Merry Christmas

CHRISTMAS 2918.
We are up to December already. What do we reflect on, what has filled in the year so quickly?
It does not seem like twelve months since the 2017 Christmas newsletter?
Some recollections March BBQ, Mildura Field Day, Murrumbidgee/Murray Junction Trek, Calder Convoy planning/running, National Motoring Day, Play Day at Bob Lamps, Made in Australia Day, Wentworth Show and the Vintage Tractor Pull/Truck Show are some of the TRACS Club activities.
Individual and sometimes groups have attended other events such as Great Snowy River Stampede, Clunes Truck Show, Booleroo Rally, Bay to Birdwood Run, Loxton Museum of Agricultural Technology Kaesler’s Landing Open Day, Yarra Glen, Dubbo Rally, Biloela Rally, Calliope Show and Shine, Turkey Beach Tractor Bash, Deniliquin Tractor Trek, NHMA National Tractor Trek Young, Ouyen Farmers Festival

Ian has produced a Calendar for 2019 summing up events in picture form for the last 12 months.
(see Phil Newton and get your copy only $12).

Ian is working on a book covering 20 Year History of TRACS Club.
I am trying to get 2019 program ready for January edition and we are looking at event planning for 2020 and 2021. (Please check out some of the long term planning when you get your copy.)

A bit closer is the 20 year dinner on 9th February 2019 see details further over in this newsletter.
Thank you to all who have expressed words of encouragement and support, and those who have supplied photographs, stories, technical and unusual bits which make the newsletter interesting.
I look forward to more of your stories and photographs in 2019.
To all TRACS members, families, friends and supporters have a merry festive season and a happy, prosperous New Year.

From the Newsletter Co-ordinator.
Loxton Museum of Agricultural Tech Field days – 2018.

This event is held at Kaezsler’s Landing, Bookpurnong Road, Loxton every second year. Liz and I camped out at the site Friday night before the event started on Saturday 11th August. We listened to the rain overnight as the weather changed. Saturday was a cool and sometimes sunny day, with areas of rain as the show started at 10 am – 5 pm; and 10 am – 4pm Sunday.

This did not stop the crowds from arriving on and off all day. Machinery, stationary engines, Vintage Cars and Trucks, and a Tractor balance. Blacksmith and shearing demonstrations were held on the lower level; and these were accessed by a tractor drawn wagon to the Kaezsler Landing, where there also were food stalls, a display on the history of the Landing, woodwork demonstrations and rides on the Riverboat PS Industry which had been built at Goolwa and launched on 6 August 1910.

However; we decided to leave on Saturday afternoon for home as the weather gradually got worse. Although we really enjoyed the event and meeting people from this area. Frank and Liz Wallace.

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ps Industry
Built at Goolwa and launched on Saturday, August 6th, 1910 at 1:30pm.

- Commissioned by the Government January 11th, 1911.
- Used as towboat and snagging steamer during her working life of 59 years.
- In 1914 she gained a counterpart, the barge 'Dart'.
- 1915-1940 was used in the construction of the Locks and Weirs between Goolwa and Lock 15 (Euston).
- In 1924, she had the Derrick Crane and Steam Winch installed, previously from the ps 'Tarella', which retired at that time.
- In the late 1950s - early 1960s she helped replace the old wooden lock gates with steel ones.
- October 1969, the 'Industry' was retired and replaced with the M.V. Marata, built by Perry Engineering in Adelaide.
- PS Industry was moved to Renmark with two launches between 12th and 14th June 1971.
- She is 112 ft. (34.14 metres) long, 19.3 ft. (5.8 metres) wide and draws 3 ft 3" (1 metre). The PS Industry is powered by a set of direct-acting 30 hp A Robert's & Sons Steam Engine with 13.5 inch cylinder heads and the Perry Engineering 30hp Wood-fired boiler of 100psi (fire tube type).
Yarra Glen Truck Show – 2018

Betty, Vic, Wendy, Phil, Frank and Liz left Gol Gol heading for our first night at Cohuna. The weather was perfect for travelling and after continuing on, we stopped at Rochester to view the Silo paintings. Then on to Heathcote where we spent the afternoon and night after a lovely sausage sizzle put on by the caravan park.

Arriving at Yarra Glen Racecourse at lunchtime and set up our camp. Julie and Robert arrived not long after, followed by Dawn and Moose later. We all attended the dinner which was lovely; there was a good singer (Willie Nelson!!) and a great guest speaker who spoke on the history of International.

Sunday was a great day with good weather, and a wonderful display of Trucks, bus’s, vintage cars, etc. We all left at about 4pm and travelled to Yea where we stayed the night, before heading home via Bendigo on Monday.

Frank Wallace.
Deniliquin Tractor Trek 15th & 16th September.
Trek started very windy conditions but no dust worry, went to the weir on the Edwards River for morning tea. After that we went down past the Aboriginal Reserve and on to Pretty Pine for lunch. Then we all went back through a hobby farm area on the way to Deniliquin Show Ground where there was a Swap Meet going on but they all packed up because of the wind. Next day the weather was good so they all opened up again.

NHMA National Tractor Trek Young 11th & 12th August.
Left Deniliquin on Monday for the National Rally, 158 tractors. Well planned 1/2 each way for two days, all together for Saturday morning.
Day one we went out to the farming area, morning tea, after that we went to the Model Train Museum fantastic display well worth the look, had lunch there. After looking around the trains we went to the Chinese Garden Lakes not very interesting then home.
Day two morning tea at a look out over a huge valley then on to the IANDRA CASTLE / Homestead on 34,000 acres of land in 1878 @ 6/6 per acre. He had share farmers on some of it for a long time and sold it to them where they were share farming.
The homestead had castle like features, 57 rooms, horse stables complete with a chaffhouse above the stables, they used 600 horses, some he had brought out from England. He built a town there own store, Post Office, School, Church, carpenter and blacksmith shop, own electricity and sewage to all quarters, he died in 1911.
After IANDRA back to Young. Evening meal meeting with the organisers.
Saturday morning out to a farm with heaps of engines and tractors, home for lunch then pack up.
Very good days.

Report by Ray Carter.
Trek to and from NHMA Rally Murray Bridge 22nd to 24th March 2019.

Notes from Ray Carter: Leave 19 or 20 to Murrayville, over night in caravan park.
Next morning off to Karoonda for over night park, next morning we leave for Murray Bridge so we arrive before rally starts so we can get space.
After the rally we leave for home we can sort the home trip before we start.
Comments and thoughts from Geoffrey Lane: Not knowing exact routes, kms. road conditions etc say start.
Tuesday 19th (from Mildura?)  220kms by road ?? Murrayville? (is it shorter through National park?).
Wednesday 20th 140??160kms ?? to Karoonda no kms on my map for this road.
Thursday 21st  66kms shortest way to Murray Bridge (main road) back roads will be bit longer.
  Camping area is at show ground on eastern side of river.(no camping in display area).
Friday 22nd 3 to 5kms show ground to display area, most be in before 10:00am, can not leave before 5:00pm.
Saturday 23rd display / parade, same time restrictions.
Sunday 24th display / parade, same time restrictions, for leaving display area.
Monday 25th ?? head for Karoonda ??
Tuesday 26th ?? half way home ??
Wednesday 27th ?? home ??
Please read Exhibitor information and entry registration form.
This outlines camping, fees, bus to and from show ground, arrangements dinner, passes for entry, merchandise and lodgement dates, insurance requirements etc.

THIS INFORMATION IS FOR ALL EXHIBITORS.

If you can not get a copy via web site let me know.
Geoffrey Lane news letter co-ordinator.

NOTE:- WE are talking tractors here but the rally is for engines, vehicles, steam, machines, boats etc.
Entry fee of $20 includes the rally badge of $20.

20 YEAR OF TRACS DINNER.
Red Cliffs Club. Booked. 2 course meal $30 per head.
Roast Beef/Chicken Snitzel.
Pavlova/Apple crumble.
{alternate setting (swap with a mates)
(if you have to.)

Pay for your own drinks.
Selection was voted on at monthly meeting.

CALENDAR FOR 2019 HAS BEEN PRODUCED.
See Phill Newton for a copy only $12

Ken Creighton has started work on his latest acquisition to prepare for a celebration of Army vehicles rerun to Darwin in 2020. Chev blitz 1938 ???"monkey face". Holden 202 motor 3 speed auto.
Ask Ken for more details.
Thank you to Peter Crisp & his office staff for helping copy the TRACS news letter.

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See: BARRY POWER if you want to order a name tag.

CLUB SHIRTS purchase from Totally Work Wear
70 Lime ave Mildura (colour Logo and your name)
(Just say you are from TRACS)

FOR SALE.
Pontiac 1940 Silver Streak Chieftan.
$4,000 negotiable.
Phone: 0447595681 ADRIAN.

FOR SALE.
B 250 belt pulley,
Can fit other tractors.
Price negotiable.
Phone: David Gordon 50245240.

WANTED.
14 or 16 plate three point linkage disc.
Type that fits Ferguson or Dexter etc.
Phone: Barry Foster 0408177374.

WANTED.
Linkage for Carburetter (see photo)
Grey Ferguson Petrol/kerosene.
Phone: Barry Foster 0408177374.

INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS.
Re line set tickets used when vehicles were constructed.
As discussed at meeting, limited time opportunity.
Email: lloyd.reeman@chhinde.com
Phone Lloyd Reeman 0418384737.
Information supplied by Frank Wallace.

I heard a rumour Bob Fox has just had his 80th birthday.
Congratulations Bob, you still set us a high standard with your restorations and Club support.
All the best from fellow members.

ARTICLE IN TRAFFALGAR TRUCK RESTORERS CLUB O C T O B E R N E W S L E T T E R.
It is nice to read positive comments in another clubs news letter.

NO I did not just rip it out.
missing linkage.

CAN YOU HELP.
1st weekend in December, trip to Robinvale to service header.
NO contact OR fixed time OR date put to this, may be contact:
Leigh Donovan 50269414 or Brian Hamilton 0427300875 or
John Pocker 50252136. (Phone a friend ??)
WHATS ON 2018

1st Weekend in December Trip to Robinvale to service header see note page 8 in this News letter.

WHATS ON 2019

12th & 13th check for correct Dates ??
13th & 14 January ? Classic Truck and Machinery Show, Geelong Showgrounds.

19th & 20th January Yesterday’s Power Rally Milang Oval SA. Feature Minneapolis-Moline or Twin City Tractors, Diamond T Trucks, Matchless AJS motorcycles, Armstrong Siddley Cars, Engines by HV McKay - Sunshine, Pre 1968 vehicles Welcome. Tractor Pull etc.
Contact secretary on: bryce_judy@yahoo.com.au free.milangemachineryclub.blog

26th & 27th January Allora Heritage Weekend Allora Showgrounds New England Highway. Feature Allis Chalmers Tractors, British Trucks, Pre War Vehicles, Cooper and Ruston Hornsby Engines, Harley Davidson Motorcycles & Steam era etc. Contact: Ted 0418875469 or Mark 0438623734, Lyle 0409766288

2nd & 3rd February Longwarry Heritage Truck & Vehicle Display steam and stationary engines.
Enquiries Phone: Peter 0419001948 or Owen 0429948661.
facebook @ LONGWARRY HERITAGE TRUCK & VEHICLE DISPLAY

9th February TRACS 20 Anniversary Dinner see notes page 7 and 10 in this news letter.

9th & 10th March 34th Power of the Past Rally Adelaide Hills Motor Restorer’s Club Inc.

9th to 11th March Scoresby Steamfest National Steam Centre 1200 Ferntree Gulley Rd Scoresby Presented by the Melbourne Steam Traction Engine Club.

16th & 17th March 8th Australian White Truck Muster Kyabram Showgrounds 9:00am - 5:00pm.
Truck, Bus, Car, Tractor and Memorabilia Display. Phone Ray 0407311007 or Michelle 0408723757.
www.facebook.com/whitetruckmuster

16th & 17th March Kyabram Vintage Machinery Rally. 8th Australian White Truck Muster Kyabram Showgrounds vintage engines & machinery displays Featuring “Anything Big, Old & Interesting”.
Contact Barb Thompson: 0439448444 or Peter Fletcher: 0403846412.

30th & 31 March 36th Tractor and Machinery Rally, Wunghnu (Vic) Contact:- Lloyd 0458299466.

31st March 51st Annual Booleroo Steam & Traction Preservation Society inc Rally Booleroo Centre SA

22nd to 24th March NHMA National Rally Murray Bridge South Australia. Sturt Reserve. Information and Entry Forms now available. Contact Malclean 0412947711 or Raelene 0438819001.
email: nhmarally2019@outlook.com.au facebook page is 2019 NHMA National Rally website: www.nhmanationalrally2019.com
See page 7 of this news letter for Ray Carters outline for Trek to NHMA Rally and Geoffrey Lane’s comments and thoughts.

31st Sunday March Federation Scoresby Picnic, At “National Steam Centre” Melbourne Steam Traction Engine Club inc. 1200 Ferntree Gulley Road Scoresby, Vic.
Sponsored by Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Vehicles inc.
Hosted by the Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club inc. Cars & Motorcycles 25 years and older Welcome!
Enquiries: Peter 0409144603 or Garry: 0418140844 or email: vicepresident@dvhcc.com.au

27th & 28th April 22nd Annual Vintage Tractor and Machinery Rally, Lockington (Vic)
Contact Joe 0354862226.

Every effort is made to ensure event details are correct, not all events are listed due to the large number available, if you are interested in an unlisted event tell me the details & I will add it to the list. (two months prior to event date).
The news letter co-ordinator Geoffrey Lane.
Minutes of Meeting 14th Nov 2018 at Irymple Guide Hall

MEETING OPENED: 7.30pm
President welcomed members and visitors.

APOLOGIES: E & J Borchard, B Fox, R Fox, G Bate, D Richards, J Lindsay, G Chislett, M Mattschoss, D Richardson, M McGauchie, A Whyte, P Muir, L Donovan, M Hunt, K Forster, P Carter, R Carter, J Droffelaar, A Hudson, J Thomas, M O’Callaghan, L Knight.


MINUTES: Taken as read. Moved: I Hinks Sec A Haw. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING
Nil

CORRESPONDENCE
Outwards
1. Letter to solicitor asking about Wilga Rd.
2. Thanks letter to Sunrise AG.

Inwards
1. 1 Insurance Card
2. Bendigo Bank Statement
3. LMW Account
4. RFDS Invitation AGM
5. Bendigo Investment stmt.
6. Waikerie Hit & Miss
7. Trafalga Truck Restorers Newsletter
8. Kyabram Rally 17/18 March 2019
9. NHMA Rally Registration.
10. Deneliquin Collector Club Sep & Oct News
11. Scorsby Invitation 9/10/11 March 2019
12. Federation Renewal
13. Thanks Certificate from WW Show

Moved: Moose and Sec R Carter that correspondence be accepted. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING:
Nil

TREASURER’S REPORT
Away

General Business

(a) Acceptance of New Members
Cooper Richardson Moved P Newton, Sec K Creighton. First Official Junior member. Carried.

(b) Clearing Sales
Ken went to Tintinara and bought SWB Blitz. Alan H went to Moama didn’t buy. (sale cheap)

(c) Restoration Activities
T Monson working on FC ute.

(d) New Purchases
Frank Wallace knows of a couple of bulldogs. Max Follett knows of a D series ford for sale.

(e) Newsletter Co-ordinator
All good, although had hick up last month with his computer.

(f) Trace Asset (Wilga Rd)
Michael heard from solicitors and letter going to Melbourne this week and will reply to our letter.

(g) TRACS Website
All OK

(h) NSW Registrar
Nil

(i) Vic Registrar
Lots of renewals. New Dodge truck (Phil) and Hq ute (Larry C)

(j) Future Club Events
Christmas BBQ is Sunday 25th Nov Bring salad. Ray Carter National Trek 18th March 2019. Need to be in Murray Bridge day before rally. Balranald Trek for Trucks, Cars, Bikes, Tractors Date set as 4th May. Leigh Donovan Trek to Manangatang—possibly incorporate with Balranald.

TRACS 20th Anniversary, Booked 9th Feb 2019
$300 at Red Cliffs Club Menu to be submitted Dec. Two course Roast Beef/Chicken Snitzel Pav/Apple crumble.

Century of Tractors (each 10 year period). Not decided. Everyone check sheds please.

(k) Any Other Business
L Donovan Harvest set for 1st weekend in Dec. Peter Dimasi shed visit next July possibly. Decided to start Club library and L Donovan donation to go in after anyone takes what they want Alan McKenzie to store and look after. Frank Wallace has been offered some corrugated iron and will organise to get to Wilga rd for future use. Five couples from Club went to Yarra Glen. Truck entries down, cars and buses up. Cooper and Dave went to Ouyen. Similar to past.

Meeting Closed 8.40. Next meeting Dec 12th