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COVER: Louise having a run in the VC Commodore rally car at the last Ringwood Motorkhana for 2015

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Coming Events – December 2015

Fri 11	MGCCN	Club Night CANCELLED	
Sat 12	MGCCN	Club Rooms Working Bee	Cobby Street 8:30am M
Tues 15	MGCCN	Board Meeting	Cobby Street 7:30pm M

Coming Events – January 2016

Fri 8	MGCCN	Club Night	Cobby Street 7:30pm M
Wed 13	MGCCN	Speed Panel Meeting	Cobby Street 8:00pm M
Thurs 14	MGCCN	Ringwood Working Bee	
Tues 19	MGCCN	Board Meeting	Cobby Street 7:30pm M
Thurs 21	MGCCN	Ringwood Working Bee	
Thurs 28	MGCCN	Ringwood Working Bee	

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Coming Events – February 2016

Thurs 4	MGCCN	Ringwood Working Bee	
Sat 6	CLA	CSCA Supersprint Rd 1	Wakefield Park
Sun 7	WAC	Motorkhana	Awabawac Park MK 1
Mon 8	MGCCN	Magazine Assembly	Cobby Street 2.00pm M
Wed 10	MGCCN	Speed Panel Meeting	Cobby Street 8:00pm M
Thurs 11	MGCCN	Ringwood Working Bee	
Fri 12	MGCCN	Club Night	Cobby Street 7:30pm M
Sun 14	MGCCN	Ringwood Hillclimb	CC1 TS1 M
Tues 16	MGCCN	Board Meeting	Cobby Street 7:30pm M
Thurs 18	MGCCN	Ringwood Working Bee	
Sat 20	MGCCN	Young Driver Development Course	Ringwood
Sat 20	MGCCN	Natter Night	Details in February Clubtorque
Tues 23	MGCCN	Weekday Club Run	Details in February Clubtorque
Thurs 25	MGCCN	Ringwood Working Bee	
Sun 28	MGCCN	Dirt / Tar Khanacross	CC2 KC1 M

Legend

M - Club Member

R - Register pointscore

CC - Club Championship

KC - Khanacross

MK - Motorkhana

TA - Touring Assembly

TC - Tri-Challenge

TS - Tar Speed Series

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PRESIDENT'S SUMMARY 2015

Welcome one & all to the 2015 AGM for the MGCC Newcastle. We have had a busy year again although perhaps not quite as hectic as 2014!

We have run a total of around 9 hill climbs at Ringwood on various track configurations which have proved popular this included the state round which was well received & a come & try day. I have had people say to me from outside of the club that the MGCC can be relied on to stage a good event which is very gratifying to all the people who put in the hard work to organise these events. I would like to mention the ladies auxiliary who under Roses leadership put in countless hours at Ringwood & other events to keep the social scene going, also Dads Army who without their hours of work at Ringwood we would not have the complex that we have today.

The national meeting this year was a very successful one for the club with saw us earning around 28 trophies & the icing on the cake our merry band taking out the Nuffield trophy a really brilliant effort.

The Young Driver Training programme under Greg Hunters guidance has again had a good year with about six or so days and shows that we can as a club put something back into motoring.

Another highlight of the year was our sixty years anniversary dinner which I think by any standard turned out to be a great night well worthy of the sixty year history of the club well attended well organised and again a credit to those behind the scenes.

Our tar racing members are still very active in both CSCA rounds & also super sprint series well supported This year's CSCA round run in conjunction with Sydney MGCC was again very successful event, again a well organised event which as I said earlier is noted by people outside our club & is a reflection on the people who are out there making these things happen for our club.

Dirt events while not enjoying huge entries continue to be a worthwhile addition to the clubs calendar & with the addition of some tar sections are creating more interest. There has been an attempt to get the dirt side of things moving again with track inspections etc. but has made slow progress but all good things come to those who wait!

Talking of waiting for those who maybe have not heard our neighbour & now club member Mathew Higgins has at last got the construction certificate & work can now begin, we wait to see the first signs of construction!

Last year I mentioned that we were putting together a brochure for the hiring out of Ringwood, be it for driver training, other club events etc. This has now been done & I have a copy here if you would like to see one. Hopefully this could be the start of many future hiring's & a good source of income for the club.

The social scene is still active & is just what it says social it's a club & the members get together for the various club nights, natter nights; club runs etc. & while we the club members are a busy club it's nice to think we can enjoy the social occasions as well.

King Edward Park, the king is dead but he lives on at Ringwood! This year's event turned out to be a fitting climax to this great event, great weather, a good field & no major incidents, the crowds were not quite as good s anticipated considering the advertising we did pushing that this was the final run, the weather while brilliant probably worked against us as far as crown numbers went but we still had a financial success so it was a great way to bow out of this wonderful event. We will miss the event but not the work!

And so to the New Year, some of the things that are in the pipeline, on advice from our treasurer we have decided to purchase a dedicated computer & software accounting package (MYOB) to facilitate the keeping of the club accounts this will help to keep the board fully up to date with the finances of the club. Also we hope to introduce plastic club cards as an aid to modernising the club membership process.

One of the big changes will be to the club website; this is the face of the club the first contact some people have when looking for the MGCC Newcastle. The one we have now was designed by the late Gregor Dickenson & Darren Hodgson & has served us well but is looking a bit dated so a website designer has been chosen & we are in the process of looking at various designs, not an easy process with everyone having an opinion but that's what boards are for!

So as you can see the board has been busy on your behalf & I would personally like to thank the board for their commitment to the running of the club, our number of events, our financial turnover mean that we are in effect running a business which has to be administered with the due diligence that these numbers require & I thank the board for their efforts many of whom are standing down this year after many years service to the club, in particular I would like to mention two of the executive who are standing down as well, Ken McLeod our club secretary who has been a great help to me & a great secretary for the club, also our long serving treasurer, Darval Thomas has been treasurer I think for six years & we have enjoyed a great working relationship together. I myself as president for the last four years will not be standing for the board, it's time for new ideas & new people to carry on the work & I wish the new board every success for the coming year

Cheers Bryn

SPEED PANEL REPORT

Hi Guys,

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all Competitors.

Well we come to a close of competition for 2015 and it sure was a full year with six rounds of the Ringwood Hillclimb Championship, Two State Rounds Four Tri Challenge Events, and Seven Rounds of the CSCA Championship.

This year was the first competition year we introduced the new Ringwood circuit layout designs, resulting in extra track time and more challenging configurations much to the satisfaction of all competitors.

From recent discussions regarding Track designs for next years State Round Events it appears their panel members would like to compete on different Track Layouts vs the previous A2 resulting in increased competition.

The last Speed Event at Ringwood RD6, was held in terrible conditions drizzle rain then a moment of sunshine then a cloud bursts drowning everybody, the open sports cars weren't really pleased to say the least with a full field including drivers from the Hunter Club all anxious to try the longest track being A5 the times were off the pace by around 3 to 4 seconds with James Pearson taking out the fastest time of the day.

The last round of the CSCA was held at SMSP South Circuit with a reduced field most competitors enjoyed five runs,our club was represented well with the following results:

John Finch – 3rd in NMT2U2 Post

Peter Hotz – 1st in NMT2U2 Pre

Ted Dial - 2nd in NMT2O2 Post

Paul Boland 1st in NMT3U2 Pre

L Moviliatti 3rd in NMT3U2 Pre

G Noonan - 2nd in NMT3U2 Post

T Traeger – 1st in NMT3O2 Post

See you all again in 2016 have a great holiday thanks to all the officials that made the events happen.

Keep your tyres hot for next year.

Regards

Rick

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TROPHY WINNERS 2015

Club Member of the Year	1st	Michael Snow
Club Member of the Year	2nd	Bryn Baverstock
Club Member of the Year	3rd	Rose Collins
Ladies Club Championship	1st	Bronwyn Lewis
Ladies Club Championship	2nd	Louise Reeves
Ladies Club Championship	3rd	Leanne Woods
Paul Daley Junior Champion	1st	Alexander Reeves
David Huck Register Series		Lyall Clarke
Warners Bay Lions Club Trophy		Lyall Clarke
Best New Member of the Year		Michael Whiteman

Motorkhana Series

Class B	1st	David Atkins
Class B	2nd	Lyall Clarke
Class G	1st	Michael Snow
Jun Prod	1st	Alexander Reeves
Jun Prod	2nd	Christian Thompson

Tar Speed Series

Sports Car Group 2A / 2C under 2 litre	1st	Kevin Akers
Marque Sports Classic 2 - 3 litre	1st	David Atkins
Marque Sports Classic Under 2 litre	1st	Andy Peters
Marque Sports Classic Under 2 litre	2nd	Doug Rae
Marque Sports Modern Under 2 litre	1st	Wayne Lewis
Marque Sports Modern Under 2 litre	2nd	Lyall Clarke
Marque Sports Modern Under 2 litre	3rd	Bronwyn Lewis
Special Vehicle Over 3 Litre	1st	Bob Millington
Type 1 Over 2 Litre	1st	Michael Whiteman
Type 1 Under 2 Litre	1st	Allan Evans
Type 1 Under 2 Litre	2nd	Ian Fletcher
Type 2 Over 2 Litre	1st	David Palmer
Type 2 Under 2 Litre	1st	Steven Woods

Type 2 Under 2 Litre	2nd	Graham Orr
Type 2 Under 2 Litre	3rd	Chris Orr
Type 3 Over 2 Litre	1st	Peter Lenard
Type 3 Under 2 Litre	1st	Tom Clemens
Type 3 Under 2 Litre	2nd	Russell West
Type 4 Under 2 Litre	1st	Ryan Bates

Road Event Series

Driver Class D	= 1st	Steven Woods
	= 1st	Bernard Corbett
Navigator Class D	= 1st	Madelon Corbett
	= 1st	Leanne Woods

Khanacross Series

Class A	1st	Daryl Pritchard
Class D	2nd	David Atkins
Class E	1st	Martin Reeves
Class F	1st	Michael Snow
Class G	1st	Emma Brown
Class G	2nd	Ray Holgate
Junior Prod	1st	Alexander Reeves
Junior Prod	2nd	Cody Pritchard



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SOCIAL REPORT

Last club night was very busy with the Annual General Meeting taking place at the club rooms and congratulations to all those who will representing club members on the 2016 Board. There are quite a few new faces on the board and they will be welcomed to the Board at the last meeting for 2015.

There will be NATTER NIGHTS next year so please let me know if you would like one. There are 4 left as one has already been booked. There will also be a BUS TRIP, destination will be advised at a later date.

The Canteen at Ringwood has been very busy this year with two large events, the TRI CHALLENGE and the STATE HILLCLIMB ROUND. To all those who assisted me with the running of the canteen I send a big THANK YOU. I would especially like to thank Raewin, Joy, Chris, Louise, John, Michael and Linda.

We do try to keep the price of food and drinks low in price but we have managed to buy many items for the Ringwood Motor Sport Complex and the Cobby Street Club rooms. Some of the purchases included a very well used Playground equipment for the children, a pump, tool kit, safe OH&S ladder, new kitchen, blinds and benches for the canteen and new kitchen, carpet, lounge suite, hot water service, venetian blinds and new sinks in the toilets.

I would like to wish all members and their families a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Rose Cogger Collins

Thursday Working Bees

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Proof of identity such as NSW drivers licence.

The current Certificate of Conditional Registration.

The current Certification of Approved Operations.

A completed Change of Records to have the vehicle's conditions updated.

If unsure about this go to a Services NSW office for more information, it is not compulsory to join the scheme and you can continue using the present system.

A pro rata allocation of days will apply when initially opting into the trial based on the number of days remaining on the registration.

3 months registration – 15 days. 6 months – 30 days. 9 months – 45 days. Over 9 months – 60 days.

Doug Rae

YOUNG DRIVER DEVELOPMENT COURSE EVENT DATES 2016

TRAINING DAY

- 1, Saturday 20th February, start 9.30 am, finishing at 3.00 pm
- 2, Saturday 2nd April, start 9.30 am, finishing at 3.00 pm
- 3, Saturday 30th April, start 9.30 am, finishing at 3.00 pm
- 4, Saturday 28th May, start 9.30 am, finishing at 3.00 pm

COMPETITION Motorkhana Training

- 5, Sunday 24th July, see Coming Events page for details.

TRAINING DAY

- 6, Saturday 17th Sept, start 9.30 am, finishing at 3.00 pm
- 7, Saturday 15th October, start 9.30 am, finishing at 3.00 pm

COMPETITION Motorkhana Training

- 8, Sunday 20th November, see Coming Events page for details.

EVENTS WILL BE CONDUCTED ON BOTH EARTH AND SEALED SURFACES

The programme above can change during the year, please check as the above list will be updated with changes as soon as they come to hand. However it's not always possible to meet the Club Torque magazine deadline. Although a check can also be made using the club's website, www.mgcarclub.com.au
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Above: Dave Atkins and Bryn Baverstock holding the CAMS award for the best event of the year.

Below: New life members John Collins, Greg Hunter and Alan Bates being presented their badges.





Above: First, second, third member of the year award (First, Michael Snow, second Bryn Baverstock, third Rose Cogger Collins).

Below: Ladies championship winners, Louise Reeves second, Bronwyn Lewis first and Leanne Woods third.



2016 COMPETITION RULES AND CLASSES

Update Information about the 2016 Competition Rules and Classes.

The following documents have been updated and will be on the Clubs website in December 2015.

2016 MG Pointscore Rules (How they Work) Ver 1

MGCCN Vehicle Rules 2016 Ver 1

There have been some minor changes to the classes for the MGCCN Tar Speed Series, the Tri-Challenge Series classes remain unchanged.

For Type 5 vehicles the separation of production and special blocks has been removed. (The separation was a trial for one year)

For Marque Sports cars, the capacity grouping has changed, now 0 – 1400, 1401 – 2000 and 2001 and over.

Class for MGCCN for 2016	Tar Speed Series	Tri Challenge
MGCCN - Type 1 Under 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 1 Over 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 2 Under 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 2 Over 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 3 Under 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 3 Over 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 4 Under 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 4 Over 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 5 Under 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Type 5 Over 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Formula SAE	Y	Y
MGCCN - Sports Grp 2A/2C under 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Sports Grp 2A/2C over 2 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Marque Sports Classic Under 1.4 ltr	Y	

MGCCN - Marque Sports Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr	Y	
MGCCN - Marque Sports Classic Over 2 ltr	Y	
MGCCN - Marque Sports Modern Under 1.4 ltr	Y	
MGCCN - Marque Sports Modern 1.4 - 2 ltr	Y	
MGCCN - Marque Sports Modern Over 2 ltr	Y	
MGCCN - Marque Sports under 2 ltr		Y
MGCCN - Marque Sports 2 - 3 ltr		Y
MGCCN - Marque Sports over 3 ltr		Y
MGCCN - Special Vehicle Under 3 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Special Vehicle Over 3 ltr	Y	Y
MGCCN - Junior in Production Vehicle	Y	
MGCCN - Junior in Special Vehicle	Y	
MGCCN - Type 5 Prod Under 2 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Type 5 Prod Over 2 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Type 5 Special Under 2 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Type 5 Special Over 2 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Marque Sports Classic Under 2 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Marque Sports Classic 2 - 3 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Marque Sports Classic Over 3 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Marque Sports Modern Under 2 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Marque Sports Modern 2 - 3 ltr		removed
MGCCN - Marque Sports Modern Over 3 ltr		removed

The CAMS MEE will be updated with the revised class listing.

If your vehicle is in a class that has changed, please update the details in CAMS MEE. <https://www.meecamsau.com/>

If you compete in more than one Hillclimb series where the class and/or competition number is different between the series, then add the vehicle a second time. For example

Car	Class	Number
Jackson Special	MGCCN - Type 5 Under 2 ltr	68
Jackson Special	Formula Libre 1301 – 2000	68

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2015 CAMS NSW/ACT EVENT OF THE YEAR

Once again the Club has had an accolade from CAMS.

At the NSW/ACT State Awards Dinner held on Saturday 21st November, we not only received a “Milestone Recognition Certificate” Celebrating 60 years of affiliation with CAMS, We also received the trophy for “2015 CAMS NSW/ACT Event of The Year”. This was awarded to us for the 2014 Australian Hill Climb Championship Event at Ringwood (because the event was held after the close off date for 2014 nominations it was able to be included in judging for 2015).

The photo is of Doug Rae & Dave Atkins who attended the dinner on the clubs behalf receiving the trophy from Andrew Papadopoulos (The National President of CAMS).

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the running of this great event, this trophy is for you all!

My thanks to Michael Snow and Dave Atkins for putting together the successful submission for this award on behalf of the Club.

Cheers Bryn



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CONGRATULATIONS!

THE CLUB & BOARD OF THE MGCC NEWCASTLE WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE JOHN COLLINS & GREG HUNTER ON BEING AWARDED LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CLUB

An outline on their Service to the MG Car Club and Motorsport in general.

John Collins

MGCCN Committee/Board Positions

- Served on Committee 5 terms from 1961/62 to 65/66 - President 1965 (part of the year),
- Vice President 2000 to 2008 (inclusive) (9 successive terms)
- President 2009, 2010, 2011.

In-puts apart from the work of a Committee Position.

- Worked tirelessly towards having a race circuit built in the Hunter Valley, forgoing significant amounts of income to work on that goal.
- Worked with John Mallam over many years to develop the timing system for Ringwood Hillclimb and even though that system has now been superseded, most of the concepts remain.
- Has held continuous membership of MGCCN since his youth.
- Has been an accredited CAMS Official since the accreditation began, holding Silver Accreditation in Scrutineering and Bronze in Event Administration, Event Command, Stewarding and Timekeeping. He officiated for decades prior to the formalisation of Officiating by CAMS, and was Clerk of Course for the First of the King Edward Park Hillclimbs organised by MGCCN back in 1963.
- The King Edward Park Hillclimbs have been a beneficiary of John's work on timing system (and actually timekeeping), as Clerk of the course on numerous occasions, and working behind the scenes on raising sponsorship, and working with the printer to set up the programme.
- Has made his workshop available for pre event scrutineering over many years, up until he moved out of that business prior to the 2014 event.

Motorsport - Major Achievements.

- Club Champion 1964
- NSW Formula Ford Championship
- Numerous National Meeting Class awards for MGCCN

Significant Service to Motorsport as part of The Newcastle Motor Racing Club.

- Served as President for many years.
- Organised the Hillclimb events at Ringwood for NMRC for many years.
- Was awarded Life Membership of that Club, which ceased when NMRC was wound up and members transferred to MGCCN.

Greg Hunter

- Membership commenced at Committee meeting held on 8/8/1962

MGCCN Committee/Board Positions

- Served on committees 62/63 through to 66/67 when he was Club Captain.
- Speed Event Panel 93/94 year
- Club President 2003 to 2008 Inclusive (6 consecutive terms)
- Vice President 2012, 2013

Inputs apart from the work of a Committee Position.

- Developed and had CAMS approval granted for the Young Driver Development Course. This has been running for 17years under Greg's direction.
- Has continued to run that since its inception, providing the opportunity to hundreds of youngsters to develop their car control skills well before they hit the roads.
- Has driven the push to formalise and better promote the Hire out of Ringwood to other clubs, driving schools and other commercial entities. He continues to take a leading role in that part of the club's activities.

Motorsport - Major Achievements.

- Club Champion 1992 and Joint Club Champion in 2001.
- Won a Formula 2 Championship in his Dallara Volkswagen in 2005.

Significant Service to Motorsport.

- Service to the Formula 2 Association
- Service to motorsport through his involvement with Newcastle Motor Racing Club.
- Service to up and coming Junior Drivers by giving them the opportunity to learn Car Control skills in a formal and controlled environment.
- Has been an accredited CAMS Official since accreditation began, holding Bronze Accreditation, In Event Command (Clerk of Course)

WOMEN OF MGs & MOTORSPORT



Louise crosses the finish line at KEP 2014 in her MGZR (one of many MGs owned by the Reeves'.)

When and how did you get involved with the MG Car Club Newcastle?

When I attended driving lessons at the Adamstown Driver Training Range I saw a sign in a glass cabinet in the foyer which asked, "Do you like driving?". When I purchased my first Honda Civic, I enjoyed driving it so much I enquired at the driving range about the sign in the cabinet which I had not forgotten. It was promoting the MGCC Newcastle which, in those days met at the range. Brian Ford was the president at the time and I contacted him and he encouraged me to come to a meeting and join the club. So I did.

I got involved with the MGCC because of my love of driving and of cars and motorsport. I joined the car club in January 1983.

How did you first become involved in motor sport as a competitor or official?

I was encouraged when I first went to a Motorkhana at Awaba for a look to see what it was all about to enter. I won my class. The rest is history.

I was also encouraged to take on the role of Motorkhana coordinator at my first AGM, I said yes, I was very green then.

In what activities or events are you (or have you been) involved or competed?

Motorkhana, Khanacross, Speed Events including, Regularity Speed Events
Supersprints – Amaroo, Oran Park, Eastern Creek, Wanneroo WA, Symmons Plains Tas, Baskerville Tas, Adelaide International Raceway, Winton Raceway, Warwick Farm,

Hill Climbs – Ringwood, Mount Cotton Qld, Amaroo Hillclimb Sydney, Rob Roy Vic

MG National Meetings: NSW, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, and my beloved Tasmania.

I have been support crew for Martin driving our VC Brock Commodore in Targa Tasmania in 1998, (not 1999 as I was heavily pregnant), then again in 2000, with 10 month old baby Alexander in tow in the WRX. He took his first steps at the Sandy Bay Motor Inn at the concluding stages of the Targa.

What do you enjoy most about your involvement in motor sport?

Most importantly, I met my husband Martin Reeves at my first Natter Night at Brian and Bernadette Ford's home in Lambton on 26th March 1983.

I love the pleasure motor sport brings to our family.

I also enjoy the cars, the company and the opportunity to see Australia that is has afforded me. The inclusive nature of the car club for any age or walk of life and especially for the care members take with my children, Alexander and Michelle. They both currently attend our excellent Young Driver Training programme.

What has been your greatest achievement in motor sport?

Can't single out from the following:

- Watching both my children driving at the Young Driver Training Days at Ringwood.
- Coming second outright to my husband Martin at the National Meeting Speed Event in 1988 in an MG V8 Special that he had built.
- Winning the Warkworth Khanacross Outright on a very wet grassy paddock, especially after a male competitor patronised me at the drivers' briefing by saying "Louise, you do it your way and we will do it ours!" So I did and beat them all. I think this may have been in our pink MGB Mk 1 that is now David Walker's Blue one (with a few bits of pink that still linger)
- Winning the MGCC Newcastle Club Championship in the MG V8 Special that Martin had built. (It was British Racing Green then a very shiny black).

Do you have any non-motor sport interests or hobbies?

Books

Landscape Photography.

Holidays with my family

Dining Out

Parties

Watching British Murder Mysteries on TV

Watching Engineering and Construction Documentaries with my family

Watching Top Gear and other interesting motoring shows

Spending time at home, cuppas in the shed.

What's the best advice you have been given about motor sport?

Just do it.

Who is your motor sport hero and why?

Martin Reeves, Alexander Reeves and hopefully one day Michelle Reeves.

Outside the family I have enjoyed the motoring careers of Peter Brock, Ayrton Senna, Jack Brabham and Coral Taylor

Plus the female German driver on Top Gear [Sabine Schmidt] (the one that drove the van around the Nurburgring) How good is she?

All because of their driving skill.

What is your current Road Car?

Land Rover Discovery 4. I love it! It is a great tow car and it has TV reception in it and a fantastic sound system, great handling and comfort.



Other road cars have included:

Holden HR, 1975 Honda Civic (first Competition Car), VC Holden Commodore Sedan, 1985 Honda Civic, MGB MK I Blue...then Pink, MGB MKII Maroon, 1980 VC Brock Commodore #302, MGB MK I Martin Reeves Custom V8 British Racing Green ...then very shiny Black, Holden Kingswood Ute, Pajero short wheel base 4WD, MGB GT Martin Reeves Custom V8 White, VN Holden Commodore Station Wagon, Ford Fairmont Ghia, 1988 VL Walkinshaw Commodore, 1999 Subaru WRX (Same vintage as Alexander), Bronze 740 GL Station wagon (an addition when Michelle was on the way), Chrysler Lancer 1974 Rally Car (ex- Brian Ford Rally Car), another Chrysler Lancer 1974, Landcruiser 1985, 1986 Mercedes 300E, MG ZR.

Any comments you would like to add.

Joining the MGCC has been one of the best decisions of my life.

CAMS ACCREDITED OFFICIALS PROCESS

Dear CAMS Event Assessor,

As you are aware, The CAMS National Officiating Program (NOP) was established for the grading, licencing, training and recognition of CAMS Accredited Officials.

The purpose of the National Officiating Program is to:

- Ensure that motor sport officials are highly skilled
- Provide knowledge of roles and rules
- Demonstrate ethical performance of duties
- Foster personal pride and respect for the sport
- Provide efficient management
- Achieve local, national and international recognition

Officials seeking an upgrade to their licence are required to undergo a practical Event Assessment, where they are observed performing the officiating role and assessed on the application of skills and knowledge to an agreed standard by a qualified Event Assessor or team of Assessors.

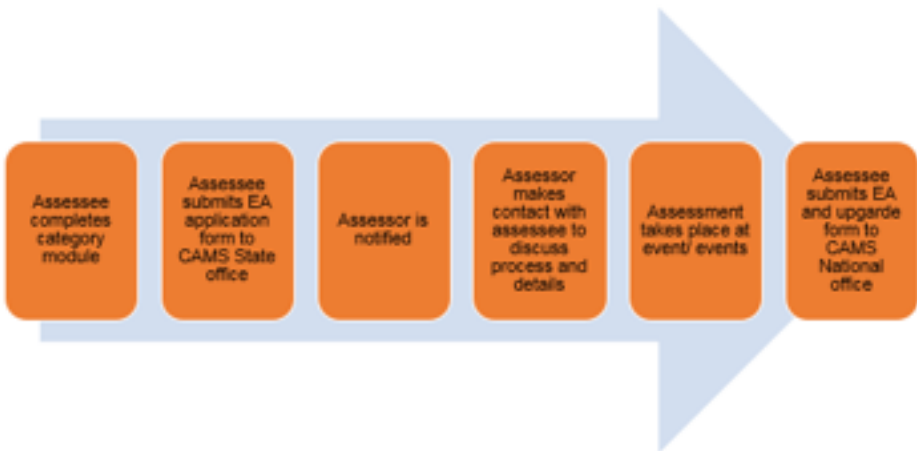
One of the most crucial roles of the assessor is to consider the evidence provided by a candidate regarding their competency and make a decision about whether the candidate has achieved the required level of competency.

CAMS Event Assessors are charged with the responsibility of recording an individual's demonstrated competence and signing an assessment form which confirms that the candidate is in fact competent at a given task based on a standard criteria or benchmark. The assessment form provides CAMS with confirmation that the individual's demonstrated competency is also valid, authentic, sufficient and current.

It is disappointing then, that all too often CAMS receives event assessments that are of a "tick and flick" nature with absolutely no evidence whatsoever that supports an individual's "demonstrated competency". This is a poor reflection of the responsibility that all event assessors have been charged with and willingly accepted to undertake. It is important that you understand the legal responsibility that attaches to your role as an assessor. Providing an assessment that does not meet the requisite standards could result in critical comments should an incident occur as a consequence of poor officiating by the individual you have assessed.

It is also disappointing to hear from many officials who have undertaken an assessment, that there has been no pre-assessment contact or planning by the assessor. Many individuals turn up for an assessment having no idea of the assessor's expectations or assessment process. Again this is a poor reflection of the responsibility that all event assessors have been charged with and willingly accepted to undertake.

The flow chart below is a reminder of the process that should be adhered to by assessee's and assessors when undertaking an event assessment.



Assessors should also ensure that they are completely familiar with the process an individual wishing to undertake an event assessment is required to follow. This information can be found [here](#)

I look forward to receiving comprehensive and holistic assessments from you all in the future, ensuring the sustainability of our officials and the roles they undertake.

Kind regards

David Mori

Manager – Training and Officials

1000 STARTS AT RINGWOOD PARK FOR LYALL

Seems crazy doesn't it?

Sunday, 16th November, 2015 saw me at a Ringwood Park Hillclimb for my 114th competitive event at our Hillclimb venue where my second run of the day would be the 1000th time I had lined up on the start line.

It all began back in May, 1993, when I took my newly acquired MG Midget to Ringwood for the first time.

Little did I know that this would be the start of my association with motorsport that was to bring me to this monumental achievement!

My original foray into motorsport started when I first joined the MG Newcastle Car Club in 1962 and got hooked on competing.

Over the years I was able to compete in many types of cars, Bug Eye Sprite, Austin Lancer, Fiat 124, Alfa Romeo, MG Midget and MGF to name a few, in motorkhanas, hillclimbs, rallies, etc. as well as attending many MG National Meetings in the MG Midget and MGF.

As well as competing I have been involved in assisting in the running of the Club and over the years have held various committee positions and official positions at many events. I am also a fully fledged member of Dad's Army who we all must thank for the venue we have here to-day.

But back to Ringwood Park.

I can recall my first run up the Hill in the very standard MG Midget with the goal of getting under 40 seconds (on the old track layout). I didn't achieve this first time but eventually was able to break 40 at the seconds in June, 1994,

Over time with different tyres, but still with not much power, I got more competitive and when it came time to sell the Midget, I was down to a respectful time of 36.13 in a car that was still standard and still a Concours winner.

From 1993 to June, 2003, the Midget competed in 47 Hillclimbs at Ringwood for 396 starts. It also ran many times at other venues in Hillclimbs, Supersprints, Motorkhanas and was also a Concours winner many times.

In November, 2003 I purchased the 1997 MGF I have to-day and in February, 2004 I gave it the first run at Ringwood with a best time of 37.31 on the old track.

Times steadily improved and my best time for the old Hillclimb was 34.47 seconds.

The MGF ran the old track a total of 58 Hillclimbs for 568 starts.

At the opening of the extensions, I was given the honour of opening the new track (with Allan Bates in the passengers seat) and then had the first official run. Then it came to this November Hillclimb where my second run would be the 1000th competitive start at this venue.

Quite a milestone and despite the terrible weather, it was gratifying to have many family and friends come to watch me drive up the longest track we now have.

In summary,

May, 1993 to June, 2003 – MG Midget: 47 Hillclimbs, 396 Starts

February, 2004 to November, 2015 – MGF: 67 Hillclimbs, 605 Starts

TOTAL 114 Hillclimbs, 1001 Starts

The MGF has also competed at many other Hillclimbs as part of the MG National Meeting and has been to Mount Cotton (Qld), Mount Leura and Rob Roy (Vic), and also supersprints at Morgan Park, Winton, and Symmonds Plains.

It has also won its class in Concours (as recent as last Sunday) and has given me much pleasure.

So now starts the long run to many more starts at this venue. How many will I end up with? Only time will tell!

LYALL CLARKE.



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For Sale 1997 MGF

One owner Flame Red 1.8i MGF 1997 model having travelled to date 108000 kilometres. The interior having grey door trim, black piped grey leather seats, wood grain dash, matching gear lever & shroud together with rubber MG floor mats. The car comes with a removable chrome luggage rack, car bra & roll up car cover. German Suplex Suspension system fitted. \$7,500

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FOR SALE MGB mark 11

Compliance 1971, owned since purchased brand new in Jan 1972, has had 2 total rebuilds in that time, for the past 5 odd years has seen not a great deal of the road, still has the original number plate - DWI 315, spare has the original tyre, basically original and in excellent condition, sits under covers in the garage, original 155 odd thousand miles, serviced and maintained by my brother a mechanic, now at Regal Motors.

Otto Scevak otto_scevak@yahoo.com 0414 862 088



FOR SALE CAN-AM REPLICA

Built by a Tamworth club member to conform to 2A-2C specifications I believe.

Purchased partly built

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RHS chassis and frame extended forward with early Toyota Celica lower control arms, shortened struts, fabricated upper arms with coil overs. Motor is standard Laser 1.5l 4 speed manual, ideal beginners car.

Make an offer

Lawrie Constable 0427 121 929



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Light Weight Bonnet & Engine Cover

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Targa Tops, Toyota Factory boot spoiler

Engine & Suspension have done 6500ks fitted in march 2013 (all receipts available)

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Left: Junior Champion Alexander Reeves.

Above: Best New Club Person Michael Wightman.

Below: Club Champions 3rd David Walker, 1st Steve Woods, 2nd Lyall Clarke.





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