

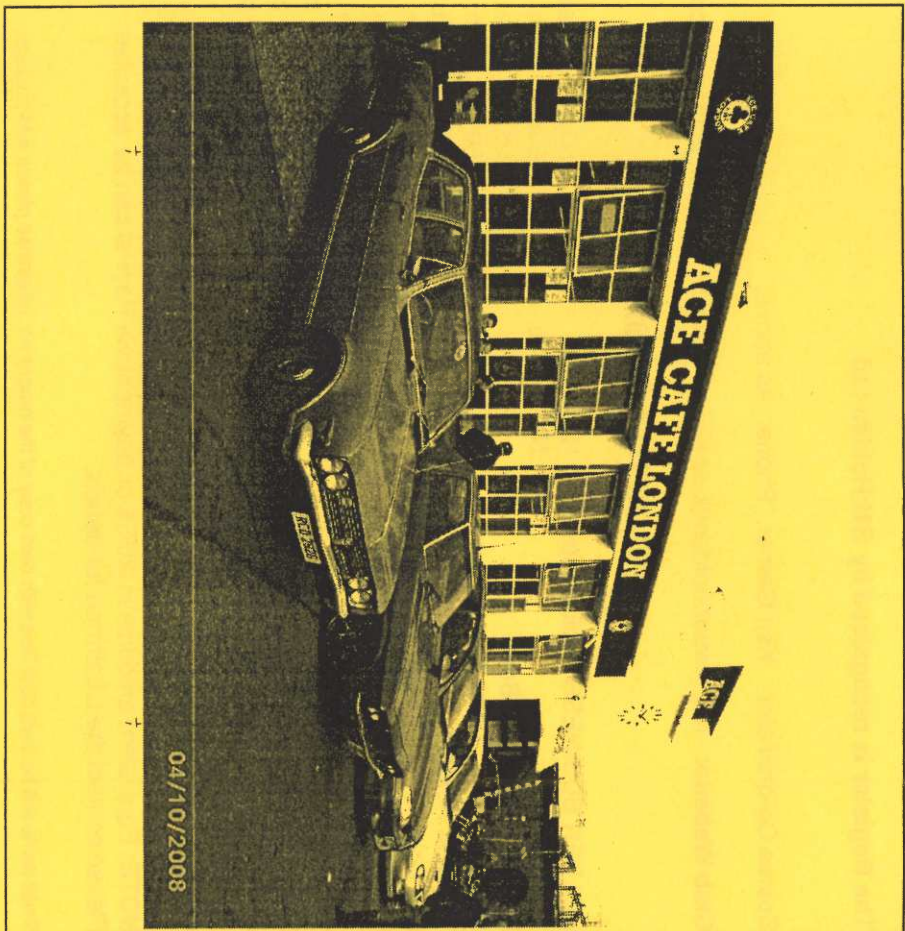
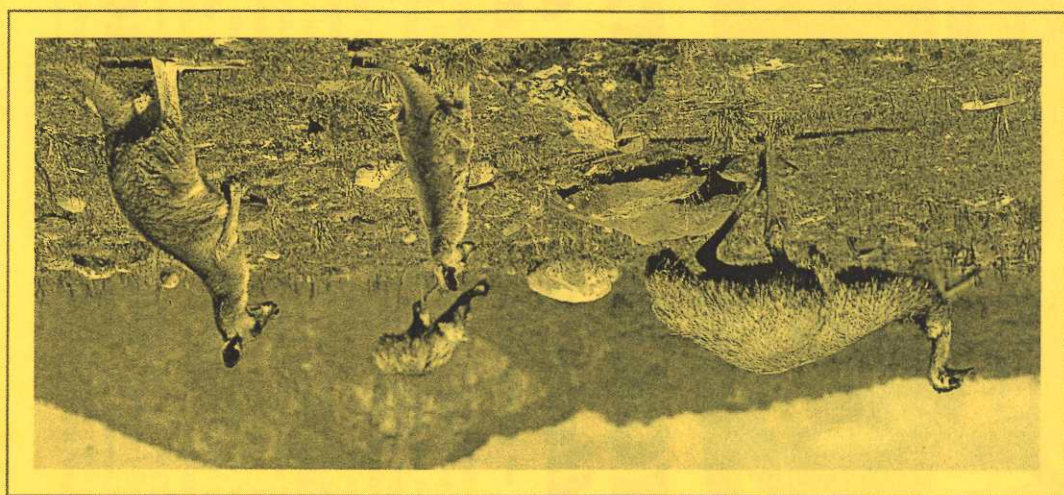
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Hi all,

Surprising as it may seem this is the last edition of this magazine for 2008 although some early snow a couple of weeks ago tended to bring an end to 'summer'.

Finally can I be the first to wish everyone a really happy Christmas and good fortune for the new year.

Regards

Ken

Thanks to all those of you who went along to the Ace Café last month for the annual Bathurst Bash. I had fully intended to go along myself but due to an oversight I didn't manage it.

See Trevor Drury's excellent write up on the event on page 4. Talking of the Ace Café, the Australia day get-together there is set for the 25th January 2009.

The AGM went ahead as planned last month and although it was a select gathering, no major changes in the Club have taken place and the current Committee has also been returned unopposed.



Bathurst Bash 2008

The meeting at the Ace Café on the 4th October was blessed with nice sunny weather, although it was a bit chilly at times, as to be expected at this time of year. The numbers were a bit down on that of previous years, but as they say, it is quality that counts not quantity! There was a nice pink HK there which belongs to Dave and Lexi who drove down from Cambridge, they had a bit of a moment with a front tyre on the way down, thankfully all sort out safely.

Simon Robinson brought his nice bright orange HX One Tonner up from Bristol with a few of his mate, good job it has a bench seat fitted! this is powered by a small block Chevy, which as I understand may by making way for an larger engine.

It was nice to see The HK Brougham belonging to Jonnie Nairnhay who drove down from Norwich, this is the car which was advertised in the club website a while back, all credit to Jonnie for saving what must be a pretty unique car in the UK.

There was a nice red HQ Ute to be seen, (sorry, I've forgotten your name).

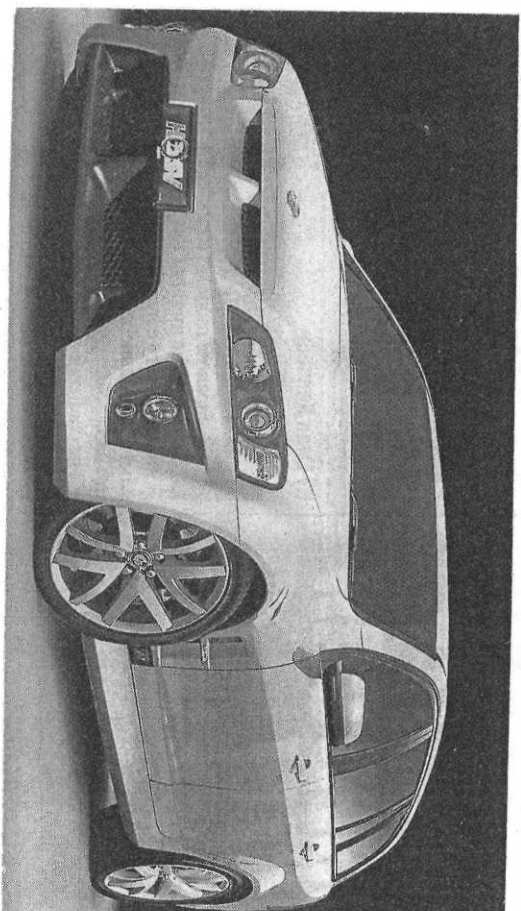
It was also good to see Matt Hollingsworth there with his bright pink Charger.

There was also a good selection of modern Ute's, Monaro's and HSV Commodore's, although as I said earlier, number were down on previous meetings, it kind of made the 'classic' Holden's stand out a bit more.

Lets hope the weather holds up for the Australia Day meeting at the Ace at the end of January, something to look forward to.

That all for now, take care out there and hope to see you all at a meeting somewhere next year.

Trevor Drury



HSV ClubSport R8 Tourer. Delivers performance and versatility — one of the most powerful wagons produced anywhere in the world.

HOLDEN Special Vehicles has launched the new ClubSport R8 Tourer, with all the performance characteristics of the HSV brand, in the Australian market.

It will be the company's first wagon since the all-wheel-drive Avalanche was released in 2003.

HSV's general manager of sales, Darren Bowler, says the Tourer is a natural extension to the current HSV range of luxury and performance vehicles.

"We were very impressed with the Sportwagon our colleagues at Holden have released and believe the ClubSport R8 Tourer takes the concept to the next level," he said.

HSV says the Tourer — powered by the high-performance LS3 engine producing 317kW of power and 550Nm of torque — is one of the most powerful wagons produced anywhere in the world.

Vaunting its handling and ride characteristics and HSV's brakes and safety package, the company expects this product to appeal to a range of customers, including families.

About 120 ClubSport R8 Tourers will be built for the Aussie market in 2008.

A manual model is priced from \$65,990, which is just \$1000 more than the equivalent ClubSport R8 sedan.

Automatic transmission is an extra \$2330 and there is the option of full leather seats for \$2490.

The Tourer can be customised even further with a 20-inch wheel and tyre package for \$2500. The Tourer is available from dealers nationally.

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