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Coming Events - MARCH 2017

Thurs 2		Dads Army STATE Hillclimb Rd	Ringwood
Sat 4	BLCC	1 - Esses	Bathurst
Sat 4	AHRG	Fluffy Duck TR STATE Hillclimb Rd	TBA TR1 CC4 Dirt/Tar
Sun 5	BLCC	2 - Mt Straight	Bathurst
Sun 5	MGCCN	Motorkhana	Ringwood M MK2 CC3 Dirt
Mon 6		Magazine Assy	2:00 pm Cobby St M
Wed 8		Speed Panel	8:00 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 9		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 10		Club Night	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Sat 11	Club Lotus	CSCA S'sprint Rd 1	Wakefield Park
Sat 11	MGCCN	YDDC 2 STATE Khanacross	Ringwood M
Sun 12	WAC	Rd 2 10am Come and Try	Awaba
Sun 12	MGCCN	Hillclimb A2 STATE S'sprint Rd	Ringwood M
Sun 12	ARDC	1	SMSP GP
Thurs 16		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 18	KSCC	Tri-Chall Pr	Mt Cooperabung
Sat 18		FOSC	SMSP North
Sun 19	KSCC	Tri-Chall Hillclimb STATE Motork-	Mt Cooperabung TC1
Sun 19	WAC	hana Rd 2	Awaba Dirt
Tues 21		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 23		Dads Army NM Regularity	Ringwood
Sun 26	JDCHR	Hillclimb	Ringwood M
Sun 26	MGCCN	Club Run	Ringwood M
Thurs 30		Dads Army	Ringwood

Legend

M - Club Member

R - Register pointscore

CC - Club Championship

KC - Khanacross

MK - Motorkhana

TA - Touring Assembly

TC - Tri-Challenge

TS - Tar Speed Series

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

Coming Events - APRIL 2017

Sat 1	WAC	Rallysprint	Awaba Invite
Sun 2		Daylight Saving End	
Sun 2	WSCC MGCCN	STATE Hillclimb Rd 3	Dapto Huntley
Sun 2	+ SYD	CSCA S'sprint Rd 2	SMSP North M 2:00 pm Cobby St M
Mon 3		Magazine Assy	Ringwood
Thurs 6		Dads Army	
Fri 7		School Term Finish	
Fri 7		Club Night 1 week early	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Fri 7		Easter	
Sat 8	MGCCN	YDDC 3	Ringwood M
Sat 8		STATE Motorkhana Rd 3	Armidale Tar Ringwood M TS2 CC5
Sun 9	MGCCN	Hillclimb A4	Armidale Tar
Sun 9		STATE Motorkhana Rd 3	8:00 pm Cobby St M
Wed 12		Speed Panel	Ringwood
Thurs 13		Dads Army	
Fri 14		Easter Friday	
Fri 14	MG SA	MG Nationals	Adelaide Reg Adelaide Concours CC6 Adelaide Mkhana CC7
Sat 15	MG SA	MG Nationals	
Sun 16	MG SA	MG Nationals	
Mon 17		Easter Monday	
Mon 17	MG SA	MG Nationals	Adelaide sprint CC8 7:30 pm Cobby St M
Tues 18		Board Meeting	Ringwood
Thurs 20		Dads Army	Ringwood M KC2 CC9 Dirt/Tar day/ night
Sat 22	MGCCN	Khanacross Come and Try Hillclimb A2 **	
Sun 23	MGCCN	Date Change **	Ringwood M
Tues 25		ANZAC Day	
Wed 26		School Term Start	
Thurs 27		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 29	WAC	Rallysprint	Awaba Invite

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

The Club year is now well underway, unfortunately the weather has already had an impact on our Events Calendar, with the first Motorkhana being cancelled due to the predicted high temperatures and the Fire Danger warnings being set at "Catastrophic". Thankfully the fires didn't occur in our area.

The Young Driver Development day was held on the Saturday but only attracted 3 brave participants and was abandoned early, due to the high temperatures.

On the other hand, Ringwood has also been smashed by heavy rain storms on several occasions since Christmas, thankfully no serious damage, just a fair amount of rework on track cleaning. The benefit of these rain events is that the tanks are kept topped up and the grass gets a good drink.

Once again, we have been recognised for the way we conduct major events, with the successful running of the CAMS Club Challenge NSW/ACT Round at Ringwood on 19th Feb. Hopefully the event will be bigger and better next year, as the concept proved to be quite interesting. The close competition that developed as the day progressed, had the teams working hard to find that extra fraction of a % needed to move them up the placings. The event was conducted under very pleasant weather, with just a light shower right at the end of the day to slow times on the last run.

I must thank and congratulate our two teams on their performances, between them there were 5 drivers who beat the existing records for their class. Our "Sports Team" managed to take out 3rd place in the event and were presented with a "cheque" for \$800.

Our first event of the Ringwood Hillclimb Championship has been held with a good field of 56 starters, and conducted in very similar weather conditions to the Club Challenge Event. Very pleasing given what could happen at this time of the year. No floods and no heat wave!

I hope that there will be reports by others on the events and activities held to date.

There are a couple of challenges that we must deal with, the first being that we need to find a willing co-ordinator for the Ringwood Canteen. Rose & Joy have well and truly done a great job for many years, and deserve a break. There are people willing to work in the canteen and the load can and should be spread around. If there is anyone who would like to consider helping in this way, I would love to hear from you.

Another issue is that well-meaning people have left things at the Club Rooms and at Ringwood that they believe the club can use, this is sometimes true, but there is a growing number of items accumulating that are not required and ultimately become clutter, until eventually they are dumped.

If you have something that you think the Club might like, PLEASE contact Doug Rae if it is for Ringwood and Christine Finch if it is for the Club Rooms. We have had many useful

PRESIDENTS REPORT

things generously donated over the years but we have also had a lot that has not been of use.

The Board has now determined how we are to honour our two very highly esteemed Life Members who passed away last December.

I announced at the Ringwood Hillclimb on 26th February that we have created 2 new perpetual trophies: -

“The Judith Rae Memorial Trophy for the Ladies Champion” and “The Alan Bates Memorial Trophy for the Ringwood Hillclimb Champion”

These will be awarded for the first time at the 2017 Annual Presentation Night. (see article elsewhere in the magazine.)

Please check the calendar for updates as there have been some changes that have had to be made.

I look forward to seeing you at an event shortly.

Yours in MGs & Motorsport

Dave

Ringwood Hillclimb Timing System Help Needed

In order for timing to continue at Ringwood we need people to help run the timing.

To develop the next stage of the timing system at Ringwood, I need to be less involved in the running and administration of the current system.

I CAN'T DO BOTH!

Can anyone provide any assistance with this?

Contact Michael Snow mob 0432 772 044

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NEW MEMBERS

New members approved by the board to join the club: 21st February 2017

RANDOLPH FERNANCE – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

JENNIFER FERNANCE – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

NATHAN BIRKETT – JUNIOR MEMBER

ANDREW RIGG – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – TOYOTA

JACK HOLT – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – DATSUN 1200 COUPE

NOEL PARKINSON – FULL MEMBER – 1978 MGB ROADSTER

RYAN BOLAND – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – PULSAR

BRAD BLOW – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – COROLLA

THOMAS PERRAM – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – ASTRA

ANDREW FRASER – FULL MEMBER – MG MIDGET

JENNA FRASER – FULL MEMBER

JOHN GARROWAY – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – NISSAN 200SX

CATHERINE GARROWAY -ASSOCIATE MEMBER

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The Club's membership year starts 1st March 2017.

If you have not renewed your membership by then you will be **UNFINANCIAL**.

Remember if you are entering an event you require both a financial club membership and a current CAMS Licence.

If you pay by DIRECT BANK DEPOSIT your completed renewal form must be returned for your renewal to be completed.

Please advise any change of details: address / cars etc.

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

Ted Dial Membership Secretary 0408562748

From CAMS Website 17/2/17

Judith Rae Award Introduced for NSW/ACT

In honour of Judith Rae's lifetime commitment and dedication to motor sport and in particular her tireless volunteering at the MG Car Club of Newcastle, CAMS is pleased to announce a new Award created in her honour.

The award will be named the 'Judith Rae Award – NSW/ACT Motor Sport Administrator of the Year', and will recognise a major contribution to motor sport by a volunteer/club administrator in New South Wales or Australian Capital Territory motor sport past or present.

Judith passed away in December, and was a dedicated member of the MG Car Club Newcastle, with Judith and her husband Doug becoming members of the club in the late '60s. Judith's life in the last two decades was dedicated to serving the MG Car Club however she could, and was admired for her excellence in work including a range of administrative and media roles with the club.

Judith's work as an official was also recognised, winning the CAMS NSW Official of the Year on numerous occasions.

The award will be awarded annually at the CAMS NSW/ACT Motor Sport Awards evening.



AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THE CLUBS HISTORY.

Last December the Club lost two of our very valued Life Members. At the February board meeting it was determined that the Club would further recognise these two-special people who have made very significant contributions to the club, very much assisting to make the MG Car Club (Newcastle) what it is today. You will read in the magazine that CAMS have also decided to recognise Judith Rae with a perpetual award for services to both the MG Car Club (Newcastle) & CAMS. As we know Judith had an incredible knowledge of the workings of the administration of motorsport & the club.

The Boards decision is to inaugurate a perpetual trophy to be called: -
“The Judith Rae Memorial Trophy for the Ladies Championship”.

Alan Bates put in an amazing effort when the Ringwood Hillclimb extension was being built. Alan worked countless hours, both physically on the job and organising contractors, deliveries etc. Alan’s work with the CAMS Track Safety Team and the Police Track Inspector (on behalf of the Department of Sport & Recreation), was critical in achieving the necessary licences for the venue.

He had a passion for the Ringwood Hillclimb.

The board has decided to award a perpetual trophy to be called: -
“The Alan Bates Memorial Trophy for the Ringwood Hillclimb Championship.”

This trophy will be awarded to the most successful competitor in all rounds of annual Ringwood Hillclimb Championship that are scored for our Tar Speed Series at Ringwood. Both trophies will be awarded for the first time at the 2017 Presentation Dinner.



CAMS CLUB CHALLENGE MGCCN TEAM TINTOP
Michael Whiteman ,Harry Harris, Adam Glew, Jeff Schmitt Neil Betts
Photos by David Miller

REGISTER SECRETARY REPORT

HISTORIC REGISTRATION

The car club has nearly one hundred vehicles registered with the RMS on the Historic Vehicle Conditional Registration scheme. With the club conducting both weekend and mid-week runs it would be nice to see a lot more of these interesting and diverse vehicles participating in club events.

It is a condition of registration that club members remain fully financial club members. As membership renewals became due on the 1st March, if you have not renewed your membership I urge you to do it promptly. At the end of March I will be conducting a membership audit and the club is duty bound to advise the RMS of any non-financial members. This means that any non-financial members will have their registration cancelled.

The club is required to keep copies of key documents for each vehicle registration. Documents include the "Pink Slip" Authorised Safety Inspection Report and Historic Vehicle Declaration that need to be both stamped and signed off by the authorised club member. A number of vehicle inspection operators now utilise electronically submitted Safety Inspection Reports and do not routinely provide a printed copy. Electronic Reports present a problem to the car club as we have no documentation to verify the vehicle has been inspected. If you use a provider that submits electronically please request a printed copy, or alternatively provide the club with a Statutory Declaration confirming the inspection has been completed and passed.

Currently the RMS is conducting a Log Book Trial whereby Historic Vehicle users get 60 days of additional usage over and above the nominated car club events. The car club recommends that you take advantage of this trial eliminating the need to notify the club of any intended additional usage. Please note though that you do need to notify the club if you are going inter-state or using the vehicle for occasions such as weddings or school formals. The 60 day trial is for a period of two years. I am not sure how it will be evaluated as the RMS did not require a copy of my log book when I renewed my Triumph registration. There have been rumours circulating that the Conditional Registration provisions may be extended to include certain modified vehicles such as Hot Rods. I will keep you updated via the magazine if and when I receive any further official communication.

Allan Evans

Register Secretary

CAMS CLUB CHALLENGE AUSTRALIA

On Sunday the 19th of Feb we hosted this event on behalf of CAMS who are the Series Promoter.

The event is a one day team Hill climb event, which is being conducted through the year in six states. Ending in Victoria at Bryant Park towards the end of year.

The CAMS aim is simple, to create the largest grassroots team motor sport competition in Australia.

The MGCC Ncle event was the very first event in the series.

I feel we provided an excellent and exciting event for the 41 drivers. With 24 new faces who have never competed or been to Ringwood before. With a few offs and a single accident, being a crushed right hand front mud guard whilst late braking into Turn 5 the only incident.

The day was planned to run 8 official runs, but the weather turned with a down pour of rain late in the day which brought to an end to a very good day and a very interesting event format.

A remarkable result was achieved by the Supra Team who competed in their second CAMS event since becoming affiliated recently were placed 4th in the results, great effort.

For full results and photos please check out the club website www.mgcarclub.com.au

We had the assistance of CAMS to run the event on Sunday, Shawn Fitzgerald and Matt Anderson from NSW Office, whilst Sharyn Cooke from Qld State Office acted at the event Secretary with the CCCA Series Manager Charise Bristow from South Australia office arrived later in the morning after flying from Adelaide then driving to Ringwood.

I take this opportunity to thank all officials, Paul Bower the Chief Scrutineer, Michael Snow Chief Timekeeper with Dave Akins acting as Team Manager for both our teams, Chief Track Cleaner extraordinaire John Finch. John put a sterling team together after the Friday night storm cleaning the track and allowing the event to start on time on Sunday morning.

I also thank the 20 officials who helped throughout the day; Thank you, I sincerely hope you enjoyed the event, and gift provided by CAMS.

As for next year.....watch this space.....

REPORT BY Greg Hunter.

Centrefold photos by John Porter

Thursday Working Bees

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Mitch Craig MGCCN team, Cams Club Challenge 3rd place





Ringwood paddock CAMS Club Challenge
Keith Hammond MGCCN team, Cams Club Challenge 3rd place





Darren Hodgson MGCCN team, Cams Club Challenge 3rd place
Amy Marcela MGCCN team, Cams Club Challenge 3rd place





The midweek run crowd
Officials get time for lunch!



REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

Our Midweek Run to Norah Head lighthouse on Tuesday 21st February was well supported with 19 starters including a few new faces for our midweek events. There were about half a dozen members who normally come who were apologies on this occasion, so the numbers are steadily growing.

All but one of the attendees joined the tour of the lighthouse and climbed to the top for a stunning view. Our guide Trish, gave us an interesting insight into the operation of the lighthouse which was built in 1903 and explained the technology of the day which was before the lighthouse was connected to electricity. It sounded like hard work for the three lighthouse keepers.

The Norah Head site is staffed by a group of dedicated volunteers and with the exception of the 6 monthly service by specialist technicians, all work is carried out by the volunteers who keep the structure in pristine condition. A real credit to them.

After the lighthouse visit we all adjourned to the nearby Ark Café where we had a pre-arranged booking for a very nice meal which was extremely good value. No wonder it was a very popular spot. Thanks to all who supported this visit.

Our next Register Run will be on Sunday 26th March as scheduled in the club calendar. This time we are doing something a bit different – we are going to Ringwood!!! Let me explain. On this day, the Hunter Jaguar Drivers Club are having their own event at Ringwood and we will join them at lunchtime. This is an opportunity for a bit of inter-club socializing and to look at some beautiful Jaguar cars on display. The Jag Club have organized a caterer for lunch and we will be able to purchase our lunch on site.

Thanks to Don Anderson from the Jag Club for allowing us to join them on the day. Our day will start at the Cobby Street clubrooms by meeting at 9.30am with a departure at 10.00am for coffee at Maccas Raymond Terrace (not Maccas at Heatherbrae on the highway). We will depart Raymond Terrace after coffee at 11.00am on a back-road observation trial arriving at Ringwood in time for lunch around midday. I hope you will join us on this day.

There is no Register Run scheduled for April, as this is a busy month with other club activities and some members will be going to Adelaide for the National Meet and I will be overseas.

Ken McLeod

Register Captain

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BITS & PIECES

GOSSIP

Congratulations to Alex Frodl on passing his driving test! Also the proud owner of a Renault Cleo. Look forward to seeing Alex & new car in competition.

Eric Chandler has another project! An MG midget with a Sebring front that runs but will need lots of Eric's magic touch!

The editors Austin Healey project is at last getting some forward motion with the bodywork being worked on by an expert instead of me!

Chris Waugh has sold the mighty A/H sprite that was advertised in the magazine, off to Queensland to a good home I'm told. Look forward to seeing Chris in another car soon.

If you are looking for s/h MG parts try www.mgbuysellswop.com.au

If you know of any news that would be of interest to club members, new race cars bought or sold, anything of interest please let me know.

Reserved Competition Number List for Hillclimb Events at Ringwood

For State events, State registered competitors are given priority.

For Tri-Challenge events, the regular competitors are given priority.

The reserved list will be applied until close of entries or with prior notification of a late entry. After close of entries, the allocation of a number is in receipt of entry order.

For Example:

For a particular event, the close off date for entries has past and 2 late entries are received.

Both the entries have requested the same competition number. The earlier entry will be given the requested number.

The process to reserve a competition number is the same.

Send an email to mqcarclubnewcastle@gmail.com to request a competition number reservation.

Starting this year, competition numbers which have been reserved but the number has not been used for more than 2 years, the reservation will be cancelled.

The cancellation process will be done once each year before the first club event of the year.

The updated reserved Number List will be on the website by the time of the February Clubtorque magazine.

Mike Snow

TIME FOR A LAFF

Understanding Engineers #1

Two engineering students were biking across a university campus when one said, "Where did you get such a great bike?" The second engineer replied, "Well, I was walking along yesterday, minding my own business, when a beautiful woman rode up on this bike, threw it to the ground, took off all her clothes and said, "Take what you want."

The first engineer nodded approvingly and said, "Good choice: The clothes probably wouldn't have fit you anyway."

Understanding Engineers #2

To the optimist, the glass is half-full.

To the pessimist, the glass is half-empty.

To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

Understanding Engineers #3

A priest, a doctor, and an engineer were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers. The engineer fumed, "What's with those guys? We must have been waiting for fifteen minutes!" The doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such inept golf!" The priest said, "Here comes the greens-keeper. Let's have a word with him." He said, "Hello George, What's wrong with that group ahead of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?" The greens-keeper replied, "Oh, yes. That's a group of blind firemen. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime!" The group fell silent for a moment.

The priest said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

The doctor said, "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleague and see if there's anything she can do for them."

The engineer said, "Why can't they play at night?"

Understanding Engineers #4

What is the difference between mechanical engineers and civil engineers?

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Civil engineers build targets.

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SOCIAL SECRETARY REPORT



Hi to all club members,

Thank you to all the members who attended our first Natter Night for 2017. The evening started with a decent shower of rain right on the 6.00 pm arrival time, but we all managed to enter the club rooms dry and ready for the night's activities.

A great time was had by those who attended with the trivia entertainment being very competitive. The winners on the

night were Laurie Murton and partner Deb Smith who team up with John and Katherine Garroway to take home the honours on the night. It was a close finish with every team having to dig into their memory banks on several occasions to bolster their team scores. John Collins indicated his delight at remembering so many dates and places at the completion of the questions. David Walker and Doug Rae assisted John and Rose in gaining second place so it indicated that age was no barrier to success. It was more about having fun rather than the highest score.

(Plus, a learning curve for yours truly).

Due to the club having many activities and events in March and April, the next Natter night is to be held on Saturday 20 May 2017, starting at 6.00 pm with Drinks and Nibbles.

The club rooms at Cobby Street Shortland will again be the venue, with the theme being Italian, so bring your favourite Italian meal (in a casserole dish) to share. The Club will provide the nibbles, spaghetti and garden salad.

There will be trivia again with some questions about Italy: regarding travel, geography and history. (So, read your Wikipedia first)

If you wish to attend could you please let me know by sending me and email on mae-gerr25@gmail.com or by text on 0431656663, so I know how many to cater for.

Thank you

Cheers,



**WANTED
CANTEEN COORDINATOR**

Duties:

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for Club and other events**

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efforts would be appreciated by all visitors to
the complex**

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Park Motor Sport Complex and the Club
Rooms**

**Please contact President
Dave Atkins on 49 566 200 or 0415 963 515**

ANTI-LOCK BRAKING SYSTEMS (ABS)

DEVELOPMENT OF EARLY SYSTEMS

ABS was first developed for aircraft use in 1929 by the French automobile and aircraft pioneer, Gabriel Voisin, as threshold braking on aeroplanes is nearly impossible. These systems used a flywheel and valve attached to a hydraulic line that feeds the brake cylinders.

The flywheel is attached to a drum that runs at the same speed as the wheel, in normal braking, the drum and flywheel should spin at the same speed. However, if a wheel were to slow down, then the drum would do the same, leaving the flywheel spinning at a faster rate.

This causes the valve to open, allowing a small amount of brake fluid to bypass the master cylinder into a local reservoir, lowering the pressure on the cylinder and releasing the brakes.

The use of the drum and flywheel meant the valve only opened when the wheel was turning. In testing, a 30% improvement in braking performance was noted, because the pilots immediately applied full brakes instead of slowly increasing pressure in order to find the skid point. An additional benefit was the elimination of burned or burst tyres. The ABS system uses the principles of threshold braking and cadence braking which are practiced by skilful drivers using the early braking systems.

It is argued that ABS does braking at a much faster rate and with better control than a driver could manage.

What do you think? Read on.....

CURRENT ABS SYSTEMS

A 2003 Study by Monash University Accident Research Centre found that ABS had

-Reduced the risk of multiple vehicle crashes by 18 percent.

-Reduced the risk of run-off-road crashes by 35 percent.

On surfaces such as bitumen, or concrete, many though not all, ABS equipped cars are able to deliver braking distances better than those without the benefit of ABS. In real world conditions even an alert, skilled driver without ABS would find it difficult, even through the use of techniques like threshold braking, to match or improve on the performance from a driver in a modern ABS-equipped vehicle. ABS reduces chances of crashing, and/or the severity of impact

The recommended technique for non-expert drivers is an ABS-equipped car, in a typical full-braking emergency, is to press the brake pedal as firmly as possible trying to steer around obstructions if possible. In such situations, ABS will reduce the chances of a skid and subsequent loss of control of the vehicle.

AND WHAT ABOUT A F1 CAR

An F1 car's brakes operate in exactly the same way as those on a road car. Hydraulic fluid pressure is used to amplify the force that the driver applies to the brake pedal, typically around 75 kg or more, and transmits that pressure to pistons in the brakes at all four wheels, pushing friction pads against the brake discs to slow the wheels. Disc brakes are used on all four wheels, but anti-lock braking systems are not permitted. The regulations state that the force exerted on the brake pads in each circuit must be the same at all times.

The difference between an F1 car and any other racing or road car is in the sheer power of the brakes. When drivers move up from lower formulae to drive an F1 car for the first time, inevitably the experience that makes the biggest impression on them is the incredible deceleration provided by the brakes. The deceleration force under braking can reach up to 5g, whereas even a very high performance road car will rarely exceed 1g of deceleration. To achieve this, the brakes have to dissipate a huge amount of energy, which results in extremely high brake temperatures, over 1,000 C under sustained heavy braking.

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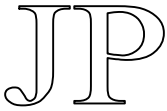
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2017 MG NATIONAL MEETING

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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14TH – 18TH APRIL 2017

BULLETIN #4

Happy New Year from the MG Car Club of SA!

Registrations are in full swing with interest from all states and several international entrants already registered. The 'Register Now' event management system is working well and remains the primary mode of Registration for the event. Registration enquiries can be directed to Chris & Wes Bray on 0417 821468, or email mo2017registrations@biopond.com

Reminder: Early Bird discounted Registration closes 14 February, final date to register 15 March 2017.

Photographic Competition

All registered entrants are eligible to enter the photographic competition. Entries are to be the entrant's own work, feature an MG theme or car/s, not been entered at a previous National Meeting, and are not computer-generated photos. Size of the photograph is restricted to a maximum A4 295 mm x 210 mm (11.6" x 8.25"). Entries in all categories are to be presented at registration prior to 3:00pm.

Categories to be judged:

- 1) Best "Action" photograph
- 2) Best "Still" photograph
- 3) Best "Novelty" photograph
- 4) Best "Digitally manipulated" photograph

Regalia: Don't forget to [Click here](#) to view regalia and contact Geraldine Hough ghoughtf1@gmail.com to arrange your order prior to 28th February 2017. This will ensure that items are available for collection at Registration on Friday 14th April, 2017.

Plan now to come together with other MG enthusiasts from around Australia and overseas, and enjoy a weekend of social events and activities, friendly rivalry in motorsport, and club participation.

Enquiries:

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CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Hi all,

At the time of writing, before the February hillclimb, there has only been 1 Motorkhana & 1 Register Run. However, there has been numerous meetings/events that score points for the Club Member of the Year, and the current standings are shown in the table

Cheers,
Gregg

Mick Nielson Club Member of the year

Name	Rank	Points
Michael Snow	1	26
Greg Hunter	2	24
John Finch	2	24
David Atkins	4	22
Christopher Fernance	5	20
Gregg Noonan	6	18
Bryn Baverstock	7	16
Christine Finch	7	16
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Finishing times are 3.00 pm

DATES REGULAR TRAINING EVENTS Held on Sealed and unsealed surfaces.

Event One / Sat 11 th Feb

Event Two / Sat 11th March

Event Three / Sat 8th April

Event Four / Sat 27th May

Event Five / Sat 22nd July

Event Six / Sat 19th Aug

INTRODUCTION COMPETITION DRIVING "MOTORKHANA"

One event only 29th of October Starting at 8.30 am Sharp, no late arrivals please.

Minimum age 12 years

INTRODUCTION COMPETITION DRIVING "KHANACROSS"

One event only 26th of November Starting at 8.30 am Sharp, no late arrivals please.

Minimum age 12/13 years, only with approval of the YDDC Panel.

Helmet must be worn, and clothing and foot wear to Speed Event Regulations.

In-car instruction will be available on both the COMPETITION days above.

It's possible that above programme can change during the year, please check the above list, it will be updated as soon as changes come to hand.

However it is not always possible to meet the Club Torque magazine deadline, event

confirmation can also be check by using the club's website, www.mqcarclub.com.au.

Or if in doubt please call me on 0412493711 or email Greg Hunter at

gh.hunter@bigpond.com.au or the club Event Coordinator Michael Snow on

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AUTO TEST CO-ORDINATOR

Unfortunately the February motorkhana had to be deferred due to a severe heat wave and (as listed by the fire authority) "catastrophic fire conditions". As this was round one of the championship we will have to see where we can fit this into the calendar later in the year.

Round two will already have been run on 05/03/17 by the time this magazine comes out. Please don't forget the next great event which is scheduled for Saturday 22/04/17 A Dirt/Tar ... Day/Night Khanacross, the event is scheduled to run from mid-afternoon till approx 8 – 8.30pm to allow those who have to travel a distance to get home at a reasonable hour (and still have a sleep in on Sunday).

As everyone will know we need volunteers to help run these events and there are always the same people who put their hands up in support, if you are able to help at any time could you please give me a call so that I can keep a list of possible volunteers, the more I get the less often I will need to ring each individual to ask for help.

See you at Ringwood

Leo Frodl

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