



HISTORIC TORQUE

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Club Patron: Kevin Bartlett



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On behalf of the Officers of Historic Racing Car Club (Qld) Inc , it is with great pleasure that we welcome the following new and returning members to our club.

Total membership as at 07/09/2021 - **512**

Liam Moyse, Israel Suarez & Michael Walsh

Historic Torque Has A New Editor, *as told by the past editor.....*

As of this edition of the HRCC newsletter we have a new editor, Lisa Catchpole, who will be presenting you with information, articles and photos. Many HRCC members may already know or know of Lisa as she has been involved with Queensland motorsport for a long time while working with CAMS/Motorsport Australia. It is with great pleasure that we welcome Lisa to the HRCC team. Lisa has lots to offer the club.

I have received terrific support from members in the past with content for the newsletter that has led to the newsletter becoming an important part of the club's communication toolkit. Thank you to those who have contributed. I now ask that you support Lisa in the same way to help her develop the newsletter even more.

It has been a privilege for me to be able to work with the HRCC Committees and meet with many of the club members. I will be retiring from the management committee as of the end of 2021. My interest in historic motorsport continues and will see many of you at HRCC events in the future.

Kindest regards,

Ian Welsh

My name is Lisa Catchpole and I'm the new editor of the HRCC Historic Torque newsletter. Some of you might recognise my name as previously being the main contact for the CAMS/Motorsport Australia Queensland Office.

While contemplating how to summarise my introduction to you I realised that motorsport has had a stamp on my life since childhood. The Bathurst weekend, the Hardie Ferodo 1000 back then, was the only weekend we didn't go to church. One of the only family topics my father won. I also met my husband on Bathurst weekend and 40 years later we still celebrate our relationship watching the great race.

My career path has changed quite significantly over my years of employment from being self-employed with my husband in the computer industry, customer service for a retail furniture company, office manager in the fitness industry and of course working just over half my career with CAMS/Motorsport Australia. (I'm still trying to get used to the name change)

I had no idea what the motorsport industry would lead me into when I first started and 21 years later I have made associations and friendships that are both appreciated and cherished.

HRCC has given me the opportunity to contribute to the sport again in my own small way and I look forward to working with you all.

TELL US YOUR STORY

Why not share your story with us through the newsletter. It might be the car your building. an event you recently participated or officiated in or your travels with your pride and joy. All contributions for upcoming issues of Historic Torque are welcome. Please submit your story and photos to torque@hrcc.org.au.

Alternatively, post articles to The Editor - Historic Torque, PO Box 353, Red Hill Qld 4059.

Please include a self address envelope for the return of your precious photos.

Deadline - 12 day of each month.



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Summary of the HRCC Management Committee meeting held via Skype on Tuesday 7 September 2021

Membership - Three new members since last report. Currently 512 memberships.

Treasurer Report - Financials remain on track with nothing outstanding.

Newsletter - The publication of the September edition will be carried over to cover Historic Queensland. Lisa Catchpole has been appointed the club's newsletter editor along with updating the Webpage in the future.

HQ/MP Powered sites - The selection of powered sites will be done as per direction from the Management Committee. HQ will hold a small meeting so everybody should get their request for a powered site.

Regularity Point Scoring System – Software will be ready to run at HQ but the manual system will be run in parallel. If needed, debugging the software may involve more cost.

HRCC Constitution - Hard copies of the draft constitution changes will be mailed out to those members who don't have an email address.

2022 Race Meeting Calendar - We have proposed dates but that is all as the Supercars have not released anything yet and MPR has conflicting dates from other Clubs. Interest raised to hold at least one event at Queensland Raceway and Lakeside as they are currently running one day events. Discussion to be held on how this would work as Classes could be split up and run over two days but there would be little interest from down south as most would not come for only one day. Would also like to run a Hillclimb next year around September/October.

HRCC Clubhouse - Changes to the proposed leasing arrangement have stalled negotiations. Will be seeking direction from the members if the agreement cannot be resolved.

NOTICE TO HRCCQ MEMBERS

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS—2022 OFFICE BEARERS

The HRCCQ management committee has called for nominations for positions as office bearers for 2022.

All club members can either nominate themselves, or another member, to become a candidate for election.

If you wish to nominate as a candidate go to the website to download the Nomination Form Instructions before either choosing to download the computer or handwritten options for submission.

Election of Office Bearers Nomination forms are available directly from the website at hrcc.org.au or click on the buttons below:

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FORM

Please note that nominations close **Thursday 30 September 2021**.

Regards

Peter Gilbert

Secretary

HRCCQ Inc Management Committee



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Good to get the historic racing scene back on track again after Covid lockdowns caused the last-minute postponement of the July race meeting. The Historic Queensland annual event is not all about racing with the race weekend kicking off with the Friday evening “meet and greet” social gathering which was well attended. This year held at the Warwick Golf Club and with club patron Kevin Bartlett in attendance, there was positive enthusiasm for the event being a good weekend of racing.

Unfortunately, the border restrictions in place resulted in it being very much a local Queensland event situation and the entry list trimmed down to just under a hundred. However, the entry contained some very historically significant cars to make it a race meeting that would please entrants and spectators. Spectators were treated to seeing the Nissan Skyline 1991 Bathurst 1000 pole sitter and race winner complete with its sister car which came in third place. The weather was magnificent and for the spectators who did make the effort to attend, there was plenty for all to see in the pits and on track.

The race schedule was for qualifying followed by 34 events across the 2 days and with the small grids, it all ran very seamlessly. Regularity trials had the biggest field with 24 cars and the rest of the categories the grids averaged around 10 cars or less. The combined Group N races having grids of 22 cars.

Results for all the categories are shown in the table on page 6.

Thanks to all the volunteers, helpers and officials who give their time freely to enable others to enjoy their sport.

Competitors Want more racing?

Historic Queensland was the last event on the HRCC 2021 calendar, but entry will open soon for the Motorsport Australia State Championships. The fourth and final round will be held at Morgan Park Raceway between 19 and 21 November 2021.

Be quick to enter because the previous rounds have been well supported.



Photos by Ian Welsh



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HISTORIC QUEENSLAND RESULTS

Category	First	Second	Third
Groups K	Steven Anderson	---	---
Group Lb Racing	Craig Carlson	Alan Telfer	---
Group P	Bruce Ayers	---	---
Group Vb	Douglas Angus	Alan Don	---
Regularity	Graham Hein	Phillipa Covell	Gina Siddins
Group Nc over 2000cc	Craig Allan	Matthew Clift	Grant Schneider
Group Sb	Damien Daly	---	---
Group Sc	Michael McKelliget	John Carson	---
Group T	Paul Cuthbert	---	---
Invited Sports	Christopher Whittaker	Stan Adler	Chris Battista
Group Fa	Leonard Don	George Fry	Neville Anderson
Group Fb	Kendal Barry-Cotter	Robert Buckley	---
Group Fc	Michael Meyer	Geoff Karger	---
Group A	Anthony Alford	Peter Jones	Kyle Alford
Group C	Christopher Bowden	---	---
Group Q Racing	John Barram	Daniel McCarthy	---
Group R Sports	Kevin Gray	Ian Gray	Christopher Robertson
Group Nb	Ken Nelson	Claude Ciccotelli	Darryl Exelby
Group Nc up to 2000cc	Cameron Hein	John Tupicoff	James Waugh
Group U	Aarron Hodges	---	---
Group U Invited over 2000cc	Nicholas Jones	Jason Delaney	Nathan Edwards
Group U Invited up to 2000cc	Wayne Stratford	Graeme Hodges	Jeffrey Bird

HISTORIC QUEENSLAND 2021 TROPHY WINNERS

Qld Tourist Trophy	Kevin Gray
HRCC Trophy	John Barram
Fred Sayers Trophy	Aarron Hodges



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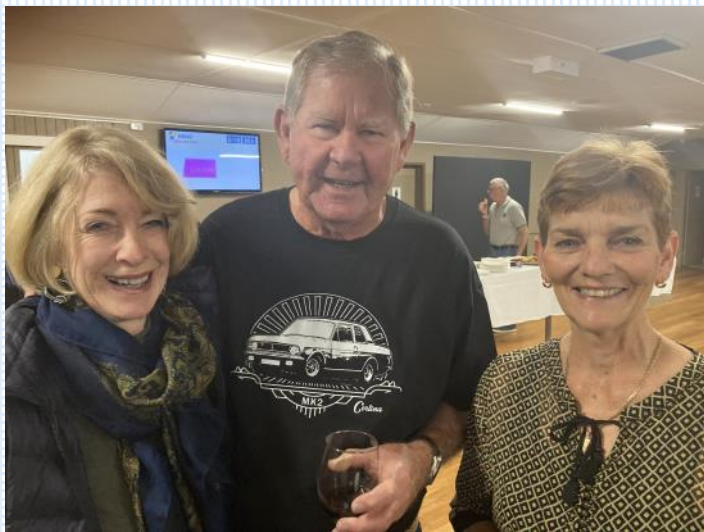


Graham Hein



Cameron Hein

Something a little unusual happened in last weekend's races. The car used by Graham Hein to win the Regularity events was also used by his son Cameron to win the Group Nc under 2lt category. Well done Gentlemen!!

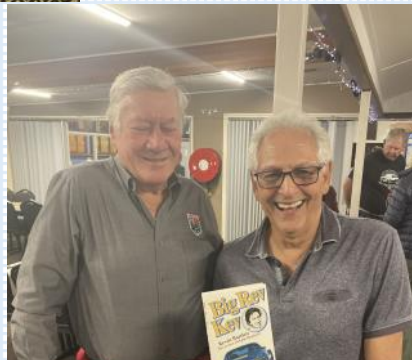


The Warwick Golf Club was a perfect venue for golfing fans Toni Carson and Bronwyn Hein to sandwich-in Graham Hein. The talk at home will now be centered on just how masterly Graham's outright win in the Historic Queensland 2021 Regularity event, in his perky 1970 GT (4-door) Cortina.

The always competitive Gina Siddins seen here in her well-fettled 2.6 litre 1973 Datsun 240Z sitting 'on-pole' in the Regularity Group. Gina confirmed: "Mate, I'm in the Zone!"



Rod Zaverdinos normally runs his delightful red 1963 GSM Dart, in Regularity, but after seizing the engine a few weeks earlier at the last GEAR Lakeside event he won a lucky door consolation prize, a 'Big Rev Kev' autobiography, signed and presented to Rod by the man himself, Kevin Bartlett.



Bruce Ayers



Leonard Don

Photos from John Carson and Ian Welsh



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MORE FROM HISTORIC QUEENSLAND

Geoff Karger



Kendal Barry-Cotter

Michael McKelliget



Kevin Gray



Steven Anderson



Russell McDowell



Michael Meyer



2021 Historic Motorsport Events

Event	Date	Venue
Australian Hillclimb Championships	21st to 24th October	Mt Cotton
HSRCA - Practice & Track Day	4 th & 5th November	Wakefield Park Raceway
VHRR - Historic Sandown	6 th to 7th November	Sandown Raceway
MSA Qld State Championships Rd 4	19th to 21st 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.		



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Hi Members

Last weekend not only included the **Goodwood Festival** but the **HRCC Historic Queensland** event which differed from the normal date in July. Unfortunately many of the HRCC entrants live in Northern NSW along with some of our group who were unable to cross the border and were forced to withdraw. HRCC desired to run the event despite the much reduced numbers to make grouping cars into sufficient quantity to make up races.

Good number of Group N, Regularity and Group U sprints made good fields whilst Group S & T had invited Production Sports Cars from Group 2B & 2F to make up numbers. A small field of great Heritage Touring cars made it; We were included with Q & R Sports & Racing so were a small event of 6 cars.

The Sports 2000 were represented by Kevin Gray in his new TIGA getting a hurry up from Ian Gray in his first outing in his Lola T590 (ex John McKeon) and Chris Robertson in his TIGA. All of our cars competed in the four events which one being the feature race for the QLD Tourist Trophy for Historic Sports Cars. Kevin Gray won this event followed by Ian Gray and Chris Robertson. It was nice to see a Sports 2000 taking out this Trophy as in normal times those big Sports Cars usually are the winners.

Overall winner for the weekend was John Barram in his Grp Q Cheetah, with Kevin Gray, Chris Robertson and Ian Gray filling the outright places as well as Group R places.

Unfortunately my engine wasn't ready so Kevin Gray loaned me his Grp 2B Mazda MX5 so that I could have a run with Grp S & T cars which was fun to keep my hand in. It was a great weekend with fabulous weather and no serious incidents.

I have just been advised that VHRR are planning on running the Sandown Historics on the 5-7 November. Entries are now open, so if you are in Victoria, NSW, or SA you might consider entering as the VHRR will give a full refund if borders are not open or the event is cancelled.

HSRCA are going to run a one day Historic event on Friday 5 November at Wakefield Park with a practice fun day on the Thursday. It's probable that this event will not be run under a Motor Sport Australia permit and it will be early October before confirmation as to whether the event will be allowed.

In these uncertain times and just in case the government doesn't open the borders before December, there are 4 monthly GEAR Days in Qld we can attend before Christmas. Take my advice and participate in what you can if only to keep your hand in and give your Historic promotor as much encouragement as possible.

At this stage I have no idea as to how events will pan out for next year and what will be required to attend events interstate, but I'll keep you posted.

Regards

Michael Gehde SPORTS 2000 Co-Ordinator

2021 AUSTRALIAN HILLCLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP



The MG Car Club of Qld. is endeavoring to host the 2021 Australian Hillclimb Championship at the Mt Cotton Hillclimb over the weekend of 25 to 28 of November. We are very aware of the current COVID-19 and lockdown situation that is currently in place in many states. We remain hopefully that free movement between the states will once again be possible by the end of November. We will continue to closely monitor the progress of closures and restrictions in the ensuing weeks to make a final decision on the 15th October, 2021 as to whether the Event will still be held this year.

Any monies paid will be refunded should the event not take place.

Also please note, this year we will be holding the first **Motorsport Australia Junior Hillclimb Championship**.

To be eligible for this championship the driver needs to be over 14 years old and be under 18 years old on the 27 November, 2021. The Entry Fee for the Junior Hillclimb Championship is \$120.00.

Entry is via the Motorsport Australia [Event Entry portal](#).

Thanks

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State Advisory Panels Nominations

Nominations for the next intake of Motorsport Australia State Panel members is now open.

A variety of roles for the next three-year term between 2022 and 2024 are now open.

State Panel members support State Councils with the planning and administration of various disciplines and functions within the sport, and a number of positions are available for nomination.

Motorsport Australia members interested in joining the Qld panel team next year simply need to fill out an application form, and submit ahead of the deadline date.

Panel nomination forms are due by 11:59pm AEST on 1 November 2021

[Click here to view and download the State Panel Nomination forms.](#)

Motorsport Australia Report by Alan Don, HRCCQ State Council delegate

The Motorsport Australia Annual Report 2020 was released on 16th June.

WDSCC proposed 2022 State Championship dates are R1 25-27 March; R2 3-5 June; R3 26-28 August; R4 18-20 November. QSC endorsed the 2022 Motorsport Australia Super Sprint Championship being held in October 2022 at Morgan Park.

State Council noted the date changes for Leyburn Sprints, Historic Queensland, and approved a request from MGCQ to change the Mt Cotton Interclub Hillclimb to 4 September 2021 to avoid clashing with Leyburn. Also noted that the 2021 Improved Production Nationals scheduled for Morgan Park 1-3 October 2021 have been cancelled due to Covid restrictions.

The updated version of State Council Standing Orders clarifies that, while a person may be a delegate to State Council for more than one club, that person has only one vote. I'm a delegate for both HRCCQ and FVAQ, but as FVAQ hasn't enough members to be a club with voting rights, I only ever have one vote. Obviously, I consider both clubs' interests when voting on an issue, but if there is any conflict of interest, the HRCCQ interest takes first place. State Council agreed to hold the next meeting on Tuesday October 19th as a face-to-face at Sports House (subject to prevailing Covid restrictions).



Alan Telfer



Mike Gehde

John Carson

My fellow club members I have to report that the HRCC Management Committee at their monthly meeting on 7 September, justifiably, unanimously decided to place the above project into abeyance. This decision was reached due to one primary reason and two additional considerations.

The primary reason was as a result of the Mt Gravatt Showgrounds Trust (The Trust) seeking to alter the Agreed Heads of Agreement to lease, under which the clubhouse was to be erected. Essentially, it had previously been agreed that the lease was to be 2 x 25 years, with lease fee to be reviewed after the first 25 years of no more than 100% of the original lease fee (which was incidentally \$5,000). The Trust sought to change the lease to 4 x 10 years with annual CPI lease rises.

One of the primary objectives that was stated for the outset to The Trust was long term security for HRCC members following the investment that was to be made. With this in mind the HRCC Management Committee again approached the Trust to return to the original Heads of Agreement. They declined to do so but left the offer open ended to recommence the project based upon their changed Heads of Agreement. This latter option is highly unlikely to be taken up.

Two further, but lessor secondary issues also became apparent over the last 18 months, since we started the project: The first was the upward spiraling costs of construction at this time; the second, is the current shortage of building materials and labour.

Anyway, we would like to thank Kelly Gray from Solution Positive Architecture Pty Ltd for his volunteer work so far and the proposals he created. Well done Kelly and we thank you very much. Personally, I liked his first design - that was a great building for a contemporary structure.

Above all I would personally like to thank those committee members and club members who provided us with assistance and great feedback on the proposal and clubhouse concept. The passion that was exhibited clearly discloses club members care about their club.

I will finish up by saying the need for a base for the club will not go away. In fact, with the rise in cost of storage, rental for meeting accommodation, the need for suitable and climate sensitive storage and the need to get material out from under members' houses this issue will remain a priority. So please watch this space for future proposals.

Kindest regards

Chris Robertson - HRCC Vice President

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