

Part 1. President's Lunch



Well, that was fun. Our second President's Invitation Run held on Election Day proved a great distraction and opportunity to drive our Humbers and gather for a convivial lunch. It was great to see two Humbers already there at our meeting point in Ballan as we arrived in 'Horatio' the Snipe 80 that just two days before had a pair of original front shock absorbers fitted. With two passengers the drive was good and the handling certain.

The drive through Greendale and Blackwood onto Trentham did not disappoint. I wish I had organised a short stop at the top of the range where the panorama that confronted us was breathtaking. We all managed to keep the car behind in sight and so stayed together to our first destination.

Having the Trentham Market on made the stop there even better. We managed to buy some nice chutney and jam and met a cute little long-haired miniature Dachshund. The drive to Lyonville was short and pretty. Vicki made us a fabulous lunch with masses of quiche for hungry humberers. I decided to award a President's Choice to Brian Jenkins for his 'lairie' two tone Humber Hawk Mark VI (below). The car is a real credit to him with lovely new leather interior and an ambience of luxury not always apparent with these models.

ford where they had a chance to look at their eclectic car collection. Some who stayed on for a while were invited to have a look inside their 'new Edwardian' home. Many thanks to them both for their generous hospitality.



At the next committee meeting on 4th June we will set the date and venue for the **AGM**. We have managed to keep going with an Acting Secretary and Acting Treasurer since the last **AGM** but as you can imagine this is not optimal. We will have only met the minimum four times by then I think and there have been no particular controversies or difficulties over this time despite continuing to 'live with Covid'. We are down to eight committee members and most have been doing the job for quite a few years. So I do hope we will be joined by some others who feel, like I did, that it is time to take a share in running our wonderful club.

I am thinking of nominating for another year as President despite having already served for three. That makes it five years all up. You get less for burglary. So, please consider stepping up to help your club so that those who want a break can feel free to step down. Feel free to call or email me or any other committee member to find out exactly how little of a commitment there is. We really do have it down pat now, and we usually have a nice lunch before our meetings so it is not all drudge.

Hans Paas | President



After lunch almost everyone went on to the home of my brother John and his wife Janet at Dayles-



~ PRESIDENT'S INVITATION RUN ~

TO LYONVILLE HALL

~ SATURDAY 21 MAY 2022 ~

Part One: Ballan to Lyonville

Please see the President's Perambulations on page 4 for Part One!

Part Two: Lyonville Display and Lunch

This is where Ray and I joined the group, driving straight from Castlemaine to Lyonville in MM4. For us it was a delightful 50 minute drive through our beautiful countryside, with lots of glances and cheerful waves from others also enjoying the fine Autumn sunshine.

MM4 ran beautifully - except for its latest quirk, the boot popping open without warning. Some of you will understand when I say that you can't actually SEE the boot lid open, but you can smell the exhaust fumes coming through the now-open boot and into the cabin (not very pleasant).

We rolled up to the Lyonville Hall at about 12:45pm - first Humber on scene!

It was lovely to catch up with old friends and new as everyone arrived for our delicious lunch. Some sat outside around the 44 gallon drum firepit, some inside at the tables and chairs set up there. It was truly a gourmet picnic and many went back for seconds.



While we were eating, chatting and admiring each others' cars, a passer-by saw the Humbers and came to have a closer look. He was especially excited to see Len and Marion's Series IA Hawk as his Aunt once had one just like



it. After checking the service book which Len had in the glovebox, they discovered that it was indeed his Aunt's Humber - an amazing coincidence which absolutely made this gentleman's day!

After lunch, Hans gave a short speech and presented the President's Prize to Brian Jenkins for his wonderful 1954 Mark VI Hawk. A stand-out vehicle and a genuine head-turner wherever it goes.

ATTENDEES:

- ◆ Hans Paas, John Tungyep, and Michael Paas (1935 Snipe 80 Sports Saloon)
- ◆ Rod and Majella Burchill (1961 Ser III Super Snipe)
- ◆ Len and Marion Barry (1961 Ser IA Hawk)
- ◆ Brian Jenkins (1954 Mark VI Hawk)
- ◆ Mike Glare (1963 Ser III Vogue)
- ◆ Lotte and Ray Linden (MM4 - 1956 Mighty Mark IVB Super Snipe)
- ◆ Judy Lewis and John Washbourne
- ◆ Jon Miller and Joanne Stephens
- ◆ Les and Bev Lindorff
- ◆ Mark from Kilmore (1956 Riley Pathfinder)

Lyonville Hall (cont'd)



Part Three: Daylesford

After finishing our coffee, cake, scones and slices, we thanked the caterers and headed off to Daylesford to the home of John and Janet Barlow-Paas, to view an incredible collection of rare and amazing vehicles in a shed full of antiques and collectibles.

The view from their verandah across the hills was breathtaking, and we thoroughly enjoyed their hospitality.

Thanks for a wonderful day out, great food, perfect weather and the best company!

Lotte and Ray



