

NSW ACDS NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT NOVEMBER 2017

By the time the Branch Meeting occurs, I hope that all NSW clubs will have been in touch and sent me news and photos. I would like to get the Whip Around to the printer no later than November 22 2017.

The response to my request in October for news and photos for the December Journal was excellent, with almost all clubs contributing promptly with news and photos of their activities. I was able to send in eight pages of news (nearly 7,500 words) plus fifty five photos for consideration in the Journal. This is all great publicity for the NSW Branch, and illustrates really well the range of driving activities provided for ACDS members in this state, and how involved most members are.

The Liverpool Range Club Charity Drive, held this year in the Manilla and Somerton districts north and west of Tamworth, was a great success once again, and raised nearly \$10,000 for the Royal Far West Children's Charity. The drive's thirty or so horse drawn vehicles drew much interest in and attention to carriage driving during the week of driving. In addition, Liverpool Range Club members held regular fund raisers in several local clubs over the year, also good publicity.

In other publicity for carriage driving, several members from the Temora, Murrumbidgee and Riverina Clubs drove their horses in the Melbourne Cup Parade in West Wyalong in July, whilst Hunter Club members showed what carriage driving is all about in the Horse Festival at Cessnock in October. More recently, members from the Liverpool Range and Gulgong Clubs drove their horses at the Commemoration of the Charge of Beersheba at Murrurundi, and a large group of members took part in the three day Beersheba Remembrance Ride and Drive from Tabulam to Copmanhurst.

Many thanks to the contributors of club news and photographs for the Whip Around and the Journal over the year. Clubs are very fortunate to have so many enthusiastic and reliable members who never fail to come up with the goods, on the eight occasions per year that they are asked to send in news and photos.

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