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See how much fun we had down at the Whitsunday's Motokhana!



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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 enough room here, look for the report on another page.

EDITORS REPORT

Sorry about the delay in getting the newsletter out to you all this month. I've got some good excuses though! Firstly the computer needed mending, secondly, I was waiting for the Whitsundays Motorkhana so that I could put in a report about it and thirdly I was waiting for Boxhead to do his report on the Khanacross at Woodstock. But finally, here it is. Please, if you have any good photos of cars at our events send them to me, otherwise I really will put the Escort on the front of every newsletter!
Deb & Lance Melrose

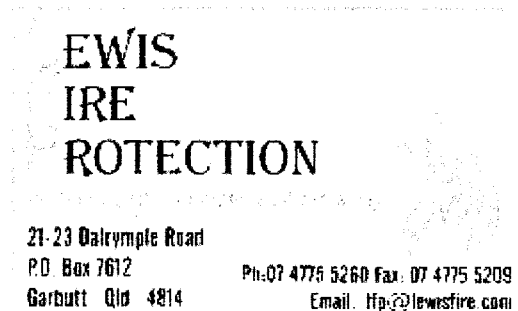
SECRETARY'S REPORT

What report!! Again!

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.



A 7 year old and a 4 year old are upstairs in their bedroom.

“You know what?,” says the 7 year old, “I think it’s about time we started swearing.”

The 4 year old nods his head in approval.

“When we go downstairs for breakfast, I’m going to swear first, then you swear after me, ok?”

“Ok” the 4 year old agrees with enthusiasm.

The mother walks into the kitchen and asks the 7year old what he wants for breakfast.

“Oh shit mum, I guess I’ll have some Coco Pops”.

WHACK!!! He flew out of his chair, tumbled across the floor, got up, and ran upstairs crying his eyes out.

She looked at the 4 year old and asked in a stern voice, “And what do YOU want for breakfast, young man?”

“I don’t know,” he blubbers, But it won’t be f-----g Coco Pops.”

QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL

Excerpts of minutes

Meeting held on Thursday, 20th January, 2005

4458 Ref. QSC04.4431 & ScAP04.038 - Seat Belts and Harnesses

CAMS Technical Manager has advised that, in his opinion, it is sufficient to mark in competitors Log Books that the seat belt/harness, as identified, should be replaced following a motorsport accident.

4465 Ref. RAP05.010 & RAP04.163

QuMan confirmed that Central Qld Motor Sporting Club will be conducting a round of the Queensland Rally Championship on 9th July 2005.

4466 Ref. RAP05.011 - Queensland Rally Championship Rd 1

Resolved that State Council approves Brisbane Sporting Car Club's request to change the date of the Queensland Rally Championship Rd 1 from 9th April to 16th April 2005.

Whitsundays Car Club Motorkhana

Sunday 20th February

What a great time – and all you slackers missed out on it!!!

Lance and I loaded the trusty lean, mean racing Escort onto the trailer and headed off down to Airlie Beach on Saturday to spend the night before racing in the Motorkhana on Sunday. Terry and May Scully and Geoff and Kay Nicols were also down there to be CAMS Officials. Nathan and Karen arrived on Sunday morning after apparently having a very quick drive down after Nathan set the alarm clock for 4pm instead of 4am. I won't tell you that they took ¾ of the time we took to get there! So, orange cars must go fast too!

There were 13 entrants and we had 4 different 'circuits' to test our skills on, with a mixture of sand coated bitumen (oh, what fun that was!) and grass. This is where you can do donuts legally in a pub car park. Jubilee Tavern very kindly lets the club use their car park twice a year. It is a great venue, with room for spectators too. We all had a lot of fun, slipping and sliding 'skilfully' around amongst the flags. The youngest driver was 12 and the oldest driver wouldn't admit to his age – although I reckon he was a real hoon in his younger days! You should have seen his Commodore copping a hiding around the circuits.

The winner of the day and fastest female was actually driving a very new standard Nissan Pulsar hatch. She was absolutely thrashing all the other drivers – no spinning wheels or engine revving though, so two male drivers took turns hopping into her passenger seat and started pulling on the handbrake at appropriate times – her driving style changed considerably, as did her times! Meanwhile all the other drivers were driving back into the pit area with huge smiles on their faces – everyone was having fun.

'Navigators' were allowed in the cars too. So, of course, as I wasn't driving, I jumped into both Nathan's and our car for a few thrills. It was great fun.

All in all, we're really glad we made the effort and went to the Motorkhana. Nice bunch of people, great venue and most importantly we had a fantastic day.

See you next time!

Deb & Lance

P.S. Why don't some more of our members make the effort and go to the next one? Now there's a good idea!

Kiwi Corner

Now that I have taught you some key words in the *Kiwi Language*, I will now endeavour to teach you how to put them into daily use. So, now I want you to read these expressions and start introducing them into your daily vocabulary.

1. *As low as whale shit* – a person with no redeeming qualities whatsoever.
2. *Auntie* – a derogatory name for a suspected male homosexual.
3. *Aussie Haka* – the patting of breast and trouser pockets when it comes time to shout the next round at the pub (as a means of avoiding having to pay).
4. *Axe Handle* – a measure of breadth, commonly of a woman's buttocks or a man's shoulders.
5. *Bach* – a humble weekend cottage.
6. *Bangs like a dunny door in a high wind* – said of a sexually enthusiastic person.
7. *Barker's egg* – dog shit.
8. *Barker's nest* – a pile of dog shit.
9. *Boohai* – a remote location.
10. *Bot* – a bug or germ, as in "she's caught the bot, so you'd better keep away from her".

* 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

Sunday 27th February – Working Bee for the Hillclimb

9am start, bring whipper snippers
and appropriate tools.

Contact Neville Bannah

Monday 14th March – Club Meeting/AGM

Please could all club members attend

See attached Nomination Form

Easter Weekend – 25th to 28th March – the Townsville

Motorcycle Club needs Flag Marshalls

In return for a free weekend of racing

Sat/Sunday 2nd/3rd April – Rally Sprint Charters Towers

Contact Heckler 47734663

PLEASE NOTE: To participate in the Rally Sprint, all drivers must have a **National Rally Licence** and Co Drivers must have a **National Navigators Licence**. All vehicles must comply with CAMS regulations for Rally Sprints. Consult your CAMS manual or ask a club official

Sunday 10th April – Day Run

Ron and Robyn are organising this event

Monday 11th April – Club Meeting

Sunday 17th April – Hillclimb No 1

MAKE SURE YOU LOOK OVER THE PAGE FOR MORE EVENTS!!

Sat/Sun/Mon 30th May – 2nd April – Kirknie Rally

Contact Greg Van Dinter

Monday 9th May – Club Meeting

Sat/Sunday 14th/15th May – Khanacross at Woodstock

Contact Curly

Sat/Sunday 11th/12th June – Ingham Rally

Contact Boxhead

Tuesday 14th June – Club Meeting

Sunday 19th June – Hillclimb No 2

Monday 11th July – Club Meeting

Sat/Sunday 23rd/24th June – Cardwell Rally

Monday 8th August – Club Meeting

Sunday 21st August – Hillclimb No 3

Monday 12th September – Club Meeting

Saturday 1st October – Hillclimb No 4

Phew!! That's all the events for now. We have all the dates that Woodstock is being used by the Motorcycle Club, so we can organise our Khanacross and Motorkhana events around them.

No	CLASS	NAME	RUN1	RUN2	RUN3	SUB	RUN4	SUB	RUN5	SUB	RUN6	SUB	RUN7	SUB	RUN8	TOTAL	OR	1600+1600+2000+4WD	
5	F	J Keach	01:23.21	01:07.94	02:31.15	01:28.75	03:59.90	01:10.72	05:10.62	01:15.43	06:26.05	01:20.56	07:46.64	01:23.75	09:10.39	00:53.66	10:04.05		
14	B	P Vigor	01:29.97	01:13.2	02:43.19	01:33.8	04:17.00	01:16.31	05:33.31	01:19.87	06:53.18	01:23.97	09:17.15	01:30.53	09:47.68	01:30.60	10:48.28		
13	D	G Ross	01:27.15	01:12.2	03:01.13	01:33.53	04:34.66	01:15.31	04:49.57	01:18.12	07:06.19	01:20.47	08:29.66	01:29.61	09:59.07	00:57.47	10:56.54		
17	F	S Robinson	01:27.15	01:09.03	02:36.16	01:28.25	04:04.43	01:29.75	05:34.16	01:20.16	06:54.34	01:19.37	08:13.71	01:26.49	09:45.77	01:11.50	10:55.27		
18	D	P Mason	01:30.63	01:15.13	02:45.76	01:49.13	04:34.89	01:15.91	05:50.80	01:21.93	07:12.73	01:23.19	08:35.92	01:23.28	09:59.20	00:56.50	10:57.70		
8	D	N Mullins	01:27.18	01:12.78	02:39.94	01:38.97	04:18.91	01:19.78	05:38.69	01:22.09	07:00.76	01:27.03	08:27.81	01:40.03	10:07.84	00:58.28	11:08.12		
4	D	Tracey Poole	01:48.94	01:15.22	03:04.16	01:39.38	04:43.54	01:21.60	06:05.14	01:25.19	03:31.25	01:27.50	08:57.83	01:29.78	10:27.61	01:50.43	11:28.04		
16	B	M Sutherland	01:28.56	01:16.18	02:46.74	01:43.26	04:30.02	01:21.53	05:51.55	01:28.35	07:20.90	01:29.28	08:50.18	01:33.47	10:23.65	01:14.53	11:37.66		
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2	C	P Kahn	01:48.94	01:19.62	03:08.56	01:54.72	05:03.28	01:20.63	06:23.51	01:21.78	07:51.69	01:31.97	09:23.66	01:30.36	10:54.04	01:02.62	11:56.68		
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15	B	J Snell	01:39.97	01:23.82	03:03.79	01:45.94	04:49.73	01:23.34	06:13.07	01:29.75	07:42.82	01:30.66	09:13.70	01:40.03	10:53.73	01:04.82	11:58.55		
7	C	Tony Poole	01:34.47	01:16.83	02:51.40	01:47.31	04:38.71	01:20.91	05:59.62	01:28.72	07:26.34	01:33.65	09:02.99	01:31.85	10:54.84	01:24.35	11:59.19		
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11	A	L Staby	01:34.50	01:37.09	03:11.59	02:00.09	01:11.66	01:22.29	06:34.31	01:38.91	08:13.86	01:51.32	09:45.10	01:31.31	11:16.41	01:01.31	12:17.72		
9	B	S Herman	01:43.94	01:28.15	03:12.09	01:55.32	05:07.41	01:26.90	06:34.51	01:34.91	08:08.22	01:35.97	09:45.19	01:41.80	11:26.79	01:09.44	12:36.23		
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15	C	P Henriksen	01:20.41	01:21.35	02:41.76	01:18.59	04:00.35	01:17.43	05:17.78	01:54.59	07:12.37	3				1	
14	B	P Vigor	01:16.03	01:26.2	02:42.22	01:16.78	03:59.00	01:17.78	05:16.18	01:55.75	07:12.53	4				1	
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4	D	Tracey Poore	01:20.28	01:21.85	02:42.13	01:21.69	04:03.82	01:24.56	05:28.38	01:56.47	07:24.85	6					3
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17	C	C Lewis	01:31.28	01:25.68	02:56.96	01:20.63	04:17.59	01:22.65	05:40.24	02:01.84	07:42.08	9					3
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21	C	D Melrose	01:24.81	01:29.31	02:54.12	01:23.66	04:17.78	01:23.84	05:41.62	02:25.47	08:07.09	21					9
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Landmark Workshop - National Officiating Program Review
CAMS Press Release
10 Feb 2005

Thirty CAMS members with 676 years of motor sport officiating experience between them met in Melbourne on 29 January 2005 to take part in the first stage of the CAMS National Officiating Program (NOP) Review. The group included representatives ranging from CAMS country and city clubs to National Committees, and category managers including AVESCO.

The workshop was the first in a three-stage process to identify and understand the issues in relation to the NOP, to develop improved processes and support for the program and to implement agreed outcomes.

Queensland country club representative, Ron White, confirmed the day was a success.

"I was pleased to be involved in such a positive exercise. This workshop is a step in the right direction for all CAMS members," said White.

The review represents a significant commitment from the Board of CAMS to improve all aspects of the sport, as recognised in the 2003-2005 CAMS Strategic Plan.

CAMS Chief Executive Officer Dr Rob Nethercote reflected on the day.

"It is vital that we continue to evolve our systems, which are recognised by the Australian Sports Commission and acknowledged internationally as the world's best in order to retain that level as expectations and legislative requirements increase.

"It was impressive to observe first-hand the quality and experience of the group we drew upon and the level of debate, inclusion and enjoyment was outstanding. CAMS members should be reassured that the benefits will filter through to all levels of the sport as improvements roll-out through the process.

"Workshop facilitator, David Levens, was able to draw out the fundamental issues facing the NOP which was the central objective of this first review stage. After time for reflection, the next session will develop defined solutions to these issues for progressive implementation over the next two years."

The framework for the day identified issues within several major themes including recruitment, training, retention and the licensing of motor sport officials. Participants identified strengths and the areas for improvement in the program and these will be used as the basis for the second workshop to be held in May 2005.

A blonde on a flight to Melbourne moves from economy to first class and sits in a spare seat. After checking the passenger's ticket, the flight attendant asks her to return to economy.

The blonde replies: "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful and I'm staying right here!"

The co-pilot goes to talk to her but gets the same response: "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful and I'm staying right here!"

Finally, the pilot, who is married to a blonde, offers to sort it out. He goes to the blonde, whispers something in her ear and she replies: "Oh dear, I am sorry, I had no idea", gets up and moves to her seat at the rear of the aircraft.

When the crew ask how he did it, the pilot says: "I told her First Class wasn't going to Melbourne".

PRESIDENTS REPORT

I hope everyone had a happy Christmas and a good break so we can get back into it with renewed vigour (no not you Peter). 2005 already and we have had our first event, a Khanacross at Woodstock. Thanks to Bevan and all your helpers.

The AGM is approaching and time to think about who you consider the appropriate person for the various roles. Please think about turning up for the meeting so you can have your say. A nomination form is contained this magazine.

Update on what's happening.

- Had a meeting with the president of the Townsville Motorcycle Club (who own the Woodstock track) recently and came up with a draft agreement for the use of the track (to be agreed at a club meeting). We have the dates that the track will be available so we can now plan the rest of the year.
- I attended a National Officiating Program workshop in Melbourne recently, where I represented Queensland country clubs, to flush out all the issues relating to Officials (good and bad). The topics discussed were "Gain, Train, Retain and Sustain". *"The workshop was the first in a three-stage process to identify and understand the issues in relation to the NOP, to develop improved processes and support for the program and to implement agreed outcomes."* (see media release elsewhere or CAMS web site) I was impressed with the level of commitment from CAMS to address this issue and hopefully will bring about changes to the program. There will be another workshop in May to come up with an implementation plan for the identified 'fixes'.
- Followed up on a tip from Greg Wright about the Northern Athletics Club moving from their clubhouse in Currajong into new facilities at the Sports Reserve. Advice from the Council is that they have not received any form notice from the Athletics Club, but would prefer an organisation to occupy the clubhouse that would utilise the sports oval. (Yea, grass Motorkhanas.) Will follow up possible sub lease option.
- 6x3m Quikshade has been purchased and used at Woodstock.
- Greg Wright and I attended a Sport and Recreation information session and will be applying for grant to conduct officials training.
- The TCC have provided additional 1km of hotmix bitumen to the Mt. Stuart Hillclimb course with sealed entry to the pits area.
- Awaiting notification if grant to purchase 4 Rally clocks, more radios, a photocopier and a laptop and printer has been successful.
- I am in the process of obtaining quotes to expend the \$1200 for safety equipment from previous QRC registration. I am looking at such things as vests, more radios, signage, etc. If you have any ideas please let me know.
- I had a meeting with Adam Carmichael from Key Motors just after Christmas. He is very interested in sponsoring the Hillclimbs and even spoke of bringing Cody Crocker to town. Stay tuned.

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

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of
TWIN CITIES AUTOSPORTS CLUB Inc.
14th MARCH 2005

TOWNSVILLE DRAG CLUB
YARROWEE ST, CURRAJONG

STARTING AT 7.00PM

The voting form for office bearers is to be completed and lodged with the Secretary prior to the AGM.

Only financial members of the Twin Cities Autosports Club Inc. will be eligible to vote.

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POSITION	NOMINEE	PROPOSED	SECONDED
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