



Christmas Special 2022

The Humberette



HCCV Christmas Special Report

Saturday 26 November
2022 at Tallarook Hotel



Welcome to our Christmas Special Report

We had such a wonderful Christmas lunch at Tallarook and we decided that waiting until January for everyone to see the report was way too long, so here it is.

Generous and delicious pub lunch, fiendish quiz penned by Chris and Mike Glare, lots of prizes organised by Jacqui Galea, much admiring of all our cars, and great fun catching up with people we haven't seen for far too long. I think everyone was pleased to be out and about and socialising again, and fortunately the weather was perfect. Here's who came, what they drove, and winners!

Bob Beaumont	1964 Ser IV Super Snipe	
Lyn Beaumont	1963 Morris Major Elite	
Geoff Bock		Furthest Travelled (340km)
Rod and Majella Burchill	1961 Ser III Super Snipe	
Barry and Margaret Croke	1959 Ser I Super Snipe	Door prize
John Docker	1962 Ser III Super Snipe	
Jac and Maisie Galea		
Mike and Chris Glare	1965 Ser III Vogue	
Craig and Chris Harrison		
Brian Jenkins	1954 Mark VI Hawk	RACV Centenary Grille Badge
Bob Kennedy		
Lotte and Ray Linden	MM4 (1956 Mk IVB)	
Les and Bev Lindorff		
Daryl & Jennette Maclagan	1966 Mark II Sceptre	Quiz - 1st prize
Michael and Hans Paas	1963 Ser IV Super Snipe	
Donne Shaw	1969 Mark III Sceptre	
Uncle Laurie	1957 Chevrolet Ser 210 Townsman	
Merv and Maree Sherlock	Rover P5	Quiz - not 1st (Maree), +1 Door Prize (Merv)
John Washbourne		
Rob and Liz Young		1 Door Prize each

STATS:

30 adults and 1 youngster (Maisie) attended
 10 fabulous Humbers
 3 awesome other Classics
 7 sensible moderns
 8 prizes won (but I may have lost count)
 1 family of 4 drove 2 Humbers and 2 classics!
 Everyone received a Humber Keep Cup

DISTANCE TRAVELLED:

Geoff Bock drove from his home in Narrandera NSW, a distance of 340km (that's dedication).
 It got me thinking about how far we all drove, so using Google Maps I calculated everyone's distance travelled from their home to Tallarook. We travelled a combined total of approx 2,500km to lunch, and the same home again, so:

5,000 km (approx) - wow!





Bob Beaumont - 1964 Ser IV



Barry & Margaret Croke - 1967 Ser V



Michael Paas - 1963 Ser IV



John Docker - 1962 Ser III



Rod & Majella Burchill - 1961 Ser III



Mike & Chris Glare - 1965 Ser III Vogue



Brian Jenkins - 1954 Mark VI Hawk



Ray & Lotte Linden - MM4 (1956 Super Snipe Mark IVB)



On our way home we detoured past Jon's home and waved to him in his C-19 isolation from a safe distance!





Daryl & Jennette Maclagan - 1966 Mk II Sceptre



Donna Shaw - 1969 Mk III Sceptre



Have
yourself
a fair dinkum
Christmas!



Uncle Laurie - 1957 Chevrolet 210 Series Townsman Station Wagon



Lyn Beaumont - 1963 Morris Major Elite



Merv & Maree Sherlock - Rover P5



Brian Jenkins - Main Door Prize of an RACV Centenary Grille Badge, donated and presented by club VP Donna Shaw



Geoff Bock - Furthest Travelled (340km)

Daryl & Jennette Maclagan - Quiz Winners!



Barry & Margaret Croke - door prize



Liz Young - Door Prize



Merv Sherlock - Door Prize



Maree Sherlock - Quiz (Last Place!)



Hans Paas drawing a winner



Happy Christmas! Jon / President

Hi all, I missed wishing everyone a happy Christmas in the November Humberette (forgetting that its traditionally the last of the year). Now thanks to Lotte drafting a December supplementary Humberette as a bit of a follow-up to the Tallarook end of year lunch, I have another opportunity. So - Happy Christmas to everyone, and I hope you have a relaxing time over the festive season. I hope to see you out and about at our 2023 club events as well as joining our Zoom meetings.

Kind Regards, Jon M

My First Humber Christmas Donna / Vice-President

As the recently-elected club VP it was so lovely to meet everyone face to face. Sorry if I didn't get to speak to everyone, it was such a fabulous turn-out that I didn't get around to introduce myself past where I was sitting. I'm looking forward to Jells Park in January, where I'll be attempting to introduce myself to one and all. Such a fantastic lot is the Humber Car Club of Victoria! Well done!

I was excited to meet fellow Sceptre owners Jennette and Daryl Maclagan. Well done to both of them on making a huge trek and still being fabulous despite the challenges! A credit to them both!

Jon, I'm so sorry you couldn't make it. I hope you're feeling much better and are well on the road to recovery. At the time of writing I have a husband and two kids now with Covid. Thankfully though all are ok, and I am getting used to the smell of Glen 20 and antibacterial wipes

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Take care all, keep well and hope to speak soon!

Kindest regards, Donna



Christmas Wishes Judy / Treasurer

I would just like to wish all our club members and their families a very happy and safe Christmas and thanks to all the members and committee for your support during the year.

I was very sorry to miss our annual Christmas gathering at Tallarook this year but by all accounts everyone had a great time. I am looking forward to reading all about it and seeing the photos in this very special Christmas edition of the Humberette. A very big thank you to our editor, Lotte breaking with tradition and taking this extra effort. It is much appreciated.

I am looking forward to catching up with many of you in the 2023 at one or other of our club events throughout the year. John and I are looking forward to catching up with everybody in the New Year; may be Jells Park would be a great spot to start.

Merry Christmas everyone! Judy L

Tallarook Christmas Club Run Ray / Webmaster



Just a quick going over before the run to check how things were looking underneath. I had another go at fixing the speedo seal on the gearbox and must have got it right this time, it no longer leaks oil out of there. I also removed the torque con-

verter dust cover and was pleased to find that the front seal is not leaking anymore so I can stop worrying about that one.

We left Castlemaine at 10:00 with the intention of getting to the destination early enough to do the setup ready for our Christmas lunch. We went via Redesdale and Heathcote which used to be quite a pleasant drive but I found it very difficult and tiring this time. The road was breaking up all over the place with all the rain we have been having and it also seems to have more corners than it used to. It took us 2 hours to do a drive that should have taken 1 and a half hours. I refuelled at Heathcote to make sure I had enough to get home again. One of the golden rules is to never let a chance go by. Unfortunately, MM4 didn't quite manage 20 mpg again and I had to settle for 18.6. Still better than original out of the factory, so I am still happy with that. I must have encountered lots of headwinds... We had a fabulous lunch with about 30 other Humber Enthusiasts and also spent quite some time in the car park admiring all the classic cars that came to our function. I think we improved the surroundings substantially. As well as 10 Humber there was also 3 other classics which added to the occasion.

We eventually left at 4:00pm, after a very pleasant afternoon and given the difficult drive there, I decided to come home via Kilmore and Lancefield. This route was only 3 km longer but the road is in much better condition and the drive much more enjoyable, and it gave us the opportunity to call past President Jon's Quarantine Asylum and wave from a safe distance!



MM4 ran beautifully and was a pleasure and a delight to drive. We are looking forward to many more trips next year.

Merry Christmas and Happy Humbering to all.
Ray

Glædelig Jul!

Lotte / Editor and Accidental MC

What a mad happy crazy day we had! I thought this was the year I could sit back and just enjoy the atmosphere and the party, but Covid struck down Jon and we stepped into the breach - so maybe next year?

Jon had the beautiful new tear-drop banners in Iso so Ray unearthed our historic club banner from the depths of the workshop, it looked great and it was a nice bit of nostalgia for us oldies.

We love being in MM4, it was a perfect day for a drive, and it was so good to see old friends and new and of course, so many great Humber out on the road.

We are looking forward to catching up with everyone in the new year - somewhere, sometime.

Happy New Year - Godt Nyttår!

Lotte



Merry Christmas / Seasons Greetings / Happy New Year!
From all of us on the HCCV Committee



The wonders and woes of owning a classic...

or....the ongoing saga of Mike's Humber Vogue

I love our Vogue, I really do, but sometimes I could kick it!

We went to Albury/Wodonga a few years ago in it. Lost reverse gear. Had to make sure we parked in drive-through parking bays and never into a gutter. Then we lost the windscreen wipers – and it rained all the way home to Ballarat. A couple of blocks from home Mike realised we no longer had indicators. The air turned blue with abuse from the driver we turned in front of at the round-a-bout.

Another time we were coming home from Woodend and I could smell petrol. Don't be silly said Mike. Then he could smell it to. The fuel hose had pulled off the carby and was spraying petrol everywhere. Mike fixed it and we arrived home safely. A few changes needed when we got home.

I guess you could say I was a little concerned going all the way up (two and a half hours) to Tallarook today for the Christmas Breakup. It was beautiful weather and the drive up was wonderful. But says I, problems usually occur on the way home. Sailing along home in top form I decided I'd like an ice-cream from Mac-

cas at Ballan, so in we go. Everything was fine until Mike turned the key to start the car...and nothing happened! Zilch. I know, says he and jumps out. Goes to the boot and rummages in the tool box (he knows to have one) and pulls out a hammer. Oh my, I think, what now. Under the bonnet he goes and whacks the starter and off it goes. Music to my ears.



We arrived home safely after that but I do wonder what will happen next time we go out in it.

This car is like a troublesome child, but it's part of the family and I can't help but love it.

Chris Glare / Ballarat