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HRCC CONSTITUTION REVIEW CLUBHOUSE UPDATE PORSCHE FUEL DEVELOPMENT







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HRCC welcomes these new members Members



Stephen Kennedy

Phil Springate

Tim Barwick

Membership

Full, Senior, Social, Honorary, Life **Associates**

HRCC Total Membership

(As at 17/05/2021)

95 488

393



Between the lines, changes are happening in Australian historic motor racing circles. Have you noticed? For years there has been structure in the Australian historic racing landscape. Historic based clubs have promoted race events based around the 5th category regime as defined by CAMS many years ago. But that regime has fallen behind the moving 25 year historic car qualifying age and no new groups have emerged since Group A. This point was a concern to the Australian Historic Motor Racing Committee (AHMRC), but since Covid, this group has not been meeting for discussion. Additionally, CAMS has become Motorsport Australia and restructure has seen the Historic Commission made redundant. Instead, a representative of historic motorsport reports to the newly established Australian Motor Racing Commission (AMRC). Minutes from the March 21 AMRC meeting shows no historic representation. One gets the feeling that historic motorsport representation within the controlling body has been diluted.

Historic clubs continue to promote race meetings and are now hosting race events outside the 5th category to satisfy the ever growing demand from competitors who have cars falling outside of the defined groups. One such category is "5 Litre Touring Cars" which now appear at VHRR and HSRCA race meetings.

Fragmentation of motorsport categories with subsequent change will require historic based clubs to be more dynamic and responsive if they wish to remain relevant to their customers, the competitors.

Have you heard about the negotiations taking place by motorsport entrepreneur Tony Quinn for the take over of Lakeside and Queensland raceways? What ramifications will this have if it is successful? Interesting times..... Ian Welsh



HISTORIC RACING CAR CLUB (OLD) INC.

CONSTITUTION REVIEW

The HRCCQ Constitution is the primary set of rules of our club, setting out how the management committee operates and is the guiding document for all decision-making, it is critical it remains relevant, up-to-date, and designed in accordance with contemporary governance practice. An up-todate constitution guides effective decision-making by the management committee, ensures decisions are taken within the bounds of existing governance practice within our club, and ensures sound leadership at the management committee level.

To that end, the HRCCQ Management Committee has decided to conduct a timely review of our club's constitution and in so doing has engaged club member Milton Brennan to assist the Management Committee to carry out the review; as one of the co-authors of our current constitution Milton has the experience necessary to assist the Management Committee to undertake a comprehensive review of the Constitution.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

- The committee holds the unshakable opinion that the first step of the review is to engage our members in the process.
- The committee would like to encourage all members to read our current constitution and provide us with feedback advising us of any amendments to the constitution that they feel would assist our constitution to better serve HRCCQ and its members in future years.
- The current HRCC Constitution is available on the HRCC website https://www.hrcc.org.au/info.htm

Click here to download a copy of the current constitution

NOTE: If you require a hardcopy of the constitution please email - info@hrcc.org.au

All member feedback must be emailed to - info@hrcc.org.au by the 30th of June 2021.

Thank you in advance to all club members in anticipation of your input, your input will be very much appreciated.

The HRCCQ Management Committee

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Update HREE Glubhouse



The March Edition of *Historic Torque* carried information about the proposed clubhouse at the Mt Gravatt Showgrounds and asked members for some preliminary feedback concerning the concept and the project.

Firstly, I must say thank you to all those members who took the time to provide feedback both verbal and written, it was very appreciated by the Management Committee. Some members wrote pages, providing their experience of such matters and analysis of what we are proposing. We really appreciate such detailed feedback and experience. The response from members was that they are overwhelmingly in favour of continuing to the next stage.

Therefore, the Management Committee at their 19 April meeting elected to take the project to the next stage. This next stage will take us up to the local government approval and tender stage. By getting to this stage, this will enable us to go to members with full information of costs, lease details, time schedules and so on to enable a final decision by members whether to proceed or not. Here I must underline the last point. As yet no formal club decision has been

made to proceed with the project. As required by the HRCC Constitution, to proceed to completion, with the expenditure required, will be up to the members to decide.

As there are some costs incurred to get to the next stage it was decided to go to members to get their preliminary feedback. This initial preliminary feedback proved a great success regarding the project's concept.

Again I personally would like to thank you for you invaluable input. Some members have provided great input and vision. Where some members were not sure on matters it highlighted where further information should be made available as we proceed. The wonderful thing about democracy is that we can all have an individual or different opinions and all have equal input into matters. The Management Committee will keep you posted as matters proceed. Above all it is the responsibility of the Management Committee to keep advancing the HRCC by putting forward ideas.

Chris Robertson
HRCC Vice President



Autumn Historic Warwick Foggy Start

Fans and racers at Morgan Park Raceway in Queensland saw a great weekend of motorsport with the annual Autumn Historic Warwick historic race meeting over the weekend of 7th, 8th & 9th May.

With 160 entrants across all the historic categories there was plenty of action on track. But it was a late start for Saturday morning with dense fog causing an hours delay. To catch up, all qualifying sessions were reduced by 5 minutes and racing ran till sunset on Saturday. The last race on Saturday being an excellent handicap race for the Heritage Touring Cars category which was won by Terry Lawlor in the ex- Bob Morris 1981 Falcon XD.



It was a programme of 35 events for the weekend with the Heritage Touring Cars category the main attraction and they put on some great racing for fans with sights and sounds from the past.



The Group A, ex-Gibbs 1992 Nissan Skyline R32 driven by Anthony Alford was the car that set the pace with pole and a win in all other races except the handicap. Terry Lawlor took out the overall Group C category in his XD Falcon. The Glenn Seton Trophy for Group A was won by Anthony Alford in his GIO Nissan R32 And the John French Trophy for Group C taken by Terry Lawlor in the XD Falcon.

Group N Touring Cars also had big fields and the racing was tight, particularly in Group Nc with Rod Cannon (Falcon GTHO), Grant Wilson (Camaro), Graeme Wakefield (Mustang) and Peter Baguley (Torana) all pushing for a win. In their 3rd race, Grant Wilson spun, causing damage to his



own car as well as Cannon's Falcon and Baguley's Torana. The Memorial Bill Campbell Trophy 8 lap race was taken by Grant Wilson in his 1969 Camaro, Overall Group Nc winner for the weekend was Rod Cannon in the Falcon and for Group Nb it was Craig Thompson in his 1964 Lotus Cortina. Tin top cars were the attraction, however, there was some



close historic Formula Ford races too. Dylan Fahey and Brady McHugh in Van Diemens were the star performers. Production Sports cars also produced good racing between the Porsche 911 of Stan Adler and a swag of Nissan 240Z's as well as down in the smaller capacity classes where Manuel Pena had straight wins in his 1968 Alfa Romeo. Sport Sedans and Regularity Trials were also a feature and fans got to see some great cars being driven competitively.



A great weekend made possible only made possible by the volunteer officials who freely devote their skill and time to the sport. The next Historic race meeting at Morgan Park Raceway, Warwick will be the Historic Queensland event on over the 2nd to 4th July, 2021. It will attract historic cars from round Australia.

More from Autumn Historic Warwick



KB Supervising the Group C & A drivers briefing under a foggy sky



Heritage Touring Car Group leader David Patterson takes a well earned break.



Who said historic racing was for old guys?



Bruce Ayres did not have a good weekend with the Yellow Submarine. Fuel metering issues apparently the culprit.



Regularity trophy winners Jim Goulden and Phillipa Covell.



The Sports 2000 Qld dynamic duo of Mike Gehde and Kevin Gray

Photos from John Carson, Benn Gregory and Ian Welsh



Autumn Historic Warwick 2021 - RESULTS					
Category	First	Second	Third		
Regularity Trial	Jim Goulden	Phillipa Covell	Gina Siddins		
Formula Ford -Fa	Chris Fry	Fred Frech	Neville Anderson		
Formula Ford -Fb	Robert Buckley	Kendal Barry-Cotter	George Fry		
Formula Ford -Fc	Dylan Fahey	Brady McHugh	Richard Lihou		
Formula Junior	Bill Hemming				
Group Lb Sports	Barry Bates				
Group P	Bruce Ayres	Alan Telfer			
Formula Va	Gregory Stott	Anthony Paynter	Kevan Peters		
Formula Vb	Donald Greiveson	Douglas Angas	Peter Mohacsi		
Group Na	Jim Waugh				
Group Nb	Craig Thompson	Ken Nelson	Claude Ciccotelli		
Group Nc up to 2000cc	Matt Clift	James Anderson	Norm Singleton		
Group Nc over 2000cc	Rod Cannon	Graeme Wakefield	Grant Wilson		
Group U	Aarron Hodges	Graeme Hodges	Greg Dalliston		
Group U Invited up to 2000cc	John Womersley	Kenneth Houghton			
Group U Invited Over 2000cc	Michael Cannon	Allan Wright	Geoff Kingston		
Group R Racing	Robert Foster	Barry Wise			
Group R Sports	Ron Hay	Chris Robertson	lan Young		
Group Sb	Manuel Pena	Lyall Moyes	Andrew Gamblen		
Group Sc	Stan Adler	Michael McKelliget	John Carson		
Group St	Roy Davis	Paul Cuthbert			
Group S invited	Brian Henderson	Jon Siddins	Trevor Bassett		
Group A	Anthony Alford	Greg Keam	David Towe		
Group C	Terry Lawlor	Ed Singleton	Peter Woods		

Autumn Historic Warwick 2021 - Trophy Winners			
Glen Seton Trophy	Anthony Alford		
John French Trophy	Terry Lawlor		
Bill Campbell Memorial Trophy	Rod Cannon		
Jack Lacey Trophy	Grant Wilson		
Lloyd Bax Trophy	Terry Lawlor		



Regularity Group Leader Change

Commencing with the Autumn Historic Warwick 2021 race meeting, Andrew White has taken on the role of the Regularity Group Leader.

Andrew had a busy race weekend finding his way in the role and with support from outgoing leader, Greg Dalliston, Andrew should be proud of his effort in supporting his fellow racers.

The HRCC committee welcomes Andrew to the role and wishes him well in leading the group to new strengths.

OPEN TRACK DAYS 2021 **QLD RACEWAY**

18 MARCH

▶ 12 AUGUST

14 OCTOBER

HRCC member, Darry Searle has organised 4 weekday Track Days for 2021 at Qld Raceway.

HRCC members are invited to enter their cars.

The object of the days are for people to bring their vehicle, old or new to enjoy a social day both on and off the track.

The cost is \$150 for the full day with lunch provided.

Gates open at 7.30am and on track from 8.30am

More information can be obtained from Qld Raceway website www.qldraceways.com.au and clicking on calendar and the dates listed.

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HISTORIC 2021 QUEENSLAND

Morgan Park Raceway, Warwick

2nd to 4th July



Open to all 5th Category Cars

- Formula Racing Cars
- Sports Racing Cars
- Production Sports
- Regularity Trials
- Sports Sedans
- Touring Cars



Gates open 8.00am each day

Tickets:

- \$20 per day
- \$30 for the weekend

Concessions:

- \$15 per day
- · \$20 for the weekend

Children under 15yo: Free

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ENTRY TO HISTORIC QUEENSLAND 2021 WILL OPEN SOON

Watch the HRCC website for more details



HRCC Management Committee report

Summary of the HRCC Management Committee meeting held at the Mt Gravatt Showgrounds on Mon 17th May 2021.

- Membership Three new members since last report. Currently 488 total membership
- Treasurer report Financials on track with expectations. P&L for AHW21 still a work in progress with invoices still to be received. Refunds for AHW21 entry withdrawals approved. Financial investment changes in progress following maturation of assets.
- Motorsport Australia State Council nothing to report.
- Group Leaders Good work done at AHW21. GL Forum to be arranged and held prior to the Historic Qld race meeting. Andrew White has become the Regularity Group Leader.
- **Events** Generally the AHW21 meeting ran well. There were some problems regarding Covid-19 gate check -ins for officials and spectators. Will be addressed at HQ. Supplementary Regs for HQ21 about to be submitted to MSA for approval. Entry to open ASAP.
- ► HRCC Clubhouse good response from submissions sought from HRCC membership. Has shown good support for a clubhouse. Interaction with Mt Gravatt Trust continues.
- ► HRCC 2020 Objectives Reviewed and progress being made to desired outcomes.
- Trophy Presentation/Christmas to be held at Mt Gravatt Showgrounds using outside catering. Format of the event is still to be worked through. Potential for display cars.
- Social Meetings no progress on getting social meetings happening. Combination of Covid issues and low member support is part of the problem.

- ► HRCC Library No discussion this meeting
- Scooter Donation no decision on what to do with it at this time.
- ► HRCC Constitution timeline laid out for progressing the review. First step is to gain HRCC member feedback on potential changes. If the review recommends changes then the aim is to have it ratified at the 2021 AGM.
- ► Toowoomba Racerack No recent contact with developers. Has been reported that the submission for funding by the federal government has been rejected.
- Media next Oily Rag will have coverage of the Autumn Historic Warwick event. MSA website and Speed Read had articles on the AHW21 event as did the Warwick Daily News. HRCC website updated with AHW21 results and photos.
- ► **Regularity Competition** considerable discussion on a proposal to change the way in which results are calculated. The matter was resolved and will be advised through the Group Co-ordinator to the Group Leader.
- Regularity Pointscore System discussion on making improvements to the system to automate calculations to provide realtime results. Current system very labour intensive. MyLaps timing system seen as part of the problem. Committee resolved to bring the appropriate people together to get a workable system operational asap.
- Committee Meeting minutes are available for members to view on request. Please contact the club secretary.







eFuel Development

There's been a lot of nervous talk in the classic car community about the rapid development of electric cars and its potential impact on the future of our classics. While many have predicted doom and gloom, there was some positive news recently coming from Porsche.

When Porsche unveiled their new 911 GT3 Cup car, they also revealed that they have been developing a new synthetic fuel that the GT3 will race on. Now what is fascinating about this new fuel-and good news for the classic car community-is that this synthetic fuel is not petroleum-based (it's made from carbon dioxide and hydrogen), can run in any gasoline-powered car and will yield a total carbon footprint comparable to electric vehicles. According to Porsche "Synthetic fuel is cleaner and there is no byproduct, and when we start full production, we expect a CO² reduction of 85 percent. From a 'well to wheel' perspective—and you have to consider the well-to-wheel impact of all vehicles—this will be the same level of CO2 produced in the manufacture and use of an electric vehicle."

So if you were fearful that at some point in time in the near future the well was going to run dry for your classic, fear not...Porsche may have you covered.

Source: Vintage Racecar Journal



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2021 Historic Motorsport Events				
Event	Dates	Venue		
Historic Winton	22 nd to 23 rd May	Winton Raceway		
MSA Qld State Championships Rd 2	4 th to 6 th June	Morgan Park Raceway		
HSRCA Sydney Classic	12 th to 13 th June	Sydney Motor Sport Park		
Qld Historic Touring Car Assoc - Rd 3	26 th & 27 th June	Queensland Raceway		
HRCC - Historic Queensland	2 nd to 4 th July	Morgan Park Raceway		
VHRR - Winton Festival of Speed	7 th to 8 th August	Winton Raceway		
Leyburn Sprints	21 st & 22 nd August	Leyburn, Qld		
MSA Qld State Championships Rd 3	27 th to 29 th August	Morgan Park Raceway		
HSRCA - Spring Festival	28 th to 29 th August	Wakefield Park Raceway		
Wakefield Park All Historics	11 th to 12 th September	Wakefield Park Raceway		
Qld Historic Touring Car Assoc - Rd 4	19 th September	Lakeside Park Raceway		
Baskerville Historics	17 th to 19 th September	Baskerville Raceway		
VHRR - Historic Sandown	6 th to 7 th November	Sandown Raceway		
MSA Qld State Championships Rd 4	19 th to 21 st November	Morgan Park Raceway		

Disclaimer: These dates are tentative and may change without notice. The Covid-19 pandemic or other matters may create a situation where events could be brought forward, postponed or cancelled.

27th to 28th November



HSRCA - Summer Festival

Sydney Motor Sport Park