



Canberra Chapter Newsletter

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Christmas lunch at Murrumbateman!

Springers Rest to finish the year

A traditional Christmas lunch will mark the end of our motoring year at Murrumbateman on 11 December. Weather permitting, this will be an outdoors event with a barbeque under the trees. Three courses will be \$45 per head, payable in advance into our bank account (BSB 062914, account 1071-7349, CBA Tuggers). If direct credit is not possible, we also take cash or a cheque made out to Richard Calver. We have to confirm numbers and pay up front so kindly make up your mind sooner rather than later, as we can't guarantee requests lodged after the deadline of 4 December. On 11 December, we expect to show up around noon for a 1230 start and look forward to seeing you at our final event for 2011.

Concessional registration

With the end of the year approaching, it seems pertinent to remind those on historic plates that a condition of your concessional registration is that you remain a paid-up member of an approved car club. If that club is the VSCCA, then you need to pay your subs on time (i.e. before 31 December) in order to remain insured under the legislation. If you live in the ACT, Ian Barges (details on the masthead above) is the man to see about this. If you live in NSW, it may be that your local licensing office will not recognise a form from an ACT club, in which case you may be better served going through channels in Sydney. Remember — conditional rego is a privilege and one which we will retain if we all do the right thing.

Breakfast at The Diplomat

The usual date is the final Sunday in the month, 0830 for 0900. Because we are dining among the hotel's in-house guests, we need to advise numbers in advance. Don't wait

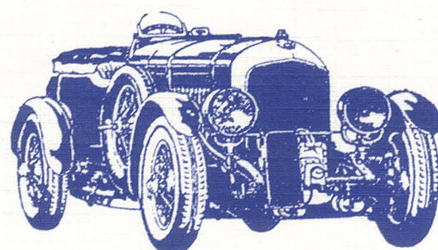
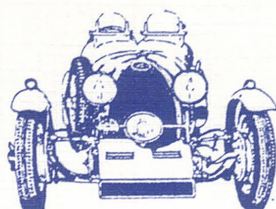
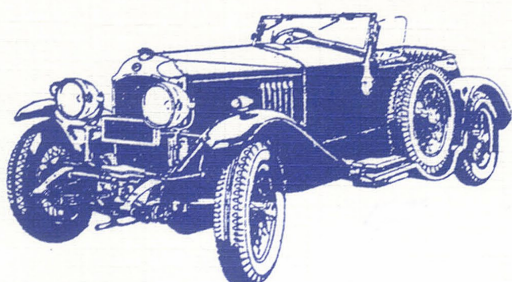
for Phillips to ring up and remind you. Make sure to RSVP a week ahead and we'll save you a place. Also remember to pay — either on the way in or on the way out. We don't want them thinking we are a bunch of freeloaders.



Terribly British Day

The annual celebration of all things Briddish (at least in the motoring realm) will be staged behind the National Library on 4 December. We will be displaying as a club and have reserved places for around 25 cars. John Phillips is coordinating on numbers, and word-of-mouth has practically filled the available slots already, but speak with John if you have any queries about this event.

As always with big shows, turf wars start early so the first contenders to arrive will get the best spots. Conversely, those who show up late may find themselves on the outer when the Morris Minor club starts nibbling away at any undefended boundaries. If you intend displaying, be there by 0800 and stake out the ground. If you intend just coming along for a look, the event will run for most of the day. TBD is one of the ACT's top motoring gatherings and we look forward to seeing you there.



Money matters

The Vegemite jar continues to give good service in attracting donations to support our activities and we have a useful reserve of \$780 in the kitty.

Calendar

13 November — Marques in the Park, Belconnen
27 November — breakfast at The Diplomat
4 December — Terribly British Day
11 December — Christmas lunch, Springers Rest



Regalia

Calver carries the club regalia around in the boot of his Interceptor so if you see it and/or him, that's when you should make your move.

Navy blue bucket and surf hats are available at \$18. We have only a few so be quick if you want one of these. The club is also holding the enamel grille badges (\$60), clothing patches (\$5), adhesive decals (\$2), key rings (\$5) and two of the 2008 George Green Rally DVDs (\$10). For sunny or wet days, golf umbrellas with the VSCCA logo are available for \$30.



The stylish bomber jackets are a discontinued line but we have one L and one 2XL remaining at \$60 apiece. A new

addition to our holdings is the popular polar fleece vest (two sizes available at \$30).

We are fresh out of the stadium jackets but you can order them for \$45, and also the \$75 woollen navy pullovers, from Jim Cuthbert in Sydney. They are available in sizes 14 = S, 16 = M, 18 = L, 20 = XL and 22 = 2XL. If you need a small tent, request a 24 = 3XL, 26 = 4XL or 28 = 5XL.

Name badges

The Canberra Trophy Centre, 12 Molonglo Mall, Fyshwick, makes the proper VSCCA name badges for members. The order code is T-VSCCA-NB and you can have them in magnetic form for \$11.55 or with a pin for \$8.80. You can order by phone and have the badges posted for a little extra, or collect direct from the store. Their number is 6280 6520.

Motorclassica in Melbourne

The second of the big Motorclassica events was held in Melbourne last month and some of our members went along to have a look. Motorclassica is establishing itself as one of the top concours events in Australia and this year's show was in keeping with that aim. About 200 fine cars were inside the beautiful exhibition building awaiting judging and more were outside in the grounds. There was a large turnout for the two-day event, and a few pictures are included here for your delectation.



Lakeside on Thursdays

Thursdays are for catching up with your clubmates down by the lake over lunch. It was pretty brisk out there in winter but those days are now a thing of the past. To enjoy the spring weather, bring your folding chair and cut lunch to the water's edge at Yarralumla Bay.

On the off-chance of rain, we'll be at the alternate venue of the Turner Bowling Club in McCaughey St. Noon til whenever. UBD map 58, ref M10.

Points score for 2011

The 2011 points tally has closed with the final run being the breakfast at The Diplomat yesterday.

The way we worked out the tally this year was to award 1 point for attendance at the weekly lakeside lunch, 2 points for the monthly breakfast and 3 points for attending the specially organized runs. In each case, you got double points for showing up in a 30 year old car or triple points if the car was 60 years old.

There were 39 scheduled lake runs during the year, 10 breakfasts and 8 special runs. You could have had 81 points if you went along in a modern, 162 points if you took your 30 year old car, or 243 points if you attended all events in a 60 year old car.

For the second year running, John Phillips has emerged as the clear winner with a total score of 130. John doesn't have one of the older cars, so is ineligible for the triple points bonus, but even so he comes out on top — a significant showing from one of our most consistent and devoted members.

However, the actual score is less important than the fact that John managed to attend more events in the cars available to him — both modern and 30 year old — than any of the rest of us. In recognition, we are going to award him a pot at the Christmas function, so make sure you come along and be part of the wind-up.

As with any club, we've had members come and go during the year, but the final tallies for all who attended Canberra Chapter events during 2011 are given below, this time without job descriptions.

John Phillips	130	Bryan Purcell	6
Richard Calver	116	Murray McDonogh	6
David Pearse	98	Neil Hamilton	6
John Higham	79	Ian Kenny	6
Andrew Riley	79	Phill Coltman	5
John Clarke	78	Ian Barges	4
Peter Hoskin	59	Ross Reid	4
Brian Lockwood	58	Paul Gugger	2
Mike Shanahan	56	Bill McIntyre	2
Peter Dechaineux	42	John Rudd	2
Graham Moore	41	Chris Forsey	1
Ian Phillips	40		
Vic & Warwick Nicholson	33		
Alistair Kinloch	30		
Ray Gulson	28		
Tim Friend	27		
Rod Warriner	24		
Geoff Nickols	24		
Arne Schimmelfeder	24		
Brian Oxley	24		
Paul Doherty	23		
Peter Makeham	22		
Rob Baker	18		
David Clarke	18		
Beverley Bates	17		
Ian Irwin	13		
Jim Kennedy	10		
Chris Edwards	10		
Alan Baker	9		
Harry Hickling	9		
Roger Doughty	9		



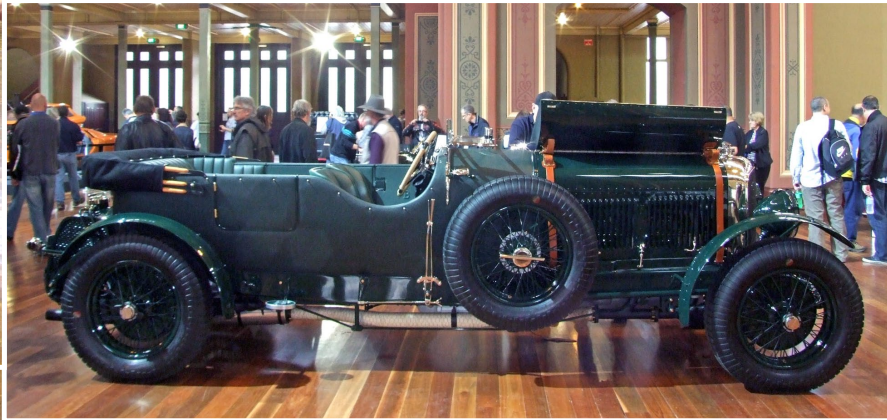
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