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On the cover A Peugeot 206 wagon spied in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 2008

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Bonjour Francophiles,

As I write this column, COVID-19 is running rampant in NSW and ACT, and we are in lockdown once again. I had my second AstraZeneca jab last week and Sue will have hers this week. I encourage all club members to get vaccinated!

Being restricted to a 5 km radius of home, during the lockdown, means that Sue and I are confined to our local suburb – Jerrabomberra, in Queanbeyan. We can forage for food at the local shops and go for local walks, but apart from that we stay home and save on fuel. I have a medical appointment in Canberra in a couple of weeks - I can cross the border for that, apparently.

With the lockdown limiting my options for activities away from home, it has given me extra time to work on the magazine. However, this is not sustainable in the long-term and I very much hope that another club member will take on the role of Editor...

As you will see (page 9), after weeks of uncertainty, Canberra has a new Peugeot dealer – John McGrath Peugeot, in Phillip. Sadly, with the COVID lockdown, I am unlikely to pay them a visit anytime soon, but if any other members happen to be in Phillip, please do a drive-by and see what you can see. Citroën will be there, too.

Last month's article on MP's and their cars brought a response from Peter Wilson (Peugeot Car Club of NSW), who recalled that the Governor General, Sir Paul Hasluck was a Peugeotophile. Peter also sent me a wonderful 1958 photo of the Hotel Wellington, in Canberra (see page 8). The Wello, as it was called, was demolished in 1984, but it had a colourful history since it opened in 1927. I had the occasional drink there in the 1970's, but as Peter Rees recalls, it was very much the watering hole of choice for politicians and journalists.

The nearby Kurrajong Hotel, was perhaps more famous in Australian political folklore, as the sometime residence of former Prime Minister Ben Chifley, who died in an ambulance *en route* from the Kurrajong to hospital in 1951. Chifley was said to be having an extra-marital affair with his private secretary, Phyllis Donnelly, who was also staying at the Kurrajong, when he suffered his fatal heart attack.



*The Wellington Hotel, soon after it was completed*  
Source: National Archives of Australia A3560, 3346

Our next club meeting was due to be held at 8 pm on Tuesday 24 August, at the Raiders Weston Club. Needless to say, the current COVID-19 lockdown has put paid to that and the meeting has been cancelled.

Hopefully we will be able to hold a meeting next month, which will also be our AGM. More on that closer to the time.

Au revoir,

Brad Pillans

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# CUB EVENTS 2021-22

- 24 August 2021** French Car Club of Canberra: Club meeting, Raiders Weston Club, with dinner from 7 pm and the meeting at 8 pm. 1 Liardet St, Weston. **CANCELLED**
- 28 September 2021** French Car Club of Canberra: Club meeting, Raiders Weston Club, with dinner from 7 pm and the **Annual General Meeting** at 8 pm. 1 Liardet St, Weston.
- 26 October 2021** French Car Club of Canberra: Club meeting, Raiders Weston Club, with dinner from 7 pm and the meeting at 8 pm. 1 Liardet St, Weston.
- 23 November 2021** French Car Club of Canberra: Club meeting, Raiders Weston Club, with dinner from 7 pm and the meeting at 8 pm. 1 Liardet St, Weston
- 28 November 2021** French Car Day at the Spanish-Australian Club in Narrabundah
- 17 July 2022** All French Car Day, Silverwater Park, off Clyde St East, SYDNEY  
New date because of COVID restrictions this year  
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# FRENCH CAR DRIVES 2021

These outings are held on the fourth Sunday of even months, an opportunity to take your CRS registered car on a longer outing and catch up with fellow French car enthusiasts.

Proposed plan for 2021, depending on COVID-19 restrictions for social events.  
Email updates will be provided for each event.

August 22      Gunning, brunch at the Merino Café from 10 am

October 24      French café/creperie in Ainslie for afternoon tea.  
<http://www.breizhcafecreperie.com/>

Contact: Lisa Molvig, Social Secretary [Reno1338@hotmail.com](mailto:Reno1338@hotmail.com)



## OTHER EVENTS IN ACT REGION

26 September. **German Auto Day**  
Wanniassa Park, Queanbeyan

26 September. **ACT Holden Day**  
Queanbeyan Showgrounds

14 November. **Marques in the Park**  
John Knight Park, Belconnen



# CLASSIFIEDS

## For Sale

### Peugeot 202

Peugeot 202. A very nice example of the Peugeot 202 and the only one in New Zealand. The car featured in issue 50 of Classic Driver (August 2013). A pdf of the article in Classic Driver is available on request. Odometer shows 82,357 km (car imported from The Netherlands). Tyres are Michelin. Battery is brand new (August 2020). Rego is on hold and WOF will be done when spring arrives (car not used during winter months apart from short runs up and down the road). [202 BH] plate is not included but can be sold separately. Open for offers. Sven Slager, 49B Links Drive, 4312 New Plymouth, New Zealand. +64 (0) 27 769 5919 [sven@slager.co.nz](mailto:sven@slager.co.nz)



### Peugeot 407 diesel sedan

407 Peugeot diesel sedan, 140,000km, needs some mech attention, \$2500. Warren Saunders 0418 641 306.

### Peugeot 203 station wagon

203 Station wagon 1954 sapphire blue and white 2-pack paint, redone interior, strong motor, reco gearbox and brakes. On full NSW rego. \$15,000. Reluctant sale, due to health, Keith 0405 388 602

### Peugeot 205 GTi

205 GTi, 1987, 260,000 kms 1.9 litre, naturally Aspirated 4 cylinder, 99% restored with a few spare parts to finish the job. Currently on club registration. Very much an appreciating investment. \$18,600. Contact: Riccardo 0413 103 302. Email: [rrosadoni@stjohns.sa.edu.au](mailto:rrosadoni@stjohns.sa.edu.au)

### Peugeot 306 cabriolet

Series 1. 154,000 kms. 2 litre auto. Strong motor and transmission. Requires attention on several minor body issues: heating does not work, new elastics needed in the roof, tyres marginal. Offers. Cliff Carey. Evatt. 0403 242 584.

### Peugeot 404 wagon

404 Wagon. Reluctant sale by third owner. Very good condition. No rust. \$14,500. Barry 0408 958 784.

### ACT Number Plate 408

ACT 3-digit number plate "408", has been in the Quinlan family since the early 1960s. We would be looking at offers around \$20,000 \$25,000. Thanks and regards, David Quinlan, Pambula NSW. 0418 238 241 [dat.quinlan@iinet.net.au](mailto:dat.quinlan@iinet.net.au)

### ACT number plates 504 and 505

ACT number plates 504 and 505. I am considering selling them. I assume they would be of interest to you members? Bill Arnold. 0419 491 919.

# CLASSIFIEDS

## Peugeot 405 Mi16

405 Mi16 Super Sprint Championship winning race car. Well sorted and reliable. New 2.2 litre engine, 195hp at wheels. Too many mods to list. \$23,000 ono. Also custom tandem trailer available separately \$4000. Both currently in secure storage in Melb. See photo on front cover of February edition of the magazine.

Please contact Jeff for further info and pics, 0438 106 430 or [jrowles@alphalink.com.au](mailto:jrowles@alphalink.com.au).

## Peugeot 406 98B silver coupe

NSW rego EDT40M, expiry 6 Nov 2021; 215,000 km, new clutch, converted from auto to manual; body and interior in good cond. \$5,500 ono. Richard Adams, Bungendore, NSW, 0403 666 698

## Parts

### Peugeot 405 handbook and service book

Free 405 glovebox handbook and service book in wallet, Colin, 0414 484 398.

### Peugeot 505 GTi cooling fan and centre muffler

505GTi cooling fan, and centre muffler, FREE. Brian Polden, m: 0403217034 e: [brianpol@tpg.com.au](mailto:brianpol@tpg.com.au)



### Renault Fuego workshop manual

Free to good home. Contact Stefan, 0418 326 942

## Peugeot 504 steering rack boots and 505 tail light

The boots are brand new, but the tail light assembly is definitely well used (needs a bit of patching). Both free to good homes. Paul Ballard 0419-973822 or [westkinloch@dragnet.com.au](mailto:westkinloch@dragnet.com.au).





# The Wellington Hotel: a bit of Canberra's lost history

Brad Pillans

Last month's story on MP's and their cars, drew a response from PCCNSW stalwart, Peter Wilson.

Peter says, "When I was editor of the Canberra News I saw Sir Paul Hasluck, the Governor-General, driving his 404 out of Government House. Perhaps he was shopping! He also had a 203 earlier as an MP."

Peter also sent me a wonderful photograph of the Wellington Hotel, in Canberra, circa 1958, noting the Peugeot 203 wagon, on the right [the other cars appear to be, from left, an Austin A55, Holden FE and a Hillman, maybe a Minx]. "Wasn't that where many Federal politicians stayed back then", said Peter.



*The Wellington Hotel, circa 1958. Photo: John Dallinger. Source: flickr*

The Wellington Hotel (or the 'Wello' as it was commonly known), was one of four hotels built in Canberra in the late 1920's the others being the Canberra Hotel (now the Hyatt), the Ainslie Hotel (now the Mercure) and the Kurrajong Hotel (still going strong).

Completed in 1927, the Wellington, like the other hotels, was built to provide accommodation for the growing number of public servants and politicians coming to Canberra. The Wello actually started as a pub with no beer, because, when it opened in 1927, King O'Malley (who was the minister responsible for the ACT, and also a teetotaler) passed an ordinance banning the sale of alcohol in Canberra. "Stagger juice", as he called it, was not available for sale until December 1928, after a referendum was held, and the Wello is said to have sold its first beer on 22 December 1928.

Peter Rees, tells me that when he arrived in Canberra in January 1971, to work in the Press Gallery at Parliament House, he very quickly discovered that the Wello was drinking hole of choice - Friday afternoon and evening was always spent at the Wello. It was where, polities and journos mingled and drank, and drank... Even after the opening of the National Press Club, just down the road, Peter says that the Wello still remained popular until it was demolished in 1984.

As unlikely as it may seem, there is also a motor sport connection with the Wello - in the late 1950s and early 1960s, the Canberra Sporting Car Club held an annual all-day trial for the perpetual Hotel Wellington Cup. Details of the 1962 event, held in conjunction with the Yass Car Club, were reported in the Canberra Times (Saturday 16 June 1962). Starting at 8.45 am the next day, Canberra cars would leave Lonsdale Street at 3 minute intervals and proceed to Yass "via a devious route of approximately 50 miles". Contestants from both clubs would then "follow a 200 mile secret course", northward to the Boorowa area, with a fuel and meal break somewhere along the way

The Wellington Hotel was located on the corner of Canberra Ave and National Circuit, a site now occupied by the Pavilion Hotel. The Wello may be gone, but the stories linger on.

# Peugeot appoints new dealers

*Four new franchises this year with more to come as Inchcape fires up the French marque*

Neil Dowling, GoAuto  
6 August 2020

PEUGEOT Australia has added two new dealerships to its network so far this year with plans in place for another two by the year's end as the brand expands its presence on the back of a string of new products.

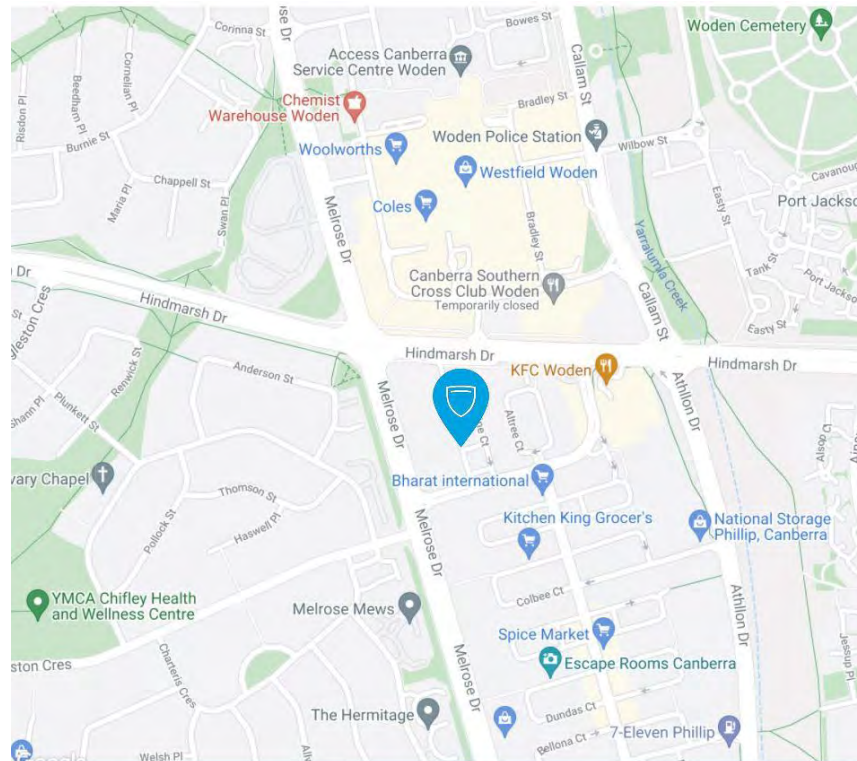
Peugeot and Citroen, distributed by Inchcape Australia, now has 33 dealerships. This number will be boosted by McGrath Canberra Peugeot – which will also be a Citroen dealership – in the ACT next month and, later this year, a new dealer for Rockhampton in Queensland. In January it opened two in Victoria – Mantello Peugeot in Roxburgh Park and Northern Peugeot in Bundoora.

Peugeot Citroen Australia general manager Kate Gillis said “Peugeot has a strong relationship with our dedicated network of dealers across Australia”.

“As our brand continues to grow and introduce exciting new products to the Australian market, we continue to explore opportunities to expand that network and provide customers with increased access to the Peugeot brand,” she said.

Ms Gillis also said that the criteria for new dealerships was to consider potential gaps in the network “particularly in areas where we can see a correlation with our brand and the area's demographics, where there is a potential for high customer demand”.

“We will continue to seek new opportunities that are the right fit for Peugeot across Australia,” she said.



## EDITOR'S POSTSCRIPT

According to the Peugeot Australia website, John McGrath Peugeot is located in Divine Court, tucked in behind the main McGrath building on the corner of Melrose and Hindmarsh Drives in Phillip – the blue shield on the Google map, above, marks the spot.

With COVID-19 restrictions in place I have not had a chance to visit McGrath Peugeot, but as of the end of July, there was no sign of a Peugeot presence in Divine Court. Perhaps there is now! Their contact number is given as (02) 6122-2222 on the Peugeot Australia website. Citroën Australia also lists the same location and number, so we may presume that Citroën will be there too!

As with previous Peugeot/Citroën dealerships in Canberra, I look forward to establishing a strong relationship with our club.

# New Renault 5 could be Australia's cheapest EV

Alex Misoyannis, CarAdvice

Renault's new mass-market electric-car platform promises to slash new electric vehicle prices by a third – meaning Australia's first \$33,000 European electric car could be on the way.

Renault has detailed a new compact electric vehicle platform that could be capable of bringing Australia its first \$33,000 European electric hatchback. Known as CMF-BEV, the new platform will be used for city hatchbacks (classified as 'light cars' in Australia), and promises to reduce the cost of the vehicles it underpins by 33 per cent versus [Renault's](#) sole electric passenger car still on sale, the [Zoe](#) hatchback.

When the Renault Zoe was last offered in Australia in 2019, prices started from \$49,490 before on-road costs – meaning a vehicle on the new CMF-BEV platform could start from as little as \$33,000 before on-road costs.

Recent \$3000 electric vehicle incentives [introduced in New South Wales](#) and [Victoria](#) could drop the price to exactly or below \$30,000 before on-road costs – on par with an entry-level [Captur Life](#) city SUV, which starts from \$29,990 before on-road costs locally, powered by a conventional turbo-petrol engine.

The first vehicle to use the platform will be the [retro-styled Renault 5](#), previewed with a ['Prototype' concept car earlier this year](#) (above and top of story), and due to enter production in early 2024 at a new 'ElectriCity' megafactory in France.

Renault claims the CMF-BEV platform will have a driving range of up to 400km on Europe's WLTP test cycle – exceeding the 263km and 270km figures claimed by Australia's cheapest electric vehicles currently on sale, the [MG ZS EV](#) and [Nissan Leaf](#) 40kWh respectively.

The platform's low price can be attributed to the sharing of parts with the combustion-engined version of CMF-BEV, known as CMF-B, which underpins the Captur. The platform's modularity in track widths, wheelbase and battery sizes, along with a new nickel-cobalt-manganese battery construction, also reduce costs.

Joining the new 5 will be a reborn version of the classic [Renault 4](#), slated to morph into a compact SUV wearing the 4Ever name – as [leaked in concept form through recent patent filings](#) – along with a new electric van, which teaser images suggest will be inspired by classic 'Fourgonette' versions of the original Renault 4. Performance brand [Alpine](#) is also planning a new hot hatch, based on the new 5 EV platform, adding a large rear spoiler, bulged bonnet and what appear to be rally-inspired fog lights.



Source: <https://www.caradvice.com.au/964668/new-renault-5-could-become-australias-cheapest-electric-car-cmf-bev-electric-platform-to-cut-prices-by-a-third/>



# Riding to Canberra suburbs on a Peugeot Mixte

Jasper Lindell, *Canberra Times*

14 March 2021

"How many 69-year-old dictionary writing, alphabetical Canberra suburb cyclists do you know?" It's quite the question Dr Bernadette Hince posed after she arrived in Yarralumla this week, the last suburb on her A-to-Z tour of Canberra by bike.

For more than a decade, Dr Hince has been slowly working through the list of Canberra's gazetted suburbs and travelling to them from her home on her old Peugeot bike. "I've lived in Canberra most of my life. There's so many suburbs I don't even know where they are. Then I thought maybe I could do it alphabetically. And then I thought, well maybe I could do it on my bike," she said.

It comes as no surprise alphabetical order was the system of choice for Dr Hince, who is a visiting fellow at the Australian National Dictionary Centre and the author of *The Antarctic Dictionary: A Complete Guide to Antarctic English*. While the alphabet is now a recurring theme in Dr Hince's house and mind, it wasn't always the way.

"My Dad had a second-hand bookshop in Melbourne. I must have been about 12 once when he went out to lunch and I was there and I thought, I'll rearrange the books," she said. "So I started on the Australian fiction and I did about the top two shelves. . . And he looked at them and I'd gone big-big-big, smaller-smaller-smaller, and he said, 'Oh, very good. We usually do it alphabetically.'"

Dr Hince, who only learned to ride a bicycle aged 27, said she was astonished sometimes she could stay on a bike: "Isn't it a wonderful thing, riding a bike?" But riding to each suburb in Canberra has its challenges, not least of which is the ever expanding list of destinations.

"At some stage, and I think it was in about 2012, I drew up a list of suburbs and a red line underneath, because when I started there were 99 suburbs, and it's actually not completely easy to tell what a suburb is either. Some people regard Manuka as a suburb and other people don't; I do, because it's got shops, therefore it's a suburb," Dr Hince said.

"The list had grown from 99 to about 118, 120. Then a couple of suburbs got un-suburbed; they got absorbed in another suburb and their name disappeared." There were times when Dr Hince thought she would never finish, including a stint living away from Canberra. "I'd done a lot of suburbs, then I moved and nothing happened for 18 months. Then I came back to Canberra and I thought, 'I could actually finish this project, if I stay alive long enough'," Dr Hince said.

After each ride, Dr Hince wrote a diary entry to record the trip; she hopes to collate and publish them. But it's still hard to pick a favourite. "I think I've got a special affection for Amaroo, and that was a long time ago, because that was when I realised that there'd be something interesting no matter what," she said.



Bernadette on her Peugeot. Picture: Karleen Minney, *Canberra Times*

## Chloe to head new media team at Inchcape

Peter Wilson

Chloe Fraser, the Peugeot and Citroën public relations manager has been promoted to the newly created job of the Inchcape's group PR and corporate communications manager. Subaru Australia's PR for 21 years, David Rowley, has retired after 21 years in the role launching a great number of Subaru models. He is the longest serving PR in the auto industry.

Chloe will head a media team that includes a new Subaru PR and a replacement Peugeot Citroën PR, and will be involved in the group's retail and its Autonex logistics operations. She has the experience with all three brands to guide her new colleagues as they settle in.

She has worked on both sides of the media telephone – she was a motoring journalist before joining Inchcape Australia, where she was in charge of Trivett's digital side before becoming Subaru's assistant public relations manager.

Taking over the French brands in November, Chloe has been very helpful in answering magazine inquiries and dealing with the NSW club.

She is holding the fort on inquiries until the new folk – still to be recruited – come on board.



Chloe Fraser: First group media chief

## Peugeot e-Expert Hydrogen

Zak Atkins, CarExpert

Peugeot will introduce its first production hydrogen fuel-cell vehicle in France and Germany later this year, but it's off the table for Australia.

The Peugeot e-Expert Hydrogen van will be based around a "mid-power plug-in hydrogen fuel cell electric" system. It comprises a hydrogen fuel-cell, which produces the electricity needed to run the electric motor in the van, and a 10.5kWh lithium-ion battery that can also be charged from the electricity grid and helps to run the electric motor under certain situations.

Peugeot says that the biggest benefits of the e-Expert are its ability to cover long distances with zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and its 400km (WLTP) of range from just three minutes of hydrogen filling.

While the e-Expert Hydrogen won't be coming Down Under, Peugeot has plans in place to get other electrified vehicles onto our shores. The company will begin its Australian electrification journey with the release of the plug-in [3008 Hybrid4](#) and the [508 Hybrid fastback](#) in the fourth quarter of 2021.



Peugeot says that beginning in 2022, it will be introducing full battery-electric vehicles to the Australian market. These models could potentially include the regular battery-electric e-Expert, as well as its e-Partner and e-Boxer van siblings.

## Huge Brazilian barn find

Jason Vogel, translated by Chris Bruce

Teenagers broke into an old building in Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, only to discover a massive collection of classic cars with a thick layer of dust covering them. The kids filmed their escapades and shared the video through a WhatsApp group. Now, it has become a police matter.

The vehicles belonged to a collector who basically kept a private museum there. In addition to the cars, there was a technical library, various parts for the machines, a collection of gas pumps, and even a reconstruction of an old coffee shop.

The vehicles in the building spanned the period from the 1920s to the 1970s, including a Ford Model T and Citroën DS. The first floor alone included a Chevrolet Corvair, 1952 Chevrolet Styleline, Fiat 124 Sport Coupé, Simca 8, Renault Dauphine, Morris Oxford, and Hudson Hornet. All of them were complete, and the license plates indicated they hadn't been on the road in decades.



*A dust-covered Citroën DS heads the line of collectible cars*

On a second floor, rare vehicles were on wooden planks that appeared ready to collapse. The machines included an Austin A90 Atlantic coupe and convertible, Chrysler Airflow, 1938 and 1940 Ford coupes, a 1951 Ford van, Standard Vanguard, Renault Gordini, Ford Consul, Ford Taunus, and even a three-wheeled Goliath pickup truck!

This private museum was never been open to the general public. Until the 1990s or 2000s, it was visited only by collectors and friends of the owner. Time passed, and the owner locked the building. Among the heirs who were twins, one wanted to keep the collection together, and the other preferred to sell everything.

Over time, the place began to look abandoned. The bushes grew tall on the land, and dust took over the cars. That was when, one Thursday afternoon, a group of 10 teenagers, who were around 15 years old, decided that it was time to find out what was inside that "castle" and invaded the private property.

They broke into the collection and got into the cars without the slightest ceremony. They screamed with excitement at their magnificent "discovery." Instead of keeping it a secret, they preferred to film everything and spread the images through WhatsApp. The next day, the police were already on the scene, and the cops were in contact with the kids' parents.

Now that they have been alerted, the owners have already taken some of the cars to another location. They washed the Fiat 124 Sport Coupé and put it up for sale for R\$65,000 (\$12,372 at current exchange rates). A truck removed the Citroën DS and Renault Dauphine from the site.

If there's a bright spot from this, it's that the new owners can return some of these vehicles to the streets and take them to car shows, so that people can appreciate them.

Source: [Huge Barn Find Discovered And Filmed By Trespassing Teens \(motor1.com\)](http://motor1.com) which includes more pics.





#### Present in person

Brad Pillans  
Neil Birch  
Barry McAdie  
William McNamee  
Neil Sperring  
Leigh McEwan  
Greg Francis  
Lisa Molvig  
Bernard Wright  
Richard Morgan  
Mitchell Jamison-Curran

#### Apologies

Colin Handley  
Ian Brock  
Ross Stephens

#### Introduction

The meeting opened at 8:10 pm.  
Brad welcomed everybody to the meeting.

#### Minutes of the July meeting

Greg Francis moved that the minutes of the July meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Neil Sperring. Carried. Matters arising to be dealt with during the meeting as is our usual practice.

#### Financial report

Our Account balance with Bendigo Bank is \$18,954.03 as of 27 July 2021.  
One invoice from the Battle of Waterloo is still outstanding. Seven members have renewed their membership plus three new members.  
Barry McAdie moved that the report be accepted, seconded by Greg Francis. Carried.

#### General Business

Brief discussion about AGM requirements. Must give a month's notice to members. Aim to have the AGM with our September monthly meeting.

#### Council of ACT Motor Club (CACTMC)

All the electricals in the Pie Cart have been restored; it is now stored at the Miniature Railway in Weston Park. The German Auto Day is on 26 September, in Wanniasa Park, Queanbyan.  
CACTMC Bank balance is \$25,841.71. Affiliation fees of \$20,420 paid and \$550 for the Carbon offset levee. Two clubs have not paid and 3 clubs have incomplete paperwork. The Tuggeranong RSL Sub-Branch has joined. They have some historic military vehicles (Land Rovers) that will be used for ceremonial purposes, such as carrying old diggers who cannot march on Anzac Day.

Chris Steel has given Ministerial approval for the new 60 day concessional registration scheme. Planned implementation date is 1 September. It will cover Veteran, Vintage and Historic vehicles, but not modified vehicles, yet. Log books will come with registration, there is no legislation to allow a separate charge. Whether or not a specific driver will be linked to a car's rego has not been determined.  
Wheels 2022 will be on 5<sup>th</sup> (setup day) and 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022, to be hosted by Canberra Antique & Classic Motor Club.  
Battle of Waterloo received glowing reports at the council meeting.

#### Social events

Lisa provided a summary recent social events.  
The planned French car drive to Gunning on 22 August may have to be postponed, depending on what happens with COVID.  
Sydney French Car Day has again been postponed owing to the COVID situation.

#### French Car Torque

Brad reminded members that we are still looking for an editor; he will continue in the role for the moment. Brad thanked Bernard Wright for his article on politician's cars and invited everyone to provide copy.

#### Web site

The new website is proving to be difficult to set up. Mitch said it was very time consuming extracting content from the old sites' format to put into the new format. Progress was being made but he needed advice about problems. Brad and Leigh McEwan will help. At the moment, it seems that, depending on the links followed, you can find different pages with contradictory information.  
Greg suggested if we cannot create a good web site within the club we should pay and outsider to do it.  
Leigh suggested the site was adequate. Bill McNamee believes with support we are on the way to having an adequate site.

#### Other business

No news, yet, on a new dealership for the Peugeot / Citroen Franchise for Canberra.  
Colin Handley is storing the boot full of Battle of Waterloo equipment that Neil Sperring had.  
Neil Sperring said we need to establish an Assets Register; Barry has the ROCC Assets Register.

French Car Day 2021. The Telopea School is not having a fete this year. It was suggested that FCD could be held at the Spanish Club. If we have it on the 5<sup>th</sup> December it would line up with the German Market Day and guarantee more visitors. It could also be our Christmas event. Greg will approach the Spanish Club.

#### Close, next meeting

The meeting closed at 9.07 pm. The next club meeting is scheduled for the Raiders Club in Weston, at 8 pm, on Tuesday 24 August 2021.

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