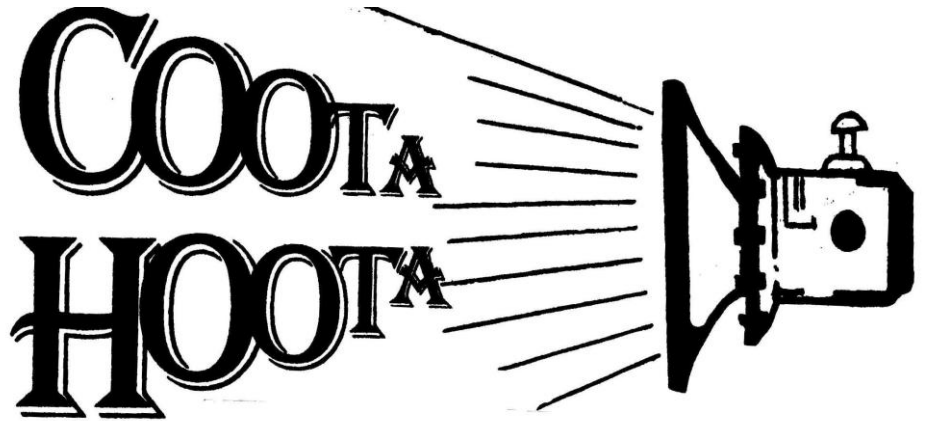
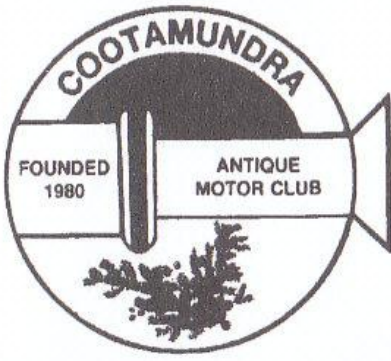


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Editors like to hear from you about your trip away to a rally, or if you have an article which would be of interest to club members.

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CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

Windscreen Banners \$10.00 Contact Paul Andreatta

CAMC Coffee Mugs \$6.00 each or Two for \$10.00

Coffee Mugs will be available for purchase on Registration Day

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

DECEMBER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

01 Tim O'Keeffe
 06 Denise Webb
 14 Terry Metcalfe
 15 Ted Strachan
 20 John Speechley
 25 Jordan Douglas
 26 Noelle Andreatta
 27 Paul Ballard

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

27 John & Patsy Crowe
 27 Ben & Roanna Pepper

If you have an anniversary or birthday that has not been listed (this month or previous months), let John Collins know for future reference.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT Harden– 05 November 2012.

Meeting was opened by the President Paul Andreatta at 8:00 pm and he welcomed the members and guests.

MEMBERS. 24 Members as per attendance book.

APOLOGIES. 13 Members as per attendance book.

VISITOR. 3.

The Minutes of the October Ordinary Meeting were CONFIRMED on the Motion of Robert Penn Bradly/Alan Thompson. **CARRIED.**

Business Arising from Minutes: Nil.

Correspondence IN.

1. 2 x Thank You cards.
2. Ted Strachan. Christmas Party subsidy.
3. Cadet unit. Transport by Absolons' Fords.
4. Riverina VW Club. Thank you for hospitality at the Kite Festival.
5. Darrell Pike. Singer Gazelle Engine parts.
6. TAFE. Rental agreement for inspection day.

Correspondence OUT.

1. Paul Fuller and family. Welcome to Club.

Invitations.

1. Crookwell Potato Festival. 2nd March 2013.
2. Wodonga Historic. Kalimna Rally. March 2013.
3. Police Re-enactment. Jugiong. 17th Nov 2012.
4. The Blues Train – Queenscliff, VIC.
5. Lithgow CC. Charity Show. 11th Nov 2012.
6. Funny Cars at Calder. 10th November 2012.
7. "Restore 2013". August/ September 2013.
 - A tour of England, with guide.

Action: That the Secretary's report be accepted and above Invitations be accepted as Club Runs and Member participation authorised.

Tim O'Keeffe/ Sue McCarthy. **CARRIED.**

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented her written report RESOLVED on the motion of Ting O'Keeffe/ Robert Penn Bradly, That the Report be received and accounts be approved for payment as received.

CARRIED.

Swap Meet Report. All good.

Web Master. If club wants to be on Facebook he will set up but is not in favour. Copies of the last years' Hootas are on the site. Over 2,500 visitors to the site.

Plates Registrar.

Rego day is 2 December at the TAFE from 8.30am.

Editor/ Membership and Events Coordinator.

Each Coota Hoota *in colour* costs \$2.50. Half that if no colour.

Check the back page of the newsletter to keep yourselves up to date with Events.

When you have paid the treasurer see John to get your Membership Card.

Club Captain's Report.

Get well card to Lorraine Hopgood. (broken arm)

General Business.

MOTION. Paul Andreatta/ Barry Gavin, That the Club does not subsidise the Christmas Party. **LOST.**

MOTION. Trish Stewart/ Robert Penn Bradly, That the Club will subsidise each ADULT member \$10.00.

CARRIED.

John Simpfendorfer presented President Paul and Torana Barry with a 50 year Anniversary of the Bathurst 500 souvenir can of beer.

MOTION. Paul Ballard/ Paul Andreatta, That the **SUBS** remain at \$ 30.00 Per Annum. **CARRIED.**

Trish Stewart told us that she is told that the Government will pay for the police checks needed for the Meals on Wheels people.

SUBS must be paid before you can register your Club vehicles. Also you need to be **FINANCIAL TO VOTE at the AGM. NEXT MEETING.**

NEXT MEETING will be at Cootamundra at 8pm.

Club Trophies-

Wheel. Robert Penn Bradly. For the NEW Sidley.

Mug. Paul Ballard for organising the two week trip.

Bugga it up. Colin Stewart for putting his clock forward on Saturday and getting to the Kites very early.

AND John Rickett For the trouble with the fuel pump on the Austin Healey.

The Meeting was **CLOSED** at 8.25pm.

DUE – MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2013

\$30.00

Send cheque made payable to
"Cootamundra Antique Motor Club"

CAMC

PO Box 27

COOTAMUNDRA 2590

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT COOTAMUNDRA ON 5TH DECEMBER, 2011

The Meeting was **OPENED** by the President at 9:00pm.

Present: 26 Members as per attendance book.

Apologies: 14 members as per attendance book.

Visitors: Three.

The Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting were **CONFIRMED** on the Motion of T. O’Keeffe/ S. McCarthy.

Business Arising from Minutes: Nil

Annual Reports –

President’s Report for the Annual General Meeting

It’s hard to believe that twelve months ago I was newly elected as President of Cootamundra Antique Motor Club.

For me this experience has been both challenging and rewarding.

I would like to thank the 2011 Committee who have done a great job and made my job a lot easier. The creation of the Membership Card and the club Website has been a major step forward for our club. With this in mind, two positions have been created:- Membership Officer – to seek and liaise with new and potential members; Webmaster – to give our club more exposure to other clubs and to keep us up to speed with technology.

The creation of the Weekday Run has also been a milestone for the members of our club.

We have had a very successful Swap Meet for 2011. With this in mind a **Swap Meet Committee** has needed to be formed. This should ensure us a successful Swap Meet for 2012.

I feel that myself and the 2011 Committee have done the best to our ability and that 2012 is looking bigger and better. My wish for 2012 is more exposure for our club – be it a display at a School Fete or Apex Christmas Fair. Let’s do more in the community.

I would like to thank Geoff and Barbara Armour and Col and Trish Stewart for believing in me to do the job as President of Cootamundra Antique Motor Club.

Finally, I would like to wish all members a Merry Christmas and enjoyable New Year.

PAUL ANDREATTA

Treasurer Sue McCarthy Reported:

Total Income for Financial Year:	\$17,372.56
Total Expenditure for Financial Year:	\$12,612.87
Total Value of Assets (bank & IBD):	\$ 14,234.01
Total Liabilities:	NIL

RESOLVED on the Motion for Sue McCarthy/Laurie Stewart that the Treasurer’s Report be Adopted.

CARRIED.

A vote of thanks by acclamation was given to Sue McCarthy for her good work.

Election and Appointment of Office Bearers for Forthcoming Year

President.	Paul Andreatta.	Unopposed.
Secretary.	Tim O’Keeffe	Unopposed.
Treasurer.	Ting O’Keeffe. (A.K.A. Hu Yan Ting) . . .	after a vote including nominee John Milne.
Club Captain.	Colin Stewart.	Unopposed.
Vice President.	Barry Gavin.	Unopposed.

Authorisations

RESOLVED on the Motion of T. O’Keeffe /T. O’Keeffe that the following be ADOPTED

- Bank Signatories for all accounts to be the President, Secretary and Treasurer, with any Two to Sign.
- Keys to the Club Mailbox continue to be held by the President and Secretary; and that they be Authorised to hand such key(s) to another person on a short term basis in order to ensure regular clearing of the Box.
- That the required Annual Report Forms be Prepared and promptly Submitted to the Department of Fair Trading, together with the Required Fee.

Other Business

- A Thompson advised Members that the Club had 86 four wheeled vehicles and 6 Motorcycles on Historic Registration
- R Penn Bradly recommended that we should have a list of members to be distributed.

Close : Paul Andreatta Closed the Meeting at 9:30 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Firstly, I would sincerely thank the Office Bearers for 2012. In particular, my right hand man, Tim O'Keeffe, and the ever efficient John Collins. Without their dedication, my job as President would have been extremely difficult. Also a huge Thank You to Lynn Gavin, for running another successful Swap Meet.

A great time was had by all at the last Meeting; and the hypothetical question went well again, and I hope the 2013 president keeps up the momentum.

The prize winners for taking their historic cars to Harden are:

Doug Wright, John Speechley, Paul and Janet Ballard and John Milnes.

And I also took one of my Heritage cars to the meeting. They all received Matchbox model cars and a Chuppa Chup to suck on the way home. John Speechley received an added prize of a chamois ("Shan Wow") to wipe the insects and bugs off his Statesman due to the "lightning speed" of the mighty Statesman to Harden.

At the meeting at Harden, Trish put a motion forward, (seconded by Robert Bradly) that the club *subsidises* adult members' meals at the Christmas Party at Murrumburrah's Terra Cotta Restaurant. A majority vote supported that motion.

So now let John or Joan Collins know by the December Meeting if you are attending. Phone them on 6942 1496.

Membership Fees are now due. Please pay by 3rd December to be eligible to vote at the A.G.M. It was agreed that the Membership Fee remain at \$30, and \$40 for new membership.

John Milnes has given us a very interesting insight into our Website as well as constant improvements. 2,500 visits is very encouraging showing our Website is a viable tool for our club.

John Collins gave us an interesting insight into the costing of our magazine. The black and white copy costs us \$1.25 each, whereas the magazine in colour costs us \$2.50 each. I believe with our sound financial position we should continue with the colour version next year. Our club newsletter looks more professional with colour.

Alan Thompson gave us a reminder to get our vehicles in roadworthy condition for 2 December inspections. Prior arrangements can be made by contacting Alan on 6942 1181.

Check out the Coming Events at the back of this magazine which is jam-packed for December. I urge you to support the Christmas Lights cruises as they are a favourite of mine, and a nice leisurely drive for our cars. A volunteer for supper at Cootamundra and Harden would also be appreciated.

At the meeting at Harden I had the pleasure to meet and present Harden Hospital Auxiliary member, Carmel Brown, a cheque to the total of \$500 – some of the proceeds of our Swap Meet. Carmel told members what the funds were going to be used for and thanked the club for doing its bit for the Harden community.

We will be presenting donation cheques to the Riding for the Disabled Association and the Cootamundra Hospital Auxiliary at the December Meeting.

At the December Meeting is the Annual General Meeting and reluctantly it's my last time for me to chair a meeting. And in the future someone else will be sitting in the *Ford Seat*.

I have organised some lucky-door prizes to add a bit of fun on the night. So make a point of coming, make your vote count and maybe win a prize! I hope we receive plenty of nominations as all positions will become vacant. It's a very satisfying experience to put your name down and make a worthwhile contribution to our club.

Finally, as this is my last President's Par, I would sincerely like to thank the members of the Cootamundra Antique Motor Club for giving me the opportunity to serve you as the President. This experience has made me feel humble and has helped me to grow as a person. It has also made me feel closer to you all and made me realise that you are not just club members, but an extended family of whom I'm proud to belong. I hope my contribution was worthy, and I hope it's helped our club to grow so future generation can love and cherish our beloved heritage vehicles.

I would like to wish all our members a safe and merry Christmas and a happy Historic Motoring New Year.

I have a bit of trivia for our members. Tell your children/grandchildren that Santa's sleigh is powered by a 351 Cleveland V8 motor and that's why he can deliver all over the world in just one night!

My final quote is dedicated to our A.G.M.:

"In thinking about the special qualities of a leader, a number of essentials spring to mind: insight, clarity of purpose or vision, tenacity, and the ability to inspire others to work towards a common goal." -- Brian Loton

May the Ford be with you,
PAUL

ANNUAL VEHICLE INSPECTION

All vehicles on Conditional Registration must be inspected and passed for roadworthiness prior to registration renewal each year.

The CAMC Inspection Day will be held on **Sunday 2nd December 2012** commencing at **9AM** at the Automotive Workshop of the Cootamundra TAFE College, Mackay Street Cootamundra.

When you present your vehicle for inspection, please bring with you:

- (a) Registration renewal papers (if you have received them), and
- (b) Annual Club Membership renewal fee (\$30),
(or your receipt showing that you have already paid.)

When your vehicle has been inspected and passed and your membership paid, the "Conditional Registration Historic Vehicle Declaration" form (included with your registration renewal – (but I have some in case you have not yet received your papers) can be completed and signed, declaring that:

- (a)) The vehicle is in a safe operating condition, and
- (b)) The registered operator is a financial member of the club.

If your registration renewal is due during December or January bring the vehicle to the inspection day, even though you may not have received your renewal papers.

Any Member who may not be able to attend the Inspection Day on the 2nd December, or has more than one vehicle to be inspected, could bring their vehicle to the TAFE on a Wednesday night between 7 and 10 PM when club members (and inspectors) are at the weekly workshop session. If you intend to do this, please ring Alan Thompson to confirm appointment.

For new members who may wish to put a vehicle on Conditional Registration for the first time, RTA application forms will be available.

There will be tea and coffee on hand for morning tea.

Alan Thompson

Plates Registrar.

CHRISTMAS PARTY **Saturday 8 December**

This year .. you drive your club car .. to the CHRISTMAS PARTY

It's a LUNCHEON at the TerraCotta Restaurant . . . at Murrumburrah --

12.30 for 1.00 pm.

Ham & Turkey & baked vegies , Garlic & Herb Bread, Plum Pudding or Fruit Salad, Tea and Coffee - \$30.00 Adult - Members only

- \$40.00 Adult - Non-member

Childrens' meals at \$8.00 (under 10 years) Drinks to be purchased there.

This year's theme is "Irish" - so don't forget to come dressed in green.

**Bookings and payment to your Events Co-ordinator .. On Registration Day
Or December Meeting**

Or .. Phone John & Joan by the December Meeting.

Final numbers will be phoned through to Restaurant on Tuesday 4th December.

Claiming the date:

Sunday 3 FEBRUARY 2013
Cootamundra Antique Motor Club
Invites all clubs to
The Michael Livingstone Memorial Run
(and C.A.M.C.'s 33rd Birthday Run)
To be held at
JUGIONG RECREATION PARK
And Swimming Pool
JUGIONG 10 am.

Enjoy a drive down the Hume Highway to JUGIONG !
Members of other clubs are invited to make their own way
And picnic in the park.
C.A.M.C. will depart Cootamundra 9 am.

SCROUNGED FACTS AND GOINGS ON

YOU CAN'T HAVE TOO MANY HOLDENS:

14 October, DAMPER DAY - Flour bags and Camp Ovens all loaded into the blue TORANA for the trip to Young, the Torana makes it to the front gate and there seems to be a miss in the engine.!!??

No time to check (what was only a plug lead fallen off.)

Barry rushes and panics and repacks and gets out the red TORANA and now it's off to join in with the Young Club for The Great "Oven Cook-out".

Bruce Burgess, Holden Man who moved from Cootamundra last year, led a convoy of FC HOLDENS from Sydney, to overnight at Cootamundra motels Friday 2 November. They attended the Flying Weekend at Temora Aircraft Museum.

He contacted his old club for information about Ian Style's Military Vehicle collection at Temora.

Last Easter, Bruce had the pleasure of driving a 1956 FC towing a tear-drop caravan from Sydney to the FE – FC HOLDEN NATIONALS at Perth.

The 1943 JEEP of **John Mackie** has been in the Mackie family of Hillston for 60 years. Now on club plates.

A very battered and rusty Jeep Trailer is being restored for it.

The trailer will be finished and on club plates by March

to go to **The Military Vehicle Rally** at Corowa – for the week - 11 to 17 March, 2013.

The **Theme for 2013** is Year of the Trailed Vehicle or Equipment and Year of the Armoured Vehicle.

See? John and John Mackie will have a representative vehicle for both categories .

Corowa has become - the largest military vehicle rally - under the Southern Cross. It is attended by guests and participants alike from all over the world. Consider spectating – Saturday 16 March.

For the Military Vehicle enthusiasts who go to Corowa each March -
the **Themes** for 2014 will be **Year of the Ford** and **Year of WW 1.**
In 2015 the theme will be **Year of the Emergency Vehicle** and **Year of General Motors.**

In war - the problem of taking the easy way out, is that the enemy has already mined it.

Never tell your Platoon Sergeant you have nothing to do.

Whoever said the pen is mightier than the sword obviously never encountered automatic weapons.

The POST-VINTAGE CAPITAL TOUR --- 21 to 23 March, 2014

-- a rally for vehicles built between 1931 and 1949. This event will be a friendly tour of Canberra allowing some free time as well as visits to various places of interest. There will be a Presentation Dinner, and Display of Entrants' cars at "WHEELS 2014" Show. -- which showcases all the A.C.T. vehicle clubs.

Michael Bickford has the only car (1938 AUSTIN 10) in Cootamundra Antique Motor Club eligible to enter this rally.. . . . which seems to be planned well into the future.

Gary Webb has the only MUSTANG in C.A.M.C. . . . eligible to enter the Mustang Rally 20 January C/- www.mustang.org.au

Temora Antique Motor Club's Roadworthy Inspections Day is the same day as ours.

Registration Labels for cars will be abolished next year.

But NOT for our Conditionally Registered vehicles.

Heritage cars of Bathurst Historic Car Club were able to parade at the October Mount Panorama Races, noon, on the Wednesday before the Bathurst 1000 - V8 Supercar Race.

THE AMERICAN CAR NATIONALS -- Queanbeyan Showground -- Sunday 2 December

- open to all makes, models and years of American cars, hot-rods, trucks, boats caravans and machinery.
- All Ford / All GM -- Sat 1st. Ph 0400 394 645
- Queanbeyan **Swap Meet** on all weekend at the same venue.
- Entrants at 8 am. Spectators at 10 am.
- Car Entry : \$5 (includes car and driver). Spectators \$4 each.

SYDNEY MOTORFEST -- Australia Day -- 26 January, 2013

NRMA has announced that because of commitments to run a rally for the 100th Anniversary of Canberra, they are withdrawing from sponsoring the Australia Day Motorfest in 2013.

Two blondes walked into a bar. You'd think one of them would have seen it!!

Passing through Cootamundra in October were a couple of trucks loaded with Vintage Tin, including a couple of old cars, that looked to me, *like* Anglias. Identification came from Simpy who got talking to the "Mad Mazda Nuts" when they stopped for petrol. They had been from Queensland to Melbourne. Got a load of 1963-ish Mazda 600 (?) parts and bodies; and also two rare three-wheelers; and the whole load looked like a pile of rubbish. Each to his own. . . . They weren't Anglias? Mazdas? In the '60s?

Iraqi terrorist Khay Rahnajet didn't pay enough postage on a letter-bomb. It came back with "RETURN TO SENDER" stamped on it. Forgetting it was a bomb, he opened it and was blown to bits!

The average cost of rehabilitating a seal after the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska was \$80,000.00

At a special ceremony, two of the most expensively saved animals were being released back into the wild amid cheers and applause from on-lookers.

A minute later, in full view, a Killer-Whale ate them both!

ALL MY LIFE I'VE HAD ONE DREAM TO ACHIEVE MY MANY GOALS.

EXCELLENCE IS NOT A SINGULAR ACT, BUT A HABIT. YOU ARE WHAT YOU REPEATEDLY DO.

From 'CAR NEWS' 17.10.12, Daily Telegraph: "GET ON YOUR TRIKE"

The crazy little MORGAN 3-wheeler is finally looking good for Australia. The Australian agent for Morgan Sports Cars, Chris Van Wyk, tells there are three different things we've had to do before the vehicle is acceptable to Australian conditions. In America and Europe it's classified as a Motorcycle. But in Australia there is a special category – Tricycles.

So we need a crash test.

The 3-wheeler is a bare revival of the original MORGAN from the 1920s, powered by a 2 Litre vee twin engine usually installed in customised Harley Davidson motorcycles.

Van Wyk says there has been strong interest from the first 20 enquiries, 17 were Morgan owners. Morgan is tiny in Australia and will deliver fewer than 20 of the old-fashioned Sports Cars this year. He forecasts a price of about \$65,000, but says the problem will be getting cars.

DRIPFEED & CRANKHANDLE ---- useful stuff and gossip gatherers.

PAST EVENTS

In August – 1,854 vehicles displayed at Shannons Eastern Creek Day. 125 clubs participated out of the 150 Sydney car clubs. And 2,000 rides were taken on the Heritage buses from the Bus Museum around the race-track.

Sunday 26 August, 2012 -- ALL BRITISH DAY at Kings School

It is held in a carnival atmosphere at Kings School, Parramatta, for the Sydney clubs.

It was reported that there were 1,700 vehicles -- ALL BRITISH – ranging from a 1907 ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH to the latest in ROLLS ROYCES.

There was a special request for AUSTIN FREEWAYS to display, because this year is the 50th year since. Freeways were released in 1962.

An entrant all the way from Cootamundra was the AUSTIN Freeway of Paul and Janet Ballard. Their Freeway joined the Freeway display of 4 sedans and 2 stationwagons.

2012 is *also* the 50th Anniversary of the WOLSELEY 24/80. They had their display, too.

And next year is the 50th Anniversary of the introduction of the TRIUMPH 2000.

Sunday 30 September -- THE RUNNING OF THE SHEEP -- Boorowa Festival

Seven vehicles from our club attended the Festival this year. No report was offered for the Editor to put into the "Coota Hoota" -- a disappointment that Editors of other clubs whinge about repeatedly.

I can usually overcome the problem:

So, let John Collins' sister tell you about last year's "Running of The Sheep" –

I would like to tell you about the lovely day I had on Sunday 5 October as part of the celebrations for my husband Les's 75th birthday.

That day was the beginning of the Daylight Savings so it was an effort to leave home with picnic hamper packed, and my friends Maxine and Neil on board at 8 a.m.

It was a crisp clear morning with a temperature about 5 degrees.

From HARDEN on, the countryside looked spectacular after drought with enough rainfall recently to turn everything green, green, green and so flat and tidy and all grasses the same height, like lawn; and dotted with newly shorn sheep – thousands of them; and every waterhole FULL for the first time in years.

Very soon all this green turned to vast paddocks of BRIGHT YELLOW. Made it look like a vast patchwork quilt, with newly ploughed BROWN for contrast. Here and there a windmill and no wind to blow it.

We were heading for BOOROWA (which must be the Canola capital of the World) for '**THE RUNNING OF THE SHEEP**'. No need to travel across the world to watch the terrified bulls slipping on wet slippery pavement lined with flag-waving lunatics yelling and whipping them along to be slowly speared with darts.

10 a.m. we arrived at Boorowa. Found a shady tree close to the barricaded main street because the day was turning into a lovely summer's day.

People and cars starting to come into town. Lots of stalls, crafts, cakes, lots of wool displays of hand knitted and skeins of woven wool, local fruit and vegetables, flowers, garden ornaments, that sort of thing. Friendly people sauntering along and greeting you with smiles.

We had a coffee and watched the street filling up. The street was lined with chairs and beach umbrellas and a couple of stages set up and Irish Dancing Girls in Irish National Costumes in one, and an Irish Balladeer doing his stuff. More Irish songs with a guitar. Five times I heard "Black Velvet Band" during the day.

BOOROWA is a very old country town and the streets are very wide for turning around horse or bullock wagon teams. The main street was completely blocked off from traffic. In the middle of the town was an old PUB that would have had a perfect view for the RUNNING OF THE SHEEP. Les and Neil went in to make inquiries – viewing is O.K. if you have a counter lunch up there. Cost - \$40 each. We decided to stay down with the sheep.

A quad motorbike with three kelpies on pillion drove down the street near noon and an announcement that these will be *the dogs* that will escort the sheep down the street. Everyone gave the dogs a big clapping of hands and I'm sure the dogs all had grins on their faces and loved it.

Very soon -- a couple of dog barks, and the sheep came scuttling down the street. One led the pack and kept leaping higher than a kangaroo with the sheer thrill of the day. I'm sure the BULLS would not do that! The sheep sounded like little tap-dancers with high heels running across a stage.

The sheep ran into a holding. I forgot to mention there were 150 sheep and from the MERRIDALE STUD near Goulburn. And the sheep trucks were from Merridale Stud, too, also the sheep dogs, and drovers, and drivers. Finally the dogs ran the sheep up a ramp, and into the trucks.

Next came the PARADE. There was the Local Pipe Band, and a truck full of wool bales. The truck to pick up the sheep, a ute representing BENDIGO BANK; everyone gave this a big clap and I heard someone say it was the only bank to come into the town after the other banks started leaving country towns. The Ute was covered in balloons and two woolly sheep were looking out the passenger window. True!

Floats from the local Garden Club and the Chinese Dragon Café. Two huge padded musclemen representing the local fitness gym; they were so inflated they bounced. More floats, Lions Club, Irish Group with banner, Scots School Pipes and Drums, a couple of stilt walkers, a Wizard, St Josephs School kids, Boorowa Hospital float, Water Truck, and Pastoral Control Truck. Three Vintage tractors. One stalled and held up the parade for a couple of minutes. And someone jumped out of the first one and soon had it going again. Five Morrisises from Southern Highland Morris Minor Car Club. Lots of assorted DOGS, big ones, small ones, three legged ones, all colours, I don't think I saw one pedigree. Most looked like their owners. Neither looked groomed.

Lots of bigger old restored trucks, Mack and International. Then another group of dogs. These looked like working dogs, all colours and sizes, again, blue, red, brown and black & white. Les said it looked like every member of the town had something to do in the parade – even every dog.

Then an OLD BUSH SHEARING SHED, complete with a shearer shearing a real sheep, plus the pens with the shorn and unshorn sheep waiting.

Stilt walkers, then a 1954 John Fowler (Leeds) wood burner, STEAM ROLLER, a stack of wood on the back and going full steam ahead – for such a huge vehicle it was running remarkably quiet with not much puffing or blowing. Registered on Club Plates.

The local Retirement Bus – full of passengers. (I told you everyone in this village had a part in the parade). Four local BUSH FIRE BRIGADE trucks with all their kids on board. Last and not least – local AMBULANCE, followed by a couple of POLICE CARS also with their kids waving and looking out the windows.

An announcement that all the sheep that ran would be shorn . . . and then there would be an ECUMENICAL BLESSING OF THE FLEECE for a spiritual thanksgiving for the district's fine wool.

We decided this would take some time, and it was after 3 p.m. now, and would give it a miss. I would like to see a spiritual thanksgiving, and will come again next year to see that, because I had such a lovely day there.

We did go and have our picnic lunch, with thermos and all, -- under a mighty gum tree, with 5 HUGE MERINOS, as round as 44 gallon drums, looking at us, very much in need of a good hair-cut.

I made the four of us "hold-your-breath" . . . and the silence and stillness was so good. Even the birds were quiet; they must have been having a good rest after the rain and so many windy days. Boorowa was lovely.

So, next October Long-Weekend, I'm sure you'll take a Sunday drive over to BOOROWA to see THE RUNNING OF THE SHEEP !!!

ILMA EMERY (nee Collins)

Sunday 14 October --- Young Heritage Motor Club's DAMPER-MAKING DAY

Cars from Young Club met at Young Railway Station at 10 am. and motored out to Galong Road, Murringo, to the property of Jeff and Barbara McQuillan.

They were joined by cars from Cootamundra:

Barry's red SS TORANA Hatchback

Ted's 1972 GALANT

Ken's 1967 WOLSELEY 24/80

And from Harden:

Peter's 1965 TRIUMPH 2000

Host, Jeff, had a big log fire going. Would-be cooks tried their hands at using the coals on their camp ovens to make . . . dampers.

I hear there were some burnt offerings . . . but a lot of really delicious ones, too.

So, next October, I'm sure you'll take a Sunday Drive over to MURRINGO and try your hand at making a Damper.

First, get a camp oven.

Saturday 20 October --- COOTAMUNDRA SHOW

Every year a special area is set aside for the local car clubs to Display their vehicles.

There are three car clubs in Cootamundra. Four, if I count the Country P76 Club.

THE DISPLAY AT THE SHOW:

1954 AUSTIN A40	of Ted Strachan	1966 MINI MOKE	of John Finucane
1950 JAGUAR	of Malcolm Chaplin	1967 MORGAN	of Denis Shepherd
1951 RILEY	of John Rickett	1967 Hillman IMP	of Tim O'Keefe
1960 HOLDEN FB	of Ken Frost	1969 JAGUAR 420G	of Graham Angel
1975 COROLLA	of Ken Smith	1969 ROVER	of John Lyne
1976 SS TORANA	of Barry Gavin	1971 HONDA 70	of John Simpfordorfer
1977 TORANA	of Lynn Gavin	1960 STUDEBAKER	of Alan Thompson
1981 WB STATESMAN	De-Ville of Neil Blundell		

FOR SALE : 1964 FALCON XM sedan – on club rego – excellent club car. \$6000 o.n.o.

Royce Finlay, COOTAMUNDRA. 0428 267 236.

FOR SALE : 1951 TRIUMPH RENOWN sedan. Black. Looks good. Goes well. On club rego.

VIN TDB3884DL, Engine TDB3890E. It has to go for about what it cost me -- \$12,250

Paul Ballard @ COOTAMUNDRA - (02) 6942 4694 or 0419 973 822 or westkinloch@dragnet.com.au

WANTED : an ENGINE for Singer Gazelle Mark 1 or Mark 11

Or a Singer HUNTER 1955-56. In any condition. Must be overhead cam (not push rod type).

Darrell Pike, P.O. Box 223, Warialda NSW 2402. Ph (02) 6729 1631 after 6 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER	
Sat 1	CHERRY FESTIVAL at YOUNG -- all morning leading up to the STREET PARADE
Sat 1	SUPPPORT Red Cross Family Fair --- at Barry Grace Oval -- WALLENDREEN - 9 am onwards
1 & 2	Meals on Wheels deliveries : Chris and Heather Cooper
1 & 2	Queanbeyan Swap Meet & American Cars Show & All GM & All Ford - Queanbeyan Showground
Sun 2	ROADWORTHY INSPECTIONS for vehicles on Club Plates at the Automotive Workshop at Cootamundra TAFE - 8.30 a.m. till 12 noon BRING YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2013 -- \$30
Mon 3	MONTHLY MEEETING & Annual General Meeting -- Election of Office Bearers for 2013 At Stephen Ward Rooms - COOTAMUNDRA - (opp. Ford Dealer). PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2013 - \$30 and Terra Cotta Xmas Party Money -- \$ lots
Sat 8	Cootamundra's Ulysses Toy Run 10 a.m. at Family Hotel Bring something to go in a Hamper. Or a toy for a child up to 12 yrs with enough wrapping paper. The Salvos will decide the recipient and then wrap the gift. Sausage Sizzle afterwards.
Sat 8	12.30 p.m. -- CHRISTMAS PARTY at Murrumburrah's Terra Cotta Restaurant Dress green for Irish theme. \$30 each. Book with John & Joan @ 0428 421 496
Sat 8	Club cars will transport dignitaries at Cootamundra Cadets Parade Day.
Fri 21	HARDEN Christmas Lights Cruise --- 8.15 pm. from Whichcraft. Supper 9 pm?
Sun 23	COOTAMUNDRA Christmas Lights Cruise --- 8.15 pm. from Station. Cruise alone, or arrange a small convoy of 2 or 3 cars. This provides good community awareness of the club.
Tue 25	MERRY CHRISTMAS
Thurs 27	Cruise to the Cool Country -- Take a Picnic Lunch to YARRANGOBILLY CAVES Meet at Tumut Bull Paddock Rest Area Snowy Mtns Hwy 9.30 a.m. Some members have departed the day before and are already there. The VW will go Thursday (8.30 a.m.) . . . via Gundagai and Brungle.
Sat 29	FJ HOLDEN NATIONAL RALLY at Bathurst -- www.fxfjnats.com.au -- 9636 8058
JANUARY	
Tue 1	"First Run of the Year" -- NEW YEAR'S DAY -- Take a Picnic Tea - 5.30 p.m. at Mackay Park - Wallendbeen
Sun 6	Summernats Canberra Showground
Mon 7	Monthly Meeting at Cootamundra 8 p.m.
Sat 12	Elvis Festival - at Parkes. Muscle cars of the Elvis Era can follow the Grand Parade. There is a separate Display Area for other club cars.
Sat 19	FILM NIGHT- at Stephen Ward Rooms - 7.30 pm. Bring old slides or films about old cars or bikes.
Sun 20	Mustang National Rally
Sat 26	AUSTRALIA DAY --- Buy your Breakfasts In The Parks --- 7.30 a.m. - 9.30 a.m. Then go see the festivities at Wombat . . . for Lunch.
FEBRUARY	
Sun 3	33rd Birthday of the club Run -- COOTAMUNDRA TO JUGIONG This is also The Michael Livingstone Memorial Run. 10 a.m. at Jugiong Pool Meet at Cootamundra at Gundagai Road 8.45 a.m. for 9 a.m. departure. Take a Picnic Lunch and tables and chairs.
MARCH	
1, 2 & 3	The 40 th KALIMNA RALLY -- "Back to Tawonga" where the 1 st one was. --Entry Forms from Sec.