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Senior's Expo at EPIC—28 September 2022



Fearless Ray Gallagher, ready to greet the incoming crowds. And below, Club cars gathered outside.



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. If fact if none are forthcoming, you will get flowers next month as I am finally going to the Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers after booking in 2020. My store of fillers is running low so help me out please.

Week Day Social Lunches

Friday 2nd September 2022 and every first Friday
Southern Cross Bistro, Woden Table 405 12 people @ 12 noon



The Partners Run on Friday 21st October Raiders Club Kippax at 12 noon. Please let Wayne and Sandra Smith know if you are coming on phone 6254 8524 or email: whssec@webone.com.au
Any suggestions re venues will always be welcome.
Sandra can be contacted on 0451 680 026 and Wayne on 0413 003 396

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.

Suppers after the meetings

We will need a new organiser for suppers 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.

Farewell to some 20 unfinancial people

No doubt some of them no longer have a vehicle or age or health problems mean they can no longer carry on in the club, others are dropping out temporarily while they lead busy lives. It would just be nice to know. Anyway it is farewell time.

Farewell to Queen Elizabeth 2

I must say I shed a tear when I heard early in the morning of her death. Fancy working on state business until just two days before she died. Rest in peace.

Cheers, Helen

DRAFT MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 13 SEPTEMBER 2022

Attendance

Members	31
Visitors	2
Apologies	5

Welcome

President Graham Waite welcomed members and visitors to the September 2022 meeting.

Guest Speaker

Bob Garrett introduced the guest speaker, Bill Sutherland, St John's Community Fair Convenor who outlined the arrangements for the day and thanked the club for offering to provide vehicles for display on Saturday 15 October 2022. Cars should arrive at the site by 8.30am, ready for the opening of the fair at 9.00am.

Mr Sutherland presented a book to president Graham Waite, on the history of St John's Church.

Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes of the August meeting were confirmed without amendment.

Moved

Andrew McLean

Seconded Guy Langford

Carried

Correspondence—David Fox

IN (Via PO Box or mail)

Newsletters from Young, Gundagai, Cowra, Chrysler, Milton Ulladulla, Wollongong

Cheque from E Abrahams.

Car Trailer Rego.

Stroke Foundation Newsletter.

Braidwood Motor Club Motor Display 26th Nov 22.

Membership Renewals

John Bartholomew #768.

Tony Chilman #642

Membership Applications

Gavin Foster-Jones #955

Magazines via Email:

Young Heritage Motor Club 50th Anniversary 19th & 20th Nov 22

Retroautos. Sep

OTHR Sep

Motorlife Museum

MG Tappet Chatter – Aug

Historic Vehicles -Aug

MPHVC Sidelights Sep
 Cardigras Calendar of events
 Veteran & Vintage Car Club ACT.
 Cooma Car Club – Motorfest.
 Orange
 Illawarra
 Country Magazine
 STHARC
 Cootamundra.
 Historic Winton 27th & 28th May 2023
 Wagga Wagga Vet & Vin Motor Club
 Parkes
 Country Motor – The Preserve.

Membership Applications

Haydn Browne #957 1986 Nissan 300ZX
 Jordan Wilson #956 1966 Valiant Safari
 Richard & Judy Taber #958 1949 Chrysler Windsor

Other Emails

Treasurer - Monthly Financial Statement – Aug.
 Treasurer – Latest Members Renewals List
 St John's Community Fair – speaker for Sep meeting
 Rollin Chrome Car Show Crookwell 25th Feb 23.
 Stephen Lee trying to locate previous member.

OUT

Registrar – Response to enquiry whether a Unimog could be a Club vehicle.
 Secretary – Sympathy Card for Boyd Jonas and family.
 Secretary – Sympathy Card for Judd Family.
 Information Officer – replying to Stephen Lee.

Moved David Fox Seconded Roger Amos Carried

Reports

President Graham Waite

Reminded members that the club's Annual General Meeting will be held at the October meeting and it needs members to consider volunteering to help run the club.
 The club has been granted a free stall site at the Seniors Expo at EPIC and space to display vehicles on 28 September 2022.

Vice President Joe Micallef

No guest speaker for October as it the Clubs AGM
 November TBA

Door prize: Graham Gittins
 Last Run: Richard Thwaites

Treasurer Gerry Walker

Thanked Gail Boate for reviewing the clubs accounts for the AGM.

Current Balance \$52526:60 Moved Gerry Walker Seconded Bob Judd
Carried

Editor Helen Phillips

Advised that Bob Judd will be finishing the October edition of The Colonial after 20 September while she is away.

Events Richard Thwaites

Sunday 11 September five members travelled in the minibus to Pheasants Wood Motor racing Circuit at Marulan for an enjoyable day out at the track.

Thanked Dave Byers for organising the Lions club minibus.

October 16 Trip to Tulip Tops Gardens. Two routes planned route one for north side residents via Mulligans flat Road Forde. Route two for south side residents meet at Sutton Road turn-off .

November 5 Cooma Motorfest The Cooma car club has advised that the CACMC could put in a club application form rather than individuals entry forms but the Events committee decided against this method and it will be up to individuals to complete the entry form on line, which the events committee will assist members to complete.

Assembly will take place at the Williamsdale layby at 8am .

Canberra Swap meet will not be held this year.

November 13 Marques in the Park

November 26 Airing of the Quilts Braidwood and auto display. Members who park their vehicles outside the Model Car shop will be able to avail themselves of a free lunch.

December 4 Terribly British Day

December 13 Annual Christmas picnic beside the Lake Burley Griffin.

Raffle Black #35 Dino Benedetti

Registrar Bob Alexander

Nine cars inspected

Club car trailer passed registration check but listed as an animal trailer until rectified.

The Club gantry has been sold for \$75.

Librarian Alan Boate

Found a role of white vinyl in library - it is for sale.

Membership Richard Thwaites

Twenty people have not renewed, and their names will now be removed from the Club Register once Treasurer has confirmed.

Shop Manager

Norm Brennan away - need someone to act as Shop Manager in his absence

Information officer Bob Garrett

List is still open to members who wish to list their vehicles for display at community events

Council Delegate Roger Amos

Wakefield Park motor racing circuit has new closed because of noise problems and Land and Environment Court restricted the circuit to four days a month, which did not make the site financially viable. Council to write to Goulburn Council and politicians supporting the reopening of the circuit. Marques in the Park no longer a Council event it will be solely the responsibility of the American Car Club entry will be by gold coin donation.

Council AGM Thursday 15 September 2022.

It is possible to renew CRS registration online by emailing the Inspector's Authentication sheet.

The 60-day usage scheme has been further delayed to 2023 due to discussions with the department and insurance companies.

Council by-laws have been re-written to allow clubs which are members of national organisations, but registered as business limited by guarantee to remain affiliated to the Council.

Graham Waite added that clubs incorporated in the ACT were covered across the border.

Rally Business

Six cars travelled to Nambucca Heads, weather not good in the beginning but fined up. It was a good ten day run.

General Business

Bob Judd

Has been doing a great deal of travel in NSW and Queensland and found the roads in Queensland in appalling condition and NSW roads full of potholes.

Meeting closed at 9.07pm

Graham Gittins,
Minute Secretary

*September guest speaker,
Bill Sutherland with Club
President Graham Waite
and Information Officer
Bob Garrett*



Shannon's Wheels Display 2023—Back to the 1950s



The Shannons Wheels charity car and bike display will be held at the Queanbeyan Showground on Sunday 19 February 2023.

The 41st display is being organised by the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club on behalf of the Council of ACT Motor Clubs. The Council has 75 affiliated clubs.

The show features vehicles from the early days of motoring right up to the latest generation of EVs.

The 2023 show also adds another dimension by turning a spotlight onto a particularly interesting era, the 1950s. Clubs are being requested to highlight members' cars and bikes built in the 1950s, as well as their full range of vehicles from other eras.

The Back to the 1950s spotlight displays will bring back many memories of the fins and chrome era, with American and British cars easily recognized by their shape and style, other decades will be strongly represented too.

There will be a special one-off trophy for the club with the best display of 1950s vehicles.

The 2023 event will raise funds for local charities.

For further information contact Bob Alexander
email rjacgs@hotmail.com Mobile: 0417 880 064.

Display at St John's Church, Reid—Saturday 15th October from 9 am until 1.30 pm, Community Fair

Our cars are invited for a display in the car parking area next to St John's Care, access at 45 Constitution Avenue, Reid. Please arrive at 8.45 am

Club run to Pheasant Wood racing circuit, Sunday 11 September

Pheasant Wood Motor Racing Circuit, Marulan, began life as a driver training facility, but in recent years has been significantly upgraded to provide a venue suitable for amateur and vintage/veteran motor racing, trials, testing and training on a re-designed circuit with good spectator views to most parts of the track.

On the day we visited, there was a historic car and motor bike racing program for pre-1960 cars and bikes, run by the Vintage Sports Car Club of Australia (Sydney-based), with participants from as far afield as Victoria. It is worth having a look at the website <https://www.vintagesportscarclubaustralia.org.au/events/2021/9/11/all-historic-motor-racing-2022> to get a feel for the venue and event.

Racing finals were in divisions determined by time trials on the previous days. Starting grids were arranged with the faster cars on handicap at the back and slower (mostly older) vehicles getting away first. It is a tight and twisty track with mostly positive camber on bends, an excellent surface, and the main straight quite sharply up hill. This makes it relatively safe driving for the older vehicles, but still with a quota of risk. The only incident during the day was when two competitors in a motorcycle sidecar event collided on a downhill bend, hidden from the view of most spectators. An ambulance was called and one rider taken to Goulburn Hospital, apparently for observation. After a few minutes all other competitors were seen entering the pit lane and appeared to be not greatly harmed. It should be noted that the majority of the riders and drivers were older than their vintage vehicles, but not lacking in boldness.

The final race of the day was a ladies event, with the drivers showing plenty of competitive spirit and skill in some of the fastest cars on the track.

Other than the racers, other supporters brought some fine vehicles which were worth looking and chatting over. Malcolm Noad's 1956 Austin Healy was the only CACMC classic to make the trip this time.

The circuit has a café (currently closed because of COVID), but a sausage sizzle operated by the local SES, and a coffee station, were doing good business. The main undercover pavilion gave an excellent view of most parts of the circuit, which is just over a kilometer in length with a lap record of just under a minute.

Spectators are allowed to wander freely around the pit areas and talk to competitors, take photographs, and generally make a nuisance of themselves in a welcoming atmosphere.

The track is located off the main road a few kilometers southwest of Marulan, and is surrounded by wooded hills which make noise levels less of a problem than at Wakefield Park, near Goulburn, which is currently closed due to objec-

tions from neighbours.

Pheasant Wood was a great day out for motor racing enthusiasts and is only a little over an hours drive from Canberra.

Thanks to Dave Byers for making the Lions Club 12-seater bus available and driving it, and to Macolm Noad who researched and organised the event for CACMC.

Those who attended were:

Dave Byers, David Brand, Richard Thwaites, Brian Ely, Malcolm Noad, and Graham Gittins while Harry Crawford turned up at the Dickson College rendez-vous to send us off.

Words - Graham Gittins and Richard Thwaites. Pictures - Graham Gittins, Richard Thwaites, and Dave Byers



Blue 6 cylinder Riley

Bentley

Bikes van next to it.

More photos on page 23



DRAFT MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 9TH November 2021

A quorum of 30 members was present.

President Graham Waite official opened the Annual General Meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Gerry Walker

The 2020/21 financial year has seen little change in the Club's financial position. The main financial arrangements will need to change for 2021/22 as more businesses are not accepting cheques (banks charging \$5 per cheque to the business) and more businesses seeking electronic transfers. Our present bank does not allow Associations to use an electronic system with dual authorisations as required by our Constitution. Other banks do, some with minor processing costs (20 cents at present.)

At present all funds are held in the cheque account and electronic funds transfer from members' own facilities have been used to pay on invoices with the members being subsequently reimbursed. This obviously cannot go on so new banking facilities will need to be arranged.

The main expense agreed for the coming year by the Management Committee is the refurbishment of the car trailer. A motion was also presented by members to a general meeting to purchase a container for storage of Club assets (including the barbeque trailer). The motion was passed and a container purchased recently. The storage of and access to the container is presently being arranged. I assume members who so avidly supported the purchase will assist in its management.

My thanks go to many

- To Gail Boate for reviewing the accounts
- To my fellow committee members for their support
- To Dave Byers and Helen Phillips for consistently paying for postage and printing of The Colonial out of their own pockets until I could reimburse them
- Most of all to members who paid their subscriptions on time.

I will stand for the position of Treasurer for 2021/22 but it will be my final year if elected.

The annual accounts and reviewer's report were presented to the meeting.

Moved Gerry Walker, Seconded David Fox **Carried**

President's Report Grahame Waite

This 2020/21 year has been the most difficult in the history of our club. We have experienced a full year of various restrictions due to COVID-19. Having said that we were able to hold Club meetings and Club runs until ACT lockdown. In the circumstances these were well attended and we welcomed a number of new members along the way.

We ran Wheels 2021 at the Queanbeyan Showground and that was a great success. Planning is currently underway for CACMC to run Wheels 2022 at the same location.

Without the endeavours of our committee things could have been much worse. Each and every one of the committee has done his or her utmost to see that the day to day business of the club has been attended to, so that when things return to normal we can continue where we left off. I thank the outgoing committee members for their efforts, and welcome the incoming team.

We have a great membership of enthusiastic club members and I am sure the forthcoming 12 months will see them continue their support.

Moved Graham Waite Seconded Roger Amos **Carried**

At this point the President vacated the chair and handed the proceedings to Bob Judd acting as Returning Officer for the election of office bearers for 2021/22

Bob Judd thanked the committee for keeping the club functioning. This was met by acclamation

Results of the Election of Officer bearers for 2021/22 year.

POSITION	NOMINEE	PROPOSER	SECONDER
President	Graham Waite	Bob Garrett	Alan Boate
Vice President	Joe Micallef	Geoff Pritchard	Brian O'Donnell
Secretary	David Fox	Bob Garrett	Alan Boate
Treasurer	Gerry Walker	Joe Micallef	Geoff Pritchard
Editor	Helen Phillips	David Fox	Graham Gittins
Librarian	Alan Boate	Bob Garrett	David Fox
Shop Manager	Norm Brennan	Bob Garrett	Joe Micallef
Information Officer	Bob Garrett	Alan Boate	David Fox
Council Delegate 1	Roger Amos	Bob Judd	Dave Rgers
Council Delegate 2	Graham Gittins	Helen Phillips	Joe Micallef
Events Committee	Richard Thwaites	Malcolm Noad	Brian Ely
	Malcolm Noad	Richard Thwaites	Ian Hooley
	Ian Hooley	Malcolm Noad	Brian Ely
	Brian Ely	Richard Thwaites	Malcolm Noad
	Howard Taylor	Ian Hooley	Richard Thwaites
Registrar	Bob Alexander	Waine Summerfield	Roger Amos

All were elected unopposed.

APPOINTMENTS

Public Officer	Bob Judd
Webmaster	Richard Thwaites
Membership Secretary	Richard Thwaites
Minutes Secretary	Graham Gittins
Publishing Committee	David Byers, Andrew McLean
Supper Convenor	Gail Boate

Auditor to be appointed by the Management Committee.
Examiners remain as appointed

Waine Summerfield
Charlie Adams
Dean Benedetti
Michael Gifford
Joe Micallef

Graham Waite then took the chair and thanked Bob Judd for conducting the election.

David Fox thanked members for attending and abiding by COVID-19 restrictions.

The meeting closed at 8,45 pm.

Graham Gittins
Minute Secretary

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Canberra Antique & Classic Motor Club Inc
Tuesday 11th October 2022
ACT Bridge Club, Duff Place, Deakin

The Club's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held directly after the October general meeting which starts at 8 pm. All elected positions will be declared vacant for the election of Club office bearers for 2022/2023. Members are reminded that this meeting is required under incorporation legislation. Only financial members can vote at the AGM.

Annual General Meeting Agenda

- * Adopt minutes of year 2021 AGM - see pages 14-16
- * Receive a report from the outgoing President
- * Receive a Financial Statement and Reviewer's Report
- * Declare all positions are now vacant
- * Returning Officer to preside over and conduct elections
- * Election of Office Bearers
- * Returning Office to invite new committee to take up positions
- * Vote of thanks to Returning Officer.
- * Announcements

David Fox
Secretary

NOVEMBER CLUB EVENTS

SATURDAY 5th November – Cooma Motorfest

Cooma Motorfest is a big and varied show put on at the Cooma Showgrounds every two years by the Cooma Car Club, attracting vehicles from a wide area. See <https://www.coomacarclub.com.au/event-4624824>. Participation is free.

A CACMC convoy will leave at 8:00am from the Williamsdale layby on the Monaro Highway. Vehicles for display are requested to be at the Cooma Showgrounds by 9am. Allow at least half an hour to get to Williamsdale from most parts of Canberra. Owners wishing to enter their vehicles for display should make their own registration online via the link above.

If you need help with registration, **contact** Richard Thwaites **Email:** events@cacmc.org.au **Phone:** 0414 241 079

SUNDAY 13th November – Marques in the Park. John Knight Park, Belconnen

The Marques in the Park club display day is on again this year. CACMC will have a presence there with our BBQ Trailer offering coffee/tea to members. We encourage members to display their vehicles that may not be suitable for longer runs, in a pleasant park setting.

More on this next month.



*Some of the Old time racers at Pheasant Wood racing circuit.
More photos on page 23.*

Some more scenes from Pheasant Wood. Can you spot any familiar faces?



CACMC EVENTS CANDAR—2022

SUNDAY 16th October – Tulip Top Gardens, Bywong from North and South.

Tulip Top is a remarkable private flower farm in a compact and charming landscape, open to the public only for one month of the year with a display of flowers and living blossoms. It is open again this year after two years interruptions for COVID lockdowns.

Tulip Top is at Bywong, where the Federal Highway crosses the Yass River. To suit our members spread across the region, for this run we will have two rendezvous offering a scenic drive from either northside or southside.

From Northside:

10:00am Assemble at Mulligans Flat Road Carpark, on Mulligans Flat Road east of Henry Williams Road roundabout. Reach Mulligans Flat Road via Horse Park Drive.

10:15 Follow Mulligans Flat road eastward, then turn RIGHT into East Talagandra Road toward Sutton. At Sutton Road turn RIGHT to pass through Sutton village. At Federal Highway turn LEFT for a short distance then LEFT again into Old Federal Highway and follow signs into Tulip Top carpark.

From Southside:

10:00 am Assemble in the layby on Sutton Road just north of the junction with Pialligo Avenue/Yass Road.

10:15 Follow Sutton Road northward. At Federal Highway, take the clover-leaf to turn RIGHT towards Goulburn on Federal Highway, then shortly LEFT again into Old Federal Highway and follow signs into Tulip Top carpark.

TULIP TOP

There is an entrance fee of \$20 (\$18 Seniors) and good quality cafe in the gardens. BYO picnic if preferred.

See website <https://www.tuliptopgardens.com.au/>.

Contact: Richard Thwaites Email: events@cacmc.org.au

Phone: 0414 241 079

SATURDAY 5th November— Cooma Motorfest - see page 18

SUNDAY 13th November—Marques in the Park - see page 18

Saturday 26th Airing of the Quilts and Braidwood Motor Club auto display.

Tuesday 13th December — Christmas barbecue by the lake.

EXTRA RUNS AND SWAP MEETS—2022-23

DATE	CONTACT	DETAILS
4-7 Oct		Parkes Antique Motor Club 50 years of Parkes Motor Club
15 October		St John's Community Fair car display access at 45 Constitution Avenue, Reid 9am to 1.30pm
15 October	Phil Dixon 0419 888 695	Parkes 27th Annual Swap Meet at Pioneer Oval
15-16 Oct	Val Maher 0409 903 787	Deniliquin District Vet & Vin Car Club Edward River Rally
5 Nov	Geoff Hall	Radford College 2022 Twilight Fete, 3 pm to 7 pm. Classic and sports car show. Picnic on the lawns JAMcKinnon Oval. Gold coin to display your car. Please register by email your name, vehicle make, model and ear to radfordcarshow@gmail.com
5 Nov		Cooma Motorfest. Please register
12-13 Nov		Bendigo Swap Meet at Showgrounds
13 Nov		Marques in the Park
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
19-20 Nov	Col Harmer 0419 822 975	50th anniversary celebration of Young Heritage Motor Club. See Sept Colonial
26 Nov	Kate Murphy 0410 466 318 John Senior	Braidwood Motor Club auto display St Bedes School. Markets in Ryrie Park. Airing of the Quilts in main street.
4 Dec		Terribly British Day
19 Feb 23		Shannons Wheels at Qbn Showground
25 Feb 23		Crookwell Car Club Rollin' Chrome Car, bike and truck show at Showground. \$20 entry.
2 April 23		Auto Italia at Queanbeyan Park

1988 Mazda 121 Funtop

I picked this up from the side of the road in Campsie, Sydney some 15 years ago.

You might well ask, Why?

But in the spirit of this club please accept that I do love it. It is a happy, fun little thing and these little Mazdas did a lot of valuable delivery work back in their day.

The funtop is a retractable canvas top the length of the roof that is electricaly driven. There is a 1300cc carby engine and a 5 speed box. It must be one of the last non-computer cars.

When I saw it it had a smashed in front guard and had obviously been by the gutter for a while. So \$200 secured it back in 2008. At that time it was very easy to source bits.

Since I had to get the replacement guard painted, I decided to have some fun and forget the original white and go yellow. A shop in Sydney did the other guard also and to balance it off , I had them do the hatch lid also. So various friends and projects in Sydney then used the car till the radiator split in 2014. Slowly over the years things were fixed till I could no longer leave it under the apartment complex in Sydney where I used to have a place. I brought it into Canberra early this year with a permit. I then had to replace rubber bits (rear brakes, wipers) before Historic rego.

Back when I was running 20+ cars in my Rent a Dent business in the 90s, I tried to buy one that was an unwanted lottery prize. However, something like a much older Corolla made more economic sense. When they brought out the next generation bubble shape I thought that was so brilliant that I bought one new and that earnt good money. That is the only new car I have ever bought.

I have always been attracted to small clever cars and nearly bought a Messerschmidt and a Citroen 2CV before I got my first Austin 7 back in the 60s.

I have photographed this one in front of one of the few car places left in Braddon. I used to pull petrol at BP in Braddon in the 60s whilst at Uni. You used to put your ear to the tank before auto cut-offs. Standard petrol was less than 4 shillings a gallon! Looking back I estimate that 100 cars a day got a GOC (Grease Oil change) in some 10 servo stations along Lonsdale St.

There was even a wrecker there till 1960 and the testing station was in Mort St. This little Mazda was inspected by Mark Hughes of City Car Care just before he retired after selling that business in June. Lonsdale St is now the hip centre of Canberra with 100s of seats in coffee shops

What more can I say except that the car puts lots of smiles on the faces of pedestrians but pisses off drivers of fancy modern things when it pulls away from them by taking a tighter line through a roundabout etc.

Harry Crawford, Foundation member CACMC



Thanks Harry.

Nothing flash about the cars Harry likes. Here is his Austin 7 in the grapevines in 2012 when we went to a vineyard owned by club member John Jeffery.



THE MILEPOST—Some memories of Canberra's Past—Harry Crawford

Till 2008 this was the marker post for motorists that let them know they were only 3 miles to middle of Canberra and that they had nearly finished their 190 miles from Sydney.

When this post was put into the ground on Northbourne Ave outside the Rex Hotel it marked the outskirts of Canberra. In the 50s Northbourne was only a single carriageway to Sydney from the pine break out into the paddocks. Motorists leaving Canberra could read that they had 187 miles to go and would pass many such mile posts giving them location and encouragement.

As a 10 year old already fascinated by cars I went and saw the RedX trials cars blast out of Canberra one morning. Gellignite Jack Murray in his grey Ford actually waved to me as he threaded from the dual carriageway to the single lane road and then went past this milepost! In the mid 50s a flashing orange light was added nearby on the other side of Ipima St to warn motorists arriving to Canberra they were entering a built up area! This was the first traffic light in Canberra.

In 2008 the road gutters near the Rex Hotel were being modified as the cycle path was added to Northbourne Ave. The workers assured me Mr Milepost would be reinstated, but you guessed it. Fortunately I thought to photograph the damaged post.

I would like to see this recreated and installed in nearby Haig Park (the pine break planted to protect Civic and the original houses from the winds that swept the plains), as a historical artifact. And yes, those distances are in miles and the 3 refers to the distance away from the Central Post Office which was then at East Block (now National Archives). Originally the numbers were cast into the concrete. As speeds increased and more visibility was needed, I guess they added the metal plates. Any info from readers?



VALE HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Richard wrote this in response to an email I sent on about Cootamundra Motor Club having a memorial run on Thursday 22nd September.

Yes, interesting idea. I think CACMC have enough on our plate locally - eg Seniors Expo following Wednesday 28th. However, if a British-marque ACT club were to suggest something similar for Thursday, we could certainly publicise it and add it to the Extras calendar.

Daimler is the marque most associated with QEII (though Land Rover might contest that). I haven't heard of any proposal for memorial activity from the Daimler clubs in Sydney or Melbourne.

Attached is the National Museum's Royal Daimler (one of the limos used in the 1954 tour) as rushed in from the Mitchell large objects store to put on display in the Museum foyer, together with a copy of the William Dargie royal portrait of the same period.

I took this photo, plus placard, on Thursday. I took another shot, in which one of HM's loyal subjects appears to be mooning the camera, so I don't forward that one. Suitable for an empty spot in The Colonial?

Richard

The 1954 Royal Tour

This Daimler landaulette was one of four used by Queen Elizabeth II during her hugely popular 1954 Royal Tour of Australia. Luxurious and technologically advanced, it featured stately fittings such as cream cord and blue leather upholstery, a walnut dash and engraved light fittings, as well as electric windows and an internal radio system. The folding landau section enabled the crowds to get a glimpse of their Queen, yet gave her some protection from the heat and dust of the Australian summer.

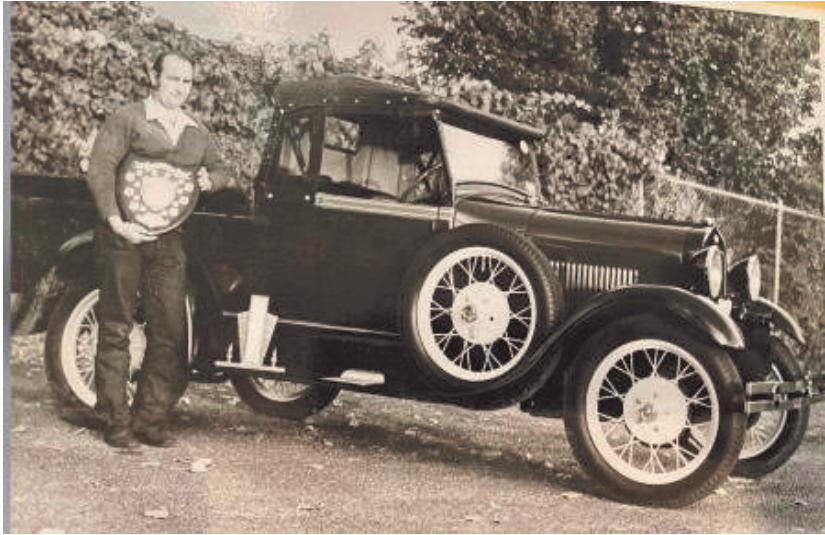
Daimler DE36hp landaulette 1948
designed and built by Daimler Motor Company
and Hooper and Company



Vale Albert Neuss

Many thanks to Dave Rogers for compiling the story of Albert's car restorations.

This photo is one for the oldtimers in the Club. Sent to Dave by Andrew but no information. Looks like he has won two awards.



I have left this in again this month hoping that one of our older members can identify when this happened.



President Graham Waite receiving a book on the history of St Johns Church from Bill Sutherland at the September meeting.

Council of ACT Motor Club News

At the Council's recent Annual General Meeting the sitting President, Richard Jackson of the Mercedes Benz Club, stood down as he and his family have moved interstate. Many thanks were given to Richard for his lengthy service.

By unanimous vote, our own Roger Amos was elected to fill the position of President of the Council.

Roger will be assisted in his endeavours by a full committee, which includes our Dave Rogers as Registrar and Graham Gittins as Communications Officer.



Richard Jackson handing over to Roger Amos

One of Roger's principal tasks in coming months will be to see the introduction of the new concessional registration system for veteran, vintage and historic motor vehicles, which includes the extension of the system for modified vehicles. The implementation of these proposals will permit vehicle owners to drive their cars for up to 60 days per year in addition to regular motor vehicle club activities.

The ACT Government has already passed amendments to the current regulations to permit these changes, so it should only be a matter of time for the changes to be implemented.

Some miscellaneous thoughts of a (Deputy) Editor.....

Our regular (very) long-standing Editor, Helen, has very kindly left me with a page to fill in in case of any 'late entries'. As nothing extra has arrived, here are a few thoughts that might be of interest.....

Manual Gearboxes on the way out

A recent article in the Sydney Morning Herald bought a bit of a tear to my car-loving eyes. Cars like the top selling Toyota Corolla are no longer being sold in Australia with manual gearboxes. Nor does the Toyota Yaris, the Chevrolet Corvette, Toyota Supra, BMW Z4 and numerous other 'lesser' vehicles, offer the option of a manual gearbox.

The reason is simple..... learner drivers are choosing to not learn how to drive manual cars. Currently, less than 10% of novice drivers are choosing to do their driving licence tests in a manual car. A decade ago, 23% of new drivers chose this option, so the decline is escalating.

The SMH comments that the only kids getting manual licences are either "tradies, passionate drivers, or kids needing to drive an older car". Obviously, if they can't drive a manual car, they're not going to buy one!

How does this affect us? You might have difficulty selling your "older" treasure to a younger person, especially if its got a manually operated gearbox.

What happened to Coloured Cars?

Last week, I bought myself a new car. Well, it was actually a USED car, but it was new for me. When you buy a second hand car, you can't order all the options you may want, you have to deal with what's available.

Now, I like cars that you can easily see. Hopefully, other drivers can see you and steer well clear. I like red cars, and blue cars, and green cars. Even, maybe, yellow cars. I'm bored by white, black, grey and silver. They disappear into the misty fog of a Canberran winters day.

So what did I buy? You guessed it—a grey car! At least it's the type and model that I wanted. And it was automatic!

Call for new Committee members

Yes, its your Club's AGM time, so its time to call for "new blood" to join the Committee. Have a go this coming year—you will probably enjoy it!

That's all for now.

Bob Judd (assistant, deputy, temporary), Editor

FOR SALE

1991 Ford Capri

This car has never been restored in any way - what you see is what you get - a beautifully maintained car inside and out. Recently detailed.

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1924 Dodge I had a mild stroke last year and have to clear off the 1924 Dodge (awarded restoration of the year 2016/17) and an almost complete 1929 Plymouth U. Anyone interested?

Regards, Geoff Davidson Braddon

Phone: 6262 7786 Email: gsdavidson@grapevine.net.au



Retroautos for September featured the design to driveway story of the HJ Holden.

FOR SALE – OTHER CLUBS PLEASE COPY

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All reasonable offers considered.

Contact Graham Waite 0412 627 437

FOR SALE

Ruth Foster a member of the Model A club has a long list of items for sale, located near Tumbarumba. If you are interested, let me know and I will send you the list.

Helen Phillips Email: hphillips@iimetro.com.au or mobile 0409 035 685

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

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

OR

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

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

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 Front axle with good veteran spring perches
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 Pair new brass diff thrust washers
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This is the Club long sleeve chambray shirt, also available in short sleeve. Chambray shirts are priced at \$45 while they can be obtained on special and have the embroidery done for that price.



POSITION VACANT

Norm Brennan is still experiencing ill health and every time he has to go to hospital for treatment, seems to get Covid again. Can someone please fill this position at the Annual General Meeting.

This space available for an advertiser.

\$40 per annum in 11 issues of the Colonial.

Ring or email the Editor or Treasurer please.

REMINDER

We are obliged to keep our membership database with regard to vehicles on concessional registration, as up-to-date as possible.

Members' help is therefore required to do this. Please advise the Membership Secretary, Richard Thwaites if:

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.

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