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Coming Events - October 2018

Mon 1		Labour Day	
Thurs 4		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 6	MGCCN	Natter Night	6:00 pm Ken McLeod
Sun 7		Daylight Saving Start	
Sun 7		Bathurst 1000	Bathurst
Mon 8		Magazine Assy	2:00 pm Cobby St
Thurs 11		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 12		Club Night	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Sat 13	MG HR	Concours	Lambton Park Invite
Sun 14	MGN HR	MG Veh Hillclimb A2A	
	SYD		Ringwood M R15
Sun 14	ARDC	STATE S'sprint Rd 7	SMSP - GP
Mon 15		School Term Start	
Tues 16		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 18		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sun 21	MGCCN	Motorkhana	Ringwood M MK5 CC19 Dirt
Sun 21	TSOA	CSCA S'sprint Rd 7	Wakefield Park
Sun 21	TCC	STATE Khanacross Rd 7	Hampton
Thurs 25		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 26		Aust Hillclimb Champ'ship	
		Pract	Bryant Park Victoria
Sat 27	MX5	Private Hire Hillclimb	
	Club		Ringwood
Sat 27		Aust Hillclimb Champ'ship	Bryant Park Victoria
Sun 28		Aust Hillclimb Champ'ship	Bryant Park Victoria

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Thurs 1		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 3	AHRG	Evan Green Memorial TR	Upper Hunter TR5 Dirt/Tar
Sun 4	MGCCN	Hillclimb A4	Ringwood M TS6 CC20 R16
Mon 5		Magazine Assy	2:00 pm Cobby St
Thurs 8		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 9		Club Night AGM	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Sun 11	MGCCN	Motorkhana	Ringwood M MK6 CC21 Dirt
Tues 13	MGCCN	Mid Week Run	TBA M
Wed 14		Speed Panel	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 15		Dads Army	Ringwood
Thurs 15		WRC	Coffs Hbr
Fri 16		WRC	Coffs Hbr
Sat 17	MGCCN	Khanacross + YDDC 6	Ringwood M KC6 Dirt/Tar
Sat 17		WRC	Coffs Hbr
Sun 18	MGCCN	Concours	TBA M CC22
Sun 18		WRC	Coffs Hbr
Tues 20		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 22		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 23	Private Hire	Touring Assembly	Jon Thomson
Fri 23		Supercars	Newcastle
Sat 24	HDCC	STATE Khanacross Rd 8	Hampton
Sat 24		Supercars	Newcastle
Sun 25		Supercars	Newcastle
Thurs 29		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 30	Wheels Skills Aust	HVG School	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

The SHANNONS Mattara Hillclimb is done and dusted for another year, and I thank everyone for their involvement, be it as a competitor or official. Without your support the event wouldn't have happened.

We had strong support from our loyal sponsors (listed elsewhere) who contribute towards the costs of the trophies that were presented. I again ask that wherever possible you support their businesses and let them know why.

This year's event was one of the more eventful ones that we have had, with a couple of crashes and a major mechanical failure causing delays to proceedings, thankfully the people involved are all fit and well, but the same can't yet be said for their cars! I am told there is to be a detailed report on the event with photographs, so I won't go into detail here.

Our events calendar is as busy as ever. The Club Night on Friday 12th is one not to be missed if you have any interest in Motor Racing and Rally history. I'm sure that what Bob Holden has to say on these topics will be both informative and entertaining. Entries are now coming in for the MG & Clubman Cars, Regularity Hillclimb on Sunday 14th. This is a chance to try competition in your MG in a less demanding style of event. Single Event Licences are available if you don't hold a full L2S CAMS licence. The cost is \$25 which will be discounted from the price of any annual CAMS licence provided you apply within the six-month period from the date of issue. (This could be useful to those contemplating going to the National Meeting in Queensland next year.) There is no Club Run scheduled for October so even if you are not intending to compete, come along and cheer on those who do. Check out Ringwood Park and how much it has improved since you were last there.

The following weekend is another event in our Motorkhana & Club Championship list, it would be great to see just a little more support for these fun events.

Elsewhere in this edition you will find the Notice of The AGM and associated information. The election of the Board members is a key part of that meeting, and I know there are some people who will not be standing for a position, so we will be looking for some fresh faces for 2019. Don't be shy! I'm sure there are many within our almost 550 members who would love to have input into the running of the Club. If you are one of those, don't be shy, please feel free to give me a call, I can tell you what is involved in each of the roles on the Board.

Dave.

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NEW MEMBERS

New members approved by the board to join the club: September 2018

DAVID WADE – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

LYNNE WADE – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

RICHARD WADE – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

WAYNE EDWARDS – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

KENNETH DARLINGTON – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – COMMODORE

DAVID HOLT – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

LARRY PEACOCK – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – 1972 VW BEETLE

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BULLETIN #2
THE GOLDEN JUBILEE MG NATIONAL MEETING
2019 - REDLANDS QUEENSLAND
OCTOBER 2018

It is time to start planning your trip to Queensland for the 2019 National Meeting.

Our dedicated Committee has been hard at work overcoming what initially appeared to be almost unsurmountable obstacles, and this has caused us to adopt some significant changes to what was proposed in Bulletin # 1

The Queensland Licensing Laws do not allow the service of alcohol on Good Friday unless it is in conjunction with a meal in a part of the premises that is ordinarily set aside for dining. This has meant that the proposed venue of the Noggin and Natter did not comply, and so the search was on for a licensed restaurant that could accommodate us. The Alexandra Hills Hotel Conference Centre (which was already chosen as a venue for the Farewell Breakfast) could satisfy this requirement.

How does this affect you?

Well, the maximum number that they can legally accommodate in their largest function room is 350. This means our numbers have to be capped to 350 overall. This has also caused changes to other venues. While some of the venues have altered, the traditional functions have not, however. It's full speed ahead from now on.

We recommend that you register early so as not to miss out. Registration will be open before Christmas holidays so keep an eye on our new Nat Meet website for details mgnationalmeeting.org.au

Venue Details:

Friday 19th April	Registration and Scrutineering	Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre
	"Time Line of National Meetings	Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre
	Noggin & Natter plus Rocker Cover Racing	Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre
Saturday 20th April	Concours de Elegance	GJ Walter Park, Cleveland
	"Time Travellers" Night &	Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre
	Concours trophies presentation	

Sunday 21st April	Hillclimb (Speed Event)	MGCCQ's Hillclimb, Mt. Cotton
	Observation Run	Redlands and surrounding area
Sunday Night	Free night	

Monday 22nd April	Motorkhana	Sleeman Sport-
ing Complex, Chandler		
surrounding area	Kimber Run	Redlands and
Hotel Conference Centre	Golden Jubilee Dinner	Alexandra Hills
	& Trophy Presentation Night	
Tuesday 23rd April	Farewell Breakfast	Alexandra Hills
Hotel Conference Centre	Delegates Meeting	Alexandra Hills
Hotel Conference Centre		

As we celebrate the 50th National Meeting with the theme of “Time Travel” we are looking to create a display to illustrate the history of these meetings.

TIME LINE OF NATIONAL MEETINGS

How are those old photographs going for the Time Line? Have you started going through those old slides and photographs and earmarking them yet? These photos will need to have been taken at any of the 49 National Meetings. They will more likely be selected for inclusion on the **Time Line** if they have people and cars in them. (A car by itself could have been taken any time.)

Please only submit about 2 per meeting, so be very selective. We will need the who, what, where, when and why on each photo, THANKS.

Electronically -They will need to be sent to Delia & Peter Rayment at peterayment@bigpond.com or memorabilia@mgnationalmeeting.org.au or as an attachment to the email as a jpeg file, 2-3 Mbytes, to keep reasonable resolution. Don't send too many in one email, as we may not be able to access them. Definitely nothing off an iPad either thanks, we can't do anything with them.

No email facility -For those who do not have access to email facilities please post a **photocopy of your original** to our home address - 32 Coveys Road, Tinbeerwah. Q 4563. We ask for photocopies as we do not want to have to be posting originals back to people.

The whole collection – It is envisaged that after the 50th meeting, all the photos submitted will be available on our website for people to download if they want to make their own book of photos.

Cut off time for photographs will be a month before Easter. So the sooner the better OK. We look forward to lots of photographs.

The MG Car Club of Queensland invites you to come and help us celebrate 50 years of National Meetings at Easter 2019.

Expression of interest and enquiries to enquiries@mgnationalmeeting.org.au. More details of Redlands attractions, accommodation options, cut off dates and prices can be found on our new website mgnationalmeeting.org.au.

AUTO TEST CO-ORDINATOR

The Motorkhana on the 16th of September saw excellent conditions for racing. Competitors were given two opportunities to attempt to set a quick time on ten different tests. To make it interesting, tests were picked so that some would suit front wheel drive cars, some would suit rear wheel drive cars, and there was even some with reversing. This variation between the different tests really showed some drivers what the strengths and weaknesses were with their cars and themselves.

Juniors Nicholas and Robert may have been may not of been high up in the results, but both enjoyed themselves and learnt a bunch in the process.

President Dave Atkins was having a good day, except for when it came to reversing. Apparently a 240Z is not the easiest thing to see out the back of. I've promised not to set as much reversing for the next motorkhana.

Chris Iles skills in reversing surprised many, but it wasn't quite enough to make the podium, coming home in 4th place.

Chris Burrows did make the podium, driving the Swift to third place. Strong results in all of the tests showed consistency is key to getting a good result.

Christian Thompson once again showed his skill behind the wheel, driving the Pulsar to second place. Setting the fastest time on a number of the tests shows that as a junior drivers he is more then up to the task of giving more experienced drivers some great competition.

And finally first place went to none other then myself, which I'm sure upset a few of the other competitors. As I've said before, it's not what your driving, but how you drive it that matters most in a motorkhana. I'm sure Kia didn't intend the Picanto to be a race car but it sure is fun to drive it like one.

Our next Autotest event will be the 5th Motorkhana of the year, to be held on Sunday the 21st October. Entries are already open and I hope to see you there.

Cheers,
Chris Fernance.



I hope Chris Iles isn't lost, at least he has his map!



Christian Thompson exiting the dust storm



Nicolas Young-Fernance getting the Percanto dirty



Darryl Gregory busy timing Robert Iles



Slalom in a Swift with Chris Burrows



Dave Atkins making dust with the 240Z

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice to all members of MG Car Club Newcastle Inc.

The Annual General Meeting and Election of Board of Directors of MG Car Club Newcastle Incorporated will be held at the Clubrooms, Cobby Street, Shortland, on Friday November 9th 2018, commencing at 7:30pm.

Agenda

- Apologies
- Confirmation of minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held Friday, 10th November, 2017
- Summary of the Club's activities over the past 12 months
- Treasurer's Report and Report from the Auditor
- Election of the Board of Directors for 2019 (all positions become vacant)
- Any other business as submitted in accordance with the Club's Rules. Members are reminded that Special Business needs to be submitted to the Board before the meeting.

Rules

Members are reminded of the following:-

- Only full Members are allowed to vote
- Both Full and Associate Members can accept a nomination for a position on the Board of Directors
- Both Full and Associate Members can nominate any Club Member for a position on the Board of Directors
- Associate Members will be granted Full Membership if elected to the Board of Directors
- Members must financial to 28th February 2019 to be able to vote
- Current Financial Membership Cards should be produced in order to obtain Voting papers.
- Voting papers will not be issued after the current Board positions are declared vacant
- Nominations should be completed and posted or handed to the Secretary at least 7 days prior to the commencement of the meeting
- Associate Members are permitted to cast proxy votes for a Full Member who is absent; only if the Proxy form is completed and posted to or handed to the Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting.
- All Proxy forms must be signed by the member appointing the proxy and must comply with our constitution.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

BOARD POSITIONS - SUMMARY OF THE ROLES.

President - the leader, chairs Board meetings, and has the casting vote in case of a deadlock decision. Delegates jobs to Board persons, encourages members at events, and always acts with the best interests of the Club and its members. Supports Board members in the performance of their roles. Is the Public Officer of the Club.

Vice -President - assists the President, stands in for him/her when the President is absent. Helps other committee members with any special projects.

Honorary Secretary - takes the minutes, deals with the incoming and outgoing correspondence, circulates information to members, via the magazine and passes on information to the various panels. Answers enquiries about the club and its activities. Is the Club's primary contact with CAMS.

Honorary Treasurer - handles the Club's accounts, receives the money, deals with banking and investments. Is responsible for paying the accounts, keeping records and making sure that the books are audited at the end of the financial year. Prepares the Annual Financial Reports and has them audited for presentation to the AGM and subsequent lodgement with the Department of Fair Trading.

Publicity Officer - informs members and the general public of our activities. Always striving to keep a high profile of the Club whenever possible. Extra promotion for large events such as State Hillclimb events at Ringwood Park, etc. Endeavour to get Club information into newspapers, radios or magazines. May assist the Register Captain with displays and parades, and the Editor with advertisers for the magazine.

Club Captain – Receives event results, working bee records and attendance sheets for the point score. Keeps the point score for the Club and Event Championships and maintains the Club Member point score, assists with preparation of the calendar. Coordinates with the various panels to organise trophies for distribution after the events.

Social Secretary - provides supper for Club Nights each month, (does not have to cook, supper items can be purchased.) Organise other social outings as well as Christmas/Presentation Dinner and Natter Nights. Ideally forms a social committee of helpers.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Magazine Editor - does not write the magazine, but receives articles written by others to edit and produce the magazine. Ensures the magazine is delivered to and from the printer. Organises the Magazine Assemblies and posting. Co-ordinates the gathering of advertisers, artwork and invoicing.

Register Captain - Someone who is likely to attend most of the Club runs. Organises the monthly Register Runs, also the annual Concours. Keeps the register point score for MG owners, contacts MG members for promotional parades or displays. Maintains a close liaison with the Register Secretary to promote the interests of MG owners. Works with the Event Co-ordinator to ensure activities are included in the calendar.

Register Secretary - assists the Register Captain to plan and conduct MG events. Ensures enquires and correspondence specifically relating to MGs are considered and answered. Looks after the Club's Historic Registration Scheme. Keeps abreast of MG information in Australia and overseas. Maintains a close liaison with the Register Captain to promote the interests of MG owners. May act as National Meeting Co-ordinator organising accommodation and travel arrangements.

Event Co-Ordinator – Works with all Panel Co-ordinators to set up the year's calendar along with the Club Captain to construct the list of Club Championship point score events. Helps other panel members to promote their events. Is responsible for keeping the calendar current with event changes that often happen, and supply to Editor a list of coming events for the current magazine.

Chairman of Rally Panel – Keeps abreast of Rallies, Rallysprints, Touring Road Events and Touring Assemblies that are scheduled for the year. Works with Event Co-ordinator to schedule "Rally" events in the calendar. Ensures that scheduled events are organised in a timely manner, does not have to set or run them himself. Brings "rally" matters to the Board for attention as required.

Chairman of Speed Event Panel – Co-ordinates a panel of like-minded members to organise Speed events such as Ringwood Hillclimbs, Supersprints etc. This person does not have to direct the events, but is responsible for making them happen and can assist. Ensures event permits from CAMS are in place and supp regs are available and distributed in a timely manner. Make sure enough officials are organised and that the venue is ready. Results to go to the Club Captain. Works with the Event Co-ordinator and Publicity officer to maintain accuracy of the calendar and promote the events.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Chairman of Autotest Panel - Co-ordinates a panel of like-minded members to organise Motorkhana/Khanacross events for the year. Locate suitable venues. Once again does not have to organise the events, but ensures events are organised in a timely manner and arrange for officials, timekeepers, paperwork to CAMS etc. Sends results to Club Captain.

Membership Secretary - processes new membership applications for presentation to the Board for approval. Processes member renewals. Keeps the database of club members up to date. Ensures new members receive relevant information on joining.

Chairman Land Panel- Co-ordinates a panel of like-minded members and is responsible for the maintenance of the Track and surrounding area at Ringwood. Organises any work to be done by other parties or organises and advertises working bees of club members for general maintenance of the Complex. Works closely with the Event and Equipment Maintenance Co-ordinators. Makes recommendations to the Board on improvements and works at Ringwood.

Chairman of Equipment Maintenance Panel - Co-ordinates the work required to maintain of mechanical equipment at our Ringwood Complex. Does not have to fix it personally, and may organises necessary work to be done by others, so that equipment is fully functionally.

Makes recommendations to Board regarding equipment.

Member No.1 - This person has no direct responsibilities, helps other Board members with projects, and may have previously been on the Board.

Member No.2 - Must be first appointment to the Board, assists other Board members. Is a good introduction to the running of the Club, its business and activities.

The Board positions are covered by the Club's Constitution, which should be read in conjunction with the above.



SHARE THE PASSION

THE SHANNONS MATTARA HILLCLIMB REPORT

The third running of the Mattara Hillclimb took place on the long weekend, and once again the weather was almost perfect for a motorsport weekend. The event was run over 3 days as usual but this year we tried, starting on Friday with practice and scrutineering, knowing that it could see reduced participation due to people having to work, that was the case! Practice was fairly uneventful with Steve Devjac the only significant spinner. In hindsight this wasn't surprising when you consider that he had never driven an open wheel race car before.

Saturday saw the balance of the competitors arrive in time to be scrutineered and ready for a 9.00am start. With just 60 starters for Saturday, 5 runs were likely to be provided. This year the field of cars was as varied as ever ranging from the 750 cc Jedi of Francesco Mangano through to Andrew Frasers big Chev Corvette with 6358 cc of brute power.

For the first time in many years, there was not one AWD car. No WRX's or Mitsubishi EVO's! Who would have guessed that would happen?

The first set of runs showed who the likely contenders for outright honours were likely to be, with Doug Barry, fresh from locking up the NSW Hillclimb Championship, the obvious favourite. Craig Doyle, Francesco Mangano and Steve Devjac were always going to be in with a strong chance should Doug have a bad day.

In the other Classes in most cases a similar trend was there too!

In the 2A/2C Open & Closed Sports class Christian Thompson showed that he was the man to beat, ahead of the other four in the class. Despite a spin on run 3 and crashing out in a spectacular collision with the guardrail on the latter section of Turn 3 on the fourth run, which earned him a precautionary night in the John Hunter, he was able to retain the lead all weekend until Kevin Akers put in a big effort on his final run on Sunday. Thankfully Christian has come out of that quite well and will no doubt be back by our next event.

Due to the relatively low numbers in the Marque and Production car Under 2L class they were combined. John Finch set the early pace and held the lead all weekend to and hold off a determined effort from Andy Peters.

The Marque Sports Class over 2L was unsurprisingly a James Pearson benefit, with none of the others in the class having the potential to match the performance of his highly developed Mazda RX7 although Andrew Fraser tried very hard in the big Chev. Type 1 Under 2L was a small class of just 3 drivers with Alex Frodl in his Renault Clio the obvious favourite. Chris Fernance took regular breaks from his job on the BBQ and looked to be having a great time in the Kia Picanto despite the shortfall in engine capacity when measured against the other two.

Jeff Schmitt set the pace for Type 1 Over 2L on his first run, however Brad Antoniou from TSCC turned the tables on run 2 and improved again on his first Run on Sunday to seal the deal. Dave Durie pushed on bravely in the now 45 year old XU1. A long way back but still smiling!

Type 2 Under 2L was a larger class with 9 starters, This was one of the more interesting contests of the weekend with Bob Millington in his Subaru BRZ pushed along by both of the Wallin boys in their trusty Celica. I guess in the end the technology difference paid off for Bob, but I wonder if he was missing the pure grunt and grip of the WRX he campaigned in previous years.

Type 2 Over 2L was always going to be another win for Steven Woods, but he also managed to improve on his old record by 0.43 seconds after just 3 runs. Unfortunately for the crowd he left early on Saturday and didn't return for Sunday.

Type 3 under 2L saw Steve Brydie take the class record off his mate Warwick Berge by what is really a massive 1.47 seconds. Paul Boland took second in his Pulsar and Mark De Gioia 3rd in his little Datsun Sunny.

Type 3 Over 2L based on the number of entries, looked like it should it should have been a Holden benefit, but the Grangers driving their Ford Falcon proved too strong to take out 1st and 2nd in the Class.

Type 4 Over saw Matt Halpin return to Ringwood and lead the other contenders at the end of the competition. Jackson Halloran drove his Holden V8 powered RX 7 very well to come in 2nd ahead of Rick Vincent in his Lotus Elise.

Type 5 Under 2L, was a combination of the Motorbike engine cars and the Peter Robinson's Ford engine PRS. Craig Doyle and Francesco Mangano were expected to do battle in this class, but Craig's efforts saw him spin on run 2 and be over taken by Ray Bromley in the listings, Ray held on to take a very creditable 2nd in the class.

The PRS was driven hard but couldn't match the motorbike engine cars.

Elizabeth won the award for the quickest Lady driver with her times set on Saturday. Perhaps Peter should have should have been given an award, for the biggest oil spill and crossing the finish line at speed to record a time of 68.38 with several engine components left on the track well before the finish line. That engine will race no more!

Type 5 Over 2 L was all due to Doug Barry with him on his brutish Lola and Steve Devjac having his first drive in an open wheel race car, supplied by Doug Barry.

The Reynard being one of the Formula Holdens built for circuit racing and as such quite a bit heavier than the Lola. Doug's aim for the weekend was to lower his out-right record which he was able to achieve on the first run on Sunday morning. Having achieved that he said he was going to take it easy for the rest of the event. Unfortunately, things didn't end well on his second Sunday run when entering the loop for the second time he came into the dip all side ways and clipped the Armco, in so doing, created damage that will take some work to repair. Surely Doug must be wondering if Mattara Hillclimb on Track A4 is for him as last year he crashed out too.

The Tri Challenge Pointscore can now be finalised, it will be interesting to see which Club comes out at the top of the listings. We were well behind the other two after 3 rounds, but being our home event we should score well, but will it be enough?

We must thank all of the competitors for again supporting the event and putting on a show for the spectators. It was a bit disappointing to have so many not turn up for the Sunday crowd, which was double that of Saturday. To the officials, many of whom put in the full 3 days at Ringwood, a big thank-you.

Last, but not least, thanks to the Sponsors for their continued support. Make sure that you support them when ever you are using a service that they can provide.

The full results will be posted on the Club's website before you get this magazine, so take a look at them there.

Despite the few incidents the "Mattara Hillclimb 2018" was another very successful one for MGCC(Newcastle).



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MATTARA OUTRIGHT RESULTS

O/R	Car	Name	Club	Vehicle	Class	Time
1	37	Doug BARRY	(KSCC)	Lola T8750-F3000	Tp 5 o 2 Itr	59.11
2	44	Steven DEVJAK	(WSCC)	Reynard 92D F3000	Tp 5 o 2 Itr	61.35
3	82	Francesco MANGANO	(MGCCN)	Jedi Mk4	Tp 5 u 2 Itr	62.58
4	71	Raymond BROMLEY	(MGCCN)	Locost 7 replica	Tp 5 u 2 Itr	65.35
5	21	Craig DOYLE	(KSCC)	Piranha HC1	Tp 5 u 2 Itr	65.45
6	64	Peter ROBINSON	(MGCCN)	PRS RH01	Tp 5 u 2 Itr	66.59
7	641	Elizabeth BROWN	(MGCCN)	PRS RH01	Tp 5 u 2 Itr	66.84
8	29	Kevin AKERS	(MGCCN)	Carrroll Clubman	O/C Spts 2A/2C u 2 Itr	67.31
9	2	Christian THOMPSON (J)	(MGCCN)	JB Clubman	O/C Spts 2A/2C u 2 Itr	67.62
10	114	Matt HALPIN	(TSCC)	Holden Torana LJ	Tp 4 o 2 Itr	67.91
11	151	James PEARSON	(MGCCN)	Mazda RX7	Marque Spt o 2 Itr	68.58
12	95	Jackson HALLORAN	(New EngSCC)	Madza RX7	Tp 4 o 2 Itr	68.97
13	83	Steve BRYDIE	(MGCCN)	Datsun 1200	Tp 3 u 2 Itr	69.65
14	99	Rick VINCENT	(MGCCN)	Lotus Elise 111R	Tp 4 o 2 Itr	70.25
15	109	Andrew FRASER	(MGCCN)	Corvette	Marque Spt o 2 Itr	70.29
16	26	Peter TURNBULL	(MGCCN)	Turnham Mako C	O/C Spts 2A/2C u 2 Itr	70.45
17	157	Ben HALL	(MGCCN)	Nissan Skyline R33	Tp 4 o 2 Itr	70.65
18	4	Brad ANTONIOU	(TSCC)	Mazda RX8	Tp 1 o 2 Itr	70.82
19	12	Michael ALCHIN	(MGCCN)	JB Clubman	O/C Spts 2A/2C u 2 Itr	71.81
20	841	Mark GRANGER	(MGCCN)	Ford Falcon XR6	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	72.14
21	10	Steve WOODS	(MGCCN)	Renault Megane RS27	Tp 2 o 2 Itr	72.16
22	894	Daniel ORAM	(KSCC)	Holden Calais	Tp 2 o 2 Itr	72.60
23	57	Bob MILLINGTON	(MGCCN)	Subaru BRZ	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	72.62
24	330	Jeff SCHMITT	(MGCCN)	BMW M3	Tp 1 o 2 Itr	72.81
25	518	Paul BOLAND	(MGCCN)	Nissan Pulsar	Tp 3 u 2 Itr	72.87
26	847	Matt GRANGER	(MGCCN)	Ford Falcon XR6	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	73.04
27	47	Andrew WALKER	(MGCCN)	Turnham Bandit	O/C Spts 2A/2C u 2 Itr	73.58
28	140	Michael WALLIN	(MGCCN)	Toyota Celica RA40	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	73.70
29	50	Glenn ORAM	(KSCC)	Commodore SSV	Tp 2 o 2 Itr	73.83
30	54	John FINCH	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	M & P/Spt 2B/2F u 2 Itr	73.97
31	401	Andrew WALLIN	(MGCCN)	Toyota Celica RA40	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	74.27
32	153	Mark FENNER	(KSCC)	VL Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	74.47
33	366	Mark DE GIOIA	(MGCCN)	Datsun Sunny	Tp 3 u 2 Itr	74.53
34	40	Darren LINDSAY	(MGCCN)	Holden Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	74.56
35	73	Bill KELLY	(MGCCN)	Holden Gemini	Tp 4 o 2 Itr	75.14
35	53	Harry HARRIS	(MGCCN)	Honda Civic	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	75.14
37	31	Robert JACKSON	(MGCCN)	Honda Integra	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	75.17
38	152	John FENNER	(KSCC)	VK Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	75.19
39	158	Luke FENNER	(KSCC)	VL Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	75.36
40	234	Simon MACPHERSON	(MGCCN)	Toyota Celica	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	75.56
41	690	David MITCHELL	(MGCCN)	VX Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	75.75
42	236	Luke KILBY	(MGCCN)	Toyota Soarer	Tp 4 o 2 Itr	75.85
43	508	Rebecca BOLAND	(MGCCN)	Nissan Pulsar	Tp 3 u 2 Itr	75.86
44	43	David HARRIS	(MGCCN)	Honda Civic	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	76.34
45	136	Andy PETERS	(MGCCN)	MG B	M & P/Spt 2B/2F u 2 Itr	76.36
46	59	Bernie KEAST	(KSCC)	Vauxhall Astra	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	76.37
47	154	David HOLT	(MGCCN)	Nissan Skyline R32	Marque Spt o 2 Itr	76.70
48	126	Nat HAILS	(MGCCN)	Toyota Sprinter	Tp 3 u 2 Itr	77.12
49	172	Alex FRODL (J)	(MGCCN)	Renault Clio 172	Tp 1 u 2 Itr	77.17
49	23	Caleb REES	(MGCCN)	Toyota Sprinter	Tp 3 u 2 Itr	77.17
51	359	Matthew WHITWORTH	(MGCCN)	MG B	M & P/Spt 2B/2F u 2 Itr	78.25
51	161	Terry PERKINS	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	M & P/Spt 2B/2F u 2 Itr	78.25
53	331	Harry KEIL (J)	(MGCCN)	Holden Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 Itr	78.67
54	187	John (Jack) HOLT	(MGCCN)	Nissan Skyline R32	Marque Spt o 2 Itr	78.81
55	69	James GRAHAM	(MGCCN)	Hyundai Excel	Tp 2 u 2 Itr	79.19 56
	314	Chris FERNANCE	(MGCCN)	Kia Picanto	Tp 1 u 2 Itr	80.25
57	246	Paul WHITWORTH	(MGCCN)	MG B	Marque & P/Spt 2B/2F u	80.31
58	15	Matthew HOLT	(MGCCN)	Nissan 300ZX	Marque Spt o 2 Itr	80.94
59	32	William HOLT	(MGCCN)	Nissan Skyline R32	Marque Spt o 2 Itr	81.78
60	5	Dave DURIE	(MGCCN)	Holden Torana XU1	Tp 1 o 2 Itr	83.60
61	306	Ian FLETCHER	(MGCCN)	Peugeot 306	Tp 1 u 2 Itr	84.18



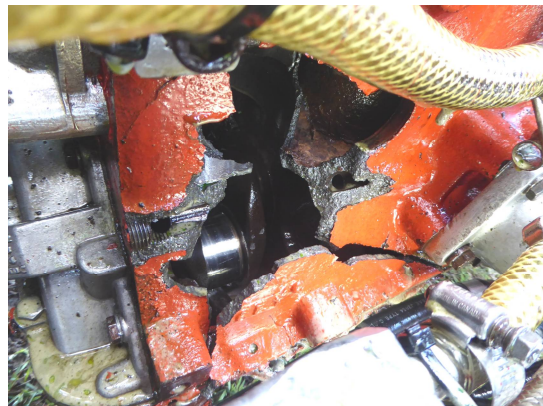
Mathew Whitworth ready for a start



Sports cars in the paddock



Peter Robinson's car, What's so interesting?



This was the point of interest not a good day for Peter one of our regular sponsors



They come in all sizes! Chris Fernance in the Kia



But spectators come in big cars!



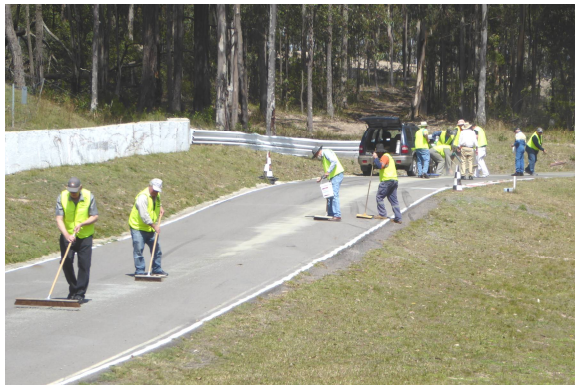
These ladies will take your money!
Chris & Maria at the gate



Raywyn Jan & Joy with coffee to go



Is it a bird, is it a plane no just confusion!



Clean up time ,see pictures at left!



Greg , Kerry & Ted at the Young Drivers display



The Ambo man was there when



Doug Barry first outright (file photo) Doug's car while still in one piece!



Steven Devjak second outright



Francesco Magano third outright



The people who make the times happen at left Michael snow centre Lyall Clarke & commentator Colin Bray with senior management Doug Rae & Greg Hunter looking on

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CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

Hi members,

These Series point scores are as at 1/10/18. **Note** that I have **not** included the many entrants that have done only 1 event in a class.

Cheers, Gregg.

KHANACROSS	Points	No.	Min. 3	KHANACROSS	Points	No.	Min. 3
	Best 4	Events	Events		Best 4	Events	Events
B				G			
Ian Fletcher	30	3	Y	Troy Morley	48	4	Y
Chris Burrows	26	2		Tyler Cannon	28	2	
				Tim Blake	23	2	
C				Andrew Meldrum	22	2	
Rose Collins	33	3	Y				
Luke Garland	24	2		Junior Production			
Terry Perkins	24	2		Harry Keil	39	3	Y
				Hayden Little	34	3	Y
D				Alex Frodl	26	2	
Steven Woods	53	4	Y	Nicholas Fernance	19	2	
David Atkins	48	5	Y				
Russell West	44	5	Y	Junior Special			
				Christian Thompson	37	3	Y
E				Connor Morley	32	3	Y
Andrew Fraser	22	2		Izaiah Meldrum	24	2	
MOTORKHANA	Points	No.	Min. 3	MOTORKHANA	Points	No.	Min. 3
	Best 4	Events	Events		Best 4	Events	Events
B				Junior Production			
David Atkins	46	4	Y	Christian Thompson	56	4	Y
Chris Burrows	23	2		Dominic Portelli	34	3	Y
				Robert Iles	23	2	
C				Nicholas Fernance	19	2	
David Portelli	33	3	Y				
				Junior Special			
D				Ryan Boland	24	2	
Chris Iles	22	2		Lachlan Hales	21	2	

TAR SPEED	Points	No.	Min. 4	TAR SPEED	Points	No.	Min. 4
	Best 5	Events	Events		Best 5	Events	Events
Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr				Tp 1 o 2 ltr			
Ray Bromley	43	3		Jeff Schmitt	35	3	
Kevin Akers	42	3		Doug Rae	22	2	
Andrew Walker	34	3					
Bryn Baverstock	25	2		Tp 1 u 2 ltr			
Peter Turnbull	21	2		Ian Fletcher	32	3	
Brian Sutton	19	2		Allan Evans	23	2	
Junior Production				Tp 2 o 2 ltr			
Alex Frodl	22	2		Steven Woods	68	5	Y
				Richard Grant	55	5	Y
Junior Special				Bill Tocher	27	2	
Christian Thompson	58	5	Y	David Walker	19	2	
Thomas Alchin	33	3					
				Tp 2 u 2 ltr			
PS Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr				Harry Harris	71	5	Y
Jeff Newey	50	4	Y	Adam Harris	55	4	Y
Matt Whitworth	36	3		David Harris	51	5	Y
Paul Whitworth	33	3		Robert Jackson	39	3	
				Graham Orr	32	2	
PS Classic o 2 ltr				Ben Kent	30	3	
David Atkins	55	5	Y	Luke Garland	16	2	
Andrew Fraser	48	4	Y				
				Tp 3 o 2 ltr			
PS Modern 1.4 - 2 ltr				Matt Granger	67	5	Y
Wayne Lewis	79	5	Y	Mark Granger	56	4	Y
John Finch	73	5	Y	Darren Lindsay	34	4	Y
Bronwyn Lewis	61	5	Y	Daniel Dalmazzo	23	2	
Terry Perkins	39	5	Y	David Mitchell	21	2	
Lyall Clarke	37	4	Y				
Andrew Ference	25	3		Tp 3 u 2 ltr			
Rod Berwick	18	2		Warwick Berge	77	5	Y
Mark Janus	13	2		Steven Brydie	60	4	Y
Rose Collins	13	2		Tom Clemens	45	4	Y
				Mark De Gioia	43	5	Y
PS 2B Modern o 2 ltr				Kthaniel Vickery	38	3	
James Pearson	33	3		Caleb Rees	20	3	
				Ben Southcombe	19	2	

CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

TAR SPEED	Points	No.	Min. 4	TAR SPEED	Points	No.	Min. 4
	Best 5	Events	Events		Best 5	Events	Events

SV o 3ltr

Matt Landesmann	58	4	Y
Tim Blake	43	3	
Joel Buckland	36	3	
Luke Kilby	33	4	Y
Rick Vincent	28	2	
Tyler Cannon	27	3	
Michael Alchin	22	3	
Andrew Gough	20	2	
Dylan Gerrish	20	2	
Brian Ford	19	2	

TP 4 o 2 ltr

Rick Vincent	37	3	
Bill Kelly	33	3	
Andrew Rigg	30	3	
Ben Hall	22	2	

TP 5 u 2 ltr
SV u 3ltr

Reece Attwood	23	2	
Kevin Akers	21	2	

Damien Spinks	44	4	Y
Francesco Mangano	24	2	

TOURING ASSEMBLY

Points	No.	Min. 3
Best 4	Events	Events

Points	No.	Min. 3
Best 4	Events	Events

DRIVER

David Miller	49	4	Y
Bernard Corbett	22	2	
Steven Woods	17	2	

NAVIGATOR

Michael Miller	51	4	Y
Paul Martin	46	4	Y
Madelon Corbett	22	2	
Leanne Woods	17	2	

REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

Once again our Register Run to Alison Homestead and Museum at Wyong was well attended with 33 starters.

We started off with coffee at Maccas at Swansea to get everyone in a good mood and took the old road to Wyong via Charmhaven which was a bit more interesting than the Motorway.

The volunteer ladies at the museum served us a light lunch after which we had a good look around the museum where we experienced displays of old farm machinery etc which I remember from my young days having been brought up in the country. Anyway we all had a relaxing day out in the sunshine.

I will be away for a couple of weeks at the end of October and I hope to organise a mid-week run on my return. However as the year is rapidly slipping away, we'll see how we go.

I have again booked the Lakehouse Café at Murrays Beach for our Australia Day brunch and I will give you the details by email and call for starters as we get closer to the event, bearing in mind there is no magazine in January.

We had some really great outings this year and I want to thank everyone for their tremendous support throughout the year.

Ken McLeod
Register Captain



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DATES AND INFORMATION FOR 2018

NOTE ALL Events are conducted at Ringwood Park Motor Sport Complex
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For NEW STUDENTS please note **ENCLOSED** footwear must be worn. DRIVERS YOU MUST BRING YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD AS WELL AS YOUR CAMS LICENCE. Without both, your entry cannot be accepted.

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.mgcarclub.com.au. If in doubt please call on 0412493711 or email Greg Hunter at gh.hunter@bigpond.com.au

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TIME FOR A LAFF

All deliveries of hay to drought affected properties have been suspended and recalled after a farmer found a needle in a hay stack !

A 71-year-old man was requested by his Doctor for a sperm count as part of his physical exam. The doctor gave the man a jar and said, "Take this jar home and bring back a semen sample tomorrow."

The next day the 71-year-old man reappeared at the doctor's office and gave him the jar, which was as clean and empty as on the previous day.

The doctor asked what happened and the man explained, "Well, doc, it's like this -- first I tried with my right hand, but nothing. Then I tried with my left hand, but still nothing. Then I asked my wife for help. She tried with her right hand, then with her left, still nothing. She tried with her mouth, first with her teeth in, then with her teeth out, still nothing.

We even called up Arlene, the lady next door, and she tried too, first with both hands, then an armpit, and she even tried squeezin' it between her knees, but still nothing"

The doctor was shocked! He asked, "You asked your neighbor?!"

The old man replied, "Yep, none of us could get the jar open."

A clearly inebriated woman, stark naked, jumped into a taxi in New York City and laid down on the back seat.

The cab driver, an old Jewish gentleman, opened his eyes wide and stared at the woman. He made no attempt to start the cab. The woman glared back at him and said, "What's wrong with you, honey? - Haven't you ever seen a naked woman before?"

The old Jewish driver answered, "Let me tell you sumsing, lady. I vasn't staring at you like you tink; det would not be proper vair I come from."

The drunk woman giggled and responded, "Well, if you're not staring at my boobs or ass, sweetie, what are you doing then?"

He paused a moment, then told her..."Vell, M'am, I am looking and I am looking, and I am tinking to myself,'Vair in da hell is dis lady keeping de money to pay for dis ride?"

I bought a new stick deodorant today.

The instructions said:

"Remove cap and push up bottom."

It hurts to walk, but whenever I fart,
the room smells lovely.

Two Aussies were out hunting in the outback, and came upon a huge hole in the ground.

They approached it and were amazed at its size and depth.

The first said, "Wow, that's some hole. I can't even see the bottom. I wonder how deep it is."

The second said, "There's an old gear box over there. Let's throw it in and see how long it takes to hit bottom."

Despite it being very heavy, they picked up the gear box, carried it over to the hole, counted one-two-three, and heaved it in.

As they were standing there looking over the edge of the hole, a goat come crashing through the underbrush, ran up to the hole and without hesitation, jumped in head first.

They were so mystified by this that they stood staring at each other in amazement and peered into the hole, trying to figure out what that was all about.

Just then an old farmer sauntered up. "Say, you fellers didn't happen to see my goat?"

The first hunter said, "Funny you should ask. We were just standing here a minute ago, and a goat came running out of the bushes doing about a hundred miles an hour and jumped head first into this here hole!"

The old farmer said, "Naw, that's impossible! I had him chained to an old gear box."

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Hi Members,

Well it is time to start thinking about the 2018 Xmas Party and Presentation night for our car club.

Please note that the date is Friday 7 December 2018 and payment for buffet meal can be handed to me at the October or November club nights.

Cheers Chris Finch.

MG Car Club Newcastle

Xmas Party 2018.

Friday 7 December 2018.

6.0pm for 6.30 start

Private Function Room
CARDIFF RSL CLUB
45 Macquarie Road, Cardiff.



\$25.00 per person for a buffet menu from the Eastern Tiger Restaurant.

RSVP Chris Finch 0431656663 by Friday 9 November 2018.

Lucky Door Prizes as well as Trophies... See you there.

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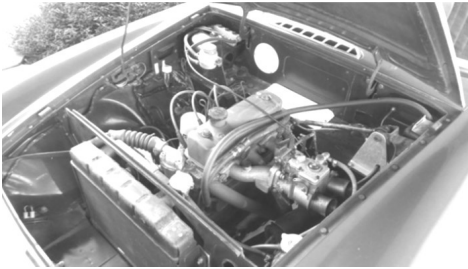
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