

THE HUMBERETTE

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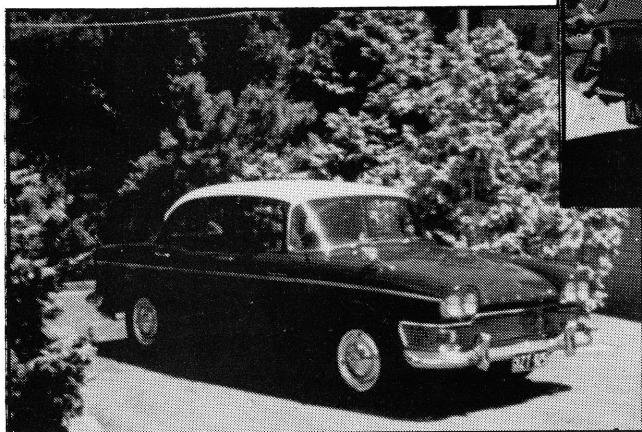


*Ser. VA Snipe JUL-601
Outright winner HCCV Concours 1979
Owner: Reg. Hattersley.*



*Ser. 111 Snipe IYX-250
Most desirable car HCCV Concours 1979
Owner: Ralf Chalmers.*

*MKIV Snipe GNH-895
Winner Mark Section HCCV Concours 1979
Owner: Lloyd Hughes.*



*Ser. IV Snipe HZT-925
Owner: Nancy Butt.*

HUMBER CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA

COMMITTEE 1980

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Humber Car Club Calendar 1980

Social Functions: To include Humber Car Club of Victoria Concours (November), Annual Presentation Dinner (November), M.G. Concours (December), President's Run, etc. Full details in your monthly Humberette.

General Meetings

The Humber Car Club of Victoria meets on the fourth Friday of the Month (unless indicated otherwise) at the "Theatrette", Camberwell Civic Centre, Inglesby Road, Camberwell. Please note: meeting commences at 8.00 p.m. sharp.

Dates of Forthcoming General Meetings in 1980

Friday, March 28	Friday, September 26
Friday, April 25	Friday, October 24
Friday, May 23	Friday, November 28 (Annual Presentation Dinner)
Friday, June 27	No December meeting
Friday, July 25	Friday, January 23 (1981)
Friday, August 22	

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There is nothing like a good attendance at General Meetings, and Social Outings, to make Committee members feel happy, and despite a very cold night, our May meeting was well attended.

When members come from as far as Ballarat and Hove to attend a meeting, it makes you realize just how much our club means to us.

We welcomed new members, Fred and Elna Page and son Chris at this meeting, and we are looking forward to seeing their Series 5 at our next outing.

But members must have plenty of slides of interest to the club they could have brought along, so perhaps we could have a repeat "slide" night sometime.

At our next meeting, we have guest speakers from Lucas to speak to us on the improvement, and maintenance, of our electrical systems - a subject of interest to most of us I'm sure.

We had a very enjoyable outing with the Wolseley Car Club last month. Next time we see them, we will win the Tug of War, and so the contest. They may be able to beat us at cricket, but when it comes to games of skill, we can beat them every time.

Our next outing is at Talhof Restaurant at Harburton, for a luncheon. This is a "first" for our club, and already it seems it will be a popular outing, judging from the number of enquiries we are receiving. Hope you will be there.

Looking forward to seeing you at Harburton on the 15th June, and at Camberwell on the 27th June.

HOPING FOR A GOOD ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING, AS

THE TOPIC WILL BE OF GREAT INTEREST TO US ALL.

Reg Hattersley.

MAY GENERAL MEETING

President opened meeting at 8:20 pm before 38 Members including Committee Men.

1. President welcomed members including Chris Page McAlpines from Mo.
2. Apologies: Lloyd Hughes, Mary Spencer, Gwen Humphries.
3. Minutes passed. Harold Underwood, Bill Baker.
4. Correspondence

In - F G Page Re-Membership
D McGowan " Dues
Mrs Sadlon " "
Steve Hardy " "
Mobil Aust. Re Guest Speaker
Parks Hyd Service Cut Price on Jacks
Newsletters from A.40 Humber Club Aust Rover & Daimler

Out - The Age Remittance for ad.
L Ellis Membership details Qtd.
F G Page Membership

Passed. Jack Lhuede, Herb Perkins.

5. Treasurer's Report

\$667.73 Less expenses. Total \$412.14. Plus \$500 invested.

Adopted. Sid Humphries, Bill Holmes.

6. Social Secretary's Report

Marion gave brief resume of last outing with Holseley Club.

Next outing meet at Eastland 10:45 June 15 to Talhoff Restaurant.
Members must book by 8th June.

July outing Railway Museum Newport.

7. Editor's Report Nil

8. Technical Officers Report

Bob gave details of rear window rubbers for HK Models Series windscreen rubber will also be made by Dunlop if enough orders can be taken including Humber Club members from Sydney and Adelaide Clubs. Prices yet to be fixed. Bob also wrecking Series IV. Library list in next newsletter.

- 9 President asked John Browne re new cover for Humberette - John promised next month.
10. Nancy Butt displayed a sample of fur trim for series cars. Details in next newsletter.
11. Reg announced slides for tonight. Guest speaker for June will be reps from Lucas Inds.
12. President opened meeting for general discussion.
13. Meeting closed 9:00 pm.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

In this edition of the Humberette you will find an ad for Parks Hydraulic Jacks. If you do send away for one of these, please notify them of which club you are a member of. Thank you.

There are a few things brewing in the pot at the moment and the rest of the club year looks to be very beneficial to members both technically and socially so keep a close eye on "coming events".

For June General Meeting, a team from Lucas Inds will be giving an audio-visual lecture on the electrical side of the automobile which should prove very interesting.

As you know also, "Como" has again been booked for our annual Concours, so now is the time to begin preparing your car. Even if you're not entering but wish to attend, your car must look it's best. Quite a few tourists visit "Como House" on the day (Japanese and American mainly) and they usually come over and look at the cars on display with various comments ranging from "Ah So! One could make 10 Datsuns from one Humber boot lid" to "Its a what? A '68 Humber? Hey Martha, it looks more like that '51 Chrysler New Yorker we once had".

On that note "I'll be seein' you guys" on Friday 27th,
Des Judd

S O C I A L N O T E S

What a lovely day we had on our May outing at Emerald Lake with the Woseley Car Club.

There was a good turn up of Humber and Wolseley members and after a very enjoyable chat and BBQ lunch, plus rides on the paddle boats for the children and others!! we were treated to fun and games organized by the Wolseley Car Club which included the smallest child to the Mums and Dads. It was great to see the families all joining in the fun together.

There was much hilarity with the egg and spoon relay race - the egg being hard boiled and each time it was dropped it gradually lost its shell, then the white slowly disintegrated and the last person finished with a little yellow yoke.

We had a sack relay race and three legged relay, all with an interesting variety of hops, jumps, leaps and a few topples, and lastly throwing the gum boot, which landed in some really strange places, including some near collisions with members.

The Wolseley Club won 2 events and the Humber Club won 2 events and a tug of war was to have been the decider but was deferred until next we meet.

Our thanks to Poni and all members of the Wolseley Club for a most enjoyable day, and we look forward to our next social outing together.

Our thanks to Bill Holmes for bringing his big BBQ along once again. It certainly brings the folk together, and we all enjoy the company and time spent chatting around the BBQ whilst our food is cooking.

We do appreciate you kind thought Bill.

JUNE SOCIAL EVENT

Our next social "do" is to Talhof Restaurant on June 19th.

As weather has been so cold it will be nice to be indoors in the warmth. We have had a good response to the luncheon and I'm sure those attending will have a happy day.

JULY SOCIAL EVENT

Our July social outing will be a visit to the Railway Museum in Newport on July 13th.

We are meeting at 11:30 am at Yarraville Gardens on the corner of Somerville Road and Hyde Street, Yarraville.

We will have a BBQ lunch at Williamstown Botanic Gardens on the Esplanade, and at 2 pm will proceed to the Railways Museum in Champion Road, Newport.

Please keep the date free and join us in this interesting excursion.

CONGRATULATIONS to Kaylyn and David Raynor on the birth of their son, Simon David.

Marion.

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE/WANTED

Humber Hawk '62 spare front end and extra seats, gearbox "locked up" \$150 ONO. 772 2275. 70 Woodbine Grove, Chelsea.

Furflex door trim C/W windsealing rubber available from Blackman Bros 5-7 Clarence Street, East Bentleigh. 570 3991.

Parks hydraulic jack 3,000 lbs lift on strong castor wheels with lift height of 15". \$50 will rail to any station in Victoria.
4 position chassis stands \$8.00 each.
4 position chassis stands C/W screw thread \$12.00.

Parks Hydraulic Services
11-13 Duke Street
Abbottsford. Ph. 429 2072.

Morris Minor, major & elite spares and parts, large amount available.
Phone 557 3241 AH. Allen Day.

EDITORIAL

Lloyd and Pam Hughes are presently enjoying themselves somewhere in England whilst the past editor attempts to write this editorial, so please bear with me as I'm a little rusty.

You might recall from past newsletters that the M..G..A. was coming up for sale, the restoration was completed about two months ago and the car came up a "Treat".

In all, what originally started as a repaint, turned into a full restoration excepting that the body was left on the chassis. The car was sold about two weeks before it was finished so unfortunately I didn't have the pleasure of driving it.. Sportscars have a feel all of their own, so with some of the MG money I bought a Series 111 Austin Healey Sprite which requires an engine rebuild amongst a few other small jobs and hopefully I can have this one on the road for Spring/Summer.

I have "pruned back" my collection of Humbers to one vehicle this being the Tickford Drophead Coupe 1950 Vintage. Tickford who were quality English bodybuilders designed and built approx sixty aluminium bodied "Sports Tourers" for Rootes to mount upon the MK11/111 Chassis layout.

The car has two doors, these being approx 8" wider than the Standard MK11 Sedan Door, a three position hood, that is, fully up, fully down, and the Sedan De-Ville position which is when the rear seat has weather protection and the front seat is open, with the front windows wound up this gives a "Sun-Roof" type of feel.

It was only the higher quality type of British Car that had this type of hood arrangement.. I know very little of the history of this particular car, I purchased it from a John Parker in Sydney (John has several Humbers incl. the Royal Tour Pullman convertible). John purchased the car from a chap in Canberra who had the only other example known in Australia..

This car is restored and my car was originally purchased for possible spare parts which the owner must have thought were unnecessary so he sold the car to John. The vehicle is basically complete except for a drivers door I believe this came about when the vehicle was used for spotlight shooting so that the driver could get out more quickly. Hmmm. Anyhow the door is well and truly lost even though there have been several attempts to find it.

I intend advertising in England for a door, but even there I believe my chances of success will be pretty slim, so it appears that I will have to have one custom-made. I'm rusty.

The rest of the car is battered but repairable. The panels from the windscreen forwards are standard MK11/111 so these present no problem. About 6 to 7 years ago, I completely restored a MK11 Rolling Chassis (originally an MK11 Sedan) and the MK11 seats which are perfect will for a full restoration excepting that the body was left on the chassis. The car was sold about two weeks before it was finished so I didn't have the pleasure of driving it.. I have a feel all of their own, so with some of the money I bought a Series 111 Austin Healey Sprite which requires an engine rebuild amongst a few other small jobs.

About 6 to 7 years ago I completely restored a MK11 Rolling Chassis (originally a MK11 Sedan) this and the MK11 seats which are perfect will form the base of the Tickford. About 3 to 4 years ago I bought another MK11 with a rebuilt engine (not in the car) and a new clutch unit, to replace these items today would probably cost about \$1500, at the time I winced about the price, which was about \$600. Bob Kennedy's back is probably still suffering from assisting in lifting the engine and carrying it into my sunroom - where it still ~~xxx~~rests! Well its all there except for the door, all i need now is time and a spare \$3000 to finish a very rare, fast, and unique Humber

John Browne.