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SUMMER '97

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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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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.

1997 CALENDAR

As at January 1997
[and subject to amendments]

February	Wed	12	M	TSCC February Meeting
	Sat	15	R	NSWRRC: Oran Park
March	Sat	1	S	Ten Pin Bowling: Enfield
	Sun	9	R	Supersprint: Amaroo Park
	Wed	12	M	March Monthly Meeting
	Sat	22	R	NSWRRC: Oran Park
	Sun	23	S	Day Run: Observation Run/Lunch
April	Wed	9	M	April Monthly Meeting
	Sun	13	R	Supersprint: Mt Panorama
	Sat	19	S	Restaurant Rendeavouz
May	Sun	4	S	Motorkhana
	Sun	4	R	Supersprint: Wakefield Park
	Wed	14	M	May Monthly Meeting
	Sun	25	S	Day Run
June	Wed	11	M	June Monthly Meeting
	Fri	13	S	Harold Park Trots
	Sun	15	R	Supersprint: Eastern Creek
July	Wed	9	M	July Monthly Meeting
	Weekend	12/13	S	Weekend Away
	Sun	20	R	NSWRRC: Oran Park
	Sun	27	R	Supersprint: Amaroo Park
August	Sun	3	S	Tennis Day: Kenthurst Park
	Wed	13	M	August Monthly Meeting
	Weekend	16/17	S	Historicar Festival
	Sun	31	R	Supersprint: Wakefield Park
September	Wed	10	M	September Monthly Meeting
	Sat	20	R	Supersprint: Oran Park
	Sun	28	S	Motorkhana
October	Wed	8	M	October Monthly Meeting
	Weekend		S	Weekend Away
November	Sat	1	R	Supersprint: Oran Park
	Sun	2	R	NSWRRC: Oran Park
	Wed	12	M	November Monthly Meeting / A.G.M
	Sun	16	S	Pride Of Ownership Day: Curzon Hall
	Sun	23	R	Supersprint: Eastern Creek
December	Sat	6	S	Christmas Function
	Sun	14	R	NSWRRC: Oran Park

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).

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

EDITOR's NOTEBOOK

Here it is 1997; it doesn't seem one year ago that I sat down and wrote my first Editor's Report for the TSCC Newsletter.

For those of you who were at the Christmas Function I have included with this Summer Edition the photos that were taken of you in your 'masked-mode'; some of them are a real hoot, let me tell you!
You can choose to do what you want with them, but remember: they're there for all to see in Volume Five of the Car Club Photo Album.
Speaking of photos: I was very re-miss last year and didn't take too many during the year's activities, hence the Album is a bit bare; but, having got my 'photo-fingers' into gear at the Christmas Function, I'll be out there with a vengeance during 1997, clicking away furiously!
[They are really good to look back on, and they provide the Club with a pictorial history of Events.]

Also included in this Newsletter is the **'1997 Membership Form',** which I hope you will all be very quick in giving and/or sending to the Club Secretary, Val Dixon; without your support the Club cannot function. We have had to increase the Annual Fee this year by five dollars. Thus:
'Single Membership', $40 / 'Family Membership', $45.
[It's the old adage: the cost of everything is just going up, the Thoroughbred Sports Car Club is not immune to rising costs.]

This edition's Profile is of the Dixons: ***Val*** (our Secretary for 1997) ***and John*** (who has taken on the job of Treasurer); hope you enjoy reading their informative profile.

As an added bonus, ***Louie and Sandra Eid*** have put pen to paper and written an interesting article on the Daimler's restoration; the car which took first place in our 'Pride of Ownership Day' last November. Thanks go to the Eids; and it makes for very interesting reading.

To all those other budding "journos": my address and fax number are as follows:
395 Galston Road, Galston. 2159
(02) 9653.2867
so, keep those articles coming!!!

Till next time:

[Stephanie Clark]

CITIZEN-KANE AWARD

Congratulations to **Bob Smith,** our 1996 'Citizen Kane'

At the February Monthly Meeting we will be voting on the the following articles:

'Pride of Ownership Day'	[17.11.96]	*[Dave Muir]*
'Christmas Function'	[30.11.96]	*[Les Johnson]*
'My Daimler'		*[Louie Eid]*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As your 1997 elected President may I wish everyone a very happy and prosperous New Year.

I look forward to having your company at our forthcoming club events during '97

1996 was a very important year, being our fifteenth Anniversary Year, and when I look back at the Calendar there were many memorable and successful events organised; with special mention to **Les Johnson and his 'team'.**

The message I would like to stress to all present and newly joined members is:

> ***Your support in attending Club Meetings and Events arranged by your hard-working Committee for 1997 can only be rewarding if you make the effort to support your Club as much as possible, thus allowing you as a fellow Club-Member to enjoy all that the Club has to offer.***

So, the bottom-line is:
let us all as Thoroughbred Sports Car Club members make 1997 an enjoyable year, achievable by being active in Club Events.

Hope to see you on the 12th February, '97: *our first Meeting for '97.*

[Dave Muir]

1996 TROPHY WINNERS:

**** CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR ****
Michael Ryan

**** DON MacDONALD TROPHY ****
Stephanie Clark

**** SPORTING TROPHY ****
Steve Hammond

**** CAR CLUB DISPLAY ****
'Pre 1970': Louie Eid
'Modern': Dave Muir / Jim Peters

**** MOTORKHANA ****
'Outright': Dave Muir
'Ladies': Sandra Eid

**** CITIZEN KANE AWARD ****
Bob Smith

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.

TREASURER's TROVE

Financial Report for the period: 1/ 1/96 to 31/12/96

INCOME:			
Advertising:			260
CAMS:			242
Interest:			32
Other:	[Video Sale	130	
	T/fer of T.D.	575	705
Social:			1767
Subscriptions:			800
Sundry:	[Raffle:	176	
	Rally.	5555	5731
			$9537
EXPENDITURE:			
Bank Charges:			66
Cams:			726
Insurance:			274
Postage:	[Newsletters and Magazines]		264
Room Hire:	[Club Meetings]		100
Social:			1937
Subscriptions:			25
Sundries:	[Video:	1135	
	Rally:	6118	7253
Trophies:			411
			$11,056

EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) YEAR-TO-DATE: ($ 1,519)

ASSETS:		
Cash on Hand:	as at 31/12/96	26
Cash at Bank,	as at 31/12/96	155
Deposit Maturing,	as at 30/ 1/97	637
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		$1,405

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THE COMPETITIVE EDGE

Firstly thanks to Steve Hammond and Mike Ryan for representing the club last year by participating in the supersprint series and I hope to see you both again at this years events and any other members that can make it ,we need competitors to keep the clubs competitive involvement alive . So those who have cars which need to be driven that are sitting around in the back garages and containers lets get them out for what they were intended , like an occasional Sunday drive to the country for a few laps around a race track just to bring everything up to temperature !

I have been tinkering with my ex Ray Ross Van - Diemen Formula Ford and I can tell you that I am really looking forward to my first shake down cruise to see how well we get along , I have not been sleeping in it yet but we are very close now that I can reach the pedals after a few adjustments.

I have notified the N.S.W.R.R.C that we would like to attend the following events at Oran Park and hopefully we may have a couple of events at Amaroo also , its to early to confirm the complete sporting calendar but here is the dates so far .

1. Feb	*15 Saturday*	*Oran Park south Day / Night*
2. March	*22 Saturday*	*Oran Park GP*
3. July	*20*	*Oran Park south*
4. Nov	*2*	*Oran Park south*
5. Dec	*14*	*Oran Park south (none pointscore)*

Anybody who intends to run in this years events can you let me know so I can forward entry forms as soon as they are available.

Vic Andrews

For those keen to participate:

Found below are the tentative dates for the *'1997 NSW Supersprint Championship'.*

THE COMPETITIVE EDGE

[Addendum]

Points for the TSCC's 1997 'Sporting Champion' will be awarded for a member's best six Sporting Results; coming from:
competing in this Supersprint Championship,
or competing in the events outlined in the Competitive Edge Report, (refer Page -6-),
or a combination of the two.
[Further explanation and/or clarification will be forthcoming at the February Monthly Meeting.

DRAFT EVENT CALENDAR

Round	Day	Date	Venue	Host Club
1	Sunday	9 March	Amaroo Park	M G Car Club N/Castle
2	Sunday	13 April	Mt Panorama (Caltex Chase Supersprint)	BLCC
3	Sunday	4 May	Wakefield Park	Manly Warringah S.C.C.
4	Sunday	15 June	Eastern Creek	HDT/HSV Owners Club
5	Sunday	27 July	Amaroo Park	Holden Sporting CC
6	Sunday	31 August	Wakefield Park	Z Car Club
7	Saturday (Day/Night)	20 September	Oran Park Sth	NSW Road Racing Club
8	Saturday	1 November	Oran Park G.P.	Mini Car Club NSW
9	Sunday	23 November	Eastern Creek	ARDC

Notes :

a) The above rounds have been offered and accepted for the Championship.

The calendar is subject to confirmation prior to Round 1.

b) Championship registration forms and rules can be obtained:
- From the CAMS NSW office at 24/2 O'Connell Street Parramatta.
Tel: (02) 9635 1366 Fax: (02) 9635 8537

Socially Speaking

The Committee has tried to put together a varied and interesting Social Calendar for 1997; we hope that we've succeeded!
Planned events include:
on the 'active side': ***Ten Pin Bowling*** and a ***Tennis Day***
on the 'motoring side': ***Day Runs***, combining our observation skills, as well as our taste buds; (Bulli and Woy Woy for lunch are being considered;
on the 'sporting side': our ever popular and competitive ***Motorkhana(s)***
on the 'social side': ***Weekend Antics***, to places (as yet) unknown;
on the 'betting side': ***Harold Park Trots***
We're on the trail of ***Guest Speakers*** for our Monthly Meetings, and we're trying to arange some ***Business/Factory Inspections***.

.....

We're always open to suggestion(s), so if you've got something or somewhere in mind, let one of the Committee know, and we'll see if we can arrange to get the Club involved.

The Club's first planned social event is <u>Ten Pin Bowling</u>, on Saturday 1st March; expect a flyer soon.

Birthday Greetings to:

JANUARY:	
16	**Chris Johnson**
FEBRUARY:	
4	**Michael Ryan**
14	**Val Dixon**
MARCH:	
01	**Rosalee Johnson**
03	**Viki Ryan**
09	**Margaret Ross**
11	**Pam Gough**
21	**Val MacDonald**
25	**Val Dixon**

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'CHRISTMAS 1996 PRESENTATION DINNER'

Dave Muir had the tables arranged in groups of ten.
He took the helm because our President, Mike Ryan,
was unable to attend.
(So, our sincere thanks go to Dave.)

Artarmon Motor Inn, once again, gave all their assistance to our Car Club in helping to make the night a memorable one. Their assistance also included the donation of a room, which we raffled, and ***Lester and Pam Gough*** were the lucky winners, for a second time. Congratulations to them both.
Dave was assisted during the day by *John Dixon and Chris Johnson*, in organising the room.
[These prior arrangements are critical to the success of the night, and were greatly appreciated by all in attendance, who saw the evening progress without a hitch.]

On arrival we were greeted, and made very welcome by the staff of the Artarmon Motor Inn.
Everyone arrived in a festive and cheerful mode. ***Sandra, Louis and Pam*** were entertained by a joke, made obvious because Sandra was seen still smiling a good ten minutes after the initial rendition!
Stephanie, Erica and Lenny were seen in a deep and meaningful conversation with ***Roland.***
[Might possibly have been something to do with a warranty claim on a certain back problem?]

Because the theme for the night was the wearing of a mask associated with automobiles, I was amazed at the diversity of the forty people in attendance. For example:
Val Peters sported a *'Mardi Gras Maserati Mask'*,
Val Dixon, a *'Cat (Jaguar) Mask'*,
Barbara Muir, a *'Sexy-Subaru Mask'*,
Joan Johnson, a *'German Teddy-Bear Mask'*,
Vic Andrews, a *'Formula Ford Mask'*,
Judy Andrews, an amazing *'Volvo Amazon Mask'*,
Rosalee Johnson, an *'Electric Lights-and Wipers Mask'*,
Sandra and Louis Eid, who were sporting matching *'Daimler Mask(s)'*
and the list could go on.....
[Editor's Note: you'll have to look at the photos in Volume Five of the Club Photo Album]

As the night progressed, and meals were served, the time arrived for the presentation of trophies, (which will probably be elaborated on by another Club Member)
The Trophies for the '15th Anniversary Rally' were presented by Val Dixon and myself.
After the trophy presentations, it was time for the serious part of the night....
the presentation of the award for the best mask of the night:
each table paraded before Sam, and his amazing organ; and, after much painful deliberation:
Val Peters was chosen as the winner of the 'Ladies Prize' and ***I*** was lucky enough to pick up the 'Men's Prize' for my 'Wipers-and Lights Mask'. [The judge's decision is always final!!!]

There was then a rush for the dance floor. *Chris and Joan* were in their element as they danced to rock-and roll, and a bit of James Brown. *Norm* and *Vera* also got straight into the swing, dancing along with *Lorraine and Adrian* and *Judy and Vic*. *Jim Peters* bounced onto the dance floor with *Barbara.*
We partied hard for three hours of solid dancing; slowly wilting, one by one.
Before we were aware, it was time to bid everyone a Merry Christmas and retreat to our respective homes.

What a great night! Special thanks to all who organised the night.

[Les Johnson]

'MY DAIMLER' [Louie Eid]

In 1992 my brother gave me the Daimler; he hadn't driven it for a while as it had hail damage, the heads were corroded, and it was leaking water through the exhaust. He had it towed to my place at his expense, with all his love!

Well!! That was it! By the end of the month, I had it stripped, the parts cleaned, labelled and packed in Styrofoam boxes, and contents noted on the outside.

The next step was to have the shell sandblasted at "Ace Sand Blasting", at Fairfield; quote: $500.

After various quotes for the panel-beating, the best quote was :Boxalls", at Toongabbie.
Others ranged from $6,500 (panel-beating only) to $6,500 (panel-beating and painting); not including assembly.
Boxalls was very convenient, as I could inspect it anytime, and take photos throughout; they didn't rush; we agreed that they would work on the Daimler in their spare time; overall it was there nine months.

All the mechanical work was organised during these nine months. My plan was accordingly:
suspension; front and rear stripped to bare metal; completely dis-mantled for painting and new Nylothane bushes fitted; colour tones; yellow springs; silver shock absorbers.
I had to make a special spring compressor to suit the car, which I saw at a Jaguar mechanic; so fitting springs and re-assembling the whole double wish-bone would be a breeze and done without a scratch.

The rear-suspension is just as much involved as the front, because of the axle and the rear free-play.
The book states .02mm of play, where mine was .09mm; also states different size shims that you could buy to space for a larger play in the axle, but not for less play. I had to make my shims to rectify the problem to book specifications.

I wanted to have the engine checked over, so came the opportunity to have the heads welded, pressure-tested and re-machined. All rings, bearings and gaskets replaced, overhauled carburettors, then re-assembled the entire engine. Gear box re-conditioned.

All the timber work in the car was stripped down and re-polished with 2k lacquer. The leather trim replaced two years ago, along with the carpet and the roof liner, which I had replaced with my preferred colour beige.

All the wiring harness were stripped, all burned wires were pulled out and replaced because the car only had two fuses, rated at fifty amps each. I wasn't keen on the idea, as every time there was a problem the wires would burn before the fuse would blow, so I needed a more suitable fuse-arrangement. After finding an 8-way fuse arrangement, I fitted it in place of the two 50amp fuses, modified the wiring, then re-tapped up the harness and re-assembled back into place.

Instruments were all re-calibrated at "General Auto Instruments", at Silverwater.

The car was finally home from the panel-shop, and the best part began:
fitted the front and rear suspensions;
finally off the trolley, onto its wheels;
door mechanisms, windows and window-frames;
re-align all doors, which took a lot of time and care;
engine / gearbox;
chrome-moulds to body;
timber dash, gauges;
bumper bars and lights.

'My Daimler' -cont-

Re-assembling was the most critical and time consuming part, as I wanted it done without a scratch!!

The first drive was to "Seven Hills Upholstery" for carpet, roof- liner and inside the boot.

Next was to go over the pits to finalise the registration. The officer called out his boss and other workmates to see. Mind you, by now the Daimler was in "concourse condition".
What a moment, this was the first time I felt so proud of 'My Daimler'.

***One thing I learnt, is that every panel-shop, no matter what, will always try to take short cuts!
I put everything in writing, from start to finish, no matter how small!
I specified that I wanted to inspect my vehicle in vital stages: bare metal, putty work, underneath, top coat and thorough check before final payment.!!

[Louie Eid]

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THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER,1996.

The meeting opened at 8.15 PM with President Michael Ryan in the chair.

ATTENDANCE : Michael Ryan, Ray and Margaret Ross ,Val and John Dixon ,Barbara and Dave Muir, Steve Hammond,, Stephanie Clark, Lester Gough, Chris and Joan Johnson, Sandra and Louis Eid, Grant Liddel, Adrian Walker, John Inman , Vic Andrews, Rick Smith, Les Johnson, Norman Leonard.

APOLOGIES: Jim and Val Peters, Rowland Clark.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING ; Moved that they be accepted - Ray Ross
seconded - Steve Hammond

CORRESPONDENCE : Tabled for members to read.

SOCIAL SECRETARY :

Pride of Ownership Day - Sunday 17 November 1996 ,10.30 Curzon Hall.

Christmas Function - Artarmon Motor Inn - Saturday 30 November 1996. **SUPER MASK PARTY.**

TREASURERS REPORT:
Funds in bank : $692
Term deposits : $1224

EDITORS REPORT:

The Spring newsletter was sent out to all members in October.

Voting took place for the 1996 Citizen Kane Award - the winner will be announced at the Christmas Dinner.

COMPETITION SECRETARIES REPORT:

The Go Kart Day on 20 October was a great success—event was won , however by the Aston Martin Club.
Last Racing event was Oran Park -Grand Prix Circuit on 26 October.
Next Event - Eastern Creek- 24 November.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. The NRMA Motorfest on Australia Day will now be held in the Domain. Individual application forms fro participation are now available through Stephanie Clark.
2. The dates for the Vigil Historicar Festival Display Day has now been set for August 16 1997.

MEETING CLOSED 8.30 PM.

THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB

MINUTESOF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 1996.

The meeting opened at 8.35 PM with Ray Ross in the chair as returning officer.

ATTENDANCE : Michael Ryan , Ray and Margaret Ross, Val and John Dixon, Barbara and Dave Muir, Steve Hammond, Stephanie Clark, Lester Gough, Chris and Joan Johnson, Sandra and Lois Eid, Grant Liddel, Adrian Walker, John Inman, Vic Andrews, Rick Smith, Les Johnson, Norman Leonard.

APOLOGIES : Jim and Val Peters, Rowland Clark.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS :

PRESIDENT.
David Muir. Nominated Chris Johnson
Seconded John Evans
Elected unopposed .

VICE PRESIDENT / SOCIAL COORDINATOR.
John Dixon declined
Chris Johnson. Nominated Barbara Muir
Seconded Stephanie Clark
Elected unopposed .

SECRETARY.
Val Dixon. Nominated Les Johnson
Seconded Chris Johnson
Elected unopposed.

TREASURER.
John Dixon. Nominated Adrian Walker
Seconded Les Johnson.
Elected unopposed.

SPORTING SECRETARY.
Vic Andrews. Nominated Dave Muir
Seconded Adrian Walker.
Elected unopposed.

EDITOR.
Stephanie Clark. Nominated Lester Gough
Seconded Barbara Muir

CLUB PLATES REGISTRAR.
Rowland Clark. Nominated Lester Gough
Seconded Adrian Walker.

Ray Ross welcomed all the new committee members for 1997 and thanked the outgoing committee for 1996 for all their hard work.

GENERAL BUSINESS.
Ray Ross suggested that the Competition Club Secretary check with the CAMS Registrar of other Club Supersprint Events for 1997 that the TSCC members could participate in if they wish. Vic Andrews will survey members to ascertain interest in pursuing this.

The president requested that the Secretary write to CAMS advising of the new committee members.for 1997.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.50PM.

'PRIDE OF OWNERSHiP DAY', 1996

The 1996 'Pride of Ownership Day' on the 17th November was a great success, held in conjunction with the Aston Martin Club, at Curzon Hall.

We had some twenty-two members in attendance in total, with seven club vehicles entering for the 'Pride of Ownership' Competition.

The judging was split into two categories: *'Pre 1970'* and *'Modern'* sections.

The 'Pre 1970' Section was between **Roland Clark**'s 1960 Aston Martin DB4, and **Louie Eid**'s 1968 Daimler; Louie winning the day in the excellently prepared Daimler. (Must have been the effort of cleaning the chrome wire-wheels with the tooth brush, and fine detailing of the brake callipers; ninety points out of a possible one hundred.)

The 'Modern' Section became a level affair with **'yours truly'** and **Jim Peters** battling it out with our respective vehicles: 1994 Subaru WRX, and Jim's newly acquired 1996 Maserati Quotro Porte; both scoring eighty-three points out of a possible one hundred.
[Jim: fit your Car-Club Badge!!!!!]

I would like to thank all Members for attending the day, and to the Members who entered the judging, with special mention to ***Tom Inman*** for entering his 128 Fiat, showing true spirit of 'Pride in Ownership'. (Your efforts will result in time as you progress in future investments in your love of motor-vehicles.) Mention also: ***Lester Gough*** in the immortal Cortina, and ***Adrian Walker*** in the green Mustang. Thank you for making our 'Pride of Ownership' Day a success, and look forward to making 1997 a bigger and better represented day.

The judging completed, we again enjoyed the fantastic lunch prepared by Curzon Hall; the best Sunday-Lunch in town!!

Looking forward to another great year of the Thoroughbred Sports Car Club in 1997.

[Dave Muir]

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[Born: *Griffith; NSW; 1947]*

Met in Finley a small town near the Murray River in 1967, through Val teaching my youngest sister, Anne in kindy. We were married that year and moved to Sydney in 1968.

Fate takes a hand - moved to Fullers Bridge in 1977 met "the Johnsons" the start of many adventures.

Through numerous and varied holidays with Les and Roselee touring exotic places such as Bali, Vanuatu, Singapore [I hope they make that plane] and the good ole US of A not forgetting the Putty Hilton we developed an interest in touring by automobile.

Several modes of transport come to mind. Bemo in Bali, Local buses in Asia, Rickshaw in Singapore, Minivan in Vanuatu, Lincoln Town Car in the US not to mention the tractor and a genuine US army Jeep at Putty [just how many can you fit in a jeep] also an Aston Martin on the road to Mudgee. On our latest adventure we toured Western Canada in a Thunderbird and Eastern Canada in another Lincoln Town Car.

I guess all of this has instilled in us a love of the open road and awakened our desire to travel along the highways and byways seeing as much as we can and have a good time while we are doing it.

Both of us enjoy travelling through the countryside whether here in Australia or overseas. One of the things we have enjoyed is the experience of driving, seeing different scenery and trying to figure out the local road rules.

Our "love" of driving adventures seems to have been passed on to our eldest son, Stephen who has been keen on cars from an early age. If you see a new Mitsubishi Lancer with decals along the side driving lights and a 5ft aerial that's him ! Number two son, Matthew is on "L" plates so look out.

Joining the TSCC has been a great for us as we have really enjoyed the observation runs, weekends away, not to mention the 15th. Anniversary rally through Victoria.

In our Autumn years [not just yet] we are looking forward to more adventures with the club possibly an 18th anniversary run and a 21st. We are also looking forward to the challenge of driving in Europe - just let us on those Autobahns.

[JOHN DIXON]

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