

## **Point Nepean Heritage Motor Show**

**30<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

The Sorrento Rotary Club staged their inaugural Heritage Motor Show at the iconic Point Nepean Quarantine Station. This event was the first step towards establishing a new local tradition to raise funds for local and international charities. The event was to address homelessness on the Mornington Peninsula. Mums, Dads, kids, older and younger people in this housing crisis are living in their cars or tents amongst the bushes. Each day the Southern Peninsula Community Support is on the front line providing vital food, hot showers and material aid to nearly 2000 of the Peninsula's most vulnerable people and their families.

The location at the Point Nepean Quarantine Station is a perfect place to hold a motoring event. This ex-Military Base has examples of older buildings and gardens with a spectacular backdrop for this Motoring Show.

The categories were broken down into Veteran up to 1919, Vintage up to 1920 to 1930, Post Vintage Between 1931 and 1949, Heritage between 1950 and 1970, Classics post 1970. Motor cycles were included.

There were over 400 exhibitor vehicles and 2000 people attended. The TCCV had 11 cars and 20 Members in attendance. We had TR8 – 2, TR7 – 1, TR6 – 2, and Stags – 6. We met at the car park opposite the Portsea Pub and we were able to get all our cars in one spot. The TCCV put on a very good display of cars. There were other Triumphs in the crowd. One was a very nice black/red Triumph 2000 Roadster. Don't know who owned that car.

The weather was perfect for this type of display. The options for coffee and food was very good. It would have been nice to have an egg and bacon roll. I was on the road at 6 am as it was a two hour drive to the Sorrento Pub. It was so good to get out in the Stag and enjoy the drive. Note the table for a couple of wine glasses and a bottle of Stag red that Peter and Pip Clifton had set up on the T-Bar of their Stag. A couple of cushions to sit on and it makes a pleasant place to have a wine over looking the beach. Top idea.

The TCCV has some very good events lined up so get out and enjoy your Triumph.

Christmas Party 11<sup>th</sup> Dec, New Year's Day Luncheon, 10 Feb Drive Your Triumph Day. Register now so the Coordinators can plan the day.

This event is planned to go ahead in 2023. To prevent giving your credit card details the Rotary Club are looking into a deposit into a bank account. Much safer idea.

A terrific day out and it will be better next year.

*Graeme Oxley*