Merry Christmas

Trucks too.

December 2022

Newsletter for Members of the Tractor Restoration and Appreciation Club Sunraysia Inc.



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MERRY CHRISTMAS. 2022.

Here it is almost the end of another year, 2022 has been challenging but as a club we have progressed and I look foward to 2023 and club members future achievments. I wish all TRACS members, family and friends a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year on behalf of the news letter team and thank you to all who have contributed and supported us. News Letter Co Ordinator Geoffrey Lane.

NOVEMBER MEETING was held at the Irymple Bowling Club Rooms 7:30pm on 9th, 36 members attended.

We were instructed on the use of De Fibrulator by Jacob (Ambulance Officer Instructor). Dean Bennett advised us the Car trial would start from "Big Lizzie" Saturday 12th at 1:30pm and finish at McDonalds 15th Street Irymple at approx 3:30 - 4:00pm all interested show up. Robert Mansell advised us that the "DRAG LINE PROJECT" should be an A S A P progress priority effort because of land ownership changes where it is located.

David Beard brought along two mystery tools for us to ponderwhat they were used for.

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:30pm 14th DECEMBER 2022.

Irymple Bowling Club Rooms. Update on "DRAG LINE planning.

And from left field, The Australian Armour and Artillery Museum in Cairns

is on the lookout for a pre war Caterpillar D8. The New Zealand Army made several tanks from them when Japan was threatening in WW2.

None have survived and the Museum would like to build one. Only need the driveline and running gear. Any info to alex@ausarmour.com



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TRACS PROGRAM 2022.

Trip Nulawil Pioneer Museum date to be set. South Australia Convoy Run on agenda for future planning. Bob's tour through northen Mallee had to be postponed.

DECEMBER 14th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

2023.

JANUARY 11th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

FEBRUARY 8th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

MARCH 8th 7:30 pm monthly meeting lrymple Bowling Club.

APRIL 12th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

MAY 10th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

JUNE 14th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

JULY 8th and 9th 2023 Wentworth Junction Rally. JULY 12th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

AUGUST 9th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club. AUGUST 13th SundaY "All Australia Day".

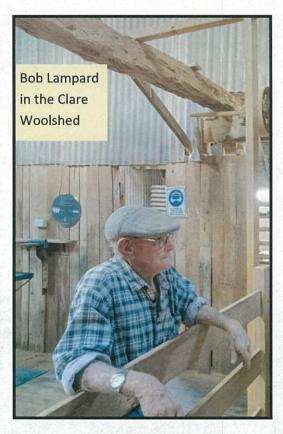
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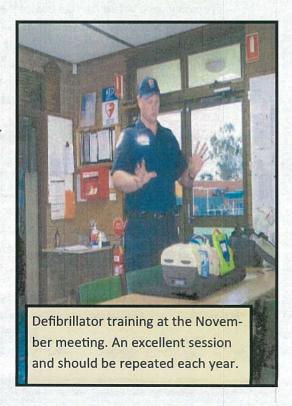
OCTOBER 7th Saturday Tractor Pull Truck Show. OCTOBER 11th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

NOVEMBER 8th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

DECEMBER 13th 7:30 pm monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

There are other club events planned and listed but it is too hard to program and be certain they will be on. Please check just before you go, display conditions, ticketing etc, cancellations are not well advertised. Any or all planning could change with very little notice.





60th Ouyen Farmers Market – Melbourne Cup day

Indecision started off the cup day trip for the last Ouyen 60th & Farmers Market day due to cold wet weather conditions! The rain finally stopped & we decided to head off at 8.30. However, our decision to go was a good one as the weather cleared with spells of sunshine. TRACS members were Pauline & Barry, Wendy & Phil, Betty & Vic, Liz & Frank (trucks), also Dave Richardson & son (tractors). There were a large amount of vintage vehicles including Phil & Don from the Mildura Vintage car club.

The parade set off at 11 am with many locals coming out to view along the side of road. We arrived at the show grounds to the local band playing. The Senior & Junior Fashions on the field were held at 12.30 before the rain & hail came down on & off. Mallee Drifters Car Club Competition at 1.45, & of course the 'Melbourne Cup' broadcasted at 3pm. Betty the only one to collect with the winner! A great day had by all. Arriving home about 5pm.

Frank & Liz Wallace.

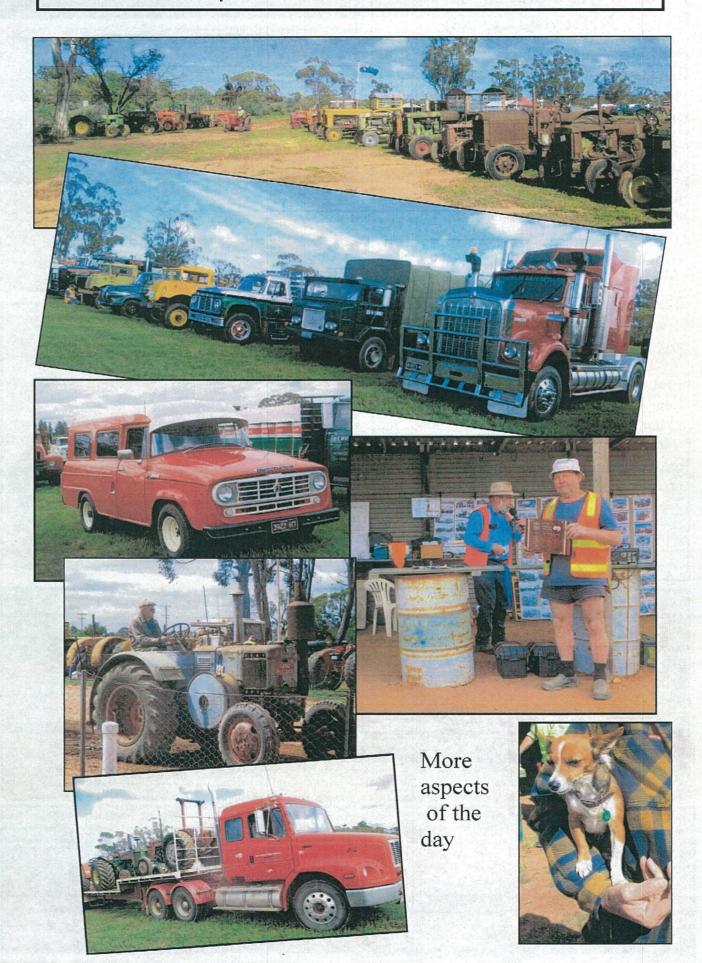








Some more photos of the 2022 Tractor Pull from lan Hinks



The Car Trial was on the 12th of November—with thanks to Dean Bennett for organizing it.

In light rain, 9 participants set off from Big Lizzie to follow Dean's instructions on our sheet to look for clues to answer a mystery.

This was a very pleasant way to explore the district from Red Cliffs to Mildura. When we had finished the list we were at McDonalds 15th St Irymple.

Somewhere along the way the rain stopped and there was much excited chatter as notes were compared. All were winners having had a good time. Now ready for a drink and something to eat.

I am sorry if you missed out. Such an interesting event.

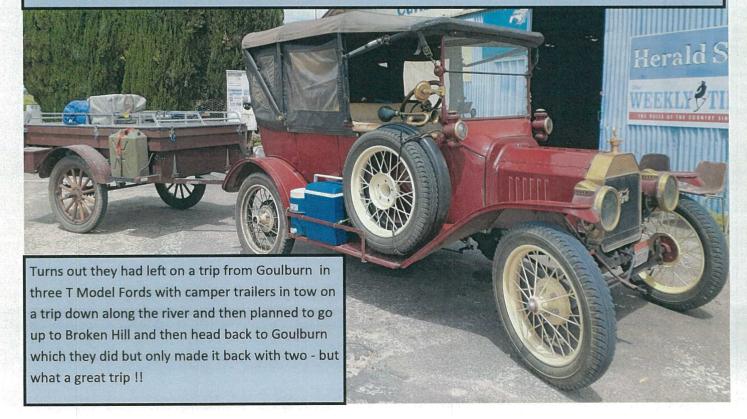


Tales from McKenzies Garage

The other day two blokes walked in to the shed and told me they were having a little bit of car trouble. Nothing unusual about that until I noticed one of them had a conrod in his hand and when I looked out the front they were driving a 1915 T Model Ford towing a camper trailer.

They just wanted a bit of solder as they had melted some of the white metal bearing. We soon sorted that out and off they went with smiles on their faces.

Soon after, however they rang back and said that the problem was a bit deeper than that when they found more metal in the sump and asked if they could leave it here till next week.



TRACTOR RESTORATION & APPRECIATION CLUB SUNRAYSIA

Inc # A0038764N

Minutes of Meeting 9th Nov 2022 at IBC



MEETING OPENED: 7.30

Immediately did CPR/Defib with Jacob from Ambulance Victoria. When very well. Then proceeded with general meeting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Taken as read and correct Moved: R Carter, Sec T McGauchie Carried BUSINESS ARISING

CORRESPONDENCE

Outwards

- Thanks letter to Bob Harper for pull back tract
- 2 Thank you letter to Ivanhoe event organise Inwards
- **HCVC Oct Monitor**
- 2 Bendigo Bank Statement
- 3 1 Insurance card
- 4 Deniliquin Collectors Club Oct Newsletter
- 5 MRCC rate notice
- 6 LMW account
- Returned Newsletter that is correct.
- Contact details for WTU prefab buildings

Moved P Newton, Sec P Moser that correspondence be accepted. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING:

TREASURERS REPORT

Michael away

Sent details of Tractor pull. Club made \$2520.00

Moved M Hunt Sec R Carter that report be accepted Carried

General Business

Acceptance of New Members

(b) Clearing Sales

Nil

(c)Restoration Activities

Nil

(d) New Purchases

Nil disclosed.

(e) Newsletter Co-ordinator

Geoff thanked everyone for input. 6 contributors last issue.

(f) Tracs Assett (Wilga Rd)

Alan McKenzie went through notes left by Alan Whyte which out lined result of sub committe get together at Wilga rd. Included entry/exit, ramp, fence and shed. Std ramp heights are Semi 1400, Tray 1200.

(g) TRACS Website

Up to date

(h) NSW Registrar

nil

(i) Vic Registrar

Not much last month.

(i) Future Club Events

Car Trial Depart Sat 12th, 1.30 pm from big Lizzie. Bring pencil. Will last about 2 hrs. Working Bee Sat 19th Nov from 8.00am Merbein Motor show. Meet at South Mildura Hall late Sat or before 9.00am Sun 20th. Christmas BBQ and play Sun 27th from 4.00 Tea from 6.30 Bring Salad/desert \$10 hd

(k) Any Other Business

P Muir asked about safety issues at Ivanhoe A Hudson asked about water at Wilga rd, Still working on this with Solicitors. D Beard has found Safety mesh for sled. Robert Mansell discussed Dragline again. This now must be moved urgently as property has been re-sold. Will need help!!!!!!!

Next Meeting Wed 14th Dec 7.30 at IBC

Meeting Closed 8.55pm.