

## **Minutes HRC Committee and Tour Organiser Meeting v2**

**The meeting was run remotely using Zoom on 9th April 2024**

Present: Mike Batten, Dave Johnson, Allan Denney, Graham Thompson, Ian Packard, Rob Mifsud, Winton Brocklebank, Ian Richards

Apologies: Peter Reed,

The Meeting opened at 2:30pm

### **Item 1           Tour of the Snowy**

Dave Johnson, also Report filed on HRC Website, Past Events.

- Feedback very positive.
- Barbeque at the Yass finish a great success.
- It was difficult to track cars who swapped from Regular to Tarmac routes.
- Suggest future events rank the smoothness of gravel roads, this will assist participants deciding what roads to use.
- Dave was impressed with the camaraderie of participants.

### **Item 2           Tour to the Sunshine State**

Planning update from Ian Richards and Winton Brocklebank also Report attached.

- Plan on using 4 official cars, prefer to check participants arrival at lunch and finish each day. The budget should be OK with this number of officials. The HRC will cover most of the fuel and accommodation expenses.
- Day 3 is around 570km, however the roads are generally fast so it is a reasonable distance for the day.
- In addition to the Report Allan Denney volunteered to crew Official Car 4.

### **Item 3           Snowy Tour Finances**

Snowy Tour Report from Rob Mifsud (on HRC website under Minutes and Constitution). Surplus nearly \$4,200.

*Also, regarding the Club's finances: On the 5 April 2024 we have a bank balance of \$17,930.56. There are no outstanding accounts. At the start of the financial year (1 July 2023) we had a bank balance of \$12,153.75, therefore, we are in a positive financial position.*

### **Item 4           Club Membership**

Report from Graham Thompson.

61 Financial Members. 7 Honorary.

HRC patches and car stickers to be ordered, a promotional exercise.

Thanks to Ian Packard the former Membership Services Officer.

## **Item 5 Website and Facebook**

Report from Mike Batten.

- Some comments on other Facebook Pages may not be helpful to our image. We do not want participants to be driving at high speeds.
- Discuss and vote on current policy not to allow advertisements for Classic Cars, changed from:

“.....the sale of vehicles or goods is not allowed also in this Facebook group” to  
“Advertising goods is not allowed on this Facebook group, however Club Members are free to advertise their Classic Cars.”

## **Item 6 Future Plans**

Also tabled was Dave’s email dated 4/4/2024 “HRC Committee and Tour Organiser Meeting” forwarded to all Committee regarding 2025.

**2025 – 1.** 2 day event mid March. Organisers: Road GT & AD, Promotions DJ, Assist MB.

**2.** 4 or 5 day event. Mid September. Location and Organising Team TBA.

**2026 – 1.** 5 or 6 day event. Early October. 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first Southern Cross International Rally, which was run from 5 to 9 Oct 1966. Organising Team TBA.

**2.** DJ suggested a Tour of the Snowy could be run every second year

General discussion, have your say:

- Graham suggested running events mid-week would have many advantages. Saturdays can be too busy.
- Planning for future events should involve pencilling in accommodation 12 months in advance.
- Food outlets need notice to prepare for an influx of extra clients.

The meeting closed at 4:15pm

***Mike Batten, HRC President, 15 April 2024***