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## **OUR NEXT MEETING**

#### 8PM MONDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 2016 AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB

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

JOINING FEE \$20.00 STANDARD MEMBERSHIP \$50.00 ASSOCIATES: \$5 EACH

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## MARQUE REGISTRARS

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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 9634-7101(H)
SP 250	Merv McDonald	9670-6797 (H)
Sovereign, and all Jaguar based models incl. DS 420	Colin Cox	(02)4739 3301

## PRESIDENT/EDITOR'S REPORT

Well we approach the end of another Daimler year, and I am sure we all look forward with anticipation to our Christmas Party, again at Russell and Jenny's home at Springwood. There is no limit to the number of people to be catered for, just let Russell or Jenny know you are coming. Don't forget to bring a present for each one attending and also something for the inevitable raffle. Also if you can bring a chair that would be helpful.

The next event of significance in our Calendar will be the Cocktail Cruise, which is a Daimler\legend event, organized by John Steel for at least the last 50 years and is a great lazy evening out in January and not to be missed. See the events section of the magazine for further details. Bring your own everything.

Dear Lady Norah is bereft of any enquiries this month which I guess is testament to the great reliability and quality of the Marque! Don't forget to use this column to expand your mechanical knowledge in future.

That's it from me and I trust that you and all of your families will have a safe, happy and holy time over the Christmas season. I look forward to catching up at the Christmas Party.

Jim Gellett

## COMING EVENTS 2016/2017

December	Christmas Lunch
2016 Sunday 11	Again to be held at Russell and Jenny Turner's home, a battle axe block, 63 Davies Avenue Springwood, 2777.
	For those attending, please contact Russell or Jenny on mobile 0419 980 030 to determine what dishes to bring.
	Also don't forget each attendee should bring a present, to the value of no more than \$15.00, male for male and female for female. Also bring something for the raffle.
January	Cocktail Cruise
2017 Tuesday 10	John Steel's famous Cocktail Cruise – Balmoral Park Mosman from 5 pm – It has been some years since this spot has been chosen for evening cocktails. BYO food and drinks. Directions take Military Road turn from Spit Road, turn left Raglan Street, and right onto the Esplanade. We will be set up near the Sailing Club at the southern end of the beach. See UBD map 217 F7 or for techies use link <a href="https://binged.it/2dQTObF">https://binged.it/2dQTObF</a>
	Please note: - Mosman Council uses a pay and display system for parking in this area during the hours of 8:00am to 8:00pm. The current rate for the period 27 Dec to 31 Jan is \$9.00 per hour and machines accept cash and credit cards.
January	Australia Day
2017 Thurs 26	CARnivale Parramatta, Pitt Street and Macquarie Street Parramatta UBD map 211 A3 or click on the link <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/ggEqPk6QRoE2">https://goo.gl/maps/ggEqPk6QRoE2</a> .
	2017 marks the 60th anniversary since the closure of the Parramatta Park racing circuit. Among the vehicles on display at CARnivale in 2017 will be some of the cars that took part in races on the circuit in 1957. Join 60,000 other auto aficionados and check out the vehicles on display at CARnivale this Australia Day!
	In addition to CARnivale, other activities in Parramatta Park will include:
	A spectacular hot air balloon display from 6am
	Parramatta BBQ Festival
	A family zone with concert and kids' rides in The Crescent
	The Hottest 100 Party in the Park
	Concert acts on the Main Stage
	A fireworks spectacular to finish the day-long celebrations.
February 2017 Sunday 12	<b>Breakfast Run -</b> Parramatta Park Café (phone 963 00144) – Located in Parramatta Park see UBD map 211 A2 or click on the link <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/BGvrSDhX7412">https://goo.gl/maps/BGvrSDhX7412</a> . A table has been booked from 9:15 am for an enjoyable brunch in the leafy grounds of Parramatta Park. Contact Graham McDonald, email <a href="mailto:events@dlocaustralia.org">events@dlocaustralia.org</a> , phone (02) 9533 3128 or mobile 0422 972 094.

## COMING EVENTS 2016/2017

March 2017	Cootamundra Weekend Away – Details to follow
Fri 24 – Sun 26	
April 2017	To Be Advised
Sun 9	
May 2017	National Motoring Heritage Day - All members are encouraged to get their classic
Sun 21	vehicles out on the road. We will be looking to arrange an event at one of the following CMC suggested events. Please advise your preference soon to any Committee member.
	Berry Showground - Shoalhaven Historic Vehicle Club.
	Motorlife Museum - Kembla Grange
	Museum of Fire - Penrith
	Wentworth Falls Lake
	Memorial Park - The Entrance
June 2017	Gosford Classic Car Museum (Phone: 02 4320 0000), Meet Berowra Truck Stop
Sun 11	UBD map 94 P9 or use link https://binged.it/2ey1XyS, (time TBA) for a combined run to
	Gosford Classic Car Museum 3-13 Stockyard PI, 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: -
July 2017	(Rover/Alvis/Armstrong Siddley/Daimler) Combined Club Mid-Winter/Soup Run
Sun 9	<ul> <li>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</li> </ul>
	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
August 2017	L7 or use link <a href="https://binged.it/2exHjPG">https://binged.it/2exHjPG</a> Time and run details to be provided.  National Display Day and All British Day - Kings School North Parramatta. Entry
August 2017	Masons Drive UBD map 171 H9 or use link <a href="https://binged.it/2exZDbb">https://binged.it/2exZDbb</a> Details to follow.
September	President's Weekend - Details to be advised
2017	
October 2017	Annual Picnic - Lane Cove National Park Entry via Lane Cove Road at Riverside Drive
Sunday 8	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	To Be Advised
2017 Sun 12	
December	Christmas Lunch – Venue and details to follow. Please advise If you are willing to host
2017	this event at your home (with club and members assistance).
Sun 10	

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## **DARTING ABOUT**

#### EXHAUST NOTES FROM THE DLOCCA SP250 REGISTER

Its been a big month with two SP250 events to report and an important announcement about the SP250 National Rally in 2017

First, the run to Spencer Village Store on Sunday 6 November where Darters munched fish & chips on the Store's wharf with the Hawkesbury flowing by. Those enjoying the run were Mark & Tracey Brooks, Kevin & Liz Wilkinson, John and Sally Gallagher, Stephen & Helen Figgis, Warren & Chris Cole, David Stoodley and Carolyn & 1. Great weather, great friends, great day but what a rough old road along the river bank.





Second. On Saturday26 November, we had the SP250 Christmas BBQ held this year at the home of Mark & Tracey Brooks. I thought this Christmas BBQ was one our best and that may have been because we had a great turn out of 26 people including some new owners and several people we do not see very often. The new owners were John and Donna Haak (1962 B spec chassis 104016). John has started work on the car and has already fitted rack & pinion steering. Most of the people from the Spencer run were there together with Andre & Jun Corbett, Ian & Jenny Hazelton, Bruce & Heather Thomson, Cameron & Anne Norgrove, Karen Charles, Merv McDonald and Dallas Stoodley. Another great and friendly day with a comfortable flow of people mingling around the assembled cars and the BBQ. Our thanks to Mark & Tracey for again hosting our Christmas event.





## **DARTING ABOUT**

And, the announcement. During the BBQ Merv McDonald announced that he is planning the 2017 SP250 National Rally be based in Parkes on Friday 27 to Sunday 29 October. Much more information will follow after Merv has made a site visit.

Unfortunately his plans to make the visit during the past few weeks were disrupted by floods in the area. I'm sure we can look forward to another memorable SP250 rally. Please mark the dates in your calendar.

#### **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.

**Saturday January 14** – Run to the Figgis family beach house to arrive at 10am for breakfast/brunch. The address for use in a GPS system is 49 North Avoca Parade, North Avoca. Stephen and Helen's home is actually opposite that address but their address will confuse any GPS system. Stephen has invited people to arrive early if they would like to try the North Avoca surf. To assist with catering plans could you please let me know by Tuesday 10 January if you plan to join the Beach Brunch.

**Friday February 3** – Meeting at the home of Alan and Carolyn, 37 Derriwong Road, Dural. Please arrive from 6:30 pm for the traditional Derriwong sausage sizzle. A dip in the pool is also on offer. Please let me know by Wednesday 1 February if you would like to join the sausage sizzle.

Saturday March 18 - Run to be announced

Friday April 7 - Meeting, location to be announced.

Friday to Sunday October 27 to 29 - 2017 SP250 National Rally being planned by Merv McDonald.

Darting Off

Alan

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

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## DAIMLER TESTIMONIAL

#### A TESTIMONIAL FROM TAYLER AND QUINN MIDDLETON-LEADLE

Forty years of English Pointers recommend a chauffeur driven Daimler for comfort and driving pleasure. The rear section of the Conquest/Century range has more than adequate room to sit, stretch or lie down as the mood takes one. The elevated back seat offers fine all round visibility. A car suitable to all breeds, large and small





## DAIMLER DISPLAY DAY - VAUCLUSE HOUSE MID 80'S

On this page we have a selection of images kindly provided by Campbell Middleton which were taken at Vaucluse House on a Daimler Display Day during the mid-eighties.











## MINUTES OF A MEETING

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DAIMLER AND LANCHESTER OWNERS CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC. HELD AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB ON MONDAY 7TH NOVEMBER, 2016.

The meeting commenced at 8.04pm with Jim Gellett in the chair.

#### **Apologies:**

Carolyn Birch, Alan Hunt

#### **Previous Minutes:**

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read. MSA that they be accepted as true & correct . Chris & Warren

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

Nil

#### **Correspondence:**

Various magazines

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

Current Account Balance \$5805:44

Term Deposit \$10599:95

Accounts Payable:

\$22:88 Magazine

\$1120:10 Annual Picnic Caterers

MSA Merv & Graham that the report be accepted and Invoices be paid as they become due.

#### **New Members:**

Noted that new members Mr & Mrs Choongo attended the Annual picnic with their lovely XJ6 Daimler and they were warmly greeted by all.

#### **Social Report:**

Graham went through the possible calendar for events for 2017 with most dates locked in and details to follow over time.

Such venues include/ but not limited to:

\*Balmoral Park

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## MINUTES OF A MEETING

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- \*June Combined winter run at Bushey Café
- \*Southern Highlands run for lunch
- \*Cootamundra mini national run in March before Easter over (3) days
- \*Gosford Motor Museum

We also have our standard annual annual events throughout the year.

Graham has essentially put together the whole of the 2017 Calendar in advance to assist the new incoming "Events Co-Ordinator" for 2017.

Due to personal commitments Graham is stepping down from his position next year. We wish him all the best and note his outstanding service to this Club. Thank-you Graham.

WHO WOULD LIKE TO STEP FORWARD TO CARRY ON GRAHAM'S GOOD WORK??????

#### **Editor:**

Any technical information that members may think will assist others please send it to the editor.

#### Website:

Nil

#### **Registrars:**

Nil

#### Library:

Nil

Follow up of purchase of missing Daimler book from England was noted.

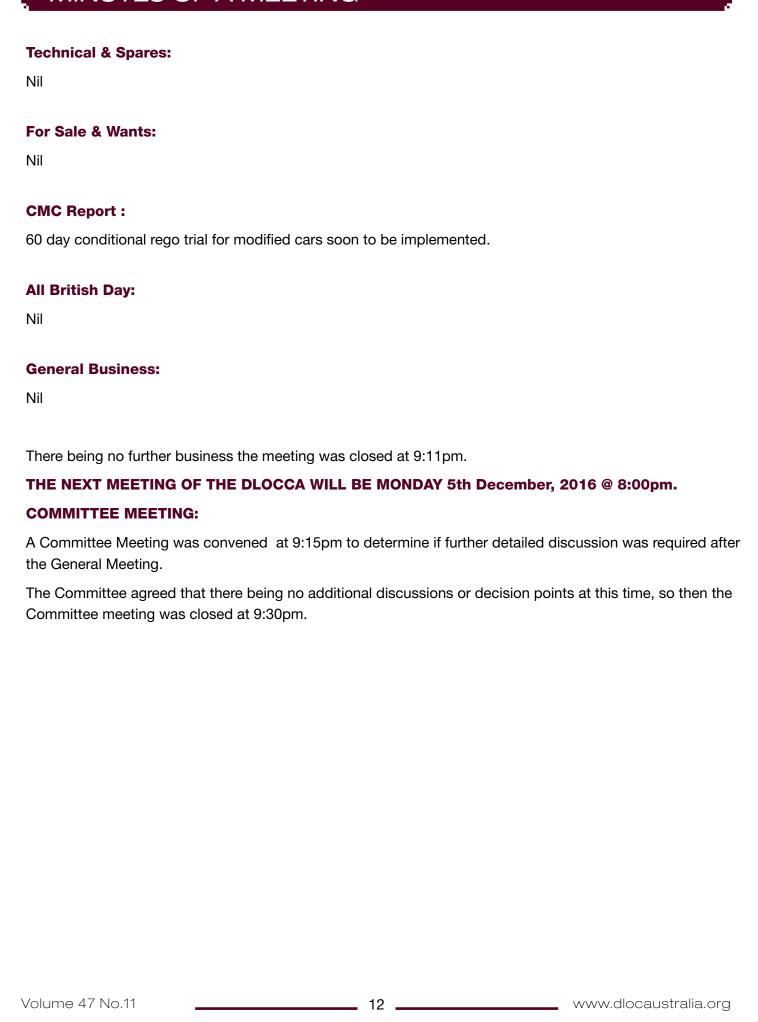
#### **Conditional Plates:**

Warren noted that members must carry with them the purple RMS Conditional Plate document in the car and list all car clubs it applies to in regard the 60 day use.

#### Regalia:

Nil

## MINUTES OF A MEETING



## **DAVIS DAIMLER**

On this page we have a selection of images kindly provided by Peter Grant which display the "Davis Daimler" which was discussed a while ago at a club meeting and Peter found scans he had taken of the photos that he purchased of the car on ebay some years ago.

They show the car in Sydney, near the Conservatorium of Music, very shiny and black, must be soon after its arrival here.











## 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION

# Denis Leys PART FIFTEEN PART FIFTEEN - PREPARING THE DOORS, BOOT LID, TYRE DOOR, AND BONNET PANELS FOR PAINT

I will be spraying the vehicle in two tone acrylic paint, black over grey. Although acrylic may not be as durable as two pack, the finish is comparable.

I remove as many imperfections as I can using hammer and dolly, but there will always be imperfections that require filling. The aim is to use only very thin layers.

Removing panel imperfections is a messy process with most of the filler ending up on the floor. Although I use a large sanding block to flatten the surface of the panels, there will still be highs and lows that can't be easily seen until the panels are undercoated.

There are no shortcuts in preparing panels for paint. The final finish depends on the panels being completely flat. The colour coats, particularly dark colours like black, will highlight any imperfections.

Rubbing back the guide coat with a flat block will highlight any panel faults. The imperfections are then covered with either high build primer or spray putty and the process repeated until the faults are fixed.

Related Youtube video – 1949 Daimler DB 18 Consort Resurrection Part 15

Part 16 - Painting the Ancillary Bits and Pieces



Figure 1 - I sprayed this vehicle in acrylic 10 years ago

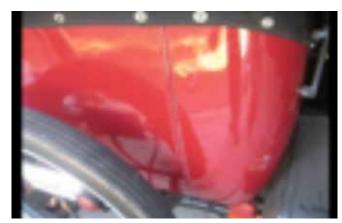


Figure 2 - I sprayed this vehicle in acrylic 27 years ago



Figure 3 - Polyester filler used to cover welds



Figure 5 - Guards sprayed with high build primer



Figure 4 - Filler rubbed back with 100 grit paper



Figure 6 - Panels sprayed with primer and given a coloured guide coat

## **MOTORWORLD SYDNEY**



MotorWorld Sydney is destined to become Australia's ultimate automotive festival and biggest driving experience with up to 50,000 local and national visitors expected to attend. The event offers visitors the opportunity to test-drive cars on track, road or off-road circuits. It will be the most engaging and entertaining way for car enthusiasts and interested buyers to compare the various brands and the latest models available. Close to 7,000 test drive opportunities will be on offer over the four day event.

There will be many exciting activations at MotorWorld Sydney such as the spectacular People's Choice "Show & Shine" displays of some of the best car clubs throughout New South Wales as well as a comprehensive entertainment and educational program, lifestyle & aftermarket retail sales and family zones which will ensure that all motoring enthusiasts and members of the family will have a great day out.

The event is themed across each of the four days as follows:

Day 1: December 1 - Ladies Day and Media Day

Day 2: December 2 - Luxury / Performance Day

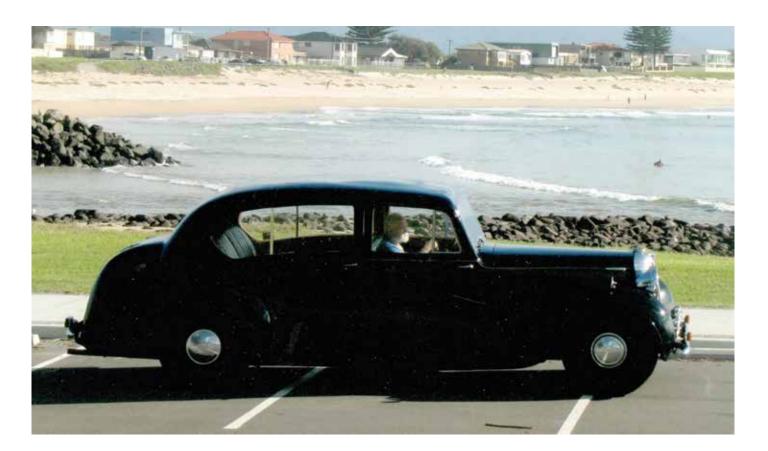
Day 3: December 3 - Family Day

Day 4: December 4 - Special Olympics Charity - Dream Ride day

You can find the latest updates on their website : www.motorworldsydney.com

## FOR SALE

I am selling my DE27, for my age is catching up on me. The car is a 1948 Windover limousine VIN 51125. The car is registered 289450H, however the plates must be surrendered at the time of sale. The car is in very good condition and does not require any work to be done on it. Several years ago I fully restored the car. The price for the car is \$34,000. My phone number is 0423 248 200. Stanley Richards



## WANTED - DAIMLERS AS WEDDING CARS

There is a request for members to be able to meet a need for the above on 27th May 2017 for Alan Skofic's niece's wedding. Contact Alan on 0435139106 if you are able to help out.

## FOR SALE

1962 Daimler Majestic Major Chassis No. 136880, black over silver.

Excellent grey leather interior, 4,500 miles since full restoration.

The car was purchased by Wormald Bros Ind Ltd on 16.7.1962 from Hercules Motors (have original manufacturers warranty card, thanks to Michael Barnes.)

The car was then purchased by Kevin Barnes and used for many years as an everyday car and on club runs.

Ian Rowlandson in Melbourne purchased the car from Kevin and fully restored it. He then sold it to Andrew Lidden in Mittagong in 1998.

I purchased the car at an auction in Mittagong on 22.11.2005 and detailed the car and got it registered on conditional registration with mileage 3,892 miles

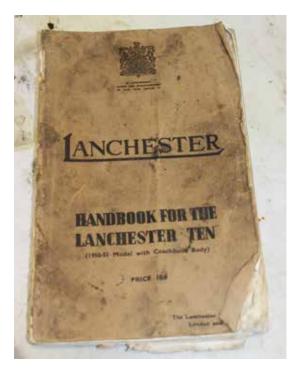
The car is in good mechanical condition with excellent upholstery, but the paint work has deteriorated slightly after 20 years since restoration.

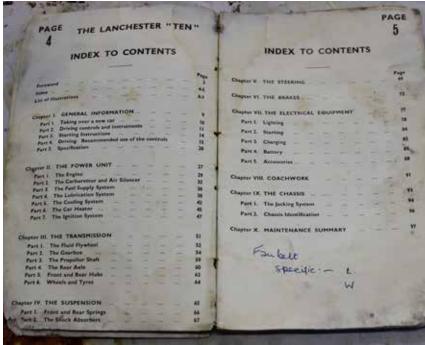
Asking price – best offer over \$15,000.00

Warren Cole

#### **FOR SALE**

I have for sale one scruffy Lanchester LD10 Handbook with the back cover missing. Asking price is \$25.00 plus postage from Brisbane. Contact Trevor Johnsson on 0409222248 or email johnssontm@bigpond.com





### **WANTED**

I am presently restoring a 1959 Daimler majestic and am looking for a source for all the rubber body gaskets. I am also on the hunt for 4 replacement doors as mine are quite rusty. I was hoping you could steer me in the right direction. I am up in Alberta Canada but will be OK with the freight costs if I can find any. I have been unable to find anything in North America. Thanks in advance for any consideration.

Neil Nilson - Contact neil.nilson@aluma.com

## PUT THIS IN YOUR DIARY

The Announcement of the First AMCA Australia National Meet, 2017

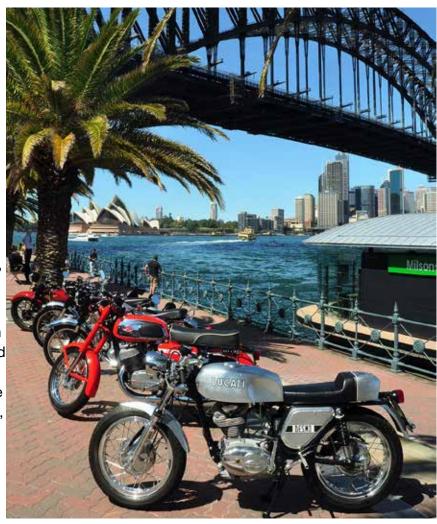
Fellow Antique, Vintage and Classic Motorcycle enthusiasts!

The AMCA Australia Board is proud to announce our inaugural National Meet, which will be held on the weekend of

25 -27 August 2017 at the Bulli Show Grounds, in NSW.

After a number of months of assessing appropriate locations and dates, we are most happy to advise the selection of Bulli, just 50kms (30 miles) or so, on the coast south of Sydney.

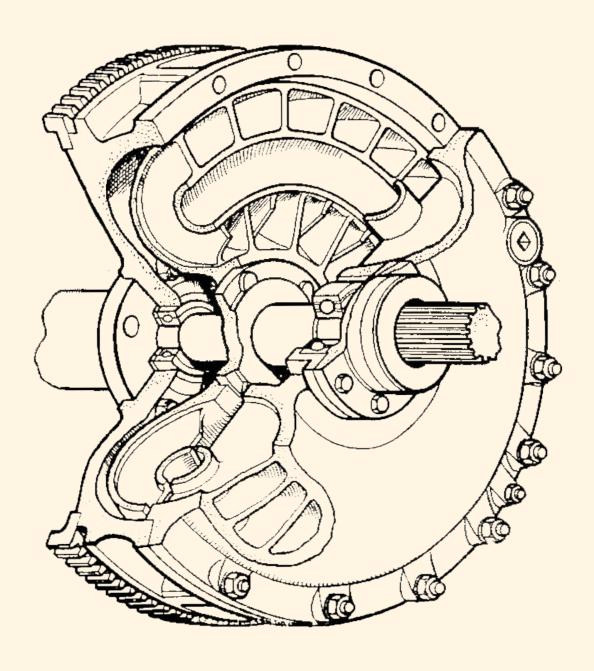
The Venue is appropriate and large enough to accommodate growth in the years ahead as we establish this yearly AMCA Australia National Meet, to welcome ALL motorcycle makes and models, parts and memorabilia, 35 years and older.



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