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Next General Meeting:
SUNDAY
5th April 2009
Caboolture Aerodrome.
10am Sharp

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello all.

Firstly "WOW" what a show! One hundred and sixty eight vehicles on show with another eight or so on display. I must thank all members who attended OUR show day. Everyone put their hand up to help in one form or another, it was great. The day showed we are more than capable to run a big event, whether it is a Van Nationals or a one day show. I have put together a report inside.

I am not sure if everyone was burnt out from the show or not, but the numbers for the run down the Gold Coast were a bit light on. Due to the lack of RSVPs the committee decided to postpone the free members BBQ for a later date. There were still enough Vans (5) to make the cruise worthwhile, with PJ and Warren tagging along in their non Vans. The group included new member Paul and son Sam. Paul has owned his Jamaican Lime HJ since new and gave us a good insight into its history. Paul has moved back to Queensland after a long stint in Sydney with the Navy and is keen to get involved with the Club.

We set off from the shops at PJ's units and headed to Broadbeach where we swung North along the coast to the spit past Sea World where a short meeting (meeting minutes inside) was held to decide how the donation money from the show was to be distributed and to finalise the club shirts so those who wanted to order one could do so and get them before the Van Nats. If you want a shirt you can contact PJ on 0410021501, they will be around \$40 and can have your name on the front. The shirts are fully embroidered and look great. Thanks to PJ for getting the samples and looking after the orders.

Speaking of Easter it looks at this stage that we will have a good contingent heading down to Geelong. It looks like Daz is going to put on a top weekend. The only hassle may be the lack of grass due to the lack of rain. I have not heard anything about the 2010 Nats but all will be revealed at the AGM at the Nats.

Our next meeting is Sunday 5th April at the Caboolture Airport meeting room starting 10am. Cheers Russell.



Line up for the Gold Coast Run

Automania Toowoomba

Automania on the Downs Toowoomba 15/2/09

John and Kim travelled up in the rain on the Saturday for the show on Sunday.

Hence we spent the afternoon cleaning the van (as we all do)

The show was a Toowoomba Showground's indoors on a concrete floor which was a nice change from the dusty ovals we often encounter at these events.

As we had pre entered there was no rush on Sunday morning.

There were around seventy cars on display.

We introduced ourselves to fellow enthusiasts as we distributed flyers for our upcoming show at Morayfield the following week.

Presentation got underway right on time at 3.30 pm.

John and Kim were pleased to accept the Top Van trophy.

Yours In Vanning
John Dolton



Morayfield 22/02/2009

Quite a busy day, with a great turn up, both by the club and enthuses. I had interesting time with Stan on the gate, picking up some new people skills. The day past relatively fast with plenty to do for the whole family,

Cheers
Brett



2009 MORAYFIELD CAR SHOW

The day started early for everyone. Susie and myself set up the car show signs on the main drag at 5.30am. It was not long before members and entrants were heading up the ramp. Kim and John had the entries in hand. The vehicles that were in the Shopping Centre for the week prior the show were moved out of the centre. The advertising impact of the cars in the centre's Atrium was fantastic. I must thank Karen and Bernie for bringing "Bedrock" at short notice for the week. The comments and interest in the paintwork from both adults and kids was great. Together with a 1971 454 powered Corvette supplied by Dave at Classic Car Restorations, a 1967 Mustang fastback owned by Phil at Shannons and some old Falcon Van, the display had a good balance of Ford, Holden and Chevy Machines. Shannons were very pleased with the response from their week in the Atrium, collecting between 12 and 15 quotes on insurance each day.

The day was building into being our best yet with cars constantly coming up the ramp. It was good to see Rick and Robyn rock up in their new Van. We were all wrapped to see so many Vans on show. There was that many Vans that only one award went to a club member with Karen and Bernie taking best mural /graphics. The only blot on the day was the two downpours mid morning which was more of a hassle for the Battle of the Bands. The rain forced the event to be cancelled after their gear got a bit damp. After speaking with the bands organiser we are going to look at incorporating the two events together more next year, with a couple of bands brought in to entertain the car crowd instead of a band battle event. After the rain everyone seem to chammy their cars off and get back to enjoying the day. The judges were getting around and I must say that the members who looked after the various catagories did a great job. I would also like to thank Craig and Dave, non members who helped out with the judging.

The trophy presentation went as smooth as glass starting with the entrant raffle that went over well. Our major sponsors Shannons and the Morayfield Shopping Centre presented the the top awards which coincidently went to the same vehicle, a 1975 LH Torana owned by Richard and Sharron Clifford. This showed that the judges got it pretty spot on.

The day wrapped up with the club raising \$300 for the Cerebral Palsy League of Qld. \$500 to the RSPCA bush fire appeal. \$200 of prize money was donated back for the bush fire appeal and the Wamuran Fire Brigade raised \$240 from their tin shake. Next year is already looking good with more sponsors wanting to come onboard. I think the show has established itself and the club has got a good reputation that will carry us well into the future.

Well done one and all.

Cheers Russell.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Sunstate Panel Van Club
would like to wish a big

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to the following members
for the months of April and May

KAREN CREIGHTON 3RD APRIL

GARETH OLIVER 28TH APRIL

STAN YATES 30TH APRIL

EMMA OLIVER 4TH MAY



Sunstate Panel Van Club Apparel for Sale

- Round Brim Hat** \$10 each (3 available)
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(Members only)
- Club Polo Shirts** \$25 each (2-Large, 2- X large available)
- New Style Club T-Shirts \$40each (Male and Female contact PJ)**
- Old Style Club T-Shirts** \$10each (2- Large available)
- Number plate frames** \$10 pair (20 pairs available)

Van Nats Caboolture 2007

- Pins** \$2 each (plenty available)
- Patches** \$2 each (plenty available)
- Stickers** \$2 each (plenty available)
- T- Shirts** \$10each (2 medium, 8 X large, 2 XX large available)
- Hats** \$10 each (plenty available)

Van Nats Gympie 2003

- Pins** \$2 each (2 available)
- Various Stickers** \$2 each (plenty available)

*If you wish to purchase any of the above items please contact Kym at
Kimmygirl 60@yahoo.com.au*

A decorative border of small, stylized Easter eggs with various patterns, surrounding the text.

1975 HJ HOLDEN PANEL VAN

"JUST CRUISIN"

Welcome to the club, Paul and Cheryl Page.

Details:

Name: Just Cruisin

Make and Model: 1975 HJ Holden Panel van.

Engine: 253 V8 (original)

Transmission: Manual, 4 on the floor

Wheels: ROH mags, Front 14' x 6' and Rear 14' x 7'

Body: windowless, Monaro GTS front spoiler

Colour: Jamaican Lime

Being rebuilt, just little things to go do, will it ever end? I don't thank so.

One owner, still drive her to work daily.

History:

Brought her in June 1975,

Decked out the rear in Christmas 1976, first time.

Spent most of our Honeymoon in the van touring along the Queensland coast in 1977.

Done a lot of Cruisin between Sydney and the Gold Coast over the next fifteen years.

New interior style in rear in 2006 during the big rebuild.

Displays/Shows:

Never put the van into shows or anything until 2007.

Did the NRMA Motorfest 07 & 08 in Sydney on Australia Day.

Living in the Seventies Day display in the Rocks for the History Homes Trust (HHT) Susannah Place Museum in 2007 & 2008.

All Holden Days 2007 & 2009 in Sydney.

A couple of small shows around Sydney'



Upcoming Club Events

April 09

5/4/09 Northern District Rodders Swap Meet and Show N Shine
Redcliffe Showground's.. (Show details attached)

5/4/09 Carrara Super Swap and Show N Shine

09/04/09 to 12/04/09 34th Australian Van Nationals - Geelong
(Show details attached)

26/4/09 Cleveland Auto Spectacular

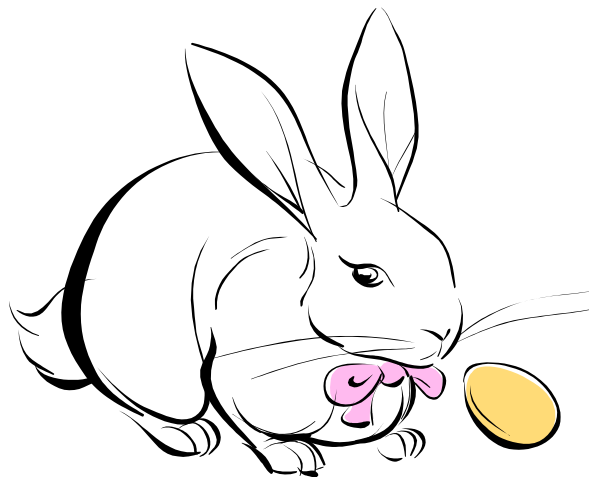
May 09

9/5/09 Bundaberg Early Holden Club Holden Day

June 09

7/6/09 Caboolture Regional Car Club Inc. Show and Shine / Swap Meet
Barr Oval Beerburrum Road Gaboolture. (Show details attached)

For Details see Just Cars Magazine



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CAR SHOW & SHINE

7th June 2009

AT BARR OVAL (*Aussie Rules Football Club*)
Next to Caboolture Historical Village.
BEERBURRUM ROAD, CABOOLTURE
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GATES OPEN - 6am for Set-up

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\$5.00 PER CAR / BIKE Includes Driver & 1 Passenger.
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SEE OVER FOR DETAILS OF SWAP MEET

All catering facilities available on grounds.

For Info Phone

• Rod - 3889 4561 • Cathy - 07 5495 3312

Proceeds from Show support local charities.

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5 am Sites Holders • 6am for General Public
NO SITES RESERVED

SWAP SITES

\$5.00 PER SITE (Any Size) Includes Driver &
1 Passenger. Children Free.

LOOKERS: - \$3.00 PER ADULT

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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE KIDS WHO WERE BORN IN THE 1920's, 30's 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's!!

First, we survived being born to mothers who smoked and/or drank while they carried us and lived in houses made of asbestos.

They took aspirin, ate blue cheese, tuna from a can, and didn't get tested for diabetes or cervical cancer.

Then after that trauma, our baby cribs were covered with bright colored lead-based paints.

We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors or cabinets and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets or shoes, not to mention, the risks some of us took hitchhiking.

As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags.

Riding in the back of a Ute on a warm day was always a special treat.

We drank water from the garden hose and NOT from a bottle.

Take away food was limited to fish and chips, no pizza shops, McDonalds, KFC, Subway or Red Rooster.

Even though all the shops closed at 6.00pm and didn't open on the weekends, somehow we didn't starve to death!

We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle and NO ONE actually died from this.

We could collect old drink bottles and cash them in at the corner store and buy Fruit Tingles and some fire crackers to blow up frogs and lizards with.

We ate cupcakes, white bread and real butter and drank soft drinks with sugar in it, but we weren't overweight because.....

WE WERE ALWAYS OUTSIDE PLAYING!!

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the streetlights came on.

No one was able to reach us all day. And we were O.K.

We would spend hours building our go-carts out of scraps and then ride down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. We built tree houses and cubby houses and played in creek beds with matchbox cars.

We did not have Play stations, Nintendo's, X-boxes, no videogames at all, no 99 channels on cable, no video tape or DVD movies, no surround sound, **no mobile phones, no personal computers, no Internet or Internet chat rooms.....WE HAD FRIENDS and we went outside and found them!**



We fell out of trees, got cut, broke bones and teeth and there were no Lawsuits from these accidents.

Only girls had pierced ears!

We ate worms and mud pies made from dirt, and the worms did not live in us forever.

You could only buy Easter Eggs and Hot Cross buns at Easter time.....no really!

We were given BB guns and sling shots for our 10th birthdays,

We drank milk laced with Strontium 90 from cows that had eaten grass covered in nuclear fallout from the atomic testing at Maralinga in 1956.

We rode bikes or walked to a friend's house and knocked on the door or rang the bell, or just yelled for them!

Mum didn't have to go to work to help dad make ends meet!

Footy had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment. Imagine that!!

Our teachers used to belt us with big sticks and leather straps and bully's *always* ruled the playground at school.

The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of. **They actually sided with the law!**

Our parents got married *before* they had children and didn't invent stupid names for their kids like 'Kiora' and 'Blade'....

This generation has produced some of the best risk-takers, problem solvers and inventors ever!

The past 70 years have been an explosion of innovation and new ideas.

We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned

HOW TO DEAL WITH IT ALL!

And YOU are one of them!

CONGRATULATIONS!

You might want to share this with others who have had the luck to grow up as kids, before the lawyers and the government regulated our lives for our own good.

And while you are at it, forward it to your kids so they will know how brave their parents were.

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