

## President of Amilcar world register visits Rustons Roses



Mr Desmond Peacock, the president of the UK based international register for Amilcars visited Ruston's Roses earlier this year.

In Australia as part of a three-week-long visit with Australian Amilcar owners, Mr Peacock said that South Australia was a strong market for the French based Amilcar company in its heyday mainly due to the success of Adelaide based Drummond Motors who imported many cars during the 20's.

He said the car on display at Ruston's Roses was one of the rarer Grand Sport Surbaisse models and was one of only a few that it still retained its original French built body.

"While only a few Grand Sport cars were imported into Australia, a significant number of other Amilcar models were imported mainly in chassis form with bodies being fitted in Australia", he said.

Mr Peacock owns three Amilcars including a 1921 cc model which is reputed to be the oldest Amilcar in the world.

He is also the part owner of a rare, twin overhead cam six cylinder Amilcar, which is one of only 50 made by the company in the mid 20s.