



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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President's Toolbox Talk

Welcome to this issue. The Committee would like to wish all people involved with heritage restoration and the running of heritage equipment a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The registrations for the National Rally being held by Cudgegong Club (Mudgee, NSW), are open – hopefully you have already registered. At the time of writing this report, registrations were low, but I guess that members could still be battling floods, etc. You can still register but please do it soon.

Most of the items that I usually comment upon are already included in the rest of this page in greater detail, so please read. I do ask that you pay particular notice of the Committee positions that are up for nomination – the Committee is very vibrant, and you would enjoy the experience, so if you have some time, please consider it.

Please enjoy the rest of the page. Committee member, Bill Ives, puts a lot of effort into the Committee which includes this page, and through feedback we have received so far, it is appreciated.

*Peter

Ian Stewart Award

The time to submit your application for the 2022 Ian Stewart Award is just around the corner. The guidelines for the award are set out in a way that asks the young enthusiast to strive to do the best they can with their chosen project, and to seek advice and assistance from a mentor and other club members. The NHMA committee all agreed that the award funding deserves to be a substantial amount, so we felt that this investment of up to \$8,000 per year was an appropriate amount (\$1,000 per each Australian state and territory). All applicants for grants must be a member of an NHMA club and the application must be assessed at club level for suitability. Applications must be endorsed by the member club. Member clubs will then ensure that all applications are sent to the NHMA Secretary by 1st February in any year for the NHMA to assess via the selection process. We feel that young enthusiasts need to be encouraged to keep our hobby alive. Please get your applications in and hopefully join the three previous recipients. More information is available on the NHMA website, <https://nhma.com.au/>

NHMA 18th National Rally

The National Rally at Mudgee is only five months away, and is shaping up to be a great event. The rally organising team have handled the issues of Covid and postponements, and continued moving

forward with staging the event. The rally will bring together friends from around the country to show their machines and have some fun. The event is for all heritage machinery enthusiasts, whether you are in an NHMA club or a non-NHMA club. We, at the NHMA committee, encourage you to come along and exhibit your pride and joy for all to see. For more details and entry forms, please contact www.ahcm.com.au/nhma2021/

Wishart Award

- Criteria: Signage, Safety, Friendly Members, Public Appeal, Effort by Club;
- Best NHMA Club Display: \$500 Perpetual Trophy;
- Best non-NHMA Club Display: \$100 Certificate;
- Wishart Junior NHMA Member Display: \$50 Certificate;
- Wishart Junior non-NHMA Member Display: \$25 Certificate.

Member's Benefits Grant Writing Assistance

We have partnered with Redtape Busters to offer NHMA Member Clubs free professional grant writing assistance. An expression of interest form will be available in early January 2023 for you to submit your application for assistance. We felt this type of member benefit would be something that all clubs could take advantage of.

Redtape Busters will assist in the following ways:

- Identifying possible funding opportunities that are available to the peak body or the clubs, and advising of these;
- Provide advice to the peak body and/or clubs detailing Governance best practice and strategies to put in place to give themselves, and us, a better chance of being successful with grant applications, i.e., suggesting they have a Business/Strat Plan in place, suggesting they have consulted and sought approval if required from their local council, have appropriate insurances in place, etc;
- Write high quality applications to give each club the best chance of success; and,
- Liaise with fund managers as appropriate, to obtain a deeper insight into funding opportunities.

Your Club's Obligations:

- Send us any information to assist us in completing submissions;
- Complete pricing schedule/budget/financial information for grants and financial projections, and arrange quote/s if required for the projects;

- Arrange letters of support from referees if required;
- Review and comment in a timely manner, as per the initial work schedule developed by the consultant, and any draft documents prepared by the consultant;
- Approve and authorise the work completed by the consultant; and,
- Lodge the grants prior to the deadline.

Insurance and Membership Update

Insurance: By now, all our member clubs will have received a copy of the NHMA Insurance Manual. The manual gives you details of the coverage of our four main policy lines as well as contact information and claims procedures. As our members would be aware, we have managed to significantly improve our insurance offering this year and we are continuing to explore further coverage options or improvements to our existing coverage for next year, with a view to creating additional value for our members.

Insured members: Along with the NHMA Insurance Manual, clubs will have also received a member return showing all their club members who are currently insured through NHMA. We have provided this for two reasons – firstly, so that clubs can audit their membership base to see that everyone they believe to be insured, is, in fact, insured, and secondly, the return gives the NHMA membership number of all their members.

Membership forms: We have also sent out our new membership form which simplifies the return process. Clubs can now use the same form for new or returning members. When using it for renewing members, we would ask that you put their membership number in the space provided. This can be found on the return discussed above.

NHMA Committee Elections

At our next AGM in April, all committee positions for state representatives will fall vacant. Each state is represented by two committee members. We will be calling for nominations in December, and clubs will receive an email with a nomination form in case they wish to nominate someone for a committee position.

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