



**Orange District Antique Motor Club Inc.**

# *Restoration Rambler*

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# ORANGE DISTRICT ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB INC

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Meetings are held in the Clubrooms, Louie Lane, Spring Creek, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month commencing at 7.30pm. All visitors are welcome. Note that the editor and/or club members do not necessarily share the opinions that may be expressed in the magazine.

# Orange District Antique Motor Club Inc.

## Events Calendar for 2021

Most events start from Kite Street outside Cook Park at 10.00am with morning tea at Cook Park unless otherwise stated in the events description. For further information on any events please contact either Euan Coutts on 63651274. euanwil@bigpond.com Or Chris Bromley on 0428659224 or 63659224.

**Note; All Twilight Runs start at the specified location at 5pm.** Changes may need to be made to the Events Calendar for various reasons with as much notice as possible being given.

### March

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>** Meet at 2 Fat Ladies at 9am for morning tea. Then to Spring Hill, Millthorpe and Beekeepers Inn for lunch.

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>** Blaney Show, 10am Prizes for various Car categories.

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**, Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>**: Orange Swap meet.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>**: Run to Molong then lunch at Gamboola Cabonne. See email

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>**: Monthly meeting at Clubrooms.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>** Depart Cook Park at 9am via Iceley road and White Rocks Road to Abercrombie House. See flyer in this edition. Alternately, BYO Picnic lunch or short drive to Bathurst for café lunch. We will have to pre book and I will collect numbers February meeting. Pre booking required for nourishment at the house.

### April.

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>** Leave Cook Park at 10am for Manildra via Cargo Road. BYO or Café Lunch.

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>**: Ironbark Festival.

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> -Sunday 11** (incl.): CHMC Tour at Temora.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>**, Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**: Monthly meeting at Clubrooms.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>** Anzac Day. Attend venue of your choice for Celebrations. Orange, Blaney. Millthorpe, Lyndhurst and Woodstock.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> - May 2<sup>nd</sup>** Pre 1931 tour in Dubbo.

### May

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup>, April - May 2<sup>nd</sup>** Pre 1931 tour in Dubbo.

**Saturday and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> +9<sup>th</sup>** Orange show.

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup>** Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>** National Motoring Heritage Day. Run and meet up with Parkes Club.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>**: Monthly meeting at Clubrooms.

### June

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup>** Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup>** Monthly meeting at Clubrooms.

### July

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>**, Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**: Monthly meeting at Clubrooms.

### August

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup>**, Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup>**: Monthly meeting at Clubrooms.

### **Non club events coming up.**

The men's shed rare having a huge Garage sale on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March at the Naylor pavilion, Orange show ground. See flyer in this newsletter.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is something of a record – 2 Presidents Reports in a row.

We are not back to normal meeting attendance yet due to Covid19 restrictions.

This concerns me a little, because of small numbers we may not be getting a true feeling of what members want. However, if someone feels strongly about an issue, please contact myself or any of the Executives to discuss it.

We have a nicely filled out events calendar. However if you would like to go to somewhere of your choice, please contact the events committee. We have on such event coming up. Dubbo Club is visiting Molong to visit John Lee's workshop and house. Our club has also been invited but as this was too late for our magazine you will need use your log book entry. This is on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Please may your own arrangements for travel and meals.

As mentioned at our last meeting, we have 50+ members; 84 HVS regos, with 34 being Pre 1931 including 2 high wheelers. This excludes cars on full rego and members with duel membership.

Coming Major Events:

We must act quickly now with plans for the Canobolas Country Rally for the October long weekend on 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> October.

We also are hosting the Autumn Tour Pre 1931 Rally in May 2022

Happy Rambling

Keith Packham

President

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi members,

Below is an email received from John lee. This is a generous invitation by John and we hope that a lot of you can attend, it is a good opportunity not only to see John's cars but to meet with our Dubbo friends.

*As discussed with Euan and Packo, the Club is invited to Molong on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March. The event will be accompanied by Dubbo Antique Automobile Club.*

*The event has been arranged to inspect Buicks at 5 William Street Molong, followed by a picnic lunch event at 'Gamboola Cabonne'.*

*Arrangements: Meet at the workshop at 5 William Street Molong at 11.30am to 12.30am. Continue thru Molong on highway and head up Hill St towards hospital then 1<sup>st</sup> on LHS.*

*Picnic Lunch at 'Gamboola Cabonne', 3306 Mitchell Hwy Molong, just 5 minutes away.*

*'Gamboola Cabonne' is a classic art nouveau home built in 1911. The entry is the first driveway on the LHS leaving Molong towards Orange.*

*Plenty of parking and cars to see.*

*I have BBQ facilities and limited tables and chairs, so bring along your rally gear. Access to kitchen and facilities if required.*

*Visitors will be requested to register for Covid compliance. Meeting with the Dubbo Club will add to the fun day.*

John Lee

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*ORANGE DISTRICT ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB INC*  
*EDITORS RAMBLE.*

Welcome to the March 2021 edition of the ODAMC newsletter. It's hard to believe that this edition brings summer 2021 to an end. What a total contrast this summer has been to last year. 40c heat, dust storms. Fires and drought. This summer, I don't think we have gone over 30c, no dust storms, no bush fires and it has rained nearly every week. You have to love the Orange weather.

This month's edition includes a president / secretary combined report page.

I attended the last club house meeting and it was good to see things getting back to some semblance of normality with a healthy attendance by club members. We are reminded, however, that we are still under Covid restrictions and you still need to notify the secretary of your intention to attend the meetings as numbers are still limited.

At the last meeting, it was decided to revert back to start most events from Kite street side of Cook park at 10am not 10.15 unless otherwise stated.

We have been invited to attend John Lee's work shop in Molong on our scheduled run set down for March 14<sup>th</sup> and visit Gamboola Cabonne. It sounds lovely so look forward to this run. See the email with information in the secretary's notes.

I have also received an email regarding proposed amendments and alterations to the CHMC constitution which will be discussed at their upcoming AGM. Unfortunately, the article is bigger than this newsletter so I haven't included it. If you would like to read this article and you haven't received it from Euan via email, it can be accessed on the CHMC webpage.

This month's edition also includes a flyer from the Men's Shed regarding a huge garage sale they are having on Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> March at the Naylor pavilion, Orange show ground. Sounds like a good day out with some bargains to be had and supporting a worthy cause.

Euan also sent in a very handy letter on how to handle big nuts. I'm sure a few of our members can relate to this problem and will find this article very helpful and interesting.

On Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>, a few club members attended the unveiling of the Banjo Patterson statue at Yeoval. What a great turn out and good to see a large crowd attending. I managed to take some pictures of the event, some club members and some club cars both from this club and other clubs. These are on THE OUT AND ABOUT. Page. A beautiful run out there and the weather was superb.

I spoke to the manager of Abercrombie house again this week and he has requested numbers for the proposed run out to the house on 21/3/21 so we will get numbers for this at the next meeting. Just a reminder that he has very kindly offered a flat rate of \$10 per person that includes a meet and greet with a tour of the house. There will be coffee, homemade cakes and snacks available at the house. He has also agreed for people to bring their own lunch and eat in the beautiful gardens that surround the house. Please be mindful that all proceeds from this tour go back into helping restore and maintain this iconic part of our local history.

*Please forward any items of interest to Chris Bromley on 63659224 or 0428659224 or email at [cbromley111@skymesh.com.au](mailto:cbromley111@skymesh.com.au) for any information, news, pictures or anything that we can add to the newsletter. All is gratefully appreciated.*

## **Orange District Antique Motor Club Inc.**

### **Minutes of Monthly Meeting**

**Date:** 15<sup>th</sup> February 2021 **Meeting opened:** 7.30 pm

**Members Present:** As per the Attendance Book, 17 members signed the book.

**Apologies:** Allan Buckley, George Tait, Dick Jane, Nigel Coutts, Steve Halls, Andrew Sharp, Don Eisenhuth.

**Visitors:** Nil

**Members were reminded that we are still restricted to 29 people (2 sq m p.p.) in the main Hall and it is necessary to advise Secretary if you are attending a meeting so that there is no overcrowding.**

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Accepted as printed in the Magazine

**Moved:** Chris Bromley

**Seconded:** Bill Neilson

**Carried.**

**Business arising:** nil

**Correspondence by Mail:** Reply from Dept Lands re Grant, Shannons online auction notice, Bank Statement, Insurance Renewal, Advertising material and Invitation from Parkes Council, Invitation to Blayney Show 6/3/21, Membership fees.

**Correspondence by email:** Model C Ford motor for sale, Invitation to Cardigras at Coffs harbour, Ford A Member looking for rear door mechanism for Ford Model A .

**Magazines from clubs by Email:** Retro Autos, The Distributor, Crank Torque, Inverell Crankcase, Tamworth Club Magazine.

**Magazines by Mail:** Crank Torque (2), The Packardian, The Klaxon, Cowra Antique.

**Correspondence Out:** Application to National trust for funding for Pre'31 Rally 2022.

**Business Arising from Correspondence:** Anne Magill reported that we had been successful in our Grant for Tree removal. The reply congratulated the Club for the standard of maintenance of the Clubrooms.

**Correspondence:**

**Moved:** Richard Bloomfield

**Seconded:** Dave Gray

**Carried**

**Treasurer's Report:**

David Toy presented up to date report, and monthly financial reports since Last meeting.

**Accounts to Pay:** Building Insurance \$1214 Approved

**Moved:** David Toy

**Seconded:** Peter Amos.

**Carried**

**Membership:** Anne Magill has completed updating the Members' Register and it was available for checking.

**Editor's Report:** Please report to Chris Bromley if you are not receiving your magazine, either mail or electronic. January's magazine is the last for a Member who has not renewed their fees for 2021.

**Events Report:** Bob McNeill gave a report on the National Serviceman's' 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary service. After discussion there were a couple of suggestions for future Club Runs. Run to Cowra to Aviation Companies, and to an Aviation Maintenance Workshop. It was agreed to revert to a 10am start at Cook Park for runs generally. The proposed run to Junction Reefs was postponed until the Reserve re opens and we will then reschedule the run.

There was a feeling that we should revive the Canobolas Country Rally even though the last one was cancelled for lack of support. Show of hands agreed to pursue the holding of the Rally on the October long weekend 2021.

After some amendments the following are now approved Club Runs.

**Approved Club Runs**

**February 2021**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>:** Run to Yeoval for Banjo Patterson statue unveiling, commencing 10am.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>:** Meet at Carrington Park Blayney 10am for picnic run to Chifley Dam.

**March**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>:** meet at 2 fat Ladies at 10 am for morning tea. Then to Spring Hill, Millthorpe and Bee Keepers Inn for lunch.

**Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup> ;** Blayney Show, 10am Prizes for various Car categories.

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>:** Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>:** Orange Swap meet.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>:** Monthly Meeting at Clubrooms.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>:** Depart Cook Park 10am via Iceley and White Rocks Roads to Abercrombie House. see Flyer in January's Restoration Rambler. BYO Picnic lunch or Lunch at Bathurst. Abercrombie requires numbers which will be collected at March meeting. \$10 entry.

**APRIL 2021.**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>:** Leave Cook Park at 10am for Manildra via Cargo Road. BYO or Café/Pub Lunch.

**Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Ironbark Festival.

**April 8-11<sup>th</sup> (incl.):** CHMC Tour at Temora.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>:** Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>:** Monthly meeting at Clubrooms.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>:** Neville Anzac service Day.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>:** Anzac Day. Services at venue of your choice. Orange, Blayney, Millthorpe, Lyndhurst and Woodstock.

**April 30<sup>th</sup>-May 2:** Pre'31 tour Dubbo.

**MAY 2021.**

**May 8/9:** Orange Show.

**May 10<sup>th</sup>:** Ladies Day at Clubrooms.

**May 16<sup>th</sup>:** National Motoring Heritage Day. Run and meet up with Parkes Club.

**May 17<sup>th</sup>:** Monthly Meeting at Clubrooms

**2022**

**April 29,30 May 1:** Pre '31 Rally at Orange.

**Moved:** Anne Magill

**seconded:** David Toy

**Carried .**

**General Business:**

Bruce Heinrich reported that he had investigated servicing the heaters and was advised that maintenance was not available. Best quote for replacement was 2 new Radiant heaters cost approx. \$1000 including installation. Bruce will arrange.

Moved: Anne Magill    Seconded: Chris Bromley. Carried.

Bruce reported on the photos being affected by the Sun. The best solution and quote was for three individual roller Blinds for the windows from B & H at about \$770 to replace old Curtains. After discussion, and examination of rival quotes meeting agreed to the B & H quote.

It was agreed to update the Presidents' Board.

Moved: Richard Bloomfield.    Seconded: Peter Amos    Carried.

Gutter on lower side needs cleaning out. Agreed to use the previous contractor at about \$300.

Moved: Chris Bromley    seconded: Anne Magill    Carried.

Bruce said that a working bee was needed for a general clean up. Bruce agreed to make a list of jobs required for

next meeting so we can arrange to carry out the work on the appointed day

President reported that we had 84 cars on concessional registration of which 30 were pre-1931. The inspection was a big task for the scrutineers and will be reviewed in the near future. There is a move within Service NSW to remove Tractors from Historic Registration and CHMC were making representations to Service NSW. There is some concern in CHMC about the number of NSW Car Clubs which has grown from 400 odd a few years ago to now over 1000 but only about one half of the Clubs are in a peak council (CHMC or CMC)

We have had an approach from another motoring Club to meet at our Clubrooms for meetings. It was pointed out that the building has no power and is isolated. After discussion it was decided not to pursue the matter as it was doubted by a member of the applicant Club who was present, when this was known, whether they would still be interested.

Peter Amos asked whether we should book the services Club for the final dinner of the Pre'31 rally on the evening of Saturday 30th April 2022, as 12 months' notice is required. Meeting agreed Peter will book the venue.

President announced Club awards to Euan Coutts for Clubman of the year and Cameron pride of ownership award to Bill Neilson

**BUP trophy:** Keith Packham

**Raffle prizes won by:** Charles Stammers.

**Meeting closed: 9.06. pm**

## Out and about.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February, we attended the unveiling ceremony Banjo Patterson at Yeoval. Quite an amazing turn out for a mid week event in a little town. I think the crowds surpassed all expectations of the organizers and it was good to see a few of our club cars and members and some cars from other clubs. The weather was perfect, the entire day was very well run and organized. Just some random pictures taken of our members, club cars and some cars from other clubs. The three pictures of some of the art situated in the local park is amazing and shows the dedication of the volunteers to keep this great little town alive and thriving.







## Handling Big Nuts.

Most of our old cars seem to feature large diameter, say over 1" (25mm) Nuts, usually plugs, adjustment nuts and hub caps and some of them can be very odd sizes, or even octagonal. Up to this size we are well catered for with reasonably priced sockets and spanners, but over this size sockets and spanners become a bit pricey. Usually we handle these items by using big shifting spanners or as a last resort, Stillsons and cold chisels, which can be awkward and not very satisfactory and damage the nut.

I have made a number of spanners of the ring variety simply out of ordinary black mild steel. They will take a surprising amount of force. They are relatively easy and quick to make, work well, but require some careful marking out.

The last one I made was for the steering ball joint caps on the Vauxhall which are  $2\frac{3}{32}$ " (53mm approx) A/F which is 60 mm across the points.

In this instance I used a piece of 5 x 75 mm steel 300mm long. Polish up one side and coat with marking blue or similar. Mark the centre line along the length. Centre pop the centreline 37.5mm (1/2 of 75mm) from one end.

With the dividers set at 37.5 draw circle with the pop mark as the centre. The drawn circle should just brush the end and two sides of the steel. This is the outer ring.

Set the dividers at 30mm (1/2 of 60mm) and draw another circle from the pop mark inside the first circle. For a hexagonal nut, use your dividers without adjustment to step around this circle, starting at the centreline. The marks represent the points of the nut. Make sure that the steps are even and then join them up with scribed lines. It is important to get the points in the right place. Check that the A/F measurement is the same as the nut, then centre pop the points.

For an octagonal nut I adjust the dividers and step around the circle using trial and error, until the steps are even. If you want to you can work out the circumference and divide by the number of points to get the divider setting. Again check the A/F measurement and again centre pop the points.

Drill a series of small holes, say 4mm, as close together as close you can along the lines of the hexagon or octagon you have drawn. I usually use a small chisel to chisel between each hole and eventually break out the centre. File to the lines checking the fit as you go. In these big sizes the fit doesn't have to be perfect, but it has to be fairly good.

You can use the "spanner" as it is but I generally make a tapered handle and saw the top part round, following the outer circle, and tidy the whole thing up on a linisher, or with a file.

You can use this method for any size nut and I have used thicker steel 6 or 8 mm if the spanner is to get heavy service. I have tried putting the nut on the steel and drawing around it but it seems hard to get a good result with this method.



# ORANGE'S BIGGEST GARAGE SALE

**WHEN:** Saturday, 27 March 8am-2pm. Save the date!

**WHERE:** Naylor Pavillion, Orange Showground,  
with a coffee cart, BBQ and entertainment

**WHAT:** Old wares & collectables, furniture, plants,  
tools, books, sporting & travel goods, vintage  
clothing & accessories, fruit preserves and  
much more!

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**ORANGE DISTRICT ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUB INC**  
**FOR SALE AND WANTED**

Please note, advertisements will run for three months unless you advise the editor to the contrary.

(1) **Wanted** a suitable Model A Ford for a restoration project.

Please contact Barry Rose.

Mob 0409490223

Email. [town-sedan@iinet.net.au](mailto:town-sedan@iinet.net.au)

**(1) FOR SALE.**

1. Model AA Truck King Pins only
  2. Tudor 1/4 inner panel, 28 + 31 right side
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  4. Roadster Curved inner panel rear, repro.
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  6. Tudor panel above door right & left repro
  7. 31 Windshield filler panel goes on top of fuel tank
  8. Centre hood bow
- Call Charlie 0408 876 454

**(2) FOR SALE.** OFF ROAD TENT CAMPER TRAILER heavy duty trailing arm Alko rubber suspension, Treg hitch, 16" six stud wheels, 80 litre water tank with various extras. Rego expires 1/8/21. Price\$3,750  
Phone Bruce (Club member) 63 655300 or 0429 655300.



**(2) FOR SALE.** The car is a 1930 model Roadster Beige in colour an original colour from new.  
The price is \$37,000 or near the offer.  
The car is located on the Central coast any enquiries contact Dennis Ashton on 0409 044 340.



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