



ROCC NEWS

Newsletter of the Renault Owners Club of Canberra

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Welcome to the first issue of ROCC NEWS, our Monthly Newsletter. This issue has been hastily put together principally as a talking point - something to get you thinking about what you would like to see in the Newsletter.

Give it some thought. Remember, Newsletters such as ROCC NEWS depend solely on articles, advertisements, clippings of interest from other sources etc. contributed by Club Members - your support is essential.

Which brings us to the subject of our Club and its Committee. At our inaugural meeting, it is essential that we elect an enthusiastic Committee, even on an interim basis. The scenario can be summed up as -

NO COMMITTEE - NO CLUB

Please consider helping out. We don't want to get too 'formal' but there are several essential functions that must be carried out to ensure the well-being of the Club and its members. We look forward to your support

John Adkins }
Jayson Hinder } Convenors

The Committee of the Club

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| President | - Coordinator |
| Vice-President | - Vice Coordinator; Publicity Officer |
| Secretary | - Arrange Committee meetings; clear Mail Box; attends to correspondence; updates lists of members; takes minutes of meetings |
| Treasurer | - Maintain financial records and cheque accounts supplies membership cards; provides financial statements. |
| Assistant Secretary/Treasurer | - Assists Secretary and Treasurer; undertakes their duties in their absence. |
| Editor | - Arranges monthly newsletter (compilation, editing, printing, collating, and posting) |
| Technical Secretary | - Produces a Consumer Directory; arranges discounts for parts and accessories; obtains a supply of club parts, technical books, and tools |
| Social Secretary | - Plans social events for the Club (co-opting ideas from the Committee or members when necessary) |
| Committee Assistants(2) | - Assist other members of the Committee in their functions when needed; undertake specific activities as decided by the Committee. |

POLICY STATEMENT

The Renault Club of Canberra is not aligned to any Renault retailer and/or service agent because it believes the individual Club member has the right to choose the agent of their choice.

The Club will endeavour to have a good working relationship with all agents and will gratefully acknowledge any assistance given to the Club, in the ROCC News.

The Club will not accept assistance which could jeopardise its non-aligned status.

SNIPPETS FROM HISTORY

- : Louis Renault made his first car in 1898 in a garden shed at Billancourt (the shed is still there today, however it is now in the centre of a vast industrial empire). He was 21 years old.
- : Renault and his brothers set up a firm in Billancourt in 1899, and in their first year they sold 76 vehicles.
- : In the 1903 Paris-Madrid race, Louis' brother, Marce, was killed driving one of the factory's cars, and road racing was banned until 1928.
- : In 1940 Renault began on a project, the 4CV (now known as R750), which was intended to compete with the small "people's car" of Germany (VW). The 750 brought the factory back on to its feet after WWII in the hands of Lefauchaux (Louis Renault was accused of sordid collaboration with the Nazis and his health and mental state declined rapidly).
- : From those early hectic days, Renault has gone from strength to strength. First to have 4-wheel disc brakes and three box construction (R8/R10 models), and with the advent of the R16 "hatchback" in the 1960's, Renault continued to establish its reputation as a builder of truly innovative motor vehicles.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Club wishes to thank Lindsay O'Brien from Corin Motors who arranged for the two special 4WD vehicles to be brought to Canberra for our Social Day on Sunday 21 April. Thanks must also go to Ray & Barbara Hopwood of ARO Australia who drove the vehicles down from Sydney. The 4WD's certainly created a lot of interest on the day.

Indications are that the one-tonne ARO utility (with the Renault 12 front) will sell for around \$9000, and the DACIA 4WD hardtop for around \$10000 - \$11000. Unfortunately, the models will not be called Renaults but will be sold under the ARO nameplate. Both models should be on the market in Australia later this year, with the Renault 16TS engine being the most likely powerplant. Lindsay O'Brien has more information if anyone is interested.

A vote of thanks also to Corin Motors for funding the newspaper advertisements for our Social Day and the inaugural meeting.

Club Activities

The list is endless - outings, picnic days, BBQs, economy runs, navigation trials, observation trials, trips away, film evenings, friendly competition (hill climbs, motokanas, etc), concourses, technical talks, Christmas parties, inter-Club meets etc., etc. Put your ideas to our Social Secretary.

Next ROCC Meeting : 7.30pm Tuesday 11 June 1985, Burns Club, National Circuit, Forrest.

Other Car Clubs in the ACT

Canberra Celica Club
8 OgdenCl Fadr -92 1073
Canberra Motor Club
1AmherstKmbh -31 9715
Fiat Club Of The ACT
4SmithWtngra -54 7522
FX-FJ Car Club Of Canberra
71MatinaNarbndh -95 0281
Jaguar Drivers' Club—Canberra
148BurrinjuckCrSDuffy -88 9037
Landrover Club of The A.C.T. Inc—
Latham 33Pollman-----54 4874
Queanbeyan 20Monaro-----97 5562
M G Car Club Canberra
SullivanCrSWnnsa -31 3154
Mercedes Benz Club A C T
69LindrumCrSHolt -54 1800
Mercedes Benz Club A.C.T.
5HarperMcgrgr -54 7326
Peugeot Asscn Of Canberra
33CordeauxDuffy -88 4246
Rolls Royce Owners Club
37SpringvaleDrvWtngra -54 2448
Rover Car Club ACT.
14AlfredHillDrvMlba -58 1325
Southern Tablelands Four Wheel Drive
Club 8HinchcliffePl Spnce -58 2720

ROCC Classifieds (free of charge to members)

For Sale

Renault 16TL, unreg'd but driveabl
straight boby, \$150 ph.654378(BH),
975403(AH).

Wanted

Technical Section

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

I/we hereby apply for new/renewal of:

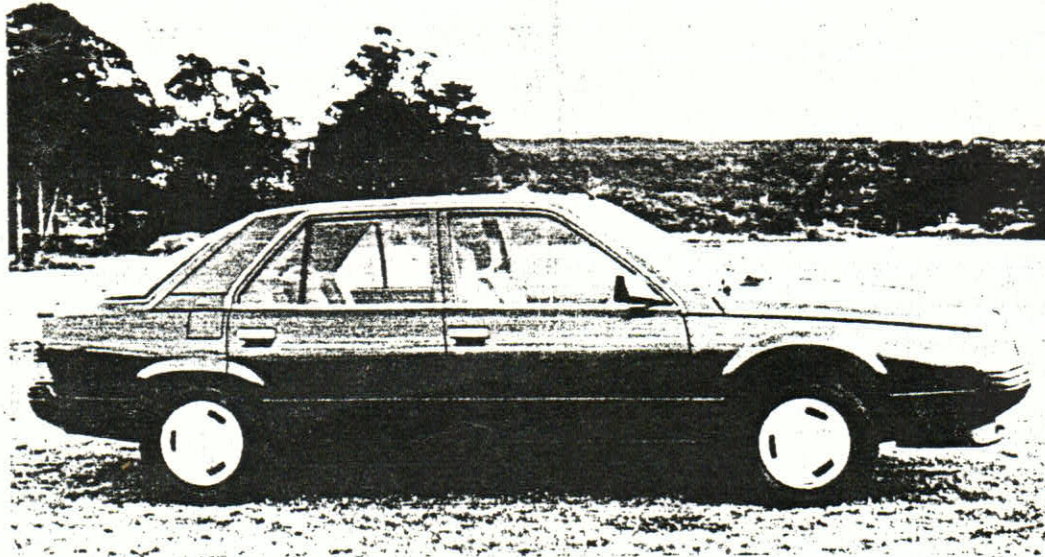
ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION RATES

| | New* | Renewal | Late Renewal** |
|--|------|---------|----------------|
| 1. ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP - open to owners of Renault motor vehicles, or persons having use of a Renault to the satisfaction of the Committee. | \$15 | \$10 | \$15 |
| 2. AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP - open to persons with an interest in the Club, but who do not own or have use of a Renault. Such members have all the rights of ordinary and family members, EXCEPT the right to vote. | \$12 | \$ 7 | \$12 |

* New membership fees include a \$5 joining fee.

** Late renewals after the prescribed renewal period will require the payment of another \$5 joining fee.

The French Revolution is coming



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I/we agree to abide by the Constitution of the Club and undertake not to bring the Club into disrepute by abusing any privileges my/our membership entails or in any other way.

Signed Date

MEMBER DETAILS

Name

Address

Occupation

Spouse and children's names

Phone Numbers: BH AH

Motor Vehicles: Model
 Year
 Rego No.
 Colour

Membership No. Receipt No. Receipt Date