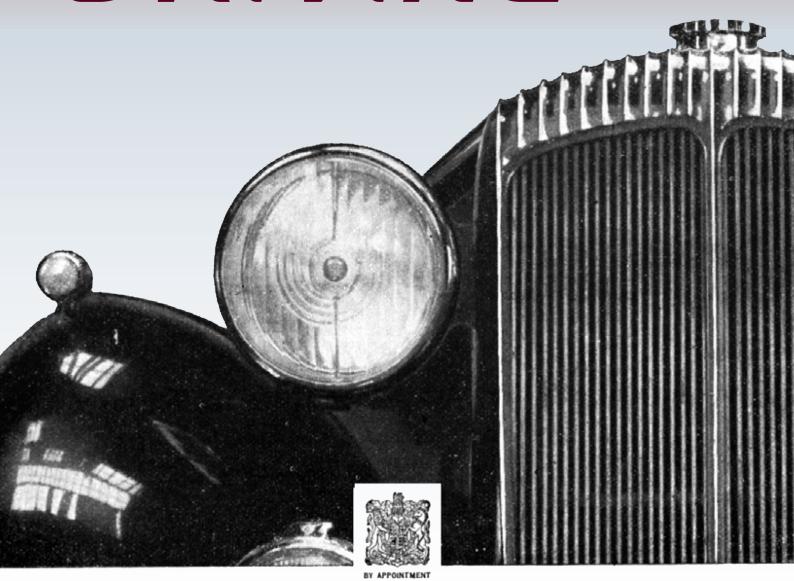






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OUR NEXT MEETING

8PM MONDAY, 2ND APRIL, 2018 AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB

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

JOINING FEE \$30.00 STANDARD MEMBERSHIP \$50.00 ASSOCIATES: \$5 EACH

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BSA	Warren Cole	02 9655 - 1111
Lanchester (to 1931)	Tony Falstein	0402533131 (mob)
Sleeve Valve	Michael Barnes	0417405766 (mob)
Other Pre-War	Robert Brandes	02 9648 6304
DB range, incl. Consort, Special Sports & LD	Steve Moore	02 9603 4498
DE range, incl. DH & DC	John Hiscox	02 9984 1169
DF, DR, DQ, DK incl Regency, 104, Majestic & Major	Colin Cox Warren Cole	02 4739 3301(H) 02 9655 1111(H)
DJ range, incl. Century & Leda	Campbell Middleton Jim Gellett	02 – 4758 7125 0419 796 371
2.5 litre V8	John Steel	02 9983-9734(H)
SP 250	Merv McDonald	9670-6797 (H)
Sovereign, and all Jaguar based models incl. DS 420	Colin Cox	(02)4739 3301

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.



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PRESIDENT/EDITOR'S REPORT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The March meeting saw the AGM take place with all of the existing Club Officers re-elected. All of the Committee were re-elected & the only change to Club officer positions was that Ian Fletcher has resigned as Club Historian, a position he has held since time began & a Herculean effort has been completed by Ian in that position. Ian was responsible amongst other things for compiling "Travelling in Style" the publication which is given to new members when they join the Club. Ian will continue to be involved in Club activities in the future, including the 2018 National Rally. Our thanks go to Ian for all of his efforts over many years which have assisted in bringing the Club to the position it enjoys today. Peter Grant will take on the duties of Club historian & may I say what a perfect choice that is. As most of us know Peter is a born, walking, talking historian who can not only tell you about any car you would like to name but also give you a full history of the car & all of it's previous owners. If you doubt this, just ask him about the history of the Club's Lanchester.

THE LANCHESTER PROJECT

The open day on 11th March at Russell & Jenny's home, home of the Lanchester, saw a keen turnout of Club members & experts. Merv & Graham McDonald achieved success in getting the Lanchester Started for a brief period. This exposed a few minor leaks which are currently receiving attention from Graham & it also appeared that the vehicle was in gear when started, as evidenced by the rapid spinning of the rear wheel! We were lucky to have had the presence of the Senior Advisor to the Lanchester project, John Steel, who gave much deep thought to the problem & has advised of a solution to free the gearbox up so that neutral may be engaged. That task will be attended to when next the work team are in attendance.

Colin Cox has donated a set of front & rear windscreen seals for the car & Graham Mc Donald has donated a new Battery. We are thankful for these items as it will help to keep the cost of restoration to a minimum.

THE NATIONAL RALLY

All is in readiness for the Rally with most of the NSW contingent departing for an overnight stopover in Albury on Sunday 15th April & proceeding on to Healesville on the Monday for the commencement of the Rally which has been professionally organized by Mike Pringle & the Victorian group. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Jim Gellett

President/Editor.

COMING EVENTS 2018

April 2018 Friday 6 **SP250 Meeting** at the home of Cameron & Anne Norgrove, 7 Summerhayes Rd, Wyee (phone 4357 1188). Following tradition this will be a Norgrove Pie Fest starting from around 6:30pm with the meeting starting at 8:pm. Please contact Anne at camann.n@gmail.com by Tuesday 3 April to order your pies i.e. how many and what flavours. The choices are Plain Beef Pie, Curry Beef Pie, Pepper & Beef Pie or Chunky Beef Pie

COMING EVENTS 2018

April 2018 Mon 16 - Fri 20	15th National Rally of the combined Daimler clubs of Australia will be held at Healesville, Victoria - Monday16th April to Friday 20th April 2018. For information contact – eureka2016@bigpond.com or 0418311422
May 2018 Sunday 13	Leichhardt Bus Museum - TBC
May 2018 Saturday 19	SP250 Run - to Paradise Café at Paradise Point to be arranged by Warren & Chris Cole in consultation with Kevin & Liz Wikinson.
June 2018 Sunday 10	Sydney University Visit to the war memorial Carillion - Details provided later
June 2018 Monday 11	SP250 Run - a Queens Birthday Holiday run to Wollombi Markets with lunch around Wollombi. Run to commence at Jerrys' Gourmet Café, 680a George Downs Drive, Kulnara (just north of Peats Ridge). Rosie Luongo to arrange.
June 2018 Friday 22	SP250 Meeting Meeting at the home of Stephen and Helen Figgis, 28 Neridah Street, Chatswood. (phone 9412 1064). Another traditional event involving an interesting garage visit followed by a glass of wine in front of a wood fire.
July 2018 Sunday 8	Proposed visit to the home of Bill Lloyd, owner of an early electric car, circa 1900, and a Doble steam car. TBC
August 2018 Weekend 11/12	SP250 Run - Weekend run to Bathurst and Mudgee to be arranged by Mark & Tracey Brooks.
September 2018 Friday 7	SP250 Meeting - Meeting at the home of Tony and Rosie Luongo
September 2018 Sunday 23	All British Day - Details to be provided
October 2018 Saturday 20	SP250 Run - Run to be confirmed
November 2018 Friday 2	SP250 Meeting - Meeting location to be confirmed
November 2018 Sat/Sun 10/11	President's Weekend Event - Details to be provided
December 2018 Saturday 1	SP250 Christmas Lunch

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DARTING ABOUT

EXHAUST NOTES FROM THE DLOCCA SP250 REGISTER

We had a fine turn out for our March run organized by Tony & Rosie Luongo. There were 7 SP250s (Brooks, Ferrier, Gallagher, Hunt, Luongo, Paterson & Stoodley) together with the Wilkinson's Mercedes and the Norgrove's Volvo. For most the run started at Ourimbah and took a run up Bumble Hill before stopping at Corrugated Café where I joined the run. Then a run up the Wollombi Road to Laguna for lunch at the Great Northern Trading Post, rather rustic, lots of atmosphere, good roadside food and cold beer. Thanks Tony & Rosie, a good day for Darters.





Our next meeting will be at Cameron & Anne Norgrove's home, 7 Summerhayes Rd, Wyee on Friday 6 April. Following something of a tradition commenced in August 2016 we are invited to arrive from 6:30pm for the NORGROVE PIE FEST. Please contact Anne at camann.n@gmail.com by Tuesday 3 April to order your pies i.e. how many and what flavours. The choices are:

Plain Beef Pie, Curry Beef Pie, Pepper & Beef Pie, Chunky Beef Pie

Please note I have altered the date of our meeting in July. It will now be brought forward to Friday 22 June.

DARTING ABOUT

While talking with Anne at the Great Northern Trading Post lunch I discovered she is from the MacRae family which has an historic and continuing connection to a wonderful castle in the highlands of Scotland. I suggest everyone does a google search on Eilean Donan Castle. The castle is on an island in Loch Duich and is quite close to the bridge to the Isle of Skye. I think we need to modify our tentative plan for the Aussie Tour of Scotland in June 2019 so we include a visit to Eilean Donan.



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.

The events/runs for the SP250 group have been integrated into the main Events page in this publication. The events are prefaced with SP250 in each case.

2019

Working Plans for SP250 60th Anniversary Rally in UK

- Saturday to Friday 1/7 June Aussie Tour of Scotland
- Weekend 8/9 June DLOC Rally Peebles, Scotland
- Monday to Thursday 10/13 UK SP250 Club Tour of Lakes & Peak Districts
- Friday to Sunday 14/16 SP250 60th Anniversary Rally, St John's Hotel, Solihull.
- Monday 17 June individual itineraries.

2020

Tentative plans for SP250 Two Week Tour of Tasmania

Darting Off

Alan

Phone 02 9651 2961 or 0438 290639, E-mail hunts@optushome.com.au

DAIMLER RUBBER PRODUCTS AVAILABLE

The Daimler Rubber Co in Western Australia has just produced a new range of brake master cylinder and brake booster dust seals and windscreen wiper spindle rubbers to suit the DE27/36, these will probably suit other cars including the DB18 and Consort.

Currently working on the tooling to produce 1/4 window rubbers for the Conquest.

We also require a pair of Majestic Major quarter window frames with rubbers if anyone can help?

We have a good range of door and window rubber seals in stock for Daimler and Lanchester's

For more information contact,

mark@daimlerrubberco.com, Ph 0419 956 684, Int +0061 419 956 684. Web site coming soon





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NATIONAL RALLY NEWS



The 15th National Rally of the combined Daimler clubs of Australia will be held at Healesville, Victoria - Monday16th April to Friday 20th April 2018

CAN YOU HELP?

- 1. We are looking for donations to make up raffle prizes and hampers. If you can donate items or know of an organisation that would be willing to donate goods or vouchers please get in touch.
- 2. Do you have video skills? We are looking for someone to assist with filming (video) parts of the rally and then editing to a DVD. If you can assist please get in touch.









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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 5th MARCH, 2018.

The meeting commenced at 8:05pm with Jim Gellett in The Chair.

Apologies:

John Hiscox, Russell and Jenny Turner, Linden Braye, Carolyn Burch.

Previous Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting were published in the Journal and taken as read. Moved: That they be accepted as true and correct: Victor Nash. Seconded: Alan Hunt. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes:

Nil.

Correspondence:

Magazine from the Western Australia Daimler Club.

Business Arising from the Correspondence:

Nil

Treasurer's Report:

Alan Hunt presented a written report. There is \$6,474.53 less payment to CAMS as listed in the report. There is a further \$10,747.93 in the term deposit.

The money paid for the Daimler Days Volume III shall be mostly recovered from Club Members who ordered a copy of the book with one copy being retained in the Club Library.

The Donation in Paul Davis' memory to prostate cancer research has been made.

The rubber windscreen wiper spindles made for the DE and DB range are available to members for \$12.00 each. We only have 30 so be guick.

The Australian Business Council has asked for the Club to update its details and Peter Grant has been asked to sort this out.

Moved: Alan Hunt, seconded Victor Nash: "That the Treasurer's report be accepted as true and correct. Carried.

New Members:

The Club welcomes the return of Mark Brooks as a Club Member. Mark has never been far from the club as he is very active with the SP250 Group and his return was a welcome sight.

Social Report:

The visit to view the collection of pre 1850 musical instruments owned by Ralph Schureck was very successful and enjoyed by all who attended.

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11 MAR: A visit to Russell and Jenny Turner's home to view the Club Lanchester Project and afterwards to picnic in the garden: 63 Davies Rd Springwood.

13 – 18 APR: Daimler National Rally to Healesville in Victoria's Yarra Valley.

27 MAY: National Motoring Heritage Day.

Editor/Website:

Nil.

Registrars:

Nil.

Regalia:

Nil.

Library:

Nil.

Conditional Plates:

Warren Cole reported that Russell Turner was looking into the Club joining the modified cars Historic Plate Scheme.

Technical and Spares:

Adrian Brown who is restoring a Conquest has been in touch asking if the Club had a Conquest rear bumper bar bade available for purchase. Jim will see if any are listed in the spares held in Victor's shed. The spares list should be with the Secretary's material with Russell.

Warren also advised that the V8 body shell (Crane car) he has been hosting will go to the tip if no one is interested in it. The person who was going to buy it has never finalised the deal.

Merv knows of someone who would want the four doors and the club agreed that they could be offered for \$100.00 each to this person.

Club Lanchester:

Jim talked about the costing done for the restoration of the Club Lanchester. It has been estimated that approximately \$11,000.00 would be needed to finish the car including paint and electricals. Another spray painter may do the work for less than currently quoted.

For Sale and Wants:

Nil.

CMC:

Nothing further. Minutes will be on their website after the next meeting.

All British:

Next committee Meeting one week from today. The Display Day will be held on 23 September 2018 due to The King's School setting a new date for the Display and Art Show. Save the date in your calendars.

Alan Hunt asked about the cost of getting the Henderson car to the display. He asked whether we would continue with this as it might help us secure a prominent spot in the rejigged playing fields as allocated to

MINUTES OF A MEETING

the cars.

Alan Hunt: moved: seconded Colin Cox: "That the Club will offer to transport Rodney Henderson's car to the Display Day and to also ask him to accept an offer to have Club Members go to where the car is garaged to help prepare it for the display". Carried by a majority.

Ray Palmer said he knew of an enthusiast with a tilt top truck who may be willing to transport the car to and from, spend the day at the Display, at a cost significantly less than the cost incurred last year. He will report back.

General Business:

lan Fletcher wishes to be relieved of the post of Club Historian and will prepare all the records and have them ready to hand over in about six months.

Peter Grant will send entry forms to Richard Davis for he and his brother to join the Club as they have each inherited one of their Late father's Daimlers.

Jim Gellett reported that at the recent committee meeting the Committee agreed to raise the joining fee for new members to \$30.00 to cover the cost of the Travelling in Style reprint and the likely cost of a badge.

Alan hunt questioned whether this was a decision for the members in general meeting or the Committee and Peter Grant advised that it was under the auspices of the Committee.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.50 p.m for the Club's Annual General Meeting to commence.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE DLOCCA WILL BE MONDAY 5th FEBRUARY, 2018 @ 8:00pm.

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 RYEDALE ROAD, WEST RYDE, ON MONDAY 5th MARCH, 2018.

The Meeting Opened at 8.50p.m. Peter Grant in The Chair.

APOLOGIES

John Hiscox, Linden Braye, Russell and Jenny Turner, Carolyn Burch.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting, having been published in the Journal, were taken as read. MOVED: Victor Nash

SECONDED: Alan Hunt: "That they be taken as a true and correct record." CARRIED.

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FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Financial Examination of the Financial Books and Records had 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.

Alan presented a written report of the financial affairs of the Club to the 31st December 2017.

Alan expressed his thanks to John Hiscox for his assistance and the expected thorough and questing examination of the club's books and records. There was a recorded deficit of \$368.39 after depreciation and write downs.

Moved: Alan Hunt seconded Robert Brandes "That the financial report be accepted as true and correct" Carried.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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

PRESIDENT: Jim Gellett, proposed by Peter Grant and seconded by Colin Cox. The nomination was accepted.

There being no other accepted nomination, either written or from the floor, Jim Gellett duly elected.

VICE PRESIDENT: Merv McDonald, proposed by Alan Hunt and seconded by Colin Cox. The nomination was accepted. There being no other nominations either written or from the floor Merv McDonald was elected Vice President.

SECRETARY: Russell Turner, proposed by Warren Cole and seconded by Merv McDonald. The nomination had been accepted by Russell in anticipation. There being no other nominations, Russell Turner was duly elected Secretary.

TREASURER: Alan Hunt, proposed by Colin Cox and seconded by Peter Grant. The nomination was accepted. There being no other nominations, Alan Hunt duly elected.

COMMITTEE: Nominations were made as follows:

Colin Cox nominated by Christine Cole, seconded by Jim Gellett

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Linden Braye nominated by Alan Hunt, seconded by Merv McDonald.

Peter Grant nominated by Alan Hunt, seconded by Jim Gellett

Ray Palmer nominated by Jim Gellett seconded by Merv McDonald.

As there were no other nominations, and all nominations being accepted all the above were duly elected as members of the Committee.

The Chair was then 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 COORDINATOR: Ray Palmer

EDITOR: Jim Gellett.

HISTORIAN: Peter Grant

PUBLICITY: Dulcie Keesing and Wingham Keesing.

REGALIA: Amanda Sykes assisted by John Steel.

MEMBERSHIP: Amanda Sykes

FINANCIAL

EXAMINER: 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 Financial Examiner.

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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 the previous year.

CMC DELEGATE/ ALL BRITISH: Merv McDonald was appointed as CMC Delegate and also as Delegate to the All British Day

Board.

GENERAL BUSINESS

It was agreed that the Club would get a single White Pages listing noting Russell's address and telephone number and this would then create an internet listing.

All Club Notices currently with Shannons, Restored Cars, Unique Cars and Just Cars should be updated as they still give Peter Grant's details as Secretary and these should also be changed to Russell's details.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.

2017 AGM TREASURER'S REPORT

The Annual Financial Statements for the year are submitted to the AGM subject to audit by the Club Auditor, John Hiscox.

My comments on the Financial Reports are:

- 1. The Balance Sheet is a statement of Assets and Liabilities that pass from one year to the next. Assets are divided into Current and Non-current. Current assets are those assets that are part of trading and vary from day to day. Non Current are items that are unlikely to change in the short term. By deducting our Liabilities from our Assets we arrive at "NET ASSETS"
- 2. The profit and Loss Statement lists our income and our expenditures during the year. Special effort is made to adjust receipts and payments that overlap year end so only those items attributable to 2017 are included in the year end statement.
- 3. After listing the income and deducting the expenditures we get to the bottom line which is the surplus or deficiency incurred during the year. That surplus or deficiency is transferred to the Balance Sheet and is either added to or deducted from our accumulated worth call "Accumulated Funds".
- 4. In the year 2017 we incurred a loss of \$368.39. That is a small amount and I suggest we consider 2017 a break even year.
- 5. Our cash reserves total \$14,353 down from last year by \$2,397 directly related to our recent

2017 AGM TREASURER'S REPORT

expenditure if \$2,354 on 100 copies of the Club books "Traveliing In Style". The value of Stock Regalia has gone up by a similar amount.

- 6. Some of the notable or unusual items that contributed to the small loss are:
 - a, Cost of recovering the Lanchester Leda. a sum of \$215.25
 - b. We expended \$500 on bringing Rodney Henderson's car to Display Day.
 - c. A write down of the recorded value of some spare parts by a total of \$112.50.
 - d. The net cost of the annual picnic was \$821.70 (Expense \$1,412 income \$590).
 - e. Member Subscriptions were down by \$450.00.

Alan Hunt MBA, BCom, CPA (retired)

DLOCCA Treasurer

DLOCCA BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2017

A/c #	A/c Name	2017	2016	2015
A01	Bank Current Account	3641.45	6151.30	13708.03
A02	Bank Term Account	10712.69	10599.95	10473.88
A11	Stock Regalia	4079.96	1657.24	308.46
A12	Stock Print/Video			425.00
A13	StockParts			1192.50
A21	Debtors & Prepayments	66.00	66.00	169.55
A22	Rally 2016 in advance		0.00	1279.00
	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	18500.10	18474.49	27556.42
A20	Library at Cost	4994.34	4938.34	4774.76
A60	Lanchester Leda at cost			
	TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	4994.34	4938.34	4774.76
	TOTAL ASSETS	23494.44	23412.83	32331.18
	LESS LIABILITIES			
L01	Subcriptions in Advance	260.00	110.00	2540.00
L02	Trade Creditors	300.00		300.00
L10	Rally 2016 in Advance			7677.00
	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	560.00	110.00	10517.00
	NET ASSETS	22934.44	23302.83	21814.18
L10	ACCUMULATED FUNDS 1.1.17	23302.83	21814.18	18889.62
	Deficit 2017 (Surplus 2016 & 15)	-368.39	1488.65	2924.56
	ACCUMULATED FUND 31.12.17	22934.44	23302.83	21814.18

2017 AGM TREASURER'S REPORT

DLOCCA PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR 2017

		2017	2016	2045
A/c #	A/c Name	2017	2016	2015
101	Member subscriptions	5200.00	5650.00	5980.00
102	Associate Subscriptons	215.00	260.00	205.00
103	Joining Fee	40.00	160.00	240.00
l11	Sales Regalia/Parts	285.00	1641.55	1632.05
l12	Sales Media			
l13	Sales Parts			110.00
I21	Events Display Day	176.00	184.00	211.00
122	Events Club Picnic	590.00	560.00	510.00
123	Events Christmas Party	162.00	213.10	206.10
124	Events Other		0.00	
!30	Interest Earned	120.71	137.04	155.32
140	Donations	95.00	45.00	59.00
150	Rally Income		20532.00	
	Lanchester Donations	20.00		
	TOTAL INCOME	6903.71	29382.69	9308.47
E01	Member Meeting Expenses		0.00	110.00
E02	Member Tributes	108.50	60.00	104.50
E03	MemberBadgesBooksCards	171.98	40.00	60.00
E04	Member Magazine Print	890.09	1099.39	409.56
E05	Member Magazine Post		0.00	420.00
E06	Member Email/Post		136.65	384.88
E07	Member Website & Emails	539.00	528.00	396.00
E08	Member Trophy Engraving	92.60	0.00	0.00
E11	Cost Of Goods Sold - Regalia	176.08	1349.87	542.93
E12	Cost of Goods Sold - Media			125.00
E13	Cost Of Goods sold - Parts			120.00
E14	Rent - Parts Storage	300.00	300.00	300.00
E21	Events Display day	1130.00	795.50	325.00
E22	Events Club Picnic	1411.70	1238.10	1196.30
E23	Events Christmas Party	170.00	172.00	207.26
E24	Events Other		0.00	0.00
E30	Fees	213.00	133.37	133.00
E31	Insurance	1591.00	1605.96	1546.48
E32	Stationery		273.20	0.00
E34	Donations			0.00
E35	Bank charges			3.00
E41	Asset Impairment - Library			0.00
E42	Asset Impairment - Regalia	112.50		0.00
E50	Rally Expenses	150.40	20162.00	
E60	Lanchester Recovery & running	215.25		
	TOTAL EXPENSES	7272.10	27894.04	6383.91
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	NET DEFICIT in 2017 (Surplus 2016 & 15)	-368.39	1488.65	2924.56
	Transfer to Accumulated Funds		1400.00	2324.30
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1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION

Denis Leys PART TWENTY NINE PART TWENTY NINE - RESTORING THE DASHBOARD

For this vehicle I chose a burl walnut veneer as the replacement for the old straight grained walnut. The dash is covered by two pieces of veneer joined in the centre of the panel. However, because of its distinctive pattern, burl veneer must be matched left to right, giving a mirror finish.

After matching the pattern left to right, I carefully cut out the veneer for the glovebox door and hammer veneered it separately. The veneering process went smoothly, with the only challenge being the matching of the veneer at the join in the middle of the dash.

I used fine sand paper to flatten the veneered surface prior to applying many coats of wipe on polyurethane. Although I wasn't trying to achieve a glass like finish to the veneer, I still spent considerable time flatting down with urethane surface with progressively finer grades of paper, and finally steel wool, before the final polish.

The final look of the dash was worth all the effort.

Related Youtube video - 1949 Daimler DB 18 Consort Resurrection Part 29 - Restoring the Dashboard

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1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION





DAIMLER BUS PRE-SELECTOR

(AstairQ is the author: Old Classic car UK Forum: Thursday October 5th, 2017:)

At an early age, I trained with London Transport as a bus driver.

The buses used were AEC RT deckers.. both in training, test, and subsequent work.

They had pre-selector gearboxes.

The gear selector lever ran in a 'gate... with each gear position being a different distance from the centre.

There was no positive click, or resistance, other than the end of the slot...and it was easy, when selecting top gear, for the lever to 'bounce' back in the slot, to a position which would be just above the 2nd gear position.

Thus, when the operating pedal was depressed & released, it would be 2nd gear that was acquired, not top gear.



Photo: Sharpes of Nottingham

This resulted in your conductor being catapulted down the centre aisle of the bus towards the front, as the bus stood on its nose-end. If they were upstairs at the time, one heard what sounded like a drum roll of feet above one's head. Needless to say, guess who bought the teas at the end of the run?

There should be no problem, when driving, in taking a glance at the selector quadrant when selecting the next gear required. One advantage of the pre-select gearbox [aside from strength]...is that gear selection is done at what amounts to a 'quiet' time in the driver's schedule. Unlike with a manual gearbox, when selection is achieved at what is a very busy time for the driver...ie, with immediacy.

THE LAST OF THE BIG SPENDERS



Foto: Daimler in avkcijske hiše

In an old article about Lady Norah Docker she was described as one of the "most vulgar of that dying breed called the idle rich"

But this did not make her "gold plated" image unpopular, the working classes loved her, good looks, beautiful clothes, heavy make-up & sparkling jewels, later stolen, she was the envy of working class shop girls, her coarse speech didn't seem to matter.

Now this regard of her I think, came about, as suggested by the article's author was the fact of her casting off her working class background for a dance hostess & navigating herself to be able to marry 3 millionaires. The second marriage was to Sir William Collins who left her on his death, 995000 pounds.

Her last marriage to Sir Bernard Docker, Managing Director of the Daimler Company was the most published period of her life. Beautiful cars, an unbelievable lifestyle, a motor yacht, the Shamara, wonderful hosts too, once inviting 80 miners aboard.

The famous Daimlers associated with her & her husband are too well known to write about here.

Lady Docker died in a London hotel alone & in her autobiography, she described herself as "feeling the pinch".

John Steel

Senior Adviser to the Lanchester Project

BLUE MOUNTAINS VISIT TO CLUB LANCHESTER

Well, members cannot complain that the Committee isn't making some far reaching decisions.

In the past the committee bought a V8250 saloon project to be broken and sold to members to assist with members' own projects, and that ended up with a very good result for all concerned. The Club benefited with the funds from the sale of the components and the members benefited with valuable parts to help them finish their own V8 projects.

Now the Committee has, as you all know, "acquired" a restoration project in the form of a Lanchester Leda.

The Lanchester Leda was the forerunner of the Conquest saloon. It is basically the same shape and configuration, but sports a different frontal styling with a Lanchester grille, no fluting and a bonnet sculpted to match, complete with a very stylish Deco Bonnet mascot of Leda herself.

Those who are familiar with the legend of Leda will know that it involved a swan, and not an ugly duckling. So having said that, my first sighting of the car did conjure up more of the ugly duckling than the swan but I can see that while the task will be a big one, and will involve a lot of work, the end result should be a very smart "lively and likeable" small car product from the Daimler factory that the Club will be proud to call its own and be available to members for Club trips and taking to displays.

It does take some imagination, and you will see in the accompanying photos what the car looks like now, but bear in mind that there is no apparent structural rot, the interior is in good condition and complete, and with a new wiring loom, paint and reassembly it will be a finished project of which the Club should be very proud.

The members gathered at Russell and Jenny's were able, after some fettling by Merv and Graham, to hear the 2 litre four cylinder motor come to life and threaten to carry the car off down the slope, and with each such milestone, whether it be mechanical, paint or interior we will be able to come together and help the car return to road worthy condition and be a real asset for the Club and a focal point for the members on many levels.

Thanks to Jenny for supplying a sumptuous morning tea and for Russell's enthusiasm, and Merv and Graham's expertise.

I urge all members to rally round and help with the project, it will be fun, sometimes challenging but the end result, once the car will be finished is going to be magical.

Peter Grant





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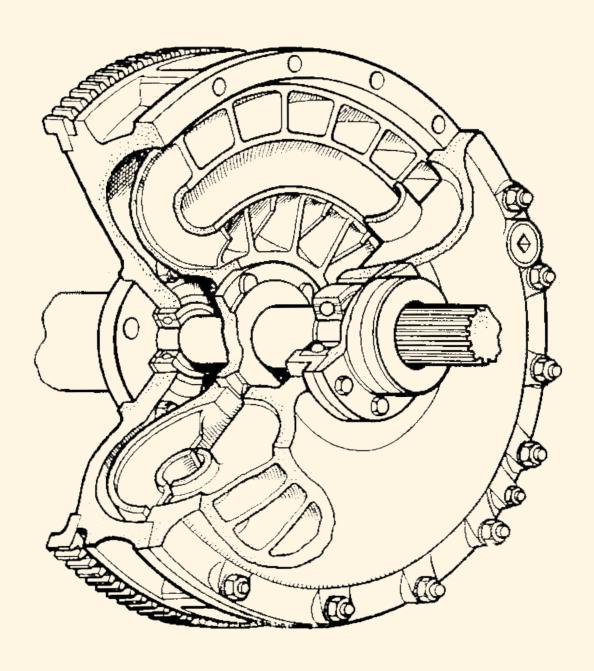












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