

## MCCNSW Australia Day Celebration

Never let it be said that MCCNSW and its members didn't do all they could to enjoy themselves on Australia Day.

A spectacular gathering presented itself for about 70 club guests. The Hertz house displayed for entertaining with Banners and Australiana. Tables were set with nibbles and treats and arranged for all, complete with a shaded canopy.

Guests started arriving at 11am or before because of designated parking spots. Mark had arranged a magnificent grouping of Mercedes Coupe's near the entrance and 3 x Vintage motors at the entrance. Our members cars adorned the gaps creating stand out features. Shining stars (cars), head turners themselves. Many models of cars and nationalities too, all came together to enjoy Australia's special day, MCC Event !

Such a welcome greeting, guests flowed to the backyard and settled for a good old Aussie BBQ. Drinks were on ice and the snags were sizzling. Yes, I put the apron on to deliver the hot goodies.

That said the Dining table was adorned with King Prawns, Sliced Leg Ham, Salad, Quiche, Casserole, buttered rolls & sauces (maybe more). I just added the Sausages, Fried onion, Eye Fillet Kebabs,

At the call of "Lunch is Ready" the dining table slowly was cleared and enjoyed by all. We listened to the iconic tunes of Advance Australia Fair and Waltzing Matilda being played on an Accordion by a special guest, I thought it was brilliant! It was also at this point that I discovered we had little helpers, handing out plates, knives, napkins etc. Obviously, there were the Lady helpers who we know made the day the success it was, but it was the little helper that stood out. Many thx. (omg, minions)



Yes, the table was refilled for the Desert. Wow wasn't it the finest sight. I am starting to dribble writing about it. Homemade Apple Strudel, Pavlovas, Fruit Salad platter, Bowl of Trifle, Cake, Ice cream and more. It's just that I was too slow to get some.

After lunch people mingled, stories were told with laughter and good cheer. A puzzling wood joint was on display called an impossible joint, the aim was how to separate it? Our President Dennis and MC on the day thanked everybody for their involvement, highlighting the street attraction and the awe of the neighborhood folk to the Cars displayed. Awards were given, for Best dressed Australian. Rose was the stand out Shella and took best dressed. More surprised than most it seems, was the other MC. Me, masquerading as Master Cook. I took best Male (once the apron removed). Complete with achievement award for not burning the food. I felt very humble. Thx.

The afternoon was filled with tales and full bellies. Much merriment was had by all, the Australian way on Australia Day.

Midafternoon on a lovely sunny day saw most guests leave. A few special friends stayed for the cleanup.



Ladies and Gents, I would like to say thank you. Your presence on the day made it a memorable day and a Special Club Event.

Regards

**Tony Povey**

MC and Author

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