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Meetings are held in the Clubrooms, Louie Lane, Spring Creek, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month commencing at 7.30pm. All visitors are welcome. Note that the editor and/or club members do not necessarily share the opinions that may be expressed in the magazine.

# Orange District Antique Motor Club Inc

## Events Calendar for 2018

Most events start from Kite Street outside Cook Park at 10am with morning tea at Cook Park unless otherwise stated in the events description. For further information on any events please contact either David Toy, 63 663140 (Mob) 0408 226511 or David Gray 0418 869897. **Note; All Twilight Runs start at the specified location at 5pm.** Changes may need to be made to the Events Calendar for various reasons with as much notice as possible being given.

### June

- Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>** Casserole Night at the Club House. Starts 6.30pm. Bring either main or a sweet to share. BYO nibbles & drinks. Tea and coffee will be provided.
- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>** Coffee & Cars at the old Bunning's car park 8am to 1200.
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>** Depart Cook Park at 10:00 for a drive to Spring Hill then return to lunch at the Robin Hood.
- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>** Depart Cook Park at 10:00 for the Amusu Picture Theatre at Manildra. Movie, The Darkest Hour, about Winston Churchill. Bring lunch to have in the park or order at the Café opposite. Movie starts at 1.30pm.
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup>** Monthly Meeting at club house 7.30pm.

### July

- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>** Mystery Tour. TBA at the next meeting.
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup>** Monthly Meeting at Club House 7.30pm.
- Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>** Depart Cook Park at 10:00 for The O'Connell Pub, 2408 O'Connell Road Brewongle for lunch. Travel via the back roads and Newbridge.

### August

- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>** TBA.
- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>** Dubbo Truck Show at the showground.
- Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>** Depart Cook Park at 10:00 for the Trunkey Hotel.
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup>** Monthly Meeting at Club House 7.30pm.

### September

- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>** Planning is underway to visit a property near Lyndhurst.TBA.
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup>** Monthly Meeting at Club House 7.30pm.
- Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>** Depart Cook Park for The Newbridge Hotel for lunch.
- Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>** Mayfield Gardens at Oberon.

### October

- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> – Monday 8<sup>th</sup>** Canobolas Rally hosted by ODAMC.
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup>** Monthly Meeting at Club House 7.30pm.
- Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>** Lyndhurst Market.
- Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>** Carcoar Show.

### November

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>** Carcoar Dam for a BYO picnic lunch.
- Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>** Millthorpe Garden Rambler.
- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>** Neville Show.
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup>** AGM Monthly Meeting at Club House 7.30pm.
- Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>** ODAMC Car Registration Day.

<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>August</b>
George Tait. David + Susan Toy	Peter + Rosemarie Amos. Richard+ Rhonda Bloomfield	Bob + Dot Boaden, Kevin + Margaret Bowyer.

# ORANGE DISTRICT ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB INC

## Presidents Report May for June 2018

(It was almost standing room only at the May meeting. Plus a couple of new members. Very encouraging to see even though it was a chilly night...)

If last night's meeting numbers is an indication of the continuing interest in our club, we are set for a promising future. Thank you to all who attended despite the inclement weather and a warm welcome to visitors and new members.

The club runs are continuing to be well supported. Your events committee met ahead of the meeting and have planned a variety of runs until the end of the year .They are always looking for potential outings and welcome any input from members.

I have contacted Iandra re a visit on the President's Run to the Young Cherry Festival in Dec and shall keep you posted. If you have any thoughts on "must see" during the run, let me know. Accommodation is always at a premium so shall let you know ASAP if the run is still on or we move to Plan B.

The disabled toilet is nearing completion and thanks to Bruce and his merry men, it is on time and under budget.

The Parkes Autumn Tour was very successful with 132 cars on show and interesting places to visit. Trundle was a bit disappointing through no fault of the Parkes club, and there were many complimentary comments on the cars by the ABBA participants. It will be interesting to see what format it will take next year.

Safe travels.

John N

## Cars we have owned

My first car was a 1955 Austin Ute followed by a 1963 Falcon Ute. Rhonda's was a Ford mark 1 Zephyr followed by an early Volkswagen Beetle car, after that we owned the following vehicles.

New Toyota corolla 2 door

1928 Ford A tourer

New Toyota corona

1925 Hupmobile R tourer

2nd hand xc Falcon

1929 Hupmobile M sedan

### current

2<sup>nd</sup> hand xe Falcon 4 speed fuel injected, a great car. 1935 Fargo truck

2<sup>nd</sup> hand Toyota wide body Camry, 2 tonne Toyota Dyna truck, New Toyota Camry Sportivo

Diahatsu Scat 4/4 diesel trayback, New 2006 Pajero diesel

New Diahatsu 4/4 Rocky diesel trayback, 2<sup>nd</sup> hand Toyota Yaris,

current new Ford Courier ute, 2<sup>nd</sup> hand Pajero diesel, current New 1998 Toyota Hilux diesel trayback, 2<sup>nd</sup> hand 2001 Toyota hilux turbo diesel

### Tractors

Field Marshall, Fordson Dexta, John Deere 2010, John Deere 2130 John Deere 5420 1957

Ferguson 35

Current

Richard & Rhonda Bloomfield



# Orange District Antique Motor Club Inc.

## Agenda for Monthly General Meeting.

**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

**Meeting opened:** 19.35

**Members Present:** As per the Attendance book 32 members signed the book.

**Apologies:** Don Eisenhuth, Chris Bromley, Dave Mackay, George Tait, Andrew McDougall, Andrew Sharpe.

**Visitors:** Markus Allaway, John Steele, Greg Ashe.

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Accepted as printed in the Magazine.

**Moved:** Richard Bloomfield    **Seconded:** Dave Gray                      **Carried.**

**Business arising:** Nil

### **Correspondence in:**

- Return Thanks from Joan Cutler.
- Coonabarabran Auto Restorer's Society Swap Meet information.

### **Magazines from other clubs:**

- Reflection, Cowra Crankhandle, the Crank Handle from Gundagai Antique Motor Club, Crank Torque from Parkes, Twin Rivers Torque.

### **Magazines by email:**

- Shellharbour Historic Vehicles Club, Vintage Motor Club, Inverell Crank Case.  
Advice on Model A Ford for sale, if interested ask Anne for email details.  
Minutes of the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs AGM and other CHMC information.

**Correspondence out:** Letter to The National Trust of Australia to request consideration for a grant towards the Pre 31 Autumn Tour for 2019.

**Moved:** Anne Magill                      **Seconded:** Kevin Penson                      **Carried.**

**Business Arising from Correspondence:** Nil

**Treasurer's Report:** Peter Amos presented the current financial report.

**Accounts to Pay:** Nil.

**Moved:** Peter Amos                      **Seconded:** Bruce Heinrich                      **Carried**

**Editor's Report:** In Chris' absence Anne passed on his report. Chris thanked everyone how sends in photos, reports and items of interest for the magazine. The reason for the problems with printing and forwarding of the May Restoration Rambler was explained. Chris hopes these problems are only temporary.

### **Events Report:**

- **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April.** Anzac Day services at Millthorpe, Carcoar, Mandurama and Lyndhurst. Bob McNeill reported a very good attendance at all services with three club members attending and two in military vehicles.
- **Sat & Sun. 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> April.** Orange Show. Eight club members attended. Bob McNeill presented a very interesting display of military vehicles and equipment. A lot of time and effort went into setting up this popular display. Congratulation to David Kain who received the Golden Oldies award for his Bedford Ute. Nigel and Owen provided vehicles for the current and previous Miss Orange Show Girls.

- **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April.** Coffee & Cars at Ryan's Bakery and The Lachlan Valley Railway at Cowra. ODAMC was well represented in 14 cars at Blayney for a really great display of old and new vehicles of interest.
- **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.** Canowindra. Seven members visited a private collection of trucks and tractors. Only complaint was we didn't stay longer to see more of the amazing work and collection.
- **Friday – Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> May.** Autumn Tour at Parkes for pre 31 vehicles was attended by 19 ODAMC vehicles. A total of 135 cars were entered. Rally was very well organised and attended. Only negative was the attitude of a council representative in Trundle who asked the Rally vehicles to move on. Unfortunate as everyone was enjoying the visit to the town.
- **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May.** Heritage Day Run to Wellington. A great display along the highway, with cars representing several clubs on the day, and 11 cars from ODAMC attended.

#### **Up coming events:**

- **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.** Casserole Night at the Club House. Starts 6.30pm. Bring either main dish or a sweet to share. BYO nibbles and drinks. Tea and coffee will be provided.
- **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June.** Lunch at The Mountain Tea House changed due to the closure of the business. Meet at Cook Park followed by a drive out to Spring Hill then back to the Robin Hood for lunch.
- **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June.** Amusu Theatre at Manildra, show starts at 1.30pm. The film showing is The Darkest Hour, about Winston Churchill. Other Car Clubs will be attending.

#### **General Business:**

- Bob Boaden advised that Ken Gazzard is not well and currently in hospital for treatment, our thoughts go out to Ken & Loan.
- Kevin Penson advised of the passing of a previous club member Ron Shewan.
- Peter Amos spoke about attending the Vauxhall National Rally. His Viva took out two trophies, one for the Best Viva the other for the cleanest engine bay. Congratulations.
- Peter gave an update on the planning for Canobolas Rally and the 2019 Pre31 Autumn Tour.
- John Nicholson gave a preview of this year's Presidents Run to Young with a visit to coincide with the Cherry Festival and car show. More details TBA.
- Keith Packham gave an update on the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs and details will be in the magazine.
- Anne has completed the Register of Club members and has copies available.
- Bruce spoke about property owners around club house approaching the council to have the road surfaced.

**Motion Moved:** Kevin Penson

**Seconded:** Keith Packham

**"A letter to be sent in support the residents in their approach to council."**

**BUT:** John Nicholson.

**Raffle prizes won by:** Anne Magill

**Meeting closed:** 20.20

*ORANGE DISTRICT ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB INC.*  
EDITORS RAMBLE

Welcome to the June edition of the ODAMC newsletter. I hope you enjoy it. I haven't been able to attend the last two meetings due to other commitments but it all sounds like everything is going well.

The newsletter has received a lot of reports and pictures this month so it should be an interesting read. Thank you to all who have sent these items in.

You will find at the bottom of the presidents report, 'Cars we have owned, sent in by Richard Bloomfield.' Sounds like a nice array of vehicles over the years.

There has been a couple of corrections to phone numbers. Dave and Chris Grey's number shown was incorrect as was the contact number for the Mercedes, in the For Sale section. Both are now correct.

Andrew McDougal sent in an article and some pictures regarding the Model A Ford Website. These sites are always a handy resource for members with specialised vehicles.

Kevin and Carol Ryan, from Blayney, sent in an article and picture about their EJ Holden wagon.

Ray Dwyer forwarded an article regarding electric cars. (Unknown Author) but an interesting read. ( unless you have just bought an electric car).

Ann sent in some pictures and reports from the Coffee and cars run out to Blayney, followed by the run out to the Lachlan valley railway at Cowra. Also some pics from the Orange Show.

Bob also sent in a report and picture from the Orange show with Miss Showgirl 2018. Once again ODAMC came through and delivered Miss Showgirl.

Keith sent in some information and applications for the Council of Heritage motor clubs rally to be held on 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> May 2019. It's a little way ahead yet but probably a good idea to get in early as this event is usually heavily booked and accommodation is at a premium.

He also sent in some changes to subscriptions for CMCH.

I had some whitewall tyres put on my little Capri and thought some other members might be interested in doing the same. I think they look a treat and really set the car off. Jacob can do most sizes and most colours or combinations. Jacob is a local guy who works from home and can be contacted on 0431338149.



The events committee have met again so we have some interesting new runs to attend. Don't forget if you want to add any activity in this section, just let the events committee know as we are all interested in new locations, venues and drives. Members attending any events are encouraged to take pictures and send them in so they can be put in the newsletter.

Don't forget to support our sponsors whenever you can as they support us.

*Please forward any items of interest to Chris Bromley on 63659224 or 0428659224 or email at [cbromley111@skymesh.com.au](mailto:cbromley111@skymesh.com.au) for any information, news, pictures or anything that we can add to the newsletter. All is gratefully appreciated.*

# Bush Council Rally 17-20 May 2019

## Special Dietary Requirements Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions must be indicated here to receive a personalised meal ticket during the rally.

While all care will be taken to meet your requirements as outside caterers will be involved we can't guarantee that your needs can be met at all times so no responsibility can be accepted.

- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Halal
- Gluten Free
- Food Allergy
- Other

Please provide details of foods/ingredients to be avoided:

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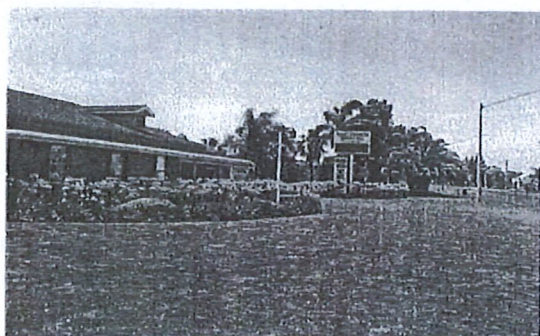
	Caterer Notified?	Date	Time	By Whom?
Friday Night Meal	_____	_____	_____	_____
Saturday Lunch	_____	_____	_____	_____
Saturday Night Meal	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sunday Lunch	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sunday Pres Dinner	_____	_____	_____	_____
Monday Farewell Breakfast	_____	_____	_____	_____
Morning &/or Afternoon Tea	_____	_____	_____	_____
Morning &/or Afternoon Tea	_____	_____	_____	_____



# Accommodation Guide

<u>Motels</u>			
* Exies Bagtown Motel	2-4 Blumer Ave	02 6962 7166	3 1/2 star
* Citrus Motel	71-73 Jondaryan Ave	02 6962 6233	3 1/2 star
Econo Lodge Griffith Motor Inn	96 Banna Ave	02 6962 1800	3 1/2 star
* Kidman Wayside Inn	58-72 Jondaryan Ave	02 6964 5666	4 star
* MIA Motel	144 Mackay Ave	02 6962 1866	3 star
*Yambil Inn Motel	155 Yambil St	02 6964 1233	3 1/2 star
The Grand Motel	454 Banna Avenue	02 6969 4400	4 star
The Griff Motel	Kooyoo Street	0438 680 431	
* Coro Club Motel	28 Harward Rd	02 6962 1180	
* A Line Motel	187 Wakaden St	02 6962 1922	3 star
* Acacia Motel	44 Jondaryan Ave	02 6962 4422	3 1/2 star
<u>Caravan Parks</u>			
Tourist Caravan Park	919 Willandra Ave	02 6964 2144	3 star
Griffith Caravan Village	Mackay Ave & Gardiner Rd	02 6962 3785	3 1/2 star
<u>Self Contained</u>			
Catania Farm Cottage	43 Cox Rd Hanwood	02 6963 0219	
Pebbles B&B	27 Gorton Street	02 6964 3958	
Centrepont Apartments	139 Yambil St	02 6960 2000	4 star
The Clarenton	22 Palla Street	02 6962 5284	
Banna Suites	470 Banna Ave	02 6962 4278	
Griffith Prestige Apartments	Unit 2-130 Kookora St	0409 635 296	
Mindon Serviced Apartments	41-45 Couch Rd	0429 603 940	4 star
Quest Griffith	53 Railway Street	02 6969 2000	
Cottages on Noorilla	37 Noorilla Street	0427 723 615	3 1/2 star
Maggie's Place	98 Macarthur Street	0417 257 615	
Griffith Northside Apartments	39 Edmondson Ave	0419 629 892	3 1/2 star
Inglenden Park Cottages			
<u>Hotels</u>			
Area Hotel	208 Banna Ave	02 6962 1322	
Hotel Victoria	384 Banna Ave	02 6962 1299	3 star
Yenda Hotel - 15km from Griffith	2 Yenda Place	02 6962 1014	

\*Preferred off street parking





# Council of Heritage Motor Clubs NSW Inc.

"Irrigation Wonderland Annual Rally"  
17th to 20th May 2019

Office Use Only

Entry Number
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## Entry Form

Closing Date for Entries - 15th March 2019 or 180 entries

Entrants Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Passenger 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Passenger 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Passenger 3: \_\_\_\_\_

(Ages please if under 12)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Make & Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Body Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to enter this vehicle in the Concours? Yes/No

Is your Club entering the Mal Mason Shield? Yes/No

Number attending the C.H.M.C. AGM

Please tick for yes

Do you have special dietary requirements?

Please fill in the attached form.

**Catering** Children are classed as being under 12 years of age

Friday Night Meal BBQ provided by Lions Club

Saturday Lunch Rally C or F ONLY

Saturday Night Meal Buffet Dinner @ Mirrool Room

Sunday Lunch Traditional Italian Food

Sunday Pres Dinner Table Service @ Mirrool Room

Monday Farewell Breakfast BBQ provided by Lions Club

Morning &/or Afternoon Tea (Sat) Rally C or F ONLY

Morning &/or Afternoon Tea (Sun) \$5 per person per item

N <sup>o</sup> of Adults	12yrs & under	Amount Due
____ @ \$10	____ @ \$10	\$
____ @ \$TBA	____ @ \$TBA	\$
____ @ \$35	____ @ \$18	\$
____ @ \$20	____ @ \$20	\$
____ @ \$35	____ @ \$15	\$
____ @ Free	____ @ Free	\$ Nil
____ @ \$5	____ @ \$5	\$
____ @ \$5	____ @ \$5	\$

\* Please note childrens meal on Sunday will be Chicken Schnitzel & Chips

### Friday & Saturday Rally Options

As some rallies are limited in numbers, early entry is recommended to ensure your place

Please mark which rallies you would like to attend

Rally A Handyman Tour	approx 1hr	Free	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rally B Art Deco Tour	up to 3 hours	Free	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rally C Røcking Horse Tour	2-3 hours	\$5	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rally D Foodie Frenzy	1hr 30 mins	\$5	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rally E Griffith Regional Theatre	30 mins	\$5	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rally F De Bortoli Wines & Garden	2 hours	\$10	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rally G Self Drive via Whitton	1hr 30 mins	Free	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rally H Self Drive of Griffith City	45 mins	Free	<input type="checkbox"/>

Rally Entry Fee \$75.00

### Conditions of Entry

The above nominated vehicle for the 2019 May Rally was manufactured prior to 31 December 1989, and complies with eligible requirements for Conditional Historic Registration/Full Registration. The vehicle will have current Conditional Historic Registration/Full Registration and Comprehensive or 3rd Party Property Insurance as at the dates of the Rally. I am a financial member of the above mentioned Club. I will be able to produce evidence of current Club Membership, Registration and Insurance at Rally Registration.

Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make Cheques payable to - GHMC or alternatively direct credit to BSB 802-058 Acct 100049360 (inc name)  
Forward entries to The Rally Secretary PO Box 2082 Griffith NSW 2680 or griffithrally2019@gmail.com

## Our 1963 EJ HOLDEN STANDARD 3 Speed Manual WAGON

Original Blayney Vehicle Unrestored



The EJ was purchased new in July 1963 by my uncle Harry May from the local Holden garage in Blayney, Central Western Motors.

My father Max Ryan bought it from him in 1965 when Harry decided to buy his next vehicle. Sometime between 1965 and 1971 it was damaged in an accident at an intersection not far from my home in Blayney when a set of dual wheels from one of Nixon's Commer stock trucks came off and went over the bonnet and mudguards. It was repaired at the time with second hand parts as requested by the insurance company. My mother was driving at the time and was lucky to escape serious injury.

My parents gave it to me in August 1971, as my first car, when Dad bought one of the last HG V8 Holden Premiers produced. The EJ was the car I got my licence in and I kept it until December 1972 when I traded it in on my first new car. A GTR Torana. I was an apprentice mechanic at Central Western Motors at that time.

When I traded it in 1972 my wife Carol's grandfather, Sam Bird, bought it and used it as his only vehicle until July 1985 when he could no longer drive. The registration lapsed and it was stored in his shed at Neville until I bought it back in 1986 and it has remained with me since then.

In October 2017 Carol and I decided to give the EJ a bit of a makeover. Not a full restoration but just what they call a Survivor Restoration and try to keep it as original as possible.

We have been able to source some replica parts. A new front seat base in the original trim colour ( all other seats are original), some other interior upholstery pieces, new rubber in places, new windscreen and exhaust system and other bits and pieces I had collected over the years.

Still a few things to be done but it had its first run back on the road after 33 years on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 under historic registration. To this point the motor has had no repairs and is as it was in 1986 when we parked it in our shed.

As you can see she holds great sentimental value for us for so many reasons. None the least of which is the fact that we went on our first date in this car way back in September 1972.

Owners: Kevin & Carol Ryan, Blayney



Andrew McDougal sent in this article about the Model A Ford Website FW: NSW Model A Ford



**Subject:** FW: NSW Model A Ford Website

Please members, we have a website that has most of the information you might need re the club.

1. Club Runs
2. Buy & Sell
3. Tours - 2018 National Meet Newsletters and booking forms.
4. Membership Section - has all historic declaration forms, membership renewals etc.
5. The club flyer
6. A technical section with lots of information about tuning your car etc
7. A links section for other websites of interest to Model A people

So please visit and have a look around <http://modelafordclubofnsw.com.au/>

Regards

Rob Taylor

Editor

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The number and variety of cars at the Coffee & Cars at Blayney were amazing. A wonderful sight that covered numerous street in the town.



After morning tea at Blayney and the Coffee and Cars we headed off to Cowra to visit The Lauchlan Vally Railway was very interesting.

Eddie has a fountain of knowledge about trains, and as we know every little boy loves a train.



ODAMC was well represented at the Orange Show with 8 members with cars on display. Special mention must be made of the Army vehicles and equipment display by Bob McNeil. It certainly attracted a lot of attention.

Nigel and Owen had the honour of giving the current and past Miss Show Girls a ride to the Opening Ceremony.



Once again ODAMC came through and delivered Miss Showgirl, with 8 cars turning up, GREAT effort, and two days of clear weather made for perfect conditions. At the Ute muster on Sunday, Dave took out the GOLDEN OLDIES section with his Bedford, well done as the competition was hard on his heels. Thanks for coming as without people taking the time to attend we would not have a show. Bob.



# Little Different Story about Electric Cars!!

INTERESTING - ONE OTHER QUESTION. IF ELECTRIC CARS DO NOT USE GASOLINE, THEY WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN PAYING A GASOLINE TAX ON EVERY GALLON THAT IS SOLD FOR AUTOMOBILES, WHICH WAS ENACTED SOME YEARS AGO TO HELP TO MAINTAIN OUR ROADS AND BRIDGES. THEY WILL USE THE ROADS, BUT WILL NOT PAY FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE! WHO WILL BEAR THE BURDEN?

In case you were thinking of buying hybrid or an electric car:

Ever since the advent of electric cars, the REAL cost per mile of those things has never been discussed. All you ever heard was the mpg in terms of gasoline, with nary a mention of the cost of electricity to run it. This is the first article I've ever seen and tells the story pretty much as I expected it to.

Electricity has to be one of the least efficient ways to power things yet they're being shoved down our throats. Glad somebody finally put engineering and math to paper.

At a neighborhood BBQ I was talking to a neighbor, a BC Hydro executive. I asked him how that renewable thing was doing. He laughed, then got serious. If you really intend to adopt electric vehicles, he pointed out, you had to face certain realities. For example, a home charging system for a Tesla requires 75 amp service. The average house is equipped with 100 amp service. On our small street (approximately 25 homes), the electrical infrastructure would be unable to carry more than three houses with a single Tesla, each. For even half the homes to have electric vehicles, the system would be wildly over-loaded.

This is the elephant in the room with electric vehicles. Our residential infrastructure cannot bear the load. So as our genius elected officials promote this nonsense, not only are we being urged to buy these things and replace our reliable, cheap generating systems with expensive, new windmills and solar cells, but we will also have to renovate our entire delivery system! This latter "investment" will not be revealed until we're so far down this dead end road that it will be presented with an 'OOPS...!' and a shrug. If you want to argue with a green person over cars that are eco-friendly, just read the following. Note: If you ARE a green person, read it anyway. It's enlightening.

Eric test drove the Chevy Volt at the invitation of General Motors and he writes, "For four days in a row, the fully charged battery lasted only 25 miles before the Volt switched to the reserve gasoline engine." Eric calculated the car got 30 mpg including the 25 miles it ran on the battery. So, the range including the 9-gallon gas tank and the 16 kwh battery is approximately 270 miles. It will take you 4.5 hours to drive 270 miles at 60 mph. Then add 10 hours to charge the battery and you have a total trip time of 14.5 hours. In a typical road trip your average speed (including charging time) would be 20 mph.

According to General Motors, the Volt battery holds 16 kwh of electricity. It takes a full 10 hours to charge a drained battery. The cost for the electricity to charge the Volt is never mentioned, so I looked up what I pay for electricity. I pay approximately (it varies with amount used and the seasons) \$1.16 per kwh.  $16 \text{ kwh} \times \$1.16 \text{ per kwh} = \$18.56$  to charge the battery.  $\$18.56 \text{ per charge} \div 25 \text{ miles} = \$0.74 \text{ per mile}$  to operate the Volt us the battery. Compare this to a similar size car with a gasoline engine that gets only 32 mpg.  $\$3.19 \text{ per gallon} \div 32 \text{ mpg} = \$0.10 \text{ per mile}$ . The gasoline powered car costs about \$20,000 while the Volt costs \$46,000-plus. So the Canadian and American Governments want loyal citizens not to do the math, but simply pay three times as much for a car, that costs more than seven times as much to run, and takes three times longer to drive across the country.

Excellent research/article !!!



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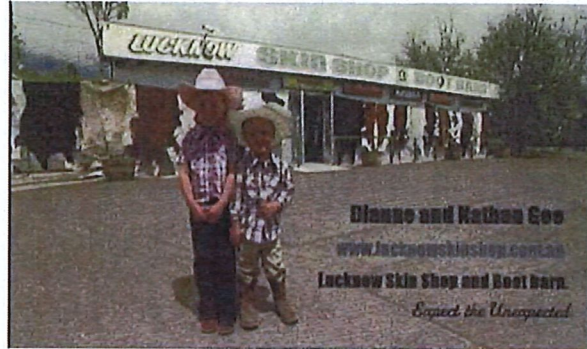
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