



## Passionistas

E-Newsletter for members of the BCA.  
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From the archive;



Aspendale (Vic) Sat. Nov. 7 1925. Miss Marie Jenkins overturns her Bugatti (2135), and walks away unhurt as did her riding mechanic pictured here falling. (Argus 9/11/25 p.9)

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This E- Newsletter is produced for and distributed to BCA members and is intended to be circulated via email only between printed issues of the bi-annual Club magazine and be a more informal means of communication between BCA members.

The BCA Committee anticipates that with member support and contributions [Passionistas](#) will continue to be a regular and worthwhile newsletter and your feedback is most welcome. [Passionistas](#) will also be posted on the BCA web-site <http://bugatticlubaustralia.com.au/>

**Rally for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the BCA - March 19-22 2015.**  
N-W Victoria.



Photo: Pedr Davis.

Over three days of celebration Bugattis rallied over quiet scenic north-western Victorian roads and swarmed into many historic townships.

A full report on the Rally is expected to be in the next BCA magazine.

## 50<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Events for 2015

Date	Event	Description	Update
22 Feb 2015	Summer Run	A Sunday morning run of less than 100km through the Yarra Valley. Lunch at Michael and Khoi's house at Healesville.	A hot Summer day, wonderful lunch, and great fun.
19-22 Mar 2015	50th Anniversary Rally	Three days of Bugatti motoring around central Victoria. The rally is based at the Novotel in Creswick and takes in some of Victoria's best "B" roads.	Fantastic long week end. 73 attendees, 17 Bugatti's
9 Sep 2015	Spring Run	A week day run down the Mornington Peninsula to Beleura House & Garden for lunch. A great start to Spring. For details please contact Marg Puttman.	<b>PLEASE PUT IN YOUR DIARY</b>
15 Sept 2015	EB Dinner	Our annual dinner held on Ettore's birthday. A special night in our 50 <sup>th</sup> year. For details please contact Geoff Murdoch.	<b>PLEASE PUT IN YOUR DIARY</b>
24-25 Oct 2015	MotorClassica	This is a once off anniversary event where a full range of Club cars will be on display at MotorClassica. We expect 10+ cars and accompanying Bugatti backdrops to be on display to 20,000 people with cocktails on opening night. For details please contact Geoff Murdoch.	<b>PLEASE PUT IN YOUR DIARY</b>

### Motorclassica 2015, Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne Celebrating "50 Years Bugatti Club Australia" 24-25 October 2015

This is our once-off end of year 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event and one which contrasts with the just completed anniversary rally. This event is a static "themed display" and we hope to get some usual and unusual Bugatti's to come along. Michael Anderson (son of Stuart) has kindly agreed to be our artistic director.

We plan to have 50+ members attending the opening cocktail party, and have 10+ Bugatti's in the Exhibition Buildings for the show.

This event is perfect for those Bugatti's that may not get out often and may not be even running.

Please put this in the diary and plan to invite some Bugatti friends to come along.

Let Geoff Murdoch know if you are able to bring your car attend.

## BCA BOOK.

'Bugatti Passion 50 years of the Bugatti Club of Australia' by renowned and erstwhile owner of T40 (40496) author Pedr Davis has been released. This E-Bulletin takes its name from the book's title.

Copies now available for general sale at \$40 plus p & p.



Pedr signing a copy of Bugatti Passion for Cathy Davidson at the 50<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary Dinner and launch of the book at Bugatti Rally 22 March 2015.

'Bugatti Passion' contains 289 enthralling pages about all things Bugatti in Australia - the BCA, early days, racing, drivers, cars, members and rallies. A 'must have' limited edition book for your Bugatti library, and a perfect companion book to be read alongside and accompanying the prior four Bugatti register volumes.

### Getting your copy of the Club History

The Club is providing a free copy of the club history to each paid up member. We are endeavouring to hand these out personally and we hope to do that over the next few months when we see you at an event.

This also applies to overseas members but will obviously be more difficult. Accordingly, we expect that some books will need to be posted out later in the year. This would cost the Club something like \$75 per copy (the cost of postage to Europe) and so as you would expect we are trying to limit this cost.

If you would like your copy quickly and will pay the postage please contact John Shellard 0408354445 [john@shellard.com.au](mailto:john@shellard.com.au) - or - Roger Cameron 0419108157 [rcameron@evanevans.com.au](mailto:rcameron@evanevans.com.au) .

Marketplace:

**FOR SALE**  
**BUGATTI 35B(R), CHASSIS NUMBER BC 134.**

Bob King and Geoff Walls, joint owners of this car, are offering this much loved car for sale for A\$600,000.

For details refer to King & McGann , 'Bugattis in ANZ 1920-2012' p.137, and to register expressions of interest contact;

Bob King. 0419 503 203 [rking4450@gmail.com](mailto:rking4450@gmail.com)

Geoff Walls. +64 21 817179 [geoff@wallsnz.net](mailto:geoff@wallsnz.net)



Geoff Walls at the 50<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary Rally March 2015 in BC 134. u

**Important Australian Bugatti offered for sale in USA;**

Type 40, 40496/403, see King & McGann p.215 and Patrick p.179-183.  
Raced by Bill Thompson.

The ex: Prof. Neville Burkitt, 'Jim' Perry, Pedr Davis car.

Dragone Classic Motorcars, Westport CT.

<https://www.dragoneclassic.com/Inventory/1929-bugatti-type-40-gran-sport-1/>

listed August 2014 – sold (?) price (?) whereabouts (?) all to be confirmed.



### Parts for sale/wanted.

\*After 20+ years of collecting, Brian Jeffrey 0438705720, is selling his prodigious total library which includes many collectable motoring books (Ferrari/Alfa Romeo has been a focus, Bugatti collection already sold), plus artwork, plus models and a great deal of automobile memorabilia (there is a special Phil Hill package), etc etc. Contact Brian for a list; [bjjeffery@westnet.com.au](mailto:bjjeffery@westnet.com.au)

\*David Beaumont has for sale (some damage to the locating hole) Type 38 (?) generator/dynastart housing (stamped '5', original Molsheim?) and strap.

### Artwork for sale

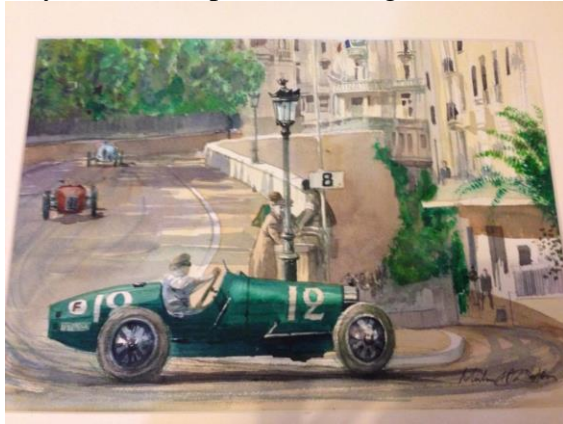
Is it a painting or a print?

Wendy Gahleitner in Melbourne (0405207752) has contacted the BCA offering the following for sale;

Image of WG (Grover) Williams (UK), in the winning Bugatti in BRG colours, rounding hairpin in the first Monaco GP 1929. Medium, print or watercolour (?) to be confirmed to the buyer's satisfaction, there is no warranty given by the vendor, could be an original work or a limited edition print, there is a press seal mark in the corner. Artist signature partly illegible. Image is in the style of the famous automotive artist Michael Turner.

Size: 70mm x 60mm approx.

Buyer beware - price to be negotiated with Wendy



### There's a Veyron on the road in Australia.

In late 2014 a 2008 Veyron was for sale in the Classic Throttle Shop Pacific H/way North Sydney.



There it is in the showroom window under the blue wrap on the left and beside a Mini Moke! The Veyron sold within a week of being imported into Australia and is believed to now belong to a buyer from SA who wishes to remain strictly anonymous (don't even try ringing the Classic Throttle Shop to ask). The Veyron has been photographed on the road in Adelaide.

<http://www.news.com.au/technology/innovation/the-bugatti-veyron-the-worlds-fastest-car-has-been-sold-to-a-mystery-buyer-in-australia/story-fnjwucvh-1227161840169>

PASSIONISTA matters.

Some Bugatti web sites for [Passionistas](#) to enjoy;

Check out this terrific article 'Death by Delage' about Miranda Seymour (author 'Bugatti Queen'), with Ant Simpson his Bugatti and Delage at:

<http://www.velocetoday.com/death-by-delage-2/>

Have a look at this for a brief encounter:

<http://anygivenreason.com/2014/09/charleston-french-racing-blue-in-the-morning-sun/>

#### INTERESTING LINKS ON THE INTER WEB

Adam Berryman has located a number of current historic racing clips that members may find interesting. They represent some exciting 10/10 racing in the UK and Europe.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CMxG5UOBhBY>

(Monaco 250F Maserati)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=liKAi0kdOUY&feature=youtu.be>

(Bugatti / ERA)

#### Other Bug News

Bugatti 100P Aircraft.



Photo of the original 100P as built in 1939.

Would you believe a Bugatti 100P aeroplane has been flying around in Adelaide. Well it's a radio-controlled flying model of the famous 100P. Les Furnell in Adelaide took 12 years to build the model. When EAA in Oshkosh US stripped down the original plane Les used information from them to accurately set the model's dimensions and make a 39% true to scale sized model. It has ZDZ 160cc engine

revving to 5200rpm, wing span of 3.2m, weight of 30.2kg and needs a special licence and air space to fly it.

You can watch a short early trial flight (and hard landing, since rectified) on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ObbtARxe2A>

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Bob Burnett-Read



Bob on the left with 57627 and Passionistas in front of Bob's house.

A lunch was held on 19 April with Bob in his home town of Riverton in the mid-north of SA to present him with his BCA; '50<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary Award'. Kent Patrick (BC22), David Inglis (BC97), Michael Pryce (44535) Ant Simpson (57627) and Beaumont (Amilcar CGSs) drove their cars from Adelaide to Riverton and back, a 320km round trip, to help celebrate with him.

Moving:

Michael Edwards is now living in Bli Bli Qld and the Brescia (Type 13) has moved with him from Adelaide. I'm sure he won't mind if you want to Bug talk with him – Age Developments 0431128664. Michael has shown the Brescia, now with Marchals, at the recent Noosa Beach Classic.



QLD.

If you are thinking of making a visit to Clive Palmer's Coolum Resort Motorama Collection, which includes two Bugattis (57580, & a 40A) amongst over 100 cars, don't bother as Motorama closed on the 16 March for planned renovations/repairs. Motorama will be re-opened at a future date.



Clive with the 40A (Wheels magazine)

### COMING EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY.

**Vic.** –

29-31 May – Winton [www.historicwinton.org](http://www.historicwinton.org)

26 Aug – Vintage Rob Roy [www.vintagesportscarclub.org.au](http://www.vintagesportscarclub.org.au)

17-18 Oct – Mt. Tarrengower [www.vintagesportscarclub.org.au](http://www.vintagesportscarclub.org.au)

**SA.** –

4<sup>th</sup>. Oct – Vintage Collingrove H/climb. [www.sportingcarclubsa.org.au](http://www.sportingcarclubsa.org.au)

17-18 Oct – Adelaide Motorsport Festival [www.adelaidemotorsportfestival.com.au](http://www.adelaidemotorsportfestival.com.au)

### BEWARE

Roger Cameron and Phillip Schudmak have both sent advice that has been circulated recently by other motoring clubs;

‘Standard ABE dry powder Fire Extinguishers contain non-ammonium phosphate that turns into Phosphoric Acid that, when used, will corrode alloys wiring, switch gear etc etc. An extinguisher marked 10B:E or 20B:E designed for Fuel/Petrol (B), and Electrical fires (E) and is harmless to the car and electrics.’

These extinguishers, 10B:E and 20B:E are small capacity and you might be well advised to buy something like a 30B:E which has 2.5kg of powder, a small hose and about 25 sec of use. The hose will allow you to direct the powder and, if needs be, turn the extinguisher upside down and work from under the car. The 30B:E's are about 25cm high by 15 cm diameter, may include a cradle, they cost about \$50 all up and are special order items from your State supplier. The BCA is not endorsing this information, please make your own enquiries about these matters.



Business cards:

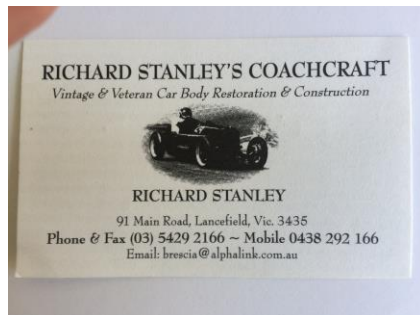
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Ron McCallum



Contact Ron on this number 0478419151 or Andrew [andrewmccallum3@optusnet.com.au](mailto:andrewmccallum3@optusnet.com.au)

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