

The Wheel

Southern Tablelands
Heritage Automotive Restorers Club Inc.



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Contributions should be submitted **before the 22nd of the month** for the following month's issue. Articles covering events, members' experiences, automotive/mechanical items or photographs welcomed. The editor reserves the right to accept, reject or modify any section of any article submitted for publication.

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From The President's Driver Seat

Hello STHARC Members,

There is a bit of information I would like to highlight in this month's submission.

By the time you receive this edition of the *Wheel* it will either be July or very close to it. Therefore, as I reported previously, if you have not renewed your membership and STHARC is the historic vehicle club through which your vehicle is registered, then you need to stop driving any such vehicles until you become a financial member again. A vehicle's historic registration is contingent upon the owner belonging to a club.

Over the past few months, I have written extensively on seeking new members to fill many of our committee positions which will become vacant at our annual general meeting in August. It's possible that a nomination for Treasurer has been found, however I am left wanting for actual nominations to fill: the editorial team; Vice President; Treasurer; Webmaster; and Property Officer. Over the past weekend, I also learned that our club's Public Officer must be vacated as Chris Hillbrick-Boyd is moving with her husband Allan from the NSW into the ACT. Just to be crystal clear, a Public Officer has nothing to do with public relations but acts as the official point of contact and authorised signatory for an incorporated association. Their primary role is to act as the legal liaison between the association and government regulatory bodies. As our club is based in NSW, the Public Officer must reside in NSW. I have asked Chris to explain the role at our next meeting.

Planning for our Silver Jubilee (25-year) anniversary function at the Queanbeyan Kangaroos Club on 19 September is taking great shape. Whilst I am confident that this milestone event will ultimately be well patronised, ticket sales have been sluggish to date. Please remember that we will be constrained to just 80 people at this lunchtime function and it would be regrettable if you and your partner missed out on a seat at the table due to procrastination. My strongest advice is to buy your tickets online early, to avoid disappointment.

Lastly, I conclude with a very warm and appreciative shout out to Jed Johnson for his organising and execution of our club run in June to Gundaroo. It was an impressive turn out on the day, but more importantly it was an informative event which I am sure everyone left better educated about a close knit and historic community on our doorstep. On behalf of all members, I publicly thank Jed very much for his endeavours. If you think that you could organise an event for us too, then please discuss with Rosalie.

Yours fraternally,

Bruce Legge

President

From the Editors Desk

Front Page A photo of a 1913 Delauney-Belleville that Jed Johnson spoke about at our meeting on the 11th June 2026.

Renewal of STHARC Membership.

The membership year runs from 1st July to 30th June. You can download the form and save to your computer or use the form at the back of this edition of the Wheel. Ensure vehicle information is accurate. Email form and direct deposit receipt to the Membership Secretary at secretary@stharc.org.au or alternately print form, fill out both sides and give to Membership Secretary and pay treasurer at the June meeting.

NO MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A COMPLETED RENEWAL FORM.

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REFERENCE IS YOUR NAME SO WE KNOW WHO HAS MADE THE TRANSFER.

RENEWALS RECEIVED AFTER 1ST AUGUST EACH YEAR, WILL INCUR A LATE FEE OF \$10 OVER AND ABOVE THE RENEWAL FEE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOUR MEMBERSHIP LAPSES SO DOES YOUR REGISTRATION

NO REGISTRATION = NO THIRD PARTY INSURANCE)

STHARC GENERAL MEETING

11th June 2026 Queanbeyan Guides Hall 7pm

The President opened the meeting at 7.01 pm, welcoming members and reminding them to place their phones on silent and to sign the attendance book. The President noted that the meeting would discuss the new club website being developed and a proposal to move to an IT based system for managing membership and attendance records.

Attendance and apologies as per Attendance Book.

Visitors: There were no visitors at the meeting.

Minutes of the 14 May 2026 meeting accepted (moved Bruce Legge; seconded Ray Malam).

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer noted that the current bank balance is \$15,469.34. Since last month, income has comprised membership fees and merchandise sales. Expenditure has comprised merchandise purchases, membership badges and postage of *The Wheel*. Report accepted (moved Stephen Rankin; seconded Jed Johnson).

Secretary's Report: The Secretary noted that hard copies of Bike Torque, the Baw Baw Old Engine Club publication and Crankhandle had been received. E-mail copies of Coota Hoota, the Sapphire Coast and WWVVMC publications and an invitation to the Grenfell Lights Poker Run had been forwarded to members. An e-mail on membership renewal had also been sent to all members and membership forms for 2026/27 were coming in. Report accepted (moved Bruce McCarron; seconded Chris O'Rourke).

Registrar's Report: On behalf of the Registrar, Jeff Allen noted that registrar operations were going smoothly.

Events Report: On behalf of the Events Team, Rosalie Ryan highlighted the following events:

- The 23 May family day out at Weston Park, Yarralumla, to celebrate National Heritage Motoring Day and the 29 May Olive View Café morning tea had gone well;
- 20 June – club run to Gundaroo, meeting at the Cork St café at 9.00 am for breakfast, followed by a look around Gundaroo;
- 26 June – Morning Tea, 3rd Space, Googong, 10.00 am
- 31 July Morning Tea, Woodworks Café, Bungendore, 10.00 am;
- 1 August – 12 noon, Winter Warmer at the Ryan's for homemade pizza;
- The usual September run to the Cooma Motoring Museum will not be held this year, to allow members to focus on the club's 25th anniversary celebrations;
- 13 September – community day at the National Archives celebrating the Holden story;
- 13 September – classic cruise through Canberra for Camp Quality;
- TBA September – German Auto Day; and
- 19 September – Silver Jubilee Lunch at the Roos Club, Queanbeyan, to mark STHARC's 25th anniversary. Member price \$50 per head; non-member price \$75 per head. Ticketing is on-line through Humantix, with assistance for those who do not make on-line payments. Contributions of photos and memorabilia to commemorate the club's history are needed. The President reinforced the importance of this milestone event in the club's history and urged members to participate. He also congratulated Jed Johnson for taking the running on organising the Gundaroo run and urged members to support the Events team by suggesting possible events.

Editors' Report: On behalf of the editorial team, Christine Brown thanked members for their contributions and urged them to continue submitting articles. Cut-off date for the July *Wheel* is 22 June.

Webmaster Report: AJ gave members a demonstration of the proposed new club website, which seeks to achieve a fresh look and be more user friendly, while still retaining most of the current information. The Treasurer outlined the Committee's intention to establish a digital membership system to simplify membership recording and reporting. This software will cost \$139 in the first month and \$89 per month thereafter, but will substantially reduce the effort involved in the current manual membership recording and reporting. Following some questions and suggestions members raised no objection to these initiatives being progressed. On behalf of members, the President thanked AJ and Steve for all the work they had put into these matters.

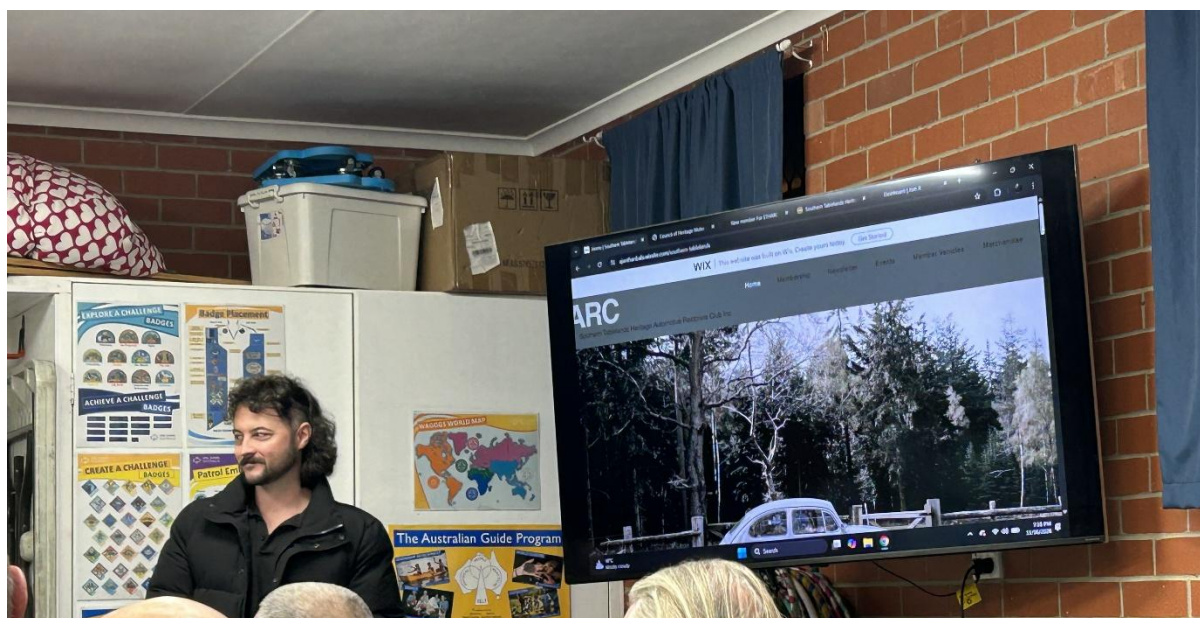
CACTMC Delegate: Ivan Zafiris noted that there were a number of events in the coming months listed on the CACTMC website and confirmed that STHARC had paid its CACTMC affiliation fees.

CHMC Delegate: The last CHMC meeting noted a number of technical papers issued by Transport for NSW, copies of which Christine Hillbrick-Boyd has passed to the Registrar. Christine noted that the next CHMC AGM and Delegates meeting will be held in Armidale on 24 October 2026. The Maitland Classic Motor Association has agreed to host the 14-16 May 2027 CHMC Rally and members should consider participating.

General Business: The President reminded members that several of the present Committee are not currently expecting to stand for re-election at the August AGM (including the Vice President, Treasurer, Editorial Team, Property Officer and Webmaster) and encouraged members to consider whether they could serve the club in these roles, either as an individual or as part of a team. The President encouraged members to remain after the meeting for a cuppa and a chat.



Guest Speaker: Jed Johnson provided a very interesting talk on the 1913 Delaunay-Belleville car currently in the National Museum of Australia collection. A prestige French car, the Delaunay-Bellville was originally owned by the Gundaroo pastoralist James Osbourne. It was purchased as a wreck by Queanbeyan man Robert Beer in 1955 and sold in 1958 to George Green who comprehensively restored it. On Green's death, the car was purchased by the National Museum of Australia in 1982 and is the oldest vehicle in its collection. The car's local origins make this story particularly relevant for STHARC. The President and members thanked Jed for his very educative presentation.



Raffle: Four raffle prizes were won.

Next Meeting: 7.00 pm Thursday 9 July 2026

The meeting closed at 8.11 pm.

BREDBO TRUCK AND MACHINERY SHOW

Sunday 5 April by Bill Grzeskowiak



Mack truck with trailer, which has a display of original photos and maps of the Snowy Mountains Scheme inside



Photo display plus original photos of the heavy and special loads the ANTAR truck was hauling for the Snowy Mountains Scheme



This Thornycroft Antar truck was used to pull heavy loads for the Snowy Mountains Scheme.

A line up of machinery - Some of which worked on the Snowy Mountains Scheme



An impressive line-up of Kenworth trucks and a nice Kenworth Aerodyne Cabovers proudly parked on display



A local transport company proudly displaying their Kenworth

STHARC 25 – Celebrating 25 Years

Saturday 19th September – Queanbeyan Kangaroos Club



We are pleased to announce that the **STHARC 25th Anniversary** celebration will be held on **Saturday 19th September** at the Roos Club in Queanbeyan. The event will run from **12.00pm for a 12.30pm start** in their function room.

Members and guests are invited to join us for a **two-course meal, cake, and some fun activities**. It will be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our club's history and the members who have shaped STHARC over the past 25 years.

Member tickets*: \$50 (subsidised price)

*Members include spouses and children under 18

Non-member tickets: \$75

As I write this, we have sold 20 tickets! That's a great start. We have a capacity of 80, so don't wait, purchase your tickets today!!

Tickets are available through **Humanitix**. Please note there is a small processing fee, which Humanitix passes on to charity.

Ticket link: <https://events.humanitix.com/stharc-25-years-anniversary-lunch>



Or scan the QR code!

If you find purchasing tickets online challenging, please see Rosalie at the **June, July, or August meetings**, and she can assist with the purchase

On now: Exhibition – Rear Vision: the Holden Collection

Opened June 12 and running until 11th October at the National Archives of Australia. A free exhibition tracing Holden's journey from a 19th-century saddlery to Australia's own car and its lasting impact on the nation's economy, industry and identity.

July Morning Tea

Friday 31st July at 10am

Woodworks Café Bungendore – 20 Malbon Street

August 2026

Saturday 1st August – Winter Warmer at the Ryan's

12pm – 3pm, 14 Staunton Place, Googong

Our winter warmer is back for another year and this year the pizza oven is in full swing. Please bring your choice of pizza topping cut up ready to go and I'll supply the bases (gf too).

If you do not like pizza, you are more than welcome to bring something else like a soup or scones (or whatever really).

It would be ideal to know numbers for this event, please RSVP directly to me on 0427292238.

Thursday 13th August

STHARC General and Annual General Meeting (AGM) Queanbeyan Guide Hall 7pm

August Morning Tea

Friday 28th August at 10am

Blackstone Café, Geosciences Australia

Crn Jerrabomberra Avenue and Hindmarsh Drive, Symonston

September 2026**Thursday 10th September**

STHARC General Meeting Queanbeyan Guide Hall 7pm

Sunday 13th September – Rear Vision – the Holden Collection

All Holden owners and lovers are invited to attend a community day being conducted by the National Archives of Australia in conjunction with the "Rear Vision - the Holden collection" exhibition.

Picnic on the lawns, view the exhibition, check out the cars.

Venue: National Archives of Australia, Kings Avenue, Parkes, ACT

Time: From 9:00 am

Entry fee: Free entry!

Food: Constitution Cafe on site

Sunday 13th September – Classic Cruise Canberra

Registrations Now Open

Grab your best superhero costume and join us on **Sunday, 13 September 2026**, as we cruise through Canberra, starting at the National Arboretum and finishing at Questacon, all to raise vital funds for Camp Quality to make life brighter for kids facing cancer.

September sometime – German Auto Day

No fixed date yet, but if you have a German car then stay tuned...

Saturday 19th September – STHARC 25th Anniversary lunch

Please see details above

September Morning Tea

TBA

October 2026

Thursday 8th October

STHARC General Meeting Queanbeyan Guide Hall 7pm

Sunday 18th October – Tarago Car, Bike and Truck Show

8.00am – 2.00pm

2124 Braidwood Rd, Tarago NSW

Enjoy a day admiring the cars and motorbikes on display and treat yourself to the various food and beverage stalls. There will be a raffle prize and trophies on offer on the day.

Contact Details

taragocarbikeandtruckshow@gmail.com

[0477787364](tel:0477787364)



October Morning Tea

Friday 30th October – Rodney's Garden Café

24a Beltana Road, Pialligo

STHARC club run to Ollies Garage – 18th April 2026

By Tony Brown

The April STHARC event was a club run to Ollies Garage at Gladstone Street Fyshwick. It had been a couple of years since STHARC had visited Ollies Garage, and as Ian and Tina periodically rotate the museum's display vehicles, it was timely that we made another visit.

Seventeen club members, plus an additional six family members, turned up on the day, and once everybody had settled in after having a quick look around, Ian welcomed the group with an informative introduction about the current vehicles on display. Ian described how a number of the display items, including the 'world's biggest bicycle' had found homes at Ollies Garage.

Ian also talked about how he and Tina have been working on YouTube clips relating to a number of the museum's rarer Rolls Royce, Bentley and Ford vehicles. With these clips Ian is also experimenting with incorporating AI generated images of Henry Royce, W.O. Bentley and Henry Ford to introduce the segments on particular vehicles.



On the day of our visit Ollies Garage had a central display of both provenance (survivor) and restored Rolls Royce and Bentley vehicles, which was complemented by a vast collection of

memorabilia relating to these vehicle types, including a rotating, detailed sectioned, Rolls Royce diesel engine.

In addition to the central display, there was a Ford theme display covering rare and desirable Fords with historical, rallying and collector significance. This collection included one of the three original XT Ford Falcon GTs that won the teams trophy in the 1968 London-to-Sydney marathon, and a very low mile completely original XY Falcon GT HO.



Also, in the back right corner of the building, Ian had placed a display of photos, memorabilia and trophies relating to the rally and road racing successes of the Canberra based Bates family.

Ian is always looking for something different and at the moment he is experimenting with a Suzuki Mighty Boy running it on synthetic fuel. The Mighty Boy was also on display.



The group spent a leisurely couple of hours inspecting all the exhibits and reading about their history; however, we knew that Ian and Tina were hosting a birthday party in the afternoon, so around midday we all slowly made our exits after again thanking Ian and Tina for their hospitality.

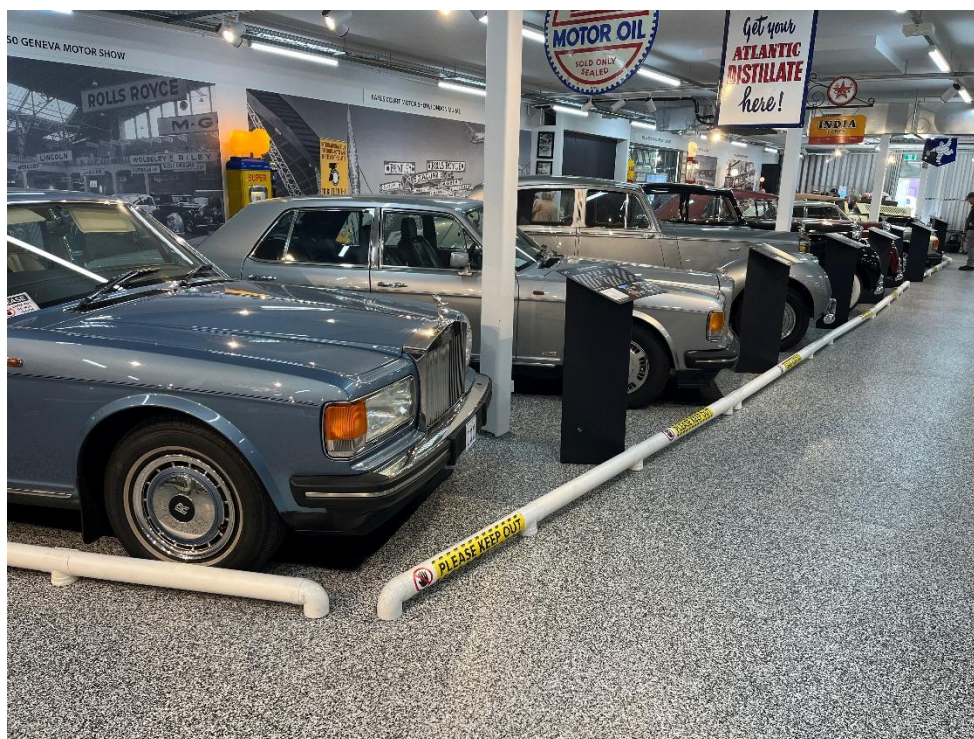
After leaving Ollies, a couple of families felt like a refreshment before heading home so we called into the close-by Silk Café for a coffee and cake. A very pleasant way of finishing off a great morning.

Attendees

Ian, Tina and Allan Oliver – Our Hosts

Bruce Legge	Modern
Tony & Christine Brown	Ford Mustang
Darryl Bourke	Modern
Allan Boyd	VW Beetle
Eddie & Marion Francis	Modern
John Kaczmarek	Modern
Brian & Sandra McNally	Modern
Ray & Barbara Malam	Modern
Steven Malam	Modern
Malcolm & Hazel Roxburgh	Modern
Brett & Lisa Thompson	HDT Holden





Weston Park Run — Saturday 23 May

A small but cheerful group gathered at Weston Park on Saturday 23 May, each member making their own journey to the shores of Lake Burley Griffin. It was crisp but sunny, making it a pleasant morning out.

Once assembled near Yarralumla Play Station, we wandered into the café for coffees, and breakfast for those who felt like treating themselves, (and yes there was GF!) before settling into our chairs outside. It was a lovely setting to enjoy some casual conversation before we all departed out separate ways.

A warm thank-you to everyone who came along. Your presence makes the planning of these outings worthwhile and keeps the spirit of the club alive.

Attendees: Rosalie Ryan – 1966 VW Beetle, David and Ali Arton – 1970's Mini, Col and Annette Arton – 1975 VW Kombi, Doug Curry – 1967 HR Premier Wagon, Bruce Legge - 1965 Mustang



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM Current

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Please fill out and return this form with your membership renewal. Personal details often change, and it is important that we ensure our records are up to date.

THIS FORM MUST BE SUPPLIED WITH ALL RENEWALS. THE T/NSW (Transport for NSW) REQUIRES THAT THE CLUB REGISTRAR MAINTAINS A FULL RECORD OF AND HOLD A COPY OF THE REGISTRATION PAPERS OF ALL CLUB REGISTERED VEHICLES.

Member's Details	
Member's Name	Given Name
Partner's Surname	Given Name
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Postal Address (if different)	
Contact Details	
Home Phone	Work Phone
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The By Laws have been altered and it is essential you sign your affirmation here:

I/We accept the conditions of membership as set out the Club's Constitution and By Laws as enacted and amended from time to time and agree to observe them.

(Yes/No)

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<https://stharc.org.au/stharc-constitution-and-bylaws/>

Signature of Member	Signature of Member's Nominated Partner

Important:

YOUR HERITAGE VEHICLES

Details of members' vehicles also change. The Registrar is required to hold a copy of the registration papers of all club registered vehicles, so please complete this area of the form to ensure that our records remain current – if you require additional space, please copy this sheet.

NOTE: CLUB REGISTRAR is John Morland Ph. 0406 375 640

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	VIN/ CHASSIS	COLOUR	DATE INSPECTED	REGISTRATION No,

- Also list separately if possible other historic vehicles such as motor bikes, trucks and machines for club records.