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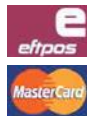
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Cover: Dad's Army well and truly bogged at Ringwood (Michael Snow).

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Coming Events - July 2012

- Wed 4 **KEP** - meeting at Clubrooms. 7:30pm. M
- Sun 8 State Hillclimb Round 5 - TSCC - Tamworth
- Mon 9 **Magazine Assembly** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7pm. M
- Wed 11 **Speed Panel Meeting** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 8pm. M
- Fri 13 **Clubnight** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. M
- Sat 14 **Young Driver Development Course** - Ringwood - see page 10.
- Sat 14 Scrutineer training day at Ringwood.
- Sun 15 Khanacross - WAC - Awaba. CC15, KC4, NKC4, NIC4
- Tue 17 **Board Meeting** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. M
- Sat 21 State Superprint Round 4 - ARDC - Eastern Creek
- Sun 22 **Hillclimb** - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood. M, CC16, TS4, NTS4
- Sun 22 State Motorkhana Round 4 - WAC - Awaba
- Tue 24 **KEP** - meeting at Clubrooms. 7:30pm. M
- Sat 28 All British Display Day - Jaguar DCHR - Foreshore Park, Newcastle.
See page 14.
- 28-29 Christmas in July - MGCC Newcastle - Claredon Guest House,
Katoomba
- Tue 31 **KEP** - meeting at Clubrooms. 7:30pm. M

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 - August 2012

- Sun 5 **State Hillclimb** Round 7 - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood. Practice Saturday. See page 7. M
- Sun 5 State Khanacross Round 4 - WAC - Awaba. KC4, NKC4
- Mon 6 **Magazine Assembly** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7pm. M
- Tue 7 **KEP** - meeting at Clubrooms. 7:30pm. M
- Wed 8 **Speed Panel Meeting** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 8pm. M
- Fri 10 **Clubnight** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. M
- Sat 11 **Young Driver Development Course** - Ringwood - see page 10.
- Sat 11 **KEP** - Armco post hole cleaning
- Sat 11 **Natter Night**
- 11-12 2012 Newcastle Swap Meet, Cessnock showground, gen. adm. \$4
- Sun 12 **Motorkhana** (dirt) - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood. 10am. M, CC17, MK3, NMK3
- Sun 12 State Motorkhana Round 5 - Mini CC - Nirimba
- Sun 12 State Supersprint Round 5 - ARDC - Eastern Creek North
- Tue 14 **KEP** - meeting at Clubrooms. 7:30pm. M
- Sat 18 Touring Assembly - Heart of the Hunter (all tar) - AHRG. CC18, TA4, NTA4, R12
- Sun 19 **Tri-challenge Hillclimb** - Round 3 - TSCC - Tamworth. Practice Saturday. M, TC3
- Tue 21 **Board Meeting** - Clubrooms, Cobby St, Shortland. 7:30pm. M
- Sat 25 **Hillclimb** Twilight/Garage - MGCC Newcastle - Ringwood. M, R14, NMG1
- Sun 26 Motorkhana - WAC - Awaba. NMG2
- Sun 26 State Supersprint Round 6 - Mini CC - Wakefield Park
- Sun 26 Club Hillclimb - BLCC - Bathurst Mountain Straight
- Tue 28 **KEP** - meeting at Clubrooms. 7:30pm. M

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KEP meetings

are moving

to a

Tuesday

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

G'day all,

OK, be honest, how many of you noticed that I didn't write a few words of wisdom for the magazine last month? Yeah, thought so! Two weeks holiday in Vietnam seemed to get in the way and I just ran out of time. Sorry about that. Trouble is, being retired, there aren't enough hours in the day. The trip was an eye opener from the traffic point of view, eighty eight million people and thirty five million motorbikes makes for some very busy roads. Every time you wanted to cross the road it became an adventure.

Back to the norm, elsewhere in the magazine there should be some articles on Ringwood which I hope to keep going whilst the building program is going on, so you all can keep up with the progress.

The last mag had a bit about the upcoming Easter National meeting. A fair way off, I know, but time to start the forward planning if you are going. Not many of us went to Tassie this year (well only Reeves family actually), so I hope there will be a good roll up for Queensland. Lots of people usually means lots of fun. Talking of MGs, it is nice to see another MG RV8 in the club. I envy the new owner. Nice to see a good roll up for the club run the other week. If you haven't been on one, don't be shy, come and join us on the next run you, will be most welcome.

The months are shaping up to be very busy for the club as is usual this time of year. We have the state round hillclimb at Ringwood on the 5th August. Come up for a look if you can. Also next month we should start to see some action on the King Edward Park lead up for the big weekend of 30th September and 1st October. I just know we are going to have fine weather, he says with everything crossed. So keep an eye on the website for updates or changes after the magazine comes out. Check out the calendar to make sure you don't miss anything.

I look forward to seeing you all at the clubnights or an event or two.

Cheers Bryn

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Welcome New Members

Caitlin Thurn	Junior	Falcon Ute
Bridget Thurn	Junior	Falcon Ute
Campbell Jane	Associate	BMW
Rachael Wilson	Associate	
John Floyd	Associate	Jaguars
Matthew Keogh	Associate	SAE
Nathan Predo	Associate	Commodore VL
Matthew Lumb	Associate	Lotus Elise

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

NOTICE FROM BOB WOOTTON STATE HILLCLIMB PANEL CHAIRMAN

It is with sadness that I pass on the news that Mick Potter lost his brave battle with cancer this morning, 3 June 2012.

Mick was from the Lake Macquarie area and was a fiercely competitive driver during the late 1980's and early 1990's in the improved production 2 - 3 litre class, in both State and Australian Hillclimb titles. He held the record in his class at many tracks driving a Mazda.

Our sympathy goes to his wife Sue and their daughter Tracy.

Thursday Working Bees

are held at Ringwood Park by Dad's Army on most Thursdays.

You are welcome to come & help.

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or Doug Rae 0434 141 501

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Contact Greg Hunter 0412 493 711 or Greg Dickinson for further information.

2012 Events List

Saturday 14th July, Starting time 10.30am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces. Normal training.

Saturday 11th August, Starting time 10.30 am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces. Normal training.

Sunday 12th August, Starting time 9.00 am sharp. Competition Event, Motorkhana, Grass or Earth surfaces.

Saturday 24th November, Starting time 10.30am sharp. Grass, Earth and Sealed surfaces.

Sunday 25th November, Starting time 9.00am sharp. Competition Event Hillclimb, only. Level 4 applies.

All events are conducted at Ringwood Park.





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SOCIAL NEWS Rose Cogger

The last Clubnight had a good roll up. On the big screen TV there was showing some historic footage of car racing in the early periods of the last century. For the older members it brought back memories of the meetings the Club ran in the GO-OUF Hall in Laman Street, Cooks Hill during the sixties.

The next Clubnight is this Friday, 13th July 2012. For the August Clubnight we all should be preparing Rocker Cover Racers for the return Inter Club Challenge with the Hunter Region. At this point our club is one up in the series. Come along and cheer our team along. If you need to know the rules contact Darren Hodgson or David Walker.

Rose 0413 222 828

REGISTER REPORT David Walker

We had a slight change of plans for the run in June. As the forecast was for rain, Lesley booked the RSL at Karuah for lunch. Well it turned out to be a beautiful day with a total of 24 people leaving the clubrooms for the initial run to Maccas at Hexham to catch up with those joining us. Even Mal and Ellen Davies took the Magnette out for a big run travelling via Williamtown, going past the new Westrac facility near Tomago, then via Medowie and back out onto the freeway. Quick and pleasant service at a very busy RSL, where most people enjoyed the fish and chips even though I think it was a Chinese Restaurant. Back down the road to the small antique shop. Purchases I saw being secreted in all the small places in the MGs were a duck, a bowl and I even found a few LPs. Rick and Sharon Neville in the green MGB went topless all the way and believe it or not Jeff Newey arrived at the clubrooms as a passenger with Lyn in the ex Peters MGF.

Christmas in July this year is back to Katoomba with 24 people booked into the Clarendon Motel /Guesthouse. Looking forward to entertainment from The Willowbirds. A few people making a weekend of it and going down early on the Friday. Please keep that in mind as we may introduce a longer weekend away for Xmas in July so that we can really see a bit of the area we visit. Do let us know your thoughts on that.

Please remember to take a male and female gift. Keep to around \$10.00 or so and nothing too rude. Mr&Mrs Claus will distribute the goodies.

B seeing you, DAVID

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Rick and Grant



Dustin and Amy



Natter Night



Register Run

LAND PANEL by Alan Bates

As you are probable aware the log awaited DA has arrived. Barrier Number One has been successfully negotiated, now the real work begins. Quotes and reports are presently being sought for the tasks ahead.

Before construction in any form can begin council require Arborist and Ecologist reports. As well as detailed plans of the proposed extension etc. Some pricing is becoming available and these will be tabled as soon as possible for approval before any expenditure can occur. In essence all quotes must be available before an informed decision can be made.

As you can see in the photo, sump construction is nearing completion, another couple of courses of blocks and we might lose Rick. Who says we don't learn new skills on shed day? Rick can now add block laying to his CV.

The next step is to await advice from the drainage engineer on our fill levels for the paddock area. It is not expected to commence this work until after the State Round in August.

Remember that the Thursday Working Bee/Shed Day is open for all club members. If you think you might like to attend to find out what goes on, please call either myself or Doug Rae and we will make sure there is a chair for you at the lunch table.

Cheers,

Alan





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MG Tar Speed		29-Jan	11-Mar	22-Apr		
Name	Cat	TS 1	TS 2	TS 3	TS total	CC Events
Paul Carroll		16	16	16	48	3
Garry Christopherson		16	15	14	45	3
Jeff Newey		15	15	15	45	3
Graham Orr		15	14	13	42	3
Andy Peters		13	11	13	37	3
Keith Hammond	J	12	12	12	36	3
Peter Calman		12	12	11	35	3
Wayne Edwards		11	11	12	34	3
Alan Bates		11	11	11	33	3
Camryn Edwards	J	11	11	11	33	3
Christopher Orr	J	11	11	11	33	3
Kimberley Atkins	L	11	11	11	33	3

Khanacross		25-Feb	26-May	24-Jun		
Name	Cat	KX 1	KX 2	KX 3	KX total	KX Events
Martin Reeves		12	11	-	23	2
Alexander Reeves	J	11	11	-	22	2
Peter Houghton		11	-	11	22	2
Jason Parrott		-	11	11	22	2
Andrew Wallin		-	12	-	12	1
Michael Snow		11	-	-	11	1
Garry Christopherson		11	-	-	11	1
Michael Wallin		-	11	-	11	1
Brian Lester		11	-	-	11	1

MG Motorkhana

Name	Cat	MK 1	MK 2	MK total	MK Events
Keith Hammond	J	12	15	27	2
Reece Hammond	J	11	14	25	2
Ashley Birks		-	16	16	1
Peter Houghton		-	15	15	1
Garry Christopherson		13	-	13	1
Jason Parrott		-	13	13	1
Matthew Birks	J	-	12	12	1
Heather Wightman	L	-	11	11	1
Tegan Meek	JL	-	10	10	1
Doug Rae		-	9	9	1

MGCC Newcastle Club Championship points

Name	Cat	Rank	Best 12
Martin Reeves		1	84
Garry Christopherson		2	69
Keith Hammond	J	3	63
Kimberley Atkins	L	4	48
Paul Carroll		4	48
Jeff Newey		6	45
Louise Reeves	L	7	44
Graham Orr		8	42
Peter Houghton		9	37
Andy Peters		9	37

MGCC Newcastle Junior Club Championship points

Name	Cat	Rank	Best 12
Keith Hammond	J	1	63
Alexander Reeves	J	2	33
Camryn Edwards	J	2	33
Christopher Orr	J	2	33
Reece Hammond	J	5	25
Kaylah Martin	JL	6	14
Matthew Birks	J	7	12
Tegan Meek	JL	8	10

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Club Member	Ranking	Points Total
Michael Snow	1	102
David Walker	2	78
Doug Rae	3	75
Bryn Baverstock	4	70
Rose Collins	4	70
Greg Hunter	6	68
John Collins	6	68
Judith Rae	8	64
Rick Vincent	9	58
Andy Peters	10	54
Alan Bates	11	52
Gregor Dickinson	12	46
Kerry Woollard	12	46

MG Lions Trophy		Total No CC events contested	All Total	Rank
Name	Cat			
Martin Reeves		7	84	1
Jeff Newey		5	67	2
Andy Peters		5	66	3
Louise Reeves	L	5	54	4
Alexander Reeves	J	4	44	5
Lyall Clarke		4	42	6
David Walker		3	29	7
John Fraser		2	25	8
Rick Vincent		2	25	8
Doug Rae		2	18	10

Register Series

Name	Cat	Ranking	Score Best 10 events
Louise Reeves	L	1	50
Martin Reeves		2	39
Andy Peters		3	35
David Walker		4	34
Lyall Clarke		5	30
Jeff Newey		6	28
Alexander Reeves	J	7	22
Doug Rae		8	21
Graeme Semken		9	17
Rick Vincent		10	16
Marea Semken	L	11	15

PUBLICITY OFFICER Peter Robinson

It's amazing how you can get two different racing cars, with two different drivers, to achieve identical times at a Hillclimb - or any motorsport event, for that matter. To do it twice on the one day is fairly remarkable, but at our Ringwood round of the Tri-challenge Series, exactly that happened last Sunday.

After the first run, Amy Mrcela tied with me on 30.27 and then on her second run, tied with Dave Morrow (Kempsey) on 29.42 which proved to be the equal F.T.D. An interesting side note to this story is that Amy's previous best time, set in December 2010, was also 29.42.

All this rambling leads to congratulations to Amy and Dave for their equal 1st place. Well done!

Kempsey hotshot, Darren Read, has changed from his SS Commodore and has entered Type 5 U/2 in a Minetti 221 (an Australian made Radical type car with a Hayabusa motor). Darren has come to grips with it instantly, especially now with a new set of soft Avon slicks, and posted a 3rd outright.

New records were set by Luke Halpin (Tamworth) in Type 1/O (35.62); Garry Christopherson (MGCC Newcastle) in Type 2/U (33.61); Matt Halpin (Tamworth) in Type 4/O in his fire-breathing XU-1; Peter Calman (MGCC Newcastle) in Marque Sports O/2 (31.94) and keeping it in the family, son Cooper (Junior in a production vehicle) 32.03.

It was good to welcome back to Ringwood drivers who had not competed for a while, Amy Mrcela, Nat Hails, and Grant Cook. Also good to see Darval Thomas driving with gusto, now nearly fully recovered from his multiple heart by-pass operation in January, as well as John Collins helping out after a cataract operation a couple of days before.

The next Tri-challenge round is at Tamworth on 18/19th August and the Ringwood State Hillclimb round will be held over 4^{5th} August.

Our next Club hillclimb at Ringwood is on Sunday 22nd July.

Peter Robinson

Publicity Officer

SPEED PANEL Rick Vincent

Hi Guys,

Our club was the host for the second round of the Tri Challenge series held at Ringwood on June the 23rd and 24th. Fifty competitors entered the event with some keen competition from Kempsey and Tamworth clubs. Amy Mrcela MGCC Newcastle and Dave Morrow KSCC had a brilliant run with both recording 29.42 in the TP 5 U 2Ltr class, and Matt Halpin from Tamworth Club winning first place in TP4 O 2ltr. M/Sport U 2Ltr was hotly pursued with Paul Carroll taking first place with the mighty Lotus Elise, and a host of MG Fs and Bs chasing him.

You may have heard that several meetings have been cancelled or postponed at the new South Circuit at Eastern Creek. It appears construction delays for the pit area have caused this action. Some lucky competitors have recently competed on the South Circuit with a few negative comments regarding the hairpin corner.

Those members who compete in the CSCA rounds are advised to refer to our revised calendar for changes at Eastern Creek.

Again I would like to thank those members who attended the recent Club Chief Training course, conducted by Gregor Dickinson, who was at his normal brilliant self in front of the class. It must have brought back memories for him. A letter has been sent to the attendees regarding their CAMS accreditation process.

Your club is conducting a Scrutineering Course at Ringwood on the 14th July and request as many members as possible to attend, for this is a vital part of our competition.

The next club hillclimb will be on the 22nd July so we hope many will attend. Don't forget to register your competition car number with me for all Ringwood events. Just go to the web via Entries & Supp Regs to determine your preferred number then send me an e mail at rick.v@bearingdynamics.com.au and that's it.

See you all at Ringwood.

Keep your tyres hot

Regards

Rick

Event: Tri-Challenge Series Round 2 at Ringwood on 24 Jun 2012 Provisional Results - Outright

Place	No.	Driver	Club	Car	Class	Time
=1	177	Amy Mrcela	MGCCN	Elfin	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	29.42
=1	51	Dave Morrow	KSCC	Krygger Suzuki	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	29.42
3	93	Darren Read	KSCC	Minetti 221	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	30.02
4	64	Peter Robins on	MGCCN	PRS Ford	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	30.27
5	114	Matt Halpin	TSCC	Holden Torana LJ	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	30.53
6	33	Grant Cook	MGCCN	Elfin	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	30.82
7	55	Darval Thomas	MGCCN	JWS Pens	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	31.29
8	198	Alan Hindes	KSCC	Piranha	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	31.52
9	102	Kevin Edwards	MGCCN	Mitsubishi EVO	SVT4WD/4WSo3ltr	31.64
10	910	Peter Calman	MGCCN	Mazda RX7	M/Spt o 3 ltr	31.94
11	900	Cooper Calman	MGCCN	Mazda RX7	JunProd/JunProd	32.03
12	87	Glenn Parsonage	MGCCN	GRP Terrapin	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	32.37
13	16	Keith Hammond	MGCCN	Mondial e M87S	JunSpec/Tp5u2ltr	32.59
14	86	Peter Dickson	MGCCN	Toyota Sprinter AE8	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	33.42
15	3	Kendall O'Connor	MGCCN	Mazda RX7	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	33.51
16	12	Tom Hackett	KSCC	VW Buggy	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	33.61
16	7	Garry Christopherson	MGCCN	Ford Escort	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	33.61
18	14	Paul Carroll	MGCCN	Lotus Elise S	M/Spt u 2 ltr	33.97
19	444	Mitch Craig	MGCCN	Suzuki Swift GTI	Tp 4 u 2 ltr	34.19
20	99	Rick Vincent	MGCCN	MG F	M/Spt u 2 ltr	34.33
21	571	Reece Presland	MGCCN	Nissan 180SX	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	34.34
22	61	Graham Orr	MGCCN	Honda Civic	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	34.39
23	151	Lyll Clarke	MGCCN	MG F	M/Spt u 2 ltr	34.59
24	44	Jeff Newey	MGCCN	MG B	M/Spt u 2 ltr	34.67
25	2	Steven Cromack	MGCCN	Holden Torana SLR	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	34.73
26	144	Simon Nichols on	MGCCN	Mazda Astina	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	35.03
27	15	Nathan Predo	MGCCN	Holden Commodore VL	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	35.09
28	136	Andy Peters	MGCCN	MG B	M/Spt u 2 ltr	35.20
29	57	Larry Presland	MGCCN	Nissan 180SX	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	35.25
29	82	Andrew Ference	MGCCN	Mazda MX5	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	35.25
31	68	Michael Snow	MGCCN	Jackson Special	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	35.47
32	30	Danny Bujna	MGCCN	BMW 318is	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	35.54
33	142	Luke Halpin	TSCC	Nissan 200SX	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	35.62
34	141	Trudy Jacobs	MGCCN	Lotus Elise S	M/Spt u 2 ltr	35.63
35	62	Chris Orr	MGCCN	Honda Civic	JunProd/Tp2u2ltr	35.67
36	77	Graeme Semken	MGCCN	MG F Trophy	M/Spt u 2 ltr	35.70
37	71	Perry Burrow	TSCC	Ford Fiesta XR4	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	35.86
38	88	Marea Semken	MGCCN	MG F Trophy	M/Spt u 2 ltr	35.88
39	19	Ron Swanson	KSCC	Suzuki Swift	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	35.93
40	194	Andrew Chandler	MGCCN	Honda Prelude	JunProd/Tp3u2ltr	35.97
41	157	Ben Hall	MGCCN	Hyundai Lantra	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	36.11
42	777	Craig Doyle	KSCC	Nissan Skyline	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	36.18
43	771	Mathew Doyle	KSCC	Nissan Skyline	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	36.35
44	6	Matt Lumb	MGCCN	Lotus Elise	M/Spt u 2 ltr	36.58
45	8	John Roach	MGCCN	Mazda MX5	M/Spt u 2 ltr	36.92
46	555	Sue Thomas	MGCCN	MG F	M/Spt u 2 ltr	37.17
47	42	Michaelene Halpin	TSCC	Nissan 200SX	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	37.41
48	333	David Pollock	MGCCN	Hyundai Lantra	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	37.42
49	26	Nat Hails	MGCCN	Nissan Silvia	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	37.44
50	153	Matthew Holt	MGCCN	Nissan Skyline GTST	M/Spt o 3 ltr	39.24

RINGWOOD PARK

This, I hope, will be the start of a monthly update on the progress of Ringwood, the building of the extension plus all the other upgrades that are in mind for the complex. I hope like me and the other people who have contributed to getting the plan to this stage you find the proposed plans both exciting and more importantly a leap forward in the club's asset.

As most of you know the story thus far, well over a year ago plans were worked on, changed and changed again until a plan was acceptable to the planners and club members. Plans were sent to council and we waited the long wait. Finally the plans were stamped successfully in June 2012. We have to have a construction certificate before we can start on the main work. This is detailed plans of the drainage and ecological stuff and we have started to get this done at the time of writing. Elsewhere in the magazine Doug Rae has written an article on the work done over the last few years by Dad's Army and others to get the complex to the high level that it is today.

So what's next? Well due to a club member's observation there were some concrete pipes on a building site for sale, we have now bought these at a very good price so saving the club many hundreds of dollars. The new shed that is needed to house the club's stuff and equipment is in the process of purchase. We have been waiting for the approval to proceed, as we would like to get it in place before King Edward Park hillclimb so that we can put the Armco etc. back in the new shed and save double handling. For those who don't know the containers we use now are outside our boundary and also in a very bad state of repair.

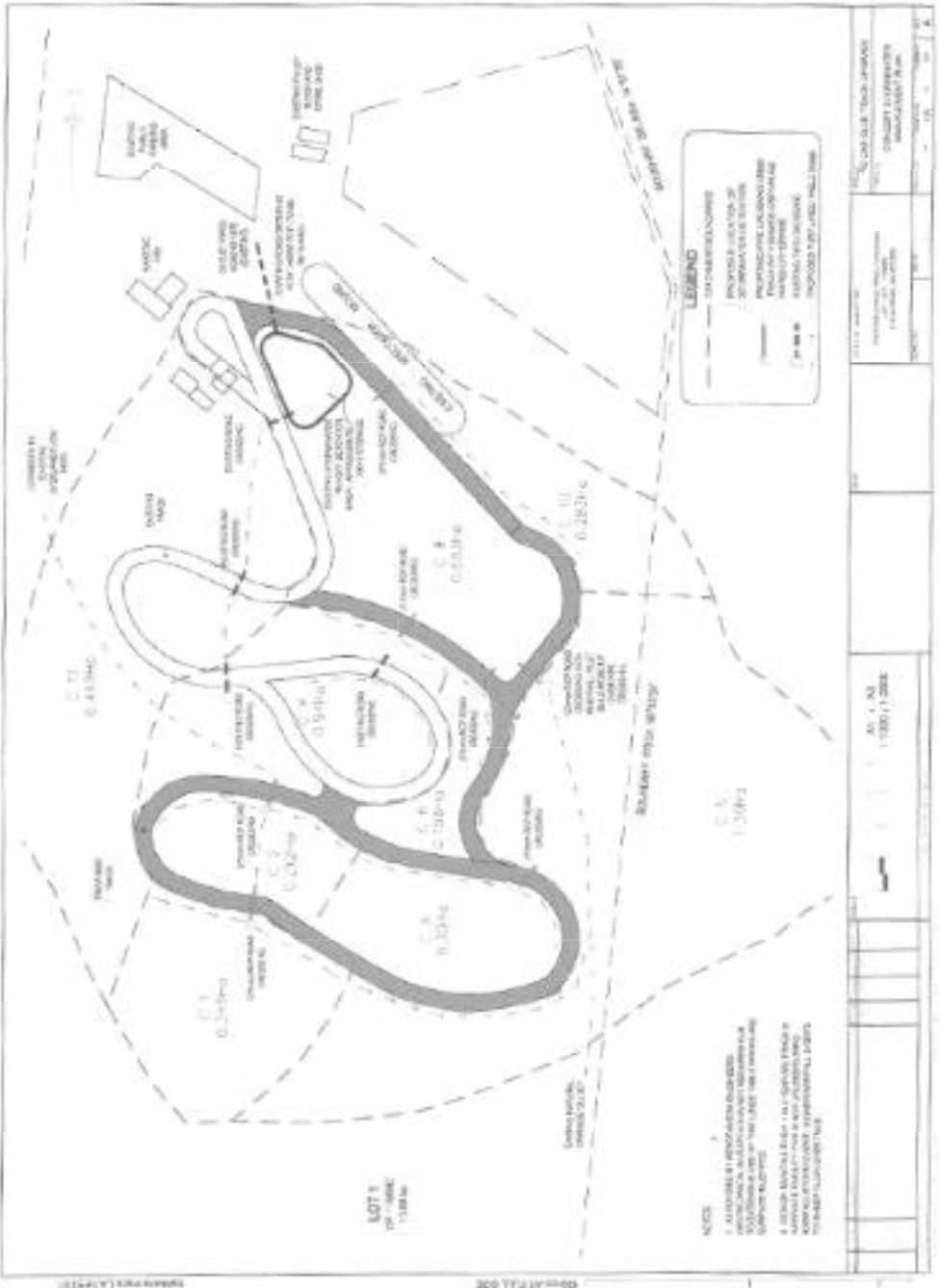
On the next page or so you will see a work schedule prepared by Alan Bates, our land panel chairman. While this is not every job it does give an idea of the work to be done and this is where you the members come in. We need all sorts of input. Do you own equipment? Have you building experience? Concrete? Electrician? Own a hardware shop?

We can pay top dollar for everything and get contractors in but that reduces what we have to spend. Anything where you think you can assist the club would be most helpful in saving money so we can get a bigger bang for our buck. All you need to do is ring or e-mail me to register your interest and I will let the others know of your expertise.

So for the moment that's about up to date. I will try and keep you all up to speed with progress as we go on. I and the rest of the team look forward to your calls.

Cheers

Bryn



RINGWOOD HILLCLIMB PROJECT

		Start Date
Task 1	Obtain drainage plans	18/06/2012
Task 2	Obtain Arborist report	18/06/2012
Task 3	Obtain Ecologist Report	18/06/2012
Task 4	Construction of sumps for stormwater drains	18/06/2012
Task 5	Pipework for stormwater	18/06/2012
Task 6	Obtain quotes for fill for paddock area	18/06/2012
Task 7	Enlarge quarry	18/06/2012
Task 8	Obtain stormwater pipes	18/06/2012
Task 9	Relocate spectator fence	18/06/2012
Task 10	Retaining walls in quarry	18/06/2012
Task 11	Install gates for paddock/pits	18/06/2012
Task 12	Obtain Quotes for Shed	18/06/2012
Task 13	Obtain Quotes for Track Preparation	18/06/2012
Task 14	Obtain Quotes for Bitumen Sealing of track	18/06/2012
Task 15	Obtain Quotes for Sealing of Dirt area of Pits	18/06/2012
Task 16	Obtain Quotes for sealing of Pit access road	18/06/2012
Task 17	Obtain Quotes for Sealing of access road from Italia Rd	18/06/2012
Task 18	Obtain Quotes for construction of gutter crossing from Italia Rd	18/06/2012
Task 19	Obtain Quotes for Transport of Portable Bldgs from Mt Thorley	18/06/2012
Task 20	Site Bldgs from Mt Thorley	18/06/2012
Task 21	Connect power to new buildings	18/06/2012
Task 22	Obtain quotes for refurbishment of portable buildings	18/06/2012
Task 23	Upgrade to Timing System	18/06/2012
Task 24	Install of Track Timing and Lighting System	18/06/2012



What Lies Beneath by Doug Rae

At Ringwood, that is! Other than tons of gravel and rocks, from day one there has been a constant battle with water run off.

The original track had 5 pipe crossings and 5 sumps to collect the water. These culminated in a series of open drains, some 6 foot/1.8 metres deep, cutting through and flooding a large percentage of useable land.

From day one of MGCC Newcastle acquiring the property, piping and filling these open drains has been ongoing, firstly with the large one running through the Pit Area, which has been piped and 2 sumps installed.

Lately a very comprehensive project has been undertaken further down from the Pit Area with pipes acquired by Dave Atkins. This required 200 metres of trenching being dug and 400 metres of pipes laid, requiring 4 sumps which are presently under construction. These will control surface water.

With this in place we have reclaimed approximately 1000sq metres of useable land and given us some control over the water run off.

This major construction all up, with the pipes, labour, and concrete adds up to between \$30,000 to \$40,000. However, with our own machinery and volunteer labour it has cost the club \$1,500 in fuel and materials.

Obviously, these types of savings will be ongoing thanks to the Thursday group known affectionately as Dad's Army. Too many to name, but if you have contributed in some way I would like to on behalf of the members offer my thanks to all these people.

So don't be backwards in offering your services or any materials you may have access to. Please contact our Land Panel Chairman, Alan Bates.

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EDITORIAL Mike Cole

One of the advantages of being editor is that you get to see the classified advertisements first. Except some of them are now also sent to the website.

A couple of years ago I purchased some secondhand tyres. The ad appeared in the magazine, but the tyres had been purchased by me. The tyres are still doing registration duty on the PRB.

Earlier in the month I received an ad for a MGF that had been sitting under a house after failing its pink slip. After thinking about it for a week, I went and had a look and agreed to purchase. I am now cleaning it and I have started the engine. So far no unexpected surprises except the wheel nuts being unusual.

The car owner was planning to list it on the website. So far I am happy that I got in first.

Photographs this month are from Rose Cogger, Peter Robinson and Michael Snow.

Mike

Clubtorque is published monthly (except January) on the Tuesday before the Clubnight (which usually falls on the second Friday of the month). Publication on the website may occur earlier. The deadline for articles is the last Friday of the prior month, or two weeks before the Clubnight.

The deadline for the next magazine is Friday 27th July 2012.

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Margaret Thomas ph 4955 8860, mobile 0427 938 201



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