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Historic Queensland 2021 Race Meeting

Due to circumstances caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, the HISTORIC QUEENSLAND race event scheduled for July 2021 was postponed at last minute. It was a great disappointment to the HRCC committee to be faced with this situation for a second consecutive year. However, the HRCC management committee was resolved and committed to reschedule the event on a future date in 2021. The committee is now pleased to announce that the event has been rescheduled to run at Morgan Park Raceway from the 17th to 19th September.

HRCC Committee



Entry closes on Friday 31st August Early Bird discount of \$20 closes on 18th August

Entry is available online via the Motor Event Entry system Click Here to go to the MEE system

You will need to download, read and complete the following documents to complete your entry

- Supplementary Regulations (click to download)
- Motorsport Australia Disclaimer (click to download)
- Self Scrutiny Check List Race (click to download)
- Self Scrutiny Check List Speed (click to download)
- Statement of Vehicle Compliance (click to download)
- Pit Bay layout drawing (click to download)

For entrants intending to camp at the track, please be aware that a new policy for the pits/paddock area will be applied. Make sure you carefully read the Invitation to Enter, Supplimentary and Further Regulations documents to keep informed of changes.

Entry fee refunds for the July Historic Queensland meeting commenced prior to the new September date being announced with about 70% of entrants receiving refunds. As each refund needs to be processed manually, it has taken time to process the requests as they are done manually. For those who have not taken up a refund and wish to enter the September event, you may use your credit in the system as payment for the September event.

For those who have not requested a refund yet and are not able to enter the September meeting, you will be sent a refund by cheque by the end of September 2021. HRCC uses the end of September for it's end of financial year reporting and must clear all accounts.



Historic Queensland 2021 Race Meeting

Anecdotes from the postponed July race meeting from the Race Committee

HQ21July- short for "Historic Queensland 2021 Race Meeting in July"

Promotion of the event to spectators got off to a good start with over 20 members volunteering to distribute and display the Event Posters and Flyers from the Darling Downs to Gold Coast via the Lockyer Valley, down into northern New South Wales up to the greater Brisbane area via Caboolture to the Sunshine Coast and back over to Kingaroy. That is the area they covered with Poster/Flyers. Did you notice any flyers or posters in your area?



Thanks go to Peter Richards who arranged for a HRCC car display at the RepcoMax Logan City store to promote the HQ21July event. There was a good range of historic cars on public display which attracted public admiration. Thanks go to the car owners who made the effort to get their cars to the RepcoMax store and then engage with the public.



A bit of humour on the way in which one Brisbane HRCC member found a novel way of displaying the promotional HQ21July posters. The posters were stuck on the wall at the urinals of large hardware stores and also behind the door of each cubicle, so while sitting, one could read all about HQ21. Not our recommended method of distribution but novel. The same person was all over Brisbane with poster and flyers. So keen that they were able to beat a couple of local HRCC members to their favourite Auto store and Tyre shops with flyers.

To those members who participated in this promotion, a big thank you and the FREE tickets you gave away are valid for the "HQ21 Sept" event.

The committee also decided to trial a new promotional method in Toowoomba. Did anyone from Toowoomba see our HQ21 promotion on the electronic Billboards located on the corners of Ruthven & Margaret Street as well as Chalk Drive & Ruthven Street? The promotion ran on Monday & Tuesday before the event, just as Covid was closing in to shut us down. Thanks go to Bishopp's Outdoor Advertising who worked with us on the project and have given us a full credit to run the full week prior to the HQ21 Sept Event. The billboard adverts to run are shown below.

Back to square one for the event in September so we will be redoing the Poster & Flyer promotion for HQ21Sept. Soon we will be issuing a begging email for your help in the distribution of the posters and flyers once again.

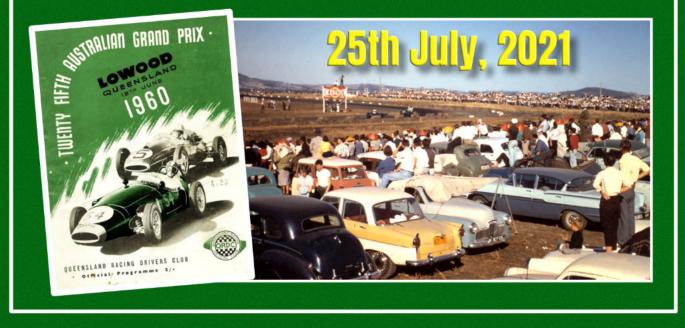


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The work done by members for the July meeting was fantastic and we appreciate your efforts.



61st Anniversary
1960 Australian Grand PrixLowood
QUEENSLAND



HRCC members are invited and encouraged to take part in commemorating the 61st Anniversary of the running of the 1960 Australian Grand prix at Lowood. The organisers would like our club members to bring along and display their cars.

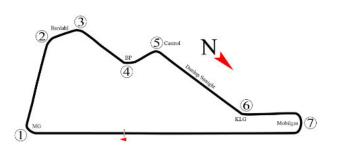
This is a community event, including live band, kids entertainment, market stalls, food & drink, QFES demonstration, show n shine display, major prizes.

Lowood Showgrounds.

From: 9am to 2pm.

The day will include -

- Prenzlau Pride Car & Music Show
- Show Car entry from 7am via Lindemans Rd, Lowood.
- Show Car entry \$10, which covers vehicle & driver only (passengers \$2 each).
- Spectators \$2 each.





2021 Australian Hillclimb Championships

AUSTRALIAN HILLCLIMB CHAMPIONSHIPS

21ST TO 24TH OCTOBER, 2021

The 2021 Australian Hillclimb Championships will be held in Queensland at the Mount Cotton track and will attract the best hillclimb cars and drivers from around the nation. It is a prestigious event with many drivers seeking to become the 2021 Australian Hillclimb Champion. The event is being promoted by the MG Car Club of Queensland who will be opening entries for the event in the near future.

There are many HRCC members who enjoy competing at hillclimbs so this is a great opportunity to take part in a National Title event. It is also an ideal event for any other member who would like to have a crack at hillclimbing but never tried before. There will be lots of experienced hands around to point the way.

It is open to all log booked cars as well as road registered cars. That includes 5th Category Cars

It would be great if HRCC members got behind this event to showcase the Historic Category as an important part of the Australian motor racing community.

More information is available on the MG Car Club of Qld website.... Click here

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Counterfeit harness warning



Motorsport Australia has been made aware of counterfeit SFI labels on driver restraints sold by RASTuning Parts on Amazon.

Anyone who has recently purchased RASTuning Parts (as pictured) should be aware these harnesses do not meet applicable SFI specifications, despite counterfeit labels suggesting otherwise.

RASTuning Parts harnesses have not been submitted for testing and are not certified, endorsed or approved by SFI. As such, Motorsport Australia will not allow any competitor using these products to take part in Motorsport Australia sanctioned events.

Counterfeit products may appear with or without brand names. Genuine SFI conformance labels contain hidden security features and slightly different fonts and materials.

Using counterfeit products puts competitors at risk of severe injury or death.

For further information, please refer to the SFI website here -

Motorsport Australia Annual Report now available

Motorsport Australia's annual report for 2020 has been published.

Looking through the year that was, the report focuses on a number of key aspects for Motorsport Australia, including the latest financial reports.



Click here to read the 2020 Motorsport Australia annual report.

While 2020 will always be remembered as a challenging year due to COVID-19, it also brought plenty of change for Motorsport Australia, including the official rebrand from Confederation of Australian Motorsport (CAMS), the launch of a new smartphone app and a licence restructure.

The publication also covers statistical highlights, memorable motorsport events of the year, a summary of the Board and an address from newly elected president, Andrew Fraser.

As an introductory to the report, Fraser touches on the many difficulties that were presented as a result of COVID-19 and how Motorsport Australia came out better on the other side.

'After many years of growth, we were suddenly faced with a significant

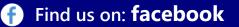
decrease in revenue (51%, year-on-year) which forced the organisation to adapt quickly," Fraser wrote in the report," Fraser wrote.

"As such, we had a responsibility to look at everything we did as an organisation and set about driving a radical simplification of Motorsport Australia's processes to create a more efficient organisation prepared for the future ahead.

"The Board appointed a dedicated Recovery Taskforce made up of industry experts to provide recommendations across the sport and reduce the barriers to participation. The Board endorsed all their recommendations, and many have already come into effect.

"In short, we've set about making it easier for more people to enjoy more motorsport more often as we 'Return To Race'. Change is never easy, and by definition results in people who are less and more enthused than others. "But change is inevitable and it is how we deal with change, and how we adapt that is most important.

We believe the changes are in the longer term interests of the sport, and we will continue to listen to all views as we set a course for an uncertain future."





New Event in 2021

Correspondence received from the Noosa Beach Classic Car Club regarding a new 2021 event

Dear HRCC members,

We wish to share with you an inaugural event which is taking place in Noosa on Saturday 11th September 2021, the Noosa Beach Classica on Hastings Street.

Through collaboration with the Hastings St Business Association we have secured the closure of Hastings Street for the afternoon and early evening to showcase some of the finest cars from collectors across Australia and we would like to extend the expression of interest to your club members.

The curatorial process that we are utilising is based initially on the information that is on the Expression of Interest Form <u>https://</u>

noosabeachclassicaonhastingsstreet.com.au/ register regarding the criteria for cars. We will be working to construct groupings of cars, such as the E-Type Jaguar...perhaps 5/6 cars that define the various models, given that this is the sixth decade since the E type launch. Our framework for selection is based on the cars that we have identified and

NOOSA BEACH CLASSICA

SAVE THE DATE



cars that we can potentially source to build groupings to tell a story and some amazing 'one offs'.

I am attaching our "Save the Date" card if you would like to share with your club members as it would be great to have your club represented. There is no charge for the inaugural year thanks to the support of our event partners and the priority is securing the best collection of cars rather than the entry fee.

For your reference here are all the social digital channels for the event :

Website http://www.noosabeachclassica.com.au/

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/NoosaBeachClassicaonHastingsSt

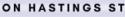
Instagram https://www.instagram.com/noosabeachclassicaonhastingsst

Thank you for sharing the EOI, found here https://noosabeachclassicaonhastingsstreet.com.au/register

with your Club members, who like us, are excited about the prospect of showcasing some of Australia's finest vehicles both Classic and Exotic super cars.

We plan to announce the selected cars and send invitations on 30th July 2021. We look forward to hearing from your members. Best regards Bruce Anderson Vice President & Chairman **NOOSA BEACH CLASSIC CAR CLUB**

NOOSA BEACH Classica





The second Group Leaders Conference for 2021 was held on Saturday 19th June at the Carina Leagues Club. It was a good turnout with 9 Group Leaders and 4 Management committee present and only one apology. It was good to have Mark Stockwell along not just to cover his race group but also to answer questions that related to the race secretary position.

There was plenty of discussion. These were the topics that most of the discussion took place on -

Regularity - Currently, points are calculated against times from every lap of every run so if a competitor has a mechanical failure (DNF) in the first run it is impossible for that competitor to be competitive for the rest of the race meeting. A number of alternatives were proposed and the ability to drop a competitors worst run at a meeting seen as a solution. Requires approval from HRCC management committee and then notification to competitors through the meeting Supplementary Regulations.

Regularity - The calculation of points lost from lap times is currently labour intensive hard work and does not make for timely notification to competitors. Some of the problem seems to be the interface with the MyLaps timing data. Work has now commenced on investigating and then implementing an improved and more automated system.

Regularity - In the Autumn meeting, the distribution of timing information was slow. It was identified to be an internet and printer problem. Looking to have improvements for the Historic Queensland meeting

5th Category and Invited Cars - there was much discussion on the eligibility of invited cars in competitive events. It was said that it is not in the spirit of historic racing to include invited vehicles which have performance advantages above the category in which they intend to run. HRCC has adopted a policy where invited cars are included with the aim of encouraging the owner to seek gaining a log book for the car. Similarly, log booked cars should not be permitted to run if they have been modified out of spec from that which they have been log booked for. The matter will be refered to the HRCC management committee who will issue documentation to clarify the position of invited cars competing in race meetings it promotes. Possibly, these requirements with form part of the Supplementary Regulations issued for each race meeting.

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Summary of the HRCC Management Committee meeting held at the Mt Gravatt Showgrounds on Mon 12th July 2021.

- Membership -Two new members since last report. Currently 502 total membership
- Treasurer report Financials remain generally on track with expectations. However, the impact of postponement of the Historic Queensland event will be known after September.
- Motorsport Australia State Council -HRCC praised for its promotion of the Autum Historic Warwick meeting.
- ► **Group Leaders** Group Leader Forum held 19th June at Carina Leages Club. See page 8 of this newsletter for more details.
- Events -Historic Queensland July postponed to 17th to 19th Sept due to Covid. Credits for entry fees being processed. Entry for September opened.
- ► HRCC Clubhouse Interaction with Mt Gravatt Trust continues with a meeting in July.
- HRCC 2020 Objectives No discussion at this meeting
- Trophy Presentation/Christmas Venue at Mt Gravatt has been assessed and planning for the event taking place
- Social Meetings no discussion this meeting.

- HRCC Library Three book purchases made. Need to have a register of media and policy for member access.
- Scooter Donation list for auction through Grays Auctions. Auction fees to be waived as proceeds from the sale will be donated to RFDS Qld.
- HRCC Constitution -Membership consultation process complete. Management committee to review proposals by end of July. Plan is to formalise changes to the constitution for ratification at the 2021 AGM.
- Regularity Pointscore System -Consultant engaged to enable MyLaps data feed to communicate with sofware being developed to automate the timely calculation of points. In progress.
- Lowood Event 61st anniversary of the 25th AGP at Lowood on 25th July discussed and HRCC will help promote the event through the website and newsletter
- Noosa Event The Noosa Beach Classic Car Club has approached HRCC to promote a new event they are running in September. May be of interest to HRCC members.
- Committee Meeting minutes are available for members to view on request. Please contact the club secretary.

Beware of email Scams and Identity Theft threats

Recently, several of the HRCC committee members have seen a large increase in the number of bogus emails through the HRCC mail system. Some have been using what appears to be HRCC official documents.

The media has also recently been reporting online criminal activity is at an all time high.

We ask all members to keep their wits about them when they are online and checking their emails. Make sure your online system has good security software and virus protection.

If an email looks suspect, do not open it. Check the email address of where the email has come from. Often with scam or "fishing"

emails, the name that appears in the "From" line is not genuine. Hover your mouse pointer over the name and check the email address that gets shown. If it does not look right, then delete the email.

An example is an email received from PayPal. When the mouse pointer is hovered over the name PayPal in the "From" line, a weird and very long email address was shown, and the address did not contain anything to do with PayPal.

Please take care with your emails and when you are online.

You may also like to take a look at the website run by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission which is called Scamwatch. Click on the logo below to visit the website.





Check out the HRCC website for more cars and parts for sale

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.





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Sports Bag

2021 Historic Motorsport Events		
Event	Event Dates	
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
HRCC - Historic Queensland	17 th to 19 th September	Morgan 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
HSRCA - Summer Festival	27 th to 28 th November	Sydney Motor Sport Park

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.



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.

Or contact Darryl Searle on - Ph 0412 815 869

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