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Official Newsletter of the TWIN CITIES AUTOSPORTS CLUB Inc.
PO Box 7697, Garbutt QLD 4814



STOP PRESS:

The Hillclimb, planned for Sunday 5th March, has now been postponed to Sunday 26th March.

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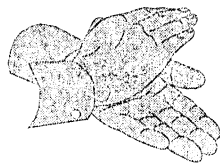
MAGAZINE SUBMISSIONS:

Anyone wishing to submit Articles, Information, For Sales, etc. for the next magazine please call me or send the article. Closing deadline for magazine is the Thursday following meetings.

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I am open to suggestions for articles in the magazine eg. Tech Tips, News and Views, etc. so don't be shy. A club magazine is the lifeblood of a club, it informs members, sponsors (I hope you give the people that support you a copy) and keeps the interest up. So if you have something to say, say it in the magazine so ALL members get to know about it.

CONGRATULATIONS



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Greg and Angela on the arrival of Lachlan (Goof Junior) Thursday 3/2/00.



PRESIDENTS REPORTCLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

Hi, my name is Gary Hewson, your new Club Captain for this year. I would like you all to talk to me as to how you like the proposed calendar of events. Bearing in mind that you are the club, there isn't a group of people locked away in a magic room planning, preparing and running events. It's up to all members and competitors to do their best to make the proposed events happen.

With the entry in the Club newsletter, events will be calendared 4 months in advance. At 3 months, I would hope to have a full crew for each event, ie. Director, Assistant Director, Event Secretary, Scrutineer and two Stewards. At 2 months, all names, contacts and information for the event. If this does not work, then the event at 1 month will be dropped from the calendar.

I would propose changes to the points score for Club Championship. Extra points for people to achieve a trophy for being active in planning events, this would be extra to a competitors championship. However, for a competitor to be Club Champion, they would have to officiate at one event for the year.

To achieve a full calendar of events to suit all types of competition, Motorkhanas, Khanacrosses, Rallysprints, Inter-club Rallies, Hillclimbs and Bitumen Circuit Lap Dashes, we need a program to register Officials, and train these Officials with the help of CAMS. But we all need to invite new members who may not want to compete but only be involved in administration of events. These names will be put on a master list and a roster will be set up and placed in the newsletter. If you are not going to compete in a certain category, then you should help out. If your name is on the roster and you cannot attend, it is your job to find a replacement.

I do not want to hear any negativity, or "this will not work". Ignore what happened in the past, plan for the future.

EDITORS REPORT

Well I'm back again for another year and so are most of last year's committee members, see who's who on page two. It was good to see a big turn out for the AGM including some new faces keen to become members. Lets hope this year will be a step forward into the 21st Century.

SECRETARYS REPORT

TCAC Annual General Meeting – 24th January 2000

Committee elected for 2000:

President: Steve Cruttenden
Vice President: Lindsay Stone
Treasurer: Ken Long
Secretary: Greg Van Dinter

Club Captain: Gary Hewson
Editor: Ron White
Social Director: Geoff Nicol
Publicity Officer: Vacant
Rally Co-ord: Grant Ross
Committee Mbrs: Robyn White
Kate Brehaut

Present:

Lindsay & Kaylene Stone, Clint Kelly, Shane Satchwell, Doug McCubben, Grant Ross, Gary Hewson, Aaron Stevens, Colin Ugarte, Geoff Nicol, Ken Long, Greg Van Dinter, Bruce & Joe McCarthy, Kate Brehaut, Chris Harrison, Daniel Weller, Steve Cruttenden, Ron & Robyn White, Tracey Poore.

Visitors:

William Kent, Brett Wasly, Kevin Gehringer, Darren Hagar, Andrew McPhee, Nathan & Chris Mullins, Peta Riddick, Gordon Anger.

President's Report:

Steve welcomed visitors.

Secretary's report:

Previous AGM minutes unavailable to read (Auditors).

Correspondence In; CAMS Level 2 licence; Motor Sport tours – Phillip Is 11 Feb; Bridgestone Gemini Challenge 2000; Redline M/s video; 2000 Qld calendar; Targa news; QSC News – Nov, Dec; Motorvates booklet; GST info; Go Kart cheque \$300; Thuringowa Council – meeting room; Office Trade Affairs; Thuringowa Open Day.

General Business:

TCAC fees: - \$40 individual competitive, \$50 family m/ship, \$10 social.

QRC – Steve Cruttenden moved motion for QRC to be run every 2nd year – ie. cancelled this year, will run in 2001. - Seconded by GVD.

Passed

Storage shed for caravan and goods? – Robyn White inquiring

Club Car maintenance – suggestion of working bees at Stoney's.

Hillclimb – Firepro to supply marshalls and extinguishers. Need 4 spectator marshalls. Working bees to make tyre barriers.

Calendar:

29/1 Go-Karts flagging
6/2 Motorkhana/sign on – M. Carney Toyota (ex BMX track Mt. Louisa). Working bee to clean up concrete pad.
5/3 Hillclimb – Mt. Stuart
19/3 Motorkhana – M. Carney
30/5 Sprint Series – Go Kart track
10-12/5 Charters Towers 2 day Car Show & Rallysprint.
FNQ/NQ/Whit 6 Round Rallysprint Series. Stewards: - looking at series appointees.

Meeting closed 9.10pm

Queensland State Council News

Meeting held 20th January 2000 (excerpts from minutes)

- 2866 State Training Co-ordinator
Resolved to note with regret Paul Overell's resignation as State Training Co-ordinator for Queensland.
Resolved that Alan Young be appointed State Training Co-ordinator for Queensland.
- 2867 State Council Meeting dates for 2000
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| 17 th Feb | 16 th Mar | 27 th Apr | 18 th May |
| 21 st Jun | 20 th Jul | 17 th Aug | 21 st Sep |
| 19 th Oct | 16 th Nov | 14 th Dec | |

Rally Advisory Panel

Meeting held 10th January 2000 (excerpts from minutes)

- 00.003 Ref. RAP99.171 – Rallysprint Supplementary Regulations for 2000.
Draft tabled by Barry Neuendorff for consideration.
Amendments were considered by the Panel and hopefully to be available for consideration at February Qld State Council Meeting.
- 00.004 Ref. RAP99.183 – Forum – Timing and Scoring for Rally Organising.
To be carried forward to next meeting.
- 00.005 Ref. RAP99.192 – QRC Registration Fees.
To be carried forward to next meeting.
- 00.006 Ref. RAP99.201 – QRC/Clubman and Multi-club Supplementary Regulations for year 2000.
To be carried forward to next meeting.
- 00.007 Ref. RAP99.214 – Qld Rally Handbook for year 2000.
To be carried forward to next meeting.

EDITORS SAY

Well, It looks like my pre-Christmas article stirred up some interest; our AGM had one of the largest turnouts in quite some time. Let's hope this interest continues for the rest of the year.

As no doubt you may have heard by now, as well as the rest of Queensland, by unanimous vote at the AGM the TCAC will NOT be running the QRC this year (the only northern round). The decision was made in an effort to concentrate on club events to prop-up a stagnating club and build member numbers. In this way hopefully there will be more resources and enthusiasm to run the event next year - along with club events, not instead of.

Now, on a completely different note, Flag Marshalling. Hands up those who haven't been out to the Kart track with a flag in their hand. How about it guys, (and girls)? If there were a few more people to call on, it wouldn't be left to the usual crowd. This is a very profitable income for our club and the more people with the enthusiasm and spare time, the better for our club and the people that already offer up their valuable spare time.

Gary has come up with the idea of an Officials roster for the club so why not one for Flaggies. Just tick the box on the survey sheet elsewhere and be on the list of flaggies that can be called upon to spend a night or day watching the action from inside the track. You get fed and watered and are helping out both clubs. Remember, the money raised helps to run events for you to compete in.

LATE BREAKING NEWS – The Hilleclimb has now been postponed to Sunday 26th March

Ron's Motorkhana

G'day Rally Heads.

Well it's smee! - Bruce, Bruizer, Bruce the Bxxxxrd, or any other name you would like to call me. As you can tell, I must have won an event, the Motorkhana on 6th February. Thanks to Box, Doug, Lindsay, Brett and Stumpy for making me write this.

Nine o'clock and I was keen, arrived at the grounds only to find Ron and Robyn were the only two there. But it wasn't long before the crowd of thirty to forty (thousand) gathered. Rain and mud, no worries, it's on concrete.

Test 1 'Square Slalom', a good starter nice and easy. I thought it would have been a lot more slippery than it was. Test 2, 'Accordion', started the old grey matter. Test 3 'Gable Slalom', now I was catching on, these tests are getting harder. Test 4 'Double Bone' saw the handbrake and 'go' pedal cop it. Test 5 'Gables'. Test 6 'Triple Loop'. Test 7 'Double Loop' lets go burko, great for skids and to see who could hold that slide, hey Box and Dougy. Test 8 'Try Angles', you've got to be kidding! Eleven right hand turns in triangle shapes with only six poles. Everyone's brain went to mush - shit. WD's scored very well, 50/50 I'd say - on ya Ron. Test 9 'World Tour' was a blast, lets do donuts, the circles just got bigger and bigger. Test 10, 'Happy Birthday' - who's birthday?? It looked wrong and felt wrong, left and right turns that just didn't add up. It too was a 50/50 with the WD's. Heckler was the man with his fast tight handbrake turns joined with pure straight-line speed (oop's sorry about that, it must be the grog) that lead the way. Another good test.

All in all, ten good tests and I'm glad to see it rained. Lots of people used the right pedal instead of the centre one, hey Box and Mr. Mc 'Cube-in' (care of Channel TEN). Stumpy's story of he "didn't want to flog his son's car to win" doesn't stick (obviously).

Dougy, Brett, Box and I are shareholders of the ex - Smiley car, Doug drove his 'Sell Felix' race team car (I can't say the real name due to sponsorship clash - AGIP, way to go). Box drove a no power, no handbrake car 'once' before jumping ship to the 'Sell Felix' car. He was still only able to beat Brett by a couple of seconds, lucky Box, "Wassa" would have stirred shit. So thanks Ron, the Timers and all the helpers. A great day, well done.

PS. Dougy is doing tax returns this year - he's good at crunching numbers and changing score sheets.

Bruce McCarthy

CLUB CALENDAR

21 st FEBRUARY	Meeting *	Fitzpatrick Room – Thuringowa	Library building
26 th FEBRUARY	Flag Marshalling	Townsville Kart Track – Bohle	3.00pm – 10.00pm
5 th 6 th MARCH	Ironman Weekend	M/khana pad Duckworth St & Nannas K. Donovan 4783 5751 (h)	
11 th MARCH	QRC 1	Gympie	
20 th MARCH	Meeting *	Fitzpatrick Room – Thuringowa	Library building
25 th MARCH	Flag Marshalling	Townsville Kart Track – Bohle	3.00pm – 10.00pm
25 th 26 th MARCH	Rocky Rally	Rockhampton	
26 th MARCH	Hillclimb	Mt. Stuart Road	R. White 4771 7928 (w)
8 th /9 th APRIL	Rallysprint Rd 1 #	Ravenshoe	S. Hampson (07) 4055 3294
15 th /16 th APRIL	Flag Marshalling	Townsville Kart Track Bohle	3.00pm/10.00pm Sat. 10.00am Sun
16 th APRIL	Motorkhana	Beside Toyota, Duckworth St	R. White 4771 7928 (w)
17 th APRIL	Meeting *	Fitzpatrick Room – Thuringowa	Library building
30 th APRIL	Bitumen Sprint	Tvl Kart Track	W. Skimmings 4772 5288
6 th MAY	Flag Marshalling	Townsville Kart Track – Bohle	3.00pm – 10.00pm
7 th MAY	Motorkhana	Beside Toyota, Duckworth St	R. White 4771 7928 (w)
15 th MAY	Meeting *	Fitzpatrick Room – Thuringowa	Library building
27 th MAY	Flag Marshalling	Townsville Kart Track – Bohle	3.00pm – 10.00pm
3 rd /4 th JUNE	QRC 2/ARC	Brisbane	
10 th /11 th JUNE	Rallysprint	Charters Towers	TBA
24 th JUNE	Flag Marshalling	Townsville Kart Track – Bohle	3.00pm – 10.00pm

FNQ Motorsports Club events

* Club Meetings are held third Monday night (7.00 pm) of every month at Thuringowa Library building in the Fitzpatrick Room. All welcome and why not bring along a friend or sponsor.

The Twin Cities Autosports Club Grounds (Nannas) can be found by travelling from Townsville to Woodstock and then turning south towards Giru, follow the road (approx 6 Km) until you get to the turn off at 'Majors Creek Road'. Follow that road past the school and keep left at the Y junction and a further 200 meters and your there.

The "1999 IRONMAN" will be 'on again' the weekend of the 4th & 5th March, postponed from last year due to the inability of cars to float on water. Director of the event will be Ken Donovan and the plan is to have the Motorkhana at the Duckworth St pad on Saturday 4th March, the Night run Saturday night and a Khanacross Sunday 5th March at the Club Grounds (Nannas) at Woodstock.

The event will be open to invited clubs, but only TCAC members will be able to claim points for the Ironman Trophy. Cost for the event will be:- Motorkhana \$10, Night Run \$5 and Khanacross \$20 or "Ironman Package" (all three) for \$30. Ken Donovan for details Ph. 4783 5751 (h)

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standard axles are HUGE!), down-draught Weber, spare

wheels and mud/snow tyres. We also have a few things
here for it like map light and a million other bits etc.
The only thing is it's hard to move because the rear brakes
have been adjusted up but not bedded in. Needs diff oil.

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WHAT'S YOUR TYPE OF EVENT?

Help your club to help you by filling in the sheet below and sending to
PO Box 186 Garbutt East 4814 or Fax 4779 8224.

NAME: Ph No.:

TYPE OF EVENT:

Motorkhana		Khanacross		Rallysprints		Inter-Club Rallies		Hillclimb		Circuit	
Bitumen		Dirt									
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO

Other:

HOW CAN YOU ASSIST?

OFFICIAL: (If CAMS accredited, state Licence No. and grade.)

	Director		Asst. Director		Event Secretary		Scrutineer		Steward		Flag Marshall		Other	
	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
Lic. No.														
Grade														

AVAILABLE FOR OTHER DUTIES:

Catering		Track Official		Flag Marshall		Spectator Control		Timing		Control Official	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO

NB: Please indicate preference for all items.

If you are interested in a category but need training, put "T" next to the tick to indicate 'training required'.

Ron's Motorkhana 6/2/00

Car	Entrant	Make	Class	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Test 4	Test 5	Test 6	Test 7	Test 8	Test 9	Test 10	Total	Place	Class
7	Bruce McCarthy	626	C	27.3	40.4*	41.5	39.3	46.1	50.2	31.4	33.0	34.8	31.6	380.6	1	1C
1	Lindsay Stone	Mazda	C	30.1	39.9	44.0	41.4*	45.6	56.0*	30.9*	46.7	36.6	WD	440.2	2	2C
11	Doug McCubben	Stanza	C	28.9	56.5	42.2	39.6	48.5	WD	37.7	43.2	37.7	38.7**	445.9	3	3C
12	Grant Ross	Stanza	C	37.9*	50.9	44.0	38.0*	51.7	57.9	31.8	32.7	WD	42.1*	451.5	4	4C
10	Bret Wasley	Stanza	C	33.4*	45.3	49.2	45.1	50.9	56.9	34.1	WD	43.8	39.0	454.4	5	5C
4	Geoff Nicol	323	B	36.3	WD	WD	43.3	50.0*	52.0	33.6	WD	37.0*	34.6	465.2	6	1B
9	Ken Long	Mazda	C	31.0*	50.2	50.2	48.8	53.3	57.9	36.6	39.9	44.5	49.0	466.4	7	6C
8	Guy Greenwood	Supra	D	34.2	45.8	49.7	42.6	50.7	66.7	33.8	WD	40.5	WD	469.7	8	1D
2	Colin Ugarte	Supra	D	30.5	45.1*	WD	41.0	55.3	61.9	32.7	WD	36.6*	WD	473.5	9	2D
5	Daniel Weller	Escort	C	33.8*	WD	49.3	45.9	61.7	WD	35.2*	WD	41.8	43.6	497.4	10	7C
6	Brent Long	180B	C	32.9**	52.5*	49.7*	42.6	51.1*	WD	36.3	WD	WD	WD	508.2	11	8C
3	Mathew Long	Mazda	C	31.2	43.9	73.3	43.1	67.0*	WD	41.6	WD	WD	WD	523.2	12	9C

NB. Times in **Bold** are slowest reasonable time in class without penalty used for W.D. (plus five seconds).

Well, the first event for the year and wouldn't you know it, it had to rain. I had visions of the Ironman Weekend last year, but fortunately we now have an all weather Motorkhana pad. Now all we need is an all weather parking area.

Thanks to all those who helped at the working bee's to prepare the venue and those that turned up and braved the conditions to help out and compete on the day, I think everyone enjoyed themselves and relished the opportunity to drop skids on a sealed surface once again. It's been a while, and it showed up a few rusty drivers, although it was hard to tell

with all that water around. Lets hope the next one is a dry event so we can get a decent turnout, then we'll see who's rusty.

I'd also like to thank Tony and Luke from Firepro for braving the rain and mud to check and stamp everyone's fire extinguishers.

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Ron



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Name: Signature of Nominator: Date / /2000

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