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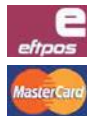
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## Coming Events - February 2012

- Sat 4 Motorkhana day/night - WAC - Awaba. 5pm. MK1, CC2, NMK1
- Mon 6 **Magazine Assembly** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7pm. M
- Wed 8 **Speed Panel Meeting** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 8pm. M
- Fri 10 **Clubnight** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. See page 10. M
- Sat 11 **Young Driver Development Course** - Ringwood - see page 14
- 11 - 12 2012 Gnoo Blas Classic Car and Bike Show, Orange NSW
- Sun 12 State Hillclimb Round 1 - SDMA - Fairbairn Park, Canberra
- Tue 14 **KEP publicity discussion meeting** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 8pm. M
- Sat 18 CSCA Supersprint - Club Lotus - Wakefield Park.
- Sun 19 State Khanacross Round 1 - HDCC - Hampton.
- Sun 19 **Training Hillclimb** - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood - see page 15. M
- Tue 21 **Board Meeting** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. M
- Sat 25 Twilight Khanacross - WAC - Awaba. 3pm. KC1, CC3, NKC1
- Sat 25 **Natter Night** - Ken and Louise McLeod, 43 Dapura Lane, Kotara South. 6:30pm - see page 10.
- Sun 26 **Register Run** - Sal's, Speers Point Park - see page 12. M, R2
- Sun 26 State Motorkhana Round 1 - Renault CC - Nimba.

**Legend**

M - Club Member

CC - Club Championship

TA - Touring assembly

N - NAMS

KC - Khanacross

TC - Tri-challenge

R - Register pointscore

MK - Motorkhana

TS - Tar Speed Series

Please contact the respective Panel Chairman or Gregor Dickinson to confirm that an event is still being conducted. Also check the website as late cancellations do happen.

## Coming Events - March 2012

- Sat 3    **State Hillclimb Round 2 - BLCC - Bathurst Esses.**
- Sun 4    **State Hillclimb Round 3 - BLCC - Bathurst Mountain Straight.**
- Mon 5    **Magazine Assembly - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7pm. M**
- Fri 9    **Clubnight - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. M**
- Sat 10    **Young Driver Development Course - Ringwood - see page 14**
- Sat 10    **Touring Assembly - Fluffy Duck - AHRG. CC4, TA1, NTA1, R3**
- Sun 11    **Hillclimb - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood. M, CC5, TS2, NTS2**
- Tue 13    **Rocker Cover Racing - MGCC Hunter Region - see page 8. 8pm.**
- Wed 14    **Speed Panel Meeting - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 8pm. M**
- Sun 18    **Tri-challenge Hillclimb - Round 1 - Kempsey SCC - Mt Cooperabung. M, TC1**
- Tue 20    **Board Meeting - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. M**
- Sat 24    **Rallysprint - WAC - Awaba. 4pm.**
- Sat 24    **Motorkhana (tar) - MGCC Hunter Region - see page 22. R4**
- Sun 25    **Register Run. M**
- Sun 25    **State Motorkhana Round 2 - Thornleigh CC - Nimba.**
- Sat 31    **Natter Night - Louise and Allan Evans. 6:30pm.**

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Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2012

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

G'day Everyone.

Three weeks into the job and I have just realised I have to write something every month. Don't expect a great literary experience but what I will try and do is keep you up to speed as to what the club is doing and how things are progressing with our hillclimb and other important issues within the club.

First things first though. I would like to say a thank you to the members who are leaving us and welcome a few new faces to the board. Greg Hunter is the new Vice-President. Greg has been there, done that, and has a lot of experience to offer. We have a new Secretary in Ken McLeod. Ken comes with great credentials for the job and I'm sure he will carry on Andy's good work. Gregor Dickinson most of you should know, has been on the board before, is a good organiser and is now the Event Co-ordinator, amongst other things. Dave Durie has been on board before so he knows the ropes. Nicolas Correa is fairly new to the club having moved up from Sydney, but has already got the KEP bug from 2011 and is looking forward to 2012. The rest of your board has been on before and some have changed hats. In my view a well structured and experienced board to see the club through 2012.

Having said all that, a board is there for the members and to run the club in the best possible way for the members. But they are volunteers and are doing it because they believe in the club, so be nice to them. Just as important is input from you the members. No good whinging to yourselves about this is wrong or that's not right. Tell us! Maybe we can help but without your input the board can only work with the information it has.

Enough of the official stuff. Now how is the hillclimb extension going? Slowly. I know it's the way things are done but everything to do with bureaucracy seems to take forever. Bear in mind the time of writing this and it appearing in the magazine could be a couple of weeks. At the moment we are waiting on a report from the Water Board to go back to council. As far as I can tell, when it does we should be getting close to a result. If we get the ok, the next clubnight after it I think we should have a party!

Talking of clubnights, where are you? We have possibly the best clubrooms around, air conditioned for your comfort and Rose puts on a supper at the end. What more can you want? February we have a film night (see the ad), so I hope to see some new faces. As I said before, we can only work with what we hear from you the members, so if you have any ideas for clubnights let us know. For instance, someone suggested a different night. Any takers?

See you soon

Cheers Bryn



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Clubnight Feature  
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## **Senna**

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During the February Clubnight a private screening of the much acclaimed Senna documentary will be shown.

The Theatrical Version will run for about 115 minutes.

Screening will commence at 7:45pm sharp.

To secure a seat please arrive early, as the floor is wooden and splinters cannot be avoided!

### **HIRING OF RINGWOOD HILLCLIMB FOR PRIVATE PRACTICE \$25**

Please contact either John Collins, Peter Robinson or Alan Bates to arrange for keys and necessary disclaimer.

See page 4 and 5 for contact details.

### **INVITATION TO ROCKER COVER RACING NIGHT** Extended by President Geoff Smith

To be held at **MG HUNTER  
REGION Clubrooms**  
68 Elder Street **LAMBTON**  
Tuesday Night 13th March  
Be there by 8pm for an  
8.30pm start.



## SECRETARY'S REPORT Ken McLeod

Hi Everyone and welcome to another great year for the MG Car Club. This is a good year for getting a bit more use out of your car and joining in the many events available, whether you are into racing, socialising, or just want to go for a cruise, or simply be a spectator.

As your new Secretary I hope I can continue the great work that has been done by outgoing secretary Andy Peters and wife Shirley. They have made life easy for me as they have really set things up well. I hope I can continue to provide a high standard.

Our Club now has approximately 500 members with a very strong enquiry rate but like many organisations, many of these members are unknown to us.

If you don't know anyone in the Club, don't be shy. Come along to a monthly Clubnight, a social natter night, a working bee, a hillclimb at Ringwood and there is always someone to have a chat with as there is a wealth of experience within the Club. We also have lots of magazines from other clubs so you can see what others are up to.

It's also a good opportunity to talk about your make of car and someone might be able to help you with a problem you are having with your particular model. Furthermore, don't be afraid to get on the phone and ask questions. You will find everyone is very friendly and helpful.

So I hope I have set the tone for you to get involved over the coming year in a really great Club and I hope to catch up with you soon.

Ken McLeod



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## **SOCIAL NEWS by Rose Cogger**

Well the new year is here and once again the club calendar looks extremely busy. Clubnights have commenced again and the next one is on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February so let's see a good turn up to this one.

Come along and bring a friend to view Senna the Movie which depicts the life and history of the famous motor racing driver Ayrton Senna. Supper will be provided after the movie.

If you have any ideas for Clubnights please let the President Bryn Baverstock know so that the board can view them to see if they can be programmed into these evenings. Maybe you know of a guest speaker that would provide an interesting topic for members.

The last Natter Night was held at Helen and Bryn Baverstock's home at Warners Bay. It was well attended and of course those present had a lot to report about their Christmas activities.

There was a garage inspection and Bryn had made some substantial steps forward in the reincarnation of the Austin Healey 6. He also demonstrated that one of his restored motor bikes does actually go and he is well advanced on the restoration of another. In Bryn's spare time he has been doing repairs and modifications to his MG TF which he had recently purchased.

A thank you to Helen and Bryn for inviting us to their home.

The next **Natter Night** will be held 6.30pm on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March (note change of date) at Louise and Ken McLeod's home at 43 Dalpura Lane, Kotara South, telephone 4943 6239. This will be a barbeque event so bring along your usual delights and it's BYO.

The March Natter Night will be held at Louise and Alan Evans' home at New Lambton and the May Natter Night will be held at Louise and Martin Reeves' home at Warner Bay. Further details later.

Next time you are at the clubrooms, take a look at the Rae Room. Inspect the library and printing room which has now been officially named the Rae Room in honour of their work and dedication to their club.

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## REGISTER NEWS by David Walker

It's 7.00am Thursday morning, it's Australia Day and I am standing at the door of the clubrooms looking out at the sky. Just me so far. I decide to put the roof on the MGB. The sky still looks like rain is imminent. President Bryn and Mike Cole arrive. Several other people have called and said "not going to Raymond Terrace in the rain".

7.30am and still not raining, so we set off towards Riverside Park after a phone call from Glen Hall who was up there waiting. We set up on our assigned grass area under the trees and eventually others joined in the festivities. Some council events were cancelled (wacky raft race) due to the flood warnings for the Williams River but it just stayed very overcast all day with no rain at all.

Next **Register Run** is on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February to Sal's Café at Speers Point Park adjacent to the Variety Club Big Play Ground. Built by Lake Macquarie City Council last year and operated by the Salvation Army, Sal's By the Lake is an exciting venture offering local families delicious healthy meals at reasonable prices. It is open 7 days 8am - 5pm and we will leave the club rooms at 7.30am for 8am breakfast. Bring sports equipment (bats, balls etc) for some exercise after breakky. This run is to give us a break from Mt. Sugarloaf which we intend to visit for lunch later in the year. Those living around the area (Fords, Reeves, Hodgsons, etc.) might prefer to go straight to Speers Point. The café and new amenity block are under cover so it will be rain, hail or shine.

This year we will attempt to continue to send a reminder email out approximately 7 days before a Register Event. Please advise myself or Lesley if you would like to be added (or deleted) from the contact list.

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The YDDC Program for 2012 will embrace an expansion over the past years, with more general training and the introduction of specific training. The younger and less experienced students will concentrate on grass and earth surfaces whilst the senior and experienced students will have more exposure to sealed surfaces. Each day will be structured to be entertaining and enjoyable whilst still concentrating on the serious side of developing the skills of each student.

One must be aware that the CAMS Permit under which the YDDC operates does not allow timing to be carried out. The YDDC program dates for 2012 will include training days with a back-to-back component which will allow the student, should they choose, to compete in an event the day after the training day. Obviously the advantage is full timing is provided.

The back-to-back Sunday competition days are purely optional. A student may wish to participate only on the Saturday. The format for Saturdays will remain identical to previous years. All these back-to-back competition events will have a training component included in car training. Any student intending to compete must be at a satisfactory level in his or her training to be eligible to enter a particular event. For example a Level 4 endorsement in his or her Attendance Record Book is mandatory to be accepted as a competitor for hillclimbs.

The student must understand and comply with the Supplementary Regulations covering the type of event, ie motorkhana or hillclimb. An instructor will provide training on Rules and Regulations

on the Saturday before the Sunday event and will assist the student with the entry documentation, car preparation, licensing etc.

Greg Hunter, Vice President.

## **2012 Events List**

1/ Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February, Starting time 10.30 am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surface training depending on student experience.

2/ Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February, Starting time 9.00 am sharp Seniors Training Day, Sealed surface only, not available for those students who do not have the correct endorsement. \*The endorsement required is that a student must have his or her Attendance Record Book signed at Level.4.

3/ Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March, Starting time 10.30am. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces. Normal training

4/ Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March, Starting time 9.00am sharp. Competition Event Hillclimb, only, \*Level 4 applies as above.

5/ Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May, Starting time 10.30am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces. Normal training.

6/ Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July, Starting time 10.30am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces. Normal training.

7/ Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August, Starting time 10.30 am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces. Normal training.

8/ Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August, Starting time 9.00 am sharp. Competition Event, Motorkhana, Grass or Earth surfaces.

9/ Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November, Starting time 10.30am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces.

10/ Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November, Starting time 9.00am Sharp. Competition Event Hillclimb, only \*Level 4 applies as above.





**COME & TRY / TRAINING HILLCLIMB  
SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2012**

Held at RINGWOOD PARK HILLCLIMB organised by MGCC Newcastle  
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INVITATION TO MGCC NSW (SYDNEY)  
and MGCC HUNTER REGION

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Juniors under 18 yrs who have completed a CAMS approved Junior Training Course (MGCC Newcastle), have reached the required grade & been signed off by Greg Hunter may enter.

Because of the structure of the permit this event has to be organised by MGCC Newcastle so if you have a CAMS L2S licence and a membership card with MGCC NSW, or MGCC Hunter Region, we can sign you up for day membership to MGCC Newcastle.

CAMS approved safety equipment will be available on the day ie helmets (provided with hairnets), fire extinguishers and any other CAMS requirements.

Experienced Driver Advisors will be available as passengers if required.

Heading the team will be Peter Finlay former NSW Hillclimb Champion and race driving instructor.

Entrants will walk the track where comments on approaching and leaving corners will be given where to brake and other valuable information.

You don't need a fancy competition car. You can just bring the shopping car.

Just relax and have some fun we will take care of all the CAMS paperwork.

Supplementary Regulations are available on the website  
[www.mgcarclub.com.au](http://www.mgcarclub.com.au)

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# Welcome New Members

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Dan Robinson	Associate	Datsun Sunny
Jake Robinson	Associate	Datsun Sunny
Richard Nevile	Full	MGB MkII
Sharon Nevile	Full	MGB MkII
James Edenborough	Associate	Prado
Brian Sutton	Associate	Lotus Elan M100
Ben Rowsell	Associate	Datsun 1600
Nick Rowsell	Associate	Datsun 1600
Michael Potts	Associate	Ford Falcon

We hope to see you all at an event in the near future, either competition or social.

Members are advised of the passing of Maureen Goulding, wife of long term member Pat Goulding, Mother of members Brad and Jason. Our thoughts are with the family at this sad time.

## Shame on you Tom Clemens

Tom, how dare you have the audacity to be a fair and regular competitor at all hillclimb events "at your age". Not only do you often win your class, but have been known to win outright.

And Tom, how dare you turn up to most of the working bees especially for King Edward Park, with all that hard work to be done "at your age".

We know you do it so you will be considered for entry into this prestigious event, and also because "at your age" you still enjoy the competition. In his own words "he is a legend in his lunchtime".

Keep up the good work Tom, we appreciate your efforts.

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## EDITORIAL Mike Cole

It was nice to have a break over the festive season and catch up on things that need doing but have been postponed because other things need doing.

This month I have been tidying my garage. It was built ten years ago when I had three cars and a small trailer. I used to park my daily drive inside the garage.

Now with all the cars and trailers the daily drive doesn't even fit in the carport.

I haven't thrown too much out. Some stuff has been moved outside as it is deemed not valuable enough for undercover storage. The rest has been moved from one side of the garage to the other. I have built taller shelves to accommodate it all. The posters are now hidden behind shelves.

It must have been therapeutic as I had forgotten the stress of sitting in front of the computer to do the magazine. Just as well I allow myself a few days and I had time to return to the garage for some respite.

Hopefully I haven't forgotten how to do the mag and I have presented all the reports and articles in a logical format.

Photographs this month are from Rose Cogger, Gregor Dickinson, Robert Komorowski and Bill Pearson.

Mike

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Dave Atkins



Beau, Dylan, Bill and Terry



Hal Mabney and Keith Hammond at NAMS Presentation



Natter Night

## LAND PANEL by Alan Bates

Fellow Slaves,

Welcome to the New Year. Is it me, or do the years seem to be getting shorter.

Anyway, we will continue our work and one can only hope for an early and positive result from our Development Application.

In the meantime we will continue to improve and maintain the facilities on offer to the members and competitors.

Once we get the drainage sorted there is a good chance we might be able to preserve the access road. At the present time it's at the mercy of the elements and requires constant grading and repair.

As you can see this report contains very little, as the year has just begun. As we progress I'm sure there will be more to advise you of. With luck there will be major works undertaken at Ringwood this year. With that in mind, be prepared to step up to the plate and lend a hand. If all goes well, we will need all the help we can get.

Remember, without the support of the club and the effort and support of the volunteers who turn up for the working days, very little would be achieved.

Cheers,

Alan

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## **CLUB CAPTAIN Michael Snow**

By the time you read this, the NAMS Presentation Night will have been held. Congratulations to the Class, Series and Overall winners. See the separate story on next page.

The first MG/NAMS Hillclimb at Ringwood will have been run (weather permitting).

At MG/NAMS hillclimbs, small stickers will be applied to vehicles indicating the NAMS Classification and the NSW State Championship Classification if applicable. The information has been collected from regular competitors attending events over the last 2 years.

The reason for this sticker is to assist the Competitors at future events by identifying the correct Classification for the Entry Form and to assist the NAMS Eligibility Scrutineers as a confirmation check of the Classification. These stickers will also help the Tri-Challenge Officials by identifying the NAMS Classification.

Since April last year a new Hillclimb Timing software application has been written, tested, used and refined to a point that it is now user friendly. For anyone who is interested to view this system in action, or would like to assist in running the system, come along to the Training Hillclimb on 19<sup>th</sup> Feb and/or other hillclimbs this year.

### **Club Member Points Score**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Ranking</b>	<b>Points Total</b>
Bryn Baverstock	1	10
Michael Snow	2	8
Alan Bates	3	6
David Walker	3	6
Doug Rae	3	6
Judith Rae	3	6
Mike Cole	3	6
Peter Robinson	3	6
Rick Vincent	3	6
Andy Peters	10	4
Dave Durie	10	4
Greg Hunter	10	4
Ken McLeod	10	4
Lyall Clarke	10	4
Ryan Bates	10	4

## NAMS in 2011

The contest for the NAMS overall champion was keenly contested by Dylan Grant, Bill Pearson and Keith Hammond.

Dylan and Bill used the strategy of competing in nearly all the events of the Tar Speed, Khanacross and Motorkhana Series. Keith used a different approach by getting high outright placing in a number of Tar Speed events and doing well in the Motorkhana Series.

There was only 1 point between Dylan and Bill in the Tar Speed series, 4 points between Bill and Dylan in the Motorkhana Series and 3 points between Dylan and Bill in the Khanacross Series.

The final outcome was that Keith won on 81 points with Bill and Dylan both on 79 points. If the last Motorkhana at Ringwood had been run, Bill or Dylan would have won overall.

The number of competitors was:

Series	All	Ladies	Juniors
Tar Speed	104	5	11
Motorkhana	67	11	22
Khanacross	74	12	10
MotorGames	33	6	11

From clubs:

MG Newcastle	114
Westlakes	93
NSCC	5

The list of trophy winners is on the next page.

Michael Snow

NAMS Scorer

### Thursday Working Bees

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Hunter Interclub		MGCC Newcastle
NAMS Outright Champion		Keith Hammond
Mark Dewhurst Mobile Mechanics Junior Champion		Keith Hammond
Ladies Outright Champion		Elizabeth Robinson
Tar Speed Outright		Keith Hammond
Khanacross Outright		Evan Van Leeuwen
Motorkhana Outright		Dylan Grant
Motor Games		Dylan Grant
Overall Championships	1st Outright	Keith Hammond
Overall Championships	=2nd Outright	Dylan Grant
Overall Championships	=2nd Outright	Bill Pearson
Overall Championships	Outright Lady	Elizabeth Robinson
Overall Championships	Outright Junior	Keith Hammond
Tar Speed Series	1st Outright	Keith Hammond
Tar Speed Series	2nd Outright	Tom Clemens
Tar Speed Series	3rd Outright	Lawrence Constable
Tar Speed Series	Outright Junior	Keith Hammond
Tar Speed Series	=1st Type 2 U 2lt	Graham Orr
Tar Speed Series	=1st Type 2 U 2lt	Ben Hall
Tar Speed Series	1st Marque Sports U 2lt	Jeff Newey
Tar Speed Series	1st Type 2 O 2lt	David Atkins
Tar Speed Series	2nd Marque Sports U 2lt	Lyll Clarke
Tar Speed Series	1st Type 3 U 2lt	Tom Clemens
Tar Speed Series	=2nd Type 3 U 2lt	Dylan Grant
Tar Speed Series	=2nd Type 3 U 2lt	Leigh Stout
Khanacross Series	1st Outright	Evan Van Leeuwen
Khanacross Series	2nd Outright	Steven O'Brien
Khanacross Series	3rd Outright	Dylan Grant
Khanacross Series	Outright Junior	Dylan Grant
Khanacross Series	1st Type 5 U 2lt	Evan Van Leeuwen
Khanacross Series	1st Type 3 O 2lt	Jason Gregory
Khanacross Series	1st Type 3 U 2lt	Steven O'Brien
Khanacross Series	2nd Type 3 U 2lt	Dylan Grant
Khanacross Series	3rd Type 3 U 2lt	Bill Pearson
Motorkhana Series	1st Outright	Dylan Grant
Motorkhana Series	2nd Outright	Bill Pearson
Motorkhana Series	3rd Outright	Keith Hammond
Motorkhana Series	Outright Lady	Tegan Meek
Motorkhana Series	Outright Junior	Dylan Grant
Motorkhana Series	1st Class B	Keith Hammond
Motorkhana Series	2nd Class B	Tegan Meek
Motorkhana Series	1st Class C	Dylan Grant
Motorkhana Series	2nd Class C	Bill Pearson
Motorkhana Series	3rd Class C	Jason Gregory
MotorGames	1st Outright	Dylan Grant
MotorGames	2nd Outright	Keith Hammond
MotorGames	=3rd Outright	Jason Gregory
MotorGames	=3rd Outright	Tegan Meek

## **PUBLICITY Peter Robinson**

What a lucky lot we are in the MG Car Club Newcastle. Why, do you say?

Well, looking at this year's Club Calendar and the CAMS, CSCA, Hillclimb, Supersprint and Tri-Challenge schedule - if there isn't an event or two to tickle your fancy, you should check your pulse - or get your nurse to do so. There is a veritable smorgasbord of enthusiast's things to do.

Speaking of nurses, we welcome back to the land of the living, our Club Treasurer, Darval Thomas, who underwent triple bypass heart surgery in early January. After having advice that he couldn't race for 3 months, he has recovered so rapidly, he is looking at starting his open wheeler career by competing in the JWS-Toyota at the Bathurst State Hillclimb on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. You can't keep a good man down.

The State Hillclimb Series this year may be having at least 10 Club members competing.

The 2012 Tri-Challenge Championship looks to be another great series with many newcomers to the Club plus juniors having a go.

The Tri-Challenge starts with Round 1 at Kempsey's tricky little track on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> March with practice available on the Saturday (17<sup>th</sup>). Most competitors stay at two motels and usually the dinner after practice is as enjoyable as the racing. With Ed & Gail McCane having moved the Queensland, we need another entertainer with a voice and a guitar - bourbon optional!

The CSCA Supersprint Series kicks off at Wakefield Park on 18<sup>th</sup> February and I'm sure many members will be going. I know a couple of oldie hillclimbers will be returning to Wakefield this year to recover their pride after last year's showing.

The State Supersprint Series starts with Round 1 at Wakefield Park on 1<sup>st</sup> April run by the Mini Car Club.

Congratulations to the new Club President, Bryn Baverstock and Board Members (and the old ones) who all look forward to a fruitful year's planning and serving the Club.

Ex-President, John Collins will now have the time to get the JWS up and going again after its rest, so look out for an even faster yellow blur at the track.

I wish everyone success in their chosen field of motorsport, from Circuit Racing to Concours and everything in between in 2012.

Peter Robinson

Publicity Officer

## The Year 2012 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<br>Director/Secretary (as specified in the Supp. Regs.)           | 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-<br>climb/National meeting - all members welcome to attend) | 2 points. |
| 8) Hosting a Natter Night (additional family Member scores also)   | 4 points. |

Persons who officiate and also choose to compete in the same event, 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 Club Constitution at the time of the activity for which the points are being awarded. A member must also be financial at the end of the period for which the pointscore operates.

#### Various Series Competitive Championships

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 point scores. Should a member choose to nominate another club they will not score points in these Championships.

### 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 CAMS 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 cash, or 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 (6) nominated Hillclimbs or other Tar Speed Events.
2. Five (5) nominated Motorkhanas, 2 of which are to be held on tar surface, if possible.
3. Three (3) Road Events - (nominated Touring Road Events and or Touring Assemblies).
4. Four (4) nominated Khanacross or Dirt Sprint events
5. The MG National Meeting (including Motorkhana, Speed & Concours events)
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 "Club Constitution" at the time of the competition event for which the points are being awarded. A person must also be financial at the end of the period for which the pointscore operates. (currently, the calendar year) to score points.

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

Classifications used for the purpose of scoring points within this series will be those stipulated in the Current Newcastle Area Motor Sport (NAMS) Regulations, with three exceptions; 1) events held within an MG National Meeting where the classifications stipulated by the MG National event format will be used; 2) Outright places for both Drivers and Navigators will be used for Touring Assemblies; 3) Club Concours where the competitors will be grouped by MG model, Other Marques or Club Cars.

Where the results of an event include classifications not stipulated within the Current NAMS regulations, then those competitors within classifications not stipulated by the Current NAMS regulations will be reclassified to classifications that do comply with Current NAMS regulations for the purpose of distribution of points for this championship series.

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. Where a competitor believes the results do not reflect the classification the competitor intended to enter, or the classification for which the competitor was eligible (i.e. the competitor believes the results are mistaken), the competitor must notify the Club Captain directly, or via the Event Coordinator, within 72 hours of the issue of the results so that reclassification can occur, if necessary.

Junior members who choose to compete as "Juniors" to take advantage of reduced/free entry fee (see section Paul Daley Memorial Trophy for Club Junior Champion), are not eligible to score points in the Outright Club Championship. Senior competitors are not eligible to score points by beating Junior competitors,

as Juniors will be entered in, or deemed to be entered in, Junior specific classifications (see section Paul Daley Memorial Trophy for Club Junior Champion). Junior members who choose to compete as “Juniors” are eligible to compete for the Paul Daley Memorial Trophy. To be eligible to score points in this series (Outright Club Championship) Junior members can choose to enter one of the recognised NAMS classifications by paying full event entry fees at MGCC Newcastle events, but cannot score points for both series (Outright and Junior Champion) at the same event. For results of events that are not run by MGCC Newcastle, Juniors will be deemed to be competing for the Paul Daley Memorial Trophy by the Club Captain, and scored accordingly. For results of events that are not run by MGCC Newcastle, if a Junior wishes to be scored for the Outright Club Championship, she/he must inform the Club Captain within 72 hours of results being published.

Points will be awarded based on the number of competitors in a classification, and the finishing place within the classification. Please see the Event Points Allocation Table below, under the section heading “Individual Event Type Series”, outlining the points awarded for all classification number and finishing place combinations.

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.

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 classified as “a finisher” as defined in the current C.A.M.S. Manual of Motor Sport for the event type concerned.

To be eligible to win the Outright Championship a minimum of 8 club championship events must be contested by a competitor, 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, excluding day members, in their vehicle's classification. (Note: it is no longer necessary to enter into a Ladies classification. 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.**

The events that make up this series will be the same as those used for the Outright Club Championship, as described above.

The Paul Daley Memorial Trophy for Club Junior Champion consists of 2 classifications:

- 1) Juniors - Production Category - Juniors driving Type 1, Type 2, Type 3, Type 4, Marque Sports Cars and Clubman with Road Registered Tyres.
- 2) Juniors - Special Category - Juniors driving Type 5, 4WD and Special vehicles inc. Open Wheelers, Fabricated Specials, Clubman with Race Tyres.

For the Motorkhana series events, "Juniors - Production" will include all production vehicles. "Juniors - Specials" will include classifications F & G.

For the Road Series events Junior competitors will automatically be placed in the "Juniors Production Category", and subdivided as either "Driver" or "Navigator".

Junior Members will be awarded points in their Competition Classification. The Junior with the most points, irrespective of classification, 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 (1 January).
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.

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 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.

Should Juniors wish to compete against seniors then they must pay the full entry fee, they will be scored as seniors, and will be eligible to score points in the Chris Dodds memorial Trophy for Outright Club Champion.

For results of events that are not run by MGCC Newcastle, Juniors will be deemed to be competing for the Paul Daley Memorial Trophy by the Club Captain, and scored accordingly. For results of events that are not run by MGCC Newcastle, if a Junior wishes to be scored for the Chris Dodds Outright Club

Championship, she/he must inform the Club Captain within 72 hours of results being published. A Junior member cannot score points for both Outright and Junior Championship series at the same event.

To be eligible to win the Junior Championship, a minimum of 8 championship events must be contested before a trophy will be awarded.

### **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 classification winner. Points will be awarded based on finishing place in classification relative to other MGCC Newcastle members in the same classification. Competitors entered as Junior members in any of the below series events will be awarded points in either of the relevant Competition Classifications (Juniors - Production or Juniors - Special) outlined in the section "Paul Daley Memorial Trophy for Club Junior Champion". Senior competitors are not eligible to score points by beating Junior competitors, as Juniors will be entered in, or deemed to be entered in the Junior specific classifications. Four major event groups will be contested as follows:-

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

Event points allocation table:

No. in classification	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
Place in classification							
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 <sup>th</sup>	NA	NA	NA	9	10	11	11
5 <sup>th</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	8	9	9
6 <sup>th</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	7	7
7 <sup>th</sup> +	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6

### 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 Classification 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 Classification Trophy a member must compete in the same classification in at least 4 of the events included in the series.

(Events for the Outright and Junior 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 Classification 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 Classification Series Score.

To score points in the Speed Events Series a competitor must complete at least one official timed run.

(Events for the Outright and Junior 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 classification 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 classified 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 and Junior 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 classification .

All 6 results count toward a Classification Series Score.

(Events for the Outright and Junior 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 event or to the activity concerned.

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.

## National Meeting News

I have been very quiet on the Nat Meet front following on from our hosting of the event last year. This year the National Meeting is being held in Tasmania from Friday 6<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April. It seemed a bit of overkill to publish the Nat Meet supp regs or program of events in the Magazine when only 1 family is planning on attending. I have sent on information by email to those people who regularly attend National Meetings to satiate their curiosity. Good Luck to the Reeves family who are taking two cars, I believe the GTV8 and the ZR are the favoured vehicles but you never know until the last what Martin will decide on! Louise has always been a fan of Tasmania and this is the first year that Alexander can complete in the Motorkhana. Maybe the Junior trophy will get to come home with them.

To continue the tradition of promotion and encouragement of all things National Meeting, I have put together a few interesting pieces of information.

The Nat Meet website is: [natmeet2012.weebly.com/index.html](http://natmeet2012.weebly.com/index.html)

Entries are now open and early bird entry closes on 17<sup>th</sup> February with all entries closing on 9<sup>th</sup> March (a month before the Nat Meet). A social entry will set you back \$275 which is the same amount as a full competition event was last year. A Competition entry costs \$315 up until 17<sup>th</sup> Feb and then \$345 until 9<sup>th</sup> March.

There is a small range of regalia that has to be pre ordered. Only beanies and caps will be available for actual purchase at the event. Regalia lines include: Men's and Women's Polo shirts and Rugby Tops, Men's long sleeve Chambray shirt, kid's t shirt, caps and beanies.

At the Delegates meeting last year, the Tasmanian delegates said that they would be the first to run the meeting using the controversial abbreviated class structure eg. 1 class of MGBs that would then be separated into subclasses with receipt of sufficient entries. However with the release of the supp regs the traditional class structure is being used, along with the same number of classes for the Observation Run that we used in 2011.

The theme for 2012 is the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the MGB (being first produced in 1962). Therefore dress for the Saturday night is 60's style dress or gold (in keeping with 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary).

The 2013 National Meeting is being held in Toowoomba hosted by the MGCC Queensland. I am hoping that we will have an enthusiastic contingent planning on heading north in 2013 after our rest this year.

The 2014 Meeting does not have a designated host club after MGCC NSW advised clubs 6 months ago that they were relinquishing the organising role for that year. Will this be the impetus for the Nat Meets to become a bi annual event if another club does not step forward to take on the organising role.

This is the 1<sup>st</sup> Nat Meet in 10 years that I haven't been to and only the 4<sup>th</sup> Nat Meet in 30 years that both Darren and I have missed. (1987 in Perth- the year we were married; 1995 again in Perth and 2002 in Adelaide when I couldn't fathom

taking 2 children across the Hay plains in the back of the GT).

If you have any questions about National Meetings, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Fran H (Club National Meeting Coordinator)

## Khanacross - Redliners Dominate State Dirt Titles Again

It's been another very successful year for our club's keenest dirt competition team who've again just won several NSW Khanacross Championships.

Terry Campbell obliterated any Class A (under 1.3 litres) opposition, despite this being his first year in the stock Barina. Mind you - that's exactly what he bought it for at the local salvage auctions. Aim accomplished and job well done for just a few hundred bucks. This has inspired Terry to buy a BMW E31 hatch (same source and low expense), which he's now building up for basic race work. Watch out for this late model black rwd clubbie next year.

Bill Pearson and all his mates have lost count of just how many Civics he's run in club racing in the last several years (most continuing their racing adventures with other owners). But his change over to yet another red hatch in March proved worthwhile, resulting in him yet again scoring the 1.3 - 1.6 litre class B. The EG is not as pristine as it was before being given a new life after being a stolen & recovered insurance write-off. But those front guards were never designed to contain Commodore sized 205 x 15 inch rally tyres, especially on a car getting airborne. Even raising the car 30mm at the front hasn't been able to stop that squeeze. The front bar also has a few "love bites" from the odd course tyre marker, but the reliability has been 100%, despite no mechanical work, a race every second weekend, and frequently more than one driver at the wheel.

Dylan Grant in the blue EG Civic has repeated his success of winning the NSW Junior title last year. Although the same model as Bill's it's got a Prelude engine in it, and was also the fastest car in the 1.6 - 2.0 litre class C. Dylan attracted admiration on more than one occasion from established competitors from many clubs with his habit of often being the fastest tin top, right on the heels of the quickest buggies. The drive train struggled to keep up with him. His back yard is strewn with broken drive shafts and two gearboxes with broken diffs and large non-factory "openings". But he's got two state trophies coming as compensation.

His brother Beau is following in his footsteps (or should that be dust?). The standard motor in this third Honda hatch will need replacing over the Christmas break. But it's done what was asked of it - powering Beau to a well deserved second in the State Junior title. Just as well the family has a collection of EGs to cannibalise up behind the house.

This year saw the introduction of a state khanacross class for Polaris buggies. Our club scored both first and second in its inaugural season with Nathan Chivers and Michael Smith on their RZR's.

## Tech Torque - Race Tyres - To Scrub Or Not To Scrub

For most purposes, racing tyres will benefit from an appropriate scrubbing-in procedure. This provides the best combination of performance and longevity under race conditions.

There are several difficulties that arise when using racing tyres if they are not scrubbed in prior to use. The most common is Cold Graining, where the layer of the tread compound in contact with the track, fails in shear with the layer below. The result is a very visible low frequency, high amplitude rippling effect. This is more common with new tyres particularly when used in wet, damp or greasy conditions.

Most manufactures of motorsport tyres recommend that a standard scrubbing in procedure be used whenever possible. This consists of subjecting the tyres through one gentle heat cycle, gradually loading them up whilst avoiding drifting the car. This should take about three to four laps of a circuit where the lap time is in the region of 60 to 100 sec. The last lap should only be about 80% race speed. If possible, scrub in during a free practice.

The following should be borne in mind.

-Graining of the loaded front tyres can be avoided by ensuring that they are fully up to temperature before pushing hard. It is relatively easy to generate temperature in the driving tyres as they are transmitting power most of the time. The front tyres, however, will need to be given more time and be loaded up progressively before they will be 'in' fully. It should be noted that it is loading of tyres that introduces the significant heat, not sliding or wheelspin.

-For qualifying, the best results have been shown to have been achieved when the front and rear tyre temperatures are the same when measured at the base of the tread. If pushed too early, the rear will come in before the front causing understeer, and taken to the extreme, cold graining as mentioned above.

-It is quite possible to get rear tyres to go off before the front tyres come in, which will lead to a car that is never balanced, making set-up and qualifying very difficult. Thus to get the best from a set of scrubbed tyres, look after the rear tyres by not using full power out of corners, and instead work the front tyres progressively without inducing large amounts of understeer. When the fronts are fully up to temperature, go for a time. Push hard for 2/3 laps, and then back off the pace for a lap to allow the tyres to recover, and to get some clear track.

Repeat this procedure for the best result.

It should be noted that there is always going to be a slight performance peak from new tyres, but it will only be possible to take advantage of this if the car is balanced on its tyres. A correctly scrubbed in set of tyres will always give more consistent performance over its lifetime than a set that has been used hard from new, even if it hasn't grained.

Until next time, Timmy Tech Torque.

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