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1966 Volvo 122S
Bruce and Robyn Green

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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 all or some 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 March 12 noon and every first Friday: Sandwich lunch at the Southern Cross Club, Woden.

Friday 21 March lunch run to the Cotter with visiting Bendigo Club as our guests. See page 21 Extra Runs. 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. Good to hear that Bruce Carswell is back at work even though it is a bit of a struggle. Good luck to Graham Moore with his shoulder op on 6 March. Graham isn't going to be able to drive for some time so perhaps someone can give him a lift to an outing. We can only hope that Jim Clough's 6th hip operation will be successful.

Thank you

To Dave Byers and his helpers Keith and Lilly. They have taken over the work involved in getting the Colonials out in the post—collecting from the printer, pressing, sealing, labelling and posting. Thank you.

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.

Shannons Wheels 2014

Please make an effort to show your vehicle or vehicles at this display day.

See you Tuesday. Cheers ... Helen

CANBERRA ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC MOTOR CLUB

GENERAL MEETING 11 FEBRUARY 2014

DRAFT MINUTES

Attendance

Members: 53

Visitors: 3

Apologies: 8

Welcome

President David Wyatt welcomed members and visitors to the February 2014 general meeting and introduced club member Peter Hoskin who gave a presentation on the history of the AC Motor Company.

Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the November 2013 meeting were confirmed without amendment

Moved Phil Donoghoe, Seconded John Del a Torre. Carried

Correspondence – Alan Martin

Corro in

Newsletters x 14

Entry for PVCT

Membership applications x 4

Benalla Cruise 'n' shine – Winton Motor Raceway - Sunday 26 October 2014

Dinosaur Drivers Register Lachlan Valley Members pre 31 Autumn Tour

2-4 May 2014

Renewal of membership

Registration renewal for BBQ trailer – due 28 February

Veteran and Vintage Club of Goulburn – Collector Pumpkin Festival –

Sunday 4 May, cars in place by 10am – marshal there from 9.00am

Update of change to cars from member

Advert mail – Telstra and Ashmore Palms Holiday Village Gold Coast

Shannons Auction 17 February

Returned newsletter

CBA Merchant statement

Advertising material

Morris owners Group

Coro out Get well card Graham Moore

Moved Alan Martin, Seconded Roger Phillips. Carried

Presidents Report David Wyatt

No new members this month due to Christmas break

Five club members attended the Berrima Rally and inspected a shed with around 600 vehicles in it.

Vice-President Graham Waite

Guest speaker March – Dave Rogers

Lucky badge draw #44 Peter Brooker

Last run # 12 Waine Summerfield

Reminder of special event Thursday 20 March Seniors EXPO at EPIC
Bendigo Car club will be joining in display.

Treasurer Gerry Walker

Current bank balance \$11 344:69

Around \$1000:00 to be returned to entrants who had paid to enter the
PVCT tour

Still have a large number of name badges for collection

Moved Gerry Walker, Seconded Bob Judd. **Carried**

Editor Helen Phillips

All is well

Need car stories and photos for cover.

Events Director Jan Wyatt

Events listed in the *Colonial*

Next run to Araluen 9.00am Spotlight car park for 9.30am departure.

Morning tea Braidwood Lunch Araluen pub or BYO

1 March Potato Festival Crookwell

16 March Wheels

Map of area still to come of Kings Park parking arrangements

18-24 March Club hosting the Bendigo Car Club

22 March Saturday St Edmunds and Red Hill Primary conducting a street
fair McMillan Circuit will be closed between 3pm and 7pm. Cars needed
for display See Jan Wyatt

13 April visit to Alan Martin's property meet Hall layby 10.30 am

Wamboin Festival is on Easter Saturday.

Raffle #Blue 41 John De la Torre**Supper coordinator Clive Glover**

Need second member for March and September and October dates still to
be filled. Phil Donoghoe volunteered for March.

Registrar Bob Alexander

In the absence of Bob Alexander Alec McKernan advised that a total of 32
vehicles were inspected during the period. Applause for Charlie Adams
who inspected 15 vehicles, outdoing Alec with 10 this month.

Librarian Joe Micallef

Has two manuals for sale to members, if no takers he will advertise them on eBay.

Some library books have been out longer than 12 months; please return so that other members can borrow them.

Membership Secretary Joe Vavra

No report

Shop Manager Norm Brennan

Shirts – small sizes in stock

Banners, badges, Register of Members and T shirts for sale

Information Officer Mark Butterfield

Magazines to look at and take any home you want.

Council Delegate Graham Bigg

January quiet meeting, most of session taken up with Austin image in the *Canberra Times*.

Waine said he is the Inspector who checks this vehicle and a letter is on its way from owner to Council.

Council President and Registrar to send letter to the club about the matter

It was noted that a serious motor cycle accident occurred on an Australia Day Rally.

Wheels electronic poster distributed and Helen has published.

Roger Amos concerning Wheels

Richard Jackson from the Mercedes Benz Club is the Wheels coordinator.

Wheels will be held in Kings Park on 16 March best entrance for CACMC vehicles is the road off the Kings Ave.

Roger Amos advised that the Post Vintage Capital Tour scheduled for 14-16 March had been cancelled due to a lack of interest - only seven entrants - five were committee members.

Roger expressed his disappointment at the lack of response from both interstate and from CACMC members. He thanked the PVCT committee members for their enthusiasm and dedication.

Publishing committee David Byers

All is well.

General Business**Alan Martin**

Visit to his Yass property on 13 April. He has invited 10 clubs from around the region. In 2012 90 cars attended in 2013 75 cars.

Bob Judd - Has a box of magazines including 50 - 60 *Restored Cars* and 60-70 model railway magazines - if no one wants them he will donate them to Lifeline

Phillip Smith our Webmaster received an email on the website about repairs to a stereo system and the seat of a Honda Gullwing motor cycle. Suggested the enquirer contact BDL re stereo. (*Re: seat—check out Motor Body Trimmers in yellow pages or the Motor Trimmer on our website*)

Waine Summerfield - Asked that the CRS guidelines be published in the *Colonial*. Committee has this in hand.

Geoff Davidson - Wanted a split rim spreader - advised to see Bob Garrett, sitting behind him.

Graham Gittins - Advised that several 1920s vehicles were required for a photo shoot this Friday 14 February at the Old English Garden at Yarralumla Nursery. Expressions of Interest form was on the table for a proposed trip to Melbourne in October to attend the Motor Classica.

Meeting closed a 9.40pm

Graham Gittins
Minute Secretary

CARnival 2014 - Sydney—Australia Day.
Graham Gittins, Clive Castles, Vin Liston, Phil Donoghoe, Roger Amos.
Charlie Adams. Joe Micallef took this photo.



CARNivale 2014

Take 1100 mainly historic and classic cars, commercial and motor bikes, Park them along two of Sydney's main streets and wait to see up to half a million people flock to inspect the vehicles.

This happens every Australia Day (26 January) formerly called Motorfest, now Supercar d'Elegance CARNivale the crowd in 2014 exceeded all of the organiser's expectations.

The event is a celebration of Australian motoring history and lays claim to being one of the southern hemisphere's largest outdoor displays of vehicles. From just after dawn until the 5.00 pm closing time, people just kept coming, men women, children, babes in arms, disabled people in wheel chairs and on crutches. Many come year after year to this great spectacle.

Now in its 27th year the event keeps getting bigger each year with new features such as the 'Best of the Best' concours, being added to an already packed program of events on the day. Vince Serenti and Glen Shorrock from Little River Band entertained the crowd during the grand parade of concours cars.

From humble Morris J vans to a luxury 1934 Mercedes Benz 500K special roadster there is a vehicle for every taste to admire and add to their wish list.

CARNivale is a chance for motoring enthusiasts, owners, collectors and car clubs to be involved by displaying their vehicles or by just coming along to enjoy the day and celebrate the heritage of Australia's automobile industry.

The event has cemented its place as an iconic motoring event. Spotted during the day were:

Graham Bigg
Barbara and Roger Phillips
Dean Benedetti
Joe Micallef
Vin Liston
Clive Castles
Phil Donoghoe
Roger Amos
Charlie Adams
Brian McKay
Graham Gittins

Thanks to Graham

THE RAIN EVENT – SUNDAY 16th FEBRUARY 2014

After a day of beautiful rain on Saturday, about 21 members (2 of these had come to wish us well) met in the Spotlight carpark on Sunday morning undeterred by the threatening skies to undertake our trip to Araluen. Other members joined in along the way or went directly to Araluen making a total of 31 members undertaking the drive. At about 9.15am the first downpour came but all decided it was not going to spoil the day. We departed at 9.30am and the rain stopped on the way to Bungendore.

Between Bungendore and Braidwood we came across John and Pam Senior with friend Cathy stopped on the side of the road. Several members stopped to offer help however the Humber seemed to be ok again so we proceeded to Braidwood to stop for morning tea. On just entering Braidwood the heavens opened again and the rain bucketed down so much so that the street gutters were awash. Once we found parking spots it was a challenge to get out of the car without stepping into gushing water.

The rain eased again after about 20 minutes and as members finished morning tea and visited other shops, they departed for Araluen where we had lunch at the Araluen Valley Hotel. It was great to see so many members attend, several of whom had driven their modern car for various reasons and the hotel owners handled our group quite well.

It was a very relaxing atmosphere and most members sat and chatted until we decided we should leave for home at around 2.15pm. We were a bit late deciding that as another downpour arrived which delayed us a bit until it eased off. It was a bit like a tropical storm in the valley but the locals were very pleased to see it as they received no rain on Saturday despite it raining most of the day at Braidwood. Some members had intended to visit the Old Cheese and Cider Factory on the way home but were maybe put off due to the weather.

On our way home, just out of Braidwood we came across John Senior parked on the side of the road waiting for the NRMA to attend. As John, Pam and Cathy had left Araluen before most of the group several members had stopped to offer assistance.

However John and Pam would like to thank Michael and Anne Toole very much for their generosity in taking Pam and Cathy home while John waited with the car. This is another example of the comradeship displayed by our club members. Once the patrolman arrived, he fixed the small problem of a wire becoming disconnected from the battery to

the engine in a short time and John had no further trouble.

Thanks to all who attended, all seemed to enjoy the outing and drive and the 'rain events' seemed to add to the quality of the day, no-one would deny that the rain was most welcome. *Thanks Jan.*



Araluen Hotel.

Berry's Hillman Husky which Chris drove right up under the awning to pick up Irene.



Members enjoying a good chat before lunch.



Roger and Barbara Phillips' 1959 Cadillac ; Murray Mules' 1953 Mercedes and Senior's 1956 Humber.

Geoff and Joan Pritchard and their 1972 MGB

TAKEN FROM THE ACT GOVERNMENT WEBSITE

Guidelines for use of ACT Concessionally Registered Vehicles

These guidelines have been developed by the Council to clarify the obligations expected of the owner/driver of a vehicle registered under the ACT Concessional Registration Scheme.

In granting the concession, the ACT Road Transport Authority requires the Council to ensure that the spirit of the concession is observed and that a system of self-regulation operates through the clubs affiliated with the Council. These guidelines fulfil part of that requirement.

Purpose of Concession

The purpose or spirit of the concession, granted by the ACT RTA, is to provide a registration scheme that enables older vehicles, which are used on a limited basis by their owners as a recreation or hobby, to be maintained in a fit and roadworthy condition and to be driven on Australian roads in a way consistent with their recreational or hobby status. Such a scheme is paramount in preserving Australia's automotive heritage.

To provide this capability ACT RTA has identified three main categories of use under the concession:

- a) Events organised or approved by clubs affiliated with the Council;
- b) Occasional test runs of up to a 40 km radius; and
- c) Specific occasions not related to Club use (see page 7—*here page 16*) when permission is first obtained from the appropriate club Registrar.

Logbooks

As the owner of a concessionally registered vehicle your first responsibility (after ensuring that your vehicle is roadworthy) is to obtain a logbook and use it to keep an up-to-date record of all occasions when your vehicle is on the road.

This logbook record serves two purposes:

- a) It is a requirement of the concession granted by the ACT RTA.
- b) It provides a record of when and where you have used your concessionally registered vehicle.

Note: In the event that you are challenged the logbook can be produced to substantiate the use of the vehicle.

Entries in the logbook should indicate:

- a) The type of run you have undertaken and the distance travelled (where an odometer is fitted to the vehicle); and
- b) A record of the total annual mileage of your vehicle.

Maximum Usage

For a vehicle to be used in a manner consistent with the spirit of the concession, it has been determined that the maximum distance travelled within the ACT should not exceed 3000kms or 2000 miles annually. This is consistent with the level of third party insurance premiums paid each year under the concession.

Maximum Usage related to the Average Annual Usage, which under all normal circumstances is the most you would likely do within the ACT each year. The Council regards such Maximum Usage criteria as the 'Dividing Line' between normal Full Registration and Concessional Registration.

Note: It is important to recognise that if you expect to cover annual distances consistently greater than 3000kms or 2000 miles in the ACT, you should not register your vehicle under this concessional registration scheme.

Major Rallies

The Council recognises that if you use your vehicle on a major event (such as a national or an international rally) in Australia, the maximum mileage could easily be exceeded. In these cases such occasional usage falls within the spirit of the concession.

Club Events

Any event organised or approved by an affiliated Club constitutes a club event. In normal circumstances, the event should be advertised in your Club's newsletter or magazine, but an impromptu event involving more than one vehicle may also qualify. In this latter case, the event should be recorded in your logbook. Club events are not confined to the ACT.

Test Runs

The purpose of allowing test runs of up to a 40km radius under the concession is to provide a satisfactory mechanism for you to run your vehicle frequently enough to maintain it in anticipation of usage (i.e. battery charged, fuel and oil levels adequate, tyres correctly inflated etc.) and to satisfy you that it continues to be roadworthy (i.e. brakes, steering, lights, etc. are working efficiently).

The Council has determined that there are two aspects to usage under the test run category. These are:

- a) Mechanical – where you use your vehicle specifically to test its mechanical state or in order to have work done on the vehicle; and
- b) Private – where as part of your program of keeping your vehicle roadworthy you use the vehicle for some private purpose such as a recreational outing or a visit to friends.

Other Occasions

There are other specific occasions when you are required to seek your Club's approval before using your vehicle. Normally these occasions are where you use your vehicle to participate in some community, charity or non-Club event. In these cases it is important that the Club is aware of your involvement and you should advise the relevant details to the Club's registrar.

Concessionally Registered Vehicle used for Hire or Reward

If you wish to use your concessionally registered vehicle for purposes of hire or reward, such as for weddings, school formal (or similar functions) it is important that you familiarise yourself with the relevant Road User Services requirements (including issue of permits and fees payable).

Commuting

Concessional registration does not allow a vehicle to be used for commuting purposes. The Scheme does not provide a low-cost alternative to full or normal registration and it is not designed to meet your essential transport requirements.

The Council is concerned that any usage of a concessionally registered vehicle outside the spirit of the Scheme could bring the Scheme into disrepute, leading to the possible withdrawal of the concession.

The Council and its affiliated clubs will maintain a continuing watch on this particular issue and clubs may be asked to justify and substantiate (through logbook entries) the use of concessionally registered vehicles.

Position of Council

The Council's position is that the use of your vehicle under the concessional registration scheme is acceptable if:

- a) You are operating within these guidelines; and
- b) Your club is prepared to support you.

RUS has granted a realistic concession for the use of Veteran, Vintage and Historic vehicles. As the name implies, it is a "concession" granted at the ACT RTA's discretion. It is up to you not to bring this concession into disrepute by operating outside the guidelines.

Remember it is not your right and it is not only your concession, as many other people and clubs will register vehicles under its terms. All club members should depend on each other to observe these guidelines and to keep within the spirit of the concession.

EDITOR'S SUGGESTIONS

It looks like things are tightening up and we are on notice to do the right thing so as to not jeopardise our CRS privileges.

If you are going on an away event specific to your vehicle make, ask Helen to list it in the Colonial so that you are covered.

Or if there is an local event to which you intend going and it is not listed in the Colonial, again contact Helen or whoever is Editor.

All excursions in CRS registered vehicles need to be either listed in the Colonial as an approved run, approved by the Club Registrar, or be a simple mechanical check or maintenance run.

This also applies to charity events which mainly Retreads members attend. Just get them listed.

And of course carry your Colonial with you in the vehicle. Those of you who receive it by email can print out the relevant pages to carry with you.

I think it is only courtesy to drop our Registrar an email (or phone him) to let him know why you are using your vehicle. If he gets a query through the Council, he then has the answer ready.

Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal.

Henry Ford.

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 make 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



SHARE THE PASSION

16 March 2014

**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



*Celebrating Motoring in Canberra
Supporting Technical Aid for the Disabled*

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
Mar 16	Richard Jackson 6254 2546	Shannons Wheels exhibition at Kings Park. Arrive from 8 am and before 9 am when spectators are expected. Best entrance for our cars is from Kings Avenue just after the Bridge coming from the south, left into Wendouree Drive. Our parking area will be near the Merchant Navy Memorial. Map will be at the March meeting. BBQ trailer will be there for tea or coffee. For those who wish to have their vehicle judged for an award, the entry form is inside front cover. See Wheels flyer page 19 and map inside back cover. The nominated charity is TADACT (Technical Aid to the Disabled ACT) and donations will be collected at entrance.
Apr 13	Alan Martin 6258 6841 Jan Wyatt 6286 1782	Alan Martin has again invited our club, along with several other clubs, to his "Drummoyne" property, Coolalie Road, Yass for the last time before he sells. 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. Meet at the War Memorial Kiosk café at 9.30 am for those who wish to have a coffee before departing at 10.30 am. There is parking underneath the café. More details to come on the planned run.
June 1	Jan Wyatt or any Events Committee member	Please note this is not a 'normal' date for a monthly event. We will visit Dave and Tora Bennett's home at Gunning. We will have another run in June as well. More details next month.
Jun 14-15		TBA

MORE "EXTRA EVENTS" ON PAGE 32

EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2014

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
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 from 10 am. Bendigo cars coming too.
Mar 21	Vin Liston 6241 1645 or David Wyatt 6286 1782	BBQ at the Cotter with members of the Bendigo Club who are visiting Canberra from 17-26 March. Retreads members to provide tour guides and escort to Cotter from Eaglehawk and others to cook. Offers of help to Vin or Jan. Retreads to also bring a salad or slice for lunch.
Sat Mar 22	Jan Wyatt 6286 1782	Community Street Fair on McMillan Cres, between St Edmunds and St Clare's. 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. 3.00 to 7.00 pm. Let Jan know if you are going to enough space can be set aside for our cars.
Mar 23	Kevin Sharp 6386 5136	Harden Historic Truck & Tractor Club Inc 1st Annual Truck & Tractor Show. Set up Saturday, show Sunday. Trucks, buses, fire engines, military vehicles, tractors. Area for classic cars, model trucks, quilting display, stalls. Rover parts garage sale same days.
Mar 30	Andrew 02 6021 9627	18th Annual Swap Meet, Jindera
Mar 30	Rick 0410 419 500	ACT Street Machine Show'N'Shine, Snowy Hydro Southcare Helicopter Base, Symonston. Entry fee \$50. Close 1 March
Mar 30		Auto Italia, Lawns of Old Parliament House. www.autoitaliacanberra.com Exhibitors from 8.30 am. Celebrating 100 years of Maserati. Maserati Mistral and Fiat 850 = 50 years. Pre registration would be appreciated.

JIMMY'S MOTOR VEHICLE

Bruce and Robyn Green

JMV-031 - The Victorian number plate that my Grandpa's Volvo 122s wore for almost all of its life. My grandpa's name was James, so his red 1966 Volvo 122s was fondly referred to by everyone as 'Jimmy's motor vehicle'. Pa owned JMV since almost new. He lived in Melbourne in the Eastern Suburbs (Bulleen) and used the car to traverse the city on a daily basis.

One of Pa's hobbies was antique furniture restoration. He was an absolute master with wood and I fondly remember watching him in his workshop working his magic with French polish and hand tools. One of the drawbacks of furniture restoration is the need to transport the pieces of work to and from the client. For Pa, his trusty 122S fulfilled this duty. It was not uncommon to see huge tables and chairs stacked on top of JMV as he travelled around town. I remember 'helping' him secure a load once. After he had put the thick padding on the roof, stacked the chairs and tables and commenced to throw ropes over the car, he professed that he could never own a car that didn't have handles like JMV – Big chrome pull handles, perfect for anchoring loads. He also had a knot system at the end of the rope so he could close the drivers door just above a particular knot as the final securing line for the load.

I recall a trip to the Zoo with Pa and my brothers many years ago. The back seat didn't come with seat belts, so Pa had anchored a rope across the seat that joined in the middle with a strong metal clasp. To be honest, it probably would have cut us in half if we had an accident, but he did take it to the RTA to get the tick of approval before transporting us. As we were driving home from the Zoo, there was an almighty BANG! I instantly thought we had run over a massive boulder or the engine had fallen out. After Pa's close inspection on the side of the freeway, it turned out that the exhaust system had separated from the manifold. It was a very noisy ride home and my parents heard us coming from miles away, but JMV still didn't let us down!

Pa maintained exceptional records on the vehicle, including every petrol fill up and the miles per gallon received. In the 80s, he did some engine upgrades and replaced the original B18 engine with a B20 (2 litre) with twin SU carbies. As you can imagine, being a daily drive and furniture transport, JMV racked up the miles over the years. An article in the Volvo Australia magazine stated that JMV had 560,000 kilometers under her belt in the mid 80s.

In the early 90s, Pa saved up and had some restoration work done on the old girl, which included repainting the roof and boot. Unfortunately less than a week after having this done, someone scratched across the freshly painted panels with a coin. This was devastating to Pa as he didn't have the money to have the panels painted again.

Later in his life, Pa would often drive to Canberra to visit us (taking naps on the side of the freeway on the way up) and also followed us over the Clyde Mountain once, drying his socks on the rear view mirror along the way.

As time passed, JMV was relegated to weekend duties and a beige Volvo 244 wagon was purchased to do the furniture transportation. I remember Pa saying that he still loved driving JMV much more, even though the 244 was a newer vehicle. For the last few years of his life, Pa was low on time and money, so cosmetic and non-essential maintenance of JMV was sadly put behind more important things, but Pa didn't sell her.

One of my last memories of Pa was visiting him at the East Kew palliative care facility a few weeks before he passed in 2006. We had visited him each day for a couple of weeks. It was clear that his memory was fading and he was definitely not his normal jolly self. On one of our last visits we brought JMV along. It felt strange driving Pa's car (for the first time), but when we wheeled Pa out the front, I'll never forget the smile on his face when he saw the front headlight and the red paint of JMV gleaming in the sunlight. Even though he was not remembering much at the time, he patted JMV on the side and said she was a reliable old girl.

My brothers, family and I could not even consider the possibility of selling JMV once Pa passed. We agreed to all share the costs of maintenance and upkeep and paid for a transport company to bring her to Canberra.

After we took ownership of JMV, the first item on the agenda was a good service. Having JMV in Canberra with all her character was just great: The way she 'brooms' into life as you turn the key; the ridiculously long floor mounted gear selector; the HUGE steering wheel that is well worn at the '10 to 2' position; the smell, the same smell it has had since we were kids; the view out the tiny windscreen across the shapely bonnet; the twin air horns - activated by the giant chrome centre ring on the steering wheel; Pa's tapes still in his specially designed case that hugs the transmission tunnel; the front seatbelt

buckles that almost snapped our fingers off as a child; the shapely profile; the excess of chrome; and the positive and friendly comments from people every time you pulled into a service station all contributed to our enjoyment.

Over the ensuing years, JMV was driven each weekend maintained and cared for, but it wasn't until recent years where we collectively had enough money to start restoring her to former glory! She was beginning to look a bit sorry for herself with very faded paint and some minor rust spots starting to appear. In May 2012 JMV received a full bare metal respray. The family got together and removed all the chrome trim and excess parts before she was taken away on a flat bed. David from KMF in Queanbeyan was given the task of restoring the brilliant red shine. I remember David commenting on some small dents on certain chrome trim parts around the roof, possibly caused by hail damage. I mentioned that they added character and were a result of years of furniture transportation!

Of course, the JMV-031 identity had to be retired with the move to Canberra, and thanks to Alec and the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club, she now wears shiny new ACT Historic Plates.

Future plans include an interior restoration and eventually, when required, some engine reconditioning. After all these years and miles, she still starts first go each weekend.

I realise these words appear to be more about Pa and his ownership of the car than a restoration story, but to us, Pa IS the story behind the car and his memory lives on through the smile JMV gives us all every time we hear her chugging up the road.

JAMES REDDING, BAIRNSDALE, VIC: 1966 RED 122 4 DR



Originally optioned with a column shift, this 560,000 km Volvo now has a gear-stick on the floor. Engine ungraded to a B20. Mr Redding: "During my fifteen years of ownership, two words would describe the car very aptly: 'Utterly reliable.'"



YARRALUMLA NURSERY CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

The year 2014 is the 100th anniversary of the Yarralumla Nursery in Weston Park.

To celebrate the centenary the ACT Heritage Council will be conducting a display day at the nursery on Sunday 6 April and car club members are invited to bring their vehicles to the Old English Garden section of the nursery.

To help publicise the event Graham Gittins invited Alan Martin Studebaker, Ken Walker Austin 7, Bob Garrett Hudson and Roy Bendall Model T Ford to help with a photo shoot in February.

Hanging in the Dispatch office of the nursery is a large photograph of a either a Wolseley or Humber motor car of around 1914 vintage, but the photograph was taken in 1920.

The idea was to re-create the image with the same building in the background. Several photographers attended the shoot from National Trust and the ACT Heritage Unit.

Manager of the nursery David Doherty corralled all his staff for a photo with the Model T Ford in front of the building. Images were taken by several people and then it was Graham's turn to take some photos of the cars and people.

No doubt some of the images will be seen in various publications in the ACT promoting the display day on 6 April.

Any car club members who would like to put their vehicles on display should contact Graham Gittins 0419 249 109 or email: gittins@iinet.net.au

There is no restriction on country of manufacturer but all vehicles must be registered and at least 30 years old.

Thanks Graham





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.

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Contacts.

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See story page 26—staff at Yarralumla Nursery with Roy Bendall's Model T Ford.



CACMC member Graham Gittins receiving his Volunteer of the Year certificate from former National Trust (ACT) President Eric Martin. Graham won the award for his work on the National Trust Centenary of Canberra Rally.

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Thanks Helen, as this may suit a member in the Club.

Regards Alec

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April 5th and 6th

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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 non-standard 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
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 4	Jan Wyatt 6286 1782	Collector Village Pumpkin Festival 10 am to 3 pm. Parking of vehicles from 9 am. Entry is free if we RSVP with an approximate number by April 26, so names to Jan. Otherwise \$5 per person. www.pumpkinfestival.com.au
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
Sep 7	Joan Collins 6942 1496 John Collins 0428 421 496	23rd Fathers Day Swap Meet, Cootamundra Showground, Pinkerton Road. Gates open 6.00 am. Entry \$5. Food and refreshments on sale by Riding for the Disabled.
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/

THANKS GENTS

A belated thank you to the Retreads members who came to Goodwin Monash to give residents a look at their cars and for those who wished, a ride. One resident Alma was so excited as she was born in 1929 and was riding in a 1929 Hudson.

Thanks to Jim Crane for organising.

Helen.

Taken in front of David Harper House, our residential care facility.



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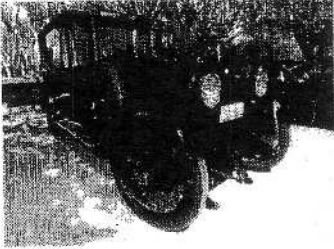
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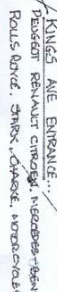
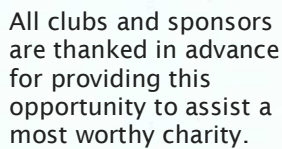
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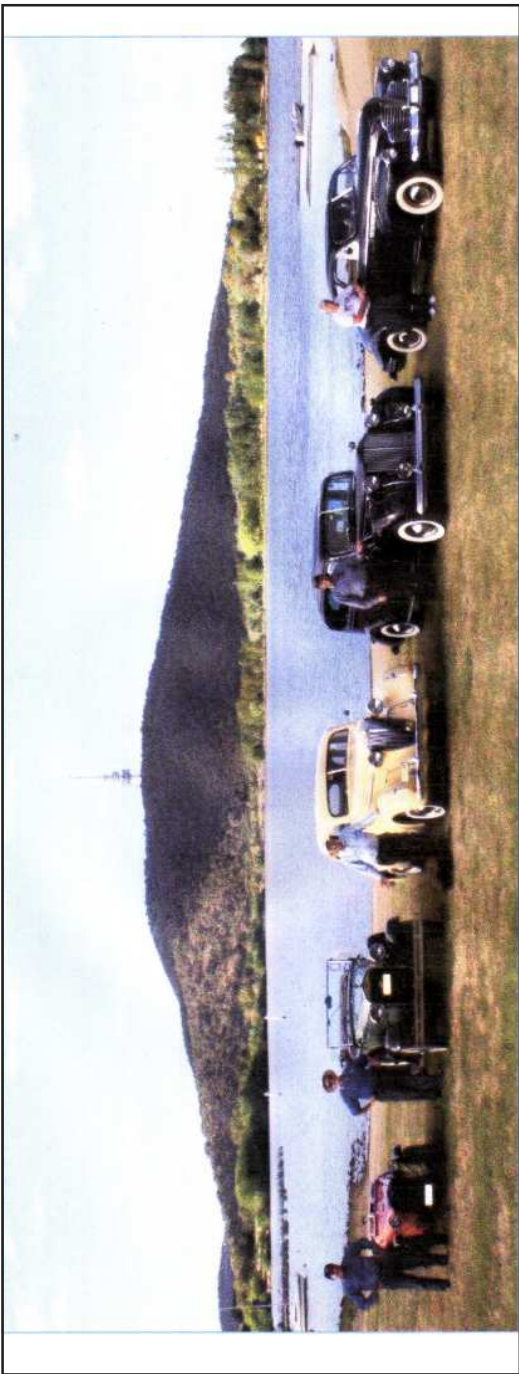
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