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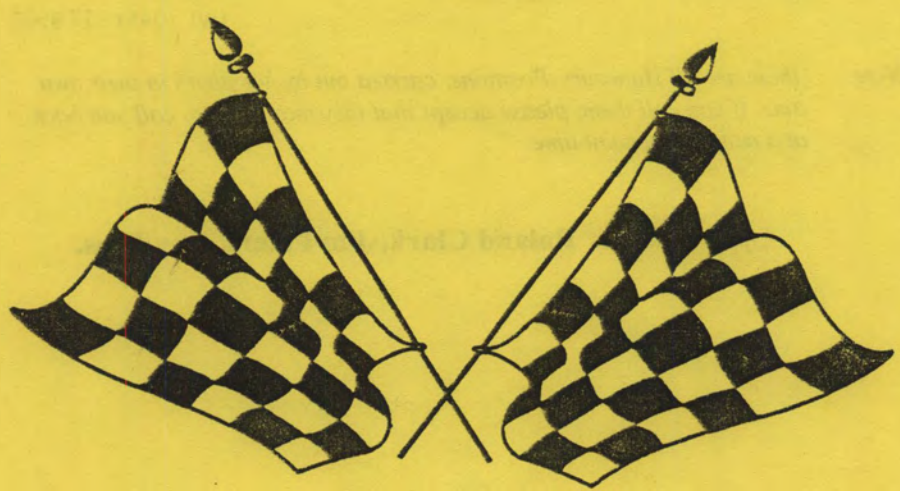

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*Note:* *these are all Honorary-Positions, carried out by Members in their own time. If you call them, please accept that they may have to call you back at a more convenient time.*

*Life Members:* **Roland Clark, Jim Peters, Ray Ross.**

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# thoroughbred sports car club

INCORPORATED AS AN ASSOCIATION
Registered No.: Y15083-35

*TSCC is affiliated with the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport*

## OBJECTS OF THE CLUB

"Fostering a better acquaintance and Social-Spirit between the various owners of Thoroughbred Sports Cars in Australia."

"To help and advance Thoroughbred Sports Car Owners and Ownership."

"To establish and maintain, by example, a high Standard of Conduct, and a Respect of the Laws of the Road."

**General Meetings of the Club**

Held on the second Wednesday of each Month, commencing at 8:00pm, at the Ryde RSL Club, (Bowling Club Rooms), 724 Victoria Road, Ryde.

# 1996

# CALENDAR

***As at January 1996***
[and subject to amendments]

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **February** | | | | |
| **March** | | | | |
| **April** | Wed | 10 | M | TSCC Monthly Meeting |
| | Sat | 13 | R | Oran Park |
| | Sun | 21 | S | Tennis Day [Kenthurst Park] |
| **May** | Sun | 5 | R | Wakefield Park |
| | Fri - Sun | 3 - 12 | S | 15th Anniversary Rally |
| | NO | MONTHLY | | MEETING |
| **June** | Sun | 2 | S | Vice-President's Run [Kang. Valley] |
| | Wed | 12 | M | TSCC Monthly Meeting |
| | Sun | 30 | S | Motorkhana [Butterfly Farm] |
| **July** | Wed | 10 | M | TSCC Monthly Meeting |
| | Sun | 21 | R | Eastern Creek |
| **August** | Sun | 4 | R | Amaroo Park |
| | Wed | 14 | M | TSCC Monthly Meeting |
| | Sun | 18 | S | Go-Kart [Venue to be advised] |
| **September** | Sun | 1 | R | Wakefield Park |
| | Wed | 11 | M | TSCC Monthly Meeting |
| | TBA | TBA | S | Day Run {St Albans] |
| **October** | TBA | TBA | S | Observation Run. |
| | Wed | 9 | M | TSCC Monthly Meeting |
| | Sat | 26 | R | Oran Park |
| **November** | Wed | 13 | M | TSCC Monthly Meeting |
| | Sun | 17 | S | Pride of Ownership Day |
| | Sun | 24 | R | Eastern Creek |
| **December** | Sat | 7 | S | Christmas Function [TBA} |

**LEGEND**

**M = Club Meeting - 3 pts**
**S = Social Event - 2 pts**
**R = Racing Event - 1 pt**

**CLUBMEMBER OF THE YEAR**

The above points are awarded to members for participation in the events specified in the TSCC calendar as printed, and any later amendments.

With racing events one point is awarded for either competing, or attending as a spectator.

Additionally, you also receive two points for contributing a published article in "TOP GEAR" (to a maximum of 10 points).

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Contacts** | Meetings: | Michael Ryan | 832.1808 |
| | Social: | Dave Muir | 413.1692 |
| | Racing: | Steve Hammond | 896.0608 |

***Your Club needs your participation - please come along to as many events as possible***

## EDITOR's NOTEBOOK

Isn't 1996 disappearing fast!!!
Here we are with the second Edition, **'Autumn 96'** for your perusal, and enjoyment.

My thanks go to those Members who so readily faxed through Information and Articles for this publication; please keep them coming.
Being Car Club Members, and sharing this common interest known as 'Cars', I'm sure there's lots of snippets or funny situations that you can relate, thus giving enjoyment to your fellow Members.

We've now completed our fourth **Club Album** of photos.
This being the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Club's Formation the memories evoked by looking through these Albums is next to none.
I can't wait to put together the photos that I'm sure will be forthcoming from the **Anniversary Rally;** perhaps I will have to even censor some of them!!!

**The Muirs (David and Barbara)** are *'profiled'* in this Edition; David holding the office of *Vice-President* and Barbara holding the office of *Treasurer.*
[The 'passion' that David has for his 'babies' makes for very good reading. Enjoy!!]

Till next time:
**[Stephanie Clark]**

### 'Citizen-Kane Award'

The 'Summer Edition' Winner was **Bob Smith, with** his article:
***'Monterey Magic'***
At the *June* Monthly Meeting, Club Members will be voting on the following well received Articles:

| | |
|---|---|
| ***'Motorkhana 1996'*** | *[Steve Hammond]* |
| ***'Cricket Day; 24th March'*** | *[Chris Johnson]* |
| ***'Amaroo Park Supersprint'*** | *[Michael Ryan]* |
| ***'Splendid Silverdale'*** | *[Bob Smith]* |

Remember: "you can't get published, unless you write something"; so, put pen to paper and keep those Articles coming!!!!

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# *PRESIDENT'S REPORT*

This year has kicked off successfully, with Members attending a Motorkhana at the Butterfly Farm, (Wilberforce); a Supersprint, at Amaroo Park; and, a Cricket Match against the Aston Martin Club, at McGraths Hill.
[These Events are detailed further in other Articles, in this Newsletter.]

By now you have probably also read the Minutes of the February/March Monthly Meetings, which detailed the acquisition and delivery of a combined **TV/Video Player.**
So, if you have any interesting Video Tapes, (OK, not *that* interesting; this is a Car Club Meeting!) please bring them along to the Monthly Meetings, as the TV/Video Player will always be 'in attendance'.

Likewise, those of you with Video Cameras who feel inclined to make a Video Record of any Club Event(s) will have a means of displaying your 'Director' and 'Producer' Qualities to your fellow Club Members.
Seriously though, any *Video Recordings of Club Events* would be greatly appreciated by your fellow Club Members.

I have recently attended two Meetings for the organisation of the Thoroughbred Sports Car Club's **"15th Year Anniversary Rally".**
It is my belief that the participants are destined for a great week of Touring southern New South Wales and Victoria.
The organisation I have seen for this Event is second to none; and yes, you guessed it, there are no places left on the Rally itself. If you would like to participate however, there is still an opportunity to join the Rally Participants on the final night of the Rally, (Saturday, 11th May 1996.)
They will be staying at the *'Golf View Lodge'* in Bowral, and will be dining at the *'Maples Restaurant'*, also in lovely picturesque Bowral.
The phone number of 'Golf View Lodge is': (048) 61.2777. Please advise Phillip Honeyman, (the Manager) that you are with the TSCC, and whether you require a booking for dinner at the afore-mentioned Restaurant.
As this will be the last Newsletter prior to the Rally, you will have no further advertised opportunity to join us on this final night; so, please act now if you wish to join your fellow Club Members.
Looking forward to seeing you there!

Don't forget there will be **no Monthly Meeting in May**, as this coincides with the running of the Rally.

***June 2nd, '96*** is an important date to remember, however, as it is the *Vice-President's Run,* to the Kangaroo Valley.
More on that later.

Regards:

**[Mike Ryan]**

# TROPHIES

PERPETUAL

*** CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR ***
[Awarded for attending the most Events]
*Donated by:* ***Clive Sanderson*** *[dec.]*

*** DON MacDONALD MEMORIAL TROPHY ***
[President's choice of Member who has made the most significant contribution to the Club during the Year]
*Donated by:* ***John Burton and Lester Gough***

*** SPORTING CHAMPIONSHIP ***
[Awarded to the 'Outright-Winner' of Sporting Events]
*Donated by:* ***Castrol***

*** CLUB-CAR DISPLAY ***
[Awarded for the 'Best-Presented Car'.]
*Donated by:* ***John Thompson Sports Cars***

*** CITIZEN KANE AWARD ***
[Awarded for the best 'Top Gear' article, written by a Club Member; as voted on by fellow Club Members]
*Donated by:* ***Jim Peters***

*[The Winners names are engraved on these Trophies.*
*They retain them for the up-coming Year.*
*They receive an individual Trophy, which they then retain.]*

SPORTING:

*** SPORTING CHAMPIONSHIP ***
[Two Trophies: one each for 'Open' and 'Closed' Sections, for the highest Points in each Section.
The overall highest Score receives the afore-mentioned 'Perpetual Trophy'.]

*** MOTORKHANA/GO-KART CHAMPIONSHIP ***
Two Trophies: one each for 'Ladies', and 'Outright'.
If the times are equal, there will be a Trophy for the 'Men's Section', and both winners will receive 'Outright' Trophies.

*** BEST PERFORMANCE BY A NEW MEMBER ***
[Chosen by the Committee Members]

*[The Committee may, at its discretion, award additional 'One-Off' Trophies for the Year.*

# COMPETITIVE EDGE

This year is running away at a rapid rate;
one Motorkhana and one Supersprint have already 'bitten the dust' (excuse the pun!!!)
However, there is still plenty coming up soon.

The next **Supersprint** is a 'Day/Night Meeting', at Oran Park, on the *13th April.*
[If you haven't entered yet, then you're not obviously not going!!
But, in true 'Thoroughbred Spirit', Spectators are cherished; and, it should be a great day and night.]
*[Editor's Note:* Hope those who participated/watched enjoyed the Event, as publication-date has seen this Event come and go.]

If you need Entry Forms for **Wakefield**, on *5th May,* then let me know, and I'll arrange for some to be distributed.

The *Supersprints* in the **CAMS Championship** this year have shown some incredible interest.
Most Events are limited to between eighty and one hundred Entrants; however, there are approximately one hundred and sixty Entrants in the Championship.
Simple mathematics means that between sixty and eighty Entrants will miss each Event.
What I am trying to say, is that you will have to be 'snappy' with your Entry Forms, in order to get a go!

There are some other Supersprints and Events that our Club has been invited to, and I have listed them at the end of this Article.
[If any one is interested, I will arrange for the appropriate Form to be sent; so, please let me know in plenty of time, in order to avoid dis-appointment.]

***Oran Park Supersprints:***
*[NSW RRC]*
June 23rd,
July 14th,
August 24th,
September 8th,
October 27th,
December 14th

***Amaroo Park Driver Training Day:***
*[ARDC]*
June 9th;

***Amaroo Park Supersprints:***
*[ARDC]*
September [TBA]
December 1st.

**[Steve Hammond]**

## *1996 POINT SCORE*

**** CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR ****

| | |
|---|---|
| **12 Points:** | ***Lester Gough*** |
| **11 Points:** | ***Michael Ryan*** |
| **10 Points:** | ***Chris Johnson / Barbara Muir / David Muir*** |

Scores up to and including 31.3.96

# *Amaroo Park Supersprint Report - March 17, 1996*

**by Mike Ryan**

The day dawned sunny and clear for the first supersprint on the TSCC calendar, also being the first Supersprint of the 1996 NSW Supersprint Series. Steve Hammond and I had both entered, Steve in the Capri, and myself in the P76.

The gladiators vital statistics:

| **Ford Capri** | **Leyland P76 Targa Florio** |
|---|---|
| Road Registered | Unregistered |
| 302 cu in Windsor pushrod V8 with Holley 650 carburettor (mechanical secondaries), Edelbrock Torquer inlet manifold, GT specification cam, baffled sump, standard exhaust, 11.5:1 compression approx, fuel: AVGAS, standard distributor, 5500 rpm redline, electric radiator fans | 269 cu in aluminium pushrod V8 with Holley 650 carburettor (mechanical secondaries), standard inlet manifold, 38/78 cam, baffled sump, extractors, short exhaust, 11:1 compression, fuel: AVGAS, regraphed distributor, 6500 rpm redline |
| Salisbury 3.22 differential | Limited slip 2.92 differential |
| C4 3 speed automatic gearbox | Borg Warner 4 speed manual gearbox |
| Coil springs/Macpherson strut front suspension, Leaf spring rear suspension, twin swaybars 19mm and 24mm on front. No rear swaybar | Coil springs/Koni adjustable shock absorbers all round, Macpherson struts, ride height lowered 2.5", swaybars 22mm front and 18mm rear. |
| Goodyear Eagles 185/70 front, Yokahama 185/70 rear. 13" * 6" wheels | Yokahama A509 225/60 all round, 14" * 6" wheels |
| Overall weight 1000kg approx | Overall weight 1300kg approx |

Results:

| | Run 1 | | Run 2 | | Run 3 | | Run 4 | | Run 5 | | Overall | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | Avg | **Fastest Lap** |
| Steve | 70.83 | 68.57 | 69.24 | 68.36 | 68.45 | 71.01 | 68.16 | 83.46 | DNF | DNS | 71.00 | **68.16** |
| Mike | 69.38 | 70.14 | 69.01 | 68.27 | 69.01 | 68.96 | 69.17 | 70.16 | DNS | DNS | 69.26 | **68.27** |

As can be seen from the above results, the racing between Steve and myself was very close, resulting in an overall 8th and 9th respectively. Congratulations Steve. The fastest car in our class was a Torana, with a quickest time of 61.22. There were 10 cars in the class.

As for DNFs and DNSs, Steve had an electrical fault on his last run, and I was out of brake fluid (and I suspect out of brake pad material).

Mike Ryan

# TREASURER's TROVE

**Financial Report for the period: 1/ 1/96 to 26/ 3/96**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **INCOME:** | | | |
| Advertising: | | | 180 |
| CAMS: | | | 220 |
| Interest: | | | 18 |
| Other: | [Video Sale | 130 | |
| | T/fer of T.D. | 575 | 705 |
| Social: | | | 105 |
| Subscriptions: | | | 580 |
| Sundry: | [Raffle: | 64 | |
| | Rally Dep.: | 4050 | 4114 |
| | | | **$5922** |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **EXPENDITURE:** | | | |
| Bank Charges: | | | 2 |
| Cams: | | | 312 |
| Insurance: | | | 125 |
| Postage: | [Newsletters and Magazines] | | 69 |
| Room Hire: | [Club Meetings] | | 100 |
| Social: | | | 104 |
| Sundries: | [Video: | 1135 | |
| | Rally: | 2116 | 3251 |
| | | | **$3,988** |

**EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) YEAR-TO-DATE: $ 1,934**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **ASSETS:** | | |
| Cash on Hand: | as at 26/ 3/96 | 30 |
| Cash at Bank, | as at 26/ 3/96 | 3608 |
| Deposit Maturing, | as at 25/ 4/96 | 568 |
| Deposit Maturing, | as at 30/ 1//96 | 590 |
| | | **$4,796** |


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## *'SPLENDID SILVERSTONE'*

One of the World's Premier Classic-Car Events has to be the ***"Coy's Historic Festival"***, at Silverstone, United Kingdom.

It is held in late July, and believe it or not, the weather is often sunny and warm!!
Coy's are a Classic-Car Dealer, operating out of a couple of Glass-fronted Mews Garages, in a tiny lane-way near Central London. If you visit the 'Showroom', you'll be amazed at how many expensive vehicles they can cram into the one place. A great way to really upset a Salesman here is to utter: "...I think I'd like to try the Delahaye at the back.!!"
[Don't eat at the Pub opposite; dreadful food and warm beer.]

Silverstone is set amongst rolling-countryside in Norchants, (in the Midlands).
The drawback of its location is that it is serviced by minor, winding, narrow lanes, making Traffic a nightmare. Best to approach from the East, taking 'Turnoff A413', near Lillingstone Dayrell, and tackling the goat-track at Entrance-13, leading to Maggotts Curve. [I kid you not!!!]
(It's fun watching the Healeys grounding their exhausts on this section of road!)

Accommodation anywhere near the Circuit is un-obtainable on Race-Weekend.
You'll be lucky to find anything within forty miles of the Track, if you don't book well in advance, (like twelve months!!)
A lovely place to stay is Wharf Cottage, The Green, at Stoke Bruerne.
Mrs Blagrove has two Rooms to rent (shared facilities) at thirty pounds a double, Bed and Breakfast.
Stoke Bruerne is a pretty canal-side Village, about ten miles from the Circuit.
The beauty of staying at Wharf Cottage (apart from the bacon and eggs) is that it is next door to a great Pub.
The local ale is excellent, and they do a superb "syllabub"; a dessert made of fresh, double-clotted cream mixed with wild honey: yummy!!!!
[The only problem, after a few ales and a 'wobbly-boot' (you'll have to ask Bob for a translation), is negotiating the tow-path to the B & B.]

The Event at Silverstone covers two days.
Last year it was twenty-five pounds Admission-Fee, which included: Parking, Grandstands and Paddock-Transfer.
The varied Race-Programme is a 'full-on' nostalgia-trip, with all facets of Historic Racing being covered.
Plenty of famous names around: last year had Shelby, Moss, Salvadori, Surtees, Brooks,.....running in various Races and Display-Runs.
The Cars are equally impressive -- well-worn, raced-hard, fantastic-provenance; they get amongst it here much more than say, at Laguna Seca.
Silverstone at around five kilometres, is a little shorter than Bathurst; but, very fast around the back of the track, though a little "Mickey-Mouse" through Brooklands and Luffield Corners.

It's really terrific to stroll through the Paddock here.
The variety of vehicles is breath-taking: any 'Amaroo Historics' will never be the same after they have been to Coy's.
They have a one hour 'Appendix-J Historic Touring Car Race' with fifty-three Entrants, in nine Classes
Plenty of Off-Course Action, with Vintage-Aircraft Fly-Bys, Auctions, Motoring Fine-Art Exhibitions, Auto-Jumbles, vast Static-Displays.

## *'SPLENDID SILVERSTONE'* -cont-

Last year the Themed-Marque was: Aston-Martin.
(I can't remember exactly how many Zagato-bodied DB4's, with the Superleggera (sorry Lester!!) Constructions were made, but I counted eleven at Silverstone, which was probably close to half the total Production-Run.!!)
Such is the quality of vehicles attending this Function; and, it gives you some idea of the rarity of the Cars assembled here.

A couple of draw-backs only come to mind:
the Commentary on the PA is very "Harry Flatters", (plum-in-mouth variety), and:
if it's hot, you can't buy a cold drink in the whole of the United Kingdom.!!

Hope that convinces you to mark it on your Calendar: it's on the *3rd and 4th August* this year, see you there!
[Next Issue I'll give you an insight into an un-believable treasure-chest of Sports-Racing Cars, tucked away in a little village, in Germany.]
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# C R I C K E T  D A Y

## Thoroughbred Sports Car Club vs Aston Martin Owners Club

Sunday 24th March, 1996 was the day that the Aston Martin Owners Club would avenge their crushing defeat of last year.
*Could the 'Aston Angels' tame the 'Thoroughbred Tigers'?*

We all assembled at Colbee Park, at McGraths Hill, at 1030 for a 1100 kick-off, bully-off, (or whatever the term is for starting a Cricket Match.)
*'Dashing David'* explained the Game would be played under the "Marquis of Canterbury Rules", (modified to read: "L.J. and P.H. Rules".)

The 'Aston Angels' batted first, and their openers looked very professional, and eager for Battle.
We brought on the secret weapons to commence the bowling: ***'Junior Josh' (Ryan)*** and ***'Marauding Michael' (Ross)***. Their googlies, toppies, quickies, and what-have-you, really bamboozled the openers, and they finished their four overs with a score of minus three!! (a great start from the 'Tigers')
The 'Angels' next two pairs settled down, and took the score to eleven.
The 'Angels' then sent in the "real" Angels: *Sharon, Linda, Rosalie* and *Liz;* they took the score to a total of two.
Finally, the "traitors" came into bat: *Les (Johnson)* and *Max (Peglar)*
The 'Tigers' saved their best bowlers for these two: ***'Rampaging Roland' (Clark)*** had been ably coached by Lillee (or was it Thompson?); or so it seemed, because some of the "bobby dazzlers" that he sent down really confused the two-batted batsmen.

The 'Aston Angels' scored a remarkable total of four runs.
Would the 'Thoroughbred Tigers' be able to surpass this mammoth score?
To achieve Victory, total concentration and dedication to the task would be required.
It was a convenient time to break for lunch, and re-group for the afternoon session.

***'Junior Josh' and 'Mighty Michael' (Ryan)*** opened the Batting.
'Mighty Michael' set to the Bowlers in earnest, with cover dives, slashing slogs, and all manner of fancy- strokes, to score a magnificent twenty-seven off his four overs.
***'Dashing David' (Muir) and 'Marauding Michael' (Ross)*** were next to bat. Both played like men possessed; the ball was hit all over the field, and they added a further twenty-eight runs to the Score.
***'Rampaging Roland' (Clark) and 'Automotive Adrian' (Walker)*** [complete with mobile-phone to check the signal strength] did not fair so well. Their total, after four overs, was minus seven; but we were still well in front on run-rate and total.
***'Learner Louis' (Eid)*** really took to the bowlers; his good score of sixteen was unfortunately reduced to one, after some bad luck
Last to bat were ***'Grinning Grant' (Liddell) and 'Jostling John' (Evans).*** After a magnificent display of batting, they added a further twenty-six to the total.
'The Tigers' had amassed a score of *sixty*,` and 'The Angels' capitulated; they packed up their bat and balls and went home.

***TSCC [2] AMOC [0]***
**[Anyone for Tennis???]**

Our thanks go to *David, Peter (Hammond)* , *John* and all the helpers for a great day out; and, it was good to see a few Club Cars being given an airing.
**[Chris Johnson]**

# SOCIALLY SPEAKING

**April/May** are busy months for Thoroughbred Members.

We're off '*Racing*' at Oran Park **(13th April)** and at Wakefield Park (**5th May**);
*Socially* we can show off our ***Tennis Skills*** on **21st April**, and then there's the Great Trek:
'15th Anniversary Rally', **3rd - 12th May.**

So many places to go, so many people to see, and such a lot to do!!!

## *Birthday Greetings to:*

| | |
|---|---|
| APRIL | |
| 01 | DON HEWITT |
| 02 | (MRS) HAMMOND |
| 05 | LORRAINE WALKER |
| 06 | SUE BURTON |
| 19 | JOHN BURTON |
| 22 | STEPHANIE CLARK |
| 29 | BILL BROWN |
| MAY | |
| | JENNI SMITH |
| 26 | MARK IRELAND |
| JUNE | |
| 03 | CAROL PEGLER |
| 11 | LESTER GOUGH |
| 25 | NORMAN JOHNSON |
| 28 | GARRIE BAIN |
| 25 | VAL PETERS |


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# MOTORKHANA, 1996.

The battle-lines were drawn;
the site of the first TSCC Motorkhana for l996 was the Butterfly Farm at Wilberforce.

Now, this Event is just a relaxed, social, friendly, no-pressure Event, [right???]
Not necessarily: Club Members arrived, and so did these Cars:
*'V8 Ford Capri' / '4 WD' / 'Turbo Subaru Impreza' / 'V6 FWD Alfa' / 'Twin-Cam Corolla' / 'V6 Commodore' / 'mildly-worked Nissan Pulsar' / 'full-house, big-block Holden Gemini'*

Thus, in reality, the "big day", although it was quite social; and it was relatively friendly; there was loads and loads of pressure; [and I mean pressure!!!]

{For the first time in TSCC History, rides were swapped.
Many people queued up for seconds, and for thirds.
[Although, people seemed fairly reluctant to have more than one go in the Capri; I wonder why???]}

***Motorkhana Results:***
*{Editor's Note:* Steve Hammond very meticulously gave me the scores for each and every Driver, in each and every Course; these are available from him at any time;
all I have included in this Newsletter is a copy of the Summary for same, highlighting the best times.}

| *Driver:* | *Car:* | *Course 1:* | *Course 2:* | *Course 3:* | *Course 4:* | *Total:* | *Placing:* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Steve:** | **Capri** | 40.86 | 59.28 | 56.53 | ***58.71*** | 215.38 | '2' |
| **Dave:** | **WRX** | 40.94 | 58.09 | ***50.82*** | 61.94 | ***211.79*** | ***'1'*** |
| **Mike:** | **Commodore:** | 44.26 | 63.30 | 57.53 | 67.26 | 232.35 | '9' |
| **Louis:** | **Pulsar:** | 41.63 | 57.80 | 55.99 | 67.11 | 222.53 | '5' |
| **Jim:** | **Alfa:** | 42.27 | 64.17 | 53.09 | 63.77(Av) | 223.30(Av) | '6' |
| **Lester:** | **Gemini:** | ***40.20*** | 58.47 | 55.01 | 63.77(Av) | 217.45(Av) | '4' |
| **Chris:** | **Corolla:** | 41.30 | ***55.15*** | 55.34 | 63.84 | 215.63 | '3' |
| **Val:** | **Alfa:** | 46.44 | 60.24(Av) | 54.90(Av) | 63.77(Av) | 225.35(Av) | '7' |
| **Sandra:** | **Pulsar:** | 47.98 | 65.67 | 54.90(Av) | 63.77(Av) | 232.32(Av) | '8' |

A **'Penalty'** of five seconds was added to times for:
knocking down a flag / not being completely in the garage / and (maybe) just if we felt like it!!!
[not really!!!!]

The day was superb fun; with 'averages' being taken into account, the adjusted placings were as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **First:** | ***Dave Muir*** | [211.79] |
| **Second:** | ***Steve Hammond*** | [215.38] |
| **Third:** | ***Chris Johnson*** | [215.63] |
| **Fourth:** | ***Louis Eid*** | [222.53] |
| **Fifth:** | ***Mike Ryan*** | [232.35] |
| **Sixth:** | ***Lester Gough*** | [217.45; Averaged] |
| **Seventh:** | ***Jim Peters*** | [223.30; Averaged] |
| **Eight:** | ***Val Peters*** | [225.35; Averaged] |
| **Ninth:** | ***Sandra Eid*** | [232.32; Averaged] |

The next TSCC Motorkhana is scheduled for *30th June, '96;* we would love to see everyone there; the more the merrier.
**[Steve Hammond]**

## Minutes of Monthly Meeting,
**[held on Wednesday, 13th March, 1996]**

The Meeting opened at 8:10pm with the President, Michael Ryan, in the Chair.

***Present:*** Stephanie Clark, John and Val Dixon, Louis Eid, John and Margaret Evans, Lester Gough, Steve Hammond, Chris and Joan Johnson, Les Johnson, David and Barbara Muir, Jim and Val Peters, Ray and Margaret Ross, Michael Ryan, Bob Smith.

***Apologies:*** Roland Clark, Penny Creighton, Grant Liddell, Val MacDonald.

***Minutes of Previous Meeting***: Accepted: Val Peters. Seconded: John Dixon.

***Correspondence:*** was made available for Members at the Meeting to read.

***Editor's Report:*** Stephanie (Clark) asked that all Articles for the 'Autumn Newsletter' to be faxed to her by the 1st April, 1996.

***Social Co-Ordinator's Report:*** Dave (Muir) reminded Members of up-coming Events:
*Cricket Match: 24th March, 1996*
(In case of wet-weather, ring the Muirs on the day, before 9:30am)
*Tennis Match: 21st April, 1996.*
(Two Courts have been booked; the Aston-Martin Club has been invited to join TSCC on the day.

***John Evans*** was awarded with the '1995 Citizen Kane Award'

***Competition Secretary's Report:*** Steve (Hammond) reported on the Motorkhana.
(Unfortunately, it was not very well attended; *Dave Muir* was the 'Outright Winner')

***Anniversary Rally Report:*** Les (Johnson) presented a Progress Report on the '15th Year Anniversary Rally', to be held in May.
(Members, and their families, are invited to join the Run Participants at the last stop, in Bowral, on Saturday, 11th May 1996.
It is essential that Les know if you are interested, as a matter of urgency, in order that Reservations can be made, at the Motel and the Restaurant.

***General Business:***
(CAMS 'Calendar of Events' is available from Steve Hammond).

***Car-Detailing Products:***
(Ray Ross has a contact for 'Bulk-Products', at a greatly reduced cost; contact Ray, if interested)

***Point Score:***
(Meeting decided that the Motorkhana and the Anniversary Rally are to be classified as 'Social' Events, for the purpose of the Point Score; the 'Run' will attract one point.)

***Next Meeting:*** *10th April, 1996.*

***Meeting Closed:*** 9:05pm.

**[Val Dixon]**

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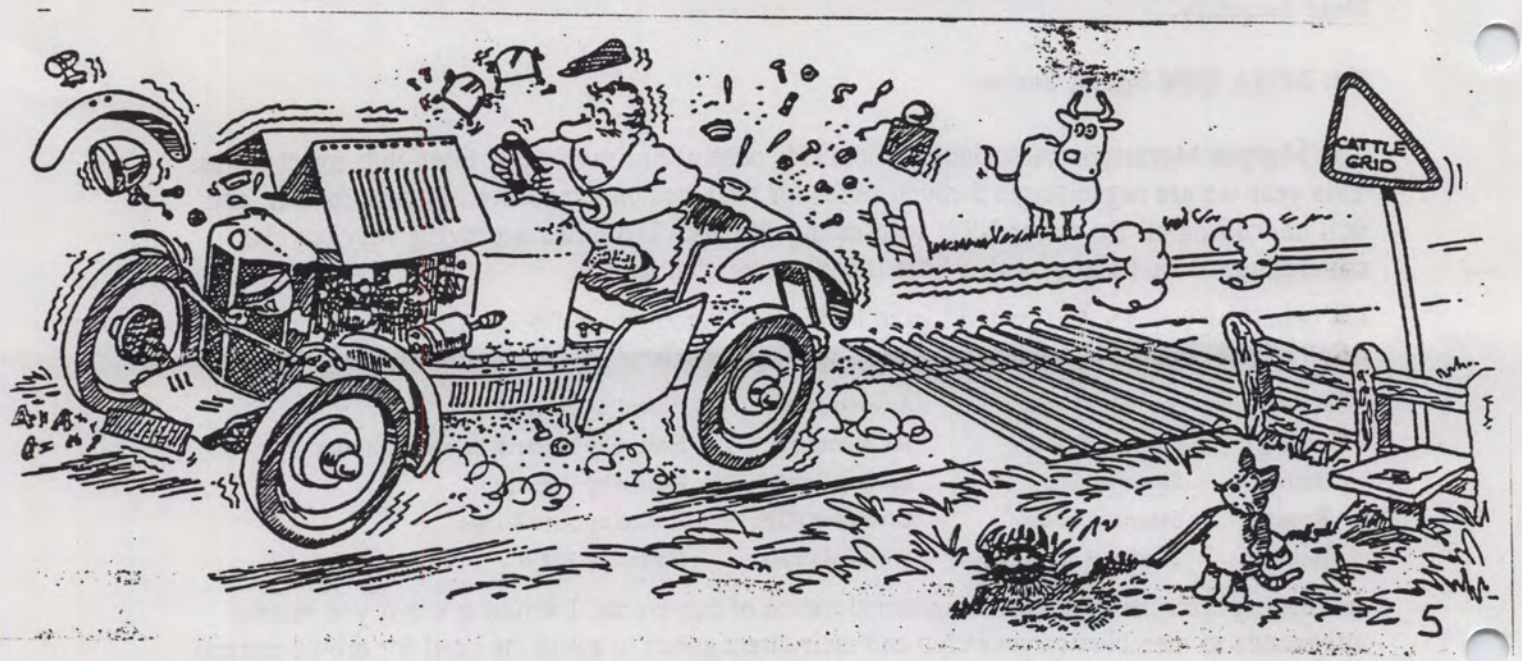





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# Marque Motorsport Association

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29th February 1996

Thoroughbred Sports Car Club

Dear Secretary,

**Re: MMA 1996 Sprint Series**

The Marque Motorsport Association is in 1996, once again, running its inter-club sprint series. This year we are organising a 5-round series for road cars on a modified lap dash format, and will be visiting all the major NSW road racing circuits. The series is proving very popular, combining driver training with a little friendly inter-club rivalry.

On behalf of the MMA, I would like to invite the Thoroughbred Sports Car Club to attend any or all of the events this year as observers. Our calendar is as follows:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Round 1 | Sunday 24 March | Amaroo Park | Hosted by Ferrari |
| Round 2 | Sunday 26 May | Mt Panorama | Hosted by Maserati & Aston Martin |
| Round 3 | Saturday 6 July | Eastern Creek | Hosted by Porsche |
| Round 4 | Saturday 14 Sept | Oran Park (GP) | Hosted by Alfa Romeo |
| Round 5 | Sunday 3 November | Wakefield Park | Hosted by BMW |

In keeping with the intimate and informal nature of our events, I would ask that you restrict attendance to members of your club and their direct guests to avoid the need for crowd control.

Please let me know which of your members are likely to attend so that I may look out for them on the day(s). You can reach me on the numbers below.

Best regards,

Mike Weller

Tel. (02) 899 7499 Fax. (02) 880 2855

| P R O F I L E: | ***DAVID MUIR*** **[VICE-PRESIDENT '96]** | ***BARBARA MUIR*** **[TREASURER '96]** |
|---|---|---|
| *Born:* | 16th December, 1945 | 24th September, 1946 |
| *Nationality:* | Scottish [came to Aussie-land at aged 7] . | Aussie |
| *Schooling:* | Granville Boys High | Birrong Girls High |

Barbara and I started our life together some eighteen years ago, having both been married before.

***Career(s):***
Barbara's working career started in an Accountant's Office, progressing into the 'Fashion Industry' (working for such renowned labels as: 'Jill Fitzsimmons', 'Weiss', 'Carla Zampatti'), and then into the Legal-Field, and finally coming full circle: now working back in Accountancy.
Myself: started in the Fitting and Machining Trade, and then onto the Construction Industry, for some twenty year period, involving travelling to all parts of our Nation, and working in the South Pacific Region and Overseas in both the Service and the Sales Area.
After this period I finally entered the Automotive Field, working for L.N.C. Industries as 'National Government Fleet Manager' being involved with: Audi / Volkswagon / Fiat / Lancia / Subaru... until the closure of L.N.C.
Since that period I have remained in the Automotive/Mechanical Fields.

***Our Interests:***
being Members of the Thoroughbred Sports Car Club since 1983; having enjoyed many great times over the thirteen year period; wearing the "President's Cap" in 1985.
We play Tennis weekly, and generally enjoy spending time with our friends, and making the best out of life together.

***Motor Cars:***
My love of Motor Cars started at a very early age, with the disaster of washing Dad's car with Rinso (minus the 'rinsing cycle'); needless to say, Dad was not too impressed with the 'streaked effect' on completion of the job!!!
Barbara's interest in Motor Cars (namely, "Motor Car Investments" Inc) started when she married me some fifteen years ago; several 'Investments' having been achieved so far!!!

***"The Toy Collection"***
My collection of 'Investments' started at fourteen, when five mates and I 'invested' five-quid each for a 'Model-A-Ford', which unfortunately never got out of the driveway!!!
Then, over the years: Morris Minor Bull-Nose / Austin Lancer / FC Holden Station Wagon / FC Ute, (ex Dad's) / Surfie Special / Ford Fairmont / Mini Cooper / MGA (times two) / Sprite MK3 / Anglia 105E / Capri / .....
On meeting Barbara: MGB / Scimitar / Porsche 911 / XJC Jaguar / BMW 635 / Porsche 944 / and now, my 'baby': WRX Subaru.
That's it, so far!!
Correction by the Financial Controller: that's it, no more!!!

**[David Muir]**
PS: how could I forget the all-important Race Cars of my 'Investment/Collection': Anglia(s) / Cortina / Formula Ford.

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