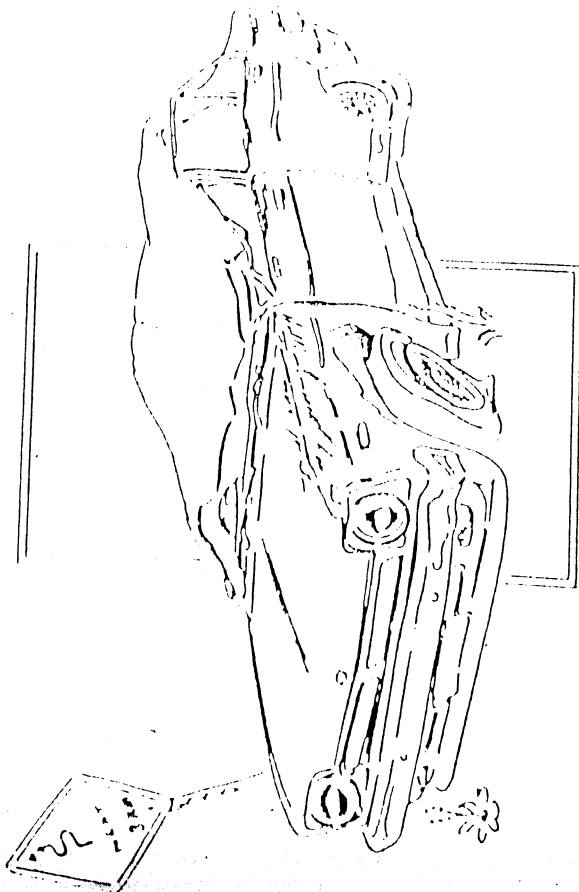


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EL PRESIDENTE REPORT

Another month has gone by and it's report time again. Since the last magazine, 2 significant events have happened. There was ARC/QRC Round held in Brisbane and the inaugural event for Whitsunday Car Club.

The ARC/QRC was held on the weekend on the 10th of July. Leigh Achterberg was our only competitor from Townsville and doing very well until a broken gearbox unfortunately ended his effort. Heckler (the editor) and Rude (the copper) as well as myself went down to spectate and had a thoroughly good weekend - taking out the award for the most rallied street car, (after we found some moo) in the process. There will be more on the Brisbane weekend by our editor.

Last Monday night was our club meeting. One of the main items on the agenda was the use of the dragstrip which will now cost the club \$50 per month. Simply put, this means at 1 event a month, either Khanacross or Motorkhana, we must get at least 13 competitors to break even. Our last event had 22 "which was great", but the majority of events before then would have run at a loss. Please keep this in mind when you see events advertised. Perfect timing, Khanacross at the dragstrip this weekend (Sunday, 31st July).

Everything else at the meeting was the usuals, financial report, event dates and Bruce, Jo and clan getting bucked off the verandah. All run of the mill stuff.

The other significant event as mentioned was Whitsunday Car Club's first event.

An autocross held at Dray Park just south of Proserpine. Initially I went down to spectate, but after arriving and seeing the facilities and the track could not help myself and entered the escort. They ended up with 35 entries in 5 classes based on engine capacity. From Townsville the Oges clan went down with Oges, Speedy and Brad sharing the ute. There was also Leigh Achterberg, James Dean, John Smith and myself. Oges was first outright, Leigh second and Speedy third.

So a few of the trophies went north.

For a Club's first event it was a great success. There were food, drink facilities for all, good vision of all the track for spectators and a smooth fun track for drivers.

I would strongly recommend a visit at their next event, you can bet I'll be there.

There was also interest shown in the Cardwell Rally. So hopefully they will support our events in return. All is looking good.

I think that's probably enough sprouting from me for a while. So see you.

Goofrey.

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MEETING 18TH JULY, 1994

Present: Ken Long, Angela Kelly, Greg Van Dinter, Bruce McCarthy, Ron White, Brad Trimmer, Leigh Achterberg, Speedy Ogilvie, Geoff Nicol, James McCoombe.
Apologies: Robyn White and Jo Kelly,

Meeting opened at 6:08 pm. Minutes of previous meeting were true and correct.
Moved by Greg and seconded by Leigh.

Treasurer's report circulated prior to meeting. Found to be true and correct.
Moved by Greg and seconded by Leigh.

Secretary report on incoming and outgoing mail.

Social Director wants members to hold social nights.

BBQ/ Family Day at Leigh's shed 6th August 3pm start, at 25 Gibraltar Road, Rangewood.

Club Captain presented points scores.

General Business:

1. \$50.00 per month to use the Dragstrip.
2. Iron man weekend. Speedy to check with Director.
- 3/ QMC to be held when a Director comes forward.
4. Khanacross 20th August, Ron White to be Director.

HECKLERS SAY

I've had to rush out a quick magazine this month so hopefully next month will be bigger and better.

Well the trip to Brisbane was good fun. I had a great time not much sleep though. While I was down there

I spoke to Neal Michell from the Brisbane Sporting Car

Club who asked if our club would be interested in conducting a round of the Qld rally championship. I explained to him that it wouldn't be feasible for our club to conduct a round unless we had support from the clubs in Brisbane. Neal said that his club was prepared to help in anyway possible.

So the final decision is with you the club members if you would like to see the club run a Q.R.C. Please attend our next meeting to voice your opinion. Last weekend we went to

Cardwell to check out the roads and while we were there Bill showed us some new roads for the night sections. There is a mistake in the supp regs for Cardwell, the entries close on the 4th of September.

Entrant	Car	Class	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Sub Total	Run 4	Total	Place	Class Place
B. Trimmer	Ute	B	WD	91.8	114.7	297.4	127.6 ⁺⁺	445	9	5 B
L. Achterberg	Greenie	B	79.1	83	117.1	279.2	119.4 ⁺⁺	408.6	3	2 B
P. Mason	1600	C	WD	81.5	129.3	322	124.3 ⁺	456.3	12	3 C
P. Vigor	Capella	C	WD	87.6	124 ⁺⁺	352.2	135.5	487.7	13	4 C
S. Egings	1600	C	75	73	109.6	257.6	107.9	365.5	1	1 C
P. Russell	Mazda	C	84.9	82.8	124.9	292.6	130.5	423.1	4	2 C
S. Ogilvie	Ute	B	DNF	77.1	115	283	160.5 ⁺⁺	453.5	11	7 B
G. Van-Dinter	Greenie	B	83	83.1	126.9	293	126.4 ⁺⁺	429.4	7	4 B
B. Davies	1600	C	84.7	84.1 ⁺	126.3	300.1	138.9	439	8	2 C
L. Stone	RX2	C	WD	77.4	120 ⁺⁺	318.6				
B. McCarthy	Ute	B	79.6	85.9	111.8	277.3	114.5	391.8	2	1 B
J. McCombe	1600	C	83.4	84.1	123.3 ⁺	300.8				
A. Kelly	Greenie	B	90.9	115.5	138.3	344.7	134.1 ⁺⁺	488.8	14	5 B
R. Leech	1600	C	76.6 ^H	76.6	126.3	289.5				
S. Croft	RX2	C	89.6	86.7	140.4	316.7				
J. Davis	Greenie	B	87 ⁺	80.4 ⁺	126.5 ⁺	321.9	123.2	445.1	10	6 B
G. Bowman	1200 Ute	B	84.9	83.1	125.4	293.4	131.6	425	5	3 B
A. Banner	RX2	C	87.6	92	164.5	344				
J. Dean	Greenie	B	84.7	81 ⁺⁺	128.9	304.6				
J. Robbins	Capella	C	106.2	97.6	145.1 ⁺⁺	358.9	144.7 ⁺⁺	513.6	15	6 C
C. Laird	Greenie	B	83.2	87.1						
D. Vigor	Capella	C	103.6	114.3	154.3	372.2	153.6 ⁺⁺	535.8	16	7 C
O. Gattringer	Torana	D	83.2 ⁺	83.7	122.3	294.2	131.4	425.6	6	1 D

HECKLER'S KHANA CROSS 31ST JULY 1994

THE LONG ROAD TO BRISBANE

With Leigh competing in his first big event the A.R.C. in Brisbane Mark (Rude) Greg and myself though we would go down and give Leigh and Boxhead some moral support and do some serious spectating. The plan was to leave town at 6pm to get to Mt Cootha 10.00 am for the media day where they take the media and celebrities for a ride in a rally car. Well plans are made to be change especially when you wreck your mates SKI BOAT which is another story. Just ask Rude he'll tell you all about it. We left town at 7:00pm with Fletch (work mate of Rude's who doesn't own a skiboat) following close behind. Fletch's girlfriend was suffering with a chinese bladder we couldn't drive past a toilet without stopping. It was an exciting trip for Gregory.

He must of dreaming of Louie while sleeping on the back seat. We woke him up in this small town and he had this big lump in his shorts that you could have hung 12 wet beach towels on. Just as well it was damn cold for it change it's mind.

We arrived in Brisbane had some breakfast at one of the Mobil servo's on the freeway then it was off to Mt Cootha with Greg navigating. As far as navigators go his probably a good driver we arrive just in time to see Neal Bates going for his first blast around the quarry but the most spectacular was the the big black Phase 3 GTHO. We then went to King George Square to watch Leigh being scrutineered and to book into our flash motel the Mayfair Crest. Leigh passed with no problems.

The only drama during scrutineering was when checking out the opposition cars, our fearless representative words were "check out this scumrunner, will ya, I hope this clown can drive. I s'pose so Leigh. "He's an ex Qld rally champ. Ask him, he's standing just in front of you"(exit stage right, very fast with red glow on face)

While there I spoke with Geoff Crandell who asked when we will be holding our motorhanna as there won't be too many rounds this year and they're keen for us to conduct our round of the Q.M.C.

We had a team meeting and decided that we would all meet after drivers briefing as Greg and I were very tired and needed a good sleep as it's very uncomfortable sleeping on the back seat of a Laser. We had just got to sleep when some low life decided it would be fun to use a hilti drill on the concrete wall under our room. Well who needs sleep anyway! We decided that we would go and have tea in town.

We founda Sizzler as we didn't want to spend a lot money. We met everyone after drivers briefing to discuss the next day's plan of attack. It was good to see Rob and Jenny Ambrose, Ken and Tania and family and Peter Daly and to catch up on what's happening.

Saturday morning, up bright and early and off to the Westfield Shopping Centre for the first spectator stage. We watched the 4wd do their stuff. Then out comes the big black phase 3GTHO smokes the bags up and does a big doughnut at the first corner and the crowd goes wild. Leigh and Grant Edward Ross line up for their go. That Falcon must of started something. Yep nice doughnut Leigh on the first corner not a bad time though. Then it was off to the next spectator point. We missed the first 10 cars.

We were watching the cars coming thru with the announcer giving his brief on whose in the cars when we hear car 35 driven by Leigh Achterberg and navigated by Grant Edward Ross. Sounds too confusing for us country folk. Goofrey better tell this bloke their proper names at the next spectator point. We headed off to the next point with our trusty navigator Goofrey. Turn right Rude. We get 500 mtrs up the road, hang on Rude wrong way, it should have been left. Okay then, turn round and go back. We catch up with a rally car. Okay Rude turn left at this intersection but Goof he's turn right. Probably going to do another stage. Yeah no problem. 2kms up the road. Hey Rude you wouldn't believe it but we should of turned right back there. f8xer7x88 88x7x88x88

said Rude. Are you sure? Yep too late, now we can still get to Moby Vics from this way. So we missed seeing Leigh and Grant. We checked with the service crew on their progress- a wire broke off the fuel pump and they dropped 8 minutes in the first stage but they're slowly pegging back the time they dropped in that stage. So its off to Imbil for the next 3 spectator stages. We arrived just in time to see Leigh come thru only 25 sec behind the car that had started 6 minutes ahead of him. The only problem with Leigh's car was one of the spotlight lenses had popped out on the way. To the next point we saw Leigh and Grant Edward. We checked if they needed anything but everything was okay. The only drama they had was when they caught the car in front and hit a bank sideways as it was impossible to see because of all the dust. The only damage was a bent bumper. We arrived at the next point, in time to see the announcer setting up his equipment. Right Goofrey let's tell this bloke their proper names. After doing this, it's amazing what you see in the bush when you haven't got a gun. Yep, John Hayden from A.R.N. We had quick chat as he was in one of the chase cars. The announcer got it right this time. Next car thru should be Leigh Activator and navigator BOXHEAD. Ah that's better. Now we know who he's talking about. Then it's off to the next point and the rain starts coming down. This will sort the men out from the boys. We set ourselves in a safe spot to watch some pretty wild driving styles then the skies opened up.

So it was off back to Brisbane for the only night spectator point. We stood in the rain waiting for the cars to come. To our disappointment Leigh and Boxhead didn't make it to this point. So Rude, after watching the likes of Neil Bates and the other 4wd drivers throw their cars around in the mud said if they can do it so can I. The turbo boost light comes on as we're watching Rude showing us his style- full right lock then left back to the right. How come we're going sideways with all this mud flying through the air. That was fun, but why don't you put on the headlights. They are- hang on. The poor Laser looks like it's been in a mud fight and the lights were covered in mud. We pulled up out front of the Motel and the poor bell hop tried to pretend that the Laser wasn't really parked in their driveway and it would just disappear. So off we went to the rally H.Q to find out what may happened to Leigh where they told us that Leigh was out of the rally. So we did as any self respecting rally enthusiast would do we went to the bar to wait for Leigh and Box. While having a quiet beer, we meet John Hayden again. So we had a good chat and more beer until they closed the bar on us. So we went and found another bar to keep drowning our sorrows and they closed it as well. We decided to go back to our room to have a couple of night caps.

Someone said they were hungry. Let's ring room service. Bad idea. We were charged \$17.00 for a hamburger and chips and \$4.00 for a bowl of chips.

.Sunday morning and it's 8 o'clock. There's someone knocking on the door with a sledge hammer. Gee, you look terrible Heckler. That's the reason I gave up drinking. Thanks for the friendly advise Peter Daly but I've only had 3 hours sleep.

Only 2 spectator points today. The first one was close to where we got lost yesterday and the last one at the South Bank. So we arrive at the first point and what happens - the rain pours down again. Looks like we're in for a good day. After the South Bank it was back to the motel for a quick sleep and then off to the presentation night where we left a good impression on the other competitors and motel staff.

Monday arrived. Time to check out with the staff cheering. We headed out to Boxhead's place where quick plans were made to head out to Ipswich for some go-kart racing where a good time was had by all.

Then it was time to head for home with less toilet stops.

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