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1972 Austin 3 litre Sedan
Ray and Anne Gallagher

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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"; Murray Mules' 1953 Mercedes. Thank you to these members. It's nice to have something in reserve

Week Day Social Lunches

Friday 2 March at 12 noon and each first Friday, Retreads sandwich lunch at the Southern Cross Club Bistro, Woden.

Friday 16 March The Retreads lunch time car run is to the picnic area at Orroral Valley at noon. Meet at the south side of Tharwa Bridge at about 11 am.



Any queries to Alec McKernan 6286 1046. All members welcome.

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 Barry Boyce had a spell in hospital; bet he is glad to be home.

Also Vin Liston has been poorly so hope you are over it, Vin.

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.

Fill in the survey—if you are satisfied with the running of the Club, we do need your input too.

April Colonial

April Colonial has to be finished on Saturday 24 March so no late notices please. Just some Wheels photos to go in Sunday night and then I am off to Victoria at the crack of dawn on the Monday.

I am still here as Editor.

See you Tuesday

Cheers ... Helen

Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club General Meeting 14 February 2012 Draft Minutes

Attendance

Members	48
Apologies	8
Visitors	3

Welcome

President David Wyatt welcomed members and visitors to the February 2012 meeting

Guest Speaker

The President introduced Paul Flint, CEO of COTA ACT, who gave a presentation on the rehabilitation of disabled people in Bangladesh and the help he hopes to provide with equipment, especially wheelchairs.

Minutes of January 2012 Meeting

The Minutes of the January meeting were confirmed. Moved Alec McKernan. Seconded: Waine Summerfield. Carried

Business Arising from January Minutes

There was no business arising from the January Minutes

Correspondence – Gerry Walker

In

Newsletters x 20
 Captain Flat hotel flyer
 Riversdale Goulburn flyer
 Advert payment
 Food and Cider Affair – Braidwood – SnowyHydro
 CBA General A/c statement
 Invoice HHS –December
 Membership application
 Cootamundra Club- Invitation to Rally includes Wilsons Prom.
 Commonwealth Club re cars for 20-30s night
 CBA Events a/c statement
 CBA Merchant fee
 RTA Barbecue trailer rego
 Car trailer insurance
 Rego sticker
 Receipt trailer insurance
 HHS statement

St George Rally a/c statement
Shannons auction

Corro Out

Get well cards
Moved correspondence be received Gerry Walker
Seconded: David Wyatt. Carried

President's Report – David Wyatt

Nothing to report all is going well

Vice-president

In the absence of Graham Waite, David Wyatt conducted the badge and run draw
Lucky badge draw - #32 Gerry Walker
Run draw - #22 Anne McKernan

Treasurers Report

In the absence of the Treasurer Gerry Walker advised the current bank balance stood at \$5328:58
No notable transactions
Moved acceptance of the Treasurers Report Gerry Walker
Seconded Roger Amos. Carried

Editor – Helen Phillips

Delay in The Colonial due to mice eating a part in the printer.
Nothing needed for March edition
Waiting on Barbara Phillips article on the Anglia

Events Director - Jan Wyatt

Good attendance at the January Chicken and Champagne event
February run to Little Bridge Winery meet Dickson car park 11am departure.
BYO everything including chairs and tables. Hot water available.
April run to Alan Martin's Yass property to meet with the Yass Club.
May -National Motoring Heritage Day run Vin Liston and Chris Berry preparing the run.
March 3 Crookwell Potato Festival
March 25 Wheels

Raffle #D 90 Graham Bigg

Jan Wyatt advised the committee was preparing a club survey and encouraged members to complete it when it is comes out with The Colonial.

Supper coordinator – Clive Glover
All is well

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.

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. Names to Jan and David Wyatt please.

Registrars Report –

In the absence of Bob Alexander, Alec McKernan provided the Registrars report

Vehicle inspections:

Bob Alexander	nil
Waine Summerfield	4
Daniel Wyatt	1
Dean Benedetti	6
Charlie Adams	14
Albert Neuss	?
Alec McKernan	12

Alec advised that a CRS registered vehicle had been reported to the Council of ACT Motor Clubs for breaching the CRS guidelines.

Alec has five 525x21 tyres free of charge.

Librarian- Joe Micallef

Has a number of technical publications which are surplus to library requirements for sale tonight.

Asked that members check their book shelves at home and return any club library books – some have been out for years.

Membership Secretary Joe Vavra

No report

Shop Manager –Norm Brennan

Clothes, badges and banners all for sale

Information Officer –Mark Butterfield

All good.

Selection of magazines that had been passed on to Bob Alexander, free to members.

Council Delegate – Graham Bigg

Council is seeking a club to organise Marques in the Park in 2012.

National Trust to organize rally October 2013, Council to do most of the organizing, will be looking for helpers.

Council will be talking to TAMS on the issues of seatbelts and Historic Rego for trailers and hopes to discuss SIVS Progress. Re seatbelts, probably only wooden frame cars will get an exemption.

Couple of people queried about use of their CRS vehicle with one being taken further.

Pie cart re-registered.

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.

Publishing Committee Phil Donoghoe

All is well after delay in receiving copies from the printer.

General Business**Graham Bigg**

Special 30 year Wheels badges will be available at March club meeting \$10 each. Advance orders appreciated.

David Rogers

Attended a meeting with Canberra 100 government officials and contractor Donna Jackson who has been commissioned to organise a Spin day in October 2013 in which all types of wheels display will be held at the former SES Fyshwick headquarters; need vehicles representing the Canberra decades. National Trust have \$65,000 to spend. Followed by a Saturday night dinner and fashion show with models wearing automobile parts. Details still to be finalized.

Keith Carswell

Has a set of Colonials if the Club or a member would like. Club has full bound set. Contact Keith if you are interested. Also has a HR station wagon for sale which will make an interesting restoration project. He and Lily are moving to a retirement village.

Roger Amos

Attended NRMA Motorfest in Sydney will Phil Donoghoe and bumped in to Eddy Abrahams who sends his best wishes to the club.

Bill Southwell death notice: club needs to send a card to his son.

Post Vintage Capital Tour (PVCT) next committee on Tuesday. Still only three expressions of interest received from club members although the club has 100 plus vehicles in the category.

Graham Moore

Has brought in half a dozen framed cartoons for members to take home; would like someone to identify a photograph of a racing car and if possible race meeting.

Norm Brennan

Number plates available.

David Wyatt

XE Ford Falcon parts available—bumper bar, lights etc available see David at the break if interested.

Helen Phillips

Barry Boyce recently suffered a stroke but is now back home.

Waine Summerfield

Related a story about Eddy Abrahams and a petrol bowser being carried on the roof rack of a Vauxhall Viva back to Queensland

Michael Toole

Advised members purchasing new old parts to test them before undertaking a long trip.

NRMA Motorfest had a member's lounge where cheap food and drinks were available behind the Mint building.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm
Graham Gittins, Minutes Secretary.

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.

Monthly Club Run 19 February 2012

Thank you to all the members and visitors who attended our February run to Little Bridge Winery at Bywong which is a partnership of four, one partner being our webmaster John Jeffrey. John said they were very pleased to have us visit and hoped we might do it again in the future. 39 members and 2 visitors relaxed and enjoyed some wine tasting and learnt about how the partnership started. There was also a prize for guessing how the Little Bridge which crosses Brooks Creek was made. This was won by Alan Martin who guessed that the bridge was made out of a Railway Car Carrier.

Thanks to John and his team for making the outing a very pleasant one for us.

Jan Wyatt.

Some members chose to sit under the shade of trees



Others sat under the awning to enjoy their lunch after wine tasting.





Events Director
thanking John for his
hospitality. John
getting down to Jan's
height.

John's and Ken Herne's 1956
Buicks



A selection of the cars at
Little Bridge Winery

Another 7 cars parked in
the shade.



Summernats - where gasoline alley meets memory lane

The annual Summernats street machine and highly modified car festival in Canberra celebrated its quarter century in 2012.

Over the years the event has attracted more than its fair share of bad publicity with claims of assaults on security guards and women, drunken vandalism of cars and property, yet still it maintained an average of 90 000 entrants, trade exhibitors and the public over the four days of horsepower heaven.

This year, the first time since 1992, the organisers of Summernats were able to conduct a public street cruise of 200 of the finest vehicles entered. The cars, utilities and trucks took an hour to pass down Northbourne Avenue.

All other events take place at Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC) a large property which can be sealed off. The vehicles cruise most of the day around the closed circuit showing the loving care spent on building the super shiny vehicles.

The final day of Summernats is family Sunday in which the Canberra historic vehicle clubs are invited to display their member's vehicles. This is where gasoline alley meets memory lane when the around 140 vintage, veteran and classic vehicles parade on to the main arena for a static display.

It is true to say that the older vehicles attract almost as much interest among the rev-heads and younger generation as the do the super modified vehicles.

Genuine interest in the engines of yesteryear when such things as carburetors are pointed to them and push button radio of the fifties and sixties give out almost good a sound as the boom boxes which fill the boot full of amplification gear of their cars.

While there is still a 'them and us' attitude on both side of the vehicle movement it is gradually breaking down, when comments like " I don't really like their souped up vehicles but I have to admire the work that goes into making the vehicles look so good, " by one of the historic car owner.

Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club members spotted included:

Alan Martin
 Keith, Lilly and Ian Carswell
 Robyn Arndt
 Val Bland
 Harry Crawford and Dick Rowe
 Graham Bigg
 Michael and Vanda Catanzariti
 Bruce Perry
 Graham Gittins

Thanks Graham.

Left: Alan Martin's Studebaker
 Below: A line-up of classic cars



It started out as a late 1930s Ford



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MORE HELP PLEASE

More volunteers are needed for marshals at Wheels. Many hands make light work!!

Contact Daniel 6258 4590 or 0412 316 954 or
Chris Berry on 6254 7145 to offer your help.

CLUB SURVEY

Included in members' Colonials this month is a survey which the committee would like you to fill in and return.

Your input will help us with targeting services and events so please take the time to have your say.

As Secretary Gerry is having computer problems, emails should be sent to his hotmail account cpawag@hotmail.com or to Helen at email: hphillips@iimetro.com.au

SOME LATE NOTES

June long weekend 8-11 June
Wagga Wagga Veteran & Vintage Motor Club rally.
Book accommodation early.
Contacts: Brian Hanson 02 6922 3316 or Wayne 02 6925 3010.

Saturday 1 December, Tuggeranong Festival in the Town Park
Display of cars desired.
www.tuggeranongfestival.org.au

Morris 100 - Canberra Celebration and Tour
Celebrating the Centenary of the first Morris car
19-22 April 2013 which is two weeks after Easter 2013
Battle of the Sites Tours 22 to 26 April 2013.
Contact John Inshaw on 0403 076 175

Canowindra Swap Meet 5 August 2012
Newcastle Swap Meet 11-12 August 2012
Cootamundra Father's Day Swap 2 September
Shepparton Swap Meet 9 September 2012

Invitation
WHEELS
Motoring Expo
30th Anniversary
Dinner

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the staging of Shannons Wheels Motoring Expo by the Council of ACT Motor Clubs.

This year's display will be preceded by a 30th Anniversary dinner at the Southern Cross Club Jamison, cnr of Bowman and Catchpole Streets Macquarie on Saturday 24 March 2012, 6:30pm for 7:00pm.

Tickets are \$37 per head and include two course dinner, charity auction to raise funds for the Rotary Shelter Box Appeal and a surprise special guest speaker.

Dinner bookings are essential to Jan Wyatt;

Phone: 02 6286 1782

email: wyattd@grapevine.com.au

RSVP 16 March 2012

Hurry! Don't delay as seats are limited to 120.

Further information about the Wheels display is available from Daniel Wyatt;

Phone: 0412 316 964

email: daniel.wyatt2@bigpond.com



SHANNONS WHEELS 25 MARCH 2012 INFORMATION FOR CACMC MEMBERS

Our Club has been allocated the same space as last year on the lawns of Old Parliament House on the eastern side.

For the information of new members, the most convenient way to enter our site is to travel along King George Terrace to Parkes Place EAST, before you get to the John Gorton Offices on the right, turn left onto the gravel path and then Club marshals will direct you. The area is marked on maps as the National Rose Garden. King Edward Terrace is closed to traffic and some displays are located there.

Our BBQ trailer will be present for tea or coffee for our members. There will be outlets to buy lunch if you do not want to bring your own picnic lunch. Bring your tables and chairs and set up under the trees.

Some members have very informative boards for when they have their cars on display. **Everyone should have a notice of some sort, with the very least: year and make of your vehicle, owner and club.** Events Committee members will put a number on your vehicle for the People's Choice judging process.

Drip trays are required but a large piece of cardboard will be sufficient. Please remember to pick it up afterwards.

The beneficiary charity this year Rotary ShelterBox. They will go around collecting, so please be generous.

Those members who wish to have their vehicle judged for one of the Club awards, must fill in a notification form and get it to Bob Alexander before Wheels. You should also be available to supply information to the judging panel while your vehicle is being judged.

The display is advertised as being open to the public from 9 am to 3 pm so please stay till 3 pm.

Any updates on the above will be given to members at the March meeting. If you are new to the club and unsure of anything, PLEASE ring one of the committee. We would love to see you there.

As CACMC is hosting Wheels, every member with a car on concessional registration should try to get it to the display.

Graham Bigg will be selling Wheels badges for \$10 each.

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

WHEELS

Motoring Expo
30th Anniversary

Proudly Sponsored by



SHARE THE PASSION



Free
ENTRY

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

CACMC EVENTS CALENDAR 2012

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
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 18-20. 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 25.
May 20	Chris Berry 6257 7145 Vin Liston 6241 1645	National Motoring Heritage Day. Please meet in Tuggeranong Bunnings carpark at 9.30 am to leave at 10.00 am . Our event for the day will consist of a drive through some of the Canberra streets, the aim being to make the cars visible to the public. The BBQ trailer will be at the end point for tea/coffee and cooking if members wish. All the instructions for the drive will be given out before departure. 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
Mar 11	Dawn Giles 0409 953 859	Vintage Fair at Riversdale historic property, 1 Maud Street, Goulburn in conjunction with Celebration of Heritage & Roses week. Markets, food & wine stalls, entertainment.
Mar 17-18		Chryslers on the Murray
Mar 22	Graham Waite 6288 4675 (AH)	Seniors Expo at Old Bus Depot, Kingston Display of cars please 10 am to 3 pm

EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS 2012

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Mar 24	David Wyatt 0412 316 954	Brindabella Gardens Fete, Curtin Display of cars please. Meet in Curtin shops carpark (nearest to Statesman Hotel) by 10 am.
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 March meeting or ring Jan as pre-payment is required. Bookings close 16 March. See invitation on page 17.
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 15		Auto Italia <i>(Can someone please tell me the location, times etc. Nothing on the website. Ed)</i>
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. Names of those who wish to attend to Jan Wyatt at next meeting
May 6	Ph: 08 8552 8646 Mob 0419 848512	The Historic Motor Vehicle Club of Victor Harbor (SA) are having a British Classics Tour

See also page 32

THE STORY OF MY CAR

1972 AUSTIN 3-LITRE

Last year, after 17 years of service from our 1959 Austin A60, we decided to change cars as we felt we should have a car that both of us could drive. Having made that decision the next hurdle was to find a car that met our needs.

The first criterion was that it needed to be an Austin as much of our activity with old cars is based on that make. Next it needed to be a medium sized car (garaging restrictions) not needing restoration (aging restrictions) and an automatic with power steering. We knew meeting these criteria would be difficult, which proved to be the case, as there were no cars for sale locally that were suitable. So the search was widened.

Perusal of the Internet brought up a 1978 Austin Princess, a.k.a. "The Wedge", which was for sale in the North of England. This car met all the criteria and as well had only done 10,000 miles. It was in immaculate condition having been stored over the winter months to avoid it being driven on the icy salt covered roads. This prompted an investigation of the procedures and cost of importing a car from the U.K. Unfortunately these costs coupled with the price the car brought at auction made it an unviable proposition.

This then led to consideration to sourcing a car from New Zealand as the range of Austins sold in NZ was greater than here, the exchange rate was more favourable and shipping cost less. Once again a search of the Internet this time found a 1972 Austin 3-Litre which appeared to be in good condition, being registered and which met all our criteria. After some soul searching and phone calls to the owner we decided to buy it. Whenever I told anyone of what we were doing I seemed to be greeted with "you're buying a WHAT?" so perhaps I should explain the WHAT we bought.

Design work on the Austin 3-Litre started in the early 1960's and the car was intended to replace the ageing Westminster range of cars which first appeared as the Austin A90 in 1954 and went on to the Austin A110 in 1961 ending in 1968. Development of the car was subject to a number of competing influences. At the time BMC were short of cash and to save tooling costs the car had to share as much as possible with the contemporary smaller model which in Australia became known as the Austin 1800.

Also Austin was collaborating with Rolls Royce to develop a smaller Rolls Royce and Bentley range of cars. Prototypes were developed and tested using the Vanden Plas Princess as a base but powered by the 4 litre Rolls motor and using a specially developed hydrolastic suspension for rear wheel drive. Ultimately Rolls Royce decided not to proceed with the project and the Rolls motor was used in the Vanden Plas Princess. The new suspension was adopted for the Austin 3 litre which necessitated substantial modifications to Austin 1800 structure. Launched in 1967 the Austin 3 Litre did not come on sale until 1968 with either a 4 speed manual gearbox with overdrive or a Borg Warner 35 automatic gearbox. It struggled for sales as it faced the first oil crisis with the public seeking more fuel efficient cars. Also BMC had now been merged with Triumph and Rover to form Leyland. Both companies had smaller more fuel efficient cars selling into the same market and sales of the Austin 3 Litre was not a priority of the Leyland management.

Production ceased in May 1971 by which time only 9992 cars had been produced. Last year only 48 of these remained on the road in England of which only 3 are automatics. So the car we bought is one of very few left on the road. It is classed as a 1972 model that being the year it was first registered.

Having decided to buy the car attention turned to what was required to get it here. Import approval was required and the target turnaround on approval of 15 working days extended to 26 working days. Also the arrangements to get the car to the shipping company in Auckland struck difficulties when the former owner had a car accident and was in Intensive care for some time. Eventually the Approval to Import the car arrived and we were told it was on its way to Port Kembla.

Now with the car in Port Kembla and all AQIS and other clearances in place I was able to arrange with the help of my sons, Glen and Neal to pick it up. Glen and I left early on the morning of 25 August for Port Kembla using the Club trailer and Neal's Ford F150 truck.



After a stressful 2 hours paperwork and security clearances I was finally escorted onto the wharf to load the car. With the car safely loaded we were driving out of the Terminal to be stopped by a semitrailer with lights flashing and much arm waving, 'what's wrong now' was our immediate response, to be returned with "hey mate can I take a photo as they wouldn't let me take one while it was on the wharf?". Sanity returned and we had an uneventful trip home.

With the car safely parked in Neal's farm shed an assessment showed a couple of items needing immediate attention but generally the car was in good condition. A new radiator was made up and the steering rack overhauled together with a general check of the condition of the car taking place over the next few weeks.

In the meantime we took the A60 on the Silver City Spring Rally and were fortunate enough to sell it to a member of the South Australian Austin 7 Club who we had met on previous rallies with that Club.

On our return home the next step was a registration check and this showed some minor defects needing attention, as well it needed to be assessed for meeting the relevant ADR's. This assessment showed it require some changes the most critical being the installation of rear seat belts, the anchorages existed, and also some other mechanical matters needed attention. With these done the car was presented for registration check again in December and complete with the Engineers Report passed.

The car is now mechanically sound but some detail improvements will need to be done over the coming months. It is a very nice and comfortable car to drive and we look forward to getting as much enjoyment with it as we did in the A60.

Anne and Ray
Gallagher



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

NRMA AUSTRALIA DAY MOTORFEST, SYDNEY 2012

A special group of cars and motor cycles, many of them more than 100 years old were the featured display at NRMA's Motorfest on Australia Day (26 January 2012).

In March they will take 20 days to cross the continent commemorating the first west-to-east crossing of Australia in March 1912 by Frances Birtles (famous for being the first person to drive overland from London to Melbourne in the 1920s in a Bean motor car).

NRMA Motorfest is a display of 1000 veteran, vintage and classic vehicles that attract more than half million visitors each year and is a major part of the Australian Day celebrations in Sydney.

First held in 1986 Motorfest is now one of the largest free motoring displays in the Southern hemisphere.

Also on display were a 1916 Detroit Electric, military vehicles, and a rare Australian built Lloyd motor car.

Motorfest is a great day out for the whole family with events and displays to attract children and adults. Across the road from Motorfest is Hyde Park with international food stalls, and community group displays and stalls. The Bus and Truck Museum organized 12 double and single decker busses from the 1940s to the early 1970s to take passengers on a ride through the streets of the central business district of Sydney .

Those who attended the 2012 from the Canberra Antique and classic motor club included.

Joe Micallef, Claude Favretto, Graham Gittins, John de la Torre, Charlie Adams, Alan Martin, Vin Liston (pictured) also Mike Toole, Ken Herne, Brian McKay, Roger and Barbara Phillips, Phil Donoghue, Roger Amos, Clive Castles.

Thanks to Graham Gittins



NRMA MOTORFEST

1951 Morris J Van used for NRMA roadside service.



1915 Detroit Electric

This 1912 Brush will be part of the contingent of similar aged vehicles to retrace the journey made by Frances Birtles in 1912 in the first west to east crossing of Australia by automobile.



Australian designed and built Lloyd motor car

1937 DX VAUXHALL IN NEW JERSEY

I replied to an advert in VOCA from Charles Rehill. He was desperate for a right side headlight stanchion. I was able to supply him with one for a very reasonable price. (The cost of Postage to the USA – AUS \$50). He was very happy.



He lives in New Jersey in USA and was quoted an unbelievable price to have a new one cast.

He purchased the DX Vauxhall from a Bed & Breakfast near his home. The owners had imported the car from Ireland about 20 years ago and used it to transport guests to and from the Bed & Breakfast establishment.

Charles Rehill's DX Vauxhall



Article from Roger Amos

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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.

FOR SALE – OTHER CLUBS PLEASE COPY

(N.B. To enable vehicle for sale notices to be copied by clubs in other states, rego or chassis numbers may need to be included.)

1971 Morris Nomad Sedan in going order with car registration expired last year. Motor has been rebuilt with some modifications and has a heavy duty roof rack fitted. This vehicle is stored in Kevin's Fraser home back yard and there is easy vehicle access to this yard. This vehicle is offered at no cost and contacts are Kevin McKay as the owner on phone number 62590265 or Alan Martin on mobile number 0406 377 258



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Jul 15		Liverpool Super Swap, Fairfield Showground
Aug 19		Eastern Creek Classic
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.mgccc Canberra.org.au
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WHAT'S IN THE LIBRARY

At the February club meeting I checked the on loan cards and I noticed that some of the books have been on loan to the same members for a very long time. Some books have been out of the club library for 5 years and more. So I'm appealing to those members who unwittingly forgot that they borrowed a book from the library to check there book shelves and if they find a book or books that belong to our club library to please return them when they come to the next meeting.

It is important to remember that the club has many members and some of them might wish to borrow a copy of that book that has been out on loan for excessive length of time. I know that when you restoring a vehicle it's handy to have a book or a manual next to you so you can refer to it when needed, but it is also good curtesy to return the book after a maximum of 3 months and then in the meantime, if nobody asked for it you can borrow it again.

Joe Micallef
Librarian

[Not sure if you are guilty? Ask Joe at a meeting or ring him and he can check next meeting. Helen]

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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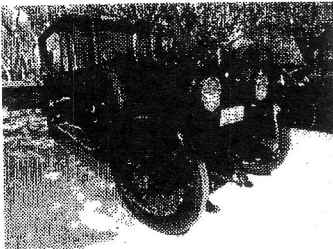


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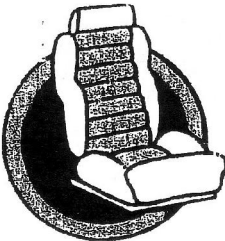
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