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Editors Notes: Darryl Bourke

Welcome to 2019.

What an exciting year we have ahead. Building on our achievements of 2018 we are ready to take up the challenges of 2019.

A big challenge will be running the Shannon's Wheels 2019 event at the Queanbeyan showgrounds on Sunday 3rd March. We took this on knowing our reputation is of an active club of participating members, so with your help I know we will make the Shannon's Wheels 2019 a great success.

I am still amazed at finding out the skills and stories of members as I lean more about them at the regular morning teas, monthly meetings and other events. I see and hear multiple interesting and animated conversations happening as I am sure you do. This is why it is great to attend as many of them as you can as interacting with other humans makes you more human.

Capturing just some of your great and exciting stories will enable this magazine to remain interesting and relevant so please jot down your story, snap a few photos and email them to me at editor@stharc.org.au

Hope you enjoy this first edition for 2019 and make sure you get your story into one of this years editions.

Our thanks go to all who contributed articles and photos to this month's publication and to the production and distribution team.

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Minutes of Monthly Meeting

Note: This is a truncated summary of the secretaries minutes. The complete version will be accessible on our web site.

Tuesday 4 December 2018 @ 20:10

Attendance: 33 members

Visitors: Ivan and Nicholas Zafiris, Brett Caldwell, Tanya Barnes

President's Report: Joe Vavra

Voting.

The Committee of Management (COM) noted that a change in voting as decided at November meeting conflicts with the club's constitution. In the light of the absence of any problems with voting in the past, administrative issues and the costs of making a change, it was decided that no change to voting rights is warranted and the situation should remain as one vote per membership. COM recommends that club decide that no further action be taken on this matter at this time. Recommendation accepted by members present.

Wheels 2019.

STHARC has taken on the role as organizing club for Wheels 2019. This event is fast approaching as it is to be held on 3 March 2019. All members of the Committee and others who have volunteered to assist, are included on the current committee.

Membership:

The membership Secretary maintains the current listing of memberships and details of members. If changes occur or if there is a need to confirm membership details the approach should be made through the Membership Secretary.

Treasurer's Report: Brian Thomas

Meeting was advised of current funds available and outstanding accounts payable or cheques not yet presented. Webmaster asked for details new bank account so that details can be placed on the website for access by members.

Secretary's report: Lawrie Nock

Membership application referred to members of Committee of Management to be voted on in general business

Email messages to and from members

Membership Secretary: Pam Corbett

Current financial membership of club is 134 members not including the three applications to be voted on by members at the meeting.

Editor: Darryl Bourke

Apologies sent. Noted by President that current newsletter is an enjoyable read.

Registrar: John Corbett

A few new vehicles on club registration.

lan and Ros Pyett's Singer Gazelle was chosen by the Guest of Honour at Terribly British Day as the vehicle he would like to take home. His close runner up in his short list of two was the Presidential Austin Sheerline which was the official vehicle in which the Mayor Tim Overall and his wife Nicole arrived.

Webmaster: Malcolm Roxburgh

All going well.

Property Officer: Ray & Barbara Malam

Usual apparel available. A new order is about to be placed. Members seeking specific sizes can put in their orders for delivery early in the year.

Public Officer: Chris Hillbrick-Boyd

A copy of the Certificate of Incorporation was obtained to allow setting up of new banking arrangements.

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Council of Heritage Motor Clubs (CHMC):

The 60 day log book trial applies to a vehicle being used and is for 60 days use IN TOTAL. The trial continues until September 2019. RMS and CHMC are examining the format for a proper log book for use after the trial period finishes.

The membership year for CHMC clubs has been changed to calendar year basis to align with financial reporting period. Noted that individual clubs' financial membership of CHMC is an essential requirement for use of the CVS arrangements by members of those clubs.

In the light of the termination of registration labels, CHMC is looking at production of reusable expiry labels for members of CHMC clubs.

Members were reminded that the CHMC annual rally normally held at Easter, will be held in Griffith from 17-20 May 2019. Members are encouraged to attend.

The 2019 half yearly meeting of CHMC will be held at Newcastle hosted by Newcastle Restored Vehicle Club

There is to be a national rally run by AHMF from 28 March to 4 April in 2020.

Council of ACT Motor Clubs

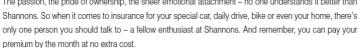
There have been over 2,000 vehicles accepted for CVS registration through SCMS.

Events: Alex Carter

Bungendore Show Long weekend in January. Details will be put on website when available.

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General Business:

New Members:

New applications for membership received from Ivan, Nicholas and Dimitiri Zafiris, Tanya and Frank Barnes and Brett Caldwell were recommended to members for acceptance. Accepted.

Classic Vehicle Scheme (CVS)

The basis for acceptance of vehicles onto the CVS through the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs (CHMC) was discussed. CHMC position is that only minor modifications should be accepted for vehicles to be under the CVS. It was noted that his interpretation is a much narrower interpretation that is permitted under NSW RMS guidelines. It was pointed out that STHARC members have the option of accessing CVS through either affiliations the club has with CHMC and the Council of ACT Motor Clubs (CACTMC). CACTMC is affiliated with Australian Confederation of Motor Clubs (ACMC) which is the only other body authorized by RMS to approve registrations under CVS.

It was suggested to members that registration of a wider range of heritage type vehicles under the CVS is consistent with both the intention and the practice of the scheme. The restriction of access to CVS through CHMC prevents vehicles which retain the basic appearance of heritage vehicles which because of modifications are not eligible for HVS. The restriction could be seen as a redundancy. Examples of exclusions for vehicles such as early Holdens fitted with different engines, braking and the like will impact on only a few of the club's members. Members are to be asked to consider and comment on their views on the CHMC interpretation of the CVS with a view to having the President write to CHMC with a considered club position on this matter.

<u>News</u>

Hugh and Bev have returned form a couple of years travelling around the world. Hugh gave a brief report on their adventures and announced that the 2017 Indian motor bike which was their transport in USA is due to be delivered to them soon

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COMMERCIAL VEHICLES DISPLAY

The Southern Highlands Antique Commercial Vehicle and Machinery Club have invited us to display our commercial vehicles as part of their 31st Goulburn Swap Meet.

With the number of commercial vehicles owned by our club members, this could probably be a STHARC club event?

The swap meet is to be held at the Goulburn Showground on 7 April starting at 6.00am. Rob Morris 0402 043 3302

2018 XMAS PARTY by Lawrie Nock

The 40 to 50 people who attended enjoy the party. The prize for the best decorated vehicle went to Tony Brown for his Mustang. The weather gods extracted revenge on Tony by sending through a small scud which left just enough drops on the cars that Tony had to wash his car to get it back into the pristine condition he likes.

It was nice to have some of our members who we haven't seen for a while back on deck and Santa did a good job delivering presents to the assembled correct age children. The older ones were not permitted to line up. Chris Boyd's granddaughter provided great assistance with the handing out of prizes from the lucky door prizes.



Such a great time was had at the Wamboin hall by all who attended the 2018 STHARC Xmax party that no one thought to take pictures so the best that can be done to record the event is to show a downloaded photo of the Wamboin hall and its facilities. Darryl

SHANNONS WHEELS 2019 - Max de Oliver

A very important activity for STHARC as a club, is the planning for Wheels 2019 which is to be held on Sunday 3 March at Queanbeyan Showground. A Committee comprising mostly STHARC members but also some members from other clubs has commenced detailed planning for this event.

Max de Oliver is co-ordinating the STHARC planning for this event.

The aim is to have a firm plan in place so that participants can be notified through their clubs.

A site inspection is being sort for late on Saturday afternoon 2nd March 2019 to mark out the sites for individual clubs and for marshals and officials from other clubs to be briefed on site about accesses and allocation of sites to clubs. There will be some changes to the site allocation arrangements used in 2018, which was the first time Queanbeyan Showground was used for this event.

Stall holders and trophy donors are being sought for the event. TADACT and one of the cancer charities are the nominated charities for the event.

The Cancer group display is to feature the link between maintenance and operation of the human body and motor vehicles. Members interested in working with Max on the display are asked to contact him.

It is essential that all affiliated clubs receive details for the running of Wheels 2019 as soon as possible, so they can notify their members. The message also needs to get out to regional and other potentially interested participants in time for them to make arrangements to attend.



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LADIES' MORNING TEA by Christine Brown

Friday, 30 November 2018

What a fabulous day we had for our final morning tea of 2018 which was held at Pollen Café at the Australian National Botanic Gardens.

We had another good roll-up of eleven ladies and one grandson (the ever smiling Henri).

We were seated outside under a canopy which overlooked a lovely garden, and when the breeze wasn't blowing, it was very pleasant in the fresh air.

As usual we indulged in the delights of the café, with some nearly missing out on their orders, as they chatted away, not hearing the waitress trying to find who had ordered what. I think we all found it to be a pleasant venue to enjoy our last morning tea of 2018.

Attendees: Rhonda Winnett, Ronda Cornwell, Barbara Malam, Jane Nock, Lynne Heffernan, Tina Oliver, Krystyna McLeish, Chris Hillbrick-Boyd, Lee McMahon, Hazel Roxburgh (with gorgeous Henri) and Christine Brown

Apologies: Nancy-Lea Legge & Lucy Rugala

Our first morning tea for 2019 will be at 10.00am on Friday, 22nd February, at the Italian Continental Bakery & Café, Mawson Place, Mawson (next to Bruno's Truffles).



MENS MORNING TEA by Allan

Friday, 30 November 2018

The final men's coffee get-together for 2018 was at the "top of the town"! Telstra Tower Cafe @ Black Mountain Tower.

While waiting outside the Tower entry for others to arrive, two coach loads of teenage school students tumbled out their buses and headed for the Tower lift. We thought this is the end of us getting a seat in the cafe. On arrival it was ok because the students were all walking around the viewing area as they undertook their assignment.

After occupying a table for seven, we all ordered drinks and snacks that were reasonably priced, the service was prompt, and with a million dollar view. Various conversations took place and the time soon passed until it was 11.30 and time to vacate the "tower on the mountain" and pick up some of the ladies from the Australian Botanical Gardens.

A couple of highlights were lan's new acquisition an XT Falcon GT and Darryl's Tesla wanting to leave without its driver. However Darryl, whilst standing nearby, was reversing the car using his mobile!!

And so ends our get-togethers for 2018.

Roll Call:

Lawrie Nock (1960 S2 Bentley),

Ian Oliver (1980 XT Falcon GT),

Darryl Bourke (electric Tesla),

Tony Brown, Ray Malam, Geoff Rudd and Allan Boyd.

Next years STHARC Men's Coffee Mornings will resume on Friday 22 February 2019.



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2019 MENS MORNING TEA

This year, 2019, Tony Brown will take on the task of organizing the STHARC Men's Coffee Mornings.

Many thanks to Allan Boyd as the organiser of so many past events and the write ups.



The first Men's Coffee Morning will be at 10am on Friday 22nd February at the 'Coffee GuRu', MAWSON Southlands Shopping Centre.

'Coffee GuRu' is located adjacent to the carpark that parallels Heard Street.

Please note that this carpark is not really suitable for the parking of 'classic' vehicles as the parking spaces are very small.

COUNCIL OF ACT MOTOR CLUBS by Lawrie Nock

Meeting 17 January 2019

Committee advised that the Commonwealth Government has signed off on new legislation arrangements for the importation of second hand vehicles.

There has been no response from ACT Government on the proposals for concessional registration of modified vehicles .

Summernats 2019 arrangements for heritage vehicles did not generate a good response from local vehicle owners. A total of 29 vehicles were on display and the administrative arrangements notified appear to have been handled with great variability.

One affiliated club has experienced some problem caused by a disgruntled former member. The situation has led to the involvement of AFP and other responses are under consideration. Not really a problem for CACTMC but brought to the attention of Council because it involves an affiliated club.

Two fundraising events at the end of last year were successful. One for a deceased member of the club concerned raised \$3,500 and the other which was a general charity fundraiser generated \$24,000. Half has been donated to a cancer research group and the other half to Beyond Blue

Most important issues for STHARC were the collection of two CACTMC stamps for concessional registration of RROCA(ACT) vehicles and arrangements for Wheels 2019.

RROCA(ACT) has been advised of the collection of the stamps.

STHARC's current status report on arrangements for Wheels was submitted to Council

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TYPE 3 VW SEDAN By Ian Robinson

I have recently added a 1963 VW 1500 sedan to the fleet.

As early as 1952, VW were keen to build a new, larger, car to supplement their very successful Beetle. Many different prototypes were developed through the 1950s, some by VW itself, some commissioned from other manufacturers, including Porsche and Ghia, culminating in the introduction of the VW 1500 at the Frankfurt Auto show in September 1961. The range comprised a sedan, wagon, convertible and Karmann-Ghia coupe, although the convertible model never went into production. The 1500 model was known as a Type 3 VW (Beetles being Type 1 and Kombis, Type 2). In 1962 a panel van (essentially the wagon without rear side windows), and in 1966 a fastback model, were added to the Type 3 range.

The 1500 had the same wheelbase as the Beetle and retained much of the traditional Beetle technology (two doors, rear, air-cooled motor, front torsion bar suspension, 6 volt electrics etc). However, it was a little wider and longer than the Beetle, with more 'luxury' features and bigger windows, providing a more open, spacious and comfortable cabin. The more powerful motor provided stronger performance than the 1200 Beetle motor and was much flatter, allowing the 1500 to have a second boot in the rear, as well as the one up front.



These STHARC members are watching you!



The 1500 was generally well received, although there was criticism of the car's sensitivity to cross winds and handling in extreme conditions. In comparing the 1500 to the Beetle, Road & Track commented in its October 1962 test: "All the familiar characteristics are retained, but there is a little more of everything and everything is just a little better." Road and Track commented that the 1500 "is likely to find as many friends as its famous ancestor", a prediction that was to prove optimistic.

A small number of Type 3s were imported into Australia in early 1963 prior to the commencement of Australian production in July 1963. (My car is one of these German built Type 3s.) Initially, the 1500 was priced some 25% above a Beetle, making it a relatively expensive small car, and this undoubtedly hampered sales.

In a publicity event organised by VW Australia in 1964, Ray Christie and Joe Dunlop drove a Type 3 sedan 8,044 miles (13,000 km) around Australia in 5 days, 22 hours and 17 minutes, some 2 days faster than they had covered the same route in a Beetle in 1962. Christie was quoted as saying: "In many years of trials driving I have never encountered such terrible roads. The way the 1500 took to them without complaint proves that this is certainly the greatest car I have driven." (Hopefully, that comment earned him a sizeable bonus from VW!) In the same year, 1500s came second and fourth in the 11,000 km AMPOL round Australia trial.

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Outside Germany, the Type 3 was manufactured in Australia, South Africa and Brazil (the latter models being significantly different in appearance). It continued in production until 1973, with the motor being upgraded to 1600 cc in 1966 and the 'long nose' models (with a longer, squarer front and larger tail lights and bumpers) introduced in 1970. By the time production ended in 1973, just over 3 million Type 3s had been manufactured worldwide (compared with total Beetle production of 21.5 million.)

The Type 3 did not sell in large numbers in Australia (just over 55,000 were manufactured here over eleven years), which means they are an increasingly rare sight on the road, especially the pre-1970 models. My '63 model is in fairly original condition, with two previous owners. It has done 94,000 miles. While the paintwork and interior are pretty tired, it runs well and easily managed the trip from Sydney where I bought it.



THE FIRST CAR I REMEMBER by Lawrie Nock

The car I first knew and loved was Dad's 1939 Hudson 8. He had bought it new when he was an inspector with the Education Department and had Frank Kleinig fit among other things, an aluminium head. I believe it was a pretty quick genuine 100 MPH car in those days.

Throughout the war it was fuelled by a gas producer. My mother claimed it was a dirty thing but I was told that unlike many cars, the Hudson actually worked well on producer gas.

I really liked the Hudson. It drove very well I think. On my first solo driving experience at about two or three years of age, my mother had to make a quick exit from the tennis court but managed to climb on board and stop the car before it ran into the shop at the bottom of the street. I don't recall seeing her efforts, probably because I was too busy concentrating on my driving. I have developed a very good retrospective recollection of how well I drove on the day. I didn't clean up any other vehicles and drove at such a moderate speed and was so considerate in my progress that even my mother could catch me and climb on board.

While we were in Sydney on one occasion Dad's brother-in-law decided that the owner of a motor business should not be driving around in the early 1950s In a 1939 model car and fixed the problem by selling it. We ended up with a very nice new 1953/54 Plymouth for a short while until the local Taxi operator wanted a new car and it had to be a Plymouth. No more new ones of that model available so we lost it and ended up with one of the round back ones.



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VINCENTIA CLASSICS By Stephen Cole



I was in Jervis Bay in mid- December for work and by chance happened on a classic car display at Vincentia when we stopped for lunch on a Saturday morning.

Vincentia is a great little place on the sunny shores of the bay, about 2.5 hours drive to the coast through Nerriga and Nowra.



The road is a lot better now it is all bitumen but I strongly recommend against travelling it at dawn and dusk and at night. There is abundant wildlife that could rearrange the front end of your pride and joy.

There is still a couple of culverts and one near Nerriga that seems specifically designed to remove the bottom of the sump on my charger.

Nevertheless it was a great surprise and a lot of fun to view the 30 or so cars on display in the sunshine.

Standouts for me were the pair of XY Falcon utes, a beautiful classic Chev coupe, and a top notch restored Torana GTR. The Torana paint was immaculate. You have to love those 70s colours, they make moderns look so drab.



But I always like to locate a car I would be tempted to steal on the day and the "gone in 60 seconds" trophy went to this beautiful Morris Minor utility. It gleamed in its bright yellow paint and minilites, and the degree of effort that went into its restoration was impressive. Good job!

I restrained myself though.

Maybe we should link up with the local club for a club run and display in Autumn at Jervis Bay, perhaps an overnight at Huskisson for a meal at the pub.

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BRAIDWOOD AUTO CLUB DISPLAY

by Allan Boyd photos by Tony Brown

24 November 2018

Braidwood Auto Club display

On the Saturday of the Braidwood Airing of the Quilts, the Braidwood Auto Club held a car display.

Following a cold windy day on Friday in Queanbeyan, Saturday morning was a vast improvement with bright sunshine and virtually no wind, so I ventured off to Braidwood with a classic motorcycle in my trailer. I arrived in Braidwood about 9.30am.

I unloaded the bike and rode up to where the vehicle display was held, parked my 1949 Ariel with two other bikes, then I noticed the Brown's Mustang and David and Elise's VW Beetle, representing STHARC. Later in the morning we all caught up for a chat that included Malcolm Roxburgh who had driven over in a modern car. Malcolm said Hazel was "quilting" so I did not get to see her.





Among the 43 vehicles and 3 motorbikes on display, there were some interesting vehicles: some immaculate restorations and many "lovely originals". Examples were a Jaguar XK150, an early Porsche 356, and a later Porsche 911E, 1951 Riley, seven MGs A & B's, two VW Beetles and one Kombi. The Stationery Engine, Antique Tractors and Machinery Club of Moruya had six working stationery engines on show also.

Away from the motor vehicles, the adjoining Ryrie Park was busy with stallholders and buyers, and the main street was busy with people viewing the hanging quilts and crafty shops. STHARC's Elise could not resist, "I bought a quilt" she quipped.



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Thanks to the Braidwood Auto Club for organising the vehicle display and providing delicious home-made goodies for morning tea – absolutely irresistible, so I gave in without a whimper!!

Roll Call:

Tony Brown 1966 Ford Mustang

David & Elise 1958 VW Beetle

Allan Boyd 1949 Ariel motorbike

Malcolm & Hazel Roxburgh modern



Photo above from the President's Twilight run

PRESIDENT'S TWILIGHT RUN by Lawrie Nock

20 January 2019

The President's twilight run was held on 20 January at the end of a week of exceptionally hot weather. The predicted maximum temperature of around 33 did not eventuate – it was reported to have been about 38 degrees in Canberra at some point in time prior to the arrival of the last of the members who attended. A total of 12 members arrived. Only two set out from the club house. It was good to see some of the new members turning up.

With the temperature well into the thirties, most members opted for a cold food meal. Some of us brought meat to cook on the electric BBQs provided by ACT Government at the site. After commencement of the eating part of the outing, the President commenced the monthly meeting which was held and finished in what must be record time. The four committee members present reported to the eight other members present and it was all over in less than 5 minutes.

Roll Call:

Nicholas and Ivan Zafiris 1976 Datsun 260 2+2 (maiden run),

Nev Kitchen 1964 Plymouth Valiant (maiden run inNev'shands),

Geoff Rudd 1968 Dodge truck,

Ray and Barbara Malam 1982 BMW 318i.

Brian Thomes 1984 BMW,

Lawrie and Jane Nock and Krys McLeish 1972 Rolls Royce Silver Shadow and Joe and Maureen Vavra modern.



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50TH MARATHON by Paul Anderson

50th Anniversary commemorative rally of the London to Sydney Marathon

I entered the Hunter in this event as the rally was passing through our region. The entire event retraced the route of the 1968 London-Sydney Marathon. The Classic Rally Club of NSW organised the Wangaratta to Warwick Farm leg.



Between the 14th December and the 17th December 2018, the event was conducted over publicly accessed roads and tracks in the Victorian Alpine District, East Gippsland District, NSW Monaro District, Shoalhaven, Wollongong and Southern Suburbs of Sydney.

There were three overnight stops being, Lakes Entrance, Jindabyne and at Nowra.

The Hunter did just over 1000km over the weekend, on sealed and unsealed roads, and forest tracks, and didn't miss a beat.

The trip was fantastic and I met some wonderful people. It was definitely a bucket list thing for me. An opportunity of a lifetime.





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