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**Our Club Meetings are held on the third
Sunday Bi-monthly, commencing at 11 am.**

The Next Meeting Dates are:

February 19th-2012:Committee/General Meeting
April 15th - 2012:Committee/General Meeting
June 17th - 2012:Committee/General Meeting
August 19th - 2012:Annual General Meeting

**Our Meeting Place is at the
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**Visitors are always most welcome
to attend the Club's meetings.**



A Word from Our President

Hello Members,

December 5th 2011

Well, we certainly got off to a good start this event season with a big attendance in September at the Deer Park Hotel lunch and then the Camperdown weekend cruise in October which was also well attended with a great display of classics.

I was unable to make it to the Wallan car show in November, however the reports back were of a very good display by our Club and the trophy for the best ute was taken home by Wayne Paterson for his 57 Mainline. Well done folks.

Our Christmas party at Beveridge this year I thought was an outstanding event, with the caterers serving in excess of 80 adults as well as more than 30 children. With the children also enjoying Santa's arrival on a Fire Truck with their presents, along with the Jumping Castle and other activities that were organised for them during the day. It was fantastic to see our new members making it along to the day as well.

The display of Customlines and other Classics was amazing. I would like to congratulate the owners of all the cars on display for their efforts. This is the best form of encouragement for our members in the process of restoration and so on. I would also like to congratulate the trophy winners on the day for their achievements.

Thanks to Mick and his helpers for the organization of the day, along with the hamper gatherers, raffle and trophy organizers, also thanks for donations received.

Please keep an eye on the forthcoming events page for the runs in the near future, the BBQ run, Fish and Chip night, Drive-in night, Kaniva weekend, all in the New Year, with the next meeting being in February 2012.

Finally, I now wish each and every member and their families a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Safe and Happy Cruising. (In a Fifties Ford Of course)

Jim Pierce

Your Club President.

Editors Note:

The Committee and Members of the 49-59 Ford Customline Car Club of Vic, extends its sincere condolences to Helen Tuo and her family on the passing of her much loved Father, our thoughts are with them all during this sad time.



From The Editors Desk: Hi all, well Mick and I hope we have provided another interesting issue of the Club Newsletter for you. A few more good run reports for you to read and the Xmas Party double page spread plus all the usual stuff and our Birthdays List. Once again the Forthcoming Events page is there for you to cut out and hang somewhere prominent so you can easily see what is coming up.

Rob Brereton Newsletter Editor & Mick Breheny Assistant Newsletter Editor.

Our New Members

We have FIVE new memberships to welcome into the Club this Newsletter, so let's all give a very warm welcome to: Charlie & Kerrie Dean from

Stratford Vic, who have a weather beaten 1952 Ford Mainline Utility, to be restored. Leigh and Carolyn Turnbull from Rockhampton Qld, who have a Grey 1958

Mainline Utility. Jim and Rebecca Camilleri from Narre Warren Vic, who have a Red/White 1957 Sedan. Phil and Bev Gillespie from West Eyreton New Zealand, who have a Blue 1955 Sedan. Michael and Gayle Conneely from Echuca Village Vic, who have a 1956 Victoria Coupe.



CONGRATULATIONS

Les & Sue Cross wish to announce that they are New Grandparents. Their little Grand Daughter Taydem Amarlee was born on the 28-September 2011 and weighed in at 6-lb 14-oz.

We must also congratulate the Faralla Family on the arrival of four Grand Children and one Great Grand Child in the last three months.

The Club wishes them all the best for the future.

Club Permit Scheme

- The Logbook scheme commenced 1 Feb 2011. VicRoads is distributing Logbooks for CPS vehicles. Information on the new scheme available through the NEW CPS HANDBOOK is now available from the AOMC office. It contains details of the new scheme and includes all the Frequently Asked Questions. It would be in your best interest to obtain a copy of these new regulations if you are a Club Permit holder.

Price: \$6 each posted (inc. GST). Contact the AOMC Office to order on 9555-0133

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All motorists are reminded that under Victorian law, a driver must not use front or rear fog lights while driving, unless driving in fog or other hazardous weather conditions that cause reduced visibility. Front fog lights are designed to better illuminate the road in fog, snowfall, rainstorms or dust clouds. Using fog lights at the wrong time can make it difficult for other drivers to see. Incorrect use of fog lights can receive a fine and incur demerit points. Fog lights should not be confused with daytime running lights, which now come standard on many new vehicles.

Please obey the road rules and drive safely. Ed.





Marg and I headed off to the first rendezvous point, (good ol' Macca's). 9.30 came and went and there was no sign of anyone, thinking we had the wrong day again..., a quick call to Mick Breheny sorted it out, everyone was on their way! After Mick & Debbie, Kevin & Jackie and Kevin & Brenda-Lee arrived and the longest wait for Macca's coffee, we headed off to the markets in a convoy.



We arrived at the markets around 10.30, found a well positioned gazebo and set up the BBQ. We had

a nice turn out of cars which were all parked on the grass beside the gazebo. Realising the girls had already disappeared into the markets I headed down there myself, I noticed they were in isle 1, after having a look around the 21 isles myself I saw the girls on my way out, they had only made it to isle 4!!!



I headed back to the gazebo to start on lunch, and most of the group were out exploring the markets and enjoying the attractions, thankfully the weather held up! The rest of my family arrived, and being Father's Day my girls had a few pressies for me! The grandkids had a great time running around and playing on the swings. Around lunch time everyone started returning to the gazebo where we all had a bite to eat - I think we all felt a tad guilty for Mick only having his tasty salad...



We discussed future events, and had a bit of a chin wag and catch up (my girls also mentioned there was some cheeky talk about a spa bath?!). The weather decided it couldn't hold off any longer and we decided that meant it was time to head home. It was a great day yet again with the Club!

Regards Rob & Marg Breheny. P.S. On the way home I done my left hand rear brake caliper, it seized shut, but we got home okay.

Our new member Colin Wicks and Rob & Joan Brereton also attended the run today. Ed.





Well here we are again heading off to meet up with our fellow Customline Club Members for a lunch date at the Deer Park Hotel. We finally made our way into the car park directing some others where to park where Mick had found a good spot, out of the way of the general parking. You can see us all lined up in the pics below.



We eventually counted eleven Club vehicles attending this day which is a really good turn up so we hope we can continue to keep you rolling in as the Cussies all look great lined up and gleaming in the Sun. There was

plenty of chin wagging in the car park before we went in for lunch and there was even a photo or three taken as well.

The Bistro area of the hotel accommodated us well, as we all settled in for lunch with a drink and another chin wag before placing our orders. The menu was plentiful and all reasonably priced as well, and us seniors also were treated



to a lovely sweet after our lunch. I also had a good day as I was shouted a couple of drinks just because it was my birthday (the 65th).

After our lunch there was much discussion on many subjects and plenty of laughter all washed down by another drink or two. Some of our members drifted off to the Pokies to try their luck and the rest of us eventually made our way back out to the car park where the guys discussed everything Customline.

We all eventually headed off home on this pleasant afternoon to round off another very enjoyable day socialising with the Customline Club.

See you all again soon, Rob Brereton.



Euroa Show n' Shine

2-10-2011

The weather was looking good so we decided to take Henry to his very first Show and Shine at Euroa. It was a lovely sunny day so we headed off at 7.30am, fuelled up in Bendigo and headed up the highway to Seymour, onto the freeway to Euroa and arriving there at around 10am.



It was a big surprise to us when we were lined up to go into the grounds, it was very muddy, the cars were sliding around everywhere as they had 3" inches of rain just 2 days before, but we kept going. When parked we dried Henry off then went to look at the hundreds of other cars that were there, just about every type you could imagine.



In the big shed there was a display of motor bikes and cars and they were just fantastic. Later in the day we met up with Kevin and Brenda-Lee Shepherd and they had both their Cussies (Victoria's) there, they look so majestic these big cars. Then it was time for the trophies to be presented for the day. We were



still there as we had met up with my brother so we were chatting to him when they announced the Best Restored Vehicle. They had called out Henk's name, we couldn't believe it, I think they called it twice before we realized.

A great day was had and we met some very friendly people, then around 3pm we headed off for home with the Sun still shining.

Margaret Mennen.



2011 Club Xmas Party

The morning started off great with the Sun shining brightly in our eyes as we had our breakfast, but by the time we left home at 9:10am it had clouded over and a fresh breeze had sprung up from the East.

We had a pleasant drive to Beveridge and when we arrived at the hall we found the Breheny's x 2, the Lawson's and the Shepherd's already there so we parked in line as the Pierce's pulled in as well. From then on the Customlines rolled in one after another till we had to restructure the line-up to get them all in, 14 in fact plus a couple of other club cars.

We set ourselves up in the hall and greeted all our fellow Club members as they arrived, taking lots of photos and having a good old chinwag along the way. Member's families, children and grandchildren swelled our numbers again this year with a final head count of approx 114.

The kids had a jumping castle and the playground equipment to keep them occupied for a while and then, would you believe this, "Santa Arrived" and on the back of the Kalkallo 2 fire truck. He found a seat and his helper appeared with sacks of presents for Santa to hand out to all the kids. Well that was a great treat, I really think the parents and grand parents enjoyed it more than the kids. Santa eventually departed on the fire truck with the lights and sirens blazing away.

Now it was time for lunch, so we all lined up and took our share of the plentiful and very tasty spit roasted meats, vegies and salads. I didn't go back for seconds as I had plenty the first time and that was topped off with a big slice of Pavlova, pudding or apple strudel of your choice, and compliments to the cooks for putting on such a great spread.

The kids passed the parcel and ran races on the grass winning medals and lollies. A few announcements were made and then the raffles were drawn with many members winning lovely presented hampers etc. Then all the trophies for the day were presented with First, Second and Third in most categories. Our new member Jim Camilleri took the trophy for Best Overall for his immaculately presented 57 Sedan and Mick Breheny won the Peoples Choice. The kids lined up again and each was presented with a Christmas Stocking full of really good stuff to rot their teeth.

Shortly everyone started to depart after enjoying this wonderful day. Christmas greetings were exchanged and dates for meeting again in the New Year were put in place.

We are sure all Members of the Cussy Club would like to thank all those involved in putting on such a wonderful day and we are sure they are pleased it was a another successful outing for everyone.

Merry Christmas to all, Rob & Joan Brereton. 5-12-2011

& Party Photos





Camperdown Cruise Weekend

PART 1: Friday 21.10.11, Ray and I left home about 8.00am in the pouring rain and arrived at Colac about 12 noon and we went into the RSL for lunch and who should be there but Carla, Tony, Michael and Trish from the Customline Mainline & Hot Rod Club, so we had lunch with them. They left for Camperdown and we headed off to the Colac

Caravan Park, where we had no sooner settled in when Maureen and Les arrived. We later went back into Colac with Maureen and Les to have dinner at one of the Hotels.

Next morning we left for Camperdown where we met Jim and Helen, Kevin and Brenda, Paul and Mary, Kevin and Jackie and Colin. We then drove into Camperdown to take up our positions to display our cars, we weren't there long when Sue and Les, Mick and Debbie, Robert and Margaret arrived. Everyone entertained themselves by

looking at all the cars that were on display. Sunday Morning we drove back to Camperdown and the weather was much better than the previous day. The music was great the food was good and the detail of some of the cars would blow you away. Arthur (the organiser) thanked us and the Customline Club for putting our cars on display. Ray and I left for Melbourne with the top down and a leisurely drive back to Melbourne. The whole week-end was great. Sandra & Ray Kilby.



PART 2: On Friday 21st some of our group met at the BP at Avalon and one couple who shall be nameless went to the BP at Somerton but that was soon sorted. The rest of us Col, Rob & Marg, Kevin & Brenda, Mick & Deb, Kevin & Jackie, Paul & Mary, had coffee and a chat then we headed off. The weather was a bit dubious but we didn't let it bother us and we enjoyed the trip to the Big 4 park. We checked in and that was an enormous task as we all couldn't fit in the office, but we were soon in our units, some even had very big spas, (ask Brenda about the spa Saturday night).

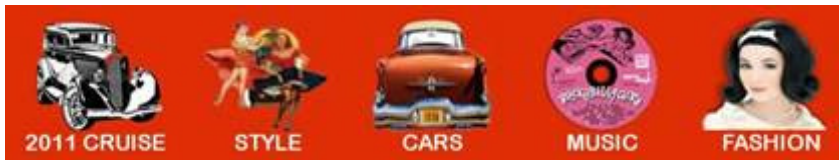
Soon we were joined by Jim & Helen in their Ford Galaxie on its first trip and it is beautiful, they even managed to drive with the top down for most of the journey and by the smile on Jim's face they certainly enjoyed themselves. Les & Sue arrived not long after that and then everyone was there. After a bit of a catch up we went to the park's covered BBQ area to have tea, however when we got there it was already occupied by another group and when Les (always the considerate gentleman) noticed a couple didn't have anywhere to sit he came to the rescue, put on his hoodie and grabbed a couple of chairs from a caravan parked close by, soon after a couple of guys rushed in grabbed their chairs and with a look that said it all stormed out complete with chairs.



The other group left and we settled in to a lovely barbi tea cooked by Brenda & Rob and it was delicious. We then headed back to our units, had a bit of a chat some laughs and then retired for the night.

The next morning Brenda, Rob & Col got up and went down to the BBQ and cooked up a lovely bacon and egg breki for those who were up for it.

We all then got into our cars and headed to Camperdown where we met up with Ray & Sandra, Henk & Margaret and Les & Maureen. We then had a



wander around looking at all the beautiful cars, some were absolutely amazing, a great mix. The weather

held off but it was a little chilly and luckily no rain. We strolled around the shops and stalls and bought a few little things. All too soon it was time to head back so after our goodbyes we took off for Colac where we stopped at the local for a bite of lunch. We then had a lovely cruise back to the park, a few drinks and a rest and Mick booked a maxi cab for us to go to the RSL for dinner, the cab couldn't fit all of us so it had to make two runs. As soon as we got there Les and Rob disappeared into the pokies where Les had a good win and Rob lost a little bit. We again met up with Henk & Margaret who brought their friends with them and we all enjoyed our dinner together. After dinner some of us went in to play the pokies and the others had a few more drinks and laughs. Then all too soon the first cab arrived to take us back to the park, of course Les and Rob were nowhere in sight, guess where they were, of course they were in making a donation to the RSL via their pokie machines. Now I was not there but I was given to understand that Mick discovered a new use for a seatbelt stalk that is guaranteed to put a smile on the lips of everyone (except Mick) as they were all still laughing the next day (Mick wasn't because he dated himself). After breki cooked by Brenda, Kevin, Rob & Col, we packed up ready for our trip home. We said our goodbyes to some members, then disaster struck, the Caddie refused to start and even after all the boys had an attempt to coax her to at least take us home, nope she was not going anywhere so it was on the phone to the tow truck friend of Kevin's (thanks Kev) and he agreed to take her home for us, so we hitched a lift with Brenda and Kevin. The trip home in the Vicky was great. Rob was trying to drive from the right hand side of the car but Kevin kept total control from the left hand side. Brenda and I were in the back and it was very comfortable. Kevin & Brenda stayed with us until the old girl came home, it was indeed a sad sight to see her on the tow truck but a good sight to see her home again, she should be up and running soon. We are just waiting for the parts to arrive. It was a great week-end and I think everyone enjoyed themselves, so until the next time, happy motoring guys. Regards Marg & Rob Breheny.



Happy Birthday to You

Best Wishes to all Celebrating their Birthdays during the next Three Months.



December:

2nd Carolyn Turnbull
7th Ray Shalders
7th Les Cross
9th Mario Barroso
11th Henk Mennen
21st Susie Barroso
21st Mark Camilleri
27th David Patching

January:

2nd Phil Gillespie
10th Mick Breheny
16th Janet Fielder
21st Marie Edmonds
22nd Harry Beckwith
24th Margaret Breheny
30th Gretta Taylor

February:

1st Margaret Mennen
7th Bev Lavery
14th Brenda-Lee Shepherd
14th Charles Dean
16th Peter Hibbert
16th Linda Faralla
20th Maureen Horne
21st Peter Auer

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RACV City to Country Rally. 23rd October 2011

While some of our club members were enjoying their run to Geelong and Camperdown, we were on this run to Healesville. It was only for vehicles 50 years or older. The day dawned grey and misty as we left home to be at the Exhibition Buildings by 7.30 am. At 8.00 am. we were admitted to the Motorclassica. The vehicles there were of Concours condition, bright, shining and gleaming. There were many varieties, e.g. Mercedes, Jaguar, Packards, etc.

There was even a motorcycle, one of 5 built in Victoria, and this one being the only one left, which was in original working order.

Come 9.45 am. we were to be at our cars waiting to leave at 10.15 am. The day turned into bright blue sky and sunshine. We were the only Customline out of 110 entrants. Some owners dressed to the period of their cars. On time we left the Exhibition Buildings to head to Healesville. It is amazing how many people looked admiringly at the passing parade of cars.

After getting through the city we ended up on Canterbury Road which took us to Lilydale and from there to Healesville, via Yarra Glen, to the RACV Club Resort for a two course lunch. We left there at about 3.00 pm. and followed a 31 Chevrolet home to Emerald, where they turned off to their home.

Some young boys saw us and bowed reverently to our car. Future enthusiasts and possible owners of Customlines!!!!

We had a very enjoyable day and lunch and met many vintage, veterans and classic car obsessives.

Norm and Linda Myers.





"HENRY"

Our 1955 Ford Mainline Ute Restoration

It all began on the 5th May 2009, we had seen an advert in our local paper for a 1955 Ford Mainline Ute. It was always a dream to have a 50's Ford again as I had one when I was young. We jumped in the car and checked it out, thought about it for five minutes, then bought it. It looked reasonable but we knew it would need a paint job.

Now the expense really starts. We had a professional check the motor and it was then we realized it was more than a tune up so we decided to send the motor, which is a 272-Y block and gearbox which is 3 speed manual, to Nankervis Performance in Strathfieldsaye.



We wanted to keep the ute as original as possible so we took paint samples to a panel shop to verify what type of paint had been used hoping to just rub it back and repaint. At this stage there was very little rust to see and it appeared it had all been repaired because it had been repainted in the 90's.

Marg and I had a conference and decided more money was needed to be put aside, it was then we decided to do it properly and get it sandblasted.

So all the interior, dash, everything was removed to a bare shell.

The sandblasters came out and sandblasted the whole car. People told me there would be rust, but WOW was there rust, heaps of it everywhere except inside the cab floor pan, bonnet and front guards which were free of rust. Rust was in the bottom of doors, door sills, inner and outer guards, back tail board and both corners at the rear of the ute. The sandblaster said, "oh boy what a lot of work ahead" (not that polite), and Marg said send it to the tip now before we go broke.



Now the hours start, we had to make inner and outer guards from scratch and re-sheet all rust areas, tailboard, bottoms of doors, sills and the rear corners which I had to make up and shape to get the rounded areas.

Marg kept saying keep going we can't stop now. We have now undercoated and sanded it back ready for Ross, our friend, to apply the top coat. All the items we removed are now top coated

and are in the spare bedroom.

Now we can start putting Henry back together. The motor and gear box have returned and have been installed back in Henry. We renewed the drum brakes but I was surprised to see the back brake linings were brand new, reason being the back wheel cylinders were rusted together and one cylinder had no bleeding nipple. Now with stainless steel liners in the brake cylinders and master cylinder, they will not rust again.



We replaced all the wiring from front to back, reconditioned the radiator, starter motor, alternator and everything that had a bearing.

After many words with Marg, she just kept saying ORIGINAL, ORIGINAL, don't you get it. 1955 utes did not have side trim but a phone call to Alan McKenzie in Albury helped me out with some 1957 side trim which I was allowed to put on eventually.

Now the windscreen had been put safely away in storage but

when we went back to get it to put back in the ute you wouldn't believe it, it had a crack from top to bottom. So off to Windscreen City for a new one, they ordered 3 before getting the right one with the correct shape, as apparently they are slightly different.

For 16 months I spent every spare minute in the shed with Henry and he was eventually registered on 2nd September 2010. So now Henry is on the road and we love him, but we did have a few



teething problems, which I was very emotional about.

Now everything is good and I am confident in taking Henry anywhere, our journey has been and is amazing.

Henk and Margaret Mennen.

See the full story & photos on the Club web site.

Wallan Car Show

20-11-2011

What a great start to a good day, the Sun came out and the sunshine burnt many a nose and neck.

There was a large gathering of cars there of all makes and models to look at. Our Club had a good turn up of members and Customlines, 9 Cussies 2 others, and



they all looked a treat lined up in the car park. At about 12:30pm we all had lunch in the local restaurant, except for about eight people whose order was lost in the kitchen and others enjoyed a Subway meal using the coupons that were given out.

Some of the ladies were seen to do some shopping in the complex during the day. Before the day was over the Judges announced the winners of trophies for the day and amongst them was our very own Wayne Paterson with his Beaut Ute, winning a trophy for BEST UTE, well deserved.



About another half hour went by and we all said our goodbyes and headed for home and another good day was had by all.

Regards Run Reporter, June Paterson.



Editors Note:

I would like to make mention that we had one of our new members attending this day, Jim Camilleri, with his

excellently presented Red and White 57 4 Door Sedan, which also sported a nicely fitted modern 5 Litre motor. There was also another Red and White Cussy, but a 58 Starry, which turned up and parked with our lot and Mick mentioned that the car was a local Wallan car and his rego was CUZI 58.



Also of note were a couple of other Cussies, both being 58 Star Models, that turned up as well. The STR 58 had an enormous blower sticking up through the bonnet and the other one's rego was KIDS 58, obviously they had spent the kid's inheritance on the Customline, which was probably a good choice.





Rob Brereton -- Newsletter Editor.




FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Official Club Runs are in: ***"Bold Italics"*** with  indicated.

January 2012

15th 	<i>"BBQ/Picnic Lunch at Haywards"</i> First meet at Macca's corner Springvale & Whitehorse Rd's Nunawading at 9:45am for a 10:15am departure, we will then travel up to Ian & Sue's place at Croydon. Bring your meat to BBQ or a Picnic Lunch. This is a "Run not to be Missed" & you will be amazed at what Ian has done and got at his amazing place, especially the plane in his back yard. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy .
26th Thursday	If you need something to do on Australia Day visit the RACV Federation Picnic in the Kings Domain Gardens. There will be plenty of cars to see. Display vehicle parking/bookings are already closed. Visitor entry is free, enjoy the day.
28th  Saturday	<i>"Picnic Afternoon & Drive In Night"</i> Meet at Edwards Lake Park just down from the Locomotive in Griffiths Street Reservoir, Melway Reference Map 18 E5, about 4:30pm. We will have drinks and a picnic tea and then proceed to the Coburg Drive In, Newlands Rd Coburg, at approx 6:30pm. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy .

February 2012

3rd 4th 5th 	<i>"Kaniva Show n' Shine"</i> We will be meeting at the west bound BP/McDonalds Service Centre, Western Highway Rockbank at 10:00am on Friday the 3 rd . Lunch will be at the Caltex Service Centre at Arrarat. We will stay at the Colonial Gardens Motel. There are only 2 rooms left. You will need to contact Mick for bookings ASAP. Ring Mick on for more details. The Show n' Shine is on Saturday the 4 th and we will proceed home on Sunday 5 th after breakfast at Judy & Bernie's. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy .
19th 	<i>"Committee/General Meeting"</i> Our Meeting Place is at the Sunbury RSL Rooms at the corner of Barkly and Macedon St. Sunbury. Melway Reference 382 F4, & we will start at 11 am. Tea & Coffee supplied. Sausage Sizzle after the meeting. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy .
25th Saturday 	<i>"Fish & Chip Run to Altona"</i> Fish & Chip Night in Altona. Meeting at Westgate Shell Outbound at 4:00 pm to travel together to Altona via Williamstown for Fish & Chips on the beach. BYO chairs & tables etc. We had a great night doing this last year. Don't forget DRIVE the Cussy .

March 2012

2nd 3rd 4th 	<i>"Red Hills Weekend"</i> Red Hills Market and Pine Ridge Car Museum Weekend away. Meet at Subway, Moorooduc Hwy, Frankston South, Melway Ref 106 H1 at 12:30pm on Friday 2 nd . We will then proceed to Rye where we will stay at the Rye Beach Motel, & you will need to contact Mick by the 30 th December for bookings on as numbers are limited. On Saturday the 3 rd we will attend the Red Hill Market, "early", where our cars will be on display until approx Midday or so. Then afternoon tea at the Pine Ridge Car Museum, then cruise back to the Motel. Sunday 4 th cruise home whenever. Don't forget to DRIVE the Cussy .
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Also we will be having our Club Meeting on the 15th April 2012 at Sunbury and then on the 22nd of April we will be attending the Visually Impaired Run at Sandown. For other suggestions about where we can go on a Run, please contact our Run's Co-ordinator Mick Breheny.

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GET OUT OF THE CAR!

This is supposedly a true account recorded in the Police Log of Sarasota, Florida.

An elderly Florida lady did her shopping and upon returning to her car found four males in the act of leaving with her vehicle.

She dropped her shopping bags and drew her handgun, proceeding to scream at the top of voice, "I have a gun and I know how to use it! Get out of the car!"

The four men didn't wait for a second threat, they got out and ran like mad.

The lady somewhat shaken proceeded to load her shopping bags into the back of the car and got into the drivers seat. She was so shaken that she could not get her key into the ignition. She tried and tried and then she realised why. It was for the same reason she had wondered why there was a football, a Frisbee and two 12 packs of beer in the front seat.

A few minutes later she found her own car parked four or five spaces further along.

She loaded her bags into her own car and drove to the Police station to report her mistake.

The sergeant to whom she told her story couldn't stop laughing. He pointed to the other end of the counter where four pale men were reporting a car jacking by a mad elderly woman described as white, less than 5 feet tall, glasses, curly white hair and carrying a large hand gun.

No charges were filed.

Moral of the story?

If you're going to have a senior moment....make it memorable.

14-12-2011. RJB & MJB.