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## Highlands offers weekend of car mania!

### *A run to blow the cobwebs away*

The last issue of *The Vintage Car* (p.10) contains details of a club charity run to the Southern Highlands planned for the weekend of 14-15 May. This will be our Chapter's organized event for the month and your attendance can be structured to suit your preference, either as an overnighter (Saturday night) or a Sunday only event. The overnight option involves accommodation at the Mittagong RSL (\$155 for a 4-star room) where a bloc of 20 rooms has been allocated to the club. Follow the instructions in *The Vintage Car* if you plan on attending this event. First in, best dressed for what promises to be a great weekend, coinciding with the National Day of Motoring on the 15th.

### *Past events*

April was a top month for old car devotees in Canberra with beautiful displays from the Rolls Royce, Jaguar and Italian car clubs on successive weekends. With the weather turning colder, that's about it for the autumn car season here as owners bunker down for winter or head off to the northern hemisphere for a spot of sun. Some photos from recent events are on our back pages.

### *Man on a mission*

We won't be seeing Graham Moore for a while. He has packed up his trusty *bicyclette* in an approved airline container and hived off to the Continent for a few months of touring. When we say touring, we don't mean the Grand Tour which a gent of our motoring persuasion might be expected to undertake. No, Graham is doing it peasant style, taking a packed lunch and each day as it comes. Europe is a big place and bikes don't go all that fast, so he may be gone for some time, to quote another explorer. We wish him luck and hope he comes back.

### *The Newsletter*

The newsletter is sent out every month 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 mailed instead. Back issues are posted on the club web site.

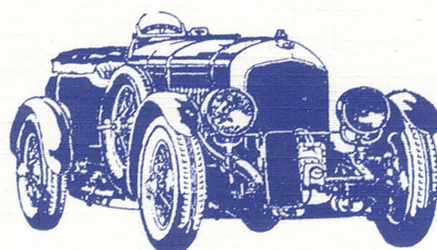
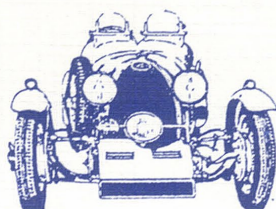
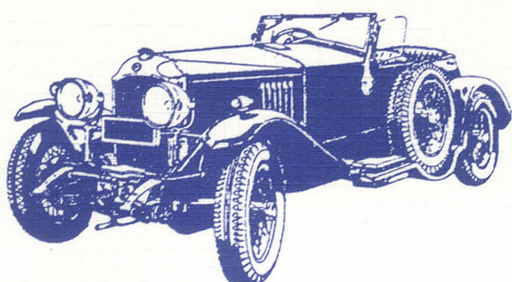
### *Stick this up your jumper*

Sydney have reached a better deal with the manufacturer of the woollen sweaters with the VSCCA logo attached. Minimum orders are no longer required so they can be ordered singly. 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. Prices are \$75 apiece.

Navy bucket hats are available at \$18 in M, L and XL. These still require a minimum order of six. To put your name down, leave your details with John Phillips. Payment will be requested once six orders are in. The bucket hats are not stocked and have to be made, hence the requirement for minimum orders, but we have a few samples available for sale now – ask Richard Calver.

Richard is also holding a selection of club regalia including enamel grille badges (\$60), cloth patches (\$5), adhesive decals (\$2) and key rings (\$5). For sunny or wet days, golf umbrellas with the VSCCA logo are available at \$30. You can have two of these for the price of one lousy grille badge, so why not lay in a spare for the missus?

Finally, we have one bomber jacket in L size for \$60. This is what the discriminating member should be wearing and your committee expects a suitably sized volunteer to step forward and set the example. Be quick.



## Name badges

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

## 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*.

## Lakeside on Thursdays

Thursdays are for catching up with your clubmates down by the lake over lunch. With sunny days the norm, bring your folding chair and sandwiches to Yarralumla Bay. On the off-chance of rain, we'll be at the alternate venue of the Turner Bowling Club in McCaughey St. Noon til whenever. UBD map 58, ref M10.

## Breakfast at The Diplomat

The club breakfast is now being held at The Diplomat Hotel in Kingston following the decision by Delissios to stop serving breakfasts. Our first will be held on 1 May but future events will be on the final Sunday in the month, 0830 for 0900. The fare is a buffet — all you can eat for \$20. Because we are dining among the hotel's guests, we need to give numbers in advance. This means you need to confirm with Richard or John ahead of time and not just show up on the day and expect to eat food which has been laid on for other people. You will have reserved already if you are going on 1 May but in future make sure to RSVP a week ahead, and we'll save you a place.

## Money matters

The Vegemite jar continues to give good service in attracting donations to support our activities and we have a useful reserve of \$765 in the kitty.

## Calendar

1 May — breakfast at The Diplomat  
14-15 May — Southern Highlands  
29 May — breakfast at The Diplomat  
12 June — Christmas in Winter, Springers Rest

## In the works

July — Grandma's Bakery, Collector  
August — TBA  
3-4 September — Cootamundra Sprints, weekend away  
October — Loaded Dog, Tarago  
7-10 October — George Green rally  
11 December — Christmas lunch, Springers Rest

## Welcome to the club!

A big welcome to our newest members, Paul and Dorothy Doherty. Paul has been along to a couple of breakfasts, just to see what we are on about, and now he has had the formal nod from Sydney. His car is a 1992 Mercedes-Benz 500SL but there's also a Porsche lurking somewhere, perhaps hoping to catch up with a few of its brethren in due course. We look forward to seeing Paul and Dorothy at our coming events.

## Rolls Royce rules, OK?

Those who attended the magnificent gathering of more than 200 Rolls Royce and Bentley cars cannot fail to have been impressed with the splendour and engineering excellence of these amazing machines. They were called the best cars in the world back in the day, and some would say nothing much has changed even now. In honour of Rolls and Bentley, this month we borrow from their terminology in paying tribute to our own band of apparitions, some more transient than others but all sighted in some degree of ghostly glory at VSCCA events in a town near you.

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# ROLLS & BENTLEY SPECTACULAR





# ITALIANS SPICE UP ROSE GARDENS



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