



The Generator

**Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria
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A new Club member? We aren't even sure if he has a driver's licence.....
It was a fun night on Thursday 9th December for the Christmas Dinner at the
Manningham

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Thursday January 11th 2024

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Thanks to everyone who helps with the various chores necessary for the successful running of the club.

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IMPORTANT UPDATE TO CLUB PERMIT SCHEME FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2023

ALL Club Permit Holders.

For new applications and renewals please scan / email or mail your forms to:
"The CPS Registrar – Geoff Shepherd" Email: morrisminorclubplates@gmail.com
Mail: PO Box 1112 South Melbourne VIC 3205

**FOR QUICK TURNAROUND OF APPLICATIONS AND RENEWALS
PLEASE EMAIL AND SCAN DOCUMENTS WHERE POSSIBLE.**

It is the Club Member's responsibility to send renewals and applications in a timely manner.

Renewals

Remember to sign your renewal application. If your application is not signed it will be returned to you. No photos are required for renewal applications. Please email or, **if mailing, send a stamped self-addressed envelope with the VicRoads Renewal form.** No renewal reminders will be issued to permit holders. Please do not request the Committee to mail your renewal and payment to VicRoads.

You are always welcome to take your renewal paperwork to a monthly MMCCV meeting for an approval signature by the CPS Officer or Committee Members.

New Permits (Morris Minor and non-Morris Minor Vehicles and Motorcycles)

You must be either a life member or financial (paid up) member before you can apply for a new permit. An application fee of \$20 is required. Payment can be made via cash or cheque to the MMCCV Secretary or a Committee member at MMCCV monthly meetings. There is no 6-month membership qualification time for any Morris Minor vehicle for new members.

When applying for a permit for a:

Morris Minor

Email or mail a copy of the vehicles current RWC, proof of ownership and the following two **VicRoads forms** 1. Club Permit Application form 2. Vehicle Eligibility and Standards Declaration for Club Permit Scheme Vehicle form.

Non-Morris Minor Vehicles and Motorcycles

Applications must be accompanied by all the above plus proof of current registration of a Morris Minor vehicle held in the name of the applicant. Members wanting to register a **non-Morris** Minor or motorcycle must have been a member of our Club for at least 6 months.

All Morris Minor and Non-Morris Minor vehicle applications must include (6) recent photos:

- | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Vehicle front | 2. Vehicle rear | 3. Vehicle driver's side |
| 4. Vehicle driving position (side on, driver's door open) | 5. Chassis no or ID plate | 6. Vehicle engine bay |

Motorcycle photos should include 1,2 & 5 (above) plus LHS RHS views and speedo.

Mailed photos should be signed and dated on back. Electronic photos are authenticated by email date.

You must notify The Committee of your red plate permit number within 48 hours of VicRoads issue via email to morrisminorclubplates@gmail.com . Failure to notify the Committee of your club permit number can have serious consequences for the Club and may cause the Club's permit scheme to be suspended by VicRoads for failure to keep up to date records.

Rules Regarding Club CPS Responsibilities

A vehicle is not eligible for a Club Permit if any of the following conditions exist:

The member has ceased to be financial.

The vehicle is being used for commercial gain.

The vehicle is unroadworthy.

The vehicle is sold with logbook and plates.

The vehicle is sold to a friend so that a new logbook might be obtained.

Further information on the Club Permit Scheme (CPS) can be found on the VicRoads website.



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President's Report December 2023



Hi Everyone,

What a busy time of year for everyone. William is on the countdown until Santa arrives and I am looking to a well-earned break to work on some of my Morries.

This month we are headed to the Manningham Club for our Christmas dinner. I hope to see lots of you there.

There will be many events on early next year. The annual Australia Day picnic at Westerfolds Park on the 26th of January. The AOMC are holding the Aussie Motoring Show at Mornington Racecourse on the 4th of February and the British and European Motoring Show at Yarra Glen Racecourse on the 18th of February. The Ballarat Morris Minor Club are holding an Invitation Day Event on the 25th February. All details for events will be in the Generator or on the MMCCV website.

Have a great Christmas.

Keep on Morrying

Stewart Carr



This is what happens when you hit a stump with your ride on mower blade.



MMCCV Marketplace for all your CLUB REGALIA

Want to buy some gear? Contact Alan Todd
Mobile 0419 505 200 or email
regalia@morrisminorvic.org.au



You can purchase any of our regalia at our Club Meeting or by texting Alan on 0419 505 200.

Alan has organised printing of the new grille badges. He is hoping they will be available at the November Meeting. Here is the art work of the grille plate as it will be printed. They will cost \$25.00 each.



Doesn't it look great!



Craig Ellis has agreed to let us share this picture of his car 'Hector' proudly wearing his new MMCCV grille Badge:

Alan & Liam, the Regalia Team.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT



2 Way Radios

We have taken delivery of 2 x 5-watt UHF CB orange radio kit containing chargers and remote speaker microphones for use on runs and club events.

The Club Captain will be the custodian and allocate them for runs and events.



Xmas party 2023

Thursday 7th December at the Manningham Club, 1 Thompsons Road, Bulleen.

6.30 for 7.00 pm start. Enter via Thompsons Road.

Please bring your car if possible. We have can display them on entrance ramp to building.

Australia day 2024 Friday 26 January.

Michael Dobson has again generously offered to host the Australia Day run at Westerfolds Park Templestowe.

Michael gets to the park early and ensures we have a prime spot undercover. Come for Breakfast, Brunch or Lunch or stay for all.

Combined Swap meet with MG Car Club 24th February 2024

Combined swap meet Saturday 24 February @ 07:00 14:00 at the MG Car Club rooms Norcal Road Nunawading.

Contact Alan Todd to book a site @ \$20.

Start collecting all those bits and pieces you have collected along the way and no longer need.

If you cannot make it on the day Alan has offered to sell parts on behalf of people if you can get parts to him with an indicative price.

Join in meetings via Zoom.

Just a reminder to everyone that if you cannot make it to meetings, our president Stewart sends out a Zoom meeting link prior to each meeting. Please participate and have your say or send agenda items to any member of the committee via email addresses.

Ballarat Car Club Invitation Day - Sunday 25th February 2024

Hut 56 AIRPORT ROAD, MITCHELL PARK

Morning tea, a light luncheon and raffle ticket included in the entry fee of \$25 per person.

Entries close 15 January

More details at link below or contact Wayne Cunningham.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1GDBgzSxdNYAVvXOdONVyPJKmCHekEhTI/view>

Combined Mid- year run.

An invitation has come from the Ballarat to hold a combined mid-winter Lunch/Christmas in July Run. In the past this has been a successful event.

More details to come.

Mark Bosley Club Captain

0407 418 115

Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria 2024 Calendar:

There are still a few 2024 MMCCV calendar available. You can order them by contacting me directly (Barb Went 0409 002 531 [or via email at editor@morrisminorvic.org.au](mailto:editor@morrisminorvic.org.au)) We may have some left at the next Club Meeting on Thursday 11 January 2024. They cost \$20 each and can be posted to you for an additional \$3.50.



WANTED: MMCCV Person to manage the MMCCV Drop Box account



Are you skilled in computer and software management? We need you!

We are looking for a person skilled in computer and software management to maintain the Morris Minor Club of Victoria's on line Drop Box account.

This online account is utilised in the management of the membership and vehicle database currently by 5 members of the Club Management Committee.

Tasks include:

- Adding and removal of member sharing with in the Drop Box environment at a local level.
- You would be required to remove locked files during the operation of the Club database.
- Adding and removing files as part of the Club Management.

This is an important role within the function of the Club. If you are interested, please contact John Druery via email admin@morrisminorvic.org.au



MMCCV Treasurer's Report October 2023



1/10/23-31/10/23

MMCCV Cheque A/C

	C/M	YTD
<u>Income</u>		
Club Raffle	\$ 131.00	\$407.05
Events	\$ 600.00	\$600.00
Membership 23/24	\$ 115.00	\$2,130.00
Membership 24/25	\$ -	\$0.00
CPS / AOMC Book Sales	\$ 40.00	\$120.00
Regalia Sales	\$ 150.00	\$385.00
Badges	\$ -	\$30.00
Donation	\$ -	\$50.00
Calendar	\$ -	\$0.00
Car Raffle SA	\$ -	\$370.00
Total Income	\$ 1,036.00	\$4,092.05

Expenditure

"Generator" costs	\$ 151.20	\$408.60
Regalia	\$ 1,864.03	\$2,426.68
Postage	\$ 21.44	\$45.44
Badges	\$ 14.00	\$124.00
Suppers	\$ 92.35	\$242.65
AOMC Handbooks	\$ -	\$0.00
Trophies	\$ 50.00	\$50.00
Auditor Fee	\$ -	\$150.00
Stationary	\$ -	\$0.00
Refunds	\$ -	\$25.00
BMC Experience subs	\$ 40.00	\$40.00
CAV annual fee	\$ -	\$0.00
Rent	\$ -	\$0.00
AOMC	\$ -	\$250.00
Events	\$ -	\$500.00
Subscriptions/software	\$ 415.56	\$690.51
Calendars	\$ 362.37	\$362.37
Web site hosting	\$ -	\$0.00
Insurance	\$ 1,626.24	\$1,626.24
Presentations/Prizes	\$ -	\$160.35
PO Box Rental	\$ -	\$0.00
Equipment	\$ 718.50	\$718.50
Digitalization	\$ -	\$2,013.20
Total Expenditure	\$ 5,355.69	\$9,833.54

Net Income/Deficit **-\$4,319.69** **-\$5,741.49**

Unpresented Cheques

Nil

MMCCV Cheque A/C

Balance as at 30/09/2023	\$5,990.83
Net Income/Deficit	-\$4,319.69
Balance as at 31/10/2023	\$1,671.14

MMCCV Term Deposit A/C

Balance as at 30/09/2023	\$8,733.38
Net Income/Deficit	\$0.00
Balance as at 31/10/2023	\$8,733.38

MMCCV ACCOUNTS

Cheque Account	\$1,671.14
Term Deposit	\$8,733.38
Balance as at 31/10/2023	<u>\$10,404.52</u>

MEMBERSHIP REPORT DECEMBER 2023

Membership statistics are as follows:

182 Financial members including 7 Life members.

New members this month

Malik Zaveer #1721, is a returning member who has spent some time restoring his two Morry's. One is a red Series 2 convertible, the other a green Series 2 saloon. The cars are now being finalized for registering on Club plates.



Peter Harrison # 1827 has obtained a 2 door Morry 1000 shell with no engine, gearbox, or floor, he intends to build it up as a race car. Peter gave us an interesting overview of his project at the November club meeting.

To read more on this, see the article on Peter's Morry 1000 Project in this copy of the Generator. We look forward to hearing how the project progresses.

We welcome Malik and Peter to the club.

Club Name Badges:

These are available for \$15 per person, contact me to order a badge. Come to a meeting wearing your badge and be in the running to choose a prize from the raffle table.

To any member of the Club who is unwell or recuperating, we hope you are back with us soon

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA

INC.

HELD AT THE HORRIE WATSON HALL, DEEPEDE AND ALSO VIA ZOOM ON THURSDAY 9th NOVEMBER 2023

The Meeting was opened by our President. Stewart Carr who welcomed all members. Meeting commenced at 8.00pm

Committee Members Present: President, Stewart Carr, Vice President: Russell Hatton; Club Captain, Mark Bosley; Regalia Officer, Alan Todd; Treasurer, Katie Hamilton; CPS Officer, Geoff Shepherd; Secretary. Ed James and Editor, Barbara Went.

Attendance: Approximately 28 members were present together with no members via Zoom.

Apologies: Ed Degabriele, Mark Parritt, Leigh Wallace, Richard McKellar, Henry Edwards.

New Members: Peter Harrison was in attendance and introduced himself. He has purchased a 2 door Morris Minor which he intends to make significant changes to, including a V8 motor. We will be interested to learn about his progress.

Acceptance of Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting held 12th October 2023 accepted on the motion of Mike Dobson and seconded by Trevor Sarbach.

President's Report: As per the Generator.

Stewart thanked everyone who attended Morrykhana and the Cup Day run

There are still vacancies for a Club Librarian and a Web Master.

Vice President's Report: Russell reported that he enjoyed the Morrykhana event but in particular he enjoyed the tour of the College's facilities.

He also reported that he attended the Peninsula Run at the Point Nepean Quarantine station. It was very well run and he estimated that 200 cars were present.

Secretary's Report: A person by the name of Leah wants to hire a Morris for an undefined purpose. Anyone interested should follow up with Ed James. Some discussion occurred about the difficulties and legality of this. Darby Clutch and Brakes in Werribee will offer 10% off for club members. Some upcoming events were sent to Ed and they appear in the Generator.

Treasurer's Report: Katie Hamilton reported that the cheque account has a balance of \$1841.14. The term deposit is \$8,733.38. We have a combined balance of our accounts of \$10574.52.

There have been 20 people and one child paid for the upcoming Christmas function.

Membership Officer's Report: 2 new members this month. Total of 182 members. Details of the new members will appear in the next edition of the Generator. He noted that it was great to see Henry Edwards, his daughter and grandson (3 generations all members of the MMCCV) at the Cup Day Run.

Club Captain's Report: Mark reported that the new 2-way radios are now available to be picked up. Cup Day was very successful – Henry Edwards attended along with his daughter and grandson. Henry is hoping that the Cup Day run in 2024 can return to his property as was the practice in the past.

Christmas Party – details covered in Treasurer's report.

Australia Day Run – Mike Dobson will organise a spot at Westerfolds Park.

February – Possible run to Moorabbin Aviation Museum.

Possible future runs to the Lavendar Farm – February – MG & MMCCV Swap Meet at the MG Club Rooms

Ballarat Invitation Day – details in the Generator.

Editor's Report: The MMCCV Calendars will be available and cost \$20.00 each.

CPS Officer's Report:

Geoff thanked everyone who helped with the CPS role whilst he was overseas. Geoff will do a reconciliation of the vehicles that are on club plates to ensure all the details are correct. Jim Gourlay will remain as a signatory for Club Plates.

Regalia: Grille badges art work is complete with the correct date (1977) will be available in the new year and will cost \$25.00 to members. Alan will order 50.

Alan and Leigh Wallace have been working together and the Inaugural combined MMCCV and MG Car Club swap meet will occur on Saturday 24th February 2024 at the MG Club rooms. Commencing at 7am and finishing round 2pm. Any club member can purchase a spot for \$20 or 2 spots for \$40. This will be a great opportunity for all members.

AOMC Report: Next meeting is the AGM on 20.11.23. Stewart will attend, anyone is welcome to attend to, please let Stewart know.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

We are still looking for a Club Librarian.

Another reminder of the upcoming Inaugural combined MMCCV and MG Car Club swap meet will occur on Saturday 24th February 2024 at the MG Club rooms. Information will be included in the Generator. Everyone is encouraged to attend to ensure this can be an ongoing event. There are more details on the MG Club website.

For Sale, Wants and needs:

Michael Marasco has a 1955 Split windscreen Morris Minor, which has been extensively worked on but the car is not assembled. Micheal may advertise it in the Generator but he is looking for a buyer.

Tips and hints:

Russell Hatton reminded everyone that the Bendigo Swap, which has been cancelled for the past 3 years, will be happening this weekend.

Stewart reported on the progress of the Triumph he is working on and said that they are still not quite there yet.

The meeting was closed at 8.40pm followed by the raffle.

Barbara Went for
Ed James Secretary

Melbourne Cup Day Run:

On a perfect Cup Day 16 of us, plus a dog, gathered at Yan Yean Reservoir for a picnic lunch and a yak. It was so good to see Henry Edwards in attendance, he was in fact the first to arrive at the reserve with his daughter Michelle and they spotted and bagged a large shady tree under which to set up our chairs. Once Henry's grandson, Bryce arrived we had 3 generations of Henry's family in attendance, all members.

We had 6 Morrays on display in the car park, all looking nice and shiny and getting some attention from the numerous other families who were also enjoying the beautiful reserve.

We all had a very pleasant relaxing day before setting off on our journey home.

Attendees

Jim and Helen Gourlay, Rob and Trish Smith, Michael and Veronica Dobson, Philip Plumbe and Liz Sambell, Percy and Cheryle Scicluna, Kate Hutson, Henry Edwards, Michelle Jurgens, Bryce Jurgens and his mate Mat.

Thank you to Jim Gourlay for compiling this Run Report.



December 2024 Christmas Dinner at the Manningham

This year's Christmas function was held at the Manningham in Bulleen. It was very well attended and everyone enjoyed the change to catch up. We were thrilled that Henry Edwards was able to attend. A big thank you to Katie Hamilton who arranged the venue, organized the raffle prize, which were great and also negotiated with the Manningham so that our Morry's could park in the circular driveway adjacent to the entrance of the facility.

Thank you to Brenda Stork for compiling a wonderful power point which run during the evening. It is so good to see what everyone has been up to in the very busy year for the Club.





Upcoming January 2024 Run:




AUSTRALIA DAY RUN 26 January 2024

Where: Westerfolds Park, Fitzsimmons Lane, Templestowe.

When: 26 January 2024 from early in the morning to the afternoon

Who: Michael Dobson is organizing this event. He will be saving a place for us and setting up the BBQ very early in the day.

EVENTS CALENDAR 2023 & 2024

Date:	Event:	Details:
January 26 th 2024 Australia Day		Westerfolds Park, Fitzsimmons Lane, Templestowe. Michael Dobson is organizing this event. He will be saving a place for us and setting up the BBQ very early in the day
February 2024	<p>Moorabbin Aviation Museum – picnic lunch at Braeside Park The prices for entry are; adults \$10, concession \$7, children \$5 and a family of 2 adults and 2 children is \$20, all carers and support staff are free</p> 	<p>We will meet at the McDonalds on the corner of Springvale Road & Wellington Road, Mulgrave. We will drive to the Moorabbin Aviation Museum for a tour. You can have a coffee at The Naked Racer and then a picnic at Braeside Park.</p> <p>Barb Went Ph 0409 002 531</p>
24th February 2024	<p>Inaugural MMCCV & MG Clubs Swap Meet</p> 	<p>MG Car Club Unit 53, 41-49 Norcal Road, Nunawading Alan Todd 0419 505 200 or Leigh Wallace 0400 570 024</p>
Sunday 25 th February 2024	Ballarat Car Club Invitation Day	<p>Where: Hut 56 AIRPORT ROAD, MITCHELL PARK Morning tea, a light luncheon and raffle ticket included in the entry fee of \$25 per person. Entries close 15 January More details at link below or contact Wayne Cunningham. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1GDBgzSxdNYAVxXOdONVyPJKmCHekEhTI/view</p>

Morry Tales:

My Morry 1000 Project

Thank you for the warm welcome to the Morris Minor Club of Victoria this month. Whilst it is true that there was pizza a plenty at the November meeting. I swear that is not why I chose to join the club this month. My introduction to Morrrys goes back to about 1973 when my elder brother Geoff and I were both studying at RMIT and used my Mum's 4 door split screen car for daily travel to and from Murrumbeena station and church/tennis at St Giles Uniting on the weekends.

We had to fight for a turn to drive and it was necessary to know how to use the crank handle to start the car since we had no other mechanical knowledge to speak of back then and the battery was invariably flat most of the time. Once we both had jobs and some form of income Dad sold the Morry for the princely sum of \$50 to a slippery looking car dealer near the city and so we moved on.

I got involved with Austin Healey Sprites and still have the MK 3A I bought in 1976 having completed a total bare metal rebuild of it in 2017. Having joined the Sprite car club in about 2008 I caught the racing bug and was fortunate enough to be able to campaign an MX5 NB in MSCA sprints. In total I had two MX5 racers over about 8 years but within the Sprite club they really lacked relevance and so I built a Sprite race car during the Covid interruptions and am still racing that today. I mention this car since it helps to explain the idea I have for my new Morry treasure. It is a 1000 2 door model with serious rust damage and is a rolling shell to be polite with no engine, gearbox, floor etc. The Sprite racer needed to be different. The standard build is a 1275 worked engine with straight cut gearbox, uprated front stub axles and brakes and the necessary safety gear including a roll bar. Typical power output ranges from 100 – 120 hp (flywheel) for an A series engine with a cam, compression, some head work, weber and extractors. And, it costs a bomb to build!

So back in 2012 I had started researching and buying some parts for the planned racer which didn't get built until the end of 2020. I wasn't happy to use 50 year old stub axles, most of which are cracked these days so a modified front end was devised which also eliminated the top lever arm shock absorbers. The engine was based on my old 1275 block and is now 1310cc with a 16 valve, fuel injected twin cam BMW motorcycle head. When we mapped in the ECU on the dyno it produced a healthy 118 hp at the wheels which was a pleasing result. Probably about 130 – 135 hp at the flywheel.

At this stage with that car sorted I found myself wanting another project and this time a race car that was a lot faster. MSCA has evolved from MGs, Triumphs, Sprites and the like to clubman cars, modern Lotuses (LoB?), BMWs, Porches and other fantastic things and so the idea of something traditional that would show them what good old British technology could do started to develop. I think Morrrys imprint on you from a young age experience like mine, sort of like baby chickens! I think as a race car the rounded body shape is fantastic. We just need to get it a lot lower and watch the weight gain. I did a lot of research and found a car in the UK built by Chris Isaacs and now raced by Craig Percy. Information about the car's development can be found here <http://www.chrisisaacs.com/morrisminorcircuitcar.html> So, I figured I can do something like that and base it on Holden running gear with an LS1 providing the forward motivation. Should cause quite a stir in the pit lane when it is done. I plan to start the build in 2024 once I clear some space in the garage at home. I promise to provide regular updates once we get going. Peter Harrison



Thank you to Peter Harrison for this fascinating story.

A superlative job!

Craig Ellis decided his Morry's seats were just too uncomfortable and decided to do something about it! Here are some images of what he accomplished in under a week! He stripped both driver and passenger side seats and replaced the Pirelli straps, seat foam, squab padding and reused his original upholstery. It is a great result and all the better because he was able to use the original upholstery.



Craig removed the original upholstery to reveal some interesting and non-original features



The interesting use of replacement straps in place of the Pirelli straps was a discovery!

You can see the stages of renewing the seating in the next pages and the last image is of both rejuvenated seats back where they belong. Thanks, Craig, for sharing.



Some other events for your Calendar:



Inaugural MG & MORRIS MINOR SWAP MEET:

Mark the date in your diary!!!

Saturday 24th February 2024

At

MG Car Club Victoria

Unit 53,

41-49 Norcal Road,

Nunawading 3131

Sellers \$20 per site - Set up at 7am

Free entry for buyers after 8am

Enquiries and site bookings – Alan Todd 0419 505 200 or

Leigh Wallace 0400 570 024



FLORENCE THOMSON *Tour*

The Florence Thomson Tour is proudly brought to you by the Association of Motoring Club (AOMC) on behalf of RACV. In February 1905, Florence Thomson was the sole female entrant in the Dunlop Reliability Motor contest from Sydney to Melbourne. Mrs Thomson was one of the 16 entrants who successfully completed the five-day trial, driving a six horsepower Wolseley, over what was then nothing more than 562 miles of dirt track between the capital cities.

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- Spectator entry and car park off Cranhaven Rd.
- Spectator Admission \$10 per person, Children free
- All profits from this event will be donated to Beyond Blue
- Childrens Entertainment, Music, Food & Trophies



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email editor@morrisminorvic.org.au

or

Contact: Barb Went 0409 002 531

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- Please be aware that your contact details will be listed on the Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria website for a period of 2 years following inclusion in the Generator

FOR SALE:

1970 Morris Minor Traveller

1.



In perfect condition.

New brakes, tyres, carpet, door cards - wood in excellent condition. Reconditioned gearbox. Paintwork is original - absolutely no rust. Comes with custom plates.

On full registration. \$38,000.

Contact - David and Diane Linsell (membership no. 1577) Mobile - 0459990222.

2.

Morris Minor 1956 four door sedan

Good original condition, pearl green, recently fitted with new seatbelts, turn indicators and external mirrors. Recent head gasket replacement and new fuel pump.

Currently on club plates not transferable.

\$20,000 negotiable

Enquiries to Margaret Tel: 03 9560 8299



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Owner is open to all offers, contact owner directly their details are below.

1.

Lloyd Hartnett panel van which was my father-in-law's.

Unfortunately, he has passed, so we are looking to sell the vehicle and are keen to find someone interested in these unique vehicles if possible.

It has been stored in a container at Mt Mercer 1.5 Hours from Melbourne (35 minutes from Ballarat) for some time.

Attached some photos of the car and parts we have, please let me know if you want further images or details, my direct contact information please see below.

Thank you again for your time in assisting us.

IMAGE Over the page is a REFERENCE PICTURE ONLY of car what would look like restored



Kind regards

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E-Mail: belbyrne@hotmail.com

Ph: 0439 394 017

1951 Black Morris Minor Tourer for sale.

1.

I would be asking about \$15,000.00 ono

Andrew Stutchberry

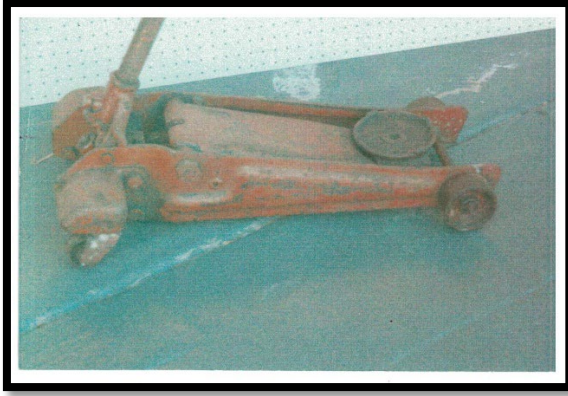
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Oscar Trapani has the following items for sale.

He can be contacted by phone on 8339 2900

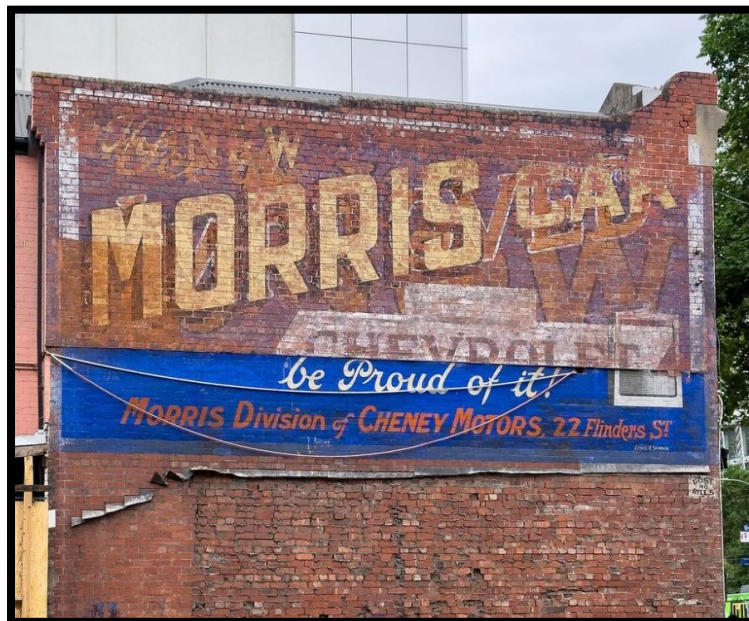
3.



Apac Hydraulic Jack. Working	\$150
Garage stands – Still Box 2 x 2	\$ 30 (as new)
Loose garage stands	\$ 15 each

Spotted on Instagram:

Our eagle eyed Marcus Ball noticed a really interesting post on Instagram. Sean Reynolds, @melbourne_ghostsigns, travels around taking images of faded ghost signs and architecture. He has generously agreed to allow us to use his images here. They are of interest because they relate to painted signs advertising Morris cars. He also does a lot of research regarding the background of the images and what they refer to.



Sean writes: *The sign, painted in the roaring '20s, back when Sidney Albert Cheney et up his dealership on Flinders Street. Switching from Chevrolets to Morris cars, SA even convinced Lord Nuffield to take a detour Down Under to understand why his cars were stalling in the Aussie market. SA sold Morris cars for about a decade before taking the off-ramp to retirement.*

If you have a moment, check out his Instagram Account @melbourne_ghostsigns . He goes to a lot of trouble to provide detailed information relating to the fascinating images he finds. Thank you Sean

More of the Christmas dinner:

