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Deceased: Vin Liston, Anne Scattergood, Barry Boyce, Ollie Walker, Billy de Graaf, Albert Neuss, Alec McKernan.

## CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings of the Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club are usually held on the second Tuesday of each month at 8.00 pm— ACT Bridge Club (room to the right) Duff Place, Deakin.

**Next Meeting**      **13 February 2024**

## EVENTS

Wheels 2024—Queanbeyan Showground

## CUSTODIAN OF THE CLUB'S VEHICLE TRAILER

Bob Alexander      [rjacgs@hotmail.com](mailto:rjacgs@hotmail.com)      0417 880 064

**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.

## CLUB MAGAZINE

Deadline for Contributions - Next Edition:

Please could I have any contributions by **Friday 29 March 2024**. Please send them to [mnorman184@gmail.com](mailto:mnorman184@gmail.com) or [editor@cacmc.org.au](mailto:editor@cacmc.org.au)

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## FROM THE EDITOR

Hi all, a big thank you to everyone that has sent in photos from events—keep em coming (makes my job really easy!!!). Don't forget to send in your details about your vehicles, events you have attended etc, and anything else you might like to see in the Colonial All the best—Ed!!!

## APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

*We look forward to meeting lots of the new members on our outings.*

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## CLUB MEMBERS' NEWS

### A last inspection...

At the last meeting in 2023, Charlie Adams stepped back from his role as club examiner. Charlie has been a club member since 1984 marking 40 years of membership with CACMC and quite a few years as examiner.

Craig Keogh has taken over Charlie's role now and Craig can be contacted on 0437 159 680 or via email at: [thekeoghs1@bigpond.com](mailto:thekeoghs1@bigpond.com)

Thank you Charlie for your service to the Club.



### A lifetime of service to the Club.

Helen Phillips was recognised by the Club recently for her long-standing involvement in various roles and her role as Editor of *The Colonial* for the past 20 years.

President Graham Waite presented Helen with a plaque of recognition and some beautiful flowers at the February Club meeting—Congratulations Helen!



**Standing Invitation to join The Retreads for lunch  
At the Canberra Southern Cross Club  
First Friday of the month**

In the last year or so a considerable number of new members have joined the CACMC. These new members they may or may not know that within our club there is a group of members that call themselves Retreads. Retreads are retired or semi-retired club members who get together every first Friday of the month for sandwich lunch at the Southern Cross Club.

In the past the lunches were well attended, but unfortunately in recent years the number of members has dwindled to less than ten. This is because many have passed away and others are no longer able to drive.

We normally spend over an hour having lunch and talking mainly about cars and restorations taking place. It is a trove of knowledge that is passed to one another.

So why not come along and join us!

Joe Micallef



**Retreads Lunches—first Friday of the month for sandwich lunch at the Southern Cross Club—Woden**

- 5 April
- 3 May
- 7 June



## OUT AND ABOUT (REPORTS FROM CLUB RUNS & EVENTS)

### Wheels 2024—Sunday 18 February 2024

The Annual Wheels display is the Club's opportunity to showcase the depth of vehicles among its Club members. The 2024 event was no exception, with 50 Club members bringing 39 historic vehicles to the event.

This year the event was held in conjunction with the Queanbeyan markets which had an impact on the parking available for visitors to the event. Despite this though a good turnout was seen, and the weather stayed nice which helped the event

With the theme of "Hot Hatches" the showground was once again well attended by car clubs from across the region. However as Hot Hatches were a product of the early 80s, CACMC has very few of these available.





*Phil Cancellier was excited to find out that his 1939 Buick had been used as official pace car in 1939.*



*Thank you to Alan Boate for adding to our display with his two military vehicles. Seen her loading up to go home.*



*Richard Taber received a commendation for his 1949 Chrysler Windsor "Shannons Wheels 2024 Honorable Mention Historic 1931-1994".*

### **Club Members exhibiting at Wheels:**

Michael Catanzariti - '30 Hupmobile;

Lee Gaynor - '34 DeSoto Airstream;

Charles Adams - '35 Chevrolet Roadster; & '37 Nash Ambassador;

Roger Amos - '37 Vauxhall DX sedan;

Fay & Phil Cancellier - '39 Buick Business Coupe;

Alan Boate - '43 Jeep & '90 Perentie;

Graham Boyce & Dean Benedetti - '48 Chevrolet coupe;

Rick Davis - '48 Daimler DE36;

Richard Taber - '49 Chrysler C45;

Richard Thwaites - '53 Daimler Conquest;

John Furlan - '60 Austin Healey Sprite;

Neil Buttriss - '60 Humber Vogue Sports;

Philip Gouldson - '61 Humber Super Snipe;

Dave Rogers - '64 Triumph TR2;

Ken Herne - '64 Wayfarer Caravan;

John Jeffery - '66 Ford Thunderbird;  
 Helen Phillips - '67 Holden HR Premier;  
 John Liston - '67 HR Holden;  
 Brian O'Donnell - '69 Cadillac Fleetwood;  
 Mike Morrison - '70 Holden GTS Monaro;  
 Ray Gallagher - '71 Austin 3-Litre;  
 Ken Truelsen - '71 Volvo 164;  
 Ratko Vatauvuk - '72 Honda N600;  
 Brian Ely - '72 Triumph Spitfire;  
 Dave Byers - '72 Vanden Plas 1300 Princess;  
 Scott Molloy - '74 HQ Holden Monaro;  
 David Evans - '78 Ford Escort;  
 Peter Hoskin - '79 Bristol 603;  
 Joe Micallef - '80 Honda Prelude;  
 Dan Lance - '83 Reliant Rialto;  
 Grahame Crocket - '84 Ferrari Mondiale QV;  
 Jim Orman - '85 Landrover County;  
 Dennis Bagic - '86 Holden Piazza;  
 John de la Torre - '86 Mercedes 190E;  
 Bob Judd - '89 Mazda MX5;  
 Peter & Paul Bakos - '89 Trabant 601;  
 Garry Binkhorst - '91 Saab 9000;  
 Graham Waite - Bolwell Rio (scooter).

**..and in modern vehicles:**

Malcolm Noad, Paul Jamieson, Graham Gittins, Michael Toole, Brian Mackin, Guy Langford, Graham Bigg, Bob Alexander.





Some more unusual items at Wheels 2024 included a Stanley Steamer in full steam, and a representative from East Germany— Peter and Paul Bakos' 1989 Trabant.



Dave Rogers' TR4

## CLUB MEMBERS' VEHICLES

### Marea Georgiou's - 1992 Honda Prelude

#### Model SI SRS, BB2 / H23A1 4<sup>th</sup> Generation

I purchased this vehicle in 1994 with approximately 20,000 kms and have owned the car ever since. The vehicle has a little over 90,000 kms at the moment.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances, and the purchase of a Mazda CX-5, the Honda remained under cover on the driveway for around six years undisturbed, apart from a few spiders, cobwebs and the occasional vermin finding shelter. I just didn't have the heart to part with her all these years for sentimental reasons. The vehicle has never been 'hooned' but driven with respect and pride. In fact, I must be such a good driver that after 30 years the car still had its original tyres and mags with plenty of tread left on them, plus original brake pads which were hardly worn out. Due to age of the tyres they had developed 'old age' cracks and wrinkles (a bit like me:), as had the brake pads which have since been replaced. A friend fitted low-profile tyres and snazzier mags which improved the car's appearance somewhat!



When I found out that I would now be able to obtain Historic Number Plates for the vehicle as she was about to have her 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday I thought this might be an opportunity to resurrect her and bring some life back into the car and myself. It reminds me of my younger days when I enjoyed driving the car around with the sunroof open and the feel of a well made sports car behind the steering wheel.



So when the decision was made to bring this lady 'back from the land of the living dead' she was towed away to a mechanical shop, which in hindsight was the wrong choice, as they had no experience with this type of vehicle and the complexities of 4WS and other issues with the model vehicle. I was informed that the fuel tank was full of rust and the it was the worst they had ever seen. They had no solution and as I am a problem solver I decided to venture into the land of second hand car part dealers and having the response to my enquiry to find another fuel tank sound like a broken record, 'sorry can't help you, scarce as hen's teeth' plus most of the car wreckers punch holes in the fuel tanks. I made hundreds of calls nationwide that day and then Optus went down not long after. I would

jokingly say to people I think I brought Optus down with all the calls I made yesterday!

Well my perseverance paid off and I found someone through Facebook who was wrecking a Honda Prelude 1995 VT-IR in Lismore. He was very helpful and removed the fuel tank to check his didn't have rust inside and sent me photos. When the photos of the inside of his fuel tank arrived I was fully expecting to have the same situation with rust in the tank as his car has been sitting there for a few years also. But to my utter surprise when I received the photos from inside of his fuel tank it almost looked like it was 'gold plated' inside. So good to get a

break sometimes and have positive results! By the way I also found it highly amusing in his reply messages when he would say 'no worries dude' as he didn't think a female owned the car. Transporting the fuel tank was another long saga of telephone and online enquiries with most freight companies quoting up to \$800 to transport the item to Canberra. Fortunately I found a company which had a depot in Lismore (Direct Freight if I recall correctly) which transported it for \$60 and the guy was kind enough to box it up and drop it off at the Lismore depot.

So the mechanics were pleased to hear I managed to source another fuel tank and were so impressed offered me either a job or a cheeky marriage proposal lol. To my utter surprise they passed the Roadworthy test and received the certificate to be able to obtain the Historic Car Registration. There are quite a few teething problems with the vehicle and I am in the process of trying to find a local mechanic that is familiar with this vintage model of Honda Prelude. A new Gates timing belt/water pump kit has been ordered and I have viewed numerous Youtube videos regarding different issues with this model car and ways to resolve them. The US, UK and Germany love Honda Preludes apparently so there are lots of videos/info in different Prelude forums as well, which can be overwhelming.

For example, the 4WS light comes on after a few kilometres. According to many other 4<sup>th</sup> Generation Prelude owners 90 per cent of the time this is resolved by removing the 4WS module located behind one of the back seats and 'resoldering' a certain section which forms 'fissures' in the existing solder over time. The ABS light comes on regularly and this is a matter of cleaning the speed sensors etc. It is a bit disconcerting when all these lights come up on the dash as you are driving, but hopefully these issues will be resolved with time.

Giving this car a new lease of life has encouraged me to clean out the other side of my garage which was just a lot of junk that was overdue to be thrown out. Hoping to get her out from under the car cover and in the garage within the new few weeks!

By the way I am using Fuel Doctor in the fuel tank. Stops petrol going off for a couple of years and diesel for up to 60 months, clears fuel line and injectors as well.



## Peter Schwarz's RX7

Peter's car is a 1989 Mazda RX7 series V convertible and is a jap import. The series 4 and 5 are the 2<sup>nd</sup> generation of the RX7 and are also known as the FC3S.

Peter's is a *Savannah* which is the fully optioned Japanese version. The Savannah's came with full leather interior and factory BBS wheels, manual Turbo. The car came as you see it now though (imported from Japan) with the Work Equip alloy wheels.



It is a 13b Turbo, 5 speed manual and Peter has owned it for nearly 14 years.

This is the 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> Rotary engine car he has owned. Up until this car, all his previous Rotaries were usually his daily drivers.

While the FC convertibles were an Australian delivered option, the Turbo was only ever offered in Australia as an Auto so manual FC convertible with factory Turbos are not that common here.

They were manufactured between 1988 and 1991 (there was a limited run of 500 in 1992 for the Japanese market only) and there were only 22,000 manufactured in total world wide.

The convertible RX7's were designed from the chassis up as a convertible and were not just a coupe that was simply modified as a convertible. The chassis and body have extra strengthening incorporated into them and they were manufactured on their own assembly line.

This vehicle was also the first car to incorporate the "wind blocker" to reduce wind in the passenger compartment and patented by Mazda and it was the first vehicle where the fold

down roof was installed as a single prebuilt unit.

The 2 part hard top is also a little unique in that the retractable roof is made in 2 parts, one section is a hard top that can be removed and the car then can be driven as a targa top.





## CACMC EVENTS CALENDAR (including extra runs and swap meets)

### Club sanctioned events:

*You will notice some events listed below have a # in the title. This means they are a club sanctioned event where members participation is being sought. These go under club runs in your log book. The remainder count towards the 60 day usage under the scheme.*

**MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: YOU MUST HAVE A LOG BOOK OTHERWISE IT IS ILLEGAL TO TAKE YOUR VEHICLE ON THE ROAD.**

Date	Event	Contact Details
2 March	Braidwood Show & Shine Car Show	Braidwood Motor Club
2 March	Goulburn Show 2024—Classic Car Display	Goulburn Show <a href="http://www.Goulburnshow.com.au">www.Goulburnshow.com.au</a>
2-3 March	Canberra Festival of Speed Thoroughbred Park	Project Supercars <a href="http://www.projectsupercars.com">www.projectsupercars.com</a>
2 3 March	Wellington Vintage Fair and Swap Meet	<a href="http://www.wellingtonvintagefair.com.au">www.wellingtonvintagefair.com.au</a>
7-11 March	Austins over Australia 2024 in Orange NSW	Tour Director Tony Groom Mob: 0412 036 774
12-17 March	Chrysler Anniversary Run and Chryslers on the Murray	<a href="http://www.chryslersonthemurray.com/event">www.chryslersonthemurray.com/event</a>
11-15 March	Speed Week Lake Gairdner South Australia	Dry Lakes Racers Australia
16 March	<a href="#"># Goodwin Village Market Day</a>	
17 March	<a href="#"># Club Event—BBQ Lunch at Cotter Dam</a>	See Page ? For details.
24 March	Jindera Swap Meet & Show N Shine	Dight Street, Jindera NSW 2642
24 March	2024 SeaRoad Devonport Motor Show	Rotary Club of Devonport North
29 March—1 April	Council of Heritage Motor Clubs Annual Rally and Parkes Antique Motor Club Golden Anniversary Rally headquarters at Parkes Racecourse, Eugowra Road, Parkes.	<a href="mailto:parkesantiquemotorclub@gmail.com">parkesantiquemotorclub@gmail.com</a> Barry Garment 0408 025 712 OR Joyce Mann 0428 626 669

6 April	Horsham Swap Meet	Horsham Show Grounds
6 April	Street Machine Event at Holy Trinity	
7 April	Goulburn Rotary Swap Meet	Goulburn Recreation Area
7 April	Auto-Italia Queanbeyan Park	Italian Cars Association of the ACT
10-14 April	Inverell Veteran Rally	Veteran Car Club of Australia (NSW)
14 April	<a href="#"># CACMC Autumn Club Run—Yass and Jugiong via Mountain Creek Road</a>	Details TBC
20 April	Wheels of Wamboin—10th Anniversary	Wamboin Community Association
20 April	National Trust (ACT) Heritage Festival Open Day Yarralumla Woolshed	Bob Garrett rm.garrett.au@gmail.com
21 April	Yass Swap Meet 7am—2pm	Yass Showgrounds
5 May	EJ-EH Chrome Bumper Show Viking Park	EJ-EH Holden Car Club ACT (see page 30 for details)
2-5 May	Pre 1931 Tour—Orange For Veteran & Vintage Vehicles Only	Hosted by the Central Tablelands Historic Car Club: <a href="http://www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au">www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au</a>
19 May	<a href="#"># National Motoring Heritage Day—Canberra Cavalcade and Club Presentation Lunch</a>	Details TBC
25 - 26 May	Historic Winton	<a href="#">Home - Historic Winton</a>

## COMING EVENTS

### **Saturday 16 March 2024 Goodwin Village Market Day**

On Saturday 16 March 2024 Goodwin Village of Farrer will be holding its Market Day.

The late Alec Mckernan used to organise a small group of cars to display on the day. If you would like to display your vehicle at the Market Day please contact Joe Micallef on 0414 402 275 or email: [jvpe@iinet.net.au](mailto:jvpe@iinet.net.au)

### **Sunday 17 March—Cotter via Tidbinbilla for BBQ Lunch**

The CACMC Event for March will be on Sunday 17th March which will be a BBQ lunch at The Cotter Dam . The Club will provide steak sandwiches and sausages and Tea & Coffee.

Members will need to bring their own salads and drinks also chairs . There are tables but it does get busy on weekends.

Meeting place will be The Kambah Village carpark at 10.00am and depart at 10.15am travel South on Drakeford Dr continue Tharwa Dr , after crossing the Tharwa bridge turn Right onto Tidbinbilla rd, continue Paddy's River Road then left into Cotter Dam picnic area. About 55min trip.

AS we will need numbers for catering please send John Furlan an email at: [handjfurlan@skymesh.com.au](mailto:handjfurlan@skymesh.com.au) or ring 02 62363637 if you will be going.

### **Sunday 14 April—Yass and Jugiong via Mountain Creek Road**

A longer Autumn run - **details TBC**

### **Sunday 19 May— National Motoring Heritage Day—Canberra Cavalcade and Club presentation lunch**

For National Motoring Heritage Day each year we stage an informal parade through the popular central areas of the National Capital, ending with a commemorative Lunch including presentation of the Club's annual trophies for restoration and preservation of heritage vehicles. **Details TBC**

## Sunday 7 April—Goulburn Swap Meet

The Goulburn Swap meet is on again this year for its 34<sup>th</sup> Year. We listened to the feedback given to us last year and are happy to announce that we have made some changes that will make it easier for you to participate in our swap meet.

**2024 will have flexible booking options, public liability insurance included and last minute stalls available**

**Where:** Goulburn Recreation Area (Showground), Braidwood Rd

**When:** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### SITE COSTS

- INDOOR: Peden Pavillion \$50 per site (approx. 4 x 4m) - Only 4 spots still available
- UNDERCOVER: Skillion Sites \$45per site (approx. 4 x 4m)
- OUTSIDE: Hard Stand sites \$40 per site (approx. 6 x 5m)
- OUTSIDE: Grass Sites \$30 per site (approx. 6 x 5m)
- OUTSIDE: Grass Sites on Oval \$30 per site (approx. 6 x 10)

### ENTRY

Site Holders to set up after **gate** opens at 9am on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2024. **ENTRY ON SATURDAY VIA GATES 2 & 6 depending on where your stand is located**

Last minute Site Holders can set up on **Sunday** from 5am to 7am. **ENTRY VIA GATE 8 ONLY**  
Gates open to Public Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7am

### SECURITY

Buildings and gates will be locked at 8pm on Saturday

### FOOD

Hot food available Saturday between 12noon and 8pm for stallholders

Various hot food stands on-site ALL DAY on Sunday

### BOOKING OPTIONS

Get your preferred stand options by pre-booking early!

**ONLINE:** [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/749039596597/](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/749039596597/)

**Online bookings open on the 15/2/24 and close on the 5/4/24**

**BOOK BY PHONE: 0456 245 836**

**LAST MINUTE STANDS:** Show up at gate 8 (on Bungonia Rd) on Sunday from 5 to 7am and get assigned a spot

**PUBLIC LIABILITY IS PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE TO ALL SELLERS**

### ENTRY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC

Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> April from 7am. Parking Access through Gate 8 on Bungonia Rd.

Pedestrian only Access through Gate 4 on Braidwood Rd

COST \$5 for Adults, 16 and under is free

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION VISIT

<https://fb.me/e/1BwSh620s>

CONTACT DETAILS

Email: [rotarygoulburnswapmeet@gmail.com](mailto:rotarygoulburnswapmeet@gmail.com)

Ph: 0456 254 836

NOTE:

Please leave pets at home . The event has off-street parking . Site holders are responsible for their rubbish and must ensure their site clean upon leaving or a penalty may occur

## THE LIGHTER SIDE OF MOTORING



## CACMC FACEBOOK PAGE

**NEW**

We now have a Facebook Group called “Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club – CACMC”. This is a private group that we have established for Club members only, where we can quickly post information about upcoming club events, local car shows in the area, place for sale advertisements for vehicles & parts, pictures of members vehicles, club runs & events, and any other relevant information.

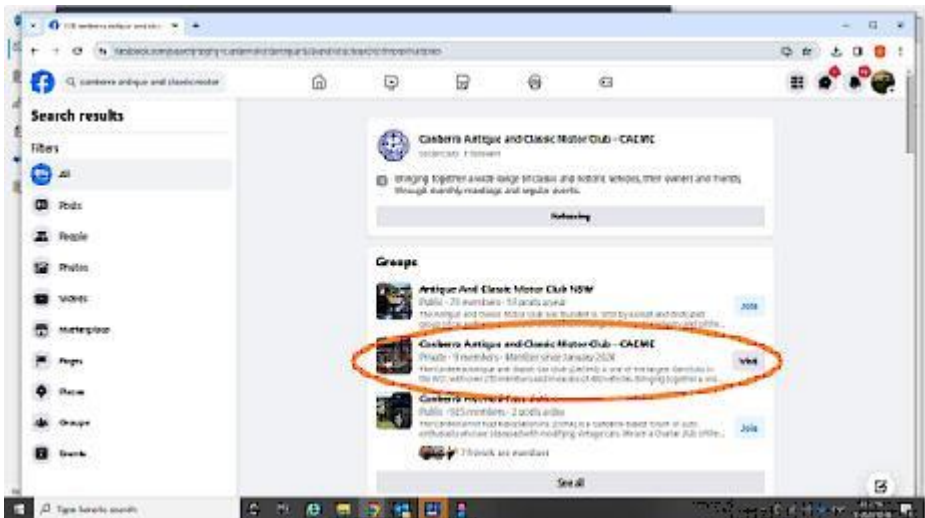
This will also have the benefit of allowing us all to interact with each other more, through the ability for all members of the page to comment and correspond with others in the Club.

As it is a private group, where you can only be approved as a member after applying to join the group, the information published on this group will not be able to be seen by the general public.

If you do not currently use Facebook you can just set up a basic account with no pictures or information on it, apart from your name, and restrict access to a level that is comfortable for you. We have quite a few members who are only on Facebook so they can see what is happening with other car clubs that they are in, and do not use it for anything else at all.

If you are on Facebook and would like to join our Group page, you can do so by following these steps:

Simply type in “Canberra Antique and Classic Motor Club” in the search section of Facebook and hit search.



Then click on the CACMC private group as highlighted above.

This will then take you to the group page where you will find just underneath the photo a blue “join” box. Click on this box and this will send a request to us to join the group. Once we have accepted your request you will then be able to access the page and will receive notices when we publish anything.

Please note: If you are using a Facebook page that isn't in your membership name then you will need to let us know, otherwise we will not recognise you and therefore not approve you to join the group.

If you have any questions regarding this please contact Scott Molloy on 0408 308 088.

## OLD COLONIAL MAGAZINES WANTED.....1967—1989

**Call Jim Orman 0412241636 for pickup**

Our magazine beginning from 2011 is already available in digitised format that can be searched on both the Club Site and the Heritage Library site. We are now looking at digitising the earlier magazines and we need a set of magazines for the earlier dates. It is not an option to break up the bound copies we have in our library, or the bound copies in the Heritage Library. To scan from the bound copies is a much more difficult task, so this is a request for earlier unbound copies.

The Heritage Library have kindly offered the use of their equipment and software to do the digitisation, on the basis that the club donate the labour to get the job done. If you are interested in helping please contact Jim Orman by email at jimorman1234@gmail.com or on 0412 241 636. The Heritage library will supply the club with a copy of any digitisation.

Digitisation of the magazines will give our current members, future members and the public an excellent reference source. Your grandchildren's grandchildren will be able to research grandpa's cars, articles and club activities.

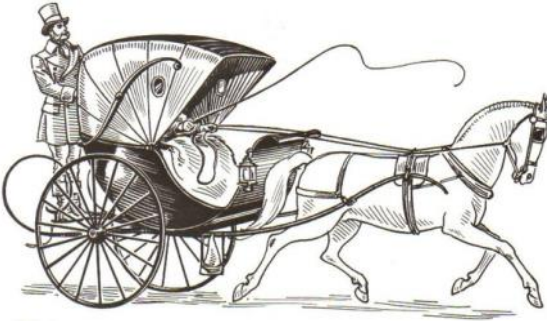
Thanks to Dino Benedetti and Brian McKay for their donations.

If you have any of the earlier magazines (1967 to 1989) we would be glad to hear about them. If they are valuable to you they could be loaned (for scanning and return), but if donated they will be used to fill gaps in the clubs collection or disposed of by sale or otherwise once they have been digitised and the digitised copies backed up off site.

## DID YOU KNOW ...!

**Is a taxi/cab a car, or is it just called a taxi or the other word cab?**

Okay, here's an interesting piece of linguistics.



This, in French at least, is a "cabriolet", a light carriage drawn by one horse designed to carry one to two people, plus maybe a driver. It has a hood to protect the occupants from inclement weather. This sort of vehicle spread through many urban areas in Europe, including England, where they gave it the same name. They were commonly used as vehicles for hire to traverse short distances quickly. In London, they started to replace the larger and slower "hackneys". This was a very long word and was often shortened to "cab" and was applied to other horse drawn vehicles for hire, such as:



*Hackney cab*



*Hansom cab*



Hackney cabs (note the big slow horse instead of a fast one), and Hansom cabs.

But part of the problem was how to calculate the fare. In the late 19th century, as automobiles were introduced, a German fellow named F.W.G. Bruhn developed a device that could keep track of the fare as the vehicle traveled. It was called a "taxameter" (charge meter) which when



introduced to France was changed to "taximeter". By 1897, Gottlieb Daimler attached the taximeter to an automobile which became *The Taximeter Cabriolet* which was eventually shortened to "Taxicab" or "Taxi" or "Cab" depending where in the world you were at the time.

## DRAFT MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 13/02/2024

### **Attendance**

Members 45

Visitors 4

Apologies 2

### **Welcome**

President Graham Waite welcomed members and visitors to the February 2024 meeting and advised that the first Friday of the month luncheon take place at the Canberra Southern Cross Club Woden from 12noon.

The President then called on Helen Phillips to whom he presented a plaque recording her long history as editor of the Clubs Colonial magazine.

### **Guest speaker**

Vice president Joe Micallef introduced Mark Roberts from Battery World who gave a presentation on the various types of batteries and the changes to battery content.

### **Confirmation of the Minutes**

The Minutes of the January 2024 general meeting were passed without amendment.

Moved Graham Gittins

Seconded Brian O'Donnell

**Carried**

### **Correspondence David Fox**

(Via PO Box or mail)

Car Club Magazines: Gundagai *Crankhandle*, South Coast *Klaxon*, Milton Ulladulla *Torque Talk*, Young, Cowra, Deniliquin, Wollongong. Chrysler Restorer, Klaxon, Chrysler, Young, Cowra, Milton Ulladulla.

Commonwealth Bank statement.

Access Canberra – Rego papers for BBQ Trailer

### **Membership Applications**

Benjamin & Carol Van Eldik – 1965 Humber Vogue

### **IN (Via Email)**

Car Club Magazines:MPHVC *Sidelights*, Motorlife, Retroautos, OTHR Dec, Orange, Triumph, Parkes, Central Coast.

### **Membership Applications**

Phill Mitchell – 1985 Suzuki Sierra

Blue Muhldorff – 1967 Ford Ranchero

Troy Magyar- 1963 Holden EJ & 1963 Ducati Pantah.

Glenn Black – 1989 Suzuki GSXR 750 & 1989 Audi 90.

McLeod Wood – 1966 For Mustang  
 Peter Schwarzaugl – 1985 Suzuki Sierra  
 Paul MacDonald – 1990 Suzuki Swift  
 Karen & Graham Lord- 1966 HD Holden

Membership Enquiries  
 Nil

Membership Renewals  
 Fouad (Frank) Maatouk.

Other Emails  
 47th Historic Winton 25th & 26th May 24.  
 ACT Council of Motor Clubs – Wheels 24 information  
 CACTMC to Registrar re Wheels 24 space allocation.  
 Shannons closing ACT Office.

OUT  
 Registrar to CACTMC re Wheels 24 space allocation  
 Treasurer – all advertisers in Colonial

Moved David Fox,                      Seconded Roger Amos      **Carried**

Raffle #5 Graham Waite  
 Last Run      #7 Ian Hooley

**Treasurer Report - Bob Judd**  
 Current balance \$53,800.27  
 Twelve new members joined in January.

Moved Bob Judd                      Seconded Helen Phillips      **Carried**

**Editor Report - Mike Norman**  
 Nothing to report

**Events Report - Richard Thwaites**  
 Wheels is on at the Queanbeyan Showground on Sunday 18 February 2024 It is important that members indicate to the events committee if they are attending.  
 March run BBQ to the Cotter  
 April Presentation of Awards  
 Some confusion about the date for National Motoring Heritage Day which Dave Rogers said would be held on 19 May  
 Raffle Ticket #B54 Orange – Peter Herbert

**Supper Coordinator Report – Michelle Norman**

Nothing to report

**Registrar Report - Bob Alexander**

Twenty cars inspected during the month.  
Car trailer out twice.

**Librarian Report – Jim Orman**

Held up a copy of a book Auto Mechanics Vol 1 which contains all you need to know about automobile mechanics.

**Membership Report - Richard Thwaites**

300 memberships representing 450 people and 400 vehicles.

**Shop Manager Report - Scott Molloy**

New design club shirts available

**Information officer no report**

**Council of ACT Motor Clubs Report - Roger Amos**

The Theme for the Shannons Wheels on 18 February is ‘Celebrating the hot Hatch’

This year the event is being run in conjunction with the Queanbeyan Markets and automotive traders have been invited to participate. The nominated charity for the 2024 event is Respite Care for Queanbeyan.

Briefing of Marshals and interested officials at Queanbeyan Showground 3.00pm  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Queanbeyan Park will no longer be available for car displays – the stated reason being to prevent the deterioration of trees in the park. The Council is seeking a meeting with the responsible ACT Minister to have certain parks in the ACT designated as available for car displays.

With Shannons closing their office in Fyshwick , the venue will no longer be available for occasional use by car clubs . The Spanish Australian Club at Narrabundah (where the Council meets) has been suggested as an alternative venue.

‘The Council uses Greening Australia as their environmental partner . <https://www.greeningaustralia.org.au> . They have forwarded \$720 as the Council contribution for the past FY. This amount is raised on a voluntary basis by Clubs submitting a recommended amount with their annual Council affiliation fees.

'A new club has been given affiliation with the Council. It is the "In rust we Trust" Vintage Motor Club

#### Events

6th April Street Machine at Holy Trinity

7<sup>th</sup> April Auto Italia at Queanbeyan Park

The Fire Brigade Museum at Manuka is open to Club visits in small numbers due to lack of parking. The museum is open on Saturday but other times can be arranged . Contact Wayne Berry at the museum.

#### Scott Molloy

Gave a presentation on the Club's new Facebook page.(see Page 22 for details).

#### General Business

Wheels need marshals with knowledge of cars to direct entrants to the correct areas .

Briefing 3pm Saturday 17 February at Queanbeyan Showground

Jim Orman has details of a 1918 vehicle chassis, wheels and engine needs full restoration otherwise will be going to the tip.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

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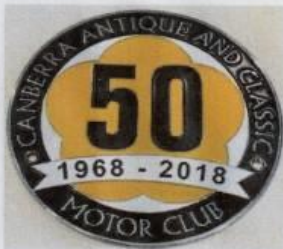
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