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This beautiful picture of a beautiful car was taken on the High Country Overlander in 2017. It is Mike Mulvihill's 1961 Silver Cloud SZD313.

Anderson Leong entered and won the Sir Henry Royce Foundation Fred English Photographic Award for Club Photography for 2017 with this photo. Congratulations Anderson!

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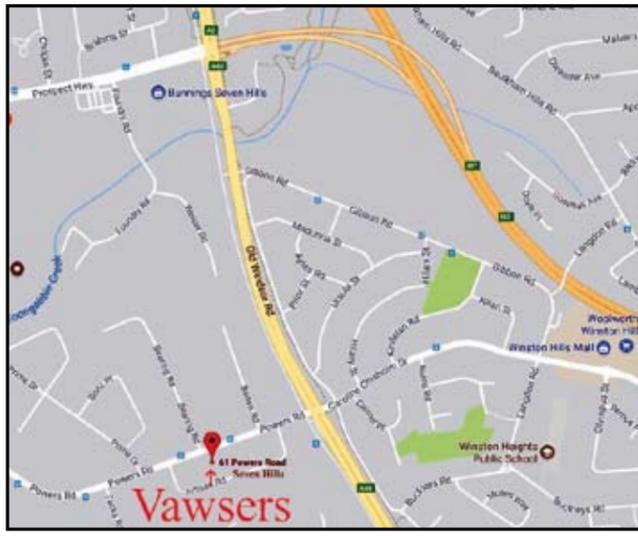
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**The Phantom V Conservation Fund
Report
as at 22nd May 2018**

	\$
Opening balance (29.3.18)	5459.10
Donations	350.00
Raffle	350.00
Interest	0.47
	6159.57
Less expenses	
Comp. Insurance and registration	2692.59
	3466.98
Closing balance	\$3466.98

All donations to the Phantom V Conservation Account have been received. If you have not received your receipt, please contact me on 0419 417 813 so I can re-issue a receipt. Some deposits have been made direct to the Conservation Account, but no name recorded. If one of these is your donation, please contact me for a receipt. Brian Crump.

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**President's
Comments**
president@nsw.rroc.org.au

It was a great day and thank goodness the weather gods were so kind. I think it epitomises what this Club is all about; getting together and enjoying our cars. I lost count of how many cars, but I knew there were over 30. It was great to see so many cars going in and out especially the Phantom.
JM

I agree, it was an amazing day out. That's the way it should be in our club. Ian and I had a great time.
SMcD

It was a pleasure to be part of the day. This day seems to get bigger and better each year. Great fellowship from everyone in attendance. The idea of drive and be driven breaks all kinds of barriers for people to chat and find common talking points.
MG

An excellent day. Thanks to MJ I could go to the bathroom!
BC

Participation and a bunch of genuine people. A wonderful day
LJ

Just wanted to say thank you for having my family and I for the event yesterday. We all had a great time and look forward to getting involved in more of the events that are to come
EW

Just a few of the comments we received from members after our Drive and be Driven Day on Sunday 20 May at Peats Ridge. A successful day enjoyed by all who participated. The next one is only a year away!

In July we will be holding our Annual General Meeting at which the entire Committee will step down from their roles. Many are re-nominating and there is no reason why you should not nominate to take a role to be part of the team who will guide this Club for the next 12 months.

Nomination forms have been distributed and there will forms available at the June General Meeting. These will need to be completed and with the Acting Secretary at least 7 days before the AGM scheduled for July 18. Why not take a role? You would be very welcome
Bruce

Vale Stuart Ridland an officer and a gentleman.

This is a photo of Stuart with his Silver Shadow SRH13442 prior to loading for shipment to his daughter, Nicole in Austria.



The second photo shows the car being driven by Nicole in the Italian Dolomite Rally.

Photos courtesy of Larry Lim.



Editor's Comments

editor@nsw.rroc.org.au

Once again three members have left us: Roy Tilley NZ, Eric Marshman and Stuart Ridland. They will all be sadly missed but fondly remembered.

I'm sure you are all aware that there are a number of other Rolls-Royce and

Bentley magazines around the world. I am pleased to say that L&D enjoys very good relationships with some of these, in particular the Rolls-Royce and Bentley Club of New Zealand's magazine. There are the magazines from the other branches too. However, one of my favourites is from the Vintage Car Club of Queensland which is always entertaining. This is a very active club and has a similarly entertaining web site: www.vccaq.com Try it sometime. You'll enjoy it.

Selling number plates has always been a bit of a puzzler and L&D gave up advertising them long ago. It was just too hard sorting out which could be legally sold and which couldn't. John Gillings reports on RMS new rules now governing their sale but it may be a good idea to check your particular case with the RMS.

Future editions of L&D may have a couple of new features; "From the Archives" which will be taken from early L&Ds or Praeclarum and "Where are They Now". This latter one will be about members who we haven't seen or heard from for a while. If you are one of these or know of someone in this category, please drop us a line. We would love to know what you are up to. **Margaret Gillings, Ed.**



From The Membership Registrar

membership@nsw.rroc.org.au

Hello everyone,
Our current membership is 463. It's renewal time again. The invoices have gone out and are a very pretty "electric pink" colour so it won't get mislaid under a pile of other

paperwork. The colour is chosen to be annoying so that you will want to get rid of it in the postage-paid return envelope. Membership expires on the 30th June in line with the required renewal of Historic Rego. as the CTP insurance expires then too.

If you have any alterations to make, like change of address, cars or rego number then please return the entire document to me so that I can update the record. Your membership number is on the top RH part of the invoice - it is the first 3 letters of your name and the year you joined. eg. MCD81

New Members. We have 2 new memberships for the beginning of the 2018/19 year. Welcome to **Professor Ross Telfer** who joins us with 1982 RR Silver Spur ANC03997 and **Enouk Wijayanayake** with 1987 Silver Spirit ASG16139. See you at our club events.

Remember – It's your club, so let's get involved. You are welcome to everything we do. **Steve McDonald.**

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS WHOSE CARS ARE ON HISTORIC REGISTRATION.

Subscriptions to the club must be paid by June 30th which is the end of our membership year. Should a membership lapse due to not having been received on time, that member is deemed to be an unfinancial member and any concessional vehicle held by them is deemed **unlicensed** and subsequently **uninsured**, including for Third Party cover.

It's the RMS, not us that makes these rules!

HAPPENINGS on the OVERLANDER

This is not a geographical outline of where we drove but more of things that happened along the way of The Three Rivers Overlander to Clare.



One of the first stops was Sofala where the streets haven't changed much over the decades. They even still have a public phone box!

The first recollection is lunch at the History Hill Museum in Hill End. The long bearded owner has written several books on the history of Hill End and in one he showed us a photo of a Rolls-Royce, Phantom 11 I think, owned by a past relative of his. Tom Clarke and David Neely were able to enlighten him on some history of the vehicle although its present whereabouts are not known. Dinner was at the motel – there is nowhere else- and afterwards the boss gave me 3 bottles of Mudgee "champagne" to give to someone of my choice at the end of the run. It was not for my consumption.

Then we moved along to McFeeters Car Museum in Forbes, which apart from cars, has a trendy gift shop. I was looking at a set of 6 coasters with R-R models depicted on them together with similar place mats. I thought I would buy the coasters and raffle them off, but before I could say Jack Robinson, Bill McFeeter said "take both and use as some form of trophy".



An unexpected sight at the McFeeters Car Museum in Forbes was the Japanese Funeral Car.

We hoped to see the "Utes in the Paddock" at Condobolin, but they were under restoration and not to be disturbed. Finally we made it to Lake Cargelligo. I had arranged for us to have breakfast by the lake, put on by Rotary and a charity, and this



Organised by John Hiscox

coincided with their annual "end of daylight saving" event, albeit a week late because of Easter. We mixed with the locals, the journos and the Press, and ended up as a feature in a subsequent local newspaper, taking up all the front page and some more on page 3 as well. Here, Pamela and Merryl featured.

Further along the Kidman Way we called in to the Black Stump Hotel in Merriwagga which boasts the tallest bar in Australia. Just tall stools really. Hay has an Information Centre known as Shear Outback which is worth a look at the history display while

having lunch. I might add that I thought I had sufficient fuel to get to Hay, but the air con altered my reckoning and when filling up I put 102 litres into my 103 litre tank. Phew! Balranald was the night stop and when we sat down for dinner, among the knives and forks was a pen for everyone inscribed "Rolls-Royce Overlander". There were 39 of us and he had 50 done, so if anyone wants a pen, just ask.

As we left Balranald there were visits to the Yanga woolshed and the Yanga Homestead. Our guide was an aboriginal girl named Kieaminda which means "wildflower". Then we journeyed below the Mallee through Ouyen, home to the Big Mallee Root which adorns the junction of 2 highways. David Bick had arranged for us to visit Kow Plains for a late lunch, another preservation of an old 1800s homestead and this is where our first disaster struck. Jim Hickey's Spirit would start but then konk out. Everyone except the women and me poured over the beast giving advice and twiddling this and that, to no avail. Read more about this in Jim's article in Praeclarum, but suffice to say it was just a broken wire behind the glove box.

Loxton is quite a nice town, made better by a 3 hour cruise on the Murray including lunch and drinks. Next day we didn't want to be too early at Clare so we visited a little village called Cobdogla to view the only working Humphrey Pump in the world, and a 4 km steam train ride although it was diesel that day. Moving on we ran into quite a dust storm around Morgan, and John Robison blames this for wrecking his air conditioning and power steering. He had to drive the last 60 or so ks without this and sometimes had to make a 3 point turn to get around a corner. His car was out of action in Clare but was eventually fixed when parts arrived from Adelaide.

Now what about the prizes. I made up a trivia sheet of place names we had gone through, for the champagne, and this was won by the English, not an Australian, Tom and Fiona Clarke. Then we had the raffle for the placemats/coasters and the winner was – David Bick.

I think we all enjoyed ourselves. **John Hiscox**



It caused both consternation and relief at the first night's dinner in Oberon to find that the infamous Backscratcher had gone missing!

A stop at Eugowra, famous for its outdoor murals was a must, particularly for railway buffs



Well, there is certainly something THIS side of the Black Stump!

Noel Kennedy and Patty Aiosa, with John and Gail Robison and John Hiscox, the tour organiser, in the background

Photos: Patty Aiosa



The motel accommodation wasn't much to write home about but at least they had a media room!



However, the lunch inside was very good



A river trip on The Mighty Murray is always a good way to unwind towards the end of an Overlander.



The OUTBACK OVERLANDER for Vintage Cars

L&D will not even try to show you a lot of pictures of the Outback Overlander. Well, maybe one or two like the one on the left. How could we possibly compete with the videos available on facebook produced by Mick Matheson and

View 19 of these short videos on:

www.RollsRoyceOwnersClubNsw/videos/?ref=page_internal
or www.facebook.com/RollsRoyceOwnersClubNsw/videos/1846786358665486/

RIGHT: Bob Adby's S1 Bentley parked at a motel in Peterborough, S.A. during the "Outback Overlander". The photo was taken at night by Mikki Jones. Bob said, "And some people think a Cloud I/Bentley S1 is a big, big car!"



Some NSW News from the Federal Rally in Clare S.A. Congratulations Joe!



It is with great pride that I step into the role of Federal President of the Rolls-Royce Owners Club of Australia for the next three years. And what a great three years it has been for the club under the leadership of the former president, Neil Matthews (VIC) and the Committee; Steve McDonald (NSW), secretary, and Peter Chan (ACT), treasurer, who recently completed the club's Trademark Agreement. I would like to thank them for their dedicated work on the committee and at the many branch events.

As a community of Rolls-Royce and Bentley enthusiasts, we all share a common interest and passion for fine motoring and it is the cars that bring us together. It is that very spirit that underscores my commitment to actively engage and serve every club member across all states with the administrative support and expertise of Stephen Peoples (VIC) and Bruce Duncan (NSW); both of whom I look forward to working with.

As a growing society, we have come very far. The enthusiasm of this was evident at the recent 60th R.R.O.C.A Federal Rally tour of the beautiful Clare Valley region last April.

Over 290 new and long-time club members entered the Concours d'Elegance rally in 140 cars of all vintages, and they were a magnificent sight to see on the backroads and highways that intersected what is undoubtedly one of the best wine and food trails in Australia. Even the wild, wet weather did not deter anyone, including overall rally winner, George Forbes who drove his magnificent 1912 Silver Ghost Rolls-Royce Chassis No. 2009 to glory. I know I can speak for many, that the mud and dust our vehicles sported over the six-day event became our coat of arms.

The venue itself was also extraordinary. Along with the cellar doors that were opened for us, the rally organisers created an action-packed itinerary that included miles of open roads, historic villages and endless attractions — places that gave every club member a reason to illustrate the style, luxury and endurance of the iconic Rolls Royce and Bentley motorcars, and revel in the sheer enjoyment of driving one.

The black-tie gala night at the Clare Valley Showgrounds was perhaps the highlight, where the abundance of local taste sensations capped off the incredible wine-tasting and entertainment venues we enjoyed.

I want to acknowledge and convey my thanks to the South Australian Branch, the Federal Rally Team and people of Clare Valley on behalf of the R.R.O.C.A for their meticulous planning and delivery of a memorable rally. I also want to express the club's gratitude to Tim Dean, Praeclarvm's longstanding editor for capturing the many memorable rallies and club news over the years.

Next year's R.R.O.C.A Federal Rally will be held in Toowoomba in conjunction with the 50th Anniversary of the Rolls-Royce Owners' Club of Queensland. Judging by this year's turnout, there should be an even greater gathering of club members enjoying classic Australian scenery on the edge of the Great Dividing Range.

There is no doubt that renaissance of classic car motoring has returned. With that assertion, I would like to express my gratitude for the confidence that the R.R.O.C.A members have shown in electing me to this position. It is with great enthusiasm that I plan to replicate the success of the club's past presidents and effectively carry out the members' collective agenda on the road ahead. Happy motoring and safe travels. Joe Quattrocchi (NSW) Federal President

...and Congratulations also to our NSW members who won awards at the Federal Concours.

LEFT: Class 1 – Pre-Ghosts & Silver Ghosts
1921 Silver Ghost, 56NE, 4 Passenger Tourer by Nugent Coachbuilders - Owner: Will Kirkby



RIGHT: Class 3 – 20H.P. & 20/25 AND Australian Coachwork Trophy 1922 20H.P., 42G1 Diskon & Molyneux Tourer
Owners: David & Clare Davis
FAR RIGHT: Post-War Original Coachbuilt Trophy 1965 Bentley S3 Continental Flying Spur, BC96XE, HJ Mulliner, Saloon.
Owner: Graham Lawrence

Concours Day in Clare



It was wet!

Photos:
Patty Aiosa
Nancy Axe
Justin Hitchinson



David and Nancy Axe worked on the swap table as usual. ...and Bob Roberts, of course! It raised \$1,625.00 in sales from the Jim Kelso estate and 10% from other vendors of \$487.00
Total amount sent to the Foundation \$2,112.00



John Bowers, Justin Hutchinson. and Arie Kooyman with Gilbert Ralph's 1936 20/25H.P. GTK20



The day was more or less spent in the marquee where lunch was served. Being seasoned tourists, most people had remembered to pack some warm clothing even though the temperature had been in the high thirties a couple of days before.!

COMING EVENTS for the next 6 months or so.

REGULAR EVENTS:

GENERAL MEETINGS: are held on the **THIRD WEDNESDAY** of every month at 8.00pm at **Barnwell Park Golf Club 551 Lyons Rd, Five Dock**. Meet to eat at **Carmen's on the Park** from about 6.30pm onwards.

ITEMS IN BLACK = EVENTS WE ORGANISE

IN RED = OTHERS ORGANISE BUT WE ARE INVITED TO OR THEY ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

THOSE IN GREEN = FEDERAL REGISTER EVENTS

IN BLUE = SUITABLE DATES RESERVED FOR YOU TO ORGANISE A POSSIBLE EVENT

Thursday June 7 - Dineamics Ladies Lunch. Young Alfred restaurant Customs House Circular Quay. Ladies, watch your emails! Enquiries: Jeanne Eve jeanneeve@gmail.com



June 8-11 - SMART Register Weekend – CANCELLED



July 1 - BDC Christmas in July
Flyer included with this issue

Saturday July 14
– **Hunter Region All British Day.**
Foreshore Park Newcastle 10.00am to 4.00pm



WEDNESDAY JULY 18 – AGM – Barnwell Park

Sunday July 22 - *Date reserved for an event*

Sunday August 5 - *Date reserved for an event*



August 11-18 - Silver Ghost Register Trip to US Meet in Lake Tahoe
Contact: Bryan Inder ghost@register.rroc.org.au

Sunday August 12
- **Shannons Display Day** at Eastern Creek. Tickets will be available at the June meeting. \$20 per car. See opposite
Contact: Bob Adby cmc@nsw.rroc.org.au



Saturday August 18 - RACA Dinner Contact: Allan Simpson allan@simpsonhealthcare.com.au

Saturday August 25 - Long Run IX to Mulla Villa, Wollombi Contact: Shay Gillings shay@gillings.com

Sunday September 9 - *Date reserved for an event*



September 12-14 - Machinery truck and Hobby Show, Clarendon



September 14-19 - Derby Register Long Weekend in Scone Contact: Mal Henderson derby@register.rroc.org.au

September 21 - 24 Dawn Patrol XVII see opposite.
Contact: Mike Eames silver_dawn@bigpond.com

Sunday September 23 - All British Day at the Kings

School. Tickets will be on sale by the May General Meeting. \$15 per car.
Contact: David Hughes abd@nsw.rroc.org.au



October 14 - Return to Wombat Flats. Once again we were invited to Bob Doyle's property at The Oaks for a sausage sizzle and to raise money for the Phantom V fund. Watch for a booking Form

October 12-14 - Motorclassica



SATURDAY October 20 - Concours Judging at Vawser Motors Seven Hills

Wednesday October 24 - Dineamics Ladies Lunch. Plonk on Ferguson Marina, Spit Bridge. Ladies, watch your emails



Sunday November 11 - Lynnwood House Picnic Day and maybe Concours if the concours judging is not held earlier.

Saturday November 24 - Presentation Dinner at the Roseville Golf Club

Sunday December 2 - Terribly British Day ACT



DAWN PATROL XVI A WEEKEND IN YOUNG (for the young at heart) DURING CHERRY BLOSSOM TIME IN THE CHERRY CAPITAL 21-24 SEPTEMBER 2018

This is the 16th Dawn Patrol weekend, organised by the Early Post War (EPW) register.
The location this year is Australia's Cherry Capital, Young, NSW.

Highlights of the weekend include:

- A tour of Mt Oriel homestead constructed with reinforced concrete in 1908 and popularly known as Iandra Castle
- An EPW technical session generously hosted by Club member Phil Sproston at this workshop
- Outings for those interested in Wine & Distilling, Architecture, History and of course everything Cherry

Accommodation is at the Young Federation Motel, 109-119 Main Street, Young, NSW, 2594: <http://www.youngfederation.com.au/>
Phone: 02-6382-5644 or 1800-639-988
Email: bookings@youngfederation.com.au
Quote Reference: "Dawn Patrol Weekend"

Nightly rates of \$180 per room (twin or double) and \$162 per room single occupancy, include full buffet breakfast at the Young Services Club directly opposite the motel.

When your accommodation is booked please contact Linda & Mike Eames (email preferred) and we will forward costs and further details as soon as they are finalised.
Email: silver_dawn@bigpond.com
Phone: 04-1119-7300.

All Club members are welcome in any model car.



Shannons Eastern Creek Display Day Sunday August 12 2018

This year celebrates the 80th anniversary of the launch of the Wraith, the 50th anniversary of the Phantom VI and the 20th anniversary of the Silver Seraph. These are great milestones in the history of the most significant and famous names in quality motor cars and well worth celebrating in style at the largest Classic car event on the Australian calendar. Note that the ABD is now 6 weeks later on September 23rd.

The Shannons Classic attracts almost 2000 vehicles and includes a parade time for each Club on the track. This represents a great photo opportunity. Be part of the occasion. Arrival time at Motor Sport Park is 9:30 am. Display Area B. There are many activities, entertainment and stores organised for the day. Tickets \$20 must be purchased in advance but we have a limited allocation.
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**Commemoration
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to "The Retreat"
at Wisemans Ferry**



Owners of pre-war cars answered the call to bring them out for this run. It probably helped that it was a beautiful autumn day.



ABOVE:
There seemed to be a bit of age discrimination going on here as the pre-war cars arranged themselves on the eastern side of the parking lot with the post-war cars facing them.

LEFT:
Jeanne Eve and John Matheson's 2017 Bentley Bentayga SJAAE14V5JC018559 was flanked by the Gillings' Bentley T SBH1288 and the Eames' Corniche CRH5014

RIGHT:
Our new Federal president, Joe Quattrocchi stopped to admire Leroy Jones' newly acquired 1969 Bentley T. SBH5531
Leroy is very pleased with the fact that it has a walnut dashboard.
The blue Spirit on the right in this photo is the Aiosa's ASB02325.



Dear Margaret, On behalf of the SHRF, the Phantom V says 'thank you' to Club members who attended the recent NSW Commemoration Run and Lunch event. The \$525 raised from the raffle and auction was a lovely surprise and much appreciated and certainly helps this ex vice-regal, historic vehicle stay on the road. It brings pleasure to those who see it and wish to learn more.

The SHRF particularly thanks the organizers Norah and Rex Vincent, Bob Adby for the successful auction bid and to Ken Swinbourne for returning his prize for the auction.



If anyone wishes to learn more about this cultural and motoring icon which is under the custodianship of the RROCA-NSW for its conservation, you can learn more within these websites; www.rroc.org.au under Library Online and 'Epic Journeys'. www.nsw.rroc.org.au under Gallery and 'Foundation Phantom' www.henryroycefoundation.com under 'Collections' and 'Car Collection'. The Phantom V will be at the All British Day, NSW Concours/Display Day and more.
Jeanne Eve and Brian Crump - Trustees SHRF.

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The People's Choice



For the first time ever, there was a tie for the People's Choice award between the two splendid cars above. This handsome trophy was donated by Joe and Sadie Baynie in honour of their friend Bill Cutts. It is hard to go past David Berthon's 1913 Silver Ghost 2583 but members at the lunch couldn't ignore their first sight of Keith Wherry's lovely Phantom III. Of this car, Keith says, "3CM45, a Windovers Sports saloon, which I purchased from a museum in Canada over two years ago. The daughter of the first owner (Sir John Latta, shipbuilder), was sent to the R-R School of Instruction, apparently the first woman to do so on a PIII."

Photos: Patty Aiosa



Drive-and-be-Driven, Come-in-your-Other-Interesting-Car AND National Motoring Heritage Day.



A Fabulous May Day. - How to score 10 out of 10 with the RROC

1. The weather was a perfect autumn day
2. The location was easily accessible with one single turn-off the M1
3. The facilities were excellent as we were between two cafe's, the Corrugated Cafe and one which had a beautiful verandah overlooking bushland and had an array of oddities and local produce for sale. The car park had plenty of space for all our club cars as well as "other cars"



Two Silver Shadows: Barry Murphy's 1975SRH20151 and Judith Merlin's 1974 long wheel base LRH16685.

7. Non-stop socialising, meeting new friends and a chance to catch up with old friends as well.
8. A well-co-ordinated organised event; everything meshed together like clockwork as all the experienced members worked together to make the day a success.
9. The element of relaxation on a peaceful Sunday in the rural atmosphere, away from all the hustle and bustle of city traffic and crowds of people.
10. An early Start and Finish. Home for dinner before sunset!

Leroy Jones



Two Bentley Mark VIs - Chris Gillings' 1951 B290MD 'Bess' (large bore, small boot) and Bruce Duncan's 1951 B255LH 'Gladys' (small bore, small boot)



Some early post-war models seem to echo the elegance of the immediately pre-war styling and there is no better example of this than Mark Glanville's 1947 Silver Wraith WVA32 with its wonderful Hooper Touring Limousine coachwork.

(But, real motoring enthusiasts still want to see what's under a car's bonnet)

The star of the show was undoubtedly the Sir Henry Royce Foundation ex-Vice Regal 1967 Phantom V 5VF159. It hardly stood still for more than a couple of minutes all day as people queued up to go for a ride in it.



Photos: Patty Aiosa
Chris Gillings
Behzad Zaman

Anderson Leong certainly felt like Royalty!



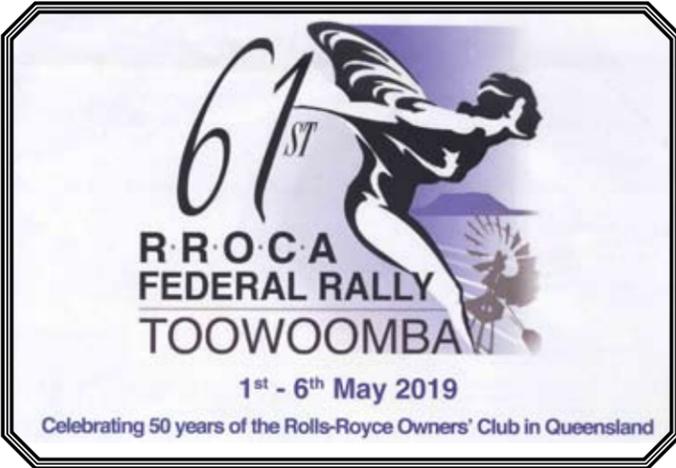
Michael Jeanes drove his lovely Mustang down from Tamworth for the day which, come to think of it, probably wasn't a great hardship. It was Michael who proposed this event quite a few years ago. It's been a great success ever since. Thanks Michael.



John Elmes' XJ140 Jaguar is always a show-stopper and it must surely have the world's cleanest and most sparkling engine bay.



Even the Bikers were impressed with George Fahd's Cadillac. That handsome Lincoln on the left is also George's!



**Just back from Clare?
Can't wait until next
year?
It might be prudent
to book your
accommodation
in Toowoomba NOW**

Accommodation Options

- A. **Comfort Inn Grammar View Motel**, 39 Margaret Street – 4 Star Tourism rated property; all 31 rooms have kitchenettes containing microwave, toaster, plates & cutlery; off-street parking (some undercover); complimentary wifi; Restaurant and Bar. Queen deluxe suite (2 guests) - \$132 per night, Queen & Single deluxe suite (3 guests) - \$142 per night and Family suite (one queen & 2 single beds – separate sleeping area – 4 guests) - \$160 per night. **Phone (07) 4638 3366; www.grammarview.com.au**
- B. **Applegum Inn Motel**, 41 Margaret Street – 25 rooms with undercover car parking for all. Doubles - \$130 per night, twin share - \$140 per night. **Phone (07) 4632 2088; www.appleguminn.com.au.**
- C. **Whiteoaks Motel and Lodges**, 12 Margaret Street – 11 motel rooms (with microwave, toaster & kettle), Queen - \$120 per night and Single - \$130 per night and 12 self-contained Lodges (5 beds) - \$180 per night for 2 bedroom Lodge, \$200 for 3 bedroom Lodge. Limited undercover parking. **Phone (07) 4639 2999; www.whiteoaks.com.au.**
- D. **Park Motor Inn**, (opposite Queens Park), 88 Margaret Street - 47 rooms, no undercover parking but with ample parking space. Next door to "Park House Café" open 7am till late. Single - \$115 per night, Double - \$125 per night, Twin share - \$129 per night and Triple share - \$139 per night. **Phone (07) 4632 1011; www.parktoowoomba.com.au.**
- E. **Quest Toowoomba Apartments**, 133 Margaret Street – 15 studio rooms - \$199 per night; 15 one bedroom - \$239 per night; 3 two bedroom executive - \$319 per night and 2 three bedroom apartments (prices subject to change/confirmation). Restaurants very close. Two levels of secure undercover car parking, upper level difficult for large cars. **Phone (07) 4690 2222; www.questtoowoomba.com.au.**



HERBY'S HINTS

to keep **YOU** and your car in top condition.

HOWEVER!

No responsibility can be accepted should any unfortunate outcome arise from following these hints.

AGAIN!

Cars (of ALL AGES) are being found with TYRES **10 years old & OVER!!**

These are **dangerous** and likely to suddenly **FAIL**.

It has been stated in Herby's Hints many times that:

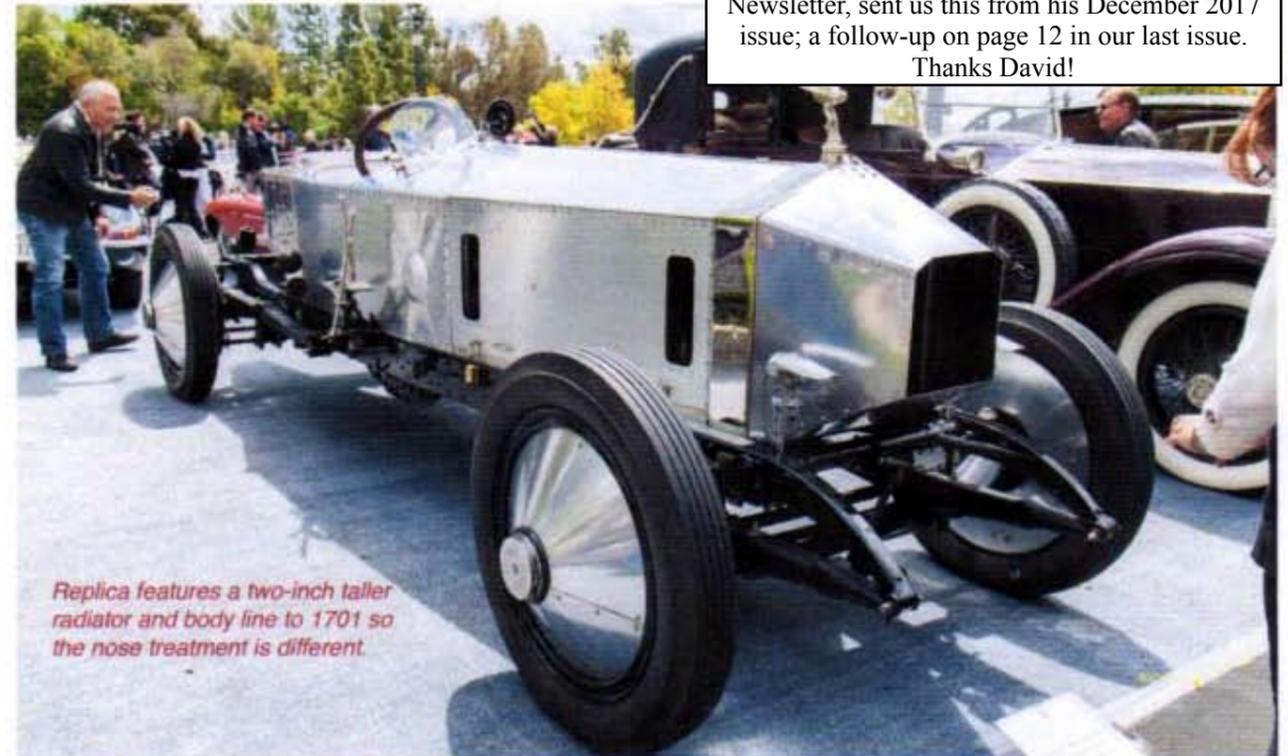
- Tyres **DETERIORATE** with **TIME**, regardless of wear.
- Approximately **5 to 7 YEARS** is the life, even if they "look OK".

This applies to ANY & ALL cars, of ALL AGES.



1920 40/50HP 53LE - a replica of the 1911 experimental 40/50HP 1701 built on an Australian delivered chassis

David Berthon, the editor of the 20-Ghost Club Newsletter, sent us this from his December 2017 issue; a follow-up on page 12 in our last issue. Thanks David!

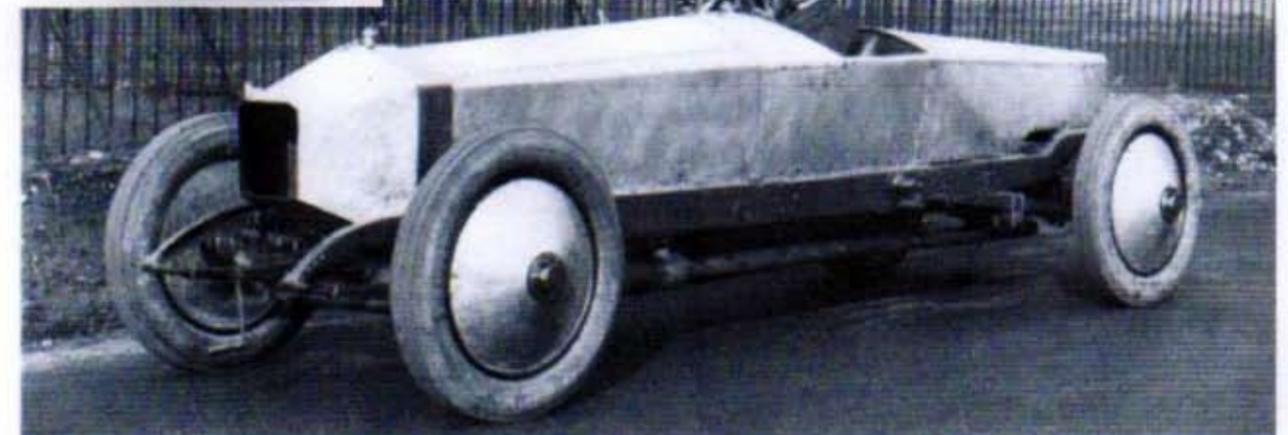


Replica features a two-inch taller radiator and body line to 1701 so the nose treatment is different.

Above: I noticed this car on a You Tube video from this year's Greystone Mansion Concours in Los Angeles. It is replica of the second underslung L to E 1911 40/50HP 1701 Experimental speed car seen below, nicknamed "The Sluggard" having just achieved 101 mph at Brooklands. SGA member David Morrison replicated the speedster on 1920 40/50HP chassis 53LE first delivered to Sir Samuel Hordern of Sydney - see family story on page 28. David bought the car in 1998 with what he describes as an ugly 30's Australian saloon body. This body was fitted in the late 50's and by 1960 was in the possession of Malcolm Johns who sold the car on to drag racer Ash Marshall, a car dealer in Neutral Bay, who then sold it to John Thomas in California in 1961. Unfortunately, the car was left in the open near the sea by Thomas over 27 years and gradually sank up to its axles until found by David Morrison. The wheels buried in mud had rusted out while David had to use a chainsaw to cut down a 4-inch tree that had grown through the nearside running board. The chassis is an Alpine Eagle and according to David has a good turn of speed. Sir Samuel Hordern took delivery of 53LE with a Hooper Tourer body the carrying the N.S.W. registration plate 41. At the time of delivery in late 1921 he was the President of the Royal Automobile Club, holding office from 1910 to 1912 and from 1914 to 1930.



Left/Right: 1701 in its later and current guise



MARKET PLACE



FOR SALE: 1997 Bentley Brooklands Chassis: BEV59640. In excellent condition. Comprehensively serviced by Paradise Garage and most recently by Garth Selig in Sydney. Mileage; 90860kms. Currently registered until June. Asking \$70,000. Car will be sold with NSW pink slip and standard NSW number plate. Previous concours class winner. **Current plate 137 does NOT go with the car.** For information, please contact Peter Colwell 0409927185, or 'fastoy@ozemail.com.au'. NSW Club past President has driven the car and is happy to give a reference.



FOR SALE: 1923 Silver Ghost 62LK, George Williams coachwork. \$250,000, fully road registered till March 2019. **Contact:** Roy Jeffrey jefferyroy2@gmail.com

New members are reminded of this offer:

We at The Sir Henry Royce Foundation offer a free copy of "In the Rear View Mirror", a history of the first 50 years of our Club, to new members, on the proviso that they collect it from a meeting. We are not prepared to pay postage and packing/posting is too difficult in this day and age. I am aware of only one person taking up this offer since we first made it. Members who have joined in 2017/18 might phone me to advise they will be at a meeting so I can bring a copy. Brian Crump, Foundation Trustee 0419 417 813

WANTED front and rear guards to suit 20H.P. Car originally Hooper limousine but will consider any 20HP. guards. Also I have one 20 inch wire wheel to swap for a 19 inch wire wheel to suit 20H.P. Contact Steve Wasley 0488 407 848.



FOR SALE: 3.5 L 1935 Derby Bentley Drophead Coupe. (off test 08 '36) B 66 FB, body by Roger Fry completed 2009. Oxborough & Fuller variation. Less than 1,000 kms since restoration and rebuild. Overdrive. Blue /cream with blue leather. \$265,000. Located in W.A. Regn. No. BDC35 For further info please phone (08)94572629 Mob 0416192122 millside@westnet.com.au



FOR SALE: 1968 Silver Shadow, chassis no. SRH 3667, located in Attunga, 20km NW of Tamworth. The owner, a retired farmer, has had to leave it behind upon retiring to the Gold Coast and he'd like to find a buyer. It's too good to scrap but hasn't been driven for a decade so it might be a bit of a challenge. \$7k ono **Contact:** Michael Jeannes mdj1152@gmail.com 02 6766 1787

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Give me PL8

NSW IDEAS

New Rules for Number Plates in NSW

As you must have noticed, NSW is the number plate capital of the world. There are a bewildering variety of colours, themes, textures and patterns – probably enough permutations that every vehicle in the state could have its own unique style of plate!

Until recently RMS rules put some restrictions on transferring plates between vehicles. Certain types of plates could be transferred between different owners, while others could not. The complexity of establishing which transactions were permitted resulted in the L&D policy preventing the advertisement of number plates for sale or transfer.

Recent changes in the rules now make it possible to transfer any type of plate. L&D is therefore considering changing the policy regarding number plates.

The rules are still not simple. Some types of plates incur annual charges, others do not. Some plates have an associated "Special Number Plates Rights", which must also be transferred to the new owner. All recently acquired plates with any personalised content attract an annual, but older plates may not. There's no simple way to determine the exact status of any particular plate. RMS Form 1575 "Exchange / Transfer Number Plates" is used to transfer plates between two vehicles, for the same or different owners.

Transferring a "standard" number plate costs \$57. Transferring the Special Number Plate rights is an additional cost \$100 to \$200 depending on the type of plate. For Special Number Plates, the new owner will also incur the annual cost, anywhere between \$90 and \$500, depending on the type of plate. It's not always possible to determine if a particular plate is "special", as it sometimes depends on when or how it was acquired.

Note that numeral only plate transfers incur higher transfer cost, increasing for fewer digits, ranging from \$196 for a 6 digit plate, and up to \$9973 for a 1 digit plate (but considering the number plate "2" recently sold at auction for \$2.3M, the RMS fee is of trivial concern). One can only assume that any other consideration related to the transfer is strictly between the parties. To make things even more complex, personalised plates are handled by "myplates.com.au <<http://myplates.com.au>>" who are independent of the RMS. To be certain of the status of a particular plate call the my plate Plate Specialists on *131 758* <tel:131758> during business hours (8.30am-5pm Monday to Friday and 8.30am-12pm on Saturdays) and they'll explain how it all works.

John Gillings

A Senior's Version of FACEBOOK

For those of my generation who do not, and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists: I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom. I give them pictures of my family, my dog and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. I also listen to their conversations, give them "thumbs up" and tell them I "like" them. And it works just like Facebook. I already have 4 people following me: 2 police officers, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.

A couple of members have sent this snippet to L&D. Dare I suggest that maybe they are Senior Citizens themselves? While all this may make terrible sense, it should be pointed out that, like most things, facebook can have a useful application. The best example of this is our own Facebook page which has some wonderful pictures and videos. It will also keep you up to date with what is happening in the club and in the world of Rolls-Royce and Bentley in the generally. MG(Ed)





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