

# RENAULT

Est 1981



- YEAR: 1952
- MODEL: R 3042
- COUNTRY: France
- ENGINE: 22HP – 30hp - 4 Cylinder, Side Valve Petrol/Paraffin, Electric Start
- GEARS: 4 Forward 1 Reverse
- ITEM NUMBER: 232 or 225
- DONATED BY: Mr Norman Thomas Fewster – October 1987
- PURCHASED: 1952

A rare tractor in Australia, it was purchased new for 1,250 Pounds in 1952 by the Fewster family, used for pumping water and in vineyard maintenance, it only did approximately 2,000 hrs and was retired in the early sixties.

The Renault R3042 Tractor was produced by RNUR (Régie Nationale des Usines Renault) between 1949 and 1955 – they were taken over by the German agricultural manufacturer “CLAAS” in 2008. Power was provided by a choice of petrol, paraffin or alcohol powered four cylinder side valve engines. Buyers were required to specify the fuel to be used when making their order. The Renault R3042 was rated as a 22-30HP tractor. Renault publicity of the time stated examples of it's uses, which included 'the ploughing of 5 acres of medium soil, 10 inches in depth with a double plough in one day'. Transmission is via a four forward and one reverse speed gearbox which gave a top speed of 13.5 mph – 24 km/h. Standard features were, electric starting, independent foot brakes and a hand brake. Options included, a side mounted belt pulley together with a 627RPM power take-off shaft on the the opposite side of the tractor which could be used to drive a side-mounted cutter bar mower. An optional bolt-on hydraulic linkage unit which used the rear 552RPM power take-off shaft for a power source could also be specified.

