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EDITORIAL

These have been busy weeks for the Veteran Car enthusiast with such a rapid succession of quite major events. With only a few days to the Blue Mountains Rally, no doubt enthusiasm and tension is running high.

It is worth while to spare a moment for a thought for the Events Committee. I doubt if many of us truly appreciate the tremendous amount of work that they put into making these outings a success.

- EDITOR

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AN EARLY STEAM CARRIAGE RUN

"Probably the majority of our readers do not know that a paper under the name of "JOHN BULL" was published over three quarters of a century ago. The matter has been brought to mind by a cutting which has been sent to us from "JOHN BULL", dated Monday, July 20th, 1835, in which a reference to the first mechanically propelled carriage built by Maudslays appeared. It runs as follows: 'Maudslay, Sons and Field's steam carriage made her second run to Reading on Thursday. It started from Hyde Park corner at 8.30 agreeably to advertisement, and completed the journey in 2H. 58M. 20S., and returned in 2H. 46M. 50S. exclusive of stoppages, travelling down at the rate of 14½ m.p.h. and up at the rate of 13½ m.p.h. There was a slight delay at Brentford in returning, in consequence of the orb of the wheel of the attached omnibus having become heated, but that was the only casualty.'

The Maudslay cars of today are built by the direct lineal descendants of the firm who turned out the early steam carriage referred to in the paragraph, though, of course, their name is better known in connection with their marine work, as the steam carriage was but an interesting experiment and did not make their name world famous as did their marine engines."

Copied exactly from P.1020., THE AUTOCAR, June 8th, 1912.

- R. BAXTER

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VETERAN CAR TOUR OF THE CENTRAL COAST

Unfortunately, bad weather marred the most important part of the Central Coast run when they visited forty five miles of the beach front resorts on Brisbane Waters.

This run started from Gosford and visited Kincumber, Copacobana, Avoca, Terrigal, The Entrance, Woy Woy, Umina, Ettalong Beach and Pt. Clare.

There was considerable public interest in spite of the weather,

and there were no difficulties experienced.

Some cars took the lower road to Woy Woy and lost all chance of winning.

Again, this was a well conducted Rally. It was attended by eighteen cars from Sydney and four from the local district. Accommodation was quite up to expectation and the entertainment was good on both nights.

The Gosford Lions have another excellent function to their record.

The cars attending were:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Driver</u>
1	N.A.G.	1910	W. Dudley
2	Humber	1906	H. Nissen
3	International	1910	J. Knight
4	Martini Tourer	1911	C. Parker
5	Clement Talbot	1914	R. Newman
6	Humber	1912	L. Sheen
7	Crossley	1912	G. Green
8	Rolls Royce	1913	G. Green
9	Talbot	1908	J. Dance
10	Fiat	1912	A. Rowe
11	Rolls Royce	1911	G. Green
12	Rolls Royce	1910	G. Green
13	Vauxhall	1913	G. Green
14	Hispano Suiza	1914	G. Green
15	Oakland	1913	R. Jones
16	T. Ford	1912	V. Jacobs
17	Minerva	1912	L. Diemel
18	Minerva	1913	S. Hall
19	Fiat	1913	R. Farrell
20	T. Ford	1915	P. Gregory
21	Humberette	1913	L. Sykes
22	T. Ford	1914	H. Thomas

Outright Winner: Reg Jones 1913 Oakland Losing 40 points.

Second: C. Parker 1911 Martini Losing 50 points.

Concourse d'Elegance: F. Nissen 1906 Humber

Second Concourse: J. Dance 1908 Talbot

M. McCarthy 1911 Rolls Royce Alpine Won the Sub-event.

V. Jacobs 1912 Ford T Won the Hard-luck Trophy for his flat tyre.

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THE VINTAGE SPORTS CAR CLUB INVITATION OUTING - LANE COVE NATIONAL PARK - 2ND FEBRUARY, 1964

This outing created a great deal of public interest and it was attended by members of the Vintage Sports Car Club, The Vintage Car Club of N.S.W., The Antique and Classical Car Club, The Veteran Car Club, The Rolls Royce Owners' Club and the Riley Car Club.

The local members would be particularly interested in the Awards to this event. Unfortunately the attendance was such that the judging was rather prolonged and Veteran Car members had to leave before the result was announced.

The following results have been given:

Concourse Winner Veteran Section:	Lionel Jones	(Hupmobile)
Veteran Car, Lady Owner:	Jean Masser	(Hupmobile)
1928 Rolls Royce:	Geo. Sevenoaks	
1925 Bentley:	Sandra Garrett	

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MEETING REPORT:

The first meeting of the year was held at the H.C. Sleigh Amenities Room on January 23rd. In spite of the heat and humidity, there was a good attendance and after the meeting we were privileged to be entertained and informed about the Montagu Motor Museum by the Curator, Michael Sedgewick. He submitted himself to a lengthy ordeal of questioning and all present voted this one of the best evenings we had had for a long time.

Business activities followed the normal pattern. The Treasurer informed us of a pleasing list of donations, which have been published separately.

The forthcoming Blue Mountains Rally is now being finalised and information was given concerning a Trophy to be given by Lord Montagu. It has been decided that this award in N.S.W. will be given for the highest aggregate of points in all sections of the Blue Mountains Rally. This will include the Concourses, The Rally Score, and the Sub-Event Score.

Lord Montagu is expected to drive in this Rally, probably using our President's Alpine.

Inspections of the Investigation Committee reported that forty-one cars were inspected in Centennial Park in December, and another thirty owners have furnished Inspection Certificates.

Registrar Alan Foy had quite a long list of people to interview in connection with registration.

Len Sheen, on behalf of the Events Committee, spoke about the Blue Mountains Rally, and Phil Gregory issued a warm invitation to the Central Coast Run.

The Social Secretary gave notice of the Annual Ball to be held on 7th March at the Brass Rail Bistro, Mark Foys. Cost, including liquor, will be only 35/-. There should be no problems with regard to parking as there are plenty of nearby stations. An excellent roll-up is expected.

The Club welcomed Ron Sheen as an Associate Member.

As was mentioned previously, the evening concluded with the address by Michael Sedgewick.

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SOME OF THE PAST TROPHY WINNERS

Full details of past Trophy Winners are not available and the ones not published this month are:

- The George Green 4-Cylinder Trophy,
- The Alan & Danny Rose-Bray Concourse d'Etat Trophy
- The Alan Bruce Hard-Luck Trophy, and
- The H.C. Sleigh Concourse Trophy

PAST TROPHY WINNERS:

LEN MASSER:

Outright Winner in the Rally.

1956	F. Klein	1910 Steower
1957	G. Roberts	1912 Calthorpe
1958	Palm Sales	1905 De Dion
1959	A. Garrett	1907 Rolls Royce
1960	E. Perdreau	1908 Le Zebra
1961	R. Sevenoaks	1908 Renault
1962	J. Vanstone	1908 Metallurgique
1963	P. Gregory	1908 Renault

COGGINS TROPHY

1957	G. Roberts	1912 Calthorpe
1958	R. Gregory	1906 Overland
1959	C. Bryson	1911 Empire Eagle
1960	G.W. Green	1914 Prince Henry Vauxhall
1961	L. Sheen	1912 Humber
1962	D. Feichtreer	1912 Cadillac
1963	W. Dudley	1910 N.A.G.

ONE-CYLINDER SANDY HOLMES TROPHY

1956	L. Masser	De Dion
1957	R. Turner	Oldsmobile
1958	Palm Sales	De Dion
1959	A. Longhurst	Swift
1960	E. Perdreau	Le Zebra
1961	J. Smith	S. Naudin
1962	K. Lober	Oldsmobile
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SIX-CYLINDER BROADWAY MOTORS TROPHY

1961	G. Green	1912 Franklin
1962	G. Green	1912 Franklin
1963	S. Rumble	1911 Renault

TWO-CYLINDER FRANK KLEIN TROPHY

1958	A. Foy	1904 Reo
1959	A. Foy	1904 Reo
1960	G. Green	1911 Clement Bayard
1961	A. Foy	1904 Reo
1962	A. Foy	1904 Reo
1963	P. Gregory	

NEWTON GOLDMAN GOODWILL TROPHY

1957	L. Masser
1958	L. Le Riche
1959	Geo. Green
1960	K. Moss
1961	Mrs. P. Bryson
1962	J. Garwood
1963	L. Sheen

There was also the newly-introduced Victor Jacobs Period Dress Trophy.

Len Sheen requests that all Annual Trophy holders return these not later than 20th February. They may be returned at the next meeting, or to his home at 694 Mowbray Road, Lane Cove.

CANBERRA ENTRY FORMS: Obtainable, as soon as possible, from Len Sheen, 694 Mowbray Road, Lane Cove. (JB4198).

7. Messrs. Gurdon and Patterson built a new garage in Raglan St., Manly, behind the Pacific Hotel in 1913. The total cost of land, building and equipment was £5,000. The garage was used for general auto repairs and a Hire Car Service.

- R. BAXTER

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ANTIQUÉ AND CLASSIC MOTOR CLUB - invite members to participate in their Two Day Pioneer Run to Bundanoon on 7th March. Starting point at McGraths, Cnr. Hume Highway and Caldwell Parade, Yagoona, at 9.00 a.m.

Competitors are required to be at the Start at 8.30 a.m.

For accommodation - ring A.L. Coles, Secretary, 88/1831.

FOR SALE: 1911 Chalmers Car - Unrestored. J. McKinnon,
14 Beswick Ave., North Ryde.
(WW2830)

Lucas King of the Road, Side Lamp No. 630:
Mr. Child,
16 Mansion St., Marrickville.
(LL3824)

Trumbull 1912, Mobile: A lot of parts including 3 motors, 2 in good condition, spare gears, back axle steering gear, clutch etc., 2 extra wheels, gas lamps, kero side lamps, bulb horn.

Price: Hagglng starts at £250.

Also: Several Edison Phonographs and records.
Alan Dewell,
24 Dundedan Street, Maidstone,
Vic. W.10.

WANTED ADS.

Model T Ford Parts wanted - 1911-12 Cylinder Block.

Jones Speedometer (0250 m.p.h.) Cable, Swivel End or any parts.

Magneto conversion front cover. Ruckstel axle or Rocky Mountain gear box. Two good rear axles.

W. Barker,
18 Christo Rd., Waratah.
(Phone: Newcastle, 68/2769).

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Model T Parts. One set C.R.B. pedals.

Jeff Wolfgang,
"Mayland", Denman, N.S.W.

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Wanted, part for 1914 Renault. (Details of this request not clear - S.E.V. ??)

G. Sim,
345 Belmore Road, Riverwood.
(53/8752).

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ENGINEERING:

Lyle Stow, 77 Farraday Road, Padstow - prepared to do engineering on Veteran Cars; to make parts at realistic prices.

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