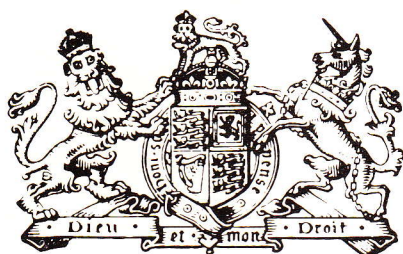


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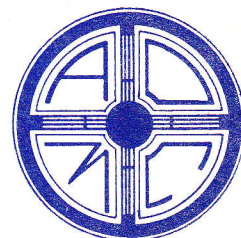
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## SOCIAL CALENDAR 1982

|                    |  |                        |   |
|--------------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Sunday March 21st  | British Motoring Show<br>Mornington Racecourse | August                 | Open                                    |
| April 9th to 12th  | Easter National Rally<br>South Australia       | Sunday September 12th  | President's Run<br>Mystery Trial        |
| Sunday May 16th    | Picnic Run —<br>Gumbuya Park, Pakenham         | Sunday October 10th    | Mitchelton Winery                       |
| June 12th to 14th  | Weekend at<br>Indented Head                    | Sunday November 14th   | H.C.C.V. Concours                       |
| Saturday July 17th | Roast on the Spit                              | Saturday November 27th | Annual Dinner and<br>Presentation Night |
|                    |  | Sunday December 12th   | M.G. Club Concours                      |

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President's Report:-

The year is fast running out - before we know it 1983 will be with us. With the little time left of '82 we have a number of events to look forward to. The President's run, Michelton Winery and the Concours which will be followed up by our Annual Dinner. For the members who have not had the chance of going before, I sincerely hope that this year you can come along, as this outing is our grand finale for the year. If you check your calendar, you will note that this year the dinner will be on a Saturday night rather than a Friday which it has been in the past - we hope this change will be more suitable for our members.

During the week, Harold Underwood called to tell me that a workshop near where he lives had Oil Filters to fit Snipes 1948 to '53 going out for a couple of dollars each. Needless to say I promptly went down and purchased all that were available. These Filters will be for sale on the trading table at the next meeting and will be well under the present day price, so be early if you require one.

Our Editor has been very busy compiling a list of club members names, addresses etc., and car/s owned by them (Humbers). At this stage, it is pleasing to report at this time of our history, we have more MK and pre MK models in the club than ever before. A number of these vehicles are being rebuilt and some are very rare, and some, I'm sad to say are standing rotting away. The time might come when they are past restoring and that, fellow club members, would be a very sad loss.

George Toyne has copies of service sheets for series models - the heading states series V but it covers series 1 to VA. If you require a copy, please contact George or myself so that a pickup can be arranged.

It is sad to report that Fred Berenger, an ex member who moved to Queensland a few years ago, passed away late in July. His son has contacted me re the series 11 that Fred owned and would like to offer the car for sale through the club. This is a black sedan with red interior, recently fitted with new clutch - body has been touched up, no rust and it runs well. At present, the vehicle is in Queensland, so if anyone is interested would they please let me know as soon as possible.

Until next meeting on Friday 27th - cheerio for now.

Bob Kennedy

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*Women can make fools of some men; other men are the do-it-yourself type.*

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*That money saved for a rainy day now buys a smaller umbrella.*

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*To err is human, to really foul things up requires a computer.*

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MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 23rd JULY, 1982

President opened meeting at 8.15 p.m. before 16 Members including Committeepersons.

1. President welcomed members and visitors including Allan & Glynis Judd.
2. Apologies:- Harold and Adelaide Underwood, Nancy Butt and Beryl Ahern, Brian Beardsmore, Lou Copeland, Kelvin Hughes, Keith Willimott, Humphries, Wilson Family, Bob Millson and Paul Carter.
3. Minutes of June meeting passed as read - moved Peter Davenport.
4. Correspondence - In:-

Newsletters from CCHA, Wolseley, H.C.C. of Queensland,  
South Australia and New South Wales.  
Geelong Spring Ding and Melton Djerriwarrh Festival.

Out - Nil

5. Treasurer's Report:-

Peter stated that 2 months takings from trading table and five new members dues has raised the current balance to \$736.00.

6. Social Secretary's Report:-

- (a) Margaret gave a brief resume of the July outing to Burnley Horticultural College.
- (b) April called for immediate deposits or bookings for theatrical outing.
- (c) Margaret added that the Annual Dinner would work out to \$15.00 a head plus B.Y.O.

7. Technical Officer's Report:-

Bob thanked Herb Perkins, Des Judd, Geo Toyne and Lloyd Hughes for their help in making the "Technical Day" a success at Burnley Horticultural College.

8. Editor's Report:- Nil

9. Bob thanked Nancy and Denise for good job on Humberette. Lloyd Hughes concurred.
10. The President then went on to give more details of the MIV Super Snipe which was advertised in the July Humberette.
11. Peter Davenport suggested a Service Schedule for Humbers be inserted in the Humberette. Barry Bosnich suggested the Shell Oil Company Service on Humbers.
12. Bob then threw open the meeting for general discussion.

Meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

Badge to Barry Bosnich.

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SECRETARY'S NOTES:-

Dick Langworth has sent me his latest book titled "Tiger Alpine Rapier" and as promised, a very large chapter on Humbers and includes many photos of MKII and IIIs going sideways up the mountains in the '50s Monte Carlo Rallys of which a Humber Super Snipe made 2nd overall in 1950. Other photos include factory scenes of Super Snipes (60's) being assembled. There are also production figures for all post war Humbers and oddly enough there are MKV Super Snipes listed (55-56) which had auto transmission as an option and they made 1268 of them!

Mainly, the books purpose was to give a history of all Rootes products in sport, and Dick's original title of "Sporting Rootes" would not need explanation of why so much Humber information is included, but, as it was Sunbeam which represented Rootes in 80% of all sporting activities, the publishers saw fit to change the title to "Tiger Alpine Rapier".

Dick has owned a Sunbeam Tiger and now currently owns a Harrington Le Mans (fastback Sunbeam Alpine), and of course, a Humber Imperial, so he was able to write this book from 1st hand knowledge and his lavish praises of Humbers are very well received from this particular Humber owner, and I expect any other Humber owners who may be a little starved of reading matter on their favourite car.

The book gives a great insight into the managerial side of the Rootes Hierarchy and why's and where-fores of decisions which gave and then took away from us some of the world's best cars. It's a book I think should be on every Humber Owner's library shelf, but especially anyone interested in history of motor sport. I'm sure anyone with a Sunbeam will most certainly snap it up.

Why would the English engage an American author to write about their own cars? Because they all use Lucas typewriters!!

Getting away from Humbers for a minute, how about this for a bit of startling news? Studebaker are coming back! Stude never really went out of business, they just stopped making cars, and always intended returning to the market place, but not as late as this. They intend to come back with the same models they finished with. They believe their vehicles were rather advanced for their time and now think the time is right to start again with cars which are still stylish, compact and rather economical.

I have always been a Stude fan and I wish them the best of British luck. If that'll help!

See you on the 27th,

Des Judd

NEXT OUTING - SEPTEMBER 12TH

This year's President's Run will take the usual form of a Mystery Trial. Meeting at the Burvale Hotel, Cnr. Springvale Road and Burwood Highway at 10.00 a.m. sharp.

Bring your cars, biros, lunches and sedatives, but leave your tempers at home.

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SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Last meeting with only 16 members present, our trading table raised \$53.85.

Next Outing - Sunday 12th September for President's Mystery Trial -

This year, our trial promises to be the best ever. Friends are most welcome, so please bring them along together with your B.B.Q. or picnic lunch.

Sunday October 10th - Michelton Winery - The Winery has plenty of picnic space for clubs, and sight seeing tours through, are on a regular basis. This is a good chance for our connoisseurs to pick up the odd bottle.

Sunday November 14th - H.C.C.V. Concours - Ripponlea - Hope all the participating vehicles are getting ready for the big event. It should be a great day, complimented by the superb gardens of this gracious mansion.

Saturday November 27th - Annual Dinner and Presentation Night - at Monash University - The proposed menu for our end of the year function is on page 5 of this newsletter. Bookings must be in by September, so please contact myself or Margaret Willimott for reservations.

April Beardsmore

EDITOR'S NOTES:

Many thanks to members who have contributed articles for our newsletter - your contributions make the Editor's job so much easier. If you have any snippets of information, please send them along. A special thanks to Norma Paley whose numerous pieces of humour appear through this edition.

Nancy Kennedy

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*One way a husband can make his wife listen, is to talk to another woman.*

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*Car manufacturers with their emphasis on speed should remember that corpses can't buy cars.*

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*A woman appreciates a man with a strong will - made out in her favour.*

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or Fillet of Whiting Caprice (with grilled bananas)  
served with potato & 2 vegetables  
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Coffee/tea and mints  
  
No. 3. Potage Duchess (cream of vege soup)  
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served with potatoes and 2 vegetables  
Apple strudel and cream (Hot or cold)  
Coffee/tea and mints.

2 choices for each course, but each will be provided on a 50/50 basis.  
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| Water Pump  | P3900 or P3192             | 9102012         |
| Timing Case   | P3191                      |                 |
| Gear Box Mainshaft  | P3193                      |                 |
| Gear Box Front  | P3196                      |                 |
| " Rear  | P2410                      |                 |
| Diff. Pinion  | P3566 - P3002              |                 |
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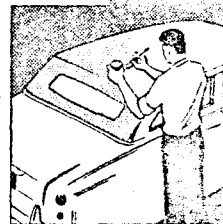
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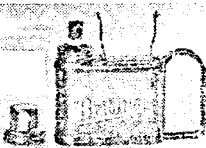
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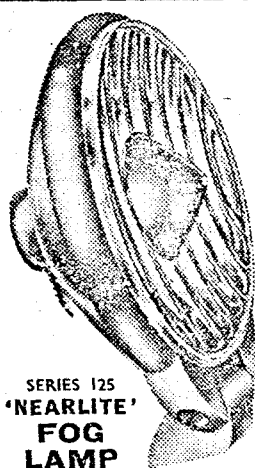
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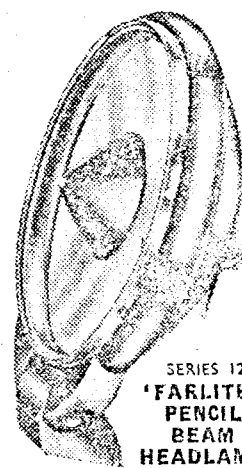
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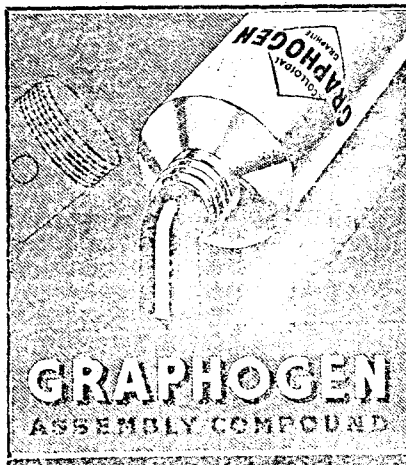


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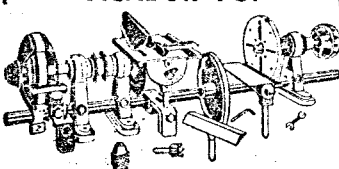
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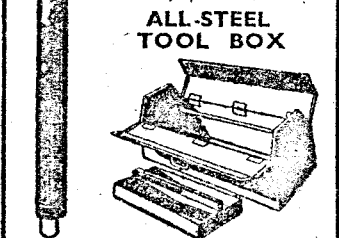


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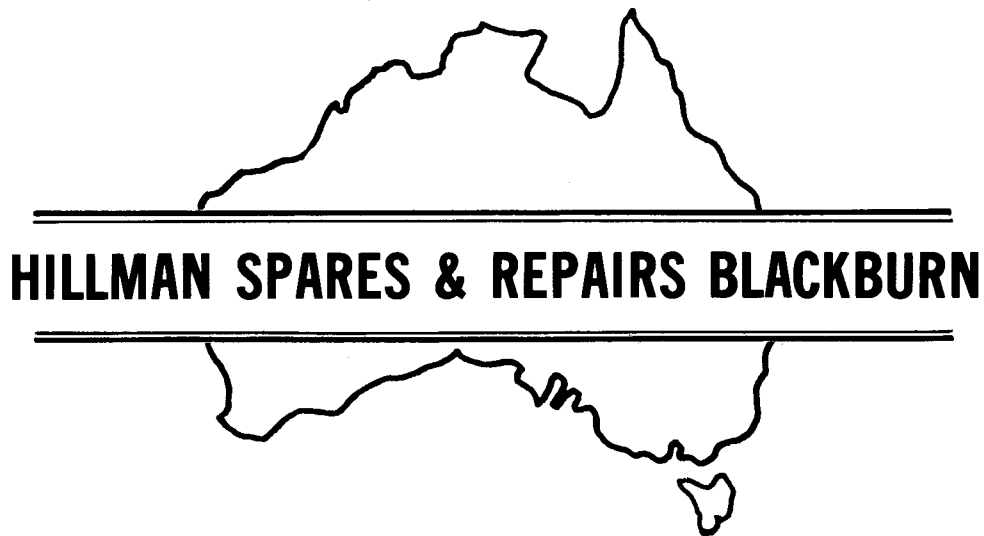
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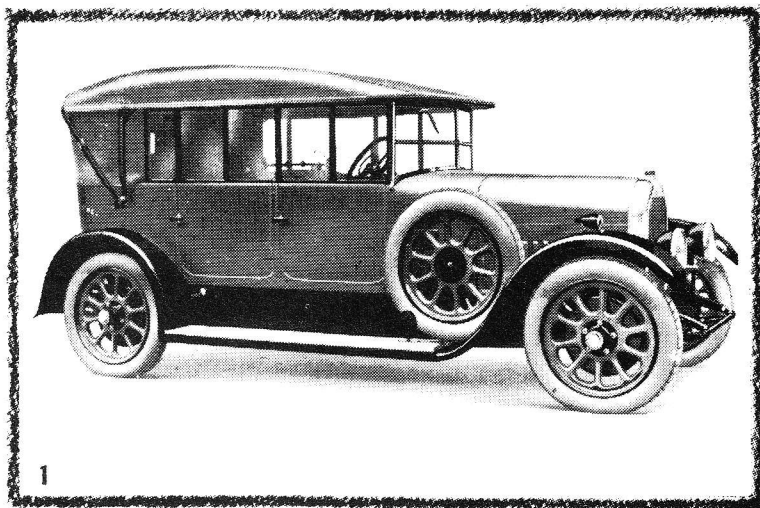
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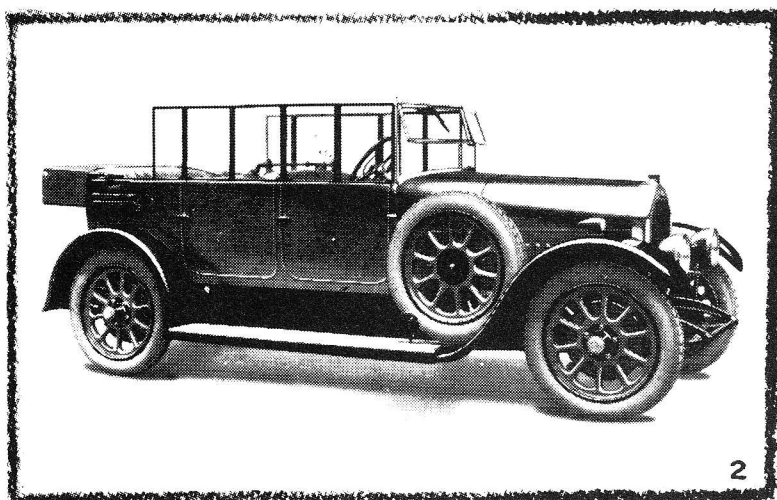
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