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

Thank you to those who provided items for this month's Colonial. Coming up: "20 greatest car movies and their stars", Hand Signals, History of the Car Radio, Fixing cassette decks. My apologies to those whose story I have not published yet.

I just need members' "My Car" stories and photos for the front cover please. Or perhaps you would like to write a story along the lines of the following headings: Family cars, learning to drive, first car, best car, worst car, hobby vehicles now and past, if I could afford, memorable experience. Who will go first?

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

Friday 7 February 12 noon and every first Friday: Sandwich lunch at the Southern Cross Club, Woden.

Friday 21 February lunch run to the Gungahlin Lakes Golf Club, Cnr Gungahlin and Gundaroo Drives, Nicholls at 12 noon. If the day is not, it will be cool in the club and Alec says the beer is cold.

Enquiries to Alec McKernan on 6286 1046. All CACMC 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. Also let us know about any or special anniversaries or the death of a member. We wish Bruce Carswell all the best for a return to good health.

#### Thank you

Thank you to Michael Toole for completing the Dec-January issue.

#### **Name Badges**

Still a lot of name badges not collected. Now with Treasurer Gerry.

#### Oops

Not only did I get the wrong day of the month for the January meeting, I also had 2012! Will try harder. Sackable offence?

#### **New Members**

If you are wondering what all the judging at Wheels is about, talk to someone at a meeting or look on the website for the By Laws under Constitution to find the categories.

See you Tuesday. Cheers ... Helen

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## CANBERRA ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC MOTOR CLUB MINUTES GENERAL MEETING 14 JANUARY 2014

#### Attendance

Members: 30 Visitors: 3 Apologies: 4

#### Welcome

President David Wyatt welcomed members and visitors to the first meeting of 2014 and wished everyone a happy new year.

#### **Vice President: Graham Waite**

No guest speaker but will show a DVD on European Sports Cars

#### **Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes of the November General meeting were confirmed without amendments.

Moved Waine Summerfield seconded John De la Torre. Carried

#### Secretary Alan Martin Correspondence In:

25 Club magazines

Flvers from

**Shelter Box** 

Google

Duo

LI Hooker

Worksafe

Telstra

LetterEx

Shannons insurance

Australian Taxation Office

Sydney Super Swap 16 February

Letter from Ollie Walker to be passed on to Bob Alexander.

Christmas Card from Mick Gentleman MLA

#### Correspondence out

Get Well card to Jill Appleby Get well card also to be sent to Ron Scattergood. Moved Alan Martin. Seconded: Daniel Wyatt Carried

#### **Presidents Report David Wyatt**

Welcomed new members Andrew and Castaly Lombe Mark and Judy O'Neill and welcomed Gerry Walker back from a spell in hospital.

#### Vice-President Graham Waite

February guest speaker Peter Hoskin

Lucky Badge draw # 6 Chris Berry Last Club Run: #20 Graham Bigg

#### Treasurer Report Gerry Walker

Balance in current account \$11 283:45 Quiet month only some repairs to the club trailer Moved Gerry Walker. Seconded Graham Bigg Carried

#### **Editor Helen Phillips**

No report

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

19 Jan Chicken and Champagne Black Mountain Peninsula from 5.15pm BYO salad chairs tables.
16 February - Araluen pub lunch
Most Spotlight for park Queenboyen Comfor 0.30cm start

Meet Spotlight car park Queanbeyan 9am for 9.30am start Braidwood for morning tea. Option to visit Old Cheese Factory

16 March Wheels Details in the Colonial

Raffle Green ticket #74 Chris Berry Redraw Red 326 Stewart Cress

#### Registrar Bob Alexander - absent

Waine Summerfield reported that 23 vehicles had been inspected during the period

#### Librarian Joe Micallef

**Everything OK** 

#### Membership Secretary - Joe Vavra

No report

#### Shop Manager - Norm Brenan

Have shirts, T shirts, Banners, Registrar of Members book and Badges All at reasonable prices.

#### **Information Officer Mark Butterfield**

All good.

#### **Council Delegate Graham Bigg**

Around 200 historic vehicles attended the family day Sunmmernats Sunday. Eight from CACMC

No Council December meeting

Council Registrar Dave Rogers and Club Registrar Bob Alexander to investigate some irregularities with a club member's vehicle in the Summernats Supercruise.

#### **Publishing Committee**

No Report

#### **Supper Coordinator Clive Glover**

Lots of blank spaces to be filled

#### **General Business**

#### Alan Martin

Remarked that he thought the best car on display at Terribly British Day was Ian Irwin's 1910 Rolls Royce Silver Ghost. Can recommend Derek Kelly Tilt tray for moving vehicles.

The late Ken McKay's 1931 Austin Ute has been sold for \$9000 to man in Gympie Queensland – where the vehicle originally was found under a Mango Tree by Kevin.

#### Waine Summerfield

Reminded members of their obligation under the CRS to advise club registrar or one of the cub inspectors if the CRS registered vehicle is being used for other than maintenance runs (40 km) or non-club run.

This was disputed by Dick Rowe who said he was a member of CACMC and the Mustang Owners Club and he has never advised CACMC registrar that he will be attending a Mustang Club run. This he said was in accordance with the Council regulation.

David Wyatt said the matter would be discussed by the Club Committee

#### Mark Butterfield

Presented on behalf of Barry Morris a selection of books owned by the late Dennis Morris to the club librarian. Members showed their appreciation.

#### Alan Martin

Asked if anyone had had their log books checked by the Police or RTA? Romando ??

Asked where there was any discussion on going down the 90 day use as in place in Victoria and South Australia.

Graham Bigg said it had been on the Council Agenda for the past 10 years.

#### **Graham Gittins**

Asked for members with English vehicles to consider displaying their cars at the Heritage Council of Act display at Yarralumla Old English Garden nursery on Saturday 6 April. Names on sheet please.

**Graham** asked club president David Wyatt to present three certificates of appreciation from the National Trust (ACT) to Vin Liston, Charlie Adams and Dean Benedetti who had volunteered their services during the Centenary of Canberra Rally

#### Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Graham Gittins, Minute Secretary

#### **New Acquisitions to the Library**

At the January meeting 8 books were presented to the library by Mark Butterfield. These books were donated by Barry Morris from the estate of his late father Dennis Morris. The books are listed below:

- 1. Plymouth Dodge DeSoto Engine & Electrical Service Manual Passenger Cars 1946-1953.
- 2. Plymouth Dodge DeSoto Owner's Manual.
- 3. ackard One Twenty Eight Super Eight Twelve Shop Manual.
- 4. Ford 'XD' Falcon Repair Manual.
- 5. The World Encyclopaedia of Cars.
- 6. The Dalton Watson Collections' and Investors'.
- 7. Motoring The Golden Years by Rupert Prior.
- 8. The Ultimate Guide to Muscle Cars by Glastonberg.

#### **SHOP MANAGER**

Check out Club badges and sew-on patches. Norm Brennan can order Club polo shirts, long sleeve chambray shirts and polar fleece vests/jackets or bucket hats with the Club logo. Large car badges for sale still \$15.

Get a club banner for on your car at displays — \$15 (Wheels is coming up).

Register of Members @ 31May 2013 available for \$2.

#### MODERN TECHNOLOGY

I was visiting my daughter and son-in-law last night and I asked Jim if I could borrow a newspaper. 'This is the 21st century, Dad,' he said. 'We don't waste money on newspapers. Here you can borrow my iPad."

I can tell you, that bloody fly never knew what hit it .....

Good one, Dave

#### CLUB RUN JANUARY 19 2014 CHICKEN AND CHAMPAGNE PICNIC

As was the case last year, threatening weather tried to spoil our event. However about 68 members and visitors (and two 'furry friends') attended the outing at Black Mountain Peninsula and we managed to keep the showers at bay until after 7pm. Those who stayed after the first shower were treated to a magnificent blood red sunset with the sun peeping through the storm clouds and reflecting the rays over the lake. Shortly after that a second and more serious shower sent the remainder of people home.

It was good to see so many members and friends enjoy the usual tasty chicken and drinks provided and served up by our 'club waiters'. All enjoyed the opportunity to catch up with friends for a chat and to see people enjoying themselves makes the work involved worthwhile.

The raffle prize was won by club supporters Heather and Graham Gittins.

A big thank you to all the helpers both on and not on the Events Committee who assisted on the day with the many chores, also to Vin who willingly brings the Bar-B-Que trailer which enables us to enjoy a hot drink.

Thanks Jan.

Overseer Jan.

More pictures on page 13.



#### DECEMBER BAR-B-QUE BY THE LAKE

70 members, a few visitors plus 3 'furry friends' attended the Bar-B-Que by the lake on 12 December 2013, which replaced the usual general monthly meeting. Members enjoyed the sausages, onions etc expertly cooked by the chefs plus whatever they had brought along themselves. It was quite windy but we managed to find a spot which gave us a little shelter (beside the toilets of all places!) and so it wasn't too bad and people seemed to enjoy the evening. It was particularly pleasing to see Gerry Walker able to attend after having a heart problem and some surgery not long before the event.

It was pleasing too to have the raffle prize, a hamper of Christmas goodies won by Charlie Adams, one of our long time members.

Many thanks to the chefs, particularly those not on the Events Committee who helped, Events Committee members and to Vin for again bringing the club trailer. We have a great spirit amongst our





Brett Minion.

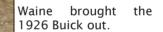
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mentioned in his story on Cooma Motorfest. It belong to new member

#### CHICKEN AND CHAMPAGNE—JANUARY TWILIGHT RUN

Some well known members enjoying the pleasant evening.







The Scorgies from Yass came in comfort in their Rolls.

Daniel has acquired ANOTHER car.

#### AMERICAN CAR NATIONALS

In the world of American car collecting too much car can never be enough. This statement was borne out at the American Car Nationals, where the cars displayed are vehicles of beauty, power and prestige.

The annual show of fins and chrome vehicles muster for a show 'n' shine at the Queanbeyan Showground in November.

Complete with Elvis Presley music over the public address system, the display of around 200 Cadillacs, Mustangs, Buicks, Classic Chevrolets, Pontiacs, Fords and un-named street machines attracted large crowds during the two day event.

Among the entries were Roger and Barbara Phillips' 1959 Cadillac. The Phillips had just returned from a holiday in America in which they travelled Route 66.

Albert Neuss from Queanbeyan was there with his 1936 Plymouth Deluxe Royale and Alan Martin from Canberra with his 1929 Studebaker

One of the oldest vehicles on display was the Scattergood family's 1926 International truck.

A small number of traders offering their goods and services to the owners and onlookers, completed the display area.

American flags adorned the area.

A major insurer of American cars said the most popular insured vehicle on their books was the Ford Mustang.

Graham Gittins

The Scattergood International truck.

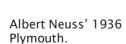


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Alan Martin's 1929 Studebaker.

Roger and Barbara Phillips and their Cadillac.





#### TERRIBI Y BRITIISH DAY - 1 December 2013

A 1910 Rolls Royce Silver Ghost that took its owner 32 years to restore, won the 'car I would most like to take home' trophy and the Jaguar Drivers Club won the best club display trophy at the 2013 Terribly British Day display on 1 December.

Guest of honour, the British High Commissioner to Australia, His Excellency Paul Madden and his wife Sarah, inspected all displays and presented the trophy to the Rolls Royce owner, Ian Irwin, and best club display to the president of the Jaguar Drivers club, Larry Roux.

More than 350 British made vehicles mustered on the Patrick White Lawns between the National Library and Lake Burley Griffin for the annual display. Theme for the 2013 event was advances in technology of British vehicles and Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club member Barbara Phillips traced some of the technology advances introduced in her 1963 Ford Anglia and presented them over the Public Address system to the large number of participants and spectators.

Triumph Car club members displayed a petrol injection engine to show the technology advances in Triumph vehicles.

The Jaguar Club made a 'song and dance' at its display when, a serenade, complete with guitar accompaniment was made to a 63 year old XK120 Jaguar with the Beatles song *Will you still love me when I'm* 64

MG Car Club Canberra contrasted, what is believed to be the oldest registered MG in the world, a 1925 14/28 owned by Julie Craig of Sydney against later model MGs.

Terribly British Day organising chair Paul Sutton said, 'the 2013 event had by far the largest number of vehicles on display'.

'Vehicles travelled from Sydney, and from around the Canberra region to take part,' he said.

'Canberra club numbers were also up, with some exhibiting for the first time – the Sunbeam Alpine members had five cars on display, the Armstrong Siddley Club fifteen cars available for viewing.' Mr Sutton said

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'Altogether it was great day - great weather, great location and great vehicles,' he added.

#### **Graham Gittins**



Paul Madden in Alec's Lagonda and inspecting Ian Irwin's 1910 Rolls



#### MONTHLY CLUB RUN - APRIL 13th 2014

This is the 3rd annual and probably the last car rally at this location. As there were up to 90 cars at the 2012 rally and 75 cars in 2013, and there has been extensive good feedback from previous attendees that this was an enjoyable social event, a final car rally is planned for April. This is a good opportunity to see a range of many different cars from local car clubs in a central location and to meet new car club friends and to meet up with former car club friends.

The location will be at my Drummoyne grazing property which is located around 6 kms from Yass on the Coolalie Road which is a bitumen road. Going through Yass from the Canberra/Goulburn side, travel down the main street over the bridge and take the 4th turn to the right, up Pollux Street, and observing the give way sign half way up the hill and then proceed about 5 kms along Coolalie Road. The Drummoyne Homestead is visible about 150 metres from the road and to the left. I plan to erect large direction signs from the Laidlaw Street/Coolalie road intersection to the event location to assist new comers unfamiliar with the location.

There are plenty of shady trees and umbrella shades, hopefully sufficient seating, toilet and wash facilities, portable BBQs and the CACMC large trailered BBQ. It is suggested that attendees bring chairs in case of large numbers attending. I intend inviting my neighbours of my farm, my Evatt neighbours and also the Yass Machinery club who provided the Bren Gun Carrier and a number of ex Army trucks which all attended in 2011 and 2012 and this provided great interest to those attending. The Machinery club provided a great hit last year by cooking up Anzac biscuits and fresh scones on the ex Army field kitchen and handing out these tasty fresh Anzac biscuits and freshly cooked scones with cream and jam to the attendees.

Also I hope that the CACMC long standing member Harry Crawford who has provided some great videos of CACMC events over the past few years and including the 2012 Yass event which has been posted to the CACMC website will again video this year's planned event. Harry's video of last year's Drummoyne event was a nice touch in which he interviewed briefly the car club attendees and provided video CD's of the various cars entering the Drummoyne driveway entrance.

Cheers, Alan Martin, mobile 0406 377 258, home 62586841 Email address alan1@grapevine.com.au



# Kings Park By The Lake Just Down From The Carillon...



Display and Charity Day for all Clubs affiliated with
The Council of ACT Motor Clubs
Visiting Clubs are welcome. Display vehicles arrive from 8.00am

Spectators from 9.00am till 3.00pm Entry by gold coin donation



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Organised by the Mercedes-Benz Club, MG Car Club, and Rolls Royce and Bentley Club of Canberra Contact: Richard Jackson - tel: 02 6254 2546 - eml: jackdi49@hotmail.com

#### **CA&CMC EVENTS CALENDAR 2014**

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Feb 16	Jan Wyatt 6286 1782 Or any Events Committee member	An outing to Araluen is planned, stopping at Braidwood for morning tea and then having lunch at the Araluen Hotel or bring your own picnic lunch. Meet in the Queanbeyan Spotlight carpark at 9 am to leave at 9.30 am. Proceed to Braidwood and stop there for morning tea at your own choice of venue and have a wander around. Leave Braidwood by 11.30 am and proceed to Araluen (26 kms). For those who have not been to the Old Cheese Factory and Cider House at Reidsdale (along the way to Araluen) you might like to call in there. If you don't wish to bring your antique or classic car, please consider coming modern and joining us for the day.
Mar 16	Richard Jackson 6254 2546	Shannons Wheels display day at Kings Park. See flyer page 19. Arrive from 8 am and before 9 am. Parking arrangements will be available next month. For those who wish to have their vehicle judged for an award, the entry form is inside front cover.
Apr 13	Alan Martin 6258 6841 Jan Wyatt 6286 1782	Return visit to Alan Martin's farm "Drummoyne", Coolalie Road, Yass for the last time. The BBQ trailer will be there for all to cook their own lunch if they wish and enjoy tea/coffee. Meet at the Hall layby at 10.30 to leave at 10.45 am. See page 18.
May 18	Chris Berry 6254 7145 Vin Liston 6241 1645	National Motoring Heritage Day. More details to come on the planned run. Other clubs welcome to join in.
Jun 15		ТВА
Jul 13		ТВА
Aug 17		ТВА

#### **EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2014**

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Feb 8-9		39th Berrima Rally BerrimaDistrictHistoricVehicleClub.org.au
Feb 16		Sydney Super Swap Meet, Clarendon
Feb 22-23	0487 175996	Ballarat Swap
Mar 2	David Connolly 0437 500 757	Capital All Ford Day, East Lawns, Old Parliament House
Mar 9		Lockhart Swap
Mar 9-21	Tour Director Geoff Cuthbert 0407 352 885	Shannons Great Aussie Tour primarily for veteran and vintage vehicles but open to all standard pre-war vehicles built up to and including 1941. Limited entries for vehicles up to 1956 may be considered. www.tasvacations.com
Mar 14-16	Roger Amos	Post Vintage Capital Tour for vehicles built between 1930 and 1949—see back page and inside back cover.
Mar 15-16	Brett Goyne 0423 089429	22nd Annual Chryslers on the Murray, Gateway Lakes, Lincoln Causeway, Wodonga. Largest Chrysler show in Oz.
Mar 20 Thursday	Graham Waite	Seniors Expo at EPIC—cars required please for display.
Mar 21	Vin Liston or David Wyatt	BBQ at the Cotter with members of the Bendigo Club who are visiting Canberra from 17-26 March. They could have as many as 20 cars so lots of our cars needed please.
Sat Mar 22		Community Street Fair on McMillan Cres, Red Hill. St Edmund's College say their 1200 boys would like to see our cars. St Clare's, St Benedict's Primary School and Red Hill Primary will also be participating.
Mar 30	Andrew 02 6021 9627	18th Annual Swap Meet, Jindera

# Little 'OLIVE' 1926 Bullnose Morris Cowley Runabout

The Bullnose Morris depicted on the cover and proudly owned by John Tilbrook at Tuross Head NSW was acquired from W.A. in 2011. John was a former member of the CACMC from the mid 1980's until 1996 when he relocated from Kaleen ACT to Tuross Head allegedly to retire. In his years as a member of this Club he spent time as the Events Member and as the Editor of the CACMC under the close stewardship of Vin Liston. During his time with CACMC his pride and joy was an oxford green 1925 Bullnose Morris Cowley Runabout (2 door) which was eventually sold to a retired doctor in Melbourne in 1996 as John feared that the salt air on the beach front at Tuross would reduce the Bullnose to a rust ridden wreckage.

With too much time on his hands on the leisure coast John happened to take a Sunday drive to Bermagui back in 2009 and stumbled across a display of vintage and classic cars and motor cycles that had just completed the Batemans Bay to Bermagui rally which was run by the Classic & Vintage Motor Club of Eurobodalla (CVMCE). Wandering amongst the display with other indifferent spectator members of the public he was confronted by a 1925 Bullnose Morris Cowley Runabout up from Victoria. John was immediately smitten by the dreaded incurable 'Bullnose bug' and vowed to own one again, this time for keeps (no matter what 'her indoors' says).

Being rarer than rocking horse poo in Australia, the search for a 'Bullnose' switched to Britain and Ireland in 2011, whereby detailed negotiations and transhipment costs were being deliberated upon for the acquisition a nice oxford green 1925 Bullnose that was put on the world market by a motor museum in Belfast. It was a very old restoration and had been laid up in the museum for the past 25 years, so it represented an iffy business risk decision. In this case, as Murphy's Law would have it, a final internet search for a Bullnose in Australia delivered gold! The Gumtree website promulgated a 'Morris Cowley Bullnose' in the Bunbury region of WA and as they say the rest is history.

John contacted the then current owner, David Mottram, from Manjimup in far south west of W.A. and the exchange of photographs and long distance 'sight unseen' negotiations began and a deal was struck. The sale price was the equivalent cost of only 311 cartons of Tooheys New 30 Block (for the curious mathematically minded readers,

this purchase price may also be able to be translated into just how many truckloads of beer?).

Until acquired in 2011 and transported to ACT (in transit) and NSW the history of 'Olive' is embedded in W.A. The chassis, motor and running gear was imported from the UK in 1926 and the car and bodywork was assembled by Craiks Ltd Motor Body Works at Mount Lawley W.A. as a single (1) door Runabout. The MC11.9 engine number of 184136 is the original motor and matches the identification plates affixed to the bodywork.

David Mottram had acquired 'Olive' in the 1970's as an older restoration, and subsequently disposed of her as he had other interests aside from his busy business in the timber industry. David Mottram found that the vehicle was too slow, boiled regularly because of W.A.'s very hot climate, and could not handle the big hills around Manjimup and Busselton. In the latter years of his ownership David Mottram did not rally the vehicle frequently, and his operation of the vehicle seemed to have been confined to short runs connected with annual registration inspections by the local Registrar of the Veteran Car Club of W.A. (last inspected on 19 March 2011).

Notwithstanding its lack of use David Mottram swore on the Pope's singlet that the car was in good mechanical order.

With information provided by the vendor John Tilbrook made contact with the person who originally restored the vehicle, Terence Royan (a Pommie) from Mount Richon, a suburb of Perth. It was then established that the 1926 Bullnose Runabout was initially purchased by a W.A. Police Sergeant who lived and was stationed at Kalamunda, then regarded as a country post. The vehicle was subsequently passed down to his son during WW2 as his first car, but when it eventually failed to proceed in the late 1940's, it languished in the backyard at Kalamunda until it was acquired by Terence Royan as a restoration project. According to Terry Royan the restoration of little 'Olive' was completed before 1960, and as a timeline he could distinctly recall that he acquired the brass bulb Horn in 1956 whilst on a trip to New Zealand.

In August 2011 John Tilbrook arranged for little 'Olive' to be transported by road from Perth to Canberra inside of a covered car carrier operated by CEVA Logistics (equivalent cost of just 33 cartons of Tooheys New 30 block Beer, this being the most stable currency in Australia). When John travelled to Canberra to take delivery of 'Olive', he was met at the CEVA transportation yard at Mitchell by

two very enthusiastic Morris stalwarts, namely Malcolm Noad and Vin Liston, who helped fire up the car and secure it onto a car trailer for the trip down the Kings Highway and Clyde Mountain to its new home at Tuross.

Little 'Olive' was transferred from W.A. vintage club registration to NSW vintage registration with the aforementioned CVMCE car club in the Eurobodalla. Little 'Olive' was tidied up somewhat after decades of garaging, but evidence of the clutch wear problems and overheating came to the fore during the 2011 Christmas Eve NSW Rural Fire Service's community Santa's run, when the heat and hills took its toll.

With a slipping clutch little 'Olive' managed to limp along at AUSTPost snail mail pace over big hills and to be garaged indefinitely at the Tuross Lakes Alpaca Park at Turlinjah (another JT diversion) until John had sorted out the current issues with his other poor choice of a Club car, his 1972 Rolls Royce Silver Shadow. At this juncture no attempt will be made to debate the MORRIS maker's promotional slogan in the 1920's, ...BUY BRITISH AND BE PROUD OF IT!

In December 2012 John Tilbrook became acquainted with an elderly retired Salvation Army officer living in Batemans Bay who needed some help in the way of photographs and measurements for a 1926 Bullnose Utility he is restoring, a task he has been trying to complete since he first acquired the old Bullnose in Adelaide back in 1968 in exchange to settle a debt owed to him for the princely sum of \$12 (equivalent to a six pack of Tooheys New). As a remarkable coincidence his name is Graham Bruce (who knew but is no relation to the late but never to be forgotten gentleman - 'Jimmy' Bruce).

The aforementioned digression is simply mentioned because John put Graham Bruce in e-mail contact with the 'Bullnose Morris' man himself.... Malcolm Noad (who CACMC will recall is the son-in-law of the founding father of Bullnose Morris men ...the late 'Jimmy' Bruce). The upshot of this coincidence is that Malcolm Noad did not hesitate in volunteering his hard won expertise in overhauling little 'Olive' so that the little beast will be ready and signed up to participate in the forthcoming MORRIS 100 National Rally in Canberra being organised to as the 'Centenary Celebration of the production of the First Morris Car', namely the 1913 Bullnose Morris. Malcolm Noad is right behind this long awaited event, and his dedication and contribution of valuable family recreational time for the selfless task is for the sole purpose of making sure that yet another 'Bullnose' makes it across the starter's line at the forthcoming Morris centennial Rally in April 2013.



January 2013 - Little 'Olive' all aboard the Moruya Tilt & Tow recovery vehicle at Turlinjah about to undertake its journey up the mountain to Royalla where Malcolm Noad will give it another lease on life since its last mechanical restoration in W.A. over 50 years ago.

In just 3 short weeks (as at 20 Jan 13) Malcolm Noad has the mechanical overhaul project well underway, discovering other issues yet to be rectified. Of diagnostic interest he found that the (55 year old) clutch plate of Little 'Olive' only had six corks remaining out of the total of 52 corks that make up the complete array. Given that 'Olive' made the 11 km trip from Tuross to Turlinjah over steep terrain, including the Princes Highway, with just 3% of clutch efficiency can only be described as yet another Morris miracle!

P.S. John Tilbrook wishes it be known that he is a red wine man, not a beer drinker!

As you can tell, I have had this story for some 12 months. The good news is that the Bullnose did make it to the 'Centenary Celebration of the production of the First Morris Car'. John is continuing to live at the coast but coming up to Canberra for significant events. Editor

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#### MORRIS OWNERS GROUP WEEKEND AWAY

The Morris Owners Group weekend away was to Nowra on the south coast of New South Wales. Four couples mustered at the Dickson College car park for an 8.15am departure for Bungendore and morning tea stop at the Tarago railway station (BYO).

Between the two towns a black faced wallaby took to the road and jumped along for a bit, then stopped and looked us as if to say 'look at me, look at me' then it jumped to the side of the road and watched while the four cars drove by.

We then journeyed to Nerriga and on to Nowra. The road takes in some of the most interesting scenery from open plains, to rugged rock formations.

Lunch was at the Archer Bistro adjacent to the Archer Resort, our accommodation for the night.

It rained on and off most of the trip down to Nowra but after lunch it eased and it was decided to travel to the Jindyandy Mill craft village along the Greenwell Point Road. Here we found a huge array of sweets, toys and gifts. An antique and collectible shop yielded a motoring book to add to my collection we indulged in a delightful afternoon tea at the complex restaurant before upping umbrellas for the track back to the car park.

Time for an hour's rest before walking to the bistro for dinner. One of the parties asked for a champagne drink, which had the obviously new barman, a bit confused. First he pulled an open bottle of sparkling wine from the fridge with a tea spoon in the top, which was rejected. He then pulled a bottle of champagne, of the \$50 a bottle variety, which proceeded to open and pour the bubbly into a wine glass, instead of a champagne flute.

The bar manager was a little put out by this, but held his temper and said to the young man charge the standard rate \$5 and put it down to experience, the bar man could not find the word 'experience' on the till keyboard. Dinner was delicious. A busy day was over and so to bed.

Breakfast was held in the resort dining room and was a full cooked breakfast - cereal, bacon, eggs, tomato, baked beans, mushrooms, fruit, tea and coffee.

A short trip to Huskisson was next on the itinerary for a visit to the *Lady Denman* Maritime Museum and Gallery. The former ferry *Lady Denman* was built on a slipway about 150 metres from where she is now laid up. Named after the wife of Australian Governor-General Lord Denman (1911-1914) the ferry was built in 1911 and spent her working life on Sydney Harbour until retired from service in 1976. After several attempts to tow her back to her birth place, was finally dry docked on the museum site in 1983.

The ship is now housed under cover and has been restored in the familiar yellow and green livery. Originally it was powered by a steam engine which was converted to diesel in 1932.

The museum's galleries are full of interesting and quite old sextants, ship models and paintings. A special room has been designed to celebrate the centenary of the Royal Australian Navy.

Back in the cars for the trip to Berry. As it was impossible to find a car park space within reasonable walking distance of the centre of the town we continued on up the Berry Mountain road which is steep, winding and narrow to Kangaroo Valley where we stopped for lunch.

As I crossed the road back to the car I spotted a second hand book shop and after a quick browse purchased a further three books to add to my collection of motoring books.

From Kangaroo Valley to Bundanoon, Penrose, Wingello and onto the Hume Highway back to Canberra. While the weather did dampen the weekend a little, it certainly did not stop us from enjoying the weekend way. We covered 350 trouble free miles during the weekend.

Participants were
David and Jan Wyatt - BMW
David and Tora Bennett Triumph Stag
Denis and Val Harding Commodore
Graham and Heather Gittins MG Magnette
G2

Group on board the Lady Denman



#### Morris Owners Group Canberra Region

#### THREE MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE

The challenge is an annual event in memory of the late Jim Bruce the owner of a Morris (Bullnose) Cowley who said it was a challenge for the two wheel brake Bullnose to climb and descend Canberra's mountains

# Are you up to the challenge? All Welcome

(Canberra day long weekend)

SUNDAY 9th of March 2014

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

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Entry fee \$15 per vehicle, includes medallion.
Contacts.

Denis Harding (02) 62814497 or Malcolm Noad <a href="mailto:mnoad@tycoint.com">mnoad@tycoint.com</a> 0408441587

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 an happening or incident by omission or commission before during or after the event.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

The ACT Government recently held a presentation ceremony for long serving ACT Justices of the Peave. Among the 227 recipients for a Certificate of Service was club member Graham Gittins who received a 30 year certificate.





Can anyone identify this vehicle photographed in Thailand?

Graham Gittins.

#### **WANTED TO BORROW**

Geoff Davidson would like a loan of a 21 inch split rim spreader tool for my 1924 Dodge being restored. Normally the tool is universal and can do 19-24 inch.

Please contact Geoff on 6262 7786 or mobile 0418 493 105

Email: gsdavidson@grapevine.net.au

#### 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.)

10 135xR15 **tubeless radial tyres**. They are brand new, never been on a rim and have been stored inside a shed. Asking \$40 each. Please contact Brian on 0412 630 274 for further information.

#### 1938 DeSoto Sedan parts for sale

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#### WANTED—STATESMAN

Early 70's Holden Statesman, going concern, roadworthy, reasonable price, pictures and sale price to Michael Toole tooleyau@optusnet.com.au

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Bumper bar jack as used for early Falcons and Fairlanes.

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Terry Byrne Phone 6290 0360 Email: terryb@homemail.com.au

Central Coast January magazine—see magazine at February meeting for more details:

1942 Willys Jeep \$25,000 1958 Holden FC Sedan. \$25,000 Please ring Eric on 024390 9980. for more details.

1928 Chrysler Plymouth Convertible \$15,000 Contact Tony Smith (Matcham) on 0414 242 615

1968 MGB Sports Tourer 1964 Austin Healey Sprite Visit auctionsandsales.com.au or www.trueant.com.au

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1935 Austin 10 fully restored, leather seats, new tyres, tinted glass and mechanically excellent. A great buy for somebody new to old cars. Reasonable offer around \$15,000 considered. Please contact Charlie Adams on 0402 087 754 or email:

charliead193@grapevine.com.au



**1974 Jensen Interceptor Mk3 Series 4**, VIN 2241/9746 Registration # ADK41V, NSW registered until October 2014. Bought in November 2003 and the previous owner reported that he had also owned it for

10 years, so 2 owners in 20 years.

The main thing nonstandard is remote control door locking/ unlocking combined with engine immobiliser by Mongoose. Also the battery is not original of course (I had to replace the one it came with).

The engine is a standard 7.2 Litre V8.



There were several problems when I bought it. One of the heads has been replaced. They are only available in pairs so I have a spare head. The brake master cylinder had to be replaced. The windscreen wiper control switch has been replaced. Also, I have a spare pair of repeater flashers for the side of the car. The tyres are almost new, less than 100 Kms.

I've also had the odd bit of rust fixed and some parts resprayed. I have a box with loads of info and photocopies of parts manuals. I bought it for \$20,000 and It is now in very much better condition than it was 10 years ago. My asking price is something in the region of \$28,000.

If anyone is interested, they can contact me via email:

dbalean@exemail.com.au (David Balean).

#### **EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS 2014**

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
Mar 30	Rick 0410 419 500	ACT Street Machine Show'N'Shine, Snowy Hydro Southcare Helicoptor Base, Symonston. Entry fee \$50. Close 1 March
Mar 30		Auto Italia, Lawns of Old Parliament House.
Sat Apr 12	0456 010 665	Inaugural Echuca Swap Meet, Rotary Park, Rose Street, Echuca. Automotive parts and collectables welcome. Display area for vintage vehicles show & shine. \$20 per site. \$5 per person entry, on site catering. Gates open buyers 8.00 am. 10% of profit to Echuca Hospital.
Apr 18-21	Rodney 0419 622 165	Bush Council Easter Rally 2014 celebrating Parkes Antique Motor Club's Ruby Anniversary. Accommodation: www.visitparkes.com.au Helen and Jan have an entry form.
May 2-4	Jim and Christine Hatton 02 6342 1314 0419 697632	Dinosaur Drivers Register Inc Lachlan Valley members Pre 31 Autumn Tour, Cowra NSW. Eligible vehicles manufactured pre 1931. I will pass entry form to Jan.
May 23-25	Noel Wilcox 03 5428 2689	38th Historic Winton, Winton Motor Raceway, Benalla. Conducted by the Austin 7 Club with assistance from the Historic Motorcycle Racing Assn, Vic. Featuring 400 historic racing cars and motorbikes from the 1920s to the 1980s. noelwilcox@rocketmail.com
Oct 10-12	Brian Calder 0434 307 742	MG TYme in Canberra. An event for all MG enthusiasts. Sat 11 October a display event alongside Floriade. A run and lunch on Sunday. Full details will soon be on website http://mgcccanberra.org.au/

#### **SHANNONS AUCTIONS**

17 February, 321 Warrigal Road, Cheltenham, VIC 3 March, 65 Reserve Road, St Leonards NSW

#### **FOR SALE**

Dear Helen

I have friend who is very ill with motor neurone disease and the family is trying to help him sell some vehicles. I thought maybe some club members may be interested.

Ford Mainline Ute, nor sure of year, model, partly restored.

VW Beetle 62 and 1/2. He stressed that the 62 and 1/2 is important.

Hillman Imp 1964

Fiat 1400 1951 4 door sedan.

1975 Toyota Crown Auto Super MZ85, rego till Dec 2013, make an offer.

To view vehicles, contact Paul Freebody on mobile 0412 449 936. All vehicles are stored in Queanbeyan.

The help of the club with this advertisement would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Thank you Helen Kind regards, Phil Cancillier.

Phil is trying to organise some photos.

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Secretary CACMC P O Box 3427

## This tour has been cancelled

Mauuka ACT 2603

If you have not received an Entry Form, please download one from our web site, <a href="www.cacmc.org.au">www.cacmc.org.au</a>, by selecting "Events" and looking at the end of the page below the Post Vintage Capital Tour information.

Booking of accommodation is up to entrants to arrange for themselves but some suggestions may be gained by contacting the ACT Visitors Centre on 1300 554 114 or at

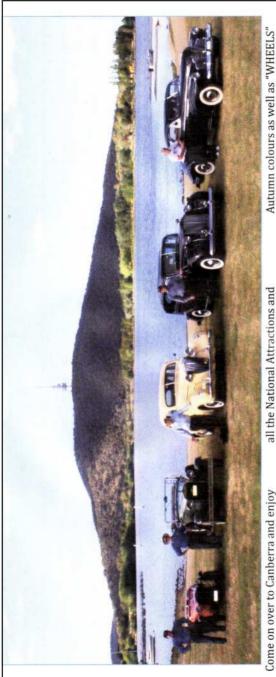
www.visitcanberra.com.au

Our first entry was from Peter and Anne with their 1938 Packard that was once owned by Lionel Barrymore.

We are looking forward to showing you around the National Capital and enjoying your company throughout the Tour.

If you have any questions please contact:

Roger Amos Ph. 02 62542546



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