

To all NSW HMA Clubs

Two bulletins in rapid succession!!

Seatbelt fitment

The reason for this bulletin is an appeal for information on the fitting of seatbelts to pre-ADR vehicles. In our dealings with Transport for NSW, we have made some progress on gaining acceptance of seatbelts in early vehicles, that is, they are no longer insisting that all must have VSCCS certification or else be removed. What they are now willing to accept is evidence the seatbelts were fitted in compliance with published instructions issued during the 1960's and 1970's. We already have two good examples of instructions from the mid 1980's which have been well received by TfNSW, but we need earlier examples.

If anyone in your club has fitting instructions published in that period, please forward a copy to me, as they will greatly assist in getting the more enlightened approach to seatbelts included in revised rules for HVS. Point me to them if they are on line. We have just two weeks to get this information in to TfNSW, so please respond as soon as possible.

We are aware that Victoria mandated the fitting of seatbelts to all vehicles manufactured after 1955, so the instructions issued by seatbelt suppliers as used in Victoria would be equally of value in our case.

Membership fees - a reminder that they are due on or before 30th June:

Clubs that have paid their fees already please ignore this. However, close to 50% of our member clubs have not yet paid, and you have less than two (2) weeks remaining to get your fees in. Just for reference, payment by EFT should be to:

BSB 633 000 (Bendigo Bank); Account number 1552 57645 (NSWHMA). Use as reference your invoice (club) number.

I have one completely unidentifiable payment by EFT. Its reference shows: "Mcu 0228253129 / Nswhma Membership". We have no member club with initials MCU. If this can be identified on your bank statement, please email me the Club Number or its name.

Regards,
Ian Browning
Secretary