

Western Sydney Historical Truck Club



October 2022

Golden Oldies Truck, Tractor & Quilt Show - Dubbo Sunday 13 August by Garry Schroder

The Show was always going ahead despite constant rain falling for Thursday and Friday before show day. The Golden Oldies Club had put in place contingency plans. The exhibits were concentrated around the grounds, under the big pavilion, and two sheds.

Thirty WSHTC club members attended. Most arrived on Friday in very wet conditions.

The sun shone briefly for about 12 hours between downpours on the Saturday Show Day. Then the rain returned on Sunday, along with hail.

The number of trucks on display was excellent - over 150 from Victoria, Queensland and all over NSW. One of the outstanding trucks on show was Les Bird's recently restored Mercedes Benz. Member Perry Bourke had his two very well presented trucks there, including his 1986 Atkinson 4870 which was quite a standout.

Patron numbers through the gates were down probably due to the wet weather.



"Anything that costs you your peace is too expensive."

Weethalle Truck Show

Sunday 21 August 2022

by Bruce Brown

If you haven't experienced the hospitality of these country Truck Shows then you should put them on your Bucket List as this one is up there with the best. Five club members made the trip to Weethalle for the show organised by Errol Jolly. Snow Lovett (Snow's 'White' Truck) & his crew arrived there about midweek & set up camp in the showground. Mal Brown (Peterbuilt), Joe Vella (Ford Louiseville), Screwy Louiey & myself (Toyota 6000 Rice Burner) arrived at Errol Jolly's property mid-afternoon on Friday. We were made most welcome. There was power & water supplied, along with the use of an outside shower & toilet. There was even a shedded truck wash.

I headed into town Saturday morning for a look around & to catch up with Andy Nash's mate Danno' who runs "The Road Kill Café" in town. I bought lunch there which must have been a recent road kill as it was quite tasty. Later I went out to the Showground and met up with a few campers before returning back to Errol's. Errol, his wife, Vicki and their daughters supplied & cooked a meal for around 20- 30 people who had arrived through the day with their trucks. There were two drum fires roaring for people to stand by or sit around and tell a few 'true lies'. Some of us called it quits about 11pm but the amber liquid was still flowing at 3am. I think 6am came around pretty early for some.

Sunday morning, the trucks were given a quick dry off, taken to the Showground and put in place before the public arrived. The trucks were combined in a rural country show with stalls, equestrian events, a car show, tractor pull & display and a group of Country & Western Singers. 27 trucks entered for judging by Jackson Meredith from Leeton Cummins. Out of the 13 category's for judging the winners from WSHTC were

- Best Restored 1st – Joe Vella;
- Best 20 ys+ 1st Snow Lovett. 2nd B&K Brown
- Best Rigid 2nd B&K Brown
- The Truck of the Show was Benny Pertell's brand new SAR KW Legend.

A big thanks to all the sponsors who with their generous donations help to make this show such a success. It was a great weekend with great people – only Bernie's music was missing around the fire drums at night – I'm booked in for next year.



“Maroota Muster” - Maroota Public School

Sunday 21 August

by Jon Cauchi



The Maroota Muster is held every August in the grounds of Maroota Public School.

It was first held in 1981 as the P&C Spring Carnival. It has since developed into something bigger.

Fast forward to Sunday, 21 August 2022... It was a fine clear morning and a great day to take the truck out on a 45 minute drive to Maroota, and I arrived at 9.30am. Most of the vehicles on display had already arrived and parked up in their designated positions. There was only about 20 trucks and maybe 100 cars.

The event was well supported by the school families and the local community. A few rides kept the younger kids happy while a chocolate wheel kept many entertained at trying their luck to win the prizes up for grabs. The boys and girls of the Kachan School of Tumbling and Performance from South Windsor were doing their thing. There were various stalls that provided scones, corn-on-the-cob, hotdogs, cakes and pies. Coffee and ice cream vans were kept busy.

I grabbed a quick bite to eat and headed off around 12.30pm. It wasn't too shabby a way to kill a couple of hours.

“Thinking is difficult, that's why most people judge.” - Carl Jung

BREKKY MEALS: At the AGM it was decided to increase the cost of meals to \$10.00.

Please have the correct money as it will make it easier for the treasurer/money collector and quicker for you to get your breakfast.

Payments at Events...

Breakfast meal tickets will be sold up to 9.00am. All other payments, will be collected from 9.00am - 10.00am. After the 1 hour collection period expires, all further payments should be placed in an envelope (supplied on the table) and sealed and, with your name, membership number and what the payment relates to written on the front. It can then be handed to the Treasurer, President or Secretary.

The Treasurer will issue you with a receipt at the next event or post it with your next newsletter.

2022- 2023 Committee Members		
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“What you want exists. Don’t settle until you get it.”

The Clarendon Classic - Kenworth Klassic - 2022



There's a saying, "It's been a long time between drinks." When referenced to the Clarendon Classic the sentiment certainly applies. The last Clarendon Classic was in September 2019. The past 3 years has taken that time away from all our lives due to the Covid 19 pandemic and the La Nina weather patterns. I feared a cancellation when Mother Nature dumped 30mm on the showground the day before setup and caused a moat to form along Racecourse Road. Anyway the sun was shining when I turned up on the Saturday and the standard of exhibits was like it has always been - magnificent. Steam engines, stationary engines, antique bikes, circuit race cars, models, military vehicles, something different - a jet engine, and trucks - lots of trucks. Since my interest is trucks and there were hundreds of them, I include photos of the best of them... starting at WSHTC HQ - the Green Shed.



"You are allowed to scream, you are allowed to cry, but never give up on life."



Max Keogh's KW recently restored by Bruce Gunter with the help from specialist friends



While driving through the mud Bernie Learson stops to ask for directions to the Kenworth Klassic



"Life is too short to argue and fight. Count your blessings....."

Clarendon Classic continued



It was a very good show. Sunday was the better day with patron numbers bigger than the day before. People of all ages seemed to enjoy their day out amongst all the history. It was wonderful to see the little kids wanting to learn - asking questions and listening to the answers. I look forward to the next Clarendon Classic when I will bring my own piece of history.

NEW SENIORS EXAM

I'm only sending this to the brightest of my older friends.

This test will keep that dreaded disease that affects your memory at bay!
New Senior's Exam, you only need 4 correct out of 10 questions to pass.

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years' War last?
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut?
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
- 5) What is a camel's hairbrush made of?
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
- 7) What was King George VI's first name?
- 8) What colour is a purple finch?
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
- 10) What is the colour of the black box in a commercial airplane?

Remember, you need only 4 correct answers to pass.

Check your answers over the page ...

... Value the people who love you and make the most of each day."

ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years War last? 116 years
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats? Ecuador
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut? Sheep and Horses
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution? November
- 5) What is a camel's hairbrush made of? Squirrel fur
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal? Dogs
- 7) What was King George VI's first name? Albert
- 8) What colour is a purple finch? Crimson
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from? New Zealand
- 10) What is the colour of the black box in a commercial airplane? Orange (of course)

What do you mean, you failed? Me, too!

(And if you try to tell me you passed, you LIED!)



Attendance at Events... When attending an event sanctioned by the WSHTC make sure you sign the attendance book! Our insurance covers you when you can prove your attendance at an event should any mishap occur.

If you attend a sanctioned event and there is no attendance book present, you must send an email with the event details, including your name, date and location to wshctrucks01@gmail.com to be covered by the club's insurance. If you do not email the details then you will not be insured.

Moving house?

Email your updated contact address details to wshctrucks01@gmail.com or text message to 0417 068 144

For those members who haven't reached retirement yet, this is what you have to look forward to and why I like retirement...

- Q. How many days in a week?** A. 6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday
- Q. When is a retiree's bedtime?** A. Two hours after falling asleep on the couch.
- Q. How many retirees does it take to change a light bulb?** A. Only one, but it might take all day.
- Q. What's the biggest gripe of retirees?** A. There's not enough time to get everything done.
- Q. Why don't retirees mind being called Seniors?** A. The term comes with a 10% discount.
- Q. Among retirees, what is considered formal attire?** A. Laced up shoes.

"One of the lessons that I grew up with was to always stay true to yourself and never let what somebody else says to distract you from your goals"

- Michelle Obama

MEMBERSHIP FEES

All membership renewal fees (\$50.00 per member) are due and payable every year by 30 June.

Payments can be made by:

- ◆ Cash at an event;
- ◆ Cheque or money order made out to WSHTC and posted to PO Box 3140, Rouse Hill, 2155;
- ◆ Bank deposit or EFT to the Club's bank account: **BSB 032371 Account No. 396047**

Please include your name and member ID number as a reference.

When making an EFT payment please advise Treasurer Garry Schroder of the payment, either by a text message to his mobile 0467 592 043, or emailed to gary.schroder@icloud.com

If you have not paid your membership fees by 30 June...

- You will be non financial and will not be covered by Club's insurance.
- Your subscription to the newsletter will be cancelled, and
- Your truck rego will also be cancelled with the RMS.

Members who have not renewed their membership and not paid their fees after 3 months, will have their membership automatically cancelled without warning.

■ Club Merchandise...

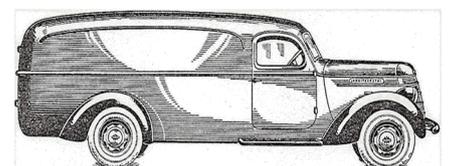
The following club merchandise is available for purchase:

Polo Shirts - \$40.00 each - sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL
 Jackets - \$60.00 each - sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL
 Windscreen Stickers \$4.00 ea Baseball caps \$15.00 ea Name badges \$10.00 ea
 Number plate frames - \$15.00 per pair 10th Anniversary mugs - \$20.00 each

Merchandise must be paid for at the time of ordering from David West. You can pay cash or EFT directly into the club's bank account - **BSB 032371 Account 396047**. Please include your name and member ID number as a reference.

When making an EFT payment please advise Treasurer Garry Schroder of the payment, either by a text message to his mobile 0467 592 043, or emailed to gary.schroder@icloud.com Garry will supply you with a receipt which you must show to David when you collect your order. If you don't have a receipt from Garry, then you cannot claim your merchandise. For all merchandise enquiries please contact David on 0409 724 647.

*May you always have:
 Love to share, Cash to spare, Tires with air,
 And friends who care.*



CLASSIFIEDS

■ **FOR SALE:** 1969 Ford F700 with 86,000 original miles on the clock. It has a 300 CID six-cylinder engine with 5 speed Clarke gearbox and two-speed diff. It is mechanically tight throughout. The clutch and gearbox feel firm and like new. I have rough sawn hardwood on the back drying for the deck replacement, ready for someone to lay into the tray. I simply don't have the time I need to restore the truck externally. The truck is located at Silverdale, NSW. Asking \$15,000 ono. Contact Perry Scarfe by mobile 0499 755 570 or email perryscarfe@bigpond.com.



■ **FOR SALE:** 1981 KENWORTH K123 BIG CAB VT 903 350 CUMMINS; 15 SPEED 14615 ROADRANGER DIRECT TOP GEAR; 44,000lb ROCKWELL DIFFS. In very good working condition One owner for 27 years. Asking \$40,000 Call Terry 0429 911 363 Located in Peakhurst NSW



HELP WANTED.... We need volunteers for about half an hour at breakfast meetings to help set-up, prepare, cook or serve. Currently there is the same group of people who volunteer their time at every event helping without being able to enjoy the event while others do. This is your club, be part of it, do your part and offer your assistance to help-out so someone else can enjoy the event too.

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Albert Namatjira

My father, Alwyn Becker of Taroom, was the local Ampol agent during the 1950s and 60s, and from that time I recall seeing advertising material that came through when Ampol decided to sponsor Albert Namatjira. Ampol brought Albert Namatjira to Sydney in 1956 and donated him a Dodge utility to assist him to travel the country.

It is good to see the Ampol name has come back, and seeing Albert and the Dodge beside an Ampol bowser brings back some memories. It's great to see these two Australian icons together.

*Vaughn



Welcome Aboard to New Members:

Since the last newsletter we welcome the following new member to our group of 'Cool Kids' and Crazy 'Old Truck' Enthusiasts.

Charley Palmer



**When not going on a club sanctioned event,
Remember to fill out your log book before taking your
truck out on the road.**

■ **Requirements for Historic Registration:**

For vehicles previously registered on historical plates, you will need the following:

1. RMS Conditional Registration Renewal form (sent to you by RMS prior to renewal);
2. "Historic Vehicle Declaration" form, duly filled out with you and your trucks details, (Do not fill out the club registrar's part)
3. "Pink Slip" available from a local mechanics garage.

For vehicles NOT previously registered on historic plates, you will need to fill out a registration application form plus you will need item 2. and item 3. above.

**Send all originals plus a copy of each to Steve Pardey,
PO Box 3140, Rouse Hill, 2155**

Steve will return the originals to you after he has completed his part of the process so that you can then go to the RMS to complete the historic registration of your vehicle.

If you have any queries, contact Steve on 0412 646 280

"There are people in my life that I'm convinced are angels without wings."

GET WELL SOON: Long time member, Lionel Penberthy recently had a mishap, breaking a few bones and finished up in Campbelltown Hospital. On behalf of all the club members we wish Lionel a speedy recovery.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 16 October - Breakfast Run at Campbelltown Steam and Machinery Museum at 86 Menangle Road, Gilead. Bring \$10.00, chair and cup/mug. Please contact Andy 0416 869 464 for catering purposes.

Sunday 16 October - DAM FEST 2022 - Car, Bike & Historic Truck Show at Warragamba Recreation Reserve. Gates open at 8.00am - no entry after 10.00am. Pre-register by email to community@wsnc.org.au or register on the day. For more information contact Sandra on 0415 458 462.

Sunday 23 October - Lunch run to Gunning via the Old Hume Highway. Please contact Phil Longhurst on 0423 017 312 for details and catering numbers at the "Old Hume Café"

Saturday 12 November - Gunning Historic Motor Club 10 year Anniversary - 10am to 3pm at the Gunning Shire Hall/showground. Come along in your historic vehicle. A two course lunch will be available. RSVP by 12/10/22 with payment for catering purposes due to limited numbers. RSVP to heatgj@gmail.com Meal payment to CBA BSB 062629 Account 10184734 @ \$20.00 per person. Use your name as a reference.

Sunday 13 November - Gulgong Swap Meet and Car, Bike, Truck & Tractor Show at Gulgong Showground, Gulgong. Set-up Saturday 12 November. Enquiries Scotty 0434 058 038

Sunday 4 December - Christmas Party at Oakdale Workers Club. It will be a ticketed event and pre-bookings are essential and a \$10.00 deposit per person must be paid to confirm your place. People who have not prepaid and turn up on the day will have to make their own arrangements for lunch.

Sunday 8 January - First Breakfast run for the new year at the Warragamba Recreation Reserve, as in previous years. Bring mug, \$10.00, and chair. Contact Andy on 0416 869 464 for catering purposes

Thursday 26 January - Australia Day as in previous years (prior to covid)

- ◆ at the Australian Pioneer Village, Wilberforce - Contact Ron Ross (02) 4576 3423.
- ◆ at Camden - contact David West 0409 724 647.