

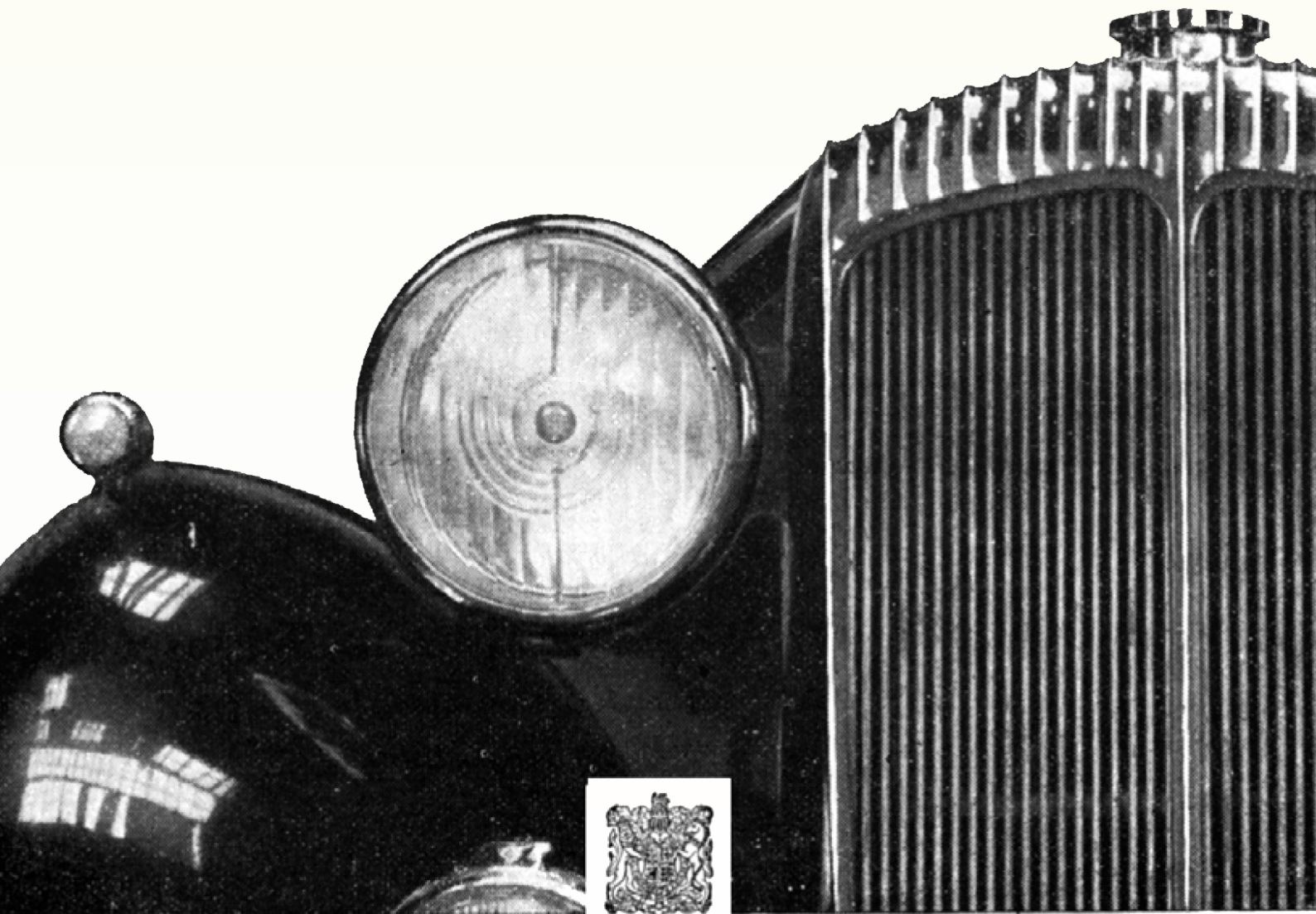
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## OUR NEXT MEETING (CANCELLED)

~~8PM MONDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 2020 AT RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB~~

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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

Well, here we are again in another month of uncertainty. I hope & trust that you are all keeping safe & well & I know we are all social distancing! There is not much going on in the Club at the moment apart from work on various member's cars. Graham McDonald has his SS off at the motor trimmers having the roof relined & recovered, various SP's are in the state of restoration & my car is still waiting to get it's motor back from the rebuilders, having now received all the various bits for them to put together. Our Canberra member, Richard Thwaites is also engrossed in a major gearbox issue with his Conquest Century, which is proving to be quite intriguing. He has experienced a lot of advice from members but at this stage is still in a quandary as to how to fix the problem. Any positive assistance, I am sure will be welcomed.

Once again the Ryde/Eastwood Leagues Club is not available for our August meeting so, without making any early predictions, we are hopeful that we can return there for the September meeting. Also, we have been advised that this year's All British Day will not be going ahead, as it is not possible to put forward a Covid Safe plan for the day. We will also need to remain alert regarding the Club Picnic Day in October & also the President's weekend in November. The Victorians may still not be allowed out by then!

Meanwhile we can stay in touch via the magazine & a few instances of one on one contact, both via email, phone or in person, maintaining social distancing of course.

Till we meet again,

Jim Gellett - President/Editor.

## COMING EVENTS 2020

August 2020 Friday 7	<b>SP250 - MEETING</b> Hunts @ Dural - CANCELLED
August 2020 Saturday 8	<b>Mystery Run</b> - Stay tuned for more details
September 2020 Saturday	<b>SP250 - RUN</b> TBA
September 2020 Sunday 13	<b>All British Day</b> - CANCELLED
October 2020 Saturday 17	<b>SP250 - MEETING</b> Norgroves @ Wyee With a run to the Hunter Valley

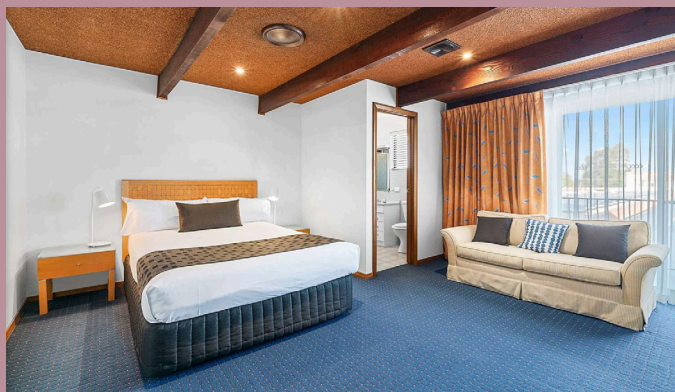


## COMING EVENTS 2020

November 2020 Saturday	<b>SP250 - RUN</b> TBA
November 2020 Friday 13 to Monday 16	<b>Merimbula Week End Get Together</b> - Accommodation should be booked at the Pelican Motor Inn direct by you and do mention you are with the Daimler Club. Telephone: (02) 6495 1933 E: info@pelicanmotorinn.com.au
December 2020 Saturday	<b>SP250 - Christmas Party</b> TBA
January 2021	<b>SP250 - Tassie Tour</b> - an extended driving and tourist experience in Tasmania.

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# SP250 EXHAUST NOTES NSW

## EXHAUST NOTES FROM THE DLOCCA SP250 REGISTER

We hope that everyone is continuing to remain safe and virus free.

Just as we think there is light at the end of the tunnel, another train comes blasting through. Restrictions are now starting to tighten up again and as such we continue to postpone all runs and meetings until it is safe and legal for us to recommence them.

We have also just been advised that the All British Day at Kings School has now officially been cancelled for this year. The organisers regret that they have had to take this decision, however the safety of all involved is paramount. They look forward to a bigger and better event in 2021.

### SP NEWS

Currently there is an SP for sale at Oldtimer Australia in Qld, Mark Jansen is the contact.

Link : [https://www.oldtimeraustralia.com/wp\\_car\\_dealer/1964-daimler-sp250-dart/](https://www.oldtimeraustralia.com/wp_car_dealer/1964-daimler-sp250-dart/)

This car is the fourth last chassis number and the last SP imported into Australia in 1964, the car was originally owned here in NSW by Grahame Elith and had the Alloy "Fastback" conversion completed by Stan Brown, it was subsequently restored back to standard by T Lister and was featured in the May 1989 edition, "Sports and Classic Cars".

A big congrats to Tim & Tracey Mallyon who have reached an important milestone in the restoration of their SP, reuniting the body and chassis . You can follow Tim & Tracey's progress at their restoration blog. <http://61dart.simplesite.com/?fbclid=IwAR21tdABuUMLiqaSI94qYeQHGSTi5ZuVE5V41OW0HqXKQfRbGGLvqT-uYqw>

### OTHER NUTS & BOLTS

Alan Mason, who puts together the SP Calendars each year has asked for any SP related photos that you may like considered for next year's calendars to please forward them to him via email. The calendars are prepared, professionally printed and distributed each year with the profits going to the PasSPort publication. Alan's email is [soaring.ace@btinternet.com](mailto:soaring.ace@btinternet.com)

A number of other SP's continue to be under restoration at the present time, we look forward to hearing of their progress and completion in the future.

David & Dallas Stoodley have an SP front and rear Bumper Bar for sale. Please contact them if interested.

Regards

Tony Luongo

Mark Brooks

[sp250group@gmail.com](mailto:sp250group@gmail.com)



## SP250 EXHAUST NOTES NSW



*The Daimler SP250 Fastback as owned by Grahame Elith*



*The Daimler SP250 Fastback as owned by Grahame Elith*



## 2020 BAY TO BIRDWOOD

For those members interested in this South Australian event, which is celebrating its 40th year.

Click on the link below to register your vehicle to be one of the 1750 participants in the 40th anniversary event on Sunday 27 September.

The Bay to Birdwood has moved with the times and only online entries will be accepted this year. Please ensure you are familiar with the event rules and regulations before you register. If you need assistance please call us on (08) 8568 4019.



Categories available for the 40th Celebration Year are:

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- Post 1950 - Regular entry \$75 | Motorcycle \$60
- Post 1950 - Concours d'Elegance or Preservation Award \$145 | Motorcycle \$115

Spaces are limited in each category so don't delay.

[\*\*CLICK HERE TO REGISTER\*\*](#)



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Throughout the Club's history Members have enjoyed a range of social activities themed around the automobile and whilst the interests have widened; travel, touring and collecting automobiles and their memorabilia have remained key areas.





## SECRETARY REPORT

Hi Everyone .

I trust all members & family & friends remain well.

Approximately two weeks ago I was advised by the Ryde Eastwood Club that their function rooms, which were to be available for our August meeting, would no longer be accessible. They were unable to give any indication as to when the rooms may be re-opened.

Also our All British Day representative Merv has recently received advice that the ABD event for 2020 has now been cancelled.

“” There will be a Day “” when our Club is fully operational again, but not just yet.

When that will be no-one can say at the moment & maybe there will be some differences in how our activities & adventures are done .

However, Daimlers & their custodians will always prevail.

We will again be able to congregate in our “ thousands “ & all the “ hidden gems “ will again resurface.  
(that applies to the cars as well ?)

It feels at the moment like the West Australian desert, just waiting for the rains to come, so the wildflowers are able to come into full bloom.

You may think I have gone into some Covid restriction melancholy – but not so.

Most would be aware that, I may, at times become somewhat “ talkative “. Unfortunately, having to write a secretary report in lieu of just preparing minutes, now gives me the opportunity to provide expression in writing.

Perhaps there should be another Covid restriction brought in – “Prevent Russell from doing secretary reports “ .

In any event, my aim is to encourage generally & with respect make light of what are very difficult circumstances for many.

Until its over then – keep the wheels turning.

Russell

## 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)

## A LITTLE LIGHT HUMOUR

**It's been such a joy  
being home with my  
wife the past 3 weeks.  
We've caught up on all  
the things I've done  
wrong the past 30  
years.**

### Notice from the Association of Psychiatrists

Dear citizens,  
During the quarantine it is considered  
normal to talk to your plants and pets.  
Kindly contact us only if they reply.

Thank you

**Never in my whole  
life would  
I imagine my hands  
would consume  
more alcohol than  
my mouth!!**



**Ordered Chinese last  
night little chinese  
driver comes to door  
and I walked out to  
meet him. He started  
shouting isolate  
isolate. I said mate  
you're not that late I  
only ordered it 15  
mins ago.😂**





## A LITTLE LIGHT HUMOUR

To all the grandparents  
who are missing their  
grandchildren.  
When this is over you can  
have them for a month.  
Promise.



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**PEOPLE KEEP ASKING  
"IS COVID 19 REALLY THAT SERIOUS?"**

**LISTEN UP**

**CASINOS AND CHURCHES ARE CLOSED**

**WHEN HEAVEN AND HELL  
AGREE ON THE SAME THING**

**IT'S PROBABLY PRETTY SERIOUS**



Working from home, but missing the train trips.

**I just read a book on  
marriage that says  
treat your wife like  
you treated her on  
the first date.**

**So after dinner tonight  
I'm dropping her off  
at her parents' house.**



# MERIMBULA WEEK END GET TOGETHER

## **Proposed Dates - 13th - 16th November 2020**

Given the sad postponement of our planned 2020 National Rally in Hahndorf earlier this year members expressed an interest in getting together for an informal weekend when travel restrictions had eased sufficiently to allow us to confidently book a venue.

The NSW Club's President's Weekend is traditionally held in November, Jim Gillett, our President proposed that it would be ideal to combine that week end with this get together and with the help of Richard Bowen in Victoria and committed New South Wales members a week end away in a location more or less mid-way between Melbourne and Sydney has been planned and we have chosen the town of Merimbula as our week end destination.

Merimbula is about 580 km north east from Melbourne along the Princes Highway and about 530 km south from Sydney. It is located on the spectacular south coast of New South Wales and handy to Eden, Bega and Tathra and a popular holiday destination.

The accommodation chosen is at Pelican Motor Inn where a room should be in the region of \$130.00 per night with continental breakfast extra at \$20.00 per person. Some rooms maybe more if a suite or with extra facilities. Overflow rooms are available at Summerhill Motel next door.

We have arranged a \$25.00 per head BYOG and soft drink barbecue on Friday night at the motel's marquee and we will arrange reasonably priced venues for dinner on Saturday and Sunday, to be advised. All very low key with the emphasis on a very social get together, no formalities and some interesting runs to be organized for Saturday and Sunday, with those heading home to Sydney having the chance of a visit to Mogo Zoo on the way home.

We invite you to let us know if you will be joining us for what will be a very relaxed and fun weekend, within the Daimler Clubs family.

If you could please let us know by End of June so we can then arrange dining venues that would be great.

Please make your own booking at the motel.

Pelican Motor Inn

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E: [info@pelicanmotorinn.com.au](mailto:info@pelicanmotorinn.com.au)

Or overflow to:

Summerhill Motel

(02) 6495 3111

E: [info@summerhillmotorinn.com.au](mailto:info@summerhillmotorinn.com.au)

Your organising committee,

Jim Gillett, Richard Bowen, John Hiscox

And Peter Grant

# NOT THE LANCHESTER REPORT - SPECIAL SPORTS

Hi everyone

Hope you are all well. Who would have thought six months ago that the Lanchester project would still be incomplete. This virus has really messed everything up for people and now it looks possible that this second wave may have us shut down again. The Sprite Club had started up running events last month but has closed them down again because of the new restaurant restrictions and the second wave of infections in NSW.

On a more positive note, I was asked to go to the motor trimmers yesterday to discuss the design of the interior lining for the Special Sports, as both the hood and interior linings had finally arrived. We went through all the photos I had taken and the actual layout of the car. The 1980's restoration magazine article was also useful as it had a photo of just the hood lining attached to the bows. They had some nice cars there too, an early E-Type a modern Maserati Convertible and what caught my eye was a late 1960's early 1970's Alfa Romeo GT. The Science Master at my school had one of these, so it brought back memories.

As the Special Sports didn't have an original hood for them to copy, I have been told it should take a couple of weeks to get the lining made to their satisfaction then they will ask me back to discuss the fitting of any padding before making the actual hood itself. From what I gleaned from yesterday's visit will be getting the lining to fit around all the moving sections and getting to all stay taut.

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



## WANTED - PARTS FOR MY DJ250

Where can I source front and rear screen rubbers from? Mine are ones without brightwork.

Not so urgent - 5" driving lights (inboard of headlights) complete assemblies and 1 front overrider - doesn't need to be perfect ( so it can match the other one).

I was also interested in a gearbox but first I'll investigate getting the bands relined.

Attachment is to remind you of the car.

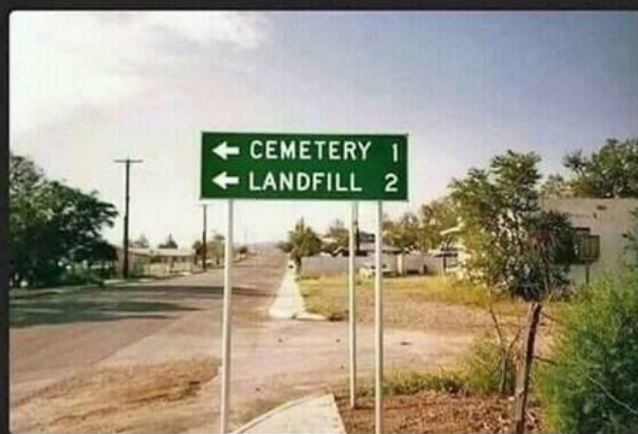
Dave Ward,

Birdwood

Please contact Howard Parslow if you can help and he can pass on to Dave



My wife said when I pass she would go the extra mile to give me the burial I deserve...





### **Important Message From the CMC Use of Vehicles under Conditional Registration For Essential Purpose - Update as at 2nd April 2020**

It has come to our attention that the NSW Police have pulled over a number of vehicles on conditional registration (H, J, D, E and S plates) and questioned whether their use is for essential purposes.

Vice President Boyd Symington finally got through to Transport for NSW (RMS) Policy Branch with a great deal of persistence.

This is a summery of their response:

As long as club members follow NSW State restrictions, such as only going direct to the mechanic, the shops, medical practitioners, pharmacies or to work they are allowed to use HVS and CVS vehicles with the filled out log book. That does not include trips to try the car out or charge the battery etc. as far as we interpret it. Those reasons could be considered spurious by any authority who pulls you up.

There obviously can be no club events where people gather. We suggest that no club sanction or organise any such activity as fines are substantial.

Note that two unrelated people in the front seat of a vehicle are breaking the distancing rules. If they are not family or live with you then they are unrelated.

So go it alone is the safe way if you must go out in ANY vehicle.

If your club is not on the log book scheme then you cannot use the vehicle as club events are forbidden under the rules.

If you are taking such a vehicle to a mechanic it is suggested it be for essential work and you have a prior appointment with the mechanic.

Conditional number plates are a dead giveaway with all these scanning cameras in EVERY Police car nowadays.

It is suggested that members who do NEED to use a vehicle under conditional registration have a good reason ready.

# 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION

## PART FIFTY FIVE - REASSEMBLING THE BODY PART 7

Although I have already fitted the main wiring loom, the secondary loom which carries the wiring to the rear of the vehicle had to be made and fitted. This loom carries the wiring for the taillights, brake lights, indicators, semaphores, and interior light. This connects to the main wiring loom at the end of the steering column. From this point the loom runs inside the chassis to the rear of the vehicle to two junction boxes located inside the chassis rail. However, my loom which runs inside the chassis to a point where it emerges under the rear seat and is then fed through into the boot and attached to two modern junction boxes. Positioning the junction boxes inside the boot area gives easier access and keeps the electrical contacts dry.

The rear light fittings are attached to the spare tyre door and include the brake, tail, and reverse lights which all contain LED lights. The housings for these lights have been re-chromed and the glass lenses have been given a coat taillight paint. The spare tyre door has now been fitted and the lights connected to the loom via the junction boxes.

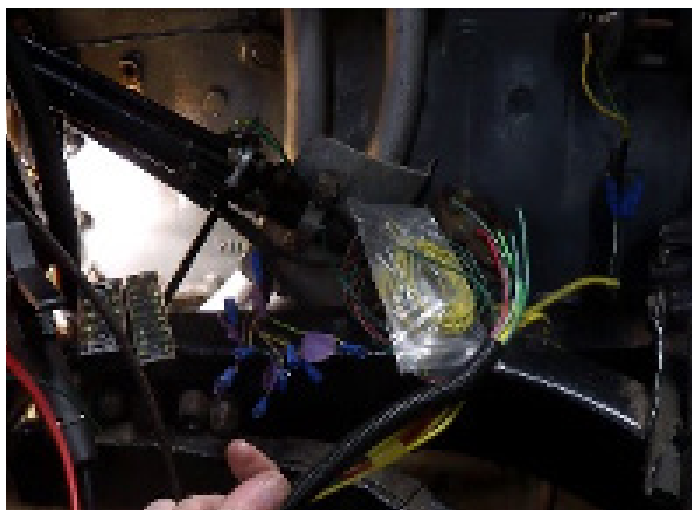
With the tyre door now in place I was able to attach a new floorboard for the boot area, including the filler pieces on each side at the rear of the wheel wells. These pieces prevent items in the boot falling into the spare tyre area. As the support of boot floor itself relies on the metal filler piece attached to the boot door hinge bar, the boot lid was also fitted. Unfortunately, the first attempt at fitting the boot lid was unsuccessful because the edge of the lid below the hinge point was rubbing against the metal boot floor supports. This problem was rectified with some careful shimming.

Apart from the initial fitting problem, the boot alignment is perfect. The boot lock is yet to be fitted and I need to source some generic rubber seals for both the boot lid and tyre door. The turn indicator lights will be mounted on the bumper bar.

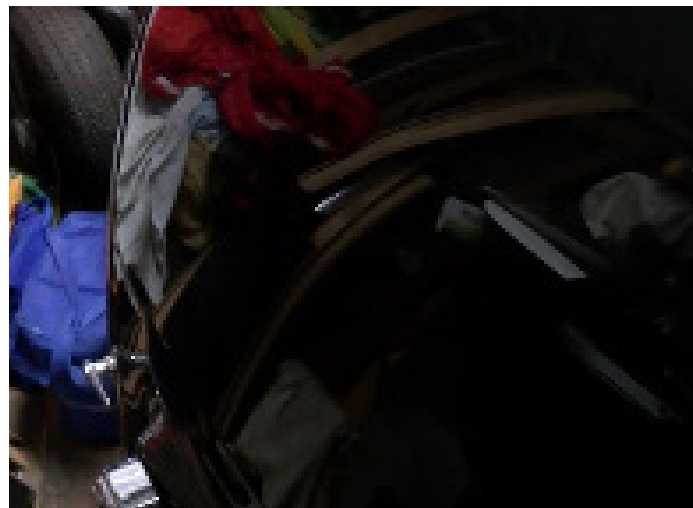
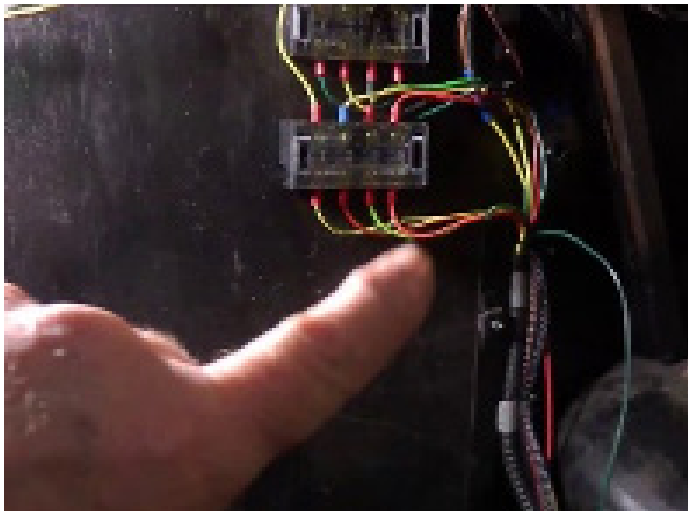
**Denis Leys**

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# 1949 DAIMLER DB 18 CONSORT RESURRECTION





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## 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 - DAIMLER 104 SALOON

1955 Daimler, purchased by my father (deceased) 12 years ago who purchased it from long term owners (dec.estate). My father spent a lot of money on the car mechanically (not cosmetically). Keen to sell, offers over \$12,000.00.

Car is in Tasmania.

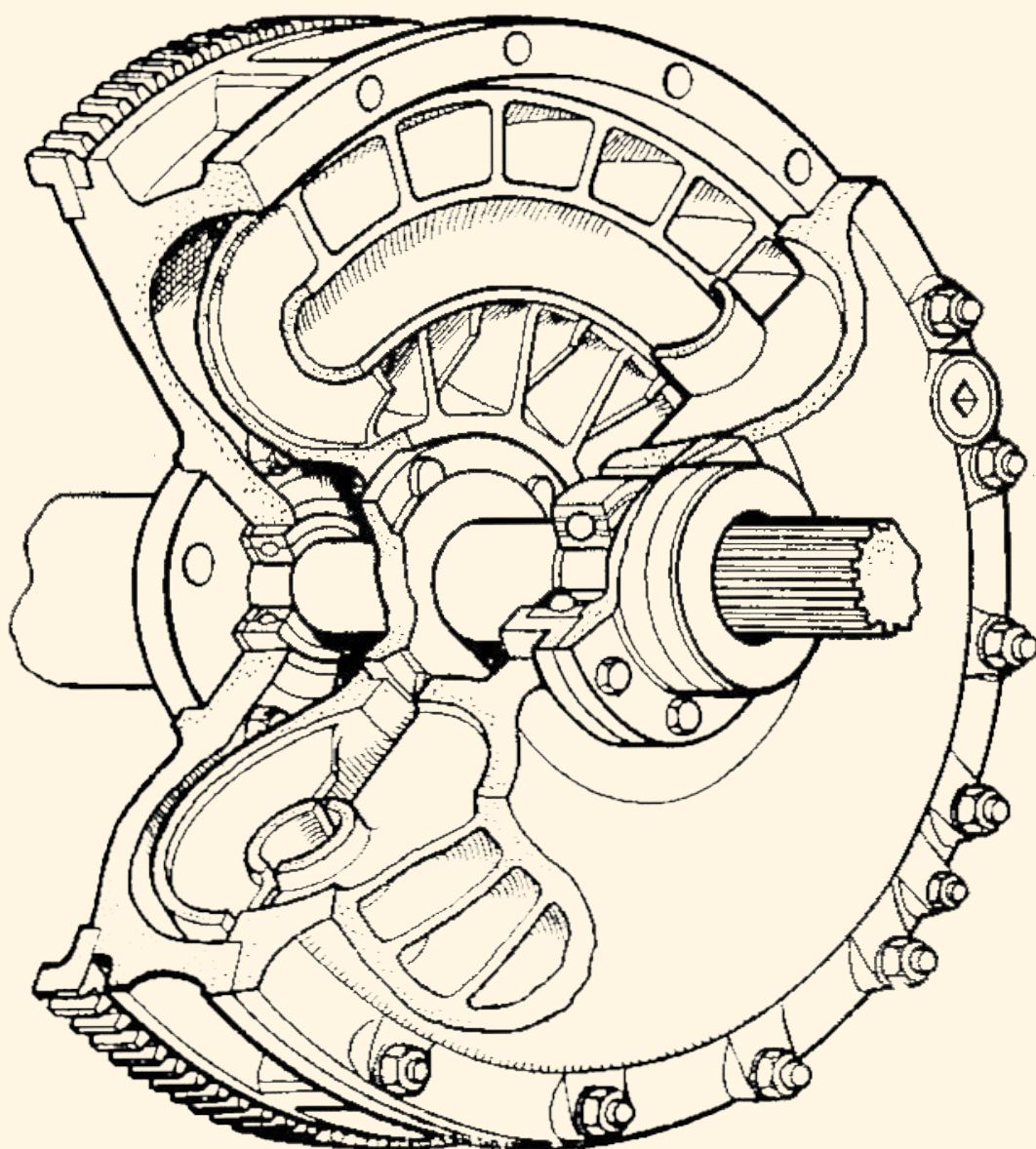
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