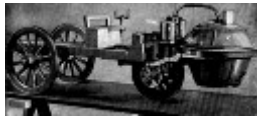


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Read about the trip to Victoria by Paul Berkavicius with many photographs.

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**The Saturday Men's Shed is open for members
please check with the committee.**

Tony

Special Notice

For those that want to organise an outing sometime/somewhere then please let
Debbie Paine know your plans.

AGENDA FOR THE V.A.A.W.A. COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting. 7th July 2020

Open Meeting	7:32 pm
Members Present	Tony Warner, Keith Agar, Graeme Barton, Rhonda Barton, Loris Cooper, Dave Currell, Kevin Lockyer, Martin Paine, Domenic Paoliello, Bill Redeckis.
Previous minutes	Approved on a motion by Rhonda, seconded by Bill, motion carried.
Business arising	None other than action items covered under agenda items.
Events	<p>Dave has published the VAA Events Guidelines to our webpage (http://www.vaawa.org.au/files/Guidelines%20for%20Organising%20a%20VAA%20Event.pdf).</p> <p>Dave presented changes to the constitution required to make the Events Coordinator a permanent member of the Management Committee.</p> <p>Pauline and Steve Veldon were appointed to the Events Coordinator position vacated by Debbie Paine starting immediately at least until the AGM.</p> <p>A welcome back event will be arranged once restrictions lifted.</p>
Finance	<p>Many generous donations mean around \$2,000 of the restoration budget remain.</p> <p>Payment approvals moved Martin seconded by Kevin were accepted unanimously.</p>
Building	Sufficient funds remain in the restoration budget to look at security system options.
Registrar	<p>New member nominations for James TEASDALE (John Teasdale collection) nominated Dave CURRELL and Mark ATKINSON nominated by Bob D'JONG were moved by Rhonda, seconded by Martin, and accepted.</p> <p>As of 7/7/2020 216 of last year's 254 members have paid annual fees with 6 not renewing and 32 yet to pay or advise their attentions. Dave will send the CMC return of non-financial members with concessionally licensed vehicles on 13/7/2020.</p> <p>The committee reviewed suggestions from the Register Audit.</p>
Web	<p>Usage a little down on May. Last 30 days – 233 visits (164 new 69 return) for average 8 people per day looking at 14 pages. (66% desktops 34% mobiles).</p> <p>The site is down due to not being able contact reseller to renew name registration. Restored 11/7/2020</p>
Swap meet 2020	Decision on event this year for this year by September Committee Meeting (1/9/2020).
General business	<p>The committee discussed potential changes to the constitution to clarify classes of membership and number of honorary life members. To be finalised at August meeting.</p> <p>Dave has prepared an appreciation certificate to Brajkovich Demolition.</p> <p>Bunnings is recommencing Sausage Sizzle and offered the club dates in July and August. The committee considered that this was too soon to mobilise members and understand new conditions and resolved to ask Bunnings if the date could be deferred.</p> <p>Action: Dave to request Bunnings for deferment of new sausage sizzle date.</p> <p>Brad and Annie Farm have sent their donation of weekend at their B+B Farm stay for raffle.</p> <p>The committee agreed to Don's proposal to enter the Hills Billycart festival in October.</p> <p>The committee thanks Cynthia Payne for generously donating a Dyson vacuum cleaner.</p> <p>Loris tabled the run sheet for the Presidents run to Greenhills on 19/7/2020.</p> <p>Bill will look at updating update the photos on the notice boards in the club rooms.</p> <p>Dave Currell won the second remote raffle draw.</p> <p>Dates for the next General Meeting, AGM Inspection Day cannot be determined until we move to phase 5 of the WA COVID-19 roadmap now delayed until 1/8/2020 at the earliest.</p>
Next Meeting	The next committee meeting will be held Tuesday 4 August at 7:30pm.
Close Meeting	9:19 pm

Well I don't know what to say really



Some weird memories with the VAAWA club.... Over the years we have taken a lot of photos and I thought it would be good to focus on some of the weirder ones.....

Jason Ferris



Now you know it's not a car show

Unless you bring your tank.....



RIP



Not sure what is wider the dash or the steering wheel!!!!



Nice parking..... you passed



When you just want to know what is behind you....



Anyone seen my car keys?



Car shows are exhausting

Our trip to Victoria. March/April 2020, by Paul Berkavicius, 15th June.

I thought I would share the story of a trip to Victoria I did with fellow member Peter Goldsmith and his wife Christine. The idea for a trip started halfway through last year (2019) as I had always wanted to attend the Scoresby Steamfest as I have never been before and it was on my "Bucket List".

After discussing this with Peter, we worked out that the weekend before is the Ballarat Swap meet that he really wanted to go to, and then the big bonus was the weekend after is the big Chrysler show (Chryslers on the Murray) at Albury/Wodonga, actually another bucket list item for me as I am a big Chrysler fan, as is Peter. We discussed our idea with Christine and she thought it would be a good trip and wanted to come along too, so that was it!

Getting Ready.

Come February, we shipped Peter's Prado over to Melbourne about two weeks before we were due to fly over and to our relief it arrived at the truck depot with a few days to spare.

In the meantime, I was in contact with Bob (my Fordson Club contact in Melbourne), about our travel plans and he very kindly offered to pick us up from the airport and drop us off at the truck depot (Laverton North) to pick up our vehicle. I met Bob when he visited my place as part of a Fordson Club group from the Eastern States that did a tour of Western Australia in November 2019. Bob and his wife were among a few members that stayed with me for a few days. For those that do not know, I collect Fordson Tractors and have been a member of the Fordson Club for many years. I own about a dozen of them ranging from 1927 to 1951.

Arrival In Melbourne. We arrived fairly early on the 27th February as we took the late "red eye" flight over. Bob duly arrived and picked us up from the airport. After lunch, we picked up the Prado which made it over unscathed except for a flat battery. We worked out we had some time to kill as we weren't due in Ballarat until evening, so Bob thought it would be a good idea to visit the nearby Point Cook RAAF museum as I have an interest in Aircraft too. This Museum was way better than I expected and was very enjoyable, they have a lot of exhibits. As an extra bonus, they brought out their 1948 Cessna and gave a talk about it before flying it around the airfield for us. We then said "tooroo" to Bob and we headed off to our AirBNB in Ballarat.

Peter, Christine and I attended the first day of the Ballarat swap meet on the 28th with just Peter and I doing the 29th. Never seen anything like that before, it was HUGE. We clocked up over 28km walking around the site over the two days. I met up with Fordson Club member Mike Woods who was on one of the stands and it was good to catch up again as he was one of the club members who stayed at my place. We arranged a visit to see his vintage collection at the Woods Museum in Rupanyup for the morning of the 3rd of March.

We then did some "touristing" around Ballarat over the next day or so. On the 2nd, we travelled to Horsham and stayed there one night in one of the Pubs (Royal Hotel) and that was very good.

The following day, we headed off to the Woods Museum for a visit. Mike was waiting for us and we had a good look through. All I can say is WOW!

There are two BIG sheds chock full of vintage engines (over 100), tractors (around 100), massive collection of tools, collectables, household items and much, much more. All the items are very well presented and there are lots of examples of period shops, workshops and stores to see. If you are ever in Victoria, it is well worth a visit. After a coffee at the Museum, we said fair well and we headed off to Bendigo to stay in another AirBNB.

We did some touring around including the Trams and Bendigo Pottery and a visit to some of the Goldfields. On the 4th, we paid a visit to several members of the Fordson Club in Bendigo and checked out their tractor collections. The Fordson Club Secretary, who lives in Bendigo, had arranged for a get together that evening with some of other members who had visited my place last November, and so we all met at a pub in Kangaroo Flat. The evening went well and I felt very honoured to be welcomed by the Fordson Club members there.

We were due to travel to Melbourne City the following day, however Bob somehow managed to arrange a visit to Ivan and June Smith's private museum in Kyneton. So that worked out well as it was on our way.

We met up with Bob, his wife and brother at the Museum and Ivan and June were there to greet us. This was a very special treat for us, the museum is rarely open and usually only allows Car Club groups to visit, but somehow Bob arranged it and that was a real bonus.

Ivan (who is in his 90's by the way), is into his International Tractors and Trucks as well as a lot of other models of vintage engines, trucks and cars, all beautifully restored and presented. The museum is housed in a section of the old VDO Gauge factory. The "coup de grace" is his Chrysler collection of 30 plus cars, including the very first R series to come off the production line in 1960 to the very last car to come off the production line in 1981. The latter car still has less than 50km on it!. Some of the other cars on display were no less than two International High Wheelers, a 1907 Argyle, a early 1900's Vauxhall, an early Model T Ford, 1930's Rolls Royce, similar era Bentley, MGB, Model T racer and many other types.

After this visit, we realised we needed somewhere to store our vehicle while we stayed in the city. Bob came to the rescue again and offered to store it at his place, so his brother gave his wife a lift home in his vehicle and Bob drove us into the city in the Prado and dropped us off. On the 7th, Bob picked us up in the city and we attended the Scoresby Steamfest. This was way better than I could have hoped for, really amazing place and so much to see. There are a lot of BIG sheds full of steam, diesel and oil stationary engines all properly set up and running. There were a lot of steam traction engines, steam rollers, a steam truck and lots of tractors roaming around the big arena. The centre piece of the arena is the BIG Rapier Walking Drag line. This can move about using two big feet operated by eccentrics (both human and mechanical!). There were a number of outside clubs displaying tractors, engines and cars too. At the end of the show, Bob mentioned that the Clunes Truck show was on the next day, so we arranged to do that show. Bob picked Peter and I up from the city and off we went to Clunes. While we were heading out of the city, we passed a very large Street Machine gathering in Lygon street, Carlton. There must have been 70 plus awesome cars to look at.

Our trip to Victoria. March/April 2020, by Paul Berkavicius, 15thJune Cont'd

Later on, we caught up with some of Bob's friends for morning coffee in one of the towns on the way. The Clunes Truck Show is a fairly big deal with around 50 plus trucks and as many cars on display and a lot of other items. A nicely restored Bedford J3 got my attention as you may know I am doing up a J2. On the way home from the Truck show we dropped into another friend of Bob's group who is into model T Ford racing cars which was fascinating. He had quite a collection of Vintage cars and Machinery too. After a few days of touring around the City, I met up with Bob at Flinders Street Station on the morning of the 10th and we headed up to Puffing Billy for the day. They have just re-opened the Menzies Creek Museum, very impressive and worth a visit. It was a great day out, always love going for a ride on the steamers there. We spent the next few days wandering around the city as the Covid virus outbreak was starting to become a concern. We ran out of loo paper the last few days and as there was just none available anywhere, we resorted to stuffing our pockets with paper from public loos to get by! Crazy... On the 12th, Peter, Christine and I had a farewell dinner with Bob and his wife at a local pub which was quite good. The following day, Bob picked us up from the City in the Prado and after a morning tea at their place, we headed off to Albury/Wodonga. We stayed at another AirBNB in Wodonga that was quite nice. On the 13th, we did a bit of touring around and started seeing a lot of Chryslers around, happy days!. I caught up with some Charger Club members from WA who came over for the show and I joined with them for a meal that evening. I am also a member of this club as I have four Chrysler vehicles. The car show was amazing, 930 cars attended and a swap meet was included in the show grounds. This event is one of the premier Chrysler Shows over east and runs over three days. They have a lot of track events at a nearby test circuit on the Friday before the show proper on the weekend. The show included a large display of AMC vehicles this year, lots of unusual models all in great condition. There was a big variety of Chrysler cars ranging from the mundane to the absolutely wild, most of the highly modified cars are licensed and street driven, you would never get cars like those licensed here in WA!. We spent two days looking through all those cars but it was all over by early Sunday arvo, so we did a trip out to Beechworth. That evening, the Victorian Government banned all public gatherings due to the outbreak of Covid-19 so this car show was the last one to happen in Victoria. *Heading home.* There was also talk of closing borders, so we decided to head back to W.A. directly. We had intended to do a bit of touring around S.A. on the way back but we cancelled that idea. We did still intend to visit the Birdwood museum, and so we headed off to S.A. on the morning of the 16th. We dropped into Echuca for morning tea, and then drove to Murray Bridge. After an overnight stay, we headed off to the Birdwood Museum. This is a very good Car and Bike museum and well worth a visit. They have a very extensive collection of Vintage and Veteran cars, there are many makes that I have never even heard of on display! Another attraction is they have setup part of the Holden Assembly line, complete with cars to view and a few films running about it and the history of Holden. There were a couple of modern Holden prototype cars on display that never went into production, pity because they would have been popular I reckon. A prominent feature in the main part of the Museum is about Tom Kruse' of the Birdsville Mail Run fame. One of his mail trucks is the centrepiece of this display. There were a lot of trucks and buses there to check out and a huge collection of vintage motorbikes in another wing of the museum. After spending about three or four hours having a quick look through, we headed off to WA. We did a big drive from Birdwood and made it to Kimba that evening. The next day we left early and did a 1200km drive and made it to Norseman late that evening. After another early start, we arrived at Peter and Christine's place in Glen Forrest later that afternoon. I picked up my vehicle and headed to Chidlow, home at last!.

End of Trip.



A collage of Paul Berkavicius' trip.....



RESTORATION PROJECT

A small amount of history on our 1926 Chevrolet and where it all started. We have been a building company since about 1922 which was started by my Grandfather Harry and I have never really considered our role in transport only in building. When I sit back and think about it, the building materials needed to be transported to sites somehow. Sometimes this was done by contractors, but also we had to have our own trucks for gear and also to transport our carpenters to site as in the early days many only had a push bike.

I have been told that my Grandfather started out with a bike and a Gladstone bag tied to his handlebars and did all his work around West Guildford which is now Bassendean where we still reside.

We never shifted very far.

When my father was still alive he told me that they could afford a brand new Chevrolet 1 ton truck which was delivered to our building yard in Bassendean much to the delight of everyone. This was 1926.

As you are all aware, the truck came as an engine and firewall and you built your own body to suit your business.

My father and his father proudly drove it to Guildford, both sitting on the fuel tank as that is where the seat is situated.

The body was built by a company named Douglas Jones which was eventually taken over by Millars and then Bunnings - the rest is history. This old Chev did many years of hard work and my Grandfather gave it away to someone in about 1960. When I started my building career in 1962 a bit of nostalgia started to creep in and after we were married I went looking for a 1926 Chevrolet truck to restore.

I found one for \$50 and believe me I did not realize the amount of work in restoring old vehicles, not much money was required, only a lot of time.



Photo – 1926 Chevrolet truck Before – Photo After

Robert Hyde

Photos – Hill Trolley



A small and quick story on what I did during our lock down.

As an old retired chippy I got my tools out and decided to make our 2 youngest grandchildren a hill trolley. I enjoyed making it and they have enjoyed riding down the hill near their home.

Robert Hyde

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By the time you read this, we may well be looking at a date to be able to go about our business as we did before Covid 19. If that is the case, then we should be able to have a General meeting in August and an AGM in September.

But even now we are able to have club runs, all we need is some members to organise them; I do know that there are at least two midweek runs in the pipeline as well as the York car show, and of course this year's Presidents run set for July the 19th, which may well be the day after the Covid 1.5 metre rule is set aside.

So you do need to get your cars ready, no excuses you have had several months to get them in tip top condition.

The President's Run is to the Greenhills Inn about 16 kilometres from York, 108 kilometres each way from the clubhouse.

We will have a "tail-end Charlie" so NO ONE will be left behind, should a break-down occur. We will be leaving from the clubrooms at about 10:30am and possibly picking up members at the Lakes Roadhouse. Run sheets will be available.

I do have some great news, and that is Pauline and Steve Velden have stepped up to fill the Event's co-ordinator role for the club. How lucky are we? To have them back again, please thank them when you next see them and please do let them know of any events that are coming up.

While we have been in lockdown we have made some significant changes to the clubrooms. The work done is described elsewhere in this edition, but I sincerely thank all those members who gave up their time to achieve what I believe to be a great outcome for you all.

See you on the road and at the Presidents Run.

Kind regards,

Tony Warner

President - Vintage Automobile association of WA Inc.

0417 555 073



From the Secretary & Registrars Desk

Well another good month has gone by with lots of activity at the workshop. Some long-term projects are complete and there is a whiteboard full of future jobs. Just the camaraderie and banter are fun and worth a visit. Please come along on any Wednesday and Saturday morning 9-12. The club room renovations are nearly finished and looking great. I would like to add my thanks on behalf of the club to everyone involved.

Most clubs including us, are now commencing runs again as they can be run safely abiding by the remaining restrictions.

I am looking forward to our President's run on 19 July and hope to see you there.

We need to await the stalled move to phase 5 of the WA COVID-19 roadmap before we can get back to running meetings in the club rooms. What is happening in Victoria is scary, so clearly it is best to remain patient and cautious.

Rhonda and I have been busy processing annual membership fees. Thank you very much to everyone who has renewed.

As I write this, we have 216 financial members and 32 yet to pay, or let us know they are not renewing. If you are one of those that has not yet paid, please let Rhonda or me know your intentions and anything we can do to help. Also, some of the non-financial members have concessionally licensed vehicles that are no longer licensed or insured, and I am required to inform the Council of Motoring club of the members and vehicles concerned.

A very warm welcome to James Teasdale and Mark Atkinson our new members for May.

I was delighted to win our remote raffle for July. I thought for a moment or two of a redraw but then realised there must be so much stuff at Super Cheap, that I don't yet know I need!

Apologies for our website being down for over a week from the beginning of July. The company that registered our site address appears to have gone out of business and we had to make other arrangements. I have never put so much effort into trying to give someone some money for something!

I am really pleased and welcome Pauline and Steve to the vacant Event Co-ordinator and committee positions. Given that our AGM is likely further delayed, I will publish a list of position descriptions once we have a better idea of the date of the AGM. However, please start thinking about putting your hand up and nominating for a position. It is worthwhile and rewarding to make a contribution to our terrific club.

Happy and safe classic motoring!

Dave



WHAT'S HAPPENED AT THE CLUB ROOMS IN JUNE

The meeting room area Kitchen, and Library has been painted throughout. The ceiling looks magnificent with some loving care. Loris was touching up some timber paint work. Graham Hough did a great job of re attaching the ceiling cornice to the wall in the library. Graham Barton has done a brilliant job of installing the Bull Nose Awning which was kindly donated by Joe Brajkovich (Salvage). Neville Everett seen here putting some final touches to the awning. Warren was about to stir me up with that device in his hand, in the end he saw it my way and calmed down and got his assistant to stir the thick liquid in a tin. Warren's Assistant is doing some metal work. Tony is putting a mural on the wall. Dom and Mark are working out the light fixings.

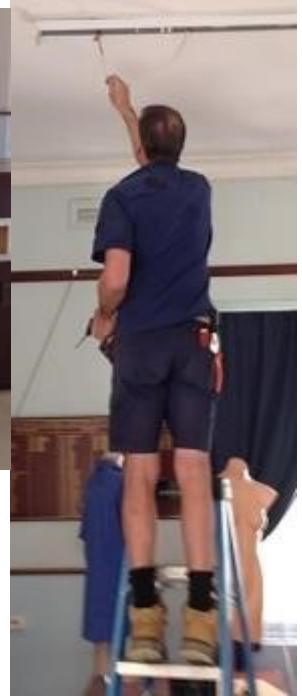
Bob is working out with Graham a detail on one of his cars. Kevin dived under the caravan so I could take this angle; he is working on the brakes. Neville and Ron Bracken painting skirting boards. Shirley made a great morning tea for everybody. The car puzzle that was returned to the members was taken home by Shirley, for her grandson Elijah to do. There were many of us who just enjoyed the social activities. I dusted the books and read some magazines; I also found some good homes for them.

Great job Guys

Martin Paine



WHAT'S HAPPENED AT THE CLUB ROOMS IN JUNE—cont'd



RAFFLE Moore River Relaxation Farm stay comfort with a seaside lifestyle.

An overnight stay for 2 with Floatation Sessions & Breakfasts
at

The wonderful Moore River Relaxation B&B (<https://www.mooreriverrelaxation.com/>)

Kindly donated by our members Bradley Charlton and Annie Lonergan.
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Funds Transfer to:

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Reference: "Your Surname and Initial + Raffle"

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V.A.A. Secretary, PO Box 1399, Midland DC 6936, W.A.

Packrat or Bower Bird

The workshop attracts bodies from far and wide, even the odd bod from the land of the long white cloud.

Our kiwi brother is distinctive for two things, his limp and his liking for shiny objects.

He is so obsessed with nice shiny things that he is our resident storeman.

Even before you are finished using a tool, it's scooped up and put away.

Stuff headed for the skip is first checked over by his keen eye.

Leaf litter in the carpark is not tolerated and taken to the tip.

Please understand, his work around the clubrooms/workshop is often unnoticed (but significant).

Personally I'm glad that McGowan has closed the border – I don't want this bloke slipping out of the state.

And speaking of blokes sneaking under the radar – the Hof and Nev have revealed their hidden talents for home renovation. At first glance they might seem to be run of the mill worksite blokes – they are in fact star material for one of those TV reno shows.

In fact, Scotty from 'The Block' should be looking over his shoulder for these two dark horses - Hof and Nev.

Hutch

Did you know VAA will celebrate 50 years next year?

Club Historian Ron Perry and his team are putting together information to create a book on the VAA's colourful history. **So, Ron needs your help.**

Do you have any : old photos of the clubrooms (in particular the original "Goat Shed");

Old photos of club members, past or present , Interesting stories regarding the clubs history, recollections of early runs
Stories regarding significant events in the clubs history? We would love to hear from you as soon as possible.

As Ron does not have email can you please forward anything that you would like to share in relations to the VAA history to Michael and Delray Hill at delrayfrances@gmail.com

Thanks in advance for you input.

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VAA EVENTS CALENDAR - 2020

(Place Fridge Magnet Here)

All Monthly Meetings start at 8pm.

Don't forget our Pre Meeting Sausage Sizzle BBQ

MONTH	DATE	DAY	TIME	NAME	ADDRESS	CONTACT	PHONE
JULY	7TH	Tues	7.30 PM	Committee Meeting	Club Rooms	Tony Warner	0417 555 073
JULY	19TH	SUN	08:00- 11.30AM	Custom Cars & Coffee	Midvale Speed Dome Midvale	\$10 per car	
JULY	19TH	SUN	10:00AM	Presidents Run Greenhills Inn 444 Greenhills Road Greenhills	Meeting 10AM Club Rooms	Pauline Velden	405144919
AUGUST	9TH	SUN	10:00AM	King Road Brewing Co 796 King Rd Oldbury (Mundijong) For Lunch	Meeting 10AM Club Rooms	Pauline Velden	405144919
AUGUST	12th	WED		VAA Mid Week Run Chidlow	Club Rooms	DAVE CURRELL	419998589

WANTED

FORD Zephyr Mk2 – 1957 to 1962
Any Year. & Must be registered.
Contact Mark McKenzie 0400 701 142

WANTED

FJ Holden rim with or without tyre. Required for a spare for the caravan you all have witnessed being restored at the clubrooms. Peter 0418904851



For Sale 1965 PLYMOUTH VALIANT V200 2 DOOR
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DRIVE.— CAR IS ON FULL LICENSE.
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RARE CAR \$12,000 ONO - CALL RORY 0420206620

For Sale - 250ci Ford crossflow engine in running condition comes with a Borg Warner 35 transmission \$300.00 ono
Contact Mark McKenzie 0400 701 142



Wayne Boyd, one of our members, rang to advise that his 1929 FORD Model A Tudor is **For Sale**.
The car is restored in Burgundy and Black and currently concessionally licensed with the VAA.
It can be transferred to another financial member and no stamp duty would apply.
If you are interested, or know someone that may be.
Please give Wayne a ring on 0419 540 058.

CLUBROOM REFURBISHMENT

The plan to refurbish the clubrooms was born after we nearly lost one large section of the library due to white ant damage to the floor and joists.

We decided to remove all of the old broadloom carpet in readiness to replace the wood floor with concrete. As you can imagine this could have been an exceedingly difficult task while trying to still have meetings. Then along came Covid 19.



1 Jason and English George removing the wood floor

Your committee of management then decided that as we were not able to have meetings due to social distancing rules, we would use this opportunity to smarten up the clubrooms.

The first thing we needed to do was to remove the old floor, this was done by Jason Ferris Sian Owen and English George.

A lot of the joists were rotten and some of the floorboards as well.

After this was done, we needed to bring in some fill and treat the base for white ants. Tiger concrete did the new floor while the white ant treatment was done by Champion pest control there were hundreds of dead cockroaches the next morning. Once we had let the concrete cure it was pretty obvious that the concrete laid at the back of the clubrooms some twenty years ago had many hills and valleys this meant that we would need to grind the concrete flat as the join between the new and the old was to different to allow us to lay the new carpet tiles. Fortunately, Loris Coopers Daughter was able to loan us a concrete grinder compliments of Precision Systems Free of charge, the machine was expertly managed by Mark McKenzie. After the floor was ground, we turned our attention to repairing ceiling cracks.



2 New concrete

It took a while for Jim, Bob and Mark to repair and gap most of the cracks, while this was going on Graham Hough was painstakingly repairing the ceiling grilles, I am not sure if you noticed that there were a few with holes in them instead of the neat little squares, Graham did a great job of fixing them one square at a time. Once we had the ceiling repaired the Warner brothers sprayed the ceiling right down to the picture rails.

We had decided to move away from the blue colour in favour of a more neutral colour and decided on Antique White USA for the upper area and Antique White USA 300% for the lower area with gloss for the skirting boards and window frames. Two coats of paint were

applied to all surfaces by Loris Cooper, Sian Ferris, Neville Everett, Graham Hough and myself with help from Bluey Pilton.

We decided that in order to make cleaning the clubrooms easier we would use ceramic tiles in the area we usually serve food, the tiling and grouting was done by Graham Hough and Neville

At this stage with the thoroughly applied the could start to not content to be donated morning ! the Dave Currell, great. The with great



3Neville and Graham tiling

we were feeling pretty happy result so after we have cleaned the remaining floor, I pressure sensitive glue so we lay the carpet tiles, Domenic with arranging for the floor tiles laid about half of them in one remaining tiles were laid by Jim, Bob, and Mark, they look cutting of the edges was done precision.

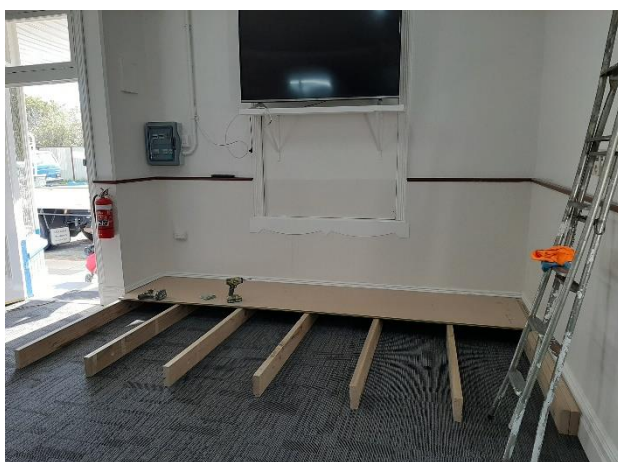
We had a busy bee on Saturday the 4th of July to start to re-assemble the club rooms we had a reasonable turnout particularly happy to



4Warren edging the carpet

see Maitland Davies come all the way in from the country, also happy to see some new members also lending a hand a big thank you to you all.

The busy bee saw all of the windows cleaned, the library dusted down ,most of the pictures and board put back up, Jason Ferris and Bill Redeckis repaired several of the chair arms, all of the toilets were cleaned and some minor repairs done at the same time. Bob Hyde made good inroads into making a new stage/platform Dave Currell also made good progress on improving our sound system.



5The stage taking shape

We have had a lot of help from the Workshop guy's who moved everything out of the clubroom, picked up and returned the scaffold, collected the carpets, took all of the boards and pictures down and put them back up again without those guys we could not have done this work in anywhere near the time we did.

Also a big thank you to those who made donations of paint, scaffold, grinders, Bunnings vouchers all which helped to reduce the cost of these modest renovations. A special vote of thanks to Dan Fanetti and Graham for

installing to awning it looks nice and looks like it really belongs there. All the new lights both internal and external were supplied free of charge by Domenic a big thank you Dom.

My sincere thanks to all those who have helped and my apologies if I have left anyone out.



6Note the new blinds

Tony Warner

President