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A drop from the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs to keep you going

HERITAGE MOTORING UPDATE

CHMC, along with others representing **Transport for NSW** Recognised Motor Clubs, met last week with leaders of the **TfNSW Stakeholder, Vehicle Standards and Technical teams** for the regular **Historic and Classic Car Industry Working Group** meeting.

Significant topics discussed included:

- TfNSW advised that it had received many submissions following release of the **Historic Vehicle Scheme period options, accessories and safety items list**. It emphasised that the list remains a working draft.
- A “version two” is being developed for club guidance, in line with the commitment to update the document.
- The **Historic and Classic Car Industry Working Group** will Workshop “version two”, most likely after Easter, to review the Options/Accessories list prior to distribution to Clubs.
- **Business rules** will be developed **for clubs accessing HVS and CVS**. The process will be for TfNSW to develop draft rules; then consult widely with industry; then seek ministerial approval.
- TfNSW is considering a proposal for **optional registration plates** that permit a “tidy” installation on vehicles such as early Ford Falcons and some imported and exotic vehicles. These plates would carry the HVS or CVS numbers and suffix with a **NSW Historic (HVS)** or **NSW Classic (CVS)** sub line. Personalised HVS/CVS number plates are not being considered.
- Nothing has changed relating to fitment of Seat Belts to early vehicles. TfNSW has strongly denied rumours that vehicles with seat belts fitted to non compliant anchorage points would be defected.
- Despite an inaccurate statement on the TfNSW web page, **HVS registration of Tractors, Trucks and Military Vehicles** is proceeding as it has for many years. The statement on the website is inconsistent with TfNSW policy, and an undertaking has been given to have this reference removed from the website ASAP.
- TfNSW assured the meeting that Industry will be consulted before any changes are made to vehicles eligible for either HVS or CVS.
- GVM increase for CVS from 3.5t to 4.5t has passed internal TfNSW consultation and was endorsed by the meeting. It will now proceed to the Ministerial approval process.

Council fully endorses these regular Industry meetings with TfNSW. They are opportunities to resolve issues that arise from the procedures and operation of HVS and CVS schemes directly with the decision makers.

More discussion on these, and other aspects of Historic and Classic vehicle registration, will take place at Council’s Annual General Meeting at Temora on Friday April 9th.

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More information about this, and other items of interest, can be found on Council’s website:

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