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Car Association Inc.
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Ourimbah RSL Club Pacific Hwy, Ourimbah Starting time 7.00 for 7.30pm.
Membership Fees: $40.00 First Year,, $20 following years. 2 voting members

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Hi members and welcome to the newer members, March was the busiest month we have ever had. I think with the Swap meet, the Ettalong car display and Wakefield Park Track day. I’ll start with the Swap meet, a “Big Big” thank you to all the members that put in time to help run the swap meet from the people that did the running around, too the people directing parking on the grounds every job is important and I and the committee thank you for your support.

The swap was again having to put up with the grounds being double booked, an arrangement was struck Friday for us to use the top oval as the bottom main oval was being used for a rodeo Saturday night this also stopped us from setting up the kitchen until Sunday morning. Members did a great job setting up what we could on Saturday picking up supply’s and putting out signs we even managed to get setup for feeding the swappers that arrived early thanks to the Saturday crew for all their hard work. A special thanks to the couple of members that arrived late Saturday in the afternoon/night to help with the change over after the rodeo and worked into the early hours to remove the mess left by the rodeo some even stayed overnight.

Swap morning was a little messy as we hadn’t been able to preset up and test lights and the kitchen cookers etc but the members got it sorted and thanks to the hotrod club having the BBQ’s fired up every one was able to get something to eat first up the hot rod club did a great job all day in the canteen, we really need a few more of our members to help at these events as the more hands the lighter the load. Again a big thanks to the members that worked to make it all happen, I still haven’t been to a swap meet that caters for the swappers as well as we do with quality food at low prices, people directing swappers and parking etc.

With the swap day ended the members that ran the swap can be proud of the job done as I received several phone calls in the week after saying what a good swap meet it was. Next was the car display at the Ettalong street fair we had a good roll up of cars with all getting lots of attention. It’s great hearing the comments like “Remember when dad had one like that” and “when we were kids we went on holidays in a wagon like that and all us kids rode in the back” apparently 4 adults 4 kids luggage on the roof kids in the back of the wagon sitting on pillows. We had great weather for the day and lots of people around thanks to the members that supported this and brought their cars along.

Then it was off to Wakefield park for the track day some of us went down the day before and stayed in the cabins track side for everyone else it was an early start but what fun it was.

We started with a safety briefing then we were split up in to 4 groups and then the day started about 9am with sessions running all day some people were just driving for pleasure not out rite speed and others where giving it the berries all day some members came down for a look and a ride, It was just great to be able to give your car a blast in a safe environment and by the number of people that asked, “when we are doing it again” must mean that they too enjoyed the day. Thanks to Trevor for all the work he put in organising numbers, collecting the money from entrants etc.

April our main run is to the Steam Fest Car display in Maitland park see events page this is a huge car display and an early start to get to the park but there is lots to see and do on the day. The club has been invited to display our Holden’s at Heritage day at the Entrance on 19th May so this will be one of the events we go to in may so if you can’t make Steam fest try and get along to this it was good last year Fish and Chips for lunch if I remember, Note this is open to all our Holden not just the early ones as our club puts on a display of Holden’s Heritage original to Current see events page for details.

With the AGM only a few months away we need members to think about nominating for positions...
These nationals were held at Bathurst this year and Vince & I went up with his FX and Vonnie’s FJ, Dennis & Bev; Paul & Erica Baker; Viv & Ed Tabone; and our friends from Cessnock, Ray & Lisa Cook and daughter Natalie and her boyfriend. So we had 6 cars in total. We met up with Bev and Dennis and Ray Cook and family at the Hawkesbury River. But Vince was having trouble with his FX, he had spent a bit of time on it getting some problems resolved but unfortunately there was another problem. So as we headed off to meet up with Paul Baker at Winston Hills Vince was left behind. He called me and said he was having trouble but to keep going as we would meet up at Pauls.

So thanks to Erica’s wonderful hospitality we had breakfast there of croissants and ham, tea and coffee and eventually Vince arrived. He had found the latest problem (the coil) replaced it and the car was going well. We thought it may be staying at Pauls for a while there. So we headed off lunching at Lithgow and finally arriving at Bathurst to check in to the Trackside Hotel. It was great, we had 2 three bedroom apartments and they were at either end of the motel. Our apartment looked out at the Skyline section and the others looked out at Pitt Lane. Viv and Ed arrived later and we had a great time.

Of course we all had a turn of driving around the track and when Vince and I went for a drive we came around the corner and there was this fellow standing on the side taking photos. Guess who it turned out to be…. Kenny Gold. So we have a great shot of me (Brian) on the track compliments of Ken. It was lots of fun although I missed the observation run as I got a nasty cold and had had some bad news about Mum so I stayed in the motel. Natalie drove the FX with Vince as she was not confident driving her Dad’s car as it is in such great condition (it won Top Stock) so Vince let her go in his. They and Vince on the tract compliments of Ken. It was lots of fun although I missed the observation run as I got a nasty cold and had had some bad news about Mum so I stayed in the motel. Natalie drove the FX with Vince as she was not confident driving her Dad’s car as it is in such great condition (it won Top Stock) so Vince let her go in his. They

Looking forward to the next one.
Wakefield Park

I went along for the first time and decided not to drive. I am glad I made this decision as I would have been too tired to drive home. I must say I had a lovely time watching the boys and girls with their toys. I started watching from the cabin where we stayed overnight after dining in Goulburn with Adrian, Ken and Vince the night before. It was good to get to know some of the newer members. The first group had a variety of cars, Vince in his Statesman, Ken in his Gold ute, now these two liked having some fun chasing each other for a while. Vince managed to keep ahead of the Gold ute. Shelly was out there in her ute and Marg Allen was out there Commodore. After getting a feel for the track they were off and running well.

Then the fast cars were out there, Peter in his GTO, his son Kevin in his red SS commodore, some club sports, more ss commodore and I don’t know what else. But they were flying around the track and having as much fun as I had watching them, well I think so anyway, but I dare say they would not agree. I also enjoyed the sunshine and just relaxing.

They had 10 minutes on the track and then the next group went out. I think there were 5 groups. Then they were on again. Loads of fun until nearly the end of the day when Peter let Vince have a drive of his GTO with Pete in the passenger seat, he managed to spin out on a corner because he was just not used to the power in this supercharged vehicle. But no damage was done. Next time out on the track Pete took Trevor as his passenger and after going down the straight at oh I’d say about 170kph he discovered he had no brakes coming up to the sharp turn with a car in front of him. Luckily the car in front got out of his way and although there was sand there Pete knew it was not enough to stop him so he tried to turn it sideways and collected the tire wall. Did some damage to the car panels, but thankfully they were both unhurt. It could have been a lot worse. We just seen the dust and thought they had come off the track, not realising the full extent until he came down towards us on the track and we could see there was damage.

So it was just about the end of the day and after a couple more runs we started to head home. Pete had to get some brakes first and put them in before they could head for home. But we all returned home safely and enjoyed the weekend.

Our Events
Location and destination of runs are open to suggestion. If you have visited a location that is interesting and provides reasonable parking for the group, please let a committee member know of your find. If you hear of an event that we have not heard about and you think we should be attending, likewise, contact any committee member. Enjoy your year’s outing and if you can assist in the organizing, please offer your help, every little bit is worthwhile.

April 2013

Happy Easter Everyone

14th April  Steamfest show day. Meet at twin servos at 6.00am for 6.30 start as we have to get there early or there will be no room left. Run no. 130414

May 2013

May 6th Monday 7.30pm Club Meeting Ourimbah RSL Run No. 130506.

19th May Heritage Day at the Entrance Memorial park.  Run No. 130519.
on the committee all will be vacant esp the presidents spot as I will not be in a position to do much around that time as I’m will be having major surgery on my back to repair / replace damaged disc’s so will need someone to take on this role, it would be nice to see some new faces on the committee as these always bring new ideas and direction.

I look forward to seeing you out and about in your Holden’s soon.

Chris

WARNERVALE TO WEST BEACH, ADELAIDE FOR THE NATIONAL VINTAGE & CLASSIC CARAVAN GRAND PARADE 2013
(first of its type & maybe the last .... for us anyway)

Dave and I set out from Warnervale Sunday 17 February 2013, we had planned on attending the swap meet at Clarendon and/or a car show on the south coast on the way, but after several weeks of packing up my house & Dave’s shed to hit the road more often, we were exhausted and ventured to the Goulburn Heritage Railway for a while en-route. The rail tour only includes the roundhouse & a few other things, the entire expanse as viewed from the Hume Highway looks very impressive, well worth the visit. Onto Sutton for the night & to hitch up a “family” Jennison 1950s bondwood caravan for the National Vintage & Classic Caravan Grand Parade and show for 2013. Jeffs & my maternal grandfather was a pioneer in the caravan industry starting in SA in the 1930s, he later moved his family to Sydney where the engineering shop had been located in several locations on the north shore, mainly Mosman. He was a brilliant engineer developing cars, boats, caravans and other lost inventions. He suffered from headaches and had taken a Bex a day as was recommended by advertising in those days and died of kidney failure in his early 50s - before any grandchildren were born.

Back to the journey: We were partly prepared, Dave had packed a few spares - we overheated all day approaching Hay; a bolt sheared off trying to remove the thermostat, and as it was 5:30pm the NRMA depot (next door) opted to look at it at 8:30am the following day!! We stayed at the Big 4 caravan park (more user friendly for mature travellers) - with Dave & I sleeping in the Kingswood, Jeff (my cousin) in his van. After three hours the following day, having the car towed next door, they replaced the thermostat after removing the bolt. The car still overheated as it was just under 40o each day and the van weighing around 1ton. Dave removed the new thermostat and we ran without it - much cooler!