

HISTORIC TORQUE

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AUTUMN HISTORIC WARWICK Competitor Entry Closes 17th April

Entries have been flowing in nicely for the Autumn Historic meeting and at the time of writing there were around 120 cars entered. Great to see good support from interstate competitors too. Group N is shaping up to put on another great show. They will be racing for the Jack Lacey Trophy as well as the Bill Campbell Trophy. They will also be accumulating points from this meeting for the Don Thallon Cup. Group S & T is being well supported for their Gulf Oil Series. Formula V is shaping to have some great racing with 11 cars entered so far. Regularity is also filling the grid nicely too.

In the sports and racing category O, P, Q & R, there are 3 big banger sports cars coming to Morgan Park for the first time. The Tom Tweedie 1974 Elfin MS7 Repco will be a sight to see. It was the 1975 Australian Sports Car Champion. Also coming is the 1975 Nola Chev driven by Daniel Nolan and this car won the Australian Sports Car Championship in 1988. Not an Australian championship winner but equally impressive is the Mark Goldsmith owned 1966 Elfin Cobra V8 sports car. Mark will be bringing the car from South Australia following the Mallala All Historics race meeting the weekend prior.

These cars and the fast open wheelers of Rob Fosters March 81A and Bill Normans Ralt RT4 plus the Sports 2000 cars racing in Round 2 of the National Wal Donnelly Cup, it will be very entertaining racing.

> Entries are invited from all 5th Category Historic Cars Entry is by the CAMS Event Entry – <u>www.cams.com.au</u> Entry closes on Tuesday 17th April 2019

Coming Events

Mallala All Historics April 27 - 28				
Autumn Historic Warwick	ric Warwick May 4 - 5			
Historic Winton	May 18 - 19			
Noosa Hillclimb Winter	June 8 - 9			
2 Days of Thunder	June 22 - 23			
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Contributions for upcoming issues of HISTORIC TORQUE are welcomed.

Please email MS Word & digital photo contributions to torque@hrcc.org.au Alternatively, post articles to The Editor - Historic Torque, POBox 353, Red Hill Qld. 4059 Deadline - Last day of the month.

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HRCC welcomes these new members Members



Shaun Cupples

VB Commodore

Rejoined Member - Derek Roberts

MembershipFull, Senior, social & Honorary399Associates120HRCC Total Membership
(As at 1/4/2019)519

Editorial Recently the club held a Group Leaders meeting with most of the group leaders attending, or a representative standing in. I was fortunate enough to attend and found it a very informative meeting with Race Secretary Mark Stockwell providing an excellent rundown of how a meeting is run under CAMS administration. Providing facts to help the group leaders go about organizing competitors within their group as well as advising on how to deal with on track incidents. There was also an open forum session where all participants were given the opportunity to speak and offer suggestions as to how race meetings could be improved. All agreed the meeting to be very valuable and a great way to communicate the club's needs. For me, it was fantastic to witness the passion and positive energy being shown by group leaders. They are driven towards competitors having safe fun out on the track. But they also need help from time to time. Not only are they group leaders but competitors too. Please lend them a hand if you can. Ian Welsh

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AUTUMN HISTORIC WARWICK needs YOU

A shout out for helpers to make the Autumn Historic Warwick meeting a great experience for competitors and spectators alike. If you can spare a few hours to work on the entrance gate or drive the shuttle bus it would be appreciated by all the other volunteers who will enable the meeting to run smoothly.



Please make contact with Peter Gilbert on 0408 742737 or email secretaryhrcc@gmail.com



Planning for the 2019 Noosa Hillclimb Winter is well advanced with some exciting announcements to be made shortly. From the promotional poster above you may be able to guess the luxury car marque who have taken great interest in being part of the Noosa Hillclimb excitement.

Entry is by the CAMS Event Entry - <u>www.cams.com.au</u>

Entry closes on Tuesday 20th May 2019





Group A & C - Heritage Touring Cars Thanks to Group Leader, David Paterson for this report.

Heritage Touring Cars to feature at Historic Queensland

Round 3 of the 2019 Heritage Touring Car Championship will take place at the HRCC National Historic Queensland race meeting at Morgan Park, Warwick on the weekend of July 13-14. This will be the only event in Qld. for Heritage Touring Cars in 2019.



HTC & HRCC look forward to working together to make this year's event, even bigger than last year's, which saw record entry numbers and the largest spectator crowd ever seen at this event.



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Vale Chris Helm

Long time member of HRCC and often a Regularity and Group N racer in his Alfa and BMW2002, Chris passed away on 29th March. HRCC extends condolences to Chris's family and friends.

HSRCA Autumn Festival

Thanks to Mark Stockwell for these photos.

Very few HRCC Qld members took part in this HSRCA race meeting so not much to be able to report on.

















The 2019 Australian F1 Grand Prix Sunday programme included a demonstration run of significantly historic race cars. HRCC member Ian Gray received an invitation to take part at the Grand Prix in his 1969 Rennmax Palliser which he has regularly raced in HRCC events. Ian put together a story for other HRCC members to read about his special experience.

Thank you lan for sharing your story with us.

Melbourne F1 trip 2019

About a month or so prior to the Melbourne F1 this year Peter Mohr advised me that the Victorian Historic car club where inviting a select few historic race cars to be displayed at the F1 and that they would also have the opportunity to drive the track on Sunday in organised display laps for half an hour or so. I contacted Grant Campbell who was organising the event who subsequently formalised my invitation to display my car which is a 1969 Rennmax Formula 2, a group O historic registered car. The worst part of



the whole affair was the drive down and back, 1800kls each way towing the car. As I am still working full time I had to do the trip quickly and couldn't take my time and really enjoy the trip or stop anywhere to break up the trip. I left on the Monday before the race and arrived Wednesday morning at 6.30 am as requested as from Thursday onward the track and surrounds had access restrictions. Arriving early was great as it gave me a couple of days to have a good look around the track at all the other cars racing, Supercars, Porches, Ferraris, formula 4's



but not the F1 cars. That's what was the most disappointing aspect of the event, the F1 cars and associated people are all locked away so no one car see them in their own little bubble.

When they did come out to practice it was amazing. To stand close to the side of the track and see how fast they are and how they brake and corner is almost impossible to comprehend. Their cornering speed and ability to remain stable in corners is incredible and can't really be appreciated watching the race on TV. The whole spectacle Porsche 956C on display which is Vern Schuppan's old race car, a 350k/hr LeMans racer. A real super car from the 80's. Russell and the car had just returned only the



week before from Europe, where Russell had competed in the Group C sports car Historic race series. Six races in all on all the famous tracks around. The car was also invited to the Goodwood Festival of speed last year for the Porsche 70th anniversary celebrations. Russ and the 956 ran up the hill in the company of some of the famous Porsches and drivers.

The problem with Russell's car though, is you can't really drive it slow. I think Rus must have slipped the pace car some folding to pick the pace up a bit because when we got out on the track it

was on for young and old I recon I was doing upward of

the designers, builders, mechanics, drivers and support staff must be all commended these car are just something else, astounding!!!.

The highlight for me though was the so called parade laps we did on the Sunday morning. We were briefed an hour before our event in very strict no uncertain terms. Stay behind the pace car, no passing, it's not a race" so be sensible or you will be black flagged. We were advised that the Lambo drivers club where given a similar privilege on the Saturday afternoon and as soon as they hit the track the red mist came down and the cars stared tearing off uncontrolled and they were immediately shut down.



Beside my car at the display was an old friend of mine from the Porsche club Russell Kempnich who had his

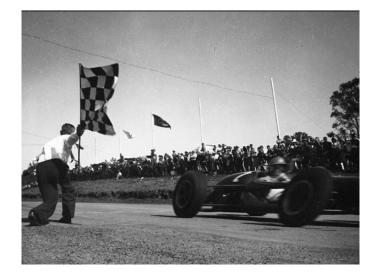
200kph down the back straight at one point. It felt bloody awesome. I can say this in real confidence that everyone

who came off the track after that event had the biggest smiles I have ever seen at a race track. It was amazing and that 25 minutes or so on track made the whole trip worthwhile.

I would like to say a big thank you to Grant Campbell and his associates as they did a fantastic job of looking after us all in the lead up organisation and then at the track for the whole time we were there. If the offer is open, I will seriously think of doing it again next year, there was talk of giving the historic cars a run every day next year...how good would that be. So as Kevin Gray would say...Happy Dayz.



HISTORY - Jack Brabham's 'go-kart' wins the 'Lakeside 99' Tasman Round in February 1964...



The photographer has created a 'turn of the century' distorted effect, the Brabham BT7A Climax looks quite weird, the off-beat nature of the shot enhanced by the cars lack of bodywork to try and deal with the harsh, summer Queensland heat.

Brabham won the race from John Youl's Cooper T55 Climax, Jacks '61 F1 and '62 Australian Internationals chassis and Bruce Mclaren's Cooper T70 Climax.

By the looks of these Peter Mellor shots the lead up to the race was wet, the tropical humidity would have made the race a real endurance test.

Bruce McLaren won the first Tasman Series, with both he and Jack taking 3 wins, appropriately Bruce's in NZ and Jack's in Oz!

Story from - https://primotipo.com/2016/02/22/jacks-lakeside-99/ **Photo Credits -** News Ltd, Peter Mellor Collection/The Roaring Season







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HRCC Committee report

The committee meets monthly to discuss management of the club. Besides general business, other key points from the most recent meeting –

Membership – one new member and another past member rejoined.

Lead Free Fuel – nothing to report this month.

Noosa Hillclimb - timing equipment installation and testing of system planned for 13th & 14th April. Entry to Winter meeting to open shortly. There is a revision of classes. Announcements to be made shortly on significant sponsor.

Financials – tracking in line with budget for income and expenditure.

HRCC Clubroom/Facility - possibility of securing a low rent long



term lease of a council/government facility is diminishing. Investigating the feasibilty of outright property purchase.

Partnerships/Sponsorship/Advertising – work continues to establish sponsorship type partnerships with commercial organisations. Various package offers have been worked up and submitted

Group A & C – Due to Lakeside uncertainty, the Qld round of the HTC championship will be held at the Historic Queensland race meeting. A welcomed addition.

Concrete Barriers - and interest has been expressed to accuire the HRCC barriers left over from the Cootha Classic. Proposal to be put to interested party.

Constitution - discussion on revision of voting proceedure for management positions to make voting more equitable.



Get Online

Got some time to relax surfing the net for some historic motorsport stories and videos?

Besides visiting the HRCC website, maybe these will fit the bill.

Historic Touring Cars

A You Tube video showing some 2018 Group N racing from NSW and Victorian race meetings. A well made, 7minute video and includes HRCC members.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ukvOM8FviG0

Matt Campbell

Not historic, but many HRCC members have raced with Matt Campbell at historic events and watched his career progress over a few short years. Here is another You Tube video with Matt talking about his path to excellence. Of course, his sponsor, Michelin have produced it.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aa0NgxMT0AQ

Historic Motorsport Blog

Rather than being passive and watching the videos, you could visit a blog dedicated to historic motorsport and spend the night reading the many stories. Covering Australian motorsport as well as interesting articles and photos from the motorsport world. I have spent hours and hours on this site called Primotipo. Very entertaining...... Check out the archives, loads of stuff in there.

https://primotipo.com/2019/04/

Be careful though, time can slip away and it will be midnight before you know it!!

Merchandising HRCC Regalia.

The club needs one or two people who can look after Merchandising, we recognise this an important role of providing a service to members and those that attend our Events. It is not meant to be a money-making exercise but also, we shouldn't aim to lose money.

IS SOMEONE INTERESTED?

We need a person with a flair for Retail sales of HRCC clothing and regalia.

Job description- [Guidance is available]

- Select and purchase items for merchandising stock. Eg Cap / hats, T shirts, Polo shirts, standard cotton shirts, Jackets or Pullovers. Other items of Regalia, Carry Bags, Folder, umbrellas, club badges, glasses or mugs.
- Recommend items for Merchandising. [HRCC have 2 suppliers who have our artwork.]
- Prepare and Maintain Stock list, carry out regular Stocktakes.
- Pack the Clubs Trailer. Club can organise the Trailer to be taken to and from Events is necessary.
- Supervise the erection of the Marque and stock set out plus packing up at the end of the Event.
- Supervise the sale of items at HRCC Events using a money Float, which needs to be balanced and adjusted after each Event.
- Receive, process and mailout phone/ website orders.
- Supervise the Merchandising Website page through the Web page manager.

INTERESTED! Contact John Tupicoff Mobile 0408 197 344

Email john.tupicoff@gmail.com



HRCC Classified Ads have changed.

To provide better coverage of your ads, we have added a Classifieds page to the HRCC website. Go here to take a look https://www.hrcc.org.au/classifieds.htm

Ads will be listed here in the newsletter for a maximum of 3 issues but can remain on the website for up to 12 months.

1971 GTR-XU1 Torana - Group Nc



Race car, always garaged, only driven on Sundays! High horsepower 3300cc engine, M21 g'box, limited slip diff, 28 spline axles, twin pot Volvo front calipers, vented front discs, Koni suspension, 10 ROH Hotwire Mags, new 6 point belt. Tyres and a spares package too huge to list.

Very competitive car. Developed with care over ten(10) years. Best lap time - Round 3, 2018 QRC - 1:31:08 at Morgan Park Raceway.

Excellent Package and ready to race - \$47,000

Contact Warren Tegg: Ph 0412 575 368 Queensland

1972 Citroen SM



A unique and immaculately kept car. LHD, powered by a 3lt Maserati engine with auto transmission.

Looking for a new owner to keep it in the fine condition it has been kept in by the recently passed away owner.

Contact Adam Lewis on 0402 000 333 to arrange inspection.

1969 Triumph TR6



Here is your opportunity to own a piece of British motoring history. The car comes with the wheels in the photo as well as a set of steel rims and tyres. Fuel injection and overdrive. All very good mechanically and paint. Quite a quick car and handling is fantastic, a real pleasure to drive.

\$32,500

Contact Trevor Hill: 0418 752150 Email: cromwell2@bigpond.com

HISTORIC AUSCAM CLUBMAN SPORTS CAR



This racing car is being offered for sale as a complete ready to race package. It comes with a spare gearbox, diff centre.and spare axle. As part of the package there are a set of moulds for the full width nose bonnet and rear guards. There is also a full set of CAD chassis and suspension drawings. In as new condition following a complete chassis up rebuild with all new panels etc. after it was crashed at Lakeside by Brian Ferrabee.

\$20,000 Contact Russ McBurnie: 0408 793 695 Ian Peters: 0407 635 607

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Commercial adds – Advertising packages are available at reasonable cost for inclusion in this newsletter as well as the clubs website. Your support will assist in making HRCC a stronger voice in the historic racing community.



2019 Motorsport Event Calendar						
Date	HRCC Events	Other Qld Events	Interstate Events	Venue		
Feb 17		Cams Motorsport Expo		Beenleigh Showgrounds		
Feb 23	Try, Train, Test Day (TTT)			Morgan Park Raceway		
Feb 24	SuperSprints			Morgan Park Raceway		
March 8 - 10			VHRR Phillip Island Classic	Phillip Island Raceway		
March 16 - 17		Lakeside Tribute		Lakeside Park Raceway		
March 30 - 31		CAMS State Championships Rd 1		Morgan Park Raceway		
March 30 - 31			HSRCA Autumn Festival	Wakefield Park Raceway		
April 13 - 14		Ipswich Festival of Cars		Queensland Raceway		
April 27 - 28			SCCSA Mallala Historics	Mallala Raceway		
May 4 - 5	Autumn Historic Warwick			Morgan Park Raceway		
May 18 - 19			A7CC Historic Winton	Winton Raceway		
June 8 - 9	Noosa Hillclimb - Winter			Tewantin		
June 8 - 9			HSRCA Sydney Classic	Sydney Motorsport Park		
June 22 - 23		2 Days of Thunder		Queensland Raceway		
June 29 - 30		CAMS State Championships Rd 2		Morgan Park Raceway		
July 13 - 14	Historic Queensland			Morgan Park Raceway		
July 20 - 21		Lakeside Classic		Lakeside Park		
August 3 - 4			VHRR Winton Festival of Speed	Winton Raceway		
Aug 31 - Sept 1			Muscle Car Masters	Sydney Motorsport Park		
Sept 7 - 8			Speed on Tweed (Not Confirmed)	Murwillumbah, NSW		
Sept 21 - 22			HSCC Baskerville Historics	Baskerville Raceway		
Sept 28 - 29			HSRCA Spring Festival	Wakefield Park Raceway		
Sept 28 - 29		CAMS State Championships Rd 3		Morgan Park Raceway		
Nov 2 - 3		CAMS State Championships Rd 4		Morgan Park Raceway		
Nov 2 - 3		Ipswich Classic		Queensland Raceway		
Nov 9 - 10	Noosa Hillclimb - Summer			Tewantin		
ТВА			VHRR Historic Sandown	Sandown Raceway		
Nov 30 - Dec 1			HSRCA Summer Festival	Sydney Motorsport Park		

HRCC 2019 Social Nights

Mon 18th February Mon 20th May Mon 12th August Mon 18th November (AGM) Carina Leagues Club

Social nights are a good occaision to catch up with fellow HRCC members, friends and guests.

Held at Carina Leauges Club in Carina, Brisbane. A great venue with plenty of parking and a good bistro where you can enjoy a nice meal prior to the meeting which commences at 7.30pm.

Guest speakers provide interesting talks to entertain and inform you.

Come and have a chat about all things historic racing with like minded people.

2019 Awards/Trophy Presentation Lunch



