



The Preserve

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A great day at the Foundation

Many of the Founders, Patrons, volunteers and enthusiasts gathered at the new home of the Australian Motor Heritage Foundation at Sydney Motorsport Park to partake in the production of a video that will be used to describe and promote the AMHF. It was a fun day with marvellous people and it will help to circulate the message about its purpose.





President's Report



Your 2022 Committee

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Hi folks,

What happened to 2021? Seems like only weeks ago we were heading into a new year with a chance that this Covid pandemic stuff was a thing of the past. How wrong we were huh? One bad decision and ka-pow!

Outbreaks all over the place. Too many folks did not take it seriously, so it spread like wildfire in some suburbs. At least the panic buying of dunny paper was not seen too much this time. I still cannot get my head around why that happened last year. Rumour mills run strong I hear.

May / June rolls around and we are in lockdown for weeks and weeks. Yet another Shannons Sydney Classic had to be cancelled as there was little chance we could have 2,000 vehicles on display with thousands of people wandering around enjoying them and the company of their fellow club members.

Sydney Motorsport Park has just re opened with a four week-long festival of Supercar and other racing. It seems that they have got through it all with no transmission of Covid to the thousands of personnel and spectators who turned up. Let me say thanks to all those volunteer enthusiasts who were out there as officials to run the show with so few dramas and all with safety in mind. A minimum of crashes on track saw things operate well. A bit of bad luck that of the days spent racing only a couple of times did the weather intervene and stop things. I hope the big 1,000 at Bathurst runs as well. NSW needs the boost.

I can let you know that at the recent AGM of the AHMF National body there have been changes at the executive level. We in CMC are a part of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF) and have been for many a long year. I was both the President and Secretary way back some 20 to 25 years or more when the AHMF held the 2001 Shannons National Motoring Tour to Canberra. There are seven state-based bodies which make up the AHMF. Two each in NSW and Victoria, one each in ACT, Qld and SA. Tas was a member but has dropped out the same as WA and NT have done recently.

The new President Mr. Iain Ross from AOMC Victoria has stated that he wants to see more emphasis on National issues and such moves have started to happen. AHMF (and CMC) are investigating the moves to put restrictions or bans on ICE (internal combustion engines) in the future. One politician in Victoria has already tried to get a bill up which would refuse registration of petrol and diesel-powered vehicles by 2035, just 14 years away. It failed in Caucus, but it will be tried again by others no doubt. I also heard of fears that the normal service station will be unviable in 10 years or so. You charge electric cars at home.

Such legislation and rules have to have provisions for our fleet of historic vehicles to remain in use for the good of the Nation's heritage and history. Sure, we can all head towards green vehicles for our everyday use and no doubt we will if we can afford to. However, keeping our motoring history alive by allowing special use of our members vehicles and giving them access to the fuels they need will be a part of the AHMF's, and for that matter CMC's, push as we approach significant elections in both our state of NSW and the National parliament. We cannot allow such things to be forgotten in the rush to net zero emissions.

Electric conversions of historic vehicles in the UK and EU plus the USA are a fact. Witness Prince Harry driving away from his wedding a few years back in an electric E Type Jaguar belonging to his father, our future King. No doubt that to purists, such a conversion is sacrilege and should not happen.

What is an E Type without the growl of that revered twin cam six under that long sloping bonnet? A tame neutered kitten maybe??

There are some 60,000 conditionally registered vehicles in NSW and they are owned and enjoyed by a similar number of club members and their families who all have the vote I would hope. Mobilizing those folks to stand up for their hobby and passion for classic and historic vehicles will be something that the CMC will be trying to do. Expect us to come up with ideas and ways to try and influence those standing for election.

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President's Report (continued)

They must be asked to consider our vehicles' contributions to the history of this great Nation. Without the mighty motor vehicle this country would be nowhere near what it is today. And do not forget the industries that survive, and in fact prosper from the funds we all spend on our pride and joys. Massive input to the economy no question.

On a personal front, I am very happy with the split up of the CVS or Classic Vehicle Scheme amongst the groups within the ACMC. Instead of working so hard to handle 5,500 CVS regos a year, Sharon and I have some 1,200 CMC only CVS regos to handle. Instead and that is much easier. We can lean back a touch as it takes far less of our time to process them. A lot less hassles as well let me tell you, as I find that you CMC folks follow directions better than some. No names, no pack drill.

We even had the chance to get out of Sydney and visit our kids new bush block down at Mongarlowe River last weekend. Acres of rough scrub would have been my dad's assessment, with a fair few widow makers around (gum trees). No accommodation on the place yet and camping is not something we do nowadays, so we stayed each night in an eco-lodge next door, but we could see the wonders of this new venture. Being driven around the place in a Polaris 1000 cc Rotax powered buggy by my 11-Year-old grandson was "exciting" to say the least. The kid can drive for his age but has no fear!

I even saw my first platypus in the wild. Amazing to see them outside of a zoo. Swimming around foraging for whatever they eat out of the riverbed and off the rocks. And I was reminded about the pigheadedness of wombats. Do not get in their way mate.

Let's all hope that we can have a NORMAL Christmas and enjoy the company of friends and family without the need for restricted numbers and face masks etc.

All the best for the festive season and roll on 2022.

Terry Thompson OAM
President CMC NSW Inc.
Chairman ACMC NSW Ltd.



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Welcome to the **December Preserve** and the welcome news that lockdown seems to be a thing of the past. We should still be wearing masks indoors though as a precaution.

I was very sad recently to learn of the passing of Andrew Chechlac, a stalwart of the Sydney Bus & Truck Museum. He was a great guy, always so polite. I was privileged to attend his funeral on 1st November 2021 at Rookwood Cemetery. Geoff Lanham has provided a full report about Andy later in this Preserve.

One of the CMC tasks I really enjoy is reading through your Club Magazines and this year it would appear that there's a lot of work being done on the cars in your workshops and garages. We look forward to seeing the result of this at next year's Shannons Sydney Classic. Also, it appears that there are a lot of National Rallies being planned for 2022—again exciting times for all.

We're looking forward to seeing all our CMC Delegates at the January General Meeting which will be Tuesday 25th January 2022. Why not join us for dinner before the Meeting—the kitchen is open from 6.00pm.

From all of us in the CMC Committee—we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Let's hope that 2022 brings brighter times so that we can get out in those classics and enjoy the countryside.

Cheers
Kay De Luca



So many months of lockdowns, big new priorities for motor enthusiasts and new ways of being well occupied, keeping sane, staying in touch, and preserving the faith!

Less than two years ago in February 2020, seven people made their move, to use the troubled times well. They included our CMC President Terry Thompson (he has earned his OAM at least three times over). We started the motor and talked hard with the ARDC and got some support there, then we got the keys to their old Admin building as part of a preliminary agreement. We had faith and then took the plunge. Not like Thelma and Louise, more like James Bond, who always beats the odds.



A handyman with a big blue truck and moved tonnes of boxes and good office furniture into that Admin building, then the marvellous HSRCA funded a huge Compactus on rails and we brought in demountable shelving. Our great-hearted volunteers emerged when they saw the action and heard what we had brought in, how it is set up. Just a year later and we are green-lighted. An overnight success! ... But it has taken ten years and more than a little bit of luck.

On Wednesday 27th October we gathered at our base with many friends to make some movies. Soon our YouTube channel will be showing the interviews with our volunteers, some donors and our Ambassadors. Spencer Martin talks of being sure the heritage materials will be well used for research, education and good journalism. Wayne Wilson, Jim Scaysbrook, John Moore of the ARDC, Peter Robinson, Dr Michelle Cull and other luminaries speak of our resources and capability to inspire and assist clubs, restorers, students and all those wanting to preserve and use their cars. Some of those beautiful vehicles are seen sparkling on the grass outside our home. You see some books and magazines and the curators, enjoying their work and their chat among the things they know.

Our registered charity is online, we have the tools now, our experts and resources are accessible. We already have a national and international profile for supporting preservation of the 120 years of motor heritage and, in that way, serving all the motor clubs. As a private group we are unique in Australia.

We are saying that the AMHF is set up to be your hub for clubs at the best motor sport facility in the state. And the CMC has always been a big supporter of that objective.

Meantime our virtual front doors are open, have a look at them the website, the YouTube channel and the FaceBook page. And our supporter list is growing. So now, through The Preserve, we say to you, all the clubs in the CMC, that our AMHF is your new virtual tool for our new times and we hope you will ask what you can do with us and through us. Join us now. The AMHF is a charity, permanent and centrally placed, with a focus on the clubs, there for you.

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Become one of the first Patron/Mates of the Australian Motor Heritage Foundation, today!

The Australian Motor Heritage Foundation is Australia's first centre entirely dedicated to Australia's proud motoring heritage. Based on-site, at Eastern Creek, the collection is housed in the ARDC's former HQ – a heritage site for a heritage foundation.

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VALE – ANDREW MARK CHECHLACZ

20th November 1955 to 10 October 2021

A Report by Geoff Lanham, CMC Delegate, Sydney Bus Museum

It is with sadness that I report that Andrew (Andy) Michael Chechlacz passed away on 10th October 2021. Andy had suffered declining health in recent years—thankfully he passed away peacefully.

Andy was born on 20th November 1955. He was the son of Polish refugees who fled Poland in 1949, and arrived in Australia as displaced persons. His father, worked for two years under contract to the Snowy Mountains Hydro Scheme. After living in the regional towns of Parkes and Bathurst the family relocated to Sydney in the mid-1960s where his father found employment at the General Motors Holden factory at Pagewood.



Andy lived with his family at Forest Lodge (the former Harold Park). He was always fascinated by vehicles with big wheels whether they be buses, trains or cars. Sundays was a special day for Andy and his family as it was for four out of five Sydney-siders who relied on public transport. Thus, the Chechlacz family, together with an army of inter-city neighbours, boarded a bus to Central; changed at Central for a tram to La Perouse; then caught a ferry to Kurnell. After a few hours leisure and picnic in the 'bush', the family would head home, exhausted but ready to face another five and half-days of hard work. Andy attended school at Bankstown. He travelled by bus.

Andy successfully applied for a clerical job upon leaving school. He entered the service of the Commissioner of Public Transport in November 1973, based at the Chullora Bus workshop. The seeds sown by an inquisitive boy on the school bus matured into a career, beginning in 1973 and concluding, upon retirement in 2015 - an achievement of 42 years of service. Chullora was the base for over 1,800 buses or 'deckers' (including the legendary Albion, famous for its hill climbing ability and notorious crash box). His duties involved the administration of records, costings, repairs and logistics. He served a 12 month probation as a relief clerk in different departments.

In 1974 Andy, having completed his probation, was transferred to the Randwick workshops. His tenure was for twelve months and his work not dissimilar to what he engaged in at Chullora. After a course in timetabling, Andy transferred to the Schedules Section where he remained for twelve years from 1975 to 1987. Andy was promoted in 1987 to the Planning Section. A highly responsible role, he was responsible for planning bus routes, scheduling and liaison with the Sydney City Traffic Commission, on a fortnightly basis, at a time when every Council in the state had a dedicated committee, responsible for all traffic signs. His remit also included responsibility for all traffic matters and Ministerial correspondence.

In 1988 the implementation of a 'user-pays' policy to public transport saw the abolition of Andy's Planning Section and Andy took a redundancy in 1991. Andy then joined the private sector as an Operations Manager for a local private bus company, West Bankstown Bus Company, where remained for 12 years.

Andy readily admitted that his DNA was transport. Now, British Leylands replaced his much-loved Albion, to be joined by Japanese Hinos (all the bodies were built in Australia).

Transit First bought the family-run business. Initially Andy's role was Operations Manager but after a restructure he was promoted to Planning Coordinator. In 2003, the business was sold and was ultimately purchased by Veoli, a French-owned firm. The writing was on the wall. Andy departed after two months and then enjoyed a stint as a casual driver. However, his experience in the industry was not to be ignored. Soon Busways recruited him as a scheduler, responsible for 700 buses and 1200 staff on their Blacktown, Penrith, Central and North Coast routes.

Andy retired from Busways in 2015.

Vale Andrew Mark Checlacz (continued)

Andy was a founding member of the Bus Museum. He joined in 1986 when it was located at Tempe. Its first open day was held at Waverley, featuring a display and joy rides to Bondi Junction. Barry Unsworth, as Transport Minister and responsible for the privately-owned State Transit, was won-over by the enthusiasm of the volunteers and the delight of the public. He ordered the Tempe Shed to be made available to the Museum under a leasing agreement.

Andy's post-retirement years saw him in the valued role of Operations Manager of the Sydney Bus Museum. He was the volunteer that organized the events and the crews for the Museum's heritage buses. When the Museum moved from Tempe to its current location at Leichhardt, Andy played a pivotal role in designing the physical layout of the museum to best display the collection.

CMC delegates would remember Andy as the delegate for both the Sydney Bus Museum and the Historic Commercial Vehicle Association. He was responsible for organising and coordinating the Museum's involvement in external events such as the Australia Day Motorfest (when it was held in the city) and the double decker bus rides at Shannons' Classic at Sydney Motorsport Park each year.

Andy's leadership in the Museum's operations significantly contributed to the professional approach that the Museum now displays in its operations on both Museum open days and external events.

On a personal level, I thank Andy for his friendship and guidance. Andy, may you Rest in Peace .





Minutes of CMC Committee Meeting

The CMC Committee met at Strathfield Golf Club on Wednesday 10th November 2021.

In Attendance: Terry Thompson, Boyd & Karen Symington, Tony O'Donnell, Kay De Luca, Lester Gough, Evan Jones and Bruno Ferro.

Apologies: Terry Bebbington

Matters Arising: Nil.

Secretary's Report: Karen Symington

- * Numerous emails, phone calls, e-magazines etc.
- * Common questions raised – CVS Renewals, finding out which car club a HVS vehicle is registered with, Club affiliation forms.
- * SHHVC requesting CMC Judging Panel for NMHD 2022 at Berry.

Correspondence:

- * 6 Club Magazines
- * 3 letters from State Library regarding missing magazines. State Library has been contacted and informed that CMC is no longer collecting the magazines for them and they should contact the individual clubs with magazine requests.
- * 3 Affiliation Renewal Forms.
- * CVS paperwork from Phillip Barry Lennard (Guyra & District Auto Club).

President's Report: Terry Thompson

- * CVS Update– 1209 vehicles are registered on CVS with CMC, as of 10th November 2021.
- * Much time has been spent redirecting CVS forms for other approved organisations that are being sent to the CMC PO Box, as others have not informed their members.

Treasurer's Report: Kay De Luca

Kay read and tabled the Treasurer's Reports to the Committee.

Accepted: Evan Jones

Seconded: Lester Gough

- * CMC has 218 affiliated clubs

Judging Pool: Terry Bebbington

Shannons Sydney Classic SSC: T. Thompson/Karen & Boyd/Tony O'Donnell

Shannons Sydney Classic will be held on Sunday 14th August 2022.

- * We have had a request for refund on 2021 Pit Lane Tickets, as Birthday celebrations will have passed by 2022. Any Clubs wishing to claim refunds on Pit Lane tickets for this reason are asked to contact Kay De Luca.

WEBSITE: Bruno Ferro / Boyd Symington

- * Bruno reported that the website is working well.
- * Boyd reported that the Facebook page is reaching about 250,000 people every month and we have over 5000 followers.

Precis of Committee Zoom Meeting (continued)

AHMF & RSF: Terry Thompson

- * AHMF: AGM has been held, issues finding a secretary finally resolved. Some members still pushing Australia to join FIVA.
- * Push for AHMF President to focus on Federal issues, roads, fuel etc.
- * Mix up with last meeting, which went ahead, next meeting is on 9/12/21.
- * RSF: Unfortunately, the submission from Wenona School was initially rejected as it did not meet the full criteria for the grant. However they recognized that it was a worthwhile cause and donated \$500 to the project. The CMC Committee has decided to contribute another \$500, making the total received by the School \$1,000.

ACMC: Terry Thompson/Evan Jones

- * Dissolution of ACMC NSW Ltd. Is still occurring with some issues.
- * NSWHMA is requesting historic information on CVS registrations which have been archived, including engine numbers for vehicles & copies of blue slips.
- * AGM to be held 29/11/21.

Matters of Affiliation: Lester Gough

- * Lester reported on three clubs applying for Affiliation:
Ralphies Classic Car Club Inc.
Classic Vehicles Club of Australia Inc.
Ford Fairlane & LTD Owners Club Inc.
- * The clubs were accepted by the Committee. Lester will propose the clubs at the November Meeting for voting.

General Business:

- * Lester raised that he had been contacted by a club re reporting to TfNSW when a member on HVS/CVS is no longer financial with their club (car registered in March, membership not paid in June) he will contact TfNSW and report back.
- * Discussion regarding a non-committee member representing us on the RSF. Resolved in the negative.
- * Australia's Protection of Movable Cultural Heritage Act has been successful. Ford Motor Company was moving all Australian Documentation to Dearborn USA. This was all information on early Australian Fords including the First Ute. Now to reside at AMHF.
- * It was proposed that the CMC Committee set up an award for "Volunteer of the Year". We will invite submissions from our clubs, for those individuals they feel should be celebrated for all their hard work. Criteria lists will be drawn up, with requests for Submissions in the new year and presentation of the winner to be held at the AGM. The prize will be known as "The Tony De Luca Volunteer of the Year Award".
- * A large number of books have been received from the Russell Arnold Estate. Some will be available at the AGM, some to be sent to the AMHF.

The Meeting closed at 7.45pm.

NEXT CMC GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 25th January 2022

AT THE NEW VENUE—STRATHFIELD GOLF CLUB

WEEROONA RD, STRATHFIELD

Commencing at 7.30 pm—Dinner available from 6.00 pm

Delegates should make it their duty to attend these meetings so they can report back to their Club/members. This ensures CMC news gets a wider coverage.

GUIDELINES FOR CLUB COMMITTEE HAND-OVER & HOW TO DOWNLOAD MINUTES & MAGAZINES

These details should be kept with your Club Secretary or Public Officer and handed to the new Committee following your AGM or at a time immediately following any committee changes.

The Committee of the CMC has identified some issues around club contact details, which are stored on our database, as being incorrect. This means some emails aren't getting to some of our clubs.

If you aren't getting emails from us it's possible that your details are incorrect OR your computer is treating our emails as SPAM. To overcome this, you need to check your **Junk Mail Folder** and if you find an email in there from us, you will need to **right-click on the message**, then click on **Junk Email** and select **Add Sender to Safe Senders List**, this should overcome the SPAM issue.

We are aware that at the time of the CMC Affiliation Renewal each year (31st December), your Club's details may well be correct. However, your contact details and/or the details of your Executive Committee may change during the year for various reasons.

In order to assist your Club with handover to a new Committee, or Public Officer we offer a few suggestions below.

We sincerely hope that your kind assistance with this issue will alleviate some of the discrepancies which appear each year in our records and will allow us to keep you informed of important issues in a timely manner.

In order that RMS records for your Club are kept up to date, the Council suggests that the details regarding any Executive Committee changes should also be advised to the Roads & Maritime Service as soon as possible. This service has been relocated from Grafton. Please call the RMS or visit their website for details. This is especially important if your Club has vehicles on HVS and CVS. Failure to inform them may result in an application for registration being refused. You must also advise NSW Fair Trading (13 32 20) of your Public Officer and/or address changes.

Note: Affiliation Renewals are due on 31st December each year – if your Club has vehicles on CVS and you are not financial with CMC at 31st December each year, those CVS vehicles will be considered to be UNREGISTERED.

As soon as possible following any changes, we would ask that you notify changes of the following to the CMC at cmc.nsw.finance@gmail.com

Executive Committee:

President
Vice
President/Treasurer
Secretary / Public
Officer HCRS

Contact Details:

First point of contact i.e. one email address only, or postal address. Website address (if you have one).
Email & phone contacts only, for one or two delegates who will attend CMC General Meetings.

HOW TO DOWNLOAD MINUTES FROM THE WEBSITE

Please note the minutes are not usually on the website until 14 days following a General Meeting.

Instructions on how to download minutes from the website are as follows:

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Select: "Document Centre" then "Minutes"

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On the front page you will see **The Preserve** - **click here >>>>>**

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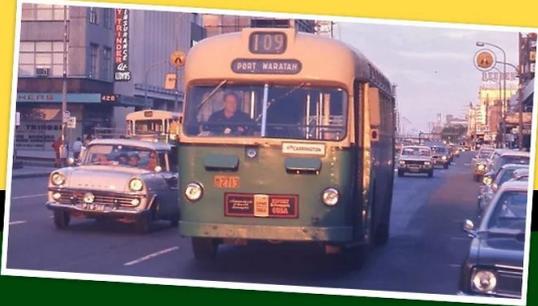
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This Article is from the latest **Australian Bus Magazine**. If you or your Club would like to support the **SYDNEY BUS MUSEUM** in restoring this classic **LEYLAND BUS** I'm sure the Museum would be very grateful.

Editor

Help us preserve . . .

**LEYLAND
ROYAL TIGER**



The Sydney Bus Museum has been given a unique opportunity to acquire one of the earliest single deck underfloor buses operated by the NSW Government, No. 2713, for inclusion in the Sydney Bus Museum collection.

About 2713

2713 is a Leyland Royal Tiger OPSU1, built with a Commonwealth Engineering body. The bus was delivered new in 1953 to the NSW Department of Government Transport in Sydney and had an experimental 'standee' seating layout.

In 1961, the bus was transferred from Brookvale Depot to operate in Newcastle. There it remained in service until it was retired in 1977.

During its service life in Newcastle, it received several 'Newcastle modifications', including new front doors, a modified colour scheme, seat altered to include a luggage area, fibreglass cash tray, rubber mounted destination and route box windows and high louvers on the rear doors.

2713 was sold in 1977 and has spent most of its life under cover in the dry climate of Lightning Ridge, NSW. The bus is operable and in remarkable condition, which makes it a worthy candidate for restoration.

How you can help

Help us fill a missing link in our collection! As a result of ongoing restrictions due to COVID-19, we need to raise donations towards this project.

Direct Debit

BSB 032-089 Account no 234159

Add 2713 fund in the description, and email us your details if you require a tax receipt.

Cheque

Cheques can be made payable to Sydney Bus Museum and sent to 2713 Appeal PO Box 630, Leichhardt NSW 2040

Include your name and contact details if you require a tax receipt.

Be Kind to Your Club Registrar

I'm sorry but a lack of planning on your part does not constitute an emergency on my part. I have a life and you are a full grown adult.



How often do we hear someone say, "My historic registration is about to expire and I need you to sign the forms today so I can use the car on the weekend." There are many variations but you get the picture.

Your club Registrar is an unpaid volunteer and should not be available all the time.

In my case I am usually at a committee meeting and a general meeting every month. So if someone needs to see me in person, then at worst they wait around 2 weeks, or at best, same day. Not to mention many events attended through the year.

However, the best practice is good old fashioned post. It may not be as frequent as it was but it still works efficiently, just ensure you allow enough time.

This is where the planning comes in.

- * RMS (now Transport for NSW) will post your renewal notice usually 4 – 6 weeks before it is due. Action it then not on the last day.
- * Download and install the RMS app onto your smart phone. With a few clicks you can see the expiry dates of all vehicles you own, including HVS and CVS.
- * Go to the RMS web site and use the "Check my Rego" link. Here you can also see the expiry date.
- * Use a diary. On your computer, hanging on the wall, in a book or whatever. There is no excuse for not knowing when your registration is due.

So be kind to your Club Registrar and help them help you.

Ian Andersen

Club Plate Registrar

Jaguar Drivers Club of Australia.



1880 CIRCA CORNER OF PITT & SPRING



1931 A VIEW OF GEORGE ST FROM GROSVENOR ST
LOOKING NORTH TO SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE
UNDER CONSTRUCTION



Another Magazine that is a favourite of mine is the **Riley Gazette**. I've taken the liberty of copying this article as I thought it made for interesting reading.

Kay De Luca, Editor

The Riley Gazette.

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Is owning a Riley expensive?

Australia Is The Cheapest Country To Own A Car but do not tell the politicians!

These figures come from Scrap Car Comparison, a UK website dedicated to selling or scrapping damaged cars. The company says that it used the same car models across the board for its comparison (a Toyota Corolla and a Volkswagen Golf) before then factoring in the average cost of car insurance, repairs, and fuel prices in each country to determine the cost of ownership. Scrap Car Comparisons then compared those costs to the average yearly salary of the country in question to see how much of one's yearly pay it would take to own and operate a vehicle.

I was actually pretty shocked by the disparity. Australia clocks in as the cheapest country to own a car; it takes 49.48 per cent of a person's average yearly salary to own and operate a vehicle. It's the only country under the 50 per cent marker. The United States is the second cheapest country to own a car, but it costs 54.87 per cent of the average yearly salary to do so.

Here's a breakdown of the 10 cheapest countries:

Australia; 49.48 per cent

United States; 54.87 per cent

Denmark; 60.34 per cent

Canada; 64.40 per cent

Sweden; 75.84 per cent

Germany; 78.44 per cent

Netherlands; 85.65 per cent

France; 87.00 per cent

United Kingdom; 89.36 per cent

Finland; 91.58 per cent

Of course, we're talking about averages here, so if you're sitting in Sydney facing hefty insurance prices and expensive parking, you're probably exceeding the country average. But if we are considering Rileys, think of the savings from discounted insurance, registration and cheap parts through our club. And you are probably not paying it off.

When you turn your attention to other parts of the world, where salaries are lower and both cars and maintenance can be more difficult to source, you'll have some serious ownership costs. Turkey is the most expensive country in which to own a car. It costs a whopping 652.29 per cent of the average salary to drive. I do not know of any Rileys in Turkey.





Level 1, 52-70 Weeroona Road, Strathfield NSW 2135



Strathfield Event Centre is located overlooking the lush greens of the newly developed Strathfield Golf Club. This state-of-the-art facility is located minutes from Olympic Park & centrally located in Sydney's Inner Western Suburbs. Holding up to 600 guests standing, the venue has 3 conference rooms, private boardrooms, viewing balcony's & outdoor balconies. Function rooms are accompanied by Pavilions Eatery Bistro and Dining, a stunning bar and members lounge.



This is the venue for CMC General Meetings and Committee Meetings.

CMC Delegates please put these dates in your Diaries for 2022 General Meetings.

25 January 2022

26th July 2022

29th March 2022

27th September 2022

31st May 2022

29th November 2022

Dinner will be available from 6.00pm – Main Meal for \$20 per person including tea/coffee which will be available in the Auditorium during the Meeting. The Meetings will commence at 7.30pm.

Please make sure you follow COVID restrictions.

Directions: Turn off Centenary Drive at Weeroona Rd (leading to Rookwood Cemetery) and turn left before the entry into the Cemetery, follow Weeroona Road to the end and you will see the Strathfield Event Centre in front of you. There is a small carpark on your left, but a large undercover carpark is up the ramp on your right & underneath the Clubhouse.



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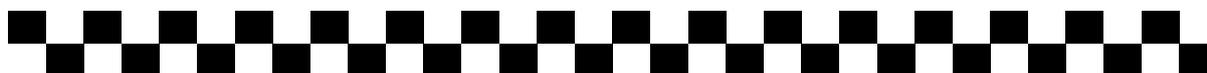
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