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*David Revell's 1910 Star.
At the morning tea stop at Jemalong Weir,
during the VCCA 2018 National Tour, Forbes NSW.
28th September 2018.*

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Minutes of Monthly Meeting of VCCA (NSW) Inc.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of VCCA (NSW) Inc held on Thursday 24th October 2019

ATTENDANCE

Committee:9 Members: 14 Family members: 1 Visitors: 5 (Warren Wilson, John Radzeczcius, Lance Pymble, Charles Fitzhardinge and Leon MCGuire)

APOLOGIES: Bob Hobson, Don Liddle, Norm Mitchell, Abbey Newman, David Norton, Dorothy and Barry Shinfield, Michael and Marilyn Threthowen.

MEETING OPENED AT 8:10 PM.

PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS

The President welcomed all members and our visitors.

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING

Matters arising: Nil

Moved: Graham Weekes Seconded: Lynette Martin

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Invitations

Lions Club of Gerringong Motorfest – 15 February

Berrima Car Club – 15 & 16 February

Bundeena Bowling Club 17 Nov

RACV 2020 National Veteran Vehicle Rally – EOI

Goulbourn Car & Motorcycle Show – 30 Nov

Other Club publications:

Small Torque

The Vintage Car

Veteran Torque

Brass Notes

Retronauts (online)

The Preserve (online)

Early Auto

Other:

CMC report

Mt Victoria Manor

National Trust – applications for Paul Butler Bequest close on 31 December 2019

RMS – logbook, contact details

VCCA(Vic) – Vale Barry Forryan

Russell Holden

Bill Trollope

Bryan Inder – change of address

Richard Bremner and Kevin Hutchinson – resignations

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Phil O'Loan, Dorothy Shinfield, Barry Shinfield, Graeme Newman and Ben Rose – get well cards

Penny Stanbridge – directory

Terry Lyness – membership

Warren Wilson, John Radzeczcius, Lance Pymble – pre membership

RMS contact details

Emails: 1- & 2-Cylinder Rally at Fitzroy Falls, *Spit and Polish*

Moved: Phil O'Loan

Seconded: Peter Martin

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balances of Accounts as presented to the meeting.

Income has been received from subs, rent and advertising. Outgoings were for the cleaning, printing and postage of Spit and Polish and secretarial expenses. Eight members have yet to pay their membership fees.

Moved: Lynette Martin

Seconded: Ian Streatfeild

MAGAZINE Nothing to report

EVENTS

Previous events

Model T Ford run at Maryborough Queensland was well organised and raised funds. Peter Martin reported on the High Wheeler Rally also at Maryborough but in Victoria. There were 28 entries which travelled about 350 kms during the week. At 15 km per hour. It was well organised with good weather and at least 50% of the vehicles finished the event. The Newcastle Tour had 17 entries with 3 withdrawals, 2 missed the start and 2 missed lunch. It was run with a revised format and participant reported an enjoyable time. Next year the dates will be changed due to the timing of the National Rally. Doug Fulford was pleased with 1- & 2-cylinder ramble in the Southern Highlands but he commented that one can't always trust Google maps. However, the routes were scenic!

Coming events

2 November – working bee at the hall

3 November – Sydney North Breakfast Run to McKell Park Brooklyn

23 November – Christmas Party

1 December – Sydney Registration day

PERMIT TO MOVE/REGISTRATION

Three permits.

LIBRARY

Peter and Neil Martin were thanked with a round of applause for providing and installing the compactus. The next step is to start moving the items into the shelves.

DATING Nothing to report

MEMBERSHIP

Warren Wilson, John Radzeczcius and Lance Pymble were elected to the club as associate members and the President welcomed the new members.

CMC Nothing to report

HALL

Robert Fordham reported that all was going well with the hall. The next working bee will be held on Saturday 2 November.

WEBSITE

The website has been updated with EOI for the National Rally, Berrima Rally and Gerringong and Bundeena Car shows. After receiving a strange reply to a request for Adler parts, this month Graeme had a genuine response.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2022 1- & 2-cylinder national rally

Robert Fordham the rally coordinator announced the dates 1-7 May 2022. He requested a volunteer(s) as treasurer and secretary to assist him. Any one able to assist needs to contact Robert.

Christmas Party

A reminder that numbers and money are due tonight. Please pay the treasurer.

Swap Meet 2020

The Swap Meet will be held next year for Pre 1931 goods associated with cars. Tables cost \$10 a full table or \$5 for half a table. It will be held in the afternoon with an auction to follow. The date is yet to be confirmed. See Louise Yeomans if you are interested in a place or want to sell something at the auction.

Wooden wheels contact

Charles Fitzhardinge spoke about his life on a canal boat built in the Netherlands in 1913 to carry coal. He met a man who makes wooden wheels and has developed a non-pneumatic tyre. He left a brochure with contact details for Martin van Klei. Website: www.woodenwheels.nl

Guest Speaker Leon McGuire from BCA Friction Materials

Leon spoke about different brake linings and what to discuss with the supplier. He stressed the importance of bedding in new brakes. He took questions from the floor.

The raffle was drawn.

MEETING CLOSED AT 9:15 PM.

Doug Fulford
President

Louise Yeomans
Secretary

Events Calendar - Club Events

NOVEMBER 2019

- 23rd **Sydney Christmas Party.** *See Page 6 for details*
28th Committee Meeting starting at 6.30pm
28th Monthly Club Meeting at Club Rooms, Fivedock at 8pm
A pre Christmas get together after the meeting, see Page 6 for details
29th **MaSH Branch** Coffee run. 10.45am Curry Reserve, Camden Valley Way, Elderslie. *Check with Doug Fulford*

DECEMBER 2019

- 1st **Sydney Registration Day.** *See Page 7 for details*
8th **Newcastle Branch Christmas Party.** *See Page 7 for details*
13th **MaSH Branch** Morning Tea run. *Check with Greg Roberts*

JANUARY 2020

- 10th **MaSH Branch** Morning Tea run. *Check with Greg Roberts*
18th **Working Bee** at Club Rooms
21st Newcastle Branch Meeting at Westlakes Mining Museum, Teralba at 7.30pm
23rd Committee Meeting starting at 6.45pm
23rd Monthly Club Meeting at Club Rooms, Fivedock at 8pm.
24th **MaSH Branch** Coffee run. 10.45am Curry Reserve, Camden Valley Way, Elderslie. *Check with Doug Fulford*
26th **CARNIVALE 2020**, to be held in Parramatta Park.

Events Calendar - National Rallies

APRIL 2020

- 1st - 7th **1 & 2 Cylinder National Rally** - Charleville Qld. Hosted by the VCCA (Qld) Inc.
Entry Form etc. See Pages 18 to 20. Of July 2019 Spit and Polish.

OCTOBER 2020

- 11th - 17th **VCCA National Veteran Rally 2020** - Swan Hill.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Our official rally website is now up and running. You will find this via our club website - www.veterancarclub.org.au. Click on "National Rally" at top of page and follow the links.

Here you will find an on-line Expressions of Interest form (preferred method). Fill it in now to stay up to date with rally information. 1st Newsletter is anticipated before Christmas.

We have also included a hard copy EOI that can be printed and submitted, as well as a copy of our promotional video.

There are already over 65 bookings for motel rooms, cabins and sites. Accommodation options are listed on the website, but at writing, rally headquarters is fully booked with only powered sites now available.

Book your accommodation NOW!

The rally starts with a Mayoral Welcome, 3.00pm Sunday afternoon, October 11th 2020 and finishes with breakfast on Saturday morning October 17th.

When: 11 October – 17 October 2020
Where: Swan Hill, Victoria

Contact Rally Directors: Michael Holding 0407 008 895 Claudia Holding 0402 484 036
nationalrally@veterancarclub.org.au

Come join us and **"RALLY to the MALLEE"**

OCTOBER 2021

- 17th - 22nd The National Motorcycle Rally to be based in Manjimup WA.
24th - 29th The National Veteran Rally to be based in Busselton WA.

Invitation Event

FEBRUARY 2020

15th - 16th Berrima District Historic Vehicle Club Inc Invitation to our 44th BERRIMA RALLY Once again the Berrima District Historic Vehicle Club Inc will be holding our “Berrima Rally” on the weekend mentioned above. Our theme for this weekend will be “*Heroes Heroines Villains & Vagabonds*”. We are looking forward to your participation with this theme. Our club welcomes all historic vehicle enthusiasts to our major annual rally, a weekend in the Southern Highlands with country hospitality and motoring through some exciting country.

Come for the weekend or just for the day (to be eligible for category trophies, entrants & vehicles must attend both days)

All Starts and Meals from MITTAGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL. Entry LEE STREET, MITTAGONG.

Further information on our web site:- Information sheet with suggested accommodation

Weekend Programme and Entry Form

Coming Events

ADVANCE NOTICE

VCCA(NSW)Inc Swap Meet Pre 1931

See Page 7 for further information

Christmas is coming!

This year the Christmas Party will be held at Lane Cove National Park on **Saturday 23rd November**.

A BBQ lunch accompanied by yummy salads and deserts will be served.

You will need to bring your own eating utensils, drinks and thermos if you would like tea or coffee.

It will cost \$20 per person with children free.

Please let Louise Yeomans know of any special dietary requirements.

Numbers need to be advised to Louise Yeomans
on 0448 082 611 or email louise.yeomans1@gmail.com
by **24th October 2019**.

Payment is by cheque or direct deposit.
VCCA(NSW) Inc BSB 062009 Acc 28023425



Sydney Pre Christmas Get Together

Thursday 28th November 2019

To be held at our Club Rooms
following the General Meeting.

Members requested to bring a plate of festive food to share.

Partners are most welcome to join the festivities.



Sunday 1st December 2019

9am to 12 Midday

At 'Smiley Power'

45 Railway Street

YENNORA

(Between Orchardleigh Street and Junction Street)

UBD 230 G9

Enquiries to Neil Martin on 9632 5047.

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AND INSURANCE DETAILS**

SYDNEY

REGISTRATION DAY

ONE DAY ONLY

Newcastle Branch Christmas Party

Sunday 8th December 2019

Held at Bargoed House (Nesca Oval)

Old Pacific Highway, Swansea.

Gate open between 9.30am & 10.00am

Contact John Burke 0412 821 945



1 & 2 Cylinder Rally

Dave and Lana Perry are ready to start organising us a NSW 1 & 2 cylinder event in Orange.

The proposed dates being 29th to 31st May 2020.

Further details later.

VCCA(NSW)Inc Swap Meet Pre 1931

Following the success of its first swap meet the VCCA(NSW)Inc is holding Pre 1931 Swap Meet to be held on 29 February 2020 at the club's premises at 134 Queens Road CANADA BAY from 2 pm. At 5pm an auction of pre 1931 items will be held.

Items to be sold are to be pre 1931 and car related. Spaces available for vendors are half a trestle table for \$5 or a full trestle table for \$10. Vendors have access to the hall from 1pm onwards. To book a space contact John Grant jgr13216@bigpond.net.au, mobile 0418 558 949. To enter an item for auction also contact John Grant. Ten per cent commission from the auction price will be paid to the VCCA (NSW)Inc.

Tables need to be paid for in advance and auction items where possible nominated to John Grant by 14th February 2020.

The bank details are:

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CMC September General Meeting Minutes
Please find below the link to the NEW CMC Website and the CMC September General Meeting Minutes.
<https://www.councilofmotorclubs.org.au/images/minutes/gm/2019-Sept-GM.pdf>

Resignation

Kevin Hutchinson

*As this is the last edition of
Spit and Polish for 2019
I would like to wish all members
all the best for Christmas and the New Year
and enjoy your Veteran Motoring in 2020*
The Editor

Editorial

Again I would like to thank the members for the articles, supplied for this edition of **YOUR** Spit and Polish. Eight outings were reported on this month, being the MaSH Branch Northern Coffee Run from Alan, the 7th HCCCA International Tour - Bathurst - 2019, one from Louise and a second one from our Junior Member Harriette, very pleasing to receive. A report on the 1 & 2 Rally at Fitzroy Falls from Doug and a report on the Newcastle Branch Annual Tour from Graeme. Another report on the MaSH Branch Northern Coffee Run from Doug along with a report on the Working Bee from Louise and also a report from Louise on the Northern Sydney Breakfast Run. Good to receive so many reports, makes the editors job that much easier.

Coming events for the next month or so are: the Sydney Christmas party, the Sydney pre Christmas Get Together at the next meeting, The MaSH Branch's Morning tea run and their Northern Coffee run, also the Sydney Rego day and the Newcastle Branch Christmas party. Also an advanced notice of the Swap Meet to be held in late February.

Just remember that if you wish to compete for the Hattersley' Cup, articles on outings and a list of those attending must appear in Spit and Polish.

At the moment I have a **small** supply of material, but it is always handy to have a little extra just incase things get quiet. I would prefer to get more reports on outings attended. So if you have something it would be appreciated.

Just remember a short article can be made into a page presentation with a couple of photos as I have stated before.

Remember this is **"YOUR MAGAZINE"**.

Enjoy your Veteran motoring
Nev Preston





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www.tavcca.org.au

Notes from the TAVCCA AGM held at Bargara 22nd September 2019

Aside from the usual procedural business, the meeting considered a number of ongoing issues as well as a number concerning the future direction of the Association.

100 year badges

Since the introduction of the 100 year badge earlier this century, there has been a great rush on dating and issuing of the badges. This has now eased although there will still be a requirement to issue badges as cars currently being restored reach completion and vehicles which have not had badges issued change hands and the new owners request badges. The Association has sufficient badges in stock to meet demand well into the future.

The question has been asked whether a vehicle needs to have a dating certificate issued or could a badge be issued on a similar authority as a registration or club permit without a comprehensive dating procedure. As this was a question without notice it will be for discussion at the next meeting.

NOTE: The Delegates were reminded that the 100 Year Badge is issued to the vehicle and should be secured to the vehicle and stays with it when it changes hands. A second badge cannot be issued to the same vehicle.

Montagu Trophy

The Montagu Trophy is awarded annually to a member of an affiliated club who has shown dedication to the veteran vehicle movement above and beyond over a considerable time. This year it was awarded to John Burke from NSW who has given a lifetime of service to the movement in many and varied roles. In accepting the award, John agreed he has had many roles, but said his proudest achievement was in getting the Veteran Bikes organised and enjoying annual rallies.

Membership Directory

Data for the next Membership Directory is being collected now with the Directory to be printed and distributed by the end of the year. The format will change with one A5 book being printed with a maximum of 96 pages. This is the maximum that can be stapled in one book so some sections may have to be changed.

The Directory should be published at no cost to the Association with generous sponsorship from RACV (\$2,500) and the Rainsford Group (\$500) with a further \$500 from each of the following, NSW, Qld and combined SA clubs.

Website

The Secretary has completed the first stage of developing a TAVCCA Website. Hamish advised the meeting that the site went live the week before the meeting and members are encouraged to log on to check it out. The next phase will be to develop add-ons such as a classifieds advertisement section with the final phase such as a member information section such as an on-line directory. This would be some time down the track and would only be operational after certain security tests proved effective.

Privacy Policy

The discussions about the possibility of launching an on-line directory triggered the need for a Privacy Policy. Hamish has now developed a draft policy which is currently being reviewed pending approval at the next meeting. Copies can be reviewed by contacting your club delegate.

Strategic Directions Sub-Committee

At the Forbes AGM 2018, a Strategic Direction Sub-Committee was formed to make recommendations to the AGM as to how the Association could achieve its objectives and what changes should be made to enable it to achieve these. The Sub-Committee met twice during the year and made the following recommendations.

As there are no other clubs or associations advocating specifically for the Veteran movement, we should consider supporting or joining forces with another body or bodies to assist in advocating for our specific needs. To this end Daryl Meek was asked to address the meeting as he is involved with a number of peek organisations and in a position to offer advice on where to look. The Delegated subsequently agreed to trial a 2 year association with the Australian Historic Vehicle Interest Group (AHVIG). They are not an association of clubs, but of individuals, who have an interest in issues which can affect the movement and have had some success in dealing with governments on issues such as Luxury Vehicle Tax, asbestos.

Constitutional Change

Another issue addressed by the sub-committee was of the Chairmanship. One of the limiting factors in the ability of the Chairman to effectively lead the group is the rotation of the Chair annually and the fact that it coincides with that club hosting the National Rally as well as, in most cases being the President of the host club. The incumbent not only had these other distractions but must settle into the job understanding all the issues and attempt to guide the group on a meaningful path before handing over to the next Chairman who must start again. The recommendation from the sub-committee is to have the Chairman elected each year with a maximum term of 3 consecutive years. For this to happen there would need to be a change in the Constitution, in fact there were several recommendations which would require constitutional change. Rather than deal with all of them individually, the Delegated decided to form a Sub-Committee to review the constitution and report back to a meeting which will be held mid-term. This will give the delegated time to consider any proposals before the next AGM where they will have the opportunity to adopt the new document.

Incorporation

Hand in hand with constitutional change is the question of incorporation. There has always been an argument that TAVCCA is an association with only 7, now 8 members, the State Clubs, which are all incorporated in their respective states and therefore does not need the protection of incorporation. While there is not universal support for this argument, it will be further weakened by some of the changes which may be proposed by the Sub-Committee. As Incorporation is a state issue, it is therefore recommended that the Sub-Committee also investigate and take legal advice on incorporation of the Association with the constitution being adopted be that format recommended by the State where it will be incorporated. The meeting recommended that this should be South Australia.

Finances

The Association again posted a small loss this year of \$980 as the audited balance sheet shows. The biggest drain on the funds continued to be the FIVA membership fee, this year \$1,674 with reducing income from the issuing of FIVA Passports. Passports are required by people planning to enter FIVA sponsored events overseas to confirm their eligibility to attend. We make a charge for this which has produced an income in the past. With the crack down on asbestos on imported vehicles, fewer vehicles are heading overseas because of the fear of getting caught up in it on re-entry. While there is an argument in favour in dropping this membership, the delegates agreed to continue for at least 2 years and monitor results.

Officers

I thank Hamish McDonald, who has ably fulfilled the role of Secretary/Treasurer over the last 4 years offered himself as Secretary / Treasurer for another term which was eagerly endorsed by Delegates. The roles of Chairman and Vice-Chair are taken on rotation, so the Chair of TAVCCA has moved to Victoria and we welcome Paul Daly to the position. WA are taking over the Vice Chair and have nominated John Burke who is a NSW and WA Member to represent them and Vice Chairman. We wish Paul, John and Hamish all the best in their roles and offer them our continued support.

Peter Arnold
Retiring Chair
TAVCCA

MaSH Coffee Run. 27-9-19

Alan Miller.

In attendance at the start were Kevin B, Rex B in TF MG and Kay Boardman modern , Peter Small 22 Buick and Myself '89 classic Chev. The Boardmans had other plans for the day and left after coffee.

The run was set to go towards The Oaks on to The Lakes area but Peter with muck from the tank was having problems after a few stops for repairs (clean Carbi. out) went the short route it was planned to stop at the Tahmoor Pie shop and then drive down to the Tahmoor Lakes for lunch stop to find the lakes still dry.

The sun was out all day and the fresh air did me the world of good should be in a Vet for the next Fridays run.

7th Horseless Carriage Car Club Of America International Tour. Mount Panorama, Bathurst NSW. 30 August - 6 September 2019

Louise Yeomans

Bathurst is a wonderful place for veteran motoring especially in early spring time. There are lots of interesting places to visit, friendly people, great accommodation and hospitality.

After three years of planning, the rally was a credit to Russell and Christine Holden with help from Andrea. The organisation was meticulous, routes were scenic, there was always help and a warm feeling of camaraderie developed over the week between the rally participants. Not only were the people friendly but dogs were welcomed. One day there were at least seven dogs of assorted breeds, shapes and sizes, some even travelling comfortably in the back of veterans.

When we left Sydney on Thursday at lunchtime it was in heavy rain, long needed so no complaints, which we eventually outrun just before Bathurst. Cockatoo signs clearly directed us to Mt Panorama. However, the rain caught up as we unloaded the Wolseley in drizzle and left the trailer in the centre of Mount Panorama with the grazing kangaroos. No, doing the circuit that had to wait until Friday morning!

After the Wolseley drove the circuit, I helped Robyn and Bill Betts set up for the hat workshop and seminar above the Pit Area in the corporate area with wide views over the race track. Geoff caught up with friends. We checked in and enjoyed the mayoral reception at the National Raceway Museum with its extensive collection of cars and bikes and other memorabilia associated with Mount Panorama including those cars and bikes that didn't make the finish! Racing definitely has more rules now. It was a chance to meet the other participants, especially the 30 from overseas.

On Saturday the run was to Millthorpe where we treated to morning tea at Millthorpe Museum and were delighted to see Wilga and Euan Coutts who were helping as members of the local car club. There was a tantalising smell coming from the Spackman and Cherry cars which turned out to be quiches cooking for lunch on a gadget attached to the manifold. From Millthorpe the next stop was Orange for lunch where the quiches were baked and ready to eat. Over the next few days lunches of sausage rolls and baby pies were successfully cooked as the cars drove up and down hills in a device made by Kevin Spackman.



After Orange the rally returned back to Bathurst through Icelly with some great views across the valleys so some challenging hills. Dinner was full of fun and games, aptly called *Champagne, Shrimps and Shenanigans*, it designed to ensure we met new people. And it worked! There were Americans, Canadians, New Zealanders as well many interstate entrants. There were three gorgeous Canadian girls with their parents and young Jack from America with his mother who spent most rally runs giggling with Harriette Martin in the back of the Martin's Crossley.

Many participants were en route to Bundaberg for the national rally.



Sunday was a quieter day. All the cars lined up for a photograph – a feat in itself to organise over 80 cars and their drivers and passengers and then to ask them to leave the cars for another photograph. There were some interesting cars. The women adjourned to the corporate area for the hat workshop. Robyn was in her element describing how to decorate the hats and adapt clothes to period dress. She supplied handmade fabric flowers, feathers of every colour, sequins, ribbons, flowers, tulle, buttons and bows. Everyone created a beautiful hat. It was fun, creating and chatting and there was no talk of cars! Robyn with help from Jill Roberts, raised funds for drought relief with a raffle and jewellery sales.

After a quiet day for the veterans, the next day the rally travelled to Tarana for morning tea. Jenny Fawbert appeared in various places along the route taking photos of the cars. The hills were becoming steeper and Russell and Andrea Holden helped towing some of the cars up the hills. The hill out of Tarana just before Oberon was a killer! We had Alistair and Catherine Clarke as passengers and just as the car almost reached the crown of the hill Geoff made a gear change and we came to a dead stop. The crank shaft had sheared off. Luckily the car rolled easily off to the side of the road. Even John Wards found out first gear worked on the Benz after not needing to use it for 30 years! Geoff and I were kindly given a ride back to Bathurst to collect the tow car and trailer while Alistair patiently waited with the Wolseley for our return. Catherine hitched a ride back to Bathurst. Eventually after some drama with the winch and battery, the Wolseley was safely loaded onto the trailer and we returned to Bathurst.



It was disappointing but with no hope of on-the-road repairs, the next morning Geoff drove it back to Sydney and returned in time for the gaslight parade. I spent an enjoyable day with Vivian and Doug Fulford visiting Abercrombie House, one of the oldest houses in Bathurst, and

Surname	First Name	Year	Vehicle	Residence
Alcock	Ben & Deborah	1914	Overland	VIC
Beardslee	Robert		Swaggie	NSW
Benton	Tanner & Julann		Swaggie	USA
Berg	Ian & Sue	1910	Cadillac	VIC
Betts	Bill & Robyn	1908	Renault	NSW
Bledsoe	Kelly & Sally		Swaggie	USA
Bone	Stan & Margaret	1910	F.N.	VIC
Brewer	Keene & Chris	1913	Rambler	USA
Campbell	Terry & Pat		Swaggie	TAS
Cherry	David & Elizabeth	1915	Ford	NSW
Clarke	Alistair & Catherine	1913	Talbot	NSW
Plumb Massey	Don Cameron		Swaggie	USA
Donges	Graham & Irene	1911	Brush	QLD
Dryden	David & Jan	1909	Ford	VIC
Duffy	Rob & Sandy	1915	Overland	NSW
Dunshea	James & Sherryn	1911	Hotchkiss	VIC
Edwards Carlson	Shane & Lynette David	1908	REO	VIC
Emmerson	Craig & Scott	1912	Cadillac	VIC
Fitzergald	Peter & Judith	1912	Rover	VIC
Fouty Kramer-Fouty	Ken Catherine		Swaggie	USA

then we picnicked at the top of Mt Panorama at McPillamy Park named in honour of the family who donated some of the land for Mount Panorama. Some penny farthing bicycles joined the group. For some veterans it was another challenging hill but well worth it for the spectacular views over Bathurst. Fulford's Cadillac had no problem going up the steep hill and managed the just as challenging descent around the S bends and into the chicane well below the legal speed!

As always, the gaslight parade was a highlight for the veterans giving drivers the opportunity to use their lights and a treat for the locals. People lined the streets and enthusiastically cheered the cars as they circled around the main street. Vivian and I had our photo taken for the local paper but only Vivian could be recognised!

On Wednesday we had the greatly anticipated visit to Mayfield Gardens following morning tea at Chifley Dam. Mayfield Gardens didn't disappoint. During the previous week the gardens had been covered in snow. Gardner's were busy pruning the hydrangeas which line a walk up a

Surname	First Name	Year	Vehicle	Residence
Fulford	Doug & Vivian	1915	Studebaker	NSW
Gillott	George & Kerry	1908	BSA	NSW
Gooding	Sharon		Swaggie	USA
Green Shaw	Ray Soretta	1913	Ford	NSW
Roberts	Greg & Gill	1914	Ford T	NSW
Hall Read	Ken John	1907	Aerocar	TAS
Hall	Frances	1910	DeDion	TAS
Hammatt	Steve & Phyllis		Swaggie	USA
Handley	John & Pam	1909	Darracq	QLD
Hanley	John & Val	1910	Brush	VIC
Hawkins	Peter & Jill	1913	Ford	TAS
Hill	Irene & Roger	1909	Darracq	NZ
Holden	Russell & Chris	1902	Thomas	NSW
Holden	Andrea	1915	Chevrolet	NSW
Holding	Michael & Claudia	1905	Cadillac	VIC
Holmes	Rod, Ruth & Keith	1911	Albion	NSW
Jones	Donna		Swaggie	USA
Klecan	Gil, Tom & Kristan	1914	Ford	USA
Lamond	Bob	1910	Brush	NSW
Leshner	Tracy & Jack		Swaggie	USA
Lorimer Dalley	Malcolm Pam		Swaggie	NSW
Martin	Neil & Lyn	1913	Crossley	NSW
Martin	Peter, Susan & Harriette	1913	Crossley	NSW
McCredie	David	1912	Maxwell	NSW
McTavish	Ross, Colleen, Caitlyn & Cera		Swaggie	Canada
Meek Lane	Daryl Fiona	1913	Fafnir	VIC
Mossip	Ray & Jeanette		Swaggie	SA
Newton	Rob	1914	Ford	NSW
O'Doherty Wood	Damian Ruth	1912	Flanders	VIC
O'Loan	Phil & Terri	1910	Talbot	NSW
Reddish	Geoff	1912	Ford	TAS
Ruge	Phil & Carm	1915	Ford	NSW
Southwell	Kingsley & Cynthia	1911	Renault	NSW
Spackman	Kevin & Narelle	1911	Ford	NSW
Spackman	Mathew	1913	Ford	ACT
Stanley	John	1911	Empire	VIC
Templer	Peter & Christine		Swaggie	SA
Thompson	Merv & Margaret	1910	Renault	QLD
Vermeulen	Hugo & Linda	1906	Ford	Canada
Wards Cook	John Terry	1916	Benz	NSW
Wright	David & Kathryn	1911	Fiat	VIC
Yeakel	Mike & Marcia	1915	Buick	USA
Stormo	Mike & Jackie		Swaggie	USA
Yeomans	Geoffrey & Louise	1914	Wolseley	NSW
Field Tiberi	Wendy Jim		Volunteer Volunteer	NSW NSW
Whittal	Chris		Volunteer	SA
Croft	Graeme		Tail End Charlie	NSW

gentle slope into the main garden. Swathes of bulbs of all colours and irises were beginning to flower. Water trickles through the garden burgeoning into ponds, through fountains and grottoes. Every time you turn a corner there is something interesting to see. Even through the trees were naked with no new spring foliage it was a treat to visit the gardens.

The plan for Thursday was to drive to Blayney via Newbridge for morning tea. Rod and Keith Holmes came with us as Ruth had flown to Sydney for a nurses' reunion and Bluebell only like short runs. At Blayney High School the students loved driving around the school oval, as passengers in the veterans while primary school students had to be satisfied with sitting in a stationary veteran and using the horns.

For the last day, the run was to Perthville, just outside Bathurst, to St Joseph's Convent with another visit from the children, this time from Perthville Public School who also enjoyed sounding the horns. Another enormous morning tea was served with a tour from the sisters. What a hard life it was for the women who founded the convent. Geoff navigated for Neil Martin, who took the Siddely out every day with a lap of the circuit!

As always, the last night of a rally is bittersweet. It is an opportunity to enjoy the company of fellow veteran car enthusiasts and to plan when one will next see them. Some intrepid enthusiasts were on their way to Bundaberg then National Model T Rally. Plans were hatched for a Brisbane to Broome Rally in two years.



Congratulations to Russell, Christine and Andrea Holden for an enjoyable well organised and very friendly rally. Routes were varied and interesting even if somewhat hilly. The catering was well organised and always over catered. The instructions were clear and the cockatoo signs made navigating easy. Back up was always there either from Chris or the Holdens. It was fun! Now the serious business starts of repairing the Wolseley.



1913 Fafnir



1907 Aerocar



1913 Ford T



1910 F.N.



1912 Flanders



1913 Crossley

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Horseless Carriage Car Club Of America 7th International Tour. at Mount Panorama, Bathurst NSW.

Harriette Martin

With term three at school being so busy I was relieved to take a welcome break for a week and a day to enjoy a car rally centred on Mount Panorama in Bathurst. This was a first for all Aussies as it was in inaugural tour of the Horseless Carriage Club of America Rally to be held in Australia. As you read on you will find what a wonderful time that I and my family had.

In the morning Mum and Dad loaded the 1913 Crossley on to the trailer and we headed to Bathurst. We had a pleasant drive and arrived mid-afternoon. We checked in and have a lovely room with a balcony. We were met by Wendy on level seven, the conference level, where we picked up our rally pack. WOW, WOW, WOW! What an awesome rally pack! The best part is the backpack, complete with a drink bottle, coloured pencils, a glittery diary, a clip board and STICKERS!!!! Out of the window of the conference level was a beautiful vista of Mount Panorama's racing circuit.



Harriette

Our first social event was the Mayoral welcome held at the Bathurst Motor museum a few metres away from our hotel. There were a few familiar faces from previous rallies and there were plenty of new faces. A formal welcome was given by the Mayor, a representative from the Bathurst Council plus Russell Holden and Don Plumb gave a few words of welcome. I was happy to meet Tracy Leshar the editor of the Horseless Carriage Club of America and her son Jack. Apparently Jack and I are the only children on the rally.

We dressed warmly for a chilly Saturday morning. Dad and I went to help Poppy (my grandfather) unload his car from the trailer. All the rally entrants congregated behind pit lane for a driver's meeting and then headed off to our first morning tea stop at Milthorpe. While enjoyable, the drive was slightly treacherous on the Mitchell Highway, as we were in the company of modern cars and heavy trucks. We arrived at Milthorpe and parked at the public school and I was happy to see a fun play area that Mum and I played on before morning tea which was held at the museum across the road. The museum was pretty cool.

After morning tea we headed on to Orange. Once we arrive at Orange we were free to look around the town and grab some lunch. Having been to Orange recently on a high wheeler run, we knew that there was a nice little café behind the information centre and enjoyed a bite with Grammy and Poppy. The run back to Bathurst in the afternoon was fabulous.

There were spectacular views of the countryside and the car got a good gearbox work out going up and down the hills. The best part was that there was little traffic. I navigated on the way back and did a fantastic job. As we drove along we saw some really large boulders. I created a competition with Mum and Dad to see who could find the biggest rock. I won! Later we played another game.

The Champagne, Shrimp and Shenanigans were ok, but I came prepared with my colouring pencils and book and we sat and talked with Tracy and Jack. Mum was all embarrassed because it was her birthday and someone "spilt the beans" to Russel and he told everyone.

Sunday was rather a quiet day in terms of car rallying. We assembled for the driver's briefing and the back of the pits then the cars were assembled into pit lane for a group photo both with passengers in the car and out of the car. Later the cars were moved further down pit land for public display.

Mum and I headed up to the hat seminar and workshop held in the corporate suites above pit lane. Robyn Betts was hosting a hat making seminar and gave us some excellent tips and tricks to making extraordinary hats. We were given a pack to start us off including feathers, fabric flowers and Edwardian pictures to base our hats off. I brought my own straw hat and used lots of feathers in the pack and extra decorations available. Once the hat was designed, Mum and I went over to the glue table to glue the hat and each other (accidentally) together.

Lunch was held after the seminar and we enjoyed each other's company with lots of delicious food. Dinner that night was at the local Bathurst Panthers club, where most of the rally entrants went for a delightful dinner.

On Monday we took a nice drive although it was a bit hilly, to the Tarana Hotel for some lovely morning tea,

including Lamingtons, Australia's national cake. Dad put the roof down on the Crossley as it was a nice day but it was really, really, really windy in the back seat. We arrived at Oberon and went to the Oberon Railway Museum, and Grammy made a yummy picnic. I tried playing Frisbee with Jack but the wind was too strong and it blew the opposite way we wanted it to go. The drive back was extremely cold and very windy since the roof was down. I buried myself in blankets and coats that were in the back seat.

We went to the Bathurst RSL for dinner that was delicious. My Grammy won \$12.00 on Keno and gave \$10.00 of it to me. YIPPEEE!

On Tuesday we organised Grammy to pick up lunch from the pit garages as today was dress up day and it took a bit longer to prepare. We drove to Abercrombie House, built in the 1840's by the pioneering Stewart family. I managed to get lost several times and I found a secret staircase that lead to a room full of Chinese figures and dolls which I thought was a bit creepy and decided to get out of there.

From Abercrombie House we crunched our way through the gears and headed to McPhillamy Park at the top of Mount Panorama. It was extremely windy at the park and you had to hold on to your lunch to stop it from blowing away. After lunch, Jack and I went on the swings at the play area. We made an obstacle course to see who could complete it the fastest. He won because I was in a dress. Next time I'll beat you Jack.

That afternoon we spent a lot of time waiting for the sun to go down for the gas light parade in the town. While we were waiting for it to begin, Dad figured out that he had left the kerosene behind for the lights and Mum had to go on an errand to purchase more. I went with Jack and his Mum to get ice cream and I spilt some on my shirt. Oops! We then went looking in the Toy shop because the Dinosaur Fossil Museum was closed. Finally the sun went down so we could start the gas light parade. As we were driving around, we stopped and picked up a lady who works at Rydges, where we were staying and Abercrombie House.

On Wednesday we drove out to Chifley Dam with Jack as our guest passenger for our morning tea stop. Jack and I and Jack's friends from Canada, went down to the edge of the dam and started to skip the rocks across the water. There were some beautiful shells lying around the sand so I picked up some to add to my curiosities collection. The morning tea was delicious as there was lots of chocolate cake to eat. We then headed off to Mayfield Gardens, a garden originally created by a man whose daughter was getting married and wanted a beautiful setting for her day. The garden has since expanded and there is a nursery and café plus other function facilities. Jack and I found a cool look out and after lunch we played chess with a huge chess set. Jack won. Humph. We headed back to Bathurst and prepared ourselves for the **movie night!!!!!!** held at the Bathurst Panthers. There was



"The Strawberry"



Harriette and Jack (?)

plenty to eat at movie night, with lots of yummy fish sticks and crackers with cheese and there was plenty to go around. The movie was very interesting and entertaining with the songs "He had to get under" plus "In my merry Oldsmobile" with the movie about Horatio Nelson Jackson, his mechanical assistant Seawall Crocker and a dog called Bud driving across the US with lots of mechanical problems. They made it.

On Thursday we headed to Newbridge for morning tea. The local ladies put on a magnificent morning tea and there were plenty of scones, lamingtons, mud cake and cupcakes to be devoured. I played on the swings and other fun stuff before going in the local fire shed to enjoy the leftovers. Then we headed on to Blayney for our lunch stop to be held at the local High School. On the way there Poppy stopped and Mum had a lesson with Poppy to drive his car the 1913

Shelsley Crossley all the way to the High School. Mum then took me around the oval a couple of times after lunch in the Shelsley. We headed back to Bathurst via the Blayney retirement home, for a little parade of the cars.

On Friday we had a short run out to Perthville where we visited the local Sisters of St Joseph convent, originally

opening in 1872. The morning tea was very nice and I ate the biggest strawberry there! After morning tea the local school kids came and looked at all the cars and they were very intrigued by all the machinery. Some of them were honking the car's horns but my Dad didn't let them get in our car because the upholstery is the original and very fragile. On the way back it was so windy that I almost felt like I was going to be blown out of the car. The weather had turned so we hurriedly raced back to the hotel to load the car on the trailer and prepare for the final dinner held in the conference level, where I journey began last Friday.

Besides eating, Jack and I watched a movie called "The Great Race" on my portable DVD player for the entire evening. There was a projector, projecting all the weeks' photos of all the old cars driving along the road for us to watch and remember the week's activities. I would like to thank the organisers, Russell, Chris and Andrea for all their hard work to make this rally a wonderful memory for us all.



Fitzroy Falls 1 & 2 Cylinder Rally. 11 to 13 October 2019

Doug Fulford

In the end it turned out to be an enjoyable boutique rally although several times I had forebodings about the outcome. Like any rally the accommodation had to be booked well in advance when you have no idea what the weather will be like. Then as the event approaches you look up the weather forecasts with a degree of trepidation. In this case the forecast was far from desirable – cold the entire weekend with heavy rain Friday, rain Saturday and showers clearing in the afternoon on Sunday. As it eventuated it was cold and we did get rain but it fell almost exclusively in the evenings and all we had to contend with was a few short patches of mizzle. In the weeks leading up to the event Vivian and I had been away rallying at Bathurst, Bargara and McLaren Vale so we had no chance to check out the proposed routes and were therefore forced to trust Mr Google.

Friday afternoon we travelled past Fitzroy Falls and the Wingecarribee Reservoir to the Burrawang Country Pub for lunch where Vivian was able to join us. On the return journey Allan chose to turn to "the other right" and enjoyed a bonus 16 km with Vivian following him in case of trouble. Maybe I had made the route too short? The little side trip down a narrow Vermont Road led to a locked gate rather than a lookout over the reservoir as promised by Mr Google. Back at Twin Falls Bush Cottages we were joined by Donna and Anthony Sinclair. We settled into our accommodation and enjoyed "happy hour" before pizzas and pancakes courtesy of Robyn and Bill Betts at the sheltered communal barbeque. We managed to stay relatively warm thanks to a fire in an iron pit and managed a little excitement when one of the pizza boxes caught alight. By the time we wandered back to our respective cabins the rain had started to fall.

Saturday morning we were scheduled to leave at the fairly leisurely time of 9:30 and head to the Exeter General Store for morning tea. The rain had cleared at least for the present so we set about to start up our engines. The Maxwell gave a few encouraging coughs but then refused to start despite lots of cranking and even being pushed. Apparently they do start a little easier if the petrol is turned on. Once on the road it ran beautifully until we reached Mount Broughton where it started to slip in first gear. John Fryirs, who had decided to go modern that day due to the weather outlook was able to take Anthony back to our accommodation to pick up his Dodge tow truck only to realise that Donna still had the keys.

We had a lovely morning tea at Exeter and were joined by Tony Wood who had come up from Nowra to meet us. What a pleasant surprise. We checked out the antique shop across the road which has some lovely items but is a bit on the pricey side. Then we headed to Bundanoon for shopping in an effort to make room for the inevitable lunch at Ye Olde Bicycle Shoppe

Lunch consumed we headed back via an alternative route conjured up with the aid of Mr Google. And very alternative it was too. The first part which took us from Bundanoon to Exeter was fairly undulating and scenic as well as being sealed. The second part took us down Rockleigh Road and Stonequarry Creek Road. I can still feel my level of concern as I started down the narrow, gravel and winding descent into a very picturesque but rather steep valley as we started down Rockleigh Road. Vivian reckoned that she didn't see much of the scenery on the first bit because she was too busy praying. Whilst I would probably not have taken the group there had I had the

chance to test the route beforehand, I am very pleased that we did do it. Our cars, although fairly severely challenged, performed admirably and the scenery was not to be missed. It was also comforting to have Anthony's Dodge tow truck travelling with us just in case we had trouble getting up one of the many uphill sections. There was even a delightful little ford to cross at the bottom of one of the descents – very pretty but it rather prevented one from having much in the way of momentum to aid in the ensuing climb.

That evening we unhitched several of the tow vehicles and headed to Moss Vale where we enjoyed dinner at The Taphouse. We were joined there by Greg and Jill Roberts. By this time John Fryirs was familiar with every twist and turn of Nowra Road.

There was no real chance for a sleep in on Sunday morning as we had to clear our cabins and head to Moonacres Cafe in Robertson for a 9:00 am breakfast. It was a beautifully sunny but crisp morning. Allan's Brush which had happily travelled the length of Pearsons Lane two days before when it wasn't supposed to decided that it didn't want to do it on the day it was supposed to. Anthony, who had been the rescued one the day before, became the rescuer and took Allan back to Fitzroy Falls to pick up his tow vehicle and trailer. Moonacres Cafe was very busy which is hardly surprising given the friendly and efficient staff there, the quality of the food and the generosity of the serves.

I hope that everyone who came enjoyed themselves. Whilst some organisation is required to run a little boutique rally like this it really isn't that onerous and its nice to have a great group such as this was touring around in 1 and 2 cylinder cars. We were mostly on roads with very little traffic and given our small number it was pretty easy for the few other motorists to get past us. Maybe we'll do another one next year. Vivian has Crookwell in mind as a possibility. Suggestions are welcome as are volunteers to organise one.

John and Sue Wards – Sizaire-Naudin
Allan Miller – Brush
John Fryirs - Renault

Anthony and Donna Sinclair - Maxwell
Doug and Vivian Fulford - Clement-Bayard
Bill and Robyn Betts - Renault

2019 Newcastle Annual Tour. 18th to 20th October

Graeme Newman

After not holding the Annual Tour in 2018, due to the heavy involvement of Branch members in organising the National Rally in Forbes, it was decided to move to a two night format this year, in line with other successful weekend events held within the club.

We received 19 entries, however had lost three prior to the weekend for varying reasons. Despite this, the majority of those who were staying at the Molly Morgan for the weekend arrived in time for the Friday afternoon run. From East Maitland we travelled about 21 km's on mostly traffic free roads, which was pleasant surprise given the time of day, to our destination at Phoenix Park. There we visited John Wright, a fifth generation member of the Wright family who have farmed an area of some 32 hectares of Hunter River flats on the northern side of the Morpeth Bridge. Here, not only does John keep bees and grow a variety of vegetables, but he also grows millet out of which he makes millet brooms, using some very old equipment.

After giving us a brief run down on the history of his family and the property, John got straight into making a broom, whilst explaining the process to us. During the demonstration he confirmed with Max Burke that quite a bit of the equipment he was using had previously been owned by Max's forefathers. After the demonstration we had some afternoon tea, and quite a few of us purchased one of John's brooms. Michael Bendeich also learned that one of John's teachers in his early days at schools had been a Mr Bendeich – most likely Mick's grandfather although it could have been his father as both had taught in the area.

We then travelled back to the motel in a more direct line, being only some 6 km's. That evening we enjoyed a BBQ dinner by the pool, which seemed to be enjoyed by all involved.

Saturday morning saw us joined by a few more starters for the main run. Unfortunately Peter Cockbain was still having problems getting the Humber started without a struggle so decided to leave it at home, instead volunteering to do the 'tail end charlie' duties. Brian Adams had some problems with the Studebaker not long after leaving home, so it was returned to the garage and they arrived modern, before joining either Neil or Stuart in the other two Adams family vehicles.

We had morning tea at Greta, before heading to the Muree Golf Club at Raymond Terrace for lunch. Along the way we travelled through some very scenic rural locations that were looking



John Wright at work

particularly good considering the drought conditions currently being experienced in many areas. There was a 'secret control' along the way where entrants were stopped and asked to estimate the distance to the leaning pine tree within the grounds of the old Closebourne Conference Centre where many Newcastle Rally's were based in the past. After a pleasant lunch in the bistro of the golf club, we held another 'sub event' where entrants were provided with a cardboard toilet roll, out of which they had to make a paper plane. We then had a 'fly off' to see who could achieve the greatest distance.



Morning tea at Greta

Sadly, the Adams' vehicles didn't make it to lunch as they experienced some fuel problems with the Renault, requiring it to be transported home on a tilt tray. Thankfully Peter and Kaye were able to assist, but they also missed out on lunch as a result. Allen Davis and his navigator mate were also a bit late arriving after taking an alternate route to lunch.

restaurant after which the prizes were awarded.

Sunday morning we went on a short drive through Maitland, Lorn and Largs before arriving at the Common Grounds Café in Swan Street where we enjoyed breakfast overlooking the Hunter River. After breakfast we all headed for home. Another weekend of veteran motoring made all the more enjoyable by some great weather.

Entrants:

- Neville Preston
- Max & Joan Burke
- John & Kelly Burke
- Michael & Denise Bendeich
- John & Sue Wards
- Abbey & Lauren Newman and Will Garthon
- David & Betty Cherry
- Brian, Christie, Hamish & Oliver Adams
- Stuart, Nick & Jack Adams
- Neil, Toni & Conrad Adams
- Sarah & Christopher Gotley
- Mal Garthon & sometimes Will as well
- John Brumby
- Allen Dunlop
- Allen Davis & mate whose name I've forgotten
- Peter Cockbain & Kay Goode

- 1913 Talbot
- 1916 Hupmobile
- 1916 Buick-came modern due to John's recent shoulder surgery
- 1913 Chalmers
- 1916 Benz
- 1914 Talbot
- 1916 Chevrolet
- 1918 Studebaker
- 1913 Renault
- 1912 F.N
- 1914 Talbot
- 1909 Scat
- 1917 Maxwell
- 1912 Cadillac
- 1914 Cadillac
- 1910 Humber – came modern

- 1st Place – Neville Preston
- 2nd Place – Abbey Newman
- 3rd Place – David Cherry



F.N. and Renault



Afternoon tea at John Wright's



Morning tea stop at Greta

MaSH Branch “Northern Coffee Run” to Common Grounds Bakery. Friday 25th October 2019

Doug Fulford

Parking spots were at a premium at Curry Reserve, our traditional meeting point. It was a heat wave and it seemed that every local mum who was home with a toddler had decided to drive to Curry Reserve to make use of the recently built water play park. Bill and Robyn Betts were the last to arrive thanks to a leaking thermos that left a damp patch down Bill's trouser leg. You can probably imagine the ribbing that he got from our group. I had never heard of incontinence pads for thermoses. Robyn pointed out that the damp patch only began about two inches above Bill's knee. Was that offered in Bill's defence or was it a boast? After that and the usual chatter over morning tea we headed to Common Grounds Bakery on the Old Hume Highway at Razorback. Our somewhat circuitous route took us through Camden, The Oaks and Picton. The route was indeed mapped out using google maps but the roads were all known to me so there were no real surprises – unlike the Fitzroy Falls rally. We had only ventured a few hundred metres when Bill and Peter were stopped by the police for random breath testing. Peter was experiencing fuel problems with his Buick and arrived at our destination in an Alfa having ducked back home to change vehicles. The food at the bakery was really excellent and quite good value. Most of us had their gourmet warmed sandwiches which are made with buns and are accompanied by salad and a pickle. The iced coffees which they kindly made although they weren't on the menu weren't totally to my liking which resulted in me enviously eyeing off Allan's freshly squeezed orange juice. I think everyone enjoyed their meals. This was the first time that we have ventured to this destination and I'm sure we'll use it again at times in the future.

Allan Miller – Oakland Doug Fulford – Studebaker
Bill and Robyn Betts – modern Bruce and Kath Kinnear – modern Peter Small - modern

Working Bee Saturday 2nd November 2019

Louise Yeomans

If the aim of the spring working bee was to spruce up the club's grounds then it achieved its objectives. Several weeks earlier Phil O'Loan sprayed the weeds around the boundary fences with weed killer. After 3 hours work the dead weeds were cleared, the overhanging branches trimmed, the dead leaves bagged and the rubbish picked up and binned. Inside the kitchens and bathrooms were cleaned while the carpet in the main hall was vacuumed including the bits left under the chairs! Geoff Yeomans fixed the microphone. Mike Bendeich shared some home baked biscuits for morning tea. On our way home we dumped the old dehumidifier at the community recycling centre for a waste. Many thanks to the willing helpers who accomplished so much. Apologies were received from Graeme Newman, Lyn and Neil Martin. Next time I will remember to send out a reminder!

Mike Bendeich John Grant David Norton
Graham Weekes Geoff Yeomans Louise Yeomans

Northern Sydney Breakfast Run - 2nd November 2019

Louise Yeomans

Sunday was a gorgeous day – made for veteran car motoring but unfortunately our Wolseley is still being repaired after the disastrous gear change on the Bathurst hills. We collected David and Kate Norton and made good time to Brooklyn where we followed Neville Preston in the Talbot. The Talbot flew up the steep hill to McKell Park without any problems. Even though it was early the carpark was full with cars, boat trailers and camper vans. Some sleepy occupants emerged to identify the noise of the veterans. I recently learnt that Sir William McKell, after whom the park is named, officially started the construction of the Snowy Mountains Scheme in 1949 by pressing a plunger to set off a charge of dynamite.

There was a festive spirit with the Christmas table cloth, sparkly Christmas table decorations and the outfits of the Streafields left no doubt that Christmas is coming. Aurora and Phoebe were dressed in shorts decorated with stars and matching t-shirts. Jenny wore a Christmassy shirt but Ian outdid them all with a wonderful shirt with Australian

animals celebrating Christmas. Jenny had baked and iced Christmas stars and trees. There was plenty of food to share.

David McCredie had two special passengers, Barry and Dorothy Shinfield. It was great to have join us after their recent bouts of sickness, and to have Terry and Nika Lyness come to their first Northern Sydney run. Unfortunately, Andy Yeend, from the Antique and Classic Car Club who usually joins us, and Les Watton were unable to come as were the Newmans who were helping Abbey to move house. As usual there was lots of chatter, the brush turkeys were optimistically looking for a free feed. Christmas is on its way!

Our first Northern Sydney Breakfast Run next year will be on 1 March 2020, and by popular demand it will be at Saddles at Mount White. There is a set breakfast menu for \$35 per person from 9 to 11. More details next year! It's something to look forward to judging from the online reviews.

Participants

- Terry and Nika Lyness
- David McCredie
- David and Kate Norton
- Phil O'Loan
- Neville Preston Talbot
- Barry and Dorothy Shinfield
- Ian, Jenny, Tim, Emma, Aurora and Phoebe Streatfeild Willys
- Geoff and Louise Yeomans



Light-Hearted Humour

A sweet grandmother telephoned St. Joseph's Hospital. She timidly asked, "Is it possible to speak to someone who can tell me how a patient is doing?"
The operator said, "I'll be glad to help, dear. What's the name and room number of the patient?"
The grandmother in her weak, tremulous voice said, Norma Findlay, Room 302.
The operator replied, "Let me put you on hold while I check with the nurse's station for that room."
After a few minutes, the operator returned to the phone and said, "I have good news. Her nurse just told me that Norma is doing well. Her blood pressure is fine; her blood work just came back normal and her Physician, Dr. Cohen, has scheduled her to be discharged tomorrow."
The grandmother said, "Thank you. That's wonderful. I was so worried. God bless you for the good News."
The operator replied, "You're more than welcome. Is Norma your sister?"
The grandmother said, "No, I'm Norma Findlay in Room 302. No one tells me anything around here."

Thanks to Ron Hattersley

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'Before and After' photo's of any veteran vehicles members may have restored, along with some details of the car and restoration. We want to add a section to the Website to highlight what can be achieved with the persistence and talent (or money) our members possess.

Any other articles or ideas to publish on the website.

Please contact us on the details below or talk to me at a Club meeting.

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