

NEWSLETTER

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SCHVC Open Day

Sunday, 16th of March 2025
11:00am - 3:00pm
SCHVC CLUB
15 Greigs Flat Road

Bring family, friends, and interesting cars!

We need some helpers for this coming Saturday to help set up & clean for Sundays Open Day.

Help to make it the best & most memorable event this year!

Working Bee

Major tree felling operation was conducted at the last working bee. Large trees were removed behind the Green Sheds to protect the buildings.

Thanks to all involved, namely the Chainsaw operator Trevor Kidd and others, Phil, Ken, Craig, and Ian Showman. The Unimog's 10 tonne winch came in handy ensuring the trees did not land on the buildings.



Unimog at its best- climbing the embankment



Upcoming Meets

Next CC&C Meetings - Thursdays at 10:00 am
Thursday 13th March - Wyndham General Store
Thursday 20th March - Candelo Café
Thursday 27th March at Wild Orchid Cafe, Tathra

Please also refer to the Club's Website for a current list of events for the entire year 2025

Call for Volunteers

The Club is in urgent need of a **Merchandise Officer** to manage our new logo and help with the replacement of various items like Shirts, Caps, Cups, Stickers and more. Additionally, we are looking for volunteers to assist with **Tours of the Club** which occasionally and typically occur on Tuesdays and/or Saturdays. **Assistance in our EMHS Mentoring** Scheme on Tuesday mornings (during school terms only) would be welcome.

If you are willing and able to contribute to these tasks, please contact any of the Committee members for more details. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Parking Space Booking on the Web

Members wishing to garage their vehicle(s) in one of the Club Pavilions need to complete the Application Form which can be found on the club App or at this [link](#):

Applications will then be added to the Waiting List.

Parking spaces will be allocated in the order Applications are received and registered. The current annual rental fee for a covered parking space is \$250.

Club Merchandise

Club Merchandise Specials - Collectors' Items of Old Logo Stock - 03/25

	RRP	Special
Polo Shirt - Light Blue (<i>Limited sizes</i>)	30.00	\$10.00
Polo Shirt - Dark Blue	40.00	\$30.00
Chambray Shirts - Light Blue	45.00	\$20.00
Caps with embroidered logo	18.00	\$12.00
Club Badges - Cloth embroidered	12.00	2 for \$10.00
Stubbie Holders	8.00	2 for \$10.00
Mugs - Ceramic	18.00	2 for \$10.00
SCHVC Licence Plate Badge	12.00	\$10.00

Click Link below to order merchandise.

<https://form.jotform.com/223238008986058>

Phil Collins' Dream Machine: The Car That Stole His Heart

Phil Collins is an iconic figure in contemporary music, renowned for his role as the drummer of the progressive rock band Genesis and his successful solo career. But what might surprise you is his blend of music and automotive style, highlighted by a very special car in his life.



The **1958 Austin Metropolitan** of **Phil Collins** was a special gift from **Robert Plant** for his wedding to Jill Tavelman. This vehicle is a small production that marked an era in the automotive industry, known for its innovative design and efficiency.



The **Metropolitan**, although primarily sold in the United States, was designed and manufactured in England by Austin, a division of the British Motor Corporation (BMC). Its **compact and economical design** made it an attractive option for an American market beginning to appreciate efficiency and smaller size..



The interior of this fifties car is **simple and functional**, crafted with quality materials and a design focused on driver comfort with its main speed indicator and a minimalist dashboard.



The 1958 Austin Metropolitan. Source: FB Phil Collins 1958 Austin Metropolitan.

Equipped with a **BMC-sourced inline four-cylinder engine**, it provided adequate performance for the time and a pretty decent fuel economy.

Looking back, this car was an extraordinary gift for its time, an opportunity that Phil Collins got to experience, adding it to his garage and enjoying it during one of the most special moments of his life. It undoubtedly stole his heart. **Could you picture the singer in a car like this?**