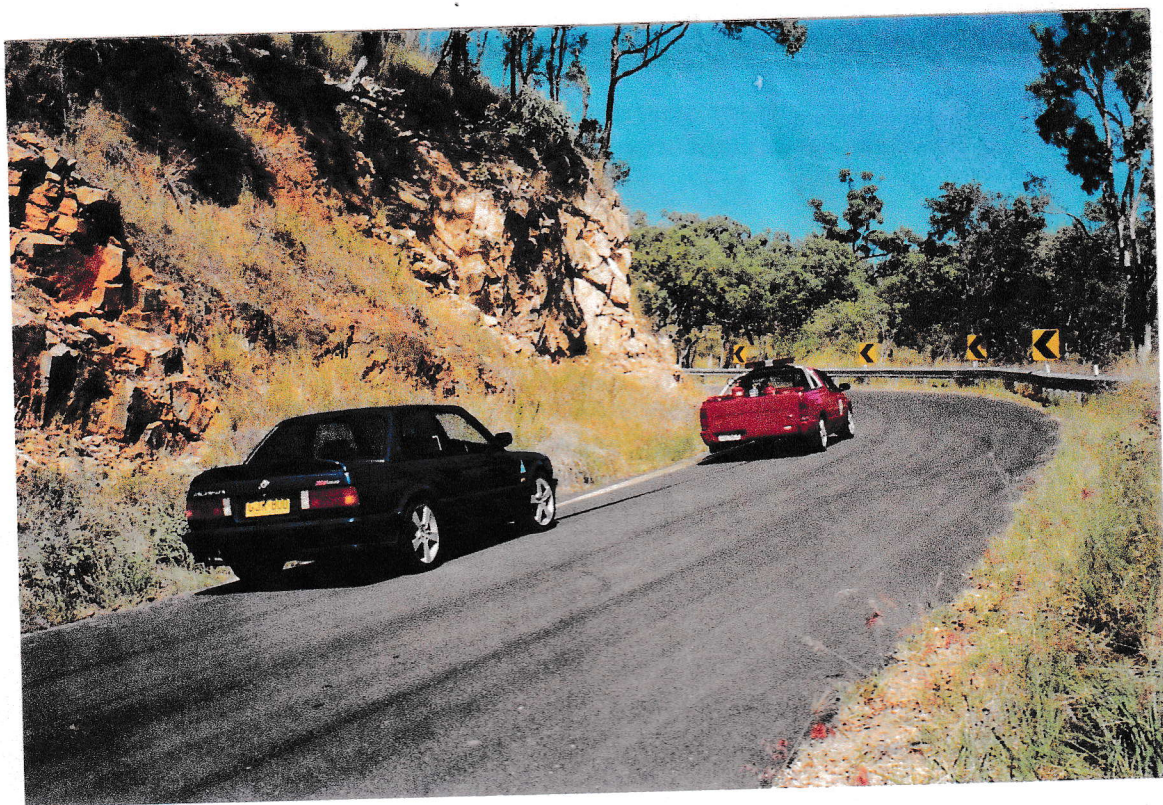

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Anyone wishing to submit Articles, Information, For Sales, etc. for the next magazine please call me or send the article. Closing deadline for magazine is the Thursday following meetings.

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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

Thanks guys for providing the perfect photo opportunity for me and my camera at the Hillclimb the other day! What a pair of photogenic cars – and check out which one was being towed! Well, most of this newsletter has been photocopied on the club's new photocopier. Mind you I needed driving lessons and a degree in engineering to be able to use the thing! It was nice to hear the guys down at the Whitsundays read my newsletter before every club meeting. They try to coordinate their events with ours so we can enjoy each others company with no clashes.

Warning! To those of you who haven't paid your membership fees this will be your last newsletter!

Deb & Lance Melrose

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Why am I not surprised that there is no Secretaries Report!

THE TWIN CITIES AUTOSPORT CLUB

AMAZING RACE

The Twin Cities Autosport Club will be holding an Amazing Race on the 10th July 2005 around the streets of Townsville. To raise money for the Zayne Roberts trust fund. You will need to find clues and complete activities (nothing strenuous) to make it to the final pit stop.

Each person in the team must attempt at least one task. It will be an advantage to bring the kids along. There is activities the kids will be able to complete a lot quicker than the older folk.

Things you must have!

- your own vehicle (as you will be driving the course)
- street directory, to navigate (you will have to make your own way to each stop, there will be no directions given)
- a will to win
- and a sense of humour.

We will start from Cutheringa Park which is on Percy / Bundock Street. You will need to be there at 10.00am, to get your first clue. The first teams will leave at 10.30am sharp. Just remember, if you are not there for the start, there is no chance of winning. We will finish at, well I am not telling you that. That is what you need the clues for. It is expected to take approx 3 to 4 hours to complete.

There will be a BBQ, jumping castle, face painting for the little ones, raffles and presentation at the end of the day, so leave your day free.

Cost \$ \$20.00 per car. This will include entry, BBQ, and prizes 1st, 2nd, 3rd and last.

If you are interested you will need to register and pay your money to me (Murray Sutherland) or Jenny Roberts, before the 30th June. There is only room for 40 teams. First in best dressed.

Drinks will be available at the finish.

My phone No is (h)4723-0269 (w) 4771-1025 and address is, 1 Beagle Crt Kirwan 4817.

See you there.

Murray Sutherland
Social Member
Twin Cities Autosport Club

- 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.

Calender of Events

Sunday 29th May – Meeting to formulate the club Business Plan
Key Motors Staff Training Room. Contact Ron White for details. Please can as many members attend as possible.

Tuesday 14th June – Club Meeting

Sat/Sunday 18th/19th June – Ingham Rally. Camping, showers, Toilets, floodlights. Lions Club catering. 3 New spectator points. 1 new stage. Contact Boxhead 47288359 0429356013

Sunday 19th June – Hillclimb No 2

Monday 11th July – Club Meeting

Sat/Sunday 30th/31st July – Cardwell Rally. Contact Heckler 47734663

Monday 8th August – Club Meeting

Sunday 21st August – Hillclimb No 3

Sat/Sunday 3rd/4th September – Kirknie Rally. Contact Greg Van Dinter 0418782827/47747574(h)

Monday 12th September – Club Meeting

Saturday 1st October – Hillclimb No 4

PLEASE NOTE: THESE DATES WILL CHANGE AS THE HILLCLIMB AND RALLY ARE ON THE SAME DAY!

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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Guy gets on a plane and finds himself seated next to a cute blonde.

He immediately turns to her and makes his move.

"You know", he says, "I've heard that flights go quicker if you strike up a conversation with a fellow passenger. So let's talk."

The blonde, who had just opened her book, closes it slowly and says to the guy. "What would you like to discuss?"

"Oh, I don't know", says the guy. "How about nuclear power?"

"OK", says the blonde. "That could be an interesting topic. But let me ask you a question first. A horse, a cow and a deer all eat the same stuff, grass. Yet the deer excretes little pellets, the cow turns out a flat patty and the horse produces muffins of dried poop. Why do you suppose that is?"

The guy is dumbfounded. Finally he replies, "I haven't the slightest idea."

"So, tell me", says the blonde, "how is it that you feel qualified to discuss nuclear power when you don't know shit?"

QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL

Excerpts of Minutes

Meeting held on Thursday 17th March, 2005

CORRESPONDENCE

4529 Letter, Brisbane Sporting Car Club Ltd, 14/03/05 re Round 5 of the 2005 QRC. Resolved that the date change for Round 5 of the 2005 QRC from 27th August 2005 to the 10th September 2005 be confirmed.

KIWI CORNER

I don't know where these expressions actually come from but I have been told by reliable sources that Kiwi's actually do use them! And we are supposed to be Kiwi's!!

Crib – a holiday cottage in the South Island

Cuz – shortened form of cousin

Decko – a look, as in “take a decko at that chick in the mini skirt”

Dillbrain – stupid or silly person

Dingo – an Australian

Ditch – the Tasman Sea, particularly used in reference to Australia

Dropkick – a despicable or disliked person

Dunny Diver – a Plumber

Easy as shoving a slab of butter up a cow's bum with a size 5 knitting needle on a hot day – very difficult

Ever thought of renting your mouth out as a car park? – said to a loud mouth

Grand Scale Theft – GST

Godzone – NZ

Hydraulic Sandwich – a liquid lunch

QUESTION

What makes a Rally Car run better?

ANSWER

Fuel! (and Stuff)

WHITSUNDAYS KHANACROSS (AND STUFF!)

30TH April – 1st May, 2005-05-07

First of all, thanks to all you guys from the Whitsundays Car Club, who made the weekend so much fun. That includes Ross Angelo who so generously let us use his property and his home over the weekend.

Secondly, thanks for teaching us some truly amazing facts about life (and stuff) in general!. We learnt that if you are sitting by a campfire and the smoke changes direction and blows in your face all you have to do is yell "I hate rabbits" with vigour and gusto and the smoke will move away! Now, isn't that such a useful thing to know! We tried it many times on Saturday night and, well, the results of that little "survey" are still being correlated!

We also learnt (didn't we, Dianne!) that rally cars go consistently well with fuel in their tanks!!!

Anyway, back to the racing. There were 14 entrants, including one from the Tablelands, one from Cairns, the Escort Racing Team and Hans in the Saab, as well as the Whitsundays Bunch. We all had lots of "goes" on the track that had been carved out of Ross' property. There was racing on both Saturday and Sunday and we all had a huge amount of fun.

I do wish it wasn't "so hard to get good help" though. Stopping the officials from gossiping was a problem. Chris and Rossco needed reminding to press stopwatches – too much chatting and throwing cheek. Lance found the perfect solution – yelling "are you guys ready?" out the car window when he was about to start was a good way to start the race. Then when he was heading down the home straight, tooting the horn and flashing the lights worked as well!

It was lucky that the scrub was quite flexible and Ross guaranteed that it wouldn't damage the bodywork of our cars. I can tell you from personal experience that I (and many others) often took "the scenic route" on the way round the track. Of course, I was totally in control all the time (not likely!). All I wanted was to widen the track and look at the scenery a bit! No dents – only a broken headlight that really wasn't my fault – Peter did it! Everybody was coming back with small shrubs hooked in various parts of their cars. Great fun!

Well, thanks again to the Whitsundays Car Club, we had another great time. To all you slackers that didn't go, well, you missed out, didn't you!

See you all again soon, I hope.

Debra and Lance Melrose

HOT OFF THE PRESS!!

**NEW ZEALAND HAS JUST
UPGRADED IT'S ARMED
FORCES**



HILLCLIMB NO. 1 SUNDAY APRIL 17TH

You know, you would really think that with all the rev heads around town they would jump at the chance to race their cars up Mount Stuart. But no – the usual core of serious hillclimbers were in attendance. All lined up and ready to race with cars ranging from a mini clubman from Cairns, the trusty Escort, Murray's corolla, (it was his first hillclimb and his picture made it into the paper!), some V8 commordores, and a WRX (the Key Motors one driven by Adam Carmichael). Shane Satchwell and John Piper battled it out in their cars, Datsun 1200 ute vs Lancer Evo8. Nathan was trying really hard to hit the tyre chicaynes – succeeding almost every time! The types of cars were extremely varied. Even Lindsay Stone was there in his RX7 – first hillclimb for a long time. All the drivers had a great time – they all seemed to enjoy putting their vehicles through their paces up the hill.

The poor old flag marshals – Daniel, Neville, Johann Hans Burger, Karen and I all sat and sweated it out in the sun for the entire day with not much on track excitement. Except of course for the broken down BMW being towed by the Falcon Fire ute – he conveniently broke down right in front of me and my camera – photo opportunity!!!

It is a good day of racing and Lance even beat Peter, which topped it off nicely.

We do need to encourage some new "talent" to come and have a go. They will be hooked from the first race – guaranteed!!

Debra Melrose

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Bob the builder was going through a house he had just built with the woman who owned it. She was telling him what colour to paint each room.
They went into the first room and she said "I want this room to be painted a light blue."
The builder went to the front door and yelled "GREEN SIDE UP!"
When he went back into the house, she told him that the next room was to be bright red.
The builder went to the front door and yelled "GREEN SIDE UP!"
When he went back into the house, she told him that the next room was to be tan.
The builder went to the font door and yelled "GREEN SIDE UP!"
When he came back, the lady was pretty curious, so she asked him "I keep telling you colours, but you go out the front and yell green side up; what is that for?"
The builder said, "Oh don't worry about that, I've got a couple of Kiwis laying the turf out front."

Transaction Report

1/04/05 Through 08/05/05 (in Aus. Dollars)

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Date	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
BALANCE 10/04/05						
11/04/05	a38	G Wright		Club Membership Family	R	50.00
11/04/05	b38	L Stone		Club Membership Family	R	50.00
11/04/05	c38	J Burger		Club Membership Competitive	R	50.00
11/04/05	d38	A Carmichael		Club Membership Competitive	R	50.00
11/04/05	a39	C Birely		Club Membership Social	R	10.00
11/04/05	738641	Coates Hire	toilet hire	Event & Function Expenses: 16/04/05 to c	R	-110.00
11/04/05	738642	D Melrose		Magazine Photocopying	R	-144.77
12/04/05	738652	UH Commis	Communications equipment	Miscellaneous equipment	R	-1,092.40
17/04/05	738653	C Birely	first ad cover	Event & Function Expenses: 16/04/05 to c	R	-250.00
19/04/05	738643	NT	click freight	Event & Function Expenses: 16/04/05 to c	R	-32.78
30/04/05	172212	R White		Entry Fees: 16/04/05 to c	R	1,300.00
C2/05/05		Commonwealth Bank	service fee	Bank Charges	R	-10.15
C2/05/05		Commonwealth Bank		Bank Charges: SDT	R	-10.90
C2/05/05	738654	Office Equipment	purchase of photocopier & computer	Miscellaneous equipment	R	-7,203.90
TOTAL 11/04/05 - 08/05/05						<u>-7,374.90</u>
BALANCE 08/05/05						-4,158.46
TOTAL INFLOWS						
TOTAL OUTFLOWS						1,530.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS						-8,904.90
NET TOTAL						<u>-7,374.90</u>

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I, the undersigned hereby apply to become a member of the above-mentioned association. In the event of my admission as a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the association for the time being in force.

Name: Address:

Telephone: () (Work) () (Home)

Occupation:

Any qualifications held (e.g. First Aid etc):

Make of competitive car:

Signature of applicant: Date / /20

How did you learn about our club? Word of mouth ☐ Advertising ☐ Spectator ☐

I, the undersigned, a member of the association, nominate the applicant, who is personally known to me for membership of the association.

Name: Signature of Nominator: Date / /20

I, the undersigned, a member of the association, second the nomination of the applicant, who is personally known to me for membership of the association.

Name: Signature of Secoder: Date / /20

FEES (2004):-

SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP	\$10.00 / single	COMPETITIVE	\$40.00 / single
(1 st March – 28 th February)	\$20.00 / family	(1 st March – 28 th February)	\$60.00 / family
plus CAMS License	\$44 Level 2NS	\$83 Level 2S	\$149 National Rally
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