## HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB OF AMERICA SOUTH EASTERN AUSTRALIA



May 26th to June 1st 2024

# 8th International Tour TWEED VALLEY



## OUR EVENT PLANNING IS WELL ADVANCED

#### It's now time for you to start your planning

The 8th International HCCA Tour is scheduled for May 2024, the end of the Australian Autumn (Fall). The perfect time to be on the east coast of Australia. The event will be hosted by the South East Australian Region of the HCCA.

Have you thought of touring the Tweed Valley? For some it will mean a trip to the northern New South Wales coast. For others, it will mean flying across the Pacific or the Indian oceans. Either way, it will be an adventure not to be missed.



[Mount Warning – the imposing backdrop to our 7 day tour and the inspiration for our rally badge design]

The event is open to pre-1916 vehicles, however anyone is welcome to come along and join in the camaraderie and fun.

For our overseas guests, we have lots of things to do and see. Dangerous crocodiles, sharks, stingrays and jelly fish, poisonous snakes, spiders and even plants that can kill. We also have veteran cars, many with back seats, just waiting for an extra passenger.

Yes, it may be a long way to come, so make it worthwhile. Whether you live overseas or in Australia, get a group together to fly down-under or organise a road trip and arrange activities along the way. You are guaranteed to have some fun. (Continued on page 2)

### BOOK YOUR ACCOMMODATION NOW

It is most important that you book your accommodation As Soon As Possible

We are aware there is an annual event held during the week following our tour. Patrons attending the 2023 event are likely to book for their 2024 event as they are leaving and their dates may overlap with our event. Secure your booking ahead of them.

Also, be sure to check the Cancellation Policy of the property.

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**Dates to Remember** June 2023 Newsletter No 2 August 2023 Entries open Newsletter No 3 November 2023 Newsletter No 4 February 2024 Meals, activities and merchandise orders open Newsletter No 5 April 2024 Newsletter No 6 May 26th 2024 **Tour Registration** Welcome Function

### TOUR WEBSITE IS NOW ACTIVE

AND WILL BE REGULARLY UPDATED For information on the tour and any updated information regarding accommodation and before/after tour options etc. click on this link and start getting excited.



#### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

To be included in all future communications, updates and bulletins complete our on-line EOI

#### Register Here

### ELIGIBILITY

Held under the auspices of the HCCA, the 8th International Tour welcomes all vehicles manufactured prior to January 1st, 1916

While it is encouraged, it is not mandatory to bring a veteran vehicle. There will be ample opportunities to swaggie.

[Swaggie is an Aussie term for hitching a ride in another veteran car]

### SECURE ON-LINE ENTRY SYSTEM

Our on-line system will make Tour Entry simple.

You will be able to select your options and use your Credit Card to pay in your local currency.

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The event will commence with registration and a Welcome Function on Sunday, May 26th, 2024 and will conclude with a Rally Dinner on Saturday, June 1st.

Once you are here, look at what you have available locally:

- History and local culture await at the Tweed Heads Historic Site and the Minjungbal Aboriginal Cultural Centre
- Tweed Head's unique experiences, including catching mud crabs with Catch a Crab or cruising the Heritage-listed rainforest
- The glitz and glamour of The Gold Coast Australia's answer to Las Vegas

For the internationals, (and any interested Aussies), we will be hosting a Pre-Tour Tour taking in the local sights and attractions, designed to familiarise entrants with the area and tease them into staying longer

And further a field:

- The Great Barrier Reef is on your doorstep one of the 7 Wonders of the Natural World.
- Blue water fishing for Black Marlin from Cairns
- Uluru (Ayres Rock) a World Heritage listed national park
- River cruises, railway journeys, glass bottom boats

## For the record: You won't be attacked by poisonous or deadly predators. [But don't tell anyone.]

You may however, eventually become accustomed to the Aussie sense of humour.





Sebel Mantra Twin Towns Apartments Recommended accommodation for overseas entrants without a veteran vehicle.

Camp Kitchen and common area within the Big 4 Tweed Billabong Tourist Park

(Rally Headquarters) One of the recommended tourist park properties



Cabins at the Big 4 Tweed Billabong Tourist Park



#### ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

There are many accommodation options in and around Tweed but the properties below are the most suitable and are recommended. Please refer to our website for the latest updates and recommendations.

Big 4 Billabong Caravan Park (Tour Headquarters)	Sebel/Mantra Twin Town Apartments
E. info@tweedbillabong.com.au T. 07 5524 2444	E. sebeltwintowns.res@accor.com T. 07 5506 6600
Approx 5km (3m) from daily start 24 x 2 bedroom cabins 40 Powered sites Trailer parking available Tweed Billabong has built a reputation for having the very best facilities and has structured its rates accordingly. They feature a magnificent new waterpark, first class camping kitchen and a unique tidal billabong.	Each room has a private balcony with view, which varies between the beaches of the southern Gold Coast and the blue waters of the Tweed River. Free WiFi. This is a high rise apartment building so there is undercover parking but no security for veteran vehicles This venue is recommended for overseas entrants without a veteran vehicle.
OTHER CARAVAN TOURISTS PARKS (in order of distance from HQ) Tweed Holiday Park Tweed <u>tweeheads@tweedholidayparks.com.au</u> Closest to Rally HQ 12 cabins. Lots of powered sites (6 with ensuites), No pets River Retreat Caravan Park <u>riverretreat caravanpark.com.au</u> Close to daily start location Quiet, dog friendly park Studio Cabins, Riverview Retreat. Powered sites, large RV sites Dog friendly cabins and No dog cabins Colonial Tweed Holiday Park <u>colonialtweed.com.au</u> Closest to daily start location 1 and 2 bedroom family cabins. Ensuite powered sites. No pets Pyramid Holiday Park <u>pyramidpark.com.au</u> Eastern side of Terranora Lake 2 bedroom holiday villas and budget cabins. Ensuite powered sites. Pet friendly	OTHER MOTELS (close to Rally HQ) Arabella Motor Inn <u>arabellmotorinn.com.au</u> Clean, Comfy, Affordable. Air Cond. Free WiFi. No pets Twin Towns Motel <u>twintownsmotel.com.au</u> Air Cond. All rooms non-smoking. Free WiFi. BBQ facilities. No pets Calico Court Motel (07)5524 333 3 Star budget motel. Air Cond. Free WiFi. No pets City Lights Motel <u>citylightsmotel.com.au</u> Air Cond. Free WiFi. BBQ facilities. Guests' laundry. No pets Tweed Harbour Motor Inn <u>tweedharbourmotorinn.com</u> Air Cond. Free WiFi. BBQ facilities. Guests' laundry. No pets Bayswater Tweed Motel <u>bayswatertweed.com.au</u> Air Cond. Free WiFi. BBQ facilities. Guests' laundry. No pets Tweed Heads Vegas Motel <u>tweedheadsvegasmotel.com.au</u> King or Queen beds. Fridge, toaster, microwave, kettle and coffee machine. Netflix. Free WiFi. Ground and first floors (No lifts) Blue Pelican Motel <u>bluepelicanmotel.com.au</u> Queen beds. Air cond. Kitchenette with fridge, toaster, micro- wave and kettle. Netflix. Free WiFi and Satellite channels. Pet friendly

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