



INTERNATIONAL SCOUT OWNERS' CLUB

VICTORIAN DIVISION Inc.

ISOC Newsletter – December 2020 - January 2021
Meeting Sunday 17th January 2021 at Jim Keast's



At the time of writing we are not sure what rules will be in place. After going back through our last few annual meetings we will be under current recommendations. If there any change we will let everyone know.



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This meeting is the Annual Meeting of the International Scout Owners Club of Victoria.

To be held at Jim Keast's house at 23 Jolly Terrace, South Morang on Sunday, 17th January 2020 at 11am. If you don't think you can find 23 Jolly Terrace give me a ring and I will send you a mud map. BYO food and a chair; there is coffee, tea, etc. available.

Scout on front cover & more info on last newsletter cover pic



The Scout on the **front cover** is the same one I had pictures of in the last newsletter showing it in the process of being restored. It is nearly completed now and looks a picture, how good is it to see these old rigs being restored to this standard.



Some information on this **Series 80 Scout** that was on the cover of our last newsletter - I was told that it was sold at the Wedderburn Auction on the weekend of our last meeting for \$10,000. They seem have started to become very collectible as people realise how rare they are especially in Australia.

President's Annual Report

Hello All,

The year started as per normal AGM at Jim's where I was elected as Pres and then we were heading for Stawell for our March meeting which we were lucky to have because the world was a-changing with COVID-19 and then May, July, September all cancelled until November for our Yea meeting. When the IRON curtain around Melbourne was removed well I think half of the city was in Yea that weekend you couldn't move in any of the shops and the Hotel was a busy place. I asked the barman what was it like the previous Saturday evening and they had only had ten meals they probably had done more than a hundred that night. Great weekend about the only thing we went and had a look at was the old Rail Tunnel which was magnificent achievement for its time. Thanks to Vicki and Dennis for a great place to visit.

Some sad news of the Death of two great members of Maurice & Kate which nobody can comprehend what could have happened, they will be sadly missed .Glad and I went. It was great to see Peter P, David & Tracey, Sabrina P at the memorial in the Botanical gardens in Bendigo on Sunday the 20th Dec. The President of the Bendigo 4wd club suggested a weekend in February 2021 at Moonambel.

The AGM there is a few jobs up for grabs so if you are thinking of putting a bit more into our Club now is the time. Fees are due from the AGM.

The March meeting is coming up fast for our visit to Kyneton for a collection of Chryslers and Internationals and parts of history on the 20th March as there is NO caravan park in Kyneton we have two options;

1/.Riddles Creek Scout camp. 2/. Newstead Racecourse reserve or any great camping spots around Kyneton that someone could think of, the decision will be made at the AGM with discussion of the finer details.

May meeting could be anywhere as hopefully we are all going to the Cornish festival in South Australia for our Biannual Gathering which ILMO will have organized, not sure what everyone is doing after the gathering, plus where would you like to go in 2023. Have a think because as time goes it doesn't take long to come around again.

Hopefully everyone has had another great Christmas and New Year. Your Pres **Dave E.**

Editor's Annual Report 2020

An indication of the interest in Scouts is that I have had numerous calls generated by our website over the last few months from people looking for Scouts, Parts and/or info. While I give out info initially, if they show no interest in joining the club I stop giving out the info. If they are from interstate I refer them to their local state group. This is not club policy just a personal view as I don't see why we should go to the trouble of running a formal club with insurances, newsletters and official records, etc. for people who don't want to do their share. I don't care if they never attend a meeting, as long as they pay the club fees and maintain contact. I will always go out of my way to help them source parts and info. Of course, if they want to get a car on club permit with us they do need to attend meetings. Our fees are only \$30 and I know that when the old QLD club had lots of parts the club parts blokes would load up the price of parts with at least the cost of membership if it was a non-member.

I do notice there has been a few Scouts come up for sale where the sellers claim they bought them for a project and claim they do not now have the time to restore it so they are reluctantly selling. I suspect that a lot of them are finding out just how much it costs to restore a vehicle to the current roadworthy requirements and have had second thoughts. Very hard to find a Scout that only needs a few minor things to pass a Victorian Roadworthy Certificate. There have been some horror stories of what has happened to RWC blokes in terms of court cases and liability after giving out dodgy RWCs to a mate and the vehicle has then been involved in an accident. Most RWC blokes are now tightening up on the requirements. Many of the calls recently looking for parts have been from interstate so our website is serving a purpose as many of them are people who don't do Fakebook or social media. In the case of interstate people I give them the info they want and also the contact details of the interstate group. In the case of something coming up for sale I make no apologies for sending out our newsletter to our Victorian group first so that our club members have first opportunity to buy things that I have been asked to include in our for sale section.

All the best for the New Year, Fred.

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