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JULY 2022.

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



The Congratulation's Sponge Cake.

JUNE MEETING was held at IRYMPLE BOWLING CLUB ROOMS.

7:30pm 8th June, very good meeting place, good acustics, warm, good lighting etc. 41 members attended.

The meeting was a very good spirited meeting because we had recieved the news Michael after seven years of trying had achieved ownership to Wilga Rd for TRACS now with the title we could start positive planning our development.

Phil Newton or was it Gale arranged for a sponge cake to be made in CELEBRATION of the event. We were very lucky Gale came along to cut the cake for us (I am sure we would have made a "Hash of it") very light and full of cream but the icing was sticky. Thank you Gale job well done.

Phil had purchased a congratulation card which we all signed.

Thank you to Brian Hamilton and John Porker for transporting the headers and thank you Leon Donovan for donating them to the club.

THANK YOU.

Michael has been in touch and said thank you for the card, he appreciated this gesture.

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:30PM 13th JULY 2022

IRYMPLE BOWLING CLUB ROOMS (behind the Irymple swimming pool plenty of room seating for 96). PLEASE SIGN THE TRACS ATTENDANCE SHEET AS THE BOWLING CLUB REQUIRES PHIL TO GIVE THEM A COPY FOR THEIR RECORDS.

We now have plenty to talk about so come along to the next meeting.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE.

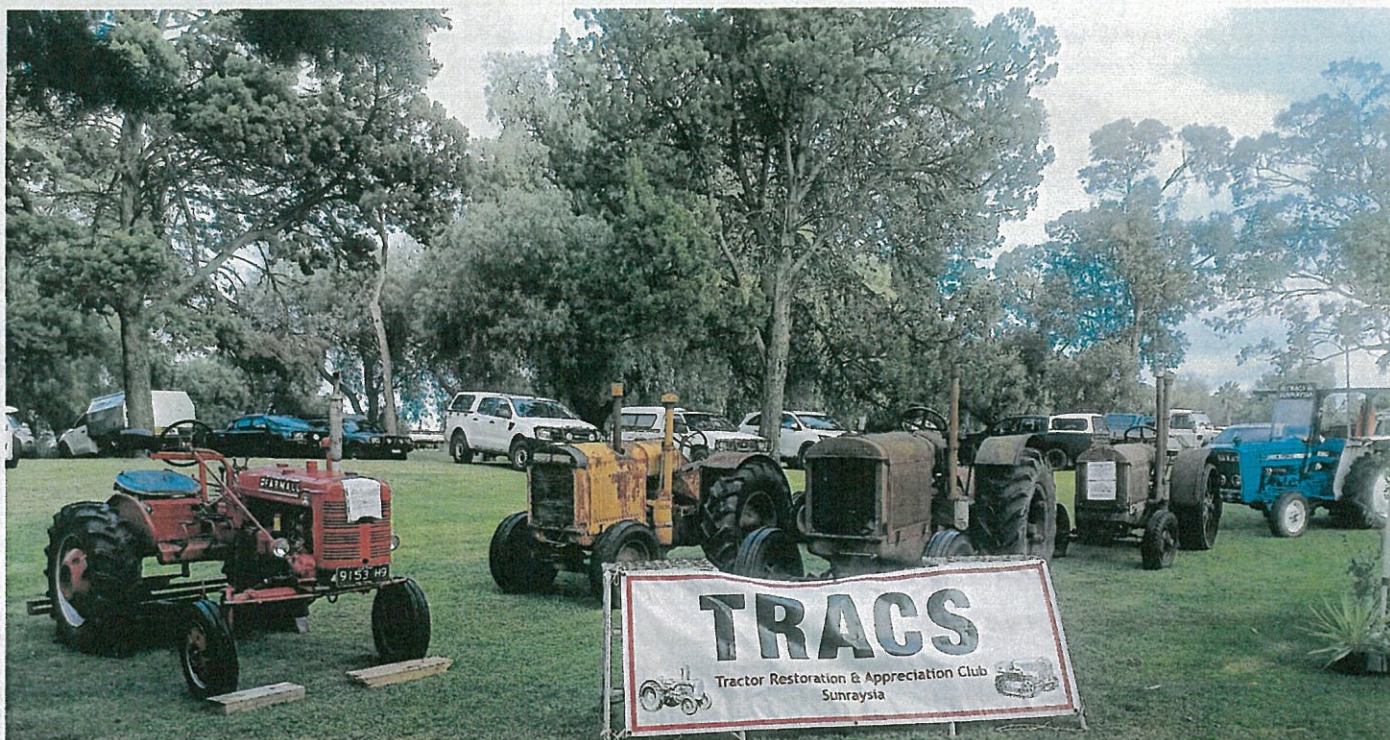
Bendigo Bank account name TRACS BSB 633000 A/C 109631358 \$60, \$40 or \$35 and your NAME.

TO HAVE A VEHICLE ON CLUB PLATES YOU MUST BE A FINANCIAL MEMBER.

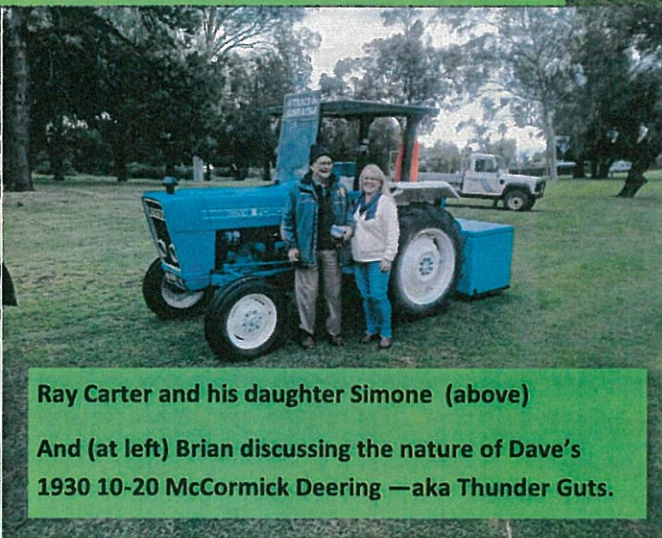
Full details in previous news letters.



GALE cutting the cake. Irymple Bowling Club.



TRACS at the Mildura market—Jaycee Park 11th June 2022
Farmall A, Ford 2600, Howard DH22 and 3 McCormick Deering's



Ray Carter and his daughter Simone (above)

And (at left) Brian discussing the nature of Dave's 1930 10-20 McCormick Deering —aka Thunder Guts.

As mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, TRACS now has title to the Wilga Road Block. Its great news and means we can now start planning the future for the site.

There are some short term chores—like sorting out insurance and clarifying water issues etc.

But the bigger challenges are deciding what to do on the site.

The planning process can start now, but as a club we have to come to a view on the extent of the development to be done. Do we keep it simple? Do we add more?

All options will come at a cost—and obtaining some funding assistance will take time.

But first, the members of TRACS will have to decide what they want at Wilga Road.

And once again, thanks to Michael for his persistence.

TRACS PROGRAM 2022.

Sled work on Sunday 19th was interrupted by the bad weather so further working Bee's are required.

De Fibrulator training.

Trip Nulawil Pioneer Museum date to be set.

Car trial date to be set.

Bob's tour through Northern Mallee new date to be set.

South Australia Convoy Run on agenda for July meeting.

JULY 13th 7:30 pm Monthly meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

JULY 23rd and 24th Play day at Bob Lampards.

JULY 26 7:00pm NSW members invite to Workshop and Meeting to discuss NSW conditional registration

Sunraysia Car Club meeting room Gol Gol.

JULY 22nd- 24th H C V C 50th Anniversary Run and display.

Bendigo Prince Of Wales Showgrounds, Tour and Dinner.

AUGUST 10 th 7:300 pm meeting Irymple Bowling Club.

AUGUST 14th All Australian Made Day (Dodge Trucks theme)

It was suggested this should be the official day to celebrate TRACS ownership of wilga Rd and we should make it a big day.

SEPTEMBER 14th 7:30 pm monthly Irymple Bowling Club.

SEPTEMBER 10th and 11th Wedderburn Engine Rally.

SEPTEMBER 30th to October 2nd NHMA Rally Wedderburn.

OCTOBER 1st and 2nd ?? Ivanhoe/Central Darling Truck Show.

OCTOBER 8th Tractor Pull Truck Show.

OCTOBER 16th Ballarat Rally Ballarat Airport 40 Airport Rd.

OCTOBER 12th 7:30 pm monthly Irymple Bowling Club.

NOVEMBER 9th 7:30 pm monthly Irymple Bowling Club.

NOVEMBER 12th and 13th Bendigo National Swap Meet.

NOVEMBER 20th Sunday Motor Show Merbein South Hall.

Christmas Gathering BBQ.

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

MAY 2023 Calder Convoy/Charlton.

JULY 8th and 9th 2023 Wentworth Junction Rally.

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.

FOUNDATION MEMBERS MAY 1999.

EXTRACT FROM 1st News letter.

	A	B
1	SURNAME	GIVEN NAME
2	Ackland	Bill
3	Clark	Brian
4	Creighton	Ken
5	Gale	Lloyd
6	Grivec	Kaye
7	Grivec	Lou
8	Hinks	David
9	Hinks	Ian
10	Hopkins	Malcolm
11	Kahlon	Bolkar
12	Jeanes	Ray
13	Keens	Ian
14	Lampard	Bob
15	Pongraz	Michael
16	Nicholias	Paul
17	Richards	Dan
18	Surman	Jeff
19	Surman	Bev
20	Twyford	Bob
21		
22		

FOR SALE.

14 plate M/F lift disc and a HESCO FE35 fork lift.

Part of a purchase Danny only wants the tractor.

Please talk to Danny Lee 0427147321.

2 X TEA 20 \$1000 each straight.
Robert Mansell 0408291560.

Extract from Inaugural Meeting of the TRACTOR RESTORATION and APPRECIATION CLUB SUNRAYSIA held at Red Cliffs Resource Centre, February 9th, 1999.

A suitable name for the new group was asked for.
Ian Keens suggested SMOG = Sunraysia Mallee Old Gear
Ian Hinks suggested TRACS = Tractor Restoration & Appreciation Club Sunraysia.

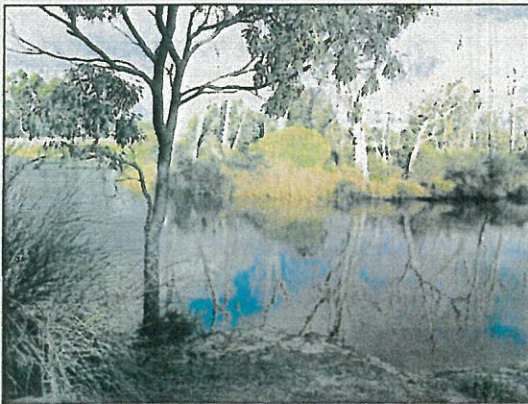
Moved K. Creighton, seconded P. Nicolias that TRACS be adopted.

Carried.

JEPARIT PIONEER MUSEUM

Rally Queen's Birthday 11-12 June 2022

We camped by the Wimmera River, with others who were participating, bringing exhibits and so on. The weather was over cast but no real rain to upset things, BUT... it was cold of a morning.



The museum grounds have many exhibits of various types of farming machinery.

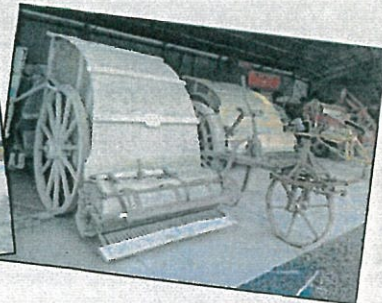


Under cover in various sheds were examples of wagons, headers, binders and much more.

Did our example have a cab like this?



A large **HUBER** arrived by truck.



A Vickers-Aussie hiding in a corner



Trucks were liberated for the day



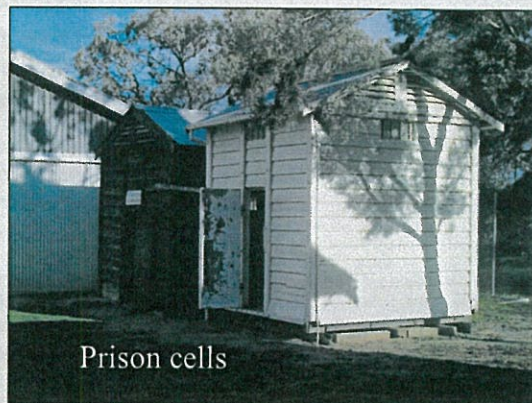
Gun collection in Tarranyurk Hall

In addition to the exhibits of farming machinery, some buildings have been brought in from declining towns. These hold details of their earlier use, like the Depta single-roomed rural school, and a couple of prison cells, a church and a chemist shop with examples of the type of medicines, etc, sold.

The Tarranyurk Hall was a case in point. But it large areas devoted to woodworking tools, an area displaying shot -guns and rifles, a saddlery, with machinery, examples of washing machines, and so on.



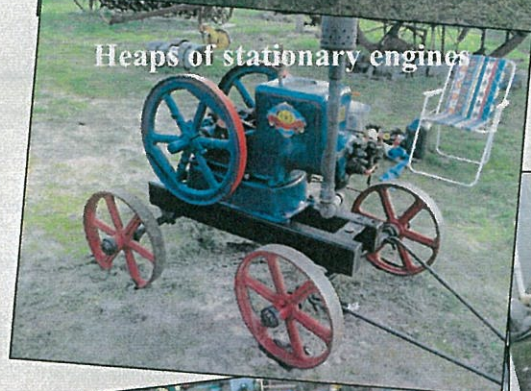
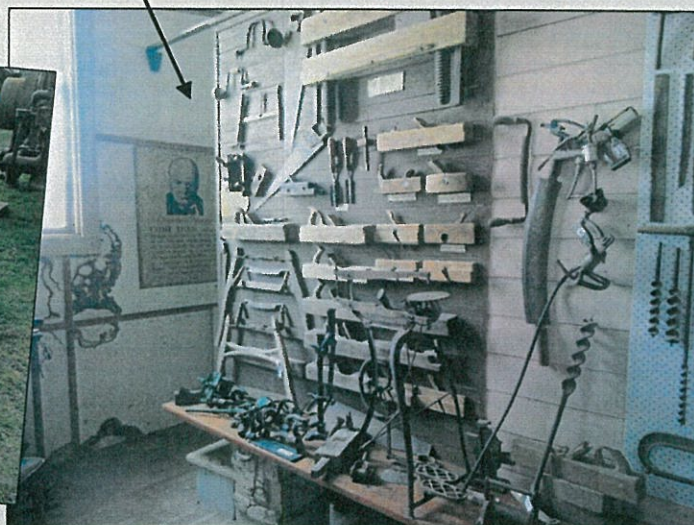
Woodwork tools



Prison cells



Group of model steam engines

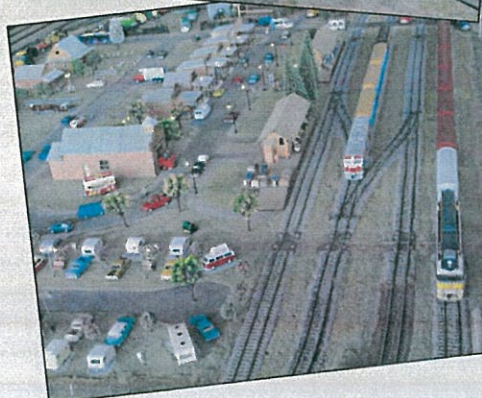


Heaps of stationary engines

1904 Renault



Silo art
"Tall, freckled and sandy"



Extensive model railway layout



No collection complete without a T Model

At a recent TRACS meeting it was suggested that brief stories around club members could be included in the monthly newsletter.

Via a completely democratic process I decided to approach Ray Carter first—and fortunately he agreed.

Ray is one of the early members of TRACS. Not quite one of the originals, but that close it doesn't matter.

He has always been an active member. Has been on the executive and was President for 4 years. He was awarded a Life Membership last year.

His Ford 2600—the latest in his series of trekking tractors—was at the Mildura Market a few weeks ago.

When I visited him to get some photos there were a couple of things that stood out.

Firstly, he has a passion for the machinery. He knew the history of every machine in the shed.

Secondly, he is still accumulating.

Recent additions were a small 2 cylinder Kubota garden tractor and a KL Bulldog which has recently been put onto Club Plates. The Kubota needed some minor repairs, but the Bulldog was accumulated as parts from several tractors.

When I asked Ray what he had enjoyed most about his time in TRACS, it was the people he had met and the friendships that had developed from both within TRACS but also from the many Tractor Treks he has been on.

Congratulations Ray.



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**THANK YOU MICHAEL O'CALLAGHAN for persisting with the application of Wilga Rd.
CONGRATULATIONS OBTAINING THE LAND TITLE FOR T R A C S.**

We now have a place to give T R A C S a home.

In 1999 a small group of eighteen men and two ladies set out to form a CLUB, which became known as The Tractor Restoration and Appreciation Club Sunraysia (T R A C S.). This idea has developed over the years and has drawn together members with widely differing talents/ideas collections of varied memrobelia ,tractors, trucks, cars and more. But we have never had a place to call home.

I am only a "New Chum" as I was not an original Member,I understand originally meetings were held at various locations halls, meeting rooms, members houses etc untill the shared use of Irymple Guide Hall was precured (this is where I joined).

Club displays were at various members properties untill Wilga Rd became the location for Tractor Pulls and events.We were only "Squatters "and could not do more than maintenance and pay the Bills, we could not develop.

Attempts were made to obtain secure title, this became stalled, bogged down "red tape".

Seven years ago Michael started to try to sort out the legal problems to allow TRACS the ownership for the land lot 436 Wilga Rd.

500 correspondence, 300 phone messages and 63 Visits, meetings plus time.

Finally on Saturday 4th June 2022 the Land Title was signed for TRACS ownership of lot 436 Wilga Rd Red Cliffs.

Congratulations Michael you have given us a place to call "HOME".

During this time we have lost members but they would be proud of this achievment.

We now have approx 120 members, most of us would be classed as "over the hill" but with some younger members and the development of our home we may attract more.

How it develops is up to our members who are all different,I expect a"SUNRASIA PLAN", not a Lake Goldsmith, or a Waikerie museum or any other Club style but a unique "SUNRAYSIA TOUCH". This will be influenced by cost, fuel, supply etc.

Summary by Geoffrey Lane.

NSW Members

Workshop & Meeting to discuss NSW conditional registration.

The Club have been advised that the NSW Historic Motoring Association have arranged a tour of South West NSW to meet fellow clubs to discuss the current & proposed changes to the NSW legislation which may affect some members.

I have offered our clubrooms as a venue which they have gladly accepted. The meeting will be held on Tuesday July 26th, commencing at 7pm. They have invited half a dozen members from 3 other clubs in the area but are happy if any numbers of our club attend. There will be plenty of time for questions following the presentation.

Keep the date in your mind if you wish to attend,
Rig

Go! Go!

TRACTOR RESTORATION & APPRECIATION CLUB SUNRAYSLA

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Minutes of Meeting 8th June, 2022 at Irymple Bowls Club



MEETING OPENED: 7.30pm

President welcomed members

Apologies: Alan W, Michael O, Phil N, Ray C, Sec Ray C

Moved: D Gordon, Sec I Hinks Carried

BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE

Outwards

1 Nil

Inward

- 1 HCVC May Monitor
- 2 Bendigo Bank Statement
- 3 Renewal from Federation
- 4 Note from Defib shop re visit
- 5 Note from Federation re discussion topics
- 6 New forms from NHMA re insurance,
- 7 Email from Sunraysia Farmers market
- 8 Deniliquin Collectors Club Apr & May News
- 9 Invitation to attend Bendigo swap
- 10 Invitation BEMP Society
- 11 Invite to attend NSW Historic Motoring meet.

Moved P Newton, Bob Lampard that correspondence be accepted. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING:

Details of Farmers Market to Alan W

Alan W to look after Defib renewal.

Alan McKenzie going to NSW Hist Mot Meet.

TREASURERS REPORT

Away

(k) Cont.

Ian H agreed to do next months minutes as Phil will be away.

Alan W and Michael looking into Insurance on Wilga rd and meeting OK'D to organise.

Railway Tracks use on treks discussed and will probably need to avoid following a couple of fatal accidents.

General Business

(a) Acceptance of New Members

Nil

(b) Clearing Sales

Nil

(c) Restoration Activities

Nil

(d) New Purchases

Danny Lee has disc and F/L from TE20 for sale

R Mansell knows of a couple of TE20 for sale.

(e) Newsletter Co-ordinator

Thanks for help.

(f) Tracs Assett (Wilga Rd)

Alan W announced that we are now owners of Wilga RD, Approved as from 4th June.

Phil N read out note from Michael O. Tabled.

We owe huge thank you to Michael. Card circulating for everyone to sign. Alan McK said

that without Michael it wouldn't have happened.

Alan W moved vote of thanks to Michael

Sec Ray C. Carried unanimously.

(g) TRACS Website

Up to date

(h) NSW Registrar

nil

(i) Vic Registrar

Lots of renewals.

P Hodgson putting Dodge back on Permit.

(j) Future Club Events

Sunraysia Farmers Market This Sat Alan W

Has details and will go oversee

Bob Lampard Trek Rescheduled due to rain

New date to be organised.

Car/Truck trip to Nulawil Pioneer museum still to be finalised

Car Trial Yet to be set

Bob's Play Day 23/24th July Just come

All Australian Day Date set as 14th Aug

Danny suggested that we use this as Wilga

Rd celebration. Get as much possible there. Agreed

Tractor Pull/Truck show 8th Oct.

Details to be fixed. Jack organising BBQ

Merbein Motor Show 20th Nov TBA

(k) Any Other Business

Bryan Hamilton & John Porker have brought headers back to Bryans and crop has been sown.

Alan W still researching sign.

Sled working bee will be 19th June

Dragline Robert and Moose trying to start.

Another Calder Convoy or alternative discussed

To go on next months agenda,

Next Meeting Wed 13th July 7.30pm at Irymple

Bowls Club

Meeting Closed 8.45 followed by Cake

Meeting Closed 11.20.