

The Rusty Relic



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TAMWORTH & DISTRICTS ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB INC
P.O. Box 5045 Tamworth 2340



**FAREWELL
LUNCH FOR
GARMENT'S**
23 June 2024

Roger & Jenny
being presented
Honorary Club
Members by
Mike Pett
at North
Tamworth
Bowling Club

Peter Walton's
1964 EH
Holden &
David Smith's
1965 HD
Holden
at Attunga Park
23 June 2024

*Photos by
Val &
Gary Grout*



Tamworth & Districts Antique Motor Club Inc.

“Dedicated to the Restoration, Preservation & Use of Antique Motor Vehicles”

Correspondence to:	PO Box 5045, SOUTH TAMWORTH 2340 email: tamworth.damc@gmail.com	
Club Meetings:	FIRST THURSDAY of each month (except January)	7.15 for 7.30pm start at Salvation Army Church Meeting Room 328 Goonoo Goonoo Road, South Tamworth
Committee Meetings:	Third Thursday of each month (except January)	7.30 pm at venue to be advised Members welcome to attend
Club Newsletter	“The Rusty Relic”	Published by the committee
Affiliated with:	Council of Heritage Motor Clubs	www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au
TfNSW (RMS):	Conditional Registration Website:	https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/roads/vehicle-registration/how-to-register-a-vehicle/historic-vehicles/index.html

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Requirements for vehicles/motorcycles on Historic Vehicle Scheme (HVS):

- They **MUST** be as **CLOSE TO ORIGINAL CONDITION** as possible, with **NO ALTERATIONS** except for safety features, such as turn indicators & seat belts, and **must be over 30 years old**.
- TDAMC Members are permitted to attend events listed in the ‘**Rusty Relic**’ Events page, but **you will need to carry a copy of the latest magazine or events page with you**.

Logbook 60-day scheme: Members that are on the 60-day Logbook Scheme must fill in the booklet for each day’s use **if it is not listed in Club Events**.

Logbook must be filled out for maintenance (test runs), rego checks & personal use and carried with you. (If not on logbook scheme you must contact the Secretary for maintenance runs and personal use).

See back page for more information

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) (previously RMS) website:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/driving-boating-and-transport/vehicle-registration/how-to/historic-vehicles>



TDAMC EVENTS CALENDAR 2024

Events Co-Ordinators
 Gary Grout Ph 0427656149
 Barry Thomas Ph 0401435892

July	3	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	4	General Meeting & AGM 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room Memberships due 1st July - Direct Payment BSB932000 TDAMC Acc N°100072873 \$25pp
	14	Short Club Run - meet at Bunnings between 9am & 11am for Show & Shine - Coffee available to buy - Option for drive/ride after 11.00am - lunch will be at the Cafe in Gate St Kootingal Ph or text 0427656149 by 11th July for lunch booking
	17	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES meet 10.00am at Bakery 306 Goonoo Goonoo Rd Also for car members – lunch venue to be decided on the day
	19-21	TDAMC Annual Bike Rally - based at Paradise Park, East Tamworth ALL MEALS have to be booked by 12th July for catering ph or text Allen on 0418805221 Friday from 12:00pm Rally Registration at Rally HQ free tea and coffee available. Friday Ride commencing 2:00pm, Friday evening BBQ and raffle (gold coin per person donation). Saturday Night Dinner Red Rooster Classic Roast meal with an extra piece of chicken and a chocolate mousse for dessert served at Rally HQ Cost \$25. Sunday morning BBQ breakfast pre-ride (gold coin per person donation). Sunday BBQ farewell lunch after short ride (gold coin donation).
	25	Thursday Mid Week lunch 12noon at Oxley Lookout. BYO BBQ food for lunch. BBQ provided. If weather is not favourable, lunch will be at Central Chines Restaurant. Ph 0427656149
Aug	1	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room Memberships due 1 st July - Direct Payment BSB932000 TDAMC Acc N°100072873 \$25pp
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	21	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES meet 10.00am at Bakery 306 Goonoo Goonoo Rd Also for car members – lunch venue to be decided on the day
	?	Mid Week LUNCH meet 12.00noon at place to be decided
	18	Five-way rally Bingara CWA Park - meet with Inverell, Gunnedah, Narrabri, & 2 Tamworth clubs Club Run to be decided
Sept	4&18	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	5	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room
	14-15	Northwest Annual SWAP MEET – Gunnedah Showground – Car & Bike Display on Sunday
Oct	25-28	Great Eastland Rally based at Coffs Harbour Showground - hosted by Coffs Harbour Veteran Vintage and Classic Car Club & commemorating their 50 th Anniversary - <i>entry form available</i>

NOTE: When on a Tamworth & Districts Antique Motor Club Inc event the Club is not liable if you cause a road accident or breach road rules, it is the responsibility of the driver or rider.

OTHER EVENTS 2024 (Use LOGBOOK for these events if using Historic Registered Vehicle)		
July	4	Every Thursday - LOGBOOK Tar Rides - meet 10.00am – BP Viaduct Service Station
	6-7	Coffs Harbour SUPER SWAP – Coffs Harbour Showground. Adults \$5 / Pensioners \$3 / Children free
	9&23	Tuesday - LOGBOOK Dirt Bike Rides – meet 10.00am at BP Viaduct Service Station
	28	Nabiac SWAP MEET for bikes
Aug	1	Every Thursday - LOGBOOK Tar Rides - meet 10.00am – BP Viaduct Service Station
	13&27	Tuesday - LOGBOOK Dirt Bike Rides – meet 10.00am at BP Viaduct Service Station
Sept	5	Every Thursday - LOGBOOK Tar Rides - meet 10.00am – BP Viaduct Service Station
	15	Port Macquarie SWAP MEET – Port Macquarie Racecourse from 7am
	21-23	Parkes Antique Motor Club 46 th Motorcycle Rally
Oct	5	Every Thursday - LOGBOOK Tar Rides - meet 10.00am – BP Viaduct Service Station

Logbook Events

June Every Thurs Logbook tar rides - meet 10am at Viaduct Park Servo
11&25 Tues Logbook dirt bike rides - meet 10am at Viaduct Park Servo
21-23 100th Anniversary of Motorcycle Grand Prix Rally at Goulburn

Other Events as per events page

Social Committee: Raffle won by Brian Wiggs

Sargent at Arms: no fines

Meeting Closed: 8.05pm

Next Meeting Date: General Meeting & AGM to be held 4th July 2024

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## **MEMBERSHIPS DUE 1<sup>st</sup> JULY 2023: \$25 single, \$50 couple**

**MEMBERSHIPS can be paid at a meeting.**

**OR BY MAIL** to PO Box 5045, South Tamworth 2340

**OR DIRECT DEPOSIT** to Regional Australia Bank BSB 932000 Account N<sup>o</sup>100072873 and you need to **include your name in the details** section.

**OR IN PERSON** at the Regional Australia Bank, Cnr Peel & Brisbane Sts, and you need to **include your name on the deposit.**

*("Historic Vehicle Declaration 1259 Form" for Rego will not be stamped and signed if your membership is not current)*



**JULY: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wayne Magann, 5<sup>th</sup> Gary Grout, 5<sup>th</sup> Peter Walton, 16<sup>th</sup> Bev Smith**

## **HISTORIC VEHICLE/BIKE REGISTRATIONS**

If your HVS vehicle is **due for registration within the next 2 months**, collect a signed and stamped RMS "Historic Vehicle Declaration 1259 Form" from Val at a meeting or on a club run, or arrange with Val to have it mailed to you. *(It must be original so cannot be emailed)*. Gregg McLean can also stamp and sign off on the 1259 Form.

Phone Peter Walton on 0414669434 for Rego checks on motorcycles and you will be able to get the form stamped and signed then, **as long as your membership is current.**

Wayne Walton is also doing rego checks for bikes ph 0421110634.

***(Membership payments due 1st July)***

## **MID WEEK BIKE RIDE FOR OLDER BIKES AND CARS – 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Morning tea was held at Goonoo Goonoo Road Bakery. This time we were seated inside as it was quite cool. Attendees were: Dave Smith<sup>2</sup> with 1986 BMW motorcycle and in modern cars were: David Smith<sup>1</sup>, Peter Walton, Neil Thornton, Gary & Val Grout. Plenty of time for chatting over coffee and my vanilla slice was very nice.

Ray Searle still doing the grey nomad trip, so Dave<sup>2</sup> was the only bike rider. Bit too cold for Neil to ride all the way from Currabubula and back. Apparently this happened to be the coldest day so far this year.

- Val Grout

**LOGBOOK RIDES – June 2024**

**Tuesday – 11<sup>th</sup> June – Dirt Ride**

Funeral today so can only report only ride going to Curlewis via Babbinboon Lane. More info when I meet the boys for coffee Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June – Tar Ride**

Coffee and a yarn today. Boys tell me they had eight starters for Tuesday’s dirt ride. Boys really enjoyed the ride 240kl all up. Long ride on some new tracks, so sorry I missed out. Creek crossings, plenty of mud but no falls so that’s good to hear. Raving about pies at Curlewis, reckon they’re four inches high but don’t really believe them. Guess I’ll have to ride out and sample one. Couple of Roos gave one rider a moment. 240klms is a fair ride on dirt so most refuelled at Currabubula before heading home via Warral Road.

I decided to take the long way home from BP Viaduct. Attunga, Somerton then home before lunch. Roadworks on Somerton-Tamworth Highway with two sets of lights. Not much of a delay so all good but must start wearing winter jacket (very good today).

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Tar Ride**

Rolled my old Suzuki out of the shed, fitted with brand new battery (battery let me down just once too often). Light drizzling rain and temperature as cold as the looks you get from some of the car mob when someone’s eaten all of their scones. Pushed bike back in shed without even starting it. Nobody on bikes today (very cold) but good roll up for coffee.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Dirt Ride**

Perfect day for a ride today this time around back of Keepit Dam. Dirt roads in very good condition all the way to Manilla. Bakery for lunch, pies, salad rolls, coffee all nice. Plenty of cakes and slices if so inclined. Back way home via Yarramanbully Road. Always a good track, couple of roos, Angus cattle and some sheep on the road but easily avoided if paying attention. Country looking good and roads not that dusty. About 200kl today, no falls and good company so a good time was had by all. Home by about 4pm.



At Manilla Bakery for lunch

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Tar Ride**

Not much happening today, just usual coffee and a yarn.

Decided to service dirt bike instead of riding around the block. Rally not far away now, so now’s a good time to get it done. Change oil and filter, new spark plug, adjust and oil chain but most importantly wash and oil air filter. Dusty roads really make the air filters earn their keep.

Rally July 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> so hoping all our wonderful members put their hands up again for a job or just help in any way they can.  
- Barry Thomas

- Logbook Dirt Rides 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> July - meet 10am Viaduct Park Servo
- Logbook Tar Rides every Thursday - meet 10am Viaduct Park Servo
- **TDAMC Bike Rally** - Friday 19<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July - based at Paradise Tourist Park
- Rides for older bikes 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday - meet 10am at Bakery on Goonoo Goonoo Rd

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**MIDWEEK LUNCH – 19<sup>th</sup> June**

TDAMC attendees were: Jim Kline & Auriel Smart; Gary & Val Grout; David Smith; Warwick & Allison Hord; Bill & Anne Hobbins.

We met at Central Chinese Restaurant. Nice big meal so Gary and I took home a ‘doggy bag’. Good to see Bill & Anne join us. Bill has a 1972 BMW motorcycle that in recent times he only rides it once each year to get it passed for registration. In his younger days he rode a motorcycle as a cheap means of travel. His 1994 Toyota Hilux Ute now qualifies for HVS. He will be backup Bill for the club’s bike rally.

- Val Grout

## BUNNINGS SHOW & SHINE – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June

TDAMC attendees were: David Smith<sup>1</sup>; Steve Grierson; Garry & Val Grout in modern cars. Nothing to see here, only one historic car which was Brian Orman's 1939 Morris convertible. Had a chat with Brian in the car park before going into Bunnings. Grout's had coffee with David and Steve and a long chat. Then went to Dragon Palace Chinese for lunch while Judy was baby-sitting animals for daughter and family while on a trip to Fiji. Had usual sundae for dessert at Hungry Jacks.

It was a long weekend and some cars were at the Manilla Machinery Group Show which started Friday with tractor run. Wet weather deterred our club members going there on the Saturday, only David<sup>1</sup> went in his VW Combi Van. Brian Orman from TVCC was there in his Morris convertible, had to clean off the mud before going to Bunnings. Most of the cars at Manilla on the Saturday were from Manilla. There were quite a few trucks, tractors & stationery engines.

A few of Tamworth Vintage Car Club members went on the Saturday to open house of Dorothea Mackellar's family home 'Kurrumbede', 25km north-west of Gunnedah. A 3000 hectare station once owned by the Mackellar family for almost 40 years. Purchased in 1905 by Dorothea Mackellar's father, who later built the homestead, 'Kurrumbede' and was one of the poet Dorothea Mackellar's favourite holiday retreats.  
– Val Grout

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CLUB RUN & GARMENT'S FAREWELL LUNCH – 23rd June

We started with morning tea at Attunga Park in the sunshine, 10 degrees at 10am. Weather lately has been cold with lots of cloudy days. While there we welcomed some members for morning tea from Tamworth Vintage Car Club: Brian & Phillip Orman - Mustang, Brian Chesterfield & Heather Frankel – 1961 FB Holden, David Longmire - 1966 HR Holden, and another in a Mercedes. The TVCC members turned up to catch up with Roger & Jenny before they moved to Tasmania but unfortunately they weren't able to attend morning tea due to just travelling back from Tassie the previous day.



David Longmire's HR Holden



Brian Chesterfield's FB Holden

The lunch venue was to be Somerton Hotel but was changed to North Tamworth Bowling Club when we heard the date that Roger, Jenny & Emma were moving to Tasmania in very early July. I then let members know of the change and to keep it as a surprise that we were doing a farewell lunch for them.

After morning tea we travelled from Attunga to Davidsons Lane, Moore Creek Rd, Browns Lane, Forest Rd, Bligh St to the North Tamworth Bowling Club for lunch.



Morning tea time at Attunga Park



Dave & Wendy's BMW

It was great to see many members able to attend. It looked like we were holding a Christmas in July only it was June. Dave² presented Roger & Jenny with a bottle of wine and a card signed by members. He spoke about Roger being a wonderful, helpful friend.

Brian Jammo gave a talk saying he had known Roger for a very long time, being good friends, and that they have similar skills - old car restoration and carpentry. Frank spoke of knowing Roger since going to primary school together, then joining TDAMC after leaving school (very early members not long after the club started). Barry Thomas spoke on behalf of motorcycle members thanking Roger for all the work he did with the Annual Bike Rally. Roger organised the food for last year's bike rally and ended up with only one slice of bread short for the Sunday. Warwick worked for years with Roger at Department of Main Roads until jobs were lost in a restructure. That's how he knew about joining our club.

Mike spoke on behalf of the club members wishing Roger & Jenny all the best in their move and said that we'll be holding a club run to Tassie, after their house is built. He announced that we decided to make them Honorary Members and he presented them with a certificate of appreciation.

Roger responded about being in the club during the past 50 Years and enjoying his time. He said he intended to stay in the club and was ready to renew his & Jenny's membership. They didn't even know previously that the lunch was held for them, it was a surprise.

They will surely be missed - holding various positions on committee, attending club events and rallies away from home, assisting in running rallies with visiting clubs and being great friends. Mustn't forget Roger restoring the second-hand club trailer during COVID using old paint he had in his workshop. He was awarded the 'Dyke Award' for this. Don't think there is any warranty on the trailer when Gregg takes over custody of it. We thank you very much for your friendship and many years of dedication and service to the club. Goodluck in your new adventures.



Neil Thornton's Holden ute & Jim & Auriel's Morrie



Gregg McLean's Triumph TR6



Good to see Neil's WB Holden ute after being garaged for awhile
- photos by Gary Grout

Attendees for morning tea were: Jim Kline & Auriel Smart - 1958 Morris Minor; Peter Walton - 1964 EH Holden; David Smith - 1965 HD Holden; Gregg McLean - 1974 Triumph TR6 convertible; Neil Thornton - 1980 WB Holden Ute; Dave & Wendy Smith - 1986 BMW Coupe; Mike Pett - motorcycle; Gary & Val Grout; Warwick & Allison Hord.

Attendees for the lunch were the above plus the following: Roger & Jenny Garment; Brian & Pat Jamieson; Frank Edwards; Barry Thomas & Elaine Constable; Steve & Judy Grierson; Barry & Cheryl Smith; Bev Barnsley; Michael Jeanes; Mark Jeanes & Jae Price.

Apologies were from: Brian Wiggs, Bev Smith, Steve Ryan, Pat Lawlor, Reg & Heather Roberts, Robert Lockwood, Rick Langdown, Ray Searle, Bill Hobbins, Christine Barber, Lionel & Gwen Bridge, Rob & Merrill Nixon. Rob & Merrill have just moved to Queensland to be close to family. They were early members of the club, then left for a while and rejoined again. Sorry we didn't get to say goodbye to them as they had to get moving as soon as their place was sold.

After a great get-together over lunch we said farewell to Roger and Jenny and wishing them all the best in their move and house building in Tasmania, a really big change for them after living in Tamworth all their life. Hopefully we'll meet up again, and soon.

There wasn't any desserts at the bowling club so David, Steve, Judy, Gary & Val went for a sundae at Hungry Jacks. "Now I have heard everything, Gary". On a previous time at Hungry Jacks, Gary went to the men's toilet and had trouble getting in the door as a guy had a power cable running across from the hand dryer to the basin area, toasting his sandwich. That's how to beat the rising cost of electricity.

- Val Grout



Dave Smith² presenting Roger & Jenny a farewell gift of a bottle of wine



Brian Jamieson (right) speaking about his friendship with Roger - Dave², Jenny, Roger & Mike



Frank Edwards (standing) saying about knowing Roger from primary school days
and then joining the club just after leaving school
photos by Gary & Val Grout

For Sale

1966 HR Holden special, 2 speed power glide 186.
Sky blue with white roof, fine example of this classic.
All rubbers in great condition, a few spare parts.
On club registration. Manuals, original spare,
matching old school metal esky.
\$40,000 Call Warren on 0419294776



Wanted

Front bumper bar for 1965 Morris Major Elite
Ph Jim on 0428626086

**Entries Close
8th July**



TAMWORTH & DISTRICTS ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB

ANNUAL BIKE RALLY

19th 20th & 21st July 2024 based at Paradise Tourist Park

Entry Forms are now available

Contact: 0418 805 221 OR Email: tamworth.damc@gmail.com

TDAMC members need to order their meals by 12th July

JUST FOR FUN

Most bald people still own a comb.
They just can't part with it!

The farmer allows the walkers to cross the field for free, but the bull charges.

If you get lost in the bush, find a kangaroo and follow it.
You'll be in the middle of the road in no time.



Twenty-five years ago we had Johnny Cash, Bob Hope, and Steve Jobs.
Now we have No Cash, No Hope and No Jobs.
This shouldn't happen.
But the Politicians have now received a pay rise.



~ ~ NOTICES ~ ~

- Rego checks for HVS (Historic Vehicle Scheme) cars to be done with Stuart, Brent or Dion Larkham at Engines 4U, 117 Marius St, Tamworth - Phone 67613636 for booking.
- Cars new to the club are to be inspected for HVS eligibility by David Smith¹ ph 0411351418.
- Rego checks for HVS motorcycles to be done by Peter Walton ph 0414669434, or Wayne Walton ph 0421110634, or at Engines 4U ph 67613636 for booking.

Requirements for vehicles/motorcycles on HVS (Historic Vehicle Scheme):

- They **MUST** be as **CLOSE TO ORIGINAL CONDITION** as possible, with **NO ALTERATIONS** except for safety features and must be **OVER 30 YEARS OLD**.

USE OF LOGBOOK: (a new Logbook will only be issued by RMS when your registration is due)

- Logbooks allow up to 60 days use per registration year. They are to be used for maintenance, Rego checks and personal use when out on a public road if it is not listed in TDAMC events.
- The driver's **FULL NAME** and the date must be entered in the Logbook at the start of each day's use. Only one entry per day is required, regardless of how many different drivers or trips taken that day.
- Entries in the Logbook must be in blue or black ink and must be carried in the vehicle when in use.
- Logbooks must be made available on request by a NSW Police Officer or an Authorised Officer and may be subject to audit.
- If the allocated 60 days Logbook use is exhausted, the vehicle can **ONLY** be used for club related events.

IF NOT ON THE LOGBOOK SCHEME maintenance runs need to go in the Day Book held by the secretary, also if attending rallies that are not listed in the magazine a Permit to Move Form is to be filled out.

FOR CLUB EVENTS: you need to carry a copy of the club's magazine or events page.

NOTE: TDAMC members with HVS registered vehicles/bikes **must attend at least 3 events per year**.

When out on the road on a TDAMC event make sure you abide by the road rules – **the driver/rider is responsible if in breach of RMS road rules or in an accident that the driver/rider is at fault.**