

17th National Morris Minor Rally Albury Wodonga First Two State Nationals 3rd – 6th April 2015

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Hello and welcome to the Number 4 Bulletin of the 17th Morris Minor National Rally 2015.

- Accommodation We have mentioned this before but we have to repeat ourselves accommodation particularly close to central Albury Wodonga is filling up fast – please book early to avoid disappointment. Book your accommodation first if necessary and register second but get in soon. Entry numbers are rising and we do want to make sure that all Rally participants get to stay where they would like to.
- 2. Registrations We now have over 40 registrations on a first in first served basis and more and more indications from future registrants. Would club secretaries please note that where we have had indications of blocks of future registrants please tell your club members to get in early particularly with accommodation bookings. Our bookings have been made for the majority of rally venues with the Saturday night venue taking place at "The Cube" Wodonga, Victoria and the Sunday night formal dinner to take place at the Civic Centre Albury, NSW. The next Bulletin will provide more detail and include a response about a Friday night function. So far our survey responses have been strongly in favour of a Friday evening meal and we are making arrangements to book a venue and fit this into the program.

We also have our concourse area booked on the banks of the beautiful Murray River at Hovell Tree Park Albury, NSW and our registrations at the Gateway Lakes venue on the Victorian side of the river. So we are truly both sides of the river for meals, registrations and concourse as well. Further information can be viewed on the website.

- 3. Proposed runs for the National Rally Our survey has been of great assistance with the majority of people favouring a medium or longer run. We are now sorting out and finalising our runs to tailor these to survey results and the next Bulletin will provide details and approximate distances of the proposed run or runs to show case as much of the beautiful district and mountains of North East Victoria as possible.
- 4. **Club Sponsorship** Once again could individual Morris Minor Clubs let us have a response to the request for financial assistance with sponsorship for trophies or specific events.

Budgeting and finances are always of importance to a National Rally and as we begin our budget for 2014 we would like to have some idea of sponsorship assistance from Morris Minor Clubs Australia wide for the 2014/2015 budget.

We now have one year to go before the National Rally and our planning is stepping up a pace. Could Club secretaries please note that we would like to receive any specific proposals for rules or rule changes by 31 December 2014 to ensure that these are placed on an agenda and that the Albury Wodonga Club can facilitate all Clubs wishes with specific proposals well before the 2015 17th National Rally.

We are starting to get excited as we book venues and visualise those venues against the back drop of hundreds of Morris Minors! You can expect a further Rally Bulletin in 2 to 3 months with full details of venues. We also expect to be able to provide approximate prices for meals and memorabilia which are in the process of being chosen and ordered as well.

We look forward to seeing you all at the 17th National Morris Minor Rally.

Regards Peter Lenne – Rally Secretary Laury Soyer – Rally Website Co-ordinator