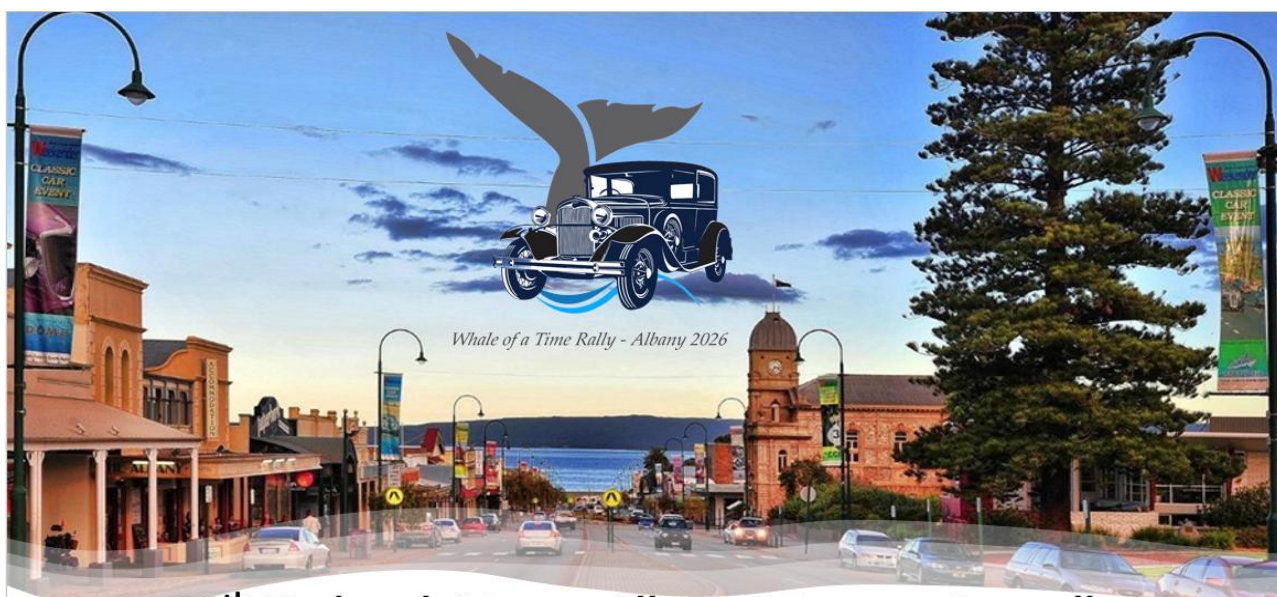




29th National Meet – Albany, Western Australia Sun 18th – Sat 24th October 2026

Rally Headquarters – Retravisation Stadium, 156 Lockyer Ave., Centennial Park,
Albany.

“WHALE OF A TIME RALLY” - NEWSLETTER No. 3

Welcome again and thank you to all those people who have already entered the National Meet – the numbers are very encouraging and they are coming from everywhere!

While the Rally Committee continues to keep a watch on global factors such as fuel availability, preparations are well underway and we are very much looking forward to welcoming you to Albany this October. We wanted to reassure you that the Rally is going ahead as planned. We're excited to host what promises to be a fantastic event.

Registrations - With **31 May** marking the close of registrations for the 2026 National Rally, we'd love to see registrations coming in as soon as possible. Early numbers allow us to plan activities to their full potential and ensure everyone gets the best possible rally experience. If you're planning to attend, registering sooner rather than later really helps.

Late entries will be accepted, however this may be limited by the number of entries we receive and we may close entries if our target has been met. There will be an additional cost for any entries sent after 31st May, 2026.

Merchandise order forms are being sent to registered entrants very shortly —another good reason to get your registration in and make sure you're included.

State/Club flags and banners – please remember to bring these with you and give them to us on the first day, so they can be hung appropriately in the venue.

Hubley cars - Your newly completed Hubleys should be ready to roll – or are you still



working on them?

ATTRACTIONS YOU MAY CONSIDER ON YOUR VISIT TO ALBANY.

NATIONAL ANZAC CENTRE – This is located on Mount Clarence and overlooks King George Sound and Princess Royal Harbour. The Centre was opened in 2014 by the Prime Ministers of Australia and New Zealand. The Interactive experience was developed by the Australian War Memorial and the Western Australian Museum. It commemorates the war through stories of the ANZAC soldiers themselves and can be quite moving. King George Sound was where a fleet of 38 transport ships and seven warships carrying 30,000 troops and 11,700 horses in total, gathered prior to embarkation to the battlefields of Europe on the 1st November, 1914. It consisted of NZ and Australian vessels.

This is well worth a visit during your stay in Albany.

PATRICK TAYLOR COTTAGE – An 11-roomed house, which is one of the oldest dwellings in W.A., having been built in 1832, is another place of interest for the historians amongst our visitors. Created from mud bricks, wattle and daub (woven branches, clay, mud and straw), it has stood the test of time. Attractive gardens surrounding this building and other features includes a ‘koornt’, a traditional Menang brush shelter.

Facts about Albany -

- The town hosted the Albany Tourist Trophy, the first European style ‘round the houses’ car race in Australia in 1936.
- 1978 saw the end of whaling by the Cheynes Beach Whaling Company.
- April 25th, 1930 saw Padre Arthur Ernest White lead the first known ANZAC Dawn Service on the summit of Mt. Clarence – it is still attended by thousands to this day, many who drive long distances to attend.
- Donna Simpson and Vicki Thorn were born in Albany – they are the founders (along with Josh Cunningham) of the folk rock band ‘The Waifs’.
- For those who like a gentle stroll - The Bibbulmun Track’s southern most point is in the Alice Hartman Gardens, next to the Library in York St., Albany. The track is one of the longest in Australia at about 1,000kms long, stretching through the bush northwards to Kalamunda near Perth. It is named after the Bibbulmun people who moved through this area for centuries before white habitation. It is also the southern end of the Munda Biddi Trail, an off road cycling trail.
- Albany was part of NSW for some years, before it became part of the Swan River Colony. It was settled as a military outpost to stop France from claiming the area.

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