

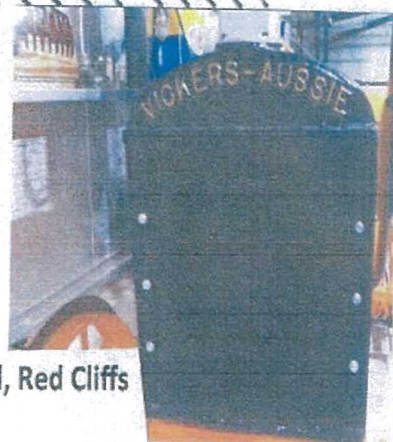
Inc # A0038764

# TRACS TORQUE

Trucks too.

MARCH 2023.

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



PO Box 569 Irymple 3498 [www.tracsmildura.com.au](http://www.tracsmildura.com.au) 436 Wilga Road, Red Cliffs

**FEBRUARY MEETING** was held at the Irymple Bowling Club Rooms 7:30pm on 8-2-2023.  
46 members attended, productive discussion and plans for the loading ramp, shed, fencing and club activities were talked over.  
Another very good meeting.

**NEXT MEETING 8th MARCH 2023 WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:30pm**  
**Irymple Bowling Club Rooms.**  
Come along and keep up with progress and planning of our Club TRACS.

**BOB's TOUR OF THE NORTHERN MALLEE**  
Had to be postponed, this time due to forecast temperatures of 40 degrees plus  
(that's a shade temp), start wandering around in that sandy country in the sun 55 plus.



On the 12th of February, TRACS visited the late Peter Dimasi's collection. It is outstanding.  
We are grateful that Peter's Family allowed us to see the results of his work.

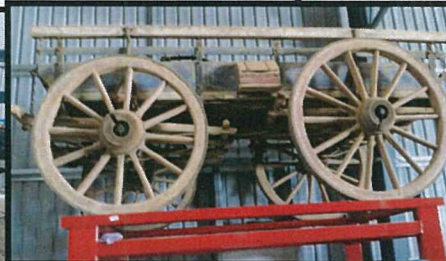




Peter Dimasi's collection is a credit to him. He obviously had a passion for preserving the machinery of years past. TRACS appreciates that his sons Vince and Larry (below) allowed us to see and appreciate his work. TRACS members attending made a donation which will be given to Chaffey Homes in Merbein in Peter's name.



Top right, Max, Graeme and Dale admiring the collection. At left, A Vickers Aussie, and a Hart Parr 18-26 and at right a Farmall F12 tractor and a Ruston Hornsby Steam Engine. Below, a wagon from years past.



At left—Phil Muir's latest project—a 1932 Commer Raider. At right, up at Glen Ora, John's latest acquisition..



This news letter has been printed on a copier supplied by OEDigital, we thank you for your support.

TRACS INC. P.O. Box 569 Irymple VIC. 3498. Web site [www.tracsmildura.com.au](http://www.tracsmildura.com.au)

President  
Alan Whyte  
227 Sixth St.  
Mildura 3500.  
Mobile 0428528136.  
alan@whyte.com.au

Secretary  
Phil Newton  
22 Stockman Drive.  
Irymple. Vic 3498.  
Mobile 0408920205.

Treasurer  
Michael O'Callaghan  
213 12st.  
Mildura. Vic 3500.  
Mobile 61459226378.

News Letter Co-ordinator  
Geoffrey Lane.  
130 Darling St.  
Wentworth.NSW 2648.  
Mobile 0434901812.



## Our Viral Sunshine Strippers

By late February, our Sunshine Strippers Video on the Mildura ABC Facebook Page has had 557,000 views and over 600 comments. We have indeed gone viral. Some of the comments are copied below. They make interesting reading.

Thanks to Kellie Hollingworth and her colleagues at the ABC in Mildura who put this together. And thanks also to Leigh Donovan and Bryan Hamilton.

I'll ring these blokes if you don't turn up soon  
 Bit modern that one with the hydraulic hoses on it??? Great old machine plus the old Fordson tractor. Memories.  
 Bet the sample was way better than you get from today's machines  
 The harvester mechanic is the one on the tractor  
 The oil bottle was a bit more recent  
 Expected to see two blondes from the Sunny Coast that had left their stripping job to pursue farming.  
 I used to ride in the grain box as a kid in the old mans Sunshine No 2.  
 Love the sauce bottle  
 Absolutely brilliant, our farming history is brought back to life after all these years, well done.  
 I noticed a sneaky little optional extra added. Hydraulic ram to lower and lift the comb.  
 Boy, was I expecting a different video than 2 tractors working side by side.  
 The ABC will be in trouble now. Pauline Hanson will be asking questions in Parliament as to why the ABC is doing stories on working strippers.



Farmall A's ready for delivery from T&I. Thks Ian Hinks.



## TRACS PROGRAM 2023.

Trip Nulawil Pioneer Museum date to be set.

South Australia Convoy Run on agenda for future planning.

75 years Chamberlain include in 2024 ALL AUSTRALIAN DAY.

Bob's tour through northern Mallee had to be postponed this time it is due to forecast hot weather .

Coomealla Centenary Thursday 25th to Sunday 28th April 2024.

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

MARCH 12th 9:00am to 4:00 pm Clunes 12th Historic Vehicle Show Clunes Showgrounds Vic.  
contact 0423644025 or 0408510862.

MARCH 12th Fergie Fire Up Wallace, Wallace Recreation Reserve Vic contact Jennie 0425772431.

March 18th -19th Kyabram Vic White Truck Muster contact Ray 0407311007.

March 18th -19th Stawell Tractor Engine and Hobby Rally contact Bill 0448000620 or Lisa 0432817961.

March 20th -22nd Ancient Chrysler Dodge Family 2023 Muster ( ?around ? Albury Wodonga) (contact Federation [www.federation.asn.au](http://www.federation.asn.au) for more details ).

March 26th Booleroo 54th Annual Rally Booleroo Central SA, contact Ian 0438823896.

March 26th Sunday 10:00am start FEDERATION Scoresby Picnic Car Show National Steam Centre  
1200 Ferntree Gulley Rd.Scoresby Vic, contact Peter 0409144603.

March 25th -26th GOULBURN VALLEY Vintage Tractor and Farm Machinery Club inc.  
38th Annual Rally and tractor Pull. Wunghnu Recreation Reserve contact Lloyd 0458299466 .

March 25th - 26th Haulin the Hume contact Darrell 0412050224 or www???

March 26th Mortlake Picnic Tea Tree Park Mortlake, contact John 0419599066.

MARCH Tuesday 28 to Thursday 30th GOLDEN OLDIES AROUND THE BEND at TALEM BEND S.A.  
contact 0888537182 or 0427642238.

March 31st - April 1st Port Pirie Museum STORIES from the ROAD Re Union Phone 0429201549 or  
liz@storiesfromtheroadmuseum.com.au

April 1st - 2nd Smoky River Vintage Rally Hotspur Vic, contact David 0439715220.

April 7th -10th 24th Biennial Easter Vineland Rally Mildura Vintage Car Club inc contact Ken 0409386082 or  
carolyngowers@gmail.com

April 8th- 9th 54th Annual Vintage Rally Warracknabeal Vic, contact 0429146597.

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

April 14th-16th Mudgee NSW 18th NHMA National Rally

April 22nd-23rd Lockington Vic.Vintage Rally.

April 23rd Wangaratta Historic Motor Show and Flyin, contact Richie 0448906509 email  
northvichcvca@gmail.com.

APRIL 29 to 30th Lake Goldsmith Steam Rally.

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



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

JUNE 9th -12th Hamilton and District Vetran Vintage Classic Drivers Club contact Pam 0419145452  
handdvvcde@gmail.com

JULY 8th and 9th 2023 Wentworth Junction Rally **CANCELLED**.

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".

August 27th- 1st September FEDERATION OPEN TOUR Marong/Shepparton 6 days/nights [www.federation.com.au](http://www.federation.com.au)

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

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.

#### HOWARD 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY. (Extract from "The Oily Rag".)

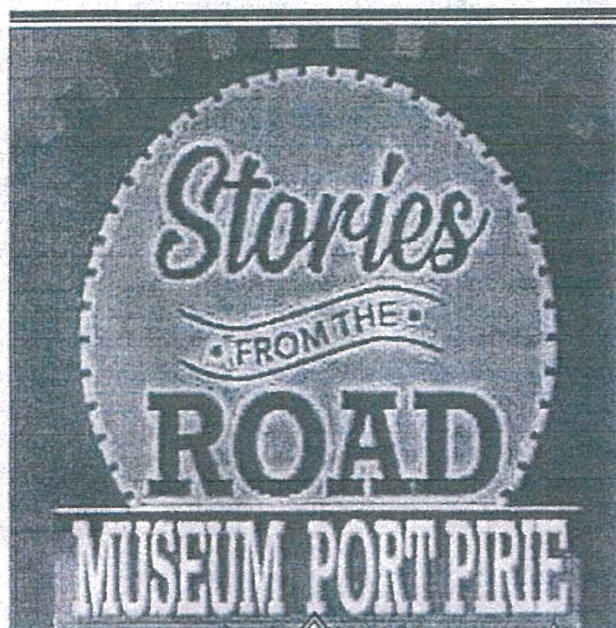
Howard enthusiasts and current Howard personell, PFG Australia will put on a series of displays at key events across the year 2023.

The most notable of these will be :- Farm World, Lardner Park, Vic ( March 24th - 28th ).

Lake Goldsmith Steam and Vintage Rally. Lake Goldsmith Vic ( May 6th- 7th ).

Clarendon Classic. Clarendon NSW.( September 16th - 17th).

See "The Oily Rag" for more details.





# TRACTOR RESTORATION & APPRECIATION CLUB SUNRAYSIA

Inc # A0038764N

## Minutes of Meeting 8th Feb 2023 at IBC

MEETING OPENED: 7.30pm

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Taken as read and correct

Moved : G Lane Sec R Carter Carried

### BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### Outwards

Nil

#### Inwards

- 1 Deniliquin Collectors club Feb newsletter
- 2 Bendigo Bank Statements
- 3 Invitation Chrysler/Dodge muster 20-22 Mar
- 4 Invitation MVVC Easter Rally
- 5 Invitation Federation Tour 27/8 to 1/9
- 6 Invitation Scorsby Picnic & Car show 26/3
- 7 Invitation Wunghu picnic 26/3
- 8 Invitation Goulbourn Valley Vint Rally 25/3
- 9 Invitation Mortlake picnic 26/3
- 10 Invitation Hobson Bay Classic 26/2
- 11 Invitation Hamilton Vet/Vint Classic 9/6
- 12 Invitation Stawell Tractor Rally 18-19/3
- 13 Notice Federation Meeting 12/2
- 14 HCVC Monitor Jan
- 15 Trafalga Truck restorers newsletter De & Feb
- 16 Hit & Miss Jan Newsletter

Moved P Newton, Sec J Porker that correspondence be accepted. Carried

### BUSINESS ARISING:

Nil

### TREASURERS REPORT

Nil Presented

### General Business

#### (a) Acceptance of New Members

Nil

#### (b) Clearing Sales

Nil

#### (c) Restoration Activities

Nil

#### (d) New/Additional Purchases

Nil.

#### (e) Newsletter Co-ordinator

Thanks to Terry & Ian for contributions

#### (f) Wilga Road.

Alan W Advised of bequeath from Est J Whyte \$45k

#### Ramp

Alan brought along whiteboard and discussed at length possible locations of loading ramp. So many suggestions to be resolved.

#### Toilet

Discussed new disabled toilet / revamp existing. Consensus was to hire when needed as costs will be prohibitive. To do and comply upwards \$60K

#### Fencing

Old one needs to be pulled down and replaced.

#### Shed

Discussed at length.

Dave Beard Moved, D Lee seconded that the Wilga Rd committee progress with getting a shed on the way. Passed unanimously.

#### (g) TRACS Website

Up to date

#### (h) NSW Registrar

nil

#### (i) Vic Registrar

Lots of renewals

#### (j) Future Club Events

##### Peter Dimasi shed visit

Sunday 19th Feb 10.00am donation

**Tractor Trek** Scheduled for 24th Feb depart Wilga rd. O/N Bob Lampard's. Down Sunset for next night. Lunch at Trevor Dobbyn Sunday. O/N camp Hattah area and home Monday 27th SA boys coming over and joining in.

**Truck Trek** Scheduled for end April or early May. With Tractors to SA with SA boys. TBA.

**All Australian Day** Sun 13th Aug 2023

**Tractor Pull / Truck show** Sat 7th Oct 2023

**Chamberlain Tractor Muster.** 75th Anniversary Our All Aust Day 2024 to be date.

Committee A Whyte, Ken C, John P, Michael O.

Need to set some preliminary dates/activit & Advert

**Dragline** Had working bee. Fuel system being cleaned and to be re assembled with new oil.

**Next Meeting 8th Mar Meeting closed 8.15pm**

**Next Meeting Wed 8th Feb 7.30 at IBC**