

WULAGI



UPDATE

Term 4 Week 1

Update No. 11

Dates to Remember

Fri 11 Sep
Remembrance Day

Wed 7 Dec
Awards Assembly

Tue 13 Dec
Reports Go Home

Wed 14 Dec
Year 6 Graduation

Thu 15 Dec
Last Day of Term 4

Ty's 1956 BSA Restoration

For the past 8 months, Ty Modra has spent most Saturday mornings at the QANTAS hangar in Parap (Darwin NT). The hangar is the home of the Motor Vehicle Enthusiasts Club (MVEC) and boasts an impressive display of vintage vehicles, machinery and paraphernalia. Club members are also able to work on their cars and bikes at the hangar, and utilise the large collection of tools / sand blasters / hoists / ramps and so on to assist in the repair and restoration of their vehicles.

Ty has been restoring a 1956 D3 BSA Bantam Major. Ty's grandfather Robert Modra originally bought the bike in Greenock (SA) in 1966. Ty is planning to restore the BSA to a point where he can ride it with reliability. He has been allocated a space at the hangar where he can work on the BSA, complete with his own work bench and shelving. He has a wonderful mentor in Peter Grice, who has been meeting with Ty at the hangar every Saturday morning to guide him through the restoration process.

Earlier this year, the Modra family heard about the Robert Shannon Foundation. 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's, historic 70's and historic 80's vehicles up to 30 years old. The Foundation provides financial grants to help with the purchase of specialist tools or equipment, assist with the actual cost of restoration work, and contribute toward any project considered worthwhile by the Trustees.

With the support of MVEC, Ty submitted a grant application to the Robert Shannon Foundation, requesting financial assistance with the BSA restoration. On Saturday night at the MVEC annual general meeting, it was announced that Ty had been awarded a \$1,000 grant. Ty is the first-ever NT applicant to receive a grant. He is also the youngest-ever grant recipient Australia-wide. John Palamountain, a delegate of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF), presented Ty with a plaque and a cheque for \$1,000.

Ty is our School Captain.

Congratulations and well done Ty.

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Ty Modra with his Grandfather's 1956 D3 BSA Bantam Major.



Left to Right—John Palamountain of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF) holding Ty's grant application, Tim Modra, Ty Modra holding his Robert Shannon Foundation Plaque and Peter Grice (Ty's mentor and MVEC committee member).