



Welcome to the **NHMA News Page**

To all our valued members and supporters, we will have an update on what's happening at the NHMA in every issue of TOMM – this will include the latest news and updates.

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Presidents Tool Box Talk

Welcome to this issue's NHMA roundup. The page appears to be getting the attention that we hoped for – thank you to all those that have sent kind words and appreciation for the updates. I continue to remind all clubs that we have the web page and also Facebook for any urgent updates of general interest. Official correspondence will always be by email where possible.

By the time you read this we will have effected the insurance cover that the Association requires to keep you all enjoying your hobby and running your clubs. As I stated in the last update, the discussion with the brokers was good and that has continued, and as at the time of writing this report, we are close to having the proposals finalised. The insurance industry is under pressure with all the events that are happening at the moment on the eastern seaboard and staff time is precious so I thank them for the focus they have on our needs.

Our membership is gradually growing, and I would like to welcome Glenelg River Restorer's Club, Riverina Trekkers, and Pioneer Park Museum, Dalby, as new clubs under the NHMA banner. I hope you get the value out of the membership that all our clubs enjoy.

Our next quarterly round of State meetings via Zoom will take place from 19th to 21st September and I encourage all clubs to join in. Email invites will be sent to all clubs with the appropriate dates for each state, but you can log into any of the meetings if one of those suits you better. It only goes for an hour or so, and I believe that they are more than beneficial.

The online registrations for the 2023 National Rally to be held by Cudgong Club (Mudgee, NSW) will be open from August 2022, and an email will be sent to all clubs with the various registration details. The team out there are moving forward, and it will be a great rally

The idea of holding a State Rally in the off year to the National Rally is being looked at by some states and I look forward to more details as they come to bear.

Please enjoy the rest of the page, and in fact, the whole magazine.

*Peter Garnham

State Representative and Treasurer

We are pleased to announce Ralph has got some help in Western Australia. Fred Plane has taken the role of the second WA state representative. It is great that we now have a full complement of state representatives to take the NHMA forward. It has been a bonus month to also have a nomination for Treasurer. We are pleased to welcome Richard Bird as our new Treasurer. The committee would like to thank these two new members and look forward to working with them to grow the NHMA.

National Rally

The NHMA National Rally is a showcase event for all vintage machinery enthusiasts to show off their pride and joy – it is also a place to form friendships and meet like-minded people. We encourage all enthusiasts to get behind this national event.

If you are intending to go to the show as a participant or just to have a look, we encourage you to look at accommodation as soon as you can because we have heard it is in great demand.

The NHMA is the major sponsor of the National Rally by providing funding to help run the event and now also running the revamped Wishart Award for exhibitors. We realise organising clubs may also have extra expenses that may not be covered by the NHMA funding. Organising clubs set their own fees and charges for many things at the National Rally to cover these expenses – the NHMA does not, and will not, set any additional fees or charges for events we sponsor.

It's now time for NHMA Member Clubs to start thinking about the 2025 National Rally. The National is a big event that takes great commitment from the host club/clubs, however, it's all worth the effort. The 2025 National Rally host club will be voted on during the NHMA Meeting at the 2023 Cudgong National Rally. Please send your proposal to the NHMA Secretary.

The Latest from Brian Jones Cudgong Valley Antique Machinery Club Inc.

Update on the 2023 National Rally.

Online bookings will open mid-August 2022.

People who booked for the cancelled 2021 rally will be contacted to confirm their details – this is to eliminate double bookings being made.

Other costs e.g., camping, rally dinner and merchandise, will be forwarded to NHMA affiliated clubs.

Other non-affiliated clubs will be able to find this information on the rally website www.arec.com.au/nhma2021/

NHMA Awards - Wishart Award

Now that the National Rally entry forms are available, it's time to think about the winning display you and your club are going to put on. As stated in the last issue of TOMM (#221), the Wishart Award has had a revamp and extended to four awards for both NHMA and non NHMA clubs. Please look back at issue #221 for details or the NHMA website Awards Section <https://nhma.com.au/wishart-award/>

Ian Stewart Award

We are now in the second half of 2022 so please look at the young restorers in your clubs for your nominee for the Ian Stewart Award. This award is to encourage young people to get involved in our great hobby. We need to foster young people to help keep our heritage alive. The nominations need to be with the NHMA Secretary by 1st February 2023. The announcement of the recipients will be made during the NHMA Meeting at the 2023 Cudgong National Rally. For more information contact your State Representative, NHMA Secretary, or go to our website Awards section <https://nhma.com.au/ian-stewart-award/>

NHMA in Person Meeting

The NHMA Committee will be coming to Queensland in November 2022 for their second face-to-face meeting post-Covid. The new club, Steaming on the Downs, has invited the NHMA Committee to meet in the TADOMS building at Oakey Showgrounds on 12th November. This is a very kind offer which the Committee wholeheartedly agreed to accept. We would like to thank the Committee and members of TADOMS for the use of their

facilities for the meeting. The finer details will be available on the NHMA website once finalised.

We can't wait to get to meet Queensland NHMA members and have the opportunity to answer questions, discuss ideas, and let the members know what we have been doing, and what we want to do in the future, to grow the NHMA and the hobby as a whole.

We would like to extend the invitation to all Queensland heritage machinery groups, NHMA or not, to come along and meet the NHMA Committee. Being able to have meetings in regional areas is something we would like to continue into the future. We have two face-to-face meetings a year so if you would be interested in hosting a meeting in your state please contact your state reps or the NHMA Secretary.

Quarterly Zoom Meetings

The NHMA will be holding our quarterly Zoom meetings during the week of 19th September. These will be held over three nights, with two states per meeting. Your club secretary will be emailed the meeting details in the near future.

We ask you to please encourage your club's committee to have a representative participate. We want to hear your questions and ideas. The previous meetings have been very successful, and we would like to see all clubs get involved.

New Rally Handbook and Safety Management System

The Safety Sub Committees Rally Handbook and Safety Management System has now been adopted by the NHMA Committee and our insurers as our Safety Document. This document has been put together as a one-stop shop in a clear, easy-to-read, commonsense way for all clubs to use as guide to operate in a safe way. The document is available to you from your club secretary or as a download from the NHMA website and Facebook page. Your committee can use the document as is, or add/alter it as required – it is set up as best practice. We have included sections on Event Planning, Safety Guidelines, Stalls and Swap Meet Traders, Risk Assessments, Incident Reports, NHMA Insurances, Summary of State and Territory Laws on BAC and Driving, and Online Resources.

Message from the West

The Machinery Preservation Club of WA Inc., established in 1982, are this year celebrating their 40th anniversary. A celebration day will be held in October at the Club's new premises at the Midland Railway Workshops, Midland. The club can boast to still have five of the founding members still involved in the day-to-day activities. From early humble beginnings in 1982, to what the club has achieved in 2022, is no doubt a credit to a dedicated group of enthusiasts.

I have sent an email to all Western Australia NHMA members, seeking expressions of interest in mounting a WA State Rally. This follows an encouraging statement from the NHMA Committee of Management in the last newsletter in TOMM.

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