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Photo by Val Grout

A rare 1911 Martini GA

(was in Parkes Museum on 30th March 2024)

Owned by PAMC member Robert McCarthy

Gary & Val Grout met the owner at the Museum and he said he was going to take it out of the museum to Yass

4 cylinder valve motor

2.4 litre displacement

15hp at 1800 rpm

4 speed manual transmission

Martini cars were manufactured in Switzerland from 1897 to 1934 by Adolf von Martini, whose father Friedrich was the inventor of the action used in the Martini-Henry rifle. The car's badge includes a rifle.

Because Swiss provinces were usually hostile to cars, the company had to rely more than most on exports, and demand from abroad proved sufficient to justify building a factory in Saint-Blaise.

The years leading up to the Great War were Martini's best, with annual production hovering around 6,000 cars. The war years kept Martini in the black as they delivered large numbers of vehicles to the Swiss Army.

The 1911 Martini GA is believed to be one of the only 5 existing worldwide.

Tamworth & Districts Antique Motor Club Inc.

“Dedicated to the Restoration, Preservation & Use of Antique Motor Vehicles”

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TfNSW (RMS):	Conditional Registration Website:	https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/roads/vehicle-registration/how-to-register-a-vehicle/historic-vehicles/index.html

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Requirements for vehicles/motorcycles on Historic Vehicle Scheme (HVS):

- They **MUST** be as **CLOSE TO ORIGINAL CONDITION** as possible, with **NO ALTERATIONS** except for safety features, such as turn indicators & seat belts, and **must be over 30 years old**.
- TDAMC Members are permitted to attend events listed in the ‘Rusty Relic’ Events page, but **you will need to carry a copy of the latest magazine or events page with you**.

Logbook 60-day scheme: Members that are on the 60-day Logbook Scheme must fill in the booklet for each day’s use **if it is not listed in Club Events**.

Logbook must be filled out for maintenance (test runs), rego checks & personal use and carried with you. (If not on logbook scheme you must contact the Secretary for maintenance runs and personal use).

See back page for more information

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) (previously RMS) website:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/driving-boating-and-transport/vehicle-registration/how-to/historic-vehicles>



TDAMC CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR 2025

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Feb	5	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	6	Every Thursday - Tar Bike Rides - for coffee at BP Viaduct Servo time to be advised, Ph 0401435892 for details
	6	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room
	9	Show & Shine at Bunnings between 9 & 11am – Coffee available to buy Option for drive Lunch /ride after 11.00am – lunch venue to be decided on the day
	11	Dirt Bike Ride – meet for coffee at BP Viaduct Servo time to be advised, maybe 6am for 6.30 or 7am to 7.30 because of being too hot later. Ph 0401435892 for time details
	12	Mid week evening meal – meet 6pm at Central Chinese Restaurant, Bridge St Ph 0427656149 by 10 th Feb for booking
	16	Club Run – meet 10.30am for BYO morning tea at Attunga Park – lunch at Somerton Hotel – Ph 0427656149 by 12 th Feb for booking
	19	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	25	Dirt Bike Ride – meet for coffee at BP Viaduct Servo time to be advised, maybe 6am for 6.30 or 7am to 7.30 because of being too hot later. Ph 0401435892 for time details
Mar	5	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	6	Every Thursday - Tar Bike Rides - for coffee at BP Viaduct Servo time to be advised, Ph 0401435892 for details
	6	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room
	8	Moonbi Motor Show & Swap Meet, Moonbi Showground. 9am-4pm, Judging of vehicles at 3pm, \$5 entry for non show & shine vehicles, Contact 0411717900
	19	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	22	Grey Fergie Muster, at grounds north of Bendemeer Hotel. (Parking could be difficult for modern vehicles, best to take historic vehicle and they will be on show in a designated area)
	28-30	CHMC Annual Rally based in Dubbo <i>entry forms available – entries close 28th Feb</i>
April	2&16	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	3	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room
May	3-4	Quirindi Rural Heritage Village Show & Swap Meet
	17-18	Tamworth Motor Show -TRECC - Phone: Gavin 0427 604 265 Chris 0418 618 720 Entrants forms on website: tamworthmotorshow.com – email: rotamwest@gmail.com
	23-26	Halfway Rally hosted by Newcastle District Vintage & Classic Car Club based at Boolaroo & Argenton – accommodation could be available at Club Macquarie, Argenton (only 500 metres from NDVCCC club room), can only be guaranteed for bookings confirmed before 14 th February. If you wish to stay at accommodation which is close to meal venues and the rally registration point, it is suggested that you make your booking ASAP. Entry forms & rally details are available, for enquiries contact Ray Ives on 0427421513.
July	18-20	TDAMC Bike Rally based at Paradise Park, Tamworth

NOTE: When on a Tamworth & Districts Antique Motor Club Inc event the Club is not liable if you cause a road accident or breach road rules, it is the responsibility of the driver or rider.

OTHER EVENTS 2025 (Use LOGBOOK for these events if using Historic Registered Vehicle/Bike)

Feb	15-16	Walcha Antique & Machinery, truck & car Show -Walcha Showground – contact 0419188534
	23	Outlaw Hotrod Club Swap Meet, Show & Shine @ Jack Wollaston football grounds North Tamworth, gates open at 6am, judging for vehicles at 11am, trophies awarded 12noon
Feb/ Mar	28-2	Taree & District Vintage & Classic Motorcycle Club Inc. 36th Annual Bike Rally – entry form available, closes 18 Feb.
Mar	9	Inverell Antique Motor Club Swap Meet, Inverell Showground
Apr	4-6	Inverell Motorcycle Restorers Club Inc. 30th Annual Bike Rally, Pre Rally 2 nd & 3 rd – program & entry form available – entry close 21 March.
May	20-25	Coffs Harbour & District Motorcycle Restorers Club 41st Rally, 20th - 25th May entries close 9th May

TAMWORTH & DISTRICTS ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Held at Salvation Army Meeting Room, Goonoo Goonoo Rd, Tamworth – 5th December 2024

Meeting opened 7.30pm by Mike Pett

Present: 23 members

Apologies: Bill Hobbins, Gary & Karen Turner, Mark Tallar, Bruce Turner, Heather Roberts, Auriel Smart, Barry Thomas, Allen Carlson, Fiona Hemmings, Peter Walton, Neil Thornton, Wayne Foster, Greg Reive, Wayne Magann

Correspondence Out:

- Payment of CHMC affiliation fee online.
- CHMC jotform filled out online with our club's details.

Correspondence In:

- Receipt from CHMC for payment of annual affiliation fee.
- Email from Dubbo Automobile Club with entry form for CHMC Annual Rally on 28-31 March.
- Email from the Secretary of CHMC with reports, minutes of general meeting and AGM held on 26 October in Goulburn.
- Email from CHMC to fill out jotform with club details for payment of affiliation fee.
- Email from Ray Ives with entry form for Halfway Rally on 23-26 May 2025, hosted by Newcastle Club based at Boolaroo & Argenton.
- Statement from Regional Australia Bank.
- Magazines from various clubs

Correspondence moved by:

Moved by Reg Roberts seconded by David Smith¹

Minutes of 7th November moved by:

Moved by Mike Pett seconded by Peter Thomas

Treasurer's Report:

October \$500 donation to Liberty Food Care

Moved by David Smith¹ seconded by Dave Smith²

General Business:

- Meals for Christmas lunch at Werris Creek Bowling Club on 1st December were good and reasonably cheap at \$25 for two course meal. Tables were decorated and dining area was good, staff served us well. The young waitress with green hair, is Aaron & Colleen Perrett's daughter so it was good that we gave her a job.
- Mike and Reg Roberts thanked Val for organising the Christmas lunch.
- Scott Heatley has offered to take on position of motorcycle registration officer. He will mainly be offering his service to Werris Creek & Quirindi members but would still be able to do Tamworth when in town. He has been involved with motorcycles for many years, a close friend to the late Wayne Walton who had this position. It was approved for Scott to take on this position, thank you Scott.
- Peter Barker has offered to do motorcycle rego checks for the Tamworth area. Approved.
- Donations of \$500 each to go to Liberty Food Care and Friends of Nioka from Bike Rally profit.
- Mike mentioned that Barry Thomas is going push to get next year's Thursday tar rides happening again.
- TDAMC Annual Bike Rally will be held the 3rd weekend in July 2025, 18-20 July.

Events Report:

Dec	4	Ride for older bikes, including cars, meet 10am at Bakery on Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	5	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 start at Salvation Army meeting room
	8	Club run - meet at Bunnings between 9-11am for show and shine. Coffee available to buy then drive/ride after 11am. Lunch place to be decided on the day
	11	Mid week Lunch- meet 12noon at Dragon Palace Chinese Restaurant.
	15	Club Run – meet 10.00am at Lions/Truckies Park for BYO M/T – drive via Goonoo Goonoo Rd, left into Duri-Dungowan Rd, right onto Nundle Rd at Dungowan Pub lunch at Woolomin Park, BYO or buy at Woolomin shop
	18	Ride for older bikes, including cars, meet 10am at Bakery on Goonoo Goonoo Rd Lunch venue to be decided on the day.

Logbook Events

Dec Every Thurs Logbook tar rides - meet 10am at Viaduct Park Servo for coffee

10 Tues Logbook dirt bike ride - meet 6.00am at Viaduct Park Servo for coffee, bacon & egg roll then leave around 6.30 for ride to beat the heat

Other Events as per events page

Social Committee: Raffle won by Lindsay Wallace

Sargent at Arms: no fines

Meeting Closed: 7.55

Next Meeting Date: General Meeting to be held 6th February 2025 (no meeting in January)



January: 8th Jenny Garment **February:** 14th Judy Grierson

HISTORIC VEHICLE/BIKE REGISTRATIONS

If your HVS vehicle is **due for registration within the next 2 months**, collect a signed and stamped RMS "Historic Vehicle Declaration 1259 Form" from Val at a meeting or on a club run, or arrange with Val to have it mailed to you. *(It must be original so cannot be emailed)*. Gregg McLean can also stamp and sign off on the 1259 Form (but not doing rego checks).

Phone Peter Walton on 0414669434 for Rego checks on motorcycles and you will be able to get the form stamped and signed then, **as long as your membership is current.**

Scott Heatley will do Rego checks for motorcycles in Werris Creek & Quirindi, also Tamworth when he is in the area Ph 0417445058 also Peter Barker Ph 0408963433

(Membership payments due 1st July)

MID WEEK LUNCH MEAL – 11th December 2024

Attendees were: Dave & Wendy Smith; Gary & Val Grout; Jim Kline & Auriel Smart; Greg Reive; Mike Pett; Warwick & Allison Hord; Steve & Judy Grierson; Mark & Jenny Visser.

Met 12noon for lunch at the elegant Dragon Palace Chinese Restaurant with large soft chairs, interesting wallpaper, nice carpet, and in the entry were Chinese patterned tiles and a water feature.

Lunch meals are cheaper than evening meals as they have a lot of rice to fill the plate. Meals were quite large and very good, so a few took home a 'doggy bag'. Lots of chatting over lunch. Mike had a phone conversation with Roger Garment. He has had a hiccup with the building of his house in Tasmania and so he bought a mini house for Emma in Tassie and now one in Manilla, so will be coming back to NSW to live.

Afterwards Grierson's and Grout's carried on a tradition having a sundae across the street at Hungry Jacks even though we were missing David Smith¹ who is usually with us. During the conversations Steve started to recite a poem "One Fine Day in the Middle of the Night" - Val Grout

*One fine day in the middle of the night,
Two dead men got up to fight,
Back to back they faced each other,
Drew their swords and shot each other,
One was blind and the other couldn't see
So they chose a dummy for a referee.
A blind man went to see fair play,
A dumb man went to shout "hooray!"
A paralysed donkey passing by,
Kicked the blind man in the eye,
Knocked him through a nine inch wall,
Into a dry ditch and drowned them all,
A deaf policeman heard the noise,
And came to arrest the two dead men,
If you don't believe this story's true,
Ask the blind man he saw it too!*



*Bike ride 5th December – photo David Smith¹
Dave Smith², Ray Searle, Warwick Budd*

BUNNINGS SHOW & SHINE – Sunday 8th December

TDAMC attendees were: Peter Barker - 1979 Kawasaki motorcycle with sidecar; Ray Searle - 1974 Triumph motorcycle, recently purchased after selling his big Harley; Jamie Toole - 1981 Gemini; Gary Fitzsimmons; Brian Wiggs - 1981 Porsche; David Smith² - 1986 BMW Coupe; Mike Pett - Triumph Dolomite sedan; Neil Thornton - 1980 WB Holden Ute; Pat Lawlor - 1952 MG TD; Wayne Magann; Wayne Foster; Barry Thomas & Elaine Constable; Steve & Judy Grierson; Gary & Val Grout.

Quickly looked at cars and bikes and chatted to a couple owners in the car park. Way too hot to stay out in the sun, 30 degrees at 10am & 56% humidity. Not a lot of other vehicles there this time. We went inside to the café and had a chat over coffee with Steve, Judy, Mike and later on Wayne Foster. A few others from our club went in for coffee earlier. Some of our members did a bit of shopping in Bunnings.

Wayne talked about planning a trip he and Barb are going to do on his 1996 Honda Goldwing with sidecar out west and up to Dirranbandi in the cooler months. He and Barb have done a trip on the bike around Tasmania. He must have clocked up quite a few kms on the Honda as he's been from Taree to Perth and back, swimming in the Pacific Ocean and was going to swim in the Indian Ocean but just a paddle as water was too cold.

Steve showed us a limited edition John Laws watch he just got that he and his brother John applied for online. He has been a long time listener of John Laws on radio for many years.

Brian Wiggs waited patiently in the car park for Shaun Faulkner from Barraba to turn up with his trophy he won for best original vehicle for his 1981 Porsche at the "Back to the Bush" Auto Festival in Barraba held on 19th October. The trophy was an engraved oil bottle with the base looking like spilt oil. Shaun said the planning has already begun for next year's event. It is getting quite large with over 240 entries this year. Next year's event will be Saturday 18th October.
– Val Grout

Finally managed to catch up with Brian Wiggs to present him with his well-deserved Back to the Bush Auto Festival 2024 Best Original trophy for his stunning 1981 Porsche 911 930 Turbo. Congratulations Brian - Shaun Faulkner



Brian Wiggs' & his Porsche - Photo by Shaun Faulkner



Brian with oil bottle trophy – photo by Val Grout



Jamie's Gemini alongside Mike Pett's Triumph



Brian finally received his trophy from Shaun Faulkner

Photos by Val Grout

At Bunnings – 8th December



Neil (right) admiring Ray's 1974 Triumph



Pat Lawlor's MG & Jamie Toole's Gemini



Peter Barker's 1979 Kawasaki with sidecar

Photos by Gary Grout

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## CLUB RUN TO WOOLOMIN – 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Attendees for morning tea were: Gregg McLean - 1972 Triumph TR6 convertible, Gary & Val Grout, Steve & Judy Grierson, Dave Smith<sup>2</sup>, Warwick & Allison Hord, Bev Smith, Roger Garment.

Morning tea and a chat was at the Lions/Truckies Park on Goonoo Goonoo Rd. Good that Roger was able to meet up with us for morning tea after bringing back a load from Tasmania to set up in his recently purchased house in Manilla. After morning tea Dave went home to get Wendy to join us for lunch. Roger and Bev didn't join us for lunch.

After lots of chatting we drove along Goonoo Goonoo Rd to Duri-Dungowan Rd, through Loomberah to Dungowan Hotel, then along Nundle Rd to Woolomin picnic shelter for lunch. Haven't been that way through Loomberah for quite a while. Some properties along through Loomberah had signs up saying they don't want a solar farm built in that area as there is one planned for Middlebrook Road. Countryside getting quite dry except along river flats at Dungowan where they irrigate.

Many of us bought lunch at the Woolomin shop, had to wait a while as they were quite busy, food good. They get trade from locals as well as those going up the road to Chaffey Dam. Good that the dam is nearly full to cope with Tamworth's hot summer. Hopefully they don't start sending water down the Peel River for fish in the Menindee Lakes like what happened in the last drought and left Tamworth on severe water restrictions.

We had lunch in the Woolomin shelter and there was lots of talking. Luckily Gregg was able to park his Triumph, with hood down, in the shade to keep his black seat cool, was a bit hot for him travelling with the sun on him. The rest of us went in cars with air conditioning. Hot day but ok under the shelter with a breeze. When leaving Woolomin at 1.30 it was 37<sup>o</sup> in Tamworth. Always a nice drive beside the Peel River on Nundle Road on the way home.

- Val Grout

## LOGBOOK RIDES

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Dirt Ride

Today we tried something a little different re starting times. Twelve riders meeting at 6.00am leaving after coffee at 6.30am.



Early start from BP Viaduct Cafe to beat the heat

Nice ride to Attunga then Halls Creek to Bendemeer. Weather perfect that time of day, so after regrouping rode up the mountain to Woolbrook. A few gates to open but pretty easy going.

Still early when we regrouped at Woolbrook so somebody suggested we ride to Limbri and watch the train coming through the tunnel. Got some nice happy snaps as train crawled through tunnel stopping right in front of us. Train driver gave us a real earful yelling something about rail corridor and police coming etc. Decided it was best to leave but found it very exciting. How many can say they held up a train, not many I would think. I still think train driver was having a bad day but didn't hang around to ask. Thunderbolt probably last one to hold up anything in that area.

Really enjoyed the ride today with a good bunch of blokes (club members and guests). Arrived home at 10.30 travelling about 180kms. This our last dirt ride for 2024 but maybe a few more early starts in 2025. Must mention that we didn't climb through any fences or open any gates to view the train, just parked our bikes on side of track.



Barry standing beside rail tracks taking photos of the Explorer train coming out of the tunnel



### Thursdays 2<sup>nd</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025

Good roll up every Thursday for coffee and a chat. Usually about 10 or a dozen sometimes a little more. Way too hot so not a lot of interest ride wise.

Received a text from club member Steve Searl and his lovely bride the other day wishing us a Happy New Year. Bit hard to keep track of him but this time text came from Antarctica. I have included a few happy snaps for Rusty Relic, but as you can see motorcycles few and far between (must be too cold).



Steve & Julie Searl on cruise in Antarctica



Steve & Julie Searl in Antarctica – too cold for motorcycles here

### Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Today was our first dirt ride for 2025. Nine starters leaving BP Viaduct at 6.30am after coffee. Lovely and cool that time of the day so pleasant riding. Out past the airport then hit the dirt onto the many tracks and lanes towards Somerton. Lucky to have lead rider very familiar with that area. Babinboon Lane top side of Somerton following it towards Breeza. Left turn then headed towards Currabubula. Babinboon Lane fairly long and quite a good track to ride on.

A little break at Currabubula to water the horses but already starting to get hot. A few roos about but didn't see any snakes crossing road. Farm dams looking low and needing a drink. Headed towards Rocky Water Hole, cutting back to Duri and crossing highway onto Warral Road. Rubbish a bit of an eyesore Tamworth end of Warral Road near of old school but I guess nobody wants to deal with it.

Will be back in full swing come February but starting times needed to be sorted for both tar and dirt rides. Way too hot to be starting at 10am-10.30 and riding in the midday sun. Thinking at the moment 6 for 6.30am or maybe 7 to 7.30am for February at least. Great ride today, everybody keen to get back on the bikes. No falls so that was a good way to start the year, home safe and sound by 10am. About 145kl today so not a big ride.

- Barry Thomas

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DRIVE Lite Historic and Classic December 2024

Is your vehicle in the right scheme?



Understanding the appropriate and correct registration pathway for historic and classic vehicles can be crucial, especially when vehicle modifications are involved.

Car club members often ask, “What’s the process?” when it comes to swapping or upgrading an original engine to something more powerful and modern.

Vehicles with modified engines in the majority of cases need to move from the HVS to the CVS, which requires additional certifications and approvals.

Take, for example, the iconic VL Holden Commodore. In its original condition, this car would qualify for Historic Registration. However, if it’s been modified with a modern or high-powered engine, club members and officials will need to follow all steps required for Classic Registration. This ensures the modified vehicle is compliant with road safety and registration standards.

If a modified vehicle like the pictured VL Commodore came up for club membership, it’s wise to refer the owner for a Blue Slip inspection from the Authorised Unregistered Vehicle Inspection Scheme (AUVIS). This inspection includes both an Identity Check and a Design Check, which confirms whether the modifications are significant enough to require a VSCCS certification.

Once the process is complete, the vehicle would be eligible for the CVS through a participating club.

Unlike the standard VL Commodore, a vehicle with significant modifications cannot remain under the HVS. The CVS, with its additional requirements, is designed to accommodate such changes, ensuring both safety and compliance for modified classics on the road.

By following these steps, car enthusiasts can ensure that their treasured vehicles are properly registered and road-ready, allowing them to enjoy their modifications.

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## BUNNINGS SHOW & SHINE – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2025

TDAMC attendees were: Dave Smith<sup>2</sup> - 1986 BMW Coupe; Neil Thornton - 1980 WB Holden Ute; Brian Wiggs - 1981 Porsche; Warwick & Allison Hord; Gary & Val Grout

Not many vehicles on show this time being quite hot and some away on holidays. Had a quick chat in the car park with Dave and Neil after they had coffee before they left. Had a chat with Brian Wiggs and looked at his Porsche after his son gave it a spruce up in the holidays (Xmas present for Brian), looked like a new one. There was a nicely restored 1952 MG TD and met the owner from TVCC.

We enjoyed a long chat over coffee inside in air conditioned café with Warwick and Allison. They bought some plants before heading off to their new unit in town. - Val Grout



Brian Wiggs 1981 Porsche



Neil Thornton's WB Holden ute & Dave's BMW



1952 MG TD



1954 Austin Healey



Warwick & Allison & Val

*Photos by Gary Grout*

## JUST FOR FUN

My five year old students are learning to read. Yesterday one of them pointed at a picture in a zoo book and said "Look at this! It's a frickin' elephant!"

The teacher took a deep breath and, then asked ...  
"What did you call it?"

"It's a frickin' elephant! It says so on the picture!"

And so it does.....

"African Elephant"

Ain't phonics wonderful!

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Yesterday, a 45-year-old man was going to bed heard thieves in his garage.

He called the police. Unfortunately, the officer on the phone told him they don't have any police officers free at the moment.

The guy hung up and then called again in a while and tells the officer:

- it's about these thieves in my garage.

Don't bother coming anymore I've shot them.

After literally 2 minutes, 4 police cars, Armed response, counter terrorists, & ambulances.... thieves were obviously caught.

Police officers had a chat with the gentleman.

Officer says - "You said you shot them!"

Gentlemen said - "And you said you don't have any police free at the moment " ..

"I finally did it. I bought a pair of shoes with memory foam insoles: No more forgetting why I walked into the kitchen

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Five ants rented an apartment with another five ants.  
Now they are tenants!

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Don't forget! This month we celebrate three days when the man is always right! That would be the 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> February.

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## ~~ NOTICES ~~

- Rego checks for HVS (Historic Vehicle Scheme) cars to be done with Stuart, Brent or Dion Larkham at Engines 4U, 117 Marius St, Tamworth - Phone 67613636 for booking.
- Cars new to the club are to be inspected for HVS eligibility by David Smith<sup>1</sup> ph 0411351418.
- Rego checks for HVS motorcycles by Peter Walton ph 0414669434, OR at Engines 4U for booking ph 67613636. Scott Heatley bike Rego checks in Werris Creek & Quirindi ph 0417445058

### **Requirements for vehicles/motorcycles on HVS (Historic Vehicle Scheme):**

- They MUST be as CLOSE TO ORIGINAL CONDITION as possible, with NO ALTERATIONS except for safety features and must be OVER 30 YEARS OLD.

### **USE OF LOGBOOK:** (a new Logbook will only be issued by RMS when your registration is due)

- Logbooks allow up to 60 days use per registration year. They are to be used for maintenance, Rego checks and personal use when out on a public road if it is not listed in TDAMC events.
- The driver's **FULL NAME** and the date must be entered in the Logbook at the start of each day's use. Only one entry per day is required, regardless of how many different drivers or trips taken that day.
- Entries in the Logbook must be in blue or black ink and must be carried in the vehicle when in use.
- Logbooks must be made available on request by a NSW Police Officer or an Authorised Officer and may be subject to audit.
- If the allocated 60 days Logbook use is exhausted, the vehicle can ONLY be used for club related events.

**IF NOT ON THE LOGBOOK SCHEME** maintenance runs need to go in the Day Book held by the secretary, also if attending rallies that are not listed in the magazine a Permit to Move Form is to be filled out.

**FOR CLUB EVENTS:** you need to carry a copy of the club's magazine or events page.

**NOTE:** TDAMC members with HVS registered vehicles/bikes **must attend at least 3 events per year.**

When out on the road on a TDAMC event make sure you abide by the road rules – **the driver/rider is responsible if in breach of RMS road rules or in an accident that the driver/rider is at fault.**