

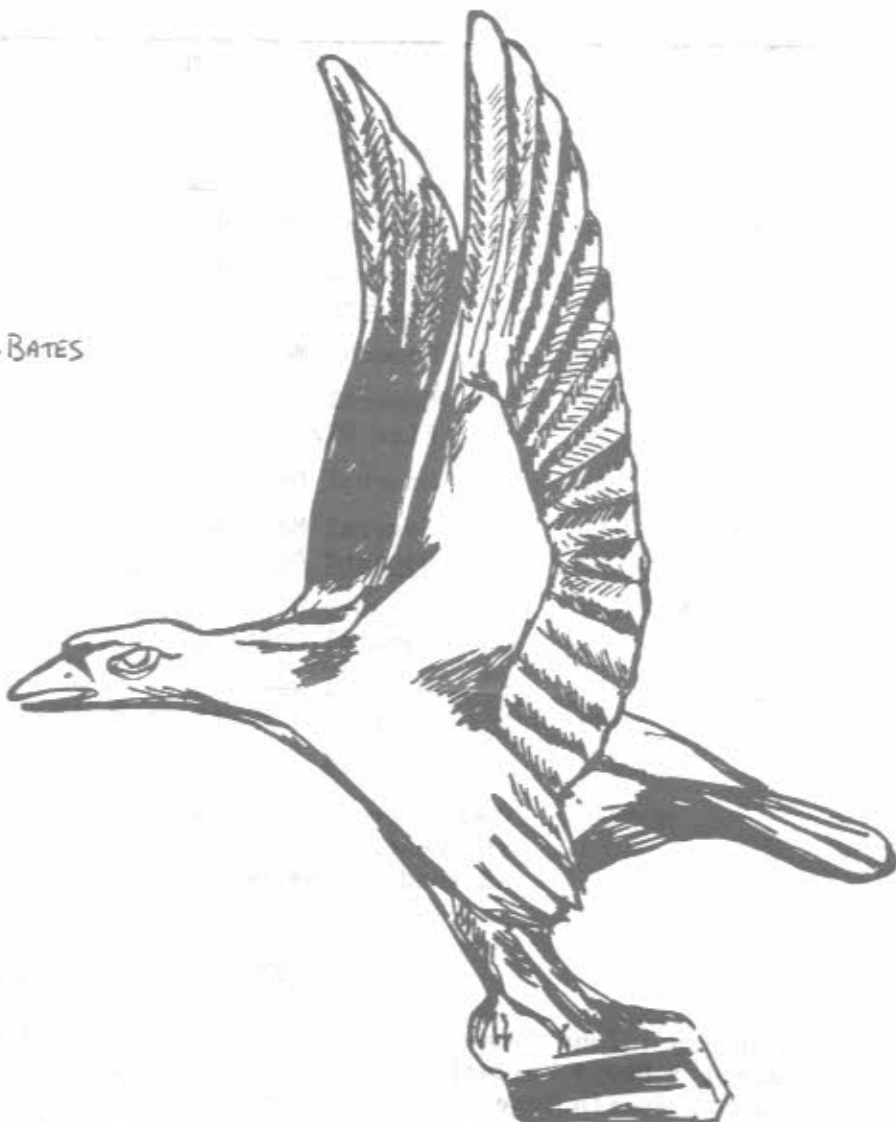


VICTORIA

NEWSLETTER



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1987 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY	16	Informal Meeting		
	25	<u>Rally to Campbelltown Steam Railway</u>		
FEBRUARY	2	Cavalcade of Transport Rally		
	20	Annual General Meeting		
MARCH	15	Kalorama		
	20	General Meeting		
	28	<u>Interstate Rally</u>	B/B	
APRIL	24	General Meeting (GNO)		
MAY	15	General Meeting		
	17	<u>Day Rally</u>	A. Cannon - Organiser	B/B
JUNE	19	General Meeting		
JULY	17	General Meeting		
	24	Film Night (Fletcher)		
AUGUST	21	General Meeting and Auction		
SEPTEMBER	18	General Meeting		
	25/26/27	<u>Weekend Away - Warburton Waters</u>	B/B	
OCTOBER	4	Economy Run - R. Creed - Bas. Bowes		
	16	General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers		
NOVEMBER	20	General Meeting		
	29	Christmas Party at D. Wischer's, Merricks North		

NOTE 1 : Two or three events to come ex A/S Car Club.

NOTE 2 : Committee meetings will be conducted on the Friday of the General Meeting commencing at 7.15 pm unless otherwise advised in the newsletter.

SUPPER ROSTER FOR 1987

January : John Twomey	February : Horrie Morgan	March : Richard Creed
April : David Caldwell	May : John Stewart	June : Ron Wilson
July : Austin Tope	August : David Wischer	September : Bob Graham
October : Roy Henderson	November : Geoff Hood	

PLEASE NOTE : Should you not be able to arrange supper on your rostered night, would you please contact the Club Captain, Ron Wilson on 874 2450.

EDITORIAL

Last month's meeting saw the acceptance of the incorporation of the Club so all that remains is to actually formally do the incorporation. This should be done fairly quickly. I must thank Graeme Steinfort for all the effort and time he spent on behalf of the Club - I might add this is free - thank you, Graeme.

This month's newsletter has had to go to bed early as I will be away in South Australia on the Alvis Rally at the normal date for closing. Next month's should be much larger with all the reports on the SA Rally.

RICHARD

SUBSCRIPTIONS

NOTE : ;THEY ARE NOW DUE : this year we will stop sending your newsletter by May : if you have not paid :

Metropolitan Member	\$25.00
Country, Interstate and Overseas	\$17.50

SEND TO : John Twomey,
53 Park Street, Pascoe Vale, Victoria 3044.

EVENTS

GNO

The more observant readers of the newsletter will have noticed in the Calendar of Events that the General Meeting for April has been delayed by one week to the 24th of the month, i.e. the 4th Friday and not the usual 3rd Friday, in order to avoid the impropriety of a meeting on Good Friday. Also, the notice has been followed by the enigmatic suffix of GNO !!

It is a well-known phenomenon that red-blooded Australian males follow the ladies. It is also on record that attendances at General Meetings are dwindling. Therefore, with malice aforethought, it is our intention to invite the ladies to our April meeting for a GNO in the belief that the men will follow.

We will have a door prize for the ladies (only a small one) and refreshments, hard and soft, and supper will be provided. We will have a raffle for an elegant prize and while we will have a Club Meeting, we promise to make it only a short one. We won't provide specific entertainment for the ladies but we will allow plenty of time for a social get-to-together as we believe the ladies make their own entertainment best.

The Alvis Car Club wishes to extend an invitation to all the ladies, wives and girl friends to our GNO on the 24th of April.

GNO - pronounced g-noo - is a South Australian term for Girls Night Out.

KALORAMA

Only four Alvis cars were on the oval at Kalorama this year : A. Cannon 12/50; P. McAuley Silver Crest; A. Wilson Silver Eagle; R. Wilson Firefly. The lack of cars was compensated by the sterling effort by the Club members in manning the gate. Congratulations to all the volunteers.

KALORAMA (continued)

The highlight of the day was Bob Graham contesting the Acceleration and Braking Test in the Firefly against Alf Wilson in the Silver Eagle. The Eagle might have arrived first but the Firefly out-braked its rival and stopped in the right place. In his enthusiasm during braking, the driver of the Firefly managed to wrench the rim of the steering wheel from the spokes (really it was only one spoke). Thanks and apologies to Ron Wilson. But - let it be noted that it would never happen in a TB 14.

KALORAMA KAPERS

That happy annual frolic with old cars called "Kalorama" was staged again on Sunday, 15th March last. There were only three official Alvis entries - Ron Wilson with the Scarlet Firefly, Alister Cannon in the highly polished 12/50 DB and Alf Wilson in his equally highly polished Silver Eagle. In support of these intrepid auto mobilists was Rob Graham with his TB 14, Daryl Stanisich 12/50 DB, Maureen Adnam with a cross eyed TA 14, and Richard Tonkin in the TA 21. Un-Alvis equipped were Roy Henderson (Falcon), David Caldwell (Saab) and John Hetherington down from Shepparton in a Bristol. Peter McAuley was seen on the other side of the oval with his Crested Eagle and from the political capital of Australia appeared Lawrie Buckland on his way to Sandown. None of the three entrants appeared keen to have a run in the Slalom and Lance event or the traditional Slow Race but the announcement of the forthcoming Acceleration and Braking Event had the three Alvis and their drivers really fired up.

Alf Wilson had a go against Geoff Hopkins in his Riley Alpine and the Firefly went up against the 12/50 DB. Wilson jumped the start and had to drive right around again - by then his engine was nicely warmed up (shades of Phil Garlick at Maroubra) and it was almost a photo finish between the two cars. Rob Graham was invited to have a go in the Firefly and while not breaking any records, he managed to break the Firefly's steering wheel!

Ron Wilson greeted Rob on his return with the remark "You have now had two drives in my Firefly - the first and the last!"

Overall, it was a good day and, surprisingly, it was Kalorama's 32nd year of operation. Has anyone in our Club been to all 32? - it would be interesting to know.

ALVIS HOLIDAY RALLY

FRIDAY 18th - SATURDAY 19th - SUNDAY, 20th SEPTEMBER

AT "WARBURTON WATERS" GUEST HOUSE, WARBURTON

"Warburton Waters" is a Guest House which has been modernised and renovated throughout and has comfortable rooms, log fires, a sauna, TV rooms and snooker rooms with superior a la carte meals.

I have negotiated a PACKAGE DEAL which is very attractive and provides for accommodation Friday and Saturday nights, Dinner on Friday night (a la carte), breakfast, lunch and a special dinner on the Saturday night and breakfast on the Sunday morning for

**** \$95.00 PER HEAD (TWIN SHARE) ****

Only nine rooms are available for our Club as the other eight are allocated to the Armstrong Siddeley Club, so it's first in - first served. I can recommend "Warburton Waters" for a great inter-club rally so, if you want to come, let me have your name and address AS SOON AS POSSIBLE together with a cheque for \$25.00 made out to 'The Alvis Car Club'.

Remember - space is strictly limited, so get your entry in early.

RON WILSON
Club Captain.

COMING EVENTS

APRIL 26th ROVER CAR CLUB DAY RALLY
 Start 10.15 am SHARP
 Location Shell Service Station,
 (Bunker Hill) Hume Highway,
 Kalkallo

DAY RALLY AND PICNIC

NOTE : the Rover Car Club have indicated that they should have about 15-18 starters, so I suggest that we make a special effort to join in this rally.

NOTE : It is a BYO picnic rally to the Lerderderg area around Bacchus Marsh. A most enjoyable area.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Richard,

The TA 14 has been interesting to me for a couple of years now, and I have only recently become serious about acquiring one. I have located one, but the old gent will not part with it at any price.

I would appreciate you inserting a few lines in the next newsletter to the effect that I am keen to buy one. I would prefer a saloon, but I am not really fussy - I'm sure I'd enjoy a drop head equally as much.

Anyone interested in selling one or knows of one for sale can either write to me at 10 Nolan Way, Bateman, WA 6155 or phone me on (09) 332 7080 (home) or (09) 277 8551 (work).

Thank you for your interest, Kindest regards,

PHIL MALE

SPARES REPORT : VINTAGE SPARES

12/50 footplates, cast in three pieces, welded, sub frame type	\$140.00
12/50 top and bottom water outlets	32.00 pair
Silver Eagle water pump casting (not machined)	80.00
Silver Eagle top water outlet	16.00
ALVIS CAR CLUB badges (not original radiator badges)	30.00 each
Magneto coupling casting	Price TBA
TA 14 top thermostat housing	price TBA
12/50 clutch plates	70.50 each
12/50 front brake cables	42.00 each
Speed 20 head gaskets	35.00 each
12/50 oil strainer	7.00 each
12/50 head gaskets	26.00 each

GEOFF AND AUSTIN

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE/WANTED

FOR SALE Silver Eagle spare parts catalogue - TB, SD and SE, 16.95 cars. Factory publication - does not contain illustrations \$45.00
 BILL BROOKS, 34 Almeida Street, Indooroopilly, Queensland 4068
 Phone : (07) 378 2097.

FOR SALE ALVIS TA 21 1951 Sedan, black and silver. Fair to good condition. 10 months' registration. \$6,000
 JOHN WHITE, 30 Lyndhurst Crescent, Box Hill, Vic.
 Phone : (03) 890 7066.

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE/WANTED (continued)

- WANTED Radiator badge of the "AVRO" design to assist in the restoration of a 12/40 Alvis in England. Please contact Eric Cunningham, 8 Mereil Street, Campbelltown, NSW 2560. Phone : (046) 25 1381.
- WANTED Any member requiring cables for 3 litre drophead window mechanism contact Spares Registrar with your requirements and provide sample if possible, so that manufacture can be arranged.
- FOR SALE 1951 ALVIS TA 21, Mulliner Saloon, black over maroon. One of only 35 NSW registered Alvises. Registration MVI 127. Travels about 3,000 kms a year. Mechanically and interior very good. This "limo" comes with a host of spares - diff, body parts, engine bits, et. etc. Price \$11,800 ONO
GEOFF ROSS Phone : (060) 21 3775.
- WANTED For 12/40 - 12/50 : horn button, 80 mph Smiths speedo, one pair of CAV side lights (tear drop type)
FRANK CORBETT, PO Box 218, Kenmore, Brisbane, Qld. 4069
Phone : (07) 378 7280.
- WANTED 1 pair Hartford shock absorbers 2 x 3 arm 9" between centres. Any parts at all for Hobson Tele-Gauge.
RICHARD UNKLES, 6 Nevada Street, North Balwyn, Vic. 3104.
- FOR SALE Does anyone else require the cast iron caps used to manufacture original mufflers for 14.75 hp cars, or the engine undertray? Possibly the same as for 16.95 cars.
I intend making some soon, so contact ASAP
RICHARD UNKLES

MORE ON SPARES AND INFORMATION

Due to lack of time since the last meeting I will incorporate the detailed spares and information sheet with the next newsletter - this will give you all more time to search for this - the summary is included below :

ENGINE AND CHASSIS SPECIFICATIONS

MAINTENANCE OF SAME

RESTORATION

WIRING DIAGRAMS

ENGINE DATA

ELECTRICAL DATA : INCLUDING GLOBES
DISTRIBUTORS
MAGNETOS
PLUGS

LUBRICATION DETAILS : INCLUDING OILS AND GREASES
AVAILABLE

SWITCHES, ETC.

CARBURETTOR INFORMATION

CARBURETTOR REPLACEMENT PARTS

TYRE INFORMATION

STARTER MOTOR CONVERSIONS

ETC. ETC.

NOTE Rod Warriner, Tandarook Crescent, Warrenwood, phone (03) 873 3874, is agent for a UK company who can supply tungsten points to suit any make of magneto. They come complete ready to fit and cost approximately \$A10.00.