

The Rusty Relic

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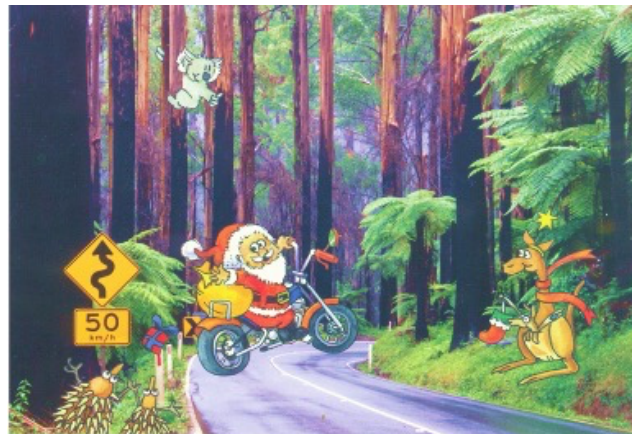
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WE WISH YOU A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Tamworth & Districts Antique Motor Club Inc.

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

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Club Meetings:	FIRST THURSDAY of each month (except January)	7.15 for 7.30pm start at Salvation Army Church Meeting Room 328 Goonoo Goonoo Road, South Tamworth
Committee Meetings:	Third Thursday of each month (except January)	7.30 pm at venue to be advised Members welcome to attend
Club Newsletter	“The Rusty Relic”	Published by the committee
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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 2024

Events Co-Ordinators

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Dec	1	TDAMC Christmas Lunch – 12noon Werris Creek Bowling Club – Wear party attire Meet at 10am for BYO M/T at Lions/Truckies Park
	4	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	5	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room
	8	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	Mid-Week LUNCH – meet 12 noon at Dragon Palace Chinese Restaurant, Peel St Phone/text 0427656149 for booking by 10th Dec
	15	Club Run – meet at 10.00am for BYO M/T at Lions/Truckies Park - drive via GG Rd, left turn into Duri-Dungowan Rd, right at Pub onto Nundle Rd, Lunch at Woolomin Park Shelter BYO or buy at shop
	18	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES meet 10.00am at Bakery 306 Goonoo Goonoo Rd Also for car members – lunch venue to be decided on the day
Jan	2	NO GENERAL MEETING
	12	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
	15	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	25	Guyra Lamb & Potato Car/Bike/Truck/Military Vehicle Show & Shine
Feb	5	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	6	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room
	19	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
Mar	5	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	6	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm Start – Salvation Army Meeting Room
	19	Wed Bike Ride for OLDER BIKES (also for cars) meet 10.00am at Bakery Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	21-22	Grey Fergie Muster - Bendemeer
	28-30	CHMC Annual Rally based at 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	23-26	Halfway Rally based at Boolaroo & Argenton – Hosted by Newcastle Dist Vintage & Classic CC - entry form available
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 2024 (Use LOGBOOK for these events if using Historic Registered Vehicle/Bike)		
Dec	5	Every Thursday - Logbook Tar Rides - meet 10.00am for coffee – BP Viaduct Service Station
	10	Logbook Dirt Ride - meet 6.00am @ BP Viaduct Service Station for coffee, bacon & egg roll. Leave around 6.30am for last dirt ride in 2024
Jan	TBA	First & third Thursday - Logbook Tar Rides - meet 12.00noon for lunch – BP Viaduct Service Station
	TBA	Second & forth Tuesday Logbook Dirt Rides - meet 10.00am – BP Viaduct Service Station
Feb	6&20	First & third Thursday - Logbook Tar Rides - meet 12.00noon for lunch – BP Viaduct Service Station
	11&25	Second & forth Tuesday - Logbook Dirt Rides - meet 10.00am – BP Viaduct Service Station
	15-16	Walcha Antique & Machinery, truck & car Show -Walcha Showground – contact 0419188534
	23	Outlaw Hot Rod Club Show & Shine & Swap Meet – North Tamworth
Mar	1-2	Taree Motorcycle Rally
	9	Inverell Swap Meet – Inverell Showground
Apr	4-6	Inverell Motorcycle Restorer Club for their 30th Annual Rally

TAMWORTH & DISTRICTS ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Held at Salvation Army Meeting Room, Goonoo Goonoo Rd, Tamworth – 7th November 2024

Meeting opened 7.30 by Val Grout & Mike Pett

Present: 20 members, 1 visitor

Apologies: Mark Tallar, Gary & Karen Turner, Fiona Hemmings, Peter Walton, Bill Hobbins, Warwick & Allison Hord, Neil Thornton, Wayne Foster, Lindsay Wallace, Wendy Smith, Gregg McLean, Pat Lawlor, Brian Wiggs, Greg Reive, Bruce Turner

New Member: Peter Barker

Correspondence Out:

- Payment to AJ Gallagher Insurance for Public & Management Liability Insurance.

Correspondence In:

- Email from Clarence Valley Historic & Enthusiasts Motorcycle Club wanting to know the date for our club's 1925 Bike Rally.
- Email from Inverell Motorcycle Restorer Club for their 30th Annual Rally scheduled for Friday April 4 to Sunday April 6 2025.
- Email from Brian & Pat Jamieson.
- Statement from Regional Australia Bank.
- Magazines from various clubs

Correspondence moved by:

Moved by Steve Ryan seconded by Reg Roberts

Treasurer's Report – no report, treasurer away

General Business:

- We wished Auriel Smart a Happy Birthday for today.
- Email from Brian & Pat Jamieson - Dear Val, It is with great sadness that we tender our resignation from TDAMC. We have not been good members for some time now. I guess age is catching up with us and we now have other interests and now no car as well. We are spending more time with family as our grandchildren move on from uni and head off into different directions including overseas to pursue their degrees leaving only two at high school next year. We wish TDAMC members all the best for the future and safe driving. Thank you for your friendship over the years. We will miss everyone and all the fun times we have had. Brian and Pat Jammo.
- As a result of Brian's resignation Val nominated Jim Kline for the position of Sargent at Arms. Jim Kline accepted.
- Donations from Bike Rally profit of \$500 each to go to Liberty Food Care and Friends of Nioka.
- Val has booked the Werris Creek Bowling Club for the Christmas lunch for 12noon on 1st December. Wayne Foster has been to see them to check on booking.
- David Smith¹, Val & Gary Grout attended the Great Eastland Rally in Coffs Harbour on 25-27 Oct. Rally was enjoyable with pretty drives into the forest.
- Jim Kline said the caravan campout in Barraba was good. Attended by Lionel & Gwen Bridge, Warwick & Allison Hord, Jim Kline & Auriel Smart.
- Mike Pett, Pat Lawlor & Brian Wiggs went to 'Back to the Bush' in Barraba. Mike said it was an amazing event. It appears that Brian Wiggs won a prize for his Porsche.
- Need to change lunch venue for 24th November as Bendemeer Store has been sold and won't be operating by then for a big group. We will now go to Bendemeer Hotel.
- Steve Ryan said they had over 100 bikes at the Annual Hat Head Rally.
- TDAMC Annual Bike Rally will be held the 3rd weekend in July 2025, 18-20 July.

Events Report:

Nov	6	Ride for older bikes, including cars, meet 10am at Bakery on Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	7	General Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 start at Salvation Army meeting room
	10	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
	13	Mid week Evening Meal – meet 6.00pm at Kootingal Hotel
	20	Ride for older bikes, including cars, meet 10am at Bakery on Goonoo Goonoo Rd
	24	Club Run – meet 10.30am for BYO morning tea at Big Chook Park Moonbi – lunch at Bendemeer Shop. (Now changed to Bendemeer Hotel due to shop being sold).
Dec	1	TDAMC Christmas lunch 12noon at Werris Creek Bowling Club. Wear party attire. Met 10am for BYO M/T at Lions/Truckies Park then travel via GG Rd then right at Duri-Dungowan Rd. Two course meal cost \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members.

Logbook Events

Nov Every Thurs Logbook tar rides - meet 10am at Viaduct Park Servo
12&26 Tues Logbook dirt bike rides - meet 10am at Viaduct Park Servo

Other Events as per events page

Social Committee: Raffle won by Allen Carlson

Meeting Closed: 8.15

Next Meeting Date: General Meeting to be held 5th December 2024



November: 30th Neil Thornton

December: 5th Roger Garment, 15th Thyra Sullings, 26th Christine Barber

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.**

(Membership payments due 1st July)

BUNNINGS SHOW & SHINE – Sunday 10th November

TDAMC attendees were: Mark Jeanes - Moto Guzzi motorcycle; Jae Price - Triumph motorcycle; Peter Barker & his wife (pillion) - Harley motorcycle; Allen Carlson - motorcycle; Wayne Foster - Honda Goldwing with sidecar; Chris Lang - 1964 Chevrolet; Jamie Toole - 1981 Gemini; Gary Fitzsimmons - 1971 Torana; Brian Wiggs - 1981 Porsche; David Smith¹ - 1993 Ford Capri; Mike Pett - Triumph Dolomite sedan; Steve, Judy & John Grierson - 1975 Holden Kingswood; Dave Smith² - 1986 BMW Coupe; Rick Langdown - 2002 Elfin; Peter Walton; Gary & Val Grout.

Mark had an issue with the brake locking on his bike on the way there. A few days later had Allen assist him in replacing brake pads. Looked at cars and bikes and chatted to owners in car park. Then Gary and I enjoyed a chat in the café over coffee with Steve, Judy, John, David¹, Dave² and Peter. Discussed various topics. Mike, Allen and a couple others were there at another table. Wayne got to meet up with his daughters over coffee.

We then moved onto Dragon Palace Chinese for lunch for Grout's, Grierson's and David. Restaurant quite busy and had to wait a while for a table for six. After a nice meal we had our usual sundae at Hungry Jacks across the street.

– Val Grout



David Smith's Capri & Mike Pett's Triumph Dolomite



Brian Wiggs' Porsche



Wayne's Honda Goldwing with sidecar



Gary Fitzsimmons' Torana



Peter Barker & his wife with Harley Davidson



Jae Price's Triumph



Chris Lang's 1964 Chev



Grierson's Holden Kingswood



Rick Langdown's Elfin



Tiny 1974 Honda CF70 created some attention

- photos by Gary Grout

LOGBOOK RIDES – November 2024

Tuesday 12th November – Dirt Ride

I've been grounded for a couple of weeks but managed to get some info on ride at our regular coffee meets on Thursday. Nine riders rode to Bendemeer via Bungendore Spur and Watsons Creek. Temporary bridge just downstream from old bridge proved to be a bit of a handful. Three riders managed to take a tumble but only one rider needing first aid. Steep drop off in loose sand to temporary crossing then duck your head blunder a fallen log when you came out the other side. I was told the rider requiring first aid went straight home, the rest headed to Bendemeer for lunch. Sorry I missed this ride, sounds like they had a bit of excitement.



Tuesday 26th November – Dirt Ride

Great to be back on bikes again. Ten riders today for a short ride of about 100 or so klms. Easy riding starting on Warral Road then many lanes heading west towards the hills. Stopped a couple of times for a yarn, our lead rider very familiar with this area. Wheat already stripped so country looking fairly dry. A few roos about looking for some green but not much about.

The boys got split into two groups when one bike refused to start after our second stop. Got bike going eventually but first group long gone and never to be seen again. Apparently first group turned towards Somerton and second group turned towards Currabubula. Heaps of lanes out there so not that hard to be separated. Getting hot by midday so home by lunch time. Enjoyed the ride, very dusty and no falls which is always good.



Winton Telephone Exchange



Time for a break and a yarn 27k from Duri

Thursday tar rides have dropped off a bit in popularity, most rides just around the block as we say.

Next year planning on doing something about that. Will try some lunch rides on the off week to our dirt rides (first and third Thursdays).

Our **last ride** for this year is a **dirt ride** on **December 10th**. Going in a clockwise direction to Bendemeer, Woolbrook, Limbri and home. Meeting at **6.00am** at BP Viaduct Servo for coffee and bacon & egg roll. Hope to leave by about 6.30 or so and be home around lunch time to beat the heat.

It's been a great year for the club, always something going on. Thanks again to all the people who helped with running of the same. Merry Christmas to you all. - Barry Thomas



Logbook Dirt Ride 10th December - meet **6.00am** for coffee and bacon & egg roll at Viaduct Servo, leave around 6.30am, home for lunch to beat the heat.

Rides for older bikes 1st and 3rd Wednesday - meet 10am at Bakery on Goonoo Goonoo Rd

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**MID WEEK EVENING MEAL – 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Attendees were: Barry Thomas & Elaine Constable; Gary & Val Grout; Jim Kline & Auriel Smart; David Smith<sup>1</sup>; Warwick & Allison Hord.

This time we took a drive to Kootingal Hotel for dinner at 6pm. Had the room to ourselves. Pizzas were quite large, and Warwick took home some of his. Jim managed to eat most of his except for the crust. Steak and salad was on special @ \$16 which was good value. Lovely to have a meal with friends on my birthday. - Val Grout



Jim ready to devour a big pizza

### CLUB RUN TO MOONBI & BENDEMEER – 24<sup>th</sup> November

Attendees were: Gary & Val Grout - 1959 Chev Belair; Dave<sup>2</sup> & Wendy Smith - 1986 BMW; David Smith - 1993 Capri; Rick Langdown - Mazda MX5; Greg Reive - Triumph motorcycle; Warwick & Allison Hord; Jim Kline & Auriel Smart. Apologies from Steve & Judy.

Morning tea and a chat was at the Moonbi Big Chook Park. We then travelled to Bendemeer Hotel (except for Rick). Was initially going to the Bendemeer Store but it has been sold and winding down until new owners take over so couldn't cater for our group.

Lunch meals at Bendemeer Hotel were good and quite large that Dave had half his pizza to take home and so did Warwick & Allison even though they shared it. Rissoles & veg were good too so were prawn cutlets, service good. Seated inside with nice view over the riverbank, nice and green, large trees giving shade for patrons that dined outdoor. Would have rather been seat on chairs instead of heavy wooden bench seats. Weather warmed up to 31degrees in Bendi by 1.30 when leaving.

- Val Grout



Historic Bendemeer Hotel built 1864 - *above photos by Gary Grout*



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TDAMC CHRISTMAS LUNCH – 1st December

Attendees for morning tea at Lions/Truckies Park were: Steve & Julie Searl, Gregg McLean, Gary & Val Grout, Steve, Judy & John Grierson, Reg & Heather Roberts and Aaron Perret. Arron arrived in his historic black Ford Falcon and asked, where are all the old cars? He was the only one as we all opted for cars with air conditioning. Also he drove up from Werris Creek after working to 3am.

After lots of chatting we drove along Goonoo Goonoo Rd to Duri-Dungowan Rd (now tarred) across to Werris Creek Rd, as there is roadwork on Burgmanns Lane. We met up with other attendees at Werris Creek Bowling Club, they were: Jim Kline & Auriel Smart, Dave & Wendy Smith, Bev Smith, Peter Walton & Bev Barnsley, Mark Jeanes, Allen Carlson, Wayne Foster, Barry Thomas & Elaine Constable, Warwick & Allison Hord, Mike Pett, Pat Lawlor, Scott Heatley, Colleen Perrett. Aaron ended up being late as he ran out of petrol just on the outskirts of Werris Creek after going back from Tamworth, didn't quite make it to the nearby Servo. Hopefully this doesn't happen when driving his taxi. His black Falcon was an ex taxi in Tamworth before his Dad restored it.

The club set up the tables in an L-shape and nicely decorated and with bon bons. Alternate drop roast meal was very good topped off with dessert, quite a nice filling meal and good value for \$25. Aaron & Colleen's young daughter, with green hair, waited on us. Venue was good with plenty of room to move around, a nice relaxing time was had.

- Val Grout

Christmas lunch at Werris Creek Bowling Club – 1st December



Photos by Gary Grout

Safe travelling

JUST FOR FUN

A Blonde Lady failed the written Driving Test four times.

At the Fifth attempt, she was determined to pass: But the test had the same question.

"You are driving at 100 kph. On your right is a wall, on your left is a cliff. On the road you see an Old Man and a Young Man. What will you hit?

The Woman walked up to the Examiner and said.

"I've answered this question all four ways, Wall, Cliff, Old Man and Young Man, yet I failed all Four times. How is this possible?

What am I supposed to hit?"

The Examiner smiled and replied.

"The Brakes!" 😊

Last night I went to a Christmas party. I had a few beers, followed by a few more beers, followed by a few shots of Southern Comfort.

That's when I decided to do what I have never done before: I took a cab home.

Sure enough, there was a DUI checkpoint on the way home, and since it was a cab, they waived it past.

I arrived home safely without incident. This was both a great relief and a surprise, because I had never driven a cab before. I don't even know where I got it from, and now that it is in my garage, I don't know what to do with it!! Anyone missing a Green Toyota Prius?..

An Irishman and an Englishman walk into a bakery.

The Englishman steals 3 buns and puts them into his pockets and leaves. He says to the Irishman, "That took great skill and craftiness to steal those buns. The owner didn't even see me."

The Irishman replied, "That's just simple thievery, I'll show you how to do it the honest way and get the same results."

The Irishman then proceeded to call out the owner of the bakery and says, "Sir, I want to show you a magic trick."

The owner was intrigued so he came over to see the magic trick.

The Irishman asked him for a bun and then he proceeded to eat it. He asked 2 more times and after eating them again the owner says, "Okay my friend, where's the magic trick?"

The Irishman then said, "Look in the Englishman's pockets."

What do you clean your hands with at Christmas?

With Santatiser!

Wife said to husband, "I think you need a hearing test!"

Husband said, " Why the heck do I need a hairy chest?"

HOW DO WE KNOW SANTA IS A MAN?

No woman with an ounce of dignity would wear the same outfit for so many years running.

Happy New Year

~ ~ 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 Smith¹ ph 0411351418.
- Rego checks for HVS motorcycles can be done by Peter Walton ph 0414669434, OR at Engines 4U ph 67613636 for booking.

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.**