

## Report: RACV British + European Motoring Show 20/2/2022

HSS111 and I made a late decision to go to the RACV Motoring Show. HSS111 hadn't been out of the garage since the HCCV Jells Park run, he was a little bit dusty but that didn't matter.

Majella opted out, as she went to watch one of the boys play cricket. We cruised up to Yarra Glen, about 50 minutes away, through Yellingbo, Worri Yallock and Healesville. The traffic was very light, and it was a pleasant morning's drive. We got there about 9:30am and was surprised that it was a quick Covid19 Vax check, and we were in at the Humber area, we were the only Humber at that stage. I sat there for a while watching cars arrive, what a cavalcade of lovely cars.

I was just about to go for a walk to look at the cars when I saw the top of a two-tone 1930s sedan coming down the entry road. It looked familiar, yes Hans Pass in Horatio, his recently acquired 1935 Snipe 80. I had seen photos of it, but in the metal it looks magnificent. I could see that Hans had a passenger and when they pulled up, I could see Jon Miller enjoying a trip in the Snipe. They parked next to HSS111 and set up their table and chairs, and Jon put up the Club banners. After having a good look at Horatio, and it is very nice, Jon and I started to have a look at some of the other makes, what a great

selection of cars, each with their own enthusiasts. Jon spotted a ute and trailer with a small veteran car on board coming into the show, the veteran was a 1914 Humberette. We quickly followed the ute and enjoyed watching people come over to have a look at the Humberette being unloaded. The Humberette parked next to Hans' Snipe. It was great to see three generations of Humpers in the one place.

I went for a walk around the other cars, probably about 700 of them, now if I only had a few billion dollars. As I approached the Motafrenz display I saw a very nice Series V Super Snipe, Hans and Jon appeared and we checked out the Series V. The owner Nick came over and was grilled by these three Humber enthusiasts. He had bought the Humber at a Bendigo auction last year. I had watched that auction online and had wondered if we would see it about somewhere. It is a very nice car, good luck Nick.

As it was getting hotter, I decided that we would head for home, after farewells to Hans and John we had a quick but busier run back home. What a wonderful day out, come along next year and let's see if we can get more Humpers.

Rod Burchill





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Above: 1913 Humberette belonging to John and Elaine Roberts (non members - very friendly and they have invited us up to their property in Wandin). I travelled down with Hans from Lancefield in Horatio, Hans' 80 Snipe (below). Other members present were Michael Paas (I think in a Sunbeam Talbot). Cheers, Jon Miller

