



HISTORIC TORQUE

The Official Journal of the Historic Racing Car Club (Queensland) Inc

NOVEMBER 2018

COMING EVENTS:
 Noosa Hillclimb Summer Tewantin 10-11 November
 HRCC Social / AGM Carina 19 November
 Christmas/Trophy Presentation Dinner 8 December
 See hrcc.org.au for event information

HRCC's 2018 AGM
 will be held at
Carina Leagues Club, 1390 Creek Rd, Carina
 on **MONDAY 19th November, at 7:30pm**

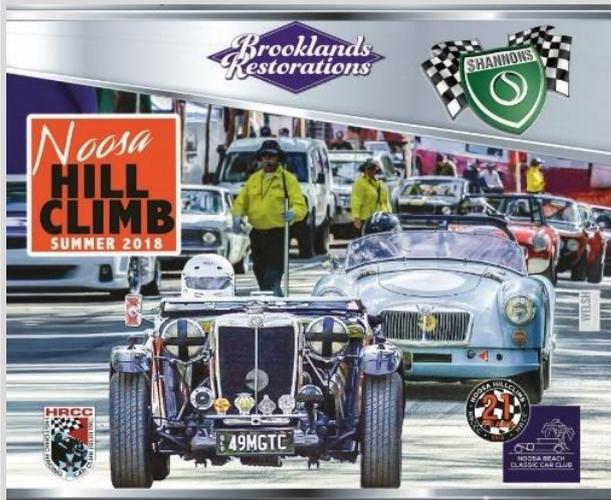
The Committee urges Members to attend, show an interest in the workings of the Club, support those who take on the work and responsibility of Committee roles, and mostly to enjoy the company of fellow Members!

For information on the Committee's role, or taking on a supporting role, please contact a current Member (see page 2..)

Formal Notice of Meeting on page 11 or download on www.hrcc.org.au/agm

www.hrcc.org.au

Casual Dining available
 before the **AGM**
 At Carina Leagues Club's
 very pleasant bistro...
 good food at club prices.



THIS WEEKEND!
21st Annual Summer
NOOSA HILLCLIMB
 'Classic & Sports Car Challenge'

Includes Historic Log Booked Cars, and Racing, Sports, and Touring Cars in Historic, Classic and Modern competition classes.
November 19 & 11

At Gyndier Drive, Tewantin

There'll be a street parade of competition cars in Hastings St, Noosa on Friday (3-5pm)

Noosa Hillclimb is a Joint Venture of HRCC and NBCCC

Proudly supporting the
Sunshine Coast Prostate Cancer Support Group.

See page 3 for more...

Personal Note from the Editor:

This is it from me, but I still have plenty of HRCC business to take care of!...

Ian Welsh has already begun work on the December issue; with his graphic and journalistic skills he'll no doubt produce a fresh and improved Historic Torque. I'm sure you'll support him with information, news, and encouragement.... over to you, Ian.

Peter Walsh.

HRCC CHRISTMAS DINNER
and AWARDS PRESENTATION

will be at **EASTS LEAGUES CLUB**

40 Main Avenue, COORPAROO

On Saturday 8th December

From 6 till late, Dinner at 6:45

\$25 pp, booking essential by 26 November.

Book: johnmonica@bigpond.com

Members, Friends and Family
Welcome

Please see page 5
for more information and
order form

Email readers: attached separately for your convenience.

Contributions for upcoming issues of the Club's monthly Newsletter are encouraged and may be sent to:

The Editor, HRCC Newsletter, PO.Box 353 Red Hill Qld 4059, or email info@hrcc.org.au

MS Word documents as attachments and separate digital pics attached as jpeg files would be most helpful.

Deadline: Last day of the month.

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SHANNONS
CARS & COFFEE
Sunday 2nd December ~ 7am – 10am



First 50 Coffees are on us!
Open to all cars. JUST DRIVE IN AND PARK.

Venue- Shannons Car Park
305 Montague Rd, West End Qld 4101

Brooklands Restorations **SHANNONS**

Noosa HILL CLIMB SUMMER 2018

HRCC **NOOSA BEACH CLASSIC CAR CLUB**

Classic & Sports Car Challenge
SATURDAY & SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 10 & 11 2018
Gyndier Drive, Tewantin

TICKETS \$15 PER DAY CHILDREN U14 FREE

Friday 9 November from 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Get up close & personal
STREET PARADE
Hastings St, Noosa Surf Club

Proudly supporting the **SUNSHINE COAST PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

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Be Part of Fabulous Noosa!

The 21st Noosa Hillclimb (Summer) will be run over the weekend of 10-11 November.

Both Noosa Hillclimbs (Summer and Winter) are promoted by a joint venture of the Noosa Beach Classic Car Club (NBCCC) and Historic Racing Car Club of Queensland (HRCC) and have steadily increased in popularity over the last 20 years.

The course is claimed to be Australia's Toughest Hillclimb, combining 14 challenging corners with a dramatic rise to the top of the range, all centred in the beautiful Tewantin National Park. Of course, Noosa/Tewantin provides plentiful accommodation and entertainment, so a longer stay is very popular.

Billed as the Classic and Sports Car Challenge, the Summer Hillclimb is open to all types, but, with the glorious Noosa weather, is especially suited to Sportscars and open-wheel Racing Cars, whether road registered or not.

For 2018, cars with Historic Logbook will be included in the appropriate age bracket unless sufficient entries are received to form an individual class. The three age brackets are:

Historic (Pre-1980)

Classic (1981-2000)

Modern (post 2000)

including Classes for Racing Cars, Sports Cars, Sports Sedans and Touring Cars, and a Regularity Hillclimb.

Spectators Welcome!

Only \$15.

Haven't seen Noosa Hillclimb? Make 2018 your year!

2019 HRCC Club Membership Renewal.

This year the club membership renewal is being offered online.

The system is entered through the HRCC website via "Logon" icon.

The online system will allow you to check and update your details when renewing and throughout the year if your details change.

When renewals are opened around the end of November, we'll provide via email to all members a step by step guide to hopefully make it a relatively painless procedure.

There will still be facilities for paper renewals if required, for members that do not have email/internet.

We would encourage you to try the new system.

If you need help, ring or email the Membership Officer, Jim Goulden 0400 525865 jim@jandwgoulden.com



2019 Western Australian All Historics Tour

Promoted by the WA Sporting Car Club

Come and help us celebrate:

90th Anniversary of the WA Sporting Car Club

50th Anniversary of Wanneroo Park / Barbagallo Raceway

40th Anniversary of the 1979 Australian GP

1st Birthday of the Collie Motorplex long circuit

Racing & Regularity

18-20th October 2019

2019 Collie Historics at Collie Motorplex

25-27th October 2019

2019 Perth Classic at Barbagallo Raceway



Two 3 day events for **all historic classes** to be held over two consecutive weekends at two venues.

www.wascc.com.au

The Oily Rag

If you have not been taking "the Oily Rag" you have been missing out!

Just tick the box on your Membership Renewal and be surprised at the quality and quantity of this Club Journal which represents HSRCA, VHRR and HRCC in a quarterly 'glossy magazine'. If you have already renewed and not selected The Oily Rag option, contact Membership Officer (see page 2)

You can contribute to or advertise in The Oily Rag, just send copy to Peter Walsh or info@hrcc.org.au



2018 Queensland Circuit Racing Championship - Round 4

Round 4 of the CAMS Circuit Racing State Championship will be on **17-18 November**, promoted by MGCCQ

There are opportunities for MOPQRS&T sports and racing cars, FF and Vee, Sports Sedans, and Group N Touring cars.

HRCC includes the State Championships in the point-scoring for the Don Thallon Cup, for Group N. (see below)

Log in to the CAMS Member Portal, select CAMSEventEntry, go to 'upcoming events' (top of page, NOT 'quick enter here' as that doesn't give you Supp Regs, etc), find the event, check 'event details', then click 'enter event'.....

Listed as: 2018 Queensland Circuit Racing Championship - Round 4

Events are listed in order of event start date. Entrant list is there, too.

Entries close 9th November, so Enter Now for a great weekend of Racing.

HRCC's Don Thallon Cup for Group N Historic Touring Cars Nominated Rounds 2018

Round	Venue	Date	Meeting Description	Promoter
1	Morgan Park	18th February	HRCC Super Sprint	HRCC
2	Morgan Park	17th - 18th March	State Championship Meeting Rnd 1	MGCCQ
3	Morgan Park	14th - 15th April	State Championship Meeting Rnd 2	Cord OGS
4	Morgan Park	5th - 6th May	HRCC Autumn Historic Warwick Race Meeting	HRCC
5	Noosa Hillclimb	9th - 10th June	Noosa Hillclimb Winter	HRCC/NBCCC
6	Morgan Park	14th - 15th July	HRCC Historic Queensland Race Meeting	HRCC
7	Morgan Park	8th - 9th September	State Championship Meeting Rnd 3	QRDA
8	Noosa Hillclimb	10th-11th November	Noosa Hillclimb Summer	HRCC/NBCCC
9	Morgan Park	17th - 18th November	State Championship Meeting Rnd 4	MGCCQ

Queensland Motorsport Museum

Now at the new address of 25 Argon Street Sumner, I am hoping to share our new displays and facilities when next you have the time to drop in.

Ian Bone, QMM. ian@qldmotorsportmuseum.org

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THE HISTORIC RACING CAR CLUB invites all members to our
CHRISTMAS DINNER and AWARDS PRESENTATION for 2018

Terrific Lucky Prizes to be won

VENUE: Easts Leagues Club, 40 Main Avenue, Coorparoo.

DATE: Saturday 8th December 2018

TIME: 6pm till late; Two course dinner will be served at 6.45pm

COST: \$25 pp: Booking essential, maximum 140 guests.



Please advise of any dietary requirements when booking

- + Complimentary drink on arrival. Cash bar from 6pm.
- + Please send your bookings to:
Monica Tupicoff at johnmonica@bigpond.com before **Monday 26th November**.
- + For more information contact Monica Tupicoff on 0439 726941
- + Cheques/Money order payable to: Historic Racing Car Club [Qld] Inc.
- + PO Box 353, Red Hill Qld 4059.
- + Visa or Mastercard payments use form below and for your security we recommend you Post credit card form to the PO Box above.
- + EFT Payment to HRCC: BSB: 034-001, Account number: 229793
Reference: "CTD" plus your Surname.

2018 Christmas Dinner & Award Presentation

PERSONS ATTENDING: Name _____ **NO of TICKETS** _____

YOUR EMAIL OR PHONE NUMBER: _____

CREDIT CARD DEBIT AUTHORISATION

I
(print name) hereby authorise the Historic Racing Car Club (Qld) Inc
to debit my Credit Card (details below) the sum of \$..... being for goods or services
.....
2018 Christmas Dinner & Award Presentation
.....

Visa Mastercard Card Number: / / /

Expiry Date:/...../..... Name on Card:.....

Card Holder Signature:

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Check the Club website regularly for the latest updates, includes information, links, and access to event entries, membership forms, etc. Just click here... www.hrcc.org.au

See page 2 for Club Officers and contacts...

CLUB PHONE: 0424 321 072 may be answered by or messages responded to by the appropriate Club Officer.

CLUB EMAIL: info@hrcc.org.au The message will be responded to by the appropriate Club officer.

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HISTORIC COMMISSION: <http://www.cams.com.au/motor-sport/sport/historics/sporting-page/australian-historic-motor-sport-commission> .

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Please welcome the following New Members:

David Rodgie, Mark Stockwell

The HRCC Calendar for 2018 .				<i>keep an eye on it, there will be changes!</i>	
HRCC (points)	Other Historic	CAMS Qld, QRO	CALENDAR 2018	Confirmed?	
HRCC & NBCCC- NOOSA HILLCLIMB –Summer Challenge			November 10-11	Tewantin	✓
VHRR Historic Sandown			November 10-11	Sandown Park	✓
CAMS Qld Championships Rnd 4 (Gp N, others)			November 17-18	Morgan Park	✓
HSRCA Summer Festival			December 1-2	Sydney Motorsport Park	✓
SCCSA Adelaide Motorsport Festival			December 1-2	Victoria Park (Clipsal)	✓
HRCC Christmas Party/ Trophy Presentation Dinner 2018			Sat- December 8	East Leagues Club	✓
What's on next year?			2019		
HRCC TRY, TRAINING & TEST DAY (TTT)			February 23	Morgan Park	✓
HRCC SUPERSPRINTS			February 24	Morgan Park	✓
CAMS Queensland Motorsport Expo,			February 17	Beenleigh Showground	✓
VHRR Phillip Island Classic			March 8-10	Phillip Island	✓
CAMS Qld Championships Rnd 1			March 30-31	Morgan Park	✓
Lakeside Tribute				Lakeside	
CAMS Qld Championships Rnd 2			June 29-30	Morgan Park	✓
HSRCA Autumn Festival			March 30-31	Wakefield Park	✓
SCCSA Mallala Historics			April 27-28	Mallala	✓
HRCC 'AUTUMN HISTORIC WARWICK' RACES			May 4-5	Morgan Park	✓
A7CC Historic Winton			May 18-19	Winton	✓
HSRCA Winter Festival			June 8-9	SMSP	✓
HRCC & NBCCC – NOOSA HILLCLIMB –Winter Challenge			June 8-9	Tewantin	✓
Australian Muscle Car Masters -ARDC			Aug 31 Sept 1	Sydney Motorsport Park	✓
Two Days of Thunder				Queensland Raceway	
HRCC 'HISTORIC QUEENSLAND' RACES			July 13-14	Morgan Park	✓
VHRR Winton Festival of Speed			August 3-4	Winton	✓
Lakeside Classic				Lakeside	
CAMS Qld Championships Rnd 3			September 8-9	Morgan Park (QRDA)	✓
QRDC				Queensland Raceway	✓
HSRCA Spring Festival			September 28-29	Wakefield Park	✓
HSCC Baskerville Historics			September 21-22	Baskerville Tas	✓
CAMS Qld Championships Rnd 4			November 2-3	Morgan Park (MGCCQ)	✓
HRCC & NBCCC- NOOSA HILLCLIMB –Summer Challenge			November 9-10	Tewantin	✓
VHRR Historic Sandown			October ???	Sandown Park	✓
HSRCA Tasman Festival			Nov 30 Dec 1	SMSP	✓

Positions Vacant: Your Chance to contribute to Your Club!

Race Committee

The HRCC Race Committee works in conjunction with the Management Committee to prepare for and conduct the Club's Motorsport Events, eg the Try, Train, Test (TTT) Day and SuperSprint in February, the Autumn Historic Warwick (May) and Historic Queensland (July) Race Meetings, and works with the Noosa HillClimb Joint Venture Committee.



The Race Committee would like to see some new members; someone with the time and energy to contribute to the organisation of HRCC's big events, and enjoy the satisfaction of a job well done.

Event Team

We also need to establish a register of Members who we can call upon readily to carry out specific tasks to assist in the preparation of these events. If you'd like to be a part of the team, please contact John Tupicoff or Peter Walsh (see page 2).

AUSTRALIAN MOTOR HERITAGE FOUNDATION

It appears now that the "Future of Our Past" may be secure.

The formation of the company, Australian Motor Heritage Foundation Limited evolved from our first meetings and has now progressed to the stage of signing an MoU with the ARDC to occupy their old two-story office near the round-about. It is a not-for-profit company, registered as a charity.

The Motor Heritage Foundation is dedicated to preserving and presenting our motor heritage by:

- Collecting, preserving, recording and exhibiting literature and media of all types and items of significance, then making them accessible to the community.
- Maintaining its viable resource centre connected with other national and international resources, bringing in specialists and enabling research and study into the impact and influence of motoring in Australia, researching and identifying future trends.
- Fostering public awareness of motor heritage through specialist seminars, programs and publications to educate the broader community on diverse subjects like vehicle design and road safety, on every subject from automotive engineering to the history of safe driving and restoration of motor vehicles. The demand will determine the outcomes.
- Creating a resource for universities, TAFE colleges, schools, clubs, academics and historians, which will become a nucleus for our automotive and advertising industries, for journalists, preservationists and entrepreneurs.



- Becoming a focal point for the 780 car clubs in New South Wales and a centre within the Western Sydney Parklands for community engagement at Sydney Motor Sport Park.

Apart from the large core collection of photos, files, books, magazines, programmes, brochures and films, the Graham Howard Collection will be housed within the archives of the Foundation.

The Australian Racing Drivers Club and its lessor the Western Sydney Parklands Trust (and the responsible Minister) must be counted as supporters, for their foresight and enthusiasm displayed when welcoming the Foundation as a tenant at Sydney Motor Sport Park. It is this initiative which has largely enabled the Foundation to secure its future and to attract additional interest and donors.

A look at the Foundation's website: www.australianmotorheritagefoundation.org will provide more information.

Brian Caldersmith (HSRCA Newsletter Nov2018)

Brian Pettit.

Driving his 2015 Minetti Sports/Racer, Brian had a very unfortunate incident at Lakeside on Wed 23 October when he ran over a piece of another car's body part laying on the track - it flicked up and hit him in the chest with a huge force, causing him to lose control and crash heavily into the fence. He was badly injured and is still in hospital at the time of writing with a fractured sternum and many broken ribs and other injuries. He has improved significantly but does not expect to be out too soon. Brian commended everyone at Lakeside for their response and assistance in this horror, unpredictable incident.

He obviously also has a very bent motor car!

Peter Mohr.

VALE John Weekes

We are sad to report the passing of John Weekes, last Friday, after some months of illness.

John was a HRCC Member and active competitor since 2007, beginning with his beloved Jaguar E-type in Regularity Trials, then driving his Alfa Romeo GTV2000 in Group S and more recently Group N competition.

His funeral will be held next Saturday 10th November at Brookfield Cemetery at 2pm to be followed by a Celebration of his life at Brookfield Village Hall.

The President and Committee of HRCC extend our deepest sympathy to John's family and friends on his untimely passing.

FOR SALE: 1984 MARTINI Group R

I am looking to sell my 1984 Martini Mk 47 Golf fuel injected engine, Mk9 Hewland , A full ground effects car and really nicely sorted. It's only raced twice in Australia but has a fully rebuilt 180 bhp engine with all new bits. The suspension and chassis have been fettled by Steve Moody who is very credentialed !!
Way lower maintenance than an Atlantic car, so look at it as a much more sophisticated Ralt RT3. Cams CoD and log book Group R. Former USA championship winner so it's got good history. I have no time to use it, but would consider trading a Formula Ford or a classic!
Contact John on: johnbowe@ozemail.com.au



FOR SALE. EH Holden Track Car, 202, 12 port head, 10:1 compression ratio, 3x45mm Weber Carburetors, Pacemaker exhaust system, high energy ignition system, electric fuel pump, Celica 5 speed G/box overhauled, 3.55 fine spline locked diff, Disc brake front end, 14x8 alloy wheels, 225/50R14 Toyo R88 medium compound tyres, 60% plus condition. Car has been Dyno tuned, dyno graph available. Car has been CAMS inspected. Trailer available if required. POA. Only silly offers and cheques rejected. Contact Max Lollback, 0419682693.



FOR SALE : GOLFORD SPECIAL Formula Junior

Economical and competitive entry into Formula Junior racing.
Regularly raced by current owner over the last 11 years with consistent class wins. Twice winner of Australian Formula Junior Aussie Built Trophy.
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Includes enclosed trailer and spares. Price A \$35,000 Contact Rob Buckley on 0418782075



FOR SALE: 1969 RENNMAX-PALLISER Formula 2

Historic log book group O. Car has had a ground up resto and is genuinely in perfect condition 'ready to race'. Fresh rebuild 1600 twin cam motor and H5, five speed Hewland transaxle. New rims 10' front 12' rear with new Avon grooved slicks. New brakes and Girling master cylinders and pads. Stainless exhaust. Fresh body work with new paint. This car was constructed for Alex Mildren as a spare and didn't race until 1972. Full history available. Reluctant sale \$65,000.00 Neg. contact Ian Gray 0431847870 or ian@graeson.com.au



FOR SALE: 1979 Dulon Formula Ford.

A well known English Formula Ford, has strong motor and transmission all in good condition. Many spares including most body panels, uprights, a spare set of wheels with new Avon tyres. A good reliable car \$18000 offers considered call Barry Wise 0415318913 to discuss.



FOR SALE: 1973 Ford Escort Mk1

Race Car. Professionally built 2 litre Pinto 165hp ATW, Sierra five speed, Webers, extractors etc. Full cage CAMS approved, Custom springs and shocks, Hilux diff, upgraded brakes. Has been a race car for many years, Very quick little car 62.5 at Lakeside. Selling with 4 15x7 rims with AO50 Yokohama's and two 15x8 Rims Asking \$19,500.00. Phone Royce 0417 760699



FOR SALE: Motor home -coach conversion,

built for 2 permanent living, suit race car tow vehicle with all mod cons. Refurbished 2014, in great condition. L10 Cummins engine, 250 HP turbo with 10 speed Road Ranger, cruises at 100 kmh at 1550 rpm, 4.1 km per litre, solar power and everything you need incl. slide out BBQ. Unit ready to roll; current owner in poor health. \$235,000 for quick sale with galv. tandem, braked carrier trailer. Contact Vince Wight 0438982555



FOR SALE: MAZDA RX3

Replica of 1975 Bathurst class winner Has brand new 13b Bridgeport, full roll cage, CAMS 3J Imp Production log book. Hilux diff, Willwood brakes on front and disc all round. RX7 Series 5 Turbo 5 speed gearbox, coilovers in front, has 48 lda Weber, PWR radiator, 5 point harness, fuel cell, spare set of dragways, original fuel tank and drivers side coupe door, another gearbox and other parts. Price is \$22500. Tristan Brooks, 0409489051



FOR SALE: Yokohama AO50

NEW 235/40 R18 on rims, asking \$1600. 0418752150 ..Trevor Hill

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Free to Members and Friends of HRCC



For Sale: 1979 PORSCHE 928

1979 Porsche 928 I /h/d 4.5 litre V8 injected, approx 300hp, 6 speed man box, race seats and harnesses, 1/2 roll cage, coil-over shocks, race brakes, new tyres. Eligible for club rego. Would make a great, super reliable track day car or with a few mods a great SC sports car. \$26,000. Contact: Stan Adler 0414 911 901



For Sale: Mazda RX2 Group Nc

CAMS Group N State Champion car 2016

Motor: Group N specification ports, Racing Beat rotating assembly, modified 51mm Weber. Gearbox PAR S/C C/R. Various L/S diff ratios.

Re-valved adjustable Konis. Watts Linkage .

\$19,999. Contact Bob 0439215064 or bob.sudall@gmail.com



For Sale: 1969 FORD MUSTANG Mach 1, 'S' code 390 fastback

(Sports Roof), now with 428 Cobra Jet with shaker, 4 speed top loader, Hurst shifter, 9" LSD rear, alloy roll cage (pre 2000), race seats, 4 point harness, Edelbrock alloy heads, Holley single plane alloy intake, alloy radiator, winged sump, Hawk crank, Eagle H beam rods, Probe racing pistons, Dragway mags and lots more. CAMS log book, and more, Price \$69,000 firm, ring 0402055042, John Taylor.



For Sale: TRIUMPH GT6 Mk2 Group T



Log booked Group T Historic. 4 events only since complete body off rebuild. Original 2 litre engine fully race prepared and rebuilt with triple Webers. F/glass front, Perspex windows, weighs only 750kg. Looks absolutely immaculate.

All moulds come with car. 3 sets of wheels inc, new wets.

Call Brian on 0417633318 or brian.ferrabee@gmail.com



For Sale: 1998 MGF. 'Price reduced'

Purpose built for Circuit Sprint and Hill Climb events. Regular competitor at Qld Super Sprints for 8 years. Konis all round with independent, lowered gas suspension, roll cage, great brakes, brake bias and strong gearbox. Fun to drive car which would make a great entry level race car. \$6,500. Car is located at Warwick. Phone Peter on 0408957966.



For Sale: MAZDA RX7. Group U Sports Sedan

Contact Jason Lea 0403 071294 or 0426 269091



Historic Sandown

November 10-11th 2018

Phillip Island Festival of Motorsport

March 8-9-10 2019

The 2018 Tasman Festival

December 1 & 2

featuring Formula 5000, '60s racing cars and international visitors.



2019 CAMS EXPO for potential Officials and Competitors will be 17th February at Beenleigh Showgrounds
HRCC will be participating with several cars on display and Members promoting the Club and Historic Racing.
For more: Peter Gilbert (see page 2)

Alan Conway's Bucket List...cont

I had been using my grandsons X-Box simulator in an attempt to learn the circuit. Sadly, it was an old version and only covered what is now called "The National Circuit" – a very small part of the total six kilometre circuit. When I drove out of pit lane it was ALL foreign to me. An incredibly difficult circuit to learn – it is almost absolutely flat with grandstands on both sides of the track almost the entire length. There are no discerning features anywhere to tell you where you are.

In the morning session I think I did five laps at about half pace, just feeling my way. The car felt wonderful – brand new. In the afternoon session, I pushed a little harder (ran off the track twice!) but on the last lap there was an engine miss. I reported this to the mechanic who was present to care for the car and the owner's interests. The rest of Thursday afternoon and evening were spent checking anything that could cause a miss – mostly electrical, but also fuel float levels, etc. The car received a thorough going over, but nothing was found.

Now this weekend was in the midst of England's recent heatwave. On the Monday I flew out of Birmingham, they recorded the highest temperature ever recorded in London - 39.2 degrees.

On Friday we had midday qualifying session and it was HOT. I went out of pit lane now knowing where the first two turns went and what the lines were, after that???? I completed three laps at a reasonable pace, didn't run off or wide anywhere and now feeling comfortable in the car - Time for a qualifying lap. The car initially responded well, but suddenly when I accelerated to pull out of one corner the car just died. Now there are fifty-four cars on track, some of whom are very competitive, and I have a car that will not respond to the accelerator. Pump it a bit, down some gears – ah well that is the end of this session, and suddenly it sprang to life as if nothing had ever happened. I completed one more lap with this happening regularly and then for safety sake decided the pits were the best place to be. I was worried that someone would follow me into a corner and when I should be accelerating out, the car would die and they would run into the rear of my car. In the laps I had completed, I did qualify and was placed third last on the grid of fifty-four cars. The mechanic repeated the Thursday afternoon and evenings checking process to no avail.

Our one race on Saturday was again at midday and again it was HOT. They were using rolling starts, something new to England and a lot of the Formula Junior drivers were nervous about it. Next to me at the back of the grid was a nineteen year -old lad who normally drove Formula Ford and had been to Silverstone many times. I swear that he passed five cars before I even knew the race had started. I think he finished eleventh from fifty-two on the grid! I completed three laps, even managing to pass a couple of cars before the miss returned. This time I recognised what was causing the problem – fuel vaporisation! I had the problem in the Lotus Seven when driving in a hot Brisbane January. Back to pit lane and report to the mechanic who seemed reluctant to accept my diagnosis and again started to go through the same checking process from Thursday and Friday....

Now at this stage, I need to tell you of some changes that have been made to the Gemini in the restoration process. Firstly, the lower panels at the rear of the car have been reinstated. The car has run most of its life in Australia without these panels. Secondly the floor pan has been extended beyond the firewall to the front of the sump. In my opinion there is now very little or no air circulation in the engine compartment. The exhaust manifold has not had any treatment to alleviate heat build-up.

After not finding anything in his checking process, the mechanic conceded that maybe heat was a problem and made a small -aluminium tray (just large enough to fit under the webers) to the bottom of which he applied asbestos tape. This was then wired into place between the exhaust manifold and the webers.

The Sunday race was late morning and again it was HOT. They do not use progressive grids and again I had the nineteen year-old alongside me, but this time when he accelerated, I accelerated and yes we did pass a number of cars in the first one hundred metres - tactics! Again, after three or four laps the car started to give problems and I decided it was safer in the pits.

I will go on and tell you of some of my other observations of the Silverstone Classic. In the promotional material I received before the event, their positioning statement was "The largest historic motor sporting event in the world" and I believe them. There were about 25 to 30 1980s F1 cars, there were numerous 'big banger' sports cars of various makes. None of these cars were treated gently. All were driven as if the world championship depended on that race. On the Saturday, someone told me the attendance figure was 90,000 people. I believe the F1 at Silverstone attracts 150,000 people, so it was only about half full! There seemed to be total chaos. There were children wanting drivers autographs, every time you went near a car there were six photographers (both amateur and professional) trying to get different angles of you and the car, it was difficult to walk anywhere. Another positioning line was "Rocking and Racing" and so on the Saturday night there was a full blown rock concert with UB40 as the headline act. All the fun of the fair was also there – Ferris wheels, dodgem cars, etc.

My 'big time' moment - On Friday after qualifying, I decided to go for a walk and see what else was to be seen. I walked around for a couple of hours up to the International Pit Lane, through the fair grounds and various shops and stalls. On returning to our pits, I showed my phone to John Rowe (from Perth) and commented that it showed I had walked 7.7 kms. His advice was don't do that, just go over there to the merchandise shop, show them your Driver's wrist band and they will summon a limousine to take you wherever you want to go. On Saturday I couldn't resist the temptation and had to try this out. I went to the merchandise shop, showed my Drivers wrist band and they summoned a limousine (a brand new Tesla). The driver drove me to the International Pit Lane, and asked how long I would be. I responded: "About two hours" – "I will meet you here in two hours, SIR" and he did!

Despite the car problems, it was a most enjoyable experience and I would do it again tomorrow. Alan Conway



A magnificent photo by Thom Hayes of the Saturday afternoon parade of 110 Formula Juniors (both front and rear engined)

...and that's it from me! I hope you've enjoyed the last 101 issues of Historic Torque....PW

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