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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Wet weather certainly quiets down outdoor sports and our club Motor Sport activities have suffered accordingly we lost our Elimination Regularity Hillclimb (RH) and had to postpone a Khanacross as well.

Last month I wrote partly a "Fairy Tale Story" to see if anyone was actually reading these reports in our magazine. Well someone did and managed to get **Kenneth Atkins** into serious trouble. His wife **Kimberly** was keen to compete in the event and after reading the "Fairy Tale" took Kenneth to task because he had told her the event was cancelled - my apology Kenneth.

After a recent hillclimb, within the **MacLean** Racing Formula Clubman Team, as a result of **Martin Hobbins** getting the better of **Jack Wightman**, Jack has challenged Martin to have a drive in his Nissan Skyline in a Khanacross at the upcoming Ringwood event on the 11<sup>th</sup> July. Just shows there is strong competition within the clubs as well as in Formula 1 Teams.

We have just had the first organisational meeting for the preparation of this years' Mattara Hillclimb. There was an excellent turn up all keen to make sure this event will be better than last year. Just a couple of ideas from that meeting:

1. Instead of expensive, cluttering trophies we should present the winner a fancy Result Certificate and also receive Prize Money. (That was the case in our early events, and it was quite a thrill to actually win money from a Motor Sport Competition.).

2. An idea to have an outdoor screen located on the island of the Hairpin with live action showing the cars driving up into the Pinch, out and through the Hay bales.(the same view that the selected few Official get) and then the cars come into view to the spectators sitting above the hair pin.

Instead of having a Top Ten Shootout, drivers on their second and third runs will nominate a time which is announced, when the run is completed that time is then announced and the competitor closest to his nominated time also wins CASH, (you don't have to be the fastest to win money).

All of this from the first meeting, this will be costed to see if it is viable. There will be plenty of interesting work for many.

This year will also give you an opportunity, to those who have missed out in previous years, to officiate on the competition days. This has come about due to the fact that twenty of our regular officials will be at a three day Supersprint event at Wakefield Park. Don't sit back and think that **someone else** will do it as they will be at Wakefield Park. **Your help will be needed and adequate training will be organised for you.**

Don't forget the **Daydawn Electrical** State Hillclimb at Ringwood at the end of the month Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August. Could be a good opportunity to see what officiating, announcing etc is all about in preparation for Mattara.

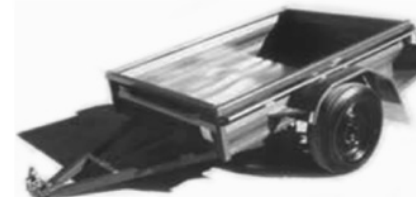
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**The Rocker Cover Racing is very popular at the Clubnights and a special set of rules have been drawn up. The NATMEET rules which are specific to National Meetings are on the website.**

**ROCKER COVER RACER RULES**  
**For MGCC Newcastle Club Nights**

**The Racers**

The racers cannot have any power source. Gravity only!  
The rocker/valve cover must not exceed 600mm in length.  
The racer shall not be more than 40 mm longer than the rocker/valve cover.  
Racers shall have four wheels of not more than 155 mm diameter.  
Wheel track shall be not more than 200 mm.  
Maximum weight shall not exceed 3 kg.

**The Course**

The decline will be 1.5 metres long followed by a level run of 6 metres.  
The decline shall be divided into 2 lanes each 450 mm wide. The decline shall be 600 mm high at the starting line. The front of the decline will be bevelled to give a smooth transition to the run-out area.  
A mechanical starting gate may be employed.  
The run-out section shall be of 2 lanes 900 mm wide. The lanes shall be clearly marked.  
The finish line shall be marked 6 metres from the front edge of the launch decline.

**The Race**

One entry per racer.  
Each heat will consist of 2 racers  
The first round of heats shall be the best of 3 runs on alternate lanes. Following heats shall be sudden death knockout.  
The racers will start with the front of the racer against the starting pin.  
The first racer to cross the finish line within its lane is the winner. If neither racer makes it to the finish, the one going the furthest distance within its lane wins. Any racer that crosses a lane marker shall be deemed to have finished the race at that point.  
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If you are updating details such as your current MG, or changes to your membership or renewing, please make sure you send it to my home address 11 Nathan Close METFORD 2323(on Page 1 of the magazine) I can then attend to it immediately, otherwise it gets caught up in the general club mail and there is a hold up in it reaching me.

**WHEN ATTENDING AN EVENT PLEASE CHECK ALL YOUR PAPERWORK EARLY IN THE WEEK SO IF YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD HAS BEEN HELD UP IN THE MAIL OR IF YOU HAVE MISLAID IT YOU HAVE TIME TO CONTACT ME.**

**Joy Bower**



**Welcome New Members**

Russell Thomas  
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**Hope to see you at an event in the near future EITHER COMPETITION OR SOCIAL**

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## National Meeting Update July 2010.

There have been a couple of changes since the 1<sup>st</sup> Bulletin, not really enough information for another whole bulletin but information of importance to Nat Meet attendees.

**Change of theme for Saturday Night Social Event:** Some activities we had originally planned have been reviewed due to cost and practicality. The social events sub-committee has now decided on.....

### “Movie Greats of Hollywood.”

Our apologies to those clubs who may have already started planning their approach but we are sure that you will come up with even greater variety of creative ideas. This fun event will then flow across to the “Awards (Presentation) Night” on Monday night. New caterers at Club Panthers have provided us with great choice and variety of menu over the 3 social nights.

**Change in running order of competition events: Sprint / Observation Run now on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April.**

We have been discussing the unique situation facing us of having Anzac Day being the same day as Easter Monday - the day often used for speed events / Observation Run. There will be many dawn services and street marches held in the Newcastle and surrounding areas, that are along the planned path of the Observation route. So we have decided to hold the Hillclimb and alternative Observation Run on Easter Sunday. This will mean that we need to be super organised in our running of the motorkhana to get through without any hitches on Easter Monday and have all the points calculated in time for the Awards ceremony!

**Rocker cover racer rules on website:** There have been a few modifications to the rules for the rocker cover races. These are now on our website at [www.mgcarclub.com.au](http://www.mgcarclub.com.au)

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**JULY EVENTS DIARY 2010**

Date	EVENT	Time	points
5/7 MON	MAGAZINE ASSEMBLY. MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Birmingham Gds	7.00 pm	M
7/7 WED	KEP ORGANISING MEETING-MGCC Ncle. Held at Clubrooms. CONTACT Gregor Dickinson 4959 5755	7.30 pm	M
9/7 FRI	CLUB NIGHT- MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms Cobby St ,Birmingham Gardens	7.30 pm	M
11/7 SUN	NSW HILLCLIMB CHAMP. RD 6. TSCC. Held at Oakburn Park-TAMWORTH.		
11/7 SUN	STATE KHANACROSS Rd 3-MGCC Ncle. Held at Ringwood (Postponed from 30/5) PH John Roach 0422 558 278	10.00 am	M-C/C K/C N
14/7 WED	SPEED PANEL MEETING -MGCC NCLE At Clubrooms, Cobby St, Birmingham Gardens	8.00 pm	M
18/7 SUN	RALLYSPRINT MULTICLUB -WAC. Held at Awabawac Contact Darren Green 4945 4372	10am	N
21/7 WED	COMMITTEE MEETING - MGCC NEWCASTLE. Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Birmingham Gds BE PROMPT	7.30 pm	M
25/7 SUN	STATE MOTORKHANA-WAC/ Held at Awabawac (postponed from 6/6) Ph Darren Green 4945 4372	10/00 am	C/C 12 M/K 4
24/25 S/S	CHRISTMAS IN JULY-MGCC Ncle. Ph David Walker 49584941. See pages 9 and 23 for info.		
28/7 WED	NATMEET MEETING AT CLUBROOMS CONTACT FRAN HODGSON 4946 9989	7.30 pm	M
31/7 SAT	WORKING BEE-MGCC Ncle Held at Ringwood Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093	8.00 am	M
31/7 SAT	JAGUAR DRIVER CLUB Hunter Region Branch ALL BRITISH DAY Foreshore Ncle (See page 17)	9.30 am	
31/7 SAT	PRIVATE PRACTICE for NSW HILLCLIMB CHAMP Rd 7 at Ringwood Hillclimb	9.30	M

**AUGUST EVENTS DIARY 2010**

1/8 SUN	NSW HILLCLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP Rd 7 - MGCC Newcastle Ph Judith Rae 02 4944 7356 for Supp Regs	8.30 AM	M
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Please contact the respective Panel Chairman or Michael Snow to confirm that an event is still being conducted. Also check the website as late cancellations do happen.

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# EDITORIAL by Judith Rae



The month rolls around quickly when you are editor. Unfortunately we have had a series of cancellation of events because of bad weather leading up to them, and the preparation has been held up. It is annoying when on the day it is a lovely sunny day, but that is too late unfortunately the grounds have not been prepared and the access is not good as the paddocks are still wet.

We have had plenty of social events to make up for it. A lovely evening at Alan, Gina and Ryan Bates at Medowie. As well a Register Run to Dungog with a good number of MG's and Marque cars to take advantage of the lovely sunny day.

The King Edward Park Plan-

ning meetings have started and as well the Natmeet meetings are under way. For anyone new to the club this is a good way to meet new people and get involved. The King Edward Park event is the biggest we do and takes a lot of organisation, this is the 53rd year it has been run and it takes a lot of work to turn this peaceful park into a first class hillclimb track and back into a park again.

If you have not already noticed our club is a very busy one. No time to get bored, we usually take out the honours of the most events organised for the year in the whole of NSW.

At the moment I am waiting for the 2 events being held this weekend, the tar motorkhana run by MGCC Hunter Region and the CSCA Super-sprint at Wakefield Park to be completed and photos and reports to arrive to go into this edition of Clubtorque.

Ah well back to work!

Articles can be submitted by mail, fax or email and must be a Word Doc. Letters to the Editor no more than 1 A5 size page.

**Deadline for AUGUST Magazine  
Wednesday 28TH JULY**

## WANTED OFFICIALS

**FOR STATE HILLCLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP TO BE HELD AT RINGWOOD. SATURDAY 31ST JULY SCRUTINEERING AND PRIVATE PRACTICE. SUNDAY 1ST AUGUST THE EVENT . WE REQUIRE PEOPLE WILLING TO BE SCRUTINEERS, MARSHALLS, FLAG POINT, STARTER, AND RELIEVE PEOPLE WHILE THEY HAVE A BREAK. WE NEED TO KEEP THIS EVENT ROLLING.**

**PLEASE CONTACT EITHER RICK VINCENT OR JOHN COLLINS A.S.A.P  
If you have not been an official before we can sign you up as a trainee.**

# AUGUST EVENTS DIARY 2010

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1/8 SUN	KHANACROSS STATE Rnd 5 - WAC at AWABAWAC Contact Daren Green 02 4945 4372	10.00 AM	
4/8 WED	KEP ORGANISING MEETING - MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms Contact Gregor Dickinson 02 4959 5755	7.30 PM	M
7/8 SUN	FOSC MEETING at WAKEFIELD PARK	10 AM	
7/8 SUN	NATTER NIGHT MGCC Ncle Held at Alan and Louise Evans LAMBTON Ph 4957 2871 (see Rose's article page 32)	7.00 pm	
9/8 MON	MAGAZINE ASSEMBLY. MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Birmingham Gardens	7.00 PM	M
11/8 WED	SPEED PANEL MEETING -MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Birmingham Gardens	8.00 PM	M
13/8 FRI	CLUB NIGHT- MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Birmingham Gardens	7:30 pm	M
14/8 SAT	YOUNG DRIVER DEVELOPMENT COURSE - MGCC Ncle held at RINGWOOD , Contact Greg Hunter 4959 2716	10:30 AM	M
15/8 SUN	KHANACROSS at RINGWOOD - MGCC Newcastle Contact John Roach 0422 558 278	10.00 AM	M K/C5 N I/C
18/8 WED	COMMITTEE MEETING - MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Birmingham Gardens BE PROMPT	7:30 pm	M
21/8 SAT	HEART OF THE HUNTER T/A - AHRG Held in the Upper Hunter. Contact Geoff Thomas 4957 0999 (W)		C/C14 T/R 3
21/8 SAT	TWILIGHT HILLCLIMB - MGCC Newcastle Held at RINGWOOD Contact Rick Vincent 02 4945 5114	1.00 pm	M H/N3 R10
21/8 SAT	CSCA SUPERSPRINT - MORGAN CAR CLUB Both held at Eastern Creek Contact John Finch 4957 3123		
22/8 SUN	REGISTER RUN TO POLKOLBIN MGCC Newcastle Contact David Walker 4958 4841 (See Page 9)		
25/8 WED	KEP ORGANISING MEETING - MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms Contact Gregor Dickinson 02 4959 5755	7.30 PM	M
29/8 SUN	MOTORKHANA - WAC Held at AWABAWAC Contact Darren Green 02 4945 4372	10.00 AM	C/C15 M/K5 N
29/8 SUN	TRI-CHALLENGE HILLCIMB -KSCC Held at Cooperbung Contact Peter Robinson 02 4933 8167 (H)		T/C 4

LEGEND

C/C *Club Championship* M *Club Member* R *Register pointscore*  
 N *Nams* N25 *Nams Anniv* T/S *Tar Speed Series* D/E *Dirt Event Series* M/K *Motorkhana* / *Khanacross* RT *Road Touring Series*  
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## SOCIAL NEWS by Rose Cogger

Plenty of fun and excitement at the last club night. Several members had never played the game Kelly Pool, so they enjoyed the experience and are keen to try again.

The Rocker Cover Race is becoming extremely popular with a great deal of talk about how each member is going to make their rocker cover for the 2011 National Meeting being which is to be held in Newcastle. Come along and try your luck. A big thanks to David Walker who has perfected the track.

Good to see Peter Finlay on the night and to hear about the upgrading of his car for the National Meeting.

The "lucky number" prize has now reached \$400 with no winner at the last club night.

Next Club Night is Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at the Cobby Street Club rooms.

The last natter night held at Gina and Alan Bates home at Meadowie and was enjoyed by those who attended. The night turned out to be

balmy, there was a wood fire inside and a fire outside to warm those people cooking their barbeque dinner.

The garage inspection proved interesting and John Collins made the statement "this is bigger than my workshop".

Thanks to Gina, Alan and family for inviting us to their home for a great evening.

The next Natter night will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2010 at Louise and Allan Evans home at 30 Condor Street Lambton Gardens commencing at 7.00pm. Bring along your Nibbles, Finger Food & Sweet Treats and BYO. Phone: Louise and Allan on H 49572871 or 041217087.

September Natter night will be held at the Club Rooms Cobby Street Birmingham Gardens on 4<sup>th</sup> September. This will be an Italian Night so bring your favourite music, food BYO.

Rose Cogger  
Social Secretary - Phone 0413222828

### REGALIA

**There is a small supply of T Shirts, caps, scarves and stickers available at very reduced prices. These are for sale at Club Night's the second Friday night of each month.**



### Annual Bus Trip

**I need to know numbers for the bus trip to the Sydney Motor Show on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October to know what size bus to order. Please contact me if you will be attending.**

## REGISTER NEWS by David Walker

For those of you who joined us on the Register Run on 20<sup>th</sup> June, the map showed a road with squiggly lines which I thought might be a bit interesting, even though I had two handbrakes in the car with Lesley and Jan Chandler.

It was still a bit of fun, though I heard a couple of sad voices complaining of a group of motorbike riders they had let pass thinking they would be out of sight quickly, sadly the riders were doing a bit of Sunday driving, and spoilt the fun 'round the bends.

A beautiful fine Sunday and at Macca's at Hexham where we stopped for a quick body refuel, we counted 36 eager participants who travelled to Dungog via Stroud and nobody got lost! Another 2 couples joined us at Chill Billies Café where we took over the dining room and raised the roof with chatter and praise for the delicious food.

Great to see Eric and Wilma Marshman, out and about after a spell of ill health, driving the beautiful Bentley. Iris May was a special guest and she and Wilma sat in the rear waving regally while Eric chauffeured in grand style.

Iris couldn't stop talking about it...so much room...so quiet...so grand.. well done Eric, surely worth a medal. I briefly met Allan and Dianne Tickle driving their Ferrari F 355GTS at MacDonald's but lost them before Dungog, hopefully they will join us for the next run.

Graham Paterson's friends, Lewis and Diane Hutchison brought their MGF along, and it's great to know he is interested in rejoining the club

after a long hiatus.

This magazine will arrive before we head off to Xmas in July, this year at Oak Pacific Blue Resort, close by at Salamander Bay. For those going, don't forget your Santa pressies - limit of \$10.00 for a male and female present to go into the Santa Sack at the dinner on Saturday night.

On the way back from Dungog we called into the Carriageway at Crooks Park as it was suggested for the Xmas in July venue for 2011.

There are heaps of accommodation ranging from the railway carriages, spa rooms to cottages and the homestead and the specially set up carriage has room for a great meal on the Saturday night, and those who were turned off by the price for this year will be pleasantly surprised.

The Register Run for August has been moved from Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> as it clashed with a Khanacross. We are off to Pokolbin for our yearly foray to the vineyards, however the venue I had in mind has changed hands and now serves high priced cuisine, so we have decided to do a morning tea and allow everyone to make their own decision about lunch. More info next month.

We have been invited to the Hunter Region branch of Jaguar Driver Club ALL BRITISH DAY to be held Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July at the Foreshore Newcastle starting at 9.30am. If you are interested in attending please ring me or John Mc Alpine from JDCHR 4948 9284, they would like to know numbers coming.

'B' seeing you,

DAVID

## SECRETARY'S REPORT by Andy Peters

After several weeks of rain and cancelled events it is just wonderful to be enjoying fresh dry winter days. I have just arrived home from a register run to Dungog.

The country side was magnificent; the air was fresh and the sun warm. Lunch was good and company fantastic.

Register runs are free and everyone is welcome to come along. King Edward Park Hillclimb planning meetings are about to start .....all welcome

and please mark on your calendar the working bee dates. Dates and times are in our magazine and on our website.

Look forward to seeing you all soon  
*Andy*

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Drivers of open topped sports cars must wear gloves and goggles or a helmet with a visor. Cars should also be equipped with a fire extinguisher and seat belts in good condition.

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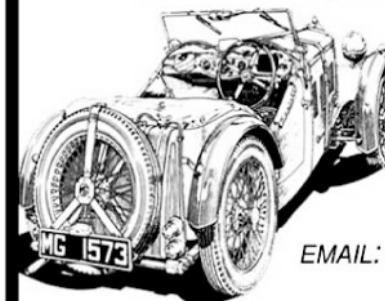
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**MG ZR INTERNAL BOOT RELEASE BUTTON  
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Find a location for your Boot Release Button. I removed the blanking plug from next to the headlight height adjuster and fitted it there. As per photo. Next, run a figure 8 cable to the fuse box.

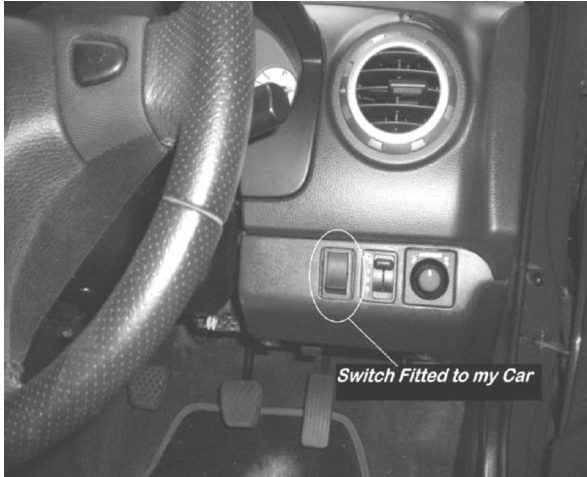
Remove the 2 mounting nuts. Turn the fuse box around slightly.

**Caution** - take care not to short the fuses out to earth.

Locate the wiring for the Boot Release Relay (shown in photo).

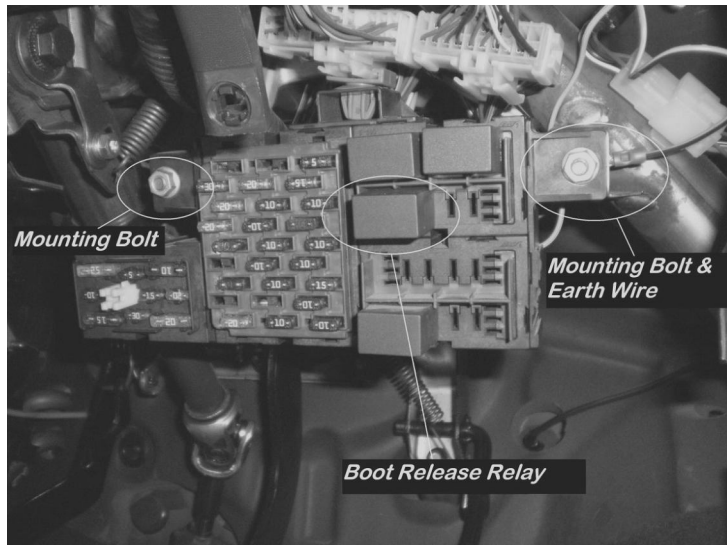
Join into the thin Black/with white trace wire with one wire from the switch figure 8 cable.

The other wire from the switch figure 8 cable goes to earth. I used the fuse box mounting bolt.

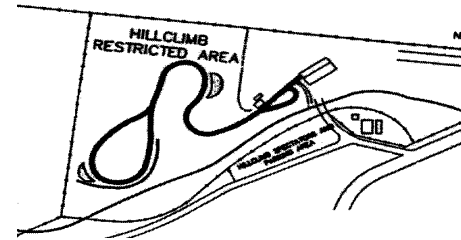


Refit fuse box with the 2 mounting nuts. Test Boot Release Button.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY DARREN HODGSON MGCC NEWCASTLE



**LAND PANEL by Alan Bates**



The painting continues, the ladies toilet area is now completed and the men's is nearing completion.

New fencing has been erected at the scrutiny bay; this replaces the plastic fence that was falling apart. I was going to say disintegrating, but I got into trouble for using big words in my last report.

Work is continuing on the new event secretaries building. With luck it will be in operation for the State Round in August.

Some of the steel for the awning has been purchased and is waiting for additional concrete to be added to the footings before erection can begin.

After having to cancel two events the area has dried out sufficiently to allow work on the dirt track to be completed. At this stage, if the rain stays away the tracks are in fairly good condition to allow the running of the next KX on 11<sup>th</sup> July.

Cancellation of the last Hillclimb was due to the condition of the Pit Area. As a result of the extensive rainfall in late May and early June there was very little hard standing where vehicles could have been parked.

Inspections of the general area has hopefully allowed for a contin-

gency plan to be created if the same occurs again.

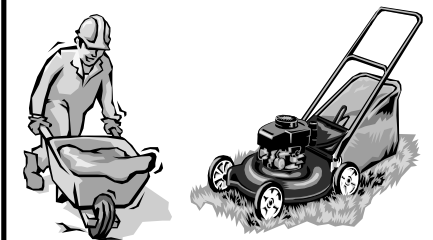
Some sections of the bitumen are being affected by the technical term, (kerb & gutteritis) some type of remedial action will have to be commenced sooner rather than later if we are to continue to offer a safe track to drive on.

With the addition of a Khana-cross on the 11<sup>th</sup> July there is a need for an Official Working Bee to be held on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>. Final track preparation will be done on the day and many hands make light work.

If you can help please contact John Roach, Alan Bates or Doug Rae.

*Cheers*

*Alan J Bates*



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The biker pulled over and said, 'Lord, Build me a bridge to New Zealand so I can ride over any time I want.'

The Lord said, 'Your request is materialistic, think of the enormous challenges for that kind of undertaking; the supports required reaching the bottom of the Ocean and the concrete and steel it would take!

It will nearly exhaust several natural resources. I can do it, but it is hard for me to justify your desire for

worldly things. Take a little more time and think of something that could possibly help mankind.'

The biker thought about it for a long time. Finally, he said, 'Lord, I wish that I and all men could understand women;

I want to know how she feels inside, what she's thinking when she gives me the silent treatment, why she cries, what she means when she says nothing's wrong, and how I can make a Woman truly happy.'

The Lord replied, 'You want two lanes or four on that bridge?

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## PUBLICITY by Peter Robinson

The first Official "Mattara" Hill-climb Meeting took place on 23rd June with a dozen or so members attending. It was a constructive meeting with a very positive group of people keen to make this year's event a bigger success than last year.

Much discussion was made on new barrier placements, more protection for the Pits/Finish area, replacement of hay bales with non-flammable substitutes, deletion of the "Top 10", changes to trophies, prize money and many other facets of this great event.

It looks as if both Saturday and Sunday events will be stand alone events - not part of any series or championship.

This presents some challenges to promotion without point scores and point score leaders to promote like previously, but I'm sure we can make it

a huge weekend of motorsport.

If all the ideas discussed come to fruition, we will have the best event ever to promote, with much more to offer spectators than previously.

I believe the thrust this year, is improved safety for spectators, officials and competitors as well as improved viewing enjoyment for spectators.

List of future meeting dates on Page 10, please come along and help out if you can, as we are losing a large number of our experienced officials to a supersprint on the same weekend at Wakefield Park.

Peter Robinson  
Publicity Officer

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## CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

With the recent event cancellations and as well I have been quite busy, there was not much point to updating the pointscore. I will be working on updating it for next months magazine.

Until next month – Keep your eyes on the prize,  
Scott McGarry.

## EVENT CO-ORDINATOR by Michael Snow

### ATTENTION PLEASE NOTE CHANGES

#### To MG Car Club Calender

10 July Sat Working Bee Ringwood

11 July Sun Khanacross State Rnd 3, NAMS K/C3, MG K/C3, C/C11  
at Ringwood (Rescheduled from 30 May)

25 July Sun Motorkhana State Rnd 5, NAMS M/K4, MG M/K4, C/C12  
at Awaba (Rescheduled from 6 June)

21 Aug Sat Twilight Hillclimb at RingwoodH/N3, R10 date (was 22 Aug)

22 Aug Sun Register Run to Polkolbin Change of Date from 15 Aug

#### Changes to State Khanacross Calender

24 Oct Khanacross State Rnd 7 (date was 17 Oct) - TCC Ansell Park

11 Dec Khanacross State Rnd 8 (date was 21 Nov) - HDCC Hampton

### UPDATED NAMS POINTSCORE

TAR SPEED				
Name	Club	Ladies Junior	Points	Position
RAYMOND BROMLEY	MGCCN		30	1
GLENN PARSONAGE	MGCCN		21	2
FRANCESCO MANGANO	MGCCN		19	3
GRANT HALL	MGCCN		17	4
TOM CLEMENS	MGCCN		14	5
ELIZABETH ROBINSON	MGCCN	L	12	6
PETER ROBINSON	MGCCN		12	6
JACK WIGHTMAN	NSCC		11	8
MICHAEL SNOW	MGCCN		10	9
EDWARD MCCANE	MGCCN		9	10
LAWRENCE CONSTABLE	MGCCN		9	10
PATRICK BRAMSTON	MGCCN		9	10

**UPDATED NAMS POINTSCORE (continued)**

<b>MOTORKHANA</b>				
Name	Club	Ladies Junior	Points	Position
MICHAEL SNOW	MGCCN		34	1
BRUCE ANTAW	WAC		22	2
LEON SWAN	WAC		15	3
DYLAN GRANT	MGCCN	J	14	4
KEITH HAMMOND	MGCCN	J	13	5
NATHAN GRANT	WAC		12	6
GRAHAM HIRSCH	WAC		10	7
PETER HOUGHTON	MGCCN		9	8
JASON SPRUCE	WAC		9	8
GRAHAM CLARKE	WAC		8	10

<b>KHANACROSS</b>				
Name	Club	Ladies Junior	Points	Position
CYRIL CROKER	WAC		18	1
MICHAEL SNOW	MGCCN		17	2
EVAN VAN LEEUWEN	WAC		17	2
SAM EVANS	WAC	J	12	4
JACK WIGHTMAN	NSCC		10	5
KEITH TOWARD	WAC		10	5
SHANE LEARY	NSCC		9	7
DYLAN GRANT	MGCCN	J	8	8
RICHARD HUNTER	WAC		7	9
PETER HOUGHTON	MGCCN		6	10
BILL PEARSON	MGCCN		6	10

<b>OVERALL</b>				
Name	Club	Ladies Junior	Points	Position
MICHAEL SNOW	MGCCN		61	1
RAYMOND BROMLEY	MGCCN		30	2
JACK WIGHTMAN	NSCC		28	3
DYLAN GRANT	MGCCN	J	25	4
EVAN VAN LEEUWEN	WAC		24	5
BRUCE ANTAW	WAC		22	6
GLENN PARSONAGE	MGCCN		21	7
FRANCESCO MANGANO	MGCCN		19	8
CYRIL CROKER	WAC		18	9
GRANT HALL	MGCCN		17	10

ANY INQUIRIES  
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**MOTORKHANA NEWS**

A cool brisk morning, but with no rain greeted competitors for the Honeysuckle Motorkhana organised by Steve Jones of MG Hunter Region.

Darren Hodgson helped out with the organisation as he is still having a rest from competition.

7 competitors from MG Newcastle and 6 from MG Hunter Region had 2 runs each at 8 tests.

Congratulations to David Walker taking out 1st place, well done David.

Andy Peters coming in 3rd driving Gordon Fraser's MGF, as his car is still off the road.

Andy convinced a reluctant Gordon to have a go as he had not previously entered the car in any competition.

Although Andy made the cardinal sin of beating the person that

lends you a car, Gordon did extremely well coming in just behind Andy in 4th place.

Well done for his first Motorkhana. He surprised himself and had a really great time.

Eric Chandler did well to just hold off grandson Andrew coming in at 5th and 6th. Doug Rae zipped around in the ZR making 8th place and 1st in class, not hard when your in a class of your own.

Paul Fraser had a run in the GT with dad Bruce looking on. A great event.

An observer

Results below  
Photos on Page 20.

**RESULTS OF TAR MOTORKHANA 26/6/10 AT HONEYSUCKLE**

Name	Club	car	class	total	class pos	o/right pos
David Walker	N'cle	Midget	A	211.95	1	1
Eric Chandler	N'cle	Midget	A	222.44	2	5
Andrew Chandler	N'cle	Midget	A	222.90	3	6
Jeannie Boote	Hunter	Midget	A	222.91	4	7
Bev Jones	Hunter	Midget	A	224.77	5	9
Megan Jones	Hunter	Midget	A	228.25	6	10
Peter Currie	Hunter	MGB	B	213.68	1	2
Andy Peters	N'cle	MGF	B	213.71	2	3
Gordon Fraser	N'cle	MGF	B	217.55	3	4
Paul Fraser	N'cle	MGBGT	B	229.15	4	11
John Stuart	Hunter	MGBGT	B	234.18	5	12
Eileen Doyle	Hunter	MGB	B	241.18	6	13
Doug Rae	N'cle	MGZR	C	223.31	1	8

## MOTORKHANA NEWS by John Roach

In light of all the moving and cancelling of events this report won't be about Motorkhanas or Khanacross', although there is a State Khanacross on the 11th of July that you might want to attend. This article will be about my trip to Goulburn with Mickey to enter my MX5 in Round 4 of the CSCA Supersprint series.

We loaded the car onto the trailer on Friday morning and left Newcastle just before lunch. 3 hours later we met up with fellow competitors Ted and Frank who were driving down. At the 4 hour mark we hit Goulburn and had our first look at the track as we unloaded and left the car in a garage ready for the next day.

We got to the hotel room and unpacked and joined the rest of the people from the club for a drink and a meal. After partying hard we got back to the hotel room at the late time of 9 o'clock, ready for a sleep.

The next morning we woke up and braved the cold air outside to drive to the track. After doing some final preparation on the car we we're scrutinised and ready to race.

The orientation lap was fun while Mickey and myself discussed lines around the track and tried to make sense of everything. After coming in we had time to sit and think before my colour group was called up.

Then I drove to the staging area and waited to be ushered in to pit lane to be lined up. We were released in pairs onto that track with a small gap in between. As I moved up to the controller the nerves started to sink in but as soon as I left pit lane and floored it

all that went as I concentrated on the task at hand, driving my car hard!

The whole day we flogged the car pushing it to limits I didn't know it had and it kept coming back for more. As the times dropped over the day it was evident that I was learning to control the car better, pushing harder and maybe even figured out how to take some of the corners on the track. As I spun off the track it was evident that I clearly pushed too hard, but you can't say I wasn't giving it all I had!

As the end of the day arrived it was a bit sad to leave the track cause I'm sure I could have gotten my times down even further. I guess I'll have to enter the next event to see.

Cheers

John



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## SPEED EVENTS by Rick Vincent

Seeing I have been overseas for a month, I am lacking on any club motor sport activities, so I thought I might touch on some of the areas my son Aaron & I visited during our time in Europe.

It all started in Egypt with the very impressive temples and pyramids and the construction methods they used all those years ago, one travelling tip don't ever try and drive in Cairo they are absolutely mad, also don't go near their water.

From there we travelled to Turkey and straight to the Istanbul Grand Prix, although all you race enthusiasts are well aware of the result, the action and atmosphere was awesome.

The dual Webber and Vettel had was spectacular with Hamilton sitting in 3<sup>rd</sup> and just waiting for the inevitable mistake, which was caused as you know by Vettel trying to out brake Webber, which cost him first place. Following in an interview Webber clearly targeted Vettel's judgment with such a devastating move, however the competition is really intense with the lead changing 5 times so far this year.

It was good to see Lotus competing although they were towards the end of the field they performed well.

The rest of the trip was visiting Gallipoli & Normandy which were incredible places to experience the ordeals our soldiers went through during both wars its very gratifying to see so many young Australians, visiting these historic sites and being appreciative of the ultimate sacrifice.

This weekend the usual gang are off to Wakefield for another round of the CSCA Super Sprint series, so hopefully its clear weather and quicker times for all, and hopefully a good view of the Red ZX in my rear view mirror, who loves you Johnno?

Keep your tyres hot.

Regards Rick

See report from John Roach on Page 24. More photos on website



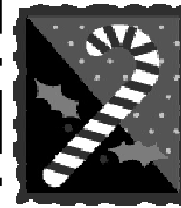
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Each opening onto the spectacular swimming lagoon  
which meanders through the resort

Parking is on the island and very secure.  
A set of 2 rooms, each with its own key and  
ensuite facilities and one of those rooms also has a  
lounge/kitchen as well

In the evening we will wander over the lagoon bridge to

### 'SUNSETS AT THE BAY'

For a delicious 3 course meal and be serenaded by  
'CHEZZA'

the pianist/vocalist we have organized for the  
Presentation Night at our National Meeting

On Sunday A Hot and Cold Buffet Breakfast  
Some have already taken advantage of being close to  
the resort and have booked for Friday night as well.

There is a great café available for breakfast  
or morning or afternoon tea.

Price is \$330 per couple for Saturday/Sunday  
\$473 per couple for Friday/Saturday/Sunday  
\$100 deposit per couple required A.S.A.P



## DUNGOG REGISTER RUN



Lesley Walker, Jan Chandler, Dian Porter, Annmaree Harris and Neville Hooker Enjoying lunch at Dungog



The lovely Red MGF of Lewis & Diane Hutchison Friends of Graham Paterson. They were members many years ago and intend to rejoin. Welcome back.



Annmaree Harris & Neville Hooker decided to take his Victory Motorbike for a spin to Dungog seeing it was such a lovely day. The ZR got washed just in case but was not needed

## CSCA SUPERSPRINT WAKEFIELD PARK



Kevin Edwards



Brad Smith



John Finch



Mal Roach



Ted Dial



Greg Noonan



John Roach



Ryan Cotton



# Hunter Region MOTORKHANA



DAVID WALKER



DOUG RAE



PAUL FRASER



ANDREW CHANDLER



ERIC CHANDLER



GORDON FRASER

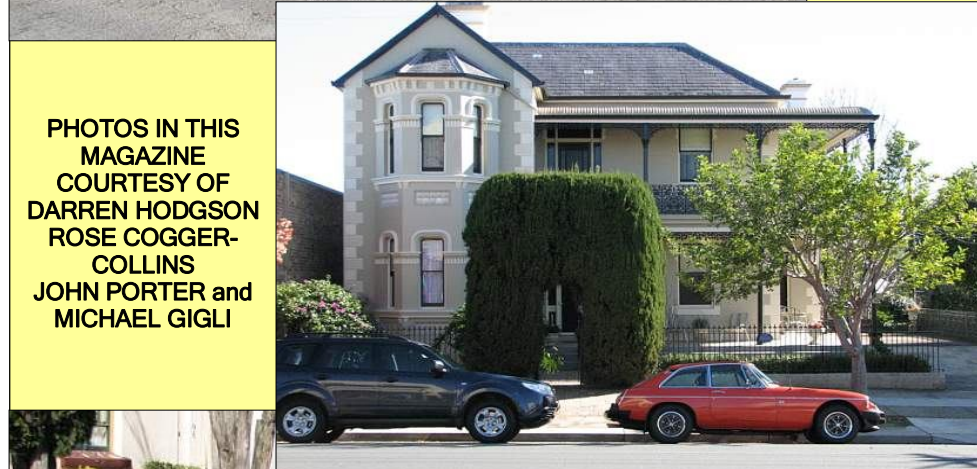


ANDY IN GORDON'S MGF



PAUL & BRUCE FRASER

# HISTORIC DUNGOG RUN



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