

# THE COLONIAL



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## EDITOR'S PAGE

Thank you to those who provided articles and photos for this month. A lot of new cars to the club have been out on events the last two months. Would be pleased if I could have a story of your car. Coming up Peter Hoskin has another Bristol, a 1979 Bristol 603 acquired in Perth and he tells the story of the bringing home. Matthew Houston tells us about a Lalique crystal mascot he had made for his Alvis. Some Pie Cart stories and pictures from the Jan chicken and bubbly event.

### Week Day Social Lunches

1st Friday of each month

Friday 5th February

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

Graham will make a permanent booking and try to reserve Table 405



The run and lunch on the third Friday has been put on hold for the time being—maybe in the cooler weather we can go for picnics. Graham would like to hear from members when they are keen to come out of isolation and attend these events again.

Enquiries Graham Bigg 0407 199 019

### 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.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Coralie Amos who was awarded an Order of Australia Medal for services to the community through a number of roles.

### Shannons Wheels display day 2021

Have you restored a vehicle in the last two years—two categories, pre 1945 and post 1945. Or perhaps you have bought a vehicle recently already restored—this category is vehicle of the year. Contact Bob Alexander or Joe Micallef if you would like your vehicle looked at. Judging will take place at Wheels. Judging will also take place for Best American and Best English marques—you don't need to nominate for these. Please see our ByLaw 12 on the website for more information.

### Car Audio

We had a flyer from a Mittagong firm: Sound labs group, RetroSound authorised dealer. Call 02 4872 1553 or 0413 057 272.

[www.soundlabsgroup.com.au](http://www.soundlabsgroup.com.au)

Cheers, Helen

## DRAFT MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 12TH JANUARY 2021

### Attendance

Members 40  
Visitors 1  
Apologies 3

### Welcome

President Graham Waite welcomed members and visitors to the first meeting of in the new year.

### Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting of the club were confirmed without amendment. Moved Graham Bigg Seconded Alec McKernan. Carried

### Correspondence

#### IN (from PO Box)

Newsletters from Goulburn, Wollongong (2); Parkes (2), Milton- Ulladulla (2), Cowra (2), Central Coast (3), Gundagai (2), STARC, Chrysler, Deniliquin, South Coast.

CBA Deposit Book

Shannon's Online catalogue

CBA Cheque Acc Statement.

Invitation from Cootamundra Club Sat 29<sup>th</sup> March for The 2021 Get Together.

#### In Via Email

Mornington Peninsula Historical Vehicles Club wishing to exchange magazines

British Car Swap Sell.

OTHR October, November, December

RetroAutos November, December

Austin 7 Club – Historic Winton 22 & 23 May 21.

#### Magazines via Email:

MG Car Club Mag Dec, Vintage Motor Club, Model A News Oct-Dec 2020

Veteran & Vintage Car Club Dec 2020, Mornington Peninsula Historic Vehicles

Club Dec 2020, Country Motor Issue No 32, Orange District Antique Motor

Club January 202, Cootamundra January 2021, Sapphire Coast Summer 2020/21

#### Membership Applications

John Timermanis - 1954 Mk1 Sunbeam.

Paul McKeich - 1979 Holden Kingswood.

#### Membership Renewals

Peter Herbert - 651

#### Other Emails

Terribly British Show.

NSW HVS fact Sheet

Death of Rod Greschke.

Inaugural Braidwood "Concourse d'Elegance"  
 Canberra Gold Awards submission.  
 Shelter Box re donation.  
 NZHET Triangle #333  
 Canberra Grammar confirmation  
 Tony Chilman re Club Run Book & Membership question.  
 Alan Martin re wife Rhonda.  
 Pie Cart Display  
 Council of ACT Motor Clubs  
 Bridge Club New Covid Rules.  
 Treasurer – Draft Financial report.  
 ACTHL thankyou card.

### **OUT**

Card for Rod Greschke's wife  
 Get well card Ron Kearon.  
 DavidFox- applied for Canberra Gold Award for Club.  
 Helen Phillips- re Inaugural Braidwood "Concourse d'Elegance".  
 Bob Alexander - Canberra Grammar School  
 Get well card for Rhonda Martin.  
 Richard Thwaites – Membership 791 Peter & Mary Clark  
 Invoice to Shannons for Wheels 2021 Sponsorship.

Moved David Fox, Seconded Dean Benedetti Carried

### **Treasurer Gerry Walker**

Current bank balance \$6650:62  
 Still have too many unclaimed member's name badges  
 Moved Gerry Walker Seconded Helen Phillips Carried

### **Editor Helen Phillips**

Expect February 2021 to be a big issue of the Colonial

### **Events Richard Thwaites**

17 Jan Chicken and Bubbly  
 Black Mountain Peninsula from 5.30pm Bring chairs , tables and other food  
 14 Feb Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve meet at Weston Creek ( Time??) bring self-catering or eat at the Mon Rock Café or Tidbinbilla café  
 28 Feb Shannons Wheels Queanbeyan Showground

### **Raffle**

Blue # 41 Joe Micallef  
 Last run 8 December 2020 #17 Gerry Walker  
 Lucky badge draw #34 Helen Phillips

**Trophy presentation:** People's Choice at Wheels presented to Mike Morrison by President Graham.



**Supper Coordinator Gail Boate**

No report, no supper

**Librarian Alan Boate**

Found some weird car manuals, if you have a weird vehicle come and see him.

**Membership Richard Thwaites**

A total of 245 members

137 family

Carrying out a revision of the club bylaws particularly definition of memberships. A paper will be in the next Colonial so it can be considered by members before the February 2021 meeting

**Shop Manager Norm Brennan**

Usual merchandise for sale

**Information Officer Bob Garrett**

Heaps of magazines from other clubs on the back tables.

**Council Delegate Graham Gittins**

Successful display of the Canberra Pie Cart on Civic Square on 6 December after first display was aborted because of a bomb scare. Member of the public advised that there was a window in the original pie cart back door.

Wheels regulations include that no caravans to stop overnight on the show-ground.

Communique coming.

**Webmaster Richard Thwaites**

Some updates are needed.

**Rally business**

Graham Gittins advised that the planned Goldfields tour had been postponed until 2022

**Registrar Waine Summerfield**

Ten registrations for period

Reminded members that if they are paying the registration fee online they will need to scan in the club authentication form.

**General Business****Helen Phillips**

Wished to record thanks to the events committee for organising the Christmas event and enabling the presentation of trophies to be held there. It was good to finally present those awards.

Also wished to record thanks to Andrew McLean for providing the PA system for the Christmas event .

## AWARDS PRESENTED ON 8TH DECEMBER 2020

Restoration of the Year Pre 1945	Matthew Houston 1923 Alvis 122/50 Ducksback
Restoration of the Year Post 1945	David and Jenny Fox 1973 Leyland P76 Executive
Mal Mason Vehicle of the Year	1958 Mustard Rochdale John Tuckey
Best American Marque	1934 De Soto Airflow Lee Gaynor
Best English Marque	1923 Alvis 122/50 Ducksback Matthew Houston
Bill Amies Mechanical Excellence	Matthew Houston 1923 Alvis 122/50 Ducksback
Henri Le Grand Club Participation	Alan Boate
People's Choice at Wheels	1970 HG GTS Monaro Mike Morrison
Events Shield	Graham Bigg and Brian and Margaret Ely
Special Award	Michael and Anne Toole 1948 Bondwood home built caravan

There are some pictures on the next pages. The only trouble was the shadows from the trees made it hard to get good pictures.

One award still to be collected  
John Tuckey for Vehicle of the Year

Here the judges were looking over the vehicle at Wheels.

Thanks to all concerned with the organization of the December event and I forgot to mention Gerry Walker who helped me with the trophies by carrying them to and from the engravers.

Helen.

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The changes below, which update and clarify the rights and obligations of different categories on membership in CACMC, were adopted by CACMC Management Committee Meeting – 4 March 2020.

They will be presented to the General Meeting of February 2021 for consideration. A General Meeting can by resolution request the Committee to reconsider or amend a By-Law.

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## CHANGES TO CACMC BY-LAWS CLAUSES RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP

### BY-LAWS OF THE CANBERRA ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC MOTOR CLUB

#### CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

1.1 An Ordinary membership is one person paying '*Ordinary Member Single*' membership fees. *Family and/or friends of the member are welcome to attend all functions with the member.*

1.2 A Family membership is a single membership consisting of one Ordinary Member and the named partner of that Ordinary Member. *that person and their children up to their 18th birthday. The purpose of this classification is to encourage the participation of the partner of the member by providing that partner with an additional vote at any meeting. Children on attaining the age of 18 years are still welcome at functions but are encouraged to take out their own membership.*

1.3 Honorary Life membership ~~is~~ *is held by a person appointed by the committee, may, upon two thirds majority voting to that effect, followed by a special resolution of a general meeting of members confirming the same, appoint a member to Honorary Life Membership* in recognition of any fact which, in their opinion, entitles that member to this honour. On being so vested, the member shall become a permanent member without further payment of any membership fee. A Family Member who is the named partner of a Life Member may also be appointed an Honorary Life Member, in their own right, by the same process.

1.4 Corporate membership provides for members of like Associations, or other Associations or organisations both public and private in sympathy with our Aims and Objectives to become members. Bodies having Corporate Membership of *the Association* CACMC may nominate representatives, two of whom may attend general meetings.

*1.5 'Colonial only' subscription provides for persons to receive news of the Club's activities.*

1.5.6 Honorary membership is conferred on a visitor who, on the recommendation of a member to the Committee may be considered for Honorary membership for a specific period normally not extending past the next AGM. *The Association CACMC* in AGM could extend that membership to the following AGM.

## MEMBERS RIGHTS

2.1 A 'Member' shall mean a unit of membership, subject to the classes of membership listed in Clause 1.

2.2 The rights of each class of membership are as follows:

2.2.1 Ordinary Members - are entitled to one vote, receive one Colonial, *and* may participate in the concessional registration scheme, hold CACMC office, and participate in all CACMC activities. Family and/or friends of the member are welcome to attend all functions as guests of the member, subject to any pricing arrangements determined by the Committee for any events or services for which members' participation is subsidised by CACMC.

2.2.2 A Family Member -is *are* entitled to the rights of an Ordinary Member. two votes, receive one Colonial and may participate in the concessional registration scheme. The named partner of a Family Member is entitled to a separate membership badge, a separate vote at any meeting, to participate individually in any CACMC activity (including subsidised activities) and to hold office within CACMC in their own right. However a named partner of a Family Member is not entitled to participate separately, under their own name, in the concessional registration scheme.

If a Family Member for any reason ceases to be a member, the Committee may agree to convert the membership to an Ordinary membership in the name of the remaining partner and to note this change in the membership register.

2.2.3 Honorary Life Members - are entitled to all the rights of an Ordinary Member.*one vote, receive one Colonial and may participate in the concessional registration scheme.*

2.2.4 Corporate Members - are entitled to one vote, receive one Colonial subscription and cannot participate in the concessional registration scheme.

*2.2.5 Colonial only members are entitled to receive one Colonial but are not entitled to vote or to participate in the concessional registration scheme.*

2.2.5 Honorary memberss - may speak at a general meeting but are not entitled to vote, do not receive a Colonial and are not entitled to participate in

the concessional registration scheme.

## MEMBERSHIP FEES

3.1 The annual subscription shall cover membership for twelve months and shall become due and payable on the 30th June in each year.

3.2 If any member fails to pay the annual subscription within 60 days of the 30th June each year, the Treasurer shall report accordingly to the Committee, who may cause the name of any such member to be erased from the list of members, but in the event of an explanation being made to the Committee which they consider sufficient, they shall have the power to restore the name to the list of members upon payment of all monies due to *the Association CACMC*.

3.3 Membership fees for all classifications of membership and nomination fees shall be as determined at *an Association* a CACMC General meeting, following a recommendation from the Committee. In the absence of such a recommendation, the fee structure will be as for the preceding Financial Year.

3.4 A later meeting, by notice of motion, may vary the membership fees determined by the previous meeting. A majority of two thirds of the members voting will be needed to change the fees.

3.5 Where a person joins in the latter part of the Financial Year, membership fees will be as determined on a pro-rata basis by the Committee; nomination fees may be required to be paid in full.

3.6 In the event of an applicant's membership being rejected, any fees paid will be refunded.

3.7 A non-Member may subscribe to The Colonial at a fee, including postage (if applicable), determined by the Committee. Subscription to The Colonial is not a class of membership.

3.8 Standard membership fees entitle the member to receive The Colonial by email. The Colonial may be provided to a member in printed form where:

a) the member does not have reasonable access to email, or

b)..the member agrees to pay the extra costs of printing and postage involved, or

c) the Committee decides that it is in the interests of CACMC that the member receive a printed Colonial.

Printed copies of The Colonial may also be made available for purchase at General Meetings, at a price agreed by the Committee.

## CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

4.1 A person ceases to be a member of *the Association* CACMC if that person:

1. fails to renew membership of *the Association* CACMC within the prescribed times;
2. resigns from membership of *the Association* CACMC;
3. is expelled from *the Association* CACMC; or dies; or
4. in the case of a corporate member, the body the person represents is dissolved.

4.2 'Honorary Life Member' membership is terminated by:

1. request of the Life Member; or
- 2 notice of motion to any ordinary meeting on it becoming evident that the member cannot be contacted (eg address unknown);\_or
3. death of the Life Member.

4.3 The Committee may take disciplinary action against any member of *the Association* CACMC where in the opinion of the Committee that member has violated the provisions of this Constitution.

4.4 Where disciplinary action is proposed to be taken against a member, the Committee will advise that member, in writing, at that member's last known address, of the complaint which is raised against the member. The member has 30 days in which to respond either in writing, or in person at the next available Committee Meeting, to answer the complaint.

4.5 At the next available Committee Meeting, following the expiration of 30 days from the date of notice to the member, the Committee may decide on appropriate disciplinary action and will advise the member, in writing, of that decision.

4.6 Any person who has been expelled from *the Association* CACMC shall forfeit all rights and claims on *the Association* CACMC.

## PLEASE NOTE

Members should read this document carefully and bring any concerns to the February meeting.

For those of you receiving by email, parts to be deleted are in red *and italics*. Parts to be added are underlined.

For those receiving in the mail, parts to be deleted are black but *in Italics*.



## CLUB RUN DECEMBER - BBQ BY THE LAKE

Including presentation of awards judged at Wheels 2020



L Best English Marque Award presented by Bob and Best restoration pre 1945 R. presented by Joe Micallef. Matthew also won the Mechanical Excellence award for his 1923 Alvis 122/50 Ducksback



David Fox won Best Restoration Post 1945 for his 1973 Leyland P76 Executive Presented by Bob Alexander





Alan Boate won Club Participation Award  
For his work cataloging the library  
during lockdown presented by Richard  
Thwaites

Lee Gaynor won Best American  
Marque for his 1934 De Soto  
Airflow presented by Waine  
Summerfield



Graham Bigg and Brian Ely with trophy  
For most Events attended



David Fox won Editor's Award present-  
ed by Helen Phillips

Michael and Anne Toole special award  
for their caravan.





## CLUB RUN DECEMBER - BBQ BY THE LAKE

The Events Committee did a good job with the barbecue while maintaining Covid precautions.



A very relaxed Vin Liston



Anne McKernan catching up with friends.



So that's what those white lines are for, Harry—Austin parking.

President Graham  
presented three  
OBEs

Ellen Waite,  
Helen Phillips  
and  
Alec McKernan



Just a few of the club vehicles at the  
barbecue

Including Matthew Houston's other  
car, a very nice Stag



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## Vin Liston

Presented the bound copy of the Colonial to June 2020. Thanked by acclamation.

## Richard Thwaites

Reminded members to advise the Membership Secretary when disposing of a vehicle, so that the club records can be kept up-to-date. A new Register of Members will be printed soon.

## Presentation

Joe Micallef gave a power point presentation on the arrangements for Shannons Wheels on 28 February 2021 at Queanbeyan Showground.

Joe also provided some images of car parts donated by Brian McKay (from Don Learmont).

Meeting closed at 9.05 pm

Graham Gittins  
Minute Secretary.





## JANUARY CLUB RUN—17th JANUARY 2021 CHICKEN AND BUBBLY TWILIGHT RUN

Attendance was 78. A pleasant evening even though it turned a little fresh.

Panorama of attendees



President Graham and Ellen  
Waite with Ann.

Brett, Jack and  
Malcolm

*More next month*





## CACMC EVENTS CALENDAR—2021

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
14 Feb	Richard  Richard needs numbers either at the February meeting or by email	<p>Meet Cooleman Court Woolworths car park 10 am for 10.15 departure. Travel to Deep Space café at Tidbinbilla. Then continue along Tidbinbilla Road all the way to Tharwa, then back across the Tharwa Bridge to Lanyon Homestead.</p> <p>The café at Lanyon is now open for lunch with nice views across the Murrumbidgee. There is a large enclosed marquee if weather demands it. Homestead not yet open for tours, but the gardens and outbuildings are.</p> <p>The public car park is about 150 metres walk from the homestead, BUT they have an electric buggy, like those in airports, that can be summoned to assist those with mobility issues. Any further information will be given out at the February meeting or by broadcast email.</p>
28 Feb	Bob Alexander  Graham Waite  Roger Amos	<p>Shannons Wheels display day at Queanbeyan Showground. 10 am to 1.30 pm</p> <p>Enter through the main gate on Glebe Avenue</p> <p>Be there between 8.30 and 9.30 am—display open to the public from 10 am. As Joe Micallef discussed at the January meeting, cars are to be arranged by make.</p> <p>No caravans overnight.</p> <p>Food and coffee vans on site. Our BBQ trailer will <b>not</b> be there.</p> <p>Sign the attendance book at our shade tent and record your phone number.</p> <p>Also volunteers are needed to help mark out sites on Saturday 27th at 10am. Please ring any member of the 'Wheels' Committee if you can spare a few hours.</p> <p>Only Clubs from the local area are being invited due to current Covid restrictions but this may change. Meeting with Qbn Council Rep on Friday 12 Feb.</p> <p>Any changes due to Covid restrictions will be on the website and conveyed to members by broadcast email.</p>

## EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2021

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
7 Feb		Michael Livingstone Memorial Run to Jugiong
20 Feb	POSTPONED	Inaugural Braidwood "Concourse d'Elegance" postponed due to ongoing concerns associated with Covid 19. Entry fees will be fully refunded in full to those that have already signed up. We still intend on running this event sometime in late Spring of 2021
February	CANCELLED	Berrima Rally 2021 has been cancelled
28 Feb		Shannons Wheels 2021 at Queanbeyan Showground
28 March		Devonport Motor Show
18 April		Auto Italia Canberra <a href="http://www.AutoItaliaCanberra.com">www.AutoItaliaCanberra.com</a>
May		Wheels of Wamboin
22-23 May		The Austin Seven Club in association with the HMRAV present 44th Historic Winton at Winton Motor Raceway, Benalla, Victoria <a href="http://www.historicwinton.org">www.historicwinton.org</a>
11-13 June	Rob Matthews 0416 061 967	20th HD/HR Holden Nationals in Cowra NSW Show'n'Shine at Bryant Park on Saturday 12 June 9 am—3 pm. Itinerary on the website <a href="http://Www.HDHRHoldenNSW.org.au/">Www.HDHRHoldenNSW.org.au/</a> HDHRNATIONALS 2021
31 Jul-1 Aug		NSW All Holden Day Weekend Hawkesbury Showground
26 Sept 2021		Pambula Motorfest postponed from 2020 <a href="http://www.pambulamotorfest.com">www.pambulamotorfest.com</a>

See also page 25

## 1971 LA LANCER - CHRIS CLARK

### My Lancer

Many of you know me better for my Holden and GM related vehicles, but in fact I have owned more Mitsubishis' – 1971 Colt 1100F, 1976 GC Galant, 1983 CJ Sigma, 1987 NA/B LWB Pajero, 1993 NH LWB Pajero and now a 2018 NX Pajero.

The 1971 LA Lancer was purchased from a rally friend. It originally came from Murrumbateman and is therefore relatively rust free. Being motorsport inclined, I have decided to build this up as a 'replica' of the early 70's East Africa Safari Rally cars entered by Mitsubishi. This has involved a lot of re-search and parts chasing to come up with all the appropriate bits and pieces.

### Research:

For the Safari, Mitsubishi chose the 4dr Sedan body in preference to the then 'hot' rally item, the 1600GSR 2dr. The main reasoning was they could move the spare wheel out of the boot and replace it with a fuel tank (removing the externally mounted tank from harm's way). The rear doors allowed easy access to the 2 spare wheels to be carried in the rear seat area as well as tools and First Aid equipment. They then endowed the 4dr with all of the 1600GSR's goodies – 1600cc motor, reprofiled camshaft, twin carburettors, extractor exhaust system, 5 speed gearbox, LSD with 4.125 ratio, radius arms on the rear axle, bigger back brakes (9" x 1.5" as opposed to 8" x 1.25"), choice of varying rim widths (anywhere from 4" to 6") and various modifications specifically related to rallying (lights, roll cage, underbody protection, jacking points).

All of the variations from standard specification were incorporated in the homologation papers lodged with the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile and mostly came from the Mitsubishi parts catalogue – eg the larger rear brakes come from the Galant Station Wagon range of vehicles. There were also specific parts developed for motorsport that were funded by R & D grants from the Japanese Government. Copies of the homologation papers were sourced from the internet

### Parts Chasing:

The internet and sites like eBay, Gumtree and Facebook Marketplace have certainly made life a lot easier in this regard. A correct motor was sourced from Hobart (rally friends to the fore and it was transported for zero cost), 5sp gearbox and wheels from a 1979 Sigma from Melbourne (which has also

contributed many other small 'unobtainium' items), Steering Wheel (Vic), Instruments (Vic), LSD (ex-works) from a rally friend in Melbourne, bonnet badge from Thailand, lights from UK and Melbourne, twin carb setup from Adelaide, map light and Halda from UK, stop watch clips from Germany, period correct 'Enkei' mag wheels from Mittagong and closer to home the larger rear brakes from Flynn's Wrecking Yard in Cooma and the reversing light from Green Shed on Mugga Lane!

New components for steering, suspension, brakes, etc are still available through local parts suppliers. Found a crowd who could produce custom specification accelerator and choke cables to suit – longer accelerator cable and twin cable for manual choke on both carbs. Laminated windscreen is available new, all window rubbers are available locally.

Where to now:

So we have a heap of parts, either new or appropriately refurbished, now to strip the car down and find what needs to be done in terms of body repairs. Both rear doors and the dogleg need serious work, the rest is 'car-park' type bumps you would expect on a nearly 50yr old car. Rust repairs are expected to be minimal. Expect to have to overhaul the gearbox, diff will be rebuilt, new clutch and P/P. As many items as possible will be replaced by new items. Many of the fastenings have already been cleaned, replated and bagged and labelled in preparation for reassembly. It helps that the Sigma purchased for a couple of specific items, shares a surprising number of components with the Lancer.

As recovered

Front cover—after a wash!

*More pictures next page.*



What I am hoping to build.





Dash and other goodies



Collection of parts



Factory Twin Carbs

The new engine



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## EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2021

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
13-14 March		Chryslers on the Murray
13-14 March		Military Vehicle Rally, Corowa
14 March		Harden Historic Truck & Tractor Show
27 March	John Collins 0426 421 496	South West Slopes of NSW Get-Together organised by the Cootamundra Antique Motor Club at Cootamundra Airport  Email: colljj@hotmail.com
8-12 April	Rally Director Les Buckjley 0417 296 865	Council of Heritage Motor Clubs NSW Annual Rally in conjunction with Temora Antique Motor Club  www.temora.nsw.gov.au

### Gold Fields Tour

After careful consideration and the uncertainty of travel in NSW, we have decided to postpone the Gold Fields Tour originally planned for March/April 2021 to the same time in 2022.

Graham Gittins

### THE 2021 GET-TOGETHER OF THE CAR CLUBS OF SW SLOPES OF NSW

The Cootamundra Antique Motor Club has sent an invitation to this get-together which will be held at the Sports Cars' SPRINTS, **Saturday 27th March**, at Cootamundra Airport from 10 am. A cuppa will be available on arrival.

A barbecue lunch provided by a local charity will be available for purchase but you need to phone or email by Friday 19th March if you are attending and if you would like the lunch.

John Collins 02 6942 1496 or 0428 421 496 Email: colljj@hotmail.com



# Council Communique

## December 2020



### Canberra Pie Cart on display

The Council of ACT Motor Clubs' (CACTMC), Canberra Pie Cart made a rare appearance in Civic Square in December to help promote the Canberra Museum and Gallery's *Sign of the Times* exhibition.

The Canberra Pie Cart resplendent in Civic Square

Some months of preparation were undertaken between the Council, mainly Secretary Peter Atkinson and Committee member Graham Gittins with CMAG Assistant Director Kay Whitney and Senior Curator - Social History, Sharon Bulkeley.



The 1939 Chevrolet spent some time at CACTMC President Richard Jackson's home getting spruced up for its outing: it was cleaned inside and out; had some rewiring done by Greg Tune; and a new battery donated by Century Batteries in Hume.

All media outlets in the ACT were alerted about the event with stories appearing in *the Canberra Times*, *RiotACT*, and interviews on ABC Radio and Radio 2CC. Long-time supporter of the Council, Shannons Insurance, came to the party with funding for a new pie cart brochure.

The big day was to be on Wednesday 2nd December and arrangements had been made and permits were in place to drive the vehicle on to Civic Square via the ACT Legislative Assembly back road. However, when Richard arrived with the Pie Cart, he found a big hole had been dug in the road, thus preventing access to Civic Square. Undaunted, Richard chose another route and the Pie Cart duly arrived safe and sound.

During the morning, for a little over an hour, the vehicle attracted a lot of passersby attention. One man offering that "there was originally a window in the back door"!

Then disaster struck: An unclaimed bag had been found in the Civic Library building and set off a fire alarm in the Museum space. It followed from a bomb hoax, which locked down part of London Circuit and Civic Square. The evacuation continued until around 3.00pm, thus preventing the public program planned for 1.00pm and 2.00pm where guest speakers were to de-

scribe to an invited audience, the story of the history and restoration of the vehicle.

Speakers were to be Richard Jackson, Graham Gittins and Brian Wells from the Council of ACT Motor Clubs and CMAG Senior Curator - Social History, Sharon Bulkeley. A quick meeting decided that the event would be rescheduled for Friday 4 December.

CMAG contacted the authorities to extend the permits to use the Civic Square and to drive the Chevrolet over the kerb from London Circuit. Initially, permission was refused. This then caused a problem as the big hole on the ACT Legislative Assembly building site was still there, the other entrance was blocked by cemented in the ground bollards.

However, after a number of telephone calls, wisdom prevailed and permission was granted for the Pie Cart to mount the kerb - under strict provisions. Friday morning 4 December arrived and the Canberra Pie Cart took its place in Civic Square outside the CMAG entrance, assisted by Transport Canberra City Services.

Harry Frost, from WIN television station by pre arrangement, came along to record a program featuring the Canberra Pie Cart for use during the holiday season, Richard Jackson and Graham Gittins were both interviewed for this feature.

An arrangement was made between the Council and the Tree Eighty 3 Café in Bailey Arcade to supply pies, free of charge to the audience. This was very successful as all of the pies were given away.

Due to another engagement, the Pie Cart Restoration Project Manager, Brian Wells, was unable to attend on Friday, but Gerry Walker, who had also been involved in the restoration, was able to fill in at very short notice.

The presentations were made under the entrance awning to CMAG with loud speakers to amplify speaker's voices. Over 30 members of the public attended, along with two members of the ACT Legislative Assembly – Canberra Liberals member Elizabeth Kikkert and ACT Greens member Rebecca Vassarotti. The audience were engaged and interested and asked numerous questions at the end of the presentation.

President Richard Jackson with Elizabeth Kikkert MLA and Peter Atkinson



Then it was all over. Pack down took place and the Transport Canberra City Services team arrived to see the vehicle safely back across the kerb.

The Council would like to record its thanks to CMAG for giving it the opportunity to display a piece of Canberra's history. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to CMAG.

Presentation by CACTMC of the Certificate of Appreciation to CMAG L to R: Kay Whitney (CACTMC), Richard Jackson (CMAG), Sharon Bulkeley (CACTMC), Graham Gittins (CACTMC) & Gerry Walker (CACTMC).



All those involved agreed that it was a very worthwhile event.



The Presenters (L to R): Gerry Walker, Kay Whitney, Graham Gittins, Richard Jackson & Sharon Bulkeley  
*Words by Graham Gittins and Kay Whitney. Photos by Graham Gittins & Peter Atkinson*

## Terribly British Day huge success

The 2020 Terribly British Day vehicle display attracted around 230 British made vehicles to Queanbeyan Park on Sunday 6 December.

Vehicles from Canberra, South Coast of NSW, Melbourne, Sydney Cooma and Jindabyne enjoyed a sunny but windy day.

Triumph Car Club, Horst Kirchner, and his team deserve high praise for organising the day, everything went off smoothly, with the Raiders football team, Vic Viking making an appearance, and ACT Minister, Mick Gentleman, available to hand out trophies. Shannons were also on hand to talk to vehicle owners about insurance.

The coffee cart and Rotary sausage sizzle were well supported.

Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club had a good roll up of vehicles ranging from a Rolls Royce to Graham Biggs's recently restored TR8, making its first official outing.

Ray Gallagher's 3 litre Austin attracted a lot of attention from spectators and other car club members.



Thanks Graham.

Some of the CACMC cars

Graham Bigg and his newly restored 1978 Triumph TR8



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## Remembering a G-G

The announcement of the death of Major General Michael Jeffries brings to mind my own meeting with the Governor-General.

In the days when Government House hosted a Christmas party for special children, car club members were invited to bring their vehicles to the Yarralumla property and take the children and carers for a trip around the estate.

We were parked behind the main entrance to the house in the area known as the Executive entrance. We sat under the shade of the large tree until we were called to parade and pick up the children and their carers.

While waiting, out came the Governor General and saw my MG Magnette he strode over to us pointing to the vehicle said had one of those, I had one of those".

He then told me that the MG Magnette was the first vehicle he purchased when he graduated from the Royal Military College Duntroon, his was a black one.

I offered him the opportunity to drive my car but he declined but added he wouldn't mind being a passenger.

We then drove around the property two or three times.

While it may have made His Excellency's day, it certainly made mine.  
Graham Gittins



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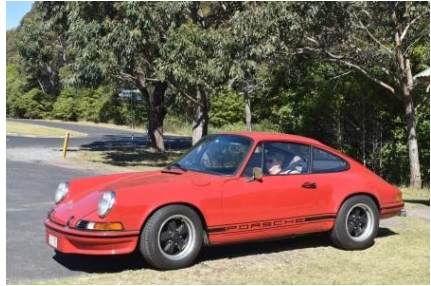
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I have lost so much of my eyesight that I have to concede that I cannot continue with the restoration of my **Humber Super Snipe M12**. It is a 1949 four headlight model chassis No. 8810065. it is rolling, rust-free and dismantled ready for bead/sand blasting. The seat leather is sound and pliable. There are many spares....panels and parts. Instruments have been serviced, timber dash and door panels re-furbished, brakes serviced by ACT Brakes some time ago, jewellery is complete and there is a new wiring harness. It has always been stored under cover.

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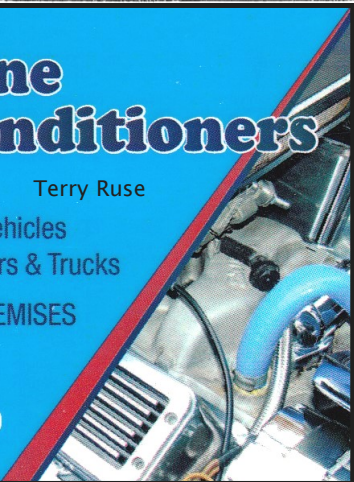
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