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From The PRESIDENT

G'day Members,

Members enjoyed the Club Christmas Party at the Wauchope RSL Club earlier in the month. I read out some bush poetry, Viv Watts told some jokes and former treasurer Christine Cavanaugh received the Club Member of the year Award. Congratulation Christine, well earned. Secretary Greg Cavanaugh also announced he was leaving the books on the table at the December meeting. Unfortunately Greg didn't get to the next meeting.

After an appointment with his cardiologist he was rushed to The Prince of Wales in Sydney for open heart surgery. I am pleased to say Greg and Christine are home and Greg is progressing well. We wish him well for a speedy recovery and a well earned break to get into his shed and his projects. Any volunteers to help him with the Bedford?? Anyone?? I made mention at the December meeting we have 4 members that have received heart operations in the last 1 -2 years, happy to add they are still with us. Although we have younger members it certainly is no youth group.

We have a member that has put her hand up for the secretary's position and this will be discussed and voted on at the January meeting.

There is a lot of activity coming our way in 2024 if the Events Calendar is anything to go by. If members know of an event not on the calendar please, let me know so I can facilitate it.

On behalf if the Committee I wish everyone a Merry and Safe Christmas and a prosperous 2024.

Kindest regards, Syd Ramsay. Club President.

From The SECRETARY

DECEMBER MEETING 10th 9.30AM Club Shed – Wauchope Showground

Chair:- Syd Ramsay

Present:- S Ramsay, G Proctor, B Proctor, J Nowlan, N Russell, T Ball, G Stuchley, B Lewis, G Smith, M Smith, R Morris, E Delaforce, D Murphy, K Maxwell, T Hudson, N Hudson, D Sinclair, R Hollis, G Warwick, G O'Shea, J Taylor, R Stewart, R Mulligan, B Smith, J Toohey, A Wilson, D Heapy, G Minns.

Apologies:- R Zavone, D Ryan, V Ryan, G Cavanagh, C Cavanagh, D Higgins, S Yarrington, G Mears, J Waldron, R Steep.

Visitors:- NIL.

Syd welcomed members to the last meeting of the year.

Introduction Since the Club Christmas Party a visit to his cardiologist put Greg Cavanagh on the short list for urgent transfer to The Prince of Wales Hospital. Wife Christine has reported Greg as doing well and surgeons are happy with his progress. On behalf of members we wish him well and a speedy recovery.

Minutes of the last meeting. Any business arising from those minutes. Nothing to report.

G Warwick. 2nd by N Russel that the Minutes from the last meeting be accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE IN

A report from the NHMA Road Show held in Dubbo on the 4th November. This is a comprehensive report covering many topics. This in the January newsletter.

Notice to Clubs. Sample Induction and Membership Application Form for new members and all members renewing memberships. This will also be in the January Newsletter.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Trudee presented the Financial Report for November to be accepted as read, 2nd by N Russel. Foot note:- financials are not published in the newsletter but are available to members on request.

Trudee presented the cost of the bus run to the Gundagai National Transport Museum in February 2024. Members felt it was a lot of expense for a 1 day show and a lack of interest was expressed. However, members expressed an interest on a bus trip to Steam Fest in Maitland. This will be pursued once we have the date at hand.

GENERAL BUSINESS

***Syd** - Members enjoyed the Club Christmas Party last Saturday. Viv Watts told us some jokes. President Syd, during official business, read out some bush poetry. At the club Christmas Party Greg made the announcement the members should have seen coming, he would be leaving the 'books on the table at the December Meeting'.

Former Treasurer Christine Cavanagh was voted Club Person Of The Year for 2023. Congratulations Christine.

Because we have no secretary and none forthcoming at this stage Committee members Trudee Ball and Syd Ramsay have taken on the work load. We will be doing our very best BUT I have to say, GREG has left BIG SHOES to fill.

Meeting Dates for 2024. JANUARY 14. FEBRUARY 11. MARCH 10. APRIL 14.

***Trudee** – stall sites and size. It was felt that some stall holders had a larger site than they paid for. This will be discussed at the next meeting. Our machinery show in October was discussed. Some confusion with the Monday as a show date. Monday to be removed from the Flyer. It was also discussed who was in charge of each section. Trucks - Kirby Maxwell. Engines – Glen O’Shea. Tractor Run on Friday – George Proctor. Tractors (rubber tyred and tracked) Richard Hollis and Geoff Warwick. Others will be available for further assistance.

***Glen** – mentioned having the dates on our signs change. He was going to see Sign Writer Chris Gill for assistance in that area.

***Nigel** – mentioned Mick Mallard will bring a large stationary engine. We have crawler tractors on the arena this year. Co-ordinators in the arena will keep the show live with the continuous movement of machines.

***Geoff** – mentioned the Diesel, Dirt and Damper weekend on his property at Hyndmans Creek. The date has been set as the last weekend in April and has been added to the Events Calendar.

***Kirby** – discussed an event at Westrac TOMAGO next year. They are celebrating 20 years of operation on that site and our club will be invited to that event with vehicles for display. Date is yet to be advised. Kirby will stay in touch with Westrac staff. It was also mentioned about putting our new show dates in Owner Driver and Big Rigs publications. Treasurer Trudee will get this carried out. Also discussed was the running of the bar. 2 organisations in the Camden Haven that hold current RSA’s are the Kendall Blues and the Camden Haven Stingrays football clubs. Representatives from these clubs will be asked to attend one of our meeting to discuss the finer points of the bar operation and what they need from our club. Pacin’ the Pacific was mentioned and a Route discussed. Syd to prepare route plan. It will be held on the 13/14 July 2024.

***Ron** – gave a report on the Camden Haven Tractor Run in November. He reported it went well and a brief outline of the route taken on Saturday and Sunday. Syd – mentioned the run next year would be to Cooperook. Ron – informed us Graeme Mears is working on one around his area in Wingham. Ron – also said he was building a train layout for display at our October show in the hall.

***Denice** – introduced herself to the meeting. Denice is from Gravesend between Warialda and Moree. Syd welcomed Denice to our meeting. Denice took the long trip to ask if it would be possible to be Secretary from her home at Gravesend. Syd asked Denice if she could attend every meeting. She said this would be impossible. The point was made by Trevor Hudson that state and national clubs have their committees spread across the state and/or nation and function well. This then brought up the subject of operating the Secretary’s position remotely. The idea of connecting via Zoom Meetings was floated. Further discussion will be held.

With no more business for discussion Syd thanked everyone for their attendance.

Meeting closed at 10.45am.

Tea/coffee/biscuits and a chat was enjoyed by members.

Members Syd Ramsay, Trudee Ball, Robert Stuart, Nigel Russel and Denice Sinclair had a separate meeting to discuss Zoom/Skype meetings with remote members. Denice said her son is in IT and can help us. Nigel said he would talk to IT local Peter Saville as well. The information gathered will be discussed at the January meeting.

To all NSW HMA Clubs - some good news!



On November 4th we conducted "Roadshow Dubbo" at which Matt Cafe,

Manager, Partnerships, from Transport for NSW (TfNSW), responded to some 15 pre-submitted questions on many aspects of the Historic and Classic Vehicle Schemes, as well as wide-ranging discussion on these and many other subjects raised by those present. Matt Cafe is chair of the Historic and Classic Industry Working Group (HCIWG) which is the main forum for us and other peak bodies to try and achieve outcomes on the many issues that affect the schemes. The meeting was a great success with over 80 delegates present representing more than 40 clubs. This format may be able to be repeated in other Roadshow locations in the coming year.

During this event, a number of important initiatives were revealed. It must be noted, however, that the information on the TfNSW website is not yet updated for any of these.

1. Seatbelts in pre-ADR vehicles: We were advised that following the many sets of period instructions sent in to TfNSW that had been provided by our members, TfNSW are now drafting new rules. Clubs will be advised as soon as these are published.

Some interesting facts emerged that most were not aware of.

- An L or P plate driver may only operate a vehicle if everyone in the vehicle is in a seat with a seatbelt or an approved restraint fitted (except for medical exemption).

- Children under 12 may not be passengers in a vehicle not fitted with seatbelts.

2. Secondary Clubs: The Declaration forms 1259 and 1835 invite secondary clubs to be entered in addition to the primary club.

- It was confirmed that this information is not recorded and has no application whatsoever.

- It was further stated that club runs initiated by a secondary club must be entered into the logbook unless that run is an event also listed by the primary club.

- The overarching message to resolve the confusion and abuse of club runs was to enter all runs in the logbook.

- TfNSW is planning a new "Factsheet" expanding upon the rules for club runs and vehicle usage.

3. Loads: The current rules state:

- Loads cannot be carried for commercial purposes.

- Loads must be the private property of the vehicle operator and/or carried as part of a club event.

- Loads must be restrained to the standards detailed in the "Load Restraint Guide."

- The new rule removes the second of the above statements leaving the sole criteria being the restriction on use for commercial purposes.

4. Plates for the Classic Vehicle Scheme: These have had a 3-year gestation period, but we were assured they would be available by year's end. Stocks may take some months to reach all Service NSW offices. It has since been confirmed they are being manufactured.

- The new plate format (if available) will be issued initially only to new registrations. It will be a new letter suffix (not D or E).

- Change to the new plate format will be later permitted also at renewal, incurring the new plate fee.

"Wheels not turning": Resolved at an earlier date was a rule concerning logbooks and vehicles standing on streets. The "wheels not turning" rule clarifies confusion over the parking of historic vehicles on public roads. It is not necessary to record in the logbook days when a vehicle does not move. However, a logbook entry is required if the vehicle is moved on or onto a public road, even if only to reshuffle vehicles parked in a property.

At the AGM on 18 November, our Founding President Phil Mudie was again elected President. Phil intends to serve just one year in that position in which time he aims to establish succession plans and to "steady the ship" on our established course. Despite the acknowledged difficulties of the past year the Association has been able to continue with our normal activities, thanks largely to the continuing good work and support of the Committee most of whom have now been with us for several years. Our programme of recruiting new candidates for committee is proving successful with the first of our new trainees joining the Committee this year and three more in the wings for the future.

Regards,

Ian Browning. Secretary

At the December Christmas Party we see former treasurer Christine Cavanagh receiving her award for Club Person Of The Year 2023 from Club President Syd Ramsay. Congratulation Christine and well earned.



From THE EDITOR G'day Members. Please send me any details of visits to events or museums with a story and photos that may be of interest to club members.

Members at the December 2023 Club Christmas Party





Photos from the Rusty Iron Roll—September 2023.











UPCOMING EVENTS

Copmanhurst Tractor Run in January 2024

Hosted by the Wauchope Yesteryear Truck and Machinery Club

When: Arrive Friday 12th January, Run Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th January

Where: Copmanhurst Showgrounds (with toilets and hot showers)

RSVP: To Mary Tate 0407 785 669 or Jeff Eggins 0409 318 175 by Sunday 7th January for catering purposes

We will also need your email address (if not already known to us) that you can be advised of any changes (due to weather)

If on Historic plates:

Please advise us which Club you are from - to ensure an Invitation has been sent and in turn be approved by your Club for you to attend. **Editors Note:- In the absence of a Club Invitation those attending from other clubs must use the Log Book System.**

Before involved Clubs close for the Christmas period

Also ensure that you are a Financial member

All Tractors participating will need to do a minimum speed of 22 kph, and be fitted with a side mirror

There is a concrete loading ramp available – at 900 high

Camping fees: \$5 per person / per night with no power / Power is very limited – if needed, please talk to Mary or Jeff

IF YOU DO NEED POWER, you will need to bring your own long power leads & power boards

Other information:

There is a kitchen, with a BBQ and fridges

Power is available in the kitchen for your portable fridges and to charge phones

If you have any special dietary requirements, please self-cater

Please note once trekking, toilet facilities are few and far between

Please bring: Shared items for morning tea – Saturday and Sunday

Thermos (if you have one). Chair and your own cutlery, crockery, coffee mug.

Breakfast - plus your cooking equipment, if other than a BBQ needed.

Friday: Tea (dinner) – bring your own meat for the BBQ and a shared salad or dessert

Saturday: Safety brief to be held at 6.15 am sharp – everyone to attend

Depart out the front gate at 6.30 am, as we have 130 kms to cover

Heading north along The Clarence Way, stopping for morning tea along the way. Then turning left onto Carnham Road to cross the Clarence River at Coombadjha

We are stopping at the Mann River for lunch. This will be a selection of cold meat and salad items to make into a sandwich or have on a plate. Lunch is \$5 per head and includes your tea / coffee for the weekend

Once we cross the river, we are then travelling on the Cangai Road, we will be calling in quickly to see the River at Cangai, Then before we get to Jackadgery, we turn onto the Jackadgery Lilydale Road (toilets at Jackadgery – approx. 1 kms)

Crossing the Clarence River again at Lilydale (toilets at Lilydale), then a right turn back on the Clarence Way to base camp.

Tea is at the Rest Point Hotel at your own expense. This is a short walk with a hill, some cars will be available to shuttle people

Sunday: 8.30 am Safety Briefing

8.45 am departing out the front gate, turning right and heading through the township along The Clarence Way and turning right into Whiteman's Creek Road. Left onto Rogans Bridge Road, crossing the Clarence River, then turning right to travel on the Eatonville Road, to Eatonville for morning tea at the river.

Then the direct route back to the Rodeo Grounds, crossing the river again. Having travelled approx 45 kms.

Whilst everyone is loading up a Sausage sizzle will be cooked, to enjoy together before hitting the road for home.

Fundraising: As usual we will be fundraising for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter – if you wish to donate, it is \$5.00 per Historic vehicle.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS OF WAUCHOPE YESTERYEAR TRUCK & MACHINERY CLUB Inc.

The use of any vehicle or machinery under the Heritage Vehicle Scheme with the Club, can only be used under the following conditions;

To an event that is printed in the newsletter. This must be recorded in the movements book with the Club Registrar/s. A copy of the Newsletter must also be carried.

To take your heritage registered machine/vehicle within 5kms for a service run or to have it inspected for registration.

Alternatively, use the 60 Day Logbook to attend other events.

For picking up of projects (not for hire or reward).

Always carry you current membership card and 60 Day Logbook.

When travelling on a Club Organised Run the Newsletter of the event only covers members from Point A (the starting point of the run) and Point B (the completion of the run). From home to Point A and Point B to Home is not covered by the Newsletter. This is where the 60 Day Logbook must be used. Also the shortest route must be adhered to and no diversions to carry out extra curricular activities, eg, shopping, visiting relatives, etc.

FOR SALE

1973 Home Made Bogie Low Loader. New axles fitted 8 years ago..17.5" tubeless rims plus 2 spares. Tyres—fair. Hydraulic ramps and LED lights. Suspension single point on heavy duty springs. Wind down legs—8 years old. All steel deck and tie rails. On Historic rego—non transferable. \$28,000.00 ONO. Contact Kirby Maxwell. 0407 594 149.



BUY SWAP SELL

Could members let me know when items are sold so they can be removed - it would save a lot of time contacting advertisers.

Vintage International Harvester, 5 Speed Gearbox. Has been opened, thoroughly cleaned. New seals on lower shaft. New gaskets. Repainted. Includes wire rope drums on each axle. Comes with complete Vickers hydraulic system. Main Pump, 2x vane pump motors, to run anything. Is designed to operate on a fishing trawler. Comes with HYD control levers and all HYD hoses and approximately 80 litre HYD tank. Every thing working. Cost over \$7000 to install. Selling for \$2,700.00 or offer. Ph. Tony 0422069711.



International D1410 1975 4x4 model RFS truck.

It has a Perkins 6 cylinder diesel 635 engine, 5 Speed gearbox.

Brakes have been overhauled with a new master cylinder.

Running on non transferable registration but can be driven on a RMS permit.

I have a galvanised bulbar and a couple of parts that will go with the sale.

I'm asking \$17,000 or I'm willing to swap for a tractor with a slasher/front loader bucket of a similar price.

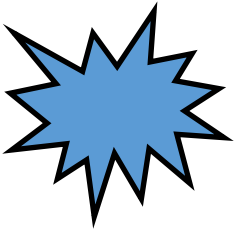
Contact Greg Stuchley—0402065702



FOR SALE

1978 Mack R600. E6 320 HP Engine. 18 speed double overdrive Road Ranger gearbox. 44,000lb rear end. 1650 RPM at 100KPH. 3.2kms/ltr. Tyres 90% tread. Fitted with tipper and hydraulics. Some rust lower windscreen, gutter and bottom of rear window. \$25,000 ONO. Contact member Allan Wilson. 0417 430 556





BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS—JANUARY

Many happy returns to:- 9/1 Grant Smith, 9/1 Mary Tate , 9/1 Ian Rosen-dahl, 9/1 Craig Mears, 11/1 Colin Lovett, 12/1 Lincoln Delaforce, 15/1 Katrina Mallia, 15/1 Heather Lovett, 18/1 Christine Cavanagh, 22/1 Ken O'Brien, 22/1 Daniel Smith, 23/1 Brad Pemberton, 27/1 Judith McMaster , 27/1 Harrison Harvey, 27/1 Justin Wallis, 30/1 Mick Hillier.

JUST FOR LAUGHS!!!

WORD PLAY.....

DUST—mud with the juice squeezed out. HANDKERCHIEF—cold storage.

INFLATION—cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

SECRET—a story you tell one person at a time. TOOTHACHE—the pain that drives you to extraction.

TOMORROW—one of the greatest labour saving devices of today.

YAWN—an honest opinion openly expressed.

OH, THE LUCK OF THE IRISH

Paddy is at the airport with a sack over each shoulder. And when he is stopped by customs they find that both sacks are full of mobile phones. When asked why Pat said. “Well, while I was on my travels in America, I got a phone call from my mate Mick who told me he was starting up a Jazz Band and could I bring back 2 saxophones.”

The plumber asked, “Why haven’t you paid your bill for the work I did last Friday?” Paddy replied, “It was not what you quoted me.” The plumber said, “I didn’t give you a quote.” To which Paddy replied, “Yes you did. When I asked you what day you could do the job, you said you were free on Friday!”

Mick and Paddy were on a plane. During the flight Paddy asked Mick, “If the planed turned upside down would we fall out?” Mick said, “No, we’d still be mates.”

Paddy bought his friend 4 pregnancy test kits, which all came back POSITIVE. Now she is crying because she doesn’t know how she will raise 4 kids.

Paddy’s in the bathroom when Mick called out if he’d found the shampoo. Paddy called back saying, I’ve found it but it’s for dry hair and I’ve just wet mine.”

Paddy’s struggling down the road with a wardrobe. A friend said, “Why don’t you get Mick to give you a hand?” to which Paddy replied, “He’s inside carrying the clothes.”

Paddy attends a First Aid course. The Instructor asked, “What would you do if you child swallowed the front door key?” Paddy said, “I’d climb through the window.”

Paddy and Mick were sitting in a café when the waitress told them they couldn’t eat their own sandwiches in the café . So they swapped sandwiches.

Historians in Ireland have discovered what they believe is the headstone of the oldest living man. He was 193 and it read, ‘Miles From Dublin.’

Paddy was at the bus stop when his mate Mick pulled up in his car. He asked Paddy if he would like a lift. Paddy said, "No thank you Mick, I might miss the bus."

Paddy wanted to sell his car but he was concerned because the high mileage on the clock he may not be able to sell it? Mick told him to wind back the speedo. A few weeks later Mick saw Paddy still had the same car. Mick asked him if he'd wound the speedo back to which Paddy replied, "Yes". Mick asked then why hadn't he sold it. Paddy said, "Are you kidding. Why would I. It's only got 7,000kms on the clock."

RELATIONSHIPS (I'm no marriage councillor. Don't ask me for advice in that department—Editor.)

A man asked his wife what women want. She told him, "A tent of lovers". Or was it attentive lovers. He wasn't sure now. He wasn't really listening.

A wife said to her husband, "You've put on a lot of weight." He said, "I've had a lot on my plate."

HISTORICAL MARKER. On this very spot in the afternoon of 27th April, 1968 a marital argument was won by the husband.

THAT'S ENOUGH OF THOSE BEFORE I GET CANCELLED—EDITOR.

This Blew Up My Mind

They call us "The Elderly". We were born in the 40-50-60's. We grew up in the 50-60-70's.

We studied in the 60-70-80's. We were dating in the 70-80-90's. We got married and discovered the world in the 70-80-90's. We ventured into the 80-90's. We stabilized in the 2000's. We got wiser in the 2010's.

And we are going firmly through and beyond 2020. Turns out we've lived through EIGHT different decades...

TWO different centuries... TWO different millennia... We have gone from the telephone with an operator for long-distance calls to video calls to anywhere in the world.

We have gone from slides to YouTube, from vinyl records to online music, from handwritten letters to email and WhatsApp. From live matches on the radio, to black and white TV, colour TV and then to 3D HD TV.

We went to the Video store and now we watch Netflix. We got to know the first computers, punch cards, floppy disks and now we have gigabytes and megabytes on our smartphones.

We wore shorts throughout our childhood and then long trousers, Oxfords, flares, shell suits & blue jeans.

We dodged infantile paralysis, meningitis, polio, tuberculosis, swine flu and now COVID-19.

We rode skates, tricycles, bicycles, mopeds, petrol or diesel cars and now we drive hybrids or electric.

Yes, we've been through a lot but what a great life we've had!

They could describe us as "exennials," people who were born in that world of the fifties, who had an analogue childhood and a digital adulthood. We've kind of "Seen-It-All"!

Our generation has literally lived through and witnessed more than any other in every dimension of life. It is our generation that has literally adapted to "CHANGE." A big round of applause to all the members of a very special generation, which will be UNIQUE! **AUTHOR UNKNOWN.**

MEETING DATES FOR 2024

JANUARY 14th—club meeting—9.30am. FEBRUARY 11th—Club meeting—9.30am.

MARCH 10th—club meeting—9.30am. APRIL 14th—club meeting—9.30am.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - CLUB APPROVED ACTIVITIES

2024

- JAN 14** Club meeting—9.30am.
- JAN 12/13/14 Tractor Run. Copmanhurst Area. Arrive Friday in readiness for the run on Saturday and Sunday. More details in the December Newsletter. Contact member Mary Tate 0407 785 669 or Jeff Eggins 0409 318 175. Details in this newsletter.
- JAN 27/28 Allora Machinery and Truck Show. Allora Showground, New England Highway, ALLORA.
- FEB 11** Club meeting—9.30am.
- FEB 17/18 Walcha Antique Machinery and Truck Show.
- FEB 23/24/25 Australian Road Transport Heritage Centre—Gundagai, NSW. It has been proposed The Club hire a bus for this trip. Trudee will chase up costings and accommodation.
- MAR 10** Club meeting—9.30am.
- MAR 10 Harden Machinery Show. 10th Anniversary.
- MAR 16 Trundle Back in Time. Trundle Showground. Flyer in the edition.
- MAR 23 North Coast Classic Speed Boats. Telegraph Point Water Park. Club invited to put on a display.
- APR 6/7 Yesteryear Machinery Rally—Bundaberg QLD. Contact Talitha 0417 463 210 for further details. Flyer will appear in a later newsletter.
- APR 14** Club meeting—9.30am.
- APR Mangrove Mountain Classic Truck and Machinery Show 9am—2pm. Date to be confirmed.
- APR 20 The Diesel, Rust and Dust Truck and Machinery Show. Denman. NSW. Flyer to follow in later newsletter.
- APR 26/27/28 Diesel, Dirt and Damper weekend at Geoff Warwick's place at Hyndmans Creek, west of Wauchope on the Oxley Highway. This is for members and their guests only. Contact Geoff with numbers attending for catering purposes. Ph 6585 6473 or 0428 653 109. If you have a machine bring it along.
- JUL 13/14 Pacin' the Pacific. A route change will be looked at. This will be a self catering event. In other words, participants will have to provide their own meals along the route as there are no suitable eateries along the way. Further details as they come to hand.
- AUG 10 Golden Oldies Truck, Tractor and Quilt Show. Dubbo Showground.
- OCT 5/6 New date for The Wauchope Yesteryear Truck and Machinery Show. And a tractor run on Friday.
- OCT 19/20 Camden Haven Show.
- NOV 16/17 Camden Haven Tractor Run.

If you hear of any events not shown here please contact the Editor and they will be included.