



**October 2016**  
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### Other Club's Regular Runs:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday:** Geelong Street Rodders Cruizin @  
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6pm, Chrome Bumpers welcome, \$5 entry—all makes  
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5:30pm - 9 ish between October & May  
Alan Newton 0417 389 114 or Bill 03 5975 7665

**Friday or Saturday:** Weather permitting  
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**2<sup>nd</sup> Friday:** Johns Rod & Custom Cruise Night –  
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**1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month 7:30pm (exc. Jan)**  
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October 2016	
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Marsh Rodders Show'N'Shine & Swap meet.
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All GM Day Ballarat & FX-FJ State Titles
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Talbots Swap Meet with the Lot: Talbot Football Ground
November 2016	
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Victoria's State Van Titles 2016: Caribbean Gardens & Market Ferntree Gully
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Romsey Swap Meet & Car, Bike Show.
7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>Club Meeting 7:30</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Jamboree 2016: Calder Park Raceway <a href="http://www.jamboree.com.au">www.jamboree.com.au</a>
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Annual Hearts Kids Car &amp; Bike Show: Penola College Broadmeadows</b>
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Wandin Swap Meet
20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Meredith Car Show & Family Day + Swap Meet
20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Aces by the Bay Car Show: Williamstown
25-27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Geelong Revival Motoring Festival & Classic Car Show
25-27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	EJ-EH Holden Nationals 2016 Shepparton Vic: <a href="http://www.autofest.com.au">www.autofest.com.au</a>

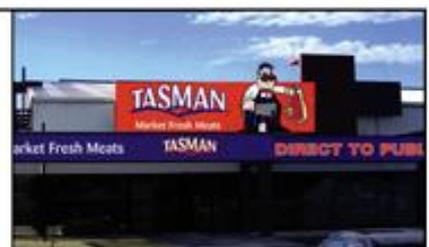
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For more information, call the Club Phone on 0414 856 967

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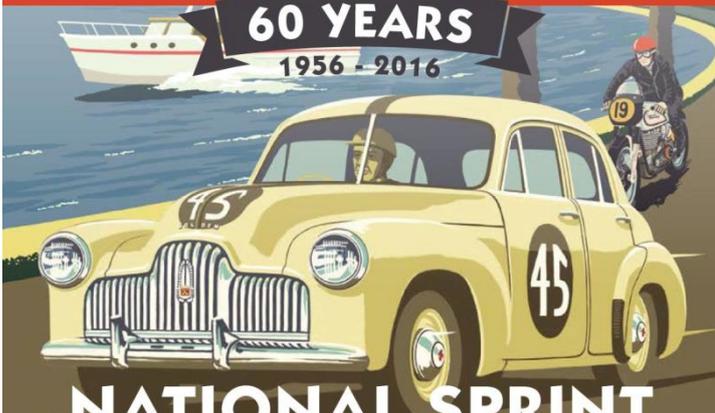
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## [Holden Heartbeat – Revisiting HRT](#)

10. October 2016 14:14 by [Rare Spares](#) in [General](#), [Rare Spares](#) // Tags: // [Comments \(0\)](#)

When it comes to Australian motorsport, there is no team more iconic than the Holden Racing Team. HRT is one of most successful teams in the previous V8 Supercar series and here we will take a look at some of the defining moments in the team's long history.

HRT was formed in 1990 out of the joint venture that began a few years earlier between Holden Special Vehicles and Tom Walkinshaw Racing. That year, the VL Commodore with its roaring V8 was pitted against a technology focused field which included the Ford Sierra and Nissans GT-R. Although the GT-R had been dominating the season, Mt Panorama provided one of the most memorable Bathurst 1000 races of the decade, with Allan Grice behind the wheel the team won against all odds laid the foundation for future success in the series.

In 1994 Rickard Rydell was unable to compete in the Bathurst 1000 due to family matters back home in Sweden, so a young Formula Ford driver was chosen to take his place, that person was Craig Lowndes. Lowndes showed a stunned crowd that he had what it takes up against motorsport legend John Bowe and two years later become a full time driver for HRT, winning a huge amount of races and then going on to take home the crown in the 1998 and 1999 championships.

It would be difficult to mention HRT without noting its most important figurehead, the legendary Peter Brock. Brocky was arguably Australia's most successful motor racing driver and was somewhat of a Bathurst Legend and signed to the team in 1994. With a string of wins under his belt, the deal only solidified Peter Brocks dedication to Holden.

Later on HRT began to enter their golden years with Mark Skaife behind the wheel of the imposing VX HRT 045. Skaife piloted the powerhouse to take two championship and Bathurst victories from 2001 to 2002 with Tony Longhurst and Jim Richards as co-driver. The partnership was a winner and in 2003 the car was converted to a VY under new Project Blueprint rules. Word is that Skaife loved the car so much, he still owns it!

HRT defined motorsport in this country and was the home for many of Australia's most well-known drivers. Although future of the team is up in the air, the name HRT will no longer continue after Holden decided to end their 26 year relationship in August of this year. Hopefully the team will evolve with the support of Walkinshaw Racing but this remains to be seen. After winning six drivers championships and Bathurst seven times, we are proud to have witnessed the passion and prowess of one of the country's most important motorsport teams.

What is your favourite moment in the long history of HRT? Head over to the Rare Spares Facebook page and let us know in the comments!



# JUST HOLDENS

Issue 26 BROCK 10 YEAR TRIBUTE & LX TORANA ANNIVERSARY BROCK 10 YEAR TRIBUTE & LX TORANA ANNIVERSARY

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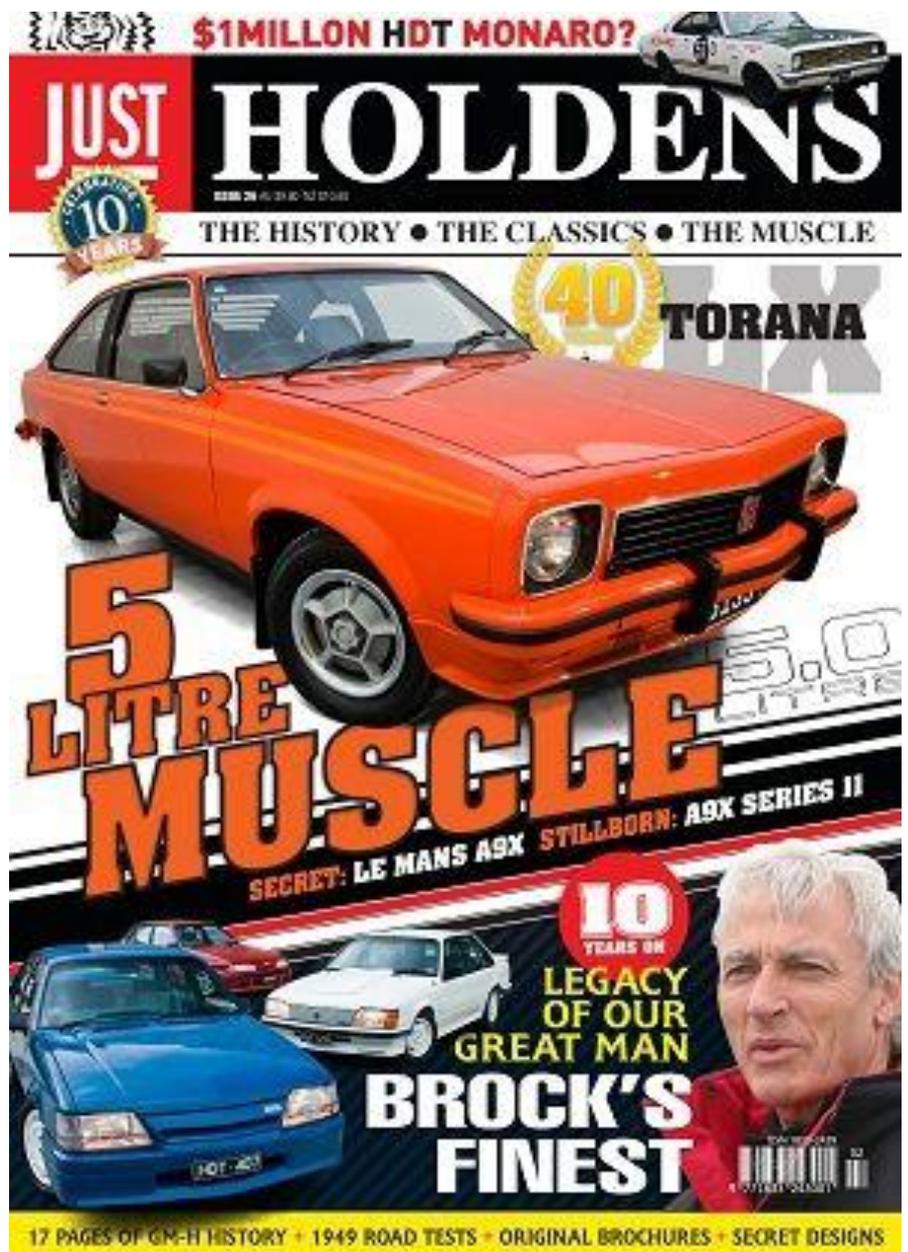
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# [Restoration Renaissance – A tribute to Les McVeigh, his two retiring partners and a look at the past and future of Rare Spares](#)

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When it comes to keeping Aussie classics alive, there is no business that does it quite like Rare Spares. With a deeply rooted passion for all things automotive, the company has gone leaps and bounds to cover a variety of makes and models like no other. Rare Spares provides automotive enthusiasts across the country with the necessary life lines to keep their pride and joy running like a dream and looking great

The company started from humble beginnings, supplying new and refurbished parts for 1948 - FJ series Holden's. The business quickly grew from a residential basement to a variety of locations throughout Melbourne as a result of the increasing demand and popularity of their products.

In 1986 the company expanded its offerings to also include Ford parts as well creating products that catered to OEM specifications and even developing an industrial rubber product range. Rare Spares was soon being distributed Australasia wide, the company had gone from being a small automotive parts manufacturer to an industrial powerhouse incorporating metal pressing, information technology, clips & fasteners as well as hose products.

Rare Spares has proudly supported the Australian Automotive Aftermarket over the years, and when it comes to keeping our pride and joy on the roads, it wouldn't be a long shot to suggest that anyone with a classic Australian car has relied on Rare Spares to provide them with some of the finest of details. Also catering to industrial sectors, Rare Spares has been a significant and crucial contributor to our automotive landscape as a whole.

But it would be difficult to discuss Rare Spares without mentioning one of its most important contributors, Managing Director Les McVeigh, who sadly passed away in early June of this year. Les was an instrumental part of Rare Spares, co-founding and growing the company over four decades to now becoming a multi-million dollar parts supplier for classic Ford's and Holden's, as well as other manufacturers.

Not one to run a business solely with profit in mind, Les was an automotive enthusiast through and through. Since an early age Les enjoyed the hands on aspect of the scene which would explain his passion for creating important and even forgotten parts. At the age of 18 a young Les McVeigh purchased an FX (48 215) Holden from Dandenong that managed to travel 50 meters before blowing up. Not to be deterred, Les got the car home and got to work replacing the engine and has remained a Holden man from that time onwards.

Les as well as the Rare Spares directors are first and foremost passionate car people, so their enthusiasm and dedication has translated into the long running support they have provided to the automotive restoration community for over 40 years.

Les had been a vital part to the key of Rare Spares success, but other long time partners have been vital to ensuring the businesses growth and variety of products. Neal Videan, Director of Supply, is hanging up his boots after 36 years of contribution. When asked about his time at Rare Spares, Neal discussed how he played his part in bringing the company to life.

“Working with the company has been incredible, there have been so many things I have had a hand in getting manufactured and brought to market, but still working for the company today to bring in profits and dealing with customers that I set up years ago.”

A theme that is echoed throughout the company is the quality of the people who work for Rare Spares.

“I truly enjoy the diversity of the people who work for the company, I think we have a real family feel within the organisation”

When asked about the future of the company, Neal was excited for what is on the horizon.

“We will be growing the base of industrial products customers, which includes contract manufacturing and I think there will be more and more demand parts for the traditional Rare Spares product lines. Even with the demise of Holden and Ford people will still want to do up the Aussie icons.”

As Neal says goodbye to the company he helped build, he discussed what he plans to do in his spare time.

“I will have a few family duties to attend too but I actually have a soft spot for classic motorbikes. I usually play around with Vincent HRD’s.”

General Manager David Rayner also has also been fundamental to the growth of Rare Spares over the years.

“In the 36 years I’ve been with the company, it’s been incredibly interesting, enjoyable, often challenging but ultimately rewarding”

When asked about the most exciting aspect of being involved with the company, David touched on the importance of Rare Spares within the automotive community.

“It would have to be the end results of manufacturing a huge variety of componentry for the restoration market. That ultimately is what we do, making parts for motoring enthusiasts; it’s the most rewarding and exciting part of the business.”

David also provided an insight into where he sees the company heading in the future.

“As the cars get older, we will be making parts for newer cars, when they get 20-30 years old, we will be the ones keeping them on the roads. Of course we will continue to make parts for cars we traditionally made parts for as I can see the demand for these growing.”

Whilst Rare Spares is expanding, David plans to slow things down a little once he leaves the company by focusing on travel and maintaining his fleet of cars which includes a 1960 Cadillac Eldorado convertible, Ford Granada and a Ford Zodiac among others.

David Ryan, Director of Finance also provided some insight into the direction of the passionate company.

“There is still a vast array of spare parts that need to be made, we haven’t backed off on our new product program, and we are now making parts of the size and complexity that we hadn’t even dreamed of five to ten years ago. As the model years roll on, more parts will be required, it’s an ever unfolding landscape and one we are truly excited to be involved in.”

Lance Corby has been with the company for 36 years and now assumes the role of Managing Director.

When asked about the future of the company Lance mentioned that Rare Spares will continue to grow despite the end of Australian vehicle manufacturing.

“Rare Spares is a progressive company, we will continue to move forward with the times and fact motoring companies are moving manufacturing out of Australia doesn’t mean it’s all doom and gloom. There is a great opportunity for Rare Spares here and we are going to look outside of the box, we don’t want to restrict ourselves to what we are doing today. We will try and move the company forward in any which way we can.”

Melissa McVeigh, Director of Marketing and daughter of Les, shared her thoughts on the company’s legacy and direction.

“We are all very excited and optimistic about what the future holds for Rare Spares. Although we may have recently lost over 150 years of knowledge of those who are no longer with us be it in passing or retiring, their legacies, passions and drive live on in all of us.”

Melissa also continued to mention how Rare Spares will continue to flourish as time goes on.

“We now have a very dedicated, knowledgeable team at Rare Spares and we are all looking forward to the future in working together to continue to grow and overcome any challenges we may face with the changes in the Automotive Industry.”

“We are passionate about what we do and the people we do it with. As a wise man once said to me, if you’re not making mistakes you’re not growing or learning, just don’t make them twice.”

As Rare Spares continues to hone their focus on classic Ford and Holden parts, many new products are destined to hit the shelves, the future of Rare Spares continues to brighten as many of the common place cars we see today, become the classics of tomorrow.

However it is clear to see that Rare Spares co-founder, Les McVeigh’s legacy will continue to positively impact everyone in the automotive scene for decades to come and with Australian manufacturing coming to a close, the next chapter for Rare Spares begins.

Nowadays cars are coated from factory to prevent rust, but modern cars still miss the classic feel and charm of a vintage masterpiece. If you have carried out a big repair job or have your own rust prevention secret, head over the comments section of the Rare Spares page let us know!



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**4. Maintain a register of dated photographs for all vehicles for which an initial club permit is sought.**

Dated photographs must include images of the front, driver's side, rear, driving position (side on with the driver's door open) and, where possible, any identifiers such as chassis number and engine number. Where a club permit application for a motor cycle is made, the club must take photographs of both sides of the motor cycle, a photograph of the rear, and where possible, of identifiers such as engine and frame numbers. Clubs are required to provide photographs to VicRoads within seven days of receipt of a written request from VicRoads.

Could all members with club plates please send in photos of their cars or bikes to the newsletter editor. [fxhzclubeditor@gmail.com](mailto:fxhzclubeditor@gmail.com) or bring them to the next CLUB meeting. In electronic form i.e. A USB stick, or CD.

# Classifieds

## For Sale / Wanted

## Club Runs

Club runs, if you are attending the run that has been organized could you make sure you reply to the text with how many are coming, so you can be catered for. Failure to do so means that other people could miss out.

## Sponsors

Make sure you check the Sponsors page, as we have taken a few new ones on board this year.

## Club Trailer

Don't forget that CLUB MEMBERS are able to use the Club Car Trailer for a small fee of \$25 a day, this fee covers the wear and tear. (This fee must be paid up front), to book call Brett Warren 0407 342072.

## Raffle Prizes

A big thanks to all those who bring items for our raffle prizes, the money raised from the raffle goes towards the club BBQ and fuelling the club Ute.

Just a quick note to do with the prizes

Due to health regulations we cannot accept 2<sup>nd</sup> hand household items.

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You can purchase club shirts from Hip Pocket, or order at club meetings.

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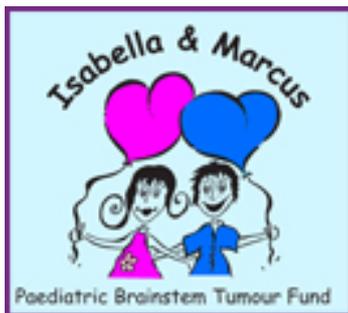
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Isabella's and Marcus' families were brought together by their tragedies. They are like-minded in their pursuit to extend the lives of children diagnosed with brainstem tumours and ultimately to find a cure

<http://www.isabellaandmarcusfund.org.au>



After the 2012 Holden Day we donated \$3000 to "Our Women, Our Children", a charity which raises money to purchase much needed equipment for the Geelong Hospital.

The Geelong Hospital Annual Appeal, launched in 2008, supports the region's health services by raising money for different areas and priorities within Barwon Health. These include services within the Geelong Hospital, the Andrew Love Cancer Centre and cancer services, the McKellar Centre, community health and mental health centres around the Geelong region.



HeartKids is a support group for families of children with heart disease, be it congenital (born with) or acquired. We started as voluntary group of parents and individuals dealing with and concerned about the day to day realities of raising and caring for children with cardiac conditions, and sometimes dealing with the loss of a child due to their congenital heart defect. We have grown to an organisation of some strength with a presence in almost every state of Australia, as well as a National body – HeartKids Australia.

<http://heartkids.org.au/>



The Geelong FX-HZ Car Club is pleased to be able to provide some financial assistance to Assistance Dog Australia. Assistance Dogs Australia provides freedom and independence to people with physical disabilities, and are a national charity that trains Labradors and Golden Retrievers to perform everyday tasks for people with disabilities.

<http://www.assistedogs.org.au/>