

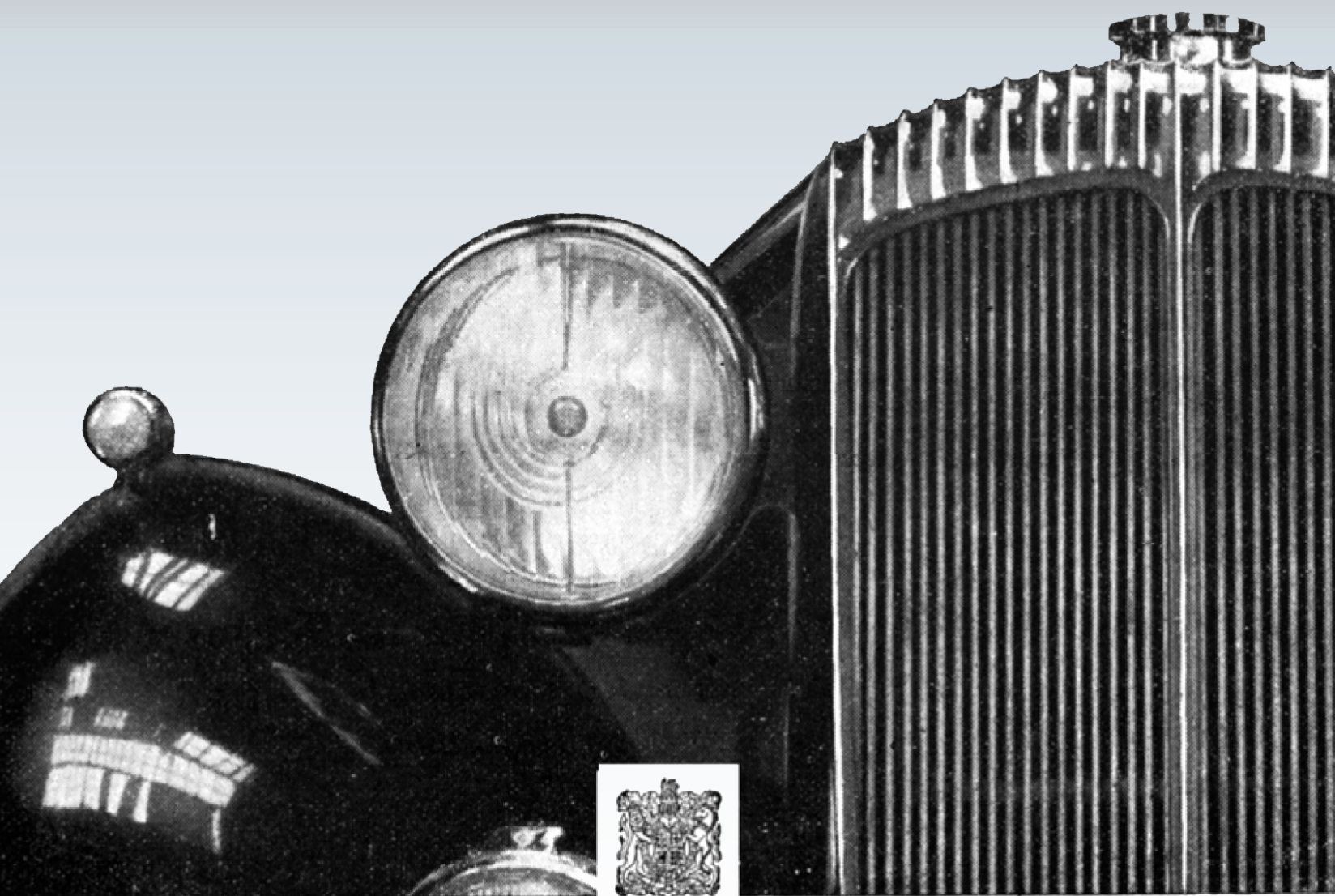
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The Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club generously donate a meeting room to our club each month for the purposes of our monthly meeting. This is done at no cost to our club and we are very grateful for this kindness. We ask our members to consider joining the 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

November has come & gone again & what a busy month it has been. The President's weekend went off in an orderly & pleasant fashion, culminating in a fantastic visit to Ian & Karen Brenner's "museum" of wonderful cars & workshops. Karen & her Mum went to a lot of effort to prepare a sumptuous morning tea & Secretary Russell was able to once again demonstrate his month of training to open the Limo door for Her Majesty the Queen, on the exact same car!

My car deposited us home safely on Sunday afternoon, however when I went to fill up with fuel on Monday, it "failed to proceed" due to a dead short in the starter motor which necessitated the car's first trip on the back of a tow truck in 13 years. All fixed now & proceeding once again according to plan.

As this is the final edition of the magazine for 2019, we have 2 major events to note in our diaries before we resume activities in the new year. The first is the Christmas party at Chris & John Hurst's at Kenthurst on the 8th December. Don't forget to contact Chris & find out what to bring, along with a suitable gift & something for the raffle. The next event is John Steel's Cocktail Cruise on Tuesday 7th January. You will note that the event this year is located in the "deep south" to accommodate those members who may reside in that general area of the city. So if that includes you, please make the effort to attend & enjoy the company of your fellow club members. Members residing on the North side will be making an extra special effort to get there as well so don't let John Steel down. See you there.

The final Lanchester work day for the year will happen this Friday 29th Nov.

May Denise & I take this opportunity to wish all of our members & their extended families a happy, joyous & peaceful Christmas & we look forward to catching up with you in the new year.

Jim Gellett - President/Editor.

## COMING EVENTS 2019

December 2019 Sunday 1	<b>SP250 Christmas</b> - Christmas lunch at Geranium Cottage, Dural
December 2019 Sunday 8	<b>Christmas Party</b> at John & Chris Hurst's place at 30 Pitt Town Rd Kenthurst , Please ring Chris on 02 9654 2407 to find out what dishes to bring. More info is available in this issue .
January 2020 Tuesday 7	<b>Cocktail Cruise</b> - This annual event is not to be missed. Burnum Burnum Sanctuary, Woronora. 6 Prince Edward Park Road Woronora. More details in this issue. From 4:30pm
January 2020 Saturday 18	<b>SP250 - Summer Breakfast Run</b> - to the beach house of Stephen and Helen Figgis in North Avoca.



## COMING EVENTS 2019

February 2020 Sunday 9	<b>Breakfast Run</b> - 1714 Pittwater Rd Bayview. Come and join us at 9:00am for a relaxing Breakfast on the water front at Bayview. It's a great venue, very relaxing with great views Bookings essential for numbers : Contact Chris on 041266456 or <a href="mailto:chriscole49@gmail.com">chriscole49@gmail.com</a>
April 2020 Thursday 2 to Tuesday 7	<b>2020 South Australian National Daimler &amp; Lanchester Rally</b> - Hahndorf Resort. Full details are in this issue
January 2021	<b>SP250 - Tassie Tour</b> - an extended driving and tourist experience in Tasmania.

## SPECIAL OFFER FOR DLOCCA MEMBERS

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## SP250 EXHAUST NOTES NSW

### EXHAUST NOTES FROM THE DLOCCA SP250 REGISTER

The SP Rally to Bright was a great success with participants from South Aust, Victoria and New South Wales. In all some 60 people with twenty SP's were in attendance together with a number of other cars, both Classic and modern.

I'm sure a good time was had by all and we thank the organisers, Ross & Petra Edwards, Digby & Mandy Smith and Ian and Joyce Rowlandson for their efforts.





## SP250 EXHAUST NOTES NSW

### SP NEWS

David & Dallas's SP450 is currently at the painters.

Congrats to Colin Hough in Victoria who has recently purchased Andrew Wardells second SP.

### OTHER NUTS & BOLTS

We have set up an Email Account for all SP Group Corro. It is [sp250group@gmail.com](mailto:sp250group@gmail.com)

As yet we have not put anything further into the events calendar as we will look at sending out an email asking what you want to do going forward. We have had a couple of suggestions already, including doing an occasional meeting on a run as opposed to some one's home or on a Saturday, also a visit to a distillery. I know I said this last month, however we have had some major computer problems which has delayed this from happening.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe New year, and look forward to catching up again in 2020.

Regards

Tony Luongo & Mark Brooks

## SP250 IN CANBERRA

For the first time I caught up with a SP250 in Canberra - at a local all-marque annual show "Marques in the Park" today.

Apparently this car is on the DLOC register. It was owned for many years by ? Barrett and I saw it once several years ago but didn't see the owner. It has now been inherited by his daughter. It used to be domiciled at Sutton, just outside Canberra, and they are members of the Queanbeyan-based Southern Tablelands Historic Automobile Restorers Club (STHARC). The young couple now live in Canberra and turned up at this event by chance - they were taking a spin and saw a bunch of old cars so decided to drop in. The young lady owner loves the car and intends to keep it, but is 9.5-months pregnant so today is likely to be their last outing in it for some time. Sorry I didn't note down their names, but she is ?? Barrett and probably on the club register in that name. Husband also keen on the car.

The car seemed to be in first-class condition.

Richard Thwaites



## BREAKFAST RUN - SUNDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2020



Come and join us for a relaxing Breakfast on the water front at Bayview. It's a great venue, very relaxing with great views. Address is 1714 Pittwater Rd Bayview. Starts at 9:00am

Bookings essential for numbers : Contact Chris on 041266456 or [chriscole49@gmail.com](mailto:chriscole49@gmail.com).

## 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)

## FOR SALE - SIR HENRY BOLTE MAJESTIC MAJOR

Peter Grant received a call from Colin Rogers of Robinvale who has the ex Sir Henry Bolte Majestic Major for sale at \$14,000.00. The car is black with red interior, it has done 57000 miles and has some rust in the door bottoms. Colin Rogers: 0428 147 573



## JOHN STEELE'S COCKTAIL CRUISE - DIRECTIONS



Here are the directions to get to Burnam Burnam Reserve for the now famous Cocktail Cruise event to be held on Tuesday 7th January, commencing from 4:30pm

From Hume Highway, Bankstown take Stacey St., which becomes Fairford Rd, which becomes Davies Rd, which becomes Alford's Point Rd, follow through to The Bangor Bypass & turn Left. Follow across the high level bridge over the Woronora river & take the off ramp to Woronora. Proceed through the windy section to the bottom of the hill & turn right into Burnam Burnam reserve, under the high level bridge. Bring your own picnic food and appropriate cocktails for the event.

## 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 use of a price. Call Motorlife Museum down at Kembla Grange phone (02) 4261 4100



## PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND AWAY - REPORT

We have now established a tradition of having a relaxed casual week end away, organised by our current El Presidente.

In previous years we have been to Moss Vale, Coolangatta and also Bathurst and this year we ventured 110km west of Bathurst to return to the site of our famous 2004 National Rally, Cowra.

While we now tend to start separately and make our own way, this time for lunch in Bathurst, by coincidence and sheer luck just as Jim and Denise joined the F4 freeway in their lovely cream Century I was tootling along in the Special Sports so we more or less drove in tandem to Lawson where we stopped for coffee and a chat before saddling up and continuing west to Bathurst. The weather was gorgeous, cool but sunny and our cars really love those conditions and eat up the miles (well in my car's case it nibbles up the miles) and we drove solidly as far as Yetholme, where I usually fill up on my way west (it was the most westerly point the DE36 reached on its unsuccessful attempt to get to the Clare Valley National Rally in 2008) and then down the hill into Bathurst to join up with others along for the week end for a social lunch in the Bathurst Peace Park on the banks of the Macquarie River. Joining the group headed to Cowra at the park were Ian and Beverley Rowe from Parkes, in their lovely Sovereign, Russell and Jenny Turner in a very smart modern (2009) Jaguar, John and Eve Hiscox in the Rolls Royce Mulliner Park Ward, Ian Fletcher and Elizabeth in a very smart new Daimler Benz, Colin Cox and Barry in a very gold Magna and Merv McDonald in his trusty MG having ducked over from his daughter's nearby farm (where we visited on the last President's Week End).

The lunch was great, we enjoyed the beautiful sunshine and clipped green grass to sprawl on and then headed into Cowra where we regrouped at the motel to be joined by Richard and Dilber Thwaites in their Green Conquest known as Serena (think of a well known and successful tennis player's rear aspect anatomy and you will understand).

I took a lift with Richard and Dilber in the Conquest to the Japanese gardens and then the Cowra Break out memorial, their Conquest is a great car, comfortable, with a reasonable amount of herbs under the bonnet, I don't understand why we don't see more of them at Club events.

The gardens were beautiful, green and lush and well-tended; they are an absolute oasis of calm in a dry and drought affected landscape and have a very beneficial effect on the spirit.

Not so calming was the Break Out display, very well done with an interesting audio presentation broadcast from a replica watch tower, it describes the camp's development and the break out, with additional signage giving an idea of what the camp looked like in 1944 and with adjacent photos of personalities, photos of the Australian soldiers killed and a narrative of what happened and even after the war as the camp was slowly closed down.

After these visits it was time to head back to our own camp and get ready for dinner. Ian and Karen Brenner from Grenfell joined us for a drink before dinner and then we all headed next door to the Lachlan Valley Hotel for a delicious dinner at a long table reserved for us and lots of conversation and laughter before reluctantly heading back to the motel for a well earned night's rest before a cooked breakfast the next morning and saddle up to head to Grenfell (about 56km) to a very welcoming morning spent at Ian and Karen's to salivate over Ian's wonderful cars, his workshops and sheds full of goodies, projects and machinery.

After the tour, we headed to the house for a lavish morning tea before the group started to disperse to head for home, or pastures anew, as some were visiting friends living locally, Ian and Bev Rowe heading into Grenfell to have a look at the local Art Gallery which they recommended. I stayed to chat, look under bonnets and a bit more inspection of Ian's collection before heading off towards home, accompanied by Russell and Jenny, very kindly shepherding me all the way to Bathurst to make sure everything was in order.

## PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND AWAY - REPORT

Happily, the Special Sports sailed along, at its own pace, navigating the hills and climbs and even traveling up Victoria Pass without any problems even if in 2nd gear for a fair part of it.

The run down the Mountains was slow due to traffic, but the M4 was good, and even Parramatta Rd was okay, I took the new West Connex tunnel and that was excellent but from Central to home the traffic was heavy and my poor car was really not happy after the lovely country miles to be stuck in Sydney traffic in the heat, but no problems apart from a driver needing a rejuvenating shower and cold beverage or two to restore equilibrium of the mind and body!

A very enjoyable weekend, and very Daimler Club: relaxed, casual and brimming with friendship and camaraderie and a wonderful opportunity to talk with old friends and new and spend quality time together.

Thanks to Jim and Denise for the organisation, and Ian and Karen for their wonderful hospitality on the Sunday morning.

Accompanying photos of the weekend courtesy of Richard Thwaites.

Peter Grant





## PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND AWAY - REPORT





# DAIMLER FOR SALE - DECEASED ESTATE

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## 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)



# KEITH ASHWORTH MEMORIAL

## **The Man Who Couldn't Help But Inspire Others – A DAIMLER LOVE STORY**

It is almost one year since the passing of my beloved Keith, and time to reflect and share with you some thoughts of my own.

Firstly, I wish to thank the Daimler community and membership, local and international for their support, comfort and friendship.

Albeit slightly tongue-in-cheek, I thank the UK club and Peter Towns for publication of the tribute to Keith earlier this year, "The Man Who Couldn't Help Himself" which brought a good measure of mirth to an otherwise shocked readership on learning of his untimely death.

It ultimately served to illustrate the length and breadth of a love affair of the man with a Daimler obsession, a commitment and dedication to a marque. Despite this, it is also important to know, the same vigour manifested itself in his loyalty and support of his family and friends. It is this same ardour that marked his redoubtable and peerless devotion to his wife and therein lies the centrepiece of a unique Daimler love story.

We met via mother's beautiful Barker body Special Sports and it was his Dart that made its way to my heart, winning his fair lady's hand.

Invariably interlaced with references to his Daimler, Keith wooed me with his poems;

"In the red Dart speeding through the hills

Together we'll have all the thrills.

Exploring and enjoying nature's delights

Together we'll see such marvellous sights.

You and me in my favourite toy

Together the future will bring plenty of joy

Without you my life so incomplete

Come driving with me in one of the fleet!"

... how could I resist the invitation.

Needless to say he progressed to a marriage proposal in the Dart, announced our engagement at Daimler rally 'murder mystery' night, ensured a Daimler was front and centre stage at our wedding, organised our honeymoon around the Daimler Centenary events in Scotland and Coventry then continued to introduce me to the Daimler family far and wide.

In fact, this particular verse underpinned our time together. He was my vehicle to a life of adventure and the adventure of life, mostly the centre of which was driven by his Daimlers. He truly was a driving force whether in a Daimler or not, in every sense of the word, chauffeuring me in my world and me into his.

On our travels his agenda was all too obvious, he was loving and wise enough to always package a trip to include my interests and loved being involved! Through his 'business' trips we have met and maintained some enduring national and international Daimler friends.

An inveterate traveller, he was particularly skilled in mapping various trips between Daimler events to experience the uniqueness of Australia's wide plains and regional townships, applying the same principles on our trips abroad.

## KEITH ASHWORTH MEMORIAL

Daimlers were an enduring, addictive passion that founded an unwavering routine of one day per week on his projects, a labour of love, preserving Daimler history, moreover, putting the car back on the road. While often one could argue the economic viability, he was careful in approaching daunting projects with vision and a calculating, cautious optimism to achieve the unachievable. His pursuit of this vision was underpinned by employing a cunning frugality borne out of his career as a credit controller. It was a rare, fine balance of compromise, authenticity and optimum functionality. Rarely did he plan to part with his Daimler recreations. I am certain that these fundamentals underlined his quest in bargain hunting, which for him, was a sport, a thrilling chase, whether it be the common grocery or related to his projects. His passionate driving addiction in his restorations was equally infectious and to this end, he imbued and inspired others with a confidence and belief in their own projects, which is a mark of a true clubman. Do not be fooled, Keith was multidimensional, an expert cross-worder, quiz king, quick-wit, comic relief, proficient speed reader, poet, ardent current affairs follower, weather man extraordinaire, stamp-collector from childhood, equally knowledgeable on trains, planes, automobiles and sea-craft, lover of music, vigneron, food buff and a consummate social-‘tiger-moth’ to name a few!!!

It was a truly unique and fitting fanfare for his final trip, to be escorted to his resting place by seven cars from his own stable of Daimlers serving as the family coaches in the cortege, along with other clubmen and their Daimlers. A veritable Daimler event in itself. The funeral directors requested permission to video this unique cortege for their website.

In conclusion, this enigma of a man that couldn’t help but sweep people up in his Daimler orb was a man of contradictions and it can be said he embodied the very car with which he is synonymous and indeed, epitomized the SP250 ‘Dart’.....

I am sure you will all agree, a car of equal contradictions.

In essence, I leave you with my tribute:

“A man generous to a fault but a credit controller by default

Simple to taste yet dealt complexity in haste

Could be both lateral to think but deep to a brink.”

I continue to read and follow with fervour the Daimler news locally and abroad...

I cannot help myself!

Forever are ‘we’

Daimler Dame

Domenica Chincarini Ashworth

PS. Now departing for the Daimler SP250 60th Anniversary Keith Ashworth Memorial Rally, 1-4 November 2019, Bright, Victoria...report will follow.



## KEITH ASHWORTH MEMORIAL



# HISTORIC AND CLASSIC VEHICLE LOG BOOK

The following communication was received from RMS relating to the use of Log Books:

Transport for NSW recently conducted a review of the Log Book Trial, operating under the Historic and Classic Vehicle Schemes. As part of the Trial, Transport for NSW received feedback from a broad range of stakeholders to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

From 1 October 2019, the Log Book will become a permanent feature of the Historic and Classic Vehicle Schemes. Transport for NSW will deliver a number of improvements to the schemes over the next 12 months based on the feedback received during the review.

Existing requirements introduced during the Trial will continue to apply to participants, including:

- Vehicles registered under the Historic and Classic Vehicle Schemes can be operated for 60 days of general road use each year, outside of club organised events.
- Each day of general use must be recorded in a Log Book issued at Service NSW branches.
- Owners wishing to opt into the Log Book program should be a member of a Transport for NSW recognised Classic or Historic Vehicle Club, or Approved Organisation participating in the Log Book program.

Information and updates to the Log Book program and proposed improvements will be communicated to Historic and Classic Vehicle Clubs and Approved Organisations in writing in the coming weeks.

Please ensure Transport for NSW has up-to-date club contact details, including a valid email address, so we can inform you of upcoming changes to the Log Book.

If you have any questions related to the Log Book program, please email us at:

[IndustryEngagement@rms.nsw.gov.au](mailto:IndustryEngagement@rms.nsw.gov.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 4TH NOVEMBER, 2019.

The meeting commenced at 8.00pm with Jim Gellett in the chair

### **Apologies:**

John Steele, Alan Hunt, Carolyn Burch, Jenny Turner

Attendees as per list filed with minutes Previous

### **Previous Minutes:**

The minutes of the previous meeting were published in the Magazine and taken as read. MSA that they be accepted as true & correct. Peter/Merv

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

Nil

### **Correspondence:**

Various car club magazines where tabled for hand over to Library

### **Business arising from Correspondence:**

Nil

### **Treasures Report:**

Previous to the meeting a written report had been circulated by the Treasurer via email to committee members. Copies were provided to the members attending & contents noted & discussed.

Current account Balance \$4959.66 Current term Deposit \$15884.27

Jim moved "that the Treasurers report be accepted as true & correct & that payments be made as they become due " Second John H

### **New Members:**

Nil

### **Social Report:**

Club events were noted as listed in the magazine inclusive details on the President run, Christmas Parties & various options for events in 2020. Details of the 2020 Cocktail Cruise shall be made available in the Nov magazine



# MINUTES OF A MEETING

## **Editor /Website:**

Discussion in regards changing /clarifying the password to enable downloading of the Club Magazine for more general access occurred. It was decided to retain the current members number as the access password.

## **Registrars:**

Feedback had filtered through to the meeting that the SP250 Rally in Bright Victoria had been a great success with approximately 20 cars in attendance. We look forward to full reports in due course

## **Library:**

Discussion was held in regards the volume of other clubs magazines being held in the library indefinitely, as to the necessity/practicality of doing so

John H moved a motion with Ray providing an amendment with discussion between and after.

The final motion was MSA John H /Ray that “ all non-Daimler magazines be forwarded to the Library, held for 12 months as both an interest & a resource reference, then brought to the next Club meeting thereafter for distribution to members at said meeting. Magazines not collected at this meeting would be discarded. “

It was noted in discussions that the Editor during the 12month holding period would have access to the magazines with the specific intent to reprint articles in those magazines that would prove, in general, interesting to Daimler members. Reproduction of any such articles would only occur after the Secretary had notified the particular Club or article source & had gained written approval to reproduce the article. Any member also has the opportunity in addition to the Editor, to suggest an article worthy of reprinting in our Club magazine, subject to relevant notification/approval authority.

## **Regalia:**

The Club is in search of a Regalia Officer who is able to carry out the duties of the position Please consider putting your name forward as it is an important position & your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

It was determined at the meeting that the Club should make a concentrated effort to upgrade our stock ( which is significantly depleted at the moment) & to obtain relevant items for our members .The Club has also been invited to provide regalia for sale at the 2020 National Rally in South Australia .This provides an excellent opportunity for the Club to promote its regalia as a fundraiser

Some items that were suggested at the meeting are as follows:

Folding umbrellas, Daimler car stickers /transfers, Daimler Club badges inclusive Eagle icon option, takeaway/ travel coffee mugs, sloppy joes, Daimler thermo flask, short sleeve shirts with pockets, Daimler car sashes, Daimler steering wheel covers, folding fan type car sun shades, Lanchester items, Daimler pens, Daimler/ Lanchester baseball type caps & wide brim hats etc, etc

Members are encouraged to add to the list &/or highlight items they really would like to be made available

## **Conditional Plates:**

Nil



# MINUTES OF A MEETING

## **Technical & Spares:**

John R gave a detail report on the upgrades he has made to his DB18 special sports which have worked with great success in regards improving the cars braking & steering.

## **For Sale & Wants:**

Nil

## **CMC Report:**

Nil

## **ABD:**

Nil

## **General Business:**

Subscription fees were discussed. It was determined to make no changes for 2020.

Discussion occurred in regards the Annual Club Picnic format, future & location in which it would be held in 2020.

It was determined that the subsidy that was provided by the Club at previous picnics for a catered lunch, by way of introducing new members, appeared now not to be as effective over time. A separate discussion will be had at the next Committee meeting in regards the introduction of new members to the broader membership & club events generally.

After discussion it was MSA Jim/Merv that "the Annual Club Picnic would no longer be a Club financially subsidised event. The location will remain at Lane cove National Park & members attending would provide their own picnic lunch, food & refreshments etc. for the day." There will of course still be a lucky door prize & novelty prizes.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25 pm

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE DLOCCA WILL BE MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER, 2019 @ 8:00pm AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB.**

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## 1954 DAIMLER CONQUEST FOR SALE

Hi, I have a 54 Daimler Conquest for sale. The car is absolutely complete though partially disassembled. Body is straight and all doors shut nicely, engine runs and sounds good. Car is on its wheels and is movable. Body has rust in left front door and main body part of scuttle plus a few minor patches elsewhere. I'm too old to take this on so car is for sale \$1500.

Phone (02) 49817721 8 Windeyer Close Medowie NSW 2318.

Geoff Colman (ex Jaguar Daimler Canberra Club member)



## WANTED - PARTS FOR 1949 SPECIAL SPORTS

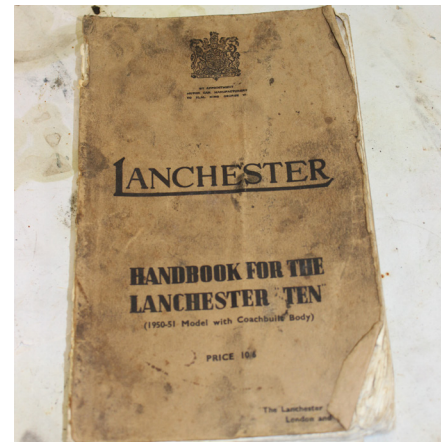
Can you please tell me if anyone in the club has any spare parts for a Daimler 49 Special Sports model. Some parts I'm looking for are fuel pump kits, 2 brass plugs for the fluid fly wheel.

Graham Coleman - [grahamcoleman7@bigpond.com](mailto:grahamcoleman7@bigpond.com)



## 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)



## 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION

### PART FORTY EIGHT - REASSEMBLY

#### Denis Leys

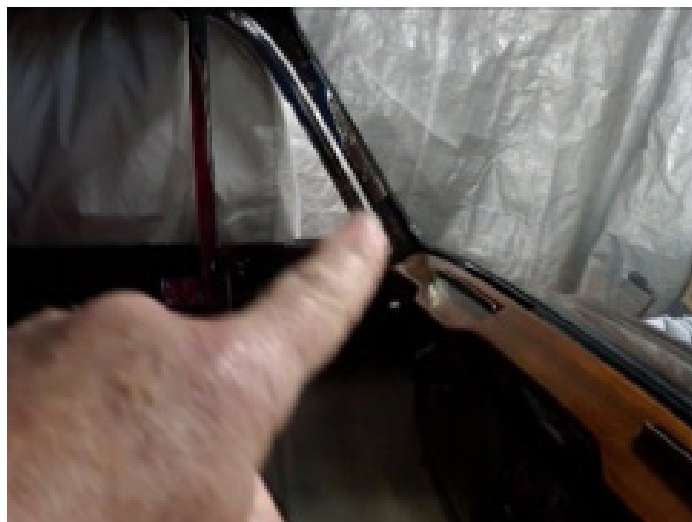
Fitting the windscreen on the Consort is a two-step process; fitting the glass to the chrome frame, and then fitting the frame to the vehicle (the frame is attached to the body with a series of screws inside the car). Fitting the frame requires two people – one pushing from the outside, and the other attaching the screws on the inside, and don't forget to fit the rubber seals on the wiper shafts before attaching the frame.

I have also started fitting up the doors with their locks and windows. I sourced generic window seals locally and found them easy to fit, however it is a good idea to use a little contact glue at the top of the window channel to stop the felts moving when the windows are raised and lowered. I also took the opportunity to apply adhesive sound deadening material to the inside of the doors.

The front springs were fitted using a trolley jack under the main suspension arm to compress the spring. I put a suitably large bolt through the hole in the arm to stop the jack from slipping as the spring was compressed until the spherical bearing bolt could be positioned. Fitting any spring is a dangerous process, and the Consort spring is no different; it tends to go off centre as it compresses, and I had to use a pry bar and ratchet strap to keep the alignment. You need to be very careful until all suspension bolts are in place. A compressed spring contains an enormous amount energy and you don't want it to let go.

Related Youtube video – [1949 Daimler DB 18 Consort Resurrection Part 48](#)

## 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION



# THE LANCHESTER PROJECT

**Thursday 31 October 2019** - Present myself. Took advantage of another day by myself to work on the wiring for the car. Everything seemed to go well in the morning and I thought I had done enough to test the circuitry after lunch. Well after lunch I connected the battery only to find the oil and ignition dash warning lights were both on ignition off. After much tracing of circuits I found that I had connected the wires to the ignition switch one position to the left of where they should have been. The difficulty then became removing the wires from each connector from behind the dash and moving them across. This was further exacerbated when I misplaced the only small screw driver I had with me. So stoked with the knowledge of what needed to be done I decided to leave the wiring till Friday.

**Friday 1 November 2019** - Present Jim Gellett, Merv McDonald, John Hiscox, John Steel and myself. On arrival it is usual for us to first have morning tea. I instead got stuck into the wiring and had the warning light problem sorted.

Jim worked on finishing the "B" pillar repairs and with John Hiscox assistance, also cleaning and painting the timber look door caps. Merv and John Steel worked on the brakes that took some effort to get bled through at first. It was then found that the ball bearing that sits behind the bleed nipple on the repaired wheel cylinder had been replaced and there weren't any spares at Russell's. This means it will take another visit to hopefully get the front brakes working.

I too encountered more gremlins with my wiring. Despite the wiring being connected correctly I was unable to get the dash illumination lights to work. This is a bit of a mystery as the side lights that work off the same connection work but there is no power to the dash circuit. I still have a few other wires to connect but I am getting close to the end. It is very uncomfortable lying on the floor of this car due to the seat runner mounts being permanent fixtures to the floor.

**Friday 22 November 2019** - Present Jim Gellett, Merv McDonald and John Steel. Merv & John continued to work on the brakes but to no avail. Merv has diagnosed that the seals in the wheel cylinders are oversize & do not allow the pistons to move within the cylinder under pressure.

He will acquire more seals. Jim attended to the imperfections in the bodywork on the front O/S gard & replaced BOTH headlamp globes. Merv also reported that he had seen Bob Aylward & that he was slowly improving in health. Otherwise a good day was had by all.

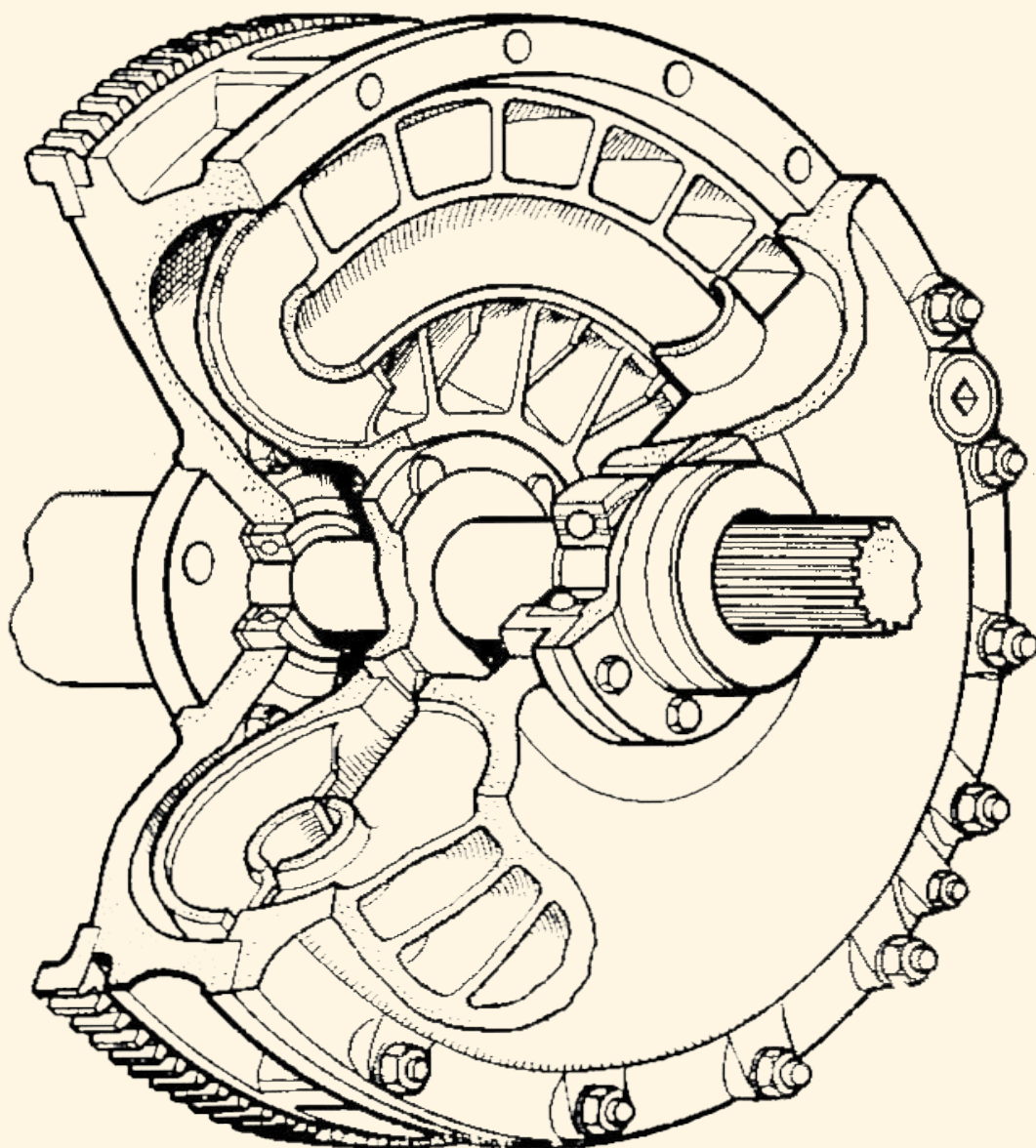
Jim had also obtained some dash light fittings from Ian Brenner to assist the restoration (high beam and indicator warning lights). Jim left them with me and I have repaired and painted the lens holders and re-wired them and now just need to locate new coloured lenses for them.

**Stay tuned. Graham McDonald Home: (02) 9533 3128 Mobile 0422 972 094**



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