

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 state and territory councils of 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 '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s 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.

The CMC cut-off date for the receipt of submissions from clubs is **31 May Each Year.**