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**JUDY PHEMISTER — NEWSLETTER EDITOR**



Updates

Well, buckle up and hold on to your steering wheels because 2024 is revving up to be a year like no other! In the Chinese Zodiac, we're cruising into the Year of the Dragon – a year that's supposed to bring us luck and success. Now, I'm not one to read too much into astrological signs, but when the universe starts dropping hints like that, you'd be a wise driver to pay attention!

Let me tell you, folks, last year was a wild ride. Our show and shine event had more shine than a brand new wax job, and the Christmas party? Well, let's just say it was more festive than a carolling convoy in a parade of headlights. The feedback was so fantastic; everyone is doing donuts in excitement to return next year.

As we kick off the engines for this new year, we're not just turning the page; we're gunning it down a brand-new highway. The collaboration and momentum from last year? We're strapping ourselves in and gearing up to hit the accelerator even harder, even dipping our toes into the world of social media. You know, because who needs brakes when you're headed for success?

So, whether you're a car enthusiast, or just someone who appreciates the open road and great comradery with other like minded friendly people this club is your pit stop for all things four-wheeled and fabulous.

Here's to a year of smooth roads and more memories than a trunk full of souvenirs. Buckle up, my friends – we're about to take this car club to new horizons!



Onward and Upward (literally!), so checkout the meeting dates and runs, RSVP by the due date and GET INVOLVED

Your Committee



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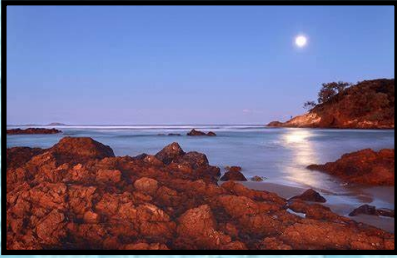
# EVENTS CALENDAR

		FEBRUARY 2024	R.S.V.P	
5th	Mon	<b>COMMITTEE MEETING 6.00 pm</b> <b>GENERAL MEETING 7.00 pm</b>		
14th	Wed	 <b>Morning Tea at BEACH HOUSE</b> <b>Woolgoolga</b> <b>Depart Home Base 9.30am or meet there</b> <b>if you live north.</b>	Judy Phemister judenruss72@gmail.com 0407 937 327	<b>Wed</b> <b>7th Feb</b>
25th	Sun	 <b>Lunch at Emilio's Pizzeria Wooli</b> <b>Depart Home Base 10.30am</b>	Judy Phemister judenruss72@gmail.com 0407 937 327	<b>Sun</b> <b>18th Feb</b>
		MARCH 2024		
4th	Mon	<b>COMMITTEE MEETING 6.00 pm</b> <b>GENERAL MEETING 7.00 pm</b>		
10th	Sun	<b>Lunch at Dave and Penny Norton's</b> <b>Dorrigo</b>  <b>Everything supplied. Depart Bonville</b> <b>Service Station 11am</b>	Judy Phemister judenruss72@gmail.com 0407 937 327	<b>Sun</b> <b>3rd March</b>
27th	Wed	 <b>Coffee Run Link Café Hogbin Drive</b> <b>Meet there 10am</b>	Judy Phemister judenruss72@gmail.com 0407 937 327	<b>Wed 20th</b> <b>March</b>
		APRIL 2024		
7th	Sun	 <b>COMMITTEE MEETING 10am</b> <b>GENERAL MEETING 11am</b>  <b>C.ex URUNGA (meet there)</b>  <b>Lunch following at The SHANK</b> <b>INN ( inside the club) for those</b> <b>who want to stay</b>	Judy Phemister judenruss72@gmail.com 0407 937 327	<b>RSVP</b> <b>Sun 31st</b> <b>March for</b> <b>those</b> <b>staying for</b> <b>lunch</b>
17th	Wed	<b>Coffee Run Idle in Café Nana Glen</b> <b>Depart Homebase 9:30am</b>	Judy Phemister judenruss72@gmail.com 0407 937 327	<b>Wed 10th</b> <b>April</b>



Unfortunately due to the inclement weather the Street Parade was cancelled. As there was no official notification several members turned up only to discover it was a no go. Maybe next year the weather will be kinder.





# RED ROCK

It was a pretty perfect day weatherwise for our first run of 2024 up to enjoy the scenic river ,under shady trees at Red Rock for a BYO morning tea. A good roll up of 7 Club registered cars and 26 people.



Some in depth chit chat going on here.

The circle of friendship



# It was good to see a variety of cars out for the first run of 2024 to Red Rock



# Nambucca Golf Club Lunch run.

A few drops of rain did not dampen the spirits of our attendees on Sunday for a lunch outing to Nambucca Golf Club. With 43 attending there was plenty of conversations between enjoying the great food served and the odd glass of wine ,beer and soft drinks.



Another chance to blow the cobwebs out of the motors with a run down the highway to Nambucca





FOR SALE, 1984 Mercedes 280 CE, pillarless coupe, in very good condition with outstanding class and appeal.

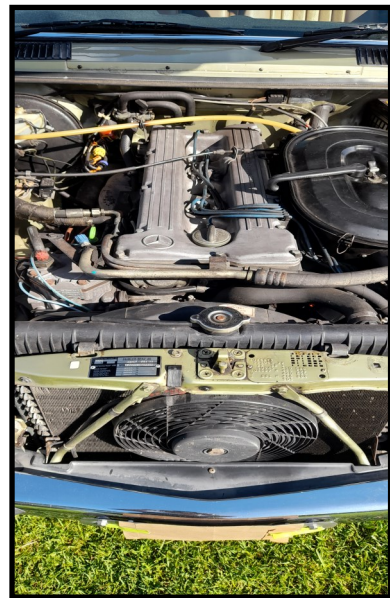
254,000 km. Engine number 11098822027160.

The W123 series were overly engineered and virtually indestructible.

Having a twin overhead cam motor, automatic transmission, power steering and cruise control, it drives and handles like a new car.

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# Invitation Event

Sunday 25th February 2024

Gates Open to the public 9am to 2pm

Ballina Jockey Club, Race Course Rd, Ballina NSW

The Rescue Helicopter Service—Ballina Support Group presents

*The North Coast*

*Show n Shine & SWAP MEET*

(cars, motorbikes, utes, 4WDs all welcome)

All vehicles that are entering for Show n Shine, Food markets and Swap meet

Gates open from 6am gates close at 8.30am

Vehicle entry incl judging for Show n Shine registration \$15 (incl 2 Adult entry) forms on web

Swap Meet sites: \$20 small \$50 large

ALL TICKETS - EVENTBRITE Are now LIVE: [Link on our Website: ALL VEHICLE ENTRY/ SWAP MEET & General Admission and SEE site for details For an organised Day Cruise /Air Museum/Lunch on the Saturday 24th February day before Show n Shine](#)

GENERAL ADMISSION : From 9am NOTE All entry fees Go direct to Charity

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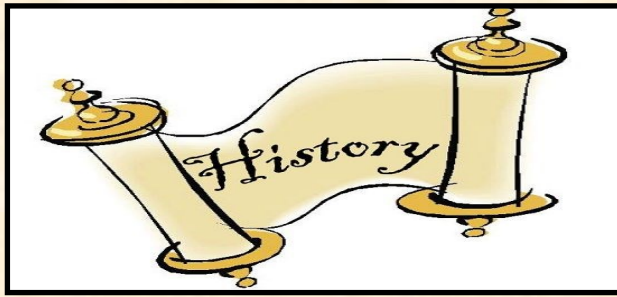
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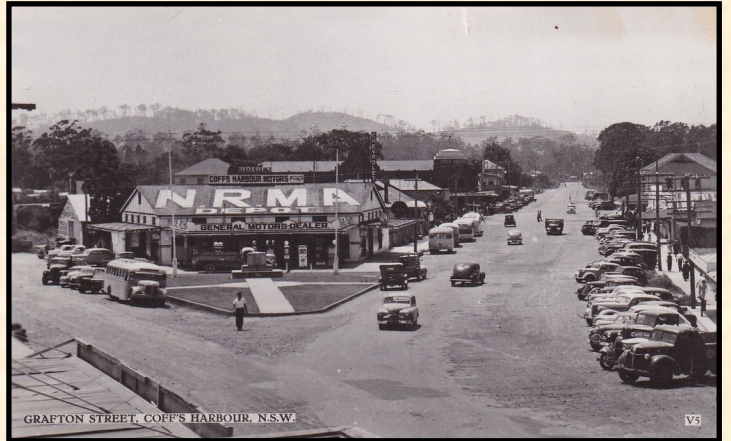
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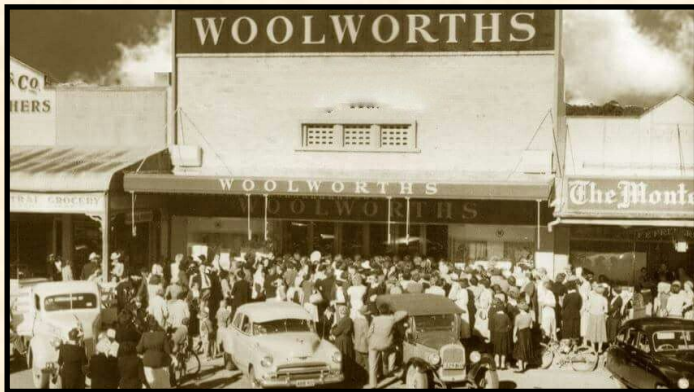
Coffs Show 1964



Grafton Street late 1940's



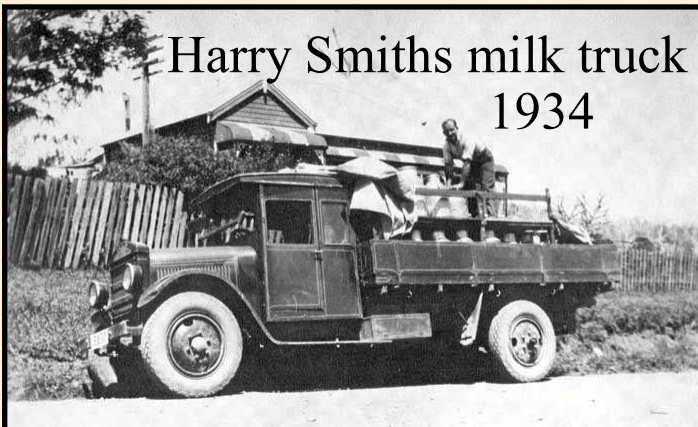
Opening of Woolworths 1952



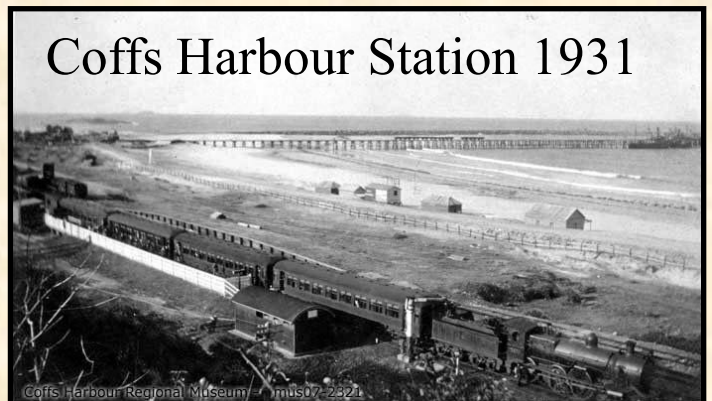
Coffs Show early 60's



Harry Smiths milk truck  
1934



Coffs Harbour Station 1931



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