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ON THE COVER:

The late Reg Jones, inspecting the 1911 Clement Bayard owned by the late Jim Cooper, at a Club Inspection Day at Arthur Garthon Motors Penshurst



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Minutes

Minutes of Monthly Club Meeting held on 26 January 2023. Conducted at the hall and by Zoom.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: 8 Members at the hall: 10 Members on Zoom: 8 Member's family: 2
Total at hall (18) and total on zoom (8): 26

MEETING OPENED AT 8:00PM

APOLOGIES: Ian Shinfield, Phil Virgona

PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS

The President, Phil O'Loan, welcomed members to the meeting. He thanked the contributors to the Australia Day Night Market, both sellers and buyers. He was unsure if the night was a success. On behalf of the club, the President congratulated Allan Foy on his award of OAM for his services to the automotive industry and as a hero of Fagan Park.

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes arising from the minutes: Nil
Proposer: Graham Weekes Seconded: Barry Shinfield

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Invitations:

Royal Easter Show invitation - forwarded to Events Co-coordinator
CMC - invitation to 60th anniversary lunch- 5 March
Robyn Betts – coffee run on 13 January, 27 January
Berrima District Historic Vehicle Club –invitation to Berrima Rally 18-19 February-forwarded to Editor & Events Co-coordinator
Pre-31 Autumn Tour 4-7 May - forwarded to Editor & Events Co-coordinator

Other clubs:

Small Torque
Antique and Classic

Other correspondence

Mal Garthon – request to register the circa 1918 Crossley
Report from FIVA general Assembly – Jenny Fawbert – forwarded to Editor
Newcastle Branch – meeting postponed
CHMC-Dinkum Oil 321 and Fact sheet on log books - forwarded to Editor
Mark Donnelly – retiring
Christmas card – Governor

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Andrew Benoit – sale of 1912 Zedel - will be published in S&P- forwarded to Editor

John Prentice – donation to 1905 Motor Trade documents appeal

Optus – cyberattack

Bryan Kalms – report on sustainability and longevity of historic organisations

A. Rostrum – advising of working bee

Sam at Universal Springs

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Emails: Mal Garthon, John Prentice

Moved: Robert Fordham Seconded: David McCredie

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was tabled.

Moved: Will Garthon Seconded: Graeme Newman

MAGAZINE

The Editor, Lauren Newman, requested more articles and reports.

EVENTS

PAST EVENTS

25 Nov – Sydney Christmas Party - successful

26 Nov - MaSH Christmas Party -no report

04 Dec - Newcastle Christmas Party – good to have Lynette and Neil Martin attend, 2 veterans were there on the day.

13 Jan - Southern MaSH Coffee Run – no report

COMING EVENTS

27 Jan – Northern MaSH Coffee Run

28 Jan – working bee at the hall

04 Feb – Lunch with the Tiger Moths at Luskintyre – contact Graeme Newman if you wish to go.

18-19 - Berrima District Rally – see club website for entry form

18 Feb – visit to Neil Heilbrunn's to look at his collection of motorcycles and vehicles – see Graeme

Newman or John Burke if interested. Neil's Vauxhall is back home!

24 Feb – MaSH Coffee Run – contact the Betts for more information

6-10 March - Premier Rally Orange - Entry form available and is due by 28 February to Euan Coutts.

16-19 March - RACV 1- & 2-cylinder Rally Cobram

20-22 March 125th Anniversary Renault Rally

24 March - Northern MaSH Coffee Run

26 March – Visit to Ron Hattersley's home

Easter Show – more information needed from organisers before making a commitment

4 -6 May Pre-31 - Event Cowra see club website for entry

9-12 June CHMC Rally – Wagga Wagga See <http://heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au/> for entry forms

15 Oct – Sydney Tramway Museum to celebrate 125th anniversaries of some trams. Looks interesting with free entry and unlimited tram rides if you take your veteran.

PERMIT TO MOVE/REGISTRATION At Sydney Rego Day there were 28 inspections and Newcastle Branch processed 33 registrations.

LIBRARY Generous donation from John Prentice to Conservation Fund. The library will be back to regular meetings, usually on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 10 am.

DATING No report was recieved

MEMBERSHIP No applications were received

CHMC Jenny Fawbert reported that Pre-31 Rally is almost full. Entries for the Wagga rally are on the CHMC's website. She suggested that members read the fact sheet on log books and its use, also on CHMC website.

CMC No delegate as yet. Please contact the President if you would like to volunteer for this position.

HALL

Robert Fordham asked for more participants for the working bee this Saturday. Phil warned members about some pipe protruding at the back of the hall. He will shorten the pipes but apologised that he is unable to attend the working bee as he is taking his family to the airport.

Sydney Voice has had continuing problems with its air conditioners. Due to the configuration of its space, it needs individual air conditioners in each of its 3 booths. The VCCA(NSW) will pay for the replacement of the two existing air conditioners and Sydney Voice will pay for an additional 3air conditioners.

Mark Donnelly from Awodon used to put the bins out and bring them in. Mark has closed the business. Currently Robert is doing the bins. He is looking at some alternatives.

WEBSITE

Entry forms to events have been uploaded. Abbey has requested that members complete a Vehicle Profile.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Comments on membership proposals

The President requested feedback on the proposal. He has received some comments. Alan Miller asked him to elaborate. The President said the new membership structure proposed was a family rather than individual membership with the idea of making the membership more family inclusive. Andrea sent out the proposal at the end of last year. Andrea outlined that a family membership included two members of a household which would hold one vote as either an ordinary or associate member, depending on the membership

Barry Shinfield asked how it would affect his membership as he is a life member and Dorothy is an ordinary member and willingly pays a membership fee?

Geoff Yeomans is concerned about the financial side as the club would lose memberships and hence money. He said the proposal will probably mean more work for the Treasurer.

Andrea asked for more time to work on this. She requested any questions be sent to her and then she would be able to answer the questions in more detail.

Jenny Fawbert commented that the FIVA general assembly was looking at more strategies to increase club membership. Opening membership up to families and partners was seen as one way of increasing succession. Some European clubs had seen an increase in engagement.

Peter Martin queried the club's policy regarding female members. In his family there are 4 female members who own vehicles. With this proposal the club would lose 4 memberships. Under the new proposal one member of the partnership would lose voting power and would have no voice. He questioned who said that the club was not inclusive. He said in his years of belonging to the VCCA it had come up once and asked why it had been brought up again.

The President responded that the proposal had been brought up for discussion.

Peter Martin said if the club wanted to become more inclusive it should run rallies in school holidays.

Will Garthon suggested that the issue could be solved by changing the eligibility for membership. It appears that two people use one car and both are regarded as ordinary members.

The President replied that the proposal went beyond the ownership of a veteran vehicle. It was to encourage greater participation by families. He realised there would be a cost penalty.

Graeme Newman tabled the comments made at the Newcastle Branch meeting. Members asked why a change was needed. If the problem is that people don't feel included, the club needs to address this. He said, if a member has owned a veteran for longer than 5 years, the member continues to be an ordinary member even if he/she no longer owns a veteran.

The President thanked members for their feedback. He thanked Andrea who has been the driving force for the proposal. The committee will consider the comments.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8:40PM.

The raffle was drawn.

Phil O'Loan
President

Louise Yeomans
Secretary

President's Report

By Phil O'Loan

Hello everyone, there is much to look forward to in the coming months regarding Club activities - something for everyone. Please review the Events Calendar in this month's magazine, hopefully we will see you at some of these events.

The hall has had significant money spent on it recently due to some expensive maintenance issues. The main one is the plumbing to the toilets, and further to this the air conditioners to the small hall (Sydney Voice tenancy) will have to be replaced after many years of service. Thankfully, we are financially strong and allowances have been made for these and future maintenance costs.

At the last monthly meeting I requested further comment on the proposed changes to our membership policy. The new membership structure proposed was a family rather than individual membership with the idea of making the membership more family inclusive. Andrea presented this proposal in November's Spit and Polish last year where she outlined that a family membership included two members of a household which would hold one vote as either an ordinary or associate member, depending on the membership.

To my surprise there was a strong overall response during the January meeting that the majority were happy with the current policy and there was no need for change at this present time. Further to this a very senior member spoke to me after the meeting and said "if it's not broken don't fix it".

In the light of this recent feedback, Andrea who has put a lot of time and effort into this proposal, has requested any questions be sent to her and then she would be able to answer the questions in more detail. Further to this, the committee will revisit this membership proposal and report back to the members accordingly.

The club is still looking for a CMC Delegate. This is an important communication position to fill. Please contact me if you are interested in helping the Club out.

The Premier Rally in Orange is not too far away, Monday 6th- 10th March. Euan and Wilga have advised that there will be approximately 25 Veteran Cars attending. See you in Orange.

Happy Motoring.

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Editor's Report

By Lauren Newman

This month's magazine features the final part of Catherine Strutt's article on their epic Brisbane to Broome adventure - thank you Catherine for contributing, it has been an excellent read!

There are A LOT of events on the calendar and a couple of entry forms in this edition so hopefully we can all be out in our cars very soon.

Unfortunately at this stage I do not have anything to put in the next magazine, so **please** have a think about if there is anything you could contribute to the magazine in the next couple of months. An article, photos or classified - it is all received with appreciation. This magazine includes a few photo pages as fillers, so if you have something of interest, please send it through!

Happy reading!

FIVA General Assembly 2022

Summary of report. By Jenny Fawbert. December 2022

The dominant issues in the FIVA presentations and discussions were those related to environment matters, including impacts related to climate change, emissions and sustainability, and FIVA's responses, including developing strategies for events and enthusiasts, and advocacy for regulatory exemptions. The related topic of e-fuels and historic vehicles tests was significant.

Becoming a more inclusive as an organisation and a hobby was a repeated theme throughout the GA, focusing heavily on engaging with, and retaining, younger people in the hobby, at FIVA and the local levels. Furthering opportunities for more women to be involved was also raised several times.

Using social media and online communications more effectively has proven very successful for FIVA and a number of ANFs in the last year. The value of social and online media, e.g., FIVA's Chat Room, to connect with younger enthusiasts was reinforced by the younger, and young at heart, delegates from a variety of ANFs.

The concept of historic vehicles as cultural heritage objects was reinforced in many presentations, and in the 2022 FIVA GA Activity Report booklet. FIVA is making HVs as heritage objects a focus in its legislation lobbying activities, especially when seeking exemptions, and heritage as a vital *raison d'etre* for preserving and operating HVs.

Seen as cultural heritage objects, HVs have strengthened meaning to important alliances with other

heritage organisations, e.g., UNESCO and TICCIH. These alliances are vital in FIVA's advocacy efforts.

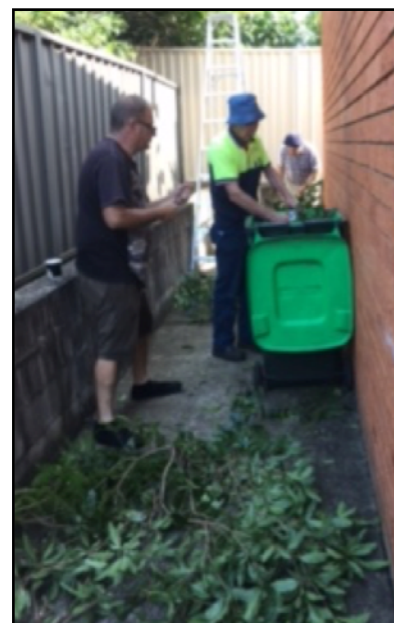
There were several mentions of FIVA looking to achieve a more effective international focus. The "World Tours" to talk directly with ANFs, that commenced in 2022 to South America, indicate a practical effort in that direction; as do FIVA World Events being allotted to several non-European ANFs; increasing ANF memberships from around the world; and greater use of hybrid digital/face-to-face meeting.

Several times FIVA's leaders acknowledged that the major issues, as outlined above, were not European but global and as such required a united effort, with which they offered to assist ANFs.

Event Report: Working Bee

28 January 2023. By Louise Yeomans.

It was hot and steamy and even the early start but this didn't stop some gallant club members from coming to the working bee. Some members who were unable to come on Saturday moved chairs at the end of the Thursday night meeting. Lauren is so strong she can carry 5 chairs at once! Even Will's sunburnt feet, didn't stop him from lifting and moving the chairs! This meant less work in the morning for the grateful Saturday workers.



Well before 7:30am all the chairs were off the carpet ready for the cleaner. He arrived and had a big vacuum/ washing outfit with a large water tank rather than being attached to the hose. While the carpet cleaning was happening, Phil Virgona cleaned the gutters. Robert Fordham and Geoff Yeomans chopped and trimmed the overhanging trees outside. They were helped by Terry Lyness and Neil Martin. There was so much greenery that Phil Virgona went home and returned with his two vegetation bins which were filled to the brim with the chopped branches. With the new general cleaners, the hall is much easier to maintain. With a quick wipe over in the kitchens and bathrooms, some dusting in the committee room and general de-cobwebbing the work inside was done. After some morning tea, the hall chairs were wiped clean and placed back in the hall ready for the Sunday users and the year! Thank you to all those who helped move chairs after Thursday's club meeting and those who came on Saturday – many hands make light work!

Saturday Participants: Robert Fordham, Phil Virgona, Terry Lyness, Neil Martin, Geoff Yeomans, Louise Yeomans

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2023 Premier Rally Details



**VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (NSW)
NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (NSW)**

PREMIER RALLY 6th to 10th MARCH 2023.



We hope you can attend the Club's Premier Rally. The Entry form is attached.

On Monday we have allowed you time to travel to Orange and get settled into your accommodation. We hope we will all be able to share an evening meal on Monday night.

On Tuesday we will travel to the historic Errowanbang Woolshed with a talk about this historic property with morning tea provided and then to travel to Carcoar for a look at the "town time forgot" and Lamb Roast lunch at the Hotel. Run of about 120kms

Wednesday , we assemble Lucknow for optional coffee and from there use backroads to Bathurst for lunch at Miss Traill's Cottage provided by the local National Trust Volunteers, who will also give tours and a talk on this Historic property. Run of about 140kms.

Thursday we will tour to the Millthorpe Museum for morning tea and tour of this renowned Museum. Afternoon you may choose to stay in the historic Millthorpe Village or there will be an optional afternoon tour to return to Orange. Regardless of your choice it will be a shorter day. The final Dinner will be this evening at the RSL Club, which is a 3 block walk from the Motel.

We will farewell you all on Friday morning.

The Caleula Motel is a short distance to all styles of restaurants and eateries. The Caleula Motel and the Caravan Park has some room for Trailers but there will be plenty of trailer parking at our home.

We feel Orange is a good place to hold the event with quiet roads and plenty to see, and we hope you will enjoy your stay

Enquiries : Euan and Wilga Coutts 02 6365 1274 or 0412 673585.



VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (NSW)
NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (NSW)
PREMIER RALLY 6th to 10th MARCH 2023



Entrants

Name:.....Navigators Name

Passengers

Name(s).....

Children under 16.....

Phone No.....Mobile:

Email:.....Club.....

Car and year.....Model.....

Numbers for Catering:

Errowangang Woolshed :

Lamb Roast Carcoar Hotel:

Lunch and entry Miss Traill's Cottage:

Entry and Morning Tea Millthorpe Museum:

Entry Fee \$30 for car and Navigator. Children under 16 free

Extra Passengers \$15 per person \$

Final Dinner at Orange RSL Club @\$50 per person (including Children.) \$

Dietary Requirements

Gluten Free: Christian Name:

Dairy Free: Christian Name:

TOTAL _____
\$

Please pay by direct credit to :

Account Name: Veteran Car Club of Australia, Rally Account

BSB: 062-707 Account No: 1004-2491

Include your surname and notation Premier Rally.

Return Entry form to Euan and Wilga Coutts. Email: euanwil@bigpond.com

Or: PO box 8134, Orange East NSW 2800. Include your payment if paying by Cheque.

ENTRIES CLOSE 28TH February 2023

I/We are booked at:

Events Calendar

Club Events

FEBRUARY

Thursday 23rd

Monthly Club Meeting - 134 Queens Road, Canada Bay. 8:00pm

Friday 24th

Northern MASH Coffee Run - Meet at 10:30am Curry Reserve Elderslie for morning tea and start of run. *Contact Bill (0429 333 769) or Robyn (0439 714 431) Betts for details.*

MARCH

Monday 6th-10th

2023 Premier Event - Orange, NSW

Entry form on page 10. *Enquiries: Euan and Wilga Coutts*

Tuesday 21st

Newcastle Branch Meeting - Westlakes Mining Museum, Teralba. 7:30pm

Thursday 23rd

Monthly Club Meeting - 134 Queens Road, Canada Bay. 8:00pm

Friday 24th

Northern MASH Coffee Run - Meet at 10:30am Curry Reserve Elderslie for morning tea and start of run. *Contact Bill or Robyn Betts for details.*

Sunday 26th

Visit to Ron Hattersley's house - see details on page 13

APRIL

Sunday 2nd

Northern Sydney Breakfast Run - details to come

Friday 14th

Southern MaSH Coffee Run - Meet at 10:30am Winifred West Park (Railway Station end) for morning tea and start of run. *Contact Bill or Robyn Betts for details.*

Tuesday 18th

Newcastle Branch Meeting - Westlakes Mining Museum, Teralba. 7:30pm

Thursday 27th

Monthly Club Meeting - 134 Queens Road, Canada Bay. 8:00pm

Friday 28th

Northern MASH Coffee Run - Meet at 10:30am Curry Reserve Elderslie for morning tea and start of run. *Contact Bill or Robyn Betts for details.*

MAY

Thursday 4th-7th

Pre '31 Event - Cowra, NSW. Entry form on page 20

Friday 12th

Southern MaSH Coffee Run - Meet at 10:30am Winifred West Park (Railway Station end) for morning tea and start of run. *Contact Bill or Robyn Betts for details.*

Tuesday 16th

Newcastle Branch Meeting - Westlakes Mining Museum, Teralba. 7:30pm

Sunday 21st

National Motoring Heritage Day

Thursday 25th

Monthly Club Meeting - 134 Queens Road, Canada Bay. 8:00pm

Friday 26th

Northern MASH Coffee Run - Meet at 10:30am Curry Reserve Elderslie for morning tea and start of run. *Contact Bill or Robyn Betts for details.*

Major Events

MARCH

Monday 20th-22nd **Celebration of 125 Years of Renault production-** event being held in Cobram following the VCCA Vic 1&2 event. Contact details for the organiser are on our website.

JUNE

Sunday 4th **Northern Sydney Breakfast Run** to Mangrove Mountain
Saturday 10th-12th **CHMC (Bush Council) Rally** - Wagga Wagga, NSW. Entry form and details on the CHMC website, otherwise contact Jenny Fawbert
Friday 16th-18th **Newcastle Branch Singleton Rally**

AUGUST

Sunday 20th **Shannons Sydney Classic** hosted by the CMC at Sydney Motorsport Park from 8:30am to 3pm - a ticket will be required. Further details to follow

OCTOBER

Monday 2nd-8th **National Rally** - Griffith, NSW. Details are both on our website and the Veteran and Vintage Car Club of Australia - A.C.T website.

Sunday 15th **Sydney Tramway Museum Display** - We have been invited to an event at the Sydney Tramway Museum, at Loftus on to display our cars. The museum is holding a 'Turn Back Time' Event to celebrate the 125th anniversary of two of their tramcars - Sydney C Class trams 29 and 37 which both entered service in 1898. The Museum will celebrate with a 'Turn Back Time - Trams at the turn of the 20th Century' Event. We have been invited to display our cars. People attending in a veteran will receive free admittance to the museum and free tram rides. Members of the Historical Picnic Society will be attending in period costume, so I'm sure our members would be welcome to do likewise if they so choose.

Visit to Ron Hattersley's House of Treasures

See his amazing collections of walking sticks, silver, china and many other fascinating things in his wonderful house.

26 March 2023

103 Bay Street Beauty Point 2088

Morning Tea will be served so RSVP to Ron - 0422 232 923

Email: ron.hattersley@gmail.com

Brisbane to Broome in a 1911 Fabrique Nationale 1560

By Catherine Strutt. July 18–August 11 2022. Part 3

The next morning we rose and were on the road just as the sun was coming up in an effort to try and miss the heat in the middle of the day. This worked well until unfortunately the FN began to misfire again, for the first time since day one of the rally. The day was wasted a little by sitting on the side of the road cleaning out carburetors at various stops but we drove on through the desert landscape to our stop for the night at Timber Creek. We were in a landscape I had never seen before and I couldn't quite believe that anything at all could survive out in here in this parched landscape and oppressive heat.

Huge Boab trees surrounded us, their swollen bellies supporting many spindly arms reaching into the air, Kapok trees with their bright yellow flowers and blonde Buffel grass and red termite mounds covered the ground. Whistling Kites continued to circle above us and we saw at least four beautiful and masterfully constructed bowers of the Great Bower Bird. We drove into views that were picture perfect,



straight from an Albert Namatjira watercolour painting, around Victoria River. Hundreds of tall green palm trees grew at the base of an enormous dark red escarpment that ringed the highway we were driving along and stretched out into the distance.



FN and Boab tree

The FN had now carried us 3500kms and after eating all of our leftover fruit and snapping some photos, we crossed into Western Australia and drove the forty kilometres or so to our next stop and lay day at Kununurra.

Aside from the drive out to see the beautiful Ord River Dam, Kununurra was not an enjoyable stay. For every hour of the time we were



Great Bower Bird bower

there, we felt uncomfortably unsafe for ourselves, the FN and our possessions. In truth, we couldn't wait to get out of there and back on the road. The town's indigenous residents are out of control and for the day and night we were there we witnessed violence towards us, theft, drunkenness, intimidation and wild disregard and inconsideration for anyone else or themselves. This should not be regarded as a racist observation. Rather, it is AN observation of the unfortunate situation that the people of this town, and many other towns, find themselves in. Unfortunately, we saw the same scene a couple of days' later at Halls Creek with theft and drunkenness and general disregard.

When we reached Fitzroy Crossing, another town with a reputation for trouble, we prepared ourselves to have rocks thrown at us crossing the bridge across the Fitzroy River as it had been reported more than once as a favoured thing to do on traveller reviews on the trusty WikiCamps app. We envisaged the FN being the perfect target because of it being an unusual and antique sight in the outback, and the rare as hens teeth FN1560 radiator being destroyed by a rock thrown through its guts. But when we arrived, the town was peaceful, families of locals swimming in the river below looked up to us and waved excitedly, and people waved as we passed along the street looking for fuel. Thankfully we had no trouble at all at Fitzroy Crossing and we crossed back over the bridge to the resort like caravan park on the river where we enjoyed a very pleasant stay with other rally entrants and a brilliant meal up at the resort's pub. Highly recommend staying there!



Made it to Western Australia!

We were on our second last day of the trip, day 26. Over the last few days we had seen a rare Bush Turkey (Australian Bustard), a pair of elegant Brolgas, a couple of dingoes and many herds of Brahman cows. We had a little more trouble with the FN. The radiator had developed a substantial spout and Chris repaired this by stuffing a piece of the grey duct tape over the split in the core and down each side. It was so successful the "temporary" repair had lasted over 1000kms to Broome. The magneto also gave us some trouble with another roadside stop for Stan and Chris to eliminate the problem and we continued onto Willare for our final overnight stay on the rally. The FN was otherwise going so well. She

was filthy and greasy and dusty but she had now successfully rolled her four skinny black wheels across the top of Australia for 4500kms of hot bitumen. With only 152kms now to go to Broome, it seemed she was actually going to make it.

Our last day on the road finally brought us some relief from the hot, dry days as a cool wind brought with it a pleasant temperature drop. We were nearing the coast now and we could feel it in the weather. All the rally participants had adopted an air of relaxation as it was not only our last day but our shortest day with regard to mileage. We polished some brass on the FN and



Ord River Dam, Kunanurra, NT



Kimberley Heath

puncture just outside of Yarraman on the second day of the rally and rolled along the road on the metal rim. The windscreen has two rock chips in the glass from a road train crossing the flat plains of nothingness to Julia Creek, the brass frame of the windscreen cracked and the support arm collapsed just before Katherine, a bolt from the front of the chassis holding the cross member was sheared off somewhere before Mary Pool, the radiator sprung a major leak somewhere near Ord River and the timber spokes on the rear wheels became noisy with clicking from the timber drying and shrinking in the timber felloes. But all

gave her a general clean up in preparation for the display later that afternoon outside Matso's Brewery in Broome. Thirty kilometres out of Broome I pulled the FN over and swapped places with Stan. I felt he should drive his car the final distance of the epic rally into Broome. We grinned in anticipation "Well this is it" he said, "the old FN is gunna make it..wow..she'll make it" and of course she did! And along with only four other veteran cars, the FN rolled the total 4663kms from Caboolture to Broome.

After three weeks on the road, the FN had a few battle scars. The front right rim showed damage to the metal and paint from when it shed a tyre due to a



Crossing the Fitzroy River, NT



Unhappy magneto

of these were repaired by our two very capable mechanics, Stan and Chris, who kept us all rolling along.

We gathered with everyone in the fairy light lit beer garden of Matso's and enjoyed a cold celebratory drink with friends. Speeches were said and stories of hardship and adventure over the epic rally were exchanged.

What an amazing, epic adventure. It definitely wasn't easy. There were times when we were over it, tired and grumpy and hot with the heat. With four people living in each other's pockets for three weeks, there were moments of disagreement and despair and feelings of giving up but we all knew this was to be expected and our friendship is all the stronger for working through it and experiencing this once in a lifetime event together. The great times and memories made between us, the experiences we've had, the friends we've made, the enjoyment of slow driving in an open car

through the outback landscape of Queensland, Northern Territory and Western Australia, far outweigh the times we were down and as we finally finished the last few kilometres of the Brisbane to Broome rally across the top of Australia, we all felt a feeling of massive accomplishment and satisfaction, not only for ourselves, but for the incredible old FN.



Unhappy FN



Native bush flowers

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February 2023



Made it!



The survivors



Celebratory drinks at Matso's Brewery, Broome, WA



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Pre '31 Autumn Tour - Cowra

4-7th May 2023. Hosted by Members of Dinosaur Drivers Register Inc.

WELCOME TO COWRA

Our members are looking forward to welcoming all attendees to the 14th Pre 1931 Autumn Tour, in Cowra, part of the Central West of NSW.

Some information about the weekend's activities.

Thursday 4th Registration and a cuppa from 1pm at Cowra Showground Pavilion, Grenfell Road, Cowra. At around 2.30pm leave for a short local run around the historic areas, Australian World Peace Bell, POW Camp Site, Japanese & Cowra War Cemetery, and beautiful Cowra Japanese Gardens. FREE NIGHT

Friday 5th we will start from the newly opened Rural Fire Service Air Wing on Airport Road, Cowra (off Grenfell Road) for a tour of this brand-new facility and morning tea hosted by RFS members and DDR members. Then a leisurely drive to Gooloogong for lunch at the historic Log Cabin. After lunch continue to historic Canowindra for some retail therapy on Bendy St, or a visit to the Fossil Museum then make your way back to Cowra at your leisure. (FREE NIGHT)

Saturday 6th meeting at Cowra Japanese Gardens Binni Creek Road, Cowra. We will be travelling back roads to Woodstock for Morning Tea, then continue further on to Wyangala Dam, for a short presentation about the dam and its workings. Lunch will be served here, at your leisure we will take the more direct route back to Cowra, with the Final Dinner at Cowra Services Club.

Sunday 7th from 8am Farewell Breakfast will be held at Cowra Show Ground Pavilion on the Grenfell Road, Cowra.

Anyone needing trailer parking please phone Jim on 0419 975 560

SOME MOTELS & COWRA VAN PARK STILL HAVE A FEW VACANCIES





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MAY 4TH, 5TH, 6TH 7TH 2023

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ENTRY FORM

ENTRANT/DRIVER Name.....

PASSENGER NAMES

1.....2.....

3.....4.....

EMAIL.....

POSTAL ADDRESS.....

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Pre 1931 Eligible Vehicle

MAKE.....MODEL.....YEAR.....

CLUB.....REGO.....

Insurer & Policy No.....

ENTRY FEE PER VEHICLE \$40.00 X = TOTAL \$.....

Completed ENTRY FORM and CHEQUE to be made payable to
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If a receipt is required a self addressed stamped envelope should be sent with entry form.

DIRECT DEPOSIT to DINOSAUR DRIVERS REGISTER BSB 062259 ACC 10289816.
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- **CHMC Annual Rally** will be at WaggaWagga, June 9th-12th 2023. Please book early to avoid disappointment as this is the June long weekend. Entry forms are available on CHMC website at www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au
- **2024 CHMC Annual Rally** will be held at Parkes over the Easter weekend March 29th- April 1st.
- **CHMC Annual General Meetings** will now be held the **last full weekend in October each year**, and Council's General ½ Yearly meeting held at the Annual Rally will be a short business meeting.
- **2023 AGM** will be held at Armidale, hosted by Classic and Specialist Car Club of Northern NSW. **2024 AGM** will be held at Goulburn, hosted by Veteran & Vintage Car Club of Goulburn.
- **2025 Annual Rally** Please consider if your club would like to host the 2025 annual rally. This can be a great opportunity to showcase your town and your club. Expressions of interest should be sent to CHMC secretary. secretarychmc@gmail.com
- **Annual affiliation fees and club census** details are **DUE NOW** so your attention to this would be appreciated. Thanks to those members who have already attended to this. Club Secretaries have been sent all renewal documents.
- **Registration Matters.** Q... "Who can drive a conditionally registered vehicle?" Any person who is the holder of the appropriate licence can legally drive a conditionally registered vehicle. They DO NOT have to be the operator/owner and they DO NOT have to be a member of a recognised historic vehicle club. The new **RMS "Log Book and Club Run" Fact Sheet** will be emailed by TfNSW directly to all clubs in a print ready format. We will alert you to this when it has been distributed.
- The CVS weight limit is still 3.5T GVM for all vehicles
- When renewing CVS registration please ensure that you use CVS Renewal Agreement Form from our website <http://heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au/Classic-Vehicle-Scheme.php>
- **EV CONVERSIONS.** Conversion of an historic internal combustion engine vehicle to electric drive is such a substantial departure from original design as to render it ineligible to be considered as a heritage vehicle by CHMC. This position was endorsed by delegates at CHMC's meeting on October 29th 2022, and is in accord with that of FIVA, the international peak body for historic vehicles: <https://fiva.org/download/electrification-of-historic-vehicles/>. CHMC's Position Paper can be read at <http://www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au/PUBLICATIONS.php>
- The position of **Assistant Secretary on the CHMC committee** is still vacant. Please consider whether you may be able to help our secretary Christine during the few times she is having a break away from home. The role involves assisting with enquiries when the Secretary is away, supporting the Committee at Council's 2 annual meetings, and the opportunity to be involved in councils sub committees, if desired. Contact Christine for further details secretarychmc@gmail.com
- Once again **CHMC has donated \$1000** (via CWA), on your behalf to assist flood affected people in the central west of NSW. We would encourage our member clubs to consider whether they can also afford to help.

More information, and other items of interest, can be found on Council's website:

www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au

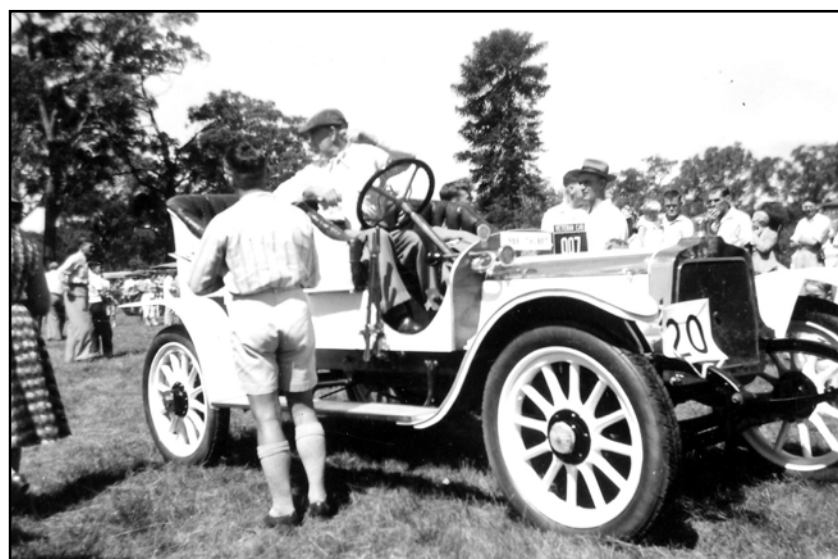
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Memory Lane...

1914 Talbot Roadster (Robert Newman) at the 1959 Blue Mountains Rally



1911 Talbot 4M (Jack Dance) at the 1959 Blue Mountains Rally

1912 Delahaye (Arthur Garthon) at the 1966 Blue Mountains Rally





Crossley (Austin Grellman) at the 1961 Wollongong Rally



F.L (George King) at the 1980 Blue Mountains Rally



1911 Argyl (Graham Steer) at the 1980 Blue Mountains Rally



BSA (George Simpson) at the 1980 Blue Mountains Rally



1911 Talbot (Jack Dance) at the 1961 Wollongong Rally

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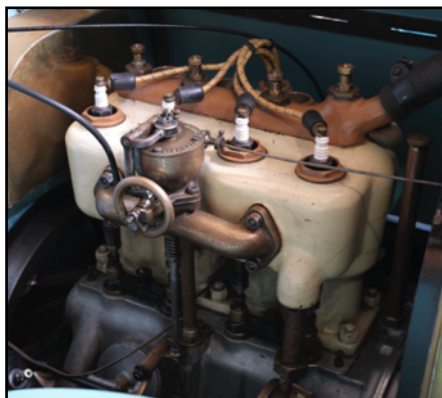


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Contact: Graeme Newman

Ph: 0412 138 063

E: kazngra@bigpond.com

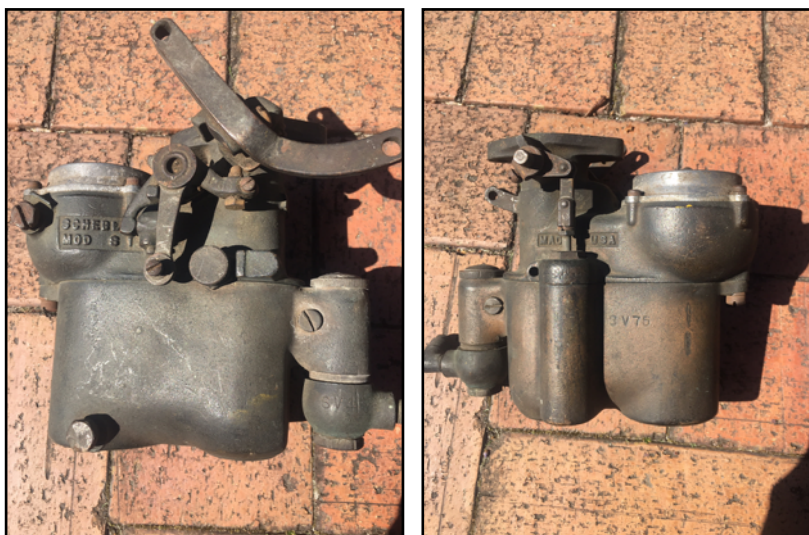
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