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The three venereal old gentleman doing a hard days work while sitting on a park bench.



Guess what is wrong with this photo!

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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

Not available at time of printing.

EDITORS REPORT

Slight slip of the tongue there on the front of the magazine. It should say venerable old gentlemen instead of venereal! (in case you didn't recognise them - Glynn, Creddo, Lance) Also, did you guess what was wrong with the photo of Ian Ogilvie? Yes, of course he is facing the wrong way you idiots! Believe me, it took a lot of skill on his part to get in that predicament to start with and it took me a lot of skill to take the photo while I was running backwards over rugged terrain to get out of his way. That's why only half his car is in the photo - I couldn't zoom in any faster! Of course, taking the photos of his great loss of control took priority over avoiding injury! Great photo opportunity!

Has anyone got any photos taken at the Ingham Rally? I was otherwise occupied out in the bush doing starts/finishes and Lance was too busy driving to get any good photos. Apart from the above dribble, I haven't got anything much to say. Now that's unusual!!

Deb & Lance Melrose

SECRETARY'S REPORT

As usual, not available at the time of printing. I live in hope that one day Greg will write something for the newsletter! I am definitely not holding my breath!

Calendar of Events

SAT/SUNDAY 2ND/3RD OCTOBER – RALLY SPRINT CHARTERS TOWERS MONDAY 11TH OCTOBER – CLUB MEETING

SATURDAY 16TH OCTOBER – CAR RALLY HECKLER'DS CARDWELL RALLY

Contact Heckler 47734663

SUNDAY 24TH OCTOBER - KHANACROSS WOODSTOCK

T'VILLE MOTORCYCLE CLUB GROUNDS MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

SAT/SUNDAY 6TH/7TH NOVEMBER – IRONMAN/IRONLADY WOODSTOCK

T'VILLE MOTORCYCLE CLUB GROUNDS WOODSTOCK MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

MONDAY 8TH NOVEMBER - CLUB MEETING

7PM

DRAG RACING CLUB ROOMS YARROWEE STREET, CURRAJONG

SUNDAY 28^{TH} NOVEMBER – OBSERVATION RUN FOLLOWED BY XMAS PARTY

MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

^{*} 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.

FOR SALE

2 Cruiser seats "ARB Paratus", like new, all singing, all dancing, lumbar support etc. Cost \$2200. Sell \$1000. Ring Melissa on 0417802721

KIWI CORNER

Continuing your introduction to the Kiwi Language. Memorise and practice the pronunciation to enable full understanding of this truly amazing language. Read on...

Mc Kennock – person who fixes cars
Leather – foam produced from soap
Lift – departed
Kiri Pecker – famous Australian businessman
Ken's – Cairns
Jumbo – pet name for someone called Jim
Jungle Bills – Christmas carol
Inner Me – enemy
Guess - vapour

Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways, champagne in one hand, strawberries in the other, body thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and screaming

WOO HOO – WHAT A RIDE!

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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QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL (Excerpts from Minutes)

Meeting held on Thursday, 19th August 2004

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- Ref. QSC04.4322 & ScAP04.025 Safety Harnesses CAMS Technical Manager has advised that the matter raised by this State Council will be included on the Agenda for the next Technical Committee meeting.
- Ref. MAP04.038 Khanacross Series 4347 Resolved that the text of MAP04.038 be circulated to all clubs to ascertain their interest in promoting events in a proposed 2005 Khanacross Series.
- Ref. RAP04.119 Safety Fund 4352 Resolved that QuMan attend to the distribution of the Safety Fund Levy as per Rally Advisory Panel Minute 04.086.
- 4355 Ref. SOP04.037 Resolved that this State Council supports the following Licence Upgrades and Renewals:

S4 -> S3, V4, C4, B3, T4, A4, S4 Ross Angelo

RALLY ADVISORY PANEL

Meeting held on Tuesday, 9th August 2004

GENERAL BUSINESS:

04.119 Safety Fund

Paul Henningsen to inquire from QuMan.

- 04.121 Clarification of the bonnet/boot opening in control situations on the ARCom Agenda for this weekend.
- 04.123 Discussion on course car problems. Input from Errol Bailey. Very much an organiser problem. They have to pick their course car people very carefully and monitor them throughout the event. Maybe as per circuit racing a special licence requirement? The Panel will have further discussion on this problem.
- 04.124 Discussion on briefings at the start of a rally. Organisers should be reminded by Course Checker that anything except the most basic generalities should be by written advice to competitors.
- 04.125 Still looking for a date for a training module for Officials. Carried over.

STATE OFFICIATING PANEL

Meeting held on Monday, 2nd August 2004

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 04.039 Meeting of all Category Presenter scheduled for late August. Clubs have been asked to provide details of their training needs.
- 04.040 Meeting of State Training Coordinators to be held in September.

MOTORKHANA ADVISORY PANEL

Meeting held on Wednesday, 10th August 2004

GENERAL BUSINESS:

04.038 Discussion was held on the possibility of running a Khanacross Series starting in 2005 and request interested clubs to advise CAMS of their willingness to promote events in this series.

TWIN CITIES AUTOSPORTS CLUB FULCRUM SUSPENSIONS INGHAM RALLY

The Twin Cities Autosports Club held the Fulcrum Suspension's Ingham Rally at the weekend with the crews travelling from as far away as Cairns and The Whitsundays to compete. They were faced with eight stages, including two night stages.

Early front runners were Ian Ogilvie from Townsville and Wayne Hoy from Cairns. However Ian had fuel problems dropping him out of the Rally. Local driver Greg Van Dinter then took up the challenge to Hoy. Fast and twisty roads were the order of the day, with a few crews having some exiting moments and heading bush.

Two spectator points on fast grassy roads kept onlookers happy, while out on the open forestry roads a number of competitors were having problems.

Phil Mason, in his 260Z Datsun also retired with fuel problems and Peter Hendry, in his Stanza, blew a head gasket. Bevan Graves, in a Starion Turbo was also out with electrical problems.

The rest of the field were still in the hunt.

Chris Lewis, in his Datsun 1600, had a fast exit off the road, bending his steering and retiring.

The night stages were to sort out the field. Greg Van Dinter, in a M2 Escort, broke a throttle cable while leading. This handed over the lead to Gary Meehan, in a 180B, who in turn broke a half shaft with only three kilometres to go. Jason Keach, in a Subaru RX Turbo, stole the lead and in the last creek crossing put a rock through his gearbox. But he made it to the finish. Steve Robinson, in a M2 Escort, had carbie problems, but he also managed to limp home.

Bruce McCarthy, in a Mazda 626, and David Kayess, in a Toyota Sprinter, fought out the minor placings, while Lance Melrose, in a M1 Escort, Matt Carruthers, in a Gemini and Greg Wright, in a Toyota T18, all took out class placings.

A top weekend was had by all, with the next event being held on Sunday 22^{nd} August. This event is Round Three of the Mount Stuart Hillclimb. Contact Ron White on 47717928 for more information.

RESULTS OF INGHAM RALLY

1ST PLACE – Jason Keach/Gordon Park – Subaru RX Turbo

2nd PLACE – Steve Robinson/Lindsay stone – Escort M2

3rd PLACE – Bruce McCarthy/Chris Harrison – Mazda 626

Hill Climb Results Sunday 22nd August, 2004

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Boxhead's Ingham Rally Results Saturday 14th August, 2004

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Did anyone leave their green camping/folding chair at the hill climb? If you are wondering where it is, we have it.

Deb and Lance — Ph 47252745

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Twin Cities Autosports Club ran Round Three of the "King of the Mountain" hillclimb series up Mount Stuart on Sunday 22nd August.

The hillclimb is held on a 1.2 kilometre stretch of the Mount Stuart road. This section of the road has recently been resealed with hot mix by the Townsville City Council. The race meet on Sunday was the official opening of the new surface. Mayor Tony Mooney performed the official opening and was then taken for an exiting ride up the race section of the road by club member Ian Ogilvie in his Datsun coupe.

Racing ran throughout the day with the drivers having six runs each up the hill. There were twenty five entrants, spread over the different classes. The spectators were entertained by the fierce competition.

The winners of each class were:

Ian Ogilvie – Datsun 1200 - <1500cc Shane Satchwell – Datsun 1200 ute - 1501-2000cc Phil Mason – Datsun 240Z - 2000-3000cc Ray Gibson – Datsun 1600Turbo - >3000cc Peter Hinrichsen – Escort M1 - Regularity Donn Grierson – Holden Torana - V8 John Piper – Mitsubishi EVO8 – 4WD

At this point I would like to thank Glynn Morice for spending so much of his time to organise this Hill Climb, to make it a special event to celebrate the opening of the new resealed surface. He organised a lot of the sponsors, the marques, the food, arranged with Nathan Mullins to have the Spectators Bus there, all the seating, the programme and the trophies. All of this he did with not a lot of help. Mind you, making the trophies, making the programme, picking up the seating, putting up the marques, setting out the pit area, setting up the cooking area, selling the programmes, did require help, as well as pulling it all down afterwards and then the next day returning all the stuff to it's owners. So, thanks to all the helpers. This was all on top of the usual organising that goes on for a normal hill climb — which is enough work for the usual people as it is. To make these events more successful we all need to get in and help. All this organising doesn't miraculously happen by itself. Ron and his band of organisers quietly go about their "jobs", we all rock up to race up the hill and then go home. So, thanks to all of the organisers at these events, you all deserve a trophy as well! We had a great day, didn't we!!

Debra Melrose

MISSING!!!

CAN EVERYONE CHECK THEIR PILES OF JUNK AND CUPBOARDS FOR A **HAND HELD CLUB RADIO.** WE ARE MISSING ONE.

Please can all members think about some ideas for the Development Plan and submit them at the next Club Meeting.

Another male fantasy demolished -

A survey by an insurance company in Britain has revealed that men are just as likely as women to lose their way when map reading, despite thinking they are the better navigators.