

From The Central West



Well even though it is winter, it has been very mild, with cold starts 2 to 5 degrees but days reaching 19 to 20 degrees - but no rain. The drought has become so bad I heard some farmers are putting a dog on their water troughs to shoo the birds away. Another told me he had two bandicoots on his property but had to send one away on agistment. Seriously, some late winter/early spring rain is urgently needed.

Cars & Coffee

I did not go to this event last month so I made sure I went today, 7th July; I was joined by John Hepburn in his Traveller. With just two cars we did have a lot of interest - I would like to see four more cars

turn up as there are 17 members in the Central West and having 25% there would really cause some interest. I could even put out the MMCC sign.

I am always amazed at the numbers at this event. I arrived a little late at 9.05am and was battling for a spot next to John. I was told there were close to one hundred cars on display, from totally modern and supercharged specials and some of Henry Ford's best. The cars were four deep on the grass and nearly all gone by the time I left at 11.50am.

The next C&C is on 3rd August. I will send out a reminder but give it some consideration. For those on concessional registration, it does count as a club outing.

Events

I am organising a run to Molong for morning tea on Saturday 8th September so please leave in time to meet at 10.30am. I will contact our local member to have our coffee at his shop.

Members Cars

Marree Adams cancelled Cars & Coffee as her car was still in the shop getting brakes done. It made me think how blessed those with skills to do mechanical and even body work were. Hope we all try to pass it on.

Robert Keen is replacing his wiper motor; a difficult job in a Series II - hope it went OK.

Still seeking a 4.55 diff; anyone?

John Hepburn is improving his Traveller with new fitments, including a new front valance supplied gratis from our president.

John Ballard For myself I am still working on the ute, with painting started and the engine/gearbox fitted, plus a set of tyres. The tub is still with my brother-in-law, who is a wizard with sheet metal. Some hand-formed panels have been fitted on the inside and they look like they are factory fitted. The upholstery has turned up and I am pleased with it.



(Very) Hot 1957 Chev

Members

We have a new member in Lithgow - a big welcome to Stuart Jones. I have another two sending in membership forms.

Tech Stuff Hazard lights worked so fitting them now to both cars (see 'Tech tip').

Club Plates are available to qualifying Club Members, both CVS & HVS. These are a great saving on registration costs, they do come with conditions so if you need help please contact me.

Cheers

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Car of the (20th) Century: Model T Ford