

Mid-Week Drive to Mooney Mooney

Our latest mid-week drive took place on **Wednesday the 8th of July 2026** with a scenic run to the Mooney Mooney Club overlooking the beautiful Hawkesbury River, an area renowned for its oyster farms.



Leading up to the day, the weather forecast wasn't particularly encouraging, with rain predicted. It was of concern that many members might leave their classic cars at home and opt to bring their modern vehicles instead! Fortunately the forecast proved to be wrong (unusual) and we were treated to fine weather, ideal for a leisurely drive out of Sydney.



A wonderful variety of vehicles turned up making for an impressive display in the car park at our meeting point. Among the classics were a distinctive Citroën DS, a bright orange Ford XP, a beige Mercedes-Benz Pagoda, and a Mercedes-Benz 560 SEC, along with a great selection of other classic and moderns!

A total of 28 members gathered at McDonald's, Mount Colah, at 10:15 am. As always there was plenty of conversation, coffee, and the opportunity to catch up with friends before the day's drive. Route maps were distributed in due course and at 10:45 am we departed in convoy, heading north along the picturesque Old Pacific Highway.

The drive took us through the winding bends and bushland that make this route such a favourite with enthusiasts leading to our descent to the Hawkesbury River crossing and then continuing on to the Mooney Mooney Club. The scenic roads and relaxed pace made for an enjoyable outing, with everyone arriving safely at said destination.

The club had thoughtfully reserved two tables for our group, making it easy for everyone to sit together and enjoy lunch. Members ordered from the extensive menu and spent the afternoon chatting about cars, upcoming events and a variety of other topics.



The food was excellent, the service was friendly and efficient, and the venue once again proved to be an ideal destination for one of our club drives.



After a leisurely lunch members began departing around 3:00 pm. Before heading home several took the opportunity to visit the nearby oyster outlet to purchase some of the Hawkesbury's famous fresh oysters, certainly a fitting way to end a very enjoyable day!

Despite the uncertain weather forecast the drive was a great success with an excellent turnout, wonderful company, and a memorable run through some of the best driving roads north of Sydney.

Another well attended and enjoyable MCC outing indeed!

Thanks once again to all contributors.

Ed.

