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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Many enquiries have been received as to what is happening regarding the sale of part of the Ringwood Park land to Italia Road Holdings Pty Limited (IRH).

The Committee considers it appropriate that Members are advised of the current position. Members will recall that agreement was reached with IRH for it to purchase all of MG Car Club Newcastle's land except for 14 hectares on which MGCCN's hillclimb facility and support infrastructure is located.

This agreement was subject to the ultimate registration at the Lands Department NSW of a plan adjusting the boundaries of two of the three lots comprising MGCCN's land.

Unfortunately difficulties arose in having that plan approved by Port Stephens Council and in view of this IRH offered in late November 2009 to purchase the 14 hectares which was to have been retained by MGCCN on condition that such land was leased back to MGCCN for its use for 99 years at a nominal rental.

This deal had other positives for MGCCN and it was agreed to in principle by the Committee and ratified by the committee.

Unfortunately when the lease document was submitted by IRH's lawyers it was found to contain conditions which MGCCN could not accept and to do so would have placed MGCCN's future right to use its hillclimb facility in serious jeopardy.

After the negotiations for the sale and lease back of the 14 hectares broke down in May of this year IRH,

through its solicitors, sought to enforce completion of the Contract for Sale of the MGCCN land on terms contrary to what was originally agreed.

Looking into this matter and seeking alternate legal advice it became apparent to the Committee that the Contract had not been drawn correctly and was not clear in its terms.

IRH has now commenced Supreme Court proceedings seeking enforcement of the Contract for Sale on terms which would require MGCCN to sell two of our three lots which would include the hillclimb facility.

MGCCN has instructed new solicitors, who have advised that MGCCN is in a good position to defend the proceedings commenced by IRH and have the Contract enforced in terms of the original agreement with IRH.

Notwithstanding the Court proceedings IRH has indicated its willingness to negotiate a resolution of the matter and MGCCN's solicitor has invited a proposal from IRH through its solicitors. No proposal has been received to date. A face to face meeting took place last week with a view of finding a resolution, and that was positive.

In terms of the current resolution of committee no decision will be taken to sell the land on which the hill climb is located without a further resolution of the committee.

As the matter is now sub-judice it will not be possible for the Committee or its individual members to respond to emails or other enquiries regarding the matter.



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MGCCN will also be reserving its rights against its former solicitors. The matter is next before the Court on 1st October 2010 and Members will be advised of further developments as they arise.

We had a full entry for the State Hillclimb Championship at Ringwood today which **Peter Gumley** won, from **Tim Edmondson** followed by **Peter Robinson**. Report next month.

Events. Plan your "assistance leave" on the lead up to and for the **16th and 17th October** weekend, as well as for the Monday after, as many of our regular helpers will be running at a Supersprint at Wakefield Park on that weekend.

Remember, support the supporters who support your sport.

John Collins.

Shannons Mattara Hillclimb at King Edward Park is fast approaching - planning meetings are working well. Even though the Australian Hillclimb Championship is being held in South Australia on the same weekend as KEP, we will be still running two

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY BY JOY BOWER

IF YOU HAVE MOVED HOUSE AND YOU STILL WANT TO RECEIVE YOUR MAGAZINE PLEASE LET THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY KNOW YOUR NEW ADDRESS.
WE ARE GETTING QUITE A FEW MAGAZINES RETURNED.

If you are updating any of your details such as your current MG, or changes to your membership **such as your address** or renewing, please make sure you send it to my home address 11 Nathan Close METFORD 2323(Page 1 of the magazine) so I can attend to it immediately.

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.



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Hope to see you at an event in the near future

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TAMWORTH TRI-CHALLENGE

Tamworth's 3rd round of the Tri-Challenge Series was a shock to the coastal visitors who were greeted with a thick frost and frozen puddles at Oakburn Park on the 4th July.

Some (of us!) had difficulty starting our cars at all, and Neil Farr had to resort to having his Bowin towed around the paddock to fire the motor.

With half the track having been re-surfaced with nice new hotmix the preceding week, the times were slower for most people - by 1-2 seconds for some of the front-runners.

With over 50 competitors we had a reasonable field but the traditional Tamworth bugbear of timing or lack of (unless MGCC does it for them) was evident with nearly all competitors not receiving times for 3 or 4 laps, people being put into incorrect classes etc.

To cap it all off, the results took two weeks to arrive, compared to the following State Hillclimb event at Oakburn the following weekend where the results were out the next day! - and you could read them.

Neil Farr won as usual, but 2nd placed Peter Robinson probably scraped in after the demise of Ed McCane's beaut new Hayward. (Built by last year's Outright Australian Hill-

climb Championship Winner, Brett Hayward & powered by a Hyabuse motor). Jason Dimmock (Subhorn) had a tussle all day with Phil Bright (Ballantyne and beat his Uncle by 3/100th!

An MGCC member, Damien Spinks, tried a Supersprint after a couple of years Circuit Racing in his Bowin Formula Ford and enjoyed the track.

Ray Bromley's Gadjet continues to both surprise and improve with lap times not too far off the leaders, as does Lawrie Constable's Hillman Imp. Lawrie's Imp is also worthy of a close inspection - both cars show great ingenuity and "thinking outside the square" to solve problems. Non-mechanical people envy their skills.

All in all, another good event.

Peter Robinson Publicity Officer.

3	Neil Farr	TSCC	35.49	1st
64	Peter Robinson	MGCCN	38.01	2nd
21	Ed McCane	MGCCN	38.21	3rd
198	Alan Hindes	KSCC	38.59	4th
99	Gundy Hunt	TSCC	39.27	5th
114	Matt Halpin	TSCC	39.32	6th
24	Frank Mangano	MGCCN	39.62	7th
112	Damien Spinks	MGCCN	39.94	8th
77	Rod Wyllie	TSCC	40.33	9th
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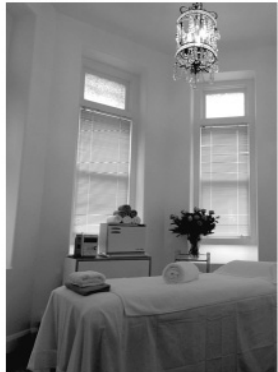
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CLUB NIGHT FRIDAY 13TH August at 7.30PM



AUGUST EVENTS DIARY 2010

Date	EVENT	Time	Points
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	WORKING BEE-- MGCC Ncle- Held at Ringwood Contact Ian Bates 0412 280 093	8.00 am	M
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 Held at Eastern Creek. Contact John Finch 4957 3123		
22/8 SUN	REGISTER RUN TO POLKOLBIN MGGC 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
26/8 THU	NATMEET MEETING AT CLUBROOMS Contact Fran Hodgson 4946 9989	7.30 pm	M
28/8 SAT	HEART OF THE HUNTER T/A - AHRG Held in the Upper Hunter. Contact Geoff Thomas 4957 0999 (W)		C/C14 T/R 3
28/8 SAT	CSCA SUPERSPRINT- SPRITE- CAR CLUB Held at Eastern Creek, Contact John Finch 4957 3123		
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 Cooperabung Contact Peter Robinson 4933 8167 (H)		T/C 4

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EDITORIAL by Judith Rae

Well this will be a short month, trying to get everything done before we go overseas. I am looking forward to a great deal of co-operation from committee members for reports, results and photos to be in early for the next 2 months.

Next month will be very busy with preparations for SHANNONS MATTARA HILLCLIMB at King Edward Park. Please help out if you can, there is a lot of work to be done. Please contact Gregor Dickinson who is looking after the Official's list this year.

You can reach him on 4959 5755 or 0413 595 755 to be added to the list, your help is urgently required. A King Edward Park Working Bee schedule will be printed in September's Magazine.

I have been busy with the paperwork and entries for Ringwood State Hillclimb round which will be over by the time you get this. Thank goodness another job I can cross off my list before we go away.

Doug and I are looking forward to our holiday. We have had a busy year with the club. With me taking on the editorial role once again and Doug still spends much of his time at Ringwood or at meetings. It will be great to have a break

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.

ATTENTION

**Deadline for SEPTEMBER Magazine is
Wednesday 18TH AUGUST**

Please note 1 week early as we are leaving for O/S on 23rd August – Please assist by getting your reports in early. I look forward to your co-operation....Judith Rae EDITOR

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4/9 SAT	WORKING BEE –MGCC Ncle Held at Ringwood Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093	8.00 am	M
4/9 SAT	YOUNG DRIVER DEVELOPMENT COURSE - MGCC Ncle held at RINGWOOD , Contact Greg Hunter 4959 2716	10:30 AM	M
4/9 SAT	NATTER NIGHT– ITALIAN NIGHT to be held at the Club-rooms. See Rose's article Page 32	6.30 pm	
5/9 SUN	TAR HILLCLIMB –MGCC Ncle. Held at RINGWOOD Contact Rick Vincent 02 4945 5114	10.00 am	C/C T/S N M
6/9 MON	MAGAZINE ASSEMBLY. MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Birmingham Gds	7.00 pm	M
8/9 WED	SPEED PANEL MEETING -MGCC NCLE At Clubrooms, Cobby St, Birmingham Gardens	8.00 pm	M
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15/9 WED	COMMITTEE MEETING - MGCC NEWCASTLE. Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Birmingham Gds BE PROMPT	7.30 pm	M
19/9 SUN	REGISTER RUN – TBA PLEASE CHECK DAVID WALKERS ARTICLE IN NEXT MONTHS MAGAZINE		
19/9 SUN	STATE KHANACROSS RD6 –WAC. Held at Awabawac Contact Darren Green 4945 4372	10am	KC/CC N/IC
19/9 SUN	TORANAFEST 2010– Newcastle Foreshore opp Tugs For inquiries ph 0423 207 755		
23/9 THU	NATMEET MEETING AT CLUBROOMS CONTACT FRAN HODGSON 4946 9989	7.30 pm	M
26/9 SUN	NSW HILLCLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP RD 8–WSCC Held at DAPTO		
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The September Club night will be on Friday 10th 2010. GUEST SPEAKER for the night will be Highway Patrol Officer Seddon who will fill us in on the life of a Highway Patrol Man. He should have some interesting stories.

September 4th Natter night

will be held at the Club Rooms Cobby Street Birmingham Gardens commencing at 6.30pm. This will be an Italian Night so bring along your favourite music, food and BYO.

Annual Bus trip to the Sydney Motor Show is on 24th October 2010 or if you prefer you can do some shopping in the CBD or Darling Harbour or maybe just visit the numerous restaurants.


This is always an enjoyable day. We will be leaving the club rooms at 8.00am and arrive in Sydney at approximately 10.00am. On the return trip to Newcastle we will be stopping off for dinner on the way home and should arrive back in Newcastle at approximately 8.15pm.

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CHRISTMAS IN JULY

For some of us the weekend began on Friday, with ten members in camp by early evening (well eight members actually) - a call from a certain Treasurer (who will remain anonymous), around 7:00 PM - RING!...RING!... "Where the bloody hell are you?" - "Salamander Bay, where are you?" - "Salamander Bay, but there is no resort!!" - "We are in the resort!" Ten minutes later we were all together, chatting over picks and drinks.

What a wonderful place the Oaks Pacific Blue Resort is - Our units were Five star, all together in the middle of the island, overhanging the lagoon pool that meanders in a huge complete loop throughout the complex. Access to the island being by a vehicular bridge and a pedestrian bridge to the spectacular Restaurant/Coffee Nook and two beautiful beach areas. If you are looking for a great place to stay, an hour from Newcastle, do not miss this Resort.

Anyway, back to the story, as always, Lesley had organised a complete weekend, filled with different activities from morning to night. So with all of the Friday arrivers settled in we headed off to the local Bowlo (Bowlo? this club must have escaped from Sydney! - it is huge - *Thanks to all those pokie players!*) The food was great, the service was good and the company convivial, so after a lot more natter, we headed off back to the Resort for coffee, drinks, more picks and tall tales and true, before wandering off to our individual units to refuel for the day ahead. The best breakfast we have ever had at Christmas in July was laid on by Lesley, in the Walkers unit on

Saturday morning. Wow! Chef David was busy in the kitchen preparing scrambled eggs, bacon, chippolatas, toasted muffins and croissants. What a feast! Cooked to perfection and washed down with selections from Lesley's coffee box!

After breakfast and a few more tall tales we boarded a taxi bus and headed off to the wharf to catch up with the Saturday arrivers. Greetings all round and we boarded our boat ready for the trip across the Bay to Tea Gardens for lunch.

Now I am not sure whether Lesley had any input in the entertainment that followed, but as we cast off, the deckhand on the boat astern of our boat, an attractive young lady, all of a sudden began dancing quite spectacularly on the foredeck in a deliberate attempt to entertain us, which she did, to the applause of all on board.

The Bay was kindly with only a 60cm swell, which made for a pleasant trip - too pleasant for some, who took advantage of the situation for forty winks. As we approached Corrie Island a pod of dolphins picked us up and travelled beside us for some distance, by the time we finished exaggerating, I think there were 109 dolphins in all - Right, David?

We disembarked at Tea Gardens and headed straight to the only watering hole in town for lunch. All enjoyed various forms of seafood which was prepared to perfection and delivered to our table promptly. More exaggerated stories and then off for shopping, sightseeing, icecreams, etc., before embarking for an uneventful cruise back to Nelson Bay.....errrr! uneventful... ahem....but for a particular Treasurer (who will main anonymous) who accidently locked himself in the

smallest room on the boat, eventually safely emerging to the great relief of all!

Back in the boat harbour, we were once again treated to the hi-jinx of the female deckhand, who arrived back just before us and rounded off our trip pleasantly with her antics!

Back to the Resort in a Taxi-Bus for even more contorted stories, drinks, picks, etc, before a rest and preparation for dinner at the Resort and the arrival of Santa and Mary Christmas.

This is a Five Star restaurant with a top Chef (sorry David!). The food was superb, the service impeccable and the company.....weeelll!.... the same old company!!!. Dinner down and the highlight of the weekend saw Santa Ann-Maree and Santa John arrive and pass out gifts to all (Thank heavens - only one box of chocolates!). The mottly crew was eventually ushered out - last to leave, bar closed, so back to Walkers for a little refreshment, a few downright untruths, before toddling off to bed for the busy Sunday ahead.

Back to the Resort restaurant for breakfast.....Shock!....Horror!.....This top line eatery had copied Chef David's menu right down to the chippolatas *and* it was *almost* as good! After breakfast and lashings of downright B.S., we crossed the bridge once more to our island units only to find that we were locked out of our two units. It was only at this point that I happened to notice that Lesley was wearing a new coat....errr.."You did pay for the rooms didn't you Lesley?"

"....."Oooohhh!!.....ouch! - The handyman turned up promptly - it was just a case of...'Darn, flat battery' in the card reader on the apartment door. Finally

inside we packed up, departed the Resort and headed to the local markets to inject a little finance into the local economy.

Another Five Star affair - it had to be Five Star..... it had a wonderful old fellow playing his guitar and singing Judd Strunk's '*I'll give you a daisy a day*'. Local economy supported, we headed off to the last event of a wonderful weekend. Heading back to town, we stopped for lunch at Murray's Brewery at Salt ash.....errrr!.....well most of us stopped RING !!! RING!!..."Where the bloody hell are you?" crackled the voice of the Treasurer (who shall remain anonymous)....."We're at the Brewery, where are you..errr! headed for Williamtown.

Ten minutes later we were all together again and the gents, including a certain young lady (A-M doesn't stand for anonymous mother) were being led through a tasting of a half dozen of the breweries finest products, whilst the rest of ladies took advantage of the spicy lotions and potions on offer for the pantry. Lunch was served in the open, albeit with a couple of heaters and it was a fitting finale to an absolutely marvellous weekend, planned by Walker.

Thank you Lesley from all of us - it could not have been better! I am sure that you must have had a hand in the weather as well.....following an utterly miserable week weatherwise, not one drop of rain fell on us!

Well, I have to *shunt* off now and look forward to next July.....

"RING!....RING!...."Gor' Blimey.....not again!!!

Anonymous.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT by Andy Peters

We have all had a very quiet period motorsport wise over the last three months or so, with more events been cancelled or postponed due to the very wet weather the district has been experiencing than has actually been run as scheduled. The weather has been so wet even working bees have been cancelled.

Having said that, about the weather, if you haven't been up at the track for a while it is worth a visit, just to look at all the improvements. We now have 3 phase power via the club's generator, a new secretaries building that should be in full operation. We have moved into the digital age. Writing times onto a white board with a felt pen has become redundant, there are LCD screens to view your results:-

Your position in the outright field, your position in your class as well as your split times for each of your runs, We are really moving into the electronic age.

It's that the time of the year again

This is the MG Car Club Newcastle's premium event of the year. Its **SHANNONS MATTARA HILLCLIMB**. Now is when we need all your help. We have started the planning meetings. Please book yourself to come along to see what is happening, it is lots of fun and hard work.

You may know some new sponsors, new sponsors are always welcome. We need you at the working bees, and at the Armco day the Club provides lunch, and I have never heard anyone complain yet. Be an official, you have the best and closest view in the Park. This year we are trying new things, the large TV screen so the spectators at the hairpin will also be able to see the cars negotiate up and around the pinch, how good will that be. Remember, those that help get first chance at having a run

Look forward to seeing you all soon

Andy

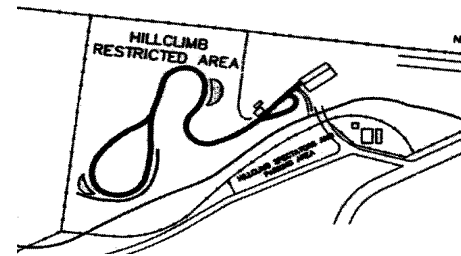
2010 SHANNONS MATTARA HILLCLIMB HELD AT KING EDWARD PARK Sat 16th and Sun 17th OCTOBER

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LAND PANEL by Alan Bates



How quickly the year passes, we are past the half way point and there is still a heap of things to be accomplished.

We are now nearing completion of the painting, hopefully it will be finished over the next couple of weeks.

The new event secretaries building was used on the state Khanacross weekend, at this stage everyone appears happy with the layout, more work is required and again we hope to have a good part of that done for the State Hillclimb round at the end of July.

This should include the display screens for all to see and this will relieve the congestion at the canteen and at the starting position.

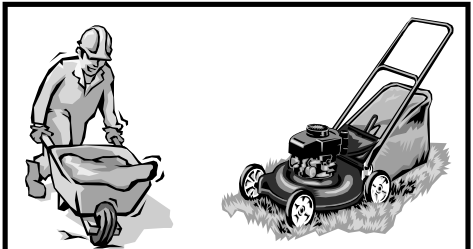
As everyone will appreciate it's been tough to get things done at the track due the incredible amount of rain that has occurred over the last couple of months. 132 mm in June and 48 mm up till the 18th of July.

Most of this rain fell at the wrong time and prevented us accessing the tracks to perform the proper preparation required.

Fortunately we got away with the State round for the Khanacross, a bit more water and it could have led to another cancellation.

Anyway work continues and with luck we will all see the benefits sooner rather than later.

Cheers Alan J Bates



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TUE 21st SEPT STARTING 6:30 PM
Repair and sort armco nuts and bolts at Phil Limbert's Med-Eng Systems, 3/22 Ironbark Close, Warabrook. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

FRI 24TH SEPT STARTING 5:00 PM
Load armco and posts at Ringwood Park Complex. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

SAT 25TH SEPT STARTING 8:00 AM
Erect armco in KEP, bring shovel, gloves, and large shifting spanners. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

SAT 2ND OCT STARTING 8:00 AM
Complete armco erection, level and tighten. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

FRI 8TH OCT STARTING 7:30 PM
Officials Information Night at Club-Rooms. All Officials should attend. Contact Gregor Dickinson 0413 595 755

SAT 9TH OCT STARTING 8:00 AM
Fill Sandbags and place in position on track. Contact Gregor Dickinson 0413 595 755

FRI 15th OCT STARTING 8:00 AM
Collect barriers, spectator fencing, garbage drums and other KEP equipment from Ringwood. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

FRI 15TH (cont) Start Track set-up, erect spectator fencing, tents, marques, etc. Contact Gregor Dickinson 0413 595 755

SAT 16TH OCT SHANNONS MATTARA HILLCLIMB 6.00am Finish Track Set up, place barriers in position. **8.00 am** Officials briefing at Pinch exit area. Senior Track Official Kenneth Atkins 0407 377 710

SUN 17TH OCT HUNTER CHALLENGE HILLCLIMB 6.00am Finish set up track, place barriers in position. **8.00 am** Officials briefing at Pinch exit area, Senior Track Official Dave Atkins 0403 091 139

MON 18TH OCT STARTING 8.00 AM
Remove spectator fences, garbage bins, clean up park, all equipment returned to Ringwood Park for storage. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

SAT 23RD OCT STARTING 8.00 AM
Empty, remove and clean up sand bags. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

SAT 30TH OCT STARTING 8.00 AM
Dismantle and remove armco back to Ringwood Park Complex. Contact Alan Bates 0412 280 093

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NAMS STATE MOTORKHANA

This event was part of 3 championship series: NSW State Series, NAMS Motorkhana Series and MG Motorkhana Series. In the days leading up to the event, it was doubtful if it was going to be held, the final decision being made on Saturday. Westlakes Auto Club had planned to run 8 tests, however only 6 tests were conducted. These being the Cloverleaf, Serpentine, Square Slalom, Open Slalom, Opposite Garages and Manoeuvring.

There was a large variety of machinery ranging from specials (front or rear wheel drive) through a number of unregistered club cars to road registered Peugeots and 4 Subaru WRXs.

The event got underway a little late due to the large number of entries (57) having to be processed. The top course looked very muddy with clay, the others courses were more sandy which was okay. The outright competition was going to be between the specials and after 3 tests Warwick Butt had a 1.7 second lead over Michael Snow with a gap of 0.9 second to Bruce Antaw and 0.2 to Bruce's daughter Elizabeth who was faster than her dad in 1 of the tests. Next was Graham Clarke in the Minigog 0.4 seconds behind.

The quickest non special was Phil East in his Mazda 121, 1 second adrift of the Minigog. While the latter 3 courses were being set up, the clouds were very dark and threatened to drench everyone, luckily only the lightest drop of rain occurred for 5 minutes. After completing the 1st attempt of the afternoon tests, Bruce Antaw's special developed a suspension problem which prevented Bruce and Elizabeth from improving their times.

The make or break test was the Opposite Garages which had 2 intermediate garages and reversing, here Warwick Butt, Graham Clarke and Dean Cook in a Mini 850 (class A) all were under 30 seconds, Bruce Antaw on 30.7 and Michael Snow on 34.75. It looks I need to practise reversing in the special. The final results are:

Warwick Butt	Mini CC	1 st outright	Class F	156.10	
Graham Clarke	WAC	2 nd outright	Class F	164.23	
Michael Snow	MGCCN	3 rd outright	Class G	165.82	
Phil East	Mini CC	4 th outright	Class B	166.17	
Kevin Goldfinch	Mini CC	5 th outright	Class A	167.25	
Robert Rigg	Peugeot CC	6 th outright	Class C	169.96	
Elizabeth Antaw	WAC	8 th outright	Class F	171.18	1 st Lady
Billy Burns	Mini CC	14 th outright	Class A	183.11	1 st Junior
Keith Hammond	MGCCN	19 th outright	Class F	189.15	1 st MGCCN J

Michael Snow, MGCC Newcastle

Ps Even though the event was muddy, it was certainly "clean" compared to the Khanacross the week before at Ringwood. (See Page 21)

The major activity of CARnival will be the Shannons Show 'n Shine in Echuca's picturesque Aquatic Reserve on the banks of the Murray River. Motorkhana enthusiasts have the opportunity to tackle 20 separate timed events on both tarmac and grass for a fee of \$50 per individual discipline, while entry in the five-stage Rallysprint will cost \$100. Entry fees for the entire weekend is capped at \$195 including registration and GST, with competitors able to drive in more than 50 timed events plus a 250km Navigation Trial and a Fuel Economy Test.

With around 2,000 vehicles of all type, make, age and model expected to attend CARnival, places in some of the in-demand activities are expected to fill up early. Although more than 1,000 parking spots have been earmarked for club and individual entrants near the Echuca CBD, only 450 display places are available in the prime, grassy Aquatic Reserve on the banks of the Murray River for enthusiasts wanting to show off their vehicles in the prestigious Shannons Show 'n Shine (\$30).

Places will also be capped on a 'first come, first in' basis for some of the most popular activities, like the Motorkhanas and the Rallysprints. Car clubs and individuals will be able to compete over the weekend for the inaugural ClubNats awards for the top car club and individuals over a series of tarmac and loose-surface events for the same maximum entry fee of \$195.

The official CAMS regulations for CARnival are expected to be approved and published on the carnival website by August 1.

For further information about CARnival and to register visit:

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CARnival online entry opens

Online entry for Australia's first national motoring and motorsport festival - CARnival - is now open at www.camscarnival.com.au. Held in Echuca-Moama on the Murray River over the October 2-3 weekend this year, CARnival will see up to 2,000 vehicles of all makes, models and ages gather to take part in more than 30 competitive and non-competitive motoring activities.

These will range from huge static club displays to motorkhanas and speed events on both tarmac and unsealed surfaces. And while CARnival is a CAMS initiative to foster grass-roots motorsport, all clubs and enthusiasts are welcome. Registration for CARnival will cost entrants \$35 inc GST, for which they will receive a 'CARnival Kit' containing discount vouchers to many local restaurants, cafes and attractions, plus free entry into a number of special CARnival events.

These include a Motorsport Film, Photo and Art Festival featuring historic racing films and an exhibition of the works of well-known motorsport cartoonist John 'Stonie' Stoneham, entry to the CARnival Swap Meet and CARnival Village and a fun Observation Touring event for car club members.

A wide range of other non-competitive and competitive CARnival events staged on both tarmac and unsealed surfaces can be entered online, with prices for different daily and weekend activities starting at just \$30.



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PUBLICITY by Peter Robinson

By the time this issue comes out, our State Hillclimb Championship Round will have been run and won.

This is (was) the best line up of top competitors we have had for years, with Peter Gumley heading the field, aiming to break his outright record. Speaking to Peter the week before the event revealed some interesting details.

His car has a similar power-to-weight ratio to a current F1 car - and if you are a fan of V8 supercars - consider these facts.

V8 Supercar

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Hillclimb racing car (Wortmeyer SCV)

500 BHP 400 kgs 250 BHP/ton
acceleration: 0-100kph 3.0

His car weighs less than a Formula Ford and has over four times the power. Last year he devoted some considerable time to the aero package, increasing low speed down-force.

Peer has been assisted in aero designs by Malcolm Oastler (former Williams and Jaguar - Red Bull - engineer). He has also stiffened the chassis by inserting honeycomb sandwich plates into the voids in the space frame, enabling him to do away with the fiberglass body as well, saving more weight.

Cranking 500 BHP out of a 2.3 litre "VW" engine is no mean feat either! Of course, pushing its diet of methanol in with a large supercharger helps.

The amazing SCV was built in the late 60's making it 40+ years old! This would have to be close to some sort of world record as far as longevity and competitiveness at a national level in motorsport.

It has won the NSW Hillclimb Championship 13 times (!) from 1973 through to 2007, the Australian 10 times, as well as sumerous Victorian, South Australian and Queensland Titles.

Of course, you also need a quick and smart driver to keep the car competitive with the continual modifying required to maintain it's winning streak.

The more you research, you realize that Peter and the SCV have a well deserved place in motorsport history.

Peter Robinson
Publicity Officer



Peter Gumley

SPEED EVENTS by Rick Vincent

My comments this month will be aimed at anyone that likes motor sport, so that's all of us, but there is one small catch, for all of us that like sport it takes officials to run these events ,I did asked members in the March edition for all non CAMS registered officials, to indicate if they can attend the CAMS training sessions, so far all I have is one member thank you Dave Durie, one is better than none, however its pretty poor keeping in mind the size of our club, so I again appeal to all members to get involved with this training seminar and not leave it up to the magic 6 or 8 to run these events.

CAMS are introducing a CLUB CHIEF position, this will cover the CAMS Official and Clerk of the Course positions, we are attempting to conduct these courses at our club rooms during one of the Saturdays in November 2010, **so please contact myself or Gregor Dickinson, so we can make arrangements with CAMS.**

The next Ringwood club event will be the Twilight Hillclimb on the 21st August which should be very interesting in maintaining times held in the

daylight hours vs times after dark, they must all go to sleep or is it just self preservation, that causes the longer times, we do plan to have as many lights erected as long as the new power generation system can handle so please all come along for a an interesting afternoon and night.

Several discussions have taken place at the Speed Panel meetings regarding the proposed changes to the scoring method for Juniors for the 2011 events, more information will be available on the subject later in the year.

For members wishing to pay for events via credit cards it will be a requirement to provide these cards during registration on the day keeping in mind the \$3.00 fee for these transactions.

Thanks members I really am looking forward to receiving names for Club Chief training positions.

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Rick



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CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

As promised last month, this month we present some more points tallies. The below results are as up to date as the information and results available, as of 23 July. This month I have focussed on including results for those classes/series not published in the June magazine, as there was not room to list all of the Tar Speed Series classes.

I have listed the Outright, Ladies, Junior and Member tallies also. As a new addition to the Member's tally, I have included the 'number of actions' each member has undertaken to receive the points they have. This is a reflection of just how much time these individuals put in to this club to make it one of, if not the most, active car clubs in NSW.

I must apologise to a number of lady competitors who were not listed in the points tallies published in the June edition of the magazine. Sorry Kimberley, Jamie Lee and Tegan. It seems I made a mistake when I ran the filter for 'L'. Hopefully all ladies who have competed in the Club Championship this year are listed below.

Chris Dodds Memorial Trophy for Outright Club Champion (top 10, including top 4 juniors)				
			Position	Points
GRANT	DYLAN	JUNIOR	1	116
HALL	BENJAMIN	JUNIOR	2	91
SNOW	MICHAEL		3	81
TUCKER	MARK		4	66
THOMAS	DARVAL		5	63
HAMMOND	KEITH	JUNIOR	6	60
PETERS	ANDREW		7	57
HOUGHTON	PETER		8	51
MORDUE	TOBIE	JUNIOR	9	49
WALLIN	ANDREW		10	45

Outright Ladies Championship (all)				
			Position	Points
THOMAS	SUSAN D		1	39
BARTLETT	DANIELLE		2	34
HODGSON	FRAN		2	34
ATKINS	KIMBERLEY		4	22
ROBINSON	ELIZABETH		5	15
HARRIS	ANNMAREE		6	11
MEEK	JAMIE LEE		6	11
CONSTABLE	RENEE		8	9
MEEK	TEGAN		8	9
JOBBER	BRIDGET		10	7
SEMKEN	MAREA		10	7
THOMAS	SUSAN R		12	6

Outright Junior Championship (top10)				
			Position	Points
GRANT	DYLAN		1	116
HALL	BENJAMIN		2	91
HAMMOND	KEITH		3	60
MORDUE	TOBIE		4	49
BRAMBLE	JAKE		5	39
BARTLETT	DANIELLE		6	34
LEE	SAMUEL		7	27
BATES	RYAN		8	23
SUGO	DANIEL		9	21
GRANT	BEAU		10	13
GRANT	SHAUN		10	13
HAMMOND	REECE		10	13

Mick Neilson Memorial Trophy for Club Member of the Year point score (top 10)				
		Points	Position	Actions
SNOW	MICHAEL	116	1	47
COLLINS	JOHN	106	2	36
BATES	ALAN	104	3	34
PETERS	ANDREW	103	4	37
RAE	DOUG	89	5	33
BAVERSTOCK	BRYN	84	6	27
WALKER	DAVID	74	7	32
RAE	JUDITH	70	8	28
COGGER	ROSALIE	60	9	22
BATES	RYAN	54	10	20

REGISTER NEWS by David Walker

This month we had our annual Xmas in July as the register run. Not as far as usual, this year at Port Stephens. Some took the opportunity to stay Friday night as well. Dinner, bed and breakfast the usual fare.

On Saturday, 18 of us left Nelson Bay wharf for the one hour trip to Tea Gardens for lunch in the pub. After lunch a walk around to look at shops or enjoy an ice cream before returning on the ferry.

A few drinks and nibbles before dinner or a nap for some. The arrival of Mr and Mrs Claus, AKA John Porter and AnneMaree Harris handed out mystery gifts after dessert.

Sunday morning was a full buffet breakfast and then on to local mar-

kets. Next stop Winery for tasting and scones etc. I did order some snow but got patchy rain instead. A great group of people made it a good weekend.

We were invited to the Jaguar display on Saturday 31 July but this clashes with a State Hillclimb at Ringwood Park and many hands are required.

This months run, Sunday 22nd August will be for morning tea somewhere around Pokolbin leaving the clubrooms 0900.

David

MOTORKHANA NEWS by John Roach

The last event was a bit muddy but I think it was a good decision to run it given how much fun the competitors had.

I'm a little jealous as it looked like a great learning experience driving on a surface where there was such little grip. We only had to use the recovery vehicle twice during the event so I commend all the competitors on their sensible driving during the day.

I also commend Michael Snow on his winning performance and perseverance in a vehicle that ended up covering him in mud.

As you all know next year we

won't have access to the areas where the Khanacross tracks are currently situated and thus we cannot run events next year. In light of this the last Khanacross to be run at Ringwood will be on August the 15th.

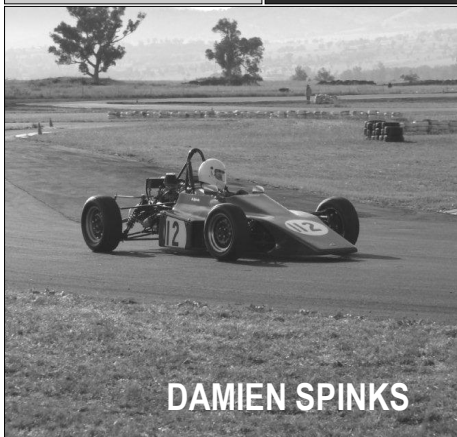
I urge all competitors, past and present, to come to the event to give them the farewell that they deserve. Hope to see you there!

Co-ordinator out

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FRANK MANGANO



DAMIEN SPINKS



RAY BROMLEY



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Tar Speed Series (class tallies not published in June)

Surname	Given Name	Class	Total Points	Class Position
POLLOCK	DAVID	2U	23	1
CHRISTOPHERSON	GARRY	2U	12	2
BUCKLAND	JOEL	2U	11	3
SUGO	DANIEL	2U	11	4
CRAIG	MITCHELL	4U	37	1
TUCKER	MARK	4U	22	2
BRAMSTON	PATRICK	4O	34	1
WENSRICH	CHRISTOPHER	4O	11	2
HALL	GRANT	Club Race	33	1
PARSONAGE	GLENN	Club Rego	36	1
EDWARDS	RICHARD	Club Rego	23	2
EDWARDS	WAYNE	Club Rego	12	3
ATKINS	KENNETH	SVO3	27	1
ATKINS	KIMBERLEY	SVO3	22	2
EDWARDS	KEVIN	SVO3	16	3
GIGLI	MICHAEL	SVO3	13	4
FORD	BRIAN	SVO3	12	5
FORD	ADAM	SVO3	11	6
JOBBER	BRIDGET	SVO3	7	7
ATKINS	DAVID	MSO2	33	1
HOLT	MATTHEW	MSO2	11	2
NORRIS	JAMES	MSO3	23	1
GRANT	DYLAN	J Prod	38	1
HALL	BENJAMIN	J Prod	31	2
LEE	SAMUEL	J Prod	27	3
PALMOWSKI	DANIEL	J Prod	11	4
SUGO	DANIEL	J Prod	10	5
HAMMOND	KEITH	J Special	34	1
BATES	RYAN	J Special	23	2
EDWARDS	CAMRYN	J Special	12	3

Keep your eyes on the prize,
Scott McGarry

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

TAMWORTH TRI- CHALLENGE



All aboard for Tea Gardens!



Our Island Home.....



All smiles after the Beer Tasting



KEVIN EDWARDS



ED Mc CANE



PETER ROBINSON



NEIL FARR



JOHN COLLINS

State Khanacross RINGWOOD



MICHAEL SNOW or is that MICHAEL MUD



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