TRACS TORQUE

October 2023

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



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# VINTAGE TRACTOR PULL & TRUCK SHOW

Entry: \$5 kids free

Catering: BBQ, drinks -hot & cold





Exhibitors / Competitorsfree bush camping at rear of site

Saturday 7 Oct 9.30 am start to late afternoon

Wilga Road (west)

(follow signs; turn off Calder Highway at Millewa Road)



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Time to get those tractors and trucks and cars out. The 2023 TRACS Tractor Pull is on the 7th of October.

There is a working bee on Sunday 1st of October to get the grounds ready.

And in a technological first, Michael has put together a U Tube video which can be accessed by scanning the QR Code below.

Scan the code with your phone or get the grandkids to do it for



## TRACS—What's On in The Next Year or So.

#### October 2023

- Sunday 1st—Working Bee at Wilga Road to get ready for The Tractor Pull. 9am start and BBO Lunch.
- Saturday 7th—Tractor Pull and Truck Show
- Wednesday 11th— 7.30 pm TRACS Meeting at Irymple Bowls Club.
- Sunday 15th—Central Goldfields Rally
- Sunday 22nd —Bay to Birdwood
- Saturday/Sunday 21/22—Charlton Truck show—contact Robert Mansell

#### November 2023

- Wednesday 8th— TRACS Meeting—7.30pm at Irymple Bowls Club
- Saturday 11th—Bendigo Swap Meet
- Sunday 19th—South Merbein Motor Show—9am to 2pm
- **Sunday 26th** Christmas BBQ—bring a toy and try it on the sled.

#### December 2023

Wednesday 13th—7.30pm TRACS Meeting at Irymple Bowls Club

#### January 2024

- Wednesday 10th -TRACS meeting 7.30pm at Irymple Bowls Club
- Saturday 13th January—Geelong Truck and Machinery Show

#### February 2024

3rd and 4th—Glenelg Vintage Machinery Rally—feature is 75 yrs of Chamberlain

#### March 2024

**16th March**—Lower Murray Heritage Rally and Tractor Pull at Murray Bridge

#### April 2024

- 25th to 28th—Dareton Coomealla Centenary
- 26th to 28th April—NHMA National Tractor Convention at Deniliquin

#### **July 2024**

6th and 7th—Wentworth Junction Rally—check the website www.junctionrally.com

#### August 2024

8th to 11th—TRACS Australian Day—feature 75 years of Chamberlain

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# The Works Continue at Wilga Road.

The fencing crew have refenced both sides of the track and commenced the new fence past the Loading ramp.

The concrete has been was poured for the shed foundations.

Thanks to the Forbes Wilson Group for a very good deal on the concrete.

The shed frame has been completed.

We have commenced forming a concrete apron around the outside of the shed.

Once this is done we can start cladding the shed.

The working bees have been well attended and have achieved a lot.

Thanks to all of the TRACS members who have made this possible.

















The improvements which have been made at Wilga Road this year are impressive.

This work has been done by many TRACS members. Thankyou all.

And at left—a plug for the South Merbein Motor Show which is on the 19th of November.



## **NHMA Golden Safety Rules**



NHMA Safety Management System provides guidelines to ensure a high level of safety for our activities. The guidelines apply to <u>all participants during all club events and activities</u>. Below is a high-level summary of points essential to ensure compliance with the Safety Management System and maintain your and the public's safety.

- Rally Co-ordinator Is responsible for the control of all exhibits and must ensure a documented rally risk assessment is carried out in conjunction with daily toolbox meetings.
- Insurance and Age Limits The minimum age for machinery exhibitors is 10 years and all exhibitors must have appropriate public liability insurance.
- Clothing Appropriate clothing and footwear should be worn at all times.
- **Exhibit Placement** All powered mechanical exhibits must be fenced. The 1.5 away from the fence and 1 metre between exhibits rule should be followed as a minimum with flywheel and belt operation parallel to the compound fence.
- Unloading and loading- Ensure adequate space and the suitability of winches etc. being used. Do not
  hold onto suspended loads during loading/unloading exhibits but rather use a tag line.
- Licensing -Where applicable exhibitors and participants must be appropriately high risk licenced and pressure vessels certified.
- Public Entry to Compounds Non-insured persons may enter compounds at the discretion of the rally coordinator provided that they are appropriately inducted and escorted at all times.
- Exhibit Supervision and Refuelling -Operating exhibits must be attended at all times by a person capable of safely operating the device. Internal combustion engines must not be refuelled while operating.
- Belt Starting -Loose belt starting of an exhibit from a running engine is prohibited.
- Hazard Consideration Particular care should be given to the potential hazards of displays:
  - Drive belts, Drive chains & Drive shafts (Entanglement)
  - Gearing, cogs, wheels (Crushing & Entrapment)
  - Blades, spikes, cutters, propellers (Cutting & Crushing)
  - Exhausts, cooling water, fuel & other chemicals (Burns)
  - Excess noise
- Alcohol & Illicit Drugs Must not be consumed in compounds or while operating machinery.
- Tractor Activities Only permitted in a public excluded areas. Passengers are not allowed unless there is an allocated seat. Modified tractors are not permitted to take part in NHMA insured tractor pulls.
- Driver Qualification Tractor operators must be appropriately licenced or accepted as competent by the Rally organisers.
- Moving Tractors In Public Rally Spaces Restricted to walking pace under a marshal's supervision.
- Public Roads Tractors operated on public roadway must comply with State or Territory registration, insurance and licencing requirements.
- Static Tractor Displays May be displayed outside compounds provided that unauthorized access is managed, and that the vehicle is rendered inoperative and in a stationary condition.

Peter Garnham
President NHMA

For the latest copy of this checklist please visit the NHMA Website at nhma.com.au

### TRACTOR RESTORATION & APPRECIATION CLUB SUNRAYSIA

Inc # A0038764N

Minutes of Meeting 13th Sept at IBC

**MEETING OPENED:** 7.30pm

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Taken as read and correct

Moved: B Lampard Sec I Hinks

Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING** 

Richies application still to be done

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### Inwards

**HCVC** Aug Monitor 1

2 Bendigo swap meet Volunteer applic

3 Lists of grants available

NSW HMA Newsletter 4

5 Notice of Golden Rules

6 Notice of Federation meeting 14th Oct

7 Advice of Wentworth Rally 6/7 july 24

8 Notice about permit books not sent

9 Notice of Mortlake picnic 29/3/24

Deniliquin Collectors Clb Aug newsletter 10

11 Notice of David Gordons new address

12 7 insurance cards

13 Trafalga Truck restorers Aug Newsletter

Outward

1 Letter to My Chemist re donations for raffle.

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

#### **BUSINESS ARISING:**

Phil outlined grants but not applicable

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Michael away

Tabled

Receipts 1106.20 Expenses 1298.36

Moved A Whyte that report be accepted

Sec P Moser Carried **General Business** 

**Acceptance of New Members** 

(b) Clearing Sales

Nil

(c) Restoration Activities

Phil Johnson, B Hamilton & J Porker have been collecting Champerlain parts

(d) Additional Purchases

Alec McCracken has donated another working stripper to go in shed.

(e) Newsletter distributer

All good

(f) Wilga Road.

Alan outlined situation with water and will look into exactly what is there.

Shed frame is almost complete and when done next inspection is due. Then can be clad. Footings have been done.

Ticket box has been repaired and painted.

Another lot of fencing being worked on.

(g) TRACS Website

Up to date
(h) NSW Registrar

1 renewal

(i) Vic Registrar

Lots of renewals Moose has put Suzuki on permit.

(j) Future Club Events

Working Bee this Sunday 17th from 9.00am

Shed, fencing etc.

**Working Bee** Sunday 1st Oct for Tractor pull

prep.

Tractor Pull/Truck show Sat 7th Oct

Names allocated to jobs.

Truck Trek Charlton keen to have us back

To be organised,

Christmas BBQ 26th Nov

Chamberlain Tractor muster/All Aust day 2024

Date set as 8th to 11th Aug 2024.

(k) Any Other Business

All Aust Day washup

35 Club members attended and 20 members brought something.

35 members of public attended.

Overall Very Poor, but those there enjoyed them selves

Wentworth Show

10 members brought something along. Few more than last year and filled site. Exceptional weather.

Next Meeting Oct 11th 7.30 at IBC Meeting closed 8.30pm