

# THE HUMBERETTE

March 1980

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE



TOP RIGHT

*1910 12 HP Humber (AER 088)*

*Owner: Alan Duncan*

CENTRE RIGHT

*Series VA Super Snipe (JUL 601)*

*Outright winner HCCV Concours 1978*

*Owners: Reg & Marion Hattersley*

BOTTOM RIGHT

*Mark I Super Snipe (INP 936)*

*Winner "Mark Section" HCCV Concours 1978*

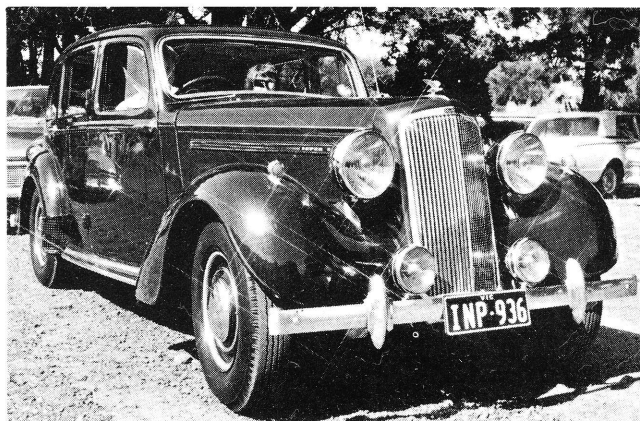
*Owners: Tom & Lynne McAlpine*

BELOW

*Series IV Super Snipe (HZN 925)*

*"Most Desirable Vehicle" HCCV Concours 1978*

*Owner: Nancy Butt*



## HUMBER CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA

### COMMITTEE 1979

PRESIDENT:	REG HATTERSLEY	877 1981
VICE-PRESIDENT:	LLOYD HUGHES	877 3208
SECRETARY:	DES JUDD	783 9743
TREASURER:	IAN FOREMAN	528 1578
EDITOR:	JOHN BROWNE	758 7526
SOCIAL SECRETARY:	MARIE BROWNE	758 7526
TECHNICAL OFFICER:	BOB KENNEDY	789 5119

### Humber Car Club Calendar 1979

#### Social Functions:

May 20	—	Sovereign Hill, Ballarat
June 2, 3, 4	—	Echuca Steam Rally
July 8	—	Chirnside Park Historic Home Tour
August ?	—	Social Secretary's "Special"
Sept. 16	—	President's Run (Invitation to Daimler Lanchester Car Club)
Oct. ?	—	Economy Run (Invitation to Rover Car Club) — date to be confirmed
Nov. 4	—	Humber Car Club Concours
Nov. 23	—	Annual Presentation Dinner at "Chaucers"
Dec. ?	—	M.G. Concours
Feb. 10, 1980	—	Saturday evening wine tasting (place to be confirmed)

#### 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 1979

Friday, June 22	Friday, October 26
Friday, July 27	Friday, November 23 (Annual Presentation Dinner)
Friday, August 24	No December meeting
Friday, September 28	Friday, January 25 (1980)

All correspondence to: Secretary,  
Humber Car Club of Victoria  
P.O. Box 35,  
Frankston 3199

All Membership Subscriptions to: Treasurer,  
Humber Car Club of Victoria  
Ian Foreman,  
33 Horne Street,  
Elsternwick 3185

All Newsletter Entries to: John Browne,  
1127 Burwood Highway,  
Ferntree Gully 3156

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, election night is over, and we have started our Club year with some changes to our committee. We were sorry to lose an old friend John Browne, who had been on committee as our news editor since the Club was formed, and we thank John for all the work he did for us over those years. We hope we see just as much of him.

Lloyd Hughes is now our editor and we are grateful to Lloyd for accepting this position and we are sure he will fill it well.

We welcome Ralf Chalmers, our Vice President, and Marion Hattersley, our Social Secretary, to committee, and that completes the changes for 1980.

Had a call from Chris. Webb, and am happy to announce that Chris. & Janet now have a baby son, Robert Gregory. Congratulations, Chris. & Janet, and we hope to see you all, soon.

We had our biggest turn up for some time at the British Car Show and I would think that most other Clubs also had better than average attendances. For a show of this size and a first at that, I thought the organizer did a wonderful job, and are to be congratulated on the smooth handling of a lot more cars than they expected. The show would have to be voted a success, and we hope it becomes a regular event.

This year, we were invited to display one of our older cars at the International Motor Show, and John Brownes MK.3 was the chosen car. I went in to see the car and man the stand, with Tom McAlpine on the first night and we both thought the MK.3 looked as good as we have seen her look. Col. McKenzie put in a lot of time and effort into getting the car to the show, preparing it for exhibition and setting up the Club's stand. The Club thanks you, Col., for a job very well done.

Hope you are looking forward to the next two outings as much as I am. They are our cricket match with our Wolseley friends on March 16, at Baxter and the National get together at Bendigo over Easter. A lot of effort has gone into, and is still going into, this National meeting, and we are hoping for a good response from all members.

See you at Camberwell on the 28th.

Reg Hattersley.

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 22ND 1980

1. President opened Meeting at 8.00 p.m. before 24 members including committee.
2. President asked for Treasurer's Report. (see item 5).
3. President welcomed members and visitors inc. D. Phillips.
4. Apologies:- Syd. Humphries, Chris. Webb, Bill Holmes passed by Bob Kennedy, Bill White.
5. Treasurer's Report. Bank Balance \$621.17. Books audited by W.H.L. Burgess and found correct. Ian Forman thanked Mr. Burgess on behalf of H.C.C.V.

President thanked Ian for job well done. Treasurer's Report adopted Peter Davenport. Herb Perkins called for nominations for Treasurer. Ralf Chalmers nominated Ian Foreman. Seconded by Reg Hattersley. Ian accepted nomination and was carried by members present.

Due to a pressing engagement Ian had to leave the Meeting so the Treasurers committee position was voted on first.

6. Minutes passed Col McKenzie, Harold Underwood.

### 7. Correspondence

In: Neville Carey (Parks N.S.W.) Re-sale of Series III.  
Robert Whittle Re - Bendigo Rally (A.C.T.)  
B.M.S. advising earlier start.  
Newsletters from Rover, Daimler, Austin A/40,  
Humber N.Z.

Lions Club Shepparton concours Easter.  
Warrnambool Hist. Vehicle Club. Easter Rally.  
G.W. Tennant Re - Dues paid plus 1 Badge (Mackay QLD)  
Bob Martin Alice Springs N.T.  
Re List of Cars for Sale  
R. Whittle confirming visit to Bendigo (ACT).  
I.J. Hill Re - Series III Parts inc. head (Free)  
Humber Club S.A. with names and bookings for Bendigo.

Outward: Robert Whittle Re - Accommodation Bendigo Lions Club  
Shepparton Re - Concours W.H.V.C. Re - Easter Rally  
Humber S.A. Club Re - Bendigo Bookings  
G.W. Tennant - Badge  
Woseley Car Club Re - Cricket Match  
Details.

Correspondence received Ralf Chalmers.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (cont)

8. Social Secretary's Report:-  
Cricket match March 16th Baxter Park.  
Marion called for Final Bookings for Bendigo.  
Club has been accepted by Bendigo Easter Organisers to enter their parade.
9. Editor's Report - Nil.
10. Tech. Officer's Report:-  
Bob gave details of the Diesel Transplant to Humber Cars and has made contact with Diesel Expert who may give a talk at a future meeting.
11. Col McKenzie announced that air shockers from Toyota Cressida will fit Humber.
12. Lloyd Hughes gave final details on the British Motoring Show.
13. President called for volunteers to man the Humber Stand at International Motoring Show.
14. Reg. also called for Membership Dues.
15. Reg called on Herb Perkins to dismiss the current committee and also thanked the members of the '79 committee and committeeman's wives for hospitality etc. at comm. meetings.

Herb called for Nominations for:-

1. Tech. Officer. Bob Kennedy (Accepted).  
Nominated by Peter Schofield, Sec. by Col McKenzie.
2. Social Sec. Marion Hattersey (Accepted).  
Nominated by Lloyd Hughes, Sec. by Col McKenzie.
3. Editor - Lloyd Hughes (Accepted).  
Nominated by Reg Hattersley, Sec. by John Brown.
4. Secretary - Des Judd (Accepted).  
Nominated by Col McKenzie, Sec. Ralf Chalmers.
5. Vice Pres. - Ralf Chalmers (Accepted).  
Nominated by Col McKenzie, Sec. by Reg Hattersley.
6. President - Reg Hattersley (Accepted).  
Nominated by Des Judd, Sec. Bob Kennedy.

PLUS IAN FOREMAN ACCEPTED TREASURER'S POSITION EARLIER.

Pres. thanked Herb Perkins & congratulated the New Committee.

Reg then closed the Meeting at 9.00 for General Discussion.

HUMBER CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA 1979 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial Membership (84)	\$1017.00
Other Receipts were:	
Spare Parts Sales	\$ 12.00
Sale of Badges	\$ 124.00
1979 Raffle Income	\$ 711.00
	\$1864.00
Deposit Stock Transfer \$500.00	
5/10/79 (Account CS 5148-20)	
(2 Months Notice for Withdrawal) 8% Int. P/A	
Balance on current withdrawal account	\$1364.00

**Expenses 1979**

Stationery, Supplies, Printing & Postage	\$ 274.93
Hall Rental up to November 1979	\$ 223.00
Club Banner (Evan Evans Banners)	\$ 145.48
Prizes for Raffle	\$ 429.11
Advertising, Food, Badges, Donations etc.	\$ 170.31
	\$1242.83

The Balance in our Club Account up till 18/2/80 was \$121.17.  
This being the date when the books were approved by our  
Club Auditor.

Your Treasurer  
Ian N. Foreman

SOCIAL NOTES

I wasn't expecting to find myself in the position of Social Secretary, however, as I have, I will do my best and hope with your co-operation to make it a happy social year.

Our March outing is the cricket match with the Wolseley Car Club at Baxter Reserve on Sunday March 16th. Do hope we have a good turn up. C'mon Humbers & Humberettes, getcha gear on, and see if we can't bowl out these Wolseley boys.

EASTER NATIONAL HUMBER RALLY

Plans have been completed for the Easter National Humber Rally at Bendigo, and we are looking forward to meeting Adelaide and Sydney car club members and their cars.

We understand there are nine cars coming from Adelaide and Sydney and one from the Interstate Clubs. Reg & I, and Des & Denise Judd travelled to Bendigo last weekend to plan our itinerary for Easter, and we feel we have arranged a very interesting programme, and hopefully a very happy weekend for all.

## SOCIAL NOTES CONTINUED

### EASTER NATIONAL HUMBER RALLY - Cont.

A lot of work and effort has gone into planning this Rally, and we would like your full support to make it a success.

For those who are unable to come for the weekend but can make a day trip, the itinerary is as follows:-

We are staying at the "Bendigo Motor Inn" Calder Highway, Kangaroo Flat  
Phone: 054 - 47 8555

Friday - Settling in, and getting to know you day (4th April)

Saturday 5th April

Morning: Ride on "Vintage Talking Tram". A unique tram tour of 8 km commencing from the Central Deborah Gold Mine to the Joss House and through the centre of Bendigo.

PROVIDE OWN LUNCH

Afternoon: Procession through Bendigo commencing at 1.30 p.m.

6 of our cars will be entered (2 from each state).

Evening: 'Dine In' night at the Motel Restaurant

Sunday: 6th April - Observation Trial - commencing from the Motel at 11 a.m.

B.B.Q. lunch - concours - presentation

Monday 7th April - There is a large procession through Bendigo for those who are able to go. Again, six Humbers can participate.

For those coming on Sunday for our picnic day you may bring your own meat to B.B.Q., or you may purchase steaks, sausages or hamburgers from the kiosk at our destination. B.Y.O. drinks. Meet at the Motel at 10 a.m.

We have received a letter from the Pied Pipers wanting cars for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. If you can help this appeal, would you please contact Keith McConchie on 89 3561.

Congratulations to Janet and Chris Webb on the birth of their son.  
Big Welcome to little Robert Gregory.

Marion.

1956 Mark IV Snipe Reg. to July. Had recent R.W.C. Good mechanically. Body needs tidy up. Good leather seats. Easily restored classic. \$400. Must sell - Lloyd Hughes, 877 3208

1955 Mark VI Hawk. Running O.K. Recon. gear box just fitted. Needs clutch & Minor bodywork. Reg. just expired. \$195 ONO. Must Sell - Lloyd Hughes, 877 3208.

### EDITOR'S NOTES

I wrote our first newsletter in October 1975 which was a two page affair giving the aims of the Club and details of the steering committee as elected.

Since then, our newsletter has developed to give a comprehensive & interesting coverage of all club events. I only hope I can keep up the good standard set by John Browne. Many thanks to John for doing this big job virtually ever since the club started.

The British Motoring Show was well organised and well attended with a good showing of Humbers. We are going to suggest that next year each club be invited to submit one car and that judging or voting be done on the best car of the day.

As well as the Mark IV Snipe I entered my 1951 Austin Sheerline and a restored 1930 Triumph 9 H.P. Sedan.

#### Members and cars attending were:-

Des & Denise Judd	Series IV Wagon
Reg & Marion Hattersley	Series V Snipe
Bob & Nancy Kennedy	Series IV Wagon
John Browne	MG
Tom & Lynne McAlpine	Series V Snipe
Les Lindorf	MK III Snipe
Tom Bamber	-
Lloyd Hughes	MK IV Snipe
Colin & Lorna McKenzie	J. Browne's MK III
Bill & Joan Holmes	Series V Snipe
Nancy Butt & Beryl Ahern	Series IV Snipe
Harold & Adelaide Undersood	Series V
Bob Bruce	Series II Hawke
Vince Pezzano & wife	MK II
Bill & Dawn White	Series IV
Peter & Vera Davenport	Series V

FOR SALE: Series IV Damaged Pass side rear 1/4 panel & boot. Unreg. Motor & Trans good. Upholstery Red. Front seat good. Slit on top of back seat. Spare series III motor. Offers wanted.  
Martin Downey - 376 8696

ALL 1980 MEMBERSHIPS ARE NOW DUE

NEXT MEETING: FILM NIGHT - General Interest Topics - Friday 28th March

April Meeting will be on ANZAC DAY 25th as we cannot change the booking.

For the May meeting we should have a speaker on Lukey Mufflers.



### CRICKET MATCH RESULTS

The Wolseley Club won the day at Baxter Oval on Sunday 16th with 5 for 41 declared to our team's all out for 38. Among our successful bowlers were Des Judd & Lloyd Hughes. Young Dean Underwood proved a very persistent batsman despite being not much taller than the bat. Weather was excellent and after a friendly match we handed over to the children who continued the game as they all got a hit.

### TECHNICAL NOTES - Idler Arm Bush Kit - SFR's MODEL SNIPES, HAWKS, IMPERIALS

Lots of us have had steering troubles at one time or the other and quite a lot of the fault can be tracked down to the rubber bush on the idler arm. Well you will be happy to know that a replacement part is being made by Mackay Silentruba Products, Chesterville Rd. Moorabbin. I am not able to obtain the parts direct from them but I was told where I can get them as the same part is used by some other vehicles FORD THAMES VAN, AUSTIN, JAG ETC.

The following is a list with part Nos of where you can get the "bush kits".

FORD (FITS THAMES VAN) PART NO. 400E335OB

AUSTIN AYB 600

REPCO RTP 21

Cost - Around \$10-\$11

Happy Humbling

### FOR SALE:

Borg Warner DG Auto Transmission. Series V Diff, Doors, Bumper, Overriders, bonnets, cylinder heads + lots of other bits.  
Bob Kennedy 789 5119

Fish Radar - Complete and Working. Works to 100 Metres. \$100 O.N.O.  
Bob Kennedy 789 5119

WANTED: Old clocks going or not. Don't throw them away - throw them at Bob Kennedy. Does anyone know of an old Grandfather clock case? I need one.  
Bob Kennedy 789 5119

### FOR SALE

1964 Humber Hawk Reg. Feb 81. 88,000 Gen. miles. Had new rings at 67,000, main bearings, big ends, starter motor, brakes etc. Thoroughly maintained & receipts for all work done. AWA radio. Immaculate inside & out, Moonstone Duco, Red Interior.  
\$1850 negotiable. - Jack Hooker 783 2386

1953 Mark III side valve super Snipe. Unregistered but car is complete & thought to be O.K. Painted red, will accept \$40. Also Super Snipe Parts. - Peter Reinen, Cobden Road, Timboon, Phone (055) 98 3265.

Series III Hunter Hawk. Two owners, present owner since 1967. Motor VGC new exhaust system, new tyres. Recently spent \$350 on car. For RWC only needs screen scratches removed & tie rod ends. Paintwork & interior excellent - always garaged. Offers to Mr. Fenelon 232 9175 (only selling due to stroke.).

## DIESEL CAR ENGINES

For those people thinking diesel engines it is interesting to note that Mercedes have produced in excess of two million diesel powered cars. You might be surprised at the amount and who is building and testing diesel motors for fitting into cars:- Volkswagon as you all know have 4 cylinder cars, but did you know they also have 5 and 6 cylinder motors plus a V8 on paper at this time for research purposes. Peugeot - Citroen have 4 cylinder powered cars with and without turbochargers. The Japanese are well in the act with Toyota Crown powered with a 4 cylinder motor. Isuzu also have a 4 cylinder diesel car, the Florian. These two companies are just a couple going diesel.

In the other countries we have B.M.W. with turbocharged 4 cylinder diesels plus 6 cylinder motors. In the States all of the big names are running diesel powered cars, General Motors have fitted a V8 diesel into the Cadillac Seville (sorry about that) 25 MPG in the city, 36 MPG highway.

Above is only a few of the companies involved with diesel power. Well, have fun sorting it all out. Happy motoring.

BOB KENNEDY

## 1980 INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SHOW CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

The organisers of this event had a creditable turnout despite the rain early in the day and it seemed to me that the MG Club was behind the V.A.C.C.

The organisation was well done and everything went off smoothly. I was disappointed to find that I was the sole representative of the Humber Club, particularly as my Snipe was arrayed alongside a magnificent 1955 black 300 Mercedes with driver in full chauffeur's livery! Judging was done by a number of examiners who were less thorough than we had at Como for our 1979 Concours. There were eight in the Luxury Class apart from the Snipe namely: Mercedes 300, Studebaker Hawk GT, Customline (single spinner), Ford Zephyr Zodiac, Chevrolet '59 with "porch lights" under the gull wings, Chevrolet 1960 (much less ostentatious), both beautifully re-ducoed and presented. A 1954 Austin 40 and an Austin Cambridge sedan. The first thing we had to do was drive on to a ramp and stop while an announcer gave the vital statistics of the vehicle and receive some "goodies" by Repco, then revert to our judging places.

In the Luxury Class the 300 Mercedes won while I received a commendation from the judge for an original car.

The class winners were - Mercedes 1955 300 Sedan, a lovely Riley drop-head an Austin A40 with whitewall tyres, Mercedes 2 door sports (beautifully presented in red & white colours) and an MG Sedan with sliding roof was the most desirable car. Overall the red Mercedes won but it was not on display at the motor show because of its VALUE..

I attended the Motor Show and saw our Club banner standing out proudly & also John Browne's Mk III. Don't know how they lifted that 2 tons of car up to the balcony. There was a good display of car clubs cars. The show was a disappointment to me except for the Rolls Silver Shadow there was nothing on which I would trade either of my cars. RALF CHALMERS

ADS

1957 Mark VI Humber Hawk O.H.V. Genuine 58,000 miles. RWC and registered to August. A very original car with classic lines. Sound paintwork in foam grey & sage green. Very good interior. With little work this car could be brought up to concours condition. Price reduced to \$750. Peter Schofield, 392 Nepean Hwy, Parkdale, Ph. 90 3931(A.H) or 99 3213(Bus)

Humber Super Snipe Series I 1959 (imported) leather int. with Picnic Tables Ext. & Int. very good \$100. - Mr. McNichol, 23 Clarence St. East Malvern Phone 211 4461

Humber Super Snipe Series V - 42,000 mls only - int. & ext. excellent. Reg to August 80 with R.W.C. Radio \$1500 ONO  
Wes Southgate 13 Anzac Rd. Trafalgar - 056 - 331327

Humber Vogue MKI 30,000 gen. mls. Excel. order inside & Out \$1500.  
Red Int. with new carpets. White ext. Reg. Dec. 80 Auto. Radial Tyres  
Don Frayne 592 5026

Humber Super Snipe Mk IV 1953. Oct. 80 Reg. Int. & Ext. fair, Mech good Drk. Grey. Some spares \$150. Ron Wilson 6/44 Fletcher St. Essendon 370 4749 Weekends only - 63 7033 - Work

Humber Series I 1959 Auto. Good order inside & gout. Good tyres  
New battery Reg. April (Qld) \$250. 13/82 Camberwell Rd. East Hawthorn 82 8431

Humber Super Snipe Series IV \$300 spent Auto Trans. Tyres Good. Moonstone ducc. Excel Cond inside & out. Reg. to April \$995.  
Jack Bailor 509 5078

FREE: Cyl Head suit Series III plus other parts.  
Phone (Work) 66 6046 ext. 344. or 1281 Toorak Rd. Burwood.

1962-63 Humber Snipe ex VIP chauffeur driven vehicle (Auto) 2 pistons & conrod need replacing, crankshaft needs regrinding transmission OK)  
1962-63 Humber Snipe Auto. Engine/transmission V6 (currently registered as being used, upholstery U/S; body needs repair around rear window.  
1959 English later model here) Fumber Hawk Manual 4 speed with overdrive. Engine, transmission in excellent condition. Camper body with 2 front-half-bench seats which lay back. Upholstery very good. Body rusted.

1957/58 Humber Snipe 4 speed Auto (last model of Snipes) Excellent condition throughout. Currently registered & used (Rego to April) Twin Stromberg Carbies, New Tyres.

Numerous brand new spare parts and second hand, purchased originally with view to restoring two vehicles to mind condition. Genuine offers considered.

Will reply any mail enquireis addressed to: Bob Martin P.O.Box 609  
Alice Springs, N.T. 5750  
Phone: Bus. 52 1158

**NEW MEMBERS:**

Mrs. C. Peter, 6 Wylevy Rd. Buderim, Qld. ('60 Hawk)  
G. Tennant, 3 Jorgenson St. Bakers Creek, Via Mackay (Qld)  
P. Richardson - 5 Goldview Rd. Heatherton 3202  
D.G. Brown 166 Monash Road, Tarragindi, Qld, 4121.