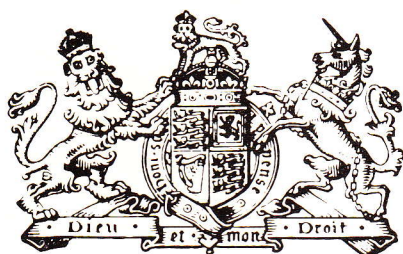


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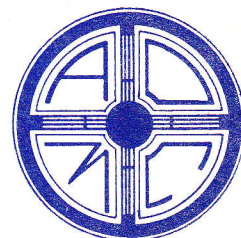
The **HUMBERETTE**



By Appointment to
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Official Newsletter of the Humber Car Club of Victoria.

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HUMBER CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA

COMMITTEE 1981

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CLUB CALENDAR FOR 1981

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS:

These are usually held on the second Sunday of the month.

APRIL 12th	"Chirnside" - Werribee Park
MAY 17th	Gippsland Run
JUNE 6th to 8th	Holiday Weekend - Bellarine Penin-
JULY 11th	Wine & Cheese Night sula.
AUGUST 9th	(To be advised)
SEPTEMBER 27th	Presidents Run - Mystery Trial
OCTOBER	(To be advised)
* NOVEMBER 8th	Club Concours D'Elegance
* NOVEMBER 27th	(Friday) Annual Dinner & Present-
	ation Night
DECEMBER 5th & 6th	"Phillip Island Classic"

GENERAL MEETINGS:

The H.C.C.V. meets on the fourth Friday of the month at the Theatrette, Camberwell Civic Centre, Inglesby Rd. Camberwell at 8.00 p.m.

March 27th	July 24th	November 27th (Annual Dinner)
April 24th	August 28th	December - no Meeting
May 22nd	September 25th	January 22nd 1982
June 26th	October 23rd	February 26th 1982 - Annual
		General Meeting

All Correspondence & Membership Subscriptions to:

The Secretary, H.C.C.V., P.O. Box 35, Frankston, 3199.

Newsletter Items to: Lloyd Hughes, 16 Main Street, Blackburn.
3130.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The last Meeting at Camberwell saw a fair turn-up of Members but I do feel we could enlarge the numbers quite a bit more. For those present we had an enjoyable film night and saw some old-time films that brought out a few good belly laughs. I would like to thank Norm Watt very much for supplying the films to the Club. Well done Norm.

The Marysville trip in June was voted out for various reasons, mainly cost, but Bill Holmes and Syd Humphreys came up with a winner for the Queen's Birthday week-end - using their week-enders plus some extra places for accommodation. Bill and Syd, thank you. Our Social Secretary Adelaide Underwood will give all the details in this Newsletter.

Earlier this year I asked each Member to make an effort for your Club Newsletter by sending in at least two items for the year, well I'd like to ask you as Members also to put on your thinking caps and try to enlist at least one new Member into the Club. This does not require a great effort but will surely help our Club. New faces and new cars add more interest for all of us - more people to talk to, more cars to look at and even more wheeling and dealing. It keeps the Club going, so off you go and please try hard to enlist new members. The next run on May 17th is down to the Gippsland area - this I can assure you will be a very good run. Tom and Lynne McAlpine will be our guiding stars for the day but by the time you read this it will all be over.

Hoping to see you all at Camberwell on Friday 22nd to welcome our guest speakers and also for that roaring revelry we'll enjoy on the long weekend!

Bob Kennedy.

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NEXT MEETING:

GUEST SPEAKERS

This should prove of special interest.

Gentlemen from Wynn's Australia will provide a demonstration of their Friction Proofing method and talk to us about their products. Wynn's additives are said to reduce friction and wear in all moving parts thus saving motorists money.

A highlight of the evening will be a FILM OF THE 1980 INDIANAPOLIS 500 RACE provided by Wynns.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 24th APRIL, 1981:

The President opened the Meeting at 8.10 p.m. before about 30 people including Roger Wells a member who has been absent for some time and visitors Martin Everett and Guellyn Good who have a 1952 Hawk for sale.

1. Apologies:- Herb Perkins, Peter Sheldon, Les Lindorff, Jack Lhuede, John Browne.
2. Minutes passed as read. Harold Underwood.
3. Correspondence:
In: Rowland Wheatley not joining due to study commitments.
G.W.T. Hall with Series Va. for sale.
Newsletters from Austin A40 and Daimler Car Clubs.
Out: G.W.T. Hall acknowledgement (ad. in April Newsletter)
Rowland Wheatley acknowledgement.
4. Treasurer's Report: Des Judd read out the Treasurer's Report, due to Peter's absence. Current balance as of 24th April is \$263. 81c. Account has been transferred to East Melbourne. Adopted - Lloyd Hughes.
5. Social Secretary's Report: Adelaide gave details of last outing and future outings to Marysville and Gippsland.
6. Editor's Report: Lloyd Hughes would like more items from Members to place in "The Humberette".
7. President also called on Members to provide more for the Newsletter as it is the basic communication between all Members far and wide. The main value Country and interstate Members get from the Club is the Newsletter so it should be more interesting. Any items at all, not necessarily on Humbers or cars, can be included in "The Humberette".
8. Technical Officer's Report: Nil.
9. Peter Davenport asked when the next National Humber Meeting would be held. President replied that S.A. Club will host the next National Meeting during Easter 1982. It is held every two years.
10. Badges are available at \$10 - they are superior quality to previous batch.

Minutes continued

Minutes of General Meeting held on 24th April, 1981 continued ...

11. Bill Holmes has many Series IV parts for sale.
12. President asked how many Members would be interested in Marysville week-end. Response proved negative.
13. Bill Holmes suggested Indented Heads for a week-end at the holiday flats owned by himself and Syd Humphreys. After discussion it was decided that this would be a practical proposition which would cost very little.
14. Bob Kennedy also gave details of Gippsland outing which includes tour of Latrobe Valley, visit Gippsland Folk Museum and afternoon tea at McAlpines.

The Meeting closed at 9.00 p.m. followed by films. The films were obtained by Norm Watt and were appreciated by all present.

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SOCIAL SECRETARY'S NOTES:

Welcome to our Queen's Birthday Weekend Humber Holiday! Yes, it's definitely on. Not at Marysville but on the Bellarine Peninsula just beyond Geelong.

We have accommodation arranged, thanks to the Holmes and Humphreys families, at five residential places all quite close together. There's a three-bedroom and a one-bedroom house at Indented Heads. Also the Humphreys have two rooms available at their place which could sleep up to six people while Bill and Joan Holmes have one room and a caravan - probably housing another five or so. Allowing that children and others could probably sleep in the lounge rooms of the rented houses and that others can bring their own caravans we feel there will be plenty of room for all.

Each of the three rented places is costing \$20 a night and we feel the fairest way to spread the cost is to divide it equally.

It will work out between \$5 and \$10 per person for the weekend if we get about 30 people. Allowing two to a bedroom and two in a lounge room there is room for about 30 not counting any who bring their own caravan.

You'll need to bring: Sheets and pillowslips (or sleeping bags) towels; food and toilet requisites. The houses at Indented Heads have their own china and cutlery - bring blankets. For the beachfront flat you need china and cutlery and some blankets - there are a few blankets there. A fan-heater or radiator would be handy in case it's cold.

There is a small restaurant not far away, we may organise dinner there for one night and a barbecue the other night. Horsing will be available for the Friday night if you want to get an early start and spend three nights there.

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Social Secretary's Notes - continued:

In case the weather is bad we'll have a tent available alongside the barbecue.

Do let me know if you're coming. Phone 783-1164, or write to 126 Beach Street, Frankston, 3199. Please contact me before Friday 29th May and remember the date is 6th to 8th June - get there on night of Friday 5th if you like. I'll let you know about keys, etc. when you ring.

See you there, Adelaide.

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S T O P P R E S S - L A T E N E W S

MAY OUTING TO MORWELL OPEN CUT AND GIPPSLAND FOLK MUSEUM.

This was a berrific day! I've just arrived back from the trip and left this space to insert news about it.

We inspected the very well laid out Folk Museum - at Moe, exhibits included a Stanley Steamer and an early BUICK hearse - then proceeded to Hazelwood Power Station and Morwell Open cut for a very comprehensive inspection tour and film on the complex.

A full report will be given in the next Humberette including vital statistics on Victoria's Coal Resources.

Meanwhile Adelaide Underwood has provided a list of all those who attended:

Joan & Bill Holmes (Series V) Syd & Gwen Humphreys (Series V)
Des & Denise Judd and girls (Series IV Wag.) Tom McAlpine & family (Mk.1 Snipe) Herb & Connie Perkins (Series Va)
Harold & Adelaide Underwood (Series Va) Bob Bruce (Series II Hawk) Fred & Elenor Page & girls (Series Va)
Bob & Nancy Kennedy & boys (Series IV Wag.) Anne & Col. Anderson & family (Mk. 6 Hawk) Les & Bev Lindorff & family (Mark III Snipe) Lloyd Hughes & girls (Triumph 2500 TC)

I must say it was a great attendance especially as the weather was cold and overcast.

A BIG VOTE OF THANKS to LYNNE McALPINE for opening her home to us and serving a lovely afternoon tea. Also the same thanks to TOM McALPINE for organising the tour of the S.E.C. works which included a bit of extra service for us as friends of a Staff Member. Yes, Tom works there.

Happy Humbering to St. Leonards/Indented Heads.

Lloyd Hughes.

EDITORS NOTES: Without wanting to give a free plug for anyone, I'd just like to relate this story which was told to me by a garage proprietor at Maldon, Vic. about 15 years ago.

One of his customers was a farmer who had a 4 Wheel Drive "BLITZ BUGGY" and farmed land around the base of Nuggety Hill a steep and rocky area. After using products similar to the Wynn's products in the gear boxes and differentials (probably engine too, though that wasn't mentioned) he found the "Blitz" would climb sloping faces it wouldn't climb before and could do other jobs on flatter areas in a higher gear than it could before! In a normal car this should mean more miles per gallon.

IDEAS FOR FUTURE ISSUES OF THE HUMBERETTE.

- * A Simple crossword.
- * Childrens fun page
- * A women's page
- * A simple quiz - on cars or general knowledge.

For material for these features we would need CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MEMBERS. How about one of you lovely ladies acting as "collector of information for the Womens Page" - a promising performer could even become Womens Editor! So give it some thought girls - I'm sure Gwen Hymphreys or Nancy Kennedy or Joan Holmes or Nancy Butt or Beryl Ahern could find something - cuttings from newspapers or Womens Magazines would be ideal. No need for one to do it all, though, Each of you send in a small cutting.

Maybe we could start off with a controversial topic and you could all give your personal views on it. Lets hear what some of our Country Members' wives have to say, since they normally can't get to Meetings.

A couple of other ideas could be:

- * My Hobby - written in by a member.
- * Personal Profile - in which I interviewed the Member and got a brief resume of his experiences, how he got involved with Humbers, jobs he has worked at or characters he has met. You "oldies" ought to be a gold mine of information. Give it some thought - OR SOME PEN & PAPER!

Hopefully Humbering, Lloyd Hughes.

A P O L O G Y

Last month, being unable to contact Peter Shelden, he was away on holiday - I could not get a list of people who had paid him their subs directly. So, rather than omit giving a final reminder to someone who hadn't paid, I decided to send final notices to all except those who Des recorded as posting subs to our P.O. Box. Sorry if I offended a few "old faithfuls" who had paid early in the year. (There are still a couple of doubtful people, I'll sort it out on Friday.)

Lloyd.

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FOR SALE :

A Mark VI Hawk - about 1956 model - rusty body, parked in open for quite a while but has 4 new tyres. It's in Chadstone and is free for the taking. We don't have an exact address but Bob Bruce - phone (059) 96-1983 will be able to direct you to it.

1952 Humber Hawk Mark IV. Genuine 49,000 miles, one previous owner. Bronze duco and red leather interior both in excellent condition, 4 new tyres, long Reg. and RWC. Original number plates XK 618. Will accept offers close to \$3,000. Miss Good, 14 William Street, Brighton, 3186 Phone (03) 592 1280.

WANTED :

Red vinyl to match seats on Series IV Snipe. Nancy Butt, Phone 570 5012.

Wanted by new Member Bill Huberts for 1946 Mark I Super Snipe: Two HUB CAPS and MASCOT or the loan of a Mascot from which a casting could be made. Contact Bill Huberts at (03) 792 1028 or 10 Bryants Road, Dandenong, 3175.

Note: As Mark "bits" are very scarce in Victoria, could Interstate Clubs please ask their editor to repeat this ad. in your local Newsletter.

HANDY HINTS: For those who also have a Holden or have sons or daughters, etc. driving any of the following cars I noticed fan belts for \$1.75 at W.L. Ryan Pty. Ltd., 590 Elizabeth St., Melbourne. They suit: Holden HR, HD, HV, HC, HQ, all 6 cyl. Toranas, Chrysler Centura, Jaguar XJ6 4.2, Rover 2000 and 2000 TC, Subaru 1400 c.c., Toyota Corona 2200 cc., VW Beetle 1968 onwards plus all Volvos from '72 to '75.

FOR SALE : AIR CONDITIONER for Series Va. Complete unit with all fittings available. Kelvin Hughes, 523 6332 (Home) or 51 6844 (Bus. hrs)

CHANGE-OVER SERVICE FOR: Generators, starter motors, alternators. Low cost service available from Des Judd - 783 9743. Distributors and fuel pumps also available.

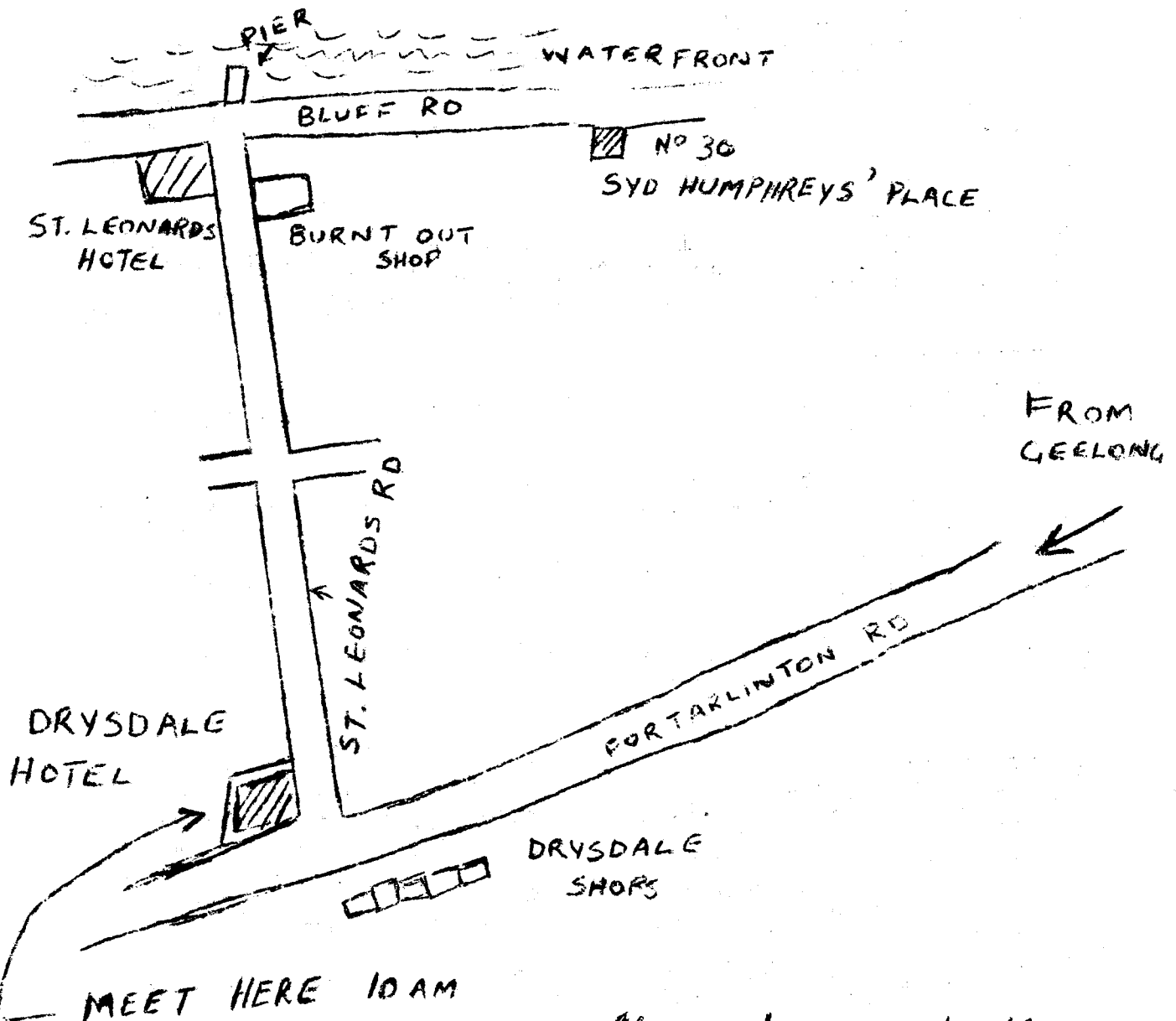
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PHILLIP ISLAND CLASSIC

Shabon Insurances (Classic Car Specialists) have notified all car clubs of an event they have organised for December 5th & 6th at Phillip Island racing circuit. Full details next Newsletter but briefly there will be BBQ and Dance Saturday night, open counours for all classes on Sunday plus Swap Meet, Trade Displays, Full Historic Race Meeting and Reliability and Regularity Trials.

HOW TO GET TO ST. LEONARDS

If can't spend the weekend there, visit us just for the day.



WE WILL LEAVE MESSAGE AT BAR
SAYING WHERE TO FIND US IF
YOU COME LATER.

If you have any trouble
getting to places we've rented,
the Estate Agents After Hours
Phone No is ~~344~~ 43-3982
(Mrs Atkins) STD CODE 052

DON'T FORGET TO BOOK WITH SOCIAL SECRETARY
BY FRIDAY 29th MAY.

HUMBERS HAVE THAT ROYAL LOOK.

Following the recent visit of the Prince of Wales I was reminded of an interesting true episode.

During his mother's visit with the Duke of Edinburgh in the early 1950's a Royal Command Performance was arranged to be staged in the Tivoli Theatre in Sydney and Tommy Trinder was the stage star. Naturally everyone wished they could attend and my wife & I were included in "everyone"

We were fortunate enough to obtain 2 circle seats on the same level as the Royal Party and about 30 feet away from the Royal Box. As can be imagined dress included full length frocks with above elbow white gloves for the ladies a white tie and tails for the men. Instructions were that honours, decorations and medals "will be worn".

I do not know if readers know of the thrill of knowing that we were to be part of the evening. We spent a hectic time in Sydney buying my wife a frock and all that goes with it as well as arranging to hire tails & tie. Then we had to arrange for miniature medals to be mounted for each of us as we had only our full size ones, as did most other people and there was quite a rush for them.

Our next query was transportation as we did not wish to arrive in a cab. One of our close friends had a Mk 111 black Super Snipe but its condition was only fair and it was not as shiny as ours nor as good. He volunteered to drive our snipe and to drive us in to the theatre. We arrived in "style" and while we stepped out of our car his wife slipped from the front seat to gain a good position among the onlookers.

The whole concert and the "atmosphere" was wonderful and a great success. The Queen's tiara sparkled every time she moved while Prince Philip seemed most interested in the polished cabinet of chocolates at his elbow. Everywhere in the audience jewels and tiaras flashed and decorations clinked. My wife looked splendid in her new frock, gloves etc.

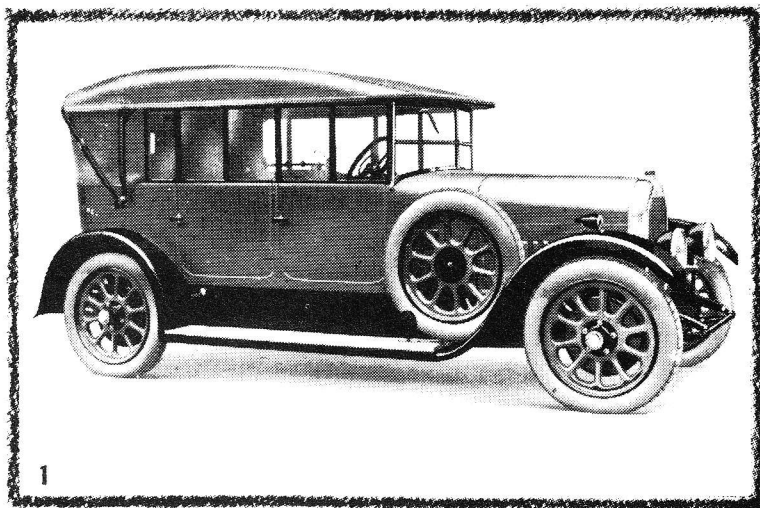
We had arranged for my friend to bring the car back for us well after the show finished as we wanted to get to the foyer to see some of the guests in their glamorous gowns come down the stairs. While this was going on a doorman was calling out the numbers on cars as they pulled into the kerb so guests would know theirs had arrived. We saw Tommy Trinder leave in his Triumph (I think) with his TT. 1 number plate. Then suddenly we heard "car AGM 330" and lo and behold there was our car with the door held open for us to depart - $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour earlier than arranged !!

What had happened was that the police had noticed our gleaming black snipe driven by my friend, hovering on the outskirts of the royal party cars (all Mk 111 Snipes), and, thinking that the driver has become mixed up ushered him into place among the official cars. Solike it or not we had to depart when called. In Sydney's narrow steets all parking spots were taken at that time of night and we missed most of the guests leaving as we had to drive home to Turrumurra.

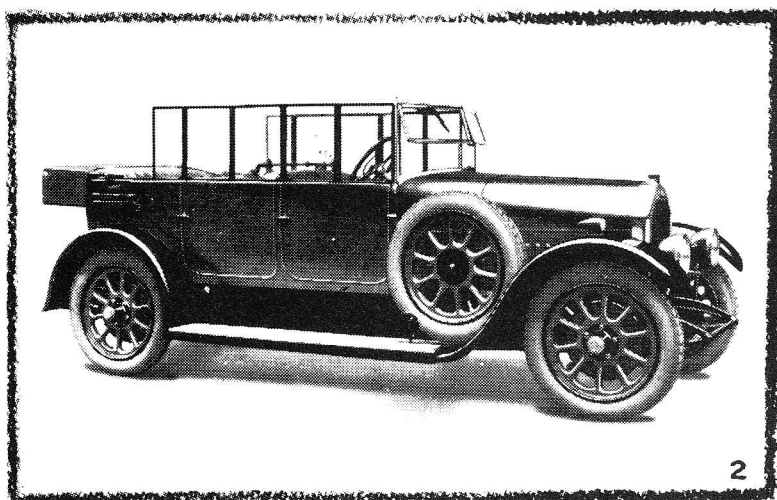
I must say that our Humber Snipe looked the part and we had nothing to be ashamed of, but we had a good laugh about the episode and having to leave the theatre so suddenly.

All in all it was a memorable evening.

Ralf Chalmers.



1. 15/40 h.p. Tourer with
hood raised.



2. 15/40 h.p. Tourer with
side windows raised.

3. 15/40 h.p. Tourer showing
easy access to driver's seat.

