



Orange District Antique Motor Club Inc.

# *Restoration Rambler*

*February 2026*



*Jim Coomber - Chrysler*

22<sup>nd</sup> August 1932 – 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026

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## Presidents Report

Welcome to 2026. As you have probably realised, we have not published a Restoration Rambler for a couple of months. It was decided at the AGM that the magazine will probably be bi-monthly as our only news these days is social. Our events calendar which was sent out, is full of proposed runs and events till the end of May.

We had an enjoyable Christmas Party at the Wentworth Golf Club on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Our trophy winners this year are Kevin & Carol Ryan for Clubman of the Year. Kevin & Carol with the help of their daughter Cassie were very proficient with organising the paperwork for our registration day and we appreciate their efforts. Their son Daniel also needs to be thanked for donating a car jack to the club.

The Pride of Ownership trophy went to Chris Bromley, he is the proud owner of several cars, mainly Mercedes these days but he nominated the left hand drive AMC as his favourite.

Several of our members attended the funeral of Jim Coomber which was a meaningful and lovely tribute to Jim who lived a long and full life. We have featured him and his Chrysler on the cover of the magazine.

I have had confirmation from Bob Nash of the Gnoo Blas Club that we have a site booked for 10 cars at the car show. This is on the 7<sup>th</sup> February. Bob is suggesting you buy your \$20 ticket on line, to save time waiting at the gate on the way in. This is the link to purchase tickets, or just Google 2026 Gnoo Blas Classic. There are other events over the weekend that you can attend and buy tickets on this site.

[2026 Gnoo Blas Classic Tickets - 123 Tix](#)

Please refer to the events page for details of Australia Day event in Orange and the February runs. We will be needing numbers for lunch box orders from the Sugar Mill and those attending lunch at Carcoar after the Angullong Vineyard visit. Susan Toy needs to know by next Saturday if you want to order a lunch box for the run to George Tait's. Susans number is 0408 414 848

Looking forward to another successful year of vintage motoring. Peter



## ODAMC EVENTS-2026

Club Events are generally organised on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. Other events of interest are listed that members may wish to attend using your logbooks.

Date	Event	Contact
26 <sup>th</sup> Jan 26	Australia Day – make your own arrangements. NB parking in Cook Park is strict. Cars to line up at 7am in Clinton St. You must stay until 1.45pm	<b>No entry after 7.30am</b>
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Annual Orange Summer Swap Meet at Orange Showground	
Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Meet at Ironbark Blayney 10am for coffee. Proceed to George Tait's for a picnic lunch. BYO drinks & chair	Susan Toy will be ordering picnic boxes @ approx. \$25. <b>See below**</b>
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Gnoo Blas – this is a 3 day event, the display is on Saturday at Brabham Park	Meet at the park at 9.00am Saturday
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Newbridge Swap Meet	
Mon 16th	Monthly Meeting Lucknow 7.30	
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Visit to Angullong Vineyard. Meet Cook Park at 9.45am. Lunch at Carcoar Hotel after visit. *** numbers required	Richard Bloomfield 0427 201824
Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Meet at Botanic Gardens Cafe 10am. Run around the Pinnacle to Lake Canobolas Cafe for lunch.	Chris Bromley
Sat. Mar 7th	Blayney Show	
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Monthly Meeting Lucknow 7.30	
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Forbes Motor Fest	
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Meet Ironbark Blayney at 10. Lunch at Rustic Nature Neville	
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> April Easter	The Neville Muster – Country Music	
Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Meet at Nile St Café, travel to Bathurst via Icely Rd lunch at Panorama Hotel	
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> April	10am Meet at Lucknow for coffee followed by Lunch at Toys .	
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Monthly Meeting Lucknow 7.30	
May 1-3	Pre 31 Autumn Tour	
Sat May 2	Orange Show	
Thur 7 <sup>th</sup> May	10am Meet Byng St Café run to Euchareena lunch at Telegraph Hotel Molong	
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Wellington Show	
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Monthly Meeting Lucknow 7.30	
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Run to Eugowra	

**\*\*February Events: Thurs 5th** We will be ordering picnic boxes (approx. \$25) for the trip to George's place. If you would like to order a box, please ring **Susan Toy 0408 414 848**, she will place the order then pay and collect them. **reply by 31<sup>st</sup> Jan.** to order and advise any dietary requirements.

**\*\*\*Sun 22nd:** After the Angullong Vineyard visit & tour to Panuara we are having lunch at Carcoar – numbers please to **Richard Bloomfield 0427 201824**

## FOR SALE

- 1951 Mercedes Benz 170S 4cylinder side valve.
- Older restoration
- Currently on historic plates. MB 1951 NSW plates available if wanted
- Factory produced right hand drive vehicle which was rare as most of these cars were produced for European & US Markets
- Very advanced design for its time with independent suspension
- Four-wheel hydraulic brakes
- Internal factory fitted heater.
- In good running order

Please contact Susan & David Toy 0408 414 848



## Autumn Tour Information

### WELCOME TO ORANGE

Our members are absolutely delighted to welcome you to the 17th Pre-1931 Autumn Tour here in beautiful Orange which is open to cars, trucks, busses & motor bikes. We are thrilled to host you for a weekend of vintage motoring, great company, and country hospitality at its finest. Major sponsor by Nation Trust Paul Butler Bequest.

Below is a brief outline of the weekend's activities.

**Thursday 30th April** – Join us from 1pm at our club rooms 22 Perc Griffith Way, Orange (next door to Orange Kart Racing Club) for registration and a friendly cuppa to kick things off. At around 2.30pm we will head out for a relaxed short run around the Orange to the Huntley Berry Farm to get everyone settled in. Dinner will be available back at the club rooms a hearty BBQ for \$20 per person, served from 6pm. Tea and coffee will be provided. BYO drinks and enjoy a casual evening catching up with fellow enthusiasts.

**Friday 1st May** – Meet at the club rooms for morning tea before we set off on a scenic drive to Blayney, passing the impressive Cadia Mine site along the way. Lunch and a car display will take place at Blayney High School, where the talented catering students will be preparing delicious grazing boxes for us. That evening a BBQ buffet dinner at the Orange City Bowling Club.

**Saturday 2nd May** – Gather at the club rooms for a run out to Borenore, where we'll visit the local model aircraft club for morning tea and an entertaining demonstration, then continue on to Molong for lunch from local businesses and a laid-back afternoon exploring the village at your own pace. In the evening, we will come together for the presentation dinner at the Orange Ex-Services Club.

**DRESS CODE:** Channel the high-fashion vibes from the year your vehicle was born! Think retro glam, vintage chic, or futuristic flair—whatever your car's era inspires. Fabulous prizes await the best dressed legends.

**Sunday 3rd** – From 8am to 9.30am, join us back at the club rooms for a warm and friendly farewell breakfast as we wrap up a wonderful weekend together.

**Dietary Requirements** – To help us cater for everyone comfortably and ensure your needs are met, please provide the name of the entrant along with any specific dietary requirements. This will allow our catering teams to prepare suitable options and make your experience enjoyable throughout the weekend.

Entry forms are also available from the Council of Heritage Motor clubs. Web site ( CHMC )  
[www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au](http://www.heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au)

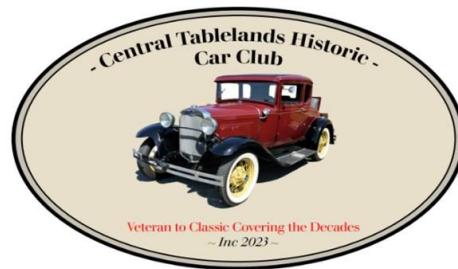
Tour Coordinator  
Keith Packham  
0429608878

Tour Secretary  
Nancy Packham  
0429425104

# PRE 1931 AUTUMN TOUR

Location - ORANGE NSW

Date - 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL TO 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY 2026



## ENTRY FORM

Entrant/Driver..... Passengers 1 .....

2..... 3..... 4.....

Email..... Mobile no.....

Postal Address.....

Pre 1931 eligible vehicle Make..... Model..... year.....

Club..... Rego..... Insurer & policy No.....

Item	Cost	No. Adults	No. Children Under 12 Years Child Age	Total	Dietary Requirements Please Specify
Rally Entry Fee	\$70			\$70.00	
Meals Package **	\$110 Adult \$50 Children				
Thursday Dinner (pay at venue) BBQ	20/person				
Saturday Lunch	Pay as you go				
			Total cost Payable		

\*\*Meal pack includes - Friday MT, Lunch & Dinner. Saturday MT & Dinner & Sunday Breakfast.

Payment to be made Via Direct Deposit ONLY – Unfortunately CASH or CHEQUES CAN NOT ACCEPTED

Bank - CBA BSB 062 587 Acc 1068 3238 Use full name as reference

Please email completed entry form and confirmation of payment to [centraltablelandshcc@gmail.com](mailto:centraltablelandshcc@gmail.com).

**ENTRIES CLOSE 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026** – Please note we cannot provide refunds of any kind after registration closes

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry I do hereby, for myself, my executors and administrators release and forever discharge the organisation and their respective officers, agents, representatives, and/or assignees and supporters and sponsors all claims of damages, demands and actions whatsoever (in particular but without limitation for body injury or loss or damage to vehicle or property) in any manner arising or growing out of my participation in this event. I attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involving in participating and that I have no physical or mental condition which has the potential to put myself or any other person at risk and that the vehicle that I have entered in this event is sufficiently prepared and mechanically equipped to participate in this event. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to abide by all road rules and to drive with safety having regard to traffic and conditions and that subject to those obligations I agree to abide by the direction of the organisers for all events held by Central Tableland Historic Car Club.

SIGNATURE..... DATE ..... / ..... /20 .....

# ORANGE DISTRICT ANTIQUE MOTOR CLUBS INC.

## AGENDA / MINUTES FOR MONTHLY MEETING

**DATE:** 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**TIME:** 7.30pm

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** As per the attendance book

### APOLOGIES

Des & Sally Green, Euan & Wilga Coutts, George Tait, Tony Steele, Greg Speers

### VISITORS

Richard Nemes New member

Nominated by Lance Seymour Seconded Peter Amos

President opened the meeting and welcomed all members and visitors.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Accepted as printed in magazine

Moved; Kevin Ryan      Seconded: Chris Bromley      Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING:** Nil

### CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Historical Aircraft Restoration Society Parkes flyer. Possible Club outing

ODAMC Events list for first 6mths 2026

ID Athletics Uniform and Apparel suppliers

Invitation to Pre 1931 Autumn Tour 30<sup>th</sup> April-3<sup>rd</sup> May

### CLUB MAGAZINES FROM

Crank Torque Parkes Antique motor club Dec & Jan editions Model A News first time we have received this in a long time. See opening paragraph

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:** Nil

Moved: Carol Ryan    Seconded: Sue Toy      Carried

**TREASURERS REPORT:** David Toy presented the current financial report:

Accounts to Pay - E Coutts Cost of Annual Return Lodgement \$57

Cost of Affiliation fee for CHMC

Moved: David Toy      Seconded Richard Bloomfield      Carried

**EDITORS REPORT:** Magazine to be bi monthly

**EVENTS REPORT:**

30th Nov: Registration day was held at Euan and Wilga Coutts' home in Clifton Grove. The change of venue worked well, and the new historic vehicle declaration form and computer-generated paperwork have been satisfactory. So far, 24 vehicles have been registered. Other vehicles with registration dates later this year will be inspected individually as they become due.

4th December: Christmas Party at Wentworth Golf Club – a pleasant evening with a lovely meal.

1st January 2026: Drinks and nibbles at the Toys' place. Around 16 members enjoyed a great social afternoon, with delicious food that turned into dinner and dessert provided by Sue and David.

8th January: The twilight run to Lake Canobolas was cancelled due to extremely hot weather.

**Upcoming Events:**

- 26th January – Australia Day: Attend the event of your choice. Note: Those wishing to go to the Cook Park event need to arrive before 7.30am for parking.
- 1st February – Orange Swap at Showground
- 5th February (Thursday) – George Tait visit. Orders for picnic box lunches from Sugar Mill or Ironbark will be taken tonight, or BYO. Details will be provided at the meeting.
- 7th February (Saturday) – Gnoo Blas Display Day. A site will be booked for 12 cars.

**General Business:**

It is with sadness we note the passing of long-standing club member Jim Coomber. His funeral service is tomorrow, 20th January, at Penhalls Memorial Chapel Orange at 11.00am. A minute's silence was observed to honour Jim and show our respects.

The CHMC Annual Affiliation Notice for 2026 will be completed and sent now that all financial members have been confirmed, and the affiliation fee will be paid according to the number of members.

**Supper for next meeting:** Sue and David Toy

**MEETING CLOSED:** 8.10pm