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GUEST SPEAKER TUESDAY 17th MARCH



Russell Rolls A Tale of Two Engineers

In 1884 Henry Royce started an electrical and mechanical business. He made his first car, a two-cylinder Royce 10, in his Manchester factory in 1904. He was introduced to Charles Rolls at the Midland Hotel, Manchester on 4 May of that year. Rolls was proprietor of an early motor car dealership, C.S.Rolls & Co. In Fulham.

In spite of his preference for three or four cylinder cars, Rolls was impressed with the Royce 10 and in a subsequent agreement of 23 December 1904 agreed to take all the cars Royce could make. There would be four models:

a 10 hp (7.5 kW), two-cylinder model selling at £395 (£40,000 in 2014),

- a 15 hp (11 kW) three-cylinder at £500 (£50,000 in 2014), a 20 hp (15 kW) four-cylinder at £650 (£60,000 in 2014),
- a 30 hp (22 kW) six-cylinder model priced at £890 (£80,000 in 2014),

All would be badged as Rolls-Royce, and be sold exclusively by Rolls. The first Rolls-Royce car, the Rolls-Royce 10 hp, was unveiled at the Paris Salon in December 1904.

Russell is a long-time Rolls-Royce owner and member of the major international clubs catering for the marque. He is currently the Chairman of The Sir Henry Royce Foundation, a charitable foundation that seeks to preserve and promulgate the technical ideals of Sir Henry Royce.

Russell is an acknowledged expert on the history of Rolls-Royce motor cars.

INVITATION TO ALL

DUTY ROSTER 17thMarch

Chair PARK, Darren

Sergeant GERLINGER, Bernie

Greeter
JACOBS, Wolfgang

Reporter MACKEY, George

Photographer HINES, Rob

Door WALKLATE, Kevin

Director Report CUTHBERT, Greg

Bulletin Editor JONES, David

Upcoming Events

DISTRICT 9800 Conference

Wrest Point Mar 12, 2015 - Mar 14, 2015

Board Meeting

RACV City Club Mar 19, 2015 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Equinox Breakfast

211 Separation Street Mar 22, 2015 7:30 AM - 11:00 AM

DIK Working Bee

Woolshed 40 Apr 11, 2015 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Board Meeting

RACV City Club Apr 16, 2015 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

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