

# THE MOTOMETER

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**FRIENDS  
OF  
VINTAGE  
MOTORING INC**



**"The Voice of Friends of Vintage Motoring"**  
**"Timeless Stories, Technical Wisdom,  
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## *Reflections on a Memorable Breakfast Run at the Watershed Café*

### *Appreciating Good Company*

It is often said that the most unexpected moments become the most cherished memories, and as I look back on Sunday, 20th July, our breakfast run with the Friends of Vintage Motoring stands as a shining example. What began as a modest gathering transformed, through the energy and warmth of its participants, into an experience that will surely be fondly recalled by all who attended.



The morning air was still tinged with the coolness of dawn as I made my way to the Watershed Café. Admittedly, I am not typically one to embrace the ritual of breakfast out; for me, mornings are usually a tranquil affair—just a single cup of coffee to ease into the day’s rhythm. Yet, there was something undeniably alluring about this occasion, a promise of good company and shared enthusiasm that was impossible to resist.

Arriving at the café, I was immediately greeted by an animated scene—a cheerful congregation of members and friends, their voices mingling in laughter and conversation across the car park. There was a palpable energy, a buzz that comes only when a group of like-minded souls gathers for a common purpose. What struck me most profoundly was the remarkable age range of attendees. Young and old, all mingled together.

The Watershed Café, with its spacious windows framing a serene view of the water, provided the ideal setting for the morning’s festivities. Sunlight spilled into the room, casting a warm glow over the assembled tables, where conversation flowed as freely as the coffee. Plates soon arrived, brimming with hearty fare, and the simple pleasure of a well-prepared meal was elevated by the laughter and stories we exchanged.

It is easy to forget, in the hustle of daily life, the power of community. Yet, on this Sunday,



as I watched the easy interactions and the genuine delight on the faces around me, I was filled with a profound sense of gratitude. It is not every group that can claim such an atmosphere of warmth and inclusion, and it is a testament to the welcoming spirit of the Friends of Vintage Motoring that both “young ones” and “oldies” feel equally at home.

Of course, no account of the morning would be complete without acknowledging the efforts of those who made it all possible. Ian and Kelly deserve heartfelt thanks for their thoughtful organisation of the breakfast. Later, at Adam's place, Lin and Jenny greeted us with a comforting spread of tea and cake—a fitting finale to the day's adventures. Their hospitality was the perfect embodiment of the group's spirit: generous, gracious, and always eager to make everyone feel welcome.

Once breakfast concluded and bellies were full, it was time to move on to the next leg of our journey

There is a comfort in the constancy of these gatherings. In an age where connections can feel fleeting and impersonal, our breakfast run served as a welcome reminder of the enduring value of friendship and shared interest. Each person present, from the youngest guest to the most seasoned member, contributed in their own way to the morning's success. Whether by organising, or simply offering a friendly smile, every gesture played a part.

The pleasure of such mornings lies not just in their novelty, but in their continuity. I find myself already anticipating our next get together, eager for another chance to revel in the unique blend of nostalgia, joy, and companionship that only the Friends of Vintage Motoring can provide. For me, and I suspect for many others, these gatherings will become a cherished ritual—a time to step away from the ordinary and celebrate the extraordinary in each other.

In closing, let me offer a final word of thanks to all who attended and contributed to the day's success. The Friends of Vintage Motoring is, at heart, a collective endeavor, and it is the spirit of its members that ensures its continued vitality. Here's to many more mornings filled with laughter and shared journeys. May each run bring us closer together and leave us with memories as bright and lasting as the cars we so admire.

**The Friends of Vintage Motoring: where every gathering reminds us that the journey is best measured not in miles, but in the laughter and friendship shared along the way.**



## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 20/07/2025

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| <b>Meeting:</b>             | <p>President Adam welcomed all those present to The July General Meeting of the Friends of Vintage Motoring he opened the meeting at 11.36am</p> <p>Present: Mik and Marg Bojko, Adam Jones, Maxine and Trevor Martin, Dale Kay and Jarryd La Vars, Ian and Kelly Russell, Anthony Russell, Tony and Kay Russell, Lin Warren, Bob Yates, Grant Cushnie, Jenny McKenzie.</p> <p>Apologies: Rosa Yates, Gary Warren, Jake Bonnici</p> |   |
| <b>Membership Fees:</b>     | <p><b>Membership Fees for 2025/26:</b> Set at \$15.00 per member for this financial year, recognising that we cannot offer Historic Registration at this time.</p> <p><b>Lifetime Membership</b> for Founding Families: Each of the six founding member families will be charged a one-time \$100.00 lifetime membership fee and an annual fee of \$15.00 each year thereafter.</p>   | <p>Moved by Ian Russell<br/>Seconded by Trevor Martin<br/><b>Carried</b></p>  |
| <b>Lifetime Membership:</b> | <p><b>Lifetime Membership</b> to be offered to an additional 4 persons making a total of 10 Lifetime member families. These additional Lifetime Memberships will receive the same privileges as the founding members.</p> <p>Lifetime Membership to be offered to:<br/>Jarryd LaVars<br/>Anthony Russell<br/>Lin Warren<br/>Jake Bonnici</p>  | <p>Moved Dale La Vars<br/>Seconded Bob Yates<br/><b>Carried</b></p>           |
| <b>Membership:</b>          | <p>The following persons be accepted as members of the club having paid their membership fees: Ebony Jones, Paul Van Ruth, Brodey Manuel, Zara Russell, Debra Spackman, Tony Russell, Kay Russell, Jaydn Russell, Grant Cushnie, Jenny McKenzie.</p> <p>The members present thanked Ebony for her donation of \$85.00 to the club</p>   | <p>Moved: Jarred La Vars<br/>Seconded: Mik Bojko<br/><b>Carried</b></p>       |
| <b>Bank Account:</b>        | <p><b>Bank Account Authorisation:</b> Treasurer Bob Yates be authorised to open a bank account in the name of Friends of Vintage Motoring.</p> <p><b>Account Signatories:</b> Any one of the Secretary, or Treasurer may act as a signatory to the account.</p>   | <p>Moved by Trevor Martin<br/>Seconded by Ian Russell.<br/><b>Carried</b></p> |

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| <b>Monthly Runs:</b>  | <p>A discussion pursued about future runs/gatherings Members present decided that wherever possible the monthly runs would be held on the 1st Sunday of each month.</p> <p>The following persons agreed to organise the following runs</p> <p>August Run: Trevor &amp; Maxine Martin<br/> September Run: Ian &amp; Kelly Russell<br/> October Run: Dale &amp; Kay La Vars<br/> November Run: Bob &amp; Rosa Yates<br/> December Run: Kelly Russell &amp; Maxine Martin</p>  |  |
| <b>Purchase of Stamps:</b><br><br><b>Purchase of Receipt Books:</b> | <p>A club stamp is required by each of the registrars:</p> <p>Motion: That the secretary purchase three club stamps in preparation for the anticipated Conditional Registration approval from DPTI.</p> <p>5 Receipt Books: to be purchased for the 3 proposed Registrars – Adam, Bob and Mik plus additional ones for Maxine and Ian</p> <p>Maxine to purchase</p>   | <p>Moved by Mik Bojko<br/> Seconded by Bob Yates<br/> <b>Carried</b></p>   |
| <b>Incorporation:</b>   | <p>Motion:</p> <p>That Maxine Martin (secretary) is hereby authorized to apply for incorporation of Friends of Vintage Motoring under the relevant laws and regulations governing incorporated associations.</p> <p>Further, Maxine Martin is authorized to complete and submit all necessary documents and forms, pay any applicable fees, and take all actions required to successfully incorporate the club under the name Friends of Vintage Motoring Incorporated.</p> | <p>Moved Mik Bojko<br/> Seconded Bob Yates<br/> <b>Carried</b></p>   |
| <b>Application to DPTI</b>  | <p>Maxine updated on the phone conversation from Matt – DPTI new application to be forwarded on 14th December with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Membership growth.</li> <li>• Further meetings.</li> <li>• Events.</li> <li>• Future plans.</li> </ul> <p>Motion that the Secretary reapply for conditional registration on or before 14th December 2025</p>   | <p>Moved: Jarryd La Vars<br/> Seconded: Kelly Russell<br/> <b>Carried</b></p>  |
| <b>Constitution:</b>  | <p>The Secretary advised that slight changes have been made to the constitution to meet the requirements of Incorporation.</p> <p>New version emailed to committee members 19/07/2025. The main changes are that we had to number each clause. Once the constitution has been approved by Consumer and Business Services the secretary will email each member a copy.</p> <p>Thanks to Dale for all the work he has put into this.</p>                                      | <p>Moved: Dale La Vars<br/> Seconded: Bob Yates<br/> That the new version as emailed be received<br/> <b>Carried</b></p> |

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| <b>Correspondence:</b>    | Information to DPTI<br>Response from DPTI<br>Application for Incorporation<br>Various emails to Committee Members<br>Get Well ecard to Gary Waren<br>Birthday ecard to Antony Russell                                     | Moved: Mik Bojko<br>Seconded: Jenny McKenzie<br>That the Secretary's report be received<br><b>Carried</b> |
| <b>Treasurers Report:</b> | As per the Treasurers Report  | Moved: Anthony Russell<br>Seconded: Lin Warren<br>That the treasurers report be received<br>Carried       |
| <b>Magazine:</b>          | Members were asked to think of a name for the club's magazine to be published so as to keep all members updated on the activities of the club<br><br>Several Names were discussed with the final name being The Motometer | Moved: Kelly Russell<br>Seconded: Marg Bojko<br><b>Carried</b>  |
| <b>General Business:</b>  | Adam called for General Business - Nil  |   |
| <b>Meeting Closed:</b>    | President Adam thanked all those present and declared the meeting closed at 12.15<br><br>The meeting was followed by a cup of coffee.   |   |

**Coffee & Cake  
Bakery Run**

*Sunday  
10th August  
12.30pm*

Meet Officeworks Carpark  
cnr. Main North Rd. & Kesters Rd.  
Parafield

for a short run to our lunch stop

RSVP - [trevmax1@bigpond.net.au](mailto:trevmax1@bigpond.net.au)

# Upcoming Events

## Friends of Vintage Motoring

Sunday  
10th  
August

Coffee & Cake  
Bakery Run  
12.30pm  
Organiser: Trevor & Maxine Martin  
[trevmax1@bigpond.net.au](mailto:trevmax1@bigpond.net.au)

Sunday  
14th  
September

Fish & Chip Run  
Organiser: Ian & Kelly Russell  
[kiar@bigpond.com](mailto:kiar@bigpond.com)  
General Meeting

Sunday  
12th  
October

Monato Zoo  
Organiser: Dale & Kay La Vars  
[djlv@esc.net.au](mailto:djlv@esc.net.au)

Saturday  
8th  
November

Tailem Bend  
Private Train Museum  
Organiser: Bob & Rosa Yates  
[bobjy@bigpond.com](mailto:bobjy@bigpond.com)  
General Meeting

Saturday  
13th  
December

Kids Christmas Party  
1355 Lower North East Rd Houghton  
2.00pm  
Organisers: Kelly & Maxine