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Prewar and T Type Register report for June 2022

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The Register meeting Down Under at Hawthorndene

Last minute arrangements saved us and we have the Pearson team to thank for hosting us once again.

Winter in Hawthorndene is usually hoods up temperatures however there were a few who braved the elements to arrive in true register style hoods away.

Grateful thanks go out to Joy, Winona & Anthony Pearson for hosting us in what you would say was a traditional register meeting finishing up with a wee dram of port supplied out of Anthony's war chest held for such occasions.

Yep, you have got to say plenty of goss, home prepared food, down under in the garage, cosy and warm around the gas heater that managed to melt the Kimber Run plaque as it dropped down from the roof, well that's enough a good formula for a meeting.

Apologies. Plenty to read out on a cold night, still no Ken Fisher yet but we are hopeful. Head of the list as always is Brian Forth , just too wet for Forthy . Travellers Anne & Geoff McLean will be back for the next one. Robin Gibbs is in similar longitude to the McLeans in the warm top end. Mozza is away with Steph for the weekend, David Herbert cannot land his plane, fogged out. Finchy not feeling well, Lancasters likewise. Headache Hugh Wilmott-Griffiths has the worst excuse of all, "too old,too cold, too far", Don Walker & Peter Shipline from the south tucked up with Mike Greenwood down there me thinks, Simon Ewart nearly made it maybe the flight was delayed. A few others but that will do for the time being, read on.

Attendance. A total of 10 Register vehicles,TC-3,TD-2,TF-3,Y-1,NA-1 36 signed in.

New member. Great excitement to have a local Bruce Trebilcock come to the meeting, He is the owner of a 1954 1250 MG TF, black (shiny) with really lovely chrome. I did introduce him to Grant Carr who has a very similar car in age. Bruce's car has often been seen around Blackwood so it is a great relief for Russell Garth to have Bruce attend a meeting.

General Business. Well here we go, once the bell rings for general business all manner of things pop up.

The Winton Historics report was given by Peter Cundy , three from the car club participated in the regularity timed event, Peter NA, Bob Schapel TC Special, Lindsay Hick TA Special, what we heard was that it was very hard to hold the pedal back off the metal in the timed event. Bob Schapel suffering calf muscle cramp, you would have thought the pit crew could regroup into pit crew masseuses.

Of special interest was the Austin 7 rollover in front of Peter's NA ,captured on the go-pro camera in great detail. The pictures are quite stunning. Lesson here is do not run your precious racing machines on motor bicycle tyers, too much grip it seems.

National meeting 2023 in Adelaide, Peter Auld looking for helpers, please let him or the club know what you can do. There is a specific website for the Easter weekend meeting.

The green Magnet in the garage looks as though it has been purchased from a very dodgy operator judging by the "Arthur Daly" sticker in the back window.

David TD McNabb reported on a coming event in November , the Springtime Rally Victoria run by the T Register , he is going maybe others too. More later I expect.

MG Car Club 25th Anniversary Port 1981. I was able to hand out two bottles to lucky recipients , P Cundy & D Hosking, however good old Bob Schapel chimed in with knowledge and history of this port made by Rovalley Wines. Bob is such a knowledgeable bloke on all things MG and car club history. For those interested this port was part of a series by Liebich & Sons, MG, Jaguar, Austin Healy, Corvette & Porsche. We were really enthralled but none got opened.

Vale, Christine Martin. Our condolences were express to Thane Martin on the passing of Christine wife and mother to their girls,sadly gone after a long time of serious illness.

An MG enthusiast in WA has also passed Peter Briggs, a great collector of historic cars namely the K3 that raced in the UK in the Isle of Man races.

Chris Bennett is on the mend we are told after his fall that sent him into a coma and then into rehabilitation, Heather has asked for contact via her email address.

Andrew Willington, "Willow" reported on the health of Terry Wright who was on the Winton tour this year. He is doing well but is avoiding meetings due to Covid.

Terry provided the usual great photographs from Winton some especially of Peter Cundy, Bob Schapel and Lindsay Hick, hope that you get to see them via the club website just exquisite.

Just a short story on Terry who did a "slip, rattle & roll" off some steps at Winton.

Shaken but not stirred was his response, a mere roll on the grass , camera and lens held high , says it all for a Camms Professional Photographer.

Steve Grist made the meeting despite my mistake with the street number in the notice, however he is very please with the 5 speed gearbox in the TD, oh what a feeling !

So is Paul Doc Dallwitz and Dean Hosking, got the same feeling in their TD's , yes Toyota what a feeling.

Thankyou Bob and Michelle for collecting Curly Walker from his digs at Resthaven.

Member of the month. This is the story of the "Gold", Brian Golding or more aptly Vincent Van Golding. Why do you ask grasshopper ? Goldy of Vincent motor bike

and side car fame has recently departed from the sidecar outfit. Apparently the outfit at speed is incapable of holding a line on sweeping bends, an occurrence that scared the life out of Goldy. After consulting his birth certificate, decision made, cut the sidecar loose. But that is not the only event worthy of reporting , a flying stunt over the handle bars into a stand of melaleucas is just cause to slow things down a bit more.

Goldy (Vincent van Gold), legend for his epic driving from Murray Bridge and back to attend the register meetings, Thursday on a not so “starry starry night” in the MG TC saw our intrepid adventurer fully prepared for the journey. Concealed under his denim jeans , tights ! Horse rug over his knees and Puffa Jacket to boot.

Without incident apart from a dust storm created on the freeway from the road grinder capped off a mere perfect night again. Well done Vincent !

The wrap. Many have said that they enjoyed a regular but more traditional register night, our hosts the Pearsons put in a lot of effort to get us under cover, warm and well fed. A little bit of port to see us on our way was just the berries to finish off the night.

My wife did say she missed me. I have to go now she is starting to reload !

Cheers, see you at the next meeting of the register rugged up I expect.

BOTR.