

A Visit to the Lindsay Fox Museum, Docklands



When I saw the notice in the Humberette newsletter requesting expressions of interest in attending the Lindsay Fox Museum in Melbourne I immediately checked my diary of events. Rhonda and I agreed to 'lock it in' on our joint calendar of events. It was to be my birthday present.

This was my first visit to the Lindsay Fox Museum. On Tuesday morning Rhonda and I rose casually in the morning and slowly prepared for a walk to the local railway station at Ringwood for a train ride to the City. No need to rush. Just a ten minute walk to the station followed by a short wait for the train. Then we were relaxing our way toward the City of Melbourne on the train. The train would take us to Southern Cross Station which is only a five minute walk from the Lindsay Fox Car Museum. We were expecting to meet others at the Museum at 11:00am, this allowed us time to travel comfortably after the busy morning peak period.

Just a 45 minute train ride and we arrived at Southern Cross Station. After a short walk from the Station to the museum we found a couple of wonderful museum pieces, John Washbourne and Judy Lewis were already there. Soon after, Merv and Maree Sherlock arrived, followed by Anne and Colin Anderson. Now we had a complete collection of museum pieces.

The smiles and the normal greetings 'hello' took 15 minutes and then we entered the museum together to observe the vehicles on display. While we could not see any Humbers we were impressed by the range of rare and beautifully restored cars on display (Rolls Royce, Bentley, Mercedes Benz, Porsche, Ferrari, Jaguar and VW beetles). Not only restored cars but aircraft engines and a collection of model vehicles were also displayed. I have attached some photographs on the following pages so that you can see some of the displays we enjoyed.



At about 12:30pm we had finished viewing all the items on display, and while some of us could have stayed longer to take in more details, we were thinking about lunch. A nearby Café provided just the simple foods we needed to replenish energy. We enjoyed our chat over lunch in the café and finished with each couple departing in a different direction.

I wish to thank John Washbourne and Judy Lewis and any other Committee members involved in organizing this relaxing, short, local outing which provided a pleasant interlude to our normal busy weekly routine.

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