



Old News

Newsletter of Baw Baw Old Engine & Auto Club Inc.



Heyfield Vintage Machinery Rally

President's Report

Well the cold wet weather is now here, welcome to winter in Gippsland.

Not much to report this month, however Jodie and I went to the Heyfield rally which turned out to be a record event numbers wise for them, and a great Rally at that. Congratulations to the organisers, it was a great rally.

Membership renewals

We are approaching the end of our membership year, and we invite all members to renew for the year ahead if you have not yet done so.

A membership renewal form is available on page 6 of the May issue of *Old News*. All members are required to complete and return the renewal form with payment so that we can ensure that member details are up to date. A photocopy of the form is perfectly acceptable.

Reminder

Timely membership renewals (particularly important for anyone with club permits) are due by **Tuesday 30 June**.

PAST EVENTS

UFO Day at the shed

Tuesday 26 May

We had a successful get together for our Tuesday UFO Day and had a very enjoyable time chatting and sewing.

We wish our missing ones well.

I hope to see you all again on the fourth Tuesday of next month, which is 23 June.

Thanks,
Lorraine

COMING EVENTS

Classic Chicks Lunch

Everyone is welcome to come and join us for good company and lovely lunch. Please contact Carol Tylee on 0417 539 171 if you are attending for confirmation of numbers. Our dates and venues are:

- Tue 14 July – Club Hotel Warragul
- Tue 18 August – Royal Hotel Drouin
- Tue 15 September – Criterion Hotel Trafalgar
- Tue 29 October – Neerim South Hotel
- Tue 17 November – Darnum Tea Rooms

Carol Tylee

We should all put in our diary Sunday 21 June for the trip to the museum in Beaconsfield, not to be missed.

That's all for now,

President Ross

A renewal form is provided on page 4 of the May issue.



Classic Chicks Lunch at Neerim South Hotel in May. Image: Phy Bould.

General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 12 May 2026

Meeting opened at 7.43 pm with Ross Watson chairing.

Welcome to members and guests

Attendance as per attendance sheet.

Apologies: Evan Williamson. Leanne Reeves.
Heather Reeves. George Ronalds. Jim Wilson.
Jim Aumann. Graham Madill.

Moved Laurie Hasan, seconded Geoff Little that the apologies be received. Carried.

Minutes of the April 2025 General Meeting as printed in the May 2026 newsletter.

Moved Doug McLelland, seconded Joe Derksen that the minutes of the April 2025 general meeting be confirmed. Carried.

Matters arising from the previous meeting:

- 1) AOMC membership & insurance- Committee has decided that our NHMA insurance is adequate and that we don't require the insurance offered by the AOMC as it is just doubling our insurance cost. **Moved Geoff Little, seconded Lorraine Parnall that we do not renew our Membership Plus insurance policy with the AOMC. Carried.**
- 2) Rokeby pump info board- Doug gave us an update.
- 3) Pump shed requires tidy up. We should try to spruce things up before our Ballarat guests arrive.

Correspondence:

Inwards

- 1) Other club newsletters, both printed and Email
- 2) AOMC Bulletin- Email.
- 3) Email from a heritage advisor regarding Rokeby pump. General Business.
- 4) Email from Ballarat Vintage & Classic Car Club regarding a visit. General Business

Outwards

- 1) General email notifications to members & forwarded newsletters.
- 2) Emails & phone calls regarding heritage advisor.
- 3) Emails & phone calls regarding Ballarat club visit.

Moved Ian Plant, seconded Michael Strauss that the inwards correspondence be received and dealt with as required, and the outward approved. Carried.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report- No report presented.

Editor- Nil. Report and pictures requested from Heyfield Vintage Rally.

Shed/grounds- Working bee- Mower test etc.

Adam Simpson (Simpson & Sons) to design a compliant and permitted Septic system as it

was found that the original system had some severe shortfalls.

Investigate registering Iseki mower.

Car park & drainage etc- Rob Tylee has levelled the Accessible parking area to ensure that the drainage is working as required.

Federation / CPS- Nil.

Membership- Nil.

General Business

- 1) Rokeby Pump heritage advisor- Ross followed up- Gippsland water are auditing their historic assets. They apparently only need to know what we had and what we have done with the Rokeby equipment.
- 2) Visit from Vintage & Classic Car Club, Ballarat- Pump engine demo and we provide morning tea. June 17th 10am.
- 3) Committee recommends that we hold our July General Meeting on Sunday July 19th at 10am. August General meeting and AGM to be on Sunday August 11th at 10am. BYO barbecue lunch to follow.
- 4) Wayne Henry gave a verbal report on the financial state of the Heritage Display committee. We are to request a donation towards the excess power costs to the club from the Heritage weekend.

Past events:

- 1) April 18th- Club run to Dingle's Light Horse display at Nar Nar Goon and Mt Cannibal reserve
- 2) April 22nd- Midweek run to Walhalla includes train ride and lunch- Very successful and enjoyed by all.
- 3) May 2nd- Working Bee,

Coming events:

- 1) May 16th & 17th- Heyfield vintage machinery rally.
*Preparation, loading and return of machinery from Midday May 15th to Midnight May 18th.
- 2) May 17th- National Motoring Heritage Day.
- 3) May 19th- Classic Chicks, Neerim South Hotel.
- 4) June 17th- Visit from Vintage & Classic Car Club – Ballarat

***Members must state their intention to attend an event at a general meeting to ensure that the details are recorded in line with NHMA Transit Insurance requirements. All tied-down loads should be photographed prior to starting the journey.**

Failure to do so may see any claim rejected.

Meeting closed at 8:35 p.m.

Next meeting, Tuesday June 9th. 7:30pm.

*A plate of supper please**

Coming Events

If an event you are planning to attend is not on this list, please let our Secretary and Events Coordinator know.

| Date | Event | Venue | Details |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| June | | | |
| Sat 6 Jun. | Casual Saturday at the Shed | Club Shed | Come from 10am onwards in a special vehicle. BYO BBQ lunch |
| Tue 9 Jun. | Club General Meeting | Club Shed | 7.30pm. |
| Tue 16 Jun. | Classic Chicks Lunch | Yarragon Hotel | All members welcome from 12pm. Please book with Carol on 0417 539 171 |
| Wed 17 Jun. | Visit from Vintage & Classic Car Club – Ballarat | Club Shed | Members of VCCC Ballarat will be visiting our shed from 9.30am, viewing the pump engine and having morning tea. Assistance with preparing the shed and providing morning tea and will be greatly appreciated. |
| Sun 21 Jun. | Club run to The Dowel Museum at Beaconsfield | Departing from Club Shed | Meet at the Club Shed at 8.45am for a run to The Dowel Museum. Contact Ross Watson (0407 860 248) or Doug McClelland (0448 981 945) for more details. |
| Tue 23 Jun. | Social Day at the Shed (with UFO Morning) | Club Shed | Come along to the shed from 10am with your unfinished small projects |
| July | | | |
| Sat 4 Jul. | Casual Saturday at the Shed | Club Shed | Come from 10am onwards in a special vehicle. BYO BBQ lunch |
| Tue 14 Jul. | Classic Chicks Lunch | Club Hotel Warragul | All members welcome from 12pm. Please book with Carol on 0417 539 171. Note this is a week earlier than usual. |
| Sun 19 Jul. | Club General Meeting | Club Shed | Note this is Sunday. Meeting commences at 10am, followed by BYO BBQ lunch. |
| Tue 28 Jul. | Social Day at the Shed (with UFO Morning) | Club Shed | Come along to the shed from 10am with your unfinished small projects |
| August | | | |
| Sat 1 Aug. | Casual Saturday at the Shed | Club Shed | Come from 10am onwards in a special vehicle. BYO BBQ lunch |
| Sun 16 Aug. | Club General Meeting | Club Shed | Note this is Sunday. Meeting commences at 10am, followed by BYO BBQ lunch. |
| Tue 18 Aug. | Classic Chicks Lunch | Royal Hotel Drouin | All members welcome from 12pm. Please book with Carol on 0417 539 171 |
| Tue 25 Aug. | Social Day at the Shed (with UFO Morning) | Club Shed | Come along to the shed from 10am with your unfinished small projects |

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Golden Oldies Tour 2026 **RACV**



If you have a Vintage vehicle (1919-1930) and need a week away with great company, fantastic scenery and unique displays join us on the Golden Oldies Tour. Starting from Marong picnic on 30 August 2026, we will travel 8 days to Bendigo, Barham and finish with a final breakfast in Swan Hill – touring the long way of course! For more details or to get an entry form email Anne on goldenoldies-tour@outlook.com.au or at www.federation.asn.au

Entries close 30 June 2026



Baw Baw Picnic

Historic Vehicle and Engine Display

Sunday 25 October 2026

10am onwards

Darnum Historical Complex

48 Pedder Street, Darnum VIC 3822
(110km south east of Melbourne)

Free entry

Sausage sizzle and drinks available



All vehicles, engines and machinery
25 years and older invited to display



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PAST EVENTS

Heyfield Vintage Machinery Rally

Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 May

What a good weekend – Heyfield 2026.

We arrived Friday night after dark, amazed to see the number of displays and exhibitors in attendance.

Saturday morning the displays and the public kept rolling in to what we were told was a record Saturday crowd for Heyfield.

The trucks, horses, stationary engines, aircraft engines, cars, tractors, steam engines and more were already well represented and covered the full time spectrum from early to later builds.

The Seaton Fire Brigade did a great job all day feeding the crowd lined up to well outside the shed. The line kept moving fairly quickly as the food was continually cooked and served quickly.

The food quality and price encouraged good eating.

With the display day over we moved into the shed for an evening meal, 200 people all seated, were presented with a well presented 3 course meal with great organisation and management.

A chat around the fire and off to bed.

Sunday another great weather day and the show was off again, with a lot of different displays to Saturday. It took me all weekend to get around the displays, there was so much to see and of course lots of conversations with other people.

Congratulations to the Heyfield Vintage Machinery Rally on a terrific show.

Rob Tylee.





Photos by Rob Tylee and Geoff Little.

History of Rokeby Pump Station

We continue looking back at old photos of the Rokeby Pump Station and the original Ronaldson & Tippett engine and pump restored by our club.

The focus for this month is the recovery from the original site in Rokeby.

If you have any photos or history on the Rokeby Pumping Station and equipment to contribute to the history currently being document, they would be greatly appreciated. They can be passed to Doug McClelland directly, or via a committee member (contact details on page 8).



FOR SALE AND WANTED

Advertising of items for sale or wanted can be placed for free by members. Advertisements will run for three (3) consecutive issues unless the editor is notified that the item has been sold or is requested to continue the advert. Please forward details and photos to the editor,

For Sale

1981 Toyota Cressida

Auto, 6 cylinder, 262,000km. Original interior and exterior. New tyres. Currently on club permit.

\$6,000.

Contact Tony on 0407 343 459 or 03 5622 1982.



5HP Monitor Hit and Miss engine on transport

Imported from the USA. Runs well. No cracks, welds, or breakages.

\$4,750 ONO. Advertised in other places.

Located in Darnum.

Contact Dave on 0418 504 158.



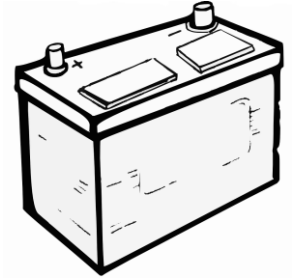
either by email (editor@bawbawvintage.com) or in person to any committee member. A price and registration number (or VIN/chassis number) must be provided for all vehicles.

Wanted

Old Car Batteries

The club collects old car batteries as a means of fundraising via scrap metal.

If you have any old batteries, we would appreciate your donation.



Batteries can be left at Rod Boreham's for collection (1 Robin Hood Way Drouin, on pallet at the road side of shed). This is the preferred location, but they can alternatively be left at the club shed.



Are you interested in joining Baw Baw Old Engine & Auto Club?

We invite you to contact us or come along to a club meeting or event and introduce yourself.

You can contact our membership officer at membership@bawbawvintage.com

More information about our club is also available on our website at bawbawvintage.com





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Affiliations



Meetings

Monthly meetings are held at the Club Shed, 48 Pedder St, Darnum

General – second Tuesday
Committee – fourth Wednesday

Old News Submissions

Please email any photos, reports, stories or other items of interest to the editor at editor@bawbawvintage.com.

You can also provide a hard copy to any committee member.

The deadline for submissions is the Friday following the monthly committee meeting (held on the fourth Wednesday of the month).

Disclaimer

The Committee and Editor of Baw Baw Old Engine & Auto Club Inc. cannot accept responsibility for any opinions expressed or the accuracy of information printed in content within this publication.

This Month's Cover

Heyfield Vintage Machinery Rally
Photos by Rob Tylee

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Our Shared Commitment

Being part of our club means being part of a community. To help keep the club active, connected and vibrant, we encourage all members to:

- Attend at least one meeting each year** to stay informed, connected and have a say in club matters.
- Take part in at least one club event each year**, helping build camaraderie and shared enjoyment of our vehicles and engines.

With every member contributing in these small ways, we can help ensure the club remains strong and continues to grow.

Club Permit Scheme

New Vehicles

For information on entering a new vehicle on the Club Permit Scheme, please refer to our club website or speak with our Safety Scrutineers for more details.

Safety Scrutineers:
Rod Boreham 0412 070 303
Wayne Henry 0409 252 258

Date stamped photos will be required for club records, including front, rear, driving position (side on, door open), passenger side, driver side, body and engine number stampings and plates.

Permit Renewal

Permit registration renewals are to be signed by club signatories at club meetings only. Please do not approach them at their workplace or home, except in a pre-arranged emergency situation.

Club Signatories:
Ross Watson and Rod Boreham
(club meetings only)

Club permit holders must always remain financial members of the club, with yearly membership fees received no later than June 30.

SAVE THE DATE

Darnum Heritage Display

Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 February 2027

