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Council Communique

February 2020

Holden brand to cease operation in Australia in 2020

The Holden brand will be retired by 2021 in Australia and local design and engineering departments all-but shut down, General Motors has confirmed.

In what is monumental news for the Australian automotive industry, Holden's Melbourne design studio and Lang Lang proving ground are expected to shut with up to 600 of 800 local jobs lost.

Shannons Wheels 2020

The annual Shannons Wheels vehicle display is hoped to attract more than 1000 classic, historic veteran, vintage cars, trucks and motor bikes to be displayed at the Queanbeyan Showground on Sunday 1 March 2020.

This is believed to be the biggest and one of the longest annual events in the Canberra region.

Most of the 71 Council of ACT Motor Clubs, affiliated clubs together with vehicles from Cooma, Goulburn, Yass, Cootamundra, Illawarra and the NSW South Coast will be attending.

This year an innovation will be a meet and greet tent, where club members will be able to catch up with friends and enjoy a cool or hot drink available from the nearby CWA stall.

Queanbeyan Cancer Council is the official charity to receive donations during the event.

Gates open to the public from 10am. Entry is by a gold coin.

The Southern Tablelands Heritage Automobile Restorers Club (STHARC) is organising the event on behalf of the Council of ACT Motor Clubs with the support of Shannons Insurance.

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The inaugural “Classics at Kambri” car & bike show at ANU

The inaugural “Classics at Kambri” car & bike show was held at ANU on Sunday 16th February. All clubs affiliated with the Council of ACT Motor Clubs were invited to attend.



Approximately 100 members representing upwards of a dozen clubs participated. They brought with them about 40, mostly classic, vehicles and half a dozen bikes. The display made a very picturesque setting adjacent to a green and leafy park beside Sullivan Creek.



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The forecast for the day indicated inclement weather, especially later in the day. But after an overcast morning, the attendees were treated to blue skies with scattered clouds. Ideal weather for a car show!



The event was presented by ANU's Kambri Precinct Management group, who are exploring new and creative ways to activate the precinct to engage the university community and the wider Canberra region.

Congratulations to Kambri Precinct Management. We all look forward to the continuation of this very enjoyable event.

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The Robert Shannon Foundation

(Important information for Members below the age of 30).

The Robert Shannon Foundation was established in 2003 to perpetuate the memory of Robert Shannon, founder of Shannons Insurance, who died unexpectedly in March 2000. Robert was an avid classic car enthusiast, who especially enjoyed his 1930 Invicta S Type. He was a strong supporter of the historic motoring movement and was concerned that it was not attracting enough younger people, particularly in the areas of the preservation and restoration of classic vehicles.

Disclaimer

The Robert Shannon Foundation has **no connection with the Shannons Insurance organisation**. All correspondence related to the Robert Shannon Foundation should be sent to the Robert Shannon Foundation through the relevant [State Council](#). The purpose of the Foundation is to encourage people under the age of 30 to become involved in the restoration and preservation of veteran, vintage, post-vintage, historic 50's, historic 60's, historic 70's and historic 80's vehicles up to 30 years old. Robert Shannon Foundation [Webpage](#)

The Foundation may:

- help with the purchase of specialist tools or equipment
- assist with the actual cost of restoration work
- contribute toward TAFE or other fees
- contribute toward any project considered worthwhile by the Trustees.

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