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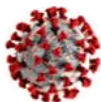
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BULLETIN ARTICLE LOTTO

is now officially operating again. (See page 24)



Congratulations to the 2nd lucky winner, **Jim Thompson**, whose prize is to provide an article, on a topic of his choosing, for the September issue of *The Vintage Bulletin*.

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PREFACE

IN MEMORY OF CAROLYN ROBINSON,
Diane Farrier, Carol's replacement, wrote in the July edition of *Veteran Torque*: "I would like to acknowledge the tremendous contribution of Carolyn Robinson, who served as editor of *Veteran Torque* for over twenty years, Carolyn's dedication and commitment to this publication have been greatly appreciated, and she will be sadly missed by many." An obituary for Carolyn begins on page 21.

For Members who want to take their historic vehicles on an outing, there are eight pages of advertisements for activities suitable for us and our vehicles. There are also five and a half pages of "For Sale/Wanted" advertisements; and a page devoted to a lost vehicle. Interesting.

The Club's Annual General Meeting was held on Friday 31st July. We welcome **David Marshall** and **Ian Nicholls**, to the Committee and appreciate the commitment of the continuing Members, **David Bristow**, **Michael Paget**, **Chris Rees**, **Paul Senior**, **Caroline Wood** and the **Editor**. Any Members who would like to join the Committee would be most welcome. Meetings are conducted in person and by phone, usually on the second Thursday of the month.

There are brief reports of two recent Club activities—the Annual Lunch and Ladies' Day. As expected, less attended than in the past; but that did not detract from the enjoyment. Also, our first Aged Care visit for 2026-2027 was conducted recently. There will be another one early in September. Reports on both will appear in September's *The Vintage Bulletin*. Please volunteer your time to assist these important events.

The Bulletin Article Lotto is underway. **Rory Hope**, its first winner, has provided an interesting article, "Herbert Austin and his early cars". It starts on page 17. Other news is that Steve Ford's Post Marques are still having a rest; and that the second Lotto winner, Jim Thompson, has provided material which awaits photographs to be taken by the Editor.

Oh, Test Cricket has popped up again in various places around the world. Good News, even though Bangladesh beat the Australians in one.

Anyway,

that's what I think.

Wayne Wood



E and OE Thank You

AUGUST 2026

FROM THE COMMITTEE

Meals before Meetings will continue. \$5.00 per head.
Clubrooms open after 6:00pm. Meal available after 6:30pm.
Meetings commence at 7:30pm. Free super at conclusion of Meetings.
Please note that for some meals a higher price may be charged.

COMING EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR 2026

Tuesday 1st September	Old Car Day/National Wattle Day
Thursday 3rd September	Regis Burnside Aged Care Display
Sunday 25th October	Down Under London to Brighton Run
Friday 11th December	Christmas Dinner

COMING EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR 2027

Sunday 10th January	Early Birds' Run
Sunday 21st March	Historic Motor Vehicle Gathering
Sunday 25th October	Down Under London to Brighton Run



TRAFFIC MARSHAL TRAINING



SA Police will conduct
Traffic Marshall Training at the Club's General Meeting
on Friday 25th September 2026.
Please mark your diaries.
**We need Members to be there, whether or not they intend
to do any marshalling.**

At the **Committee Meeting** held on Thursday 13th August 2026 the following was confirmed:

VICE-PRESIDENT	Caroline Wood
TRUSTEES	Treasurer Ian Nicholls
	Secretary Caroline Wood
	Committee David Marshall

RUN DIRECTOR for Down Under London to Brighton Run and
Historic Motor Vehicle Gathering Rodney Wood
SEAL HOLDERS to be appointed if and when required to act.
The seal is kept by the Secretary.



MORE FROM THE COMMITTEE

At the **Annual General Meeting** held on Friday 31st July 2026, the following Committee was elected:

PRESIDENT	Chris Rees
SECRETARY	Caroline Wood
TREASURER	Ian Nicholls
EDITOR	Wayne Wood
COMMITTEEMEMBER	David Bristow
COMMITTEE MEMBER	David Marshall
COMMITTEE MEMBER	Michael Paget
COMMITTEE MEMBER	Paul Senior

and the following Appointments were confirmed:

Club Registration Authorised Person	David Bristow
Webmaster and Rugby Custodian	Paul Senior
Delegate to Combined Car Clubs and Federation of Historic Motoring Clubs	Caroline Wood.

The Treasurer will endeavour to find an Auditor.

Ian and Lorraine Loader will conduct the 2027 Early Birds' Run.



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

These fall due on 1st July each year.

Vehicles registered pursuant to the Conditional Registration Scheme for historic, individually constructed, left-hand drive and street rod vehicles, (the Scheme), must not be driven on public roads, including car parks, unless the owner is a financial member of a registered car club.

There is no grace period in so far as Registration is concerned.

Offenders may be treated as driving an unregistered and uninsured vehicle. Fines are severe.

Please make sure that your Membership is up to date before you, or anyone else, drives your conditionally registered vehicle on a public road.



ALL CLUB MEETINGS AND EVENTS ARE
REVIEWED AND CONDUCTED IN THE LIGHT OF GOVERNMENT
DIRECTIONS AND THE RISK TO MEMBERS.

COMING VSCC EVENTS

GENERAL MEETINGS IN 2026

in the Combined Car Clubs Clubrooms
Clark Avenue, Glandore

Clubrooms open 6:00 pm
Formal proceedings 7:30 pm



GENERAL MEETING

Friday 28th August 2026



Come and join us



“Meal before the Meetings”

Clubrooms open 6:00 pm for a meal at 6:30 pm

Sausages with vegetables and onion gravy

\$5 per head

Tea, coffee and biscuits included

RSVP Caroline

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Then the following (Friday) General Meetings:

25th September 2026

30th October 2026

27th November 2026



MORE COMING VSCC EVENTS

OLD CAR/DRIVE IT DAY

NATIONAL WATTLE DAY

Tuesday 1st September 2026

REGIS BURNSIDE AGED CARE

Thursday 3rd September 2026

1:30 pm

6 Booth Avenue, Linden Park SA 5065

DOWN UNDER LONDON TO BRIGHTON

Sunday 25th October 2026

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Friday 11th December 2026

EARLY BIRDS' RUN

Sunday 10th January 2027

HISTORIC MOTOR VEHICLE GATHERING

Sunday 21st March 2027

DOWN UNDER LONDON TO BRIGHTON

Sunday 25th October 2027

Please Note

As explained previously, this list of
Coming Events replaces earlier lists.





39th

Down Under

London to Brighton

Run

for

Self-propelled Vehicles, including Motorcycles, at least 100 years old

Sunday 25th October 2026

London Road, Mile End South to Brighton Beach

Hosted by The Vintage Sports Car Club of SA Inc.



The Club acknowledges and thanks the Federation of Historic Motoring Clubs for its financial assistance; and also the Clubs and individuals who attended the 2026 Historic Motor Vehicle Gathering to ensure its success.



NATIONAL WATTLE DAY

Tuesday 1st September 2026

In 1988, the golden wattle was officially proclaimed as Australia's national floral emblem. Then, in 1992, the Australian Government declared 1st September as National Wattle Day—standardising the celebration across the country on the first day of Spring

Acacia pycnantha (golden wattle), is one of more than 1000 species of wattle which have evolved across the diverse Australian landscape over 35 million years. The wattle's green and gold are the colours of the Australian National Sporting Teams—and our Medicare cards.



National Wattle Day in South Australia is also “Old Car/Drive It Day”. That is the day we are encouraged to get our historically registered vehicles out of the sheds and onto the roads and other places where they can be seen by the public. There is no need to undertake long, elaborate runs.

Some Members will visit Bethany where the Gawler Veteran, Vintage and Classic Vehicle Club will host a BYO picnic. Perhaps others may simply park their cars on their front lawns—or take them shopping.

In previous years we have, as a Club, arranged runs and so on. This year we will rely on Members to “do their own thing” on the day. Please submit photographs of your day for publication in *The Vintage Bulletin*.

Editor

NATIONAL WATTLE DAY

Tuesday 1st September 2026



September 1st
“DRIVE-IT DAY”
“OLD CAR DAY”



Old Car Day
Tuesday September 1st 2026
Bethany Reserve; Bethany Road, Bethany 11.00am
BYO Lunch



The first day of Spring, September 1st is promoted by the Federation of Historic Motor Vehicles SA as “Drive It Day” in SA. You are encouraged to take your historic vehicles out so that the public can see them. Take them to work, take them shopping, go for a drive, organise a run.



The Gawler Veteran Vintage and Classic Vehicle Club invite your club or club members to join us at Bethany Reserve; Bethany Road, Bethany at around 11.00am on Tuesday September 1st, 2026.

The Gawler Club has organised runs to Bethany starting as follows:

Fremont Park, Elizabeth

Princes Park, Gawler Showgrounds, Gawler

All runs meet at 9.00 am for 9.30 am start.

You are welcome to join us, organise your own runs, or just turn up.

It is all very informal, BYO lunch, toilets and a large shelter are available, but we suggest that you bring chairs.



It is a great opportunity to mix informally and share our hobby. So, come along, meet with fellow enthusiasts, have a chat, give the old vehicle an airing.

More Information: Alvin Jenkin 85292504 or email e-torque@gawlercarclub.com.au

NATIONAL WATTLE DAY





Sunday 18th October 2026

ENTRIES ARE NOW OPEN



FEDERATION MOTORFEST 2026



12th October to 23rd October

Entries close 1st October 2026

Day One	Monday 12th October	Milang Vintage Machinery Club AUCHENDARROCH HOUSE AND GARDEN
Day Two	Tuesday 13th October	Adelaide Allmake Automobile Club OUR LOCAL WILDLIFE EXPERIENCE
Day Three	Wednesday 14th October	Gawler Vet, Vint. & Classic Vec' Club CARS TO THE PORT
Day Four	Thursday 15th October	Military Vehicle Preservation Society AN EVENING WITH AUTOMOTIVE HISTORY IN KHAKI
Day Five	Friday 16th October	Mercedes Benz Club of SA BATTUNGA COUNTRY
Day Six	Saturday 17th October	No Event
Day Seven	Sunday 18th October	BAY TO BIRDWOOD
Day Eight	Monday 19th October	Adelaide Allmake Automobile Club SMELL THE ROSES
Day Nine	Tuesday 20th October	Motorfest Committee THE GRANGE IN GRANGE ... WHO IS CHARLOTTE?
Day Ten	Wednesday 21st October	Early Ford V-8 Club of SA GIANTS OF STEAM
Days Eleven and Twelve	No Events	www.fhmcsa.org.au



VICTOR HARBOR GRAND PRIX

MOTORCARS - MOTORCYCLES

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CENTENARY



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MORE DETAILS SOON

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26-27TH SEPTEMBER 2026

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CAR CLUB
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Barossa Vintage

COLLINGROVE HILLCLIMB

A Celebration of Race Circuits

PRE WAR & PRE 1972 CARS & MOTORBIKES
HISTORIC CAR DISPLAY & CIRCUIT DRIVES

NURIOTPA GRAND PRIX CIRCUIT-SAT 3 OCT
COLLINGROVE HILLCLIMB-SUN 4 OCT
WOODSIDE F1 CIRCUIT-MON 5 OCT

3-5TH
OCTOBER
2026

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Arthur Clisby Memorial Picnic Day

Sunday 20th September 2026



Macclesfield Oval & Sporting Complex
Crn. Davies & Kingrose Streets Macclesfield

*Join us for a nostalgic club drive and picnic
The ideal chance to give your vehicle a test run
before the Bay to Birdwood!*

Entry is FREE

BYO Lunch or Food is available to purchase from the Lions Club (BBQ)
and at the Macclesfield Footy Club Kiosk

Please can all Clubs provide a head count of attending vehicles
and indicate who would be purchasing food on the day.

RSVP Brian Davey (0400 826 969) By Friday 11th September.



The "Federation" in its various forms has been serving the interests of historic motorists in South Australia since 1971.



Renmark Red Mud Run

Saturday and Sunday
24th and 25th
October 2026

SATURDAY

Register from 11:00am
at 'Olivewood'

Registration Forms:

rvccc.com.au



**38TH****POWER OF THE PAST****14th & 15th November 2026****Echunga Recreation Grounds****Echunga Rd Echunga SA**

Veteran, Vintage & Classic Cars, Trucks and
Motorcycles, Heritage Stationary Engines, Machinery
And Tractors. General Displays, Trade Stalls.

Children's Activities, Fully Catered.

Swapmeet Sunday 15th

Sellers 6.00am Buyers 7.00am



10:00am to 5.00pm Saturday and 9.00am to 3.00pm Sunday

Information:

Allan Wheaton 0408 899 775. Bev Hunter 0427 970 518

pop@ahmrc.org



ANNUAL LUNCH

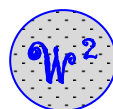
Sunday 19th July 2026

WHAT A LOVELY DAY IT WAS.

It could have been snowing outside—or 120°C in the shade—we had a lovely time inside the Marion Hotel. One table for fourteen. No “saving seats” or other anti-social actions. Just a group enjoying each others company with a meal. Lots of happy talk, laughter and smiling faces. Reminiscences too. No wonder we were the last to leave the Dining Room.

As for the food ... if I was at home I would have licked my plate clean.

Caroline, Christine, Christopher, David, Frank, Jim, Lloyd, Margaret, Michael, Michele, Pam, Richard, Sandy, Wayne. They came from far and wide.



**SA Police to conduct
Traffic Marshall Training at the Club's General Meeting
on Friday 25th September 2026.
Please mark your diaries.**

LADIES' DAY

Sunday 16th August 2026

IT WAS PLANNED THAT WE VISIT THE **Newmans's Plant Nursery** at Tea Tree Gully. Unfortunately when the Treasurer called to make a booking there was no room for us. So, we were booked in to **Doncho's Café, part of the Virginia Nursery Pty. Ltd. Virginia Home and Garden Centre, (known by many as the "Virginia Nursery")**. The Treasurer was informed before leaving home that the chef was ill. That did not put us off.

A small group of us enjoyed coffee and cake in the Café where there were only two other small groups. **Garth and Margaret** dropped by. Their "Chev Club" also had arranged to visit the Nursery; and in the absence of the chef moved on to the Virginia Hotel for lunch.

After a couple of hours, on the **President's** recommendation we drove to the **Lower Light Hotel** on the old Port Wakefield Road. Over the years I had driven past on the way to or from "up north" or the Yorke Peninsula but didn't stop there. The President has visited there, hence his recommendation.

Still a "country pub", (although with an expanded dining area out the back)—and with the staff writing lunch orders on paper to be handed to the chef—we were impressed with the Hotel's vibe, the menu and the friendly efficiency of the (experienced) staff. There was a "Sunday Menu". \$16.90 a plate! (Mine contained ten vegetables! Nice.) Deserts from \$7.00. As well, there was an extensive list of "Specials" and regular items. Well worth the drive from Adelaide.

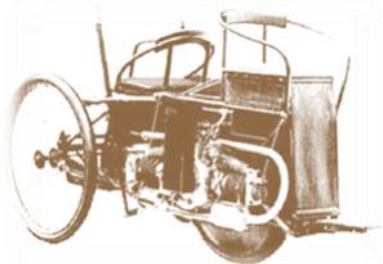
Having arrived at one o'clock for lunch, we stayed until four before leaving for home after a pleasant, relaxing day. (It's a pity we didn't record our conversations for the benefit of politicians and others.) Thank you, **Caroline**, for making the arrangements. Thank you **Caroline, Chris Q, Chris R, Ian, Judy, Lloyd, Lorraine, Richard, Wayne**.



HERBERT AUSTIN AND HIS EARLY CARS



IN 1884, AT THE AGE OF 18, HERBERT AUSTIN EMIGRATED from England to Australia (Melbourne) and commenced various engineering jobs which included working on gas engines, locomotive boilers and mining equipment. In December 1887 he commenced work as Manager of an engineering workshop in Melbourne where he made improvements to a sheep shearing machine owned by Frederick Wolseley. While in Melbourne he married Helen Dron and they had two daughters, and a son. In 1888, Herbert and Helen moved to Sydney where he commenced work with the *Wolseley Sheep Shearing Machine Company*. In about 1893, Herbert (and Helen) returned to England as Manager of Wolseley's factory in Birmingham. He soon became interested in designing motor cars and in 1895 he produced a tiller-steered three-wheeler. This historic car, built before the formation of the *Austin Motor Company*, is displayed at the *Heritage Motor Centre*, Gaydon, Warwickshire.



**Herbert Austin's
1895
tiller-steered,
three wheeler**

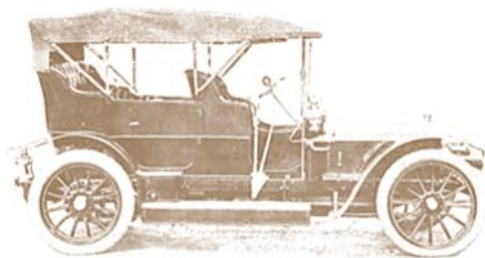
In 1905, the 38-year-old Herbert Austin moved into a disused printing plant in the Longbridge district south of Birmingham and established the *Austin Motor Company*. A prototype car (Austin No. 1) was driven out of the factory gates at Longbridge in April 1906.



Herbert Austin and his early cars (cont'd)

The Autocar remarked: “The engine ran with great smoothness and sweetness; the Austin car struck me as being exceedingly well designed and workmanlike and an excellent sample of the combination of refinement and strength”.

Serious production of this first model of Austin took place during 1906. The car was a chain-driven, 4 cylinder 25/30hp model. This car, and the modified versions that followed, like all early Austins, was particularly well-made and was manufactured using high-quality steel. The steel quality is not unexpected given that Frank Kayser, a steel manufacturer from Sheffield, was a co-Director of the original Company.



**Austin 25/30 horsepower
the first “finished” Austin**

During its first years of production, the *Austin Motor Company* successfully entered cars in reliability trials and hill climbs. The favorable publicity gained from early successes, and the high quality of the cars produced, established a reputation for excellence and reliability. By 1912, the Longbridge factory was producing six Austin models, and the company employed nearly 1,000 workers.

In 1913 Austin and his colleagues formed the *Austin Motor Company Ltd.* The large number of Austin models produced proved difficult to sustain economically, and the decision was taken to restrict diversity to only 3 models; these dominated sales until the outbreak of war.

During the First World War, Longbridge focused almost entirely on large-scale production of munitions, ambulances, lorries, armoured cars and aircraft. In 1917 Herbert Austin was knighted for his services to the war effort. He later served as a Conservative Member of Parliament—but apparently never made a speech in the House of Commons. 

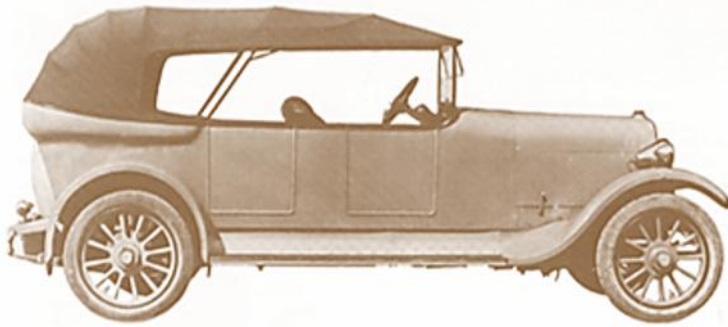
Herbert Austin and his early cars (cont'd)

In 1936 Herbert Austin was created Baron Austin of Longbridge. He was a generous man and gave very large sums of money to hospitals and universities in England. He died in 1941.

Towards the end of the War, Austin commenced development of a single model car with wide appeal—the 'Austin 20'—which was to become famous and entrench the company's reputation as a builder of exceptionally reliable and comfortable cars. Our esteemed editor, Wayne Wood, and a poorly attending VSCCSA member, (the author of this article), both have Austin 20s, and we can vouch for the accuracy of the point raised by Wyatt, that the style of engineering in which Herbert Austin had been trained was inclined towards comparatively heavy engineering. *"Never use a ¼ inch bolt if a 1½ inch would do"*.



A wonderful photograph of an Austin 20 open tourer at speed at the Shelsley Walsh Hill-climb, Worcestershire, in 1923. Shelsley is said to be the oldest motorsport venue in the world, and events are still run on the original course. The car is being driven by Colonel Arthur Waite, who married Herbert Austin's daughter and established an Austin dealership in Melbourne. Arthur Waite won the 1928 Australian Grand Prix driving an Austin 7. 🚗

Herbert Austin and his early cars (cont'd)

Austin Twenty tourer – considered by *The Times* rather ugly

This article is based on sections of the excellent book by RJ Wyatt: *The Austin, 1905–1952*. Roadmaster Publishing (1981). Wyatt is an authority on Austin history, and I hope I have portrayed his painstaking research accurately. RH

Rory Hope



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VALE
CAROLYN (CAROL) ROBINSON

Sunday 16th June 1940 – Friday 19th June 2026



Carol and Alan Robinson joined the club⁽¹⁾ in July 1994 with their AX Renault affectionately known as Reggie. They were already seasoned car enthusiasts as members of the Sporting Car Club of South Australia⁽²⁾ prior to moving to Queensland.

They would both volunteer at the National Motor Museum at Birdwood and had a collection of fine English vintage and PVT vehicles as well as the Renault.

As Carol would say, “if each had their own, the Renault is actually mine” as evidenced by the 1992 listing in the National Roster of Members⁽³⁾. Alan Robinson of Athelstone S.A. is listed with no vehicles as all of his are vintage and PVT while Mrs Carol Robinson also of Athelstone S.A. is listed with a 1909 AX Renault. Let’s hope that any Franco-English hostilities were easily quelled.

From day one the Robinsons assimilated into club life. They regularly attended club and interstate events and helped by organising and assisting with club socials and events. They ran a few western suburbs rallies and Alan usually organised and ran a couple of events at the annual Gymkhana.



Vale Carolyn Robinson (cont'd)

I recall one social wine and cheese evening where Alan and Carol conducted a wine tasting competition where participants had to place five wines in order of cost by taste. The bottles had their labels covered and only identified by number. Surprisingly I won first place even though there were two wines which I could not separate. It turned out that Alan had tried to trick us by having two of the five wines the same.

When long time Editor, John Stewart, announced that he and Bev were retiring to Crows Nest, Carol volunteered to take over the role with Alan's assistance. While Carol wasn't the first female to take on the role, that honour went to Kay Sypher back in the 1970s, she would go on to be the longest serving female editor and would eventually surpass all others to become our longest serving editor.

In the twenty years and two months Carol held office, she would publish two hundred and twenty-two editions of *Veteran Torque*. As Queen Elizabeth II served (sic) fifteen Prime Ministers, Carol served with nine different Club Presidents. Some were very diligent in producing a President's Report each month by the cut off date, but a few took a bit of managing, which Carol usually did very diplomatically.



Vale Carolyn Robinson (cont'd)

To start with, the Editors were listed jointly as Carol and Alan Robinson, presumably in order of the time and effort put in by each. By August edition of 2013, Alan had run up the white flag, thrown in the towel, picked up his bat and ball and said it's up to you now girl. That was the last time he appeared as co-Editor, but that didn't stop him remaining as a contributor to the Magazine.

The position of Editor has always been a non-Committee role, however Carol saw some benefit in being part of the decision-making process and at the 2010 AGM was elected as a Committee Member. She remained on the Committee for the next fifteen years, retiring at the last AGM.

Carol's passing has left a gaping hole in the Club not only for the great contribution she made to the running of the Club but more importantly for the lasting friendships that were cemented.

Our thoughts now go with Alan as he enters his 104th year; and with the rest of the family. We will all miss you Carol, rest in peace.

This Eulogy by Peter Arnold has been reproduced from *Veteran Torque*, July 2026, with approval of the Editor, Diane Farrier

- (1)** Veteran Car Club of Australia (Queensland) Inc.
- (2)** Should be The Vintage Sports Car Club of South Australia Inc.?
- (3)** Veteran Car Club of Great Britain "Members Handbook and List"?



BULLETIN ARTICLE LOTTO

With the Committee's support,
the Editor has reintroduced the "Bulletin Article Lotto".

The idea is that each month a Member will be selected
to provide material for '*The Vintage Bulletin*'.

Their name will be printed in the magazine
together with the month for which the article is requested.

The winner may select material about any subject
and may provide, among other things, a written article,
scribbled notes, photographs, or a sound recoding.

People who have had material published elsewhere
may wish to submit that.

On the other hand, we cannot condone plagiarism.
Nor will material produced by AI be accepted;
and copyright must be respected.

The Editor will accept that some people,
instead of producing an article, may be more comfortable
providing source material which he or others may use to write
for '*The Vintage Bulletin*'.

With twelve winners a year, each Member will be
required to produce only one article approximately every nine years.

However, if there are one, two or more regular contributors
then we can abandon the Lotto.

The first winner, Rory Hope, has provided an article already. The second winner is Jim Thompson. He is waiting for the Editor to take some pictures to complete his story.

Please be prepared for your turn and ...
Keep Smiling,



Rex's "What car is that?"



To win the chocolate this month we need to know:
What the car is
and
Which Prime Minister imported it into Australia.

First correct answer to editor@vscsa.org.au wins

REMEMBER TRAFFIC MARSHAL TRAINING

SA Police to conduct a Traffic Marshall Training Session
at the Club's General Meeting to be
held on Friday 25th September 2026 at 7.30pm.
Please mark your diaries.

NATIONAL MOTOR MUSEUM TO LEAVE BEAULIEU ESTATE

THE FUTURE OF ONE OF BRITAIN'S BEST-KNOWN MOTORING ATTRACTIONS has been thrown into uncertainty after the National Motor Museum announced plans to leave its long-time home at Beaulieu, with behind-the-scenes tensions over funding, governance and the museum's long-term future emerging.

The National Motor Museum Trust last week confirmed it has begun searching for a new home as the lease on its Beaulieu location approaches its end. It said a move will allow it to transform the museum, expand its educational role and better fulfil its national remit. The Trust stressed that visitors will see no immediate change, the current lease having four years remaining.

More: <https://pocketmags.com/au/autocar-magazine/19-aug-26/articles>



“WHILE WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMPORTANT ROLE THE TRUST HAS PLAYED in Beaulieu's story, motoring is an integral part of the Montagu family history and will continue to have an important place in our Beaulieu visitor experience.

The day-to-day operation of the museum will not change from a visitor experience perspective and Beaulieu intends to continue to operate a motor museum in the future, as it has for over 70 years.

Beaulieu's motoring events will be unaffected, with no change to our events calendar and we look forward to welcoming visitors to the much-anticipated International Autojumble in September.

While the Trust considers future options away from Beaulieu to achieve the charity's long-term aims, its lease at Beaulieu continues for another four years. After that time, there is an exciting opportunity to look to the future and reshape how the museum at Beaulieu will look and feel”.

<https://www.beaulieu.co.uk/news/beaulieu-statement/>
12th August 2026

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH
Look at the Past,
Live in the Present, and
Plan for the Future



For Sale



Model Rolls Royce \$50 ono
Contact editor for details

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EXCITING NEWS

After supporting our Club for more than 25 years, allBiz Supplies has undergone a restructure coinciding with the retirements of Di and Craig Bellamy. The Stationery and Office Supplies Division of the company has merged with United Office Choice while the Print and Signage parts of the business will continue at 125 O'Sullivan Beach Road, Lonsdale.

Now known as "**allBIZ Print and Signs**", the team we know so well will continue to print *The Vintage Bulletin* for us.

Lost

Aston Martin Car A1 (aka the 'Coal Scuttle')



Lionel Martin's wife, Kate, seated in "Coal Scuttle"
Jack Addis standing with unidentified woman

In 1912, Lionel Martin and Robert Bamford established a business, selling and servicing cars. Bamford and Martin Pty Ltd was registered in 1913. That same year Martin raced a "special" at Aston Hill, a hill-climb on public roads. After Martin had some success, they founded Aston Martin in 1914 and built their first car. That car was the "Coal Scuttle", (because of the bonnet resembling a coal scuttle), known as car "A1", the first Aston Martin. It performed well.

After 10 hard years as a "test bed" it was sold for £50 in 1924. Apparently it has not been seen nor heard of since then.

In 2024 the Aston Martin Heritage Trust began asking for information about what happened to it. The Trust has the oldest known existing Aston Martin car, now known as "A3", but is hopeful that A1 can be found—or at least it might learn its fate.

Please pass information to the Aston Martin Heritage Trust via its web-site:
<https://amht.org.uk/contact/>

For Sale

1927 Model 10 Falcon Knight



Restored 1927 Model 10 FALCON KNIGHT
Excellent provenance with old documentation.
Has been in the same family since new; (2 owners).
Completely stripped and restored.

[see photographs <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/27c3cfeyxlkrj8crrg4s7/AE1YjYTuohmomPqjOlUhhE8?rlkey=zzrnz905v35zggv33cbnm9nc&st=qx3y2a2v&dl=0>]

Electrics converted to 12 volt.
A number of spares included.
Car is in Stirling, South Australia.
Best offer over \$25,000.

Contacts:
0493 871 874
moralana@internode.on.net

For Sale

1929 Austin 20/6 Limousine



Fully rebuilt Engine and
Gear Box
New Radiator
New Tyres
Restored Dash Board
and Gauges
New Body Woodwork
Correct Carpet
Leather for Interior
Head and Side Lights
Spare 20/6 Rolling Chassis



Contact Denise Nye
0407 887 456



For Sale

1925 Amilcar C4 Roadster

Reg No. XX 359L

I've owned this Amilcar for nearly 14 years and now am reluctantly selling it due to health reasons.

The engine has been professionally rebuilt.
All five beaded edge wire wheels have been replaced.
It has Blockley tyres, electric fan, electric water pump
and new 'Wosp' starter motor.. Receipts included.

\$34,500

Contact
Rex Wilson
0412 813 415



1925 AMILCAR C4 Roadster



For Sale

1930 Chevrolet Parts

I sold my beloved 1930 Chev. Roadster, and I hope there is someone who may be interested in buying the left-over spare parts.

Includes engine parts, (including block, head with valves, etc), gear boxes, brake parts, clutch, diff, axles, starter and steering gear. Also a radiator surround; windscreen frame; and a lot more.

These pictures may help.

Contact Peter Aschberger

0409 674 532

Email: paschber@optusnet.com.au



Wanted

1926 RUGBY 380mm Steering Wheel, Door handles and Side lights

Required to complete the restoration of a car which
has been in a Broken Hill family for 80+ years

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Email: editor@vscsa.org.au

Hi all, we are chasing the trip odometer wheel assembly
from an oval Stewart Warner speedo for the Model A Ford
we are doing at the Mens' Shed. The rest of what we have is
all good but the trip wheel assembly is dinged up and jams at
certain points so we need to find a better one.

Anyone able to help out?

Cheers, Steve

Phone: 0497 377 774

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Email: hupmobile24@gmail.com

For Sale

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HOLDEN *Commodore* VR Sedan 1992

White. 4-door. Automatic.

Good straight body. No rust.

Duel Fuel. Tow Bar. Rear spoiler.

Not Registered. Can be heard running.

Needs some work.

Ideal project for Holden enthusiast.

Many Spare Parts.

Phone: 0456 415 811

Original Salt & Pepper Hood Material off the roll

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Phone: 0456 415 811

Jim's Puzzle[©]

Find the Words – FALCON KNIGHT

Find the words below. They go forward, backward, up, down and diagonal. IF THERE IS A REPEAT IT IS TO BE FOUND ONCE. When you have found them you will have 14 letters left. Circle them and write them in order to find the hidden message. Good luck.

F	A	C	T	O	R	Y	E	L	Y	R	I	A	G	6
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S	E	L	A	S	H	G	I	H	Y	R	E	V	F	E

KNIGHT / SLEEVE / VALVE / ENGINE
 FALCON MOTORS / CORP
 DETROIT / MICHIGAN
 1927 TO 1928
 FACTORY ELYRIA OHIO
 6 CYLINDERS
 9" BY 1½" WHEEL BASE
 RARE / GRAY GHOST
 ROADSTER / WIRE WHEELS
 CLOSED AND / OPEN / MODELS
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 Willys-Overland
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 1927 to 1928





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