

# Wheels of Time



## Presidents and Registration officer reports May 2023.

May brings somewhat cooler nights with warm days as well  
Until about 5.30pm someone turns out the light in the sky

April ended sadly with the loss of Life member Bob Gray I  
was unable to attend but have been told of the large  
amount of mourners including many club members in our  
Yellow shirts. By the size of the funeral Bob will be sadly  
missed.

May 6 and 7 saw the Valley rally off again with just over 90  
people in attendance , this equated to 45 cars on display at  
the race course. Sadly there was a collision on Plummers  
lane but did not involve our entrants, A little detour and  
they were back on track for lunch and judging at Kempsey  
Race course.

Kevin will soon let us know if it was as successful as the rally  
entrants thought. I thank the hard working rally committee  
for their hard work and also a big thanks to our members  
who jumped in to help clean up and pack up  
THANKS!!!

Thanks Lindsay Rapley

The Valley Rally will be discussed more fully in the next  
Wheels Of Time. Does any one have a Kookaurra Sign Nev  
thinks he might be missing one? We now have 3 banners

Whilst we were all enjoying our hot cross buns and easter eggs, the Riley boys were at the Snowy enjoying the Landrover get together. Grant tells me there were 650 landrovers ,from all



over Australia and 2 from England. Thank you Grant for these photos. Hopefully your knee is better and you are back at work in the Pilbara.

Front page photo is of the 60yr celebrations for the E type Jaguar held at Mount Gambier 2022, Thanks to our visitor Neil Marshall. Neil said he had never seen so many Jags



In the absence of any restoration stories from our members who live locally I decided to put in this photo of our Tasmanian member Andrew Stewart doing what he does best restoring cars. Thank you to Ian O'Leary and Andrew Stewart for permission to use this photo.\



## Trip too Nambucca Heads

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Sunday 19th March saw Half of our members gather  
At South Kempsey Park.

We set off at 9.35 am whilst some members joineded us on the way



and yet others met us at Macksville,When all were gathered we  
had 32 people.

How did I know this wasn't to be a nice day for me? Whilst  
putting some cans in the recycle bin at Macksville a man shouted  
at me from a distance "don't put them in there", he then walked  
swiftly towards me,(I was wondering what was coming) he then  
explained that he collected the cans to buy drinks for his kids.

At a briefing before leaving the Park I explained the lookouts we were going to might not hold all our cars, a good number of our members opted to go straight to Bellwood Park, while the rest roamed around Nambucca looking for the lookouts and the trip leader (me) navigator (Anne) and sat Nav got lost. On our arriving at Bellwood Park we were all accounted for.

At the Park we had our Lunch with long time member Graham Smith celebrating his birthday ( sorry Graham I lost the cake). It was good to see new member Bill Unsworth and his wife on their first trip, also Ian O'Leary dropped in at Macksville along with Leanne Milligan who was hanging around waiting for Doc who was at a Rusty Iron Rally meeting.



Over looking the V  
Wall at Nambucca  
Heads March 2023

***inspirations paint***



The Gangs all here, having lunch at Bellwood Park

Nambucca Heads and there's that cheeky Glenda trying to hide behind her hand.

I must mention that Lindsay and Kerry had a bit of bad luck with his 1977 Ford XC playing up at the start of the trip, they dashed home to get another vehicle which was closest to the roller door, they rejoined us with the faithful Holden Station wagon. All in all a good day was had by all. Neville Anne and Elli Skoda.



## **40<sup>th</sup> Morris Minor National Rally Adelaide April 2023.**

It has been a while since the Morris Minors held a rally, this one in Adelaide was the first since the return to normality post Covid, and 20years since the last one was held in Adelaide, I did attend both of these. This rally also represented the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the Morris Minor was produced. There 161 entrants in the rally with just over 150 Morris Minors.

Our Journey commenced from Kempsey on March 24<sup>th</sup>, towing our camper behind my low light sedan, our itinerary would get us into Adelaide on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March, a day prior to the commencement of activities.

Sydney peak hour put a hold on plans, as we developed a serious clutch judder on take off and extremely low oil pressure, things just got a bit too hot. We stayed at Janet's daughter's at Grose Wold, with the Morris & Camper, quick ring around after deciding the Morris would be a liability to continue the journey, so we borrowed my mates Amorok to full fill our towing requirement. Sounds familiar Lindsay.



150 morrises at  
Victoria Park  
South Australia



Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> we camped overnight at Cowra, our next stop being Narrandera then Balranald over the SA border to Pinaroo, then to Adelaide, the towing journey was good, but alas we had a failure in the lifting mechanism in the Camper, broke a wire, so one corner wanted to stay lower, fixed that then we had a problem lowering it, as I was a bit too enthusiastic winding it up, which caused one of the springs to pop out of its casing, once it was analysed it was a easy fix.

The Rally was well organised from the point of registration right through all the activities and meals. The first day saw us register, an introduction as to the events, the selection of routes to be taken and final venues, we then left the centre and drove out to the Aviation Museum at Port Adelaide, where we had a BBQ dinner supplied by the local Lyons club, whilst enjoying our meals we were entertained by local band & singers, the museum itself was very interesting with a collection of planes, aeroengines, memorabilia and a very informative display on the role women played in the development of the aviation industry. Display at Birdswood



**Day 2** of the rally saw the cars gather in centre of Adelaide. Each Rally entrant had a specific number for their display position they then drove in numeric sequence to Birdwood, where the cars were put on display in the grounds of the National Motor Museum, what a great venue to display your cars at, plus so much to see in the museum itself.

Judging was done by peoples choice. Again at this venue there was a quartet of musicians playing all day for us.

**Day 3** of the rally saw the cars gather at Victoria Park, the same venue were the Formula one raced, prior to them moving onto Melbourne. A photo shoot was organised whilst we all enjoyed hot bacon & egg rolls for breakfast, then we were off to McLaren Vale, to wine tasting in “the d’Arenberg Cube”, picnic lunches BYO or utilise the various vendors on site. The evening was taken up with the Rally dinner held at the Finden Function Centre, a lovely 3 course meal, including beers and wine, entertainment, then the announcement of all the winners in their category, with trophies presented, this was followed by the WA Morris Minor Club presenting an outline of the the 2025 rally to be held in Freemantle, these rallies are a bi-annual event and prospective clubs put forward their proposal at the National rally candidates meeting, where the decision is made on who will hold the next rally.

Something like this would hold all the club bit and pieces your events

organiser has to carry.





This is where Colin ended up after his 4 days of fun at the Morris Rally, thankfully he and Janet made it Home Safely.

## The Funny Side of Life.

Murray wasn't at our last Club meeting I was wondering if he had disappeared into the Pot Holes on Colombatti Rd. He reckons you need to have your lights on so you don't get lost in the Pot holes going to Lindsays.

### Seniors Humour.

I was at lunch with an old friend and pointed to the elderly ladies across the room and said, "that will be us in 10yrs." she said "That's a mirror."

## Trip to Telegraph Point



We had a good rollup prior to the Valley Rally. Members left at 9.40am to arrive at the Log Wharf Reserve at Telegraph Point, which we had to ourselves. We found Russell Mann waiting. It was a beautiful leisurely day, we had morning tea and later lunch with most of us watching Val Escott cooking on the BBQ. Another fine day was had by all, From Nev Anne and Greenie (Micra)

## How much carbon does your historic vehicle emit? Check table in latest dinkum oil on web page

e.g. Based on the latest FIVA survey, **Australian historic cars travel, on average, around 1200 km/yr and, if we assume a 14L/100km (20mpg) fuel consumption, then the amount of carbon dioxide produced is 504kg for the year.**

As a comparison:

- A human breathes out around 240kg CO<sub>2</sub> per year.**
- A medium-sized dog produces (breathing and food) 700-800kg CO<sub>2</sub> per year.**
- A typical electric car driving 10,000 km per year and charged from the grid produces around 1150kg per year.**

**Politicians decision-makers, and the general public need to know that the contribution of historic vehicles to carbon emissions is tiny, and that we are working to eliminate, through wise use, and renewable fuels or offsets, even that small amount.**

### What can you do?

- Know how much carbon dioxide your historic vehicle actually emits each year
- Let your family, friends and colleagues know how little CO<sub>2</sub> your historic vehicle emits
- Support your peak bodies' efforts to inform regulators that historic vehicles are not the problem
- Ensure your club and other historic motoring events you attend adopt environmentally appropriate procedures

Be aware of, and ready to use, suitable e-fuels

Consider carbon offsetting for your vehicle/s – In 2023 the average historic motor vehicle can offset its total carbon emissions through ethical means for under \$20 per year.

**Operating Heritage Australia** supports a three-step approach to minimising carbon emissions from historic vehicles

& machinery:

1. minimise use of fossil fuels

2. use renewable fuels where appropriate.

3. where no alternative is available, offset emissions by supporting projects that consume more carbon dioxide than we produce.

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## Club Events



This is the place to be every Wednesday At 9am

For a good coffee, a bite to eat and a good yarn. Its so good they forget to fill in an attendance sheet.

Sat 3rd June Show and Shine @ Riverside

Markets Kempsey 9am –1pm.

Motorfest 2023—Great Lakes Historic

Automobile club Sunday 11th June,John Wright Park  
Tuncurry.8am-2pm \$10.00 to display

Vehicle.Proceeds to palliative care 8am-2pm.

13th June 7pm meeting @ the Heights.

Sun 18th June Possibly the pub with no Beer or a native nursery,

July Meeting 11th 7pm @ the Heights

July 16trh Christmas in July probably at the Heights  
with prizes TBA

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