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NEXT CLUB MEETING: FRIDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, COMMENCING 8.00PM AT THE "THEATRETTE" CAMBERWELL CIVIC CENTRE. INGLESBY ROAD, CAMBERWELL. PARKING OPPOSITE. GUEST SPEAKERS: THREE REPRESENTITIVES FROM FRANZ FILTERS WILL GIVE A TALK AND WORKING DISPLAY OF MOTOR CAR FILTER SYSTEMS (OIL, PETROL, AIR)

Nation: Sunday 10th october club run to mitchelton winery. STARTING POINT IS OUTSIDE FORD MOTOR CO., HUME H'WAY CAMPBELLFIELD AT 10.30AM SHARP (SEE INSIDE FOR FURTHER DETAILS).

COMING	CLUB	DATES:	SEPT.	24TH	CHUR	MEETING
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OCT. 10TH MITCHELTON WINERY TOUR

OCT. 22ND CLUB MEETING

NOV. 14TH XMAS PARTY - CLUB CONCOURS

NOV. ? CLUB MEETING
DEC. 5TH CRICKET MATCH
DEC. 12TH MG CONCOURS

AT THE AUGUST MEETING OF THE H.C.C. SAMPLES OF TWO CLUB BADGES WERE SHOWN, ONE HAVING A BLACK BACKGROUND TO THE WORDING H.C.G.V. WHILST THE OTHER HAVING WHITE. AFTER A SOMEWHAT LIVELY DISCUSSION THE BADGE WITH THE BLACK BACKGROUND WAS ADOPTED.

LLOYD & KELVIN HUGHES WON'T BE WITH US FOR THE SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER MEETINGS AS THEY HAVE TAKEN A BUSINESS TRIP TO ENGLAND AND EUROPE. LLOYD WILL BE MAKING EFFORTS WHILST AWAY TO CONTACT THE HUMBER REGISTER IN ENGLAND AND POSSIBLY BRING BACK SLIDES ETC OF THE MANY MOTOR MUSEUMS HE HOPES TO VISIT IN HIS SPARE TIME.

APPEARS THAT ATTENDANCES AT THE GENERAL MEETINGS HAVE BEEN INFLUENCED BY OUR GUEST SPEAKERS SO THE COMMITTEE ARE ENDEAVOURING TO OBTAIN "SPEAKERS" FOR OUR MEETINGS. THIS MONTH WE HAVE REPRESENTITIVES FROM FRANZ FILTERS WHO WILL GIVE A TALK AND WORKING DEMONSTRATION OF FILTER SYSTEMS. FILTERS PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART IN THE FUNCTIONING OF A CAR ENGINE AND I'M SURE THIS TALK SHOULD BE INTERESTING TO ALL MEMBERS.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER FOR THE AUGUST MEETING WAS BILL SHELLARD FROM BRIDGESTONE TYRE AGENCY, WHO, AFTER A SHORT FILM OF HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 1975 BATHURST 1000, EXPLAINED TO US THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF TYRES AVAILABLE OUTLINING THE PARTICULAR QUALITIES OF EACH TYRE. THE RECOMMENDED STANDARD TYRE FOR THE HUMBER SERIES MODELS IS 670 x 15 CROSSPLY. BILL EXPLAINED TO US THAT RADIAL TYRES OFFER HIGHER MILEAGE, FAR SUPERIOR HANDLING AND BRAKING CHARACTERISTICS BUT AT THE EXPENSE OF A "SOFT" RIDE (HIS COMMENTS WERE ENDORSED BY SEVERAL MEMBERS) WHATEVER TYRE WED ON YOUR CAR IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT IT IS IN GOOD CONDITION AS A CARS ONLY CONTACT WITH THE ROAD IS THROUGH THE TYRE AND REGARDLESS OF HOW GOOD THE OTHER COMPONENTS OF YOUR CAR ARE, THEY ALL RELY UPON THE TYRE. AT PRESENT MOST CARS HAVE THEIR TYRES FILLED WITH AIR BUT THERE IS PRESSURE FROM INDUSTRIAL SOURCES TO FILL TYRES WITH NITROGEN. NITROGEN HAS NEGLIGIBLE EXPANSION WITH HEAT SO TYRE PRESSURES ARE CONSTANT AND NITROGEN IS MORE "STABLE" THEN AIR AS AIR SUFFERS AN OXYGEN LOSS WHILST UNDER PRESSURE INSIDE YOUR TYRE (EVERY FEW WEEKS OR SO YOU FIND THAT YOUR TYRE PRESSURES HAVE DROPPED) AND THE DIFFERENCE IN AIR PRESSURE BETWEEN A "HOT" AND COLD TYRE CAN BE AS MUCH AS 30% -SO OBVIOUSLY FROM A SAFETY FACTOR NITROGEN HAS SOMETHING GOING FOR IT - COSTWISE NITROGEN WOULD BE APPROX. \$2-50 PER WHEEL. BILL SAYS RADIAL TYRES WOULD BE OK FOR HUMBERS AND A SUITABLE SIZE WOULD BE 185 x 15. WHEN REPLACING TUBED TYRES - NEW TUBES ARE A MUST: WHEN REPLACING TUBELESS TYRES - NEW TUBES ARE NOT NECESSARY.

#### SCCIAL NOTES.

The restaurant night was obviously a great success and I'm sure overyone who was present enjoyed themselves. When dinner was over a small gift was given to Lloyd Hughes for his overseas trip what could be more appropriate than a writing set! Approximately thirty members were present and it was pleasing to see the "Powleys" who made the trip from Kyneton in their MKV Snipe.

The next club outing is to Michelton Vincyards which are situated approximately 15 miles from Seymour. All members will meet outside the Ford Motor Company (we'll show them a "real" car) on the Hume Highway, Campbellfield (approximately 3 miles north over Mahony's Road) at 10.30 A.M. sharp. Upon arriving at Michelton we will be given an escorted tour of the vineyards and winery. There is limited barbeque facilities so if you want a "barby" it's a p.Y.O. Michelton has two restaurants open for Sunday lunch, one being a self serve, cook your own steak restaurant costing approximately \$3.00 per head, the other having a full smorgesbord costing approximately \$6.00 a head. Being a Sunday wines cannot be sold direct to the public but orders are taken and delivered to the nearest rail station or alternatively if the club has it's order delivered in a group lot the wine can be distributed at the next general meeting.

## DIRECTIONS TO MICHELTON.

So through Seymour them take the Shepperton Bood after approximately 12 miles take the Mitchell town turn off (L. i. turn) and then there will be signs to show the way to the vineyard. Upon arrival all cars will park out-side the reception area.

N.B. Could members who plan to Lunch at either restaurant indicate so to Des Judd at the next meeting or 'Phone 7833119.

#### SECRETARY'S NOTES.

We have received an invitation to attend a two day National Vintage swap meet to be held at the Bendigo Showgrounds on November 20-21st. I am having a complete agenda of this meeting posted to me which will be printed in the next newsletter. During the August meeting the club agreed to purchase a small offact printing machine to upgrade the quality of our newsletter. We obviously need such a machine to give both our newsletter and club a more professional image but at the time of the last meeting there was doubts about whether the club could finance such a machine. Luckily our spare parts officer has been kept busy with approx. helf of the cost of the machine coming from spare part sales within the last

### Des Judd.

On Fathers' Day the club had its second attempt to wreck a Series 111 Snipe that was donated to us. The attendance wasn't startling, John Browne, Jeff Bradshaw and myself - old saying "many hands make light work" which must be true as few hands make heavy work -

blieve me. We managed to strip the car of all weable parts and Lloyd took the shell to the tip. At present the club has a large stock of spares to suit series models with most of them in excellent condition and all spares are priced to sell.

Bob Kennedy.

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

As most of you know I will be away on an overseas trip for the next couple of months. Being a business trip I haven't got all that much spare time but what time I have will probably be spent in British/European motor musuems. I will be taking slides of interesting cars I see, so that when I return we can arrange a slide night at one of our general meetings which I'm sure will be interesting to many of our members. Whilst in England I will try to contact the English Humber Register and through them see if can line up cources of spare parts for us especially for the and earlier model cars as new spares for these cars are virtually unobtainable.

Bob Kennedy will officiate club meetings in my absence and I know he will do a first rate job. Happy Humbering.

Lloyd Hughes.

## SNIPES SNIPPETS.

Who broke the lock on the ladies toilet door at La Fourchette? We've all heard about "things" that fall from off the back of trucks but not the truckdriver!!

For those who attend the Michelton run an 81b fruit cake has been donated to the club for a fund "raison" raffle - Thank you.

Lynn McAlpine.

Thank you Lindsay and Annabelle for the light at the last general meeting.

He H.H.C.V. will be holding its first annual concours D'Elengance in November, as yet the classes of vechiles for judging had not finalised but should you have any suggestion Bob Kennedy and Des Judd would like to hear them.

#### EDITORS NOTE

The HCCV has now purchased a small offset printing machine (Rex Retary) to print our newsletter. At this stage I envisage having about two or three persons who could spare an evening a months to assist me in producing our newsletter. No experience required, excellent job satisfaction, easy light work, no wages except fora cup of coffee and a biscuit, if anyone is interested could they see me at the September meeting of 'phone 7587526 hm.

John Browne.