

# Great Australian Rally – Sunday 18 January 2015

It was perfect weather for this rally which was evident by some 800 cars that attended, according to the organisers. Judging of the best cars would have been difficult and many clubs had a great display of their cars. The MG car club won the award for the Best Club Display and had 80 MGs on show!

John and I went, not in our Humber, but in our veteran Brush car. As it was the only Brush car there it did create quite a bit of interest although some of the larger veterans naturally attracted bigger crowds. The 1912 Silver Ghost Rolls Royce was stunning and the enormous vintage 1923 Foden steam tractor/wagon was very impressive. A 1914 Humberette had been heading under its own power to the Rally but broke down just in sight of the entry gates. So it was sadly displayed on the back of its rescue trailer. Unfortunately it had headed for home before I could get to see it.

However, while I walked around some of the entries I found at least two Humbers and they were looking very smart. A 1960 Series II Estate car belonging to club member Fred Pieterse and a 1964 Series IV Snipe (Ambulance) belonging to a former club member, Ron Forth. Since the 1960 Estate car had been used in the filming of the Dr Blake TV series, Fred had a story board with a number of photos taken during the filming which added an extra dimension to the display.

It was fun to watch the judging of the most appropriately attired person to match their vehicles. I was hoping that the Edwardian couple dressed for cycling with their period bicycles would win a category and they did – the best dressed couple.

All in all it was a great day – lots to see, friends to catch up with and new people to meet and of course lots of car talk. Judy Lewis



# Great Australian Rally – Sunday 18 January 2015



# Great Australian Rally – Sunday 18 January 2015

