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Bob and Dana Garrett

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## Shannons Wheels 2019

Looking down on our cars on display. Can we do better this year???



### **The 2020 ACT Seniors Week Expo will be held on Thursday 26 March**

Held from 10 am to 3 pm at Exhibition Park in Canberra and Expo brings together more than 120 exhibitors to inspire, inform and connect older Canberra residents to the groups, activities and organisations available to them.

The Expo is designed to showcase businesses and organisations, giving Canberra seniors information on:

- Lifestyle options
- Retirement and aged care advice and options
- Travel opportunities
- Investment ideas
- Government services
- Community links
- Social and leisure activities
- Health and fitness
- And more!

Brought to you by COTA ACT

*Graham Waite has asked for space for a dozen old cars on display. See page 21.*

**APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP ARE ON PAGE 18 OF THIS ISSUE.**

## **SHOP MANAGER**

Norm Brennan can order Club polo shirts, long sleeve chambray shirts and polar fleece vests/jackets or bucket hats with the Club logo.

- \* Check out Club badges and sew-on patches
- \* Large car badges for sale—still \$15
- \* Register of Members 2019 \$2
- \* 50th Anniversary badges - \$20

See p.40 and see Norm at a meeting or phone 0432 993 366

## **SUPPERS AT MEETINGS**

Mar - Gail Boate - helper wanted as Gail may be tooo busy on the night if a lot of new memberships come in.

Apr - 2 volunteers needed

May - Waine Summerfield and Jim Woods

June - VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

JULY - VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

AUGUST—Ray Gallagher and ?????

SEPT - Dave Byers and Bob Garrrett

OCT - Jim Crane and Joe Micallef

NOV - Alec McKernan and ??

Supper Coordinator is Virginia Paterson

Email: [virginia.patto@bigpond.com](mailto:virginia.patto@bigpond.com)

Phone Home: 6258 9293 Mobile: 0476 483 032

Reasonable expenses are reimbursed, keep receipts and claim from the Supper Co-ordinator. Please purchase two litres of milk.

Just a note for those providing suppers—it is only a light supper to have with a cuppa—not a meal thank you. The equivalent of one loaf of sandwiches and a couple of cakes will suffice. If all else fails a couple of family packets of biscuits will suffice.

## **CACMC MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Our financial year is 1 July to 30 June.

Membership fees are payable by 30 June.

Joining fee: \$40. Annual fee: Single \$45; Family \$50.

## EDITOR'S PAGE

Thank you to those who provided articles and photos for this month. If you attend a rally in your club car, how about bringing back a small report or at least some photos taken at the event to include your car.

Perhaps new members could send me a photo of their car(s) preferably with them in it as a way of getting known in the club. I like photos in Jpeg format.

### Week Day Social Lunches

Friday 6 March 2020 and every first Friday

Sandwich lunch 12 noon at the Southern Cross Club, Woden.



Friday 20 March 12 noon, lunch run to the Burns Club, Kett Street, Kambah. I will wait at the desk to sign non members in. Contact is Helen Phillips on 6292 9345 as Graham will be on leave.

A longer drive for lunch—last Thursday of the month, 26th March. Meet 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.  
Grahame Crocket 0439 732 107.

### Keep Well

To all those members battling ill health, please get well soon. Please contact the Secretary and let him know of any member not well, or having a special birthday or about the death of any member.

### Our Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to Ray and Anne Gallagher on the death of their daughter-in-law Fiona at age 47.

**Commiserations** to those members whose cars were damaged in that freakish hail storm which streaked through a part of Canberra. There were stories of hail going straight through laserlite carports. Any photos you want to share?

### Shannons Wheels 2020

Big day coming up on Sunday. Hope to see lots of you there.

I have only heard of one member, Richard, going to the AHMF rally in Albury. Anyone else going?

See you Tuesday. Cheers, Helen

## DRAFT MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING—11 FEBRUARY 2020

### Attendance

Members	76
Visitors	6
Apologies	2

**Welcome:** President, John Senior, welcomed members and visitors to the February 2020 meeting.

### Guest Speaker

Vice President Graham Waite introduced guest speaker Glen Allardyce, of the Fyshwick business Auto Paint Supplies who answered member's questions about automobile painting.

### Presentation of an OBE

The President presented an Over Bloody Eighty medallion, certification a label badge to club member Richard Stubbs.

### Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the January 2020 general meeting were confirmed without amendment. Moved Ray Gallagher Seconded Ian Hooley **Carried**  
There was no business arising

### CORRESPONDENCE - David Fox IN

CBA Term Deposits X2

CBA Cheque Statement

Ball Joint Doctor advert.

Invitation from Cootamundra Club - 2020 Get-Together SW Slopes of NSW car clubs - Sun 28 March

Shannon's Auction 17 Feb,

BBQ trailer Registration.

Letter from Sapphire Coast wanting to exchange magazines electronically

### Newsletters

Cowra, Yass, Central Coast; Illawarra; Parkes, Goulburn X 2; Gundagai X 2; Central Coast; Dubbo; Parkes X2; Wollongong X 2; Chrysler X2, Milton Ulladulla.

### Membership Renewals

Tony Sarri.

**Magazines via Email:** Cootamundra (Jan & Feb); Country Motor (issues 20 & 21 & 22); MG Tappet Chatter; Model A; Bega.

## Membership Applications

Anna Kieltika - 84 Subaru

John Tuckey—Rochdale Mustard

Neil Bauer - 1848 Ford Mercury; 1965 Ford Mustang

## Membership Enquiries

Carla Blandford enquiry re status of her membership after the death of her father Nicholas Blandford.

Veronica Bates has 1961 Humber Series III, Super Snipe.

## Other Emails

Rutherglen Short Notice - Short Break Feb 21<sup>st</sup> – Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>..

Dec 2019 & Jan 2020 Retroautos weblink..

Countdown to the 2020 Searoad Devonport Motor Show- 22<sup>nd</sup> March 20.

Muscle up machines n caffeine 4.30 to 7.30 Saturday 22 February in the Good Guys car park Fyshwick

Shannon's Wheels 1<sup>st</sup> Mar 2020

Andrew McCurdy re British Classic Car Buy Swap Sell site.

Dane McCarthy re excellence of Club Website.

Retromotive Vol 7.

## OUT

Secretary sent Get Well card to Helen Alexander and Sympathy Card to Bob Alexander.

Bob Garrett re identification request from David Dobson of cars in photo.

Bob Alexander & Helen Phillips clarifying membership status for Carla Blandford.

Richard sent Application form to Ellen O'Brien.

Moved Brian Fox    Seconded Roger Amos    **Carried**

## Reports

### President: John Senior

Reminded that Wheels at Wamboin will be held 18 April.

Advised that David Wyatt may be moving to a nursing home in the near future.

Dana Garrett raised \$205 for charity from the sale of her home made apple pies at the December 2019 event.

The January 2020 Chicken and Bubbly event was well attended.

### Vice President: Graham Waite

March guest speaker will be Karen McKernan who will be speaking on **cleft care**.

Would like members to suggest suitable guest speakers

26 March Seniors Expo at EPIC. Please advise if you would like to attend.

**Lucky Badge** draw #49 Vin Liston

**Last club Run** #7 Anne McKernan



**Treasurers report Gail Boate**

Current bank balance \$6054:13

Has a number of name badges for new members to collect.

Moved Gail Boate Seconded Joe Micallef **Carried**

**Editor: Helen Phillips**

All Good

**Events: Malcolm Noad**

23 February Canberra Model Railway, Symonston

Meet 9.30am for coffee at the Bean and Table café Kingston Foreshore before travelling to the Symonston site

Train rides \$3.00 or all day ticket \$15, food and drink will be available

**Richard Thwaites**

1 March Shannons Wheels Queanbeyan Showground. Need people to help set up.

The Peoples Choice trophy will be awarded.

**Grahame Crocket**

16-19 April organising a run to Maitland to attend the Steam festival

20 February Morning Tea at Malcolm Robertson's home Mulgrave Street, Chapman

**Raffle:** Winner Richard Stubbs

**Supper Coordinator Jim Paterson**

All OK.

**Registrar Bob Alexander**

Thanked the club for the get well card on behalf of Helen and sympathy card  
Seventeen vehicles inspected for the moth.

**Jack Press**

Advised that vehicles which suffered windscreen damage in the recent hail storm may be automatically written off

**Librarian Alan Boate** Two boxes of new books in the cupboard.

**Membership Richard Thwaites**

All good but requested that members check the computer listing of vehicles and advise any changes

**Shop Manager Norm Brennan**

Usual merchandise for sale

**Information Officer Bob Garratt**

Auction of 150 vehicles at Robertson later this month – has list of vehicles  
For sales and other information on the table. Gunning 22 February—car and bike show. Entry fee \$20.

**Council delegate Roger Amos**

Vehicles checked at Summernats with wrong registration moved over to correct plates

Only three vehicles on display on family day Sunday. Council to discuss with Summernats management why the need to register in October for a January event

Charity for Wheels nominated by the Queanbeyan Club is Cancer Council.

Multicultural Festival is on same day.

Bendigo Swap 14-15 November.

**Publishing committee Dave Byers**

All Good

**Webmaster Richard Thwaites**

With regard to the auction of 150 vehicles at Roberson there is a link to the auction site on club's website

**General Business****Graham Gittins**

Advised the trip to Parramatta to view the Australia Day CARnival was a bit disappointing because of the relative small number of vehicles on display.

Nine went on the bus.

Seeking Expressions of Interest from members to travel to Motor Sport Park, Eastern Creek, on Sunday 16 August to view around 2000 vehicles at the Shannons Sydney Classic

Bombala 6-7 March—one spot left.

**Bob Judd**

Travelling to England later this year and seeking information about Beaulieu Motor Museum and The Goodwood Revival event - see Malcolm Noad and Phil Smith.

After the prices published last month re sale of number plates, a question was asked about what ACT number plates are worth. **Roger Phillips** advised that \$14,000 was paid for an early three digit plate

**Graham Waite**

Wanted to know if it was possible to convert an older model Subaru tail gate to being capable of being opened remotely.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

Graham Gittins

Minute secretary



February speaker  
Glen Allardyce  
was well received



Congratulations  
to Dick Stubbs  
on receiving his  
OBE



## CLUB RUN 23 FEBRUARY 2020 MODEL RAILWAY SYMONSTON

No.	Persons	Vehicles
1	Vin Liston	Morris Major
2	Howard Taylor	MGB
3	Bob Garrett	1929 Hudson
4	John Liston	Hillman Hunter
5	Joe and Liz Macallef	1980 Honda Prelude
6	Wayne and Sandra Smith	Austin Healey 100/4
7	Graham Waite	1970 Triumph 2500
8	Jack Press	1958 Holden FC
9	Phil and Margaret Smith	1948 Buick
10	Graham Gittins	Modern
11	Brian and Margaret Ely	Triumph Spitfire
12	Charlie Adams	1950 Studebaker
13	Grahame Crocket and Sue Davis	Alfa Romeo GTV
14	David and Spencer McKay	Jaguar XK120
15	David and Jenny Fox	Leyland P76
16	Richard Thwaites	1954 Daimler Conquest
17	Helen Phillips	Modern
18	Malcolm Noad	Modern
19	Phil and Fay Cancillier	1970 Buick Le Sabre
20	Graham Bigg and Grace	1975 BMW 520
21	Ian and Marion Hooley	1982 Cressida
22	Chris and Irene Berry	Humber Vogue
23	Lee Gaynor and Pat Fry	De Soto Airflow
TOTALS		23 vehicles, 34 people



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Thanks to the Events Committee in particular Malcolm Noad and Graeme Crocket for organising a great outing for our February run. Coffee first at Kingston Fore-shores which was very busy but the staff coped beautifully. Then the Model Railway where a lot of fun was had. Notice your Editor "at work".

Consider getting your Colonial by email as these photos look so much better in colour. Want to try it out?



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## Classics of Kambri Car Show

Those who attended the Aug 2019 CACMC meeting will recall an inspiring talk given by Caroline Odgers Regional Manager of the GIVIT organisation. GIVIT matches your quality, preloved items with people in need. The way it works is you visit [givit.org.au](http://givit.org.au) search for items needed or pledge items you have to donate, and then arrange delivery or collection of your item with the charity.

On Friday 14 Feb we received a message from Caroline asking if we could find some volunteers to help collect money at their Bushfire appeal to be held at the inaugural Classics of Kambri Car Show to be held at the ANU on Sunday 16 Feb. This event was being supported by the Council of ACT Motor Clubs.

We put together a team comprising Roger Amos, Gerry Walker, Ray Gallagher, Norm Brennan, and Graham Waite, together with three classic cars for the display. We were advised that money collected would all be spent on buying needed items such as water filters. A modest public crowd turned up to see the vehicles (around 30) and we collected almost \$400. Caroline on behalf of GIVIT thanked the CACMC members for our efforts.

Regards Graham



Thanks to these members for promoting the Club at short notice. Ed.



### Something to think about...

- Venison for dinner again? Oh deer!
- How does Moses make tea? Hebrews it.
- England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.
- I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.
- They told me I had type-A blood, but it was a Typo.
- I changed my iPod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.
- Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
- I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.
- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, then it dawned on me.
- When chemists die, they barium.
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.
- I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.
- I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
- Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?
- When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
- Broken pencils are pointless.
- What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.
- I dropped out of communism class because of lousy Marx.
- I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.
- Velcro - what a rip off!

And last not least, one that is for most of us on this forum

- Don't worry about old age; it doesn't last.



## **SUNDAY 15 March -Goulburn round trip**

It's a while since CACMC has been out on the road, so we have decided to add an extra run for March. The plan is:

0915 Rendezvous at median carpark on Gibraltar St, Bungendore, corner of Tarago Road. Proceed via Tarago Road to Tarago, then Braidwood Road to Goulburn.

1030 Arrive at Goulburn Railway Roundhouse Museum (off Braidwood Road at Goulburn). Entry \$12, \$8 for seniors.

Alternately, visit one of Goulburn's other attractions such as the excellent Art Gallery.

1230 Re-convene at Historic Waterworks Museum by the Wollondilly River for BYO picnic lunch in the picturesque riverside setting. Goulburn has plenty of take-away outlets if you don't want to bring from home.

1400 Waterworks Museum Demonstration and display of working steam-driven pumping stations.

1500 Depart for Canberra via Federal Highway. Optional afternoon tea stop TBA.

*The order of the museum visits is determined by the opening hours of the displays - the Roundhouse latest tour is at 1.00pm.*

## **TWO DAY Goulburn Tour option.**

Grahame Crocket is planning to make a two-day itinerary for Goulburn, with overnight Friday 13th and Saturday 14th then joining the Sunday tour. If interested, contact Grahame directly at

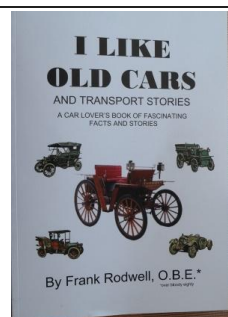
[grahame.crocket@outlook.com](mailto:grahame.crocket@outlook.com).

## CACMC EVENTS CALENDAR—2020

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
1 March		Shannons Wheels display day at Queanbeyan Showground. Be in place by 9.30 am. You must stay till 1.00 pm . BBQ trailer will not be there. Take your own thermos, picnic lunch or support the food and coffee outlets. Please put a sign on your car to help visitors to know what it is. <a href="http://www.stharc.org.au/shannons-wheels-2019">www.stharc.org.au/shannons-wheels-2019</a>
15 March	Richard Thwaites 0414 241 079	<b>Goulburn round trip</b> Start in Bungendore at 9.15 am and finish in Goulburn at 3 pm. See full details are on page 19.
19 April	David Brand 0418 693 329	<b>Braidwood and Araluen</b> This trip was planned before the bushfires, and now continues during bushfire recovery. The itinerary will take us to Braidwood for morning tea, then on to Araluen for lunch at the well-known pub there. The Braidwood-Araluen road has some steep patches, so we will arrange car-pooling from Braidwood to Araluen for those who don't want to take their older vehicles down the hill. Details to be advised in April Colonial, by email and on the website.  <b>Contact:</b> - <a href="mailto:dbjb38@gmail.com">dbjb38@gmail.com</a>
1 May		National Motoring Heritage Day

### Sympathy

We have only just become aware that Frank Rodwell died on Boxing Day 2019. Frank was a Foundation Member of this club. There are still several copies of his book in the club library and they are available for \$25 a copy.



## EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2020

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
13-15 March	Craig 0437 159 680	Chryslers on the Murray. Craig Keogh is going. <a href="http://www.chryslersonthemurray.com">www.chryslersonthemurray.com</a>
22 March		2020 Searoad Devonport Motor Show, northern end of Victoria Parade stretching from the Vietnam Veterans memorial carpark west to Fenton Street.
26 March	6288 4675	Seniors Expo at EPIC Offers to display club cars to Graham Waite
Sat 28 March	John Collins 0428 421 496	Get-together of car clubs of the SW slopes of NSW to be held at the Sports Cars' Sprints at Cootamundra Airport. BBQ lunch will be available. Booking would be appreciated. Email: <a href="mailto:colljj@hotmail.com">colljj@hotmail.com</a>
26-28 March		Alpine Alfisti Autumn Tour
29 March		Auto Italia Canberra 2020, EPIC Arena <a href="http://www.AutoItaliaCanberra.com">www.AutoItaliaCanberra.com</a>
28 Mar-4 Apr		Australian Historic Motoring Federation National Motoring Tour to Albury-Wodonga. See back over. Visit: <a href="http://ahmf.org.au/2020Tour">ahmf.org.au/2020Tour</a>
5 April	Sarah Ruberto 0419 491 280	Goulburn Mulwaree Rotary Club 32nd Goulburn Swap Meet, Showground, Braidwood Road from 6 am.
3-5 April		Fiat Nationals 2020 at Wakefield Park and Sutton Driver Training Centre.
4-7 April	Les Buckley 0417 296 865	Temora Antique Motor Club Rally "I don't want to go home" rally
18 April		Wheels of Wamboin in conjunction with Saturday markets, Bingley Road

*See also page 32 for more events*

LIFE TO COME OUT  
 CHASSIS SANDBLASTED  
 L-R GERRY, GARY, BOB, RICK, ANDREW & JACK  
 MIKE WITH PAINT SPRAYING

# HUDSON PROJECT 1998-2012

## AND SOME OF THE PARTICIPANTS

1.   
 RICK SANDBLASTING  
 L-R GARY, GERRY, BOB, RICK, ANDREW & JACK

2.   
 BOB - GERRY PAINTING CHASSIS

3.   
 MIKE WITH HIS NEW SPRAY

4.   
 PAINTING THE CHASSIS

5.   
 NEW CAR BODY

6.   
 RICK WITH HIS NEW SPRAY

7.   
 TRUCK WITH THE SPRAYING

8.   
 NEW CAR BODY

9.   
 NEW CAR BODY



## A Spanner in the works

Alice Anderson was the first women to open and operate an all women garage in Australia.

From 1919 to 1929 Alice hired women to undergo apprenticeships in vehicle mechanics, chauffeuring, and driver training and motor car touring. She built her own purpose built garage in Kew near Melbourne Victoria.

Her clients were both men and women mainly from the upper echelon of Melbourne society.

In 1927 with a friend she drove an Austin 7 from Melbourne to Alice Springs a trip only undertaken by one other person, Frances Birtles. The Austin 7 with its doors removed to make room for extra equipment made the journey without major incident. Alice sold the vehicle to an NT outback grazier in Alice Springs before returning to Melbourne.

Her employees, all women, doted and loved her, for her fair treatment of them. The girls lived on the premises and Alice looked after their welfare.

Three other garages were opened in the vicinity of the Kew garage, all owned and run by men, who accused Alice of butting into their business, although she was the first to open a garage in the area.

Alice died in mysterious circumstances following a gun shot at the garage in 1931.

Loretta Smith has spent some ten years researching the story of Alice Anderson and has written her life story in *A Spanner in the Works*, available at all good book stores. *Thanks to Graham Gittins*

*Roger Amos'  
grandfather's first  
car 1928-29 Chev.*



## **BLUES TO BERRIMA-FEB 2020**

The Berrima District Historic Club held its 44<sup>th</sup> Berrima Rally on 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> Feb based at the Mittagong Public School with the theme 'Heroes, Heroines, Villains & Vagabonds'. Roger and Barbara Phillips have a second home in Mittagong where Barbara keeps her superb 1963 Ford Anglia. They were easily persuaded that this was a good chance to fulfill a previous offer to visit the Southern Highlands and so we duly arrived in my Bristol 408 on the Friday evening in time to attend an impromptu and fun gathering at the local golf club.

Those of you who have experience of living in England or of seeing the TV series 'Heartbeat' will recall many local Police Forces used the small Fords as daily transport. Barbara seized the chance to exploit her (Ford's) colour scheme of blue and white and Roger 'procured' suitable uniforms and had magnetic strips made up. Suitably attired off they set on the Saturday morning for the event. I took a different route to the Public School as we were not in costume and did not want to be arrested!

The cars were marshalled according to year of manufacture. We soon caught up with Chris and Irene Berry and Brian and Terry Lockwood (1976 Porsche 911) of the VSCC also from Canberra. A fellow Bristolian, Bob Dunk, arrived in his immaculate Bristol 403.

Registration accompanied a generous morning tea and a chance to view cars, re-new friendships etc while judges looked for the 'Best in Show' etc. A sit down Lunch was offered in the school hall and the prize for best in show was awarded to, I think, the beautifully presented van shown in the photo and best restoration to an Austin Healy. My choice would have been the yellow car in the photo - what is it?.

We collected our travel instructions for a lovely afternoon run which showed us areas of burnt out properties intermingled with totally untouched houses and vistas of beautiful green pastures. The area had received about 400mm of rain in the past fortnight so we saw burnt out Eucalypts with 100-200 mm shoots emerging from the trunks and herds of contented cattle and happy horses. We returned to chez Phillips and were relaxing when suddenly there was a bolt of lightning followed immediately by thunder and a torrent of rain, this continued for about 40 minutes.

The evening entertainment consisted of an excellent sit down dinner at the school after which we had prize giving and a floor show from a look (almost) alike Elvis. The Canberra representatives were sitting together and it was



good to see Chris Berry awarded one of the many 'entry number' prizes.

On Sunday we forwent the morning tea in preference for a relaxed breakfast in Roger and Barbara's lovely garden but returned to the school in time to pick up our guidance instructions for the morning run. The run took us along a well planned route with good vistas and lovely countryside. On return to Mittagong School we sat down to yet another enthusiastically prepared meal. As we had an engagement back in Canberra we left soon after meal completion so missed the final prize giving. The entry list included a category for lady drivers and I had entered the Bristol with Marie as the driver. She drove the car to the event although I took over for the scenic drives. After the lunch Marie was declared the winner of the lady drivers and, in our absence, Roger kindly went up on the stage and pretended, amongst many catcalls, to be Marie.

It was a lovely weekend and our thanks go to the Berrima District Historic Car Club for their very able organisation and enthusiastic friendship.

Peter Hoskin



Above: Best in show.

Above right: Peter's choice.

Sergeant Barbara and Constable Roger Phillips.

*Are those trousers regulation police issue Barbara??*





## FORD v FERRARI

Many of us recently went to see the movie "FORD V FERRARI". Not a bad movie however it suffered from the usual Hollywood disease of exaggeration, half truths and lack of facts.

If you can get Netflix on your TV you will find a program called "24 HOUR WAR" This is an almost identical movie to FORD v FERRARI however it uses real characters instead of actors.

Both movies show how Ford tried to buy Ferrari and how Enzo got his knickers in a knot and sent Ford back to America with his tail between his legs. There was a huge sum of money offered to buy Ferrari however he lost interest when he found out that he couldn't keep his racing team.

Both movies give the impression that Ford developed the GT 40 from scratch however this is not the case. There were two men in England who were considered to be equally as good as each other in racing car construction Colin Chapman had Lotus and Eric Broadly had Lola. Both men were experts in monocoque construction using sheet metal.

Both men wanted the Ford contract to build the Ferrari beater however the Lotus suffered from some form of body movement at high speed and could become unstable. Eric Broadly's Lola was therefore chosen as the car to develop. It was given the name "GT 40" because it was 40 inches high from the ground to the top of the roof.

Originally the main body, or tub as it was called, was made from aluminium however for some reason it was changed to steel and over the years most original GT 40s have suffered badly from rust.

At this time Ford moved into the Lola factory and a clash between Ford and Lola management over construction methods and time soon occurred. At this point Broadly sold his interest in the car and went about manufacturing his own Sports and Racing cars. These were lightweight chassis with large American engines. They were very successful and there are still many of them around running in Historic racing meetings.

From here on the movies are pretty factual as the development shown did take place. At first the Ford did not have the speed then it did not handle at high speed and then there were the brakes. Their solution to the brake problem was very clever.

I once saw in a motor magazine a graph of speeds down the Mulsanne straight. It showed the Ferraris touching just over 220 mph and in the middle of the graph was a line starting from nowhere and running off the graph at the side. This was supposed to be the Ford passing the Ferraris.

Both movies brought back many memories to me of racing back in the 50s and 60s and although Stirling Moss was the only star that I ever saw, down in Melbourne at the 1956 Olympic Grand Prix, the others read like a roll call. It was rumoured that A.J. Foyt found trouble driving the Ford as he was only used to track racing going round and round in circles and he found trouble in changing gears as the Ford gearshift was on the RH side and the Indianapolis cars had a central gearshift which was seldom used anyway.

I've just remembered something else about the Ford victory at Le-Mans—as well as being a first for Ford, it was also the beginning of spraying champagne around on the victory dais. Dan Gurney was the culprit as he shook his bottle and sprayed anyone who was within reach. Since then it has become a custom and now we have drivers drinking champagne out of their boots .

The cars of the time looked very nice however today the vehicles that are raced are highly developed in wind tunnels and by comparison to the cars in the films they look ugly.

Jim Crane.

Hi Helen,

We haven't met, I'm a new member having joined a few months ago and I haven't been to a meeting or club run yet. Very sadly I had a small mishap with my beloved EH Holden Premier sedan which resulted in damage to the front of the car. It happened on the day I was getting it inspected by Alec McKernan and having it registered with club plates. Thankfully the damage is only cosmetic, but because of this and my busy schedule (I often travel with work), I haven't been to a meeting or club run yet but am hoping to make it soon and meet some of the members.



Hopefully the EH will go in for repairs in the next couple of weeks. In addition to the repairs, I'm having the whole car resprayed. Dad restored the car himself nearly 40 years ago after buying it for \$200 from a Japanese lady who was moving back to Japan, who I remember as "Diana". Dad found a silver Parker pen in the car with her named engraved on it. It was his favourite pen and along with the car, that pen is one of my favourite childhood memories. You can't see it from the picture but it needs the respray. Dad resprayed it three times (the same colour) over the period in which he owned it. His last respray wasn't his best job - he was sick and didn't buff it back fully in places, so it ranges from dull to the nice polish you would want to see. The full respray will take longer in the shop than the repair, but it will be worth it in the end. Here's a picture of the car just after I got it. She is a beauty. I love driving this car... the smell, the gear changes, the revs, the music, the looks other people give me on the road, and oh the memories!

Hope to meet you soon,  
Bron Graham Dec 2019

SEE YOU AT WHEELS???

## **ANOTHER CLUB TRIP AWAY 16-19 April 2020**

Dear all

I have reserved 4 rooms in Cessnock and Maitland over 4 days.

2 nights at Cessnock Motel 13 Allandale Road Cessnock NSW 2325. Arrive Thursday 16 April 2020 depart Saturday 18 April 2020. \$258 total.

2 nights at Old Maitland Inn 279 New England Highway Maitland NSW 2320. Arrive Saturday 18 April 2020 depart Monday 20 April 2020. \$290 total.

All reserved rooms in both motels are on the ground floor, have walk in showers, and free cancellation up until 48 hours before the booking.

I have reserved the rooms in both my name and the CACMC.

I have also sent an email to the Maitland Streetrodders Club who organize the show and shine at Maitland Park. I have asked them to let me have details of the display (dates and times) and how we might enter.

Places that I would like to suggest are, a visit to wineries on Friday 17 April, a visit to Richmond Main old colliery on Saturday 18 April, and the Steam fest show and shine on Sunday 19 April. There will be fees to enter Richmond Main colliery and possibly fees to enter the show and shine. Steam train rides can be bought I think on Saturday and Sunday but I have not searched that out yet.

If the Berrys, the Gittins and the Crockets go there is only one reserved room left for anyone else. The problem is that some of the mid range motels (up to \$150 per night) do not have enough rooms available. Depending on who might be interested at the February meeting we might have to go to different motels.

Regards

Grahame Crocket

## CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

### Platypus Country-Bombala NSW 6-7 March 2020

Join Heather and Graham Gittins on a two day trip to the southern Monaro, to Bombala with a visit to a historic Victorian homestead, to watch platypus play in the Bombala River, to see how lavender essential oil is distilled, visit the historic engine display and inspect an early settlers hut.

Day 1—Friday 6th March travel to Bombala

In the afternoon stop at the Platypus Reserve to view the platypus  
5 pm to accommodation.

Accommodation Maneroo Motel \$160

Bookings Tel: 02 6458 3500

Dinner at Club Bombala

Day 2—Saturday 7th March

Rise early and go back to see the platypus. Railway Park Lavender House, Historic Engine and Machinery Society guided tour.

12 noon inspection of historic homestead

Burnima is an 1880 Victorian homestead just five kilometres north of Bombala. Owner Steve Rickett delights in taking people around the 32 room house.

Lunch Bombala

Return to Canberra at own pace.

Costs

Accommodation Maneroo Motel \$160

Booking; Telephone: 026458 3500

Tours and Guides \$30 per person

This is an abbreviated version of the proposed itinerary. See Graham Gittins at a meeting or email him for full details [gittins@iinet.net.au](mailto:gittins@iinet.net.au)  
Phone 0419 249 109

THERE ARE 21 STARTERS FOR THIS TRIP AFTER THE LATE WITHDRAWAL OF THE GALLAGHERS.

THE START TIME IS NOW AT WILLIAMSDALE IS NOW 10 AM NOT 9 AM

THERE IS A STOP AT THE COOMA CAR CLUB ROOMS FOR AN INSPECTION OF THEIR MUSEUM AND A LIGHT LUNCH AT THEIR CLUBHOUSE.

A LIGHT LUNCH AT BURNINA HOMESTEAD HAS ALSO BEEN ARRANGED.

## FOR SALE – OTHER CLUBS PLEASE COPY

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### CLASSIC CAR TENDER TO BOOST ROTARY'S BUSHFIRE APPEAL MERCEDES DREAM

Have WE got the CAR for YOU!

Have you ever DREAMED of a CLASSIC MERCEDES???

Do you fancy luxury beyond your wildest dreams??

Lower Blue Mountains Rotary has received a generous offer from a Penrith businessman in support of the Rotary National Bushfire Appeal.

The businessman and his wife have decided to donate funds from the sale of their long-time family vehicle – a 1987 Mercedes Benz 560SEL sedan – to the Rotary Bushfire Appeal in a 'highest tender' fund raiser.

The vehicle (pictured) has 326,000 kms on the clock and has been serviced every 10,000 kms. Registered (DJC 033) until September, 2020. It is a one owner car and has been garaged every night.

How can a real car owner resist!!!!???

Tenders close March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Tenders are required to be forwarded to two difference email addresses -  
PP Ken Linfoot

Secretary

Rotary Club of Lower Blue Mountains

Email: [linfoots@optusnet.com.au](mailto:linfoots@optusnet.com.au)

PP Drew Fitzpatrick

Treasurer

Rotary Club of Lower Blue Mountains

Email: [treas\\_lbmr@outlook.com](mailto:treas_lbmr@outlook.com)

Tenders close at 2 pm on Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

I have decided that I am unable to continue with the restoration of my **1949 Humber Super Snipe**. My eye-sight is now not good enough to do the work I wanted to do. It is "rolling" and rust-free and dismantled. It was driveable when I purchased it some years ago. It comes with some spare panels and parts. The upholstery is in better than average condition for its age and is stored with Roger Gregerson, who unfortunately, is no longer able to work.

If you know of someone who can complete the job, I would like to see it go to a good home and would be happy to accept any reasonable offer.

Terry Byrne [terryb70@bigpond.com](mailto:terryb70@bigpond.com) Phone: 02 6284 4170

British Classic Car Buy Swap Sell [www.bccbss.com.au](http://www.bccbss.com.au)

Retroautos February 2020 edition celebrates the 60th anniversary of the FB Holden. We uncover photos of the secret design proposals for the FB and unearth the reasons why it resembled a scaled-down 1955 Chevrolet.

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**1937 DX Vauxhall** Engine Number 482244 , Chassis Number 675556 , Body Number 675 . A complete car with most parts restored. New tyres, wheels sandblasted and painted, chassis sandblasted and painted, hubs honed, all new bonded brake linings, lights and badges, diff restored with new bearings and oil seals, four spare doors with all original internal fittings, plus much more. Bargain Price - \$3,800.00



Phone Roger Amos 02 662542546 Car located in Millthorpe NSW.

**Tyres x 2 Dunlop** (6.00.19) Good tread, ideal for spares. \$40.00 the pair. Ring Roger—02 6254 2546

**1964 Humber Vogue Estate** - an unusual vehicle to own. It is a reliable club car and is ideal for the longer runs. It is fitted with a 1600 cc motor, manual gearbox, electronic ignition, tinted windows and is green in colour. Currently on club plates. The asking price of \$12,500 includes spares.

Please contact Chris on 0414 079 049 for more information.



**1978 MGB Roadster**, Midnight Blue, 3500 cc V8, 160 bhp at 5500 rpm. Ex left hand drive car originally fitted with the 4 cylinder 1800 cc engine. Now fitted with the following modifications: 3.5 litre fuel injected engine ex a 1986 Range Rover, Toyota Supra 5 speed gearbox, limited slip differential, telescopic shock absorbers, track rods and heavy duty sway bars, four spot front brake callipers, oversize wheels and tyres, plus much more. Please contact Helen Brown ACT on 0411 527 254



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## EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS 2020

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
10-13 April Easter Weekend	Director David Stellini 0488 511 753 08 8088 5787	Broken Hill Veteran & Vintage Car Club 50th anniversary Bushman's Rally. Entries close 28 Feb 2020
29-31 May		44th Historic Winton at the Winton Motor Raceway near Benalla run by the Austin 7 Club. <a href="http://www.historicwinton.org">www.historicwinton.org</a>
16 August		Eastern Creek
4-5 Sept		The Annual Conference of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF) will be hosted by the Council of ACT Motor Clubs. Affiliated club members will be called on to assist in organising the meeting.
27 Sept		Pambula Motorfest
27 Sept		Bay to Birdwood for all decades of motoring history—40th anniversary. Event capacity 1750. 800 places to 1944; 800 places 1956-1980; 100 places 1980-1990; 50 places for special interest vehicles. Entries open from early January.



## **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](mailto: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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*Saturday 28th March to*

*Friday 3rd April 2020*



*Eat Drink Play*  
**SSA**  
Meals & Entertainment

## **Australian Historic Motoring Federation Inc.**

**This event is open to:**

- Veteran, Vintage and historic vehicles more than 25 years old.
- Cars, caravans, motorcycles and commercial vehicles.
- Enter by 30/06/2019 for Early Entry Draw - accommodation for the entire event.

All information and entries on AHMF website

**Visit: [ahmf.org.au/2020Tour](http://ahmf.org.au/2020Tour)**



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