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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Just to let members realise how huge the National Meeting of MG Car Clubs will be, I would say that participation wise, it will be three to four times as big as the Mattara Hillclimb. There will be six events run over the Easter break.

There are only two more magazines before it is on. With a LOT of help it should be easy and successful. Grab the "Drop out" from last month's magazine and let us know how and when you will be able to assist.

We need as many competitors for the Nat Meet as possible. You will need to be driving an MG to be a Competitor Entrant so try and organise yourself for a drive. If not, enter as a Social Entrant for the obvious social side of things and enter your "WAG" (or "HAB" - husband and boyfriend) as well. Social Entrants can spectate at all the events as well as attend the three evening functions, all catered for - Natter Night/Rocker Cover Racing (Social Entrants will be entitled to race Rocker Covers as well), Theme Night and the Presentation Night. All members are welcome to enter as a Social Entrant.

There is still a large amount of work to be done before Easter, both at Ringwood Park and the Clubrooms. The contract has been let for the resurfacing of the hillclimb track. Concrete edging will need to be done when that is completed and the awning at the front of the secretary's office is on the agenda, as well a general tidying up. The speed event there will be a long day, as the first car will be STARTING at 7.30AM. If you are able to help for some time during the day let me know.

The contract for the painting of the Clubrooms is being finalised. When finished all posters, photos etc will need to be replaced and then a general tidy up.

No dates for these activities have been set, but contact Alan Bates if you can help. Also watch for the latest on the front page of our web site.

Following on from last month's magazine, the updating of our constitution is almost complete. Dave Atkins is referencing each item in our present Rules and Objects of Association (R&OA) to the new document. In this new document all items which have been taken directly from the R&OA are underlined. Any corrections in grammar and anything that we now do or have (such as listing all forms of membership) and have not been listed are shaded in yellow. All the plain type is wording required by the Department of Fair Trading (DFT) Model.

When it is complete it will be put on the web site for everyone to review. Keeping in mind that this is an update to the standard required by the DFT and not changing anything (except for allowing Day Membership - passed at last year's Annual

General Meeting) questions/comments may be submitted in writing to the committee. They will be checked and answers provided.

The Tri Club Challenge Rules have been finalised and distributed (also on the web). The inclusion of a Bathurst Hillclimb as a round to the series has added a lot of interest. Those who compete at Kempsey in the first event are able to register for the series by paying a \$60.00 deposit as part entry for the other three events. Priority to the remaining events will be given to those who attend the most previous meetings.

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.

Release 2 of the calendars are now on the website

SECRETARY'S REPORT Andy Peters

Lots of club magazines are arriving from other Car Clubs and will be displayed in our clubrooms. It is always interesting to read what other clubs are doing for their sporting and social events.

We have been receiving the monthly magazine "The Hub" from the Hunter Jaguar Club for some time now and this month they have commenced sending us an electronic version only. If any members would like to receive this, would they please let me know and I am happy to forward it on to you.

Thanks to all the members who came along to the working bees at our clubrooms - we certainly had hot weather. It is great to see our clubrooms getting a fresh look.

We had an enjoyable register run up to Mt Sugarloaf this morning for breakfast with other club members and enjoyed the beauty of the mountain.

Good news is my red MGB is back on the road again

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

Andy

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March Clubnight – Hillclimb Presentation

There will be a short presentation on the latest thinking on the direction the hillclimb should take and the costing. There will be a relief model on display for the comments of members.

Bryn, Doug, Rick & Mal (Track Advisory Panel)

APRIL EVENTS DIARY 2011

Date	EVENT	Time	Points
2/4 SAT	NATTER NIGHT - David and Lesley Walker—see page 14	6:30 PM	M
2/4 SAT	Young Driver Development Course - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood	10 AM	
3/4 SUN	HILLCLIMB (Nat Meet Practice) - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood	3 PM	M R3
4/4 MON	Magazine Assembly - Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland	7 PM	M
6/4 WED	SPEED PANEL MEETING -MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland	8.00 PM	M
8/4 FRI	CLUB NIGHT- MGCC Newcastle. Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland	8:00 PM	M
9/4 SAT	NAMS MotorGames Weekend - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood		M Nmg
9/4 SAT	NSW Supersprint Rnd 2 - ARDC - Eastern Creek		
10/4 SUN	MOTORKHANA (Nat Meet Practice) - MG Hunter Region - TBA		
10/4 SUN	NAMS MotorGames Weekend - WAC - Awaba		Nmg
10/4 SUN	STATE HILLCLIMB - SDMA - Canberra		
13/4 WED	COMMITTEE MEETING - MGCC Newcastle Held at Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. BE PROMPT	7:30 PM	M
17/4 SUN	KHANACROSS - WAC - Awaba		KC3 N
22/4 FRI	MG NAT MEET HILLCLIMB (Private Practice) - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood		M
22-24 APR	Festival of Sports Cars - Eastern Creek		
23/4 SAT	MG NAT MEET CONCOURS - MGCC Newcastle - The Foreshore Newcastle	9:30 AM	M R5 CC7
24/4 SUN	MG NAT MEET HILLCLIMB - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood	7:30 AM	M R6 CC8
24/4 SUN	MG MAT MEET TOURING ASSEMBLY - MGCC Newcastle - Start Bar Beach through Lower Hunter Region	8:30 AM	
25/4 MON	MG NAT MEET MOTORKHANA - MGCC Newcastle - Energy Australia Stadium Carpark	8 AM	M R7 CC9

Young Driver Development Course Conducted at Ringwood Park Introduction car control course

It is necessary to obtain a Young Driver Development Course (YDDC) Information Sheet from Greg Hunter (phone 0412 493 711 or 4959 2716) or Gregor Dickinson.

It is essential you read and understand the information before you attend a YDDC Training Day.

The course is designed for junior drivers from 12 to 18 years of age.

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 fitted with 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).

All training days are Saturdays

Dates for 2011

2nd April

28th May

15th July

6th August

3rd September

26th November

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CAPTAIN'S CORNER by Scott McGarry

As I write this, February is almost over, and the club has been quite busy in the last two months, with all the regular meetings and events, and a couple of extra advertised working bees at the clubrooms. It has been busy enough for a significant number of points to be awarded for the Mick Neilson Club Member of the Year, which I have presented below. It is interesting to note that the immediate past three winners of this award are in first and equal second places, again.

		Club Member Points	Position
Snow	Michael	38	1
Collins	John	34	2
Peters	Andrew	34	2
Bates	Alan	30	4
Walker	David	30	4
Bower	Paul	28	6
Rae	Douglas	23	7
Bower	Joy	22	8
Atkins	David	19	9
Baverstock	Bryn	18	10
Clarke	Lyall	18	10
Rae	Judith	18	10

Two rounds of the Club Championship have been held as of writing. The top 30 competitors are separated by just 5 points overall. As there is no clear order just yet, I have not published this point score. The Junior Championship, on the other hand, has two clear leaders already, as presented below.

		Junior Points	Junior Position
Grant	Dylan	29	1
Hammond	Keith	27	2
Grant	Beau	17	3
Chandler	Andrew	13	4
Edwards	Camryn	12	5
Hammond	Reece	12	5
Meek	Tegan	11	7
Agllias	Tyson	10	8
Eketone	Joseph	10	8

Until next month,
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Scott McGarry



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REGISTER NEWS by David Walker

Sunday 20th February was overcast but very warm (30C) for our Clubroom to Mount Sugarloaf Breakfast Run. A good day for topless driving, although there were several yawns before we left the clubrooms at 7.45am for a quick run up to the picnic area among the trees with 9 MGs and 23 people. As usual, we took full advantage of the free electric BBQ's and covered seating and enjoyed watching the kookaburras, currawongs and magpies clean up the left over sausages and bacon thrown out to them.

Change of date for the register run in March from 13th the 27th due to State Khanacross at Ringwood. Might be best to check our website or ring to confirm dates. I have a National Meeting Touring Assembly Training information pack to hand out. Particularly if you are doing the Touring Assembly at the National Meeting, make sure you read the Supplementary Regulations carefully. The Register Run will be from our Clubrooms to Clarence Town Lions Park, on 27th March. BYO food and drink. We will leave at 9.30am, ETA 11.00am - 11.30am.

XMAS IN JULY- Deposits are being taken already for Xmas in July (see separate advertisement on page 31). There are a limited number of rooms, so first in will have the opportunity of choosing their accommodation for a six course dinner, bed and hot breakfast on Saturday 30th / Sunday 31st July at the Carriageway at Crooks Park on Clarence Town Road, Dungog. \$100 will secure you a room.

The Rocker Cover Racers at the monthly clubnight are gathering increased interest. Several new models were displayed and run last month. How is yours coming along? Small toys for big boys and girls. See me if you require construction templates and rules for racing. The rules are also on our website.

Any member interested in Register Runs please send your email address to me and I will include you in the reminder we send out via email the week before each event.

"B' seeing you,

DAVID

Interclub Motorkhana Challenge

Organised by MG Car Club Hunter Region

Saturday 26th March 2011

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SOCIAL NEWS by Rose Cogger

An exciting February Rocker Cover clubnight was held with keen enthusiasts competing with each other to see who can be a winner in this fast growing competition. Do come along to the next club night to view the cars trying to make it to the finish line.

Ryan Bates gave a very enthusiastic talk on his first two weeks of employment with the Audi Company in Newcastle. It appears that trainees with Audi Australia are looked after well. Ryan was given a new Audi A4 to drive to Sydney for his first week of training. Included was his accommodation and food. We all wish Ryan a happy and successful future with Audi Australia.

Peter Finlay, retired International Race Driving Instructor, will be the guest speaker at our next clubnight. You

may well remember some of our members who have been tutored by him and he may relate some amusing stories.

Come along to the next clubnight on Friday 11th March 2011 commencing at 7.30pm. As usual, the venue is the clubrooms, Cobby Street, Shortland.

The next Natter Night will be held on Saturday April 2nd 2011 and there will be a lot of discussion at this one on the MG National meeting which is to be held in Newcastle over the Easter long weekend. The venue is the home of David and Lesley Walker at 29 First St, Boolaroo. BYO barbeque supplies, desserts and drinks.

Rose Cogger

Social Secretary - m 0413 222 828

EDITORIAL by Mike Cole

Last month, Judith as former editor set the deadline for articles based on her experience. I needed all the time I could get for my first issue.

This month I knew I would be away for three days competing in the first round of the 2011 PRB Race Series, part of the HSRCA meeting at Wakefield Park.

So I set the deadline a day earlier.

Well of course nothing got done on the magazine before I went away. The car was far more important.

But so far the magazine is going to-

gether well, so I have set the next deadline a bit later.

Not that I am planning to compete with the website for timeliness of information, but every bit helps.

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 Clubnight date.

The deadline for the April magazine is Friday 25th March 2011.



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MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY Judith Rae

Have you sent back your Membership renewal yet !!!

The Club's financial year started 1st March 2011.

If you are entering an event you will need a financial club membership and current CAMS licence (check it out now!).

Please advise any change of details.

As per our constitution, if you are not renewing your membership a letter of resignation is required.

If your membership is not paid by the end of April, you will not receive a magazine.

Please ring Judith Rae 4944 7356 if you require assistance.

**Welcome New Members**

Peter Calman	Associate	Mazda RX-7
Heather Wightman	Associate	Mitsubishi Mirage
Melissa Wightman	Junior	Mitsubishi Mirage
Andrew Bowen	Associate	Nissan Silvia
Mick Barclay	Full	MGB MkII
Brent Liddell	Full	MGB
Karen Liddell	Full	MGB
Grant Munro	Associate	Ferrari, E Type

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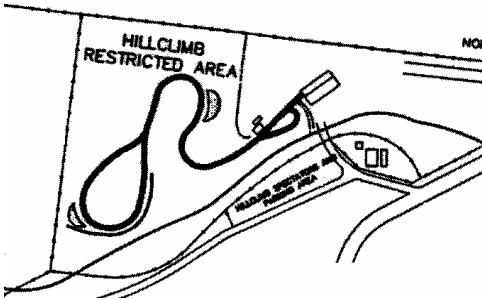
Left: Wiring the new TV aerial at the Clubrooms working bee (Gregor Dickinson).

Above right: Amy Mrcela and Steve Mason at the NAMS Presentation Night (Gregor Dickinson).

Right: Breakfast at Mt Sugarloaf (Editor).



LAND PANEL by Alan Bates



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

Fellow Slaves.

Another year has arrived and we are back into the grind.

No rest for the wicked. Now that the grader is repaired the task of improving the access road is underway. As well as preparing the dirt tracks for khana-cross.

Painting of the toilet block has finally been completed, internally. The outside is yet to be done.

All buildings have been sprayed for termites. This will be done every six months or so.

Started on establishing a cleared strip along the new fence line.

Trees on turns 1 & 2 have been removed and the stumps have been ground below ground level.

There have been two working bees at the clubrooms and I must congratulate all those who attended. The weather was fine and bloody hot! However we all battled on and a good job has been done. I'm not sure how many actually attended but it was nearly standing

room only. Special thanks must go to Shirley Peters who prepared the lunches for both days. And lets not forget to thank C&L Joinery, (AKA) Grant Cook, for providing the vanity tops for the Ladies room and the Gents.

Expressions of interest were called for and estimates provided by three companies for the resurfacing of the existing hillclimb track. Two companies were asked to provide firm quotes for the job and a contract has been signed for the work. This will commence on the 14th March.

There appears to be a fair bit of misinformation as to why the track is being re-surfaced:

- Every year the track is inspected by the NSW Police for compliance.
- Last year five sections of the track were identified as sub standard and would need to be repaired before our next licence renewal.
- The edges of the track in a number of places would need attention before the next inspection.

- Some sections of the track were being undermined by tree roots and will require repair.

As the track has had a number of repairs done over the years, and a few more were needed, it was decided by committee that the most economical way forward was to have the track re-surfaced in its entirety.

The track will be unavailable for use for approximately two weeks after completion.

So much for that month. I wonder what the rest of the year may bring, probably more work without an increase in pay.

There are no programmed working bees set down for Ringwood. Atten-

dance at the last two was non-existent. As a result DAD'S ARMY will look to do the preparation on the Thursday before.

Working bees will still be called for when special projects are pending. There will be a concreting job at Ringwood in the not too distant future. This will be a Saturday effort.

So keep an eye on the website and in the magazine, and I will post advice in both places.

Look forward to seeing you at the next gathering of the clan.

Regards,

Alan

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 rjslcarle@aapt.net.au or ring 0411 727 255 for further info. Bob Carle

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PUBLICITY by Peter Robinson

We seem to have a lot of new and interesting developments coming up early this year.

Firstly, our Hillclimb "Circuit" at Ringwood is being hotmixed with a top grade surface, the same as Oran Park, to give us a nice new grippy track. This is being done in March just before the MG National Meeting at Easter.

Due to licensing arrangements with the Raymond Terrace Police (who can dictate what is safe or not with our track surface!!!), the re-surfacing had to happen ASAP.

The Committee is looking at other improvements to the facility to make it more attractive for local competitors, visitors and spectators.

The benchmark for any such venue in Australia would be either Mt. Cotton in Queensland, with hotmix surfaced pit and paddock "streets" for competitors to park on grass and then drive to the startline without getting covered in mud in wet weather; or Bryant Park (Haunted Hills) in Victoria. Actually, nearly all hillclimbs have at least a dummy grid area with an all-weather sealed surface.

One of our Club members, Ed McCane competed in his new and improved "Hayward" Hillclimb Special at Tamworth recently and not only lowered the under 2 litre record by over 2 seconds (!!) to 35.10, but pushed Neil Farr in his V8 Bowin to finish just 2/100th behind Neil - first time out - well done Ed.

Brett Hayward, the car's builder, is not only a very clever designer and builder, but a pretty good driver himself, having won the 2009 Australian Hillclimb Championship outright. He will be odds-on favourite this year as well, as the Championship will be held at his home track at Bryant Park near Moe in Victoria, where he holds the outright record. I believe Ed's car is to the same specs (or better).

2011 Tri-Challenge Championship

This year the Tri-Challenge Series has had a lot of comment already because of the inclusion of an event at Bathurst. The event will be a Hillclimb on the famous track at the 'Esses', which starts outside the Clubhouse on Conrod Straight and proceeds up to Skyline. It's very steep, fast and great fun.

Round 1	Kempsey	19 th & 20 th March
Round 2	Tamworth	9 th & 10 th July
Round 3	Bathurst	28 th August
Round 4	King Edward Park	3 rd October

Peter Robinson
Publicity Officer

SPEED PANEL by Rick Vincent

Hi Guys

I am back from holidays in New Zealand. It really is a spectacular country, particularly trekking around Milford Sound in the South Island, then biking the Central Otago disused train track for 160km. Totally recommended.

One area that would really thrill the revheads is from Christchurch via Arthurs Pass to Hummer Springs. It's 300km of alpine A1 roadways with very little traffic. Absolutely fantastic in a 318 IS BMW. Only one draw back. Mrs Handbrake was sitting beside me, and wouldn't read her herald.

Seeing we are talking about speed events, a very slippery weekend was had by Mal Roach, John Finch, John Garroway and yours truly at the FOSC event at Wakefield Park last weekend. Mal & John competed in Combined Sports & Improved Production Cars, Mal coming third and John in fifth place. John Garroway and myself competed in regularity A and won the award for that event.

The mighty 260Z Datsun was setting a well defined oil trail around the track so John could follow it, until the officials had enough. At least he was the only car out of the four of us that didn't perform 360s, which was quite a challenge in the wet conditions. John Garroway had the misfortune of blowing a turbo on Friday practice. It didn't worry him though. He just went back home and got another one, as you do.

As you are aware the Club Chief Training is on this weekend. A total of 16 students will attend, 9 from our club. CAMS have advised that another training event is scheduled for a May date and venue to be announced.

For all those additional club members who offered to attend this weekend's training, can they please apply via the CAMS website to complete the basic officials course that will entitle them to attend the next Club Chief Course. Thanks for your interest, it is appreciated. Please contact me should you require further details.

Several options are being investigated for the Ringwood Hillclimb extension. Committee members will view these in the near future. Should a design be selected, full costing and drawings will proceed.

A special thanks goes out to the officials who ran last weekend's Ladies and Juniors Hillclimb. The wet conditions apparently tested a few.

Keep your tyres hot

Regards

Rick

AUTOTEST PANEL NEWS

There hasn't been any action for us at Club level yet. Our first event is on Sunday 13th March at Ringwood and is also the first round of the NSW Khanacross Series. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and the work put into preparing the tracks will see a top event for our competitors. This event will differ from the normal khanacross, in that we have applied to run over some sections of the hillclimb track. Two tests will be part bitumen and part dirt. It will be interesting to see how that will be received by the competitors. The Hillclimb is scheduled to be resurfaced on the following day, and it is probably unlikely that we will use it again for khancross tests.

With the deliberations underway about how our remaining section of land will be utilised for events, it is very important for any members who have an interest in events other than hillclimbs to come forward NOW and make their views known. Otherwise I fear only the scraps will go towards facilities for Motorkhanas and even less for Khanacross.

Hillclimbing is strong and well represented at present, primarily because the venue has continually been made more pleasant over the 10 years or so that the MGCC has had ownership of it. The resurfacing is not a luxury, but a necessity due to the demands put on the club by the police who inspect speed event tracks on behalf of the NSW Department of Sport and Recreation. If the surface wasn't upgraded then there would be little chance of a licence being issued for the 2011-12 year.

Despite a huge amount of work on the part of a very small number of members who have prepared the tracks to the best they could with the material available on site, Motorkhana and Khanacross have both had second rate (some would say much lower) facilities for far too long. This has happened primarily because of the ongoing uncertainty about the future of the property, and the potential race circuit developments, which is fair enough.

The poor facilities and low number of events have seen the numbers drift away simply because it is no fun competing at "Rockwood"!

However with the very small section of land we are left with, it is imperative that those with an interest in seeing that current and future members and visitors from other clubs have a decent venue on which to learn and practice their car control skills, come forward and make their views known.

Unfortunately I don't foresee much improvement in the near future, and at this stage tar venues are still impossible to find. The carpark between Energy Australia Stadium and the Hockey grounds will be used for the National Meeting and will be really good for that. However, because of the very high number of water filled barriers needed to satisfy their safety concerns, it would be uneconomical to run club events there, even if permission was forthcoming.

Sorry if this report sounds a bit negative, but I genuinely have concerns about the future for the base level motorsport disciplines within our club.

Dave Atkins

Autotest Panel Chairman 2011

Rocker Cover Racing

March Clubnight 11/3/2011

At the Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland

A dark horse took the prize at the February clubnight. Martin Reeves bolted some wheels and angle iron to a MG V8 rocker cover and was consistent all night. What happens next? Be there.



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National Meeting Bulletin No 3

The Supplementary Regulations for the 2011 MG National Meeting have been approved by CAMS and are now ready to be disseminated. We look forward to receiving your registration forms and regalia orders.

We have endeavoured to keep prices as low as possible and still offer choice and value.

The Supplementary Regulations for the National Meeting and the Registration (Entry) Form are available on the website, or by contacting Fran Hodgson if you would like the forms emailed or posted directly to you. Forms have already been sent to many members but some email addresses seem to have changed since membership renewal last year.

We hope that the registration form is easy to follow but in case you have questions, please direct your enquiries firstly to Fran Hodgson (re Structure of Nat Meet and events) and Darren Hodgson (re Class Eligibility) on mg2011@live.com.au; Ph: (02) 49469989 (AH) or 0414449252 (Fran) / 0414966095 (Darren).

Notes re completion of Registration Form.

- The entry fee for the National Meeting is inclusive for all events listed. People are free to compete in a combination of 3 events or fewer but there is no reduced entry fee for entering fewer events. Nor is there reduced entry fee for those not wanting to attend all social events.
- **Children:** Please register all children who will be attending social events- even if they will not be eating at the events, so that we can have adequate seating for them.
- **Concours Entry for Double entered cars:** the car is to be entered by one competitor only in the Concours.
- **Rocker Cover Racing:** Indicating on the registration form does not oblige anyone to contest this fun activity but gives us an indication of numbers who may be participating and the time we will need to run the event on Friday Night.
- **Regalia:** Full details and photos / depictions of regalia are available on the MGCC Newcastle website. We would appreciate as many pre orders as possible due to the costs of garments and supplier restrictions.
- **CAMS Single Event licences:** competitors who do not compete regularly and do not already have a CAMS competition licence have the option of purchasing a Level 2SE - single event licence that will cover

all competition events just for the national meeting. Competitors need to be at least 14 years old. Competitors who are under 14 are not able to compete in the Hillclimb and can purchase a Junior NS licence if they wish to compete in the Motorkhana.

The Level 2SE licence is only available for purchase at the National Meeting. Please indicate on the Registration form if you want one of these licences so that we can arrange to have sufficient numbers available. Of course, if you think that you will compete at other events over the next year, you may also choose to purchase a Level 2 competition licence, at either a Level 2S (covering Speed Events) or a level 2NS (non speed covers Motorkhana and Touring Assembly). If you plan on purchasing a full year Level 2 licence, it would be preferable for you to arrange this prior to coming to the National Meeting.

- **Motorkhana Tests:** In the interests of smooth and active competition, we are happy to let competitors know of the Motorkhana tests we intend to run. These are:
 - **Tee Garage; Q Mothballs; Multiple Loop.**

The organisers reserve the right to mirror image the event or vary the scale dependant on the available space to conduct the event under OH&S considerations. Happy practicing!

- **Maps:** We are in the process of preparing maps of the area and event locations and will include co-ordinate identifiers suitable for use with electronic directory devices such as Tom Tom, Sat Nav, etc. These will be sent out to all registrants.
- **Touring Assembly:** Competitors in the Touring Assembly will receive a voucher that can be used to supplement the purchase of lunch at the final destination.
- **Speed Event: Age requirements amendment for juniors.** Some people may have received an early copy of the Supplementary Regulations and this Bulletin that do not contain the correct information concerning junior competitors. Just as the Supp Regs were approved for distribution, it was brought to our attention that NSW Government Legislation only approves 16 year olds to compete in speed events - whereas CAMS approves 14 years as the minimum age limit. However there is an exception provided by the NSW Government Dept to approve those aged between 14 - 16 years to compete in single car speed events (e.g. Hillclimb) if they have completed a CAMS approved Driver Training Course. This change will not affect most people planning on attending the National Meeting. However if you have a "junior" planning on competing and you wish further clarification please contact us.

Report on NAMS for 2010

Across all events there were 225 competitors.

Event	Competitors	Juniors	Ladies
Tar Speed (Hillclimb)	111	14	11
Khanacross	93	14	9
Motorkhana	80	29	16
Rallysprint	20		3

The competitor numbers from the clubs were

Westlakes Auto Club	82
Newcastle Sporting Car Club	8
MG Car Club Newcastle	123

Regards
Michael Snow
NAMS Scorer



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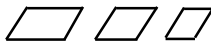
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2011 Club Championship

23-Jan-11	Tar Speed	Ringwood Park
6-Feb-11	Motorkhana	Awaba
5-Mar-11	Khanacross	Awaba
6-Mar-11	Tar Speed	Ringwood Park
13-Mar-11	Khanacross	Ringwood Park
27-Mar-11	Motorkhana	Awaba
23-Apr-11	NatMeet Concours	Newcastle foreshore
24-Apr-11	NatMeet Hillclimb	Ringwood
25-Apr-11	NatMeet Motorkhana	Broadmeadow
15-May-11	Khanacross	Ringwood Park
29-May-11	Motorkhana	Ringwood Park
26-Jun-11	Tar Speed	Ringwood Park
20-Aug-11	Touring	Heart of the Hunter
11-Sep-11	Tar Speed	Ringwood Park
18-Sep-11	Khanacross	Awaba
25-Sep-11	Motorkhana	Awaba
15-Oct-11	Touring	Mattara Newcastle T/A
6-Nov-11	Tar Speed	Ringwood Park
13-Nov-11	Touring	The Short Run
20-Nov-11	Concours	TBA
27-Nov-11	Motorkhana	TBA
4-Dec-11	Tar Speed	Ringwood Park

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Xmas in July 2011

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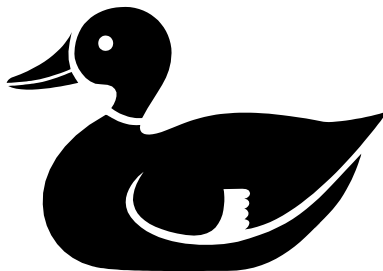
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With only 13 rooms available, we expect this year's Xmas in July to book quickly. A deposit of \$100.00 per couple is required. We have a few ideas for interesting places to see in the area on Saturday and Sunday, which we will firm up in the coming weeks. Contact Lesley or David Walker for bookings and deposits, email at LWA04958@bigpond.net.au or phone 4958 4941.

Fluffy Duck Rally



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

The event starts at Seaham with the cars heading for tests at Ringwood and Riverwood Downs followed by great dirt and tar road sections all the way to Forster.

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
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