

# PAST TIMES



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## Life Membership



Brian Pilton and Martin Paine shaking hands on becoming our latest *Life Members*, along with their wives - Margaret Pilton & Debbie Paine



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, another month has gone, and I need to sit down and write my monthly report. Firstly, a big congratulations to Martin and Debbie Paine and Brian and Margaret Pilton on being awarded life membership of the VAA very well deserved and an honour that I am sure they will acquit with great enthusiasm.

Your committee has agreed to source new POLO shirts, dress shirts and bucket hats, I hope to have some sizing samples for our next meeting with idea being that we take orders and then add some for stock. We propose to sell these at cost - as we want as many members to wear them as possible.

Your events organisers have been trying to entice you to get your cars out and enjoy them, after all isn't that why you own them ! We have had little interest so far in the weekend away to Bunbury, so unfortunately unless we get a few more interested parties we will have to cancel the event.

Talking of events, we will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary next year, so we want to replicate our clubs' first event which was "Perth to York", the difference being that we need 50 cars to go, representing our 50 years of existence.

I have been told that this is not possible so are you up to the challenge ? OK you have at least 12 months' notice to get one or more of your cars ready.

On the weekend of the 27th March, Loris and I headed off to Mt Barker for a reunion, we got about 50 kilometres from home and her Hyundai i20 started to overheat. We did an about turn and went home and picked up one of my Daimlers. When got to Mt Barker, I felt that there was something wrong with the steering. I managed to get underneath to find that the steering rack bushes were shot and that the rack was moving about 6mm, which made about a 100mm on the steering wheel!

This made for a very interesting drive home. Moral of the story is keep your maintenance up to date.

See you all at the April meeting.

Kind regards,

*Tony Warner*

President - Vintage Automobile association of WA Inc.

0417 555 073

### VAA Mystery Run

It has been a very long time since we had a run during the week for members who are retired or others that can take some time off.

After some discussion with our President it has been decided to have a few runs. We are calling it a Mystery Run as it has been decided to meet at our Club rooms and those that turn up can all decide where we will go for the morning.

It has been decided this way so you can all decide rather than it being left to one person. The date will be 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021 (Thursday).

Meet at the Club rooms at 9.00 am for a 9.30 am departure to who knows where.

See you there and we look forward to quite a crowd.

*Robert and Tony*



**WANTED** - Our kitchen is in need of a replacement upright all electric stove.

If any member has one they would like to donate that would be great, but please, it needs to work and be fully operational.

### Your Club Needs You

We are trying to reach former and current members to come to the clubrooms to talk about the history of the club.

Much has been written already by Ron Perry and Martin Paine but we need stories of people, cars, events, in fact anything that will make interesting or amusing reading please contact past members who you think may wish to make a contribution, please also look to see if you have any photographs that might qualify to go into the book.

Please attend one or more of the sessions if you can see below for dates and times.

If these dates are not suitable please contact me on 0417 555 073 or by email [lancelot2@westnet.com.au](mailto:lancelot2@westnet.com.au)

Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm


Wednesday April 28<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided - please do try to come along.

*Tony Warner*



**MINUTES OF THE V.A.A.W.A. GENERAL MEETING - CLUB ROOMS, Bellevue, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

Meeting Opened at	2000 Hrs			
Attendees	45 members and guests present			
Apologies	R Hyde B White T Egan J Whatley	A & L Warner J Brajkovich F Ferrari L & B Rodwell	R Roberts B Roberts L Boujos K Bounsell	G & L Williams M Richards R & J Bracken
Visitors	M Watts			
New members	Nil			
Previous Minutes	Accepted by – K Lockyer    Seconded by – P Velden    All in favour – All			
Business Arising	Nil			
Correspondence in	A number of impromptu run notifications Multiple responses from politicians about the concessional licensing changes Email from Paul Berkavicius - Steel Bumper Cruise to Chidlow Tavern, 11:00am 28th March. Please see the Eastern Hills Car Club Facebook page for details. Email from Paul Markham advising those wanting to attend the Classic Car Show must register via a link to get a pass to enter. Perth Heritage Committee are chasing a "Black Maria" to show at the Perth Heritage Weekend – 16-18 April.			
Correspondence out	Email to members about That Car Paint Shop – provide painting courses and booth hire. Air force museum to all members via email A letter to Bunnings requesting a donation of gift cards.			
Business arising	Nil			
Treasurer's report	Club Bank Balance is currently – \$29044.58. Money In Recycling - \$20 Trailer hire - \$50		Drill press - \$50 MK7 Gearbox - \$200 Drinks - \$55.60 Car badge - \$40	
Business arising	Nil			
Accounts for payment	Magazine - \$140.80 BBQ - \$103.10 Riley Parts - \$418.29 Badges - \$43.90		Bld. Maint. - \$311 First aid – 15.76 Approved by – G Barton Seconded by – R Dunn	
Events	Please check the events calendar for upcoming events Air force museum was a good run – next time invite the kids Fremantle Prison Torch Light Tour - 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2021 – You need to register with Pauline Velden by sending her your name. Curtain Radio Classic Car Show – 11 April - You need to register with Pauline Velden by sending her your name. Shannon's Classic Car Show – 18 April - You need to register with Pauline Velden by sending her your name and what car you are taking to get an entry pass to show your car with the VAAWA. The club will enter your details to get the passes we just need to know who is going. Bunbury Weekender – 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> of May - You need to register with Pauline Velden by sending her your name. B Pilton asked is there a way that members with no emails can be contacted about club events.			
Swap Meet	Cannot get a venue so has been postponed until later in the year.			
Editor	Magazine will be late to be posted due to the lack of contributions. The magazine can only work if members contribute. Please have all articles in by the last Sunday of the month.			
Publisher	Nil			
Vehicle examiner	Club inspection day will be 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021 from 8am to 12pm. A BBQ will also be had.			
Registrar/New Member approvals	Neal Allen – 1948 Jaguar and a 1966 Daimler, Mark Watts – 1970 XW Ford Utility Total members are now 251			
Building report	Side emergency exit door now fixed, Gutters are now repaired, Air compressor donated by Komatsu is now installed and running			
CMC	Rob Hyde has resigned his position. Frank Ferrari is fill in until we find a new representative. C4C K Lockyer - As the management committee had already voted No on allowing C4C into the club, KL asked that a vote go to the floor on whether the club should allow C4C applications and members. K Agar - put a motion forward to vote on the subject that the C4C not be considered, and discussion be stopped. The motion was carried on the floor to stop the discussion. The C4C may be brought up again later in the year.			
Library	No books had been booked out since 2018, Thank you, Neville, and Shirley, for donating some magazines.			
Workshop Report	Princess getting oil leaks repaired, Dodge getting steering box repaired. Good continuing turnout every Wednesday and Saturday.			
General business	Asked for volunteers to form a committee to run the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations. Committee will be seeking members to suggest and organise event for the rolling 12-month calendar. Life membership approved by vote for. Brian & Margaret Pilton Martin & Debbie Paine Life membership was given to the above for their above and beyond ongoing commitment to the club and its members. Approved by T Warner, Seconded by D Paoliello, Floor vote unanimously approved by all those present.			
Wanted, Sales and Sightings	Nil			
Raffle winners	\$170 raised 1 <sup>st</sup> – R Dunn 2 <sup>nd</sup> – M Watts 3 <sup>rd</sup> – H Sadler			
Display car	P Callo displayed a genuinely nice Monaro. Next meeting P Bercovic's will be displaying a car.			
General Meeting closed	2100 Hrs			Proudly sponsored by Shannons 



# Air Force Memorial Estate - Sunday 7th March 2021

Well, for those of you who did not come to this event, you really missed out!!

This museum was a fantastic event!! Just what a WOW factor, and the knowledge the guides had, was very informative. The enormity of the planes inside and the stories that they told, was very fascinating.

We had the following turn up for the event:

Alan & Linda Warner, Ron & Dot (new members), Bluey, Keith & Kathleen Agar & Thelma, ourselves, Steve, Pauline and Adele Velden. (11 in total from 250 members!!) Tony and Loris, sent their apologies, as they couldn't make it.

We really would like to do this again, as it is really worth it! Next time, we should make this a family event, whereby, invite the young grand children to enjoy the history of the planes.

The museum of course is run by volunteers and of course their passion for the planes is the same passion you have for your cars. And they too like to share the stories that the planes have.

Thanks

*Pauline Velden*



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Ron and Dorothy Dunn also visited the Airforce Memorial Estate on Sunday March the 7th. Several other members from the club were there also.

This holds a special interest for me, being involved in sport aviation for the last 50 years. It was a good day with not only military aviation on display but a lot of civil and sport aviation aircraft as well.

The day was marred only by an elderly lady falling down the steps outside.

She was made comfortable and an ambulance called.

Her friends stayed with her and we can only hope that she was not too badly injured.

*RON*



## Workshop Stories That are (Embarrassingly) True ...

Unfortunately it's mine – As a young man consumed with a need to make his car go faster, I fitted a dash tacho (well, it looked cool anyway). Fitted it, took it for a test drive, car went great ... until I turned right at the lights! ... car dead. Scratched head. Hit it in the guts, alive!! All the way home, it kept dying when I turned right. Spitting chips, I consulted with Dad (a motor mechanic) he asked "What did you touch?" I replied "Just fitted a tacho". Dad rolling a smoke on the back verandah asked "did you put insulating tape on the wiring joins?" "No" I replied, checking under the dash (metal) – I saw my wiring was shorting as I turned right. I had in fact installed a kill switch. Taped up the joins – all good!

A Jag/Daimler left the workshop (eventually) after work on an irritating fuel flooding problem at the carb.

It had dual SU carbies and dual electric fuel pumps. The obvious, and as it turned out, wrong reasons were: too high fuel pump pressure or dicky float/needle. After putting in a fuel pressure regulator, swapping floats, new needle and seats etc etc etc - it still had the problem! Well, what was it? – why was it still flooding? The answer – the woven fuel line to the mis-behaving carb had a very small split (almost impossible to detect) which leaked when it felt like it and gave all the appearance of a flooding fuel bowl.

New piece of fuel line: - problem fixed!

To my complete delight, a club member brought his XP Sedan into the workshop, because it was running like a pig and spitting oil everywhere. As is the case with old rockets, they have been through a few owners and been 'kept going' - just not very well!

First off, the PCV system was sorted so it did not lubricate everything under the bonnet.

Second, off with the head to see if we had something major wrong. Not really, just tired, so the plan was: a quick valve job, put a thermo in and assemble the head back on top where it should be. I was just about finished helping our workshop boss put it together on the bench by managing the spring compressor on my side of the head, while he got the valve springs, collets etc organized on his side. Then - **very loud swearing** as we were nearly finished, that almost lifted the tin off the workshop roof! I looked at my upset boss – why was he so upset? We had done everything right - **except** - put the valve stem seals in!! Easily fixed – start again and lucky we picked the oversight early rather than bolt the head to the motor and **then** see the error.

Happy ending – club member very pleased and we got it done (eventually)...



# Fremantle Prison Torchlight Tour. Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Well what a fabulous night it was. To begin with, we all met at Ciscerellos for fish and chips as, the tour was not til 9:00pm. Although that did seem late for some, once you are out of your comfort zone, it was an enjoyable evening with great company. The tour was the Torchlight Tour, appropriately named, as you entered the prison that was pitch black, with only your small torch to guide you. Lots of ghost stories to begin with, just to psych your mood for the moment, and for those who believe in ghosts, it would have had you on your toes.

Walking through the prison listening to the stories the walls of the prison held, was interesting and after the riots on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 1988, the prison was set to close 3 years later, once the new Hakea Prison was built.

Whilst the many stories were being told, there were actors along the way, that would suddenly come out or the dark cells re-enacting the days when prisoners were still there. This sudden burst had many of the girls screaming and then a laugh along with it. The prisoners certainly endure a tough time back then, as the stories that were told, certainly showed it was inhumane in that era. Although for us, I am sure, that era was only yesterday!! We have certainly come a long way and much more educated in the rehabilitation of inmates.

Fremantle Prison is iconic and is really worth a visit. Just so much history.

Rate out of 10 for this adventure was 10 out of 10.

Do your self a favour - go and visit Fremantle Prison, if you haven't already done so.

Thanks

*Pauline Velden*



## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Without wishing to steal Pauline's thunder I would like to say that the two recent Socials I have attended, being the visit to the RAAF Museum and more recently the Fremantle Prison were both very enjoyable events, although from my perspective poorly supported. I would like to thank Pauline for her efforts and encourage her not to lose heart, there are a few of us that like to get out and enjoy what is on offer locally.

On that note, can I remind you that we are planning a weekender in and around Bunbury for the weekend of the 1st and 2nd May. The purpose being, to visit three different venues over the weekend and view historic memorabilia, machinery and cars. All displays are highly recommended and well worth making the effort. At present interest is quite low and makes one wonder if it is worth the effort. If anyone has any interest please let us know sooner rather than later so we can finalise arrangements. Another consideration is accommodation as with the Covid situation accommodation is often at a premium.

Regards

*Alan Warner*

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## BARRED UP

Thanks to Graeme, Rhonda and Son we now have the bars re-installed on the outside of the windows around the club and they are looking very classy to boot. A great job guys.

The door lock has been changed and keyed to suit for entering from the outside when in closed position for convenience by one of our newest members, Niki Swales who was also of great assistance installing the door closer from the workshop to the clubroom. Thank you, Niki.

As most of you are probably aware, we also have a new lean-to out the back of the workshop, with concrete floor which was carefully and cleverly erected by Jim Whately with the help from the workshop boys doing the concrete labour. Joseph Bradcovich brought in and positioned the container next to the lean-to for extra storage. Thanks also to Joseph.

The guttering has all been sorted out around the workshop as well as the front awning. So, good work and help from Neville Everett and Mark Atkinson which would not have been achieved without the opportunity to use the mobile scaffold supplied by Peter Goldsmith.

Thank you Peter, your contribution has been invaluable and most appreciated. Thanks also to Shirley and Loris for the tummy fuel to keep us all going.

*Graham Hough*  
**BUILDING MANAGER**



## Life membership - Martin & Debbie Paine

At the March general meeting.

Debbie and I had the honour of being made Life Members of the VAA.

I joined in mid - 1972, together with my brother Roger.

We had restored a 1929 Chev Sedan in 1971.

We enjoyed many events and social outings with the club.

In 1975 we sold The Chev and consequently our Membership with VAA lapsed.

In 1992, Debbie, myself & our son Warwick, who was six at the time revisited our interest in Vintage cars.

The Sunday Times Newspaper advertised a 1926 Whippet.

This car was owned by Fred & Olive Ashby (VAA members.)

Debbie and I purchased the car and re-joined the VAA.

We have had many enjoyable times with the club, together, with supporting the committee.

Debbie has enjoyed arranging many events, and hopefully will be doing more in the future.

Both of us would like to take the opportunity to thank the members for their support over the years, and indeed approving the nomination of Life Membership.



*Martin Paine*



## RILEY UPDATE

With the major painting completed we have transferred the Riley to the Motor Trimmers to have the interior work done. This is going to take a little while and is also one of the major cost centres but is probably the single most important aspect of the restoration. We are now in the process of reassembling the doors and will hopefully have them together before the trimmer calls for them, he is recovering the seats and fitting the carpets and vinyl roof prior to having the doors fitted as it gives him better access with the doors off.

Graham is in the process of repairing the interior woodwork which appeared to be in reasonable condition, hopefully once repaired and relacquered this will add to the final result. I have also seen a chrome plater regarding the diecast items that are by far the worse parts of brightwork that we need to have replated, he wasn't all that encouraging and we will investigate further. New parts are available from the UK but would end up expensive and freight is also quite expensive these days as well as slow. Hopefully another local plater will be more accommodating. Thats about it for now except to report that there is some interest being shown regarding purchasing the car when finished but this is at present just interest so we shall see how that ends up.

*Alan Warner*

## FOR SALE

This vehicle is in very good original condition with no modifications.

Price \$29k neg.

Please contact John 0417988355.



I met a guy today who has a heap of early dodges 1924 & 1928 I believe and a 1940+ not sure on year there is loads of gear engines, gear boxes, chassis, spare doors the list goes on. His name is Tony and his number 0417813227. If some one needs parts or wants a new project you can get every car and every part for \$3000 or he will split them. This is a good find for someone and only in Kenwick.

Regards

Graham Bertolini

**WANTED** Truck rims 5 stud, 1 3/4" hole with 5 7/8" centre hole and approx. 5" wide for 7.00 x 20 tyre to suit 1940's Dodge. If able to help please contact M Davey 96201245 or email: [mmdavey@westnet.com.au](mailto:mmdavey@westnet.com.au) Maitland

**WANTED** I'm still looking for a Stromberg carby for a 186 red motor Regards *Kevin Sadler* Mob 0403004032  
Email: [whataddressit2014@hotmail.com](mailto:whataddressit2014@hotmail.com)

## FOR SALE

**FRONT INNER WHEEL BEARING NEW (NOS)** incorrect Ebay purchase Should suit Chevy from 30's to 50's and possibly a Buick, Pontiac, Olds. Cup overall outside diameter 2 15/16<sup>th</sup> 75mm Centre spindle/stub axle hole 1 3/16<sup>th</sup> (30mm)  
2 x **909002** kit Standard ball bearing roller bearing kit (3 piece 502 cone 602 cup) Sell \$70 each  
2 x **909002 R kit** (Bower) This set is a Modern "Tapered roller bearing" version of 909002 kit above.  
2piece (Cup and tapered roller) These are hard to find and retail about \$120 each (sell \$90 each)

### OUTER FRONT WHEEL BEARINGS

4 x **9194S cup with 09074 cone. Timken** "Tapered roller bearing" (to replace ball bearing part number 909501, 909601 and 909701). **THE 09194S CUP** is almost impossible to find In Australia (retails \$125) due to its odd cup size of Overall diameter 2.0820" or 52.883mm.....Tapered cone (09074) centre hole has spindle shaft size of 3/4" or 19.050mm  
\$80 each suit 35-36, 39-52 Olds, and Some Chevs 29-52, Pontiac 33-52, Some Buick 34-36,37-40  
**Contact SAM 0434205187**



For sale Radiator Badges - 1923 and 1925 Oldsmobile in really good condition \$75 each  
1938 Pontiac Speedo \$75  
Sam 0434205187

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# VAA Office Bearers - 2021



\* Denotes committee of management

POSITION	MEMBER	PHONE	
President	Tony Warner	0417 555 073	*
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Assistant Scrutineers	Keith Agar	0417 966 862	*
Assistant Scrutineers	Brett Roberts	0402 233 487	
Assistant Scrutineers	Ray Roberts	0438 911 387	
Building manager	Graham Hough	0408 905 226	*
Caretaker	Mark McKenzie	0400 701 142	
Librarian	Martin Paine	9247 1729	
Club Historian	Ron Perry	9295 3420	
Workshop Manager	Bob D'Jong	0400 064 937	
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Events Coordinator	Pauline Velden	0405 144 919	*
Dating Officer	Trevor Harrison	9398 1272	
Kitchen Manager	Shirley Everett	0424 422 270	
Swap Meet organiser	Vacant		
Raffle coordinator	Domenic Paoliello	0407 446 682	*
Raffle assistants	Elijah, Isabella, Jackson, Macey, Lani & Tyler		
Social media	Vacant		
CMC Delegate	Frank Ferrari	0419 421 087	
Committee of management	Ray Smith	0416 018 119	*
Committee of management	Kevin Lockyer	0407 355 245	*

## **SOME MEMBERS WHO HAVE ACCESSED THE WORKSHOP SERVICES**

Margaret Smith, Reo Truck, Betty Russell, Morris minor, Domenic, Cadillac x2, Austin 7, Fiat Bambino, Buick, Vespa, Joe Brajkovich, 1926 Talbot, Honda Giro, quad, Tony Warner, Mk7 Jaguar, Moto Guzzi, Daimler V8, Rob Hyde, HR Holden, Villiers, Stuart turner, Terry Egan Austin 7, Peter Egan, Holden, Bill Redeckis, 1937 Ford, Sue Fletcher, Oldsmobile, Dave Currell, Volkswagen, Kit Car, Mazda, VAA Volvo sedan, Riley, Paul Martino, XP Falcon, Jason Ferris, Valiant, Mark McKenzie, Ford Zephyr, Neville Everett, Wolsley, Ray Smith line trimmer, Graham Hough Celica, Willie Siroen, Hunza, VAA car Trailer, Lathe, Trevor Harrison, EH Holden, Celica, Brad Mills Jailbar, Brian Pilton, Customline, Michael Schultz Mercury Comet, Niki Swale Subaru Brumby, this list is incomplete but shows some of the jobs that have been done in the workshop. All of the these people have made a contribution to the equipment for the workshop. To the members who give their time freely to fix all of the above a huge thank you.

*Tony Warner*

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## VAA EVENTS 2021

### Don't forget our Pre Meeting Sausage Sizzle BBQ from 7:00PM

### Workshop at the Club Rooms 9AM-12PM Every Wednesday and Saturday

MTH	DATE	DAY	TIME	NAME	ADDRESS	CONTACT	PHONE
APR	4 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	10am – 3:00pm	Make Smoking History – Max Pinjarra	Sir Ross McLarty Oval Longo Avenue Pinjarra		0419 191 535
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Sat	7pm – 11pm	West Coast Poker Run 2021	Belmont Forum Shopping Centre		
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	10am – 3:00pm	All Australian Car Day	Waroona Showgrounds		
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	10am – 3:00pm	Curtin Radio Classic Car Spectacular	Trinity College Trinity Avenue Perth		9266 2121
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	8:00pm	VAA CLUB MEETING	CLUB ROOMS	Jason Ferris	0475 625 209
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	10am – 3:00pm	Shannons 2021 Classic Car Show	Ascot Racecourse		
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	10:30am – 12:30am	Classic Cars & Coffee	University of WA Hackett Drive Crawley		
MAY	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sat & Sun	TBA	Bunbury Weekender			
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	8:00pm	VAA CLUB MEETING	CLUB ROOMS	Jason Ferris	0475 625 209
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Sun		British Car Day	Gin Gin		
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Sun		VAA CLUB RUN TO SWAN VIEW TAVERN	Swan View	Debbie	
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sat	8:00AM	Cruise for Mens Mental Health	Balcatta		
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sun	TBA	VAA Inspections	Club Rooms	Graeme Barton	9530 1148
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sun	TBA	Classic Cars & Coffee	University of WA Hackett Drive Crawley		
JUNE	8 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	8:00pm	VAA CLUB MEETING	CLUB ROOMS	Jason Ferris	0475 625 209
JULY							