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# Coming Events - JULY 2017

Sat 1	AHOC	CSCA S'sprint Rd 4	Wakefield Park
Sun 2	WAC	STATE Motorkhana Rd 1 10am	Awaba MK4 CC16 Dirt
Thurs 6		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 8	MGCCN	Touring Assembly <b>** Date Change **</b>	TBA <b>M</b> TR2 CC10
Sat 8		Show and Shine	Stroud - Invite
Sun 9	MX5 Club	Private Hire Event	Ringwood
Sun 9	WAC	NSW Rallysprint	Awaba
Mon 10		Magazine Assy	2:00 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Wed 12		Speed Panel	7:30 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Thurs 13		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 14		Club Night	7:30 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Sat 15	TSCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 6 Pr	Tamworth Oakburn Park
Sat 15	MGCCN	Xmas in July	Mulla Villa Wollembi <b>M</b>
Sat 15	JDCHR	All British Day 10am - 4pm	<b>Venue Change Riverside Pk. Raymond Terrace.</b>
Sun 16	TSCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 6	Tamworth Oakburn Park
Sun 16	ARDC	STATE S'sprint Rd 4	SMSP - Gardner GP
Tues 18		<b>School Term Start</b>	
Tues 18		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Thurs 20		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 22	MGCCN	YDDC 5	Ringwood <b>M</b>
Sat 22		FOSC	SMSP Druitt
Sun 23	Mini CC	STATE Motorkhana Rd 6	Nirimba Tar
Tues 25		Mattara Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Thurs 27		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sun 30	WAC	STATE Khanacross Rd 5	Awaba
Sun 30	MGCCN	Hillclimb A2	Ringwood <b>M</b> TS5 CC17



# Coming Events - AUGUST 2017

Thurs 3		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 5	MGCCN	STATE Hillclimb Rnd 7 Pr A2	Ringwood <b>M</b>
Sun 6	MGCCN	STATE Hillclimb Rnd 7 A2	Ringwood <b>M</b>
Mon 7		Magazine Assy	2:00 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Wed 9		Speed Panel	7:30 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Thurs 10		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 11		Club Night	7:30 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Sat 12	MOCA	CSCA S'sprint Rd 5	SMSP Brabham
Sat 12	WAC	Rallysprint	Awaba Invite
Tues 15		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St <b>M</b>
Thurs 17		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 19	AHRG	Heart of the Hunter TR	TBA TR4 CC18 Tar
Sat 19	MGCCN	YDDC 6	Ringwood <b>M</b>
Sun 20	TCC	STATE Motorkhana Rd 7	Nirimba Tar
Sun 20	MGCCN	Khanacross	Ringwood <b>M</b> KC4 Dirt/Tar
Sun 20	KSCC	Tri-Chall HC Rd 3	Raleigh Raceway TC3
Thurs 24		Dads Army Register Run <b>** New Date</b>	Ringwood
Sun 27	MGCCN	<b>**</b>	Gosford Motor Museum <b>M</b>
Sun 27	NSWRRC	STATE S'sprint Rd 5	SMSP – South
Sun 27	WAC	State Khanacross Rd 6	Awaba
Thurs 31		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.

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# PRESIDENTS REPORT

Another important milestone in the management of the Club is upon us, that being the end of the 16/17 financial year. This is a time when we look back at what has been achieved & how well we have managed the finances of the Club.

I know the figures will be positive, having been able to keep a close eye on things, thanks to the decision taken 18 months ago to utilise the Xero Accounting Software. This is a very powerful package that enables us to really understand everything about our significant income and expenditure streams.

The Audited Financials will be ready for presentation at the AGM in November.

The last month has been business as usual, with events both social and competition being very successful, thanks to the people who coordinate the work that goes into making it all happen.

The renewal process for our “Ringwood Motor Vehicle Racing Ground” (MVRG) licence has now been completed. Once again, we have seen the system change, and become more complex and demanding. However, the work done this year will set us up for future renewals. The inspection carried out by the Police on behalf of the Department of Sport and Recreation, went very well.

We also had the tri-annual CAMS Inspection done by Bruce Keys from CAMS Head Office. He rates our venue very highly, and puts it in the same class as Mount Cotton (Qld) and Bryant Park (Vic.) as the benchmark standard to be strived for by anyone wanting to licence a dedicated hillclimb track. He recognised just how much has been done since he was there in the lead up to the 2014 AHC event.

The next three months will be busy as usual for this time of the year, with the State Championship Event on 6<sup>th</sup> August and planning for our Second Ringwood Mattara Hillclimb 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> October being worked on. While this is happening the usual Club Championship and Social Events continue.

A review of the machinery at Ringwood has now been completed and a recommendation that the 50 (+) year old Chamberlain Loader/Backhoe that has served us so well for the last 10 years be replaced. The Board has approved the purchase of a suitable replacement. This will improve the safety and efficiency of earthmoving work that is part of the ongoing maintenance and improvement work done by our hardworking members. The Chamberlain is to be sold.

**Thursday Working Bees**

**Contact: Doug Rae 0434 141 501**

# PRESIDENTS REPORT

We would like to see a few new faces join the officiating team. Essential Officials are not permitted to compete, this means some people who do officiate, must forego the opportunity to compete as often as they would like.

We have a core group of very experienced officials, but have only added a couple on the past decade and unfortunately have also lost a couple. For the future of motorsport in the area it would be great to see a few more people volunteer to do some training and qualify for at least one of the many roles available. Officiating is a great way to meet other members of the Club and gain an appreciation of how it all happens.

The Club Nights at Cobby Street, will have added interest over the next two months with guest speakers arranged for July and August, hopefully these will be well supported by our members.

I look forward to seeing you at an event shortly.

Yours in MGs & Motorsport

Dave

## HAVE YOU BEEN LATELY?

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## NEW MEMBERS

**New members to be approved by the board to join the club:**

IZIAH MELDRUM – JUNIOR MEMBER – NISSAN PULSAR

LACHLAND HALES – JUNIOR MEMBER

JAYDE ANDERSON – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – HYUNDAI GETZ / NISSAN 180 SX

ROBERT JACKSON – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – HONDA INTEGRA

PAUL CROUCH – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – CHEVROLET CORVETTE C3

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## EDITORIAL

Following from last months guess the car photo with Ken Mcleod the response was more than enough to maybe run one now & again for you enthusiast. The car was a Nash Metropolitan built I the UK for the US market by Austin. My thanks to Ian Hague for a very detailed answer.

The car below is on the MG Australia face book & I have not got a clue as to what model MG it is!

So if you can come up with the answer by Friday club night that would be good, no prizes as Ken ran out of wine after the last one!

I am always looking for material, photos, articles or ideas on how to improve YOUR magazine so don't be shy get in contact with any suggestions. I wont promise to use everything especially some of the jokes I get!

Bryn



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# SPEED PANEL REPORT

## HILL CLIMB RINGWOOD 25 JUNE 2017 RESULTS CLASS WINNERS

Type 1 Under 2 ltr New Record - 1st in Class Adam HARRIS 553 Honda Integra 64.14  
 Type 1 Over 2 ltr New Record - 1st in Class Jeff SCHMITT 330 BMW 330ci 63.35  
 Type 2 Under 2 ltr 1st in Class Peter LENARD 736 Renault Clio 61.71  
 Type 2 Under 2 ltr 2nd in Class Reece ATTWOOD 510 Renault Clio 64.67  
 Type 2 Under 2 ltr 3rd in Class David HARRIS 43 Honda Integra 64.71  
 Type 2 Over 2 ltr New Record Steve WOODS 10 Renault Megane RS275R 60.60  
 Type 3 Under 2 ltr 1st in Class Warwick BERGE 183 Datsun 1200 61.08  
 Type 3 Over 2 ltr 1st in Class Michael WHITEMAN 219 Monaro CV8 61.56  
 Type 3 Over 2 ltr 2nd in Class David MITCHELL 690 VX Commodore 63.52  
 Type 3 Over 2 ltr 3rd in Class Matt GRANGER 847 Ford Falcon XR6 63.86  
 Type 4 Over 2 ltr F.T.D. - 1st in Class Mitch CRAIG 444 Gemini Coupe 57.00  
 Type 4 Over 2 ltr 2nd in Class Andrew ROBERTSON 13 Nissan 200SX 58.50  
 Type 4 Over 2 ltr 3rd in Class Patrick NAVRATIL 365 Nissan Silvia S15 59.47  
 Sports Grp 2A/2C Under 2 ltr 1st in Class Grant COOK 33 Minetti Monster 57.80  
 Sports Grp 2A/2C Under 2 ltr 2nd in Class Brian SUTTON 70 Caterham Cosworth BDR 63.73  
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 Special Vehicle Under 3 ltr New Record Adam GLEW 868 Subaru Impreza RS 61.89  
 Special Vehicle Over 3 ltr 1st in Class Dylan GERRISH 321 Ford Focus RS 60.53  
 Special Vehicle Over 3 ltr 2nd in Class Joel BUCKLAND 514 Nissan 200SX 62.17  
 Junior in Special Vehicle New Record Christian THOMPSON (J) 213 JB Clubman 60.26



## REGISTER SECRETARY REPORT

There were three more Historic Vehicles registered with the RMS through the Car Club this month.

Heath Campbell 1968 VW Beetle

Paul Crouch 1974 Chevrolet Corvette

Troy Traeger 1971 VW Beetle

This brings the total number of Historic Vehicles registered through the club to 101.

On another Historic note I was saddened to read of the death of Brian Moylan one of the longest servicing MG Works Mechanics. Brian commenced his career with MG Abingdon in 1950, joining the Racing Department in 1955 which morphed into Leyland Special Tuning in 1970, where he continued working through to 1979.

I met Brian in the early seventies through his involvement with the MG Works (as in factory employees) Car Club. I was heavily involved with the Oxford Motor Club at that time and we would organise joint Motorkhanas (auto tests as they were known in England) with the MG Works Club sharing resources and boosting entries. Brian would often bring along one of the Works Cars to these events either to demonstrate the tests or occasionally compete. Leyland was campaigning a Morris Marina Rally Car in UK events with Brian Culcheth and Tony Pond driving and Brian brought that vehicle along on a couple of occasions. In 1973 on the first weekend after the Launch of the Austin Allegro Brian entered one of the cars in an auto test. It was the first time an Austin Allegro had been entered into a motorsport event and it won, making the headlines in the local newspaper on Monday.

The Austin Allegro was the replacement for the Morris/Austin 1100. Unfortunately it was not very popular being the victim of cost cutting during development and adding to the general demise of the Leyland products. It never came to Australia check out the photo if you want to see what it looked like.

Following his career with MG and Leyland, that included preparing and supporting the Minis that won the Monte Carlo Rally on a number of occasions, Brian went on to write a number of books about; his experience as a rally mechanic, technical details of the Works Minis, the MG Factory and the MG Marque. These books are still available. Brian sadly died in February this year aged 88.



Alan Evans

Went out to the Car and Coffee charity event at Gilberts Motor Garage Maitland this morning.

Good selection of cars on display and parked in the roadway.

As you can see some very nice Ferrari's and the lovely Triumph motorcycle.

Brian Redman's Bond Bug generated a lot of interest.

Cheers,

Alan Evans




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In July 2016 I released a new web site - MG Buy Swap Sell  
[www.mgbuyswapsell.com.au](http://www.mgbuyswapsell.com.au).

One year on, the site is still going strong and I would personally like to thank those members of your Club who have joined and/or use the site regularly.

Without their support the site wouldn't have continued to this day, and here's hoping to another 12 months!

**Andrew McCurdy**  
 MG Buy Swap Sell

# NEW BRITISH SPORTS CARS SERIES

My name is Nick Sebesfi & I am a member of the HSRCA, Sprite Car Club & Group S Racing Assoc. (though I am not writing to you on behalf of any of those clubs in particular).

A couple of years ago, Bob Rowntree & Brett McManus got together to discuss what had become of some of the old British sports cars that had been known to have been racing 10 years or more ago and had seemingly disappeared into garages and/or under tarpaulins. They realised that, with the exception of Regularity and possibly Supersprints, there was very little opportunity to properly exercise these cars in the manner for which they were constructed. There was also little incentive for many owners to get their cars out for a run.

They hatched a plan to create a 'British Sports Car' series, with the idea being that, initially at least, rounds would be run at each of the FoSC meetings during the course of the year. Bob has asked me if I might consider trying to organise it all.

The event would be open to all types of British Sports Car, whether full-blown lightweight racing specials or road-registered cars (with a cage & harness) & everything in between, with classes broken up by capacity &/or level of modification (yet to be decided, pending interest).

It doesn't matter whether yours is a Jag F-type or a C-type; whether your Lotus is an Evora or an Elite; your MG is an F, a B, an A or a Midget; your Austin Healey is a Bugeye, a Sprite or a 3000; your Triumph is a Spitfire, a TR3/4/5/6/7 or even 8(!) - the list goes on – but I suspect you get the message.

Geoff Morse of Peninsula Sports Cars has kindly offered to put together some trophies for us, once we get up & running.

FoSC have offered us a spot on the roster of their brilliantly organised & always entertaining events IF we can reliably fill a field. For those that don't know or have not ever attended a FoSC event: think historic racing the way it USED to be – friendly, relaxed, inexpensive and entertaining BUT with 21<sup>st</sup> century organisation and an emphasis on safety... You don't need a log book for FoSC, their events are run under AASA rules – so either a CAMS or an AASA licence is all you need. FoSC checks your car for safety compliance... Check out their website: <http://www.fosc.com.au/>

In the ever-changing world of historic motorsports, this is a rare opportunity to put together a fun, but competitive event for a mix of cars that includes many that might otherwise languish in garages, wondering whether they might ever see a track in 'anger' again. But it will not be restricted to them, with Group S cars, 'road' cars & others most welcome.

There's a FoSC meeting coming up on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at SMSP (Eastern Creek) North Circuit.

While I realise this is short notice, it'd be nice to get the beginnings of a field together to show that that we are serious about it. IF we can muster the numbers, we can make it a permanent fixture on the FoSC roster and get a championship going for 2018, but we need to start now.

I am writing to each of the relevant clubs in NSW to garner a level of interest in the potential of the event. We are also open to input with regard to format & composition & want to work with each of the clubs to come up with something that will best suit everyone (!).

With all of this in mind, could you please put this option to your members & let me know the level of feedback that you receive, so that we are able to start properly planning the series?

Feel free to contact me on: [sebesfin@gmail.com](mailto:sebesfin@gmail.com),

Kind regards,  
Nick Sebesfi



# MY LEGENDS OF LOCAL MOTOR SPORT

## Bruce McPhee

Bruce Alexander McPhee born 11<sup>th</sup> February 1927 he was an Australian motor racing driver. He is most famous for winning the 1968 Hardie-Ferodo 500, now the Bathurst 1000, as a privateer defeating both the Holden and Ford factory teams.

At the 1968 Hardie-Ferodo 500, McPhee drove a Holden Monaro GTS327 painted yellow with black stripes with the number 13. His co-driver, who drove just one lap that day was Barry Mulholland. McPhee would later claim in magazines that an attempt to sabotage his Monaro was made the night before the race. As the race cars were road registered in that era, McPhee had driven the car back to his motel in Bathurst for the night. When he came out on race day morning to fill the car with petrol, a number of tree leaves floated to the top of the filler. Luckily was this found before any potential damage could have put the car out of the race. The Monaro, supplied and sponsored by Wyong Motors, ran the race on one set of used, almost bald tyres, McPhee believing that they were faster than tyres with full tread, race regulations at the time stated the cars had to race on road tyres. Towards the end of the race track marshals around the Mount Panorama Circuit were reporting seeing sparks from the Monaro's Michelin tyre as they had worn down to their steel belts after almost 500 miles or 800 km of racing. McPhee entered the 1969 Hardie-Ferodo 500 originally intending to run one of the new HT Monaro GTS350's, but when he received no help from Holden to do so he instead drove a privately entered XW Ford Falcon GTHO. Driving with Mulholland who again only drove one lap, the McPhee Falcon finishing a close second at Bathurst to the Colin Bond/Tony Roberts HDT Monaro GTS350.

Many including HDT boss Harry Firth, believed that if not for an early pit stop to change a tyre after a clash with another car resulting in a late stop for fuel as they were out of sequence, McPhee and Mulholland would have won in '69 and made it back to back Bathurst 500's.

McPhee joined the Ford works team in 1970, driving in the South Pacific Touring Series early in the year, and was given his own Phase II XW GTHO to drive solo at the 1970 Hardie-Ferodo 500. Even though his car was still running near perfectly at the end of the 500 miles, McPhee finished second after following team orders not to pass his team mate, lead driver Allan Moffat.

As well as the 1968 outright win in the Holden Monaro, McPhee finished on the podium at Bathurst in 1963 with a 3<sup>rd</sup> in a Ford Cortina Mk.1 GT, this was the first year the race was run at Mount Panorama, 1965 2<sup>nd</sup> in a Ford Cortina Mk.1 GT 500, 1966 another 3<sup>rd</sup> in a Morris Cooper S, 1969 2<sup>nd</sup> in a XW Ford Falcon GTHO Phase 1 and 1970 2<sup>nd</sup> in a XW Ford Falcon GTHO Phase II.

McPhee also claimed the 1968 Hardie-Ferodo 500 pole position giving him the dual honour of being the first Bathurst 500 race winner for Holden and the first Bathurst 500 pole position winner for Holden.

Bruce McPhee lived the majority of his life on the NSW Central Coast until his death on 22 September 2009 at the age of 82. A great deal of his time was spent preparing race cars in Alison Road Wyong, which is adjacent to the Wyong Milk Factory, where if you were on the recent register /touring event this was the finishing point .

Greg Hunter

(This the first of a few articles by Greg showing off local motorsport people who made their mark on the motoring scene. ) Editor

## SOCIAL SECRETARY REPORT



Hi to all club members,

The June club night was a great catch up for all who ventured out in the wet cold conditions. At least we know the club rooms are warm and welcoming in this chilly winter weather. We are so lucky to have our own facility for club meetings and activities.

Just a reminder that at our **next Club Night on Friday 14 July 2017** we have a special guest speaker attending. The owner of CODE car cleaning products will be in attendance, to chat and demonstrate how to facilitate the cleaning process of your car. This is of particular interest to concourse car owners, I'm sure there will be the odd sample or two!

So, come along to this informative night and also catch up with the latest happening in our motor sport world.

For the August club night Rose has organised Scott Holding a driving instructor who will give helpful tips on new road rules, modification rules and other information. Scott was formerly in the Police Force in Sydney and has been an accredited driving instructor for 25 years and conducts senior driver assessment.

To all members attending Xmas in July have a great weekend.

Cheers Chris Finch.





## **FOR SALE!**

Chamberlain Backhoe/Loader.

For full details and inspection contact Board Members, Doug Rae or Dave Atkins.





# AUTO TEST CO-ORDINATOR

What a difference the weather can make to an event. We have had motorkhana's this year where competitors nearly got bogged and needed towing, to the Khanacross on 4<sup>th</sup> June .... The weather was perfect for the 14 starters on the day in a wide variety of vehicles contesting both the dirt/tar and tar only sections.

Tar only places where –

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Steve Woods – Renault Megane
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Steven O'Brien – Ford Escort
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Chris Campbell – Subaru Impreza

Dirt/Tar places where –

- 1<sup>st</sup>- John Lodge Jnr – Subaru WRX
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Steven O'Brien – Ford Escort
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Andrew Fraser – Chev Corvette

By this time our 2<sup>nd</sup> July motorkhana will have been held as part of the WAC event at Awaba, which has been upgraded to a state event, and our next event on home soil is the Khanacross on 20<sup>th</sup> August where I hope to see you all.

Don't forget to pencil in the day/night Khanacross on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September, this event is gaining popularity due to its unique nature and is not that far away.

See you all at Ringwood

Cheers

Leo Frodl

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Our 2<sup>nd</sup> July motorkhana has been run at Awaba in conjunction with Westlakes Car Club. I would like to thank WAC for their allowing us to have a round of our championship in their event which had been upgraded to State level.

We had four members compete with the following results.

Chris Fernance – Lancer – 5<sup>th</sup>  
outright .... 1<sup>st</sup> in class

Paul Fraser – MX5 – 8<sup>th</sup> outright ....  
2<sup>nd</sup> in class

Alex Frodl – Clio – 13<sup>th</sup> outright ....  
5<sup>th</sup> in class

Nick Fernance – Galant – 17<sup>th</sup>  
outright .... 3<sup>rd</sup> in class





Register run crowd at the Paterson Rail Motor museum

Sorry folks this train is delayed,  
Like forever!  
Lyll & Jan Clarke  
ready for another trip



These are boys & girls toys & I mean BIG toys!

## REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

Our last Register Run on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June to the Paterson Rail Motor Museum was a great success with 29 attendees even after a few apologies were received. The work that these volunteers carry out is to be admired and I was pleased to learn that they do have some Government support probably because it's a way of preserving the history of the rail motor cars. One of the cars on display was in service for 60 years from the 20's. It was also interesting to learn that the group also does rail charters and one of the more "modern" cars had just returned from a charter to Broken Hill.

Paul bower and Alan Evans were in their element taking in the workings of the various engineering components. After the Museum visit we adjourned to the nearby Paterson Tavern for a good country style lunch. The heavens opened during lunch and we had a quite a wet trip home.

My thoughts were with Brian and Enid in the Bond Bug and I hope those side curtains didn't leak too much. Thanks to everyone for your support with this visit.

### **Xmas in July Lunch – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July, Mulla Villa Homestead, Wollombi.**

I have had a tremendous response for this event and at the time of writing, I have a commitment from 27 starters. Close off for this popular lunch venue is Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July, but I hope you won't leave it that late.

Those of you who have put your name down already will have received an email from me regarding the travel arrangements on the day. I think we should have a great day out in the country.

After Xmas in July, our next event won't be until Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August to the Gosford Motor Museum as I will be away until 24<sup>th</sup> August. **However, please register your interest with me by email and I will attend to it on my return.**

We are getting really good numbers to these club runs and I thank you all for your support.

Ken McLeod  
Register Captain

Always good to see some MGs on register runs!  
Lyall Clarke's MGF, & Jeff Newey's MGB GT



# CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

As at 3/07/2017

**Mick Nielson Memorial Club Member**

	Rank	Points
Michael Snow	1	100
Chris Fernance	2	74
Greg Hunter	3	72
Leo Frodl	3	70
David Atkins	5	69
Kerry Woollard	6	62
John Finch	7	59
Doug Rae	8	52
Gregg Noonan	8	52
David Walker	10	50
Bryn Baverstock	11	46
Ken McLeod	11	46
Darrell Gregory	13	44
Jason Gregory	13	44
Rick Vincent	15	42
Steven McLeod	16	40
Alex Frodl (J)	17	38
Lyall Clarke	17	38

**Chris Dodds Memorial Club Championship**

	Events	Rank	Points
Chris Fernance	9	1	104
Doug Rae	9	2	100
Steven Woods	6	3	74
Russell West	7	4	71
Warwick Berge	4	5	54
Dylan Gerrish	4	6	53
Adam Harris	4	7	52
Harry Harris	4	7	52
Mitch Craig	4	7	52
Rick Vincent	4	7	52
Jeff Schmitt	4	11	51
Joel Buckland	4	11	51
Luke Garland	5	13	50
Jeff Newey	4	14	48
Lyall Clarke	4	14	48
Kevin Akers	4	16	47
Terry Perkins	5	16	47
Adam Glew	4	18	46

**Judith Rae Memorial Ladies Championship**

	Events	Rank	Points
Bronwyn Lewis	3	1	30
Madelon Corbett	2	2	24
Raewyn Perkins	3	3	19
Amy Mrcela	1	4	16
Raechel Fraser	1	5	9
Yasmin Allen	1	5	9
Rose Collins	1	7	6

**Paul Daley Memorial Junior Championship**

	Events	Rank	Points
Christian Thompson	10	1	115
Alex Frodl	9	2	105
Alexander Reeves	3	3	33
Jayedon Thompson	2	4	22
Taylor Gill	2	4	22
Nicholas Fernance	2	6	21

# CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

## Alan Bates Memorial Tar Speed (HC) Trophy

	Events	Rank	Points
Warwick Berge	4	1	54
Dylan Gerrish	4	2	53
Adam Harris	4	3	52
Harry Harris	4	3	52
Mitch Craig	4	3	52
Rick Vincent	4	3	52
Jeff Schmitt	4	7	51
Joel Buckland	4	7	51
Steven Woods	4	9	49
Jeff Newey	4	10	48
Lyall Clarke	4	10	48
Christian Thompson (J)	4	12	46
Doug Rae	4	13	45
Matthew Whitworth	4	14	44
Paul Whitworth	4	14	44
Grant Cook	3	16	43
Mark de Gioia	4	16	43
Reece Attwood	3	16	43
Gerard Veitch	3	19	42
Wayne Lewis	3	20	40
Andrew Ference	4	21	39
Russell West	4	21	39
Luke Garland	4	23	38
Patrick Navratil	3	24	36
Ryan Bates	3	24	36
Kevin Akers	3	26	35
Stephen Notley	3	26	35
Matthew Granger	3	28	34
Alex Frodl (J)	3	29	33
Darren Lindsay	3	29	33
Mark Granger	3	29	33
Matthew Bates	3	29	33

## MG AUSTRALIA PRESS RELEASE

MG Motor has unveiled an all-new electric supercar concept at the 17th annual Shanghai International Automotive Show (19 April) – the MG E-motion. Offering a glimpse of the future, the next-generation vehicle aims to push the boundaries of innovation and technology, while meeting the needs of today's trend-setting car buyers. Perfectly blending style, sophistication and elegance, the E-motion embodies MG's vision for the future. With a slender sportsback-style design paying tribute to the brand's hundred-year heritage, starlight matrix front grill and headlights bringing inspiration from the London Eye, and vertical tail lights developed using decades of world-leading design experience, the ground-breaking concept brings MG's sense of fun and aspiration to the low emission marketplace. Below the surface, the MG E-motion sets the standards in plug-in vehicle capability, with the latest pure-electric modular architecture platform developed in-house and delivering 0-100kmph in less than four seconds, despite boasting a range of more than 500km. Equipped with an intelligent infotainment system, the supercar is fully internet compatible, which MG believes will position it perfectly for the younger market.



Not sure what the purist will make of the badge change, it has been slightly rounded to go with the futuristic E-Motion



## TIME FOR A LAFF

Man spies a letter lying on his doormat. It says on the envelope "DO NOT BEND ". man spends the next 2 hours trying to figure out how to pick it up.

Man shouts frantically into the phone "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart!"

"Is this her first child?" asks the Doctor. "No", shouts man, "this is her husband!"

Man's in Jail.....Guard looks in his cell and sees him hanging by his feet.

"What on earth you doing?" he asks. Hanging myself" man replies.

"It should be around your neck" says the Guard. I know" says man "but I couldn't breathe".

An answer I can understand.

An American tourist asks a boat owner:

"Why do Scuba divers always fall backwards off their boats?"

To which the boat owner replies:

"They have to go backwards.

If they fell forwards, they'd still be in the boat."

### **Men's Helpline**

"Hello, my name is Bob. How can I help you?"

"Hi Bob, I really need your advice on a serious problem.

I have suspected for some time now that my wife has been cheating on me.

The usual signs: If the phone rings and I answer, the caller hangs up. She goes out with 'the girls' a lot. I try to stay awake to look out for her when she comes home, but I usually fall asleep.

Anyway, last night about midnight, I hid in the shed behind the boat. When she came home, she got out of someone's car buttoning her blouse, then she took her panties out of her purse and slipped them on.

It was at that moment, crouched behind the boat, that I noticed a hairline crack in the outboard motor mounting bracket.

Is that something I can weld, or do I need to replace the whole bracket?"

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# YOUNG DRIVER DEVELOPMENT COURSE

DATES AND INFORMATION FOR 2017

NOTE ALL Events are conducted at Ringwood Park Motor Sport Complex  
Starting time 9.30 am Finishing time is 3.00pm

## **DATES REGULAR TRAINING EVENTS** **Held on Sealed and unsealed surfaces.**

Event Five/ Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> July      Event Six / Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Aug

### **INTRODUCTION COMPETITION DRIVING “MOTORKHANA”**

One event only 29<sup>th</sup> of October Starting at 8.30 am Sharp, no late arrivals please.  
Minimum age 12 years

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One event only 26<sup>th</sup> 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.  
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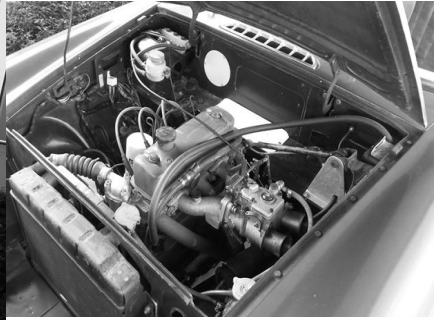
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