

# ***ROBERT SHANNON FOUNDATION***

## ***Supporting the Future of Heritage Motoring***

The Robert Shannon Foundation was established in 2003 to perpetuate the memory of Robert Shannon, founder of Shannons Insurance, who died unexpectedly in March 2000.

Robert was an avid classic car enthusiast, who especially enjoyed his 1930 Invicta S Type. He was a strong supporter of the historic motoring movement and was concerned that it was not attracting enough younger people, particularly in the areas of the preservation and restoration of classic vehicles.

### **AIM**

After the success of the Shannons 2001 National Motoring Tour, the Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF) established the Robert Shannon Foundation. The AHMF is the national body representing classic and historic vehicle clubs in all states and territories. The purpose of the Foundation is to encourage people under the age of 30 to become involved in the restoration and preservation of veteran, vintage, post-vintage, historic 50's, historic 60' and historic 70's vehicles up to 30 years old. The Foundation may:

- (1) help with the purchase of specialist tools or equipment;
- (2) assist with the actual cost of restoration work;
- (3) contribute toward TAFE or other fees; or
- (4) contribute toward any project considered worthwhile by the Trustees.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Any person or group of people under the age of thirty years and engaged in studying automotive restoration and preservation or actively working on historic vehicles is eligible to nominate for a grant.

Before completing an application form an individual or group must seek the support of a local vehicle club. This club must be affiliated with the appropriate state council. The supporting club must complete the relevant section of the application form and forward the application to its council for endorsement.

# Guidance for applicants, clubs and Councils when preparing an application.

As of January 2014, Clubs nominating Members for consideration of Grants from the Robert Shannon Foundation will need to be mindful of the following conditions and responsibilities:

1. Grants will be made ONLY to Australian citizens, under the age of 30 years.
2. Applicants must be Members of an Approved Club, Affiliated via a State, Territory or Regional Council of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF).
3. Nominating Clubs shall provide a Mentor, (preferably NOT a parent of the Applicant) that has suitable qualification or skill to guide the applicant for each project and be prepared to provide an independent annual report to the Trustee's advising skill levels achieved and of progress made or of completion of the project. Photographic and digital records are encouraged and these may be posted on the AHMF and State Council websites.
4. Grant recipients are required to provide their own report each year and on completion of the project. Clubs are encouraged to provide independent follow up in this area.
5. A significant requirement is the Display of the completed project. This will require the vehicle to be made available for public display at National Heritage Motoring Day events, State and Regional displays and other Public events. These are again to be documented (May be via digital and photographic means and these may also be posted on the AHMF and State Council websites) and also be made available to the Trustees.
6. The Robert Shannon Foundation may provide in each year, 1 (One) payment contributing to Fees Applicable for Courses relating to Automotive or Engineering Training, and provided at a TAFE or other such Accredited Training Facility for a Club Member of an AHMF affiliated Council. The successful Applicant may, when arranging their course payment direct relevant accounts to The Foundation at the above address. Further detail regarding this Grant may be obtained by contacting the Robert Shannon Foundation on 0419 599 066.
7. All applications for Grants must be first assessed at Club level for suitability. As a minimum, applications must be forwarded to the State or Regional Council for endorsement by **1st May** in each year however; **APPLICATIONS MAY BE FORWARDED TO STATE COUNCILS AT ANY TIME BEFORE THEN FOR ASSESMENT, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE**.
8. Councils supporting will then ensure that all Applications are sent to the Robert Shannon Foundation by **1st June** in any year for the Trustee's to assess via the selection process.

The standard of Applicants and Projects has, in recent years been exceptional. The Australian Historic Movement will, we trust be the beneficiary of the support and trust that we place in these dedicated and enthusiastic young members.

# APPLICATION FORM

**Applications must be submitted to Robert Shannon Foundation via applicant's club, through the club's State Council before 1 June**

Name of Applicant(s):

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant:

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18 years of age)

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The following items should be included with this application:

- A brief overall description of the project.
- A logbook describing what work has been undertaken to date.
- A portfolio of photographs of work done or in progress. These photographs should show the individual(s) actually engaged in work on the vehicle.
- An itemised list of what has been spent on the project.
- Amount of funds requested and how these will be expended.

This application should be forwarded to the supporting vehicle club for endorsement and comments. The application must be received by the supporting club in time for them to submit it to the affiliated club's council before **1 May**.

**(TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPPORTING AFFILIATED CLUB)**

Name of Supporting Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Ph/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide some brief comments regarding your support for this application, and the involvement of the individual(s) in the club: (attached additional pages if required)

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The Supporting Club should forward the application form, documentation and its recommendation to the State Council, in time for the state council to consider the application and make a recommendation to the Robert Shannon Foundation by the **1 June**.

**(TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPPORTING COUNCIL)**

Name of Supporting Council: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Ph/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

When completed, this form and all supporting documentation should be forward by the Supporting State Council to:

Robert Shannon Foundation  
PO Box 28  
Cobden, Victoria 3266

By 1 June