The June July Aug newsletter of the Kempsey Macleay Auto Restorers inc.

Wheels Of Time



Our most Christmassy dressed Man
Mike Morgan



A beautiful old vehicle at Bowraville RSL show and Shine



PRESIDENTS REPORT – Colin Trusler

Good evening, ladies & Gentlemen, welcome to our August meeting,

The horses had their birthday on the 1st of August and they are now all a year older, the August winds came along with some gusto on Sunday night, I had a early start yesterday a 6.15 pickup at Hat Head and was surprised at all the tree debris, that was on SWR road and then on the Hat Head Road, with one tree down on the road & numerous branches all over the road, I hope no members were impacted by this event. To quote a founding member “The Winter winds are blowing”.

During the last month our major activity was the Christmas in July, what a great day that was, thank you all for your participation and a special thanks to Neville & Anne for all their effort.

The other activity was the Bunnings BBQ, again thank you to the volunteers who helped on the day. I feel the day was a success and an ideal opportunity, to put our names out there for the public to see,

Saturday 19th July: Christmas in July.

This started with entertainment from the start of our drive with letters on the way,3 words for the Navigator to work out., with one section having questions. There was a sheet to fill out the answers along that section of the course.

The winners of these comps were presented with an Ampol fuel voucher for the most answers right and the vehicle that made it back to the club in the secret time set. With six other prizes for the fun on the day. I think everyone enjoyed themselves.



Richard Eakin sitting beside our most Christmassy lady Noel Perdrisat, the front page is Mike Morgan who was our most Christmassy man.

Saturday 25th July Bunnings Sausage Sizzle.

We raised money for riding for the disabled .it was a day to show our club to the community and to pick up an odd membership or two.

I would like to thank the big army of volunteers on the day. Everyone had a good time. There was plenty of entertainment for us, with people buying sausages for their dogs.



This was posted on Facebook the lady thanking us for giving her dogs a wonderful breakfast. People ordered 10 sausages at a time. All went smoothly with only one dash across town for bread. A pleasing result for our first time.



The gang are working at the Bunnings Barbeque.

A great time was had by all.

This report was from Neville & Ian and the Red Merc and Red Holden Utility.

A good day for a laugh.

Murphy says to Paddy, "What ya talking into an envelope for?"

"I'm sending a voicemail."(one for all of you non digital members lol).

19 Paddies go to the cinema, the ticket lady asks, "Why so many of you?"

Mick replies, "The film said 18 or over .

The Grim Reaper came for me last night, and I beat him off with a vacuum cleaner.

Talk about Dyson with death.

Sorry about all the Irish Jokes they do come from Colin Trusler.

Our trip to Johns River, Crowdy Head, light House and **Stone's Oysters**



Our group at Crowdy Heads Light House September 2026.

Sunday the 13th of September our members all met up at South Kempsey with fully fuelled cars and set off on a Coastal Cruise to Harrington.

Morning tea was our first stop at John's river. Waiting for us were members from Hars to join us for the day.

After cakes & cuppas we all went for a short stroll across the park to David Spokes home. He was very kind in showing us his collection of cars & tractors. Shed after shed had some beauties for us to see & while some wives were waiting for their hubbies, they were just as kind to do some weeding in David's gardens.

Leaving there we drove to Harrington & up to the lookout to where the views were so serene.



Another short journey to Crowdy Head Lighthouse wowed us all with 360 degrees views.

Hannah Schmidt who lives in the area gave us a brief history on the lighthouse & surrounding mountain ranges.

By now our bellies needed some lunch so back down from the Lighthouse & back to Harrington to Stones Oysters for seafood & burgers along with a wonderful talk from the owners of Stones Oysters describing the effects covid & the floods has had on their business. How they used their vessels to save residents lives during the floods. Many lives were saved because Stones took the risk when there was no other help coming for those residents. Meanwhile the damage to their business has been costly & with great resilience they have managed to prosper their family business. Next time you're on a road trip please visit Stones Oysters Café.

Thank you to Caroline Homburg for this wonderful story and Neville Schmidt for the photos off his smart phone. The Sea food was beautiful so fresh and the company was great .Many thanks also to the lady who gave us the talk, the shy hero Oyster farmer for his cooking & David Spokes for sharing his day with us and all of our members who made this a great day. Without participants we wouldn't

have all the fun. From Caroline, David, Neville Anne and the red Mere. The MGB has moved to Coopernook.



Now I am going backwards August 15th.

We had a trip to Bowraville. A little bit of background to this outing Neville who has written this report was contacted by Terry Fuller and asked to help organise this outing.

The coffee van that I suggested and Terry organised did a roaring trade.3 exservices club members voted for the most desirable car. Lindsay Rapley got first, Mike Loney came second, Colin Trusler 3rd & 3 other trophies went to other clubs. Our club was well represented with a mix from other clubs. In all it was a great day with a great

meal at the exservices club at presentation time. From Neville & Dave Homburg in The Red Merc.

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Thursday 3rd September Bunnings Father's Day Barbeque. Kempsey Macleay Auto Restorers with 4 Aces Bunnings Customers.

This BBQ was put on by Bunnings with the 2 clubs doing the cooking. Someone walked away with the club apron giving lollies to the kids and letting Bunnings customers know the free BBQ was on, there was no information about this at the Bunnings door, all in all it was a good turnout. A good social night was had our members and the Four Aces. From Neville Schmidt and the Red Merc.

Trip Calendar.

Sunday 18th October. To Taylors Arm Pub with No Beer. Start 9.30am South Kempsey Park. Morning tea Macksville Riverside Park Business side then to the Pub With no Beer. Number to Nev and Anne on 65626035/0409229536.

October.23rd-26th Great Eastland **Hub Rally.**

First November Mid coast Motorfest Put on by The Ford owners Club at Wauchope Show Ground. No entry time on flyer show & shine is from 10-

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Sunday 8th November 2026 Progressive dinner and Ordinary meeting. Start 10am at Colin & Janet Trusler's Home, for morning tea, then to Kevin & Glenda Wilson's Home for BBQ lunch & ordinary meeting then to Val Escott's for afternoon tea.

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