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CCCV COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meetings are held monthly in locations decided each month.

CLUB BANKING DETAILS FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS AND PAYMENTS

BANK: Bendigo Bank - BSB: 633 000—ACCOUNT: 120 127 907

INVITATIONS

CCOCA general meeting invitation - 24th May 2023

The Citroen Classic Owners Club of Australia (CCOCA) has kindly extended an invitation to CCCV members to attend its May general meeting to listen to guest speaker Robin Bowles, who is known as the Queen of true crime. Full details for this event are on the Club's website.

BMC Leyland Car Club invitation to the Battle of Waterloo - 28th June 2023

The BMC Leyland Car Club has extended an invitation to CCCV and CCOCA to meet with them for a drive and picnic lunch. Obviously by calling the event the Battle of Waterloo (and meeting up in Wellington Road!) these Anglophiles are trying to make a point, but we sure that if plenty of our clearly superior French cars turn up for the event we will be able to reverse history. Full details for this event are on the Club's website.

Our resident 2CV expert, Graeme Dennes, has added further information to his Technical Tips article 2CV Maintenance. This 26 page document is revision 13. Graeme advises that the added information is as follows:

- New: Fitting the heat exchangers.
- New: Tool to remove brake system rubber seals.
- New: Corrosion and electrical systems.
- New: Commonly used torque specifications.

You may view and read this revised document directly on the club website.





As I write this, a group of our members are making their way back from South Australia following the annual Cit-In at Murray Bridge. For some the trip will be a blast down the freeway pushing a 2CV to the limits of acceleration and hoping to get home for Monday. Others are taking the scenic route home on the Post Cit-in run through the countryside. The last field report from the group was that they were admiring giraffes as they passed through the Monarto Zoo. This event is one of the most important in our calendar as it gives Citroen owners around the country a chance to get together in one place, swap war stories, show off their cars and make new friends.

For those of us that couldn't join the expedition, we organised the first of our more informal club night gatherings. Ian Downie organised a pub night at the Vale Hotel in Mulgrave. I believe there were 10 or so members who went and a great time was had by all. The next one of our informal events will be in May at a venue yet to be decided. The aim is to move these events around the city to capture as many members as possible. If any of you can suggest a venue or event that may be of interest in the North or West then send an email to the president's email address.

Coming up in April we have the annual Buy/Swap/Sell night on the 20th which means it's time to dust off those boxes at the back of the garage, raid the spare parts stash and bring it along to the clubrooms. You never know, someone might just bring in that hard to find part you've been searching for. On the topic of spare parts, if there is something you're searching for then chances are someone in the club has one for sale. Rather than having to deal with international shipping costs that often outweigh the items value it's often possible to strike a deal and make a friend while you're at it. Club members are free to place wanted ads in the magazine which also go onto our website.

Also in April is the RAID in a day on the 15th. Last I heard the route was locked in and it's all systems go. Registrations for this event will be closing very soon so contact Dave Rogers if you'd like to go. Contact details are on the website and magazine.

Its also time to start thinking about which of your cars to put on display at Rippon Lea Estate for the club's annual Concours. We're going early in May on the 7th so there's not much time to finish of any jobs that need doing and break out the polish!

Michael Faulks

President.

FRONT COVER

The boys investigating an issue in a 2CV during the weekend at Venus Bay.

BACK COVER

A French poodle also camping at Venus Bay.

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CCCV NEWSLETTER COPY DEADLINE: Sunday night, after the 2nd Wednesday of the month.



NOTICE BOARD



Club password for the month: This has now been deleted and by simply logging on to the CCCV website: www.Citcarclubvic.org.au you can view all sections including the newsletter without having to remember a monthly password.

New Members . CCCV welcomes the new members to our family: Gordon & Mayda Porter , Patricia Mamonski, Wayne & Yen Lotherington, Bastian Naumann, Mark Gove, Liga Smith, Kate Moloney, Tony Layh, and Peter Jones. We trust you will enjoy your membership and we look forward to seeing you at club meetings and monthly outings.

LHM OIL for members: The price of LHM oil is now \$18.00 per litre as at 10/11/21 (see p/35 for your closest rep) Unfortunately we have had to increase this charge because of rising purchase cost to the club. It is still well below retail price.

LDS OIL available at club rooms on club nights only at \$25.00 per litre.

Events Calendar

Draft Activities Program

2023

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Monthly 1st- Chit-Chat Tuesday Chit-Chat Tuesdays will be at Laneway Espresso Café – next door to Dromana Hotel – from 10 am onwards. This is a low-key “DIY” event for likeminded Citroen owners to meet and chat. Contact: Warwick Spinaze 0407 016 719 **CCOCA & CCCV event for coffee & chat.**

Monthly BOY'S DAY OUT-Port Arlington Golf Club-
WHEN: The fourth Thursday each month and the third Thursday in December (See p/7) 10.30 am for 11.30 departure & leaving from 1/29 Everist Rd, Ocean Grove Industrial Estate. **CCOCA & CCCV event for coffee & chat.**

Mar	5	65th Kalorama Rally—see page 7
	17-20	CitIn
Apr	15-16	Raid in a day —see page 9
	20	Club night—Buy, Sell, Swap night.
May	7	CCCV/CCOCA Concours at Rippon Lea Estate, 192 Hotham St, Elsternwick. See page 6
	14	Rippon Lea Market Day
	18	Restaurant meal.
Jun	15	Club night- <u>Themed meal in clubrooms</u>
Jul	8-9	Bastille Day—Queen Victoria Market's Sheds C and D
	16	Bastille Day lunch CCCV-CCOCA
	20	Movie night—venue TBA
Aug	17	Speaker on Cylinder H-ds in Club Rooms
Sep	21	Pub meal
	24	DS Owners Tech Day Peter Moloney's Workshop
Oct	19	Club night—AGM
	22	French Car Festival
Nov		Run—CJ Dennis gardens TBA

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Forthcoming Club Events

April 15th-16th

Raid In A Day



APOLLO BAY
MELBOURNE - AUSTRALIA

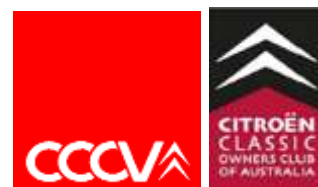
Weekend Away

May 7th

Citroen Concours 2023

Rippon Lea Estate, 192 Hotham St. Elsternwick 3185

Display car entry at 8.30am-9.30am



July 16th

CCCV - CCOCA

Churchill-Waverley Golf and Bowls Club - Rowville site

82 Bergins Road, Rowville Victoria 3178

ANNUAL BASTILLE DAY LUNCH



Raid In A Day



Weekend Away

When: Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April

Where: In the Otways based around Skenes Creek and Apollo Bay

Numbers: Limited to 20 cars; preference will be given to A Class vehicles. Other models will be accepted if the A Class target of 20 vehicles is not reached by 28th February

The Plan: Saturday Day: A technical day at Bob & Gaye Herbert's property at Wongarra over two sessions. Morning session commencing at 10 am will cover welding systems (TIG, MIG, Arc, Oxy) with explanations and demonstrations and the afternoon session, commencing at 2pm will cover the replacing of tyres on a 2CV wheel with minimal available equipment (as one may need to do on a Raid).

Saturday Evening: A shared BBQ meal with accompanying sunset on Bob's & Gaye's front lawn overlooking Bass Strait. In the case of inclement weather, we will have a pub meal in Apollo Bay

Sunday: A Raid over 135kms on sealed and unsealed roads (no bush tracks) within the Great Otway National Park including morning tea at the Redwoods, a visit to Hopetoun Falls and lunch at the Forrest Brewing Company, finishing up at approximately 2pm on The Great Ocean Road at Cumberland Holiday Park from where you can travel home via the Queenscliff ferry or the freeway skirting Geelong.

Accommodation: 20 double/twin rooms have been reserved until 15 March at the Ocean Road Motel, Skenes Creek. Hill View \$170 per night; Ocean View \$190 per night (family rooms also available), you can book for Friday & Saturday nights or Saturday night only at these special rates. Phone: (03) 5237-7862, ask for Paul and quote the Citroen Car Club. Limited camping space is also available at Bob & Gaye Herbert's place (it maybe chilly in April).

Flexibility: You can join us from Friday night onwards for the entire weekend or arrive at Bob's and Gaye's in time for the Saturday afternoon tech session or just come for the Raid on Sunday (9.30 am departure), the choice is yours.

Booking is Essential: Contact: Dave Rogers: 0422 229 484 or drogers11@gmail.com

Cut off date for A Class vehicles is Tuesday 28th February, other vehicles accepted thereafter. The Ocean Road Motel will hold accommodation until 15 March.

Citroen Concours 2023



When

7th May 2023

Where

Ripponlea Estate, 192 Hotham St Elsternwick 3185.

The gardens and mansion of this National Trust property provide a great backdrop to our magnificent vehicles.

Admission

FREE

There will be no fee for those wishing to put a car on display. Entry into Ripponlea Estate will be free for the driver and a single passenger. For those not displaying a car and any additional passengers will be required to pay the normal Ripponlea Estate admission fee.

\$15 Adult \$12 Concession \$9 Children (3-15 years) \$40 Family (2 adults + 2 children) FREE admission for National Trust members. FREE garden admission for Glen Eira and Port Phillip residents (refer to Ripponlea website for details).

Arrival & Departure

A requirement of the venue is that Cars MUST arrive between 8.30am and 9.30am. No cars will be admitted after 9.30am

Cars will be able to depart from 2.00pm

Other Matters

- Feel free to explore the grounds throughout the day. Mansion entry is only available on the organised tour which can be booked on the day.
- Up to 2 people per car will be provided with sandwiches and coffee at no cost by Ripponlea. This is limited to the first 50 cars through the gates.
- Judging will continue throughout the day so break out the polish and have your car looking its concours best



CCOCA GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 24 May 2023

GUEST SPEAKER: ROBIN

BOWLES



AUSTRALIA'S TRUE CRIME QUEEN

Author Robin Bowles is widely acclaimed as Australia's True Crime Queen. With a huge collection of her books receiving rave reviews and millions of copies sold, her writing is riveting, her investigative skills second to none.

Visit her website to read more about Robin and you will surely wish to attend this evening after doing so.

WHEN: Wednesday 24 May 2023

TIME: 7.30pm

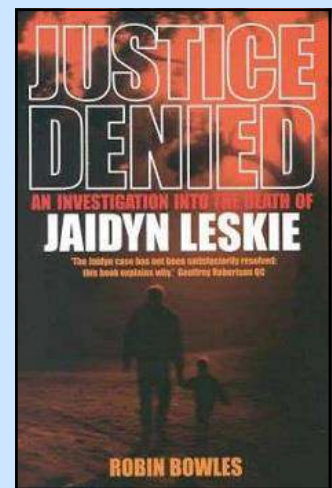
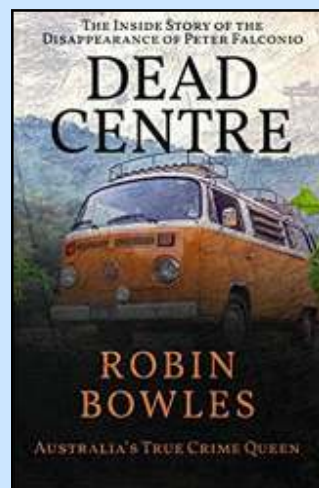
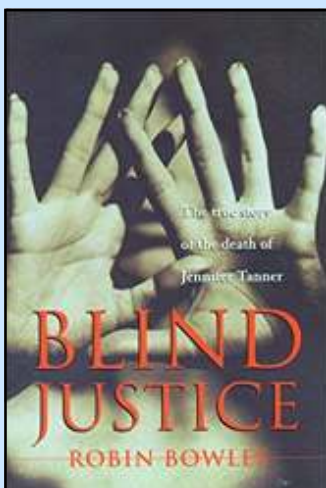
WHERE: Frog Hollow Reserve 25 Fordham Ave, Camberwell

BOOKINGS: Essential by Wednesday 17 May 2023

BRING: \$\$\$, as you may wish to purchase a book or two on the evening.

REGISTRATION: <https://form.jotform.com/230380659102046>

FURTHER INFO: Helen Cross helen.m.b.cross@icloud.com



Battle of Waterloo

The BMC Leyland Car Club have invited CCOCA and CCCV to join them for a picnic lunch and get together at Cardinia Lake.



EVENT: Battle of Waterloo

WHEN: Sunday 28 June

MEET: Stamford Hotel Corner Wellington & Stud Road

TIME: 10.30am for 11.00am Departure

WHERE: Cardinia Lake Duffy's Road (Off Wellington)

RSVP: Paul Buck 0412 627 711

BRING: Everything for a picnic lunch

FURTHER INFO: Paul Buck

2CV FUEL FILTER

By Graeme Dennes

Please note:

Although this article applies to the 2CV, it applies in principle to all classic and older vehicles.

Most 2CV owners change the fuel filter during the vehicle's annual service. If the owner fits a preferred type of filter, then usually, that filter type will continue to be used. This may be how many of us manage our 2CV's fuel filter, but there's more to know.

The life of an internal combustion engine is very much influenced by the cleanliness of the fuel burnt inside the engine. The majority of today's modern vehicles use fuel filters which filter particles down to the 10-20 micron range, while some vehicles use 5-micron filters. (A micron is one millionth of a metre or one thousandth of a millimetre.) As well as protecting the engine in this manner, the fuel distribution system in modern vehicles also needs to be protected. Thus, modern engines and fuel systems are both protected by the fuel filter. The question is: What can we do to help the 2CV? After all, dirty fuel is dirty fuel and engine life is engine life. The answer? *Use a 10-micron fuel filter in our 2CV.* Well, that should be easy enough to arrange...

Citroën fitted a small inline plastic fuel filter to the 2CV, specified as a Champion L101 (Haynes manual, page 49). An internet search found several overseas suppliers selling this filter, and their web sites state it filters to 10 microns. Ah, looking good! Contact was made with the suppliers to seek a link or reference to a Champion document which states the particle size specification for this filter. Although the suppliers responded quickly, *none were able to provide a reference to a Champion document.* (I chose not to ask where their stated 10-micron figures originated.) The next contact was to an overseas Champion filter distributor, who kindly sent me a link to a Champion filter document containing the specifications for the L101 filter. Unfortunately, the L101 data did not include the particle size, so after seeking advice on the filter's particle size figure, the writer was advised that *this information is only for internal use by their engineering department!* It astounds me that particle size information is not formally available from the manufacturer, given that it is *the most critically important property of a fuel filter!*

Ah, take a deep breath! Ok, let's try outside the box! What type of fuel filter should we be searching for? As our 2CVs are usually travelling only a few thousand kilometres between annual services, the surface area of the filtering element should not be of concern. Also, as the 2CV fuel pump pressure is just under 3 PSI, the maximum flow rate and maximum working (negative) pressure should also not be of concern.

This shortlists the search criteria to four items: (1) the fuel filter must have 6 mm or 1/4 inch fuel spigots to suit the 5.5 mm inside diameter of the rubber fuel hose used in the 2CV; (2) it needs to be an in-line, stand-alone filter; (3) it must be relatively small and lightweight so it can be self-supporting if necessary, and (4) it should filter particles down to 10 microns, in line with modern day vehicle fuel filters.

Ok. Let's check locally. An internet search on Australian web sites was done in the hope of finding a suitable filter from a local supplier. While numerous fuel filters were found which match the first three criteria, *none of them provided particle size data.* One of the sellers was contacted in the hope of obtaining the data, and although very helpful, *the seller advised they didn't have that information and felt it may not be obtainable!*



Mmmm. Although pure supposition, the writer believes it could, for these reasons. All other things being equal, a 10-micron filter has to cost more to manufacture than a 40-micron filter because it is more restrictive to the fuel flow and therefore needs more surface area, increasing the manufacturing cost and thus the cost to the consumer. By deduction, perhaps a way to attract a customer to buy a filter is to keep the cost down by selling lower-cost (read: larger particle size) filters. These will be priced much more in line with the customer's price expectations, along with the advice, "this fuel filter fits your car", without the retailer or the customer ever mentioning the particle size figure or without perhaps knowing about the term "particle size" or that it is a *critical* filter parameter. In a nutshell, excluding the particle size specification from the manufacturer's product data sheet certainly is a way to keep it out of sight and out of mind of the consumer. If you don't know of it, you'll never go looking for it!

The bottom line? Why hide a critical filter specification? To repeat, who is benefiting from this action? As a consumer, the writer certainly is not! Hence this article! However, as already noted, this is all pure supposition by the writer, and there may well be justifiable reasons for why the particle size is not made available. The writer just can't think of any.

Ok, moving right along. The fuel filters provided by popular local filter brands were also considered. A small range of fuel filters from Repco and Ryco were identified which match the first three criteria. Some of those filters stated the particle size while some did not. The respective product managers were contacted in the hope of obtaining particle size data, and fortunately, the data was provided for all filters requested by the writer. Thank you Repco and Ryco! The results? The popular Repco filters RPF1415, RPF1003, RPF1005, RPF1022 and RPF9192 are specified at 40 microns, whilst the popular Ryco filters Z4, Z14, Z750 and MF1-12 are specified at 17 microns. Regrettably, in view of the writer's search criteria, none of these filters is adequate. Keep searching!

As an aside, it's now understood why there has always been plenty of sediment lying on the bottom of the fuel bowls of the writer's 2CV carburettors when serviced, even though the vehicles usually travel less than 5000 Km each year. The writer has been using the Repco RPF1415 filter for 14 years (well, not the same one!). At 40-micron particle filtering, any dirt particles in the fuel which are smaller than this figure will pass through the filter. (This is not a criticism of Repco's RPF1415 fuel filter, but rather, is a statement of self-criticism by the writer for not identifying the filter properties sooner!)

Alright, let's go global. A grand total of **one, yes, one**, fuel filter matching the four search criteria was located – the Oregon 07-124. This filter is available via ebay and Amazon, and from North American retailers. A local supplier has not been found.

Below is a photo of this filter and also a link to the filter data on the manufacturer's web site. The data confirms the 10-micron particle size specification. *At last a matching filter has been found.* Eureka!

In view of this analysis, the writer will make an *immediate* switch to a 10-micron fuel filter for his 2CVs by way of the Oregon 07-124 filter. The times are a'changin'.

There may be other 10-micron filters which suit the 2CV. *Should the reader know of any, would you be kind enough to advise the writer.* Your information will be included in the next revision of this article for the benefit of the readers.

The 10-micron Oregon fuel filter and its base specifications are shown here:

Oregon 10-Micron Fuel Filter

The photo at right shows the Oregon 07-124 10-micron fuel filter.





Please note:

This article is not intended as an advertisement for the Oregon filter, but rather, is offered as information on the only 10-micron fuel filter known to the writer which suits the 2CV.



The photo above shows the writer's 2CV alongside wheat sowing machinery operated on Burrangong Station near Young, NSW. (Lee's home town and home of the best cherries in Australia she advises me!) The overall length of the sowing machinery is 55 metres, and up to 30 acres per hour can be sown (yes, that's one acre every two minutes!), and all steps done in one pass, including the fertiliser. The machinery operation and the sowing rates are computer controlled by the operator in the cabin. The all-up cost of this rig would buy *several dozen* very good condition 2CVs!

The three fuel filters in the 12.5 litre diesel engine in the John Deere tractor remove particles down to 10 microns. Yes, that's probably good enough for the 2CV as well!

FINAL STATEMENT

My grateful appreciation and acknowledgement is given to the web sites from which photos/images/drawings have been accessed.

This article may be updated in the future and assigned a new revision number.

Before using the information in this article, ensure the most recent revision is being used.

Should you have questions about the information in this article, if you find errors or have suggestions for improvement, or if you wish to re-publish this article in your club magazine, please contact the writer at: gdennes@gmail.com

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Editors note: This is a slightly revised version of the current article that appears on the CCCV website.



The Artistic Garden

Monty Don's French Gardens



Monet's garden



A delightful program on ABC TV Melbourne on Tuesday 14/03/2023 of Monty Don visiting artistic gardens in France. As always he is transported throughout in his unique French car, the Citroen 2CV.

These gardens would be a feast to a photographer's eye and where to me as I reclined in my lounge chair, wishing I could just be transported to those beautiful colourful scenes. Ed.

Available on Youtube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s4DIapJ4cu4>



It was a great weekend, a get together of old friends. We have been doing this for over 30 years. The weather was kind to us, a little rain on the Saturday night that kept us on our toes but the rain brightened up the croquet lawn.

We decided not to go to the Cidery for lunch as it was booked out for a wedding. Instead we went for a drive to Cape Liptrap with its stunning views, then onto Koonwarra for a waist wrecking lunch. Then back to Venus Bay for drinks and social time. Then it was time to eat again. To add some status to this Gavin (whose wife Sandy has a 2CV) a professional bagpiper, piped us to our evening meal.

Next morning it was breakfast, walks, golf croquet chats and lunch. Some left for home, others stayed on to the Monday morning before leaving. It was all good fun and thanks for making it so.

Don Scutt



VENUS BAY 2023





Ed. This scene reminds me of Percy Grainger's musical piece: MOLLY ON THE SHORE.
For those who don't know, Molly is the dog's name.

Watch & listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Gqm4nFt171>





Ed. My thanks to Thea and Sandy for all the images from Venus Bay.



Hey you wimpy Citroën owners....

March 2023



We've heard far too many times from Citroën owners who are afraid to drive their cars anywhere but around town. They have reservations about driving to Carlisle and Rendezvous. Even going for the day on a club outing seems to far. Heck, they can barely manage to make it to a local car show.

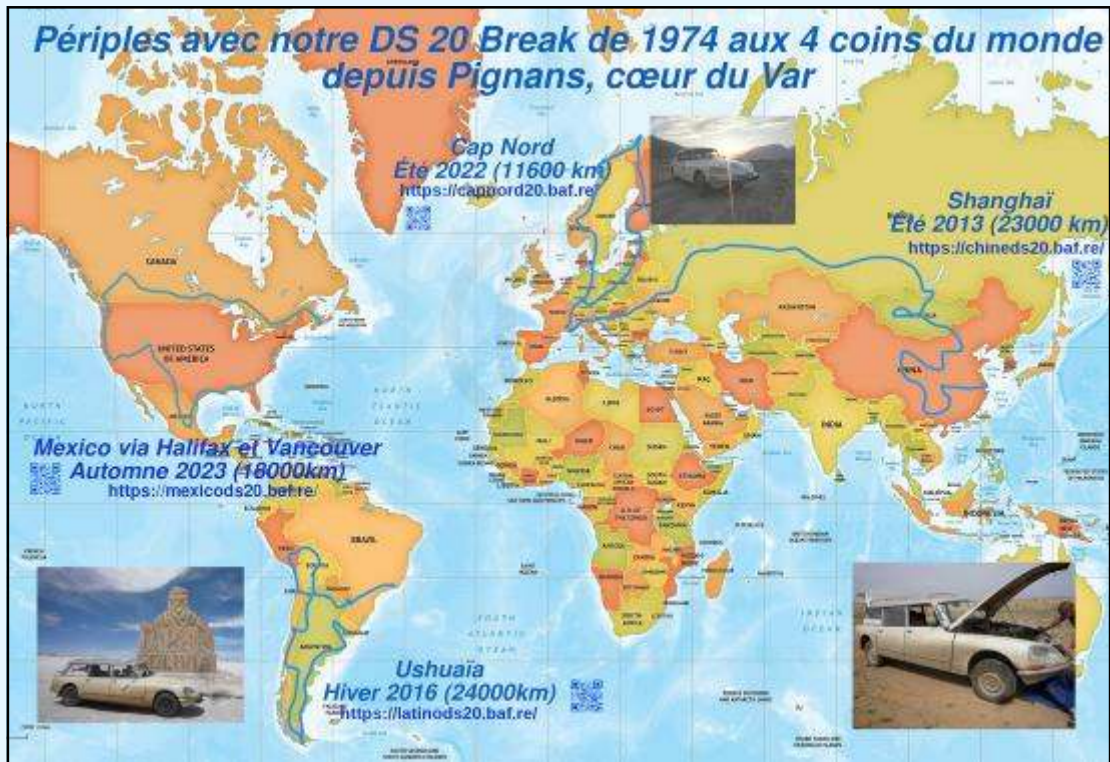
To all those 'own it but don't drive it' Citroën owners and even those who rarely get on the road — buckle up and meet Jacky and Bernadette Chevillon — a retired couple from Pignans, France who have driven their 1973 DS20 Break on 2 trans-continental road-trips so far.

In the summer of 2013 they made a trip to Shanghai, China crossing Europe, Russia, Mongolia.

In 2017 they drove around South America, traveling through Brazil, Paraguay, Bolivia, Peru, Chile, Argentina and Uruguay.



Later this year will embark on their 3rd trans-continental road-trip.



From September to December 2023, they will be doing a road trip through the USA, Canada and Mexico. But first, they are planing to ship their DS over here early and attend Rendezvous at Saratoga Springs, NY on July 1.



They are truly the definition of Citroën Enthusiasts!

OK, we don't expect you to be that extreme, but you have admire Jacky and Bernadette's tenacity and zest for adventure.

Our point here is; if they can make this much effort to get to Rendezvous, well then — how about you?



Cavalcade of Transport Trentham Historic Railway Station To celebrate National Motoring Heritage Day



SUNDAY 21st MAY 2023

Victoria Street, Trentham.

Entry from 10am for Display vehicles & 10.30am for spectators

Veteran, Vintage, Classic, Historic and Collector Vehicles.

- Entry to venue by gold coin donation
- Catering available from local community groups
- Organised by Cool Country Classics Trentham
- Short walk to cafes and eclectic gift shops in Market and High St's
- Visit Quarry St Reserve & Trentham Falls

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Castlemaine Cultural Cruise Correction and Clues

An eagle-eyed reader of last month's newsletter observed an error in the naming of the gourmet sausages and smallgoods butcher in Castlemaine. (Note to self; writing articles too late at night leads to errors!)

The tasty small goods are available at:

oakwoodsmallgoods.com

via their on-line shop, or from distributor outlets from Kyneton to Stratfieldsaye.

Our tour of the Castlemaine diggings area was through and around the Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park. There are what look like some very interesting walks and bike trails through the park. Information regarding these walks and bike trails is available by googling "Castlemaine diggings national heritage park" or by visiting:

parks.vic.gov.au

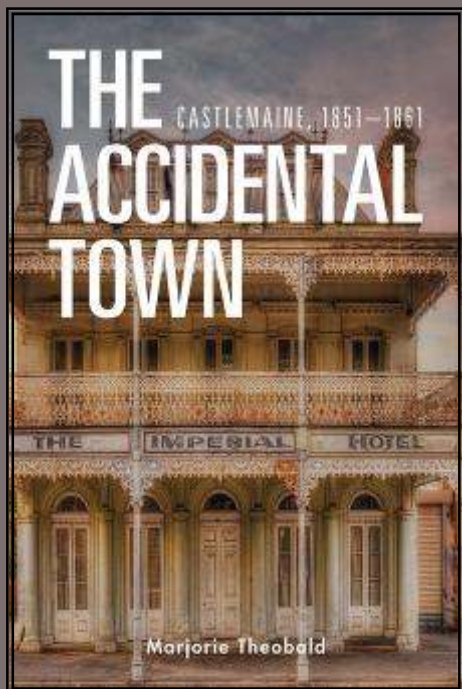
Finally, the heritage house we visited; Buda House can be checked out at:

budacastlemaine.com

for a very interesting journey back in time – enjoy.

Happy touring!

HK.



THE END OF THE MANUAL TRANSMISSION

Stick sticks are dying. When they go, something bigger than driving will be lost.

This article was featured in "One Story to Read Today", a newsletter from The Atlantic, Monday through Friday.

I drive a stick shift. It's a pain, sometimes. Clutching and shifting in bumper-to-bumper traffic wears you out. My wife can't drive my car, which limits our transit options. And when I'm at the wheel, I can't hold a cold, delicious slushie in one hand, at least not safely. But despite the inconvenience, I love a manual transmission. I love the feeling that I am operating my car, not just driving it. That's why I've driven stick shifts for the past 20 years.



That streak may soon be over. When it comes time to replace my current car, I probably won't be able to get another like it. In 2000, more than 15% of new and used cars sold by the auto retailer CarMax came with stick shifts; by 2020, that figure had dropped to 2.4%. Among the hundreds of new car models for sale in the United States this year, only about 30 can be purchased with a manual transmission. Electric cars, which now account for more than 5% of car sales, don't even have gearboxes. There are rumours that Mercedes-Benz plans to retire manuals entirely by the end of next year, all around the world, in a decision driven partly by electrification; Volkswagen is said to be dropping its own by 2030, and other brands are sure to follow. Stick shifts have long been a niche market in the U.S. Soon they'll be extinct. We can't say we weren't warned. For years, the stick's decline has been publicly lamented. Car and Driver ran a "Save the Manuals" campaign in 2010, insisting that drivers who "learned to operate the entire car" would enjoy driving more and do it better. A #SaveTheManual hashtag followed.

For Sale 2014 Citroën C5 Exclusive sedan

03/23

- 2litre turbo diesel automatic for sale. Reg no. AAZ 414
- Vin no. VF7RDRHHADL520765
- Engine no. 10DYZD4055701
- I'm its only owner and I purchased it new from Bayford Citroen in January 2014.
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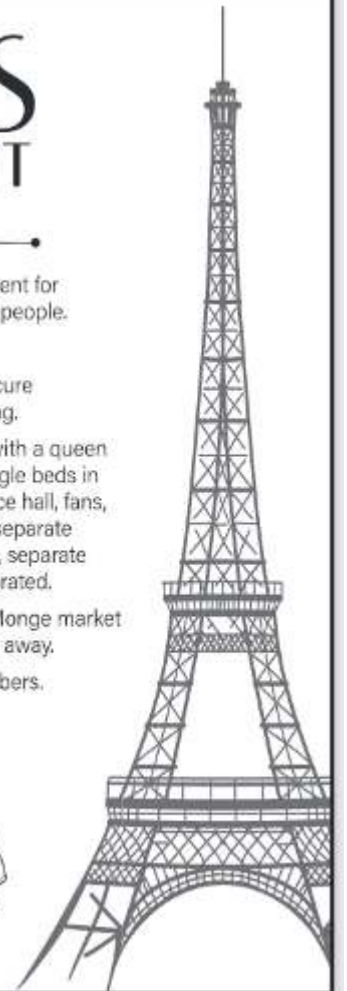
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Sales and Wants

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2/23

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For sale – 2016 Citroën C4 Cactus Exclusive

4/23

Non-member Atsushi Nishimae has for sale a 2016 Citroën C4 Cactus Exclusive.

Details of the vehicle, as advised by Atsushi, are as follows:

- VIN OB9HPGGE544390
- Engine no. JBFN0088743
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If you are interested in this vehicle please text Atsushi on 0416 104 952 or email him at:

nishimae.atsushi@gmail.com.

NOTE: Images available on club website

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02/ 2023

4x tyres and rims for a DS – see detail in photographs following.

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Wanted to buy

10/22

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See the short YouTube video at [Burton 2CV Parts - Rocker Cover Gasket 2CV](#) comparing the standard gasket and the new gasket.

Graeme Dennes

Wanted.

11/22

Can anybody help our Tasmanian member, Bauke Meijer who is looking for a right hand side (driver's) mud-guard in good rust free condition for a third front DS? If you can assist please contact Bauke by text on 0408 781 254 or email at mothersworry79@gmail.com



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