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#### **EDITOR'S PAGE**

Thank you to those who provided items for this month's Colonial. I look forward to car stories to come. Coming up "Cars I have owned", "What is Gummi Pflege Stift", "20 greatest car movies and their stars". I have a lot of other interesting items in store, but look forward to more restoration stories and rally reports.

#### **Week Day Social Lunches**

Friday 7 December and 4 January 12 noon and every first Friday: Sandwich lunch at the Southern Cross Club, Woden. Friday 21 December NO RETREADS RUN

Friday 18 January 12 noon BYO picnic lunch to Molonglo Reach opposite Duntroon, off Morshead Drive.

Enquiries to Alec McKernan on 6286 1046. All members welcome.



#### Get Well

Advise the Secretary if you know of anyone who could use a cheer-up card, especially if they are in hospital.

Good luck to Jim Clough with his recovery from another hip replacement replacement.

Hope Debbie Fry's broken ankle is mending well.

#### Thought for the holidays

The most wasted of all days is one without laughter. *E E Cummings* 

See you Tuesday, Cheers ... Helen

#### MORE CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM ACROSS THE SEAS

We just finished up our Veterans Day observance. Big parade to honour the veterans, a good time to get the cars out. I drove my '60 Studebaker Lark because it has an automatic transmission and it idles down the street at the speed that the old veterans walk. A little fact, it was back in the late 1950s that people in Emporia got our government to change the name of the holiday from Armistice Day to honour ALL veterans and now we still parade and honour them.

Well, 'bye for now and you all have a good Christmas. Maybe you will even get a few days of holiday that you can afford to get to the beach and get a good sunburn. Now, **that** is something we don't have to worry about. 'Bye for now. Jim Hill (part of Jim's email)



## GREETINGS ACROSS THE MILES

The Carvalho Family from Portugal wishes all CACMC members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New 2013.

Alexandre, Manuela, Little Alex and Ana Qt de Calvilhe n.3 S. Martinho do Souto 5100—038 LAMEGO PORTUGAL



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## GENERAL MEETING 13 NOVEMBER 2012 DRAFT MINUTES

Attendance: 61 Visitors: 2 Apologies: 9

#### Welcome

President David Wyatt welcomed visitors and members to the November meeting.

#### Guest speaker

Vice President Graham Waite introduced Tony Butterfield who gave an enthusiastic presentation on being a motorsport marshal.



#### President's report

Returned from the Club's Great Lakes tour had a great time, and particularly pleased with the free hand sketch of his Ford Fairlane by Grahame Crocket.

He asked all members who were on the tour and had a sketch by Grahame to bring it along to the January meeting.

Participated in the Snowy Mountains Classic Rally on the past weekend which on the Saturday took participants from Cooma down to Tathra for lunch and on the Sunday from Cooma to Charlotte Pass.

He also welcomed Roger Phillips as the new Club treasurer, and thanked Bob Judd for his great work over the past three years.

#### Minutes

The Minutes of the October General meeting were accepted without amendments. Moved David Wyatt. Seconded Waine Summerfield Carried

#### Treasurers Report—Roger Phillips

Current bank balance \$10 666.63. Copies of printed report on the table. Moved acceptance Roger Phillips Seconded Claude Favretto. Carried.

#### **Correspondence Secretary**

In the absence of Daniel Wyatt, Graham Waite presented the correspondence.

Correspondence in:

Flyer Queanbeyan Swap meet Printing the Colonial Invoice

Insurance Invoice

Information about the 2013 Bay to Bermagui event

Advertisement from the Adelong hotel

Invitation for the club to participate in Queanbeyan's 175th birthday in 2013

Invitation to attend the Braidwood Quilt festival

Thank you from Fraser Public School Fete for providing a vehicle display

Thank you for participating in Classic Yass

Letter from Jim Hill USA

**Bank Statements** 

#### Corro out:

To Katie Gallagher asking for the club to be listed as interested in an allocation of space for club rooms

Get well card to Debbie Fry

Correspondence - moved acceptance Graham Waite. Seconded Gerry Walker Carried

#### Vice president - Graham Waite

Reminded members that the December meeting will take the form of a BBQ in the car park near the YMCA Yacht Club

Lucky Badge Draw # 53 Gerry Walker Last run #2 Dennis Morris

#### Editor - Helen Phillips

Helen advised that anyone who did not receive their copy of the Colonial are unfinancial. Asked those present to keep an eye out for new restorations or vehicles new to the club, let her know so she can chase a story. While waiting in the check-in at JFK Airport saw former members John and Trish Swift.

#### **Events director** - Jan Wyatt

18 November Marques in the Park. John Knight Park Belconnen entrance off Aikman Drive, cars should be parked before 10am December BBQ by Lake Burley Griffin - need names for catering 24 November airing of the guilts Braidwood

And St Bedes church Braidwood has asked for cars to display during their fete.

2 December Terribly British Day Treasury Car Park. Bowler hats available from Jan for \$10 each.

13 Jan Chicken and Champagne 5pm for 6pm Black Mountain Peninsula. Details in the Colonial. Need names for catering.

February 2012 Adaminaby Snowy Scheme Museum. Weekend away or single day visit. Sat visit to private collection of vehicles and agricultural equipment then visit to Snowy Hydro Discovery centre. Overnight Snowy Goose motel Adaminaby - members to make own bookings. Sunday 10am inspection of Snowy Scheme Museum.

19 March Tuesday Belconnen Community Expo - cars for display required.

Queanbeyan 175th Anniversary

Raffle #62 Vin Liston

#### **Supper Coordinator**

Clive Glover. All is well

#### Registrar - Bob Alexander

27 vehicles inspected during the month

Club trailer has been used quite a lot to Sydney, and to Adelaide.

Bob received a telephone call from a lady who had some books for sale and car parts. He sold some of the parts at the Canberra Swap and had brought some along to the meeting for members to purchase. The rest will be taken to the Bendigo Swap.

#### Librarian - Ioe Micallef

Have three early Morris Oxford manuals One Studebaker manual donated by Charlie Adams They will be advertised in the December Colonial

#### Membership Secretary - Joe Vavra

All is well.

Suggested that members take the opportunity to visit the National Museum of Australia to inspect the conservation display in the main hall. Particular interest was the Royal Tour Daimler, Birtles Bean and a replica Bi-plane and a tool sharpener shed towed by a tractor.

#### Shop Manager - Norm Brenan

Usual badges, T shirts and windscreen banners for sale. Ordering more polo shirts.

#### Information Manager - Mark Butterfield

For sales and magazines on display

#### Council delegate - Roger Amos

Only 21 members out of 61 clubs at last Council meeting. Had a good discussion on the Special Interest Vehicle Scheme (SIVS).

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Council taking a different approach to SIVS by endeavouring to have it included in the already established concessional registration scheme instead of a separate scheme.

A Holden vehicle on CRS plates was spotted placing election posters around town. Council approached his club and was informed that he had put three months full registration on the vehicle and was told by TAMS he could keep his CRS plates.

Joe Vavra confirmed this, he said that three of his vehicles are on full registration but displayed his CRS plates.

17 March 2013 Wheels. Roger advised that Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club and the Mercedes Benz club would be jointly organising Wheels 2013 the event will be held at Thoroughbred Park sufficient sponsorship has been gained to meet hire costs and some advertising. Charity will be TADACT (Technical Aid for the Disabled (ACT)).

16 March 2014 Post Vintage Capital Tour Bulletin #1 to go out shortly. Saturday will be a drive to Tidbinbilla and Rose Cottage, followed by a presentation dinner that evening. Sunday display cars at Wheels.

Transport Expo - a person was killed at the Sutton Road Expo after he was warned not to go near a couple of horses which were spooked. He was trampled by the horses and then run over by the cart.

#### **Publishing Committee**

A quick turnaround this month as Phil had to go to Adelaide for a funeral.

Dandenong Car club presented the club with an appreciation plaque. Also Waine Summerfield presented a thank you plaque received for the 1990 Rally.

#### **General Business**

#### **David Wyatt**

Summernats General Manager has asked for volunteers to act as parking marshals - contact Summernats office direct if interested.

#### **Helen Phillips**

Asked "Is the standing invitation for club cars to attend Summernats still in place?" Helen was advised that it is. Helen said she needed instructions for publishing in the Colonial. Graham Bigg will find out at next Council meeting.

Dick Stubbs' daughter has requested photographs of the camping trip to Lake George in about 1985.

#### **Dick Rowe**

Attended the Hersey and Carlyle swap meets in the USA 1400 cars. 900-1000 vehicles for sale, 10 000 stall holders.

Visited Shady Grove, 22 miles from the Washington. Rockville car show 300 cars.

#### Mark Butterfield

Advised Norm Betts now resting at home after a medical condition. Debbie Fry also at home with broken ankle.

#### Waine Summerfield

Following on from Helen Phillips photo request from the 1985 camping trip this was the instigation of the Rock Rally to the centre of Australia

#### **Roger Amos**

There are articles on two club cars in the current edition of Australian Classic Car magazine: Ken Walkers Austin 7 and Murray Mules' RO80.

#### **Keith Carswell**

Complained about the use of acronyms in the Minutes in particular SIVS – Special Interest Vehicle Scheme and SPIN which he was advised was not an acronym but the name of a Centenary of Canberra event in October 2013.

#### Alec McKernan

Has inspected 90 vehicles this year and had only three transferring from full registration to CRS, important point is to not let the full registration lapse before transferring to CRS.

#### **Roger Phillips**

NRMA are not sponsoring the Australia Day Sydney Motorfest in 2013 but John Flower is organising a "car-o-rama" along Macquarie Street instead.

During their overseas visit Roger and Barbara paid a visit to Lake Bled in Croatia where they saw a couple of Ferrari's parked in the street, and later at the hotel spotted 45 Ferraris from the Italian Club visiting the area.

They also went to the National Motoring Museum in Holland which was opened by the Queen of Holland two and half years ago. Spent six hours looking at the exhibits.

Meeting closed at 9.35pm Graham Gittins Minute Secretary

#### I HAVE A LITTLE SATNAV

I have a little Satnav It sits there in my car A Satnav is a driver's friend It tells you where you are I have a little Satnay I've had it all my life It does more than the normal one My Satnay is my wife It gives me full instructions On exactly how to drive "It's thirty miles an hour" it says "And you're doing thirty five" It tells me when to stop and start And when to use the brake And tells me that it's never ever Safe to overtake It tells me when a light is red And when it goes to green It seems to know instinctively Just when to intervene It lists the vehicles just in front It lists those to the rear And taking this into account It specifies my gear I'm sure no other driver Has so helpful a device For when we leave and lock the car It still gives its advice It fills me up with counselling Each journey's pretty fraught So why don't I exchange it And get a guieter sort? Ah well, you see, it cleans the house Makes sure I'm properly fed It washes all my shirts and things And - keeps me warm in bed!

#### Thanks to Dick Rowe

How lovely, no more magazine work till the middle of January. I'm going to have a good clean-up so if you have sent me something and I haven't published it yet, maybe you could give me a call or email and check I still have it. Or do I have a photo or anything you want back? Please let me know. Did you watch the special on 50 years of Bond cars? Happy Christmas from Helen.

## REPORT ON THE CLASSIC YASS CELEBRATION OF HERITAGE MOTORING HELD IN BANJO PATTERSON PARK ON 3 NOVEMBER 2012

This annual car show event is growing in size each year filling the available parking spaces with over 160 cars on display from the 1911 Cadillac to cars in the early 1980's. The weather was initially overcast and cool but cleared after lunch to some sunny breaks. Again the CACMC club was well represented with around 12 club members and couples attending this car show and presenting their cars in the park where all vehicles were parked orderly in periods from 1911 to the early 1980's.

Car clubs from surrounding towns including Canberra, Goulburn, Young, Cowra, Queanbeyan, Yass, Gundagai were in attendance with their well presented cars and also including vintage motor bikes and ex army vehicles/bikes. The ''Hips'' seven piece band played many golden oldie numbers from 11am to 3pm and people sat under the large shady trees enjoying this old time music. I thought the temporary workshop/garage set up by the Yass car club which included a collection of antique tools and workshop equipment used up to 50 years ago and beyond was a very interesting display. Also the 1955 Renault blue and white Taxi presented by the Young club was a great addition to this car show.

As mentioned in my brief report on last years event I again met Keith Capps of the Cowra club who again presented his Ford 1928 4 door A model and Keith told me that this year he and his wife drove up to Darwin and return from Cowra without mishap or any mechanical breakdown, a distance of 9,300 K's. I thought this was worthy of a mention in our club magazine and the similar trip and distance to Perth last year by Keith and his wife again without any major mechanical breakdown, is a great recommendation for the reliability of the Ford 1928 A model cars. Many modern cars could not match this reliability over this distance.

There was a large attendance of the public throughout the day to view the 160 cars, army trucks, antique motor bikes, around 10 racing cars, model aeroplane displays and the large number of billy cart races run over a number of categories.

CACMC members who enjoyed the hospitality of the Yass Club, the cars displayed, the intermingling with other car club members and the live band included:

Harry Crawford Ray and Anne Gallagher Ken and Jeanette Walker David and Jan Wyatt Clive and Ioan Glover Brian MacKav Michael and Vanda Catanzariti Clive and Merilyn Castles Vin Liston John Liston David and Tora Bennett Charlie Adams Graham Bigg Graham and Heather Gittins Alan Martin Thanks Alan. And Graham





CACMC members relaxing

Overview of the gathering





Catanzariti Monaro

## NOVEMBER CLUB RUN - SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER MARQUES IN THE PARK

This started out a lovely day for a car show and members presented 34 cars for our portion of the display. We were again in the position down by the lake so we had shade to sit in. The usual stalwart club members were there with vehicles on display. Someone we don't see too often, John McDonald attended with his Citreon 2CV. New member Simon Krantzcke attended with the Boyce Buick he has recently acquired. Bob Garrett had his newest restoration the Hudson on display and has promised a story is coming. Around lunch time, a very strong wind came up and coming across the water it was cold and we were scrambling for jackets. As it got worse, those with open cars headed for home. Entry was easier coming off Aikman Drive but not so good going home if you were going south. But a good day. Thanks

to Vin for taking the BBQ

trailer.

The Butterfield Anglia And the Fry Dodge





Alan Martin's Studebaker with the Citreon 2CV beside it.



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## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER A VEHICLE FOR JUDGING AT SHANNONS WHEELS Sunday 17 March 2013

- 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.
- 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 use the form on the inside of the back wrapper of this magazine. If you can't come to a meeting before Wheels, please post to Club address on page 1. Editor.



#### Wheels 2013

#### 17 Mar 2013

#### Venue will be Thoroughbred Park.

There will be several displays from Sponsors.

Catering will be "in house" with a possibility of some outside caterers.

Club owned "Barbeque Trailers" will be allowed but for Club use only. No sales to the general public.

Club Display Areas will be close to the same as last year.

Clubs will be asked to use one of two entry gates, either the Main Gate or Gate No. 2 that is closer to FPIC.

Clubs are asked to estimate the number of vehicles they expect to attend and to name a Club Official to be responsible for their Club's parking plan.

Please send number of vehicles and official's name to Roger Amos. Ph 62542546 or email <amosr@grapevine.com.au>

A map of the parking areas will be distributed prior to the event.

The nominated charity is TADACT (Technical Aid to the Disabled ACT)



All clubs and sponsors are thanked in advance for providing this opportunity to assist a most worthy charity.

Vehicles will arrive from 7.30am but before 9.00am. Late comers may be refused entry.

As Wheels 2013 will be advertised as being available to the General Public from 9.00am to 3.00pm, Clubs are asked to remain in place until 3.00pm.

Fliers will be produced and clubs will be asked to distribute them at work and in the community.

Coordinators: Roger Amos Canberra Antique & Classic Motor

Club Inc. Richard Jackson Mercedes Benz Club

## FEBRUARY 16th and 17<sup>th</sup>- Trip to Bunyan, Cooma and Snowy Mountains Museum, Adaminaby

For our February monthly run we are planning some visits on both Saturday and Sunday so members have a choice of a day or weekend outing.

On Saturday 16th we will meet in the Bunnings Tuggeranong carpark at 8.45 am to leave at 9am. We will proceed to a property at Bunyan which is not far from Cooma. The property contains some sheds of tractors and other old farm machinery. Please bring your own tea/coffee making if you want a cuppa. Following this inspection we will proceed to Cooma for lunch (about noon), BYO or there are several cafes to choose from. We can then visit the Snowy Mountains Discovery Centre at Cooma which closes at 2pm.

Those just doing the day trip can then make their own way back to Canberra. Those who are visiting the Snowy Mountains Museum at Adaminaby on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February can then proceed to Adaminaby at their leisure. Accommodation options listed below. There is a Bowling Club or the Snow Goose Hotel (meals from \$22) for dinner on Saturday night.

On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> we will visit the Snowy Mountains Museum at Adaminaby. The museum opens at 10am so those coming for the day can make their own way to Adaminaby or join with others doing the same. The trip from Canberra to Adaminaby takes about 2 hours. The museum staff suggest we view a couple of short videos about the life and time of those living in Old Adaminaby prior to its relocation and then the moving of the town before we go through the museum. Entry to the museum is \$6 per adult or \$5 for seniors.

Places for lunch on Sunday include the Snow Goose Hotel or cafes in the town.

#### Accommodation options at Adaminaby:

Snowy Mountains Motel - Rooms \$120 double or \$100 single including continental brerakfast. They will also arrange a table for us at the Bowling Club for dinner on Saturday night. Phone 02 6454 2380

Snow Goose Hotel or Motel beside the Hotel – if we get enough people, double rooms reduced from \$135 to \$120, single rooms from \$100 to \$80 including a continental breakfast. Basic hotel rooms \$70 a double room or \$50 single room. Phone 02 6454 2202.

Alpine Tourist Park - cabins from about \$85 to \$150 for a deluxe two bedroom cabin. Ph 02 6454 2438,

email jan@alpinetouristpark.com.au.

## Please book your own accommodation and mention that you are with the Canberra Antique & Classic Motor Club group.

Any enquiries or indications that you wish to attend to:

Jan Wyatt, 6286 1782 or Chris Berry 6254 7145. or at Dec or Jan event.

#### SUMMERNATS Classic Vehicle Display Sunday 6 January 2013

The Council of ACT Motor Clubs will again be hosting the Summernats Sunday classic car display.

#### **Details**

- Meet at Dickson College car park between 8.00 am and 8.45 am Cnr Antill Street and Phillip Avenue
- Arm bands and window stickers will be provided.
- Travel to EPIC, entrance is via gate 7 which is on old Wells Station Road (about 100 metres north of the old Shell Service Station site)
- Display will be as per previous years on the main arena.

#### What you need to do

Individuals: send Bruce Perry an email, advising what vehicle you will be bringing

- 1. Owners Name
- 2. Vehicle type and year
- 3. Vehicle Rego
- 4. Number of people attending, Adults and Children
- 5. Email address
- 6 Name of Club

All vehicles must be registered or on valid permit.

Bruce Perry

Event Co-ordinator Council of ACT Motor Clubs

Phone: 0408 652 107

Email: marques@actmotorclubs.org.au Email: bruceperry@grapevine.com.au

Please get your entries in early as Bruce is going away over the Christmas New Year period and a different organiser has to be found for the actual day.

Volunteers for marshaling should email Russell Avis Russell@summernats.com.au
Or talk to Tony Butterfield on 6288 4718

#### **CA&CMC EVENTS CALENDAR 2012-13**

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Dec 11	Jan Wyatt 6286 1782 Chris Berry 6254 7145 OR ANY Events Committee member	Instead of our general meeting at the Bridge Club, gather under the trees near the YMCA Sailing Club, Alexandria Drive, Yarralumla. Club will provide sausage sizzle and tea and coffee. Please bring everything else you wish to eat/drink, plus tables and chairs. Raffle tickets for sale, prize is a Christmas Hamper. Don't forget the Aeroguard and a light if you wish to stay late. BBQ trailer will be there by 5:15 pm, sausages ready about 6:00 pm onwards. For catering purposes, names to Event Committee members by Dec 6 please.
Jan 13 2013	Jan Wyatt 6286 1782 Chris Berry 6254 7145 Or any Events Committee member.	Twilight Run—Chicken and Bubbly at Black Mountain Peninsula, off Lady Denman Drive on to Garryowen Drive and proceed to the last picnic area. Chicken and bubbly will be provided by the club but please bring everything else you want, eg tables/chairs, plates and don't forget the Aeroguard! BBQ trailer will be there. Raffle tickets will be on sale. Chicken and bubbly will be served from about 6 pm. Names are required please for ordering purposes. Visitors are welcome, \$5.00 per head. Names will be taken at the December BBQ and Jan meeting or by phone to Events Committee members by 9 January.
Feb 16- 17	Jan Wyatt 6286 1782 Chris Berry 6254 7145 Or any Events Committee member	Saturday 16th—meet in Bunnings Tuggeranong car park at 8.45 am to leave at 9 am for a visit to a property at Bunyan (not far from Cooma). The property contains many tractors and other farm machinery. Lunch in Cooma then visit the Discovery Centre (this closes at 2 pm.) Sunday 17th we will visit the Snowy Mountains Museum at Adaminaby. Opens at 10am so those coming for the day should leave Canberra by 8-8.30 am. Some members intend making a weekend trip to visit all three places. Please see page 20 for more details re accommodation etc.
Mar 17	Roger Amos	Shannons Wheels at Thoroughbred Park.

#### **EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2012-13**

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS	
Dec 28- 31		21st Australian Early Holden Federation Nationals at Bathurst	
Jan 6 13		Summernats historic car display at EPIC See page 19 for entry details	
Jan 20		Mudgee Swap	
Feb 3		Michael Livingstone Memorial Run to Jugiong Recreation Park 10 am.	
Feb 10		Wangaratta Swap and Show'n'Shine	
Feb 9-10	Peter 4677 1265	Berrima Rally 2013 Coaches to Cruisers	
Feb 16		Gundagai Show—free entry for historic vehicles, no tickets required.	
Feb 22-24		Canberra Show—display of cars required and David Wyatt is co-ordinating	
Feb 24		Centenary of Canberra Mustang Show	
Mar 2	Sharon Thearle 02 4832 1988	Crookwell Potato Festival www.crookwellpotatofestival.com.au	
Mar 10- 15	Roger Gottlob	1 & 2 Cylinder Rally, Canberra rogerandgillian@grapevine.com.au	
Mar 17	Roger Amos 02 6254 2546	Shannons Wheels 2013 at Thoroughbred Park See page 19	
Mar 19		Belconnen Community Services would like about 6 cars for Seniors Week 10 am—7.00 pm	
Mar 21	Graham Waite 6288 4675	Seniors Day Expo, Fitzroy Pavilion, EPIC 9.30 am—3.00 pm	
Mar 24		Goulburn Swap	
Mar 28- Apr 1	Charles 6495 2441	Bush Council Easter Rally at Merimbula www.sapphirecoasthistoricvehicleclub	
Mar 29- Apr 1		Austins over Australia 2013 in Bendigo	

#### History of 1924 Vauxhall 23/60 Kington tourer Chassis OD980

Many of you in the CACMC would have known Peter Barges before his passing in 2006. Upon bumping into the Listons at Classic Yass this year it was requested that I write a short history of the Vauxhall 23/60 that remained a dream for my dad that was never fulfilled, until Nerida (his wife) provided the means to do so in 2008.

Little is known of the history of this car, chassis OD980 prior to 1960. Originally discovered on a farm in Newcastle, it was being used as a farm hack to shoot kangaroos. It passed through several hands before being purchased by Peter Barges from Errol Rumph around 1962 (in Canberra) for £25. The car was used very briefly by Peter, however was worn out beyond reasonable doubt and was soon stripped down for restoration.

Only about 5% of the restoration and rebuild had taken place upon Peters passing in 2006 however the car including the body and mechanicals were found to be extremely original and well preserved despite being in pieces. The car sat in the family garage in Curtin for around 40 years.

In 2008 the sum of the parts were delivered to Barry and David Ford, Vauxhall specialists in Stanthorpe Qld for restoration. The car returned to Canberra in October 2009. (Barry Ford has since passed away in 2011 however David Ford continues to run the restoration business).

The restoration utilised 100% of the original aluminium bodywork (factory fitted Kington body) and around 75% of the original UK made ash frame was retained. A new dashboard was manufactured by the Fords due to wear and rotting of the original backing timber. The 4.25 litre 4 cylinder engine is the correct matching numbered unit for the car and has some minor modifications such as Sainty Speed shop conrods, new JP Pistons from South Australia as well as a modern remote oil filter mounted under the floor.

So far I've driven it only a few hundred km since 2009 and it is running well. I do all of the general servicing and detailing myself with advice from a few specialists who own similar cars.

Ian Barges

Credit where credit due:

Barry and David Ford. (Barry Ford and Sons Qld)
Lance at Todds Auto Trimming in Ipswich (all upholstery work)



Taken after Classic Yass 2012 outside Peter's childhood home from 1942-1959 in Polding Street, Yass. It is guite original still!

Murray McDonagh's 30/98 is the only other vintage Vauxhall left in Canberra (that I know of).

lan Barges.

You might think it strange I have published this story of a car not belonging to a current member. (Ian is in another club.) But Peter was a member of this club for many years and served as Editor, Librarian, Property Officer and Minutes Secretary, over seven years in all, as well as being a willing hand at BBQs etc. I'm sure members will be pleased to see the car restored.



Think of him when you sign the Attendance Book which Peter gave the club and Vin had engraved.

## MOUNTAINS OF FUN AND MOUNTAINS OF FOOD 10-11 NOVEMBER 2012

The most common comment heard during the Surf to Summit Snowy Mountains classic was 'not more food'.

From the time entrants in the classic event arrived at the Royal Hotel in Cooma to the time they departed the Chalet at Charlotte Pass under the shadow of Mount Kosciuszko it was driving and eating.

Day one of the rally was a journey from Cooma to the south coast town of Tathra via Cobargo where morning tea was served featuring fresh scones cream and raspberry jam then on to the Tathra Surf Life Saving club rooms for a delicious sausage and rissole BBQ.

The rally dinner held in the Cooma Car Club's own rooms was alternative serves of chicken or beef with fresh vegetables and a choice of mud cake or lemon meringue for desert.

The dinner featured the Numeralla Bluegrass band which entertained the crowd of nearly two hundred entrants throughout the evening.

Sunday morning was an 8.30am briefing followed by a 9am start from Cooma to the Chalet with a morning tea stop at the Dalgety public school. Morning tea was accompanied by individual covered serves of a variety of homemade cakes and biscuits – just delicious.

On the way to Dalgety along the Snowy River Drive cars were held up while a mob of 300-400 sheep were blocking the road. A warning to drivers of one of the perils of country road driving.

The final destination of the Chalet in glorious sunny weather was reached in time for a BBQ lunch of chicken kebabs, sausage, steak, three salads and lemon and apple crumble slices.

The Rally attracted around 85 participants with the largest contingent from the Sydney Cobra club.

The rally is conducted on all black top roads and is one of Australia's premiere events held every two years.

For good rural roads and plenty of food the Snowy Mountains Surf to Summit Rally is not to be missed. Canberra to Canberra the Magnette travelled 614 trouble free miles (983 kms).

Spotted from the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor club were: Chris and Irene Berry David and Jan Wyatt Clive Castles Wayne and Sandra Smith Graham and Heather Gittins

Thanks Graham



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#### Post Vintage Capital Tour 14 to 16 March 2014

#### Bulletin # 1

Thirty Expressions of Interest have been received and we are keen to organize this new event in Canberra.

The dates have been set.

**Friday, 14 Mar 2014**, the tour will begin with a lunch time registration at a new and interesting Canberra Attraction. Details will be announced at a later date.

**Saturday, 15 Mar 2014** will involve a pleasant morning drive through the countryside with morning tea and lunch stops.

Visitors will be free to visit other tourist attractions in the afternoon. The War Memorial, Parliament House, National Gallery, National Library, High Court, National Archives, Museum of Democracy at the Old Parliament House, Questacon (National Science Museum), National Museum of Australia and The Portrait Gallery are all possibilities. Saturday night will be a Presentation Dinner with a Guest Speaker.

**Sunday, 16 Mar 2014** will involve a Display Day in conjunction with **Wheels 2014**, the annual display and charity day for the Clubs affiliated with the Council of ACT Motor Clubs that attracts well over 1200 Club Vehicles.

If you have a vehicle that falls into the following range: First sold in 1931, Built between 01 Jan 1931 and 31 Dec 1949 or Designed before 31 Dec 49, then you qualify for our first Post Vintage Capital Tour.

If you have not sent in your Expression of Interest, please let us know that you are interested and that you would like further information, as we get closer to the Tour.

Booking of accommodation is up to entrants to arrange for themselves but some suggestions will be made in later Bulletins.

Roger Amos Ph. 02 62542546 Email: amosr@grapevine.com.au Post Vintage Capital Tour 2014 Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club Inc.

## Club member Graham Gittins won the inaugural Yass Classic Photo Competition

Graham's winning photo was a sepia shot of a young woman taken next to a 1920s Chevrolet at the Goulburn 85th Anniversary of the first Grand Prix in Australia.

He said the image was really a fluke, 'I was just walking past some of the cars on display when I saw the young woman wearing a 1920s dress, which she had made herself, standing next to Chev in all most the same colour blue as her dress'.

'When the Classic Yass organisers announced the photographic competition as an additional attraction for the 2012 event held in early November, I thought why not support the competition and in fact I entered two images, but this one was selected the joint winner,' Graham said.

'The judge could not decide which of two entries, mine and another entry should win so Glenda Snape, who came up with the idea for the competition agreed to make them joint winners,' he said.

Graham was not the only club ,member to win a prize Graham Bigg won the best sports car with his TR3.

The Yass Classic now in its seventh year attracted a wide array of vehicles with several from the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club participating.

The popular Billy Cart Derby attracted a big crowd of onlookers watching boys and girls as young as seven, race their billy carts down Rossi Street.

A farmers market, bric-a-brac stalls and a hobby exhibition rounded out a great days entertainment.

Graham Gittins with the joint winning photograph in the inaugural Classic Yass photographic competition.

Thanks Graham and congratulations



#### **MOTORCLASSICA 2012**

#### The Australian International Concours d'Elegance and Classic Motor Show

Marie and I decided to motor down to Melbourne to learn what 'Concours d'Elegence' really means by visiting the MotorClassica. This is the third year for this event, held in the Royal Exhibition Building which must be one of the best venues in the world for the display of exotic machinery.

We attended on the Friday morning which was good because there were not too many people about allowing good space for dawdling and camera shots etc. The event has been described as Australia's version of Pebble Beach; I have never attended Pebble Beach but several American members of the AC Owners Club are frequent attendees and it would seem to be a more dynamic affair with track events etc. as part of a total carnival.

Manheim were to hold an auction on the Sunday and auction vehicles were on display in a separate part of the building. There were also tradesman stands, mainly on the first floor which also held vintage and classic motorcycles. (many Indians)

The cars were grouped for concours judging into Antique, Veteran & Edwardian, Vintage, Pre-War, Post War Classic, Modern Classic with special sections for Brabham racing cars (as a tribute to the man) and Lotus. The oldest was a 1898 Thompson Steam Car (which was present at the first Victorian Motor Show, held in this building in 1912) and the youngest a 1986 Lotus Esprit S3. Vehicles were parked roughly according to make and period and with plenty of space between for viewers.

Impressions: First of all there were no ACs! Major disappointment especially as this is the 50th anniversary of the first Cobra. Also no Alvis, Bristol, Bean, Frazer-Nash, HRG, Lea-Francis, Jowett, Sunbeam, or Wolsely etc. I am not biased of course! and the cars present were very representative of their periods and in beautiful visual condition. Walking around was a great delight and the polish was to such a high standard one was not tempted to touch lest fingers were burnt!

Concours Judging: I don't know when this was to take place, my 'Best in Show' award would be to a 1912 Swift 8 HP Torpedo Roadster. I shared a 1928 Swift Tourer with a friend many years ago which was fun and gave very reliable service but had nothing of the character of the one in the show.

Picnic with the Classics: On Saturday and Sunday local Clubs were invited to display their cars between the Exhibition Hall and the Museum. Different Clubs on each day. We attended the Saturday, luckily the rain of the previous evening had gone but it may have put off one or two exhibitors as there not so many cars as I anticipated. Jensens were well represented including a lovely red 541 and a rare 4WD Interceptor. We were unable to attend the Sunday showing which was a pity as the programme included a 'Cobra Car Club of Victoria' so I might have been able to meet some AC owners.

The countryside was looking terrific so Iourney back to Canberra we did not hurry our return but decided to break the journey in the Beechworth area. In fact we ended up at Yackandandah which is a lovely little town, once made prosperous by gold and now maintained in heritage condition. And there were the Bristols! About eight to ten magnificent examples of the Bristol engined models from series 400 They were on a weekend run and about to leave Yackandandah for their accommodation nearby so I had limited time to catch up (I was a member with a 411 model 15 years ago) and missed some previous acquaintances as they had already departed. All the cars looked immaculate especially the 402 (both) and the 406 despite their travels and would have added arace MotorClasssica. The Bristol Owners are great tourers and some of the group had recently returned from a tour of the NT and QLD. On the Monday we made a leisurely return with a lunch stop at the Long Track Pantry at Jugiong, a favourite of ours.

Peter Hoskin



#### The Australian International Concours d'Elegance and Classic Motor Show Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne

I enclose a selection of photos, one in particular I thought Roger Phillips would enjoy!



The Colonial

#### WHAT HAPPENS ON HOLIDAY

During one of my many and regular holiday visits to the south coast I came across an old school friend. Harry owns a 1976 HX Holden GTS Monaro which he bought new from ACT Motors in Braddon and is now a member of the Classic Vehicle Motor Club of Eurobodalla. While chatting to him over a beer he invited me to the club's weekly run the next day at Maloney's Beach Café not far from the Bay. Whatever the reason may be the park alongside the beach is a haven for kangaroos and if anyone is keen in socialising with humongous, Mr Universe Eastern Greys this is the spot.

It was an interesting and most enjoyable gathering consisting of about thirty members in all types of cars and motorbikes including Mercs, early 1970's Falcons (one a GT) and MG's. One bike which I have never seen or heard of before was a vintage English brand, I think, and I do stand corrected, fitted with a sound-cracking diesel engine. To give you an idea of the intensity of the noise visualise the sound a badlyworn big end bearing makes. Now magnify it several times. It is of no surprise that quite often concerned and oblivious fellow motorists would try to warn him about the apparent engine wear or that he is using the wrong bowsers when refuelling.

In the course of our chin wag I met the President of the club, the Events Director and the Editor who informed me that the CA&CMC is on his club's magazine mailing list. I have been to similar events in the past meeting with strangers but this was different - I felt I had known these people for some time making the interaction and the atmosphere much more pleasant. Another person of interest was the owner a 1969 HK Holden GTS Monaro which he bought in 1971. Naturally I had to have a peak at it so that afternoon I drove to his property in Tuross Heads - or is it Tuross Head. The south bound sign posting says "Head" while the north bound says "Heads". The locals have no explanation. The Monaro is in a very good condition and is almost identical to my silver one. He doesn't use it all that often as he prefers to ride his motorbike but on that day he insisted I should hear it running. If the tyres did not need inflating he would have taken me for a ride in it. Gordon is a retired engine re-conditioner and still has an array of machinery in his large garage surrounded by a collection of disassembled Holden red motors.

He also has a one-legged cockatoo who just would not shut up and who spoke in typical cocky lingo as clear as daylight. Bob "get to ya bed" Garrett will relate to this.

MICHAEL CATANZARITI

#### 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.)

**1952 MG TD**, Restored by the current owner. Full list of small tasks required will be provided upon purchase. BRG with red interior. Has been fitted with wire wheels and speed screens. \$25,000.00 Contact: Angelo D'Emilio 02 6254 2732

1965 Humber Vogue Series III 1600 cc, 2 barrel carby, 8 port alloy head (new 2000 Km ago). auto trans, recond 1000 Km ago. Electronic ignition. Disc brake front end. New tyres 1000 Km ago.\$5500 ONO. (Indicated he would accept offers near \$5K). Paintwork looks fair; upholstery looks quite good, chrome OK. Car is located at Bonny Hills NSW (Near Port Macquarie). Contact Bruce Randall, 0408 541 904.

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1968 Pontiac Parisienne Fisher bodied Sedan, 4 door pillarless, Vin No 76439HH611005. Engine 350 V8, Turbo 350 auto trans, Engine No. 791138722T03061B. Colour Bronze, blue interior. Currently on concessional registration (10 months) in ACT, not transferable. Rego HIS 925. Car is basically in original but very good condition throughout, has had repair on L/H side, untouched in boot and under bonnet. Drives very well, engine and trans very good, has after market under-dash air con; power assisted drum brakes. Some spares available. From a deceased estate and originally from Dubbo NSW and as far as known in one family since new. In my care to sell on behalf of benefactors. Photos can be supplied. Asking price \$14,00 ono. Contact Dean Benedetti, mobile 0428 624 917.

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#### STOLEN VEHICLE

Stolen from the NSW Central Coast on Thursday 22 November: 1965 Shelby Cobra valued at \$488,000. Rego No BB 91 FY Contact the Police if seen.

#### EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS- - 2013

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Apr 19-22	John Inshaw 0403 076 175	Morris 100 National Rally, Canberra. Morris Register of NSW
Jul 12-14	Roger Pearson 4471 2778 0428 267 846	Bay to Bermagui entry forms out late January. <u>Romar49@bigpond.net.au</u> <u>www.cvmce.org.au</u> Benefit: Southcare
Sep 14-21		National Veteran Tour, Shepparton Vic. Email: <u>dwright@bigpond.com</u>
Sep 28		Queanbeyan 175th birthday cars will be required.
Oct 19	Bruce Perry 0408 652 107	Spin Cars/Dance/Music 255 Canberra Avenue, Fyshwick marques@aqctmotorclubs.org.au
Oct 19-20	Bill Lewis 0414 923 753	Spin rally to Canberra run by National Trust and Council of ACT Motor Clubs www.nationaltrust.org.au/act/Rally

#### WHAT'S IN THE LIBRARY

At the November club meeting the library received two donations of workshop manuals. The first donation came via Bob Alexander and it consists of three rare Morris operational manuals. These are:

Morris-Oxford Six 1933 Morris 16, 18, 21 and 25 series II Morris Oxford Twenty All three manuals are a publication of Morris Motors Ltd

The second donation came via Chris Berry and it consists of the following car manuals:

Auto Repair Manual 1954 Auto Repair Manual 1964 Studebaker 1950 workshop manual Studebaker commercial shop manual Borgward parts pamphlet (in German)

Thank you Bob and Chris for receiving and donating these useful additions to the library.

Joe Micallef, Librarian

#### **ANOTHER FOR SALE**

Helen, The information I copy to you if of a lovely Triumph Stag which some of us looked at up near Forster. 1976 Triumph Stage, dark green, a real nice looking car fitted with a removable "Targa" roof also has a fold down convertible roof, 3 litre V8 engine, auto box, original mags, near new tyres, 3 months rego. Looking at the speedo through the glass it showed 11,000 kms but would be 110,000, I guess. New rear shockers, no apparent rust, no dents or scratches. We did not get under to look for rust because of the damp ground, but it looks a nice car. It is located at Fairford near Forster. Price quoted was \$14,500 or near offer. Phone 02 6554 3210. Regards Alec McKernan.

#### SEARCH FOR HISTORY OF A VEHICLE

I am trying to locate where a 1912 Buick may have been located many years ago. The original owner was Ross and Shirley Millard who had a panel beating business at Fyshwick called Ross Millard Auto Repairs. Ross and Shirley retired to Taree where Ross has since passed away. The car would have discovered prior to 1974 when Ross sold the car to a restorer in Sydney. It is thought the Buick along with a 1907 Humber may have been found together. Apparently a couple of club members helped Ross recover the car, maybe between Cooma and Dalgety. Shirley has no recollection of who may have been involved at the time. The Buick is restored and was on the National Veteran rally in Canberra in 2008. Any leads would be greatly appreciated.

Regards Graham Weekes Email: twoweekes@optusnet.com.au Phone 02 9533 2161.

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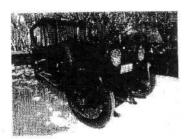
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