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KALORAMA VINTAGE CAR RALLY - SUNDAY 17th MARCH.

See last month's issue for details and don't forget to come!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - FRIDAY 16th FEBRUARY - REPORTS.

FROM THE RETIRING PRESIDENT -

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Our year has been a good one from most points of view, the number of members has remained at 68 though we have had some new members join us and some old members drop quietly out. These new members possess an interesting assortment of cars between them.

The competitions have been disappointing from some angles. We missed Rob Roy Hill Climb owing to some unfortunate hindrances which have now been removed. With any luck and the help of our friendly insurance company we hope to hold a joint day at Rob Roy with the Vintage Drivers' Club. (Now firmly arranged for May 26th. See details below - Ed.)

Attendances could have been better at some events, but family objections to Father taking a whole day and roaring off into the blue (with or without them) can be many and varied. So we understand, though the organisers do tend to become a little depressed at a small attendance. These depressed gentlemen, namely David Bamford, John Fowler, Alister Cannon, David Caldwell, Derek Holyoake, and Andre Chaleyey, deserve our thanks.

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President's Report contd.

The spares situation is, for the size of the Club, very good, though since the multi-grab has occurred and Alvis is now a mini-part of B.M.C., the state of the spare parts position must command even greater financial attention from the Committee than previously. David Muirden, as in the past, has run this section of the Club most ably. It would surprise all of us, I'm certain, if we knew how many hours he spends at the call of members and non-members. In addition, he produces our quarterly bulletin - 'Alvie'. Thank you, David.

The number of restorations taking place is very heartening. For example we really look forward to seeing Syd Ward's Silver Eagle completed. Even our own 12/50 is again mobile.

I extend thanks to the Committee members who have worked for the Club in various capacities. Roy Henderson who is always there, imperturbable and fully informed on everything. Andy Hannam, who is always happy to take your annual subs. Ken Bapty who, though not in the best of health has always done his share. And David Caldwell, an Editor supreme.

My thanks to all members and committee for their support this year and indeed for the past three years. Thank you,
David Wischer,

David has retired as President due to pressure of business. He goes with our thanks for his assistance in the development of the Club during the last three years.
- Ed.

FROM THE TREASURER:

The accounts submitted herewith show that the Club is maintaining the strong financial position shown in the 1966 accounts and that the spare parts stocks, which last year were increased in quantity to add 33% to their valuation, now form two thirds of our total assets.

Unfortunately, like every one else, the club is being hit by cost of living rises and although our general account income rose by some 22% our expenses rose by 50% with the natural result that we made a loss in operations for the year.

Reference to the assets and liabilities will however show that our actual position is better than last year, since in 1967 we absorbed a carry-over of outstanding accounts from 1966 of some \$240.00 and our outstanding liabilities to 1968 are less than \$100.00.

It appears inevitable that a rise in subscription rates will have to be considered.

The Newsletter costs, which include all production costs, stationery, postages etc., now account for an expenditure of \$3.00 per head of all members. Only metropolitan members pay \$5.00 subscription and the difference of \$2.00 per member in this category simply does not leave enough money over to operate the club. Subscriptions have been pegged at 1961 level in all subsequent years, but an increase has now become inevitable if present services are to be maintained.

The committee's policy over 1966-67 has been to channel all available money into purchase of spares stocks, unfortunately due to lack of funds this policy had to be curtailed in the middle of 1967 due to our large debit account with Alvis Ltd, since cleared.

Expenses on the rewards for competition wins now seem out of proportion to the number of members competing, especially in Alvis cars. I would rather suggest more membership participation than cost reduction in this respect.

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Treasurer's Report Contd.

We are holding our record membership level of 1966, due to the advent of a number of new faces who are heartily welcomed.

Spares purchases show how great an asset the spare parts stocks are to the club and the benefit Alvis owners can get from club membership. Over 80% more spares were sold in 1967 than in 1966 and the club is eternally indebted to our Spares Registrar, whose remarkable achievements in providing this service should command the respect and admiration of every member of the club. I would like to add my congratulations to the Hon. Editor of the Newsletter also, for maintaining the essential communications in so delightfully readable a form.

W.A. Hannam,
Hon. Treasurer, A.C.C.V.

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MARCH GENERAL MEETING - FRIDAY 15th.

Your newly-elected President, David Bamford, has this to say concerning Subscriptions:

During recent times the Club has tried to raise money by various methods. The reasons for the need for this money are two-fold:

1. Costs of running the Club.
2. Costs of supplying an improving spares service.

After discussing this matter at the last Committee meeting, the Committee has decided to make a recommendation to the members of the Club that the membership fees be increased.

In accordance with the provisions and requirements of the constitution, and so that members may prepare arguments for and against, an Extraordinary General Meeting will be declared on the 19th April, 1968, for the purpose of discussing and accepting or rejecting the motion.

As two Committee members could not be present during the February Committee meeting, this topic will be further discussed at the March Meeting.

PROVISIONS OF THE A.C.C.V. CONSTITUTION CONCERNING SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

These are published here for members' information:-

Section 8. Rates:

Ordinary Members	\$5.00 per annum
Country, Interstate, Overseas	\$3.00 " "
<u>Junior Members</u>	
Children of financial members	\$1.00 " "
Others	\$2.00 " "

New Members rates shall be payable on a quarterly pro rata basis from date of entry to end of financial year. Members joining in the last quarter shall pay a full subscription in appropriate category which will remain current to the end of the following financial year.

Entry Fee shall be \$1.00 in all cases except juniors who shall be admitted on payment of appropriate subscription.

ALVIS CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA

Revenue Statements for the year 1967.

1. General Account

<u>1966</u>	<u>Receipts 1967</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>Expenditure 1967</u>	<u>\$</u>
	Subs 1967	\$222.50	208.69	Newsletter, Production and Mailing	217.92.
	" 1968	84.00		Insurance - CAMS 2.63	
	" 1969	3.00	-	Insurance -United 44.76	
299.50	Total Subs.	309.50	-	Total Insurances	47.39.
203.00	Events	243.00	-	Events	221.43.
6.25	Badges, Key Fobs etc.	1.75	225.73	Trophies	66.80.
14.00	Rents (CCVCCV) Club Rooms	-	37.38	Rent of Club Rooms	30.00.
36.65	Suppers	40.19	30.00	Suppers	20.40.
-	Book Sales "Vintage Alvis"	132.00	11.79	Book Costs "Vintage Alvis"	140.80.
6.72	Bank Interest	6.01	-	Administration Exp.	21.00.
			7.50	Phone Book Advertising	12.60.
			12.60		
<u>566.12</u>		<u>732.45</u>	<u>533.69</u>		<u>778.34.</u>
-	Loss on operations for year	45.89	32.43	Gain on operations for year	-
<u>566.12</u>		<u>778.34</u>	<u>566.12</u>		<u>778.34.</u>

2. Spares Account

374.60	Sale of stock ex Alvis Ltd.	750.02	390.10	Purchases from Alvis Ltd.	741.66.
56.00	Sale of stock ex Local Sources	50.00	37.32	" " Local Sources	74.39.
116.80	Sale of stock ex Devon Motors	18.00	20.90	(Customs Duties	82.37.
	Sale of stock ex Auctions	60.50		(Postages	18.49.
	Sale of second-hand stock	33.10	55.89	Loss on previous year	-
<u>547.40</u>		<u>911.62</u>	<u>504.21</u>		<u>916.91</u>
-	Loss on operations for year	5.29	43.19	Gain on operations for year	-
<u>547.40</u>		<u>916.91</u>	<u>547.40</u>		<u>916.91</u>

3. Balance Sheet

<u>Assets</u>			<u>Liabilities</u>		
345.00	Cash at bank		-	Deposits on spares orders	98.00
	31.12.67	295.00		Outstanding A/cs payable:	
10.00	Petty Cash	10.00	13.00	Telephone Book Advertising	-
-	Copy of book "Vintage Alvis"	12.00	3.00	Newsletter	-
-	Second-hand parts	10.00	225.00	Alvis Ltd.	-
10.00	New parts-Local sources	15.00			
100.00	" " -Devon Motors	80.00	824.00	Excess assets over Liabilities	1124.00
600.00	" " -Alvis Ltd	800.00			
		<u>800.00</u>			
<u>1065.00</u>	Total Assets	<u>1222.00</u>	<u>1065.00</u>		<u>1222.00</u>

(Sgd) W. A. Hannam, Hon. Treas.
A.C.C.V.

A.C.C.V. CONSTITUTION CONCERNING SUBSCRIPTIONS CONTINUED.

Section 10. Alteration to Rates:

The above rates may be subject to alteration on the recommendation of the Committee, and approval of 2/3rd majority vote of financial members present at any Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting convened for the purpose.

Section 6 Provides that the financial year shall be the Calendar Year January 1st - December 31st.

Therefore any proposed increase cannot take effect until January 1st, 1969.

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NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 8 "Rates" In accordance with the provisions of Section 10. "Alteration to Rates" it is moved that the scale of subscription rates to take effect as from 1st January 1969 shall be amended as follows:-

<u>Ordinary Members</u>	\$8.00 per annum
<u>Country, Interstate, Overseas</u>	\$4.00 " "
<u>Junior Members</u>	
Children of financial members	\$1.00 " "
Others	\$2.00 " "
<u>National Service Trainees</u> shall pay half the normal rate applicable to their particular classification during their term of service with the Armed Forces	
<u>Regular Servicemen & Officers</u> shall be classified as country members unless stationed in the Metropolitan Area as defined in Section 5(b).	
<u>Entry Fee - \$2.00.</u> To include the free issue of an Alvis lapel badge. Junior members' Entry fee will not entitle them to free issue of an Alvis lapel badge.	

Moved: A. Hannam.
Seconded: D. Caldwell.

The above motion will be the subject of an Extraordinary General Meeting, Friday 19th April, 1968. The motion itself may not be discussed at the March General Meeting, but members are free to express their views concerning the possibility of increased subscriptions during the March meeting.

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HILLCLIMB INVITATION FROM V.D.C. SUNDAY 26th MAY. The Alvis Car Club has been kindly invited by the Vintage Drivers' Club to join them in a hill climb at Rob Roy, Sunday 26th May. As we are the guest club on this occasion we must regretfully limit participation in the actual climb to Alvis cars only. Members may attend to watch the fun in other makes and will be most welcome.

We must also point out that the hill climb falls on the weekend following the Gymkhana at Langwarrin for which arrangements are now firm at Sunday 19th May. Please note these two dates in your diaries.

JOTTINGS

by "Scribe"

We extend a warm welcome to new members Peter Frylink, of Lawson Street, Bendigo, and Charles Greeneklee of 46 Lodger Rd, Woodville South 5011, South Australia. Charles has a T.A.14 we believe.

Don Shiel, of Boundary Road, Mt. Eliza, was involved in an accident at Portland on his way to the Mt. Gambier Vintage Rally. Don suffered some spinal damage, has been discharged, but is still attending the Frankston Hospital as an outpatient. We wish him speedy and complete recovery.

Jack and Gwen Twomey have a comparatively new (1 month) baby girl. Congratulations to you both.

Graeme Quinn's S.D. 12/50 is having a new body built on to the chassis by Gavin Sala (Vintage Auto Services). Graeme hopes to have it going in time for the Vintage Sports Car Club 2-day Rally sometime in May.

Harold Bradford notes '54 Austin A90 tie rod ends can be adapted simply to fit '51 Alvis 3-lites.

The Committee decided at their last meeting to discontinue the "Replacement Parts" entry in the "Pink Pages" telephone directory as the cost was to rise from \$12.60 to \$18.20. The ad. has been of no discernible benefit to the Spares Service. The entry of Alvis Car Club of Victoria under the heading "Clubs, Car" will be retained.

David Bamford feels most honoured. His Speed 20 was used for the wedding of Anne's sister as the bridal car.

"Man about Town" Ralph Chivers was recently observed by the Hon. Sec. trundling along Punt Road in the Rambler with an attractive woman in the back seat breathing heavily in his left ear.

Andre Chaleyey's Speed 20 motor is at last making the recommended noises. The Wischer 12/50 likewise. David demonstrated the 12/50 "start at first pop" to us one evening recently.

David Muirden, during recent Committee meeting on the possibility of increased subs, pointed out that there are only 3 Speed 20 differentials left on the shelf at Alvis Ltd. The Bamford boys are now in the market for large rubber bands for attaching to rear axles. Failing this they will negotiate for 2 large spinnakers.

We've neither seen nor heard anything of Sydney (from Sydney) Lehner. Is he still confounding the Beechworth boys with his XK 150? Nor for that matter, from John Cole, the "Tyabb Terror." What's doing, John?

The Combined Council Vintage Car Clubs has received a letter from C.A.M.S. reversing their previous stand. The Pre-War M.G. Register, Riley Car Club & Vintage Sports Car Club have now been granted permission to participate in Kalorama Vintage Rally. Apparently the message has finally seeped through to C.A.M.S.