

Austin 7 Club of S.A. Inc.

CLUBROOMS:
262 Tapleys Hill Road, SEATON S.A. 5023

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What's on and What's not.

10.7.22 **A7C** Monthly Club Meeting **Sunday 3.00pm. Spares from 2.00 pm.**

17.7.22 **A7C** Hills Luncheon Wellington Hotel on the Murray

17.7.22 **A7C** Austin 7 Run to Strathalbyn

19.7.22 **A7C** Leisure Run. To McLaren Vale contact David Searles for Bookings

24.7.22 **A7C** Regularity at Mallala

25.7.22 **A7C** Technical Night. WWW. And what you can find.

7.8.22 **A7C** Monthly Club Meeting **Sunday 3.00pm. spares from 2.00 pm.**

13.8.22 **A7C** Quiz night at clubrooms.

21.8.22 Willunga Swap meet

22.8.22 **A7C** Technical Night.

23.8.22 **A7C** Leisure Run.

18.9.22 Gawler Swap Meet

19.9.22-25.9.22 Perkolilli Red Dust Revival.

25.9.22 Federation Run to Wirrina

9.10.22 Strathalbyn Swap

16.10.22 Bay to Birdwood NOTE change of date.

30.10.22 All Ford Day

Please check with the organisers as dates and events may be subject to change.

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Sillier than a Seven

STRANGE AUTOMOBILES THAT MADE DRIVERS SRATCH THEIR HEADS



Hills Luncheon 17.7.22

Morning Tea at Strathalbyn Corner Bakery then on to Wellington Hotel on the Murray for lunch.



Welly Hotel Est 1846 SA's Oldest Country Pub



Further details from Chris Cutting.

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Austin 7 Run
17th July 2022



In Conjunction with the Hills Luncheon that is going to Wellington I am organizing a shorter Austin 7 run that will go to Strathalbyn and then return to Adelaide for those who do not want to continue to Wellington.

The Austin 7 run will leave from the Victoria Hotel at the top of Tapleys Hill at 9.15 am and travel to Strathalbyn via Clarendon, Kangarilla, Meadows and Bull Creek.

Come along bring your Austin 7 and enjoy Morning tea at the Corner bakery in Strathalbyn.

Please support this run.

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Saturday August 13

August is the quiz night at the club rooms

6.30 for 7.30 start BYO drinks and nibbles tables of 6 if you want to bring friends

If less than 6 we can match people up on a table

Let me know by 7 August

Chris Cutting

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September 1st
“DRIVE-IT DAY”
“OLD CAR DAY”



Old Car Day
Thursday September 1st 2022.
Bethany Reserve; Bethany Road, Bethany 11.00am
BYO Lunch



The first day of Spring, September 1st is promoted by the Federation of Historic Motor Vehicles SA as “Drive It Day” in SA. You are encouraged to take your historic vehicles out so that the public can see them. Take them to work, take them shopping, go for a drive, organise a run.



The Gawler Veteran Vintage and Classic Vehicle Club invites your club or club members to join us at Bethany Reserve; Bethany Road, Bethany at around 11.00am on Thursday September 1st 2022.

The Gawler Club has organised runs to Bethany starting as follows:

Fremont Park, Elizabeth
Princes Park, Gawler Showgrounds, Gawler

All runs meet at 9.00 am for 9.30 am start.
You are welcome to join us, organise your own runs, or just turn up.



It is all very informal, BYO lunch, toilets and a large shelter are available, but we suggest that you bring chairs.

Unlike the last 2 years, at this stage no Covid conditions apply, but please comply with any health conditions that may be advertised at the time of the event. In particular, please do not attend if you have cold or flu like symptoms.

It is a great opportunity to mix informally and share our hobby. So, come along, meet with fellow enthusiasts, have a chat, give the old vehicle an airing.

More Information: Alvin Jenkin 85292504 or email e-torque@gawlercarclub.com




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**Stop Press They are looking for pre 1950
Vehicles**



**Co-incident with the Club's 69th Year 1953 to 2022
100 years of the Austin 7 motor vehicle 1922 to 2022
90 years of the Austin 10 motor vehicle 1932 to 2022 and
70 years of the Austin A30 motor vehicle 1952 to 2022
A SPECIAL EVENT IS TO BE HELD AT THE AUSTIN 7 CLUBROOMS
262 TAPLEYS HILL ROAD SEATON
ON
SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2022
10am to 4pm
With a Light Lunch supplied**

All owners of anniversary vehicles are invited to come along and display their vehicles. These vehicles will be displayed on the front lawn and around the clubrooms, also a special invitation is extended to members who are restoring and rebuilding their Austin, even if your vehicle is unfinished, please bring it along on a trailer, there will be adequate room for you to display your project.

You do not have to be at the Clubrooms for the whole day, but if staying for the light luncheon please advise David Searles of your attendance, by email or returning this note at a meeting or telephoning David on 0408 700 047.

I would like to bring along to the clubrooms on the 23rd the following vehicle

My Austin 7 which will be driven YES/NO

My Austin 10 which will be driven YES/NO

My Austin A30, which will be driven or YES/NO

My Austin 7 project which I will bring on a trailer YES/NO

I will be at the clubrooms for lunch YES/NO

NAME: _____

VEHICLE DETAILS (YEAR/TYPE): _____

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING: _____



THE HON PETER MALINAUSKAS MP

PREMIER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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Dear

I am writing to you today to let you know we are delivering on our commitment to extend the conditional registration scheme for historic vehicles.

From 1 July this year, a vehicle will be eligible as a historic vehicle or left-hand drive vehicle if the owner is a financial member of a registered club, and their vehicle is 25 years or older as of 1 January the year in which the vehicle was manufactured.

This means a vehicle will now be eligible for the scheme if it is manufactured before 1997, rather than 1992 under the 30-year restriction.

This initiative will get more classic and historic vehicles onto the road for club events and exhibitions, and support the car restoration industry, including panel beaters, spray painters, mechanics, auto electricians and motor trimmers.

It will also help to preserve South Australia's proud car manufacturing history.

As a result of this change, the Code of Practice for the Scheme will be amended to reflect the change in eligibility criteria for historic and left-hand drive vehicles. No changes will be made to the conditions of vehicle use. The new Code will be available online from 1 July 2022 at www.sa.gov.au.

In addition to this, as part of our commitment to support car clubs my Government is also delivering \$2 million over 4 years for a grants program.

This will mean car clubs can better meet the growing operating costs, including managing the conditional registration scheme. It will also allow clubs to host bigger and better events and get more South Australians involved.

This grants program will open later in the year and we will provide further details to your organisation this in coming months.

Please pass this information onto your members.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Malinauskas', written over a white background.

Peter Malinauskas
PREMIER

24/ 06/ 2022

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www.sa.gov.au/topics/driving-and-transport/registration/conditional-registration/historic-left-hand-drive-and-street-rod-vehicles

McLaren Vale *Vintage & Classic*



The popular McLaren Vale Vintage & Classic event is in jeopardy after Founder and Chairman, Trevor Sharp, announced his retirement. They are now looking for a passionate individual to lead this team in 2023 and beyond, thus ensuring its viability and future.

Since the first event was held in 2006, the McLaren Vale Vintage & Classic has developed a strong history within the region and has benefitted from a dedicated and experienced team of volunteer organisers.

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Sports and Specials



Classic cars 'hit environment less'

Research has found that compared to modern vehicles, classic cars are much less damaging to the environment.

The average classic emits 563kg of carbon dioxide per year, yet an average passenger car has a 6.8-tonne carbon footprint immediately after production. A specialist classic and collector vehicle industry report by specialist in-

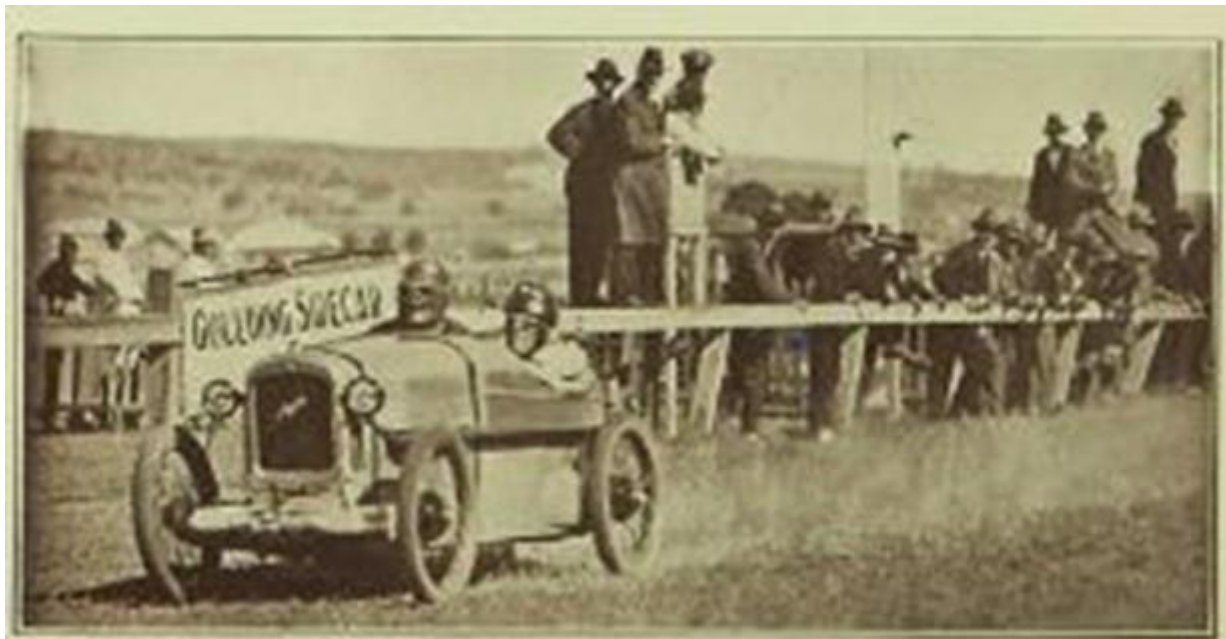
surance provider Footman James, based in Dudley, also found that two-thirds of classic car enthusiasts are already concerned about climate change.

The Indicator Report says that though a modern car would be more efficient and use less fuel if used on a daily basis, the environmental cost of manufacturing a new vehicle negates this.

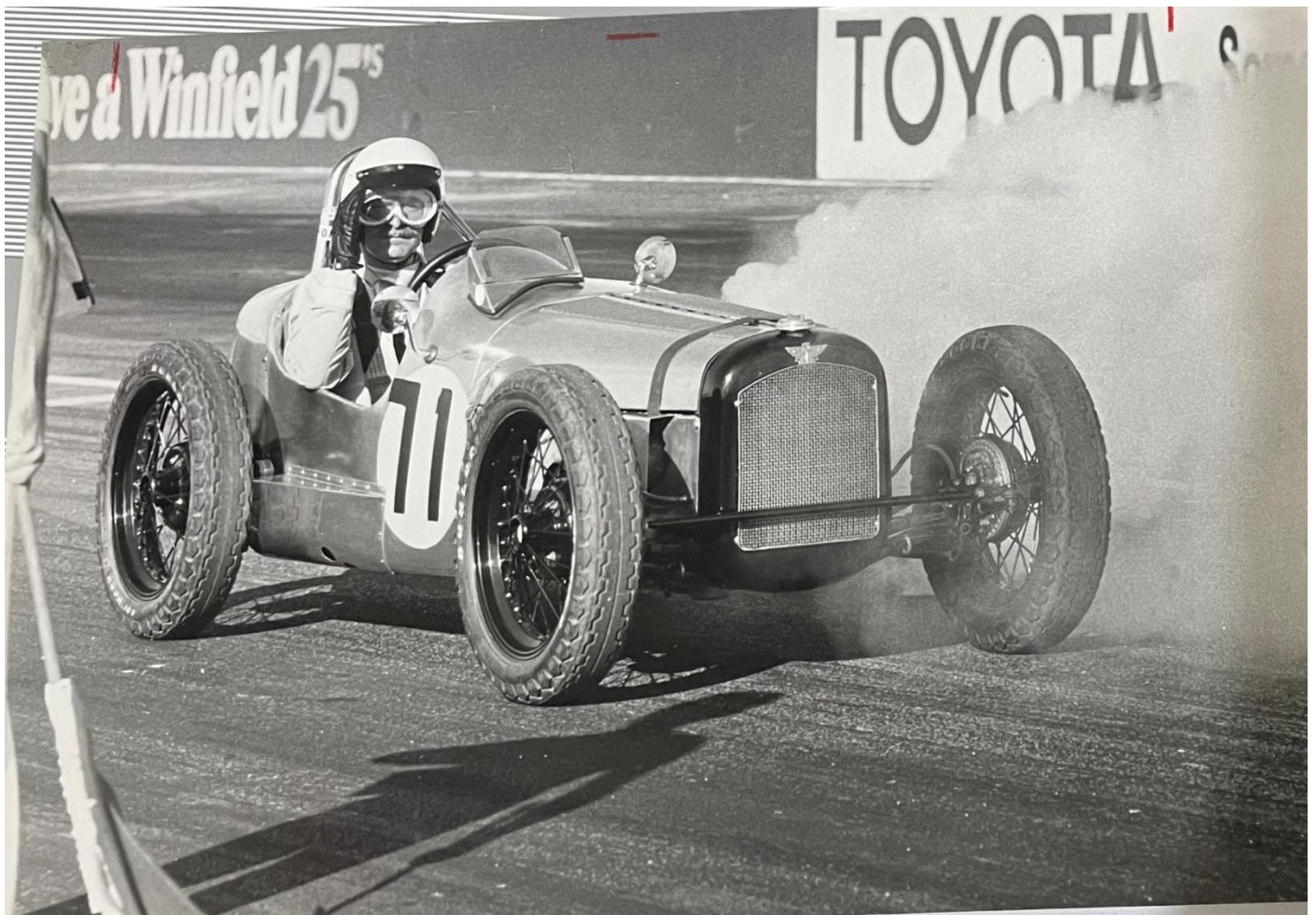
Old Adelaide



Monash Playground



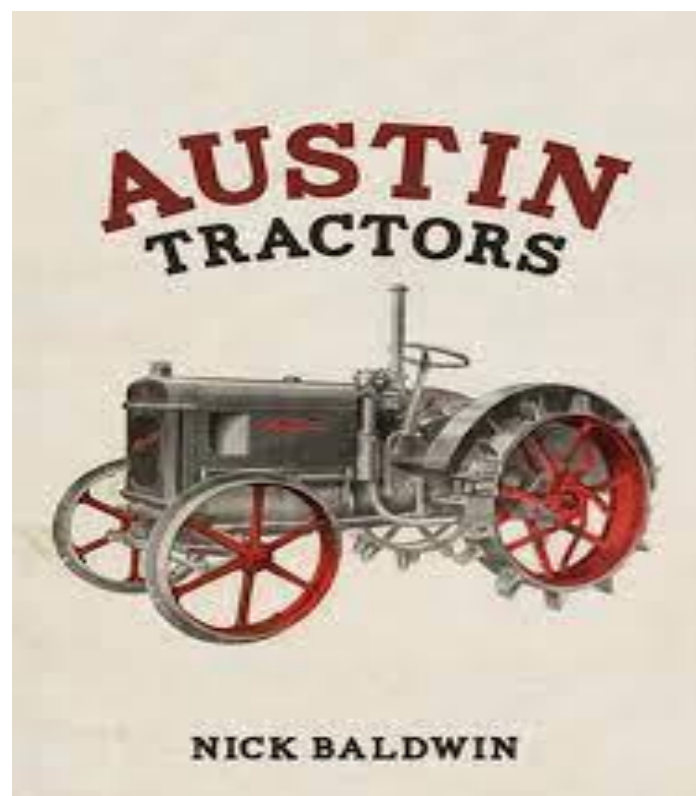
The Austin Seven on the Gaxler Race Course, Adelaide.



Austin 7 garden tractor offset engine and chain drive to reduce diff ratio.



Or something a little larger an Austin 12 Tractor.



Trial for 750 Immortals

CEASELESS activity and liveliness made up for a small entry (19 cars) in the Seven Fifty M.C.'s Walsingham cup trial on December 18. After a downhill brake test and the ascent of a greasy local lane in the morning, they returned to the woodlands at the back of the Brands Hatch estate for the trial proper.

The morning hill was a hard lane, entered by a muddy turn where many stuck. Wet leaves, and the greasiness of chalk, made it a difficult climb. P. T. Ross made a splendid ascent with one of those close-coupled yellow tourers which were known as Mustard Pots, his crew vigorously bouncing it on the slender quarter-elliptic rear springs. Very light, with the crew well aft, with a suitable suspension and (often) with that novelty, the balloon tyre, these little cars were in their heyday great wanderers off the beaten track. One of the saloons was good, too; they had *light* bodywork!

The main session at Brands Hatch was most active. A long and sticky approach road led to a valley where there were various climbing tracks. Seven sections were covered twice and there was an exit section. There was a marked tendency to have another go if you failed. Mrs. Hazel Chapman and Colin, deserting 1,097 c.c. and disc brakes in favour of a bath-tub baby Austin with three up, were

very active—she is a lively driver. N. Swingler's two-seater special was a notable boiler, but made lively climbs.

Casualties were few—the 750 engine does not burst, and the spindly undercarriages, with their pencil-size steering parts, were made of good stuff. But by the end, W. Comyns-Cole was carrying an exhaust pipe in the back seat. The saloon class winner had a very bashed side indeed, but had started with it; the car had been stolen and crashed previously. It remained a Good Runner. Fell's saloon even climbed one of the sections where specials had failed, ascending at an alarming speed. Some good examples of the beloved Nippy two-seater turned out, E. J. Tink's being a lively one.

There was a good section in a dip or excavation. Rushing down, cars had rather a slippery turn—causing a general tendency to slide out into the weeds and brush in a four-wheel drift—and an exit up a muddy slope. None was very good here. Unlike the modern trials special, the Austin Seven is not very good at winding itself up difficult slopes at 4 m.p.h. But it would rush anything, buzzing like an excited bee, bouncing freely of its own accord.

RESULTS

Walsingham cup: R. Davis (0 marks lost). Class A (saloons), 1, P. W. Burston, 74; 2, J. W. Wood, 75. Class B (tourers): 1, P. T. Ross, 46; 2, F. W. Fewtrell, 47. Class C (specials): 1, J. Hargreaves, 0 marks.



Frank Costin manufacturer of Marcos Cars in a number of road car projects for various manufacturers including Lister and Lotus, where he contributed to the early aerodynamic designs; Marcos, which he co-founded with Speedex Cars' Jem Marsh (*MARsh* and *COSTin*);

Speedex Castings and Accessories Ltd. was a company manufacturing sports car bodies between 1958 and 1962 in Luton, Bedfordshire.^[1]

It was set up by Jem Marsh who left Firestone Tyres in 1958 to manage the Luton-based *Sporting Motorists Agency* which sold Dante tuning parts for Austin 7-based cars.^[2] He left in April 1958 to set up a similar company, *SPEEDEX Castings and Accessories Ltd*, in a former hat factory at 33 Jubilee Street. The company moved on to larger premises in Windsor Street and produced the aluminium Speedex 750 body, followed by the glassfibre Silverstone and Sirocco GT Coupe.

Marsh went on to set up the Marcos Car Company with Frank Costin in 1962. The remaining Speedex bodies were purchased by Kew-based Cambridge Engineering who marketed the cars during 1962–3.^[3]



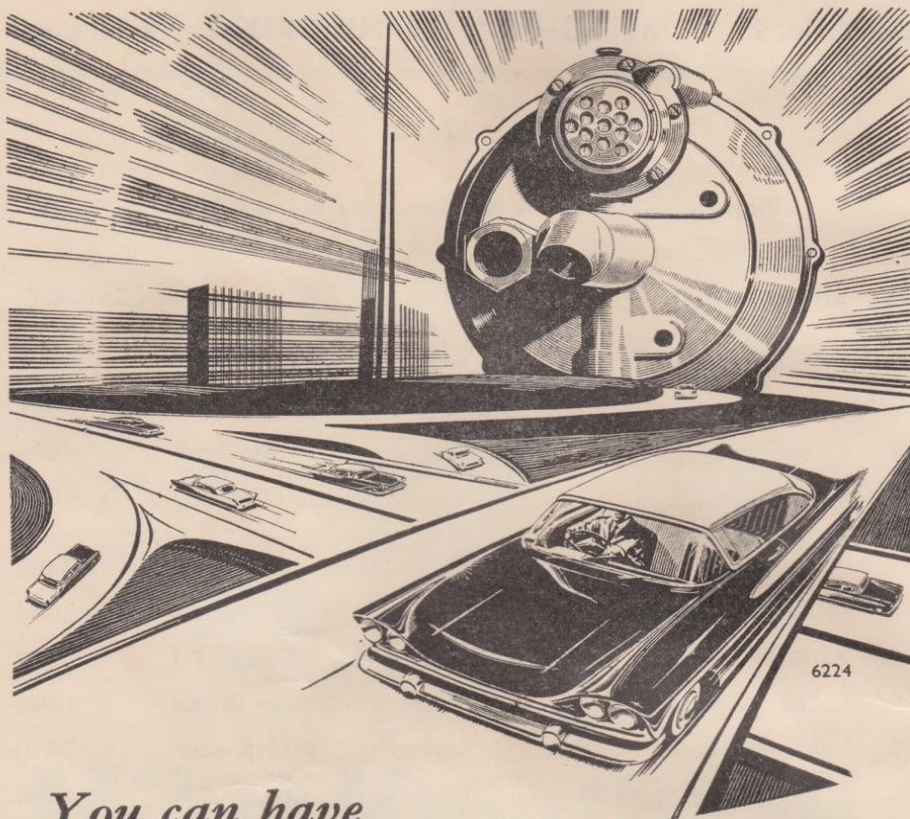
Dependability for the Police. The mobile sections of the Radnorshire Police are now being equipped with Austin Sevens in place of motor-cycles. Above we show three of the cars recently supplied by The Automobile Palace Ltd., of Llandrindod Wells, the Austin Distributors for North and Central Wales and Herefordshire.



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