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



Stumpy – to remind you what your car used to look like!



This is what it should look like!

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ron wants to know the **License Categories** of all members who are Officials.

IMPORTANT GENERAL NOTICE

The Club Meeting night is now the 2ND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH, at the Drag Racing Club Rooms in Yarrowee Street, Currajong.

If the meeting night falls on a Public Holiday, the meeting will be on the Tuesday night instead.

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FIRE
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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Congratulations to Boxhead on the Ingham Rally. Double the entries for Kirknie and another great weekend of camping and rallying. Looks like we are starting to rebuild the rally fraternity in NQ. Keep up the good work

Quiet a few mishaps during the rally with several retirements (must be rusty). There were also a few stories to be told of the weekend but I'll leave the story telling to others. One Rallysprint and the Cardwell Rally to go. Hopefully more entries again for these events.

We have been funded to produce a Club Development Plan and we should start thinking now about where we want to be in five years time and how to get there. We will need to hold a special meeting / workshop once we fine tune the details. This plan will aid us when applying for grants, leases, loans, etc. So give some thought to what our goals and aspirations might be and remember if we don't plan anything we can't possible achieve it.

Update on what's happening.

- We have been notified that we were not successful in tendering for the clubhouse in South Townsville. There were four clubs vying for the facility and the Townsville Outdoor Agility Dog Sports Club were the successful club. I will ask for a debrief on why we were not successful.
- We have received funding to purchase a portable shade structure (6x3m 'Quikshade' type)
- I will soon start the process of procuring a consultant to undertake our Club Development Plan that we were funded for (\$3,000).
- Awaiting response from SEA FM on what form of sponsorship would suit both parties.

Remember that a club is only as good as it's members, so if you have an idea or a suggestion, please raise it.

Ron

Required Reading

How to Write Big Books by Warren Peace
I Lost My balance by Eileen Dover & Phil Down
The German Bank Robbery by Hans Zupp
I Hate the Sun by Gladys Knight
Prison Security by Barb Dwyer
How I Won the Marathon by Randy Holeway
The Lion Attacked by Claude Yarmoff

PRESENTATION
AND
OBSERVATION RUN
SUNDAY
28 NOVEMBER 2004

TIME- 1.30PM, FIRST CAR AWAY AT
2.00PM.

LOCATION- BP, CLUDEN ROADHOUSE

COST- \$20.00 ADULTS
\$10.00 KIDS

THIS INCLUDES ENTRY FEE FOR THE RUN AND DINNER.
CHEAP DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE FINISH AND
DINNER.

ENTRIES CLOSE- 22 NOV 2004

CONTACT- MURRAY SUTHERLAND
PH 4723-0269 IF I AM NOT HOME, LEAVE A MESSAGE.
MY ADDRESS IS, 1 BEAGLE CRT KIRWAN 4817.

**MONEY NEEDS TO BE TO ME BEFORE THE
CLOSING DATE. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE
EXCEPTED!**



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR >>

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Date >> 10 September 2004

Mr Ron White
President
Twin Cities Autosports Club Inc
PO Box 7697
GARbutt QLD 4814

Dear Mr White

Thank you for your letter of 31 August 2004. Despite the white knuckles, I thoroughly enjoyed being driven at break-neck speed along the new Mt Stuart Hillclimb course and I'm pleased Townsville City Council was able to assist with improvements to the venue.

I have forwarded a copy of your letter to the Director of Council's Engineering Services Department, Dawson Wilkie, who will write to you with details of a contact officer to facilitate the ongoing negotiations for future plans for the site.

Thank you again for the opportunity to experience the hillclimb course and I wish you every success with the Club's future endeavours.

Kind regards
Yours sincerely

Tony Mooney
Mayor of Townsville

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Ron Degenhart
Landscape Projects Officer
Townsville City Council
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Townsville 4810

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR CLUBHOUSE.

Dear Sir,

The Twin Cities Autosports Club is a not-for-profit organisation incorporated in 1990 and is an affiliated member, with voting rights, of the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS). Despite our recent unsuccessful Expression of Interest submission in the lease of building in Victoria Park, South Townsville (Old Croquet Club), the Twin Cities Autosports Club is still endeavouring to obtain a clubhouse to advance the development of our club.

The Twin Cities Autosports Club is currently going through a resurgence and renewed focus on the clubs activities and development plans for the future. One of the key components of our clubs' development strategy is the acquisition of a clubhouse. This will not only provide our club with a facility to centralise our assets and club operational documentation etc., currently scattered amongst committee members, but also provide a focal point for our members. A clubhouse will also provide a valuable venue to hold our monthly meetings, carry out regular training sessions for volunteer officials and members (inductions and updating of skills) and storage for club equipment, trophies and memorabilia, etc.

Presently, we have various venues where we conduct our events however, we do not have a clubhouse or any permanent 'tangible' address for our club that we can call our own. This has the effect of presenting the image of 'gipsies', not very desirable when trying to promote a stable and proactive club while seeking sponsorship and support. With the acquisition of a clubhouse, our members will gain a renewed focus and drive to develop and progress Twin Cities Autosports Club into the future.

To that end, we are requesting the Council consider our continuing need for a facility that could be utilised for club gatherings and meetings. We are also in need of modest storage facilities for our increasing asset holdings which include display trailer, course equipment such as rolls of bunting, signs, wooded stakes and high value items such as radios, tents, extinguishers, etc.

It would be appreciated if the Council could keep in mind our plight when buildings facilities become available from time to time.

Should such a potential facility be identified by the Council, it would be appreciated if Twin Cities Autosports Club could be contacted with the details to ascertain its suitability.

The Twin Cities Autosports Club would greatly appreciate the opportunity to acquire a clubhouse to advance the development of our club, and so encourage discussions and negotiations on any opportunity that may arise.

Yours faithfully,

Ron White
President
Twin Cities Autosports Club Inc.

Ph; 4771 7928 (BH)
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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Unfortunately by now you would know that the Cardwell Rally has been cancelled due to not being allowed into the forest because of the fire risk. However, Heckler is planning to run the Rallysprint at Charters Towers instead, so there should still be one more big event before the end of the year. Apart from the Ironman weekend that is.

Update on what's happening.

- I have sent a letter to both the Townsville and Thuringowa City Councils requesting consideration for a clubhouse if one becomes available.
- Procurement of shade in progressing.
- If anyone has some spare time and ideas to help with our Development Plan, please let me know.
- I met with the Townsville City Council recently to discuss the future development of the Mt. Stuart Hillclimb venue. The Council will be resurfacing more of the road course this year from their 'Roads' funding. They have also committed to help with the levelling and sealing of the parking and pit area for motorkhanas. Initially the area will be sealed with a spray seal and then at a later date resurfaced with asphalt. To protect the area from vandalism, the Council will assist with the construction of concrete barriers (motorsport type) to surround the area and potentially line the start of the Hillclimb course. (See me about info on the V8's coming to town). I am also dealing with the Council on issues like sponsor advertising and signage at the venue.
- I am endeavouring to clarify with State Office the process to follow in expending the \$1200 for safety equipment from previous QRC registration. I am looking at such things as vests, more radios, signage, etc.
- No response from SEA FM as yet. Will chase up.

Remember that a club is only as good as its members, so if you have an idea or a suggestion, please raise it.

Ron

FOR SALE

T18 Rally Car

¾ finished project. Body finished and painted 2 pac white. Very extensive steel cage, fully seam welded and plated. Bilstein adjustables all round. Rose jointed front end. 4 spot AP calipers – front. New Skyline calipers and vented rotors - rear. Hydraulic hand brake, pedal box, wired, fuel cell, 4.6 TRD slippery diff, roof vents, Supra gear box.

Lots more. Engine can be supplied 2TG 1965cc.

All the good gear. Thousands spent on parts.

\$4000

Engine negotiable.

Contact Boxhead 47288359H 0429356013mob

KIWI CORNER

The examiners would like to remind you that there may be a surprise exam on your knowledge of the Kiwi language. Please continue to practice the words you have been taught to completely master them. To continue the lesson ---

Fush – marine creatures

Fitter Chenney – type of pasta

Ever Cardeau – avacado

Fear Hear – Blonde

Ear – mixture of oxygen and nitrogen

Ear Roebucks – exercise at the gym

Duffy Cult – not easy

Amagen – visualize

Dayold Chuck – very young poultry

Reconciliation Report

Club2003
11/10/04

Uncleared Transaction Detail up to 11/10/04

Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
Uncleared Cheques and Payments						
31/08/04	788595	CAMS Qld		CAMS L2		-83
14/09/04	788602	Lynkate Services	M Watson trophies	Trophies:220804hcexp		-90
16/09/04	788607	Dept Of Sport & Recreation	return of unused grant	Fundraising Grants		-1,907
Total Uncleared Cheques and Payments						-2,080
Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits						
14/09/04	172175	Lynkate Services		Sponsorship:220804hcinc		150
20/09/04	c93	D Tillbrook		Club Membership Competitive		50
Total Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits						200
Total Uncleared Transactions						-1,880

A blonde enters a store that sells curtains. She tells the salesman, "I would like to buy a pair of pink curtains." The salesman assures her that they have a large selection of pink curtains. He shows her several patterns, but the blonde seems to be having a hard time choosing.

Finally she selects a lovely pink floral print. The salesman then asks what size curtain she needs. The blonde replies "Fifteen inches."

"Fifteen inches??" asked the salesman. "That sounds very small, what room are they for?"

The blonde tells him that they aren't for a room, they are for her computer monitor.

The surprised salesman replies, "But Miss, computers do not need curtains!"

The blonde says, "Helllllooooo....I've got Windooooows!"

Transaction Report

13/09/04 Through 11/10/04 (in Aus. Dollars)

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Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
BALANCE 12/09/04						
						12,117.60
14/09/04	172175	Lynkate Services		Sponsorship:220804hcinc		150.00
14/09/04	788601	Townprint	Program covers	Event & Function Expenses:hc220804...	R	-110.00
14/09/04	788602	Lynkate Services	trophies	Trophies:220804hcexp	R	-90.00
14/09/04	788603	North Queensland Newspapers	ads	Event & Function Expenses:hc220804...	R	-250.00
14/09/04	788604	Aust Convenience Foods	food for 220804 hc	fundraising exp	R	-104.38
14/09/04	788605S	D Melrose		--Split--	R	-441.57
14/09/04	788606S	R White		--Split--	R	-361.59
16/09/04	788607	Dept Of Sport & Recreation	return of unused grant	Fundraising Grants		-1,907.46
20/09/04	c93	D Tilbrook		Club Membership:Competitive		50.00
01/10/04		Commonwealth Bank	account service fee	Bank Charges	R	-9.35
01/10/04		Commonwealth Bank		Bank Charges:SDT	R	-9.00
11/10/04		Dept Of Family & Community Services	Shade Structure	Fundraising Grants	R	2,510.00
TOTAL 13/09/04 - 11/10/04						
						<u>-573.35</u>
BALANCE 11/10/04						
						11,544.25
TOTAL INFLOWS						
						2,710.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS						
						-3,283.35
NET TOTAL						
						<u>-573.35</u>

Reconciliation Report
Reconciliation Summary

BANK STATEMENT -- CLEARED TRANSACTIONS:

Previous Balance:

Cheques and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits

15 Items
1 Item

13,929
-3,015
2,510
13,424

Ending Balance of Bank Statement:

Cleared Balance:

Cheques and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits

3 Items
2 Items

13,424
-2,080
200

Register Balance as of 11/10/04:

Cheques and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits

0 Items
0 Items

11,544
0
0

Register Ending Balance:

11,544

Twin Cities Autosports Club Inc.

Committee Members and Office Bearers for 2004

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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.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

October and September's President's Report are further on in the newsletter. Excuse the time warp – make sure you don't read them in the wrong order, it may just change the order of your lives if you do!!

EDITORS REPORT

Not much to say this month – most unusual some would say!

It's good to see some events happening – so dust off your cars and come and have a race. I haven't driven the trusty Escort for 12 whole months so I can hardly wait to have a go. So do you think there will be some donuts performed or what! Totally out of control is a good description! But boy will I have fun! See you there!

By the way, the Calender of Events is always correct at the time of printing – sometimes it changes without me even knowing.

Deb & Lance Melrose

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Quite simple, really – there isn't one!

* Club Meetings are held (second Monday night of the month at the Townsville Drag Club Yarrowee St Currajong at 7.00pm). All welcome, and why not bring along a friend or sponsor.

Calendar of Events

**SAT/SUNDAY 30TH/31ST OCTOBER – IRONMAN/
IRONLADY WOODSTOCK**

CONTACT GREG VAN DINTER 47235339AH
FOR MORE INFO

MONDAY 8TH NOVEMBER – CLUB MEETING

7PM
DRAG RACING CLUB ROOMS
YARROWEE ST, CURRAJONG

**SAT/SUNDAY 13TH/14TH NOVEMBER – RALLY SPRINT
FANNING RIVER**

SUITABLE FOR REG/UNREG VEHICLES
CAMP OVERNIGHT, BYO FOOD, BBQ
AVAILABLE. NO NIGHT STAGES. SAT ALL DAY
RACING, SUN AM RACING. CONTACT
HECKLER FOR SUB REGS ETC 47734663

**SUNDAY 28TH NOVEMBER – OBSERVATION RUN
FOLLOWED BY XMAS PARTY**
SEE ATTACHED FLYER!!!
YOU MUST RSVP BY 22ND NOVEMBER

THIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS WAS CORRECT AT THE TIME OF PRINTING
AND MAY CHANGE AT ANY TIME