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WHEN: 8pm; 1st Tuesday of each month (except January)

WHERE: Girl Guide Hall, Erin St, Queanbeyan-

Contributions should be submitted **before the 15th of the month** for the following month's issue. Articles covering events, members' experiences, automotive/mechanical items or photographs welcomed. The editor reserves the right to accept, reject or modify any section of any article submitted for publication.

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Editors Notes: Darryl Bourke

Covid

We have been fortunate to have been able to hold several events including the morning tea in Bungendore and lunch at Lake George. With the Covid outbreak in Sydney it threatens our future events as it spreads to greater Sydney and on wards.

At time of publishing this edition of the Wheel, our Annual General Meeting is still on track for the 3rd August. It will be conducted under the Covid restrictions appropriate at the time. Currently this involves the compulsory wearing of masks so come along with yours.

Inside

There is plenty of interesting reading in this edition including a look back by Bill Grzeskowiak of his visit to the 2018 Grenfell show n shine.

Details of the successful Lake George Run.

Summary of the Battle of Waterloo.

Allan Boyd's win at the Ariel National Rally.

And more.

Enjoy your read and please consider sharing your stories.



Cover photo:

Three historical cars and a ring-in at the Lake George lunch.



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Presidents Report

Greetings Members

I hope this finds you all well.

There are a few things I need to pass on.

Next Meeting

We have our meeting on Tuesday 3rd August at Jerrabomberra community hall, commencing at 7:45pm. You are required to wear masks for safety sake - a NSW requirement. If you want a coffee or tea please bring your cup.

Membership

If you have not renewed your membership and have a vehicle on club rego- well your vehicle is deemed to be unregistered. So please make arrangements to rectify.

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AGM

We are holding our AGM and have some nominations however we require you to step up and nominate for President, Secretary, Events Director (or events committee) and a few others. Folks we really need you to consider this seriously. We have experienced members to help you.

STHARC Mugs

People who order mugs with the picture of their vehicle- they have arrived, look great and will be at the meeting for collection.

Stay Safe

If you are at all feeling unwell please stay home and rug up. We will miss you until you are feeling better.

Cheers

Joe Vavra

President.



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LAKE GEORGE RUN by Allan Boyd & Chris HB

Anderson VC rest area

Thirteen vehicles left the Guides Hall at around 10.30am on a cool, cloudy morning to drive to the Anderson VC rest area on Lake George via Sutton Road, Federal Highway and the Old Federal Highway. The Sutton Road roadworks delayed the cars but on the green light all but the Green Dragon made it through. The main group followed Allan's instructions and turned at the Tulip Farm onto the Old Federal Highway and followed the road through to the Anderson VC rest area where the Malam's had set up the BBQ trailer and Ray had claimed the rest area BBQ.

We caught up with Bill after crossing Shingle Hill Way, and drove into the rest area with sufficient parking spaces left for us. Darryl and Mike & Lorna Fleetwood joined us not so long afterwards. The waters of Lake George could be seen in the distance and a broad expanse of green paddock was the main view from the rest area's Lake edge. Someone commented they had never seen Lake George full. A number of us recalled seeing the lake full in the 1960s and 1970s and even early 1990s, but only partially filled since 2000.



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Catering Magic

Ray started cooking as soon as we unloaded the food. A number of members volunteered to butter the bread and help set up the serving tables etc. While Ray and Allan cooked the meat members decided to watch the “show” on the paddock below – a range of radio-controlled planes were being swooped above their controllers heads to the delight of members. Then a dare-devil appeared in his motorised propeller driven para-glider coming from the top of the escarpment behind us to weave and swoop over the Lake George paddock. A few members also saw a wedge-tailed eagle gliding above.



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Although we planned to have some games, members were either occupied with watching the aerial activities and/or chatting about all things cars, and time flew past. The cloudy weather was not conducive to the games, so by the time we finished cleaning up with members help again everyone was ready to leave. As Allan and I had missed the aerial show we stayed behind for a few minutes to watch them, and then we left.



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STHARC roll call:

Paul Cuneen	1937 Ford Anglia
Brian & Sandy McNally	1959 Morris Minor
John Thomas	1964 EH Holden
Tony & Christine Brown	1966 Mustang
Keith & Janice Bateman	1978 Datsun 180B
Ian & Tina Oliver	1987 Rolls Royce Silver Spirit
Barry Stewart	1987 XF Falcon
Ansis & Vineta Riests	1989 Nissan Patrol
Jimmy & Lyn Howard	Nissan Skyline
Russell McKinley	Toyota Corolla
Maree Burke	Nissan Navara (modern)
Bill Grzeskowiak	NC Fairlane (modern)
Darryl Bourke	Modern
Mike & Lorna Fleetwood	Peugot 407 HDI (modern)
Allan Boyd & Chris HB	VW Transporter ("Green Dragon") (modern)
Ray & Barbara Malam	modern towing SHARC BBQ Trailer

Apologies:

Joe & Maureen Vavra, Malcolm & Hazel Roxburgh, Steve Ahern



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THE AACO AND ACCO by Darryl Bourke

What is ACCO

ACCO is a truck that was designed and built by Australians.

It all started in the late 1950s with International Harvester Australia responded to an approach from the Australian Army who were looking to replace their "Blitz" trucks with a modern Cab Over design (**CO**). Five years of development went into developing and testing of prototypes, which the Australian Army put through very vigorous testing. Search YouTube for some of the footage.

International Harvester Australia was eventually awarded a contract for four-wheel drive military trucks. While the trucks were designated Mk1 these trucks were **AACOs**.

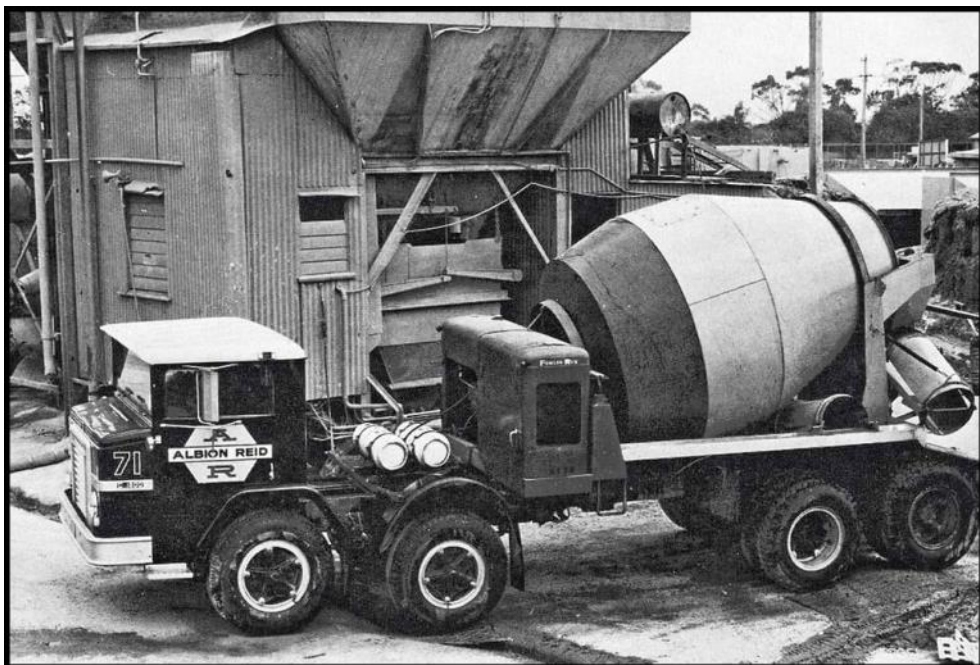


Truck Cargo. 2.5 ton Aust. No 1 Mk 1 (image from the internet)

A common belief is that the **AACOs** were named after 'Australian Army Cab Over'. With the success of the AACOs and demand for Civilian equivalents a commercial version was launched in 1972 labelled **ACCO**. Hence a logical conclusion was that ACCO stood for "Australian Construction Cab Over".

The other strongly held view of the acronym is that it related to the assembly line used at the Dandenong factory. Hence **AACO** stood for 'Australian **A** Line **Cab Over**' as they were built on line 'A'. The Dandenong facility operated 24 hours a day using three shifts across three lines. The later series changed to **ACCO**, as they were being built on the **C**-assembly line.

I am not able to confirm which story is the correct one, if not both.



The first ACCO eight wheeler in 1967. (Image from the internet)

The ACCO is a real legend of Australian road transport history, especially with the waste and construction industry.

The basic ACCO design had a remarkable production run of almost six decades with the final ACCO coming off the production line at Dandenong Victoria in 2019.

UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED:

All STHARC runs start from the Queanbeyan Girl Guides Hall, Erin St Queanbeyan.

BYO chairs, tables, picnic ware, drinks & food, sunscreen for all runs.

Day/ Date	AUGUST EVENTS	CONTACT
Tuesday 3rd	<p>STHARC Annual General Meeting</p> <p>Starts at 7:45pm sharp.</p> <p>Jerrabomberra Community Hall</p> <p>25/31 Jerrabomberra Pkwy, Jerrabomberra NSW 2619</p> <p>MASKS TO BE WORN.</p>	Committee
Sunday 8th	<p>Club run to Goulburn (This was the postponed June run)</p> <p>Meet at guide hall 8:15am for 8:30am</p> <p>Travel to Goulburn</p> <p>War Memorial & Museum.</p> <p>Lunch at Goulburn Soldiers Club Bistro.</p>	Pam Corbett

Friday 27th	Morning teas Frankies at Forde, 10.00am, On the corner at 26 Francis Forde Boulevard, Forde. Frankies at Forde is a great little café by day and a licensed restaurant by night. They have all day breakfast that includes egg & bacon rolls that appear to be quite popular with our members!	Sandra & Brian 0408 634 162.
Day/ Date	SEPTEMBER EVENTS	CONTACT
Sunday 5th	Fathers day Club run TBA	
Friday 24th	Morning teas The Mill House Café in Queanbeyan. Hopefully the weather will have warmed up enough to enjoy morning tea outside under the trees but if not, there are nice cosy rooms inside. 10.00am @ 57 Collett St, Queanbeyan..	Sandra & Brian 0408 634 162.

MEMBERS PLEASE CONTACT THE EVENTS COMMITTEE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP OR ORGANISE A RUN.

Check STHARC's Website regularly for details and updates.

Members of other car clubs are most welcome to join STHARC on any of our club runs.

GRENFELL SHOW N SHINE by Bill Grzeskowiak

Sunday 9th June 2018

This event is held each year on the June long weekend. It is part of the four day event known as the Henry Lawson Festival. The town of Grenfell is the birthplace of Henry Lawson.



Now the show always has a very eclectic mix of vehicle. These few photos give a hint of what it is like.



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For this car event Grenfell close off half the main street so all the vehicles on display are parked on both sides of the street as well as in the middle. I have attended the show a number of years and it is always a good event. The country town atmosphere is also a welcoming aspect too.



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Chryslers:

For anyone that has a taste for Chrysler products there is a nice little museum in the main street. It was set up by Jeff Connelly who is a dedicated Chrysler man.



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CLUB MORNING TEAS by Sandra & Brian McNally

Friday 25 June 2021

After a few days of rain, the weather cleared for the morning tea run to the R&R Diner in Bungendore. Most opted to take their modern cars but John Kaczmarek in his Ford Falcon and Steve & Rhonda Ahearn in their HZ Ute braved the chance of rain.

We were snug & warm at one long table inside the diner and enjoyed a couple of hours of friendly chatter.

After morning tea Krystyna McLeish invited us around to see her new beautiful home in the Villa Estate Bungendore.

Ladies Attendees:

Christine Brown, Rhonda Ahearn, Krystyna McLeish, Barbara Mallam, Maureen E Vavra, Chris Hillbrick-Boyd, Jane Nock, Lynne Heffernan and Sandra McNally. Apology from Lyn Howard.

Gents Attendees:

Tony Brown, Steve Ahearn, Joe Vavra, Ray Mallam, John Kaczmarek, Geoff Rudd and Brian McNally. Apologies from Jimmy Howard, Allan Boyd and Laurie Nock.

August morning teas

For the August morning tea, we will be heading to the north of Canberra, Forde. The venue is Frankies at Forde, a great little café by day and a licensed restaurant by night. They have all day breakfast that includes egg & bacon rolls that appear to be quite popular with our members!

The date is 27 August at 10.00am and the location is Frankies at Forde, on the corner at 1/26 Francis Forde Boulevard, Forde.



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BATTLE OF WATERLOO by Allan Boyd

20 June 2021

[Spanish Australia Club](#), Narrabundah

A change of location this year saw the Battle of Waterloo event held in the grounds of the Spanish Australia Club in Narrabundah, hosted by the French Car Club of Canberra. This event was achieved with the co-operation of the Spanish Australia Club which is very supportive of local motoring events.

Next door to the Battle of Waterloo event was the Germany Harmonie Club's Market Day that gave a spin-off for both events. Also, the VV&CMCC (ACT) met at the Spanish Australia Club for the starting point of their June ride to Uriarra Crossing with about 40 motorcycles parked outside the Club.

To keep participants and onlookers warmly fed there was a BBQ in the carpark and inside the Club hot drinks were available.

Shannons Insurance, a major sponsor of the event, had their gazebo set up and staff available for those interested in a quote.

Photo from 2016 Battle of Waterloo.



The grassed area of the Spanish Australia Club was used to display the British and French vehicles for their friendly rivalry display. On this occasion the British out numbered the French by 50 to 22. There were some beautiful examples of original and restored vehicles on both sides, as well as more modern cars. It would have been difficult to pick a best vehicle however my favourite vehicle had three wheels in the form of a Morgan with the external J.A.P engine owned and driven by Bob Courtney of the VV&CMCC club. Chris' favourite was a modern gleaming royal blue Lotus – she likes fast cars!

There were members of many different motoring clubs: French vehicles were Peugeot including a ute, Citroen, Renault, and a lone Talbot Darracq from the 1920s. The British makes on display were Rolls Royce, Bentley, Jensen, Ford, MG, Lotus, Humber and Austin Morris with some wonderful minis.

STHARC roll call:

Lawrie Nock	Rolls Royce
Chris Forsey	Jensen Interceptor
Allan Boyd	motorcycle
Chris Hillbrick-Boyd	motorcycle



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ARIEL NATIONAL RALLY by Allan Boyd

2021 Australian Ariel Register (AAR) 27th National Rally

07 – 10 May 2021 Boonah, Qld

Scenic Rim Rally

This year's AAR national rally was labelled "Scenic Rim Rally" and was located in Boonah in the picturesque Fassifern Valley, part of the Scenic Rim of SE Queensland.

Following lots of preparation work on our VW van, our Aline A'van folding camper, and two motorcycles, we left on Tuesday 4 May with a full load. We reached Mendooran free camp that night, indulging in a cooked meal at the Mendooran Pub. Next day we travelled north up the Newell Highway with multiple stops at road works, we crossed into Queensland at Goondiwindi finally stopping at Inglewood (home of the Inglewood chicken) to free camp by the river and bridge. We fell asleep to the noise of trucks rattling across the bridge. Thursday morning we arrived at the Boonah Showground caravan park located behind the main shopping street.

The Rally HQ was based at The Outlook (about 2kms away), a Queensland Government owned and operated conference/training centre with accommodation and other facilities. It proved to be the perfect venue for the Rally.



Each day's run took us to a different part of the surrounding area starting with a Friday afternoon short fettling ride of approximately 70kms in warm dry weather on some quiet winding roads to view the local scenery with the Scenic Rim mountains as a magnificent backdrop. Our halfway point was Maroon Dam where Chris managed to gracefully fall off her Honda! Neither Chris nor bike were damaged.



Judging of Ariels (and some non-Ariels) took place on Saturday morning and was followed by a ride of about 80kms to the village of Kalbar and Moogerah Dam with the lunch stop at the Mt Alford Hotel. After lunch we once again rode on winding back roads returning to Boonah. Saturday night was Rally Presentation Dinner with trophy presentations awarded and raffle prizes won. **Allan** won a trophy for the Best 2 stroke motorcycle with the 1960 Ariel Arrow and Chris' Honda CB200 won the Best Non-Ariel trophy.



Photos from Ariel web site

"Keeping Ariels on the Road"

Ariel swap meet

Dawn on Sunday morning is the traditional Ariel swap meet of all things Ariel. The long ride of around 160+ kms started at 9am with morning tea stop at the village of Warril View, and the lunch stop at Rosewood, a town only a few kms west of Amberley just out of Ipswich. As the Ariel Arrow was “playing up” we chose to have a drive around the countryside, following part of the Rally ride route and met the other Ariel participants at the Rosewood Memorial Hall for lunch. Sunday was Mother's Day and each lady was presented with a Mother's Day card coloured in by local Sunday School children! Chris greatly appreciated the thoughtful touch by the lunch providers.

A Sunday evening Farewell BBQ was well attended by those participants who remained, and stories of the weekend rides on Ariels dating from 1915 to 1960 were shared. Also, as we ate we were entertained to a light and sound show by massive lightning and loud thunderclaps as the heavens opened and rain poured down.

Monday was pack up and farewell morning. A total of 65 registered Rally riders, and the total number of participants was around 120.

STHARC Ariel members: Allan Boyd & Chris Hillbrick-Boyd

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2022 CHMC BUSH COUNCIL ANNUAL RALLY

Singleton

The Newcastle District Vintage & Classic Car Club Inc. Has been requested to host next years "Bush Council" Rally . We have arranged to hold the Rally in the lower Hunter region at Singleton utilising the facilities of the Singleton Show ground, and Singleton Diggers Bowling Club.

The dates for the rally have been set for Friday 1st April, Saturday 2nd April and Sunday 3rd April, with a farewell breakfast on Monday 4th April 2022. We hope to have an official Notification and Registration Form available for your Members use by the end of October 2021at the latest.

Entries will be capped at 140 registrations due to the limited space available at the convention venues.

Whilst in Singleton we are looking to keep you all occupied with some in house rallies that may include visits to the Singleton Military and Historical Society Museums, Hunter Vineyards and Gardens, and possibly tours of local Water resources and/or tours through the lower Hunter rural landscapes. We aim to keep you amused.

Denis Crossman

NDVCCC "2022 Bush Council Rally Coordinator.



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