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Congratulations to all on being a member in this our 50th anniversary year. 50 years of continuous operation serving our members is an achievement to be heralded. The AMCA of NSW actual anniversary date is Dec 2025. We will have a Christmas & Anniversary meeting & dinner, in the Ingleburn RSL. I am pleased to acknowledge that two inaugural members, Colin Hornshaw and Rick Landers are still with us...nearing 50years of membership, WELL DONE.

This year we have generally conducted all our regular monthly meetings at Ingleburn RSL and two very successful displays (& meetings) at the Arms Fairs at Maitland & Bathurst and The Hunter valley regional Meetings at Lazarus Farm.

Once again I recommend you check your security. There has been some incidences throughout the year, don't get caught. If in doubt go to the Firearms registry website Safe storage section. (if you are not able; get a friend, daughter, son etc to download it for you. The collection storage requirements are now extensive. It is SAFE STORAGE LEVEL 9..Pls google this address [www.police.nsw.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf_file/0004/133195/Safe_Storage_Level_Nine - FACT Sheet.pdf](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0004/133195/Safe_Storage_Level_Nine_-_FACT_Sheet.pdf)

Apart from some basic level glitches we are now up and running with our Electronic meetings.

Remote and or any & all members can log into our meetings (Through "Microsoft Teams") which will save them long and expensive trips to town.

And I again reiterate that, the Firearms Registry has advised that Electronic meetings are acceptable and online attendance is approved for NSW FAR collectors licencing requirements.

The latest infringement into our collecting world is the Manchette ban in Victoria, which is rumoured, to "want to be" spilling over to other States by naïve Pollie's, and the Ban everything society, . I am sure that many genuine collectors are financially disadvantaged by this "one size fits all" legislation / categorization. We all suffer from this expediency / poorly considered / type of approach,

and I am sure there will be more to follow up with this issue.

The Federal Government, in conjunction with the states & Territorial Governments, is still looking to organise the National registration system. Many states have recently amended their laws. Speculation is rife that NSW will follow suit. Only one thing is known and that is, that change is inevitable. Unfortunately, nowadays the excuse of public safety is rolled out with, regular but not always real or factual assignment. We have no choice but to wait & see.

Our revised newsletter format, seems to be well received. Unfortunately Richard Knowles our editor has been seriously ill, However I am pleased to report he is recovering well and will be back on deck soon, and look forward to future editions. **If you like our colour format switch to our email newsletter, it is faster & with more interesting articles.** Send us an email at normtyrrell@gmail.com , to change ASAP.

I would like to thank ALL of the current committee for their "Behind the scenes" work, in 2024/5 and look forward to 2025/6

Looking forward I would still like to see a concerted recruitment drive next fin yr and more display events, to this end I have commenced informal discussions with other associated club representatives to look at the viability of joint display days.

To all I wish you interesting and profitable collecting and look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Regards
Norm Tyrrell
President



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