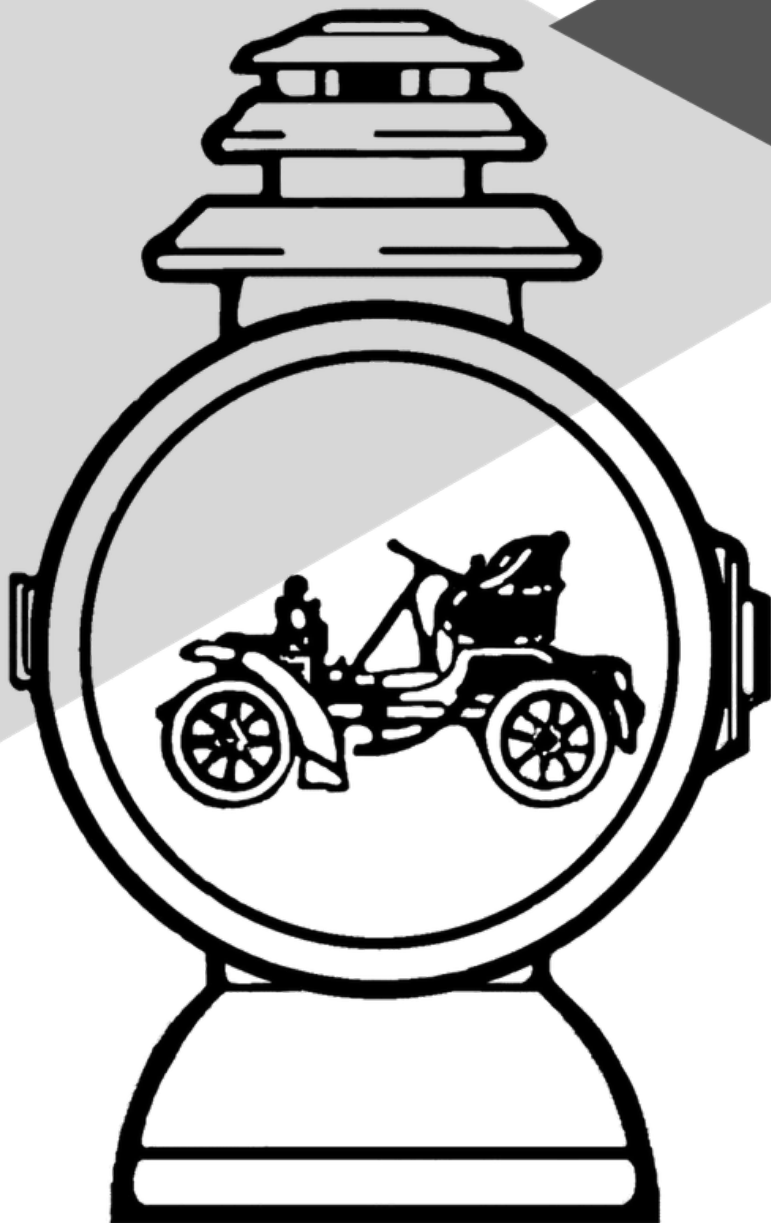


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“The Family Club”

SEPTEMBER 2026



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JUNE RALLY

Public Officer - Janelle Clout

MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held at 7.30 pm on the first Friday of each month at the Shaw Street Community Hall, Corner Shaw Street and Kent Crescent, Wagga Wagga. All members, guests and visitors are welcome.

CLUB EVENTS

Club events are held on various days during the year.

Please check the "Coming Events Calendar" in this newsletter for details.

It is recommended by our Club and supported by CHMC that you

COMPLETE YOUR LOG BOOK FOR ALL EVENTS

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS

The Club's Statement of Objects is as follows: For the association of persons interested in Veteran, Vintage, Classic and Post Classic motor vehicles. To encourage the restoration, preservation, use and display of these vehicles and associated literature, films, photographs, tape recordings and video tapes.

To demonstrate the capabilities of these vehicles by engaging in competitions including economy trials, regularity runs, observation events, motorkhanas, concourse competitions and vehicle rallies.

To encourage goodwill, friendship, and communication between members of this Club, and between members of this Club and all other persons, clubs and associations having like Objectives

WWVVMC Inc.

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MEETING

4th SEPTEMBER 2026

Held at Duke of Kent Community Hall. Meeting opened by Vice President Ian Grainger at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: 17

APOLOGIES: 12

VISITORS: Wayne Jenkins

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Leanne Thomas, 2nd Gerald Rainbird that the minutes of the meeting held on 7th August 2026, as recorded in the August 2026 Reflection Magazine be accepted as correct. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

COMMITTEE MINUTES 31/8/26

Were tabled at Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT

IN

*Magazines –Klaxton, Oil Rag, Weddin Motor News

*David Bredins 90 th Birthday Celebration Drive – 4/10/26

*CHMC Constitution Proposal for AGM on 24/10/26

*Andrew Mason – offering us some old vintage WWVVMC number plates

*Gundagai Antique Motor Club Inc 50 th Anniversary 18/10/26

*Drive Lite Historic Classic Vehicles Magazine

OUT

Nil

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

TREASURERS REPORT

Colleen Rainbird moved that the report as tabled be accepted, 2nd Craig Kelly. Carried

PAST EVENTS

*Run to Morgans lookout, Gerogery Hotel for lunch – 9/8/26 was postponed

*Mid Week Run - tour of the Wagga Civic Theatre on 12/8/26

*Craft Morning 21/8/26

*Rob's Shed Day 25/8/26 - Temora Club visited.

COMING EVENTS

*Run to Morgans lookout, Gerogery Hotel for lunch - 6/9/26

* Hillman Rally 12/9/26

*Craft Morning 18/9/26

*Lockhart Show Run – 27/9/26

*David Bredins 90 th Birthday Celebration Drive – 4/10/26

*Coolamon Fire Muster – 4/10/26

*Fishing for Kyan - Sunday 8/11/26

*Cooma Motor Fest Tour – 4-8/11/26

*Miss Wagga – 14/11/26 – Require 5 cars
See Coming Events for more details.

CLUBROOM OPERATIONS

Club sign has finally been installed. Need to organise sub-committee

WEB ADMINISTRATOR

Nil

EDITOR

Need to organise sub-committee

ASSETS

Nil

REGISTRATION

Registration Day Sunday 25 th October at the Clubrooms. As RMS regulations are getting strict there will be no leniency, please ensure all vehicles are roadworthy. Photos will be taken of all cars on club plates.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

Meeting closed at 8.03 pm
Leanne Thomas
Secretary

David Bredin's 90th Birthday Celebration Drive

Life Member of the WWVVMC

This October, **David turns 90.**

To celebrate this very special milestone, we are organising a special drive from **Wagga Wagga to Coolamon**, visiting places that have been significant in David's life.



We warmly invite all WWVVMC members to join us for this memorable day. We encourage you to bring your **vintage or classic vehicle**, if possible, although **modern vehicles are very welcome too**.

Event Details

Date: Sunday, 4 October

Departure: 9.30 am from the Club Rooms, Duke of Kent Oval, Wagga Wagga

Destination: Coolamon Community Centre, Mirrool Street

Arrival: Approximately 11.00 am for morning tea

Please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

RSVP

Please RSVP by Friday, 25 September to:

Kathy: 0408257 042

Rodney: 0419256 945

We look forward to sharing this special celebration with David and enjoying a great day of motoring, memories and friendship with fellow club members.

Coolamon Fire Engine Muster

Our visit to Coolamon also coincides with the **Coolamon Fire Engine Muster**, providing an added attraction for members to enjoy while we are there.



Editors Notes

- Remember that the Lockhart Show is on 27th September if you are looking for a good day out. Colleen will send out an email.
- The Miss Wagga Wagga Quest has been fired up again - see Coming Events for details.
- At the moment vacancies still exist for a Social Events Director and Rally Director.
Please contact any member of our committee if you are interested in either of these positions.
- Note that the date for Fishing for Kyan at the Boat Club has been moved from 1st November to Sunday 8th November - more information to follow.
- Thank you to Nigel Smith for submitting a story from the July edition of the Brass Notes Magazine titled "Little Motor Car" This article was written by Jenny Fawbert and is based around the history of the car which is owned by Alan Carpenter. It also makes mention of Ron Smith (Nigel's father) and Peter Murphy - all three being very early members of our car club. Mention is also made of the involvement of both Nixon & Wolstencroff Engineering Companies at that time. It is a very interesting article and it does indicate the lengths that enthusiasts will go through to obtain a veteran car - even back in the 60s. Unfortunately the article is too large for our Reflection as it is 6 pages long - so I will send a link to the story out to all members via a separate email.

- Maybe a little confusing to some of the newer members - but we have two events at Coolamon on Sunday 4th October - David Bredin's 90th and the Annual Coolamon Fire Muster. I am guessing most members will be joining David and his family for his 90th celebrations and then move on to the Fire Muster around lunch time? See flyer in magazine.

REGISTRATION DAY

Don't forget that Registration Day is on Sunday 25th October at the Clubrooms commencing at 9:00am.

Note: Clubrooms will not be open until 9:00am.

Some changes to inspections and documentation of vehicles have to be introduced this year to comply with legislation.

This has been well advertised in our magazine over the last few issues, so please come prepared.

Remember, both Tf/NSW and NSW Police have recently started conducting random inspections throughout the State with an alarmingly high percentage of vehicles on Conditional Registration being found unroadworthy. It is therefore not unreasonable to expect that Roadside inspections will become more prevalent by these authorities, with stricter enforcements and no leniency towards regulations.

So please ensure vehicles are roadworthy.

The introduction of having photos for all vehicles registered in our club is also a new initiative to ensure that our Registration Officer has an accurate record of the condition of the vehicle (including modifications) at the last time it was inspected.

Please note that these photos have to be taken by our Registration Officer, or their nominated person - not a photo taken by the Registered Owner or their mate.

Most Importantly - All vehicles on Club Plates (even those issued with pink slips) need to be presented on the day for photos.

Contact our Registration Officer - Gerald Rainbird on 0431 832 977 if you have any queries.

Want to jog your memory

Read the article on page 5 of your June Edition of Reflection again.

Mid-Week Run - Wednesday 12th August

CIVIC THEATRE TOUR

13 people were in attendance.

We were also joined by 7 school students from local and district schools who were undertaking work experience with the theatre.

Claire the theatre manager, met us in the foyer and told us about the theatre and her role as manager. Claire then introduced us to her staff who individually told us about their contribution to the running of the theatre.

We were then led through the theatre to explore back-stage. We saw the loading bay, dressing rooms, the green room and the stage area. WOW, it was so interesting seeing the 'fly' ropes which work the backdrops, curtains, screens etc. The 'fly' ropes are individually loaded with weights according to the load they carry. We were also shown the electronic bays/rooms where sound and lighting are managed.

We were even shown the storage area where the prized grand piano, affectionally named 'Kevin' is stored.

In each section a staff member spoke to us about working in their particular area.

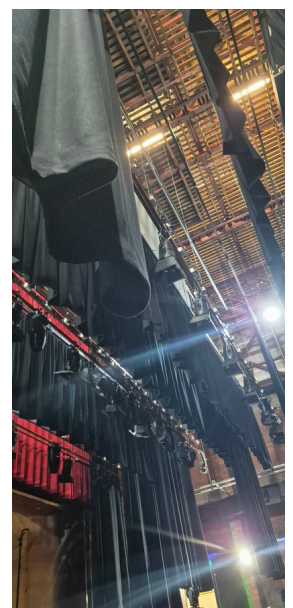
There were many questions asked from our group which were confidently answered by the Civic Theatre staff.

For the grand finale we took a seat in the theatre and enjoyed two light and sound presentations which was awesome.

We were very appreciative of the effort and preparation put in by the Civic Theatre staff to give us such an enjoyable and comprehensive tour which was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

We then travelled to the RSL Club where we enjoyed morning tea/lunch from the delectable choices offered.

Submitted by Robyn Petts





Rumors tell us that one of our more prominent Junee members was given another 1927 Ford to put together in recent months to keep him busy over the colder months and beyond.

Like the original T-Models, this one was probably mass-produced for over 18 years and was also available in "black". His kids were a little disappointed - as he actually put it together within a week.

So much for Lego keeping him out of the shed over winter!.



Just a couple of topics that have been published in past editions of NSWHMA's "THE DINKUM OIL" newsletters that members should kept in mind of when travelling.

1. Vehicles travelling in convoy on highways well below the posted speed limit should allow enough distance between vehicles to allow a semitrailer to overtake safely. At 70km /hour this equates to about 10 car spaces in good weather, with more distance required between vehicles if the road is wet or conditions are not perfect.

Remember - ***Don't bunch up in groups when travelling***

2. Mobile phone detection cameras can now detect instances where seat belts are not being worn. These cameras are not speed cameras. When seat belts are fitted to a vehicle (regardless of the age of the vehicle) they must be worn. Before a fine is issued images are viewed 3 times by an actual person.

Always make a point to search for the latest issue of The Dinkum Oil to stay up to date with news from NSWHMA by clicking on the link below.

www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au

Historic and classic vehicles (HVS and CVS) - driving and towing.

There continues to be confusion and misinformation about who is eligible to drive our conditionally registered vehicles.

Transport for NSW does not have rules specifically for these vehicles, meaning the same rules apply as for fully registered vehicles.

A. **Driving:** Any person who holds a license suitable for the vehicle mass (class 'C' for vehicles up to 4.5T GVM, class 'LR' and higher for vehicles over 4.5T GVM) may drive a club registered vehicle, whether a club member or not.

B. **Towing:** A club registered vehicle may tow a trailer or caravan whether the trailer is club registered or not, within its rated towing capacity.

Similarly, a club registered trailer may be towed by any vehicle within its rated towing capacity, whether club registered or not. This equally applies to semi-trailers and other heavy vehicles.

Editor's Note:

After reading this very basic article in the NSWHMA Bulletin, I decided it was time to find more detailed information on what other restrictions existed when towing trailers.

As usual, searching the TfNSW information guides are not the easiest documents to find - and then there is the normal ambiguity that exists after you actually find the information that leaves a normal person well below their acceptable stressful limits - so I decided to get a lifeline from my old mate "AI" who did come up with some answers.

So just remember that the information that follows is AI generated and may not be 100% correct - but it does give us some idea of the regulations that exist

So, here we GO.

I searched using the following question:

What restrictions exist for the use of trailers being used under the Historic Conditional Registration Scheme in NSW?

The Answer:

Yes, Transport for NSW imposes strict prohibitions on what a trailer cannot be used for under the Historic Vehicle Scheme (HVS).

You cannot use an HVS-registered trailer for:

Commercial Purposes: You are strictly prohibited from using the trailer for any business, trade, hire, or commercial operations. It cannot be used to generate income or transport goods for a business.

Carrying Non-Private Loads: Any load carried in or on the trailer cannot belong to a third party. The cargo must be the strictly private property of the vehicle operator or items explicitly being transported as part of an official club event.

Daily Commuting or Routine Utility Work: The trailer cannot be used for everyday domestic chores, general freighting, or non-club-related work duties unless you are using one of your allocated days on the 60-day logbook scheme.

General Use Without Club Membership: You cannot use the trailer if your financial membership with your recognized historic vehicle club lapses. Doing so immediately invalidates the conditional registration.

Modification Transport: Because trailers on the HVS must remain unmodified, you cannot alter the trailer structure (such as modifying a vintage box trailer into a modern camper or car hauler) to carry specialized or modern loads. (Note: Modified trailers are entirely excluded from both the Historic and Classic Vehicle Schemes).

More about what types of loads are permitted during official club events:

Club Event Materials and Equipment

You are allowed to transport items explicitly required for or related to the staging of the official historic club event.

Examples include:

Club promotional gear, gazebos, tables, chairs, and banners.

Club barbecue equipment or catering supplies for members.

Display materials, event trophies, or club archives.

Hobby and Period-Accurate Displays

Trailers can transport items being taken to a club rally or show for display purposes, provided they are strictly for recreational/hobby use:

Vintage machinery, stationary steam engines, or historic farm tools.

Club member assets like historic motorcycles, parts, or vintage bicycles being transported for a show.

Private Property of the Operator

You can haul items that are completely your own private property (and not being transported for anyone else or any business). This commonly includes luggage, camping gear, or personal tools needed for a multi-day club rally.

Critical Load Restrictions to Keep in Mind

Even if your load fits into the categories above, it must adhere to the following limitations:

Two-Thirds Weight Limit: Under HVS club guidelines, a conditionally registered vehicle or trailer's maximum load must not exceed two-thirds (66.6%) of the manufacturer's original load limit. You cannot load it to its full modern legal carrying capacity. [1]

Strictly Non-Commercial: No items carried on the trailer can be used for trade, business, hire, or to generate profit. For instance, you cannot carry a load of timber or scrap metal to a commercial yard on the way back from an event. [1, 2]

Load Restraint Guide Standards:

Any equipment, machinery, or private goods must be tied down and secured to the performance standards detailed in the official National Load Restraint Guide.

How to calculate two-thirds load capacity based on your trailer's original specifications,

To calculate the permitted load capacity for an historic trailer, you need to find the trailer's original manufacturer specifications, typically located on its compliance or VIN plate.

The calculation is based strictly on the trailer's Payload Capacity (the weight of the cargo itself), rather than its total combined weight.

The Formula

To find your maximum permitted load under the classic club guidelines, use this two-step calculation:

Example A: Light Vintage Box Trailer

ATM (Max total weight allowed): 750 kg

Tare (Weight of empty trailer): 250 kg

Original Payload Capacity: 500 kg (750 - 250)

Historic Scheme Max Load: 333 kg (500×0.666)

Example B: Larger Dual-Axle Trailer / Car Hauler

ATM (Max total weight allowed): 2,000 kg

Tare (Weight of empty trailer): 600 kg

Original Payload Capacity: 1,400 kg (2,000 - 600)

Historic Scheme Max Load: 932 kg ($1,400 \times 0.666$)

Important Note on TfNSW Guidelines

While many historic car clubs explicitly retain the strict two-thirds load rule in their club Constitutions and By-laws to protect vintage equipment, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) formally removed the 2/3rds restriction from the baseline state legislation.

Legally under state law, you can load a trailer up to its full manufacturer's payload capacity unless your specific historic vehicle club's policy dictates otherwise. Because a condition of your registration is remaining a financial member in good standing with your club, you must abide by whichever rule is stricter (your club's constitution or TfNSW).



Another frustrated Camper and owner of a 1963 Vauxhall Viva -HA Series.
 Aptley named - Ha,Ha!
 Not sure what protection it would have had from a severe side-wind?

Please remember that if you are “in charge” of sending the Points Score Sheet through to the Events Director for outings - that you also send a copy through to the Editor.

Just take a photo of the signed sheet on your phone and text it through to me will be fine.

Thank you.

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For Sale:

Windscreen Banners

Our club has now received our newly styled windscreen banners which will fit vehicles of all shapes and sizes.

Lets get out there and advertise our Club when going on outings.

Cost = \$15.00 each.

Payment by Cash (at Meetings)

or

Direct Deposit : WWVVMC Inc,

BSB: 062600, Acct: 009000546

Contact Colleen Rainbird if you are interested - 0429 202 379



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GETITOUT & GETITGOING

Coming Events – Events Calendar

September 2026

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Events Director

events@wwwvmc.gmail.com

Date

CLUB EVENT

	Organiser	Details		
Friday September 18		Craft Morning at 10 am. All welcome to come to club meeting room and craft or chat.		
Monday September 28		Committee Meeting - 6 pm Clubrooms		
Tuesday September 29	Rob Le Lievre 0419 445 625	Rob's Shed/Social Day. Bring along a project and lunch. This is a great social outing- starts 9:30am	1	1-3
Friday October 2		.Club Monthly Meeting -7:30 pm Clubroom	1	1-3
Sunday October 4	Kathy Bredin 0408 257 042	Sunday Run- David Bredin's 90th Birthday run combined with the Coolamon Fire Engine Muster. - 9:30 am departure from Clubrooms. See Reflection for more details on both events	1	1-3
Friday October 16		Craft Morning at 10 am. All welcome to come to club meeting room and craft or chat.		
Sunday October 25	Gerald Rainbird 0431 832 977	Rego Day With stricter requirements from RMS this year we will taking photos of all vehicles. Therefore, all vehicles, even those with pink slips need to be presented on the day. Exact requirements closer to the date.		
Tuesday October 27	Rob Le Lievre 0419 445 625	Rob's Shed/Social Day. Bring along a project and lunch. This is a great social outing- starts 9:30am	1	1-3
Monday November 2		Committee Meeting. 6 pm Clubrooms		
Friday November 6		Club Meeting 7:30 pm Clubrooms.	1	1-3
November 4-8	Rob Le Lievre 0419 445 625	Cooma Motorfest run.	3	1-3
Saturday Nov 14	Colleen Rainbird 0429 202 379	Miss Wagga Wagga Quest Crowning Ceremony this year will be held on Saturday 14th November Committee is seeking the support of five vintage vehicles with a 3pm pickup/photo opportunity at the Civic Theatre, a lap down Baylis Street and a drop off to the Playhouse at 3:45pm. Please contact Colleen if you can assist	5	
Sunday November 8		Fishing for Kyan- More details to follow	1	1-3

EVENTS FROM OTHER CLUBS AND SPECIAL INTEREST

October Saturday 17	Jeff McClurg	Car Show and Swap Meet at Parkes - Colleen has flyer if interested
October 24-25	Kay Sando: Ph 0438953020 bnksando@bigpond.com	Riverland Vintage and Classic Car Club Inc. Renmark Red Mud Run Email Colleen for entry form
October 31-Nov 1	Hoppy Hampel 0409 624 716	Detonator's Tiddler's Motorcycle Rally- Griffith
Nov 21-22	Craig Golden 0401 216 570	CAMC: Ton Plus Four Motorcycle Run , for bikes made by Dec 31, 1955; entries due Nov 8. Saturday run details: 8 AM check-in, 9:30 AM start, 7 PM dinner at Ex-Services Club.
Feb 27-Mar 2. 2027		Kalimna Rally-
February 26-28. 2027	Chris O'Brien 0448 464 500	Tag along tour- Ballarat Annie Taylor has more info.
March 19-22. 2027		22 nd Morris Minor National Rally- Benalla
April 11-17. 2027		Riley Rally -Wagga

SWAP MEETS - There is a Facebook page for Swap meets

November 14-15		Bendigo Swap Meet
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**Remember to fill out your logbook before you leave your driveway as per our Club suggestion.
Watch your emails for last minute information and events!!AND check for cancellations,email or call organiser.**

PLANNING AHEAD

Are you planning beyond the Club's Calendar? Here is how it works unless it is affected by Public Holidays/ Rally.

General Meeting: First Friday of the month, excluding January

Committee Meeting: Monday prior to General Meetings

Sunday Run: Sunday following the general meeting

Mid-Week Run: 3rd Wednesday of the month

Craft Morning: 3rd Friday of the month 10am club meeting room

Rob's Social day: last Tuesday of the month