

# OAKLAND CAR REGISTER

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## COVID-19 Special Edition

### 2020 DELORAINE RALLY DEFERMENT

27<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

Dear Oakland Register Members,

The executive committee of the Register in conjunction with the 2020 Rally organisers, Jim & Robyn Irvine, have been constantly monitoring the latest news and updates relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As you would be aware, the escalation of the COVID-19 crisis is of great concern in the states of Victoria and NSW, with cases of community transmission taking place. This has restricted travel for persons from these areas to other states of Australia.

The Tasmanian Premier's announcement on Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> July included restrictions applying to all persons who reside in Victoria or who have spent time in Victoria. Only Tasmanian residents, or authorised persons are permitted to enter the State of Tasmania. The restrictions on persons travelling from Victoria are expected to be in place for the foreseeable future.

Following this announcement and the continuing situation in the metropolitan region of Melbourne, the executive committee and the 2020 Rally organisers have taken the regrettable decision to defer the Tasmanian 2020 Rally until 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2021.

Rally coordinators Jim and Robyn Irvine will provide an update for the 2021 Rally in the September issue of the Oakland Newsletter.

Sue and Ian Thornley have undertaken to reschedule the SA Rally to September/October 2022 and we thank them for their understanding.

#### **Booking Amendments and Cancellations/Refunds Spirit of Tasmania**

For Oakland members who have booked their passage on the Spirit of Tasmania direct, TT Lines are offering a full refund, including the fare cancellation fee less credit card charges, regardless of travel date or fare type. **This offer expires on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020.**

If you would like to cancel your booking or change your booking to a later date please visit their website and log in to 'Manage Your Booking' or contact TT Lines on their customer service number 1800 634 906.

For members who have booked their travel through an agent please contact your agent directly.

#### **Air Travel**

Members who have booked air travel please contact your airline for information on cancellations or changes to bookings.

#### **Accommodation**

Members are asked to attend to their accommodation changes or cancellations.

Please contact an executive member or rally organiser if you require clarification or assistance with the above arrangements.

Hoping you remain healthy, safe and well in these extraordinary times. We look forward to meeting with everyone in Tasmania next year.

Ian, Val, Ray, Jim & Robyn.

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## Update from the Editor

Well, these are certainly challenging and unprecedented times for all of us throughout the world. Australia (mainly Victoria), although experiencing added issues at present, seems to be dealing with the situation fairly well compared to other parts of the world.

The Oakland Car Register has members in Australia, New Zealand and the United States. New Zealand are claiming elimination, however the United States is dealing with the largest outbreak in the world. We especially think of our members in the United States and wish them well. Please stay safe.

Best wishes to Jim Watson who is encountering some health issues at present. (Not COVID-19)

### Governance issues:

With the cancellation of our 2020 Rally in Tasmania comes a special challenge for the Executive Team that is responsible for the governance of our organisation.

The AGM, as most will know, is always held at our Annual Rally and the rally is the only time over a 12 month period when we get together to hold this important event.

The AGM elects office bearers for the forthcoming year and also sets the annual membership fees that are due and payable prior to 31<sup>st</sup> December each year.

According to governance rules the AGM is required to be held within 3 months of the end of our financial year, which is 31<sup>st</sup> August. Due to COVID-19 issues, an extension of 3 months can be applied for.

The Executive Team will discuss options for holding the AGM and inform you of how this is to occur in the next newsletter which is due for publication in about 5 weeks.

So, in conclusion the Executive Team will work in the best interests of the members to deliver the best outcomes as humanly possible in these challenging times.

### Email Addresses:

I have been for some time pleading with members to supply their email addresses. There are currently 92 members of the Register, of which we have 61 members with email addresses supplied. There must be others. It is a real possibility that the AGM could be conducted online. The supply of an email address will be critical for members to participate in that type of process and of course for normal types of general communication. **If your email address does NOT appear in the 2019 Membership Roster contained in Edition 135 of our newsletter (September, 2019) – then we don't have it!**

**If you have an email address and have not supplied it, please do so.**

## Sneak Preview

### An awe inspiring story from a long time ago



This story is known to some, but probably not all. It is a great example of human endeavour. Watch the next newsletter for the full story.  
Hint: Sydney Harbour Bridge.