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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Many of us who were affected by the Pasha Bulker storm certainly know the feelings that are being experienced by our fellow Australians in both Queensland and Victoria. We have been asked by the Queensland Club to provide them with some material that was damaged by the flood. This we have done and our committee will be looking at ways in which we may be able to be of some more help.

Bang!!! There're off - too late there're gone. That's how the year has started. The Hillclimb at Ringwood Park on the 23rd January - there were fifty nine starters. Elizabeth Robinson didn't mind all the male competitors coming to her "party" - Fastest Time of the Day at 31.02 secs. Her Dad, Peter, improved with each set of runs but was not able to bridge the gap.

Line up the Lady in your life for Ladies Day at Ringwood on the 13th February. Bring your car along and be Pit Crew for the day.

The task of formalising our Rules and Objects of Association with the Department of Fair Trading (DFT) and the Department of Sport and Recreation (DSR) has turned out to be a tedious and exacting process. Having been through the various documents about four times, the Draft will be close to finalisation by the time you read this.

There were a few things that have been required by the departments, which will be brought to your attention in the form of a preamble document. This will also let you know how to check out the new format of our new Constitution.

There is a "Model Constitution" which has been prepared by the DFT and been modified by the DSR to suit the needs of a sporting club.

There is a "Background Paper to Model State Constitution Development" prepared by Lander and Rodgers Lawyers, Pitt Street, Sydney.

Then there is the "Rules and Objects of Association" (ROA) of our Club (our constitution) which will, sentence by sentence, be cross referenced to the Draft Constitution.

Also there will be the Draft of the new Constitution with our ROA merged into the Departments' Model. This document will include the change to our constitution, effecting day membership, which was passed at our Annual General Meeting in 2010.

All these documents, when reviewed by the committee, will be placed on our Club website (about 180 pages) so that you will be able to review them. If you or your friends are unable to access the website, the Draft of the new Constitution will be available on request. We have to save some trees!



As much as some members would like to make some changes, to keep it simple for this exercise, we are ONLY upgrading our Constitution to what is required by the government departments. Any other changes that may occur will happen with due process.

Other than the few things which are advised in the preamble, the meaning and content of our ROA is truly reflected in the new document. If you have a query, come to the Club Night and ask for information.

Remember, support the supporters who support your sport.

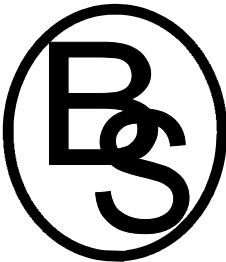
John Collins

Club Calendar

The latest version of the Club Calendar is on the MG Car Club Newcastle website www.mgcarclub.com.au . If anyone does not have access to the Club website please request a printed copy from:-

Michael Snow 0432 772 044 (mobile).

The NAMS pointscores are also available on the MG Car Club Newcastle and Westlakes Auto Club websites. If you do not have access to these websites contact Michael Snow for a printed copy.



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2011 Tri-challenge Series

20 March	KSCC	Hillclimb	Mt Cooperabung, Kempsey
17 July	TSCC	Sprint	Oakburn Park, Tamworth
28 August	BLCC	Hillclimb	Esses, Bathurst
3 October	MGCCN	Hillclimb	King Edward Park, Newcastle

FEBRUARY EVENTS DIARY 2011

Date	EVENT	Time	Points
5/2 SAT	Working Bee - MGCC Newcastle - At Cobby Street Club-rooms		M
6/2 SUN	Motorkhana - WAC - Awaba		M CC MK N
7/2 MON	Magazine Assembly held at Clubrooms	7 pm	M
9/2 WED	SPEED PANEL MEETING -MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland	8.00 PM	M
10/2 THU	NatMeet meeting—held at Clubrooms	7:30 pm	M
11/2 FRI	CLUB NIGHT- MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Shortland	8:00 PM	M
11-13 FEB	Festival of Sports Cars -Summer Invitation - Wakefield Park		
13/2 SUN	Hillclimb - Ladies and Juniors - MGCC Newcastle - Ring-wood	9 AM	M
16/2 WED	COMMITTEE MEETING - MGCC Newcastle Held at Club-rooms Cobby St Shortland BE PROMPT	7:30 PM	M
19/2 SAT	CAMS "Club Chief" officials course - Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Shortland - Lunch will be provided. See page 26.	9 AM	
20/2 SUN	Register Run - MGCC Newcastle - Mount Sugarloaf - see page 12		M
24/2 THU	NatMeet meeting—held at Clubrooms	7:30 pm	M
26/2 SAT	NATTER NIGHT - Bernadette and Brian Ford - see page 14		
26/2 SAT	HILLCLIMB STATE Rnd 1- BLCC - Bathurst Esses		
26/2 SAT	NSW Supersprint Rnd 1 - NSWRRRC - Eastern Creek		
26/2 SAT	State Motorkhana Rnd 1 - Renault CC - Nirimba		
27/2 SUN	HILLCLIMB STATE Rnd 2- BLCC - Bathurst Mountain Straight		

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.

**MARCH EVENTS DIARY 2011**

Date	EVENT	Time	Points
5/3 SAT	TWILIGHT KHANCROSS - WAC - Awaba	3 PM	CC KC N
6/3 SUN	HILLCLIMB - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood	9 AM	M CC TS N
7/3 MON	MAGAZINE ASSEMBLY held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland	7:00 PM	M
8/3 TUE	NATIONAL MEETING Meeting - Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Shortland	8 PM	M
9/3 WED	SPEED PANEL MEETING -MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland	8.00 PM	M
11/3 FRI	CLUB NIGHT- MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Shortland	8:00 PM	M
12/3 SAT	HUNTER REGION MOTORKHANA - Venue TBA		R
13/3 SUN	Register Run - TBA	9 AM	M
16/3 WED	COMMITTEE MEETING - MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms Cobby St Shortland BE PROMPT	7:30 PM	M
19/3 SAT	NATTER NIGHT - TBA		
19/3 SAT	FLUFFY DUCK RALLY - AHRG - 2 Day Event to Forster and Back		TR
20/3 SUN	FLUFFY DUCK RALLY - AHRG - 2 Day Event to Forster and Back		TR
20/3 SUN	Hillclimb - Bulahdelah - Club Invitation		
20/3 SUN	HILLCIMB TRI -CHALLENGE - KSCC - Kempsey		TC
27/3 SUN	KHANACROSS - WAC - Awaba		CC MK N

LEGEND

M - Club Member

CC - Club Championship

R - Register pointscore

N - NAMS

TS - Tar Speed Series

MK - Motorkhana

KC - Khanacross

TC - Tri-Challenge

IC - NAMS Inter Club Challenge

Young Driver Development Course Conducted at Ringwood Park Learn to be a competent driver

This course is designed for junior drivers from 12 to 18 years of age. The course will consist of tutorials on car control, safety and car preparation.

Driving instruction is on a one to one basis, with instructors approved by Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS). It is preferred that participants have some driving experience in sprint karts, motorkhanas, khanacross or with a RTA learners permit.

Pupils under 18 years of age will require a parent or guardian to sign entry forms to give permission.

A scrutineering (safety) check will be carried out on all vehicles before the start. Vehicles must be in a safe and roadworthy condition, though it does not have to be road registered. Single seat and dedicated competition vehicles (buggys) are not permitted without the approval of the Chief Instructor. Required safety apparel is neck to ankle cotton-based clothing with long sleeves. A safety helmet in good condition and thin soled shoes are preferred.

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.

Entry for junior members of MGCC Newcastle is free.

Entry for junior members of other car clubs is \$11.

Minimum requirement is a CAMS L1 Come & try licence (\$25) which is a one day licence, but a CAMS L2SJ junior licence is available on the day for the lower cost of \$15, this licence being valid for 12 months.



**All training days are Saturdays
starting at 10am**

**All paperwork and safety
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Dates for 2011

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Saturday 12th
others to be announced**

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SECRETARY'S REPORT Andy Peters

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you managed to get out and about in your favourite car over the festive period. In the "Safety Fast" magazine January edition there is a great article on how to hibernate your MG when not in use for a period of time.

I am just home from Ringwood Park. Our first event for 2011 had 59 competitors and the competition was competitive. It was a great day, with lots of spectators on the hill viewing the event.

My MGB is still out of action I am waiting for a gasket from Brisbane but I

will have to wait until all the water and chaos settles up there following the floods. I am looking forward to this year's competition.

We are always in need of help for setting up and packing up Ringwood Park so when you have some free time before and after the events come and see me and I will guide you to who requires help....we would appreciate the extra help.

Drive safely and look forward to seeing you at our next event.

Andy

CAPTAIN'S CORNER by Scott McGarry

The start of a new year is upon us, and already one competitive event has been run and won.

The hillclimb held at Ringwood Park on Sunday 23 January was part of both the Tar Speed Championship and the Club Championship, so two series are off and running. I won't publish scores this month, as if you competed on 23/1, you'll know where you finished!

I give my congratulations to Elizabeth Robinson, who has achieved her very first outright win, I believe, by winning outright the hillclimb held 23/1. Within the space of less than 4 months, two different Ladies have won an MGCC Newcastle run hillclimb outright. Very interesting!

You will note that in this month's magazine we have published "The Year 2011 Pointscores (How they work)" document. There are a number of changes from the 2010 system, with

the most significant changes occurring in the Junior categories. I suggest that all Juniors familiarise themselves with the championship rules, and any questions any of you may have regarding the implementation of the rules be directed to me.

Further, a reminder to all those who compete in any MGCC Newcastle or NAMS event that the 2011 NAMS vehicle regulations have been altered from those in 2010, largely to reflect the CAMS NSW Supersprint vehicle regs for Tar Speed vehicles. Again, please familiarise yourselves with those changes, and the effects they may have on you. The rules are available at the WAC website: <http://www.wac.org.au/nams/pdf/2011%20NAMS%20Regulations.pdf>

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Scott McGarry



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REGISTER NEWS by David Walker

Hi Everyone. Welcome to 2011 with our first Register Run on Australia Day, off to Riverside Park, Raymond Terrace, conducted by Port Stephens Council. We left the club rooms at 7.45am with a low lying fog which didn't clear up until 9.00am. Our convoy of MGs had to be set up by 8.30 in our designated area under the large trees. Enjoyed breakfast at the stalls set up by the Salvation Army and sat around and yarned, catching up, but as the temperature rose to the forecast 41degrees, many people went to lunch at the airconditioned hotel across the road. Good day, good company!

Next Run on Sunday February 20th will be for Breakfast at Mt. Sugarloaf. At this time of year it pays to picnic early,

before the heat of the day makes it too uncomfortable. Mt. Sugarloaf is one of our long standing runs. I can remember going to my first run there in the eighties. It was however in winter and our feet froze, so I was happy to change the time of year. Of course now there are covered seats and electric BBQs on site. Please BYO food and drink. We will leave the clubrooms at 7.45am or for the sleepy heads, meet up there at 8.30am. We will be talking about the Xmas in July venue. Please let Lesley or myself know if you are interested. As usual it has to be booked and prepaid.

"B" seeing you,

DAVID

EDITORIAL by Mike Cole

In 2002 I was a spectator at my first King Edward Park hillclimb. There I saw Warwick McBean get into the Top Ten in his PRB. I had been looking to buy a PRB, so when I acquired one and had done a few supersprints, I entered it in the 2003 KEP hillclimb.

I didn't get into the Top Ten, but I did meet members of the MG Car Club Newcastle.

I joined the Club, but my first magazine didn't arrive, so I attended the next magazine assembly to see what had happened. I have been going to magazine assembly ever since.

Three years ago I took on distribution as I had some experience of Print Post.

Now I have taken on the position of Editor.

Last month Peter Robinson handed the magazine advertising ledger to me.

So now I am doing most aspects of the magazine.

Mike

Clubtorque is published monthly (except January) on the Tuesday before the Clubnight (which usually falls on the second Friday of the month). The deadline for articles is two weeks prior to the publication date.

The deadline for the March magazine is Tuesday 22nd February 2011.

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SOCIAL NEWS by Rose Cogger

At the monthly Clubnight, all members paying the entry cost of \$3.00 receive an entry ticket. From these a ticket is drawn during the evening. The prize is, as usual, a bottle of wine and some cleaning products. Last month's winner was **Fran Hodgson**.

After information was presented to members and supper was served, many members got involved in the "Rocker Cover Racing" program by double entering vehicles.

Darren Hodgson's track, ramp, starting and beam finish system (to decide the winner) has now been painted and is surely a very unique set up, a credit to his efforts and will be envied by other clubs at the National Meeting here at Easter time.

It seemed that competition on the night was as keen as any I have seen at Ringwood Park. It was held in a seeded knock out elimination format similar to Drag Racing events. First heats were the best of three runs. After the first heats it was sudden death knockout elimination runs.

Two series were run on the night with **Andy Peters**, using Darren Hodgson's MGB, winning the first series and **Scott McGarry** winning the second in his self engineered MGB.

After the series was run Darren's MGB was used as a benchmark vehicle for further R & D on other units. It seemed that a lot of data was collected.

I unfortunately missed **Helen & Bryn Baverstock's** Natter Night which was attended by many members and some of his relatives from England (out here to surprise him for his 70th birthday party). It seems that I missed a good night. We thank them for having the club members around.

I hope I will be back from Queensland for **Bernadette and Brian Ford's** Natter Night on 26th February at their 25 Morse Street, Speers Point home. The phone no: 4953 0825. It will be BYO barbeque supplies, deserts, drinks, etc.

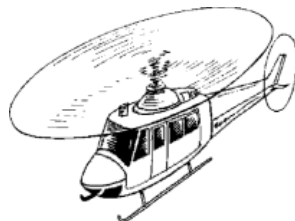
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Helicopter Raffle

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3 rd Prize	Andrew Walker



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Financial year is from 1/3/2011 to 1/3/2012.

If you are entering a CAMS event early in March please attach a note so I can process it promptly.

Remember to update any relevant information for the database like change of address, change of motor vehicles, etc.

If you have not paid your membership by 1st May, you will no longer receive a magazine.

**Welcome New Members**

Alexander Vandervoort	Associate	Holden Ute
Simon Nicholson	Associate	Holden Calais
Joanna-Louise Edwards	Junior	Falcon
Laura Wilkins	Junior	Ford Festiva
John Torr	Associate	
Ken McLeod	Full	MGF
Louise Clayton-Jones	Full	MGF
Paul Carroll	Associate	Lotus Elise
Trudy Jacobs	Associate	Lotus Elise
Rohan Holt	Associate	Datsun 260Z
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RALLY PANEL by Martin Reeves

2011 RALLY SERIES INFORMATION

For those who don't know me I have been involved with the MGCC Newcastle since 1983, with active membership throughout this period both as a Committee member in a number of positions and also as a competitor. My rally involvement has been on both tar and dirt having competed in local dirt rallies, long distance rallies and also Targa Tasmania. I enjoy the car preparation as much as the event itself with a keen interest in all types of cars. In some of these events I have also navigated infrequently. This is not my preferred position although the drivers I have been with were first class and did me no injuries.

The MGCC Newcastle can provide a doorway to many different events being Rallies, Hillclimbs, Speed Events, Motorkana and this also includes interclub events throughout Australia within the various series. I also note that there is now a very active social side to the MGCC Newcastle which is very important in keeping the events and club running.

The 2011 MGCC Newcastle Rally Calendar is being run in conjunction with Australian Historic Rally Group (AHRG). The AHRG will provide four rallies with MGCC Newcastle being responsible for the final fifth event. I have competed in these events previously and they always provide excellent roads and competition.

The MGCC Newcastle Rally series will consist of four rounds being scored towards the club championship and this allows a competitor to miss an event or drop the worst score. From the five events there will be a mixture of two day or single events. Most events will be a mixture of tar and good dirt sections providing every driver and navigator ample opportunity to demonstrate their capabilities.

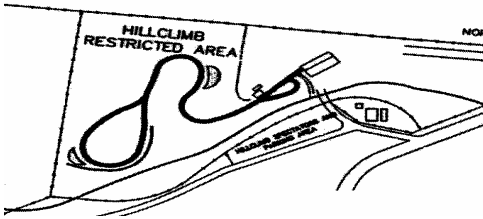
Event 1	19 & 20 March	Fluffy Duck (Dirt/Tar see ad on page 39)
Event 2	7 May	Evan Green (Dirt/Tar)
Event 3	25 & 26 June	Night Owl (Dirt/Tar)
Event 4	20 August	Heart of the Hunter (Tar)
Event 5	13 November	MGCC Newcastle Classic (Tar)

Any enquiries can be made to myself or Ron Fraser (AHRG) regarding these events.

Yours in competition
Martin Reeves



LAND PANEL by Alan Bates



Welcome back. There is a new year with clearly defined goals ahead of us.

By the time you read this article there should have been significant work done at the Clubrooms.

We have started on job number 844 at Ringwood. There are a couple of thousand left.

In fact there are enough jobs available to employ most of the club members.

The poor turnout at the advertised working bee on Saturday 22nd January would suggest these days may well be cancelled and DAD's Army will get the work done on the Thursday work days. This will give the regulars the Saturday off.

I think we will only have weekend working bees for special jobs that need doing.

There are some of these coming up over the next few months.

There isn't much else to report on at the moment. I will be able to advise on the trackwork at Ringwood in the next magazine if all goes well.

One of the special jobs that may require input from the members is preparation of the facilities for the National Meeting in April.

Cheers,

Alan

THURSDAY WORKING BEES
are held at Ringwood Park by DAD'S army on most Thursdays. You are welcome to come & help. Please bring gloves & a hat but ring first to check if we are there. Contact: Alan Bates 0412 280 093 or Doug Rae 0434 141 501

OFFICIAL WORKING BEES FOR 2011 Saturday February 12th

World Rally Championship

Through the Coffs Harbour and District Sporting Car Club, I would like to invite anyone who might be a CAMS Official or anyone who would like to do a road closure or help, to the World Rally Championship round being held in Coffs Harbour 8/12 September 2011. This is a great opportunity to see these WRC in the flesh going flat chat in the bush. Anyone who is interested please answer name, address & phone number and any CAMS accreditations you might have to rjscarle@aapt.net.au or ring 0411 727 255 for further info. Bob Carle

PUBLICITY by Peter Robinson

In my last (December) column's article on Amy Mrcela, I mentioned some under 29.50 and under 30.00 times achieved by Club members at Ringwood and in particular Amy's achievement of a 29.42 in November.

One should never write an article from memory! I have always had a pretty good grasp on results and lap times, but I should have researched a little more!

Ron Hammond emailed some results to me from his Elfin-Rotary and Mondial Lotus days in 1996 and 1998 and Peter Finlay also contacted me.

Ron's best times were spectacularly good for 15 years ago and he was the fastest local Club member at most events at that time.

Peter Finlay informed me that his Mawer (Formula Ford) fitted with a Super-charged Toyota 4AGE was actually quicker than the March 77B Cosworth S/C he ran later.

So the amended "Honour Roll" (pending any further input) would be -

Late 90's	Peter Finlay - Mawer/Toyota S/C	28.3 ?
2001/02	Peter Finlay - March 77B Cosworth S/C	28.8 ?
7/11/2010	Frank Mangano - Jedi	29.25
1/12/1996	Ron Hammond - Elfin Rotary	29.40
7/11/2010	Amy Mrcela - Elfin VW	29.42
5/8/2007	Peter Robinson - PRS	29.45
3/8/1998	Ron Hammond - Mondial Lotus T/C	29.47

I welcome any additions or corrections!! - Greg Hunter? Ben Morley? At least my scribblings do get read!

Whilst we are on the subject of female drivers doing well like Amy, the first Tar Speed Event of the year was held on Sunday (23rd January) at Ringwood on a **very** hot and humid day (32 and 70%).

A great roll-up of 59 drivers entered with many trying their hand at the track for the first time, some with new cars.

Some of us, to do well at Ringwood, spend quite a bit of time changing gear ratios, putting tyre treatment on and adjusting the set up of the car, to suit the tight track. Your columnist made a late decision to enter and an even later decision to ask Elizabeth (daughter) to come along and drive as well, so the car was not prepared as it usually is.

On my first run, I was rather stunned by the lack of grip on a very clean washed track with no rubber on the surface, old tyres and tyres over heating (soft Hill-climb slicks) recording a 31.97.

Elizabeth went out with a cautious father's warnings to be careful, etc., only to see her do a 31.48! I followed, sliding around to a 31.52 (my day was not looking good!)

Full of confidence, and after cooling tyres in the shade, Elizabeth seized the initiative on the cooler tyres, and went for it - pushing the car and herself to the limit of adhesion to record 31.02. I struggled and certainly tried my hardest to finish on a best of 31.13.

Congratulations Elizabeth - Fastest Time of the Day at a very hot and trying event and beating your father for the very first time!

Another successful female Club member was Kimberly Atkins (WRX) with a time of 34.79 showing the guys in SV T 4WD over 3 litres how to do it by winning the Class which included a Mitsubishi Evo 9 and another WRX. Well done Kimberly.

Marea Semken (MGF) not only came 4th in Marque Sports but recorded a theoretical best only a couple of tenths off 3rd (Lotus Elise) with 37.30 actual, but a 36.92 theoretical - you can do it Marea!

Commiserations go to Andrew Bowen, who unfortunately had an accident on his first run. Hope the Silvia is back on the track soon.

It was great to see a return of Stephen Butcher and the very professional Stinger Formula V Team with Dylan Thomas 3rd Outright (32.49) and also the Newcastle Uni SAE Team back again with Clint McDonald recording a 34.12 best.

Keith Hammond is following in Dad's footsteps, quietly getting quicker in the Debron coming 5th outright, right in the midst of some very experienced competitors.

While many of us were complaining that we weren't going as fast as we usually can, Glen Parsonage was quietly getting down to the business of breaking the record for Marque Sports U/2 with a 34.05.

All in all, a great start to the year.

Peter Robinson—Publicity Officer

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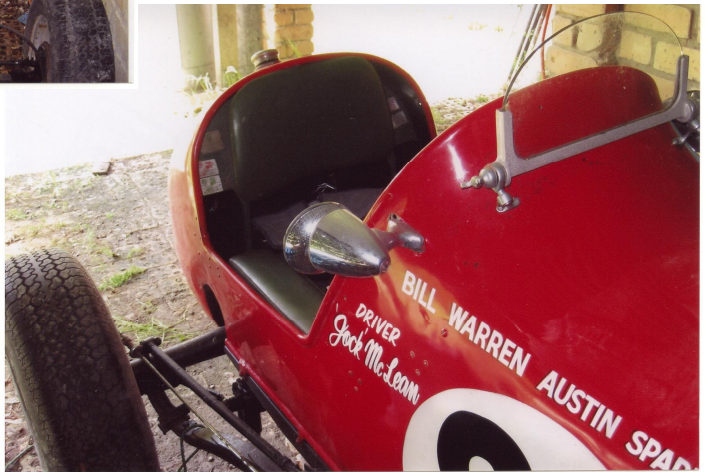
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Raymond
Terrace
for Aus-
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Austin Seven Special - a car of wonderful historical significance in near pristine condition photographed by Glenn Parsonage under a house near Gloucester. Beautifully looked after since last being raced. 1927 baby Austin Seven chassis and fuel tank,



baby Austin Seven springs and steering box, 1930 Austin Seven steering wheel, 1970 BMC A series engine, 1937 big Austin Seven gearbox, front beam axle, stub axles and hubs, Singer Le Mans gearchange, BMC Morris 1000 differential.



AUTOTEST PANEL NEWS

What is it that this Panel has responsibility for and what are "Autotests"?

CAMS have now grouped 3 slightly differing events under the Autotest banner. Two forms are very familiar to us. The third to my knowledge has not been run in the local area in over 40 years if at all. (Some would say that a few of our recent Ringwood Khanacrosses went pretty close to being trials, thanks to the weather!)

CAMS briefly describes each of the events as below:-

Motorkhana

Motorkhana is a fabulous low cost form of motorsport, often providing someone with their first taste of motor sport in their standard road car, but also catering to the most skilled and experienced of drivers in highly modified or purpose built Motorkhana Specials.

The competition is designed to test the acceleration, braking and general manoeuvrability of a vehicle and the skill and judgement of the crew members. A motorkhana may be conducted on a sealed or an unsealed surface and involves manoeuvring through tight and twisty tests marked by flags. Participants require a Level 2NS Licence and can take part from the time they turn 12 years of age.

CAMS sanctions more motorkhanas each year than any other type of event, and they represent a fantastic means to get involved.

My very first event was a Dirt Sprint at Nelson's Plains, closely followed by a Motorkhana some weeks later. I must admit that I found the discipline much more difficult than I had ever imagined and didn't particularly enjoy that first event.

Having spoken to others at that first motorkhana, I was convinced to give it another go. Guess what, I enjoyed that event and have really had a heap of fun for very little money over the years that I was an active competitor. It is my very firm belief that Dirt Motorkhana tests are the very best and by far the safest way for any driver young or more mature to learn car control and to polish their basic driving skills. They should be compulsory for EVERY driver.

The next level up is:-

Khanacross

Khanacross is like a giant motorkhana conducted primarily on unsealed surfaces. Similar as a test of driving skills to motorkhanas, but on a course up to 1.5km long, khanacross is a great opportunity to learn car control at slightly higher speeds, but again can be enjoyed in everything from a standard road car through to purpose built specials.

Participants require a Level 2NS Licence and can take part from the time they turn 14 years of age.



Our Club was effectively running khanacross long before the term was ever used in any regulations. Those members who have been around for a long time (some of us would say too long) will remember the annual "Gloucester Motorkhana". I'll say no more just find some old hands, they'll tell you about them.

To this day, I believe khanacross to be the best value and offer more fun/thrills per dollar than any other form of motorsport. Everyone should have at least one go at it.

The third event type is:-

Observed Section Trails

Observed Section Trials were introduced to Australia from England in 1950 by the late John Pryce and have since been conducted regularly by the Austin 7 Club Inc. Trials cars are built to a specific formula.

Observed Section Trials involve the cars traversing marked sections (the number depending only on the time available) of muddy or slippery surfaces or tortuous, steep, or otherwise difficult terrain. The purpose of each Competitor is to traverse the whole of each section non-stop from a standing start, without departing from the marked course or hitting any of the markers en route.

Sections, which may vary in length from 25m to 100m or more, are each divided into 10 parts, each marked by opposite pairs of pegs or markers.

Observed Section trials are not only great fun for the driver, but also the passenger who fulfils the enjoyable role of aiding traction to the vehicle as it progresses through the sections.

Drivers require a Level 2NS Licence and can take part from the time they turn 16 years of age. Passengers must be at least 14 years of age.

Sound like a lot of fun! (Provided that you are not afraid of good clean dirt!)

I'm not sure how we could develop this aspect of the sport given our available venue and climate.

For those with the desire to see how they go against the wider motorsport community, the year 2011 is a good opportunity to do so with five out of the eight State Khanacross rounds being held here in Newcastle. Two rounds will be at Ringwood and three at Awaba. It's very unlikely you'll get a better chance to try for a State title.

Unfortunately for those with an interest in Motorkhanas, there are only two local rounds, which will be at Awaba. We can hope that by 2012 we can again be in a position to host at least one round at Ringwood.

I am sure that even the local multi club events will all be quite competitive due to the high standards we have had for many years in the NAMS event series.

The first event for MGCCN to run is a state round Khanacross at Ringwood. Nothing like jumping in at the deep end after a couple of years off!! Hopefully I can rely on the experience of the many people who have kindly officiated over past years to make this an event that we can be proud of.

In closing, I wish to extend an invitation to anyone who feels they would like to be involved in making it happen to contact me, and perhaps even join the small panel we have.

Dave Atkins

Autotest Panel Chairman 2011

Rocker Cover Racing February Clubnight 11/2/2011 At the Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland

At the January meeting, Scott McGarry produced his fully engineered small wheeled racer and gave Hodgson Racing Team something to think about. Now David Walker is testing small wheels. Be there for the next bout.



**Don't forget the
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9.00AM TO 4.00PM (lunch provided)

**RING Rick Vincent 0418 494 663 to register and
get information for preparation for the course**



National Meeting Bulletin No 2 December 2010

Merry Christmas MG Enthusiasts! The National Meeting Planning Group has been hard at work all year. The Supplementary Regulations have been sent off to CAMS and we are now waiting for approval and advice of a permit number. We are confident of having the registration and entry forms available by the end of January.

Concours: We will be asking for assistance from members of the other MG Clubs to be class Judges. Fran will be sending out correspondence to Coordinators to gather names of willing judges, so please consider putting your name forward.

Venue for Motorkhana: We are pleased to announce that a venue for the Motorkhana has been secured and we are very fortunate to be granted access to the car parks of the Newcastle Hockey Centre and Energy Australia Stadium at Broadmeadow. This venue is only 5 km away from the centre of Newcastle.

The Hillclimb Director advises that private practice will be available at the Hillclimb circuit on Good Friday between 10 am and 4 pm. There is a charge of \$20 per person (cash) and food / drinks will be available for purchase.

Classes for Touring Assembly: After reviewing the classes used this year, participation numbers and feedback from the survey run from Adelaide we have decided to increase the number of classes. We will also be reviewing the registrations and may increase the classes if sufficient numbers of each model enter the event. The classes will be Pre MGA, MGA, MGB, Midget, MGFs, MGs Post 1980 (excluding MGF). There is distinct potential for the pre MGA class to be further separated judging on past entries.

Rocker Cover Racers: In order to plan for this event we will be asking you to indicate on the Registration form, if you are planning on entering this event. This doesn't mean people can't enter at Registration, we are just trying to gauge interest to better plan the night's activities. Only 1 entrant per racer will be allowed. We will also have a spot reserved at the Concours for people to display their rocker covers inspiring others to develop more over the next year ready for Tasmania!

Kimber Run: As the Kimber Run is not a competition event we are happy to invite all Competitors who do not wish to run in the Motorkhana and social entrants to participate in the Run. It will follow a different route to that of the Touring Assembly although they will both start from the same venue.

CAMS licences: It will save time at Registration if you have sourced your CAMS licence from your own Club prior to coming to Newcastle, however these will be available for purchase at Registration. A special Event licence will cover the events of the weekend but is the same price as a Level 2 NS licence, so is not really cost effective. Did you know that if you don't already have a CAMS licence, getting one just before Easter this year will also cover Easter in 2012 as Easter is earlier in the year.

Regalia options have been finalised and can now be ordered. Pictures and descriptions are available on our club website. The sublimated shirts will be a limited edition run due to the complicated printing process and therefore the need to have these ordered well in advance of the meeting. So get in early to ensure your order is filled for these distinctive shirts. Sizes available are Medium, Large, XL & XXL.

Advice re staying for Breakfast: The day of the Farewell Breakfast is generally not a public holiday and so lots of people don't stay for breakfast preferring to make an early start home. However in 2011 Tuesday 26th April has been gazetted as a public holiday (at least in NSW) as Anzac Day coincides with Easter Monday. So we anticipate that a lot more people may choose to attend the breakfast than have done so in the past. Therefore we will be asking for some indication from registrants of their intention to attend the breakfast - just to help us with logistics, parking and configuration of tables, catering etc. Of course everyone is entitled and welcome to attend the breakfast as one of the standard Nat Meet events. Nomination does not obligate but will help us with planning.

Other travel information: we received some promotional information from Great Southern Rail advising of specials rates members might be interested in if coming from SA or WA. For more details contact Victoria Turnbull; Phone (08) 82134337 Email: vturnbull@gsr.com.au The Motorail fares are for travelling with a vehicle or unaccompanied, all guests travelling in any service level receive a 5% discount on their rail fare. Costs are for 2 guests travelling in Gold Service. Perth to Sydney: Motorail fare \$199.00. Unaccompanied - Motorail fare \$649.00. Sydney to Perth: Motorail fare \$299.00. Unaccompanied - Motorail fare \$999.00. Adelaide to Sydney: Motorail fare \$149.00. Unaccompanied - Motorail fare \$389.00. Sydney to Adelaide: Motorail fare \$99.00. Unaccompanied - Motorail fare \$319.00. Maximum vehicle width: 2.2 meters; Maximum vehicle length 5.5 meters; Inner Wheel Track: Must be greater than 92cm; Outer Wheel Track: Must not exceed 1.90 meters; Undercarriage clearance height: Must be greater than 13cm. Into or out of Sydney v.v - Maximum height 1.57meters.





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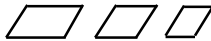
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The Year 2011 Pointscores (How they work!)

THE MICK NIELSON MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR.

This award will be made to the member who obtains the highest number of points awarded for involvement in the club's activities. The award will be marked by a perpetual trophy to be held by the winner for 12 months and a small replica trophy. The award will also entitle the winner to a presentation gift of the value of \$150.00

Points will be scored in the following manner:-

- | | |
|---|-----------|
| 1) Officiating at an event conducted by the MGCC Newcastle | |
| Director/Secretary | 6 points. |
| Steward | 5 points. |
| Other Officials | 4 points. |
| 2) Competitor in a Club run event | 2 points. |
| 3) Working at a pre-advertised Working Bee | 4 points. |
| 4) Attending a Magazine assembly | 2 points. |
| 5) Attending a Club Meeting (Film Night) | 2 points |
| 6) Attending a Club Committee Meeting | 2 points |
| 7) Attending advertised sub-committee meetings
(eg. Mattara Hill Climb/National meeting - all members
welcome to attend | 2 points. |
| 8) Hosting a Natter Night (Family Member scores as well) | 4 points |

Persons who officiate and also choose to compete, (where applicable) will be scored as a competitor.

To be eligible to score points a person must be a financial member of MG Car Club Newcastle Inc. As defined in the "Rules and Objects of Association" at the time of the activity for which the points are being awarded. Likewise they must also be financial at the end of the period for which the pointscore operates.

Members must nominate MG Car Club Newcastle as their Club when completing an entry form for any of the Championship or Series events listed for the MG Car Club Newcastle Club Pointscores. Should a member choose to nominate another club they will not score points in this Championship.

THE CHRIS DODDS MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR OUTRIGHT CLUB CHAMPION.

This award will be made to the member who obtains the highest number of points awarded for competition results in the events listed for the Club Championship. The events will be competitive by nature and hence will be conducted under a C.A.M.S. Permit. The award will be marked by a perpetual trophy to be held by the winner for 12 months and a small replica trophy. The award will also

entitle the winner to a presentation gift of the value of \$150.00.

The events which make up this Year's Club Championship will be those listed and advertised as such and will comprise:-

1. Six nominated Hillclimbs or other Tar Speed Events.
2. Five nominated Motorkhanas 2 to be on tar surface if possible and conducted by MGCC (Newcastle)
3. Three Road Event Series - (nominated Touring Road Events and or Touring Assemblies).
4. Four nominated Khanacross or Dirt Sprint events
(including 2 of which will be conducted by MGCC Newcastle.)
5. The MG National Meeting (Being Motorkhana, Speed Event & Concours)
6. The Annual Club Concours.

The points scored by an individual in their best 12 results will be used for calculation of this Championship. Should events be cancelled the number of results counted will remain at 12.

To be eligible to score points a person must be a financial member of MG Car Club Newcastle Inc. as defined in the "Rules and Objects of Association" at the time of the competition event for which the points are being awarded. Likewise they must also be financial at the end of the period for which the pointscore operates. (currently, the calendar year).

Should the results of an event be calculated using a different set of classifications, to that of our club (ie NAMS classifications as nominated in the 2011 NAMS Regulations), then that Event's results will be re-calculated according to the normal set of classifications used by MGCC Newcastle for the purpose of points distribution to the Club Championship.

The Club Captain will use the competitor's classification scored in previous events in the same car in that year, as being the classification to be used. Should an event have to be re-scored, competitors so affected will be notified accordingly. Should the competitor wish to change from the classification previously entered, they must notify the Club Captain of this within 72 hours of that notification.

Where the classifications are as per the Current NAMS Regulations, the classification noted in the results will be taken as that which the competitor intended to compete in at the time, regardless of previous event results. (This would apply where a competitor purposely "enters up a classification")

For 2011, there are changes to the class/category and how the points are awarded for Juniors.

Points will be awarded for places earned by our members relative to each other.

Outright places will be used e.g. Touring Assemblies, if there are no classifications used.

Where points are awarded based on classification placing in events, additional "Bonus points" will be available to place winners in larger classification group as shown:-



Place in Class	Base Points for Competing = 6	Extra Points for place in Class	Bonus Points if Applicable based on Number of Members in Classification					
			1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Base Points = 6	5	0	1	2	3	4	5
2	Base Points = 6	5	0	0	1	2	3	4
3	Base Points = 6	4	0	0	0	1	2	3
4	Base Points = 6	3	0	0	0	0	1	2
5	Base Points = 6	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
6	Base Points = 6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Base Points = 6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 on	Base Points = 6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Competitors must meet minimum requirements as spelled out in the individual event type series to be eligible for the minimum 6 points awarded for competing. To be eligible for place & bonus points, a competitor must be classed as “a finisher” as defined in the current C.A.M.S. Manual of Motor Sport for the event type concerned.

For the Outright Championship a minimum of 8 club championship events must be contested before a trophy will be awarded.

CLUB LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Ladies Champion will be the lady driver who scores the most points in nominated Club Championship events conducted throughout the year.

The Ladies Championship works in the same way as the Outright Club Championship and is scored on the same events. Lady members who compete in this Championship will have their points calculated on their position relative to all other members of the club in their vehicles classification.

(Note: it is no longer necessary to enter into a Ladies class. The points scored as per event results, will be the score carried across to the Ladies Championship points table).

This means that technically a lady competitor could potentially win both the Ladies Championship and the Outright Championship.

For the Ladies Championship a minimum of 8 club championship events must be contested before a trophy will be awarded.

PAUL DALEY MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR CLUB JUNIOR CHAMPION.

Juniors - Production Category - Juniors driving Type 1, Type 2, Type 3, Type 4, Marque Sports Cars and Clubman with Road Registered Tyres.

Juniors - Special Category - Juniors driving Type 5, 4WD and Special vehicles inc. Open Wheelers, Fabricated Specials, Clubman with Race Tyres. For the Motorkhana series, "Juniors - Production" will be all production vehicles. "Juniors - Specials" will be classes F & G.

Junior Members will be awarded points in their Competition Classes. The Junior with the most points irrespective of category will be deemed the winner.

To be eligible to compete as a "Junior" the competitor must meet the following requirements:-

1. Shall be under 18 years of age at the start of the calendar year.
2. For a Junior member to receive free entry into a Club event, the Junior must nominate MGCC Newcastle as their club on the entry form. Should another Club be nominated then the entry fee will be 50% of the normal adult fee.
3. The membership card will carry a "J____" member number.

Should Juniors wish to compete against seniors then they must pay the full entry and they will be scored as seniors.

To score events where results are not calculated in a way that allows all competitors to be ranked formally against each other, (eg MG National Meeting Concours) points will be allocated in the normal way to those who have been scored and classified in order. The remaining competitors will be grouped together, and the total of their possible points divided between them equally.

TIE BREAKER.

In the case of a tie in the Outright, Ladies or Junior Championships a tie breaker will apply.

The winner will be determined by a count back of the highest points earned for any event by the competitors concerned, then the next highest, until there is a difference, the higher points scorer will be the winner.

INDIVIDUAL EVENT TYPE SERIES.

For each series, the competitor who has the highest points for a given classification, totalled across events within that given series will be deemed the class winner. Four major event groups will be contested as follows:-

Junior Members will be awarded points in their Junior Competition Classes.

Points will be allocated for individual event type series as follows (calculated as for the Club Championship):-

**Event points allocation table:**

No in Class →	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
Place in Class							
1st	11	12	13	14	15	16	16
2nd	NA	11	12	13	14	15	15
3rd	NA	NA	10	11	12	13	13
4 th	NA	NA	NA	9	10	11	11
5 th	NA	NA	NA	NA	8	9	9
6 th	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	7	7
7 th +	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6

ENTERING UP A CLASS.

Should an entrant wish to enter a vehicle up a classification, then such vehicle must comply with ALL requirements for that classification according to the current CAMS Manual of Motorsport.

1) Motorkhana Series.

Six Motorkhana events will be nominated for the "Motorkhana Series".

Points will be awarded for place in classification relative to other members of our club.

All 6 results count toward a Class Series Score.

Only six points can be scored by a competitor who successfully completes one of the nominated tests but does not qualify as a "finisher" as defined in the current C.A.M.S. Manual of Motorsport, National Motorkhana Code.

To be eligible for a Motorkhana Series Class Trophy a member must compete in the same classification in at least 4 of the events included in the series.
(Events for the Outright championships are to be selected from these 6 events)

2) Tar Speed Event Series.

Six events will be nominated for the Tar Speed Event Series. To be eligible for the Class Trophy in the Speed Event Series, a member must compete in at least 4 of the nominated events in the same classification. Points must be scored in the capacity grouping within the classification. Points scored in another classification will only stand for that particular classification.

All 6 results count toward a Class Series Score.

To score points in the Speed Events Series a competitor must complete at

least one official timed run.

(Events for the Outright championships are to be selected from these 6 events)

3) Road Event Series.

The Road Event Series will be contested in two sections:-

a) Drivers Section.

Points are awarded to the driver on the basis of place in class relative to other members from this club. If the field is not split into classifications, the outright position will be used to allocate points.

A competitor must enter and complete the first competitive section of the event to qualify for the 6 points for competing. To gain points for a place (and any bonus points) the driver concerned must first be classed as a "finisher" as defined by the current C.A.M.S. Manual.

Navigators Section.

Points will be calculated on the same basis as the Drivers Section, ie. place relative to other navigators who are members of this club.

The Road Event Series will be contested over 4 events. A member must compete in at least 3 events to qualify for the series trophy.

(Events for the Outright championships are to be selected from these 4 events)

4) Dirt Event Series

This series will comprise of 6 nominated Khanacross Events or Dirt Sprint Events. A member must compete in a minimum of 4 events in the same classification to qualify for the series trophy for that class.

All 6 results count toward a Class Series Score.

Points will be awarded based on position relative to other MGCC Newcastle members in the respective classification.

(Events for the Outright championships are to be selected from these 6 events)

REGISTER CHAMPIONSHIPS.

1) **The David Huck Perpetual Trophy** for the MG driver who scores the most points in nominated club events conducted throughout the year. An "Event" can be a recognised event run by another club, and will include 7 events covered by the Outright Club Championship, 3 events from the MG CAR CLUB National Meeting, 4 events from the MGCC Interclub Competition and 7 advertised non-competitive events such as Register Runs, Processions etc.

The 10 best results will be counted for this Championship.

"Register Pointscore" events will be marked as such in the "Coming Events" with the letter "R" published in "Clubtorque" each month.

Six points will be scored for participation in a non-competition event, while the point scoring system for competition events will be as for the Club Championship Pointscore (Refer also to the Motorkhana Pointscore,) Bonus points will also be awarded. To score points for this trophy an MG car **MUST** be driven in the competitive event or to the non-competitive activity concerned.



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2) **Lions Club Trophy** for best performance by an MG competitor in C.A.M.S. competition. This trophy is scored using points as allocated for the Club Championship and will include the all 22 events listed for the Club Championship plus any other events included in the MG Interclub Series. Only the best 10 results will be scored. All events must be conducted under a C.A.M.S. permit. An MG car must be used to score points for this trophy. Should there be less than 10 events, then all the scored events will count.

There is one other perpetual trophy to be awarded that being:-

The Bill Martin Trophy for The Best Performance by a New Member.

The award will be made by decision of the Committee based on the overall assessment of the effort and involvement put into the Club and its activities by a "new" member.

A "New Member" is any member in their first period of membership of the Club.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, OR ARE UNCERTAIN ABOUT ANY PART OF THE CLUB'S POINTSCORE SYSTEM, PLEASE CONTACT THE CLUB CAPTAIN OR THE PERSON ELECTED TO COMMITTEE TO REPRESENT THE PARTICULAR ACTIVITY. THEY WILL BE ONLY TOO HAPPY TO ASSIST IN WHATEVER WAY THEY CAN.

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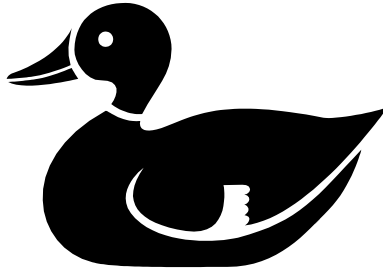
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Fluffy Duck Rally



The Fluffy Duck Rally is an event run annually by the Australian Historic Rally Group.

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Day two starts with breakfast at the Nabiac circuit followed by a test at the circuit, then making our way back to Heatherbrae using some more fabulous dirt and tar roads.

- Being run over 19 & 20 March 2011
- Organised by AHRG (Australian Historic Rally Group)
- \$1000 lucky ticket draw to be drawn after the event with a free ticket allocated to all competitors
- Event 1 Touring Road Assembly (TRA) MGCC Newcastle Road Event Series
- TRA not timed and will use both Dirt and Tar roads
- Starts 9.30 am sharp from Seaham Park and competitors are asked to arrive by 8.00am for scrutineering and documentation
- Overnight at Forster, book your own accommodation
- Finishes at Heatherbrae BP around lunchtime Sunday
- Entry \$130
- Three categories will be run: Expert (chart plotting), Clubman (less plotting) and Touring (route charted)

Enquiries to Ron Fraser 4951 5969 or Martin Reeves 4951 9424

OBITUARY - MIKE HAWKE 1934 - 2010

We sadly report the passing of Mike Hawke in Bradford-on-Avon following a fall at his home.

Mike owned J2396 for 57 years, after purchasing it in 1953, and the MG is number 3 on the Triple-M Register. He was a regular competitor and has many stories to tell. I mention that he looped the loop in 1977 and, using his International Competition licence, competed in all manner of events around Europe. With his son Jeremy, DG 5405 undertook a record attempt at Millbrook on 27 August, 1989. They took 2 International Class "I" records plus 20 National British Class "I" records. These were the 1st new MG International records achieved since 1959 with Phil Hill & EX 181 in Utah USA.

Mike was a Marine Engineer, and while stationed in Singapore, noticed a trailer in a wrecking yard with K3 wheels. To save K3 007 from the advancing Japanese invaders in 1941, the MG had been broken up and buried to prevent it falling into enemy hands. Mike located the buried metal, and reconstructed the racer with guidance from R.T. Horton, the 1st owner. Ronnie Horton won many races at Brooklands including the British Empire Trophy and set lap records up to 120 mph, and was awarded a 120 mph Brooklands badge in 1934. K3 007 also achieved numerous International and National Class "G" 1100cc Records for 50 & 100 km and miles, plus a 200 km record. These latter 2 Records still stand today. A.T.G. Gardner later set further records in K3 007 which also still stand today. Mike told me he regarded the discovery and resurrection of this notable MG as his greatest achievement with the marque.

Mike owned several other MGs including an MGC and a Midget, which he owned for 30 years. I always stayed at the Hawke residence in December every second year, and he drove me to the MG Christmas dinner at Lacock in his MGF, which he owned from new. During other visits we travelled the length and breadth of the UK, and had many laughs together. Mike and Ann stayed with me in Australia, and I usually arranged a set of prewar MG wheels so he could compete at the MG Nationals. We last met and competed in MGs in New Zealand.

I always received a copy of his latest book and copy number 49 had a note on the flier: "To Peter for encouragement from Down Under." I treasure his kindness with the books, letters and cards, and usually rang him after he came home from church on Sunday. Mike had a strong Christian faith, and was a deacon and lay preacher at his church, but never sought to impose his beliefs on others.

Mike was a committee member and Secretary of the Triple-M Register, and made a major contribution when he took on Chairmanship of the MGCC for three years. He went to the clubrooms to supervise, direct, and organize the staff. John Thornley had encouraged Mike, in one of his last requests to him, as the club was having difficulties. Mike told me the benefit was he could research material for his books from the archives, while the staff got on with their jobs. He



stepped down after the re-organisation, but remained a Vice President of MGCCUK until his death. He was astute and I recall the club property was held in trust, to minimize risk of loss if the club faltered again. As a CPA, I endorsed the actions taken. Mike was a friendly, likeable club member, who was just as enthusiastic when meeting new members, as he was with his long term friends and acquaintances. We were all blessed by his contribution.

I spoke with Ann by telephone, and offered condolences from us all out here. They were also offered by card and on the website. I am sure we all offer support to Ann, Marcus, Jeremy, and their families and we offer support at the Memorial service on January 19, 2011.

His new book is available on the UK MGCC website, and may be purchased direct from the club.

Peter Kerr

Tripe M-Rep Australasia



J1s and J2s in Competition

By Mike Hawke

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