

Historic Rally Club of NSW & ACT, President's Report, 4 August 2022

This was my third year as President, and I would like to thank our loyal members and Committee for their efforts over the last year.

Report for the past year:

- **Tour of the North** - following delays due to Covid in 2021 this Social Tour ran for 3 days from 17 February 2022. Arthur Evans with help from mal Sinfield set the route which ran from Heatherbrae with overnight stops in Port Macquarie and Nambucca Heads. The event ran over 1,100 km using a great selection of winding bitumen and unsealed roads. Whilst some roads had been damaged by recent heavy rains the general consensus was positive, one crew said the roads were smoother than several outback events they had driven in. 24 cars were entered; however two crews had problems and didn't start. Each day saw a social gathering for the evening meal with participants enjoying the camaraderie. The event being a non-competitive Club Social had no results and didn't require Motorsport Australia (CAMS) Competition licences for any of the participants.
- **Tamworth Tour** – the second Club Social event for the year ran for two days from 30 July 2022. Arthur Evans was again responsible and set an excellent and interesting course. The route started and finished in Maitland with an overnight stop in Tamworth and ran over 800 km. The selection of winding bitumen and unsealed roads was very popular with positive feedback from participants. The roads were much smoother than the Tour of the North with the roughest being found in the township of Dungog. 23 cars entered; however two crews had problems and didn't start. Some of the scenery was spectacular, if you are ever up Scone way make your way south on Albano Road, Rouchel Brook.
- **Membership** - I am pleased to report our membership numbers have reached the all-time high of 62 and are well up on the 34 we had back in 2020.
- **Financial** – Please refer to the Treasurer's Report and the AGM Agenda. I would like to thank Rob Mifsud for following up on the Community Sport Recovery Package, Grassroots Sports Fund. The good news is Motorsport Australia gave the club \$711.60.
- **Perth-Sydney Marathon** - Our club supports Laurie Mason's Perth-Sydney Marathon. The event is due to start on 28 October 2022 and finish at Warwick Farm on Sunday 6th November. Car club members are invited to the Finish, please refer to the link below. I am looking for an HRC organiser to follow up on the Invitation, volunteers please?
<https://hrcnsw.org.au/future-events/perth-to-sydney-marathon/>

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- **Constitution** and recent changes can be viewed at:
<https://hrcnsw.org.au/news/minutes-and-constitution-2/>
- **2023 Events** – It is still early days, but the first planned event is the **Cootamundra Trial – 2023** to be run as a two-day Navigation Assembly and be eligible for the CRC Championship. The organising team includes Mal Sinfield, Peter Parry and Ian Gilholme. The plan is to use mostly sealed roads for Masters and Apprentices but 100% sealed for Tour and the Social Run. The start and overnight stop will be Cootamundra and the finish at Jugiong.
Later in the year another two-day Social Tour is on the drawing board – stay tuned. It is the intention of the club to run two events each year, with the priority being given to non-competitive Club Social runs on interesting roads.
- **AGM Vote** – Please vote on the four Agenda Motions. This is easy to do, please follow the explanation in the “HRC AGM – PLEASE VOTE” email.
Your vote is important, to make the voting successful we require a Quorum.

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