

Wheels of Wamboin



An Election Edition

Saturday 21st May 2022

9.00am to 1.00pm

(in conjunction with Home Produce Markets)

Wamboin Community Hall - Bingley Way (off Norton Road)

Wamboin NSW.

Yes, this year we will once again coincide with another Federal Election. The day will also feature our monthly home produce markets, Landcare tree sale and guest car related stalls all out on the oval (swap tables also welcome). All sorts of automotive machines including old, new and interesting cars, motor bikes, trucks, stationary engines and even tractors are welcome.

A great short run from Canberra to experience Wheels of Wamboin in a truly country atmosphere. A great day out and we welcome all marques great and small. Our highlight is the huge variety on the day. Display entry is a gold coin donation and swap tables are \$5 (EFTPOS available on site). There is only one trophy for the day "Presidents Choice" sponsored by Contentious Character. The event is also proudly supported by Shannon's Insurance.

A bonus on the day is the opportunity to pick up some healthy bargains at the monthly home produce markets. There will also be freshly brewed coffee and a sausage sizzle and BBQ.

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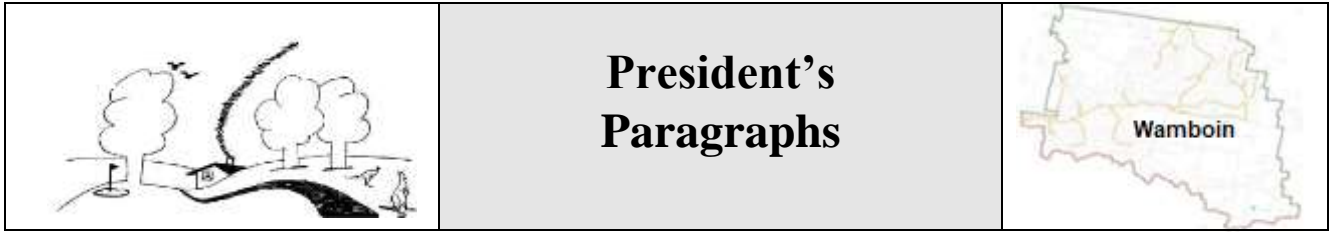


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1. AGM. On 19th April the Wamboin Community Association held it's Annual General Meeting. As a result a number of positions changed and a couple of new members were welcomed onto the Committee. The new Committee is as follows:

- PresidentJenny Richards
- Vice President.....Diana Boswell
- Treasurer.....Keith France
- Secretary.....David McDonald
- Committee Member.....Mike Bourke
- Committee Member.....Ian Donald
- Committee Member.....Gai Donald

Congratulations to our new Committee members and my thanks to everyone who has volunteered their time and energy. Now a quick word for our retiring President – Peter Evans. Peter held the position of President for 5 years and the last 2 years, I think everyone will agree, have been both difficult and tense. Covid 19 made its impact here in Wamboin as it did everywhere else. Yet Peter led with enthusiasm, optimism and hope. For that I personally thank him and wish him all the best for the future.

2. Meet the Candidates Night. Only just in office and the new Committee finds itself organising yet another Meet the Candidates Night – our 3rd for this year- this time for the upcoming Federal Election to be held on Saturday 21st May. Committee members are currently working hard behind the scenes to bring off this popular and important public service. The date is now set for May 13, 7:30 pm, at the Wamboin Hall. Please refer to both our website, facebook and of course the chalkboards to keep you up to date with any further information. Also please come along and hear what the federal candidates have to say and to meet them personally.

3. Wheels of Wamboin. Never let a small issue like a federal election stand in your way. The Wheels of Wamboin will proceed on their date of 21st May on the oval, as always. There will be no conflict with the Community Hall which on that day will be a duly recognised place of voting. Likewise the monthly markets will also run – on the oval. The 21st promises to be a busy day in Wamboin, so come along; vote, admire the cars and enjoy the markets selling plenty of food.

4. Finally a personal note. Well I'm President again for my second term. I thank everyone for their support and remind you all that the Community Association is there for the people of Wamboin, so please come along to the monthly meetings held every 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 pm in the Hall at Bingley Way. – Jenny Richards, President

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BCA is having some 'down time', reflecting on the **Car Boot Sale** held in Wamboin on 19 March: what did we learn from the event, how will we do things differently next time – will there be a next time? We also want to hear YOUR views. We are also considering whether it is prudent to hold the traditional **Trivia Night** in late July, given mid-Winter will potentially see a COVID spike (yes, apparently it's still out there...).

What we can give you is an update on the **Building Community Resilience Program in Bywong and Wamboin**, a project run by the Greenways Renewal Working (GRoW) group, under the auspices of the Bywong Community Assoc. The Program is a Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Fund project through the joint Commonwealth/State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements, and received a grant of \$80,000.

The Program aims to improve our resilience against future disaster, and is centred on extending the reach and effectiveness of two existing voluntary community initiatives – Bywong & Wamboin GRoW public walks program & the Community FireWise Groups. The Program includes: 1. Walk, Talk and Connect – public walks on the Greenways and other events to allow residents to meet, connect and share experiences about what might be needed for individuals and the community to become more resilient, in the face of a more turbulent and uncertain future. 2. Community FireWise Groups – working with current FireWise group convenors to support their efforts, and to find more local neighbourhood areas that see benefit in establishing a FireWise group. 3. Step Up and Step out: Community Leadership program- offering free training, coaching and support to enable more people to become walk leaders and to potentially take on other leadership roles in the community, to help build community capacity.

The Program Steering Group of volunteers, has just appointed a Project Officer to develop and coordinate the implementation of the Program in Bywong and Wamboin. SO, watch this space for further announcement of upcoming activities! More details about the Program are on at <https://www.BywongCommunity.org.au/Community-Resilience> . Mike Wilkins, President BCA, president@bywongcommunity.org.au

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Bird of the Month

By Luke Downey

For May I chose the Varied Sittella, a threatened and declining woodland bird which has been around our place recently.

Varied Sittella (*Daphoenositta chrysoptera*)

Size: 11-12.5cm

Status: Uncommon/rare breeding resident

The Varied Sittella is a small bird, typically found in woodland habitats throughout Australia. Its behaviour is somewhat similar to that of a Treecreeper (see White-Throated Treecreeper - Bird of the month in July 2020 edition of the Whisper), in that it forages by hopping along tree trunks and branches, probing amongst the bark with its longish, slightly upturned, black-tipped yellow bill for insects. Unlike Treecreepers, which tend to spiral up the tree trunk, Varied Sittellas typically spiral down the tree trunk as they forage, and will prefer to remain higher in the canopy, often foraging on smaller limbs, suited to their smaller size compared to Treecreepers. The subspecies found locally is the "Orange-winged" or nominate subspecies *chrysoptera*, characterised by their distinctive orange wing panels, best seen in flight. They are otherwise mainly brown in plumage, darker on the head and wings, and dull whitish below, with some dark streaking throughout the plumage. The rump and vent are white, the tail is black, bordered white and the legs are yellow-orange. The female is duller than the male, and immatures are again duller than adults. There are a variety of other subspecies found throughout the rest of Australia (excluding Tasmania). Whilst orange wings are also found in other subspecies, they are most distinctive in the subspecies *chrysoptera*, and other subspecies also have very different and generally more colourful plumages. Varied Sittellas typically occur in mixed flocks of other small birds, such as Robins, Thornbills and Honeyeaters. They are usually seen in small groups (of 4-12 Sittellas). They are a very active and social species, often fluttering around actively and fanning their wings and tail out. They can usually be heard chattering away with their high-pitched, "seewit-seewee", "chip", and "di-di-dit" calls. Varied Sittellas in the local region are threatened due to extensive clearing of grassy woodlands, their preferred habitat. As such they are now fairly sparse, and are mainly found in remnant woodland areas. They are unlikely to be found in denser forests or open, cleared areas. Keep an eye out for this declining local species.

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Contributions to the Whisper: Contributions from all residents are encouraged, valued and the main content of the newsletter. The current editor is Ned Noel, 17 Reedy Creek Place, Wamboin, 2620, phone 0409 997 082. Paul Downey of Cooper Road also shares in doing the editing. Please email contributions to either whisper@wamboincommunity.asn.au or to nednoel@optusnet.com.au or mail them or drop them off. On contentious matters the Wamboin Community Association will strive to maintain a balanced view, by seeking advice from the editorial team and by seeking alternative views to be published in the same edition. The deadline for each issue is the last Sunday night of the month before, so the **deadline for the June 2022 issue is 7 pm Sunday night, May 29, 2022. Advertising prices**, per issue, based on rough fraction of inside the margins A4 area: 1/8 \$24 1/6 \$29 1/4 \$35 1/3 \$44 1/2 \$70 2/3 \$87 Full Page \$140. email or phone the editor as above.

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If you 'Google' SRMD it tells you, "SRMD Australia are part of Shrimad Rajchandra Mission Dharampur, headquartered in India. It is named after 20th century scholar and poet, Shrimad Rajchandraji; who Mahatma Gandhi considered as spiritual mentor." Well, sorry if it disappoints you, but the Wamboin market stallholder SRMD, is nothing to do with the above, we are the congregation of St Andrew's church in Poppet Road, Wamboin, and St Peter's church in Middle Street, Sutton, part of the Anglican Church of Australia. St Peter's has been operating from the current building since 1925, although services have been held regularly in the area since 1867. St Andrew's services have been held in the current building since 1998, prior to this services were held in the Community Hall in Bingley Way.

Both churches were part of the St John the Baptist church in Reid, and were serviced by clergy from St John's. In 2011 the idea was floated that the two congregations combine and form their own district, without the reliance on St John's clergy and lay Ministry. After many meetings and soul searching by members of both congregations, it was agreed to put a proposal to the Canberra Goulburn Diocese for the two congregations to merge and formally separate from the Parish of St John the Baptist. The proposal was eventually accepted and in October 2012 the name Sutton Road Mission District was created and the two churches separated from St. John the Baptist parish and became an autonomous district under the patronage of the Bishop of Canberra and Goulburn.

We are not missionaries going out to convert the local inhabitants (as in the common meaning of the word 'missionary'), our name reflects the desire to expand and improve the Christian experience in the local area. Though some of us feel the name is a bit of a mouthful and would like a shorter title, we are yet to come up with anything better with which we all agree.

So the next time you see a stall at the Wamboin markets claiming to be the SRMD, we are not an Indian sect, just Wamboin/Bywong/Sutton locals who attend these two local churches and are raising money to maintain and expand the buildings. -Alan Rope; Rector's Warden

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The Easter market was, as expected, smallish - but we had lots of people come through and it was a lovely sunny day. We welcomed Val back from her knee replacement. Great therapy to unload, cart your stuff to a stall and repeat in reverse at the end. Plus stand up for 3 hours in between!!!

The June market will see the culmination of our **art, photography and sculpture competition** – see elsewhere in the Whisper and other local papers/social media for details! We already have good interest! Especially from kids. Please encourage your kids to enter.....and parents – I KNOW you have the talent. Three local businesses have come on board to assist with costs and prizes - Contentious Character (yes that's that terrific local vineyard with great food and wine), Inland Trading (great selection of Australian boutique wines) and my business LMS Consulting (prizes nothing to do with food and wine unless you want a prize that includes my preserves or you want me to cook you curries – I can do that on request!!) **See you at the Market – on the oval – rain hail or shine!**

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Wamboin Playgroup Update

After a lovely Easter break, we resumed Wamboin Playgroup for Term 2 on 26 April and are looking forward to the term ahead! Today I write with a bit of a plea to parents and carers within our community. After two years of lockdowns and closure of the group, we are now in the second term of getting it back up and running. But for the group to continue to operate, we do need more families to come to the sessions. So if you are home on a Tuesday with little ones, please make it a priority to come to our local free Playgroup as it can be one of the first, and most important social networks for children and families. This was a thriving group prior to Covid, and I am trying my best to get it back up like it was before so the community doesn't lose this wonderful group - and all the resources that have been built through the group for the community over the years.

With Winter looming it can be hard to convince your kiddos to get outside, and Playgroup is a great way to entice them to get outdoors. On winter days we rug up and enjoy the sunshine while the kids play in the sandpit, on the play equipment, in the cubby house or run around on the various bikes and push carts that we have. On rainy and / or windy days we have great indoor activities such as playsets and craft so the kids still get their play to connect, learn through play and most importantly, have fun.

In our playgroup, the children get the opportunity to practice their social skills in a safe, familiar setting and get to know other kids in the community who they are likely to end up going to school with when they are older. Us adults can get both friendship and support from people who understand exactly what they are going through.

Coming up: One of the favourite activities of our kids is pretend play in our cubby. We have an array of play pots, pans, food and utensils and they come up with the incredible dishes. Our kids have just been gifted an amazing wooden toy BBQ, complete with a chefs hat. So we look forward to even more amazing delicatesses in the coming year. Another thing coming up is one of our parents will be bringing their pet Spiny Leaf Stick Insects to Playgroup so the kids can see them, ask questions, and we will go to the surrounding bush and find suitable food (gum leaves) for them. Image: Children having morning tea at Wamboin Playgroup

We have a number of babies in the group as well, and while they can't take part in the activities, it is lovely to see the nurturing side of the toddlers caring for the babies and bringing them baby toys and showing them how they work.

If you have children in your care between 0 – 6 years old we invite you to join us! We are a free community group running on Tuesdays 10am - 12pm at the Wamboin Community Hall at 112 Bingley Way. –Zoe Walker wamboin.playgroup@gmail.com

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WAMBOIN WEATHER – rainfall and temperature records

(47 years from Cooper Road) by Christine Rieber

Editor’s Note: Through a mistake on my part the report was left out of the April 2022 Whisper, so is printed here.

March Rainfall Stats

March rainfall to the 27th 35.35mm
2022 total rainfall to 27th 162.75mm

Average March rainfall..... 60.0mm
2021 March rainfall..... 120.75mm
2021 total rainfall to 27/3..... 280.25mm
46yr Av. to end of March..... 178.8mm

April Rainfall Stats

2021 April rainfall..... 7.0mm
Wettest April..... 174.5mm in 1989
Wettest day..... 70mm on 20/4/84
Driest April..... 0.5mm in 1997

Average April rainfall..... 44.8mm
Average no. rain days in April..... 7.0
Highest no. rain days..... 19 in 1989
Lowest no. rain days..... 1 in 1997

April Temperature Stats

2021 April maximum.....31.7°C
Av. April temp.. 13.1°C (day+night comb.)
Hottest April day..... 31.7°C on 4/4/21
Hottest April night..... 16.5°C on 13/4/18
Average day temperature..... 17.9°C
Warmest April..... 2018
(Av. max day temp. 24.6°C & night 9.7°C)
(warmest night temp. 11.0°C in 1989)

2021 April minimum.....-1.6°C
April 2021. Av. max 23.2°C & min 5.6°C
Coldest April day..... 8°C (4 times) on
13/4/94, 27/4/09, 26/4/12 & 22/4/15
Coldest April night..... -1.6°C on 22/4/21
Average night temperature..... 8.3°C
Coldest April 2011
(Av. min day temp. 14.5°C & night 5.7°C)
(coldest night temp. 3.5°C in 2013)

April 2021 had both the hottest day and coldest night on record.

WAMBOIN WEATHER – rainfall and temperature records

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April Rainfall Stats

April rainfall to the 24th 74.75mm
2022 total rainfall to 24th 239.0mm

Average April rainfall..... 44.8mm
2021 April rainfall..... 7.0mm
2021 total rainfall to 24/4..... 287.25mm
46yr Av. to end of April..... 223.5mm

May Rainfall Stats

2021 May rainfall..... 70.75mm
Wettest May..... 171.0mm in 1995
Wettest day..... 52mm on 3/5/95
Driest May..... 0mm in 2001

Average May rainfall..... 45.4mm
Average no. rain days in May..... 8.3
Highest no. rain days..... 20 in 1989
Lowest no. rain days..... 0 in 2001

May Temperature Stats

2021 May maximum.....24.0°C
Hottest May day..... 24°C (2 times) on
2/5/95, & 1/5/21
Hottest May night..... 14°C (4 times) on
2/5/88, & 1&2/5/95 & 3/5/19
Average day temperature..... 13.5°C
Warmest May..... 1980
(Av. max day temp. 14.2°C & night 7.5°C)
(highest 17.1°C in 2021 & 8.1°C in 1989)

2021 May minimum.....-3.2°C
May 2021. Av. max 17.1°C & min 4.2°C
Coldest May day..... 3°C on 29/5/00
Coldest May night..... -6°C on 31/5/01
Average night temperature..... 5.2°C
Coldest May 2012
(Av. min day temp. 10.1°C & night 0.8°C)
Av. May temp..... 9.3°C (day+night comb.)

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Resilience NSW have recognised the need to strengthen rural communities through small value grants to support social networks and disaster preparedness. For our region, the Bywong and Wamboin Building Community Resilience Program will look to draw together and build upon two important local resources, our Greenway walks and FireWise groups. Both of these resources provide community linkages, education and safety that help us to support each other when times are tough. The program will also offer community leadership and skills development to help volunteers lead public walks, be a FireWise convener or assist the community in other ways.

Our Project Officer, Amanda Jones, is now on board and is pulling together the program events schedule.

Want to know more? Keep an eye out in local media and community Facebook pages each month for our articles on upcoming events. If you would like to find out more about the program as we roll it out by receiving an email direct to your inbox, or have ideas/feedback about Greenway walks or the FireWise groups please get in touch via resilientbywongwamboin@gmail.com or our website <https://www.resilientbywongwamboin.net/join>.

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Crying Chimney Alerts Queanbeyan Locals

A Queanbeyan couple had just lit the kindling in their fireplace and sat down to enjoy a cuppa when they heard cries of distress coming from their fireplace. They immediately put out the fire and began to investigate, noticing a dark shape moving up towards the baffle. They immediately called Wildcare Queanbeyan.

Diane, a trained and experienced Wildcare Rescuer attended the scene, 'I wasn't sure what I was going to find. When you get call outs like this, you never know what is hiding in there.' Upon investigation a brushtailed possum was found hiding in the chimney. Diane dismantled the baffle to get access to the injured possum and upon later assessment by a vet, it was found to be suffering from smoke inhalation and burnt lungs as well as serious burns to its tail and feet. Had the residents not acted so quickly, the outcome may have been much worse. This possum remained in Diane's care for many months, initially visiting the vet daily for dressing changes to the burns. After it was successfully rehabilitated, the possum was released back into the wild.

Animals of many different species can become trapped in fireplaces, flues, and chimneys. Birds and microbats can fly in by mistake and end up inside your home. Possums can take up residence and whole families of Kreffts gliders are sometimes found. This is the result of humans encroaching on the animal's habitat and displacing them from their usual homes.

Melissa at 'Bungendore Landscape and Rural Supplies' who deliver firewood, was not surprised by the tale of the possum in the chimney. She stated the importance of ensuring your chimney is clean and free of blockages before lighting it. 'Chimneys and flues must be free of any obstruction and checked regularly,' says Melissa.

Wildcare receives calls for wildlife trapped in chimneys and flues all year round. They can be death traps with possums, birds, and microbats unable to escape. **Photo: Kreffts gliders are one of the animals found in fireplaces**

Wildcare Rescuer Liz was recently called out twice to rescue Welcome Swallows trapped in the same firebox of a Bungendore resident. Welcome Swallows are a much-loved small Australian bird. They have beautiful colours and tapered wings that people often spot when they see their spectacular acrobatics as they catch insects mid-air.

Many of us choose to live in this region to be closer to nature and living in an area inhabited by wildlife is a wonderful experience. In order to share the environment safely with animals there are a few simple things you can do to enable you to enjoy a fire in your home. The best prevention is to cover any entry into a chimney or flue with fine mesh. Check the mesh regularly to ensure it is in a good state of repair and to ensure there is not an accumulation of soot on it- a potential fire hazard. It is important not to let animals explore your fireplace, chimney, flue and roof cavity.



Sandra, Acting Wildcare Small Mammals Coordinator and Assistant Macropod Coordinator for the Young NSW area, asks residents to please check their chimneys regularly, 'especially before lighting a fire. It's good for people's safety and protects our Wildlife.' Wildcare Queanbeyan can be contacted on 6299 1966. You can speak to one of the Helpline volunteers 24 hours a day 7 days a week, for advice regarding any native wildlife in need of assistance. -Prepared By a Wildcare Submitter and Submitted By Bec Quinn



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Wamboin Golf

by Ken Gordon

The much anticipated Wamboin Mini-Masters was conducted in cool, blustery conditions on Sunday 3 April. The mini-masters is conducted over 12 holes. Players record their scores on 4 holes at the Mason's and the 2 at the Hall, hand in their card, and then repeat the same holes. Sounds confusing, but all 13 players managed to successfully navigate the course.

The sponsors for the month were the Wamboin Community Association who provided eats and prizes. All players appreciated the easier entry to 'Firebreak Fore'. According to Lofty "fortunately, the entry was made using a runaway slasher which wound up all the loose wire". Unfortunately, a star steel picket was also involved. The picket damaged a hydraulic return hose thus releasing 25 litres of transmission/hydraulic oil. And you think petrol is expensive? Lofty thanks Tim for the offer of help but with the assistance of Scott (a visitor from Cairns) tractor and slasher are back to normal, so the Bingley Way fairways should be groomed for May.

We welcomed Scott Mason back after a nearly two-year hiatus. Scott ventured back to the family home from North Queensland with daughter Lila (who managed to keep her grandmother away from the golf course – retail therapy was the reason supplied). Apparently, some lurgy has been keeping Queenslanders away for quite a while. Or was it the Great Wall of Anastasia.

After receiving some basic instructions from the starter, all players headed out for their first six holes and returning to submit scores. A rest break, possibly with refreshments took place before players returned to the course for the next six holes.

To complete the days competition, a series of novelty shots were attempted from the tee in Firefighters Grove. Players were given three shots from each of three different 'tees' with the aim of getting nearest to the pin. The first of these tees was from a sloping plank angled down from a 300mm log to create an uneven stance. The second was a tyre on which players had to stand and take their shots and the third a wooden box filled with sand to create an above ground bunker to hit out of.

A number of shots did little to create work for the official measurer, as they either dribbled off the tee, went towards the fire shed, across the carpark or even some players introducing a new competition in which you had to get the ball to go backwards from the tee as far as possible.

Back at the 13th hole the presentations took place with Lofty Mason earning the googly ball for his fencing efforts.

The spit the dummy was awarded to Clint Pickin for complaining of a disadvantage when playing the novelty hole, in particular the sloping plank. Something to do with non-adjustable leg length.

Vicki Still won the novelty shots competition after managing to place her best shot from each novelty tee a grand total of only 21m from the flag. She also took out the prize for nearest the pin from the bunker. Tim Barter was nearest the pin from the tyre and Scott Mason was nearest from the sloping plank. The prestigious green jacket went to Tim Barter who carded 50 off the stick for the lowest gross score. Ken Gordon was runner-up with 54 strokes.

The handicap event was taken out by Clint Pickin (40 shots after handicap) from Robert Gorham (41 shots). Robert Thompson took out the junior competition with a nett 51. In the post-mortum conducted around the 13th, Scott Mason generously donated the golf balls won as prizes to Pete Harrison. It was then revealed that Pete had deposited several golf balls into the dam from the tee at Up the Creek – lucky for the local rule under which you only have to count a maximum of 10 shots on any hole!

We look forward to seeing everyone and more back on Sunday 1 May for the competition sponsored by Tim, Vicki and Paul.

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Wheels of Wamboin – 21st May 2022

by Peter Evans

Covid has had some interesting knock-on effects. I'm sure most have watched in awe at the whirlwind rise in house and property prices over the past 12 months to eye watering levels but it seems so have classic car prices. Some amazing recent prices have been achieved by some of the classic and rare Australian built muscle cars of the 60's and 70's (and now 80's). I'm not sure why exactly but there are a few thoughts.

Covid, yes that old reason again. Maybe people have not been able to spend their excess cash on overseas holidays or travel and instead looked at that old clunker that they remember from childhood and decided it was a good time to buy one to show their kids what dad always wanted. Many baby boomers and Gen X's have now succeeded in life and with equity in their property or savings have decided it is time to get that car they always dreamed of as youngster. Investment, some are looking for investment for their super or retirement funds and see it as a secure place to park money (pun) with a better appreciation than bank offered savings rates. The demise of the Australian car industry has sparked investment interest because as the saying goes "they ain't making any more".

But here's the other hidden detail. The cost of parts and repairs for these older cars has also climbed. In the old days a respray and some body work might cost \$5000, now with wages and material costs it is not uncommon to see paint jobs cost \$30,000 or more and that's without body work and rust repairs. Parts for models may no longer be available at off the shelf retailers and must now be specially ordered or made at substantial costs. Just finding an old school mechanic who knows how to tune a Holley or better still twin or triple SU's is also a task. Upholstery can see many thousands disappear for a retrim in period correct material, if it is still available. The cost of restoration has also climbed (mechanics touching \$150 per hour) to bring these beauties back to showroom condition. This has also given rise to the keeping an original worn and torn patina look for some classic models. The above is of course unless you can do the restoration process yourself.

When George Orwell wrote "All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others" in Animal Farm he may have been thinking cars (long string to draw I know), but this is certainly the case. While the value for most old jalopies has increased it is certain hero models that have really accelerated. Take the 1971 Ford XY falcon GTHO for example. Sold new in 1971 for \$5000 (a house in Canberra was \$18,000) they now regularly command well over \$1 to 1.5 million dollars. A 1969 Monaro retailed for around \$3200 when new now achieves around \$200,000. A A9X two door Torana that sold for around \$7,000 in 1977 now commands anywhere from \$200,000 to \$800,00 depending on specification. In 1971 a RT E38 charger was \$3,975 and now achieves well over \$100,000. More common models such as a EH can achieve \$30,000 but if a major restoration is needed then this sort of price can be rapidly eaten up. The Brock/HDT type Commodores have also risen as appreciating classics (note as above - they are not making any more) and along with the 80/90/2000 fords can be lower cost entries to the classic car world. The gun Euro models are also now becoming a little affordable but suffer from worldwide demand and are showing substantial increases.

In all for me it is the enjoyment of driving my classic car (not sure if I would drive a Falcon GTHO to Bungendore for my Sunday morning coffee) and hearing the rumble and rattles, shakes and wobbles and enjoy things how they used to be before ABS, parking assist, radar cruise control and traction control. When cars were designed as an art form with passion and not by a computer. Imagine when Tesla become a classic car with no noise at all, not sure if that will work for me (but then again, I'm hoping I can still buy petrol in the future). So come along to the Wheels of Wamboin on the 21st of May and marvel over generations of cars and admire the passion these automotive wonders give their owners, great and small, old and new, polished or patinaed. Here are some terms for you to understand the car lingo on the day.

0 miles on restoration —Couldn't get the car to start after the restoration.	Daily driver —did a 300-kilometre round trip everyday
All options —Still has the original AM pushbutton radio and cigarette lighter. (Neither work, of course!)	Drives like a dream —If it drives good, you must be dreaming!
All original —Right down to the oil, tires, and plugs! Nothing was ever done to the car.	Elderly owned —And they've hit the garage, the tree in the front yard, and the neighbour's car, the mail box.
Always starts —But has no brakes, so you can't drive it anywhere.	Rare – nobody wanted to buy one when they were new and still don't.
Car has some imperfections —Most people will agree that a rusted through shock tower is an imperfection.	Good investment opportunity —For someone else who has money.
Collector's item —If you hang on to it long enough, it might actually be worth something.	Ground up restoration —The car sat in a muddy field for 20 years, so it had to be dug out to be moved.
Many new parts —And lots more needed	Restoration just completed —Need to sell before all the things that were cobbled together fall apart.
Over \$25,000 invested —And it still needs another \$50,000...	Too many projects —Wife has ordered me to get rid of all my junk cars.