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## OUR NEXT MEETING

**8PM MONDAY, 1ST JULY, 2019 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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DE range, incl. DH & DC	John Hiscox	02 9984 1169
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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.



## PRESIDENT/EDITOR'S REPORT

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another good month has passed in Daimler/Lanchester world with more progress been made on the restoration of the Lanchester in preparation for the Expose on Sunday the 14th July. An event not to be missed with lots of convivial company to see progress on the CLUB project. It's amazing what a group of old fogies can achieve!

There are a number of future events listed now in the events calendar so mark the dates NOW so you don't miss out on some interesting runs & activities. Of particular interest is the day on 17th August at Wakefield Park where the Royal Daimler will be driven around the track along with many other interesting vehicles being presented by the National Museum on the day. It is advised that the day's proceedings will commence at 8 AM so it may be advisable to choose to stay in Goulburn on Friday evening, 16th.

Don't forget to register for the National Rally next year in South Australia, details on their website. (Directions later in this bulletin). Rooms are only being reserved for us till the end of July & as Hahndorf is a popular place to visit on most weekends of the year, you wouldn't want to miss out.

The Annual Club picnic is again drawing closer & is designed to give us an opportunity to meet new members or those we haven't seen much of & catch up & get to know people better. It rained last year which possibly deterred people from coming, but the site has a LARGE covered dining area, so don't let the weather put you off attending a great gathering of Club members.

I look forward to seeing you at Russell & Jenny's on the 14th July.

Jim Gellett - President/Editor.

## COMING EVENTS 2019

July 2019 Saturday 7	<b>Donald Healey Birthday Display Day 2019</b> - at Parramatta Park on 7 July 2019. This event is run by the Humber Club and if attending please advise Ross Penman on 0408465547 as lunch is provided and details needed for catering prior to 22 June.
July 2019 Saturday 13	<b>SP250 - Hunter Region</b> - All British Day at Newcastle Foreshore park. Details are shown further in this publication
July 2019 Sunday 14	<b>Lanchester exposé</b> - Bring your own lunch & drinks. Location: Russell & Jenny's home - 63 Davies Avenue Springwood
July 2019 Sunday 21	<b>Mid-Winter Run</b> - ASCC is organising the annual Run this year [with Alvis, Daimler and Rover Car Clubs] to The Razorback Inn for lunch [12 for 12.30], with the participants arriving from all points of the compass. Please advise Ray Palmer on 0409 465 446 if you are coming.
August 2019 Friday 2	<b>SP250 Meeting</b> - Meeting at home of Tony & Rosie Luongo at 8:00pm, 37 Erina Valley, Rd, Erina, phone 0438438172
August 2019 Saturday 17	<b>National Museum's Royal Tour Daimler</b> - The Royal Tour Daimler DE36 will be among the cars driving around the track at Wakefield Park. See details inside edition.



## COMING EVENTS 2019

September 2019 Sunday 15	<b>All British Day</b> - at The King's School, Parramatta including SP250 60th Anniversary Celebration at DLOCCA Display Day. Tickets for All British Day are now available from Merv Mc Donald on 02 9670 6797 or 0417 429 573 - Email merv.mcdonald@gmail.com  Please leave name and contact no.
October 2019 Friday 4	<b>SP250 Meeting</b> - Meeting at the home of Mark & Tracey Brooks at 8:00pm. 52 Matthew Parade, Blaxland , phone 0430 077785.
October 2019 Sunday 13	<b>Annual Picnic</b> at Lane Cove National Park, More details to follow.
October 2019 Thursday 31	<b>SP250 Run</b> - Optional run to Bright with overnight stop in Tumbarumba. SPs of Stoodley, Glanville, Mosse- Robinson & Hunt plan to make the trip. Please let me know if you wish to join us.
November 2019 Friday 1 to Sunday 3	<b>SP250 Rally</b> - Bright Victoria. Details in the SP250 Report on following page.
November 2019 Saturday 9 to Sunday 10	<b>President's weekend</b> , more details to follow
December 2019 Sunday 1	<b>SP250 Christmas</b> - Christmas lunch at Geranium Cottage, Dural
December 2019 Sunday 15	<b>Christmas Party</b> , more details to follow.

## NATIONAL RALLY INFORMATION

Howard Parslow from SA will be at our October meeting and will talk about the National Rally the South Australian Register is planning. It is a great opportunity to find out first hand how the planning is going. Pencil this into your diaries.

This is a good opportunity to remind you not to leave it too late to book accommodation. They have reserved rooms up till end of July this year & as I am aware, this is a very busy part of the world for most of the year so don't miss out! The South Australian group always put on a great rally & the more members we can get there the merrier. See more details further on in this publication

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### EXHAUST NOTES FROM THE DLOCCA SP250 REGISTER



We had a great turn out of 20 people at our Darter's meeting at the home of David and Dallas Stoodley on 14 June. A good number considering that several of our regulars were in UK for the SP250 60th Anniversary Rally. We were particularly pleased to welcome Tim & Tracey Mallyon and Roger & Scott Anson together with former SP owners, Roger Giles and David Saunders. The traditional garage visit had a special focus as the Darters clustered around David's SP450 project. The Majestic Major motor looks particularly comfortable in the SP engine bay.

A major item discussed at the meeting was my decision to stand down from the position we may call Convenor of the SP250 Group. I explained that I thought that after just on 20 years in the role it was time for someone else to take the role and bring some new ideas and youthful vigour to the position. I explained that I had discussed my retirement with both Merv McDonald, who is SP250 Registrar for the Daimler Club and Mark Brooks who already maintains an active communications network of SP owners around Australia. After extended discussion it was decided that we would discuss the future of the SP250 Group and the role of Convenor (which could possibly be shared by several people) at the next meeting which will be at the home of Tony and Rosie Luongo on Friday 2 August. That discussion should reach a conclusion which will allow me to hand over at the following meeting at the home of Mark & Tracey Brooks on Friday 4 October.

The other major item for discussion was preparation for an SP250 60th Anniversary display at the All British Day at Kings School on Sunday 15 September. It seems we may be able to assemble around 20 SP250s including Tim Mallyon's restoration project. We will also have the V8 250 engine restored by Matt Walton's nephew together with a collection of photographs and diagrams. We will proceed with the plan for helium balloons but we may have left it too late to order special jackets.

I also reported on the Unique Cars - Rolling 30 event at Sydney Motor Sport Park where owners with cars over 30 years old were able to drive laps of the short course. The runs were in 10 to 15 minute slots with cars in categories such as Pre-70s and All British. Cars were limited to 100kph as drivers did not have to have a

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helmet of race licence. My observation was that it would have been very difficult to get to 100kph on the tight twisting short course. Over 150 cars registered for the day long event and I recommend this event to Darters when it comes around again in 2020.

This year SP250s were represented by Peter Pitt who had a number of runs.

### **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 in 2018 have been integrated into the main Events page in this publication. The events are prefaced with SP250 in each case. Plans for 2020 are shown below.

#### **Working Plans for SP250 60th Anniversary Rally in UK**

- Friday to Sunday 7/9 - 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.
- **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](mailto:hunts@optushome.com.au)



## MACHINES & MACCHIATOS TRIPLE SHOT SHOW

Do you have a special, unique or rare machine??

We'll get in contact with us, as we would love to have it on the red carpet & part of our Special Vehicles Display.

As part of our Machines & Macchiatos Trip Shot Super Show, November 24th at the St Ives Showgrounds, we'll have a Special Vehicles Display.



10 cars & 10 motorcycles will make up the display. These amazing, unique & very rare machines will have red carpet rolled out in front, along with gold bollards separating these superstars from on-lookers. Each vehicle will have an A1 display board (see image below), highlighting its history & what makes it so rare & special.

Think your machine fits the bill? Get in touch with Sam: mobile: 0438 060 821  
email: [sam@sydnemachinasocialclub.org](mailto:sam@sydnemachinasocialclub.org)

For more event details, [click here](#).

## WANTED TO BUY - SP250

This gentleman has contacted the club and is interested in buying a SP250. He is not currently a member of the car club but is interested in the purchase of a Daimler SP250. If any members know of a suitable vehicle for sale please contact Ron Chappell on 0408 466765 or by email on [ron@premierop.com.au](mailto:ron@premierop.com.au)

## WANTED TO BUY - PARTS FOR MAJESTIC MAJOR

Wanted: For Daimler Majestic Major

1. ~~Water pump~~ — complete without corrosion if possible.
2. ~~Need Spare Rim - 16"~~ — for spare tyre in boot. Missing
3. Chrome Trim for Rear Stop light ( largest round light which is red ) .

Please contact Ian Nicol on ph: 0409651035 or email [mts-aust@bigpond.net.au](mailto:mts-aust@bigpond.net.au)



## NATIONAL MUSEUM'S ROYAL TOUR DAIMLER

Today I spoke to the National Museum of Australia and found that they are planning at day when some of their important car exhibits will be displayed and driven around Wakefield Park near Goulburn..

The Royal Tour Daimler DE36 will be among the cars driving around the track. Our Club donated several thousand dollars to the Preservation Fund for this car and we have made several visits to see the car in the NMA workshop.

The date is Saturday 17 August 2019 and the event starts at 8:00am.

Other cars on display and being driven on the track will be a Brabham BT23, the Bean driven from London to Melbourne in 1927 by Frances Birtles , a model T Ford truck in Aeroplane Jelly livery, and several more.

There will be invitations to Car Club to visit Wakefield Park on the 17 August. There will also be a "Show 'n' Shine.

Flyers are in preparation but I suggest we start thinking about a club run.

My contact explained a plan to have a Drive in Movie show featuring car oriented movies at Wakefield on Friday Night. Some people may wish to stay on Goulburn on Friday Night.

Unfortunately the date coincides with the 2019 RACA Annual Motoring Dinner so the RACA group will not be making a run to Wakefield. Too bad because RACA also contributed to the preservation process.

Alan Hunt

## EARLY DAIMLER CARS FOR SALE

There are three early Daimler cars for sale or will go for scrap. The model years are 1909, 1910 and either 1908 or 1911. The cars are being stored in a container in Ballina NSW but need to be moved soon. Being made of wood the bodies no longer exist or at least are not with the chassis, but the engines and running gear plus all brass ware is still apparently in the container. Please contact Christine Lloyd on mobile 0403 333 346 or by email [chris.lloyd@westnet.com.au](mailto:chris.lloyd@westnet.com.au).

## SLEEVE VALVE ENGINE FOR SALE

A member of Motorlife Car Museum Kembla Grange advised that they have a sleeve valve engine, likely Daimler, down there that they want to get rid of if possible. Not sure of a price. Call Motorlife Museum down at Kembla Grange phone (02) 4261 4100



## DAIMLER/LANCHESTER NATIONAL RALLY APRIL 2020

Our web site is up and running <http://www.dlocrally.com/sa> and I have to say, thanks to Graham Emmett, our "English liaison officer and fellow committee member", it is sensational so you guys will have to get your skates on to get a booking done as there has to be a stage where we might have to say sorry we are fully booked. Yeah I know, no pressure!!!!!! I have also sent a separate invitation to the W.A members and have included N.Z also. I know that Graham will be attending and let's hope that a few more from the Land of Daimler/Lanchester will attend as well.

We are excited about the programme that has been organised and some information is included on the web site with the final detail to come later.

We would appreciate if you would spread the word and we look forward to having the event in South Australia.

## SP250 PARTS FOR SALE

The tonneau is new for RHD Dart with centre zip \$395

Front bumper with over-riders (not the eyebrows as they have been sold) - original unit that has been restored and re-chromed \$1995

4 speed original gearbox, clutch and pressure plate unrestored \$890

Contact Owen Seamons in Brisbane via email at [owen.seamons@laureate.edu.au](mailto:owen.seamons@laureate.edu.au)



## PARTS REQUIRED FOR A SPECIAL SPORTS PROJECT

The following is a list of unique to Daimler model parts I need to assist in the completion of my Special Sports. These parts were found to be missing either during move by previous owner or were lost/damaged during part restoration. I was hopeful that the previous owner could locate these items but as time passes I think not.

To assist, I have separately identified items that appear in the club's listed spares for a Special Sports and also for the Lanchester. If the club is willing to supply some/all of these items could a list of items willing to be provided and their total cost be forwarded thanks.

- ~~Both Side panels to the bonnet. (2 pieces in total)~~
- The front valance of the car. (1 piece in total)
- Rear chrome bumper. I have brackets and over-riders. (1 piece in total)
- Heater/demister. (Complete unit)
- Inlet and outlet taps for heater demister plumbing at engine (2 pieces in total)
- Passenger's quarter window glass, mine cracked (1 piece in total)

### **Note: These spares reported in Special Sports collection.**

- Both bonnet hinges. (2 pieces in total)
- Both boot lid hinges. (2 pieces in total) I have found 1 hinge badly rusted and seized.
- Two wheel studs and nuts. These are missing from my car. (4 pieces in total) May need to take whole wheel assembly to remove and spares also missing wheel studs.
- One short arm suspension damper. (1 piece in total) I have 3 log arm dampers and one short arm damper.
- Spark plug cover. Mine damaged but I have repaired it. (1 piece in total).
- Radio Amplifier. I have tuner. (TBA - May forego this item or install later transistorised unit )

### **Note There are spares of these items in Lanchester Project.**

- One interior door handle. (1 piece in total)
- The trafficator switch mechanism is missing. (Several small pieces)

Graham McDonald - Home: (02) 9533 3128 Mobile: 0422 972 094



## CAR CLEANING WORKSHOP - CODECLEANING

Members of the Humber and Daimler club were recently very interested in the heights of how to clean a car to the most exacting standards at the recent presentation held at Code cleaning Hornsby. Charlie Freu and his wife gave their Sunday afternoon up for fourteen members who did not expect such an interesting presentation. Both Presidents attended.

Charlie's workshop and showroom presents very well and is the hint that perfection is what drives Charlie in all things classic cars.

He began the talk with an overview of cleaning products and their development which has followed the development of paints and surface coatings. He presented very interesting details accompanied by a slide presentation showing Ph levels of products and the history and the development of enamels,duco two pack and water based finishes and products.

Charlie now imports from Germany and the UK specialised cleaning products and electric tools only available from selected places and his shop and website.

The E type Jaguar used presented an unique window in observing the use of a polishing compound, water based with a new high end buffing machine from Germany.

The car had an old paint surface that had been neglected. The results were a testament to the products.

Charlie gave a very good case why silicon should not be used and why high end products are the way to go with our classic cars.

Members were I think enthralled with the whole afternoon and at the end of the presentation nobody left, members continued to discuss and enjoy the premises over coffee and biscuits.

Thank you to Charlie and those who attended .This is an event not to be missed in the future as I might include it again next year.

Ray Palmer Events Director





## CAR CLEANING WORKSHOP - CODECLEANING





## COMBINED CAR CLUBS 2019 CHRISTMAS IN JULY

You are invited to bring your car (all makes and ages) to the BDC (NSW) Annual Charity BBQ & Mini Swap Meet in support of the Children's Hospital at Westmead.

Proudly supported by Bentley Car Club (NSW)

**When:** Sunday 7th July 2019

**Where:** 280 Penrose Road Bundanoon

**Time:** from 11:00am

**BBQ Cost:** Adults \$10.00/ Children \$5.00 per head. (all proceeds to the Children's Hospital at Westmead)

**Enquiries:** Miles Felstead on 0418 287 388

## RACA ANNUAL MOTORING DINNER



### ROYAL AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AUSTRALIA

Incorporating Imperial Service Club Limited

The Annual Motoring Dinner recognises the pursuit of excellence and significant contributions to the motor car, the automotive industry and motorsport.

This year the Annual Motoring Dinner will be looking forward rather than celebrating past wins and events. The theme for this year is *"Balancing the Grid", Women in Motorsport: a Positive Future*. We will be focusing on why women in motorsport is an important part of the future of the sport and we will be welcoming two young drivers to talk about their careers and how they will win in a male dominated arena.

In addition, we will be celebrating the centenary of Bentley, a marque rich with motorsport success with a heritage represented by model names such as Arnage, Brooklands and Mulsanne to name a few.

As per the tradition of the Annual Motoring Dinner, the club will also be presenting the RACA Motoring Trophies for 2018 to the Historic Sports and Racing Car Association (HSRCA).

### BALANCING THE GRID WOMEN IN MOTORSPORT A POSITIVE FUTURE

### RACA Annual Motoring Dinner

Guest Speakers:

**Emily Duggan**

Toyota 86 Racing series, part of the Virgin Australia Supercar Championship

**Chelsea Angelo**

Inaugural TCR Australia Championship

**17th August 2019**

7:00pm for 7:30pm Dinner

Pioneer Room - Pre Dinner Drinks  
Victoria Room - Dinner

The Royal Automobile Club of Australia  
89 Macquarie Street, Sydney

Price: \$150.00 per person

\$1,400.00 for table of 10

Covering a three course dinner and drinks

**RSVP: Monday 5th August 2019**

Dress Code: Black Tie or Business Suit

Bookings: Ashley Hucker, RACA Events

Telephone: 02 8273 2320

Email: [events@raca.com.au](mailto:events@raca.com.au)

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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 6th MAY, 2019.

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

### Apologies:

Russell and Jenny Turner, Robert Brandes, Carolyn Burch, Warren and Christine Cole.

### Previous Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting were published in the Journal and taken as read. Moved: Mark Brooks: That they be accepted as true and correct except for one omission, that an apology for non-attendance by Tony Falstein be recorded therein. Seconded: Merv McDonald. Carried.

**Business Arising from Minutes:** Nil.

### Correspondence:

Thank you from Domenica Chincarini for the club condolences on the death of her husband and our esteemed Daimler Friend Keith Ashworth.

**Business Arising from the Correspondence:** Nil

**Secretary's Report:** Nil

### Treasurer's Report:

Alan Hunt presented a written report. There is a balance of \$8,620.67 in the cheque account with payments to be authorised this month as per the statement. There is a further \$10,890.45 in the term deposit.

Alan asked for the report to be accepted.

The Lanchester Fund stands at \$699.10

Three new members joined this month: Murray Amies (rejoining), Ian Nicol and Michael McCoy..

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

### New Members:

The McCoy family (ex David Flynn Special Sports);

Mr Ian Nicol (ex John Lopes Majestic Major;

Mr Murray Amies (long held 2 ½ litre V8 saloon).

### Social Report:

- 16 Jun: Charlie Code demonstration in his factory at Hornsby. Starting at 2.00 p.m. A very worthwhile event to show us what products are available to keep our vehicles in tip top condition.
- 7 Jul: Donald Healey Birthday Display at Parramatta Park.
- 13 Jul: Newcastle Foreshore Park All British Display.
- 14 Jul: Lanchester Expose in Springwood.

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- Miles Felstead Bundanoon Charity Display Day.
- 21 Jul: Combined Mid-Winter Run to Razorback organised by the ASCC.
- 17 Aug: Wakefield Park Royal Daimler outing.
- 18 Aug: Orion Theatre Campsie: Theatre Organ Society Concert.
- 15 Sep: All British Day: The King's School Parramatta.

## **Editor/Website:**

Amanda asked if events could be advertised prior so easily accessed by members to plan attendance.

**Registrars:** Nil.

## **Regalia.**

Amanda noted that there are 100's of Daimler posters stored at John and Eve Hiscox's home and perhaps these should go to the Regalia Officer and be offered free to interested parties at the Display Day in September?.

**Library:** Nil.

**Conditional Plates:** Nil.

## **Technical and Spares:**

Jim received an email from a Bearing Factory in Hornsby looking for a knowledgeable salesman and PR officer to work there. Anyone want to break their retirement?

## **For Sale and Wants:**

Chris Maher has not been able to sell his fine DB 18 Consort and has reduced the price to \$12,000.00 ONO.

**CMC:** Nil

## **All British:**

Tickets have been received. There is a meeting in 2 weeks.

Merv asked that members attending remember that Masons Drive entry is restricted to the hours of 6.30 am to 9.30 am strictly. After 9.30 am you have to pay to get in at the Public Entrance..

## **General Business:**

Jim Gellert reported on progress with the Club Lanchester.

The front and rear screens just about in, headlining to be completed now that the screens are in, carpets have been remade and collected, the dashboard will soon be installed.

John Hiscox reported that there are 5 unfinancial members, S Benson, B Bowker, Greenwell x 2, Talarida and Saunders (who has sold his car).

Ray Palmer saw the Charles Billich New Drophead Coupe (DJ 252) at Beauchamp Street Matraville at a garage there having work done on the car. There was also a metallic blue V8 saloon there receiving attention.

Mystery Guest Speaker

Back in 1979 a group of Vintage Sports Car Club Members staged a 10000 miles over 10 days event based at West Wyalong and John Steel was there and took an active part and gave members a delightful account of his involvement and the work that went into the successful attempt.



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The car was a 1927 Pontiac, owned by Max Goldsmith and the car completed the task of 10000 miles over 10 days with only regular servicing every 500 miles and refueling as required (about 20 mpg).

The talk was based on John's own recollections as well as recent mention of an article about the trial by the Late Rob Gunnell.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.20 p.m.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE DLOCCA WILL BE MONDAY 3rd JUNE, 2019 @ 8:00pm AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB.**



*All British Display Day  
Hunter Region*

*Foreshore Park Newcastle  
Saturday 13th July 2019*

*Display 10.00 - 16.00*

## 1953 CONSORT FOR SALE

1953 Consort for sale \$15,000 \$12,000 ONO

I have enjoyed owning my Consort for about 15 years, but I don't use it enough to justify keeping it. It is the ex Cedric Smithson car and has been in the club for decades. It is in very good condition and needs no work. Ready for someone else to enjoy.

I am giving away my Driving Member collection. It is a full set and most are hard bound. I have advertised it on DLOC Forum this morning.

I once advertised some spare ones in the club magazine but got no takers. Is anyone in the club likely to want them? They are free; people just need to collect them.

Chris Maher

Email: [christophermaher1@bigpond.com](mailto:christophermaher1@bigpond.com)



## DAIMLER/LANCHESTER/BSA HANDBOOKS FOR SALE

I have decided to sell my surplus Daimler handbooks. There are some really old ones (earliest is 1912), rare ones (e.g. ambulance, DK400 and Empress) and one handbook in French. There are 100 different ones so if you need a handbook for your car I probably have it. Email me on [christophermaher1@bigpond.com](mailto:christophermaher1@bigpond.com) and I can send you the full list.

## PARTS FOR SALE

These Century parts are on offer to any an owner that maybe interested @ \$25.00 each or both for \$40.00 plus postage regards Michael

Contact Michael Barnes on 0417405766 or

Email [chrismike4@bigpond.com](mailto:chrismike4@bigpond.com)





## PAIR OF DAIMLER MAJESTICS FOR SALE

Matching Pair of Daimler Majestics 1959 & 1961 Built Dates. Fully Restored by current owner, full registration, beautiful condition throughout.

- 3.8ltr Engines.
- Currently part of lager Wedding Car Fleet.
- Excellent Business opportunity for retired person.
- Large stock of spares also available free of charge with vehicles.

Special Note:

PH2500 Previously owned by Member John Steel

Rego MH3500 & PH2500.

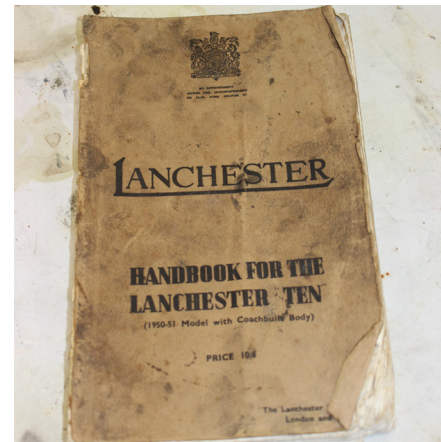
Ph Mike Horsley from Leisure Coast Limousine Service on 0419 495 496

Price is \$36,000 for both.



## FOR SALE

One fairly tatty copy of the Handbook for the Lanchester Ten as shown on the attached photo. Asking price \$15.00 plus postage and packing. Contact Trevor Johnsson on [johnssontm@bigpond.com](mailto:johnssontm@bigpond.com)



## WANTED - PARTS FOR 1949 SPECIAL SPORTS

Can you please tell me if anyone in the club has any spare parts for a Daimler 49 Special Sports model. Some parts I'm looking for are fuel pump kits, 2 brass plugs for the fluid fly wheel.  
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## 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION

### PART FORTY THREE - RE-ASSEMBLY

**Denis Leys**

The re-assembly continues with the fitting of the brakes, but the first task was to find all the parts as they had been disassembled years ago. I managed to find everything needed but they were all coated in layers of dirt and rust which had to be removed with an angle grinder and wire wheel. After cleaning up the brake drums they were given a good coating of heat resistant paint.

Luckily for me, the previous owner had all the drums machined, and all the shoes re-lined. Fitting the rear brake shoes was difficult until I discovered that the springs had to be fitted to the shoes first, and then levered onto the adjusters with screw drivers. The front brakes on the other hand were easy to fit, although at this stage I have only greased the wheel bearings leaving their adjustment until I fit the front springs.

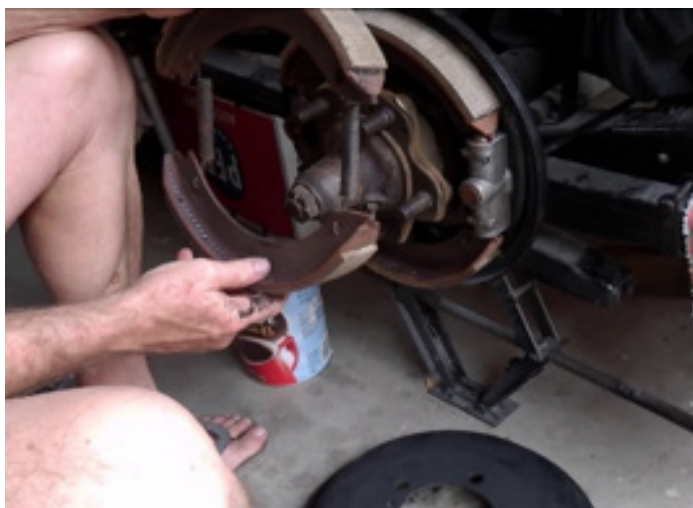
You will recall that I resprayed the black on the body because of defects in the final finish. This meant that I had to repeat the flatting and buffing processes. On this occasion I started the flatting process with 2000 grit followed by 3000 before starting the buffing process.

For the moment I have only completed the first step of the buffing process because I am starting to fit the doors and chromed window pieces. Fitting these pieces leaves fingerprints all over the paint finish. I will complete the buffing when all the chrome is in place.

Related Youtube video – [1949 Daimler DB 18 Consort Resurrection Part 43](#)



## 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION



# THE LANCHESTER PROJECT

**Friday 31 May** - Present Merv McDonald, Bob Aylward and myself. Today work continued on the installation of the roof lining due to the unusual treatment wanted for around the rear window. Merv and Bob also spent time locating and cleaning the various interior A, B and C pillar lining items in preparation for their installation.

**Friday 7 June** - Present Jim Gellett, Merv McDonald, Colin Cox, John Hiscox, John Steel and myself. Roof lining work this week was restricted to gluing it to the front sun visor area. Merv plans to do the cut and polish of the body work next Friday, so the rest of the day was spent preparing the windscreen for installation and its installation.

We have two front and rear windscreens and both front windscreen glass needed cleaning. This saw both Colin Cox and John Steel on hands and knees scraping and polishing the glass. The rubber seal was then cut and mounted around the glass before the glass was installed in the car. This was done using the string method but with the glass inside the car and the string pulled from the outside. The many hands present made it an easy operation, supporting the glass from falling backwards into the car as the seal was pulled into place.

**Friday 14 June** - There were only 3 of us today, Merv, John Steel and myself (John Hiscox). While Merv wanted to buff up the paint work, it was decided to get the motor running again since connecting up the fuel line instead of the gravity tin direct to the pump, that had been in place. Lo and behold it wouldn't start. Priming the carby would get it going but only for that amount of fuel, so the conclusion was either a blockage in the line from the tank, or the reserve valve was the impediment. The car needs to be jacked up to enable access to the reserve valve and a compressor is needed. In the meantime, the brake fluid reservoir and the rocker cover were looking very shabby in contrast to the rest of the engine, so they were taken off, stripped of their paint and repainted. Re-assembly will also be next week.

**Thursday 13 June** - Present Merv McDonald and myself a day early. Today Merv and I checked the fuel line from the fuel tank to the carby. We had purchased \$30 worth of fuel and first added it to the fuel tank, but still Merv couldn't prime the carburetor. So this suggested it wasn't a lack of fuel in the tank. The main/reserve tap is seized but is redundant due to the blocking off of one fuel connection at the fuel tank. Regardless we found vacuum at the tap and also at the one fuel line connected to the fuel tank and the disconnected fuel line at the tank was not causing a vacuum leak. Thus suggesting a blockage in the pipe into the fuel tank itself. Fortunately I had some wire and we cleared the blockage and re-connected the fuel line. Merv then succeeded to prime the carburetor. The car started almost immediately and we ran it to warm up. A possible part exposed insulated connector in the temporary wiring had at the start of the day insulation tape applied to prevent further possible short circuiting. This may have prevented the engine being switched off the previous week.

After lunch I re-tacked the front section of roof lining, but there are still two minor stretch lines I need to fix next week to get it right. We also gave the exterior a dust off and wash in preparation for Merv to commence cut and polish of the body work.

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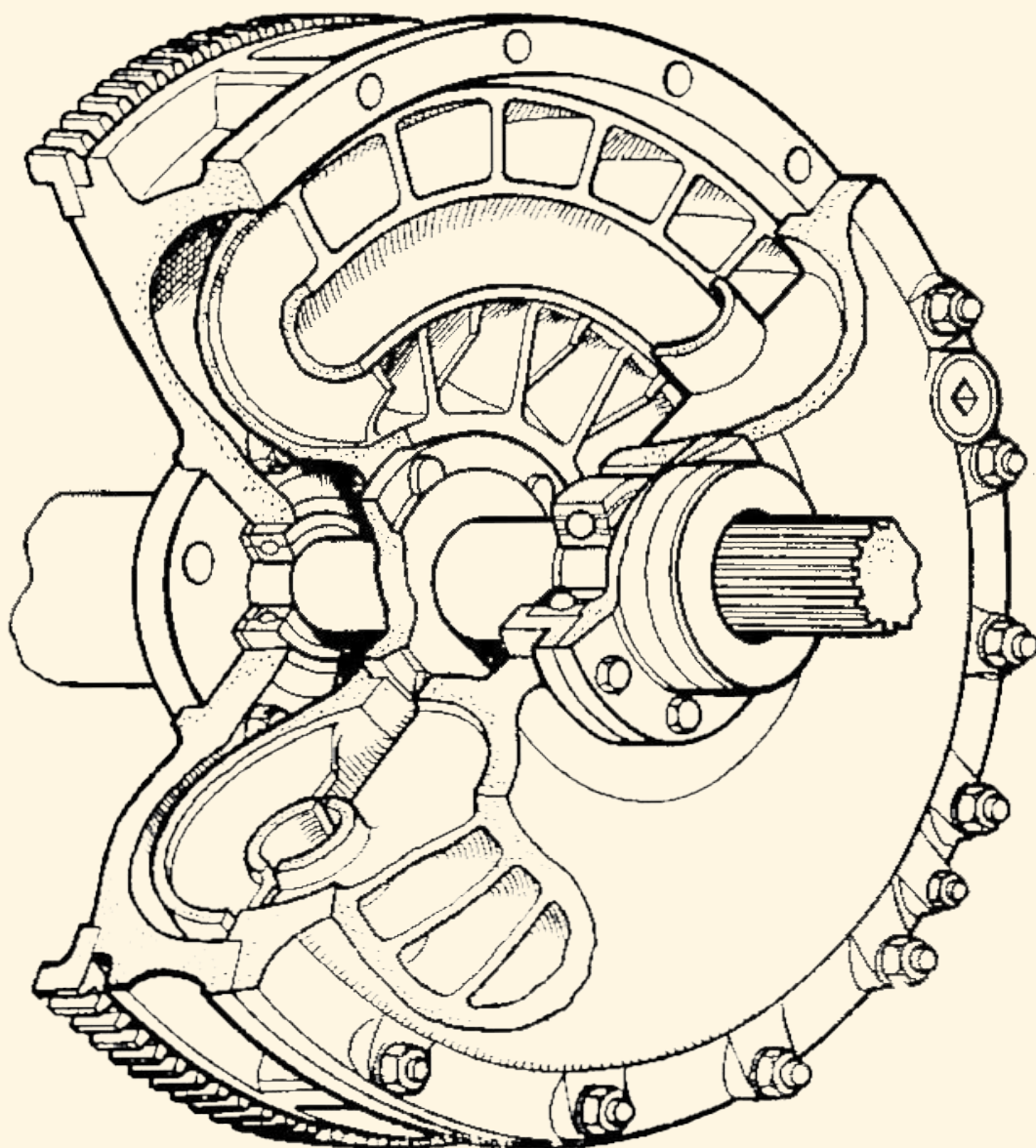
**Friday 21 June** - Present Merv McDonald, John Steel and myself (John Hiscox). The first job being to find out why the car wouldn't start. The good news was that Merv and Graham had gone to Russell's the day before and did the job. This was to disconnect the fuel line and rod out the plaque inside. So our jobs today were to re-install the the newly painted brake fluid container and the rocker cover. Life wasn't meant to be easy as the former item did not want to be reconnected. But perseverance prevailed . Then the air cleaner and oil bath gave a bit of trouble and will be completed next week. The tappets were given another check before putting the cover back on and various bits of window surround chrome were polished.

The fuel gauge sender unit had been removed the day before and it was realized the gasket needed replacing. A new gasket was made today and installed.

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