

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday 26 January - Australia Day** - at the Australian Pioneer Village, Wilberforce - Contact Ron Ross (02) 4576 3423

- at Camden Contact David West 0409 724 647

**Saturday 25 February** - ARTHC Tractor Pull & Swap meet at Gundagai Showground, Cnr Tor Street and Jack Moses Ave, Gundagai. Setup on Friday 24th

**Saturday 4 March - Lockhart Truck Show** - Lockhart Showground, 111 Federal Street, Lockhart. Enquiries - Peter Smith 0458 422 808 after 7.00pm.

**Sunday 12 March** - Harden Truck and Tractor Show at the Murrumburrah Harden Showground, Woolrych Street, Murrumburrah. Entry is free for exhibitors. Camping available on site @ \$25.00 per night. Contact Kevin Sharp (02)6386 5136, mob: 0413 027 932 email: lint-

**Sunday 12 March** - Breakfast run at Blacktown Car Show, Blacktown Showground. Bring your vintage toy and the family. Stay for brekky only or stay for the whole day. Please contact Andy 0416 869 464 for catering purposes.

**Saturday 18 - Sunday 19 March** -The White Muster at Kyabram Showground, Kyabram, Victoria.

**Friday 24 - Sunday 26 March** - "Haulin' The Hume" Arrive Friday and prepare to depart from Clarendon Showground early Saturday morning.

**Sunday 26 March** - Oakville Fire Brigade Family Day at Pitt Town & Districts Sporting Club, 139 Old Pitt Town Road Pitt Town. Enquiries: Ian 0407 774 348

**Sunday 16 April** - Easter breakfast run at The Egg Man's 'International Museum' - 630 Old Pitt Town Road, Oakville. Please contact Andy 0416 869 464 for catering purposes.

**Saturday 29 April - Putty Road Truck Driver Memorial Service** at Garry E. Miller Park, Milbrodale at 1.00pm. For further information contact Marie Warby on Messenger; mob.0414 621 206 or 45 785 492 or email: warbysm@gmail.com

**Sunday 21 May** - Lunch run to **Robertson Pie Shop**. Meet at 10.00am on the Camden by-pass (Old Hume Highway), just past the Burratorang Road turn off. Please contact Bruce Brown 0428 545 328 for parking and catering purposes.

**Sunday 25 June** - Breakfast run at Camden...details to be advised. Bring \$10.00, mug, chair. Please contact Andy Nash 0416 869 464 for catering purposes.

**This is the last opportunity to renew your membership before the June 30 deadline**

All contributions for publishing in the next Newsletter can be mailed to PO Box 3140. Rouse Hill 2155, or emailed to wshtctrucks01@gmail.com

# Western Sydney Historical Truck Club



January 2023

## Breakfast Run at Campbelltown Steam & Machinery Museum Menangle

- Sunday, 16 October -



It was a bright sunny spring morning, perfect for a barbecue brekky among the gum trees. The Museum was closed to the public because recent rain had made the grounds too soggy. But the museum people were doing maintenance work on various exhibits and allowed us to enjoy our breakfast on site.....

There was a light breeze blowing which was OK in the sun but a bit cool in the shade. There was a good rollup of members, relatives, friends and vintage vehicles. Thankyou to members for parking the trucks on the hardstand as requested by the museum. It was very much appreciated.



50 meal tickets were sold. Bruce Brown ran his famous 50-50 with half the money raised donated to the museum.

◀ These delightful young ladies waited patiently at the station to get a ride on the steam train. When it stopped, they were informed that the train staff weren't collecting fares. They were only testing the train for the roundness of the wheels and loudness of the whistle. Being the youngest, Sarah Vella was elected the fare collector by the other passengers...



*When nothing goes right, go left...*

Breakfast at Menangle continued...



“Your life is a gift. Smile at people who hate you. It drives them crazy!!!”

Historic and classic vehicle logbook and club runs Fact Sheet continued...

**Do I need to fill in the log book when driving interstate?**

Yes, the rules applying to log books and club event use still apply when driving interstate. When interstate, the NSW rules must be followed.

**Can I go on a long trip (multi day)?**

Yes, provided that each driving day is recorded in the log book. For days when the vehicle is parked up (not driven) a log book entry is not required.

**What happens if I use up all of my log book days?**

If you use all of your log book days within any given year of registration, you will be limited to club runs only. When you renew your historic or classic registration, another log book will be issued and you will have another 60 days of personal use for the new 12 month period.

**Historic and classic vehicle log book and club run scenario**

A club run is an event that is publicised in advance, and then recorded by the club's secretary in the club's official diary or meeting minutes. It can include travel from the member's home to the event starting location and return.

**Scenario:** A club run is planned to go from the members' homes to a park in Merrylands, a central meeting place for all club members. From there, the club members will drive to Wollongong lighthouse and back again. No log book or log book entry is required for this club run provided it is declared to be an official club event. However, if a member decides to leave the club run and travel to Kiama before returning home, a log book entry would be required. For non-log book clubs and members, this deviation would not be permitted.

**How do I opt in for a historic and classic vehicle log book?**

For historic registration you must be a member of a club listed on the Transport for NSW list of recognised historic clubs, and for classic registration you must belong to a club affiliated with one of the four approved organisations.

To opt in you need to attend a Service NSW service centre and provide:

- proof of identity such as a NSW driver licence
- current Certificate of Conditional Registration (if available)
- current Certificate of Approved Operations (if available)
- and complete a change of record form.

You can opt in at any time and there is no additional cost.

**What if a club has not opted in for the historic vehicle log book?**

Clubs and their members that have not opted in for the log book can only use their vehicles for club runs and maintenance trips. If a club opts out of the log book, the club members are then also limited to club and maintenance runs only.

Alternatively, historic vehicle owners can join another club that is participating in the log book scheme. Participating clubs may also have club rules or bylaws relating to the use of vehicles within their club.

For more information visit the historic and classic vehicle web page <https://bit.ly/3q272gg>.

Stay informed and sign up to DRIVE, our industry newsletter for road safety and regulation updates. Visit <http://bit.ly/3ibEnyn> or scan the QR code.



This fact sheet has come about thanks to feedback from the Historic and Classic Working Group with representatives from NSW Police, the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs, the Council of Motor Clubs, the NSW Historic Motoring Association, the Motorcycle Council of NSW, the National Historic Machinery Association and the Australian Confederation of Motor Clubs.



**Why do I need a log book?**

A log book allows you to use vehicles registered under the Historic and Classic Vehicle Schemes for up to 60 days per year for maintenance and personal use (general use), outside of club-organised events.

Each day of general use must be recorded in the log book.

**Who must fill in the log book?**

A person responsible for the vehicle can fill in the log book. Only one log book entry is required per day, even if there are multiple drivers.

The daily entry expires at midnight on the day of the log book entry.

The person making the entry in the log book must write their full name and signature each time.

**What if I get a log book part way through the existing registration year?**

Days of general use are calculated pro rata based on remaining registration as per below:

Remaining registration	Number of days
Up to 3 months	15
Over 3 and up to 6 months	30
Over 6 and up to 9 months	45
Over 9 months	60

- This same calculation is applicable if a replacement log book has to be issued.
- You can use the number of days you are eligible for at your discretion throughout the registration period.
- This table is not relevant when you have a full year of registration and have opted in to the log book scheme.

**When do I need to carry the log book?**

The log book must be carried in the vehicle at all times when the vehicle is being used. If you are towing trailers or caravans that are registered under the Historic Scheme, separate log books are required and also must be completed and carried.

**When do I need to carry the Certificate of Approved Operations?**

The certificate is issued to all vehicles registered under the Historic and Classic Vehicle Schemes. It must be carried in the vehicle whenever it is in use, including when using the log book and during club organised events. As with the log book, the certificate of approved operations for trailers or caravans that are registered under the Historic Vehicle Scheme must also be carried.



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**Lunch Run to Gunning**

By Bruce Brown



What started out to be a fairly ordinary day for a lunch run, started with a light shower around Goulburn which deterred the others who had fronted up for the run. As the others turned back at the twin Shell servos to head back home, Sadie said I'm up for a run so lets go driver. As the pictures show it was a good day all round with a top meal as usual at the Highway 31 café. With Gunning's forward thinking they have installed an electric car recharger in the Main Street but to date no electric car has made the distance to Gunning so the only things to make use of it are the local dogs to lift their rear leg and pee on it. Next run down there I'll take an electric Frypan and Jug and have a Barbecue lunch on the foot path at the charging station.



**Welcome Aboard to New Members:**  
 Since the last newsletter we welcome the following new members to our group of 'Cool Kids' and Crazy 'Old Truck' Enthusiasts.  
 Hayden Raddatz  
 Alan Ford; Mark Dubois  
 Liz and Geoff Dobe;  
 Rita Schroder; Sammy Masini  
 Gary Sherwood;  
 Daniel Kennedy.

**With the recent rains and flooding** around NSW I am concerned what the government has planned to fix the problem against future occurrences. After much searching I came across a very helpful government employee who directed me to this office. ▶▶



*Storms don't last forever. The sun will always shine again.*

2022- 2023 Committee Members		
President/ Assistant Registrar	Andy Nash	0416 869 464
Vice President	Darrell Killick	0412 050 224
Secretary / Newsletter Editor	Mike Dodds	0417 068 144
Treasurer	Garry Schroder	0467 592 043
Registrar	Steve Pardey	0412 646 280
Membership Coordinator	Kathleen Toovey	0423 692 802
Major Event & Safety Coordinator	Bruce Gunter	0459 991 929
Events & Safety Assistant Coordinators	Bruce Brown	0428 545 328
	Ron Ross	4576 3423
Events Catering Coordinator	Lynda Hayward	0424 264 734
Merchandising Coordinator	Dave West	0409 724 647

*Note: Bruce Brown has taken over the role of Events and Safety Assistant Coordinator vacated by Phil Longhurst who resigned due to family reasons.*

**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.**

**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 [wshtctrucks01@gmail.com](mailto:wshtctrucks01@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 [wshtctrucks01@gmail.com](mailto:wshtctrucks01@gmail.com) or text message to

*“Never forget where you're coming from.”*



◀ Dutchy is the only truckie I know who carries his own fuel bowser around with him to fill his truck's fuel tank. He said "I won't pay \$2.20/litre full price"

*“Don't be afraid of losing people who aren't in your corner. Be afraid of losing yourself by trying to please everyone around you”*

# THE FIRST BREKKY RUN for 2023 at WARRAGAMBA

Sunday 8th January



From early on Sunday morning the 8th January, the Weather God shone down upon us, providing pleasant sunny conditions for our first event for the year. It is usual for the first run of a year to be well supported by members, family and friends. 2023 was no different with a record over 100 people attending. The car park was overflowing with vintage trucks and cars, some classics and modern cars and utes.

One couple who parked their campervan in the car park overnight were woken early to the loud rumbling exhausts and gear changes of the first dozen trucks arriving en mass. I think they were mystified by the spontaneous truck show that invaded their peace.

Getting breakfast took a little longer than usual... what could you expect with 98 meals purchased. Lynda and her crew put in an amazing effort to feed everyone and even had a few left overs. Thank you to Lynda and her helpers for a job well done!

There were a few announcements made after breakfast... Firstly, it was acknowledged that Lionel Penberthy was celebrating his 85th birthday. Everyone chorused "Happy Birthday" to him. Secondly, Andy announced that the committee had decided to recognise the members who joined between 2009 and 2013 and, who had been members continuously for ten years. He presented them with a ten-year badge and a certificate. Thirdly, The Historic and classic vehicle log book and club runs Fact Sheet has been released and is printed in the newsletter ...see pages 14 and 15.

By 10.45 most people had packed up and gone home. By all counts it was a very successful start to 2023.



## 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, prior to 30 June 2022;
- ◆ 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](mailto:gary.schroder@icloud.com)

If you have not paid your membership fees by 30 June 2023...

- 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 one month, 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 - \$10.00 each
- ⊗ Navy blue, long-sleeve jumpers with the club logo embroidered on the left front are available and can be supplied at \$45.00 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](mailto: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 Brian, then you cannot claim your merchandise. For all

# Three Months Volunteering in Central Australia

June to September 2022 by David West

The Road Transport Hall of Fame and the Ghan Train Museum including the Kenworth Hall of Fame and the Trucks in Action Shed.



Late in June 2022 my wife Noelene and I headed from Camden to Alice Springs to volunteer at the Road Transport Hall of Fame for the third time. Arriving 6 days later we camped with 5 other volunteer groups.

My volunteer jobs included mending flat tyres, hydraulic clutch repairs, recharging flat batteries and towing vehicles out of sheds. Other projects in which I was involved was in the setting up of displays in the RSL section in the Buntine Hall and building demolitions so that new amenities blocks can be erected.

Noelene was involved in researching the background of various vehicles held at the Hall. Management plan to update all signage.



In the last week of August all the volunteers were involved in preparations for the Festival. The festival included Friday morning's Women in Transport breakfast, the Cummins Cup on Friday afternoon and welcome drinks at Stuart's Kitchen on Friday evening. Saturday was the Induction Ceremony in the afternoon and the Gala Dinner in the evening. Sunday was Open Day and that was very well attended. There were 55 inductees and with their families and friends. There were approximately 350 in attendance, and at the Gala Dinner there were approximately 250 guests. Both events were highly successful.

*"A good laugh and a long sleep are two of the best cures for anything"*

## Christmas Party at Oakdale continued



## CLASSIFIEDS

36 ft McGrath trailer for sale, currently on club rego not transferable, drop down legs, maxi brakes on one axle, checker plate floor \$6000.00 - Contact Bob 0408 275 118



1982 40 ft Freuhauf step deck trailer for sale, currently on club rego not transferable \$14,000 - Contact Bob 0408 275 118



### "Recession" Really Started Long ago...

In the lead up to the recent federal elections there was a lot of talk in the media about 'Recession'. What it is and it's effect on Australians is explained below in simple terms by an old-time Farmer...

*"It all started back in '66 when they changed from pounds to dollars. That doubled my bloody overdraft.  
Then they brought in kilograms instead of pounds. My bloody wool clip dropped by half.  
After that, they changed rain to millimetres and we haven't had an inch of rain since.  
If that wasn't enough, they brought in Celsius, and we never go over 40 degrees, no wonder my bloody wheat wouldn't grow.  
Then they changed acres to hectares and I ended with only half the land I had.  
By this time, I'd had enough, and decided to sell out. I put the property in the agent's hands and then they changed miles to kilometres.  
Now I'm too far out of town for anyone to buy the bloody place."*

*"At the end of the day, you can only depend on yourself for happiness"*

## Christmas Party at Oakdale Workers Club

Sunday 4th December

Blue skies and sunshine. What a great day for a run followed by a big Chrissie party afterwards. When I arrived at Oakdale Workers Club there were already a few vintage trucks neatly parked up with owners enjoying a quiet chat. The trucks on the run arrived shortly afterwards. There were 15 trucks and a few classic and vintage cars which raised the standard in the carpark. The venue was much better than our previous visit. The dining room was decked out with Christmas trim and with tables of 8 suitably decorated with Christmas table cloths, serviettes and bonbons. 85 people enjoyed a sumptuous feast of a beef or chicken main course with hot vegies and mushroom gravy followed by a dessert of sticky-date pudding or mug of apple crumble, accompanied with scoops of ice cream... all low-carb, of course! Bruce Brown organised a raffle with a Christmas teddy-bear as first prize. \$368 was raised and the winning ticket was #077. Second prize, a club 10 year Anniversary mug was won by ticket #099.

Young Ben Hayward celebrates his birthday in December. And, Auntie Lynda didn't let it pass without acknowledging his 18th with a large cake to share with everyone.

As for the mis-placed glasses case... the case was found. Thank you to everyone who helped in the search.



*What's good for someone else, might be a bad idea for you. Define success for yourself*

During this time 3 more trucks were donated to the Museum. The one from Gilberts was as good as new, others still in their working clothes.



It was a delight that we were able to witness the trains being started and driven from their sheds by the very dedicated Ghan Preservation Society team from Adelaide. The team was there for the month of August.

On our days off we visited the Overland Telegraph Station, the Desert Wildlife Centre and saw several birds of prey flying in to be fed, a marvellous experience. John Flynn's Memorial on the Larapinta Highway.



*Do it with passion, or not at all*



The Connellan Air Museum and Albert Namatjira's grave which is next to the Alice Springs Cemetery



We spent a very enjoyable day at Henley on the Todd



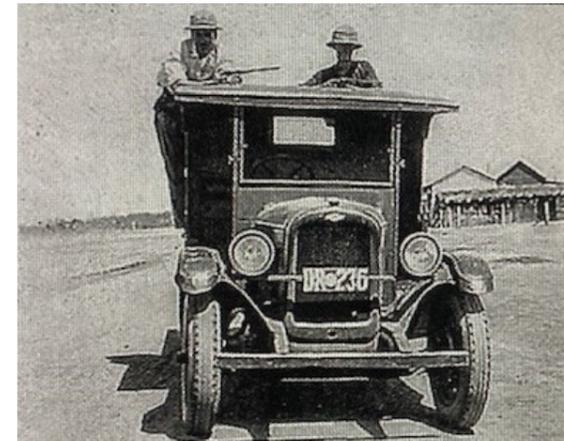
This event had not been held for three years because of Covid Lockdowns and was very well attended.



The view from Anzac Hill

**The Road Transport Hall of Fame is very much up and running with a number of sponsors coming on board and visitor numbers attending the Museum are well up after the impact of Covid restrictions.**

## 1932 - The Emu Wars of WA



**Early one morning in November 1932, the Seventh Heavy Battery of the Royal Australian Artillery arrived in Campion, Western Australia, ready for war; ready to take on 20,000 hungry emus who were decimating the crops of local farmers.**

They set up on the hot dry red dirt landscape halfway between Perth and Kalgoorlie and unpacked their Lewis automatic machine guns and 10,000 rounds of ammunition.

**The Army under-estimated the cunning of the emu and made little impact. The emu ruled victorious. Volunteers were called. Scores of Campion men eagerly joined the Western Australian Emu Wars.**

Among them were brothers Victor and Bert Francis in the family Chev affectionately called 'the old bus'. Their friend Ray Owen, in his 'not so fancy' sport car, joined them.

With the soldier settlement of land after the end of WW1 hostilities the emu population decimated farmlands around Campion and Walgoolan. It is estimated that 20,000 emus broke through fences to wheat crops which also rendered the 1000 mile 'rabbit proof' fence useless.

**The 1929 Great Depression meant times were desperate for local families who were distraught at the emus eating what little they had.**

The Minister for Defence permitted deployment of machine guns saying the emu would make good target practice and the feathers could be used for the iconic slouch hats of the Australian Light Horsemen.

The emu proved a formidable enemy and won that war. It is estimated that 300,000 emus were culled between 1950 and 1960 and were out of control for many years.



### ■ **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