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# **Coming Events - April 2020**

Thurs 02	MGCCN	Dads Army	Ringwood 8am
Sat 04	MGCCN	YDDC—2	Ringwood 9am M
Sat 04	WSSC	State Hillclimb R3	Huntley Hill Dapto 9am
Sat 04	NESCC	State Motorkhana R4	Armidale 9am
Sun 05	MGCCN	Motorkhana MK2 CC4	Ringwood 9am M
Sun 05	WSCC	State Hillclimb R3	Huntley Hill Dapto 9am
Sun 05	NESCC	State Motorkhana R5	Armidale 9am
Mon 06	MGCCN	Magazine Assy	Cobby St 2pm
Wed 08	MGCCN	Motorsport Panel	Cobby St 8pm M
Thurs 09	MGCCN	Dads Army	Cobby St 8am
Fri 10	MGCCN	Club Night	Cobby St 7.30pm M
Fri 10	MGCC V	MG Nationals	Albury 9am
Sat 11	MGCC V	MG Nationals Concours	Albury 9am
Sun 12	MGCC V	MG Nationals Speed	Albury 9am
Mon 13	MGCC V	MG Nationals Motorkhana	Albury 9am
Thurs 16	MGCCN	Dads Army	Ringwood 8am
Sat 18	Hire	Mazda Nationals	Ringwood 9am
Sun 19	Hire	Mazda Nationals	Ringwood 9am
Sun 19	SCCA	CSCA Supersprint	SMSP Sth 9am
Tue 21	MGCCN	<b>Board Meeting</b>	Cobby St 7.30pm M
Thurs 23	MGCCN	Dads Army	Ringwood 8am
Sun 26	MGCCN	Hillclimb TS3 CC8	Ringwood 9am M
Sun 26	ARDC	State Supersprint R2	SMSP GP 9am
Thurs 30	MGCCN	Dads Army	Ringwood 8am

# **ALL EVENTS CANCELLED OR POSTPONED**

# **Coming Events - May 2020**

The status of future events is uncertain. Keep an eye on the Club Website going forward for updates.

Sat 2	MGCCN	Khanacross D/T D/N KC2 CC9 R7 M 9am	RINGWOOD
Sat 2	KSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 4 Mt. Cooperabung Practice 9am	KEMPSEY
Sun 3	HDCC	State Motorkhana Rnd5 9am	Nirimba
Sun 3	KSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 4 Mt. Cooperabung 9am	KEMPSEY
Mon 4	MGCCN	Mag Assy. 2pm	COBBY ST
Thurs 7	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	RINGWOOD
Fri 8	MGCCN	Club Night M 7:30pm	COBBY ST
Sun 10		Mothers Day	
Thurs 14	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	RINGWOOD
Sat 16	TSCC	Tri-Challenge Rnd2 Oakburn Park Practice 9am	TAMWORTH
Sun 17	TSCC	Tri-Challenge Rnd2 Oakburn Park 9am	TAMWORTH
Sun 17		Tilligerry Motorama 9am	Tanilba Bay
Tues 19	MGCCN	Board Meeting M 7:30pm	COBBY ST
Thurs 21	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	RINGWOOD
Sun 24	MGCCN	Motorkhana MK3 CC10 M 9am	RINGWOOD
Thurs 28	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	RINGWOOD
Sat 30	MGCCN	YDDC-3 M 9am	RINGWOOD
Sun 31	MGCCN	Hillclimb A3 TS1 CC1 M ** Change of Date ** 9am	RINGWOOD
Sun 31	TCC	State Motorkana Rnd6 9am	Nirimba

Legend	CC - Club Championship	TA - Touring Assembly
M - Club Member	KC - Khanacross	TC - Tri-Challenge
R - Register pointscore	MK - Motorkhana	TS - Tar Speed Series

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# PRIVATE PRACTICE & TESTING AT RINGWOOD.

Available most Thursdays, check in advance to ensure track works are not planned by the Land Panel on that day. Other days can be arranged, provided a suitably qualified "Supervisor" is available. CAMS have now implemented the MIDCAR protocols under which we must operate to be covered by their insurance policy.

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#### PRESIDENTS REPORT

We had a rough start to 2020 due to very welcome heavy rain, which delayed Round 1 of the Hillclimb Series and then "The Fluffy Duck" Touring Assembly. Little did we know what was coming!

The cancellation of the MG National Meeting, significant as that is, was nothing compared to the impact on High Level Motorsport across the country. Thankfully for all involved MGCC Victoria were proactive and made the announcement early, giving people time to adjust their plans. It is to be hoped that everything is up and running in time for Easter 2021 to see this important MG gathering back in the calendar.

We must obey the very strict guidelines and regulations put in place by the Federal & NSW State Governments, that are aimed to reduce the risk to people. Unfortunately, that has left us with no option but to cancel anything involving gatherings of people. To keep up with the latest on where we are at as the MG Car Club (Newcastle) I ask that you log on to our website and wait for the slide on COVID-19 to appear. Click on that and you will be taken directly to the latest update. I am also happy to take your calls should you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.

On a much happier note, the Newcastle Show was held before the virus impact was felt by such events. Once again, we were invited to supply cars for the Grand Parade, which for a change went ahead free of rain. Thank you, to the members who made their time and cars available at relatively short notice.

I have been doing some research on other events that some of our members have been involved in. Rd.1 & Rd.2 of the NSW Hillclimb Championship have been conducted at Bathurst and we had 12 of our members start in Rd.1 and 13 in Rd.2. The CSCA Supersprint Rd.1 on 14th of March saw just 4 or 5 of our members make the trip to Wakefield Park, for what started off as a wet event, but things did improve. Round 1 of the Tri-Challenge at Kempsey on 22nd of March unfortunately only drew a small entry with just 3 from our Club. I guess concerns about the COVID-19 issue was starting to have an impact on what people chose to do. It is disappointing to see this once strong series start off with such a small field for 2020. The future of the rest of the series is up in the air due to the ever-changing situation.

Dad's army had been able to keep doing the usual maintenance tasks at Ringwood as well as some upgrades and enhancements. However, since we started back after the Christmas/New Year break, when every-where you looked there was "dead" grass and dying trees, the transition back to green has been remarkable. Mowing and slashing of grass has come back onto the job list, but even that may have to be left to the

#### PRESIDENTS REPORT

kangaroos.

I can confirm that there has been a Team looking into the possibility of sealing the access road in from Italia Road and creating a couple of proper tar motorkhana grounds. Unfortunately, there have been all sorts of rumours going around. The truth is that there is still more research to be done but at this stage it doesn't look like there would be enough funds available to achieve both projects, without totally emptying the Club's accounts. That wouldn't be a great idea!

The way we keep in touch with each other will change somewhat, thankfully the technology is available to do this. Late last year the Board started work on seeking advances in how we operate as a club. This work will hopefully continue, even if at a slower rate than we had planned due to the restrictions on people gathering for non-essential meetings etc. It is likely that you will receive emails which will ask you to respond to short questionnaires. Please respond to these as the information you supply will help us come up with incremental improvements to the things we do.

Unfortunately, I think we will be preoccupied with the COVID-19 issue for some time yet. Thankfully we are strong and even the shutdown will not damage the financial security of our Club. The social interaction with others is where the big impact will be, one thing about owning a car (or a house) it is unlikely that there will ever be a situation where there is absolutely nothing to do. There will be a lot of shiny cars around by the time we get back to normal!

Until we do see events resume, we will have to get our motorsport hit from watching YouTube videos

Please stay safe and follow the guidelines. Dave Atkins.



"I have no idea what the dress code allows, but I bet it doesn't include jammies."



#### REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

The Register Run to Forresters Beach for lunch set down for Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March didn't happen as I saw the need to cancel on the Friday as the safe distance measures were introduced by the Government in relation to the Corona virus. Since the then of course, restaurants and similar venues have been required to close and more restrictions have been introduced. So it looks like that Register Run events will be on hold indefinitely until the all clear is given by the Government.

This recess will almost certainly apply to the Christmas in July event which we had started planning for the 25<sup>th</sup> July at Medlowbath in the Blue Mountains. In the meantime, please observe all the advice being given by the authorities in relation to safe distancing and staying at home except for essential services.

Keep safe and stay healthy in these trying times. Ken McLeod Register Captain

#### REGISTER SECRETARY REPORT

If you have a vehicle on Historic Registration through the club please ensure that you have renewed your Car Club membership. If you use the vehicle on the road and are not a financial member of the NMGCC you are not complying with RMS registration requirements. The vehicle will be classed as unregistered and you invalidate your insurance, a situation to be avoided.

Registration requests continue to roll in we had 12 in March including 2 new vehicles on the register and 17 to date for March including 3 new vehicles.

Recent additions to the register include: -

1960 VW Kombi 1987 Ford Laser TX3 1965 Austin Healey 1954 Jaguar XK120 Coupe 1976 MGB GT

Unfortunately, the Corona virus Pandemic has led to the cancellation of scheduled car shows, club runs meetings and motorsport activities for the foreseeable future, so now perhaps is the time to give your vehicle some TLC in preparation for when activities resume.

Allan Evans - Register Secretary

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE NOW!**

If you are intending to compete at an event after the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020 or you have a car registered under the RMS Historic Plate system through MG Car Club (Newcastle) you must hold a current membership for that to be valid. If you have already renewed, thanks for acting so promptly.



You should have received your renewal notice in the post by now.

Check your email/spam folder in case your computer has put it in there.

If you do not have your renewal form, please contact

Ted Dial on 4856 2748 or (M) 0408 562 748

Email:- <a href="membership@mgcarclub.com.au">membership@mgcarclub.com.au</a> If you have not renewed by the end of April, the April magazine is the last issue that you will receive until you renew your membership.



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#### KEMPSEY TRI CHALLENGE

This hillclimb is located near Mt Cooperabung approx. halfway between Kempsey and Port Macquarie on part of a previous Pacific Highway alignment last used as the highway in 1976. The track length is 743 Metres with an elevation change of approx. 30 Metres. The track is defined by corner 3 which is a hard-left hander after a run from the start through two slight right-hand corners. Corner 3 was a 15 km Advisory signed corner when it was part of the highway. The location is now part of a Forestry area with some heavily timbered areas either side of the road.

Kempsey Sporting Car Club operate the hillclimb and have made a number of improvements to the track with tyre barriers beside the corners. The track surface is good bitumen and has good grip if clean and in dry conditions. Developments by the club include a just completed office at the paddock area which is at the top of the climb. For this event, which was held after the initial restrictions on events by both the Government and Motorsports Australia we were required to comply with social distancing, regularly cleaning hands and other complying systems such as using our own pens to sign. This was not hard to comply with. Catering was by the local Lions Club who had plenty of hand sanitiser to share before making any contact with others.

The event was not heavily subscribed with 27 starters. As this is the first round of the Tri Challenge between Kempsey, Tamworth and MG Newcastle entry was open to all these clubs. Our representation was limited to 3 being Darren Lindsay in a Commodore, Michael Taylor in a Morris Minor and myself in the Carroll Clubman. Tamworth was represented by 2 competitors Alan (Gundy) Hunt and Jason Newling.

Practice was held between 12 pm and 4.00pm on the Saturday with about 12 starters. Weather was fine, with a cloudless sky ,which remained similar for the Sunday of the event. For most practicing, they were completed by 3.00pm, however 1 junior from Kempsey carried on till the completion with about 12 runs in the last hour, ever improving his time. Saturday night accommodation and dinner were at the Powerhouse Motel South Kempsey.

Sunday morning was cool with clear skies so weather was not an issue. After a good breakfast supplied by the Lions club at the track and the formalities over, the event started. With the small field there was little time between runs and by midday I had completed my fourth run. I was having gearbox problems changing from third to second before turn 3 in the practice session on the Saturday, so elected to try and climb through turn 4 in third gear, nowhere near the revs the car needed to be able to really attack the corner. On the fourth run the gearbox would not deselect third gear and the car had to be put away.

#### KEMPSEY TRI CHALLENGE

There were seven runs completed by the field during the day. No accidents occurred and only a couple of cars suffered mechanical issues during the day. The event was completed by 3:00pm with results compiled and Trophies presented by 3.30 pm. I was home just after 6.00pm.

Darren Reed broke his own class record and is now very close to Doug Barry's outright record with a time of 22.687. Dave Morrow was second, and Glenn Oram in the Commodore Ute was third. Gundy Hunt was in the running for third outright but was beaten by 2 hundredths of a second. I finished first in class and 13<sup>th</sup> outright, Darren Lindsay was first in class and 21<sup>st</sup> outright. Michael Taylor in the Morris Minor was also first in class in his first event on this hill.

For the Tri Challenge results this puts Kempsey way in front, this year, Covid -19 permitting they have a second event which will be at Raleigh Raceway in August. Tamworth is next (Covid-19 permitting) late May, with the final round at Ringwood on the October Long Weekend.

Newcastle MG won the series last year with Ray Bromley 2<sup>nd</sup> outright and Francesco Mangano 3<sup>rd</sup> outright. Trophy presentation for 2019 will be held at Tamworth round. Photo's supplied by Smiley Kez Photography

**Kev Akers** 

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Above: the line-up of cars and drivers for the Newcastle Show

Below: Darren Lindsay running his commodore at the Kempsey Tri Challenge



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More Kempsey pictures these pages

Above: Michael Taylor (MGCCN) in his Morris Minor

Below: Darren Read (KSCC) blitzed the field by over 4 seconds in his Hayward 09



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Above: Glen Oram (KSCC) drove his Commodore Ute into 3rd outright





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NSW Hill Climb Above: Andrew Walker

Below: Rick Vincent



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#### CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

Hi members,

With only one Club Championship event having been run, most point score tallies have little meaning. However, along with that hillclimb, there was numerous meetings held before the virus restrictions altered normal life. The current Club Member of the Year point score (top 20) is shown below.

If you are interested in how the point score works, there is a 'scrolling' link on our website homepage. Alternatively, select the 'Club Runs' or 'Motorsport' heading, & in the drop-down menu, select 'Point Score'.

Take care in these times,

Gregg.

#### Mick Neilson Memorial Club Member of the Year

	Rank	Points
Chris Fernance	1	26
David Atkins	2	22
John Finch	3	20
Rose Collins	4	18
Gregg Noonan	5	16
Lyall Clarke	5	16
Allan Evans	7	14
Ken McLeod	7	14
Paul Bower	7	14
Rick Vincent	7	14
Rod Berwick	7	14
David Walker	12	12
Greg Hunter	12	12
John Collins	12	12
John Garroway	12	12
Kevin Akers	12	12
Jacob Motum	17	10
Jeff Newey	17	10
Paul Martin	17	10
Ken Short	20	9

#### SPEED REPORT

#### Hi All.

What a difference a month makes! Last month everything was normal. This month everything has changed. I hope you are all well and taking the necessary precautions to stay that way. Here's an update on what's happening in Speed events, or not happening due to COVID-19.

#### **Past Events**

In these strange times, some members still managed to compete in events last month. Round 1 of the Tri Series hillclimb at Mt Cooperabung was run on 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Participation from our club was a little down on last year. I chose to withdraw my entry due to COVID-19 concerns. Well done Kevin Akers, Darren Lindsay and Michael Taylor for flying the MG flag. From the pictures, it looks like you all had a good time. There was a great article and photos in Motorsport Australia online news. Have a look here - <a href="https://motorsport.org.au/media/news/2020/03/23/read-too-fast-in-tri-series">https://motorsport.org.au/media/news/2020/03/23/read-too-fast-in-tri-series</a>, and full results are here - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Triseries/photos/a.266416003897523/704279870111132/?type=3&theater">https://www.facebook.com/Triseries/photos/a.266416003897523/704279870111132/?type=3&theater</a>

We had a number of members competing in the NSW State Hillclimb Championships at Bathurst on 7/8 March 2020, including Rick Vincent and Andrew Walker. An iconic location. Results are here https://bathurstlightcarclub.com.au/events/results

Round 1 of the CSCA super sprint series was run at Wakefield Park on 14<sup>th</sup> March. Again, our club representation was less than previous years. It was down to the stalwarts - Graheme Baxter, Laurie Movigliatti, Gregg Noonan and Bob Millington. Wish I was there too. Although the weather was very wet in the first half of the day, most of our guys ran some very good times in the afternoon. You can see a report by the organising club, including link to results here - <a href="https://www.clublotus.com.au/2020/03/round-wrap-up-csca-2020-round-1-at-wakefield-park/">https://www.clublotus.com.au/2020/03/round-wrap-up-csca-2020-round-1-at-wakefield-park/</a>

#### **Future Events**

The key news is that several events scheduled to be run by our club in March and April 2020 have been cancelled. For speed events our only one in this time-frame is Tar Series Hillclimb Round 3 (TS3) scheduled for 26<sup>th</sup> April 2020, and it has been **cancelled**. People who have entered already should contact our Treasurer, John Finch with BSB and account details for the refund.

Our next scheduled speed event is the postponed Tar Series Hillclimb Round 1 (TS1) on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020. At the time of writing, we are still planning for it to go ahead,

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and if it does there will be some very different processes in place to ensure social distancing. That includes document checking, scrutineering, drivers' briefing, attending the canteen and probably more as well. More details will be provided closer to the event if it goes ahead.

Included in the current Government health advice is a statement that participants should not attend and participate in Community Sport if they:

- 1. have travelled internationally or been exposed to a person with COVID-19 in the preceding 14 days; or
- 2. are at a high risk including the elderly and those with pre-existing medical conditions. While ever that advice stays current, then several drivers, crew and officials should be excluding themselves from motorsport events.

Existing entries for TS1 are being held over unless you want to withdraw and send me a request for refund including your BSB, account number and account name for the refund. Subject to confirmation of go-ahead TS1 will re-open for new entries on 26<sup>th</sup> April, via Motorsport Australia online entry system (MEE) and closing date will be 27 May.

I have had one member contact me who withdrew from TS1 due to planned travel that was subsequently cancelled and he wanted to re-enter. He tried to do that online but the system could not handle such complexity. If you are also in this category please contact me, but wait until after 26<sup>th</sup> April.

Our next speed event after TS1 is our Combined Sports Car Association (CSCA) super sprint at Pheasant Wood Circuit on 14 June. This will be the first ever CSCA event at this track which is at Marulan about 20km north of Goulburn. Planning is close to complete for this event, but we won't open for entries for a few more weeks to see how the COVID-19 situation develops. If it goes ahead, we still need some more volunteer officials for flag points, etc.

As you can see in the calendar, CSCA Round 2 super sprint which was scheduled for 19 April 2020 has been cancelled by the organisers, Sprite Car Club. And likewise, the State Hillclimb Round 3 at Huntley Hill on 4/5 April 2020 has been postponed to a date to be advised.

STAY SAFE! John Garroway

#### NATIONAL MEETING NEWS

The Committee have taken a Bex and had a lie down, regrouped and are now sorting out the loose ends so we can wrap up this year's event.

Our friends in South Australia have generously offered to step back from their proposal to run the 2021 event in Mount Gambier to allow us to merely postpone our meeting to next year.

# Therefore we have decided to rerun the event next year just like the Olympic Games i.e. The 2020 National Meeting in 2021.

Of course this is contingent on the COVID 19 virus being under control and the Government lifting all restrictions on mass gatherings and travel movements. We may not know this till very late in the year.

#### **Entry Fee Refunds**

We are working through the final costs and establishing what monies we can recover from deposits and permit fees etc. We will update you shortly when refunds will be available. Refunds will be transferred back to your credit cards. For those who have paid by other methods, i.e. BPay you will be contacted by our Treasurer seeking your bank details to direct credit the refund.

#### **National Meeting Regalia**

All Caps, Pin Badges and Cloth Badges were in stock before the order window was opened. However, Polos were only obtained as orders were received.

Given our concern over the likelihood of the event actually going ahead we stopped the purchase of Polos and held off processing orders. No doubt a few of you will have noticed your payments have not been debited from your account.

To simplify things we will honour those orders received on or up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2020 and refund payments for orders processed after that date. It may be necessary to contact you about your order if we don't have bank details.

We will bundle up the orders by Club Centres for bulk delivery for local distribution. If you are located remotely from your Club we will make arrangements to send directly to you. This will start to happen after Easter.

#### **National Meeting Photographic, Website and Magazine Competitions**

Given that some of you have gone to a lot of effort to forward your photographs and Club Magazines we will still make awards for these traditional Competitions. Judging of the Websites has been completed and the other judging is well underway. The Website award follows and the other winners will be advised in the coming weeks. Presentations of these awards will be made next year together with the 2021 Awards.

#### The Website Award

Our Judge, Andrew Seymour ( Nikki M Group ) has an extensive 17-year career in Graphic Design particularly in the Publishing Industry and Website development. He holds a Bachelor's Degree from Swinburne University. In his role at Nikki M Group, Andrew oversees the quality of creative output across the studio that provides services to

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business, finance and education. He was impressed by the various sites and made the following observations ......

#### **Overall Review**

It is impressive to see the amount of work that has gone into developing all of the MG Car Club websites across the country. There is real diversity in style and design. The websites are a wealth of knowledge that has been shared not only with members, but also for the wider community. For all clubs, my advice is to treat your website much like you would a classic MG.

- 1. Clean and polish it so that it looks great and is admired by others.
- 2. Get under the hood whenever possible to make sure it runs well.
- 3. Provide regular maintenance and updates to maximise performance.
- 4. Give it some juice so you get from A to B in style.

#### The Winner

**The MG Car Club Sydney** is an example of a website that is well designed and thoughtfully considered. It successfully mixes style, layout, information and function in a clean interface.

It has great design, functions well and is a showcase of written and visual information.

- The user interface is easy to navigate.
- The design, colours and fonts give the website a unique style that forms a brand.
- Legibility is at a high standard across the website.
- It has a good balance of written and visual content.

Editorial content is excellent.

- It communicates clearly.
- Is helpful and considered.
- Is inviting for members and potential members.

Their website is a machine that has many functioning parts that work for the club.

- The design is responsive and works on all devices.
- It processes data using forms for membership and contact.
- Has a shopping cart for purchasing club merchandise.
- It integrates social media feeds.

The website works well to communicate with different audiences.

- Current members.
- Potential members.
- The general public.
- Affiliates and sponsors.

#### **Highly Commended**

Highly commended is the **MG Car Club of Wagga Wagga**. With so few members, the club has been able to create a website that punches above its weight. The design and

#### NATIONAL MEETING NEWS

content has the beginnings of a great website. It is highly legible, effortless to navigate, and uses design elements and layout to present a range of information in an easy-to-use interface

#### Well done Sydney and Wagga Wagga !!!!!!!!

Andrew's detailed analysis of the websites will be forwarded to each Club for their information

#### 2021

It is too early to furnish details for next year, however, a Bulletin will be released at an appropriate time when the events and program are revisited and there is more clarity on the COVID 19 landscape. Given the economic climate we may well look at options to scale back the event and thus reduce the cost of attending.

We look forward to seeing you all at Easter next year.

Keep Safe, Social Distance and wash your hands.

Regards Ian Prior Event Director 2020 MG National Meeting Albury Wodonga

#### HILL CLIMB VOLUNTEERS

The Club acknowledges and thanks the following volunteers who contributed to the successful running of Tar Series Round 2 Hillclimb at Ringwood Park on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

David Atkins	Joy Bower	Paul Bower	Col Bray
Erin Brooks	Lyall Clarke	John Collins	<b>Grant Cook</b>
Greg Elliott	Allan Evans	Chris Fernance	Libby Fernance
Alex Frodl	Leo Frodl	John Garroway	Darrell Gregory
Jason Gregory	<b>Greg Hunter</b>	Kevin Leggett	<b>Gregg Noonan</b>
Ken Short	Michael Snow	<b>Brian Sutton</b>	David Walker

Kerry Woolard

#### SOCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

#### There will be no April Club Night due to the COVID 19 restrictions.

There were quite a few members at the March club night with the showing of a Rally competition. Future club nights and events will be held again when it is safe to have groups of people attending.

The good news is that the grant from NSW Sport for a Defibrillator has been granted, yes we received a 50% reduction off the total purchase price

The Defibrillator will be installed at Ringwood Park Motorsport Complex when it is received. There will be training on how to use it, so we will advertise training times later.

#### Some tips for prevention of the COVID 19

**Heat:** The virus hates heat and dies if exposed to temperatures greater than 27 degrees celcius. Hot drinks such as infusions, broths or simply hot water should be consumed. Avoid drinking ice water or drinks with ice cubes.

I hope you are all taking care of yourselves, staying home and catching up on things that maybe were in the too hard basket.

Rose Collins M- 0413222828

#### **GUESS WHO?**



#### FOR SALE—INTEREST WANTED

This is the no 692 of the 2000 limited series year 2000 MGF.

My understanding is it is one of only 3 black with maroon top in Australia at the time. I am the only owner from new and its only done about 103000 kms from 1999 until now. Its got the original seats, wheels ,and covertable soft top.

I am one of the few who fitted the original MG automatic roof retraction and closing mechanism.

I still have the original certificate with the series no.and log book.

I have been told by insurance co it will be written off.

I would rather sell it to a true MG lover as a project car to rebuild.

I personally think it is worthwhile collectors car for MG lovers.

Dr Larry Yee 0402 042 995







#### **FOR SALE**

4 ENKEI PFO1 race wheels 17x8+50, 5-114.3 suit Mazda MX5 NC no guard mods + yoke 225/45R17 A050M Wheels 1/2 new cost \$775.00 tyres free.

4 Mazda RX7FD wheels 16x8+50, 5-114.3 suit Mazda MX5 NC no guard mods ideally lowers gearing for Motorsport, + 4 yoke 215/50R16 A050S good tread remaining \$400.00

4 Mazda RX7FD wheels 16x8+50, 5-114.3 suit Mazda MX5 NC, Popular fit to lower gearing for motor sport, fit up 225×45×16 tyres, nicely fills guards with no mods, clears std brakes \$250.00

Paul Bower 0407 247 895









#### **FOR SALE**

4 x Kumho Ecsta PS71 performance tyres. Size 235/45/ZR18. They have travelled less than 50 km. Cost \$840 new, sell for \$600. Phone Greg Redman 0409032493. Pick up only New Lambton.



#### FOR SALE—PRICE DROPPED

Seventh Generation Toyota Celica SX Specifications: -

Engine – 190 BHP at 7600 RPM New Bendix front and rear brake pads.

New front alloy splitter.

New Petrol filter (in gas tank)

New front strut brace.

New B & N Air Filter

New custom exhaust with 100 cat.

New front & rear bearings

New Toyo 888 205/16/45 tyres.

Price \$ 7,950

Contact Barrie Coady 0408 490 528

Classified will be advertised for up to 3 months. If the item(s) is/are sold please contact the editor so the ad can be removed. Once the 3 months has expired contact the editor if you wish to relist your item(s).







The design was by Arthur Jackson. Graeme Lomas built the car in 2002. The buggy has been used in NSW State Khanacross Championship events between 2002 and 2006 and gained several Outright top three placings before coming to Newcastle.

The car is ready to run as is. Fuel used is 98 octane from the pump. It is powered by a Suzuki Cultus (Japanese version of Suzuki Swift GTi) engine, & gearbox. The engine and gearbox are in standard form. It has a fiddle handbrake which can lock one or the other rear wheel. It also fitted with a brake bias control for adjusting braking force between front & rear.

Custom built unsprung trailer is a lightweight full metal construction (hot dip galvanised.) Trailer is registered until 25/10/2020 is included in the sale. Does not require a brake controller and is cheap to register.

The car comes with some spare parts, a full vinyl cover and a comprehensive set of VisionX LED lights ready to fit for the Day / Night Khanacross events.

This buggy is capable of winning Motorkhanas and Khanacross events at any level. Ready to go for the 2020 Season.

Asking Price – Reasonable Offers Considered.

Contact Kenneth: - 0407 377 710

#### MG CAR CLUB WEBSITE TIPS

Here is the top menu layer of the website.

About Us Club Runs Motorsport Club Info Ringwood Hire Contact

The menu items across the top of the screen have drop down menus. Just below the top menu, the sliding pictures show adverts for the next few events. Clicking on the picture will take you to the event page where the Supplementary Regulations and Entry Form are stored and can be downloaded.

On a number of the menus, the Calendar selection displays different event items depending on whether the event is categorised as Motorsport, Club Runs (non motorsport). The Motorsport events are additionally filtered by event discipline of Hillclimb, Motorkhana, Khanacross, Supersprint, Circuit Racing, Young Driver Training and MG National Meetings.

The results of any event are found on the individual event page and the Motorsport / Results Archive menu.

Michael Snow

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