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NEWSLETTER OF THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (N.S.W.)

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## EDITORIAL

This month I have again taken the risk of submitting a diagram for duplication, and I am hoping that it will appear better than my previous effort last year. However, if it should not appear at all, you will know why.

I would be grateful if you would give any news items and requests to the Secretary, this month, as I will be away at the time of the normal meeting. The next closing date will be October 11th.

I would also like to state that at this moment I have absolutely no articles for the next month's issue.

— GEOFFREY LEHMANN.

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## THE GALLOWAY

Mr. P. Holmes recently told me of his father's first car. It was a Galloway, purchased second-hand for £53. 10. 0 in 1917.

This car was written up briefly, and illustrated, in the "Australian Motor" of July 15, 1954. It is quoted there as being a 1906 model of 5 h.p.

Other newspaper clippings tell that the car was purchased in 1911, reaching the purchaser, Mr. G. Matheson, packed in cases. It was assembled on the farm.

Below is a letter written by Mr. Matheson to Mr. Holmes.

"Moyarra, Dec. 5, 1917.

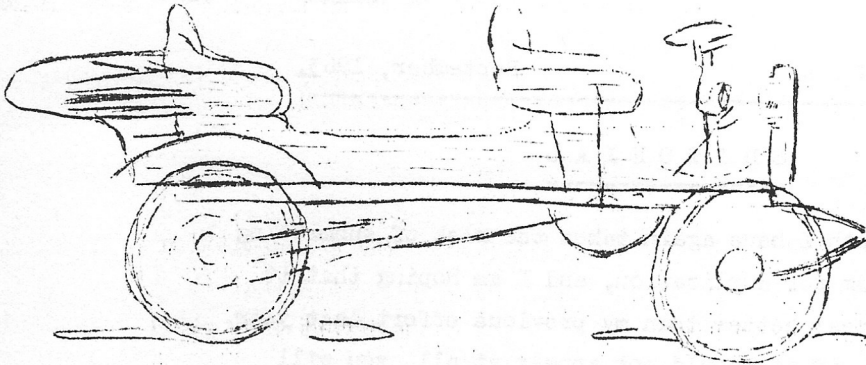
Dear Mr. Holmes,

I imported the motor from The William Galloway Coy., Waterloo, Iowa, U.S. of A. The only firm in Melbourne that I know of who has business with the Galloway Coy. is Bobison Brothers, Engineers, South Melbourne - you do not say what you were looking for in Melbourne.

As far as I know, that is the only Motor of that description in the State.

About going down steep hills. The engine is very little use as a brake unless you are going very slow. You remember how steady it went down the Kardela hill when I was with you, I only used the foot brake and the engine, with the Benzene shut off altogether. That ought to take you down any hill that is safe to put the Motor on. If you find it necessary to use the brakes, it is best not to stop the engine, but if you do stop the engine or it stops itself, then before you reach the bottom of the hill, bring the car to a stand, hold it with the foot brake, and bring the lever

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into top gear, then ease off the foot brake, then when the car moves, the engine must start with it, turn on the Benzene and it will run away. It is not safe to try and start the engine when the car is in motion. It is not safe to let any car get speed on going down a hill like the Kardela hill.

I am very pleased to see you are doing so well, and was glad to get your letter. I have not been able to learn from anybody how you were getting on, and was just making up my mind to run round and see for myself, in case you let her run over a bank and smashed things up.

Really I think it would do you good to have a drive on our roads, bring Mrs. Holmes and the children, we will be delighted to see you at any time. Since I saw ----- I had a run to Melbourne and back - we went by way of Drouin, through Poowong Easts.

Hoping you will soon be well again.

I remain, yours Respectfully,

G. MATHESON."

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EVENT AT GALSTON PARK.

On Sunday, August 18th, there was an excellent attendance of cars and club members at a picnic and gymkhana outing held at the Galston Park Picnic Grounds. The weather was ideal and it proved a very satisfactory function.

The Events Committee introduced a new and entertaining activity:

The game of Postman - which had everything that a veteran car event could ask for.

The other event of bursting the balloons had to finish prematurely, as the supply of balloons was exhausted. However, a good experience was obtained for future events.

The Concourse at the end was a fine sight.

The results of the Event appear on the next page, page 3.

We wish to thank all members who helped as officials on this occasion.

L.K. Sheen,  
R. Farrell,  
J. Tulloch,

EVENTS COMMITTEE.

NAME	CAR	YEAR	GOLF BALL STROKES	( ( NOMINATED TIME Postman's	TIME TAKEN Run	POINTS LOST	) ) )	POINTS LOST & STROKE PENALTY TOTAL POINTS LOST
K. MOSS	CADILLAC	1912	17	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.20	115		132
B. BRONK	FORD T.	1912	36	3	5.4	129		165
R. JONES	OAKLAND	1912	13	2.30	4.50	180		193
F. NISSEN	HUMBER	1906	15	3.30	6.0	160		175
M. MC CARTHY	ROLLS ROYCE	1913	14	3.	3.46	46		60
J. KNIGHT	INTERNATIONAL	1910	35	3.50	5.0	70		105
G. DALEY	F.N.	1910	12	3	4.12	117		129
G. ROBERTS	FORD T.	1914	20	3.58	5.4	66		86
B. DUDLEY	N.A.G.	1910	21	4	4.47	127		148
B. SPRAGGON	RENAULT	1908	16	4	5.14	84		100
J. COOPER	FORD T.	1914	12	3.30	4.26	86		98
G. GREEN	FRANKLIN	1912	28	3.30	4.18	48		76
J. MC KEOWN	AUSTIN	1908	18	3.30	5.0	135		153
J. MC GOWAN	ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH	1910	36	3.10	4.5	100		136
M. COLBERT	CROSSLEY	1912	53	2.50	4.8	103		156
A. GARRETT	ROLLS ROYCE	1908	9	4.0	3.35	35		44
H. HALL	MINERVA	1913	5	4.36	4.30	36		41 <u>FIRST</u>
J. DANCE	TALBOT	1908	21	3.52.5	4.18	41		62
J. SIMPSON	B.S.A.	1909	22	4	5.08	113		135
B. NEWMAN	TALBOT	1914	23	3.55.5	4.20	60		83
P. DAVIS	HISPANA SUIZA	1913	9	3.55.2	5.30	105		114
F. RUSSELL	HUMOBILE	1914	12	3.10	4.28	78		90
L. SHEEN	HUMBER	1912	-	-	NO	SCORE		
R. FARRELL	FIAT	1913	-	-	NO	SCORE		

MEETING REPORT

The August monthly meeting was held on 29th, this being a week later than usual. It was well attended - being Ladies' Night. Unfortunately, all did not go well with the tea brewing department, and some rearrangement of the evening was necessary.

Incoming correspondence was received from the Antique and Classic Club, inviting members to participate in their run from Yagoona to Wallacia on September 15th. They also mentioned Lord Montagu's projected visit, and another run to be held in February.

The Veteran Car Club of the A.C.T. expressed interest in the Rally to their home ground next year. Their committee has been published elsewhere.

Mr. T. Tulloch spoke on behalf of the Events Committee. He announced the winner and runners-up on the Galston outing. The full results will be set out separately.

He also discussed the forthcoming Children's Day on September 15th, the Newcastle Rally and the Waratah Festival.

Mr. G. Roberts reported on cars inspected, and the list of New Members is below.

Len Masser said he felt obliged to supplement the calorific content of the supper - in view of certain criticism. He also showed the brass dating plates belonging to the first series of cars dated. The Dating Certificates issued are still awaiting the Club's embossed stamp - structural modification being necessary before it will work.

Jack Smith, in connection with publicity, requested photos of cars - clear, large and suitable for reproduction.

The business of the meeting was concluded early to enable the subsequent film and supper - as mentioned before.

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NEW MEMBERS:

A.E. Blythe, 26 Haig Street, Bexley. LW5694	BELSIZE
T.G. Cook, 341 Princes Highway, Sylvania Heights.	OAKLAND 1916
R.S. Willis, "Uplands", Boggabri.	CADILLAC 1914
John Knight, 24 Hart Street, Dundas.	INTERNATIONAL 1910
Jack Radford, Boraba, Burren Junction.	HUDSON TOURER 1914

JUNIOR MEMBER:

Paul Channon,  
9 Victoria Avenue, Penshurst.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

J.E. Naylor,  
13 The Scarp, Castlecrag.

Alan D. Rees,  
26 Alfred Street, Ramsgate.

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OFFICE-BEARERS OF THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA, A.C.T.:

<u>President</u>	A.F. Higgeson, 22 Banner Street, O'CONNOR, A.C.T.
<u>Secretary</u>	E.H. Rumpf, 30 Blaxland Crescent, NEW GRIFFITH, KINGSTON, A.C.T.
<u>Treasurer</u>	J.R. Wilson, 24 Edmondson Street, CAMPBELL, A.C.T.

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NEWCASTLE BRANCH NEWSLETTER - AUGUST ISSUE 1963.

"EDITORIAL: During the October long week-en, 5th, 6th and 7th, in association with Charlestown Lions' Club, the Newcastle Branch will be holding what is hoped to be the most successful and enjoyable Veteran Car Rally yet staged. No doubt, you have already received your brochure from the 'Tour Committee' and avidly studied same. You must agree that this brochure alone entailed a vast amount of thought and hard work, and everyone has offered congratulations on such a meritorious effort -- BUT -- such an effort does not deserve to be just read and then put away in a lower drawer. -- What about filling in your entry form immediately and submitting it ??? What about contacting your Secretary or other committee members and offering assistance or even a constructive thought or criticism if you have not got your veteran mobile for the rally? This rally will set the stage and pace for what we hope will be an Annual Event. If it does not succeed as it deservedly should, chances are it will not be on next year. So let's all start working and thinking; even if your idea is a bit whacky, we might laugh with you, not at you, and even so, it would be appreciated.

FOR SALE

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Mrs. E.C. Barlow, 86 Harriet Street, Waratah, has a large quantity of veteran bits and pieces for sale. What offers?

Fred Sorensen, 38 Ulick Street, Merewether West has for sale a partly restored 1910 Ford T. 'Phone 63/2075.

Bob Atkinson, 12 Arnott Ave., Toronto has a partly restored 1909 14-20 h.p. Renault.

Dick Codeca has a set of restored Ford T wooden wheels and demountable rims, brake drums etc., have been cadmium plated and hubs, races etc. are all in new condition. He can be contacted at Caltex Service Station, Cnr. Glebe Road and Farquhar Street, The Junction.

WANTED

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John Cowan, 84 National Park St., Hamilton, wants a radiator cap and oil tank cap for a 1910 14-20 h.p. Renault, also two front wheel hub caps for same vehicle.

Your editor still requires a Bosch ZU - 4 magneto. 'Phone 68/3181.

Your spy reports:-

Peter Adams has now commenced restoration of the bodywork of his F.N. Tourer -- heard tell its mobile too.

Hunter Thomas has added to his "stable" what must be one of the rarest and most interesting little cars in the Club. A twin-cylinder, rear-engined, friction driven G.W.K. All there, too. With Hunter's ability to turn out such excellent restorations, this should be a real "Pot hunter".

Apropos our last Newsletter, wherein I had a "dig" at Greg. Knodler. He very smartly came to light with the information that he is rounding up bits and pieces and also information to commence an attack on his big F.N. Also, the dust has been flicked off the Hillman, in preparation for the Newcastle' run."

Mention was made by the "spy" that Wal Barker has added some driver comforts to his Ford in the shape of a new hood -- convinced that Newcastle tradesmen are at least equal to Sydneyites in quality, and price is attractive. Their Chairman, Jas. Turner has been quietly restoring Genevieve's twin sister, as well as completing his Bedelia. Work is proceeding on the editor's Talbot.

Dick Codeca's ingenious wire wheel conversion for Ford T is a professional job.....John Cowan is doing a fine job of restoring his Renault.....All quiet on the "Henry" front according to Don Barker but "what's growing down at the bottom of the garden?"

Spy continues:- "Some of the lesser known veterans will be attending the Newcastle Rally, including Bill East's Studebaker, and for its first outing, Laurie Syke's Humberette. Also in town for the first time will be Frank Nissen's Humber. Whilst actual entry forms do not number very many at present, a very large number of Sydney members have given verbal promises of coming along. So let's get our Newcastle entry forms in early as an example."

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The R.A.C.V. Jubilee Veteran Car Rally to Sorrento is to be held on 16th and 17th November, 1963, by the V.C.C.A. (Victoria). Interested members should write to:

Hon. Secretary,  
Mrs. D. Tishler, 26 Orrong Road, ARMADALE, VIC.,

who will forward them the necessary entry forms.

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#### TYRES

It was mentioned at the recent meeting of the V.C.C.A. that the Olympic Tyre Company were prepared to continue manufacturing 440 x 23 B.E. tyres, provided they could receive sufficient orders. These tyres will fit a variety of metric sizes, and anyone who is desirous of purchasing should get in touch with the Secretary immediately.

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#### F O R   S A L E

1914/15 Rolls Royce Tourer. This car was completely and fully restored in 1959/60 and has done 5,000 miles since. Colour is white with red upholstery. Rear compartment is fitted with cocktail cabinet and rear windscreen. Fully Rolls Royce in silence and quality. Price is high, as was the cost of restoration. Photos and detailed description will be sent to genuinely interested buyers. M.R. Markoff, 551 South Road, Moorabbin, Victoria.

1912 Austro-Daimler. Price: £600. F. Klein, 36/1210.

#### W A N T E D

CHASSIS - ANY PARTS - for Fiat Zero (12-13; 1913)

J. Butcher, 277 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove. JBL467.

RUSHMORE Acetylene head and tail lamps, and  
Acetylene generator. Also side lamps.  
Ross Marshall, 86/5808.

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#### DATES TO REMEMBER, 1963.

Sunday	Sept. 15	Children's Day. Bring all children and mothers - events for each - good prizes.
Saturday	October 5	Ourimbah procession, lunch 11.30 a.m. while on the way to Newcastle.
Sunday	October 6	Newcastle Rally - sponsored by Charlestown Lions' Club.
Saturday	October 12	Waratah Spring Festival - 175th Anniversary Pageant.
Saturday	November 2	Kewarra Festival - Campsie, Belmore and Lakemba.
Saturday	November 9 )	Weekend Run and Procession Blackheath Rhododendron Festival.
Sunday	10 )	

L. Sheen,  
R. Farrell,  
J. Tulloch,

#### EVENTS COMMITTEE

And Jean Masser asks members to start thinking about this year's CHRISTMAS DINNER.

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