Austin 7 Club of S.A. Inc.

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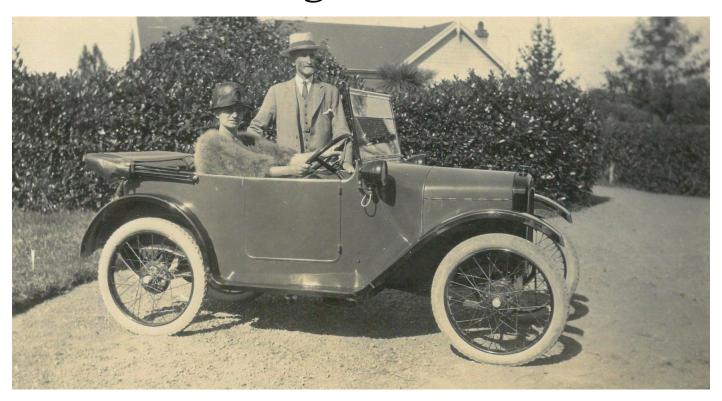
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What's on and What's not.

- 30.3.23-2.4.23 Australian F1 GP Melbourne
- 31.3-3.4.23 Morris Minor National Rally
- 2.4.23 Vehicles and Old Machinery at the Flat
- 16.4.23 A7C Club Day Run to St Kilda Tram Museum
- **16.4.23 TTM Regularity #2**
- 17.4.23 A7C Monthly Club Meeting at 7.30pm.
- **18.4.23 A7C Leisure Run**
- 23.4.23 McLaren Vale Vintage & Classic
- 24.4.23 A7C Technical Night
- 6.5.23-8.5.23 A7C PreWar Run Adelaide Hills
- 7.5.23 British Classics Tour
- 8.5.23 A7C Club Meeting
- **14.5.23 A7C** Funkhana
- **16.5.23 A7C Leisure Run**
- 21.5.23 Cavalcade of Cars Kadina
- 22.5.23 A7C Technical Night
- 27.5-28.5.23 Historic Winton
- 17.6-23.6.23 A7C 70th Anniversary tour to Farina

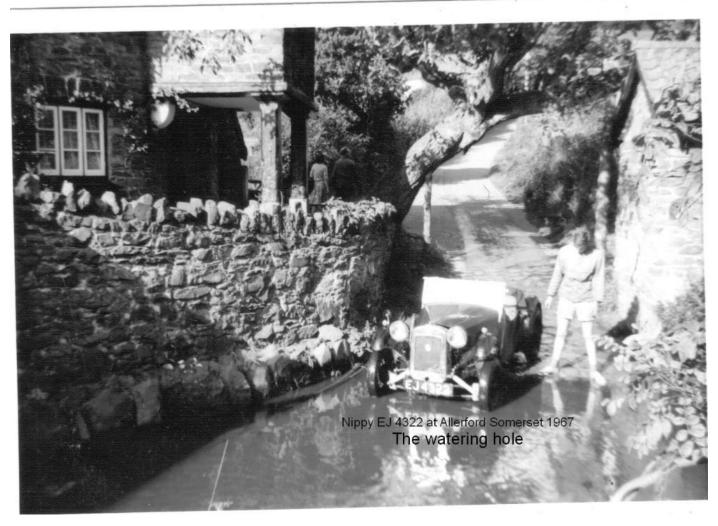
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Sports and Specials









2023 Dates

Our competition dates for 2023 are as follows.

Apr 16, June 4, July 23, Aug 27, Nov 5

All at Mallala

VEHICLES & OLD MACHINERY AT THE FLAT



SUNDAY 2nd APRIL 2023

10:00 am to 3:00 pm



McLaren Flat Recreation Grounds

Classic & Historic Cars, Motorcycles, Trucks, Tractors & Stationary Engines.



Catering

Popcorn

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Public Entry by Gold Coin Donation



Enquiries
Rod Watson 0409 778 640
Allan Wheaton 0408 899 775
pop@ahmrc.org



Hosted by: McLaren Flat Community Club & the Adelaide Hills Motor Restorers Club

Austin 7 Club of SA Inc *Tram Museum Run*Sunday 16th April 2023



Start the day at Café de Vili's, 426 Main North Road, Blair Athol from 10:00am

At 11:15 we'll head up the Port Wakefield Road at a leisurely pace to the St Kilda Beach Hotel for lunch. (20km)



Then back to the Tram Museum. All our members will get into the Museum at the discounted price of \$7.00. Photo opportunities of our historic cars with the trams (including the "Toast Rack" tram pictured above) will be available to us.

Bookings are essential.

Please book in with Christine Cutting (0412 092 760) or Martin Lewis (0414 727 893).

Bookings close Monday 10th April



Birdwood Drive 'n' Jive

BOOK NOW

ABOUT

Whether you are the owner of a Classic Drive, a Rock n' Roll enthusiast or just love to be surrounded by chrome, 50s to 80s live music and everything in between you are welcome to attend the inaugural BFNC Drive 'n' Jive.

Held at the Birdwood Oval - Classic Cars, live music, a huge dance floor, food and stall vendors and local beer and wines suppliers will keep you entertained for the day. Gates open at 9am. First band on stage at 10:30am.

Owners of a vehicles made between 1950 and 1989 are welcome to enter as a 'Classic Entrant'. Your \$30 admission fee includes entry for all legally seated occupants and parking for display on the oval. Make sure your vehicle is polished and ready to be admired.

General Admission \$20 per person.

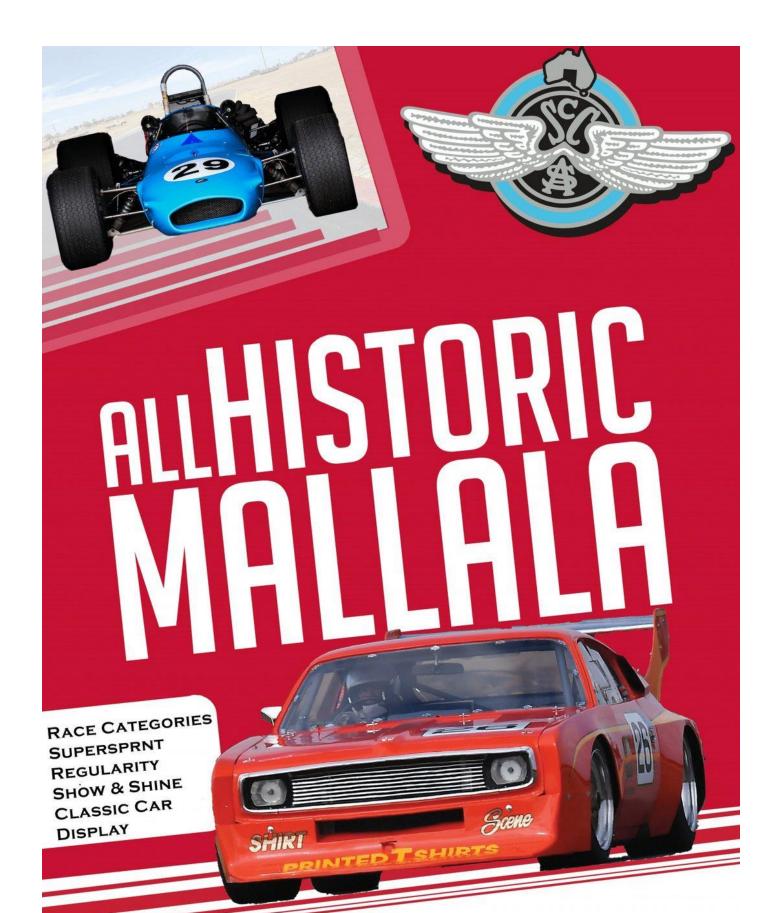
Children Under 15 Years FREE, a ticket must be shown at the gate.

DATE

Sunday 23 April 2023 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM (UTC+10:30)

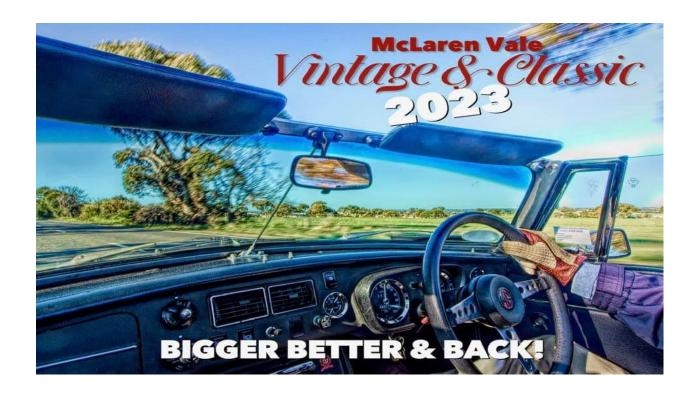
LOCATION

Birdwood Oval & Park



APRIL 22nd & 23rd 2023 MALLALA MOTORSPORT PARK

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Entries for the 2023 McLaren Vale Vintage & Classic are now open.

The committee is already working to make this event better than ever on Sunday 23rd April.

A new system for placing your entry has been put in place through Trybooking.com with the entry fee of \$35 per vehicle and payment being made using credit card or Paypal.

Please read the attached Conditions of Entry before placing your entry online.

Enter using this link https://www.trybooking.com/CEHMP

Once you have submitted the completed entry form a confirmation email will be sent from Trybooking. It is not necessary to print this entry ticket but it will be useful to keep it as a reminder that you have entered.



PRE-WAR RUN – AUSTIN 7 RUN SA MAY 6-8, 2023

Preliminary plans are underway to have a weekend Austin 7 run up to the Adelaide hills on May 6th - 8th 2023.

A \$50 deposit is required, per booking, paid to A7 bank account or phone The Treasurer to pay by CARD.

The Itinerary could end up something like the following.

- Meet at Hazelwood Park and travel up Greenhill Rd ready for a 9.00am departure travelling up Greenhill Road then turning right onto Mount Lofty Summit road proceeding to Mawson Drive on your left and make your way to Mount Lofty Botanical Garden where we will have a walk through part of the garden.
- On departing the garden, I suggest we follow the leader and return back to Crafers perhaps driving around the historic Mount Lofty House car park on the way. Once back at the Crafers roundabout take the first exit on the left and proceed to the SE freeway briefly before taking the Stirling exit and slowly making our way to Aldgate where we have a number of options for lunch including Fred's Eatery, Dirty Doris's or possibly the Aldgate Pump Hotel.
- After lunch we will make our way to Hahndorf and check in to our accommodation for the next two nights (The Old Mill). After this participants are encouraged to explore Hahndorf until pre dinner drinks prior to an evening meal at a venue yet to be determined.
- Sunday morning breakfast will be of your choosing with a number of establishments offering traditional German style breakfasts. Following breakfast, a 9.30am departure will see us heading for Woodside with a visit to the Chocolate factory before heading up to Lobethal for lunch (possibly at Lobethal Bierhaus). After lunch we will take a different route back to Hahndorf where we will have our evening meal.
- Monday will see us depart Hahndorf and head for home.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO
ANDREW DAWES FOR ACCOMODATION
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SATURDAY 6TH MAY 2023

WAIKERIE SHOW'N' SHINE

OFFICIAL START TIME

9am - 2pm

Cars & motorcycles assemble between 8 - 9am

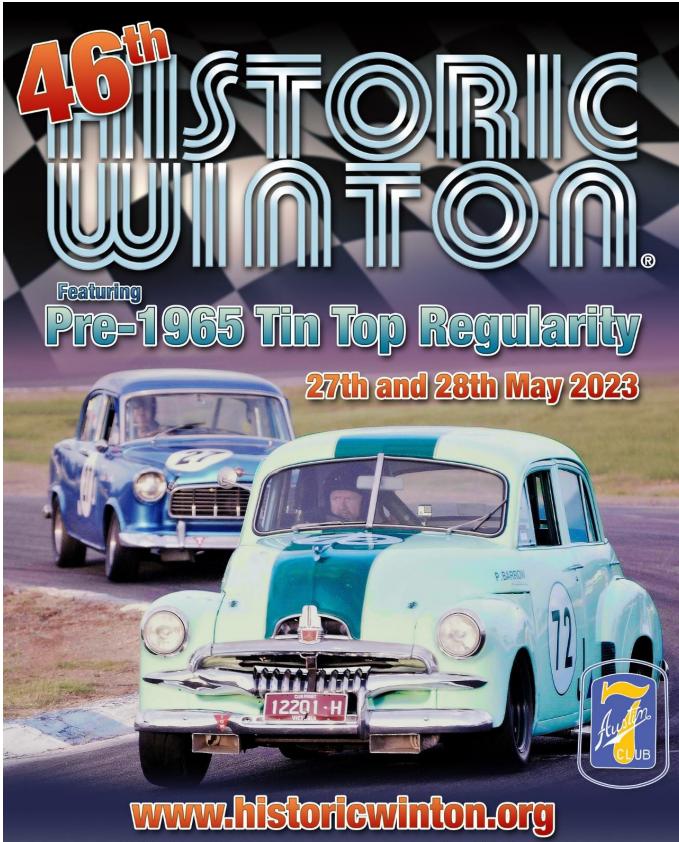


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Winton Motor Raceway, Benalla, Victoria

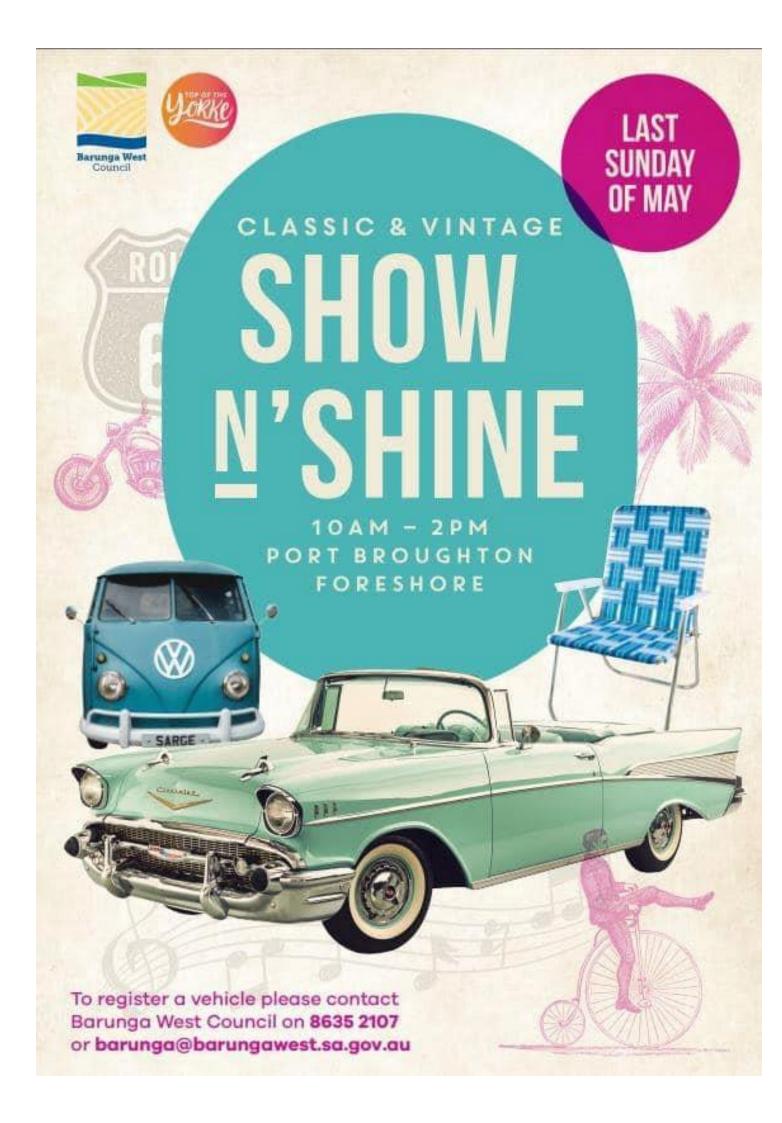








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70th Anniversary Austin 7 Club Run to Marree via Farina Bakery and other eateries.

17 to 23 June 2023 – overview of event.

Day 1 Saturday 17 June: Adelaide to Burra 160 km

OVERNIGHT AT: Paxton Cottages. Ph. 0488 513 101

Day 2 Sunday 18 June Burra to Blinman 342 Km

Lunch at Cradock Hotel Ph. 08 8648 4107

Stopping to view the Flinders at Hucks Lookout

OVERNIGHT AT Blinman Hotel Ph. 08 8648 4867

Day 3 Monday 19 June Blinman to Marree 214 km travelling the 32 Km through the picturesque Parachilna Gorge (this is unsealed but very do-able (and really highlights the beauty of the Flinders) in our cars.

Lunch at Farina Bakery where they will be expecting us.

Next two nights at Marree Hotel Ph.08 8675 8344

Day 4 Tuesday 20 June At Marree, "a day of touring and looking around". If people feel inclined, they could also do a flight over Lake Eyre as the Marree Hotel has aircraft doing joy flights (this would need to be booked well in advance).

Scenic air flights: https://aridair.com.au/marree/

Total distance to Marree 716 KMs.

Return journey.

Day 5 Wednesday 21 June Marree to Hawker via Farina for morning tea or to pick up more fresh bread or visit Talc Alf (outback Art Gallery) at Lyndhurst.

Lunch at the Prairie Hotel at Parachilna.

In Hawker, Jeff Morgan (Tony's Brother) has a fantastic Art Gallery and has offered to cook a sausage sizzle for us so this could be our tea.

OVERNIGHT AT Hawker Hotel. Ph 08 8648 4102

Kms 271

Day 6 Thursday 22 June Breakfast at the Flinders Food Company in Hawker. To Burra via Quorn, Wilmington, Wirrabara & Stone Hut for lunch. Evening meal at a Burra Pub.

OVERNIGHT AT Paxtons, Burra 273 Kms

Day 7 Friday 23 June

Burra to Adelaide 160 km Total Return Journey 700 Kms

If coming on this event, you will need to confirm your accommodation by ringing the following places. If you wish to only come for a couple of days, make your booking accordingly but please let me know of your partial attendance.

Day 1 Saturday 17 June Burra Paxton Cottages 0488 513 101

Also book for Day 6 Thursday 22 June

Day 2 Sunday 18 June ----- Blinman Hotel 08 8648 4867

Day 3 Monday 19 June ----- Marree Hotel 08 8675 8344

Also book for Day 4 Tuesday 20 June

Day 5 Wednesday 21 June ----- Hawker Hotel 08 8648 4102

When you have confirmed your accommodation, please let me know on dsearles10@bigpond.com so that I can monitor progress of numbers coming on this event.

Thank you

David Searles

BURRA - MORGAN RUN

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

ROGER BOEHM 0437322734 OR PAUL WILSON 0419869109

Austins over Australia 2024

7th March -11th March 2024

http://www.amvcnsw.com.au/aoa/Expression%20of%20Interest%20 AOA%202024.pdf



Expressions of Interest forms available from Martin Lewis (0414 727 893) so you will receive newsletters as they are issued by the organisers.

If you are even slightly interested, please advise Martin by 30th April so tentative accommodation bookings can be made – no obligation at this point.



Austins Over Australia 2024

Thursday 7th March to Monday 11th March 2024 in Orange, NSW



NEWSLETTER No. 1

28/3/2023

With under a year to go we would like to give fellow "Austineers" an update as to the progress on AOA2024

Orange is a significant regional centre with a population of over 40,000 and is renowned for its gourmet wineries, award winning restaurants, and magnificent gardens. The trees will be revealing their vibrant autumn colours when we are there. Day temperatures average a pleasant 24° with cool 11° evenings.

To date we have over 100 Expressions of interest and support from the locals has been extremely positive.

There are many types of accommodation options in Orange and we suggest you book early with your chosen provider to avoid disappointment. Budget accommodation is extremely sought after.

Event headquarters will be The Orange Function Centre but, to avoid traffic congestion, not all outings will start there. Final run details along with registration forms and meal arrangements will follow in a later newsletter. Daily runs will be on sealed roads excluding potholes and roadworks which are out of our control and avoiding highways where possible. Lunches will be available on Friday and Saturday.

We propose registration will be at The Orange Function Centre on Thursday afternoon with a full meet and greet meal later that evening at the same venue.

On Friday 8th. We're off to Millthorpe via historic Carcoar. (100k return)

Saturday 9th. We will meet at Lake Canobolas then out to Molong. (75k return)

Sunday 10th. Display day in central Orange.

Followed by an official dinner and presentations at Orange Ex Services Club.

Monday 11^{th.} On our last day we will visit Abercrombie House in Bathurst. (56k one-way) This 1870's home is an Australian treasure and the owners, the Morgan family, have had an association with Austin Sheerlines for many years. Several cars are displayed on the property. A tour of the house and a substantial morning tea will be offered.

AOA2024 will officially conclude at Abercrombie House. Entrants can choose to explore Bathurst, head home, or return to Orange for another night with friends.

Looking forward to meeting old friends and making new ones

Regards

Tony Groom

AOA 2024 Director

0412 036 774

Thanks to Gary and his team at Paint Supplies for hosting the March Austin 7 Club Technical Night. All members are entitled to a 15% discount till the end of April.







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LOST AND FOUND

A hearing aid was found at Paint Supplies after our visit on Monday night.

If anyone has lost one, please contract Paint Supplies



Colin Chapman 1928-1982







CHAPMAN'S EARLY CAREER

Before tracing the Seven's development, we should really look at Colin Chapman's early career. He took a structural engineering degree course at University College, London, in 1945. His student income was supplemented by dealing in secondhand cars, but petrol rationing prompted him to give this up and modify an unsold 1930 Austin 7 into a sports special.

Chapman's first effort at a trials car in 1948. retrospectively named the Lotus Mk 1, was essentially an Austin Seven. While at University College, London, Chapman and his friend Colin Dare dealt in secondhand cars, helped by the fact that the Warren Street dealers' mecca was very close by; but when the basic petrol ration was suddenly withdrawn in October 1947. Chapman was left with a stock of cars that he had to sell off at a loss. The last one was a fabric-bodied Austin 7, and it was dismantled and clad in alloy-bonded plywood which gave it greater rigidity. It was designed while Chapman was at Landon University and followed the principles of aircraft construction. Chapman was a member of the university air squadron. Much time was spent mulling over technical treatises at the Institute of Mechanical Engineers' library in a quest to discover what stresses cars were subjected to, and what had to be done to counteract them. His early cars began to embody some of the principles he absorbed. Not many car designers took these things as seriously as Chapman, and the Seven has to be viewed in this light.

He extended the rear of the Mk 1 body to accommodate passengers or trialling ballast. The Austin 7 special was assembled in a lock-up garage belonging to the father of girlfriend Hazel Williams, and was registered OX 9292, a Lotus Mk 1, early in 1948. Chapman, partnered by Hazel, campaigned it successfully in the mud and ruts of trials

competitions as far afield as Cheshire from 1948. Perhaps Chapman's most notable discovery was that inverting the rear leaf springs cured the Austin 7's propensity to oversteer. He also created an independent front end by splitting the front axle beam and pivoting it in the centre, thus ensuring the wheels were vertical during cornering.

LOTUS MK 2

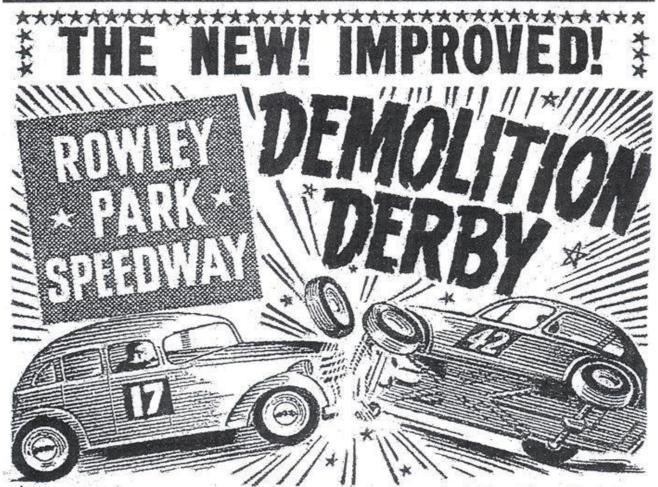
While doing his National Service in the RAF. Chapman learned to fly in a Harvard twoseat trainer, and this was to stand him in great stead in later life as he commuted from home base to Grand Prix circuit. In his spare time he built the Mk 2 Lotus, which was another Austin 7 chassis clad in a rudimentary cigar-tube body - as many specials were at the time, including Trevor Wilkinson's first TVRs. It was a more sporty-looking device than the Mk I and, six years on, featured as the honeymoon car in a Boulting Brothers' comedy called Brothers-in-Law starring Ian Carmichael and Nicholas Parsons, very popular when I was at school. Beneath the skin, the Mk 2's main chassis members were boxed in, and tubular braces replaced the existing cross-members. Chapman's Mk 2 used a Ford 8 engine. replaced later with a Ford 10 unit, and an Austin 7 rear axle was retained. He arrived at a 4.55:1 final drive by pairing up an unmatched 42-tooth crown wheel with a 9tooth pinion, filling the diff with metal polish and driving it for fifty miles (80km). The bearings were shot, but the crown wheel and pinion now meshed perfectly.

In 1951 Chapman made a move away from trialling to the circuits with his next creation: this was the equally austere and spindly Mk 3. The basis for this car was a 1930 Austin 7, bought for £15 and gutted, its chassis side-members boxed in and the cross-members replaced with 14-gauge tubular beams.



Always take a good book away with you on holidays
Steve chose the SU workshop manual.

Old Adelaide

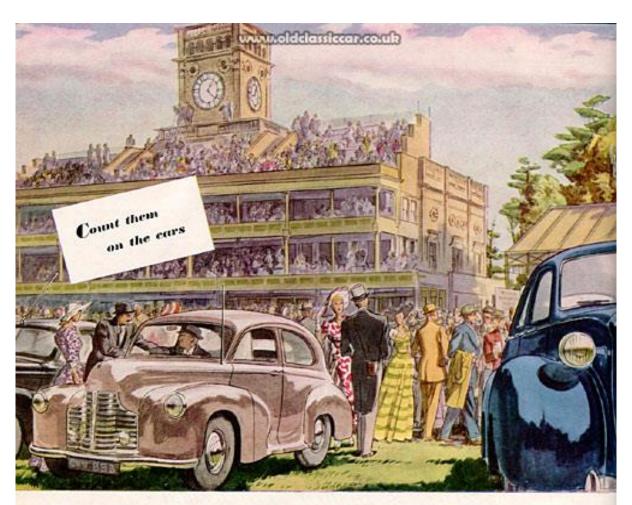


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8 P.M. TONIGHT

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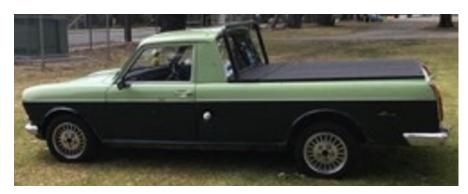


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