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**Leyland Williams Retro GP.**



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*The following members are authorised by the club to sign VicRoads renewals.*

Gary Turner, Francis Borg, Sue Wilson, Terry Sawyer, Vincent Stok, Russell Linden.

*The following members are authorized to sign Standard Declaration and Eligibility forms for the CPS.*

*These members are club scrutineers and Safety Officers.*

Gary Turner, Francis Borg, Terry Sawyer, and Vincent Stok.

*(No new cars will be admitted to the scheme unless the VicRoads CPS person, Sue Wilson, grants prior permission.)*

*Club Scrutineer's and Safety Officers are for signing off on the VicRoads Vehicle Eligibility and Standards Declaration Forms and for advice only. As of March 31, 2017, all cars must require a RWC including all those of pre-1949.*

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## Presidents Report September 2023

Hi all,

Well, the weather didn't deter our members from attending the run last month to the Poowong hotel and surrounds. Unfortunately, I couldn't make it due to a prior arrangement, but it was great to see that there was a good turnout. The main aim of this club has always been to be focused on social gatherings, and I think our attendance rate is testament to our memberships desire to get out; spend time with their likeminded members, to enjoy their cars, and the many attractions that our state has to offer.

Also, about runs, the club is very fortunate to have several members that are enthusiastic about organising runs for our benefit. I am a member of two other car clubs that unfortunately struggle to put on organised events due to lack of support from members, not only on the organizational side, but also with attendance, so we are very lucky. Consequently, we will be having a very full calendar for this coming club year. There will be times when we will have the opportunity to choose between runs in any month. You are not expected to attend every run, but it will give you a choice of things to participate in, and to fit in with your weekend schedules.

I think that will do for now, so until next time,  
I look forward to seeing you on a run soon.

Francis.

Francis.

President

BMC-Leyland Car Club Inc.

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### **For your future information.**

Most of our runs require bookings at various venues and some we hold at private houses. With that in mind the club requires ALL who are attending to RSVP by the date required to let us know who intends to come along. Simply turning up on the day is not an option and if it's catered for you maybe not able to join other members at those venues.

To just turn up without notice is quite frankly simply rude.

So please, where there is an RSVP required you must inform:

**Sue Wilson on 0421841939 or email [bmcleylandcc@iinet.net.au](mailto:bmcleylandcc@iinet.net.au).**

**Thank you, thank you, thank you...!!!**

**Runs ahoy in 2024...!!!**

What a great Club this is when members come forward and offer to plan and lead our runs. Or by a simple ask with many members happy to say "Yes!"!

I guess that's what happens when you have enthusiastic members enjoying themselves when we get together - and head out in all directions sharing our love of our British cars !

At the AGM in Wallan where I unexpectedly was nominated onto committee (thanks Cheryl!!), and I mentioned I would be happy to help again with planning future club runs members came up and offered to be run leaders! How can you say anything other than "Thankyou"??

It's just fantastic that we already have a list of runs planned for 2024. The more who take on roles in any club or society - the stronger that club usually becomes over time!

We already have a few ideas that came up over the last month or so that we have on hold for 2025... I mean ask yourself - how good is that...?

And the runs planned to date are in all directions of the compass - so hopefully something for everyone !

One great idea that came from our Vice-President Gary Turner is to visit the Fox Classic Car Museum in Docklands , housed in one of the historic Railway Sheds.

Well, in talking with the Museum we look like holding our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (and AGM) at the museum in July 2024 with a club show-n-shine on the day in their carpark which has room for over 100 cars...!!! Imagine that - free parking in the middle of the city. And of course, visiting the private car collection of Lindsay Fox on display inside. Watch future editions of the Wobble Knocker for more details... It's going to be a party !!

***" But wait - there's more...!!! "***

On the following page are listed the confirmed main club runs planned for 2024.

Pop these dates in your diary now ! Or print off the page and stick it on the fridge !

But the run program can be dynamic - and other opportunities may well pop up that members might like to attend, and these will be added as they become known.

Our members living in and around Shepparton will be planning some runs in the north of the state, and these will also be added into the program as they become known!

Everyone as a member is welcome at any of the clubs runs - be they Melbourne or Shepparton based - makes no difference. So, we expect the dozen or so runs listed on the following page will grow to around 20 for you to choose from as the year progresses...

And between now and the end of 2023 we still have some great runs on offer - a Winery run towards Kyneton, a trip in the Yarra Valley to Mont de Lancey Homestead, a Cup Day lunch, a Western Wander to the Wallace Pub, and of course our traditional Christmas Lunch. Register your attendance today! So much to do - better go wash the car and get ready to roll....

See you on a club run soon ,  
Richard !





# **BMC-LEYLAND CAR CLUB**

## **2024 (Melb based) RUN PROGRAM**



**SOUTH**

**MON - JAN 1<sup>st</sup> – Hastings to Flinders Annual “Picnic” Run!** Meet at Hastings Harbour for coffee, then a beautiful run to Flinders – byo picnic, or purchase... *Co-ord”s – Rick & Kay*

**EAST**

**SUN - FEB 4<sup>TH</sup> – Warburton Hotel @ Wesburn Pub Run .** Start with coffee in Lilydale we drive the beautiful Warburton Highway to Wesburn .. *Co-ordinator – Rob Bothwell*

**NORTH**

**SAT - FEB 24<sup>th</sup> – Warrandyte to Beveridge Hunters Tryst Pub.** Beautiful back roads via Yan Yean and Ned Kellys birthplace to this historic pub... *Co-ordinator: - Richard Simpson*

**METRO**

**WED – MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> – Garage “Torque”** 10am to Noon – Casual morning tea and chat at a members home in the garage or carport – share some car knowledge, or just a joke!  
**Admittance:** B.Y.O. Chair, Mug and Bikkies, Cake or Slice to share – Coffee & Tea provided.  
*Co-ordinator: Vince & Marion Stok*

**SOUTH**

**SUN - MARCH 24<sup>th</sup> – Peninsula Run, Lunch & Car Museum.** From Peninsula Freeway BP (Baxter) to Arthurs Seat Car Museum and Pig & Whistle Tavern: *Co-ordinators – Derek & Lou*

**WEST**

**SUN - APRIL 21<sup>st</sup> – Daylesford Autumn Day Out** – Meet at 10am at BP Calder Racetrack outbound for a coffee departing at 10.30am for a scenic back roads drive to beautiful Daylesford area for lunch and to explore the main street : *Co-ordinator’s: – Trevor & Lyn*

**SOUTH  
/ EAST**

**SAT – MAY 25<sup>th</sup> - Gourmet Gippsland Run -** From Cardinia Outbound BP we take Grand Ridge Road to Mirboo North for coffee, then onto lunch at Café Escargot! *Co-ord’n: Bryce*

**METRO**

**SUN - JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual “Battle of Waterloo” Picnic Run** with British & French Car Clubs combined for a picnic run and the Battle Cup to be decided over a game of Petanque or Bowls !!! (or Darts when it’s our turn!!) *Co-ord’s : Citroen Car Club (& Paul Buck)*

**METRO**

**SAT - JUL 13<sup>TH</sup> – BMCL 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Club AGM** – Club Show-n-Shine at Fox Classic Car Museum Docklands for a very special 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary AGM & Party: *Co-ord: Francis Borg*

**WEST**

**SUN - AUG 18th - Western Winter Wander** – Starting at BP Calder Racecourse outbound a winters drive to a warm pub lunch at Toobarac Hotel with open fires!!! *Co-ord: Rob & Anne*

**EAST**

**SAT - SEPT 14<sup>th</sup> – Spring in The Dandenong’s Run** – A drive in the beautiful Dandenong Ranges, with a sumptuous country pub lunch. *Co-ordinator’s: Alan & Yvonne*

**NORTH**

**WED – FRI - OCT 16-18 - Mansfield Midweek Country Trip away** –from Melbourne or Shepparton meeting in Broadford for coffee, then over the Murchison Gap to Flowerdale and Yea for lunch, arriving Mansfield to stay at Alzburg Resort. Delatite Hotel for dinner. Thursday - runs to either Mt Buller or Jamieson with free time on return to explore Mansfield. Friday : Group bacon & egg brekky bbq in the park - and local coffee run! Wander home at leisure or stay on for the weekend. *Co-ordinators: David & Anette*

**METRO**

**TUES – NOV 5<sup>TH</sup> – Melbourne Cup Day Lunch** – Jo & Kel are again inviting members to their home in Cup Day attire for Cup Day lunch, a Cup Sweep and lots of fun ! *Co-ord’s: Jo & Kel*

**EAST**

**SAT - NOV 24<sup>th</sup> – Yarra Glen/Christmas Hills/St Andrews Circuit** – visiting Alowyn Nursery café for coffee and scenic back roads to St Andrews Pub for lunch. *Co-ord: Richard Simpson*

**METRO**

**SUN - DEC 8<sup>th</sup> – Club Christmas Santa Run and Lunch** – Meet at East Ringwood for Santa’s “run for fun” to the Annual Christmas Lunch at the Kilsyth Club. *Co-ordinator’s: Gary & Sue*

***Run’s in all directions – with something for everyone !!!***

**UPCOMING**

*Mark Your Calendars*  
**EVENTS**



### **SUN – SEPT 24<sup>th</sup> – WINE TOUR – Kyneton area.**

This year our member Brett Huxtable will be taking us on a tour of wineries in and around the Kyneton-Macedon areas. Always a popular run this so get in early. RSVP Sue Wilson by Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 5pm.

Details further in this newsletter.

### **SUN – OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup> – Mont De Lancey Historic Homestead – Wandin North.**

Hosts Alan and Yvonne Bennett. RSVP by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 5pm.

More details to further on in newsletter.

### **TUESDAY- NOV 7<sup>th</sup> – MELBOURNE CUP DAY**

**At Jo and Kel Hawkesworth at Caulfield.**

Jo and Kel are holding another Melbourne Cup Day at their house at Caulfield. This is a private house, so this is an RSVP Sue Wilson by Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5pm. **NO** just turning up on the day.

### **SUN – NOV 19<sup>th</sup> – Western Wanderer Circuit Run.**

We intend to try and avoid the major roads and stick to the "C" roads, where possible. Meeting at the outbound BP at Calder Park Raceway (on the left about 200m past the raceway main entrance) for a 10am-10:30am departure, fuel, food, coffee, and toilets available. We will proceed up the Calder Freeway to Diggers Rest, and then onto Bacchus Marsh via back roads. We will then take the Western Freeway for a short time to Ballan and use secondary roads on to Gordon and the Wallace Hotel will be our destination for a great pub lunch. Wallace is located just off the Western Freeway, so a quick return to Melbourne is assured. Co-Ordinator's Rob and Anne Quinn.

### **SUN – DEC 10<sup>th</sup> – Club Christmas lunch, annual Show and Shine. Kilsyth Club.**

Same venue as previous years so bookings and confirmations are essential.

Again, **NO** just turning up on the day. Partners welcome. Reservations will be taken next month to Sue on 0421841939 directly only.



# Northern Runs coming up.

As the club has already got a full calendar of events for the rest of this year these northern runs will be included in the runs for next year.

So, what do we have planned?

An email will be sent out to members with all the details including the destination, date, time, meeting point and so on to those who expressed their interest to the email sent out recently. These runs are for **ALL** members despite where you reside.

## Kerrisdale Mountain Railway and Museum.

Tatura P.O.W. Camps with lunch at the Tatura RSL.

## Heathcote – Valley of Liquidambers.

Calling on the main bakery to have a picnic lunch.

## Milawa Cheese Factory.

For lunch and sample the delights of the area.

## Midweek Lunch or Picnic Run.

TBA but will be something different.

Yarrowonga Lunch on the Paradise Queen.

A lunch cruise on the lake.



If you have an idea for a run, ANYWHERE, please contact:

**Sue Wilson 0421841939**



# REGALIA

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Car Club Banner         | \$10.00 |
| Embroidered Cloth Badge | \$10.00 |
| Club Cap                | \$15.00 |
| Grille Badge (New)      | \$40.00 |

## CLOTHING

|                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| Polo Shirts          | \$30.00 |
| Rugby Jumper         | \$35.00 |
| Club Dress Shirt S/S | \$35.00 |

Contact Sue or Gary for orders on 0421841939.



New Club Banner



New Grille Badge



Cloth Badge



Club Dress Shirt



Club Polo Shirt



Rugby Jumper

All regalia must be paid for on ordering.  
All clothing can have your name embroidered at no extra charge.  
Contact Gary or Sue 0421841939.

*Now Taking Orders  
For Christmas*

### ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS.

CPS Cars: If you sell your car, PLEASE let me know.  
If a car is on the CPS, PLEASE send me the required photos.

Sue.

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**Authorised members who can sign your renewals are:**

**Sue Wilson**

222, 65 Channel Road, Shepparton, Vic 3630. **0421841939**

**Terry Sawyer**

15 Kingfisher Court, Carrum Downs, Vic 3201 (Also new vehicles) **0417344371**

**Francis Borg**

1321 Murradoc Rd, St Leonards, Vic 3223 (Also new vehicles) **0414989822**

**Russell Linden**

70A Richelieu Street, Maidstone, Vic 3012. **0411449955**

**Vincent Stok**

27 Mawby Rd, East Bentleigh, Vic 3165 (Also new vehicles) **0411416912**

**Gary Turner**

222, 65 Channel Rd, Shepparton Vic, 3630. **0426951939**

**PLEASE.** If posting your renewal to be signed, send the whole form, and do not detach any part of it until it has been signed.

Also please send a **STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE** so it can be returned immediately.

## **Procedure for our Club Permit Scheme.**

Firstly, your vehicle must be older than 25 years.

For example: if your vehicle has just turned 25 years this year, your vehicle does **NOT** qualify until its 26<sup>th</sup> year.

Our CPS officer, Sue Wilson, has the final say.

Get an authorised Road Worthy Certificate.

Fill out the two forms and have them signed by the appropriate committee member.

1. VicRoads Vehicle eligibility and standards declaration form.
2. VicRoads Club Permit application form.

Take all the above forms as well as your driver's license to your nearest VicRoads office.

Choose either a 45 or 90-day permit you require. (45 Day can be extended another 45 days if required)

Pay the fee and your plates will be given to you.

A logbook will be provided and **MUST** be filled out each time you use the vehicle in a 24-hour period.

Once this is done you must ring Sue Wilson 0421841939 with your CPS plate number.

After this is done you must then provide the club a series of photographs which are listed below.

This is a VicRoads requirement to be filed with the club permit officer, Sue Wilson.

**1.** Vehicle front, **2.** Vehicle rear, **3.** Vehicle driver's side, **4.** Vehicle driving position (side-on with driver's door open), **5.** Chassis number or ID plate, **6.** Vehicle engine bay.

# 2023 WINE TOUR



**Hello fellow British motors companions!**

Another year has passed, and it is time for my annual wine tour. This year we are heading a little north of Melbourne to the Macedon area.

You will get a little sleep in as our meeting time is at 10am at the Westfield airport west. This is a convenient location for ppl to journey to with access from most freeways. Here we will have an impromptu coffee and chat about the day and our cars.

At 1030 we will head off to our first winery, Hanging Rock Winery. Located in the shadows of hanging Rock and the Macedon ranges. Here we will try some lovely wines that you might have seen in restaurants Time here is about an hour.

Next stop is lunch! A short drive to Kyneton to the RSL to cater for all our budgets and tastes. If you wish to go elsewhere, I'll give you a rendezvous and time to meet later. Time for lunch is 1.5 hours.

Our next winery is at Hesketh Winery. A lesser-known winery however producing some premium wines. For the non-wine drinkers, they have a range of beers and soft drinks for purchase too. Time here is about an hour.

Here you are more than welcome to start your journey home or if you wish to continue to the last winery which is not far away. We have visited Paramoor wines previously and we are set to return. After a recent mini refurb of its cellar door, they are ready to welcome guests again.

I hope you like the plan for the day and look forward to seeing you on the day.

The wineries have asked for numbers of drinkers and non-drinkers as well as cars participating (for parking arrangements). Can you relay this back to me or Sue please for confirmations.



# **RUN REPORT.**

**Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**Poowong Lunch Run**

**Members 27 plus 18 cars**

Those attending were Alan and Yvonne, Terry and Cheryl, Ron and Pat, Denise and Laurie, Richard, Peter and Terry, Vince and Marion, Glenn and Bindi, Kirsty and Tim, Tim and Cathy, Paul Buck, Craig Ellis, Andrew and Simon, Rick and Kay, Rod Kirby, and Rees.

It was a cool start to the day as 18 cars and 27 members converged at the Tooradin Estuary Carpark.

But it was warm inside the Pelican's Bay Cafe where coffees and cakes were readily consumed as members sort of took over the place!

We convened around 11 for a quick set of run notes on the balcony before lining up in the service road and then heading south in convoy down the South Gippsland Highway.

Past Koo-Wee-Rup we turned left onto Caldermeade Road, and from this point on we were on quiet sealed country roads all the way to Poowong.

initially on the flat Koo-Wee-Rup swamp lands we drove in an easterly direction through Yannathan and Yannathan Upper towards Heath Hill where the land started to lift and gentle rolling hills became the norm.

We headed towards Ripplebrook before turning east in convoy along Invermay Road where we pulled to one side to let a stray farmers Ute get past us, when suddenly Terry's Morris slipped on the recently graded earth shoulder into the high grassy bank. It was alright for Terry as he could get out the driver's door (and he did need to get out as "nature called"), but not so good for Cheryl whose door was unopenable due to the car leaning on the bank!

But of course, when you have all these members on a run it was suddenly who could help the fastest!!! Out came tow ropes and straps, the biggest vehicle (a rogue Ford F-100 on club plates driven by Laurie Kirby) was chosen to do the honours, some were doing traffic management - and the Morris was soon back on the bitumen and no damage to the car at all which was wonderful.

The very scenic route had been selected by the original run organisers Derek and Lou, who unfortunately had their leave dates changed and were in Queensland.

And what a beautiful route it was - like winding through the hills of Devon. Gently rolling countryside, dairy cows all around, curvy winding roads that were a natural fit for our English cars it was perfect! Except for the weather - it started to mist up and rain - also very English!

By around 12.30 we pulled up in the main street of Poowong outside the Pub for our lunch at the Poowong Hotel. There was a great atmosphere in the dining room with its open fire



and timber panelling, plenty of food with the occasional tippie, lots of fun and chatter - a few club announcements with tea, coffee or hot chocolate provided by the club.

And all too soon it was time for members to meander back home at their own speed. we all agreed we must do the run again, hopefully without the rain and mist as it was truly a delightful route. Many thanks to Derek and Lou for the plans and booking - they can run it again in 2025!!!!

Richard Simpson *(for Derek & Lou)*











# Welcome, New Members

The club would like to welcome the following new members.  
Simon Jones, Alejandro Pizarro, David Moylan, and Brad Castle.

Welcome all and hope to see you on a run soon.

Our current membership 163 with 142 Cars on the CPS.

Sue.



## MINI MAKEOVERS

Just want to shout out to a friend of the BMC-Leyland Car Club Inc.  
The owner of Mini Makeovers, Joe Parnis.

They are situated at Gate 3, Unit 5, Thor Court East Keillor VIC 3033

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Website: [Mini & Moke Parts Supplier in Australia | Mini Spares Australia \(minimakeovers1275.com.au\)](http://Mini & Moke Parts Supplier in Australia | Mini Spares Australia (minimakeovers1275.com.au))

Joe at Mini Makeovers has referred several new members to our club from existing clubs where they were not getting much satisfaction or service from their committee and so on.

So, to all our members, if you need a good mechanic or mechanical advice, please contact him, and have a chat.

Let's support those who support us.



Joe.

**Gate 3, Unit 5, Thor Court East Keillor VIC 3033**

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TO SELL**

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