

Report: Melbourne Moonee Ponds Swapmeet Sunday 5th May 2024

The second annual swapmeet in Melbourne was back at the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club and with setup possible Saturday night the big day was all go with sellers arriving early and getting setup from 7.30am.

With some late requests for tables we managed to fit in 32 seller tables from 23 different sellers. This was 50% more tables than last year and reflected good local and interstate interest. Alan and Barry from Adelaide were a fantastic contributor with 5 tables. Pete, Hugo, Jason had multiple tables. Locally we had most 2023 sellers back and some new sellers too.



Photo above is soon after doors opened and a queue of 75 people had entered. Club Member front of house helpers Chris and Scott were fantastic, had all the queue pre-paid with their entry tickets at 10am so they walked in.

Committee Member Jason below travelled down from Sydney and filled out 3 tables with a great selection of mint in box and used unboxed cars. Jason also helped by taking the unexpected stage position, not ideal set up.



Here are some photos before open with Pete, top photo, and Ian, lower photo. Both are part of the fabric of the Club and great supporters of the Sydney and Melbourne swapmeets.

During the day what was unusual for a Club swapmeet were the volume of people who arrived from 10.15am to 1.30pm. We had another 75 people attend as a steady flow. Normally we may get another 20 or 30 people. A number of people said reason was plenty of cars last year, no need to queue and will find good stuff still. In total we had 183 people attend. We welcomed 11 new Members at the event.

Financially it was a big success like last year. This is a brief report due to space constraints and again a big thanks to sellers, buyers and Club Members volunteering. Cheers Dominic

