

# INTERNATIONAL SCOUT OWNERS' CLUB

## ISOC Newsletter December 2022- January 2023

## **Spotto in Towong Shire**



A 1914 International Auto Buggy high wheeler recently sold at auction for \$89,000. On its way to Qld.



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## Next meeting AGM and Regular meeting

## When? – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023 at 11am Single day event only

## Where? - Lynn and Wayne McGrath's home, 18 Burbank Ave, Gladstone Park, Victoria.

## Followed by a Sausage sizzle lunch

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#### Firstly, a word from our President, Editor and Club Plate Officer

Hello All,

I was writing this before Christmas and New Year in an effort to clear my "to do" list up a bit before the year ends and unfortunately due to sad circumstance I've had to revisit it to make a sad announcement.

Firstly, I would like to bring to the attention of members the date and time of our next meeting and AGM to be held at Lynn and Wayne's home, 18 Burbank Ave, Gladstone Park, Victoria on the Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023 at 11am.

Thanks Lynn and Wayne for offering your home as meeting location.

On a serious note, it is with deep regret and great shock to all, that we acknowledge the death of long time member **Jim Keast**.

Jim passed away on the 24 December2022 and his previous residence was the location for several year of our AGM.

I'm sure all members will join with me in offering our condolences to Jim's extended family.

Thanks goes to Elaine and Fred in getting the word out and for the email.



We discussed the AGM recently at the November meeting at Tatura and it was planned to have a catered pizza lunch after the meeting.

Unfortunately this won't be happening as planned due to a lack of pizza businesses that can cater for us.

But Wayne and Lynn have come to the rescue and made available their **BBQ** so we can have a **sausage sizzle**, in the theme of our **Presidents BBQ** and satisfy the hungry hordes. Just bring along yourselves, a drink or three and a chair.

As usual at the AGM, all committee and executive position will be declared vacant and **members will be required to step up and fill positions** so the club may continue to exist into the future.

Nominations can be sent to the **Secretary** prior to the meeting or otherwise will be sought on the day.

There is no age barrier or experience required to perform a role on the committee and if you have had a go several years ago, why not put yourself forward again for another term?

## **Birthday Celebration June Thomas, Life Member**

As was reported in our last issue Fred and Elaine attended the 90th Birthday celebration for June Thomas who is a Life Member of our Club.

Here's a photo from the day that escaped insertion into last issue.



Happy Birthday June from all club members

## **Member Information**

#### Membership dues:

As recorded in the minutes, members are reminded that the subscription for membership for **2023 remains at \$30** which covers singles, couples and families.

This remains excellent value and as a club we like to keep fees affordable for members. Membership fees are now due and can be paid via cash, cheque or direct debit.

### **March Meeting:**

**To be held on 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> March in the Swanpool area**. – Swanpool Cinema, Swanpool Car Show and Lake Nillahcootie are among the attractions for the area. Travel on Dirt Day.

**Midland Holiday Park**, <u>https://www.midlandholidaypark.com.au</u>, near Lake Nillahcootie was suggested and 10 sites have tentatively been booked under our club name for Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11th and 12<sup>th</sup> of March.

Members will need to ring the holiday park direct, **03 5768 2416**, to confirm their stay and organise a deposit if required. Also members, who require additional dates before or after those mentioned above, will need to organise that direct with the holiday park. Contact details are: **Midland Holiday Park 3028 Midland Highway, Lima South Vic 367**3, <u>enquiries@midlandholidaypark.com.au</u>

With a full weekend planned, our regular Meeting time may have to be a bit fluid and varied to suit the events taking place over the weekend, eg be held Saturday night at happy hour or such. To be confirmed at a later date.

President's BBQ to be held Friday night.

On this weekend there will be a **Travelling on Dirt Day** incorporated on the Saturday, visiting some local historic sites close to the holiday park with the intention of a pub lunch along the way.

Dirt roads and fire trails are planned which will be rated as easy and are accessible via most soft roaders with a bit of ground clearance.

Locations along the route may include but are not limited to, Lima South quarry, Mount Samaria, bush walks, historic saw mills and timber kilns, timber tramways, the Kelly Tree at Stringy Bark Creek, bush graves etc. Powers Lookout is possible depending on time and members wishes.

Overall distance covered should be about 100km and lunch is planned at the Tatong pub or could be just a byo out in the bush if that suits better. Some bitumen will be encountered along the way.

This day is planned just as an enjoyable drive in the bush and all are welcome to come along on the Saturday. There are many other drives in the area also for those wishing to self-explore too.

Members taking their Scouts on the weekend are invited to participate in the **Swanpool Motor Festival** display on the Sunday which I intend to do. See details below.



https://swanpoolmotorfestival.com.au/

There will be a small swap meet along with the usual stalls for food and drink.

Swanpool also has a general store with fuel, takeaway food and drinks plus alcohol; it has antique store and a cinema too. See for session times and prices. https://www.swanpoolcinema.com.au/