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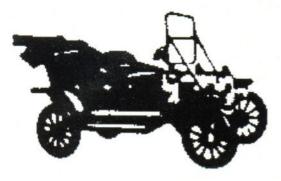
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2013 "Veteran of the Year". Andrew Bishop's 1910 Hurtu.

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President's Report September 2013

There is no report this month as we do not have a **President**

Anyone willing to take on the position please contact the Committee.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of VCCA (NSW) Inc.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of VCCA (NSW) Inc Date: 22nd August 2013

ATTENDANCE

Committee: 9 Member's family: 5 Visitors: 1 Members: 20 Apologies: 7

MEETING OPENED AT 8:15 PM.

PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS

The President, Wilga Coutts, welcomed all members and Phil Manhart, visiting from New Zealand. She wished Dot Shinfield a happy birthday and congratulated Phil O'Loane on the birth of his second grandson, Hugo. The Navigator's Run was a success and the President thanked Les Watton for his organisation of the rally. The last MASH run had a big turn-up and the President thanked the Boardman brothers and the Foulford family for their hospitality. The President wished members participating in the coming National rally at Shepparton the best.

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING

Matters arising: Nil Minutes accepted:

Moved: Warren Irish Seconded: Don Liddle

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Flyers received:

Dam Fest Car and Bike Show 20 October Australis Resort Wisemans

Other club publications

Newcastle Branch Meeting & Milbrodale outing
Campbelltown Steam and machinery Museum
Motorlife News
CMC petition
Bulletin of VCC of SA
Veteran Torque
Antique & Classic
Early Auto (2 volumes)

The Vintage Car Quarterly The Edwardian

Veteran Car Club of NZ Bulletin Shannon's Sydney Classic 2013

Other

CMC certificate of affiliation

Request from Syd Norman to buy 1 or 2 cylinder car

Veteran car Portrait – Jason Ramasami

Email from Michael Gardiner- membership enquiry

TCIS Public risk insurance Email from Lucile Clarke

Donation of the Early Years The Motor Car from Rick Thomas

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Reply to Syd Norm - ad in Spit and Polish

Letter to Colin Brenchley –regret at his resignation from the Club Letters to Lyndon Hardman and James Natoli for donation of books

Email to Michael Gardiner Letter to Colin Brenchley Correspondence accepted.

Moved: Peter Martin **Seconded**: David Manhart

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balances are:

Ordinary account: \$12,921.34
Rally account: \$ 3,003.57
Term deposit 1 \$11,222.30
Term deposit 2: \$10,000.00

The Treasurer informed the members that Graham Steer had completed the probity check of the accounts and the accounts were satisfactory.

The Treasurer advised members that brass tubes and dust jackets were for sale.

Moved: Bob Hobson **Seconded:** Robert Fordham

MAGAZINE

The Editor requested more articles for Spit and Polish, which can be sent to him directly.

EVENTS

The Veteran Rally at Maraylya is scheduled for Sunday 25 August weather permitting. There will be a MaSH run on 13 September. Members were reminded to complete their entries for the Newcastle Annual Tour 2013 from Friday 18 October to Monday 21 October. Graeme Newman suggested that when members book their accommodation they confirm with an email to avoid any confusion.

PERMIT TO MOVE:

3 movements; 1 permit issued

LIBRARY Nothing to report

DATING Nothing to report

MEMBERSHIP

Brad Grant was elected as a member.

CMC

Norm Mitchell presented his report on the last CMC meeting. 150 clubs are financial. The raffle raised \$117,000. Affiliation of the Range Rover Club is on hold. Coming events are the Goodwood Revival Tour in September, 6 October at Motor Life Museum and 2 November Cooma Motor Fest. Shannon's Sydney Classic arrangements. There is one entry in the Robert Shannon Foundation: a model A ford. If vehicles participate in runs for other clubs, there must have accepted an invitation to the event prior to commencing the run. If not, attendance is illegal. Each club must put in a return to the Department of Fair Trading annually. Australian Confederation of Motor Clubs is still liaising with Road and maritime Services about brake testing and vehicle standards.

HALL

Robert Fordham reported that all is running smoothly.

WEBSITE

Members were advised not to access the website as it appears that it is infected.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Don Liddle requested a show of number for the Maraylya run on Sunday. It was disappointing that only three members indicated their participation.

The President reminded members that it was still not too late to nominate for the position of President for 2013-2014.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8:45 pm.

Wilga Coutts Louise Yeomans

President Secretary

Veteran Car Club of Australia (NSW) Inc. A.G.M. 22nd August 2013

VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (NSW) INC

59th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 22 AUGUST 2013

134 Queens Road, Five Dock

The meeting opened at 8:45 pm by the President Wilga Coutts who welcomed all those present.

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES

These were read by the Secretary.

Matters arising: Nil

The minutes were accepted.

Moved: Warren Irish **Seconded**: Peter Martin

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR 2012/2013

The President, Secretary and Treasurer presented reports.

Full text of reports is printed in Spit and Polish.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2013/2014

The President declared all the positions vacant. Bob Hobson, the immediate past president, took the chair to conduct the election of office bearers for the ensuing year.

Bob called for any further nominations. No further nominations were received.

The results were as follows:

Position

President **NOT FILLED** Vice President Wilga Coutts Vice President Geoff Yeomans Secretary Louise Yeomans Treasurer **Euan Coutts NOT FILLED Events Coordinator** Website Management Peter Weir Magazine Editor Neville Preston Hall Management Robert Fordham Dating Peter Martin Registration Neil Martin

Bob handed the meeting to the Vice President Wilga Coutts. The Vice President thanked Bill Heeney for his work as events coordinator.

4. APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY AUDITOR

Graham Steer agreed to continue to conduct a review of the financial statements and to report any matters requiring the Committee's attention.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

AWARD Navigator's Trophy Len Masser Trophy (Blue Mountains) RECIPENT Jan Garrod David McCre

Len Masser Trophy (Blue Mountains)

David McCredie
W.T.Coggins Trophy (Blue Mountains)

Neville Preston

Veteran of the Year Award 1910 Hurtu (Andrew Bishop)

Literary Award Michael Bendeich Junior Literary Award Lauren Newman

Andrew Bishop and David Manhart described the history, the acquisition and the ten-year restoration of the Hurtu.

OTHER MATTERS RAISED

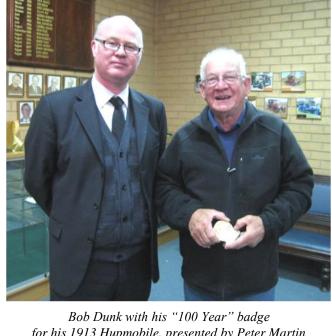
There was a discussion about the future of the Annual Blue Mountains Rally. There needs to be at least 20 starters for the rally to be viable. Issues discussed included the increasing traffic, the route, the start and finish places. It was decided to provide members with an opportunity to comment on the event in Spit and Polish. The matter was referred to the next Committee Meeting.

There was a question about whether classic cars could participate in rallies if a veteran car was unable to participate. Following discussion, it was decided to refer the matter to the next Committee Meeting.

There being no further general business, Vice President Wilga Coutts, closed the meeting at 9:45 pm.



Andrew Bishop with his "Veteran of the Year" trophy, presented by Peter Martin



for his 1913 Hupmobile, presented by Peter Martin



David McCredie with the "Len Masser" trophy, winner of the Blue Mountains Rally, presented by Peter Martin



Nev Preston with the "WT Coggins" trophy, runner up of the Blue Mountains Rally, presented by Peter Martin



"Navigator's Trophy", winner Jan Garrod accepted by hubby Laurie, presented by Peter Martin



Literary Award trophy presented to Michael Bendeich and Junior member Lauren Newman

President's Annual Report 2012-2013

We are once again at the end of our Club year, and as I look back it's hard to believe that I've been president for 3 years and that I am now at the end of my term. I thank all members, and particularly our committee members for the help and support I have received over those years.

During the last year we have secured a tenant for the small hall and the main hall is now leased most nights of the week, this has resulted in our financial position improving considerably since this time last year, and hopefully we can begin to carry out some of the maintenance that is due.

Over the last couple of years we have requested members to complete and return a form updating their records when paying their fees, this has resulted in our records being more correct and enabling us to e-mail any urgent information to you when the need arises. Most of us have now entered the electronic age and the use of e-mail facilities makes contact with members so much easier and quicker for the committee when needed.

During the last 12 months our two Branches, Newcastle and MaSH have operated well, and all members who have attended their runs have enjoyed their friendship and hospitality together with the pleasure of country roads. We are indebted to them because city driving is becoming increasingly uninviting due to the increase of traffic on most roads.

However, Les Watton always seems to find little oasis's in the suburban environs to enlighten us and test our navigation skills and our Events co-ordinator has found "backwaters" in the Hawkesbury area for us to enjoy, along with our annual Blue Mountains weekend. The Hobsons organized this year's Western Tour which was greatly enjoyed by those who attended.

Earlier this year we were fortunate when Louise Yeomans agreed to became our secretary, this has made things a lot easier for your committee. Robert Fordham also joined the committee this year, taking over from Ray Priest when ill health made it difficult for him to continue. We are losing Greg Roberts from the position of Vice President after a number of years, he has indicated he is still willing to continue organizing the Goulburn weekend in February so we can look forward to that.

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All members of your "Committee of Management" have worked tirelessly throughout the year, and we are continually supported by members and their families when needed for meeting nights, working bees, registration days, magazine distribution and all the other various things that crop up during the year. Thank you all.

I have enjoyed my time as President, it has been a positive and rewarding experience and I have learned a lot more of the Club's history, I would encourage anyone to accept the position or any committee position, The Club has been a large part of our social life for 20 years, Euan and I have made many friends through our involvement with Veteran Cars and it has been an honour to serve as President, I thank you all for your friendship and support.

Best wishes to you all for safe and happy Veteran Motoring.

Wilga

Treasurer's Annual Report 2012/13

Firstly, I would like to thank my fellow Committee Members for their assistance during the year. I would particularly like to thank Laurie Garrod for his assistance to prepare the Annual Reports and with other matters during the year as his accounting skills have been invaluable.

The Club is in a much stronger position this year, which is reflected in our total cash position, mostly due to us having a permanent tenant in the Small Hall. This will provide us with stable extra income. It is pleasing to note that the Main Hall is tenanted most week nights as this is an important source of income, although is causes some work for the Committee. The Committee is also constantly monitoring costs and have reduced these where possible.

With some of the surplus we plan to carry out some much needed maintenance to the Hall. With the premises getting older, naturally more repairs are going to be needed and this will need some watching.

Euan

Honourable Secretary's Annual Report August 2013

Firstly, I would like to thank all members for their warm welcome to the Veteran Car Club of Australia (NSW), especially to the people who have been so helpful since I became secretary. My fellow committee members, in particular the President and Treasurer have been very patient and helpful, as I have learnt the finer details of the role. Other committee and club members have also been very supportive and encouraging. It has been a difficult year and the role of secretary has helped to fill a very large gap in my life. In the last eight months I have realised that many people contribute to the smooth operation of the club in their own ways and in a voluntary capacity and all deserve our sincere thanks for their efforts.

At the beginning of the 2012-2013 financial year the Veteran Car Club of Australia (NSW) had 211 members with three junior members to give a total of 214 members. By the end of the fiscal year the club membership was 208 members including five junior members. During the year, sadly four members died, six members resigned and five members were deemed to be unfinancial. Nine new members including two junior members were welcomed into the club. This is an overall loss of 6 members. Unfortunately the trend is that our club membership is declining and there are consequences for all of us.

It has been sad to lose many staunch supporters of the club whose loss has been most noticeable with fewer people participating in the rallies and outings. There are financial implications.

As the club is for members I urge all members to make an effort to participate this year in at least one of the meetings, working bees and/or the rallies, even in a modern car! This makes it more rewarding for you, keeps you in contact with like minded people, motivates the committee members and helps to keep the club functioning for all to enjoy. Happy motoring!

Louise Yeomans 22 August 2013

Events Calendar - Club Events

SEPTEMBER 2013

26 th	Committee	meeting	starting	at 6.451	om
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26th Monthly Club Meeting at Club Rooms, Fivedock at 8pm

OCTOBER 2013

5 th	MaSH Branch Meeting, 2pm - Lake Alexander, Mittagong
8 th	Forum Sydney Club Rooms
11 th	MaSH Branch Morning Tea run.
15^{th}	Newcastle Branch Meeting at Westlakes Mining Museum, Teralba at 7.30pm. Talk by NRMA
	Insurance Rep.

18th - 21st Newcastle Annual Tour. See Page 11 for details.

24th Committee meeting starting at 6.45pm

24th Monthly Club Meeting at Club Rooms, Fivedock at 8pm

NOVEMBER 2013

3^{rd}	Newcastle Branch Registration - Maxon Machinery, Boolaroo. 8am.
8 th	MaSH Branch Morning Tea run.
12 th	Forum Sydney Club Rooms
17 th	Newcastle Branch Registration Day - Gotley's Tuggerah. 9am.
19 th	Newcastle Branch Meeting at Westlakes Mining Museum, Teralba at 7.30pm
24 th	Sydney Christmas Party Details to follow.
28^{th}	Committee meeting starting at 6.45pm
28^{th}	Monthly Club Meeting at Club Rooms, Fivedock at 8pm

DECEMBER 2013

1 st	Sydney Registration Inspection Day
7^{th}	MaSH Branch Meeting, 2pm - Lake Alexander, Mittagong
8 th	Newcastle Branch Christmas Party - Bargeod House Swansea, details to follow
10^{th}	Forum Sydney Club Rooms
13 th	MaSH Branch Morning Tea run.

National Rallies

OCTOBER 2014

19th - 24th 2014 **NATIONAL VETERAN RALLY** hosted by the veteran Car Club of WA (Inc)

To be held in the Kalgoorlie - Boulder area Western Australia

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Chairman Harry Pyle Email: hdpyle@bigpond.net.au
Expression of Interest Form February 2012 Spit and Polish

List of Other Events

National Trust Centenary of Canberra Rally 19-20 October 2013

Rally entry forms now available. Entry forms to participate in the once in a 100 years National Trust Centenary of Canberra Rally are now open and will remain open until 31st August 2013.

The rally vehicles will start at Jervis Bay on the morning of Saturday 19st October 2013 and travel via Nowra, Nerriga, Tarago, Bungendore and Queanbeyan in to Canberra. For those unable to start from Jervis Bay, options are available for starting at Tarago, Bungendore or Queanbeyan.

Entry Forms and further details can be obtained from the National Trust (ACT) office or website at: www.nationaltrust.org.au/act/rally

further information contact:- Graham Gittins 0419 249 109 email: gittins@iinet.net.au

4th Annual Motoring Expo Sunday 6th October 2013

At The Australian Motorlife Museum Integral Energy Recreation Park Darkes Road, Gembla Grange (Wollongong) 9.30am to 2.30pm.

This year our featured display will be from the Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg Register, with a 'coffin nosed' Cord being confirmed already along with several Auburns. As well Neil Wilson will be conducting wood working demonstrations including the making of wooden wheels suitable for all vehicles including cars.

Further info as well as the entry form is available on our website. <u>www.motorlifemuseum.com</u>

Springtime in Mansfield'

September 30th to October 4th (incl) 2013

An invitation to all veteran vehicle owners, drivers and passengers to an informal tour of the Mansfield, Lake Eildon, Jamieson, Samaria and Tolmie areas.

This tour is envisaged as a post "National Rally" event for interstate entrants and any members who would like to attend.

It will be a relaxing, no frills, self accommodated, self catered event, with vehicle support, guidance and friendly company as usual.

Expressions of interest are needed and in the first instance please phone:-

David Holden on (03) 5755 2171 or 0429 609 207 (mobile coverage is limited) or write to:-18 Ashwood Avenue, Bright Vic. 3741

Members wishing to take their Veteran to any of the above events listed under 'other events' are to notify the Registration Officer - Neil Martin

Welcome New Member

Mr Brad Grant C/- 33b Sunninghill Avenue BURRADOO NSW 2576 **1911 Empire Runabout** (Custodian)

Ph; Mob: 0419 203 182

Email: snappy1@bigpond.net.au

CONGRATULATIONS

to

Bill and Margaret Dudley Who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on the 14th September.

Coming Events

NEWCASTLE ANNUAL TOUR 2013

FRIDAY 18th to MONDAY 21st OCTOBER

Based at

Molly Morgan Motel

New England Highway East Maitland (Cnr New England Highway & Chisholm Road)

Phone (02) 4933 5422

BOOK YOUR OWN ACCOMMODATION

We have made a provisional booking at the motel so it will be necessary to mention you are with the V.C.C.A when booking.

Any queries contact Graeme Newman (02) 4392 1035 Neville Preston (02) 4352 1533

ENTRY FORM IN JUNE SPIT AND POLISH

Also on our website under downloads

→ ENTRIES CLOSE 6th SEPTEMBER ←

See August Spit and Polish for more details

Keys to VCCA Club House 134 Queens Rd, Five Dock

I am trying to reconcile the clubs key log book and update our records and would appreciate the cooperation of members who have keys to contact me. All keys are stamped with one of the following markings MK, A, B, C etc The easiest way is to email me rfo29253@bigpond.net.au or phone 9899 4395. If you no longer use your key could you return them by post to VCCA 134 Queens Rd, Five Dock NSW 2046 or hand them to me at a monthly meeting.

Thanks Robert Fordham

Editorial

Again, thanks to the members for the articles which they supplied for this edition of **YOUR** Spit and Polish. By the time you receive your magazine I should just about be back home from the Shepparton National Rally.

Bill's report on outings, he and Carol attended, Kevin for his report on the Camden outing, Robert for his article on Shannons Sydney Classic (Eastern Creek), and Alan Lowe for another of his stories.

As you can see at the moment we do not have a **PRESIDENT** or an **Events Co-ordinator**. So anyone willing to take on either position would be most welcome.

Information on coming event, the Newcastle Branch Annual Tour in October.

At the moment I am holding a few fill-in articles, part 2 of Alan's story, but I would really appreciate some more that can be used when things are quiet. 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 Prestow

Out and About

Carol & Bill Heeney

FRIDAY 9th AUGUST. MaSH morning tea run.

On a very cold clear morning a group of us set off from the Burradoo club house to Denis & Jean Tobler's at Robertson. (I am very glad I did not ride burrr) for morning tea and a tour of Denis's shed. I could not help noticing there are gaps appearing in the bike collection, these voids seem to be getting filled with cars. Denis gave the blokes an interesting talk, and Jean kept the girls talking and treated us all to one of her special ubute morning tea's they are something to look forward to. From there we all went down town ROBO for lunch.

The Sydney mob included

Max & Ian Shinfield, Harriette, Sue, Lyn & Neil Martin, Carol & Bill Heeney all in modern cars.

SATURDAY 10th AUGUST.

THE MaSH RAMBLE run by the Boardman boys. It started from Max's place, then headed off in beautiful warm sunny weather and it was a very pleasant drive up, down and round over the RAZORBACK ending up at Doug Foulford's home for lunch and an inspection of Doug's collection of cars and Kevin's handiwork. Doug and Kevin gave us a talk on using Doug's cars in movies and even given a rundown on a 1st World War Ford T Ambulance being built for a movie being filmed at present in S.A. After lunch we all headed back to Max's for afternoon tea and cutting of the 100 year Cake.

From Sydney were Don Liddle REO, Laurie Dellar Norton M/c, Bill and Carol Heeney Austin, Neil and Lyn Martin Modern.

SUNDAY 11TH AUGUST.

Off to Cessnock with the Newcastle mob. We all met at John and Kelly Burkes for morning tea. Another beautiful sunny day and after a cuppa we all headed off to the orange orchard at Milbrodale. Turned left at school and drove along a country drive for a couple of ks. On the road from Cessnock we passed just about every Porsche in N.S.W. heading east.

A really good finish for a great weekend. The oranges are really good. When it was time to go I checked out the fuel in the Triumph tank and I figured I had at least 1 hours run left, so we set off down the Putty Road. This ride was most pleasant, the road surface is very good and to my surprise there was almost no traffic. I got in a good hours ride before running out of fuel, & loading the bike up for the remaining trip home.

I don't think Carol & I could have had a better long weekend than this. Our thanks to both the MaSH & Newcastle for their hospitality.

SATURDAY 24th AUGUST.

100th BIRTHDAY PARTY for David & Enid Manhart's Hurtu.

We would like to thank David, Enid, Phil & Sue Manhart for kindly inviting us to the Hurtu's 100th birthday party and to witness the affixing of its 100 year badge and we were all invited back for David's 100th and his fixing and attaching of his 100 badge and what else he needs fixing.

What a nice day and great get together. I would say about 20 people in total.

David gave me a very interesting rundown on his Hurtu and restoring it. In his garage, which is very neat and tidy amongst other things is his SIZAIRE FRERES, another interesting story about a rare car and the important thing, that is asking the right people when seeking help. These are things that I find most intriguing.



The "Birthday Girl" 1913 Hurtu along with proud parents David & Enid Manhart



Thanks to Enid, Sue and helper for all the great salads, cakes, nibbles plus the beaut 100 year cake (fresh of course).

Some of the gathering for the Hurtu 100th Birthday



The BBQ'ing in progress

SUNDAY 25th AUGUST.

Maraylya combined outing - postponed because of the rain. This time they got the weather right. I think for the first time that I know of the cars outnumbered the Bikes. All went well.

Our cars were - Don Liddle Reo, Neil and Lyn Martin Crossley, Alan Miller and Anne Cantrill Brush, Robert Fordham Renualt, Denis and Jean Tobler Darracq, Bill and Carol Heeney Austin.

I was talking so much I missed the presentation, so someone else will have to fill you in on that.

A Run in the Country

Kevin Boardman

The day dawned beautifully on Saturday 10th August, a sunny winter's day. We all gathered at Max and Chris Boardman's residence to partake in the yummy scones and biscuits, tea and coffee. After sitting and talking for an hour it was time to fire up and head off.

10am was our departure time. The route was through Picton, Lakesland, The Oaks and Mt Hunter to Doug and Vivian, Corinne and Victoria Fulford's residence for lunch. Lunch was a picnic with added trimmings (Victoria had cooked two fabulous cakes). Doug then gave us a short talk on the goings on of the movie business and his cars which were involved in "The Great Gatsby".



Kevin's Talbot and Greg's Talbot

In the workshop was a World War I ambulance being built on a T model Ford truck chassis which will be in the movie "ANZAC Girls" being filmed in South Australia.

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At around 2.30pm it was time to get back to Max and Chris's to cut the cake for the 100 year old cars.

Birthdays celebrated today included:

Max Boardman's 1913 T Ford Dennis Tobler's 1913 Darracq Greg Roberts' 1913 Talbot Doug Fulford's 1913 Studebaker

Doug informed us the 'Mabel', dressed as an ambulance in South Australia, the poor girl, 100 years old and still at work. After devouring the cake, more tea and coffee and more talking, it was time to depart after a wonderful day of veteran car motoring.

Those present:

And in moderns
Bob and Elizabeth Hobson
Neil and Lyn Martin
Antony Wood and friend
Bob and Jenny Dunk
Euan and Wilga Coutts
Vic Boardman
Steve Fleming – backup vehicle (thanks heaps
Steve)

Many thank-yous need to be given to Max and Chris Boardman, Doug and Vivian Fulford and girls and to VVCA Sydney members and MaSH members that made this, such a successful day for a "Run in the Country".



The Birthday Cake



Laurie Della's 1911 Norton



Denis Tobler's Darraq



Alan's Buick, Don's Reo, Alan's Brush & Denis's Darracq

Milbrodale Run - Sunday 11th August 2013

The Editor

Rather cool when I departed home at 8.30am but was warming up by the time I arrived at John's at 10am. Again Kelly put on her usual great morning tea which was enjoyed in the sunshine which gave one a chance to warm up. The group seemed to be enjoying their morning tea, but we finally made a move to head to Cameron's orange

orchard at Milbrodale.

A nice run bypassing Pokolbin, where there are road works in progress and headed to Broke. From Broke we headed across to Milbrodale on the normally quiet road but this time we met a couple of groups of Porsches heading in the opposite direction. I didn't count them but there was a lot. Some people obviously have too much money. All you need is a 2 cylinder Subaru Sherpa that will travel at the maximum speed limit of 110 km/h, may take a little longer than the Porsche to get there.

From the Mibrodale school, which is at the junction of the Putty Road it is about 2 klms



Lunch time

into the orchard across a good gravel road. On arrival we were welcomed by Doug and Judy and they had only

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remembered that morning that we were coming. So after Doug found out how many bags of oranges we required, he and son Graham had to go and pick them.

Lunch was enjoyed under the shade trees after which we went for a walk to inspection what new machinery or scrap Graham had purchased since our last visit.

With our oranges purchased and around 2.30pm we started to head for home. Bill checked the fuel in the Triumph and decided to head off down the Putty road until it ran out at which time he would load it into the trailer and continue to home.

A great day and thanks to John for organising the event and of course to Kelly for her great morning tea.



Checking out Graham's collect of junk.

For me it was a round trip of 248 kms. I arrived home at 4.45pm and by this time it was starting to get cool.

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Robert's Renault & Alan's Schacht

were a few other veterans on other clubs displays I saw Ron Cox in the 1914 Overland, David McCredie represented us in the concourse with his 1912 Maxwell and Phil O'loan in his 1910 Talbot.

The highlight of the day for me was the display of eighty Aston Martins three abreast down pit straight the sight and the noise was fantastic. The cars paraded from the oldest to the newest.



David's Maxwell



Ron's Overland

The Desert Song

From the memoirs of Dr H Onestone Edited by Alan Lowe Part one

Readers with a long memory, and interest in the affairs of Dr H Onestone, the noted motorcyclist, spy and lover, may remember the chapter presented some years ago, when Onestone visited the Dutch East Indies (now Indonesia) on his way to Australia to meet a lady he had had a short dalliance with, and their now grown up daughter.

I had not included in recounting this episode that whilst in Java, he had made a survey for the British Secret Service of the influence of fascism in these Dutch colonies. It was 1935, and the British were growing very wary of Germany and Italy, and their political masters. Happily he found no trend towards this insidious philosophy. To the contrary, the colonial Dutch seemed to be only interested in one thing. Making money out of their bounteous possessions, rich in minerals, oil, rubber, tea, coffee, spices, coal etc., while enjoying the natural beauty of their wealthy islands.

Readers may recall that Onestone incurred the wrath of a Princess from Solo, Java, named Trisniati, the daughter of the rajah there, in fact he had had to make a very fast exit via train and a connecting steamer to avoid meeting again the Princess and her very, very sharp keris, a native sword of a wavy design, mighty sharp! He had, of course, made her jealous by a concurrent dalliance with a beautiful Dutch girl.

Arriving in Sydney, and reunited to Betty, his very brief inamorata, and their beautiful daughter Elizabeth, after sending a report to the British Secret Service agent in Canberra about the Dutch matters, he settled down to a form of domesticity, strange for him. He acquired from his neighbour a 1925 model E.6 AJS 350cc machine, the former property of Come-in Cash, who was away in Europe racing motor-bikes as a professional on the international circuit.

Your editor has since restored and has in his possession a 1925 AJS in memory of Dr H Onestone.

Meanwhile, two separate events happened. Two German men had jumped ship from a tramp steamer in Adelaide, and it was later found they had bussed north to the Barossa Valley, where their tracks went cold. The Australian authorities did not have sufficient intelligence resources to look into this affair, and asked the British Secret Service to assist. Enter Onestone once again!! Right from the time he had enfiltrated the Bosch factory in Germany, and stolen away their full manufacturing secrets and processes, enabling the British to quickly catch up in mag manufacturing when World War one started, he was rated a top asset (in modern terms).

Following a request from the agent in Canberra, Onestone prepared for his trip buying rail tickets for himself and his AJS to Adelaide, and so was on his way.

Meanwhile, back in Java, Trisniati prepared herself for a trip to Sydney. Like when you heat up charcoal, at first you have flames and smoke. Then, as white ash develops on the top surface, heat from underneath builds to its maximum, and that is what had happened to Trisniati, emotion wise.

Behind the mask of a beautiful smiling face, the fire of hatred burnt strongly. Receiving permission from her very tolerant father, the Rajah, she searched for a companion for her intended trip to Australia, for she had put about that she would be making observations there for inclusion in her PHD thesis on the subject of the difference in thinking between the white races, and the Indonesians. She was an educated woman, with degrees in languages, and philosophy. She spoke perfect Dutch, Indonesian, Javanese and was fluent in written English, although her spoken needed some practise.

She found the perfect companion called Ahmat. He was an Arab from Saudi Arabia, and had come to Java to teach locals Arabic, the language of the holy Koran. They met in Solo, and Tris took instruction from him. Unfortunately for him, as a lad looking after a rather cantankerous camel, he had been kicked hard permanently ruining his matrimonial prospects, and desires. He had made up for this deficiency by studying martial arts, and so was well suited to protect his princess against any emergencies.

Armed with her finely honed Keris, the pair sailed to Sydney, where she engaged a private detective to locate Onestone. This was done easily, and she turned up at the home of Betty, in Ashfield, where she was told that she had just missed him, and that he had gone to Adelaide, although Betty did not know why. So, it was the next train to Adelaide for Ahmat and Tris.

Meanwhile, Onestone had swiftly ridden up to Tanunda,the largest town in the Barossa Valley, an area well known for its viticulture, and inhabitants of German extraction, enjoying the ride through the beautiful Australian countryside.

Once there, he started asking around to find out if anyone had spotted the two Germans, trying pubs, clubs, and any groups he came across to secure information. Also he asked if they knew of anyone who had suddenly upped and disappeared. No luck. He tried smaller towns and villages, again without any success.

The Barossa valley had been settled by German immigrants in the late '80s, and the arrivals had quickly assimilated. Many family members fought for the Anzacs in WW1. However, it was quite possible that a few

descendants had become indoctrinated by Nazi propaganda, and Onestone was looking into the possibility that aid was being given from such a source.

During Helmut's stay in Tanunda, the annual wine festival took place, and many local oompapa brass bands dressed in leder hosen, competed for a large barrel of beer. Familiar Bavarian music and songs were played, whilst listeners happily got drunk on wine or beer. Onestone joined in, and was listening to the local band, excellent except for the lead trumpeter, who kept missing his notes. He asked a man sitting next to him, who explained that the usual trumpeter had inexplicably disappeared. A lead at last for Onestone. He got the name of this fellow, Heinrich Feldhausen, a 26 year old bachelor, and the home address and went to visit the Mother also living there. She confirmed that two men had come to the house, had discussions in German with him, and then he had immediately packed up all his desert gear, loading same into his 1929 Ford Model A car, and then driven off North somewhere with the men. Mother said Heinrich had always had an interest in deserts, and for his holidays used to go exploring, his start off point being Broken Hill, the famed silver mining town up in Western New South Wales. So quickly, Onestone prepared for the long ride North, buying three one gallon tins of petrol, and strapping same to the rear of the AJS, along with his other clothes, a heavy load for the little machine.. He now had the range to get from petrol supply point to the next. And then he was off. Not knowing he was being followed, he did not hide his destination from anyone.

Tris and Ahmat's bus arrived in Tanunda, actually only a few hours after Onestone went north, and they quickly picked up his track by talking with petrol selling outlets. What to do? Hire a car was the answer, but the place with a car and driver could only oblige next day, due to a commitment to transport mourners to a funeral, and then later to the hotel where a luncheon was served to attendees. The deceased was an important man, although somewhat disliked, and his widow, who inherited a large sum, was glad of his demise. The luncheon, well lubricated was scheduled to go through to the evening. The car hire owner/driver was Johan von Birk, a long time devotee to the Hupmobile make of machine, and his current hire machine was a luxurious 1929 Century, a straight 8 cylinder 7 seater limousine. Helmut noted that Johan kept and maintained a 1911 Model 20, also a 1913 model 32 tourer, both of which he brought out for parades.

Helmut also noted Johan had a 'presense', and was not surprised to hear he was a leading performer in the local amateur theatrical troupe.

Thus early next morning, our princess and Ahmat were off on the long, but comfortable road trip to Broken Hill. As the trip progressed, the countryside deteriorated to sandy scrub, kangaroos and emus. At last, after many hours, it was arrival at Broken Hill, and the comfort of 2 rooms at the best hotel, The Miner's Pick. Tris had led a pampered life, so felt she had earned a couple of days rest, before taking on her role as a young man, companion to Ahmat.

Meanwhile, two days earlier. Onestone had picked up the Germans trail. They had driven off in the Ford Model A taking a track leading North to the end of the road, called Forlorn Hope. There was a pub/hotel there with that title. Everyone had a theory as to how the place got that name, but the consensus of opinion was that it derived from the pub, where anyone who thought they could get beer on credit had a forlorn hope!!

It seems the Germans did not stay long, leaving the car at the pub, giving out they were off looking for gold deposits. They took off on foot, and the pub regulars wondered if they would ever see them again. The desert is an unforgiving place, not tolerant to the unwary. They could not know Feldhausen and the two Germans were skilled desert wanderers.

Helmut rode out to the pub, and learnt the three men had left 2 days earlier. What was he to do? Never having had much to do with sand, heat, lack of water, and dangerous creatures, he entered the pub for advise. And what a strange place it was. Standing around the bar, were a collection of sun browned types, mostly middle aged or getting on a bit, all giving him the look over.

Getting to know the drinkers was easy for Onestone, and he soon determined the unofficial leader was a man known as the 'namer'. His role, it would seem, was to give all regulars a nick name. The pub owner, nicknamed 'Fiery' was a placid tall well built fellow. He got his name from his red hair (now grey), and also in his youth he had worked as a fireman. He had to give up this profession when he found he had no head for heights. Fiery Ray had a wife, Violet, a very pleasant and quiet woman, who was nicknamed 'Thistle'. Wanting food, you whistled for Thistle, they said. Going back to Fiery, whenever a drinker got obstreperous, he would smiling come up to the man, and using the mallet needed to knock the bungs from the wooden beer casks, he would hit the drinker just enough to knock him cold, whereupon, he would carry him over his shoulder and tenderly lay him out on the verandah in the area known as the drying out corner. He placed sacks under the head, and if cold covered the person with them. Noone ever complained of this treatment!!

Another interesting character, whose real name was Innis Tobleroni, nicknamed 'Choco' was a gun smith, and he rented one of the pub's rooms as his workshop, dossing down on a bed therein. Another was an ex sheep farmer, called Ram Rowd, an unassuming and quiet fellow hardly ever drinking alchohol, His nick name was 'Rowdy! Another room was rented to a magneto repairer, a hairy brute with the nickname 'Sparks', and the piano playing resident, 'Ant' Arlick used to burst out with latinamerican rythms, and modern type jazz, that had some regulars calling for cheese for their ears, a la "AlloAllo' comedy series. Rammy Badwin was the in house intellectual, when not restoring saddles. Nickname was 'Brains'. Another strange character was Aron High, a tall

old round shouldered fellow with a bland conversational style, but a sharp eye and the ability to write articles featuring many of his friends in disguise, sometimes to their disgust!!

But the prize characters, as far as Helmut was concerned were a couple usually hunched over their beer, one having a nick name of 'Fish' Givenluck and his inseperable nephew, naturally named 'Chips' More about their characters will be revealed later.

Onestone found out they were desert trackers, taking visitors out into the wilds for surveys, mineral research etc.. and soon decided to hire them.

Helmut noticed a strange thing. Everyone in the pub liked motorcycles, which were the topic of most conversation. One regular was an ex Kiwi, called Bobbie Brushall, and of course his nickname was 'Bird' He just could not stop talking about Triumphs, ad nauseum. Another was Barry Schwinn, a former rubber planter in Malaya, and he told many tales of motorcycles in the plantations. Also tantalising his listeners with tales of his going ons in the towns as well!

The high light of the week for the pub's regulars was the arrival of the mail truck, and those with subscriptions to the Blue 'un and Green 'uns jealously guarded their magazines whenever they turned up, letting good friends have a read when they had devoured the contents top to bottom.

Well, there was, of course, another highlight! The arrival of the truck with the week's supply of beer, lifeblood to most!

Having told Fish a little white lie, namely he was a friend of the three Germans, and wanted to catch them up, and surprise them, all was organised when Helmut surfaced at dawn. And what a surprise he had! Waiting for him was Fish and Chips sitting on BSA 1915 Model K motorbikes, with a spare for Onestone. Also a camel train, the camel master being a descendant of the Afghans that laid the telegraph lines through the desert in the 1860s. Named 'Bluey', on account of his dark complexion and piercing brown eyes, he turned out to speak with an Okka Aussie accent. He couldn't speak Afghan, and read only English. He was still a Moslem, but not a strict observer of that religion. He liked a beer and although not eating pork, enjoyed bacon, which someone told him came from a boar, just another animal to him.

He had a train of 4 camels. The leading one was laden with two casks of beer, and also two large porous earthenware flasks. In Egypt, these are called "Chatties" and the idea is that a gentle perspiring of the contents, evaporates, and causes a drop in liquid temperature. The second camel carried spare parts for the BSAs, including a frame and wheels tyres and tubes etc. Also enough petrol for the planned trip and a large can of oil. The third carried water and food stuffs, and the last tents, and personal baggage.

Onestone later learnt how the Givenlucks got hold of the BSAs. On a rare visit to Broken Hill, Fish had got involved in a sly game of 'Two-up' He did well, but a friend of his Ovid McCarry did not fare well. Having lost a lot, Ovid asked Fish for a loan, immediately losing again. Requesting more, Fish wanted security, and was offered 3 BSA Model Ks and a mountain of spares, these having been bought very cheaply from the railway authorities in Broken Hill, when they were surplus to needs. They had previously been used as mounts for railway staff to check on the track. Ovid lost again!

And so started a journey for Onestone, the like of which he could not imagine. If he had known the dangers in store for him, would he have turned around, and cancelled the trip? Another man, probably yes, but Onestone definitely No!

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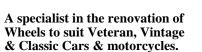
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