

# THE COLONIAL



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1929 Austin 7 Chummy  
Ken & Jeanette Walker  
Some 30 years ago

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## CLUB MEETING

Meetings of the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club are usually held on the second Tuesday of each month.

**Next General Meeting**      Tuesday 12th July 2022 at 8.00 pm  
 ACT Bridge Club (room to the right)  
 Duff Place, Deakin

Guest speaker will be from the SES, all being well. Wear your name badge as there will be a lucky door prize and prize based on the June run. Bring along \$2 for the raffle. Good prize last month boys, I wouldn't mind winning a first aid kit. No supper as we do not have a Supper Co-ordinator.

## EVENTS

Club runs are held each month, usually the Sunday after the general meeting. Our July run is to Yass via country roads. Please see the centre pages for details of outings.

## CUSTODIAN OF THE CLUB'S VEHICLE TRAILER

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**Vehicle Trailer:** To maintain the trailer in good condition, members using it are required to make a contribution to upkeep.

The contribution is \$20 for each use plus \$10 per 100 km or part thereof. Any damage incurred during use MUST be paid for by the member. Please present proof of financial membership of this Club to the custodian when collecting the trailer. Members are responsible for compliance with all road regulations.

## THE COLONIAL

It is still possible to get your Colonial by email and avoid paying the \$20 extra for a printed and posted copy. Just email Helen editor@cacmc.org.au and cc membership@cacmc.org.au and Richard will take you off the labels list.

**Cut-off for AUGUST Colonial - 222nd July 2022.**

## APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

No applications this month>

The joining fee for new members includes the cost of name badges. We look forward to new members attending a meeting to pick up their name badges.

## SHOP MANAGER

Norm Brennan can order Club long sleeve chambray shirts with the Club logo.

- \* Check out Club badges and sew-on patches
- \* Large car badges for sale—still \$15
- \* Register of Members February 2022 available for \$4
- \* 50th Anniversary badges - \$20

See Norm at a meeting or phone 0432 993 366

## MEMBERSHIP FEES FROM 1 JULY 2020

We operate on a financial year

Single membership with Colonial by email	\$40
Single membership with printed Colonial	\$60
Family membership with Colonial by email	\$45
Family membership with printed Colonial	\$65
Non member subscription for Colonial	\$25

Membership may be paid with cash or cheque at a general meeting, cheque made out to CACMC and mailed to PO Box 3427, Manuka ACT 2603 or

Direct Deposit to CACMC at Commonwealth Bank

BSB 062 900 Account 2802 2621 (notify the Treasurer by email)

## Membership Fees

Have you paid your membership—if not your CRS vehicle is now considered unregistered.

## EDITOR'S PAGE

Thank you to those who provided articles and photos for this month. Always after restoration stories or stories about recent cars you have acquired. It might say in the minutes I need a car story but what I actually said was "the Editor has no idea what she is doing this month". Hopefully I will get a car story soon. Next month there will be a tribute to the other member who passed away recently, Billie de Graaf.

### Week Day Social Lunches

Friday 1st July 2022 and every first Friday  
Southern Cross Bistro, Woden Table 405  
12 people @ 12 noon

It's not true that this is only for the men—

**NO RUN ON THE THIRD FRIDAY OF JULY.**

These outings have been run for retired members (or any member) who would like a mid week run because they are busy weekends or just want a short drive to keep their vehicle in good condition. Most don't take their car to the Southern Cross Club but the third Friday run is usually to somewhere easier to park, either a club or in the warmer months a picnic. With the longer runs being offered by the Events Committee, this is an alternative for those with older vehicles to give them a run. So how about a member or a couple taking this on for the club. Contact Helen.



### 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. Hope you have recovered from Covid, Dino. I thought the Cancilliers were away enjoying a holiday but instead Phil was in hospital having a back operation. Hope they are back to outings soon to collect their trophy. Also Adam Kaufhold hasn't been able to collect his trophy as he has soccer training on Tuesday nights and play on Sunday and a team in the Kanga Cup in July.

### Our sympathy

Our sympathy to the families of Ken Walker and Billie de Graaf. The number of members at their funerals showed how well liked they were in the Club. Also a former member John Ahearn passed away, if you have been in the club a long time you would have known him.

### Suppers after the meetings

We will need a new organiser for suppers when we can have them as Gail Boate is no longer able to do this. Please talk to Gail about what has to be done 6297 9360. Members contribute and you can buy what is needed from these funds. Maybe a family duo as a strong arm helps to get the urn out of the cupboard.

Cheers, Helen

## MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 14TH JUNE 2022

### Attendance

Members 55  
Visitors -  
Apologies 6

### Welcome

President Graham Waite welcomed members to the June meeting  
And called members to a minute's silence in memory of the passing of two club members Dr Ken Walker and Billy De Graaf.

### Guest Speaker

Joe Micallef introduced Brian McLachlan from Phillip Head Services who answered a divergence of questions from members

### Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the May 2022 general Meeting were confirmed without amendment

Moved Gerry Walker Seconded Joe Micallef **Carried**

### Correspondence David Fox

#### IN (Via PO Box or mail)

Newsletters from Chrysler (2), Wollongong, Gundagai, Cowra, Young(2), Deniliquin  
Stroke Foundation Newsletter.

#### In Via Email

#### Magazines via Email:

MPHVC Sidelights June  
OTHR May  
Motorlife Museum  
Wagga Wagga Veteran & Vintage Motor Club  
Cootamundra  
Country Motor Australia Issue 46  
Parkes  
Sapphire Coast  
Central Coast  
Orange  
Illawarra.

### Membership Applications

Alex Buchanan & Leah Wheelhouse #950  
Sally & David Green #951 1964 Chevrolet Impala.  
Alex Poniatowsky #952 1948 Plymouth Special Deluxe Coupe

### Other Emails

Treasurer - Monthly Financial Statement - May  
President re Seniors Expo May 26<sup>th</sup> space for 6 CACMC cars and information stand.

Richard Events Committee – Presentation of Trophies lunch and drive.  
 Richard re whereabouts of our Club Pullup Banner.  
 Motor Sport Australia re CACMC affiliation.  
 Rotary Tuggeranong requesting cars for Display.  
 Justine Greschke re sale of her father's cars.  
 Shannons Insurance re Invoice for advertisement in Colonial

## OUT

Information Officer – CACMC attendance at Rotary Tuggeranong markets.  
 Secretary – Get Well for Norm Brennan.  
 Secretary – Get Well for Phil Councillier.  
 Secretary – Sympathy Card for Ken Walkers Family.

Moved David Fox Seconded Graham Boyce **Carried**

## Treasurers Report Gerry Walker

Current Balance \$48547:80

Treasurer again advised members sending money via electronic funds transfer method to make sure they include their name or membership number, otherwise he is unable to identify the sender, he has one such case at the moment.

The Council of ACT Motor Clubs annual affiliation fee has been paid but not all the paper work completed. He was reminded that the paper work must be received by the Council before the end of June 2022

Moved Gerry Walker Seconded: Dave Rogers **Carried**

## Reports

### President

Graham advised the Seniors Expo vehicle display and stall went well and created a lot of interest.

Joe Micallef is making a new stand for the Club banner.

Mr Waite advised that the Club's AGM would be held in October 2022 and now was the time for all members to consider taking on positions on the committee.

Graham Bigg has been organising the Retreads luncheons for quite a while but now is unable to do so any longer and another club member is required to take on the role. There is a monthly luncheon on the first Friday of each month at the Southern Cross Woden Club and a partner's lunch on the third Friday of each month.

Mr Waite passed a around a mystery object for members to identify.

He then called on Janet Werner from the Stroke Foundation to receive a \$400 cheque from the club, balance of proceeds from Wheels.

### Vice President Joe Micallef

July Guest speaker from the SES

August Peter Hoskin on his Bristol Motor car

Lucky badge draw Brett Robinson

Last Run Helen Phillips

Mr Micallef held up the copy of the Black Book which lists the suppliers who have provided good service to a members and invited members to enter their recommendations in the book.

**Editor Helen Phillips**

Need a car story for July edition

**Events Director Richard Thwaites**

National Motoring Heritage Day run was very successful, and members finished up at the Ainslie Football Club for lunch and trophy presentation.

Next weekend 19 June 2022 Battle of Waterloo at the Spanish Club 10am to 3pm

Many prizes, food and drink available or

Meet at Williamsdale layby for run to Ian Hooleys off the grid solar property.

Bring chair and tables and lunch or purchase from Michelago Store.

Lunch will be on the Michelago Railway station platform .

Around 25 members indicated they would be attending.

July run to Yass details in the Coloinal.

Raffle:

Brian Mackin

**Registrar Bob Alexander**

12 cars inspected for the month. *(Late report Dino did 9 so total 21. Dino had Covid).*

**Librarian absent overseas**

No report

**Membership Richard Thwaites**

100 people have paid annual fees 150 still to pay.

**Shop Manager**

No report

**Information Officer Bob Garrett**

All under control

**Council Delegate Roger Amos**

Meeting with ACT Govt to discuss event space(s) in ACT – postponed due to lack of ACT staff!

**WHEELS 2023** is to be held at **Queanbeyan Showgrounds** on **Sunday 19th February** Please ensure that all CACTMC affiliated clubs are aware of the date.

- Wheels 2023 to be -hosted by Canberra Antique & Classic Motor Club.
- **Battle of Waterloo on Sunday 19th June:** to be hosted jointly by **French Car Club, Mini Car Club and Triumph Car Club.**
- Meeting with ACT Govt to discuss event space(s) in ACT – postponed due to lack of ACT staff!
- **Marques in the Park (MITP):** The American Car Club (ACC) have expressed interest in taking over MITP. CACTMC have had no effective oversight of the management of the event for several years. This situation creates potential financial & reputational risks for CACTMC. Therefore, the Committee is proposing that the event be transferred to ACC for them to run the event as an ACC event without CACTMC endorsement or financial support from CACTMC. This action should also result in reducing CACTMC's significant Public Liability Insurance costs.
- Perceived issues with the inclusion of personal plates under the changed CRS discussed. Motion to communicate these potential issues with ACT Govt defeated.
- Changes to ACT CRS: Awaiting upgrade to Access Canberra's computerised administration system. Therefore CRS changes not likely to be implemented prior to September.

**Motor Manuals:** CACTMC **STILL** has a number of workshop/motor manuals that are free to clubs for club members' use. They include: Audi; Chev; Isuzu; Jeep; Mitsubishi (Colt, Lancer, Pajero); Mitsubishi (Sigma, Magna); Nissan 4x4; Subaru; Tractors (Fordson?) & VW and will be available at the next General Meeting. If not claimed soon, they may find their way to the Green Shed or other method of disposal.

**Battle of Waterloo** – Narrabundah – 19th June

- **Cooma Motorfest** – Cooma – 5th November Free entry
- **Bombala Bike Show** – Bombala – 18-20 November
- **FX-FJ Nationals** – Cooma – 28-31 December ???
- **Wheels 2023** – Queanbeyan Showgrounds – 19th February 2023
- **Mustang Club Nationals** – February 2023
- **Auto Italia 2023** – Queanbeyan Park – 2nd April 2023

**Next Meeting: Thursday 16th June 2022, 7:30 pm** at the [Spanish Australian Club](#), Narrabundah.

Re the car manuals that Council has: Please let Roger know of any manual you require, and he will endeavour to obtain

Roger paid tribute to our two members who had passed away:  
 Dr Ken Walker a great Austin man, Austin 7s, Jensen Austin, Austin Healey .  
 Ken joined the club in 1988  
 Billy De Graaf Austin Chassis Morris body called a Mostin  
 Sunbeam and a Hubmobile

David Brand a club member has a car for sale see Roger if interested



**Publishing Committee Dave Byers**

All is well

**Webmaster Richard Thwaites**

All is well

**Rally Business**

Brian O'Donnell advised that he had 12 people interested in the NSW North Coast Tour in September and advised members to book their accommodation at Nambucca Heads now, to ensure they will have somewhere to sleep

**General Business**

**Graham Waite**

Mercedes Benz magazine copies

Place Mats and electric vehicle information all on the front desk.

**Mystery object**

Lynch pin inserter/ remover for push bike pedals

Graham Bigg advised that there was a mystery box on the front desk which contained a variety of objects surplus to his requirements

Meeting closed at 9.18pm

Graham Gittins, Minute Secretary



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June speaker Brian McLachlan with President Graham Waite and Vice President Joe Micallef

Cheque was presented to Janet Werner from the Stroke Foundation, being balance of proceeds from Shannons Wheels 2022

Thanks to Gerry Walker for keeping such intricate records of funds for Wheels.



## JUNE MONTHLY RUN

### Hooley Solar Farm attendance 19 June 2022

#### Persons = 30

Graham Boyce & Fay Boyce  
 Richard & Dilber Thwaites  
 Jack Press  
 John Senior  
 Ray & Anne Gallagher  
 David Fox  
 Joe Micallef  
 Chris & Irene Berry  
 Simon Borg and son  
 Peter & Sue Herbert  
 Brian & Margaret Ely  
 John Furlan  
 Anna Kieltyka & Doug Smith  
 John Liston  
 Graham Waite  
 Graham Gittins  
 Malcolm Noad  
 Bob & Helen Alexander  
 Helen Phillips  
 Ian & Marion Hooley

#### Vehicles = 20

'48 Chevrolet sedan  
 '53 Daimler Conquest  
 '58 Holden FC  
 '67 Humber Super Snipe  
 '72 Austin 3-Litre  
 '73 Leyland P76  
 '80 Honda Prelude  
 '83 Toyota Crown  
 '85 Datsun 1200 Ute  
 '88 Mercedes 180E  
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Many thanks to Ian and Marion Hooley for inviting us to view their solar set-up at Woodburn Rise, Michelago. The system allows two homes and a large workshop to be run off the grid. Members were very interested and I saw a couple very, very interested.

I only have four panels on my home but that gives me free electricity all year round. Ed.



The battery storage system

Ian explaining by means of graphs on his TV how things work. Even on over-cast days power is generated. When I left some members were heading up to the workshop. Sorry I didn't go to the lunch stop and didn't get any pictures of cars. Ed.



John, Chris, Graham and Ray enjoying the sunshine.





## ARE YOU INTERESTED?

The Shannons Sydney Classic vehicle display is being held at Motor-sport Park Eastern Creek on Sunday 14 August 2022.

If any members would like to come for the day I can arrange a mini bus to take us there and back for between \$20 and \$25 per head, the mini bus holds ten people. Cost covers return trip to Sydney, hire cost of the mini bus, fuel and entry to the display.

The deal would be that we meet at the Dickson College Car Park at 6.45am for a 7.00am departure and return around 3pm for arrival back in Canberra around 6.30pm.

Expressions of interest to Graham Gittins [gittins@inet.net.au](mailto:gittins@inet.net.au)

## HELEN'S EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

For those considering a trip to look at painted silos next year, this place is worth a visit. Located at Boort in Victoria.

The spanner man has now passed away and a lot of the collection of spanners he used



for sculptures can be seen on the left in the shed.  
I'll print some of the sculptures next month.





Thanks to Ellen Waite for this one.

## Expressions of Interest Mid North Coast trip

If there is enough interest from members I would like to organise a 9 or 10 day trip to the mid north coast of NSW based around Nambucca Heads.

A draft outline of the possible trip is:

Dept Canberra

Thur 1 Sept, travel to Port Stephens/ Newcastle area for overnight. Optional visit to Air Force Museum

2 Sept. Fri

Travel to Nambucca Heads for overnight. Optional visit to Motorcycle Museum Nabiac. Suggested accommodation White Albatross cabins. ( located adjacent to the breakwater and in walking distance of the town.)

3 Sept Sat,

Rusty Iron Rally Macksville (The biggest tractor, stationary engine and machinery event in the Southern hemisphere.) Overnight Nambucca.

Sun.4, Mon. 5, Tues 6. Overnight Nambucca.

Visit some of the many local attractions which include:

Lookouts and beaches, South West Rocks and Smokey Cape Lighthouse, Frank Partridge Museum Bowraville, Slim Dusty Centre, Historic Museum Bowraville, the trendy town Bellingen, the Promised Land loop, Coffs Harbour, the Buffalo Farm Eungai, The Pub with no Beer at Taylors Arm, a visit to on old dairy farm at Macksville.

7 Sept. Wed..

Dept Nambucca for Armidale via Waterfall way, at Dorrigo view old steam train engines and Dangar Falls on the way to Ebor Falls. Lunch Ebor Cafe. Visit waterfalls at Hillgrove and Metz gorge. Visit Hillgrove (semi ghost town) Overnight Armidale.

8 Sept. Thur.

Dept Armidale, travel to Coonabarabran via Walcha. Overnight Coonabarabran.

9 Sept. Fri.

Return to Canberra, several options available. ( direct or overnight at intermediate town)

**If you are interested in taking part in this tour, please contact Brian O'Donnell email at [brianfodonnell@hotmail.com](mailto:brianfodonnell@hotmail.com) or mobile 0414258669**

## CACMC EVENTS CANDAR—2022

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
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### Itinerary: Yass via Mountain Creek Road – 17 July 2022

**10:00am.** Rendezvous at the **Parks and Conservation Depot overflow car-park** off the northern side of Cotter Road, 200metres west of the intersection with Streeton Drive. This is a section of the old Cotter Road, running parallel to the new divided highway. It is clearly visible from Cotter Road.

**10:30:** Depart westward (turning **RIGHT**) along Cotter Road till it becomes **John Gorton Drive**, then continue along John Gorton Drive through Coombs and Wright.

**LEFT** at **Opperman Drive** (a sign indicates Uriarra Crossing). At top of Opperman Drive turn **RIGHT** at the roundabout into **Uriarra Road**.

Follow Uriarra Road to **Uriarra Crossing**.

After crossing, turn **RIGHT** into **Fairlight Road** and follow it to T-junction, then turn **RIGHT** into **Mountain Creek Road** and follow it until reaching junction with **Wee Jasper Road**. Turn **RIGHT** toward Yass.

Follow Wee Jasper Road past Taemas Bridge and all the way into Yass.

**LUNCH:** If conditions are good, we will have the club Barbecue Trailer at Riverside Park for BYO picnic with BBQ and tea/coffee. If conditions on the day are not good, we will gather for lunch at the Yass Soldiers Club.

Choose your own route home.

Contact Richard Thwaites 0414 241 079

For August, the plan is a run to the Goulburn Railway Roundhouse on

**SATURDAY 13th August.** (The Roundhouse Museum is not open on Sundays)

We will make a 9:30 start to get to Collector for morning tea at Some Cafe, then continue to Goulburn to visit the Roundhouse followed by lunch TBA.

Rendezvous location and detailed route will be advised closer to the time.

**Our Annual General Meeting will be on Tuesday 11 October 2022**



## EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2022-23

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
15-17 July		CHACA Swap Meet at Wagga Wagga Showground
20 Aug	Mal or Lin 0409 985 890	South West Clubs get-together at Cootamundra Airport car park. Historic bus tour of town. Lunch available for purchase. Please advise by 31 July if you are attending. Email: emlin3@live.com.au
4 Sept	Barry & Lynn 0488 421 976 Or 0488 421 282	29th Father's Day Swap Meet at Cootamundra Showground. Buyers enter Bertong Street or top gate on Pinkerton Road. Entry \$5
11-17 Sep		Model A National Meet in Goulburn
25 Sep-2 Oct		16th National Chrysler Rally, Wangaratta <a href="http://www.chryslerclubvic.org.au/nationals">www.chryslerclubvic.org.au/nationals</a>
4-7 Oct		Parkes Antique Motor Club 50 years of Parkes Motor Museum
5 Nov		Cooma Motorfest
12-13 Nov		Bendigo Swap Meet
13 Nov		Marques in the Park TBC
13-20 Nov	Craig Keogh Is going	9th National R & S Reunion—60 years downunder organised by R & S Valiant Car Club of Victoria, based in Warragul
4 Dec		Terribly British Day
19 Feb 23		Shannons Wheels at Qbn Showground
2 April 23		Auto Italia at Queanbeyan Park

## Vale Ken Walker

Dr Kenneth Ridley Walker 12 January 1928—7 June 2022

Ken and Jeanette Walker joined our Club in 1988.

Their involvement in Club events with their little red Austin 7 Chummy has been most memorable. In recent times the Chummy was sold and replaced with a blue Austin 7 Pramhood. Ken also drove a white Austin A40 Jensen Sports and a green Austin Healey Sprite.

The Austin 7 was featured on the cover of the September 1992 "Colonial".

This is the story Ken wrote about his Austin 7 in that issue.

"My Chummy - or that B\*!#! little vintage car  
It all started about 45 years ago, just after the Second World War, when I was a student at University and had bought a 1928 Austin 7 in pieces. This was my introduction to car ownership and from the start I learnt the hard way. I was soon to find it was in bits because it had been cannibalised for parts during the war - so it became the first of a series I owned then, from Chummies to Specials. These tended to make me, in an untrained way, self-reliant in car construction and maintenance.

I separated from these cars when I moved to Canberra in the early fifties. A period of 30 years lapsed before nostalgia got the better of me. I responded to an advertisement in the Canberra Times for a collection of Austin 7 parts, attracted by the fact that the parts were claimed to be from an early beaded edge wheel model, the Pramhood Austin 7, of 1924 vintage. But again the collection was very incomplete, and this time an almost unrecognisable heap of rusted metal!

But by now of course, I knew the Austin 7 historically had spawned great things in the motor car industry, so I took courage to meet this new challenge to create another Baby!

Indeed, Sir Herbert Austin's evergreen Seven can reasonably claim to be the forerunner to BMW in Germany, Datsun in Japan and in Britain indirectly to the Jaguar through the Swallow (Swallow Sidecar and Coach Building Co.) It also sold under license in France as the Rosengarf and in the USA as the Bantam. It dominated the small car field from 1922 to 1939, found its way to most countries, if only in some cases to traverse them with intrepid travellers venturing on around-the-world trips.

It also showed its prowess in motor sport where the eye-catching (and Champion) Austin 7 Sports cars and Specials fascinated motoring enthusiasts with their appearance and performance. In all, about 375,000 in its various forms were produced.

But back again to my current venture in Austineering. I found the task of progressively collecting and restoring bits and pieces was taking a long time, and on joining CACMC a few years ago some form of 'wheels' would be an advantage in being an active member. So when a complete but tired Austin 7 came on offer - it had been resting for ten years - I decided to negotiate to buy, and so far the joys of vintage motoring have kept my flagging interest going in restoration, because the gestation period of the early Pramhood Baby was much longer than I expected, and parts were becoming harder to find and more expensive to restore as time passed.

So, number one job over the last 18 months has been to make my 1929 Austin 7 Chummy authentic to its vintage and reliable to enjoy in all situations, to the point I have full confidence in the car. Mechanically it was a bit of a disaster though potentially much was there to make it a good car. So with renewed enthusiasm I spent many an hour, week etc methodically going over it from one end to another, replacing faulty and non-authentic components, rebuilding many parts mechanical and electrical and generally tidying up the body. It is now mechanically and to the body type, true to the 1929 Chummy model with a Holden body, exactly as pictured in the Macquarie Dictionary of Motoring.

It has now become immune to the quips and jokes lovingly bestowed on Austin 7's like that recently experienced on the South Coast trip to Narooma for the Christmas in July run when I understand a Bega Milk Tanker's patience was tried on a steep incline to Central Tilba, and found wanting. Tony James tells me he passed the tanker that was following me, in his EH Holden and then, when he was rounding a corner further ahead of us, came upon a horse and cart. Feeling obliged to warn the tanker driver of the road hazard he called him on his CB, 'Thought I'd better warn you there's a horse and cart on the road - just in case you come upon it suddenly rounding a corner'.

Replied the tanker driver, "Don't worry mate, I'm behind it now - a B\*!#! Little vintage car!".

But for me without a CB, a surprise - there was indeed a horse and cart a little further along the road as Tony had warned. No worries for the Chummy though - its brakes coped."

Ken was always interested in members' vehicles and was friendly to us all. He attended many Austins Over Australia national rallies and was a regular attendee at the Winton Historic Races at Benalla.

He will be fondly remembered by all of us who knew him.

*Thanks to Roger Amos for this tribute.*

*In his working life, Ken was a geologist with the Department of Mineral Resources.*

## VALE KEN WALKER

One of the earliest photos I have of Ken was taken at a dinner the night before the 1988 Bay to Birdwood. Ken & Jeanette, Scott Appleyard, Alec & Anne McKernan, Red and Ann Kinsella and my late husband Bill. Helen



On display in 2008

The little car was good for fitting into a small space.



The Colonial

July 2013  
in the In-  
formation  
Centre.

Ken got  
his OBN  
from the  
Club in  
2018



July 2022

## 2015 Seniors Expo



Ken sold the Austin Healey to Geoff Tyrrell who didn't have it long before he had health problems and had to sell it on.



On one of the rallies to the coast on a river cruise. In 2015

## The Austin A40 Jensen Sports



Chicken and champagne  
January 2018

The Colonial

July 2022



## “Battle of Waterloo” 19 June 2022

CACMC members were represented in the British vehicle contingent of the annual “Battle of Waterloo” event. This a light-hearted commemoration of the 1815 battle between the forces of Napoleon Bonaparte and the coalition of Britain and its allies, led by the Duke of Wellington. Car clubs representing British and French marques line up in a (friendly) face-off that involves more exchanges of champagne and sausage sizzle than cavalry mayhem. This year the field of battle was located at the Spanish Club, Narrabundah.

Thanks to  
Richard Thwaites



Neil Buttriss scored one of the champagne prize bottles for his immaculate Humber Vogue Sports.



Gerry Walker’s Morris Minor and the Thwaites’ Daimler Conquest in the British lines, along with a glossy Rover.



Guy Langford's Triumph Scorpion shows a lot of pluck lining up with shinier comrades

Below:  
The MG Club used this occasion for their annual Concours d'Elegance, led by this beautiful 1937 SA Coupe.



The French were heavily outnumbered, but won hearts for their vintage fashion entries: the cutest Bugatti ever seen (left), and a rare Talbot-Barracq in immaculate condition.

## Classic Cars Are Greener Than Electric Vehicles: Study

*This came by email from our member Ratko Vatauvuk*

[Classic Cars Are Greener Than Electric Vehicles: Study \(msn.com\)](https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/technology/classic-cars-are-greener-than-electric-vehicles-study)

I can't even tell you how many times I've heard people yammer on and on about how horrible classic cars are for the environment. Usually their eyes are bugging out, spittle's flying out of their mouth, and they're absolutely filled with self-righteousness but few facts. They'll vehemently insist that driving your old Camaro, Mustang, Charger, or whatever you own is absolutely destroying the planet in real time while refusing to discuss the process of extracting minerals for making EV batteries, let alone the insane energy levels required in the manufacturing process. That's why reading a new study from UK insurance provider Footman James is so refreshing because it doesn't talk emotional rage, sticking instead to the inconvenient facts.

Even inside this industry there are those running around claiming all classic cars will be electrified in 10 or 15 years or whatever time frame they were told by someone else. The assumption is this will be good for the environment, that driving a classic car with batteries and an electric motor will cause trees to spring forth in the Sahara Desert and the unicorns to return from the ocean.

According to Footman James' study, reality is far different because classic cars with those evil, gas-burning engines are better for the environment than new electric vehicles. The thing is people who believe the opposite just look at tailpipe emissions, behaving as if that's everything in the equation. They don't consider pollution generated by the manufacturing process.

In the study, Footman James mentions that in the UK a classic car on average is driven 1,200 miles a year and puts out 563 kg of CO<sub>2</sub> as a result. But a new VW Golf is made by generating 6.8 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>e. Even worse, a Polestar 2 (a Swedish electric car) generates 26 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> during the manufacturing process. That means you could drive your classic car for over 46 years before it generates as much CO<sub>2</sub> as the "green" electric vehicle. Let that sink in for a moment.

Footman James rightly points out that within that 46-year period, the Polestar 2's battery will need to be replaced, maybe even swapped for a new one twice or more. And what happens to the battery? Can it really be recycled? The answer for now is no. Meanwhile, the classic car keeps running without contributing significantly to a landfill. But you should feel bad for driving such an awful pollution machine, or so we're told.



I wish the study dug more into the human and environmental costs associated with the extraction of raw materials to build electric cars. There's also the fact many of these minerals are mined in authoritarian countries like China and Russia where many accusations have been levied that slave labour is used in the process.

Keep all this in mind the next time your neighbour, relative, or friend who just bought a shiny new Tesla tries guilt tripping you about owning and driving a classic. Sure, the smug self-righteous attitude can be annoying, especially when people who know next to nothing about cars are just fascinated by anything novel, but the facts don't exactly back up their daydreams of becoming Captain Planet.

Well, how about that...

Check out Footman James' study for yourself.

## DID YOU SEE

I noticed in the free Canberra Weekly magazine an article in which you might be interested.

### ACT community solutions to lower greenhouse emissions

... a filmmaker is taking his DeLorean "back to the future"

Doc Brown turned his DeLorean into a time machine; local filmmaker Che Baker is converting his into an electric vehicle—and making a film about it.

"With the rise of electric vehicles I realized there was a fantastic opportunity to look at the process of converting internal combustion engine vehicles to an electric vehicle rather than just buying new EVs."

The conversion of the DeLorean is a hook; the documentary, *Electric Dreams*, will show how people can convert their own older cars to EVs, and what new vehicles are on the market.

Palace Cinemas, Dendy, and the ANU Film Group will show the documentary and release it online. Mr Baker is also pitching the documentary to National Geographic and SBS.

*The article is about grants the ACT Government is giving out but I couldn't see anywhere how much Mr Baker will get. Ed.*

## FOR SALE

Had a mild stroke last year and have to clear off the 1924 Dodge (awarded restoration of the year 2016/17) and almost complete 1929 Plymouth U.

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Current mileage is 48,934 km. The car has been driven locally in the Turoos Head - Moruya area and has always been used as the second car. My current primary vehicle is a Nissan X-Trail. The car has been parked under cover in the garage since new. NSW registration expires 20 October 2022; roadworthy safety certificate is current.

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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.

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After 18 years faithful service, MariGold the 1955 ZA MG Magnette is leaving Canberra and going to live in Bega NSW. I have sold the car to a member of the Canberra MG Club, to make way for space for my newly acquired 1953 Triumph Mayflower.



During my custodianship of MariGold, we have travelled to Sydney, Adelaide, and out west to Broken Hill, and apart from some early problems with the gear box extension, which took three mechanics to finally locate the cause, no oil holes in the gasket, it has given very little trouble.

MariGold has been displayed at Wheels, Terribly British Day, Battle of Waterloo, in Canberra, and Shannons Sydney Classic, at Eastern Creek, Motorfest and the Surf to Summit in Cooma, and Gathering of the Faithful in Wagga Wagga. She has also been displayed at numerous school and church fetes, and once the subject of a photographic shoot. It has also been used for friends' weddings and graduation formals.

It is, I believe, going to a good home and I hope the new owner will have as much enjoyment in it, as I certainly have. It is now time to turn my attention to the 1953 Triumph Mayflower.

Best regards, G2



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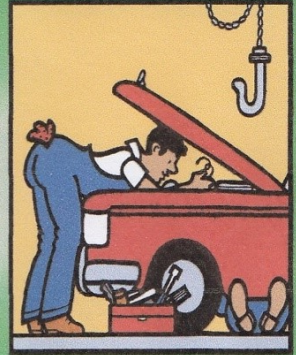
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


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If you are taking a vehicle off ACT concessional registration.

All new registrations need to be reported to the Club Registrar and the Membership Secretary.

So if you are changing a vehicle from full registration to CRS you will be having it examined by one of our Club Examiners for suitability for CRS in particular with regard to modifications. You can ask the Examiner to advise the Registrar and Membership Secretary or send off a quick email yourself. You will find their details on pages 2 and 3. Or text Bob Alexander on 0417 880 064 and Richard Thwaites on 0414 241 079.

Your help is much appreciated.

Brian McLachlan was speaker at Our June meeting.



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