

THE COLONIAL



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EDITOR'S PAGE

Thank you to those who have provided items for this month's Colonial. Stories to come: Mini restoration in progress from David Bennett, Vic Hughes research of the Isuzu-Hillman; Tora Bennett's birthday surprise of MGB Roadster; founder of the Morris Motor Company, Barbara Phillips' Anglia "Harriet". Gallagher's 1972 Austin, Summernats, Motorfest. Thank you to these members. It's nice to have something in reserve. At least I'm not scratching my head and wondering what the hell I'm going to put in the next issue!

Week Day Social Lunches

Friday 3 February at 12 noon and each first Friday, Retreads sandwich lunch at the Southern Cross Club Bistro, Woden.

Friday 17 February The Retreads lunch is planned for Uriarra Crossing at noon in the shade by the 'Bidgee. If it starts raining we will all go to the Southern Cross Club at Woden. Any queries to Alec McKernan 6286 1046. All members welcome. See you there.



Get Well

Advise Secretary Gerry Walker if you know of anyone who could use a cheer-up card, especially if they are in hospital. Sorry to hear Kevin McKay has been in hospital.

Things to remember

Get your car(s) ready for Wheels. Order your Wheels badges from Graham Bigg. Daniel Wyatt is contact for Wheels matters or more offers of help. Advertise wherever you can put up a flyer, eg at work. Take steps to ensure you have a notice for on your car. Get your ticket for the 30th anniversary dinner.

AS IF

Did you notice the article in the Cowra Crankhandle "Basic Rules for driving in Canberra"? How rude!!

PERSPECTIVE

I missed the last meeting as I was in Sydney looking over the "James Craig" sailing ship. Restoration took 21 years and \$38 million.

I am still here as Editor but I live in hope of someone taking over.

See you Tuesday
Cheers ... Helen

CANBERRA ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC MOTOR CLUB

GENERAL MEETING 10 JANUARY 2012

DRAFT MINUTES

Attendance

Members	46
Apologies	10
Visitors	2

Welcome

President David Wyatt welcomed members and visitors to the January 2012 meeting.

Vice President - Graham Waite advised no guest speaker tonight instead a DVD of History of the MG to be screened after the meeting. February guest speaker: Shane Keir

Minutes of November 2011 Meeting

The Minutes of the November meeting were confirmed. Moved Jim Clough. Seconded Daniel Wyatt. Carried.

There was no general meeting in December 2011, instead members assembled near the YMCA Yacht Club on Lake Burley Griffin for the Christmas BBQ. The Christmas hamper raffle was won by Phil Donoghoe.

Business Arising from November Minutes

There was no business arising from the November Minutes.

Correspondence – Gerry Walker

In

Newsletters 12

Goodsons Catalogue

Tumut festival flyer

Card Roger Amos

CBA - merchant fee statements

Sydney Super swap – Flyer

Kidney Cruise – flyer

ASL Audio Systems – advertisement

Out

Ad for 1975 Valiant

Request re 1928 Studebaker wire wheels

Email request for wedding cars.

Moved correspondence be received Gerry Walker
 Seconded Vin Liston
 Carried

President's Report – David Wyatt

The committee has approved the conducting of a member survey on what members want and urged all members to complete the survey when it is published in *The Colonial*.

Wheels organisation is well under way. Graham Gittins has prepared a draft publicity campaign for the 30th anniversary of the Wheels event in 2012.

Saturday 24 March is Brindabella Gardens Nursing Home fete and would like to request six or seven cars for display.

2013 is the centenary of the Morris Motors, and the Morris Register of NSW is organising a rally to Canberra with dates and details to be confirmed.

Vice-President's Report - Graham Waite

Lucky badge draw # 33 Phil Donoghoe – No name badge redraw

#34 Jim Clough no name badge redraw

#22 Brian McKay was the winner

November club run #21 Peter Withers not present redraw

#15 Clive Glover was the winner

Seniors Expo at the Old Bus Depot Market Kingston Thursday 22 March
 space for 10 to 12 cars.

Treasurer's Report – Bob Judd

Bank Balance \$5579:38

Notable transactions:

Receipts

\$800 for advertising in *The Colonial*

\$431 Australian Tax office refund (mainly due to donations to charities)

Moved acceptance of the Treasurer's Report Bob Judd

Seconded Roger Amos. Carried

Summernats Report

Graham Gittins and Waine Summerfield reported on the Summernats event. 140 vehicles accepted the free invitation to attend Summernats on Sunday 8 January 2012. A Holden won the car of the show.

Events Director- Jan Wyatt

Successful December BBQ by the Lake

Sunday 15 January Chicken and Champagne Black Mountain Peninsula from 5pm. Chicken served from 6pm. Bring own plates and cutlery salads etc. Numbers required.

February run is to Bywong Winery, meet at Dickson car park for 11am departure. No café, BYO lunch, hot water available so no BBQ trailer.

March - Wheels

April Run to Alan Martin's property at Yass to meet up with Yass club, BBQ trailer will be attending.

Raffle #94 Yellow won by Peter Hoskin.

Super coordinator - Clive Glover

All is well.

Editor's Report

Gerry Walker on behalf of Helen Phillips advised that all was well with the February edition of The Colonial, but needed car articles for March.

Wheels update Daniel Wyatt

All is on track for Wheels on Sunday 25 March on the lawns of Old Parliament House to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Wheels. The first Wheels was held on Phillip Oval and raised \$17 for a local charity.

A 30th Anniversary dinner will be held at the Canberra Southern Cross Club Jamison on Saturday 24 March with a charity auction, special guest speaker two course meal \$37 per head.

Registrar's Report - Bob Alexander

Twenty four inspections for month.

Librarian- Joe Micallef

A Dykes Encyclopedia had been sold for \$50 - two more left.

Membership Secretary – Joe Vavra

In the absence of Joe, Bob Judd advised that the 700th member was signed up in the month. We do not presently have 700 members but membership numbers run consecutively.

Shop Manager –Norm Brennan

Clothes, Badges, shirts all for sale

Information Officer –Mark Butterfield - All good

Council Delegate – Roger Amos/ Graham Bigg

Minutes from the annual meeting of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation have been received and matters arising from the Minutes will be discussed at the January Council Meeting.

Marques in the park in November had 450 vehicles on display. Numbers down due to a Japanese Car Show in Sydney and a Charity cruise in Canberra on the same day. Council is seeking a club to organise Marques in the Park in 2012.

Council will be talking to TAMS on the issues of seatbelts and Historic Rego for trailers and hopes to discuss SIVS Progress.

Bywong Classic Car Club has sought affiliation with the Council . All Ford day is on 18 March 2012.

New Constitution and by-Laws have been sent to clubs. Comments on the Strategic Plan are required and they will be considered in the yearly review.

Council is seeking a PR officer. No volunteer as yet.

Pie Cart. Alec McKernan wishes to hand over responsibility for the Pie Cart. American Car club had been approached.

Location of a 'Dagwood Dog Food Van' at Wheels 2011 was mentioned. The issue was clarified by Daniel Wyatt.

Graham Bigg advised that a special Wheels 30th Anniversary badge will be produced for sale on the day, early orders appreciated.

National Trust have received a grant of \$70,000 to organise a Canberra centenary Rally from Jervis Bay to Canberra and has asked the Council to organise it on the Trust's behalf.

The National Trust is rumoured to be taking over the management of historic buildings in the ACT on behalf of the ACT government. Council is talking to the National Trust about a possible building being used as a home for council and affiliated clubs.

Post Vintage Capital Rally – Roger Amos

Roger said a request for expression of interest in the 2014 Post Vintage Capital Rally had attracted only three entries from the club which has 100 plus vehicles in the category.

Seeking nominations of a local charity for the event to support.

Publishing Committee Phil Donoghoe

All is well

Webmaster – No report

General Business

Graham Moore. His Falcon has gone but he still has some parts available.

Alan Martin. Advised that club member Kevin McKay is in hospital.

Bob Judd. Club name badges available for collection

Joe Micallef. The 85th anniversary of the running of the 1st Australian Grand Prix is on this Friday with a display around Belmore Park of old racing cars.

Dick Stubbs. Looking for someone who can edge roll some metal panels for a vehicle restoration.

Waine Summerfield. Sold the Buick which has gone to Melbourne.

Val Bland. Asked could Graham Waite provide some information on the Rotary club's ShelterBox project? Graham advised that the ShelterBox contains emergency equipment including a ten person tent bedding, cutlery, crockery etc for people who have lost their homes in natural disasters around the world.

Brian McKay. Advised he will be out of Canberra during March and April 2012.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Graham Gittins, Minutes Secretary.

CLUB TROPHIES - Vehicle Quality Awards

12.1.1 Restoration of the Year - Vehicles manufactured before the end of 1945.

12.1.2 Restoration of the Year - Vehicles manufactured after the end of 1945.

Guidelines for both the above categories.

Most commendable restoration, in each category, taking into account the type of vehicle and the input of the owner. Criteria to include:

Make and age of vehicle.

Condition when found (photos) and completeness.

Distance travelled to find vehicle and parts.

Time taken to restore.

Use of vehicle subsequent to restoration.

Conditions restored in, eg backyard, garage, workshop.

Qualifications and experience of owner.

Amount of support given by family and/or friends.

Amount of work actually performed by owner.

Originality of restoration.

Judged within two years of first registration and only judged once in each restoration.

12.1.3 Mal Mason Vehicle of the Year Trophy

Awarded to a vehicle that has been bought in a restored or roadworthy or original condition. May be partly or completely restored by others. Judged once in one person's ownership and within two years of registration in the Club or change of ownership.

12.1.4 Bill Amies Mechanical Excellence Trophy

Judged each year on mechanical condition, restoration and maintenance alone. Criteria to include standard of mechanical repairs or restoration, cleanliness, condition when purchased, age of vehicle, availability of parts, maintenance standard and reliability. Mileage driven during the year should also be taken into account.

12.15 Best American Marque) judged from all vehicles

12.16 Best English Marque) on display.

Full details of Club Trophies are under ByLaws on our website.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER A VEHICLE FOR
JUDGING AT SHANNONS WHEELS
Sunday 25 March 2012**

1. Restoration of the year
for cars manufactured before the end of 1945
2. Restoration of the year
for cars manufactured after the end of 1945.
3. Mal Mason Car of the Year – for a vehicle purchased in a
restored or roadworthy or original condition.
4. Bill Amies Mechanical Excellence Trophy - judged on
mechanical condition, restoration and maintenance
alone. Mileage driven during the year should be taken into
account.

Make of Vehicle

Year and Model

Place of Manufacture

Name of Owners

For which Award would you like to be judged.

You may enter for Category 4 as well as one of the other 3.

Please note that to be eligible, the vehicle must attend three official Club events in the 12 months prior to the Presentation Night at which the awards are to be presented (usually in early August).

The other two Vehicle Quality Awards – Best American Marque and Best English Marque – will be judged from the whole field and no entry form is necessary.

It is helpful to the judging panel if you have information on display about your restoration. You should also be with your vehicle to supply information to the judging panel while your vehicle is being judged.

Enquiries to Bob Alexander on 6235 5845 or 0417 880 064.

Please photocopy this page, or write the details on a separate sheet or I can email to you. If you can't come to a meeting before Wheels, please post to Club address on page 1. Editor.



Council of ACT Motor Clubs celebrate 30 years of Wheels

The Council of ACT Motor Clubs invites all members of affiliated clubs to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Shannons Wheels Expo on Sunday 25 March 2012, on the lawns of Old Parliament House from 10:00 am to 3:00pm.

Come and share in the celebration of 30 years of raising money for local charities during which time around \$400 000 has been donated.

Enjoy the family fun picnic day surrounded by veteran, vintage, classic and modern vehicles in one of the best panoramic views in Canberra.

This year money raised will be donated to the Rotary Club ShelterBox project which provides emergency accommodation and equipment for up to 10 people who have suffered from natural disasters around the world.

The first Wheels display was held on 14 March 1982 on Phillip Oval and raised \$17 which was donated to charity.

All vehicle clubs are welcome to put on a display and for the allocation of space on the lawns approximate numbers should be sent to Daniel Wyatt Tele: 6258 4590 Email: daniel.wyatt2@bigpond.com
Please note drip trays are required for all vehicles on display.

Graham Gittins

Members who attended the first Wheels display on Phillip Oval on 14 March 1982: Peter Toet, Alec McKernan, Wayne Smith, Vin Liston, Helen Phillips and Charlie Adams.



25 March 2012
Lawns of Old Parliament House
Canberra, ACT 9am—3pm

WHEELS

Motoring Expo
30th Anniversary

Proudly Sponsored by



SHARE THE PASSION



Donations Welcome for the Rotary Shelter Box Appeal

Wheels 2012 is proudly hosted by the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club on behalf of the Council of ACT Motor Clubs
 Contact: Daniel Wyatt AH Phone: 0412 316 954 daniel.wyatt2@bigpond.com



All Vehicles on display must ensure that oil drip trays are used

DECEMBER BARBECUE BY THE LAKE

A good turn-out of 58 members attended the BBQ which replaced the December meeting. Thank to the Events Committee members who did the buying, preparing, cooking and cleaning. Dana Garrett had made apple pies again which she sells to support a charity and these went down well.



George guarding the raffle prize
Familiar faces in the background.

Phil Donoghoe was the
lucky winner of the
hamper.



Three wise men checking
out a new car in the Club.
The burgundy Riley
bought by Peter and Anne
Toet.

JANUARY CHICKEN AND BUBBLY

There was a wonderful attendance of 77 members and 13 visitors for this event. The hardworking Events Committee had everything running like clockwork. Many thanks to all helpers. Raffle was won by Tony Roberts and Val Bland.



Lined up for our chicken.

Chris, Betty, Irene, Heather, Eileen and Joan catching up on news.



Dean, Tony, Alan, Daniel and Mark also catching up on news.

Car I hadn't seen before, so of course I asked for a story. 1953 Mercedes of Murray Mules.



FEBRUARY MONTHLY RUN

A visit to Little Bridge Winery at Bywong is planned for Sunday 19 February. To get to the winery cellar door head down the Federal Highway for around 20kms from Dickson then turn right at Bungendore Road, follow this for 1.6km then turn LEFT at Brooks Road, follow for 1km and then you are there.

Little Bridge Wines is a partnership of four. One of the partners is John Jeffery who has taken over as our webmaster and done a great job revamping the club website. John will give a talk about how the vineyard and cellar door started. There will be free tastings along with some specials for members on the day.

At the cellar door there are BBQ and picnic facilities, toilets, hot water, plenty of tables, chairs and places to park your car. Just bring your lunch / BBQ food with you. Meet in the Dickson Woolworths carpark to leave at 11am. Those attending may wish to have a coffee or breakfast at one of the cafes at the Dickson shops beforehand.

Note: For the person who correctly guesses how the Little Bridge was made which crosses Brooks Creek there is a prize.

If you want more info refer to the website
www.littlebridgewines.com.au

SHOP MANAGER

Check out Club badges and sew-on patches. Norm Brennan can order Club polo shirts, long sleeve cotton shirts and polar fleece vests/jackets or bucket hats with the Club logo. He has a few small size shirts on hand. New supply of the large car badges for sale still at the old price of \$15. Register of Members @ 1 Feb 2011 for \$2 each.

The Colonial

Any errors/omissions let Helen know. I am gradually catching up on the material you good members so kindly provide. Contact me if I have forgotten something you gave me or forgotten to give you back a photo.

It is still possible to get your Colonial by email: just email Helen, (cc Joe Vavra) so that she gets your details correct and Joe will take you off the labels list.

APRIL MONTHLY RUN—Sunday 15 April

To Glenda and Helen, This notification of a proposed April joint social event is submitted for the Yass February/March magazine and the CACMC Colonials.

Proposed joint social BBQ event for the Yass Antique Motor Club and CACMC after Easter 2012, on Sunday 15 April at Alan Martin's Drummoyne Homestead, Yass via Coolalie Road.

I thought this joint social BBQ event would be of interest to members of the above car clubs to view each others cars and to network amongst old friends and to establish new car club friends. Accordingly I offer my grazing property as the venue and this property is around 6 kilometres from the Yass Post Office along the Coolalie Road. The Coolalie road is located four turns to right after the bridge over the Yass River on main road through Yass. This road is bitumen and there is a give way sign half way up Pollux Street which is the start of the Coolalie Road and there are a few sharp narrow turns along this road. The Drummoyne Homestead is on the left about 150 metres from the road and is visible from the road.

All members of the above two car clubs are invited to attend this joint social event and to drive their old cars. CACMC will have their BBQ trailer facilities. Attendees will provide their own catering and drinks.

There will be separate external toilets for females and males, hand washing taps, a number of seats and in the event of inclement weather there will be undercover weather protection. I can conduct inspections of the 1920 Federation homestead, shearers quarters and shearing shed if there is interest. The Drummoyne Pastoral Company is a working grazing property with sheep, wool, fat lambs and Angus cattle and has been in the one family since 1908. Families of blue wrens, swallows, willy wag tails, parrots and many other birds reside in and around the homestead buildings.

I will be inviting some of the neighbours of my Evatt and Drummoyne properties to this social event and children and grand children of the car club members are invited also and it is expected that attendees arrive commencing say 11am and this event depending on the weather should run to around 2pm to 3pm.

Cheers, Alan Martin
Mobile 0406 377 258

CACMC EVENTS CALENDAR 2012

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Feb 19	Jan Wyatt 6286 1782 0400 603 686	A visit to Little Bridge Winery, 106 Brooks Road, Bywong. Winery is located 1.6 km down Bungendore Road from the Federal Highway, then turn LEFT and travel 1 km along Brooks Road. Meet in Woolworths car park Dickson to leave at 11 am. Those attending may wish to have a coffee or breakfast at one of the cafes at the Dickson shops beforehand. See also page 18.
Mar 25	Daniel Wyatt 6258 4590 0412 316 954 Cars in place by 9 am	Shannons Wheels display day on lawns of Old Parliament House. CACMC is again hosting this event so strong turn-out is required please. See pages 14-15. DRIP TRAYS ARE COMPULSORY. Rotary will be collecting donations for ShelterBoxes.
Apr 15		Alan Martin has invited our club and the Yass Antique Motor Club to visit his grazing property located just out of Yass. Bring your own lunch and the BBQ trailer will be there for tea, coffee and to cook your lunch for those who wish to do so. Meet at the Hall truck lay-by about 10 am to leave at 10.30 am. See also page 19.
May 20		National Motoring Heritage Day. Details will be provided next month. Other clubs are most welcome to join us for the day.
Jun 17		TBA
Jul 15		TBA

EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS 2012

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Feb 11-12	info@gnooblas.com	Gnoo Blass Classic, Orange
Feb 11-12	Pauline 0412 819848	Berrima Rally entries close 3 Feb 2012 pmcfet@aol.com
Feb 11-12	Jim 6336 1934 David 6336 5331	Highlands Steam & Vintage Fair, Rally ground at Oberon Rugby Leagues Club. www.highlandsteam.org.au There are at least 5 CACMC cars going. See Graham Gittins

EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS 2012

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Feb 12		Wangaratta Swap at showground
Feb 19		Sydney Super Swap Meet, Clarendon
Feb 24-26		Ballarat Swap is back on at the airport.
Mar 3	Sharon Thearle 4832 1988	Crookwell Potato Festival static display on Crookwell Memorial Oval www.upperlachelantourism.com
Mar 17-18		Chryslers on the Murray
Mar 22		Seniors Expo at Old Bus Depot, Kingston
Mar 24	David Wyatt	Brindabella Gardens Fete, Curtin
Mar 24	Jan & David Wyatt 6286 1782 0400 603 686	Wheels 30th anniversary dinner, Southern Cross Club Jamison, 2 course meal \$37 per head. Charity auction and guest speaker. Get tickets at Feb or March meetings. Bookings close 16 March.
Apr 1		Goulburn Swap
Easter Saturday	6846 9414	Man from Ironbark Festival, Stuart Town (between Orange and Wellington)
Easter 2012		Bush Council Rally in Orange
Apr 6-9	Caravan Park Lyn or Frank 02 6851 1929	Easter Teardrop Caravan Gathering, Forbes. Book now so you don't miss out. Canberra contact Ken Herne (mob) 0404 468 560
Apr 29		ACT Heritage Festival—historic vehicles required for a display at the Duntroon Dairy from 10 am to 3 pm. 2012 UBD/Gregorys map, page 4, Kelliher Street off Russell Drive.
May 6	0418 424 748 www.woi.org.au	Wings over Illawarra Air Show. Car and bike clubs are invited to attend. Go to website to register and obtain free car registration sticker.

See also page 32

OLD NUMBER ONE

It was the dream of Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club member, the late Jim Bruce, to build a replica of the father of the MG Cecil Kimber's, Old Number One racing special.

Cecil Kimber desired to win some motor sport events for himself and kudos for his employer William Morris (later Lord Nuffield).

Using the Bullnose Morris as a platform and a talented team of engineers, Kimber managed to squeeze a few extra horsepower out of the engine, resulting in quite a few awards, trophies and medals for the car.

Jim's long held dream of building a replica of old Number One to match his standard Bullnose Morris, became a reality when his son Mark and son-in-law Malcolm Noad took an interest in the project. Mark Bruce said he and Jim used to spend hours looking at photographs of the car trying to work out how it differed from the standard Bullnose Morris.

On a visit to England in 1990 Jim had the opportunity to inspect and measure the genuine vehicle at the Heritage Motoring Centre, where he discovered the steering wheel had been lowered, and a revised engine specification had been made, together with a host of smaller modifications to make the special go quicker.

Unfortunately Jim became ill before the car was fully finished, but with the help of car club members the car was completed just before he died.

Some of the work to get it finished before he died has now been reworked - paying attention to detail.

'The end result is technically quite accurate and gorgeous to look at,' according to architect Mark Bruce.

'Acceleration is brisk and handling acceptable, steering is a bit heavy and the brake pedal needs a hefty foot to have any effect, but it can keep up with modern traffic,' he added.

There is no doubt that this labour of love in memory of a great club member is a wonderful addition to the historic car fleet in Canberra.
Graham Gittins

Based on an article written by Malcolm Robertson and published in the Sunday Canberra Times on 6 September 2009.

The late Jim Bruce at work on the replica of Cecil Kimber's MG racing special.



The finished product.



VALE TOM WILLIMOTT

Alan Boate and I attended the funeral today of Tom Willimott aged 83, who died last week. I have known Tom for some years on the basis of doing the annual inspections on his 1942 Willys Jeep. He would come over and have the inspection and a good chat.

He drove Jeeps in Japan as part of the British post war work there and has always liked these vehicles. So much so he bought a LHD one many years ago and it became his Club car.

Unfortunately a few years ago Tom suffered the onslaught of dementia and he was placed in Jindalee and then he went to Goodwin Home in Monash under high care attention where he ended his days. Tom was one of "nature's gentlemen". His lovely wife Betty said that up until a year or so ago he would ask if the Jeep's rego had been paid even though he had not been able to drive it for many years.

The funeral service was well conducted at the Crematorium by "Mick" (Roger) O'Donnell an Army Padre, also a member of this Club. The six grandchildren all read parts of the service and Tom's children Cathy, Wayne and Andrew made very moving speeches of his life working on the Snowy Mountains Authority and the many other positions he held.

Alec McKernan, 12 December 2011

Morris Owners Group Canberra Region

THREE MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE

The 10th Annual Jim Bruce Memorial Three Mountain Challenge

(Canberra day long weekend)

SUNDAY 11th of March 2012

**Assemble from 9.00 am at
“The Terrace Café” (The War Memorial)
for Morning Tea (own cost)
Park in underground car park**

Leave for Mt Ainslie-Black Mountain-Red Hill 10.00 am

Late BBQ lunch supplied (a \$5.00pp cost will apply) and
Perpetual trophy award at La Trobe Park Deakin
(Suggest bring own table and chairs)

Entry fee \$15 per vehicle, includes medallion and a slice of
10th anniversary cake.

Contacts.

Denis Harding (02) 62814497 or Malcolm Noad
monad@tycoint.com or 62350545

The Challenge is open to all Morris Vehicles owners and
enthusiasts

It is not necessary to own a Morris vehicle to enter the
challenge

All Makes Welcome

Entrants to this event take part solely and absolutely at their own
discretion and risk and expressly acknowledge
and agree that no member of the Morris Owners group Canberra
Region whether jointly or severally shall be in
any way liable for any happening or incident by omission or
commission before during or after the event.

GOULBURN FIRST GRAND PRIX

The 85-yearold debate on where the first Australian Grand Prix was raced continued in January 2012 when the Golden Era Automobile Racing Club (GEAR) held an anniversary display, two days of racing and dinner to celebrate what they claim was the first running of the AGP on 15 January 1927 in Goulburn New South Wales. This is a year before the officially recognised first Australian Grand Prix was conducted on Phillip Island, Victoria, which was won by the son-in-law of Lord Austin in an Austin 7.

Goulburn's claim is based on a newspaper advertisement which appeared in the *Goulburn Evening Post* newspaper. Supporting the Goulburn claim, author John Medley said the discovery of the advertisement was a momentous find and the records should be amended to reflect that the first AGP was held in New South Wales and not Victoria. 'The 1927 event was held at the Goulburn showground on a one mile 75 yards roughly oval dirt track and was actually called the Australian Grand Prix'.

President of GEAR Barry Parsons said: 'This is not just some petty argument between New South Wales and Victoria over bragging rights. It is an essential part of Australia's motor racing history'.

The GEAR club has held three events to mark the anniversary of the events at intervals of five years apart – 2002 75th anniversary, 2007 80th anniversary and 2012 the 85th anniversary.

Whether the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS) will recognise the Goulburn claim and amend the records books accordingly is a matter of wait and see.

The 2012 festivities began on Friday 13 January with a street display of historic racing cars and a selection of heritage vehicles, located just off the main street of City of Goulburn, followed by two days of racing at Wakefield Park and a dinner on the Saturday evening.

Guest speaker at the dinner Mr John Goss spoke about his early racing days at Longford in Tasmania and his win in the 1976 Australian Grand Prix in a Matich Repco A53 at Sandown Victoria. He also suggested that the anniversary should be an annual event not every five years.

For the record Geoff Meredith in a Bugatti T30 won the Goulburn race.
Graham Gittins *Pictures on page 27*

TERRIBLY BRITISH DAY

Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club had a great day at the annual Terribly British Day with two members' vehicles being selected for the spotlight display and the car of the day being awarded to Wayne and Sandra Smith for their 1954 Austin-Healey.

The display day attracted around 300 vehicle and motor cycles. Vehicles travelled from Sydney, Newcastle, the south coast of New South Wales and the local region around the National Capital.

University of Canberra Vice-Chancellor Professor Stephen Parker was the 'honoured guest' who selected the Smiths 1954 Austin-Healey 100 -4 as the car he would most like to take home and the Morgan Car Club of Sydney as the best car club display.

Terribly British Day chairman Paul Sutton said he was delighted with number of vehicles that turned up considering the late change of venue because of the wet weather conditions preceding the display.

'We were advised three days before the event that the Patrick White lawns, the original venue had been closed to vehicle traffic, so we had to contact as many entrants as possible to advise them of the change in location,' Mr Sutton said.

The vehicles were parked in a large public car park with plenty of tree shade and many entrants expressed the opinion that they preferred the hard stand car park to the soft grass of the lawn area.

The spotlight display vehicles attracted a good deal of attention with Barbara Phillips the owner of the Ford Anglia commenting that she had really enjoyed people coming to chat with her and telling of their experience with their Anglias.

Frank Marshall the owner of the Triumph Mayflower said he had spent around five years restoring the car from a virtual basket case and while he had enjoyed doing it he would not like to restore another one.

When asked about what the Mayflower was like to drive Mr Marshall responded with: "it is a lovely car to drive, so long as you don't want to get to where you are going in a hurry."

It took Peter Hoskins ten years to restore his 1956 AC with the help of many car club friends. He said it was made all the more worthwhile

when the CACMC had awarded the car three trophies for his efforts. Peter's AC was the featured car in the December edition of *The Colonial*.

Terribly British Day is now well established on the car club display calendar and just keeping getting better each year.

The 2012 Terribly British Day will be held on Sunday 2 December. The event is supported by NRMA Veteran, Vintage and Classic Motor Vehicle Insurance.

Graham Gittins

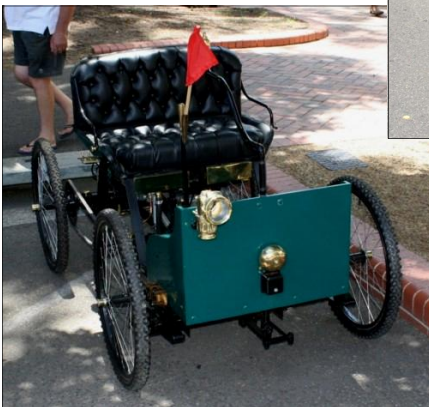
PICTURES FROM GOULBURN GRAND PRIX



Above: Line up of historic racing cars



Above: MG SA on display



Replica of Henry Ford's 1898 Quadcycle was built from scratch by Don Bryant of Goulburn.

CACMC HELPS OUT AGAIN

The C3 Church in Monash held an event “Love Christmas Love Canberra” to raise funds for OZ Harvest and a local family in need. As an attraction the organisers invited the Club to supply five cars. Space was limited but Graham Waite brought his Bolwell; Brian McKay his newly acquired Plymouth and I took the Vauxhall. Not much room after we placed those cars. It was a selection which attracted a lot of attention and all of us were busy chatting to people and answering questions about the cars.

A surprise package turned up – it was Ross Everitt’s 1940 Pontiac Chieftain Sedan brought along by his daughter, Kate, and family. Needless to say the car still has its CRS plate 001 but is now under the auspices of the Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club although they are also members of the American Car Club. It was also good to hear the other Pontiac is still in the family but with Kate’s brother.

Next time this event is held the organiser has assured me there will be more space for cars and we will be given more notice. It was a good night and for a good cause and I’ll be there next year if it’s held.

Gerry



YOU ARE INVITED

The Cootamundra Antique Motor Club invites all historic vehicle enthusiasts to participate in their next Grand Tour: Visiting Eastern Victoria and the Snowy Mountains from 9 November to 25 November 2012. To book or just obtain information contact Paul Ballard on 02 6942 4694, 0419 973 822 or westkinloch@dragnet.com.au

CLASSIC YASS

This photo was taken by His Excellency Mr Pedro Villagra Delgado, Ambassador of the Argentine Republic to Australia at the 'Yass Classic' event held on Saturday 5 November 2011.

Roger took the Caddy with Pedro as passenger. Pedro has two classic 1920s cars in Argentina. He just loved seeing all the old cars – especially as one, Alan Martin's Studebaker, is the same colour scheme as his 1929 Chevrolet. His other car is a 1929 Grahame Paige. Both are in Buenos Aires. Alan's Studebaker won a prize which pleased Pedro no end! Great day all round – Farmers Market, CWA scones/cakes, and a truly brilliant live band that also played at the dinner (we didn't, alas, stay for that!).

We picked up the Anglia ('Harriet') after I finished work on Friday. I hadn't driven "Harriet" since about March – Roger does the honours when she is required to be fired up! So, I took her for a run on Friday evening to learn to drive, 1963-style, again (that gear stick is in a really weird possie compared with a modern-day Mazda box). Then off to Yass on Saturday.

Could have knocked me over with a feather when it was announced Barbara Phillips had won the prize for 'Best Ladies Entry 2011'. I was thrilled for Mark Oliver (restorer), Steve's Upholstery, Capital Steering and Suspension, Dr Diff, the Anglia Club in England etc, as this was her 'First Show' and there are still some bits and bobs to do (does anyone ever 'finish' their restoration, I wonder???). My prize, in recognition of this memorable moment, is 'Joan Richmond The Remarkable, Previously Untold Story: From Melbourne to Monte Carlo and Beyond – Her Story as Told by David Price' (J R Publishing, 2011) with a Foreword by Hugh Conway, Chairman of the Bugatti Trust UK – some Christmas/New Year reading for me!

Barbara



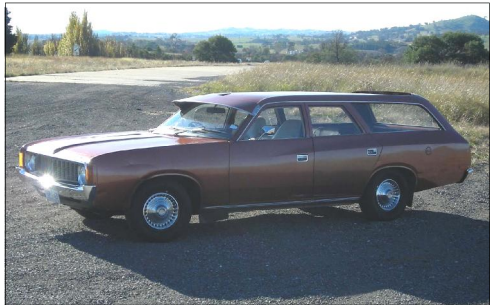
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Jul 15		Liverpool Super Swap, Fairfield Showground
Sep29-Oct 2		2012 Motor Exhibition, Bendigo Showground celebrating 100 years since 1st Victorian Motor Exhibition. Starting in Ballarat on 29 Sep travel to Bendigo arriving Friday 2 Oct. http://www.federation.asn.au/Newsletters/FedNews74.pdf
Oct 12-14	Brian Calder	MG Car Club Canberra will host an MG TYme 2012 event in Canberra. MG TYme is a non-competitive, socially oriented event designed as a particular celebration of the iconic MG T and Y Types. Check website for more details. Details and event registration information will be progressively added. www.mgcccncanberra.org.au
Nov 3 Nov 4		Classic Yass Open gardens and arts trail
Dec 2		Terribly British Day
Dec 28-31	Helen can email entry form	21st Australian Early Holden Federation Nationals at Bathurst

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WHAT'S IN THE LIBRARY

Recently the library has received a quantity of car books and other publications from various sources. These books are much appreciated because they enhance the already comprehensive library. However, some of these books are surplus to the library therefore at the February meeting we are going to offer some of the surplus books for a donation by club members.

Some months ago Roger Amos was given a box of books by a widow of a deceased friend. Most of these books are part of the surplus but among the lot there is a very useful British Automotive Electrical Manual book which covers most of the British cars manufactured from 1945 to 1950. This is a very good book for those restorers who are restoring the wiring of their British car. I will be making good use of this book because it has in it the wiring diagrams of my 1947 Rover 16 and my 1947 Singer 10.

Joe Micallef
Librarian

Dyke's Automobile and Gasoline Engine Encyclopedia

The Club library has a 13th Edition Dyke's Automobile and Gasoline Engine Encyclopedia for sale. It was published in 1924 and is in good condition. These books are a collector's item and they fetch a good price. The Club is asking for offers of \$50 or more.

Contact Librarian Joe Micallef, phone 6290 1930 (H)

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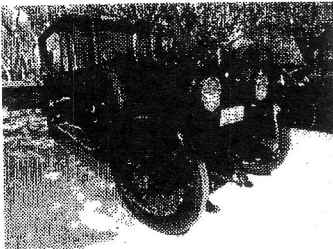


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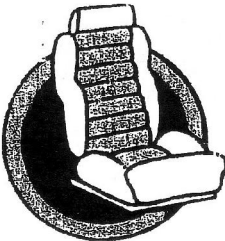
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