

# SS, MkIV & MkV Register - 50th Anniversary Lunch

The SS, MkIV and MKV Register celebrated its 50th anniversary year at Kitchen Farm Pantry, Mt Barker on the 19th of May 2024

The inaugural register meeting was held on 18/4/1974 just under one year after the JDCSA started. Some members in the current SS register have been with the club since its inception in 1973.

Before lunch was served Bruce Fletcher gave the following talk:-

*"The JDCSA started in July 1973. The first event was held at Belair National Park, a display of our cars on an oval. Murray Lindner and I met Brian Rowse the only Mk4 owner there.*

*He mentioned how he had spoken to the Victorian Jag Club members who suggested we start a S.S. or Pushrod Register.*

*We requested approval from the committee and rounded up a few Mk4 owners, and by April 1974 had enough interest to have a meeting at Brian's house.*

*Those who attended were Des Brown, Mark Robinson, Dave Seidel, Grant Murdoch, Graham Franklin, Murray & Dianne Lindner, Bruce Fletcher*

*and Brian Rowse. Brian was elected secretary until he moved to Queensland in September 1974.*

*Malcolm Adamson had joined us by then and took over as Secretary. About this time, we put out a call to Mk V owners to come to our meetings. Mike Furse was the first Mk V owner to join.*

*Contact with the Victorian Club was maintained and by 1975 Keith Bell had a Border Run organized to Swan Hill, which are still held. This year's it is to be held in Hamilton.*

*We may be the smallest Register but as Sir William Slim said about me to the small lad next to me, 'don't worry about your size lad, you can't get diamonds as big as bricks'.*

After lunch a 50-year cake was presented and photographs were taken of some of the members of the club that were involved in the early days of the SS Register.

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## S.S. REGISTER

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*Editor: Copy of the original minutes from the inaugural meeting of the SS Register as they appeared in the June 1974 "Cat-A-Log".*

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**Present:** D. Brown, M. Robertson, D. Seidel, G. Murdoch, G. Franklin, M. Lindner, Mrs. Lindner, B. Fletcher, B. Rowse.

The meeting opened with general discussion on how to form the Register.

B. Rowse had received correspondence from the J.D.C.S.A. and Ian Mullins of Melbourne. Those were read and discussed. It was suggested that as we were approaching the end of the financial year a President/Secretary be elected until the Register gets off the ground.

Brian Rowse was elected President—Secretary and Murray Lindner, Spare Parts Coordinator.

G. Franklin representing the J.D.C.S.A. then spoke on visitors to the Register and J.D.C.S.A. and of the limit of three activities allowed before joining the J.D.C.S.A.

M. Robertson then moved that as the Register was newly formed, a barbecue be held to enable members to get to know each other. This was seconded by B. Fletcher. M. Robertson then volunteered his home for the evening.

Discussion followed on the date and May 11th was agreed upon, this to be verified by M. Robertson, as soon as possible. It was suggested that if a suitable film

could be obtained, it would be good entertainment.

M. Lindner will contact Castrol and B. Rowse will contact Shell and Caltex to see if any can be obtained. It was agreed that the evening start at 7.00pm.

Brian Rowse will notify one member regarding same, he will contact another, and in this way our members not present will be informed.

It was moved D. Seidel, seconded M. Lindner, that the meetings be held on the last Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held at the home of M. Lindner at 6 Alcheringa Drive, Rostrevor. Proceedings to start at 7.30 pm.

At the next meeting, members will give a list of prospective members to be followed up in relation to enlarging the Register. History sheets for cars were passed out and are to be filled in to enable a register and history to be kept of each car. These are to be handed in next meeting.

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