

Ballarat Morris Minor Club Inc.

Minor Matters April 2018



Ballarat Morris Minor Club at the 2018 Ballarat Swap meet



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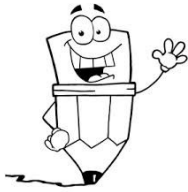
The Club meets on the second Monday of each month (EXCEPT January) at 7.30pm at the Club rooms in the Ballarat Airport Complex.

The Annual General Meeting follows the October General Meeting

Saturday afternoon Workshop from 1.30pm (at the Club rooms)

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Have you checked out the **BMMC** **Website.....** **www.bmmc.byethost4.com**



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Members

I can't believe the month comes around so quickly. Another very successful Coffee morning and I'm sure there will be something in the Minor Matters about the morning. Some of our men folk got themselves together and went to the Clunes Truck Show and by all accounts had a great day. Have to leave you here.

Keep Well.

Marlene.

EDITOR'S REPORT

Welcome to the April issue of the Minor Matters.

You may be wondering why the newsletter is a bit early—no it is not a mistake, the reason is due to the Special Meeting.....

What's in this issue:

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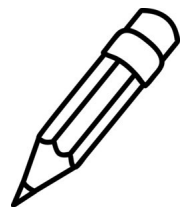
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Happy Reading Pauline :)



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BALLARAT MORRIS MINOR CLUB INC. GENERAL MEETING HELD 7.30 PM

12.3.2018 part 1

Present: Marlene Barrow (President), Sue Wylie (Secretary), Greg Andrews (Treasurer), Stuart Barrow, Glen Whitbourne, Jim Wardlaw, Geoff Brooks, Wayne Cunningham, Barry and Helen Dowsing, Glenn Bird, Peter Diprose, Max and Judith Phillips, Carolynne Barrow and Maxine Andrews.

Apologies: Phil Hoe, Marion Wardlaw, Lyal Siebert, John Thomas, Michael Patmore, and Norma Addison.

That the apologies are accepted. Moved: J. Wardlaw Seconded: S. Barrow AinF

Visitors: none

Previous Minutes: That the previous minutes as printed in the March edition of the Minor Matters newsletter be accepted

Moved: B. Dowsing Seconded: J. Wardlaw AinF

Business Arising: None.

Correspondence:

The Secretary advised the correspondence to be forwarded to membership via email. That the correspondence be accepted Moved: S. Wylie Seconded: M. Andrews AinF

Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer read the financial report which was tabled.

The Treasurer congratulated the volunteers for their tireless effort at the recent Swap Meet and the resulting income received via donations.

A request for the cheque account to be identified as a Commonwealth Bank Aust. account was made.

The treasurer advised members to consult with him regarding fuel reimbursement from Swap Meet (as required).

Moved: G. Andrews Seconded: G. Brooks AinF

General Business:

1. Swap Meet: Marlene thanked all of the volunteers who assisted at the recent swap meet and made special note of thanks to the non-members in attendance (Tim Baxter, Stuart Barrow (Jnr), Frank Clarey, Michael Siebert, Bill Phillips, John Forster, and David Barrow (thanks for the tractor, David).

"On behalf of BMMC, a big thankyou to non-members for their commitment in supporting us, and special thanks to David Barrow for the use of his tractor. All help was much appreciated and without this extra support we would have found it extremely difficult to manage the 2 days" Marlene Barrow

A letter of thanks to be sent.

Marlene reported that all had a great time at the celebration BBQ on the Sunday following the meet.

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BALLARAT MORRIS MINOR CLUB INC. GENERAL MEETING HELD 7.30 PM

12.3.2018 part 2

2. Invitation Weekend: It was reported that there have been a number of acceptances to the Invitation Weekend. Two external clubs have been in contact over concerns that they have not been able to locate the registration forms for the weekend on the website or via newsletter or via email. Regret was expressed as this may have reduced opportunities for people to attend and catch up with one another. A number of volunteers will be attending the club rooms on 13.3.18 to prepare for the weekend.
3. National Rally 21st to 23rd Sept 2018 (Canberra): David Moncreff has requested clubs notify of tentative numbers attending this event as there is consideration of cancelling the event if there is not enough interest. Discussion occurred regarding a need to know the finer details of the event before people could commit to their attendance.
4. Fridge Magnet: Thank you to Maxine who has donated a fridge magnet (picture of Morry's at recent Australia Day event).

Reports:

Library: Jim reported that the donation of 3 new books from Darren Stenner are now located in the library (a letter of thanks has been sent to Darren).

Workshop: Geoff reported that the new project in the workshop is a Morry that needs a little TLC. It's a 1951, low light, 2 door sedan. Any member is welcome to restore the car (it's 90% of the way there.....!!)

Club Captain: Glen reported that the excitement is building for the upcoming invitation weekend and detailed the approach to the Mooramong Homestead (Skipton). Upcoming events:

14th Feb – Out for Coffee – Arch of Victory (old Golf Club Rooms) – Sturt Street

23/24 Feb – Swap Meet

11th March – Clunes Truck Show

Editor: Glen reported on behalf of the editor that she would love to hear from members (photos, Morry stories, etc). The newsletter is a great way to keep in touch with each other.

Cars and Parts: A member has a Corolla (1985) for sale. Price negotiable. Contact committee member for details.

AOMC: No Report

FVVC: No report

Marlene called a committee meeting (held following the general meeting).

Meeting closed: 8.45pm. Next meeting: 9.4.18 @ 7.30pm, BMMC clubrooms, Airport Road.

Ballarat Morris Minor Club Inc. Committee Meeting held 8.50 PM Monday March 12th
2018

Present: Marlene Barrow (President), Sue Wylie (Secretary), Greg Andrews (Treasurer), Stuart Barrow, Glen Whitbourne, Jim Wardlaw, Geoff Brooks, and Barry Dowsing.

Life Membership:

- The committee recommends that Lyal Siebert, Max Phillips and Jim Wardlaw be bestowed with life membership to the BMMC.
- A special meeting of the membership is to be held on the 9.4.18 (coinciding with the general meeting) in order for a vote to be had on the recommendation.
- It was noted that 2 weeks notice is required to be given to membership for a special meeting and that this notice will be given in the next newsletter (letter to members to be sent to editor, see below for wording agreed to by the committee)
- An afternoon tea is to be held at the club rooms on 15.4.18 to commemorate the occasion. Invitations are to be extended to the Siebert, Phillips, and Wardlaw families for attendance at the event.

BMMC Rule Book: It was noted that the 'BMMC Rules' requires amendment for rules in respect of life membership. No action decided upon at this time.

Meeting closed: 9.15pm.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Dear Member,

By recommendation of the BMMC committee, a Special Meeting has been called for 9.4.18 to consider Life Membership to be given to Lyal and Shirley Siebert, Jim and Marion Wardlaw and Max and Judith Phillips.

This meeting will coincide with the General Meeting,

Regards,

Sue Wylie

Secretary

Ballarat Morris Minor Club Inc.

Ballarat Morris Minor Club Activities 2018



April

Monday 9th April	7.30pm	General Meeting at the Club rooms
Wednesday 11th April	10.30am	Out 4 Coffee at Pipers by the Lake 403 Wendouree Pde Ballarat
Sunday 15th April	2pm Onwards	Afternoon tea at the Club rooms

May

Monday 7th May	7.30pm	General Meeting at the Club rooms
Wednesday 9th May	10.30am	Out 4 Coffee at Ballarat Specialist School FARM Café Norman St Ballarat North see you there
Sunday 20th May	11.45am	Meet at the Arch of Victory for a 12 midday departure to the Court House Hotel Smythesdale for a 1pm lunch





April and May

April 8th

Ballarat Cars n Coffee

7.30am to 9.30am Sovereign Hill car park

April 14th

Echuca Swap meet and Show and shine Presented by the Echuca and District Historical Vehicle Club

Rotary Park, Rose St and Campaspe Pde

Entry \$5 Show and Shine \$10 Enquires

Enquires Mob: 0456 010 665 email echucaswap@outlook.com

May

May 5th and 6th 2018

Lake Goldsmith Steam Rally 111th Steam & Vintage Rally.

Fire Fighting Appliances and a salute to the CFA.

www.lakegoldsmithsteamrally.org.au



May 25th to 27th

Historic Winton

Winton Motor Raceway, near Benalla, Victoria

The long weekend of historic motoring will commence on Friday 25th May with the Benalla & District Classic Car & Motorbike Tour, which is always great fun for all who participate, as well as spectators.

Call for Display Vehicles – Sound your sirens. Ring your bells. Organisers are currently seeking heritage emergency vehicles for a display as well cars and motorbikes with significant anniversaries. Clubs or individuals with below listed vehicles who wish to participate can receive complimentary tickets by contacting organizer Noel Wilcox on noelwilcox@rocketmail.com or 03 54 282 689.

The 2018 Anniversary and Special Feature List includes 110 Years Ford Model T including Speedsters, **90 years Morris Minor 1928 – 1934**, **70 years Morris Minor 1948-1971**, **60 years Morris Major** and **Austin Lancer**, just to name a few. Also 50 years Sydney to London Marathon. Special Feature Emergency Vehicle display – veteran, vintage and classic police cars, fire engines, ambulances and any other emergency vehicles are welcome.

Raceway entry fees Sat \$30, Sun \$35, weekend \$60, children 16 and under n/c, competition paddock \$5. Camping at the track \$25/head per night. Camping enquiries (03) 5760 7100.

May 26th and 27th

Ballarat Heritage Weekend

10am to 5pm Ballarat CBD area

Ballarat Swap Meet

Friday 23rd February and Saturday 24th February



Thanks Maxine for the great photos

Congratulations to our many helpers for the Swap Meet.

You all worked extremely hard and you deserve to be proud of yourselves. We will let the photos tell the story.

Club Members: Geoff Brooks, Barry Dowsing, Stuart & Marlene Barrow, John & Eleanor Hill, Greg & Maxine Andrews, David May & Fiona Bieber, Ian Robertson, Darren Mercer, Jim Wardlaw, Carolynne Barrow, Sue Wylie and Peter Diprose.

Non-Members: Michael Siebert, Tim Baxter, Frank Clarey, Stuart Barrow Jnr, Bill Phillips and John Forster.

Also for the use of vehicles: Alan Pitcher, Frank Clarey and David Barrow for the use of the tractor.

A special thank -you one and all I do hope I've not overlooked anyone.
Marlene.





Out 4 Coffee

Wednesday 14th March

Formosa Nursery Cafe



This time we went to the Formosa Nursery Café for our Out 4 Coffee. Fantastic to see so many members enjoying a good coffee and chat together. Well done to Lyal and Shirley for coming along, great to see you out and about too and also to everyone else who came to be a part of this regular Club activity ☺ Look forward to catching up again next time at **Pipers by the Lake...Glen**.

Who was there:

Peter D.—MM Sedan

Barry and Helen—
Side Valve

Glen W.—MM Ute

Neville C.—'85 Corolla

Neville G.—modern

Jim—modern

Steve—modern

Marlene—modern

Greg and Maxine—modern

Robert and Dorothy—modern

Lyal and Shirley—modern



Thanks Glen and Maxine for the photos



Coming soon



♦ **Morris Minor Muster Albury/Wodonga**

Queens birthday weekend

Morrie Muster Queens Birthday long weekend

On the long weekend in June, each second year, AWMMCC holds the Mighty Morry Muster. This is said to be one of the largest gatherings of Morris Minors, outside the Nationals. The event attracts entrants from Sydney, Southern Highlands, Canberra, Melbourne, Geelong, Ballarat and Bendigo. Of course there are many entrants from other locations as well.

2018 MUSTER will be held over the Queen's Birthday long weekend in 2018. Details will be advised at a later date.

Taken from Albury Wodonga Morris Minor Car Club web page. awmmcc.org.au



♦ **27th National Rally Celebrating 70 years of the Morris Minor in Canberra.**

Friday 21st September to Sunday 23rd September 2018

Australian Morris Minor Car Clubs' 19th National Rally celebrating 70 years of the Morris Minor

A message on behalf of the Canberra Region Morris Minor Club Inc.

Australian Morris Minor Car Clubs 19th National Rally organising committee

Morris Minor Clubs Presidents, Secretaries, Members,

It's hard to believe that it's been 21 years since the Canberra Region Morris Minor Club hosted a national rally in its region (mainly because the number of Easter events here made accommodation and facilities almost impossible to book) but we're about to put that to rights.

At the Victoria delegates' meeting, we flagged an event to be held in conjunction with the Australian Morris Minor Car Clubs, for the **weekend of Friday September 21 to Sunday September 23, 2018**. This would be the **19th National Rally**, to mark the 70th anniversary of the production of the first Morris Minor. We were encouraged by the positive reception our proposal received and, as time is pressing, we need some indication of intending numbers to help with planning.

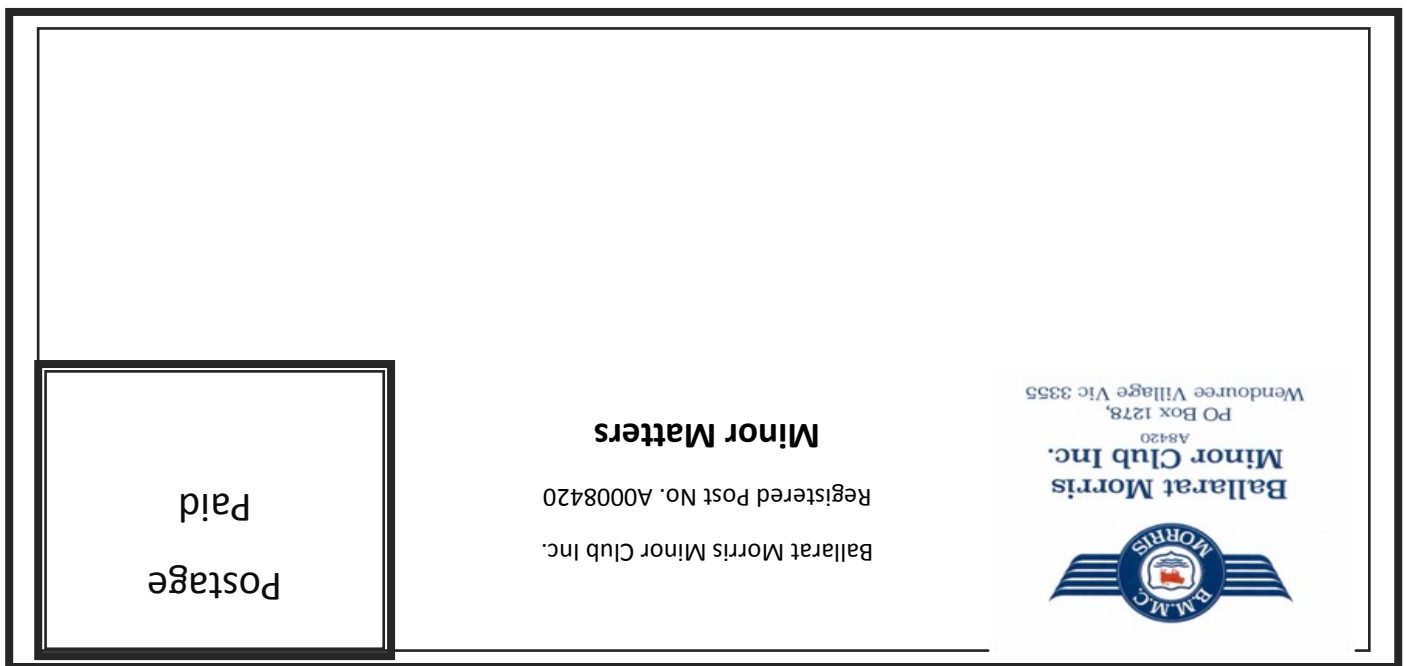
We are developing a comprehensive program, including opportunities for the sort of camaraderie that has highlighted previous rallies. Over coming months we'll regularly keep people up to date with our preparations. As a teaser we're planning to include most of the usual events associated with a National Rally; chances to catch up with MM enthusiasts, to have some fun, and to tour our wonderful region. A highlight will be a display marking the 70th anniversary, planned for central Queanbeyan.

Contrary to the bad press that's generated by our fly-in, fly out workforce, the Canberra region is one of Australia's best kept secrets. Those of us who live here full-time are proud to have this opportunity to show it off to you. We're inviting you and your members to come and see for yourselves.

At this stage, it would be very helpful for our planning (for venues and the ordering of regalia and mementoes) to have expressions of interest, including possible numbers, of people (and cars) who are considering attending. We ask you to circulate to your members or discuss this at your February club meeting and get back to us with an idea, non-binding, of participant numbers by the end of February. We're not looking for a rock-hard commitment, just a show of hands, at this stage.

To help with your planning, our regular updates will include early information about where to book accommodation, so your members can arrange to come and visit our wonderful part of the world. We would encourage members planning to attend to [email us](#) at this rally address as early as they can so we can communicate directly with them.

Canberra Region Morris Minor Club Inc.



We the Willing
Led by the Unknowing
are doing the Impossible
for the Ungrateful.
We have done so much
for so long with so little
we are now Qualified
to do Anything with Nothing!

Taken from the Australian Austin A30 Club Newsletter 7/80