT & GETITGOING

Coming Events – Events Calendar

June 2025

**Events Director** Colleen Rainbird 0429 202 379 events@wwwvmc.gmail.com

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## CLUB EVENT

Date	Organiser	Details		
Saturday & Sunday June 7 and 8 2025		<b>The Echuca Moama Steam Iron &amp; Trades Revival @ Rotary Park Echuca.</b> Event will have exhibitors of all types of Vehicles, Machinery, Traditions & Trades of yesteryear to celebrate our heritage, and the role that these amazing machines, vehicles and people played in the local area of years gone by. Exhibitor Entries can be made online or downloaded from at <a href="https://www.steamrevival.org.au/exhibitor-application">https://www.steamrevival.org.au/exhibitor-application</a> . (More details in emails). We are staying at Meninya palms Motel in Moama	2	2-6
Friday June 13		<b>Monthly meeting.</b> 7:30 pm Clubrooms <b>Bring surveys forms to meeting</b>	1	1-3
Friday June 20		Club Craft morning at 10 am. All welcome to come to club meeting room and craft or chat. Please bring a small plate to share for morning tea.		
Sunday June 22		Combined run and lunch with Albury Antique Club. Lunch at Culcairn Hotel at midday Meet at clubrooms ready to depart at 8:30am. Travel to Lockhart via Old Narrandera Rd and Collingullie. Morning tea in Lockhart and depart for Culcairn via Walbundrie at 10:30am. <b>Need numbers by June meeting- June 13</b>	1	1-3
Monday June 30		<b>Committee Meeting.</b> 6 pm Clubrooms		
Friday July 4		<b>Monthly meeting.</b> 7:30 pm Clubrooms	1	1-3
Sunday July 6		Drive to Adelong then on to Tumut	1	1-3
Monday July 28		<b>Committee Meeting.</b> 6 pm Clubrooms		
Friday August 1		<b>AGM.</b> BYO Dinner from 6:00pm, meeting 7:30 pm at Shaw Street Clubrooms	5	



EVENTS FROM OTHER CLUBS AND SPECIAL INTEREST		
Sunday June 8		CHACA Motor Show – Riverina Playhouse car park 9:30-2
Sunday June 8		FB and EK Nationals Temora
Sunday June 8	Mark 0407 265 562. <b>Numbers Appreciated</b>	Young Car Show at the Pit Stop barbershop and the Brock memorabilia Museum. there will be a barbecue and cold drinks and tea and coffee and cappuccinos or provided. it's a gold coin donation and \$10 for all your food and your hot beverages. Chance to have everyone altogether and bring some clubs to our town to look around into our town.
Fri -Sun July 11-13,		The Australian Art Deco Festival – Leeton cordially invites any interested members of your club to join us at this year's festival in Leeton, to display your stunning vintage vehicles and help us bring the elegance and charm of the early 20th century to life!
August 3 to 9	Michelle 0409 185 906	Federations Mallee Wimmera Tour- Kerang to Horsham
September 26 to Oct 2	Chev 4 Rally	Queanbeyan
Sunday October 5		Coolamon Fire Engine Muster 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary 10am -4pm
Saturday and Sunday October 18&19		Urana Vintage Machinery Rally and Truck Show. Sat Tractor trek and pull Vintage engines Sun: Tractor pull Truck show. Show and shine and Fete. \$10 entry
SWAP MEETS		
Saturday June 25	0473 662 142	Wombat
Sunday July 20		CHACA Wagga Swap – Make sure you put your name down on the roster to do a gate duty
Sunday September 7	Barry 0488 421 976	Father's Day Swap. Cootamundra showgrounds

## Remember to fill out your logbook before you leave your driveway

Watch your emails for last minute information and events!! AND check for cancellations, email or call organiser.

### PLANNING AHEAD

Are you planning beyond the Club's Calendar? Here is how it works unless it is affected by Public Holidays/ Rally.

**General Meeting:** First Friday of the month, excluding January

**Committee Meeting:** Monday prior to General Meetings

**Sunday Run:** Sunday following the general meeting

**Mid-Week Run** TBC

**Rob's Social day** last Tuesday of the month

**Craft Morning:** Friday after meeting 10am club meeting room