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The archival resource and repository for all Rolls-Royce and Bentley heritage material in Australia



Above: A photo of our new Trustee; Ian Oliver. ACT

Dear Jeanne

Welcome again to Royce Voice. Thank you, Jeanne Eve, for the work done in establishing Royce Voice and creating the first 17 editions of the Sir Henry Royce

Foundation electronic communication. Your work has been invaluable. Regrettably, Jeanne is standing down as a Trustee of the SHRF to devote more time to family and international travel and on behalf of the Trustees, I wish you the very best.

We are delighted to advise the appointment of a new Trustee; Ian Oliver of the ACT and we welcome Ian on board. Ian has an accounting and commercial background and thus brings considerable financial expertise to the role. This experience will be a valuable guide in ensuring the continued development and growth of the SHRF.

We are also excited to announce a new SHRF facility; the Canberra SHRF Canberra Showroom curated by Ian and Tina Oliver and based on the model established by Frank and Joan Carroll with the SHRF Cooloom Showroom. Ian has re-developed a Fyshwick property into Ollies' Garage which will feature his own collection of unique cars and he has reserved a special section for the SHRF Canberra Showroom. An official opening for this showroom will be announced very soon and you will be most welcome.

Our History Consultant, David Neely, has produced an excellent and engaging monograph [Rolls before Royce](#) and a series of similar monographs can be read on the SHRF website under Articles. [Sir Henry Royce Foundation](#) While you are exploring this please do also read [WHOSO overcomes his UNCLE by not freeing his TORSO](#) and [The 1906 Rolls-Royce Legalimit Vee-8](#). There is much to read and enjoy!

Here is a preview of the SHRF Canberra Showroom.



Kind regards,
Brian Crump
Chair, SHRF
[Click here to contact me.](#)

For your 2024 diaries:

Victoria

- Volunteers attend BAH at Rowville, fortnightly on Mondays: May 13 onwards. Please [email](#) to arrange details for a visit.

New South Wales

The SHRF Phantom V (5VF159) will attend:

- June 15. RROCA NSW Drive and Be Driven Day

- September 15. All British Day.

Queensland

- Every 1st Saturday of the month 7-10.00 am [Coolum Showroom](#) is open with the Sunshine Coast Cars 'n Coffee event. Also open on the first Monday of the month 9-1pm. Other times by appointment.
- May 11. The Coolum Showroom will be open from 2-4pm as part of the RROCA Federal Rally programme in Noosa.
- The SHRF Phantom V(5VF155) will be displayed at vehicle events.

[Explore our website](#)



Archive volunteers at work

When you request service records for your vehicle, one of the hardworking volunteers will undergo further research for you. They meet on Monday fortnights at Bill Allsep House, hub of the Archives.



SHRF records go digital

To preserve documents with minimal physical handling plus modern world record keeping and future information sharing, some of our more valuable items are beginning to be digitized and stored in the cloud. Howard Wraight, archival volunteer, is the coordinator of this painstaking task. The SHRF has purchased a new overhead digital scanner designed specifically to copy delicate originals and store them to the Cloud for future reference.



Heritage items

SHRF is proud to be the archival resource and repository for all Rolls-Royce and Bentley heritage material in Australia. Please don't throw anything away. Always feel free to send in an [enquiry](#), email the [Chairman](#) or [support](#) the Foundation



Popular SHRF Coolum showroom

Car clubs visit the SHRF Coolum Showroom on the monthly Cars 'n Coffee Saturdays or by appointment. Next door is the Carrolls Transport Depot so two [displays](#) and an hour's guided tour for the one entrance fee of \$10 pp to SHRF.



Video and audio files

As well as many articles in the online library, there are thirty two [videos](#) for you to enjoy too. The latest is the *Silver Ghost on the 1993 Alpenfahrt*, narrated by a young Jeremy Clarkson(Top Gear BBC TV show). Enjoy this 43 minute video with clips from the original race in 1913.

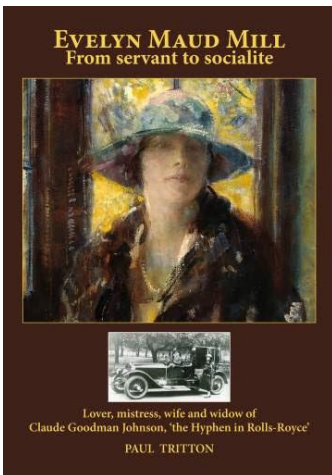
SHRF Awards

Don't forget to enter the Foundation's Photograph Award for best photo taken at an Australian RROCA club event. [Details and application forms](#) are on the SHRF website and closes on March 1, 2024. Also there is the SHRF [Research Award](#)- again details on the website. Plus the [SHRF Apprentice of the Year](#) award, which is different to the Kangan Institute awards. Winners will be announced in Noosa at the RROCA Federal Rally in May.



Service records in the Archives

1000s of service records are now sorted from York Motors (NSW), Kellow-Falkiner (Vic) and United Motors-Vin Kean (SA). But some are missing. There is a constant stream of [requests](#), and for the search, the Archival volunteers need your R-R or B chassis number, model and year. There is a small charge for postage and photocopying. Volunteers only attend BAH Archives on a fortnightly basis so please be patient.



Books for Sale, Articles to read

Copies of *R-R and B in the Sunburnt Country* are selling fast both here and overseas. Peruse the online [Shop](#) including the latest book for history aficionados by Paul Tritton on *Evelyn Maud Mill*: lover, mistress and wife of Claude Johnson.

Enjoy all the [articles](#) written by our historian David Neely and other related topics in the online [library](#).

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Enquiries from around the world

The SHRF website [enquiry](#) email receives questions from around Australia and overseas. [Facebook](#) enquiries and comments are also privately messaged. Usually for Archival vehicle details, service records, book and merchandise sales. However all enquiries are welcome and a highly specialized team of history and heritage experts is on hand.

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The SHRF is an active member of the Australasian Motoring Museums Association, the Australian Historians Inc., the Australian Museums and Galleries Australia Inc. and has links with the Australian Motor Heritage Foundation.

SHRF inner workings

The SHRF is an Australian independent, not for profit charity formed in 1996. Details about its Collections Policy and Conservation/Preservation [Policy](#), are on the website. As are its [Financial Statements](#).

It always welcomes valuable documentation, artefacts and [enquiries](#). Please contact Chairman, Brian Crump by [email](#). To [support](#) the Foundation, details are on the website. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

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