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## OUR NEXT MEETING

**8PM MONDAY, 3RD APRIL, 2017 AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB**

### **D.L.O.C.C.A. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION**

JOINING FEE	\$20.00
STANDARD MEMBERSHIP	\$50.00
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## SUPPORT OUR VENUE

### **Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club, Ryedale Road , West Ryde**

The Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club generously donate a meeting room to our club each month for the purposes of our monthly meeting. This is done at no cost to our club and we are very grateful for this kindness. We ask our members to consider joining the Leagues Club or at least providing patronage to the club as a reciprocal thank you for their generosity.

## ANNUAL FEE REMINDER

Annual membership dues are now required to be paid, with a reminder that if you have a car on Club registration, you need to pay promptly or risk losing your vehicle registration.

## PRESIDENT/EDITOR'S REPORT

As I am currently away in South Africa for a month during March/April there will not be a president's report for this issue of the Magazine.

Jim Gellett

President/Editor

## COMING EVENTS 2017

<p>April 2017 Sun 9 <b>NEW</b></p>	<p><b>Picnic in the Southern Highlands</b> - Meet at 10:30 am for 11:00 am prompt departure, McDonald's car park corner Narellan Road and Remembrance Driveway (entry George Hunter Drive). A leisurely drive will follow to Winifred West Park, Mittagong in the Southern Highlands to view the magnificent tulip gardens. Then on to David and Noels 532 Moss Vale Road Burradoo for a BYO picnic lunch after 12:00pm. Click on the following link/copy link to your browser to see route map. <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/FgB7qaRdjwS2">https://goo.gl/maps/FgB7qaRdjwS2</a>. Contact Graham McDonald phone 02 9533 3128 mobile 0422 972 094 email: events@dlocaustralia.org</p>
<p>May 2017 Sun 21</p>	<p><b>National Motoring Heritage Day</b> – All members are encouraged to get their classic vehicles out on the road. We will be attending the Museum of Fire this year located at UBD map 163 F7 or use link <a href="#">1 Museum Drive, Cnr Castlereagh Road, Penrith New South Wales 2750</a></p> <p>For those unable to attend alternate CMC suggested events are as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Berry Showground - Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club.</li> <li>• Motorlife Museum - Kembla Grange</li> <li>• Wentworth Falls Lake</li> <li>• Memorial Park - The Entrance</li> <li>• Bella Vista Farm – Bella Vista</li> </ul>
<p>June 2017 Sun 11</p>	<p><b>Gosford Classic Car Museum</b> (Phone: 02 4320 0000), Meet Berowra Truck Stop UBD map 94 P9 or use link <a href="https://binged.it/2ey1XyS">https://binged.it/2ey1XyS</a>, (time TBA) for a combined run to Gosford Classic Car Museum 3-13 Stockyard Pl, West Gosford NSW 2250 (entry fees apply) See website <a href="http://gosfordclassiccarmuseum.com.au">http://gosfordclassiccarmuseum.com.au</a> Entry via last black gate off Stockyard Palce, turn left and drive towards front of museum and park in front of museum or any other available space if area full. More details to follow: -</p>

## COMING EVENTS 2017

July 2017 Sun 9	<b>(Rover/Alvis/Armstrong Siddley/Daimler) Combined Club Mid-Winter/Soup Run</b> – Destination Busby's Café Wiseman's Ferry, (phone 4566 4787, website <a href="http://www.busbyscaferestaurant.com.au/">http://www.busbyscaferestaurant.com.au/</a> ). Gluten Free and Vegetarian meals available. Full details to follow but it can be advised that the run will have two starting points at either Ham Common see UBD map 85 H8 or use link <a href="https://binged.it/2exNJxZ">https://binged.it/2exNJxZ</a> . The second starting point is at the corner of Old Northern Road and Galston Road Dural see UBD map 131 L7 or use link <a href="https://binged.it/2exHjPG">https://binged.it/2exHjPG</a> Time and run details to be provided.
August 2017	<b>National Display Day and All British Day</b> - Kings School North Parramatta. Entry Masons Drive UBD map 171 H9 or use link <a href="https://binged.it/2exZDbb">https://binged.it/2exZDbb</a> Details to follow.
September 2017	<b>President's Weekend</b> - Details to be advised
October 2017 Sunday 8	<b>Annual Picnic</b> - Lane Cove National Park Entry via Lane Cove Road at Riverside Drive see UBD Map 194 2G or use link <a href="https://binged.it/2exL8UT">https://binged.it/2exL8UT</a> actual picnic site location/ costs etc. to be advised.
November 2017 Sun 12	<b>To Be Advised</b> - Possibly Lake Macquarie Light Rail Museum – Event and details to be confirmed.
December 2017 Sun 10	<b>Christmas Lunch</b> – Venue and details to follow. Please advise If you are willing to host this event at your home (with club and members assistance).

## EXHAUST NOTES FROM THE DLOCCA SP250 REGISTER

Highlight of the month was an almost impromptu run thrown together when we heard that Rich and Mary Holden, SP250 owners from San Francisco, would be visiting Sydney. The Darter's Diplomatic Corp, that's Dallas and I, made a plan for Saturday 11 March when Rich and Mary would be in Leura.



The run commence at Mountain Blue Café, Glenbrook with 7 SP250s. Travelling by SP were Mark & Tracey Brooks, Warren Cole, Alan Hunt & Carolyn Burch, Tony & Rosie Luongo, Chris Mosse-Robinson, David & Dallas Stoodley, and joining us for the first time, Michael & Gabrielle Stringer - welcome, great to meet you. Joining the early lunch were Colin Cox, Merv McDonald (current SP restoration progressing), Russell & Jenny Turner and Bruce & Heather Thomson (SP250 at home in

Jerrabomberra). Following lunch six SPs and two moderns drove to Leura to meet our visitors.

After a brief stop at Echo Point for the mandatory photo of the Three Sister we drove to Blackheath and then to Govetts Leap for a group photograph. Don't look for Carolyn, she's behind Mary's hat.

Then, back to Blackheath and down the extraordinarily pretty road to Megalong Valley where Russell introduced us to a delightful rustic café for scones and coffee.

The run to Govetts Leap (thanks Colin for the suggestion) and Megalong were better than I remembered – a long time since I visited either



After returning to San Francisco Rich & Mary sent the following email.

*Hi All,*

*I just wanted to say THANK YOU all for such a great time. Mary and I thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, getting to meet such an energetic, positive group of motoring enthusiasts. We have fond memories, and a few photos of riding in some great Daimler SP250s and getting to know you all a little. While the cars are the focus, it is the people that make all the difference. The "tea" stop was a delight. And to see more than 3 SPs*



# DARTING ABOUT

*in one place at a time was a real treat for me! If you are in the San Francisco area, I hope you'll look us up.*

*Rich and Mary Holden, 925 250 1237 (wireless)*

The final word on this subject is a thank you to Glyn Overy and Lawrence Jones for their dedication to publishing PasSPort. Without PasSPort this day would not have occurred.

Now, a new subject, A few people pointed out that our next meeting on Friday 7 April at the home of David and Dallas Stoodley would require Sydney based people to drive north at the commencement of the school holidays – not such a good idea. After several conversations with Dallas and Chris Cole we agreed to swap dates. Our meeting on 7 April will now be at the home of Warren & Chris Cole.

## DLOCCA SP250 REGISTER MEETINGS AND RUNS

The DLOCCA SP250 Register has either a meeting or a run each month. The meetings are usually on the first Friday and the runs are usually on the third Saturday. Meetings start at 8:00pm.

**Friday April 7** – Meeting at the home of Warren & Chris Cole, “The Very End” Calabash Road, Arcadia (phone 9655 1111 or 0412 686456)

**Friday May 21** – Run to Museum of Fire, Penrith to join CMC display and then to Wallacia Hotel, 1590 Mulgoa Road, Wallacia for lunch. Please arrive at the Museum of Fire at around 9:30am. We plan to have lunch in Wallacia at around 1:00pm. The lunch will be planned by Mark & Tracey Brooks. Please let them know by Sunday 14 May if you plan to join the lunch. (0430 070085 or dsp250@iinet.net.au)

**Friday June 2** – Meeting location to be announced

**Saturday July 22** – Run to Archibald Hotel, 1349 Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Heights. Assemble at Ham Common at 10:30 for 11:00am departure to hotel for lunch at noon. This run will be planned by Cameron and Anne Norgrove (phone 4357 1188).

**Friday August 4** – Meeting at the home of David and Dallas Stoodley 260 Glenning Road, Glenning Valley. Contact David and Dallas 4388 0363.

**Saturday September 16** – Run to be announced

**Friday to Sunday October 27 to 29** – 2017 SP250 National Rally being planned by Merv McDonald with assistance from John Gallagher

Darting Off

Alan

Phone 02 9651 2961 or 0438 290639, E-mail [hunts@optushome.com.au](mailto:hunts@optushome.com.au)

## THE BUS CC 271

There are photos of this bus in the magazine and a story, as compiled by Malcolm Nixon the owner and restorer, is summarised below.

To start with, Malcolm had a chassis, wheels, radiator surround and a broken motor. Being a 1912 model, the motor was a 4 cylinder sleeve valve and needed the remaking of the sleeves and conrods as well as getting new rings and pistons, among other things. There was no body but photos of a similar vehicle were available.

By searching the internet, Malcolm found that Daimler had built about 560 of these buses from 1912-14 and this is now the only remaining one in running condition. There is another in England but with no motor. Perhaps Malcolm would like to make him one!

Co-incidentally in 1912 the Melbourne Motor Omnibus Co was formed and ordered a Daimler CC bus which arrived in November complete with body. This is the one Malcolm has restored. It was rated at 40hp with silent chain gearing system and a worm type diff. The brakes were on the rear wheels only and the tyres were solid rubber, and at maximum speed of 18mph claimed 9 mpg. The price was a modest 1250 pounds.

Then calamity; war was declared and all vehicles at the Daimler factory and elsewhere were commandeered. 1185 buses went to war but only 250 returned, but Melbourne had secured its fleet of 7 Daimlers and a few other makes. The average mileage reported in 1914 was 34,000 each.

Malcolm has the bus street registered to carry 11 passengers, and in turn we all availed ourselves of a ride around the block. In the yard is an old steam tractor which is Malcolm's next project – maybe.

An amazing talent.

John Hiscox



## COOTAMUNDRA: 24TH – 26TH MARCH 2017

Michael Pringle, the immediate past President of the Victorian DLOC and a good friend of our Club also, has written a very kind report about our recent week end away in Cootamundra, in south western NSW.

John Hiscox is also going to write a report, more from the angle of the star attraction of the week end, the visit to Malcom Nixon's Wagga Wagga workshop and his magnificent recreation of a 1912 Daimler 40HP sleeve valve engine motorbus.

I am going to give you my version of the week end, from the standpoint of one of three members of the organizing committee: what we set out to do, and what I believe we achieved.

I have been a member of the DLOCCA since about 1990. I remember that then and for many years the Club organised low key week end get togethers, often coupled with a local Rally, such as the Hub Rally or the Wagga Wagga June Long Week End Rally, to take our cars on a run and to have a week end together, able to chat and relax without the worry of having to drive home that same day.

We had memorable times in Wagga, Taree, Tumut, Wauchope and Port Macquarie to name just a few.

After a time these country rallies were left behind and we went to Adelaide to the Bay to Birdwood rally, to Stanthorpe for the wonderful week ends organised by the Late and much missed Terry Hanly, and even to a north Queensland trek organised by Susan and Lindsay Price which was a wonderful trip and a great opportunity to meet with members from Queensland who we otherwise wouldn't see.

At the last National Rally members asked about the possibility of a more casual get together in the style of our earlier week ends away in the year between National Rallies and, as Michael puts it in his report, I put my hand up and with the help of Colin Cox and Russell Turner we took the details of a country rally that a friend of Colin had been to and decided that Cootamundra was a good mid-way point for both Sydney and Victorian Club Members to meet. We were lucky that while the numbers were very pleasing (30 attendees) it was a small enough number to be able to select a town with average sized motels to fit us all in, at a reasonable nightly rate and equally, we were able to organise meals at similar welcoming country rates, so that it opened up the weekend to a wide range of members, some of whom might balk at city prices for accommodation and meals.

The weekend was all the more special because of the Malcom Nixon bus, and a lovely surprise was the late interest shown by Victorian enthusiast Ray Males who was in Wagga with his son Lance and their absolutely wonderful 1912 20HP Daimler tourer.

Between the bus and the tourer, the day was absolutely made by the social gathering of the club members, Malcolm's staff and family members and getting rides in the bus and the tourer, honestly I think that the smiles lasted well into the night!

I was particularly chuffed that members from country areas, Canberra and Melbourne who we may not see that often came for the week end and the social aspect of the week end was really special. The level of noise with the conversation around the tables and anywhere people met up, be it in the motels or in the various venues where we gathered for a meal or drinks was really heartening.

At the end of the weekend everyone said what a great idea it was to organise a get together at 'cheap and cheerful' rates and just the right balance with numbers and the style of the venues to make the social aspect so easy and satisfying for everyone present.

I hope that newer members were made to feel every bit as welcomed as older ones, and that everyone enjoyed themselves and had a great time.

## COOTAMUNDRA: 24TH – 26TH MARCH 2017

I know I did and the fact that I had a hand in organizing the week end made me feel very proud and happy, I basked in the glow of robust conversation, happy faces and interesting stories from friends from far and wide.

I warmly invite all members to seriously consider coming along to the next week end gathering, whether the President's weekend, the 2018 National Rally in Healesville or the social gatherings to be organised in 2019. They are great trips, full of warmth, friendship and laughter, with interesting cars and interesting people and most of all, good friends.

An anecdote comes to mind. I once asked Eve Hiscox to compare the Rallies staged by the Rolls Royce Club and the Daimler Club. Eve said: "the Rolls Royce runs are always very well organised with beautiful venues and expensive restaurants but you know, the Daimler runs are like going away with family."

Let us all raise our glasses and toast: "Long live the Daimler family!!!"

Peter Grant

## COOTAMUNDRA: ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE

Towards the end of the 2016 National Rally at Orange the possibility of a between rallies event began to be discussed. The idea being to choose somewhere approximately half way between Melbourne and Sydney where we could meet for a weekend with an informal, mainly socialising, agenda. As always with these ideas it needs someone to make it happen. In this case Peter Grant put his hand up and was then joined by Russell Turner and Colin Cox as volunteers to organise the weekend.

Cootamundra was chosen as the meeting place – Melbourne 640km and Sydney 400km – and the delightful (low cost) Cootamundra Gardens Motel as the venue for the two night stay of the 21 from NSW and 9 from Victoria.

Friday (24th) was travel day with most aiming to arrive by about 4:00pm. By 4:30pm the weekend socialising had begun in the gardens of the motel beside the pool and under the shade cloth. Many brought nibbles to share and pretty much everyone brought some refreshments. Thus the tone of the weekend was established. A little later in the evening our hosts put on a BBQ spread in-house so that we didn't have to move from our relaxed and comfortable positions.



## COOTAMUNDRA: ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE

Although the idea was for the weekend was to be informal Peter and the team couldn't miss the opportunity to arrange a visit to Wagga Wagga (about an hour away) on the Saturday to visit Malcolm Nixon and to view his amazing restored 1912 Daimler bus. Many will have seen Malcolm's lovely Daimler 15 so it was no surprise really to see the incredibly high standard this latest restoration has achieved. Malcolm has produced a potted history that I will give to Jack Edmonds for our library for all to read. There are some photos accompanying this report and many more on the club Facebook page.



As if seeing Malcolm's bus and 15 weren't enough Ray and Lance Males arrived with their 1912 22HP Daimler also. When was the last time you saw two 1912 Daimlers side by side? Malcolm and Ray were very generous and treated those that wanted to rides around East Wagga Wagga in either the bus or tourer or for some both.



Tables had been set up within Malcolm's huge shed and caterers arranged to provide a hearty lunch so that we could continue our socialising and listen to Malcom tell us about the history of the bus and its restoration. What a great day.

Many took the opportunity on the way back to Cootamundra to visit some of the attractions of Junee before once again assuming our positions around the socialising table prior to a short walk to the local RSL for dinner.

Sunday morning and everyone was up early enjoying breakfast before saying farewells and heading directly home or for some taking a few days for the return journey. A great idea well executed and enjoyed by everyone. We can all now look forward to the 2018 National Rally at Healesville and the next between rallies event in 2019!

Thank you Peter, Russell and Colin and everyone who attended.

Michael Pringle

March 2017

# MINUTES OF A MEETING

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DAIMLER AND THE LANCHESTER OWNERS CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC. HELD AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB ON MONDAY 6TH MARCH, 2017.

The meeting commenced at 8.02 with Jim Gellett in the chair.

**Apologies :** Victor Nash, Peter Hanson, Bob Aylward, Colin Cox

Attendees as per list filed with Minutes

### **Previous Minutes:**

Noted as read.

### **Business Arising from Minutes :**

Payment to ABD confirmed paid @ \$630 for 60 spots at the Display Day.

Noted previous minutes to be adjusted to read 6th February, 2017 in lieu of date published.

### **Correspondence :**

It was advised that notification to CAMS of every DLOCCA event was being continued as required to protect Insurance cover.

Many approached the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club in regards the continued use of their conference rooms for 2017 at no charge to the DLOCCA, it was reported that the Leagues Club was prepared to continue this arrangement.

It should be recognized that we are the only Car Club, meeting at the Leagues Club, to have this arrangement so their contribution needs to be acknowledged.

Further, members (car club) are encouraged to continue their membership (with the Leagues Club) and maybe introduce others and continue to use the facilities available at the Leagues as a reciprocal measure of support.

Various magazines were handed over to the Librarian.

John Hiscox also offered to donate to the Club a copy of one of the Lanchester Legacy Series book. Thank-you to John. There was some discussion as to which Volume was applicable (that is 1, 2 or 3). John was going to follow-up, clarify and attempt to complete the series.

### **Treasurer's Report :**

Current Account Balance @ 6th March, 2017 \$9,256.44

Term Deposit \$10636.81

MSA Alan & Warren that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and Invoices be paid as they become due.

### **New Members:**

The following new members are welcomed. Brooke Sovereign from Michigan USA with a Type V 2.5 litre limosine and Cameron Forsyth with a SP 250.

Members recently renewing included David Dodds, Russell & Jenny Turner, Peter Lalchere, Pieter & Michelle Owen.

Also received was a resignation of membership from John Allcock.

# MINUTES OF A MEETING

His resignation was reluctantly accepted with a mention to congratulate John, in recognition of many years of service and contributions to the Club.

Renewed members to date 124.

Others not received as yet to be sent reminders.

## **Social Report:**

Breakfast run a great success with report in the magazine.

Cootamundra rally details updated by Peter. All going well with approx. 30 members attending from various states.

## **Editor:**

Articles must get to editor for magazine well before usual deadline via Ian Johnson who will be coordinating the magazine in Jim's absence.

**Website:** Nil

**Registrars :** Nil

**Library:** Nil

## **Conditional Plates:**

It was noted that members who attended the RAC dinner evening, with guest speaker giving insights into the Historic Plate NSW system, were helped by the presentation.

Appropriately our Conditional Plates Registrar was one of the attendees. Thank-you Warren.

Maintenance runs are still valid under the Historic Plate system but always advise Warren. Consensus of the meeting was to fill out the log book anyway just to be absolutely covered.

**Regalia:** Nil

## **Technical & Spares:**

V8 Z% litre Saloon for sale @ 52500:00 but internally burnt out still a possible Club acquisition for spare parts source. Alan to check, get a reduced price potentially and to report back.

**For Sale & Wants:** Nil

**CMC Report:** Nil

**All British Day:** Nil

## **General Business:**

Warren noted a "collection" of brochures and associated material approx. 24AOO items, is up for sale and covers most car marques. Collection is able to be broken up to individual preference. Contact Warren for more information.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:35pm.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE DLOCCA WILL BE MONDAY 3RD APRIL, 2017 @ 8:00pm.**

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DAIMLER AND LANCHESTER OWNERS' CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC. HELD AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB 17 RYDEDALE ROAD WEST RYDE ON MONDAY, 6TH MARCH, 2017.

The meeting opened at 9:40 pm with Peter Grant in the chair.

### **Apologies:**

As per the previous General Meeting.

### **President's Report:**

As per magazine

### **Minutes:**

The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting, having been published in the Journal, were taken as read. MOVED: W. Cole SECONDED: M. McDonald

"That they be taken as a true and correct record." Carried

### **Financial Report:**

The Audit of the Financial Books and Records had not been completed and Alan Hunt reported that John Hiscox will advise if he was satisfied that the books and records were in good order and correct and complied with the requirements of good accounting practice and requirements of relevant legislation.

He presented a verbal report of the financial affairs of the Club to the 31st December, 2016, company assets, P & L for 14, 15 & 16.

Alan expressed his thanks to John Hiscox for his assistance and expected thorough and questioning examination of the Club's books and records. There was a recorded surplus of \$1488.55 after depreciation, prior and subject to audit.

MOVED: Alan Hunt, SECONDED: RussellTurner

"that the financial report be received" Carried

### **Committee Members:**

All positions being declared vacant the Chairman called for nominations for the following positions:

#### **President:**

Jim Gellett, proposed by Merv McDonald and seconded by Peter Grant. The nomination was accepted. There being no other accepted nomination either written or from the floor Jim Gellett was duly elected.

#### **Vice President:**

Merv McDonald, proposed by RussellTurner and seconded by Warren Cole. The nomination was accepted. There being no other nominations Merv McDonald was duly elected.

#### **Secretary:**

Russell Turner, proposed by Warren Cole and seconded by Merv McDonald. The nomination was accepted. There being no other nominations Russell Turner was duly elected.

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## **Treasurer:**

Alan Hunt, proposed by Peter Grant and seconded by Jim Gellett. There being no other nominations Alan Hunt was duly elected.

## **Committee:**

Nominations were made as follows:

- Colin Cox, nominated by John Hiscox and seconded by Jim Gellett.
- Linden Braye, nominated by A. Hunt and seconded by M. McDonald
- Peter Grant, nominated by A. Hunt and seconded by R. Turner
- Ray Palmer, nominated by J. Gellett and seconded by M. McDonald

As there were no other nominations Colin Cox, Linden Braye, Peter Grant, Ray Palmer were duly elected as members of the committee.

The chair was taken by Jim Gellett, the newly elected President, with thanks to Peter Grant for chairing the AGM to that point and to the outgoing committee and expressed his thanks to the members and looked very much forward to working with the new committee in the year ahead.

## **Appointees:**

The following persons having accepted the position were appointed to the following positions:

- Events Co-ordinator - Ray Palmer
- Editor - Jim Gellett
- Historian - Ian Fletcher
- Publicity - Wingham and Dulcie Keesing
- Regalia - Amanda Sykes assisted by John Steel
- Membership - Amanda Sykes
- Auditor - Alan Hunt wished to note his thanks to John Hiscox for his valuable work to date and asked that he continue in the role. John was duly appointed Auditor
- Club Plates - Warren Cole was appointed to continue in this position.
- Librarian - Merv McDonald was appointed to continue to act as the Club Librarian.
- Registrars - the Registrars remain the same as for previous year.
- CMC/All British Delegate - Merv McDonald

## **General Business:**

It was noted that the new Committee shall have a minimum of (3) formal separate meetings per Club year. Each meeting to be held at a private residence generally but each at a different venue. MSA Alan and Russell

First Committee Meeting to be held 12th April, 2017 Date and Venue to be confirmed.

It was noted that Graham McDonald was no-longer able to continue as Events Co-Ordinator with Ray Palmer to now fill the role.

# MINUTES OF A MEETING

The Club thanks and acknowledgement is extended to Graham for his outstanding efforts and contribution over a number of years in carrying out the position of Events Co-Ordinator. Graham has done a sterling job throughout his tenure in this position and the Club has been all the better for his involvement and enjoyed many well organized and interesting events. Thank-you Graham.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:12pm.

## **Committee Meeting:**

A Committee meeting was convened at 10:17pm to determine if further detailed discussion was required after the General Meeting.

The Committee agreed that there being no additional discussions or decision points required at this time then the meeting be closed.

Meeting closed at 10:35pm.

# 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION

**Denis Leys**

**PART EIGHTEEN**

## **PART EIGHTEEN - RESTORING THE HEATER AND BLOWER**

The heater matrix had a coating of rust on the cover and the aluminium base was heavily oxidised. Removing the cover is as easy as undoing two spring clips.

The air flow through the heater is controlled by two geared rotating cylinders mounted in a cast aluminium frame. After thorough cleaning, all moving parts were lubricated and re assembled.

The blower mechanism is a substantial unit in its own right and is also made from cast aluminium.

The repainted and reassembled unit looks very impressive – the mechanism is a work of art.

Related Youtube video – [1949 Daimler DB 18 Consort Resurrection Part 18](#)

Part 19 - Interior Wood Trim

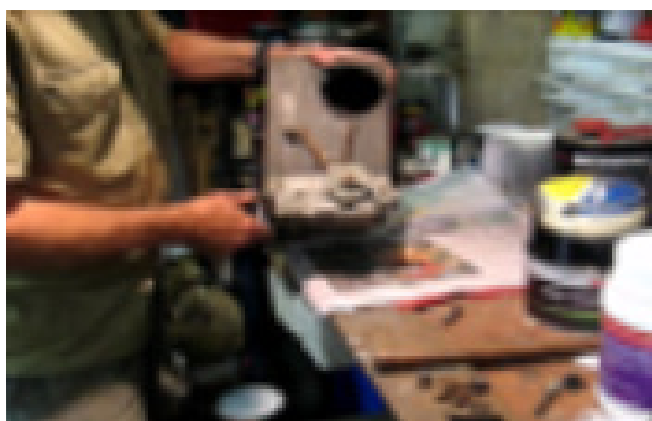


Figure 1 - The geared lever mechanism was also frozen in place

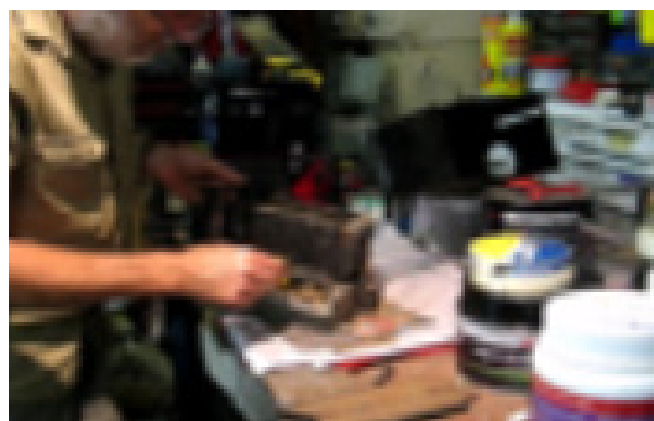


Figure 2 - I found the remains of an old mouse nest inside

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Figure 3 - The aluminium was easy to clean with a wire brush

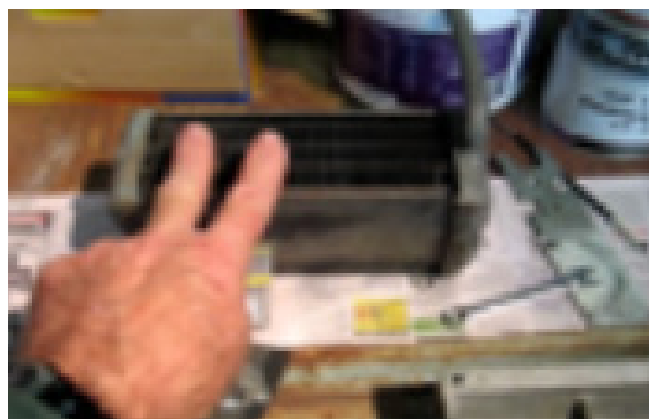


Figure 4 - The heater core was pressure tested and found to be ok

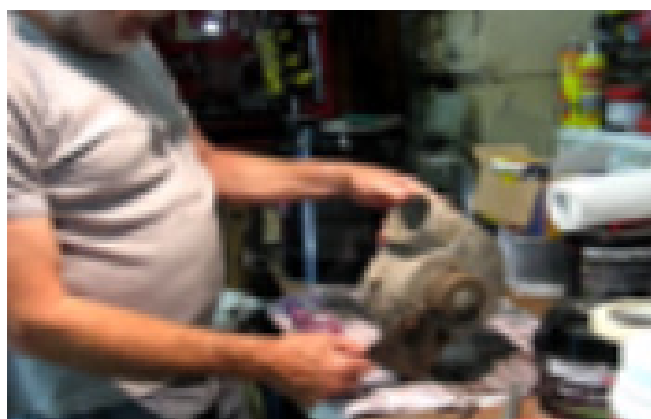


Figure 5 - The heavily oxidised housing was cleaned and given a light buffing



Figure 6 - Black enamel paint contrasts well with the aluminium

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## IN REPLY FROM DEAR LADY NORAH (DOCKER)

Dear Richard, in reply to your question in the magazine, if your speedo/cable/drive gear are operating satisfactorily there is no reason why the speedo needle should swing 'wildly'; in fact it shouldn't swing at all. If the inner cable is lubricated, rotates freely and is free from tight bends and assuming the cable's square drives aren't damaged it's possible the teeth of the speedo drive gear in the gearbox are worn. The remedy is obvious. If the gears are OK it's possible the speedo itself is the problem, although less likely. As you say, the cable rotates a flat magnet inside the speedo which is encircled by a close fitting aluminium disc to which is attached a shaft carrying the needle. As the magnet spins it induces an EMF in the aluminium disc which causes it to rotate with the magnet, the hair spring preventing it from rotating freely. When the EMF and the hairspring forces oppose each other equally the needle should be steady; when the car accelerates the increased EMF rotates the needle's shaft until the hairspring balances the new force set up by the EMF, and vice-versa. The shaft's lower bearing is held centrally by a small drilling in the rotor that carries the magnet, so if dust or dirt gets in here it can cause problems. These AC speedos are fairly simple to strip and clean - much easier than Smiths speedos which are a work of art - so don't be put off at the thought! Definitely don't use grease on the needle shaft, use a tiny drop of light machine oil.

To summarise, there is little or no instability in the system so don't use a damper on the needle staff for 2 reasons: 1) It's not necessary and 2) it would mean the speedo would need to be recalibrated.

Cheers! - Lady Docker (in the form of Steve Moore).

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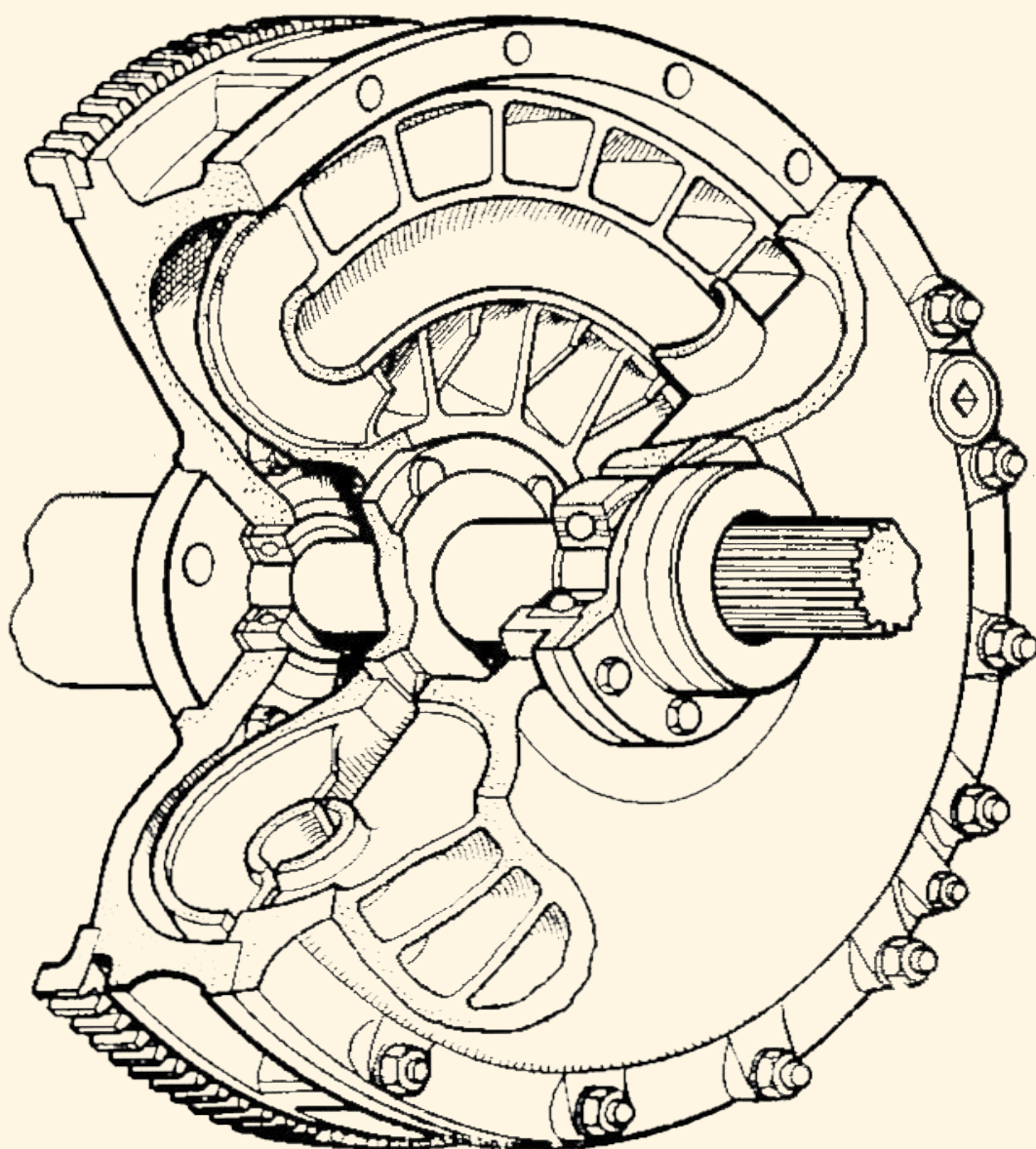
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