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Cootamundra Sprints are on next weekend!

What a blast ... blast from the past

Sydney has organized another Cootamundra Sprints for the 4-5 September weekend and several of our members are going up to have a look, either for the day or staying overnight and hob-nobbing with the Sydney crowd. We had a great time last year and we are looking forward to going again.

The Temora air show this year falls on the Saturday, same day as the sprints, but the Coota Swap Meet will be held on Sunday for those who like to fossick for bargains, so there's something for everyone. There'll be a group dinner at the Services club on the Saturday night which promises to be most enjoyable. Last-minute competition entries are still welcome and spectators of course can attend at any time. Contact Tim Shellshear without delay!

For those looking for accommodation on the Saturday night, we recommend the Heritage Motel at 94 Hurley St, tel 1300 221000. It's a modern, comfortable and inexpensive setup and that's where the right crowd will be staying. We look forward to seeing you there.



Another Delissios photo shoot

Two years ago, we got a group of members together with their cars outside our breakfast venue and set up a photo shoot, just for old times' sake. Now we have done it again and completely blocked the Delissios carpark with our vintage (and not-so-vintage) machinery. Thanks to all who showed up – some shots are on the back page. If you want a CD with all the shots from this shoot, drop \$2 in the Vegemite jar next time you see it.

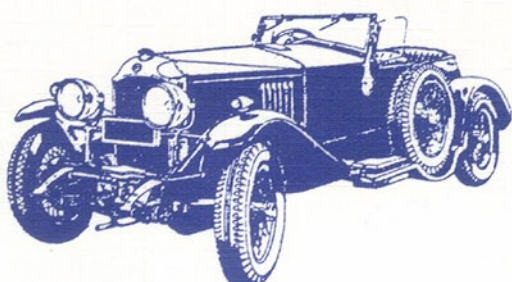
A fine lunch date at Goolabri

Linda's Restaurant at the Goolabri Resort was the venue for our run on 15 August. We had a turnout of two dozen sitting down to a lovely roast, complete with dessert and coffee, not to mention the warming log fire and splendid rural setting. Shame about the dreary weather but thanks to Kim Norenbergs for organizing the repast and thanks to all who came along and made the effort on the day.

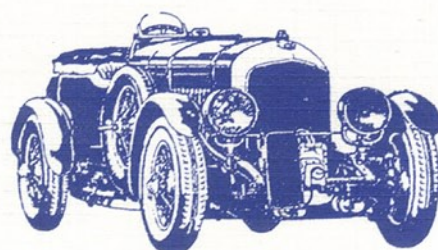
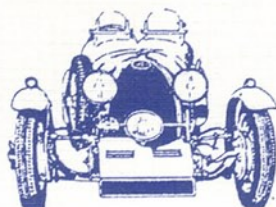
Pull the wool, tip the bucket

New club regalia is available from Sydney on a minimum order of six items. The all-wool navy pullovers are available in sizes 14 = S, 16 = M, 18 = L, 20 = XL, 22 = XXL, 24 = 3XL, 26 = 4XL and 28 = 5XL. These are \$85 each including postage to Canberra. Matching navy bucket hats are also available at \$25 each, postage included, in M, L and XL.

To order, leave your details with John Phillips, who kindly consented to act as our model (see back page). Payment will be requested once the minimum order numbers are reached. These items are not stocked and have to be made, hence the requirement for minimum orders.



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Lakeside now on Thursdays

Some of our members have commitments elsewhere on Tuesdays which have thus far prevented them from attending our meetings at Yarralumla Bay. To make it easier for all, we are switching the weekly meetings from Tuesday to Thursday, commencing Thursday 2 September. This means that we will not meet on Tuesday 31 August. In case of rain, the alternate venue remains the Turner Bowling Club in McCaughey St. 11:30 til whenever. UBD map 58, ref M10.

A clarification

Many readers from Charlotte St, Burradoo, have written to complain about the omission from our April newsletter of the picture of Warwick Nicholson with his bit of carpet at Government House in March. Most would assume that the photo was taken as Warwick was inserting said item under the 30/98 to save the GG's grass from oil damage. In fact, the reverse is true. Warwick is shown removing the carpet after it had been lying under the car for three hours. As you can see, if your eyes are any good, there is not a spot on it. Well done the Nicholsons – you take our (retrospective) award for cleanest car on the day.



More racing at Wakefield Park

Wakefield Park will be staging another historic racing weekend 17–19 September. The event will feature early MGs, Austin 7s and aircooled racing cars. This will be of interest to many of our members so why not make a day of it and head up to Waco to take in the nostalgic sights and sounds of yesteryear.

In the works

The Highlands Chapter is organizing a Bay to Birdwood expedition in the period 19 September through 3 October. See *The Vintage Car* or contact Warwick Nicholson.

Our chapter run on 10 October will be to the Loaded Dog at Tarago, a rustic establishment which has served us well in the past. You will be ordering individually so pre-payment is not required. We do need numbers in advance so let one of our committee know your intentions ASAP. Meet at noon for a 12:30 sit down and remember, this is a special day for the numerologists – 10/10/10. Make sure you buy a lottery ticket, or ten.

The Wolseley Hornet Special Club has some members in Canberra and the club's annual rally, to be staged here from 15 to 17 October, will be of interest to devotees of the marque.

The VSCCA's annual George Green rally will be held around Young from 15 to 18 October. This is a major vintage touring event and all members are invited to participate. See *The Vintage Car* for details or contact Dave Stuart.

Marques in the Park will be held in November, date still TBA (crikey, how hard can it be?). If it goes ahead, it will be staged on the Patrick White lawns behind the National Library, like all the other events this year, rather than in Belconnen as in previous years.

Syd Reinhardt is organizing a Thanksgiving Weekend excursion based around Braidwood's annual airing of the quilts. Cars will leave Sydney on Friday 26 November and head home on Sunday 28 November. Lunch on the Saturday promises to be an interesting opportunity for Canberra members to mix and mingle with our comrades, and there will be a dinner that evening at Trapper's Motel just south of Goulburn. Details are in *The Vintage Car*.

Terrible Brutish Day, organized by the Jagwar Drivers Club, will be held on Sunday 5 December on the lawns behind the National Library. Our club has been invited to put on a display and our inclination is to do so. However, nobody has expressed any interest in going along so the chances are not looking good. If you would like your British car to be displayed under the VSCCA banner, let us know so that we can decide and, if necessary, convey numbers to the organizers.

Our closing event for the year will be another fine lunch at Springers Rest at Murrumbateman scheduled for Sunday 12 December. Costs will be advised in due course and pre-payment into the club bank account will be required.

Canberra Driving Tests

The Committee has approved our plan to host a Driving Tests event on 13 March 2011 at the Sutton Road Driver Training Complex. Because the track needs to

be booked well in advance, we are seeking expressions of interest now. If you would like to attend, email Richard Calver or phone John Phillips. There's no obligation to follow through but, the more expressions of support we receive, the better the chances of it going ahead.

Money matters

The Vegemite jar continues to give good service in attracting donations to support our activities and we now have \$705 in the kitty. As a result, the points score leader has his eye on a decent trophy this year but your vigilant committee will exercise prudence in allocating the chapter's hard won funds.

The Newsletter

The Canberra Newsletter goes out about every month, depending on the pace of events. It is sent as an email attachment to the Canberra regional members and to anyone else who expresses an interest in receiving it.

If you don't want it by email, let John Phillips know and you can have it posted instead.

Club web site

John Grant has taken over the maintenance of the club web site and asks that all members submit photos of their cars, together with a brief technical description. You can find details at www.vscga.org.au. John is also posting the Canberra Newsletter on the web site.

Events calendar

4-5 September – Cootamundra Sprints
17-19 September – racing at Wakefield Park
19 September onwards – Bay to Birdwood (run by the Southern Highlands Chapter)
26 September – breakfast at Delissios

Contributions

If you have anything you want to spread around for the benefit of all, send it to Richard Calver for inclusion in the next Newsletter.

If you have a great idea about something to make things better, or anything at all related to the club and the Canberra Chapter, don't assume we know about it already – speak up and let your voice be heard.

For longer stories, remember that Cliff King will be interested in anything you send for inclusion in the main publication, *The Vintage Car*.

Under the microscope

Hard at work in the laboratory this month, the Canberra team has been pondering the precepts of the club's credo and very existence while also addressing the meaning of life, the universe and the art of automobile maintenance. For their efforts, we pay our respects to:

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A big welcome to our latest doctor

David Clarke is not just another doctor (seems we have hundreds of them in this club) but also the son of Doctor

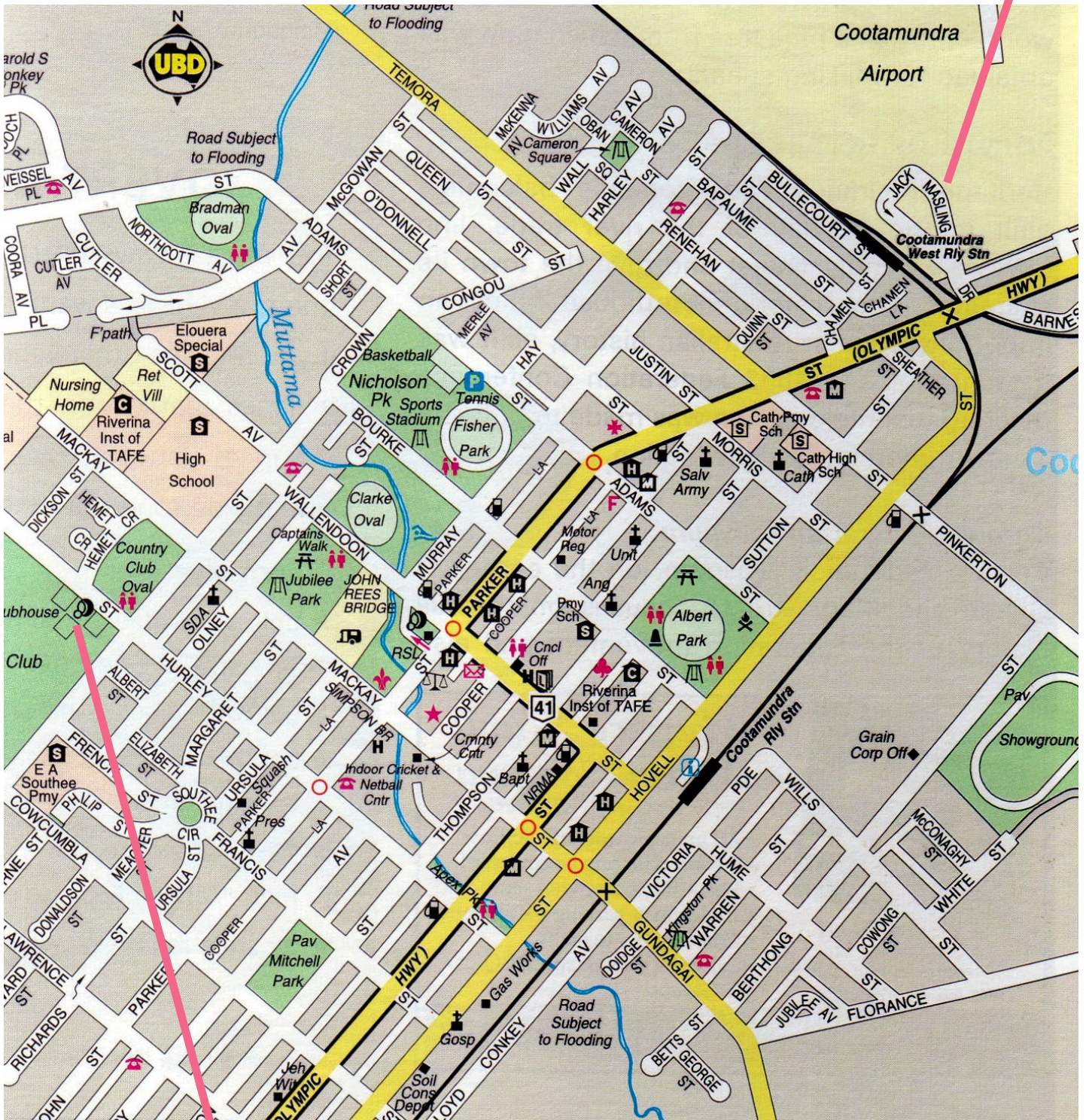


John Clarke, making up the second father-son duo on our register. Not only that, he is the third of our doctors to practise in Swinger Hill, along with Dr. J. Phillips and Dr. R. Edgar. Now that he has paid his dues, he is entitled to all affiliate benefits and we welcome him to the practice most heartily. David runs the nice MGB GT pictured here. We hope to see more of him (and it) at future seminars.

COOTAMUNDRA SPRINTS

4-5 SEPTEMBER 2010

Sprints at Cootamundra Airport



Accommodation at Heritage Motel
94 Hurley Street

Braving the winter at Goolabri



Devotees of fine cars, one and all



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