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1957 Bentley Mulliner Continental Fastback of Rob Swain

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EDITOR'S PAGE

Thank you to those who provided articles for this month. Special thanks to Rob Swain for the story on his Bentley and two further articles about his grandmother and grandfather. Look forward to more stories on your restoration, your first car or another favourite car you once owned. Someone even promised a story on their model cars. Brian McKay has given me a story on a car he once owned. Michael Catanzariti's story on his attendance at Muscle Car Masters will be in next month also.

Week Day Social Lunches
Friday 6th July and then every first Friday of the month.
Sandwich lunch 12 noon at the Southern Cross Club, Woden.

Friday, 20th July lunch run to the Mawson Club, Heard Street, Mawson opposite the Southands shops. Park at back of club. Alec will sign us in. Seniors lunch available.
Enquiries to Alec McKernan on 6286 1046

A longer drive for lunch—last Thursday of the month, ie next run 26th July 2018. The meeting point is at the McDonald car park in Queanbeyan at 10.00am for 10.30 am departure to travel along the Sutton Road to Sutton Bakery for morning tea or coffee. Thence to Gundaroo for a pizza lunch. Small pizzas are $14 each and are enough for one person.
Grahame Crocket Phone 0439 732 107 grahame.crocket@outlook.com

Keep Well
To all those members battling ill health, please get well soon.

Sympathy
Our sympathy to Kay and Gerry Walker on the death of Kay's Mother in Brisbane.
Also to Bob Judd on the death of his mother also in Qld.
Both these mothers lived a good life into their 90s.
I hadn't made note of Lionel Moore's death in February. His nephew rang to say his Jeep was donated to the War Memorial. They wanted it because it had seen service in New Guinea and Korea. And did you see report in the Canberra Times: Lionel donated the proceeds of his house in Watson to Camp Quality. It brought $761,000. Tacky that the buyers had to report in the paper there they were going to knock it down and rebuild.

Membership renewals
Membership fees are payable by 30th June to keep your registration legal. Renewals were included in the June Colonial, except for e-Colonial people whose I posted. Single membership $45; Family $50. Joining fee $40.

Cheers, Helen

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING - 12th JUNE 2018

Attendance

Members 59
Visitors 1
Apologies 6

Welcome
President John Senior welcomed members and guest to the June 2018 meeting. The President requested all present to stand for a minutes silence in memory of the late Club life member Ollie Walker.

John then introduced the guest speaker.

Guest Speaker
Chris Collins from the Beyond Bank gave a presentation on Estate Planning.

Confirmation of the Minutes
The Minutes of the May General Meeting were confirmed without amendment. Moved Ken Walker Seconded Ray Gallagher Carried
There was no business arising from the Minutes.

Correspondence
IN
Magazines
Cowra, Chrysler Restorer, Parkes x2, Orange, Cootamundra
Membership Renewal - Graham Evans
Thank You email from Joe Vavra.
Copy of email from Helen Philips to Gerry Walker overseas to pass on our sympathy on Kay Walker's Mother Passing.
OUT
Get Well Cards to Phil Donoghoe and Joe Vavra
Moved Roger Amos Seconded Helen Phillips Carried

Presidents Report
John will be away for the next two months.
Seek member's support of the 50th Anniversary Presentation dinner 1 September 2018 at the Ainslie Football Club Function Centre.

For Vice President – Roger Amos
Lucky Badge draw # 39 Roger Amos.
Last Run #14 Ian Hooley.

Treasurers Report Bob Judd
Current bank balance $3268:46.
Reminded members that June is membership renewal time.
Nothing unusual to report on financials for the month.
Moved Bob Judd Seconded: Waine Summerfield Carried

Editor Helen Phillips
Thanked Dave Byers, Keith and Lilly for the extra work in putting the membership renewal forms in the Colonials this month. Has had some luck with getting stories from members, thank you.

Events Director Ian Hooley
Sunday 17 June
Breakfast at Ivy and the Fox Restaurant in the grounds of the ANU
Then to Phillip Head Service at 10.30am. Numbers needed.
Sunday 17 June
Battle of Waterloo Queanbeyan Park, if raining alternative location to be advised.
July 15th
Back way to Hall for visit to Hall School House Museum.
August 19th
The Forge at Cuppacumbalong.

Raffle
Ticket #43 Colin Borg.

Supper Coordinator Darron Kavanagh
All is well.

Registrar Bob **Alexander**
Quiet month. Received a telephone call from lady owner of a Morris Minor claiming repairs to the engine would cost $5000.
Sixteen vehicles inspected for the month.

Librarian Joe Micallef
Six books donated by John Senior
One from Brian McKay
Don't forget to visit the trading table.

Membership Report
No report

Shop Manager Norm Brennan
Chambray shirts, badges, Register of Members for $2
Windscreen banners should be available at the next meeting.

Information Officer David Wyatt
Magazines and for sales on the table.

Council Delegate Report Roger Amos
May Council Meeting Report
Pie Cart back in action and available for use.
A Memorandum of Understanding has been completed regarding change to CRS and has been sent to RTA.

Council are asking Clubs to report on how many club members likely to change from Full Rego to Modified 60 day Scheme. Only 2 present tonight.
Public Relations
AHMF Rally in Albury 2020. Volunteers required for the Event.
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST to Council by June 21.
$50 per vehicle + accommodation + $100 per person
There will be eight or nine constitutional Changes for voting at the AGM required from Council Review.

Changes have been made to the Council By-laws:

New categories of Membership –	(1 – 49)	$40
And Membership Fees	(50 – 149)	$75
	(150 +)	$200

Council Membership payable by 30 June 18
Proposing to pay for Web Site driving.
A Club required to organize Wheels 2019

Publishing Committee Dave Byers
All is well.

Rally Business
Graham Gittins gave a report on the very successful tour to the NSW South Coast organised by Grahame Crocket.

General Business

Joe Micallef
Thanked club members who helped with the BBQ for the Parkes Motor Club visit
Morrie Lonnie
Looking for an older qualified Panel Beater

Dave Rogers
As a follow on from Chris Collins presentation Dave advised where the will is a simple transfer to the surviving relative or a vehicle has been bequeathed to a specific person, to transfer the registration, all that is required is a copy of the will and the death certificate and the RTA at the shopfront will do the transfer. The only other way is to wait until the court grants probate and this can take some months.

Roger Amos
Phil Donoghoe, immune deficiency disease, is on the mend.
Jim Clough's hip is worse than ever. His Chrysler is going to Brisbane with this son.

John Senior
Welcomed those new members listed in the June Colonial.
Craig and Jennifer Keogh with a 1962 Chrysler Valiant
Anthony de Salis with a 1929 Chrysler 65 has rejoined.

Bob Judd
Still has a heap of new member's name badges.

Andrew McLean
Hudson in line six motor.

Bob Alexander
Mid 60s Dodge Kingsway engine free to good home.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm
Graham Gittins
Minute Secretary

June guest speaker with President John:
Chris Collins from the Beyond Bank gave a presentation on Estate Planning and answered many questions. The strangest fact was that someone's wishes listed on his iPhone were accepted as his will by a court of law.

COWRA RUN

Joe Micallef is organising this and dates are 3 to 7 September. One night at a motel in Oberon and visit Mayfield Gardens then to Cowra for four nights. 10 cabins booked.
Joe Micallef email: jvpe@iinet.net.au or phone 0414 402 275

ANNIVERSARY RALLY TO TASMANIA

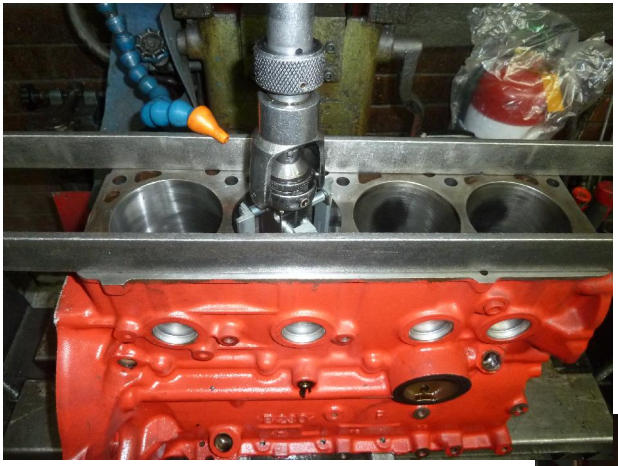
There was great early support for this Rally but the number has been whittled down since the expressions of interest. But there are still enough to get a discount for a group.
The planned start date is Thursday 8 November 2018, with a duration of 3 weeks. The Tasmanian Tourist Bureau will help organise the travel arrangements. Before they went overseas, Gerry and Graham firmed up bookings for those travelling on the Spirit of Tasmania.
Gerry Walker 0408 217 001 or email: cpawag5150@tpg.com.au or Graham Waite 0412 627 437 or email: graham.waite@iinet.net.au

Vale Ollie Walker
Foundation and Life Member.

Some of the dozen or so members who attended Ollie Walker's funeral on 1st June. There was a contingent from the Veteran & Vintage motorcycle club too.

JUNE CLUB RUN TO PHILLIP HEAD SERVICES, PHILLIP

One clean and three to go.



This one intrigued me—it is for cleaning parts. You should have seen the parts on the bench—pristine.

This machine below purchased more than 20 years ago must have caused a bit of friction. Brian's wife wanted a new house and that's what this cost in those days. But it has well and truly paid for itself.

Part of the group of members who attended the run.

The workshop was lovely and warm. It is heated by using sump oil.

Brian McKay asking what Brian thought about Model A motors. Brian was smiling as he said they were easy to work on.

Young Beau helped out on the day. He is 6 months out of his apprenticeship.

MONTHLY RUN 17TH JUNE 2018

Thanks to Ian Hooley for organizing the run to Phillip Head Services. Proprietor Brian McLachlan explained that his father started the business 41 years ago. His father had trained at Berco and was running their business in Phillip. When Berco decided to close the business, Brian's father started his own as he had built up quite a clientele. Brian has six employees at present. He said that by the end of the year, businesses in Canberra who do the sort of work they do, will be down to four.

ATTENDEES AT THE JUNE RUN

1. Ian Hooley Cressida
2. Darron Kavanagh Thunderbird
3. Alec & Anne McKernan Modern
4. Phil and Fay Cancillier 70 Buick
5. Carole Douglas Modern
6. Virginia and Jim Patterson Modern
7. Karl Maftoum Lanchester
8. Helen Phillips Modern
9. Keith Carswell Modern
10. Lilly Carswell Modern
11. Andrew McLean Modern
12. Brian McKay
13. Bob Alexander Modern
14. Clive Castles Olden ?
15. Bob Garrett Hudson
16. Joan Glover Modern
17. Michael Toole VB Commodore
18. Chris Berry and friend Vogue
19. Dave Byers 72 Van den Plas
20. Graham Bigg BMW
21. Garry Cope 1965 Cortina
22. Simon Borg and son 1985 Datsun 1200 ute
23. There was also a guest whose name I could not decipher.

And the prize goes to Bob Garrett for driving his Hudson that cold day!! Most of us chickened out and came modern.

There is an advertisement for Phillip Head Services on page 35 if you wish to get in contact with the business.

Apologies to Ian for so few attending his breakfast before the workshop visit. Perhaps you could have a breakfast at a time like that when the weather is hot!

Helen
Sorry I didn't take any photos outside of cars.

A Poem for old gits

I remember the cheese of my childhood
and the bread that we cut with a knife.
When the children helped with the housework,
and the men went to work, not the wife.

The cheese never needed a fridge
and the bread was so crusty and hot.
The children were seldom unhappy
and the wife was content with her lot.

I remember the milk from the bottle,
with the yummy cream on the top.
Our dinner came hot from the oven,
and not from the fridge; in the shop.

The kids were a lot more contented,
they didn't need money for kicks.
Just a game with their mates in the road
and sometimes the Saturday flicks.

I remember the shop on the corner,
where a pen'orth of sweets was sold.
Do you think I'm a bit too nostalgic?
Or is it....I'm just getting old?

I remember the 'loo' was the lavvy
and the bogey man came in the night.
It wasn't the least bit funny
going "out back" with no light.

Hung on a peg in that loo,
were interesting items to view,
from newspapers cut into squares.
It took little to keep us amused.

Dirty clothes were boiled in the copper,
with plenty of rich foamy suds.
But the ironing seemed never ending
as Mum pressed everyone's 'duds'.

I remember the slap on my backside
and the taste of soap if I swore.
Anorexia and diets weren't heard of
and we hadn't much choice what we wore.

Do you think that bruised our ego?
or our initiative was destroyed?
We ate what was put on the table
and I think life was better enjoyed.

But a huge fact not hereto mentioned
in this mushy tale of nostalgic rejoice,
is the reason we all "enjoyed" our lot
Was that we had NO BLOODY CHOICE

Thanks to John Senior.

Thanks everyone for the response lately to my plea for articles for the Colonial. Have some left over I couldn't fit in this month. So keep up the good work. If you are a new member, how about sending a photo of your car. It's one way to get a conversation started as someone with an interest in that make will surely come to talk to you about it.

I'd love some more old photos like the one of Roger's when he was a baby. Unfortunately I do not have any of my own as I don't think anyone had a camera. But there were plenty came forth when my daughter was Editor and put in baby photos and we had to guess who they were. Were you around then?

Get your membership paid asap if you have not already done so that your insurance and registration is legal.

And remember if you are a single member and want to bring your partner to the Presentation Night you will need to pay an extra $22 for him/her.

Club presentation and 50th anniversary dinner
Ainslie Football Club Function Centre
1 September 2018
6.30pm to 11.30pm

This is a special night to celebrate the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club's 50th anniversary. It will also be the club's annual presentation dinner.

Enjoy a three course meal in the company of club friends.

Drinks at bar prices.

Dress: Smart casual/ Best dress

Ticket price for club members will be generously subsidised by the club committee and will be on sale at the July and August meetings at $30 per head, $52 for non members. Pay at the club meeting, or by direct bank transfer.

Direct Deposit to CACMC at Commonwealth Bank

BSB 06 2900 Account 2802 2621

(notify the Treasurer by email bob.judd@bobrick.net.au)

Special guest speaker: Nathan Pharaoh, the Large Technology Conservator from the National Museum of Australia.

Please return all perpetual trophies not later than the club general meeting in July.

MONTHLY RUN - 19TH AUGUST 2018

August 19 Run – Tharwa Valley Forge at Cuppacumbalong, 21 Naas Road, Tharwa

Meet at Cooleman Court car park near McDonalds on Namatjira Drive from 0900 am.

Depart 0920 for Tharwa via Uriarra Crossing, Uriarra Rd, Brindabella Rd, Cotter Rd, Paddy's River Rd [Tourist Drive 5] and then Tidbinbilla Rd to Cuppacumbalong at Tharwa.

Arrive and park in grounds of Tharwa Valley Forge at Cuppacumbalong.

1030 am, do a tour of the knife and blade making at the Forge with Karim Haddad.

If it is a nice day we will take the BBQ trailer and have a BBQ lunch, tea / coffee after the tour in the grounds at Cuppacumbalong.

We are limited to 30 people for the tour so you must book by contacting Brett by 8 pm on Thursday 16 August.

There is no limit to numbers if you wish to do the drive to Tharwa, forego the tour, and then make your own arrangements.

Contact: Brett 0423 089 429 or brett.goyne@grapevine.com.au

REMEMBER

If you had your car judged at Wheels for one of three awards which were the only ones judged this year, you need to use it on three Club events, so two more after Wheels, in order to be eligible for an award.

MONTHLY RUN - 15TH JULY 2018
BEFORE CANBERRA: Hall via Sutton

We'll take a country drive on roads that are older than Canberra, to a village that is older than Canberra but now part of Canberra's social and motoring history.

Local volunteers have offered to show us their excellent museum exhibits including historic machinery and an exhibition charting the social development of Hall from Ginninderra hamlet to the present day as a special part of the ACT's heritage.

0900 Assemble Defence carpark at Russell, enter eastward from near top of King's Avenue by foot of Bugs Bunny memorial.

0915 Depart for 50km mostly country drive via Moreshead Drive east, Pialligo Avenue, Sutton Road, East Tallagandra Lane, Mulligan's Flat Road, Horse Park Drive, Clarrie Hermes Drive, Barton Highway and Victoria St to Hall.

1030 Hall School Museum and Heritage Centre volunteers welcome us for morning tea/coffee and guided tours to excellent new exhibition of Hall and district development before and since Canberra was born, including many old artefacts and Men's Shed collection of vintage equipment and tools (gold coin donation invited).

Lunch available at 1882 pub or General Store Cafe in Hall, or further afield at Gold Creek.

CACMC member Peter Toet, a Hall resident, will also have a selection of his classic vehicles on display.

Find own way home.

The Museum would like an idea of numbers closer to the time, so please let me know if you plan to come on the Museum visit.

Contact: Richard Thwaites 0414 241 079 or
richard@thwaites.com.au

There is a different exhibit to the last time we were there and we didn't see in the Men's Shed last time. Ed

CACMC EVENTS CALENDAR—2018

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
15 July	Richard Thwaites 0414 241 079	BEFORE CANBERRA: Hall via Sutton 0900 Assemble Defence carpark at Russell, enter eastward from near top of King's Avenue by foot of Bugs Bunny memorial. 0915 Depart for 50km mostly country drive to Hall. 1030 Hall School Museum and Heritage Centre Lunch available at 1882 pub or General Store Cafe in Hall, or further afield at Gold Creek. Full details are on page 19.
19 Aug	Brett Goyne 0423 089 429	Tharwa Valley Forge at Cuppacumbalong, Tharwa 0900 am Meet at Woolie's Cooleman Court car park near McDonalds on Namatjira Drive 0920 Depart for Tharwa via Uriarra Crossing, Uriarra Rd, Brindabella Rd, Cotter Rd, Paddy's River Rd [Tourist Drive 5] and then Tidbinbilla Rd to Cuppacumbalong at Tharwa. Arrive and park in grounds of Tharwa Valley Forge at Cupacumbalong. 1030 am, do a tour of the knife and blade making at the Forge with Karim Haddad. Full details on page 18.
1 Sep	Brett Goyne 0423 089 429	Club presentation and 50th anniversary dinner Ainslie Football Club Function Centre. $30 per head for members. $52 non members. See page 17.
9 Sept		The Annual President's Run will be on Sunday 9 September. Please note this is the Sunday **before** the Club Meeting. Meet at Dickson Woolie's Carpark from 1030, depart 1100. A short surprise run including some back roads to a lovely, reasonably-priced lunch destination.

EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2018

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
14 July		Rotary Club of Canberra Burley Griffin charity ball. 1920s theme. Bob Garrett will represent the Club in his Hudson
15 July	Wendy 0428 223 428	Wagga Wagga Swap
12 Aug		Sydney Classic Eastern Creek, Sydney Motorsport Park
2 Sept		Cootamundra Fathers' Day Swap Meet In addition, I would like to draw your Club's attention to the fact that we are holding a historic vehicle display in the centre of the showground to complement the Swap Meet. Your Club would be most welcome to attend. Those interested could contact me directly by email or on 02 6942 7495, or just turn-up on the day ! Very best wishes, *Hugh McMinn* President, Cootamundra Antique Motor Club
15-16 Sept	George 0422 560 810	Orange Spring 2 day Swap Meet at Orange Showground.
23 Sep		All British Day, Kings School, Sydney
23-30 Sep	Brian Kelleher	Chrysler Restorers Club Spring Tour www.chryslerclub.org.au
29-30 Sep		Pambula Motorfest
30 Sep		Bay to Birdwood for vehicles built before 31 Dec 1959
30 Sep	6852 3001	Forbes Motor Show, 10 am to 2 pm at South Circle Oval www.forbesmotorshow.com.au
2-7 Oct	Margaret 08 8532 2908	25th Australian National Model A Ford Meet Murray Bridge SA.
5-7 Oct		MG TYme event central Rydges Capital Hill Hotel on Canberra Ave, Forrest

See also page 32 for more events

1957 Bentley Mulliner Continental Fastback
Rob Swain

I was lucky enough to grow up in my teens in the UK on a 100 acre farm, which was intensively cropped. I missed a lot of school in the summer with harvesting activities, driving a combine harvest (header) from 12 years old. Prior to this, my mother and father owned a dairy and were also very much involved in vintage vehicles. My father and mother both had a passion for vintage Bentleys. They owned, or should I say built 3 from spare parts. Of note, my mother's father and mother were John Bolster (Autosport co-founder, motoring journalist and builder of the "Bloody Mary") and Barbara Skinner. Barbara's father was Carl Skinner, the managing director of Skinners Union (SU) Carburettors.

My father's favourite commuting car was a pre-war Riley, named "Wobbily". The Bentleys were "Mr B" – an enclosed 4 ½ litre saloon with an early 1950's full body, Ajax, a heavy crank 4 ½ which had a very light aluminium and fibreglass body weighing under 40kg with only two seats, which my father built for my mother from spare parts to do hill climbs, and lastly Hercules – another 4 ½ that my father built with a green Vanden Plas styled bodywork and long mudguards with running boards.
Our daily transport around the farm and to take me to school was a Willy's Jeep.

They also owned a Harley WLA 750 and a couple of Vincents.

In the early 1970's, my father found the Mulliner Continental (Conti). It was advertised at a very cheap price (about the same price as a Ford Cortina), mainly because of its history and a very poor respray. It was one of the only cars he had ever bought that was in working order (apart from a new 1971 Series 2A diesel Land Rover).

The Conti previously was an everyday driver, in all weathers. My father wax oiled the underneath to prevent further corrosion. He used it on occasional Sundays for picnic trips.

By the early 1980's my step mother had developed Rheumatoid Arthritis and struggled to get in and out of vehicles. My father with his engineering knowledge built a seat that electrically raised and slid out sideways with a

180 degree pivot once past the door, so that the individual could be easily transferred to a disability scooter. He also engineered a towbar for the back to load a disability scooter.

From the early 1990's the car was rarely used (possibly twice a year). In 2013 I was given the opportunity to acquire the vehicle from my father The challenges of organising a car to be internationally shipped at short notice were extreme. The car arrived in Australia and hit a barrage of customs issues and costs, including $750 to remove acorns from the back seat. At some point before the car was shipped, a squirrel had got through an open window and burrowed into the back seat to store its supply of acorns!

It eventually turned up on my doorstep in Canberra, however it would not fit in our garage. After getting turned down for planning permission on several occasions to change the garaging, we eventually bought a property out of town to store the amazing "Conti".

Some details about the car:

1957 Mulliner Bodied Continental
Aluminium Body (almost 600 KG's lighter than a Silver Cloud)
Chassis # BC14CH
4.9 straight six engine identical to a Rolls Royce Silver Cloud but with a much higher compression ratio

4 Speed automatic (3 speeds fingertip control)
It's one of 16 RHD and 24 LHD Mulliner Fastback Continentals (there are only 15 RHD Mulliner Continentals left with two in Australia)
The front brakes are not linked to the pedal, but are operated through a servo on the propshaft, as are the top shoes on the rear. Low speed manoeuvring with only bottom shoes is precarious.

Averages 15 MPG
The vehicle had 31,000 miles on the clock upon arrival – I have managed to cover 4,000 in 4 years

Recent Work completed:

- Rebuilt rear brake cylinders
- Rebuilt radiator
- New water pump
- New water pump hoses
- Rebuilt left hand rear shock absorber (adjustable)
- Installed manual electric radiator fan
- New plug leads, plugs, distributor cap and rotor button.

Future Planned work:

Full home restoration including: Restoration of wooden dashboard, strip back body to Aluminium and respray

Rob says the Bentley Continental is currently garaged for future generations.

2018 Battle of Waterloo – Queanbeyan Sunday 17th June

The "Battle of Waterloo" is organised by French and British marque clubs as close as possible to the anniversary of the 1815 Battle of Waterloo (18 June), at which Napoleon's armies were finally defeated by an alliance of British and German armies. In the local version, the "Battle" is decided non -violently by counting the numbers of vehicles that turn up on the day, British or French.

This year's Battle at Queanbeyan Park drew around a hundred vehicles, with a small majority of British cars claiming the victory. A rainy week and chilly winds on the day seem to have limited the numbers. Most participants had departed the field by midday, but the venue was a good one on the lawns under the trees, and participants and visitors had a good look at a range of interesting vehicles.

The British provided most of the heavy cavalry, in the form of Rolls, Jags, Armstrong Siddeleys and a Daimler (me), a small squadron of Triumphs and MGs, plus an extended flank of assorted Minis and a scattering of Morris Minors showing their usual perseverance. A bright red Jag XJS V12 contributed a threatening presence in the British reserve line, growling from time to time when poked by admirers.

The French side was represented mainly by Peugeots, many moderns, with the most interesting being a very original 403 wagon and a seductive finely-restored 404 coupe. A couple of tidy Renault 10s lurked in the back line, while a fine Citroen DS carried the flag assertively in the French front line. A shapely Citroen TA was seen arriving too late to affect the outcome of the battle. I was disappointed that no 2CVs had come out to support the Tricoleur, despite their famous durability.

The oldest veteran was a stately pre-war Vauxhall 4-cylinder in excellent condition. It was positioned on the far right flank of the British lines, where the French lines were closest. This might have been coincidence, but I was reminded that General Motors recently sold all their European brands, including British Vauxhall, to the French Peugeot corporation. Is Vauxhall now a French marque?

The Mayor of Queanbeyan, Tim Overall, turned up to award a personal choice prize (he chose a Bentley) and to demonstrate that Queanbeyan is keen to extend hospitality to car events that, these days, are finding ACT venues complex to negotiate.

Let's hope the weather is kinder to next year's Battle of Waterloo.

Richard Thwaites *This was a good weather year Richard! Ed.*

CACMC 50th Anniversary tour to the NSW South Coast

The first major event to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the club was a trip down to the NSW south coast organised by Grahame Crocket.

Monday June 4
Five couples assembled at the Spotlight car park, Queanbeyan, one couple got the time wrong but caught up us with later in the morning. George and Aileen Sturgess joined us for lunch.

First stop was the Braidwood Bakery for morning tea then down to Tuross for lunch at Tuross Boatshed and Café. Then on to Narooma. Dinner was at the Narooma Golf Club. An early night was called for as we had to be at the Narooma Wharf at 7.30am next morning, to catch the cruiser to Montague Island.

Tuesday June 5
The party donned life jackets, a compulsory piece of equipment, as the cruiser had to cross the Narooma Bar to get to the island. The twenty minute crossing was rough in places but we all managed to keep our stomach contents from erupting.

As we cruised towards the island, we had a close up view of Australian and New Zealand fur seal colonies lazing on the rocky shore line. The two colonies do not fraternise.

Getting off the cruiser proved to be challenging, as there is no wharf on the island. We were met by the National Parks ranger, Kel Taylor who assisted us all to climb the ladder onto land without getting our feet wet. Kel was a mine of information and his informative stories of life on the island kept us amused through the morning. A walk from the landing to the light keeper's cottages was a little arduous. Walking on sponge like kikuyu grass is not the easiest walking and those of us a little less fit than others, struggled a bit to get up the hill, but a stop half way was welcomed.

The Montague Island lighthouse eventually came into view. Built of local interlocking granite blocks quarried on the island it was first commissioned in 1881 and is now fully automated. The lighthouse keeper's and the assistant lighthouse keeper's quarters are available for rent.

A welcome cup of tea was provided by the Kel before we climbed to the top of the lighthouse and admired the breath-taking 360 degree views. All agreed it was a very worthwhile visit.

Chris and Irene Berry and Heather Gittins chose not to go to the island, selecting instead to travel to Nerrigundah to view Const. Miles O'Grady monument, who was shot by bushrangers, and then on to the Mount Comon old gold mine at Nerrigundah, in the Damier State Forrest.

Dinner was at the Lynches Hotel. Early to bed after an exhilarating day in the fresh air.

Wednesday 6 June
We travelled to Merimbula via Tilba. While at Tilba, I realised I had left my notebook and mobile phone back at the motel. So back we went to collect them, which made us a little late for morning tea at the Cream Patisserie where the Vanilla Slice was a popular choice in Bermaqui before travelling to the Tathra Wharf café for lunch and then onto Merimbula for a two night stay.

Sue provided four sets of trivia quiz questions for entrants to try their memory and skill. Some of us found the questions quite difficult, while others breezed through the answers. No one was able to get all the answers correct, but all-in-all the quizzes made for a different style of happy hour. Dinner was at the RSL club.

Thursday 7 June
This was a free day with entrants doing their own thing, some chose to travel to Eden and visit the Killer Whale Museum which holds the Skeleton of 'Old Tom' a killer whale who herded humpback whales into Twofold Bay for the whale men to harpoon. His reward was the whale's tongue. The museum is first class and well worth a visit. Some entrants enjoyed a walk along the seven kilometre Merimbula Boardwalk.

Dinner was again at the RSL Club and some entrants stayed on to listen to the jazz band playing as part of the annual Merimbula Jazz Festival.

Friday 8 June
Up early and travelled to Pambula a short distance from Merimbula and paid a visit to the Sapphire Coast Historic Vehicle Club's clubhouse for morning tea before an inspection of Peter Learmont's vehicle collection and other club member's vehicles. The club boasts a membership of around 250 and is very proud of their achievements in building the Clubhouse complete with kitchen and dining room and two outbuildings which hold the vehicles.

Next stop was Cooma, via some very steep hills around Cobargo, then to Bemboka and up the Brown Mountain for lunch before heading for home.

The tour struck the right note of organised events and free time and Grahame Crocket and Susan Davies are to be congratulated for organising such a great four days. We thank them very much.

The Gittins travelled a total of 710 kilometres over the four days.

Those who made the trip were:

Graham Crocket and Sue Davies	1985 XJ-SC Jaguar
Ray and Anne Gallagher	1972 3 Litre Austin
George and Aileen Sturgess	1986 240GL Volvo
Chris and Irene Berry	1983 Toyota Crown
Brian O'Donnell and Wilma Cole	1978 Lincoln Continental town car
Clive and Marilyn Castles	1978 280E Mercedes Benz
Graham and Heather Gittins	2013 Nissan Pulsar

Thanks to Graham Gittins

On the boat to Montague Island.

The Ranger and the lighthouse on the Island.

Morning tea on Montague Island.

There are heaps more pictures and you will be able to see them at Presentation Night.

Peter Learmont at the Sapphire Coast Historic Vehicle Club's clubhouse

Chris and Ray at the Museum

Below:

Farewell dinner

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Joe has advised they are not needed for our library.

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Could you please let any member who has a passion for side valve Chrysler vehicles that I need to find a home for a complete 250Kew engine (from a mid-50s Kingsway I think) It is in my storage shed at the workshop in Mitchell and I definitely do not want it to have to go to scrap but I do have to clear out the place by December. It was a running engine when removed but has been in my shed for about 10 years.
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3. A CD for 1929 Plymouth U again easily emailed—free

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DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
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13 Oct	Allen Curtis 6862 5848	Parkes Antique Motor Club Swap Meet at Pioneer Park
Nov 3		Classic Yass at Banjo Paterson Park and River Bank Park, Yass www.classicyass.com
3-9 Nov	0408 641 642	The Tasmania Classic for sporting and classic cars
Nov 4		Canberra Swap 7 am—2 pm at EPIC
18 Nov		Marques in the Park
Dec 1		Terribly British Day
17-20 May 2019		Council of Heritage Motor Clubs NSW "Irrigation Wonderland Annual Rally" Griffith NSW griffithrally2019@gmail.com

HOW CAN YOU HELP THE CLUB?

You will have seen that Phil Donoghoe is not well, perhaps you can lend a hand on the Events Committee.

Could you do supper for a meeting once a year—doesn't have to be sponge cakes or the like, sandwiches always go down well or a bun loaf sliced up and buttered. Just something a bit more enticing than dry biscuits! Keep your dockets for reimbursement.

Is there someone out there who would like a turn as Editor? Perhaps "job share" - we could work around operations and holidays!! Helen.

Guidelines for the use of ACT Concessionally Registered Vehicles

The By-Laws are available on our club website for members to check if they are unsure of the rules.

Please, if your car is registered through our Club, advise the Registration Officer if you are going to use your vehicle for an event not advertised in the Colonial.

Bob Alexander phone 0417 880 064
or by email: rjacgs@hotmail.com

OR

Think ahead and get your event listed in the Colonial. Attendance at charity events is NOT exempt from the rules and you must get it listed in the Colonial. Remember this also applies if you are going to an event with a one make club you belong to, but your car is registered through CACMC.

Carry your Colonial with you or at least the relevant pages.

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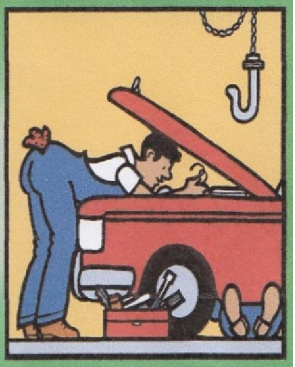

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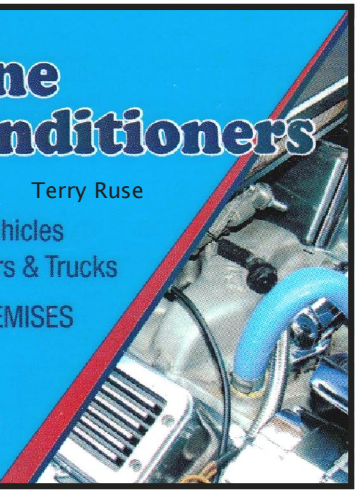

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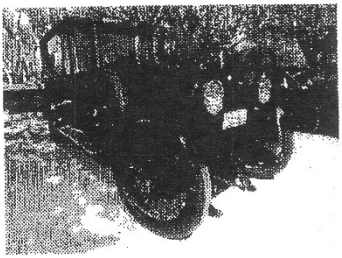

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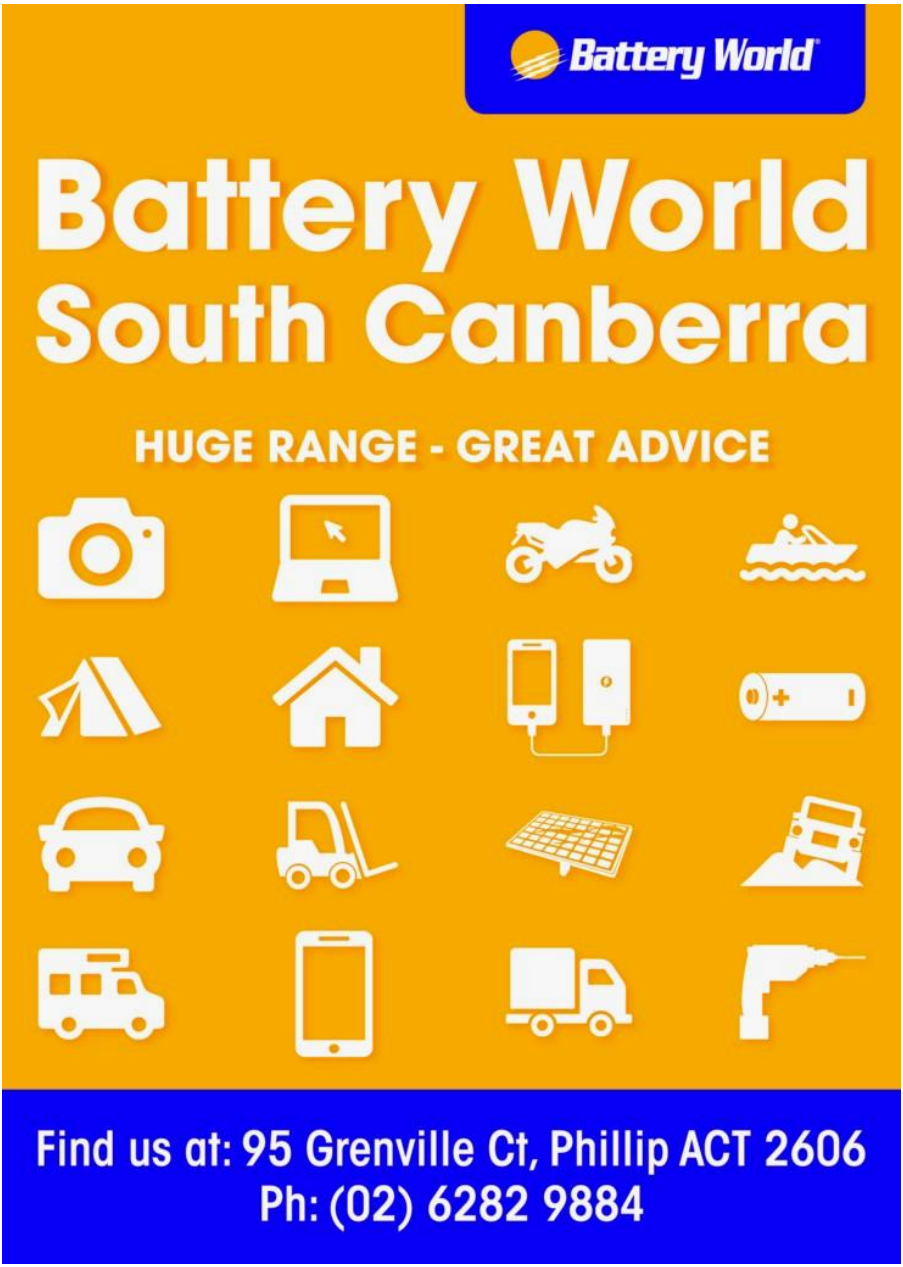
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SUNDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2018

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WHERE	Exhibition Park In Canberra (EPIC), Northbourne Ave entrance, (In Fitzroy & Mallee Pavilions at north end, behind Caltex servo)
SITES	150 indoor sites (3m x 3m) (some with power). $20 per site (includes entry for 1) - bookings essential. 200+ outdoor sites (5m x 5m), $15 per site (includes entry for 1) - no bookings. Set up from 12:00noon to 7:00pm Saturday 3rd November, or 6:00am Sunday 4th November. (Set-up is strictly Saturday & Sunday only)
ADMISSION	Adults $5, children under 12 free.
PARKING	Ample free parking available.
FOOD	Hot food and refreshments available Sunday on site.
BOOKINGS	For bookings and additional information Email: 2018swapmeet@vvcmcc.org Phone: 0428 697 105 (ah) or write to: The Swap Meet Organiser, VVCMCC ACT Inc PO Box 3127 Manuka ACT 2603
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