

# *Torque*

FEBRUARY 2016

## *The Early Ford V8 Club*



## *Of New South Wales Inc*

THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT  
THE GREYHOUND SOCIAL CLUB  
140 ROOKWOOD ROAD YAGOONA  
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 3RD  
AT 8:00PM SHARP

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# The Early Ford V8 Club of N.S.W. Inc

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**Club Member of the Year:** John Moore

**Life Members:** Jock McGowan (dec'd), Noel Lockley (dec'd), Warren Barber (dec'd), Eddie Mula (dec'd), Bill Bundock (dec'd).

Chic McMillan, Joan Barber, Shirley Mula, Nadine Bundock, Jim Kerr, Warwick Allen, John Stimson.

- \* The Early Ford V8 Club of NSW Inc. has been running for over 30 yrs with 120 members.
- \* The Annual Membership fees are \$50.00 plus \$5.00 joining fee. Fees are due at AGM time in October.
- \* Club meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month, at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Road Yagoona. Meetings start at 8.00pm sharp.
- \* All correspondence and application for membership should be forwarded to: The Secretary, Tony Burden, 65 Stenhouse Drive, Mt Annan 2567.
- \* Renewal membership to be sent direct to: The Treasurer, Anne Allen, 180 Old Pitt Town Road, Box Hill 2765.
- \* Newsletters are posted monthly. All *For Sale* and *Wanted* Ads, stories of restorations, items of interest, to be sent to: The Editor John Moore 139 Belar ave Villawood 2163.



**EFV-8 Club of NSW**

**Regional Group No. 143  
The EFV-8 Club of America**



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

**Complete this form and forward with either \$50.00 plus \$5.00 for a joining fee or your renewal fee of \$50.00 to: The Treasurer, Anne Allen 180 Old Pitt Town Rd Box Hill, NSW 2765. (9679 0326)**

All Cheques or Money Orders to be made payable to  
"The Early Ford V8 Club of N.S.W. Inc."

I/We:.....

Of: Street:.....

Suburb:.....Post Code:.....

Phone No:.....Mobile:.....

Hereby apply for membership of The Early Ford V8 Club of NSW Inc.  
I/We further agree to abide by the Rules & By Laws contained in the Articles of the Constitution of the Club.

Signed:.....Date:.....

Proposed by:.....

Seconded by:.....Received by:.....

**Details of Vehicle/s Owned:**

Make: FORD. Year:.....Model:.....

Engine No:.....Serial No:.....

Rated Horsepower:.....Colour:.....

Registration No:.....

Make: FORD. Year:.....Model:.....

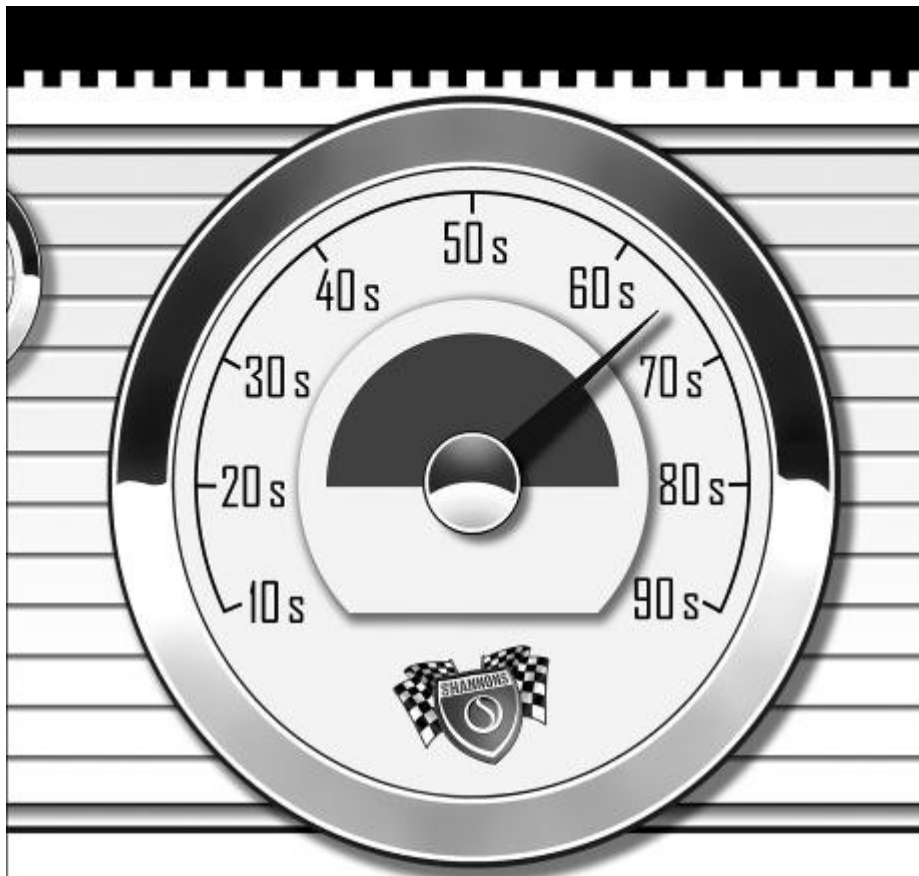
Engine No:.....Serial No:.....

Rated Horsepower:.....Colour:.....

Registration No:.....

Birthday (Optional for Newsletter):.....

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## Ed's Notes

Welcome to this months newsletter.  
Hope all members are well.

We have reports on the Club Christmas Party and also the Australia Day event at Parramatta Park as well.

**Best wishes,  
Ed.**

The magazine is looking to do feature on a members car. Maybe a recently restored vehicle that few members have seen yet. Or a new members car etc. Just contact us if you are interested.

You can show before photos and the finished project etc. and let members know what was involved in the building of your prized V8.



## A message from the President

**G'day fellow Early Ford V8'ers,**

Welcome to 2016, we get an extra day this year being a leap year and boy don't we need it with the fast pace at which the days go by. In this fast paced modern environment, make sure you take the time to stop and smell the roses!

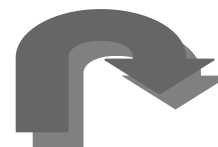
Some great club events on the radar for this year, I am looking forward to the National Meet in Victoria in April, only seems like yesterday we were hosting the meet in Dubbo!

A request for information was posted out to all club members last month and at present, only about 40% of the membership had responded. For all those that did reply, thank you, as you will be receiving the February club magazine by email.

For those that did not take the time to reply, they will be missing out on the club magazine as we move well into the digital age.

Thanks to all those members who provided positive feedback on the recent changes to the club structure, it makes it all worthwhile.

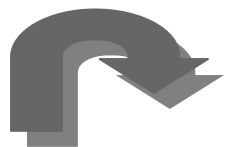
**Regards, AB, President.**



## For Sale

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1 pr	Mercury LH/RH Grille sections	'46/'48	nice – no damage	\$300 pr
1	Ford/ Mercury Hot Water Heater	'46/'48	fully restored with correct switch –nice	\$350
1 pr	Ford /Mercury Headlight Doors			
	( correct smooth style – no ridges)	'47/'48	NOS – still in the Boxes	\$100 pr
1	Ford / Mercury Horns	'41- '47	NOS – still in box	\$300 pr
1	Ford Dash Gauge cluster	'46/'47	fully restored – nice	\$220
1	Ford Hood Ornament with "8"	'46/'47	original –needs chrome – no pits –nice	\$200
2	Ford Front Bumper over-riders	'46/'47	no dents –need chrome	\$70 pr
1	Mercury Dash Panel (no gauges or glove box lid)	'46/'48	some chrome very useable	\$ 80
1	Ford Super Deluxe steering wheel (no horn rim)	'46/'48	very useable	\$100
1 pr	Mercury Tail –lights complete with housings,			
	glass & stainless trim.	'46/'48	excellent –hard to find nice ones	\$200 pr
1	Mercury Hub Cap	'47/'48	NOS excellent	\$70

For additional information ,Photo's of parts or if you are in need of other parts not listed, I may be able to assist- please email a list of your needs to : [johnmcarthur47@gmail.com](mailto:johnmcarthur47@gmail.com) or call me on 0418 495206.



# For Sale

If u want to place an ad in the magazine just send it in to us.

## **CLUB MEMBERS CONTACT NUMBERS:**

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JIM KERR 0408 207 449  
JIM REDMAN 0418 274 123  
JOHN KERR 0407 280 359  
JOHN MOORE 0407 599 755  
KARL SHOLKIE 0409 033 120  
PAUL ANTCLIFF 0408 214 159  
RAY CHANDLER 0477 875 258  
RAY CURRY 0417 848 295  
ROBERT BUCHOLTZ 0407 786 645  
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STEPHEN CHALKER-HOLZ 0455 864 316  
TED FIRTH 0412 164 459  
VAL STEVENSON 0428 447 873  
WARWICK ALLEN 0407 466 051

If you would like your number added to this list, just let us know.

## **MINUTES OF MEETING 3/12/2015**

### **Held at the Greyhound Club**

Meeting opened at 8:11 pm with President Andrew chairing the meeting.

**APOLOGIES:** Steve Chalker-Holz, Phil Cooper, Karl Sholkie

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 16

**VISITORS:** 1

**MINUTES:** As per magazine

**MOVED:** No minutes from the last meeting **SECOND:**

### **CORRESPONDENCE IN AND OUT :**

#### **Magazines:**

- V8 Times from the Early Ford V8 Club of America The Side Valve V8 Times Victoria, V8 Views South Australia, Rocky Road Newsletter, Classic Lines Wagga, Falcon Times

#### **Letters Sent:**

Nil

#### **Letters Received**

- From the RMS re: the new registration log book trial.
- Flyer from the Gnoo Blass Classic Car Show in Feb 2016
- From the Rotary Club Richmond promoting the Sydney Super Swap Sunday 21st Feb 2016
- Received our receipt for payment of our current insurance policy from J Gallagher Brokerage.
- Matters from the Mount magazine from the National Motor Racing Museum, Bathurst.
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#### **Emails**

- From the organisers of a car show next year in April, at the Macarthur Gardens Retirement Village next to Macarthur Square in Campbelltown. Extending an invitation to the club
- From Tyre compare offering some club sponsorship if we advertise his business in the club magazine.
- From service that adds you to their database and alerts you when your registration is due.

### Correspondence accepted

**MOVED:** Brian Cooper

**SECONDED:** Charlie Seaberg

### TREASURERS REPORT:

Anne presented a detailed report on the club's financial position.

### Report Accepted

**MOVED :** Paul Antcliff

**SECONDED:** Eddie McPartland

### CFC REPORT:

Jim Kerr reported that the AFD swapmeet was good and that the day itself was a success. The sun came out and made the day extremely hot but added to a great event. There are no figures on the financial position of the day as yet. Andrew told members that they are now determining whether to return to the usual July date.

### CMC REPORT:

Jim informed members that that there is not too much to report this meeting. A couple of new clubs were voted in and the Mountain Cruiser's Club had filed an application. Tickets for the next CMC Day will be available in February. There was also the reformatting of the committee from 16 officials to 12, with sub committees fulfilling some of the demands.

### REGISTRARS REPORT:

Warwick reported that Ray Carroll had registered his 35 Coupe on club plates

## **2016 FORD NATIONALS 15-17th** **APRIL AT ECHUCA**

34 rooms have been put aside for our club at the Mercure Hotel in Echuca, phone number 03 54825666. The room rate is \$150 a night. If you are interested and would like to stay at the Mercure Hotel please confirm a booking with the hotel yourself and mention you are booking with the Early Ford V8 club of NSW.

\*\*\*\*\*[More info](#)\*\*\*\*\*

If you are going to this event and want to stop over at Narranderra on Thursday 14th April 2016, some members have booked at Figtree Motel, Ph.no.69 591 888. Phone Robert Mercieca on 0432 612 423 if you need more info.



**1946/48 Mercury Coupe parts**, steering wheel, horn ring and rear gravel tray (behind bumper). Ph John Paton, Dora Creek, NSW 02 49 734108.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES**

### February

- |    |                   |
|----|-------------------|
| 1  | ANN ANTCLIFF      |
| 7  | JANET RIORDON     |
| 11 | DAVID BUCKLEY     |
| 15 | DAPHNE STIMSON    |
| 23 | LORRAINE MERDIECA |
| 27 | CHRIS NICHOLS     |
| 28 | TONY BURDEN       |

### March

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| 5  | JULIA FREER      |
| 17 | RAY CHANDLER     |
| 30 | MALCOLM CAMPBELL |

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# **For Sale**

## **1946 – 1948 FORD & MERCURY PARTS - FOR SALE**

QTY	DESCRIPTION	SUIT	CONDITION	PRICE
1	Ford Super Deluxe Fordor Bare body Shell only (square trunk corners) - '46		some rust issues, nice firewall but very useable	\$850
1	Ford Chassis – bare	'46 – '48	very useable	\$450
Qty	Doors - Front & Rear Ford /Merc '46/'48		various/some with mechanisms from	\$75 ea
1	Trunk lid (square corners)	'46 F/M	no major rust issues, very useable	\$ 200
1	Trunk lid (round corners)hinges & stays	'47/'48 F/M	no major rust issues	\$200
1	Ford Bonnet complete with s/s mouldings & hood ornament –no hinges	straight- no dents-no rust '46		\$300
1	Mercury Bonnet (no s/s mouldings)	'48	straight – no dents – no rust	\$300
Qty	Ford & Mercury Fordor stainless exterior Body, Door & Fender mouldings & strips	46 – '48	condition varies, all useable - from	\$30 ea.
2	Mercury Grille surrounds – no whiskers	'46	no rust, very useable	\$75 ea
1	Ford Deluxe Dash board complete with speedometer, chrome dash trim, glove box with lock and includes windshield & door surrounds – new wood grained finish	'46 – '48 UTE	excellent condition	\$500
1	Ford Deluxe Dash Board with speedometer & deluxe trim	'46 – '48 UTE	very restorable	\$175
1	Ford grille complete with restored s/s grille strips, Eyebrows and centre die-cast moulding		bolt on – ready to paint	\$500
1	Ford/ Mercury spare wheel swivel bracket	'46 – '48 UTE	very useable	\$75
1	Ford Front Bumper complete with bumper irons & later US style over-riders	'47/'48	no damage – needs chrome	\$350
2	Ford Front over-riders with centre bar & number plate bracket ,inc original special bolts	'46 / '47	excellent	\$175
1	Ford Trunk Lid spear (with F.O.R.D) US style	'47/'48	excellent ,very rare	\$200
1	Ford /Mercury UTE Rear Fender rubber splash Guards	'46/'47/'48	new	\$ 75 pr
2	Mercury Front Bumper over-riders (Aust style)	'46/'48	no damage – need chrome	\$75 pr
1	Mercury Grille centre piece M.E.R.C.U.R.Y	'46/'48	very usable	\$80

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## **LIBRARIANS REPORT:**

Rob reported that there was not much happening at the point in time.

## **EVENTS REPORT**

Rob reminded members of the Christmas Party at Gledswood, the club needs at least 50 guests in total to meet the minimum required booking. The Gosford monthly run was cancelled due to poor weather. All Ford Day was a good day, hot but enjoyable. There was 22 members associated with the club and 7 cars on the day.

There was also some discussion about the club purchasing a marquis that could be erected to provide some shelter as members sit with their vehicles. Most thought this a great ideas. Members were also reminded that Alan Worner's Funeral will be held tomorrow Thursday 4th December at St Stephens Church 1.30pm Mittagong. Our thoughts and condolences go out to all the Worner family at this sad time. All American Day is to be held on January 17th 2016 this is always a good event and is usually well attended by members. Also this years CARNivale is being held on Australia Day at Parramatta.

## **BUY, SWAP AND SELL:**

There is a 39 Ute on ebay at the moment, it is a bit rusty but complete. The asking price is \$8000.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The club has finally been contacted by the RMS re the 60 day log book trial. Most members present were in favour of trialing this new system. Warwick moved a motion to members that the club participate in this scheme. Andrew seconded the motion and the members voted in favour of the club offering the opportunity to members. The Secretary brought up the issue of the general meetings and the format of these meetings as he needed to secure the Greyhound club for meetings in 2016. Members discussed the ideas from previous meetings about having bi-monthly meetings and the same for the club's magazine which was to be converted to an electronic newsletter. Members liked the ideas of having formal and informal meetings and discussed some suitable venues for the informal meetings. Andrew let members know that the club would inform members of these decisions and any changes by letter before the February meeting.

Meeting closed at 9:40 pm  
Tony Burden

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS THAT ANNUAL FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE TO BE PAID**

**CLUB RUNS AND MEETINGS**

February	3	Ford Meeting at Greyhound Club Yagoona
February	7	Club run to Brooklyn – fish and chips – 10.00am Contact Stephen 0455 864 316
March	6	Informal Meeting at Robert and Lorainne's place – 1.00pm 3 Durras Place, Leumeah Contact Robert 0432 612 423
April	6	Ford Meeting at Greyhound Club Yagoona
April	9	Car Show at 100 Gilchrist Drive Campbelltown – 9.00 to 9.30am Contact Robert 0432 612 423
April to April	14  18	The Early Ford V8 Nationals at Echuca
May	15	Club run and Informal Meeting at John and Treena's place 9.30 to 10.00am 94 Pacific Highway, Jewells
June	1	Ford Meeting at Greyhound Club Yagoona
August	3	Ford Meeting at Greyhound Club Yagoona
October	5	Ford Meeting at Greyhound Club Yagoona
December	7	Ford Meeting at Greyhound Club Yagoona

**VALE KARL SHOLKIE**

Karl Sholkie passed away 25/12/15 after a long illness, aged 69 years. Condolences to his wife Anna and family on behalf of the Early Ford V8 Club of NSW.

# EFV8 Events 2016

<b>Feb</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Club Meeting.</b>
<b>Feb</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Club Run to Brooklyn</b> , fish and chips lunch. Contact Stephen 0455 864 316.
<b>Feb</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Autorama Car and Bike Show.</b> See previous page for details.
<b>Feb</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>The Original Bathurst Swap Meet</b> , Bathurst Showground.
<b>Feb</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Tamworth Swap Meet</b> , North Tamworth Bears Oval.
<b>Feb</b>	<b>13-14</b>	<b>Gnoo Blas Classic Car Show</b> , Gnoo Blas, Orange.
<b>Feb</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Sydney Super Swap Meet</b> , Hawkesbury Showground, Clarendon.
<b>Mar</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Oberon Swap Meet</b> , Oberon Showground.
<b>Mar</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Old Car Social Club Show and Shine</b> , Flower Power Moorebank.
<b>Mar</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Morisset Central Coast Swap Meet</b> , Morisset Showground.
<b>Mar</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Orange Swap Meet</b> , Orange Showground.

## Other Events on our Calendar

<b>Apr</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Club Meeting.</b>
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V8 Torque

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Reg Hunt, who won the race, set a lap record of 2m 17s or 98.7mph (157.9kmh) and went through the flying quarter at 160mph (256kmh) in his Maserati, will be a guest at the show.

**2016**

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## CARNIVALE at PARRAMATTA PARK, AUSTRALIA DAY 26/1/2016

The new venue at Parramatta Park proved successful with plenty of entertainment to keep families occupied including a tour of the old Government House plus activities for the kids.

There were in excess of 600 cars on display.





