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THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR Club

TSCC INVADES MUDGEE REGION

2002 COMMITTEE

President	**Peter Smart**	**9630 1050 (H)**
Vice President / Social Director	**Les Johnson**	**9412 1838 (H)**
		9410 2647 (F)
Secretary	**Sue Smart**	**9630 1050 (H)**
Treasurer	**Vic Andrews**	**9589 3381 (H)**
Editor	**Lindsay Day**	**9939 2863 (H)**
		9352 4400 (FW)
Sporting Secretary & Point Score Keeper	**Lester Gough**	**9799 3209 (H/F)**
Club Plate Registrar	**Roland Clark**	**9653 2866 (H)**
		9653 2867 (F)
Club Shop / Raffles / Club Property	**John & Val Dixon**	**9403 6905 (H)**

Please 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 time convenient to them.

General Meetings of the Club

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

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 Cars in Australia

To establish and maintain, by example, a high standard of Conduct and a Respect of the Laws of the Road

INCORPORATED AS AN ASSOCIATION
Registered No. Y15083-35
TSCC is affiliated with CAMS Limited
(formerly Confederation of Australian Motor Sport)

ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SECRETARY
Sue Smart
204 Bettington Road
CARLINGFORD 2118

CALENDAR 2002

	DATE		EVENT	ORGANISER	PHONE NUMBER
OCT.	Wed 9	M	Monthly meeting	Sue Smart	9630 1050
	Sun 13	S	Observation run	TBA	
	Wed 16	F	Wednesday run	Vern Kelly	9651 2770
	Sat 19	R	Wakefield Park	Lester Gough	9799 3209
	Sat 26	S	21st Birthday Week away	Les Johnson	9412 1838
NOV.	Sat 2	S	End Week away		
	Wed 13	M	Monthly meeting	Sue Smart	9639 1050
	Sun 17	S	Pride of Ownership Day	Peter Smart	ditto
	Wed 21	F	Wednesday run	Vern Kelly	9651 2770
DEC.	Sun 1	R	Oran Park South	Lester Gough	9799 3209
	Sun 1	S	Surprise Day	Chris Johnson	9875 3691
	Sat 7	S	Christmas Dinner	Les Johnson	9412 1838

NOTES:1. The events above are club sanctioned for the purposes of using club plates. Other events listed elsewhere may be sanctioned upon application at a monthly meeting of the Club.

2. Wednesday Run destinations will be selected from the following: Lithgow Small Arms Museum, Berrima Historic Village, Mt Anna Botanical Gardens, Brooklyn, Megalong Valley, Fitzroy Falls, Toronto, Mt Tomah Botanical Gardens, Wallacia, North Head Artillery Museum, Berry, and the Central Coast. Suggestions welcome, Contact Roland Clark 9653 2866 or Vern Kelly 9651 2770.

LEGEND: M = Club Meeting (3 Points) S = Social Events (2 Points)
R = Racing Event (1 Point) F = Fun Run (No Points)

CLUB MEMBER 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 either for racing or attending as a spectator. Also, you will be awarded two points for contributing an article to **Top Gear** (to a maximum of 10 points).

PHOTOGRAPHS

Thanks to all our intrepid photographers who have contributed to this and other issues of Top Gear.

Photos in this issue from Ron Pulling, Colin Allerdice, Tony Chapman, Les Johnson, and no doubt others whose names escape your Editor at present.

INTERNET CORNER

For Jaguar afficionados, you might want to have a look at http://www.jag-lovers.org which is a non-profit voluntary site based in Bergen, Norway. The site is extensive and covers all models back to the Swallow Sidecars.

REMINDER – Pride of Ownership Day Sunday. 17th Nov.
Please contact Peter Smart NOW–numbers being finalised

THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB
MEETING HELD 10TH JULY 2002

Meeting commenced 8 p.m.

PRESENT

Stephanie & Roland Clark, Joan &Chris Johnson, Les Johnson, Val & John Dixon, Wendy & Vernon Kelly, Bob Smith, Wayne Watkins, Sue & Peter Smart, Adrian Walker, John Sarigiannis, Malcolm Stephen.

APOLOGIES

Margaret & Ray Ross, Pam & Neville Floyd, Val MacDonald, Judy & Victor Andrews, Sandra & Louie Eid, Lester Gough.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved that the minutes of the meeting held 12/6/02 be accepted: Roland Clark, Seconded: Adrian Walker.

CORRESPONDENCE

- CAMS E-news
- CAMS Sporting Bulletin
- CAMS Applications for Organising Permit
- Sydney Streeters – Drive In Night
- Wayne Merton MP – Orange Blossom Festival Classic Car Display
- Fraser Coast Classic Rally
- Motorex

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Orange Blossom Festival Classic Car Display will be held on Sunday 8th September '02. Peter Smart to get more information for next meeting.
CAMS Applicatons for Organising Permit – these will be completed for events scheduled up to December '02 and sent in to CAMS by Peter & Sue Smart.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report received from Vic Andrews as follows:

Bank Balance as at 10.7.02	$4,666.89	
Term Deposit	754.58	Total $5,421.47*

*Includes Rally Deposits of $2,400

SPORTING REPORT

Next competition event will be held on 4th August at Oran Park South, any enquiries to be directed to Lester Gough-Ken Parsons, Adrian Walker & Malcolm Stephen will compete.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Restaurant Night on 29/6/02 was attended by 23 people – a delicious Italian meal
Thanks to John & Val Dixon the organisers.
Sunday 28/7/02 AHOC Breakfast Run – there are 30 people from our club going on this run and 22 staying on at Sofala Sunday night. Les Johnson has organised a lunch at Mudgee and the overnight accommodation at Chesleigh Homestead.
Shannons Eastern Creek Display Day Sunday 18/8/02 – Adrian Walker is co-ordinating this event and reported that we have a 16-car area and will be displaying 10 cars incl.
A Ford GT40 and Jaguar XKSS. Flags for the display are needed. Meeting later tonight.
21st Birthday Rally Les advised that planning for this rally is coming together well.
Wednesday Run – next outing 17th July from Brooklyn – boat trip Riverboat Postman
CLUB PLATES REGISTRAR - nothing to report

GENERAL BUSINESS

Australian Classic Car Magazine Show on May 2003 – when more information is obtained club will consider participating – Peter Smart to follow up.
Membership list – several members asked for a list to go out with the next newsletter.

MEETING CLOSED 9.05 p.m.

PETER'S PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

Dear fellow car enthusiasts,

The end of the year is rapidly approaching and many popular events will soon be upon us. Since my last report we have enjoyed many activities thanks to your hard-working committee.

The "Brass Monkey" Run to Mudgee, with an overnight stay at Sofala, was a great success thanks to Les & Roselee Johnson (see the article on following pages).
The Shannons display day at Eastern Creek on 18th August saw the club mount a display of a very high standard, thanks to the efforts of Adrian Walker and his committee. Congratulations go to him and the members who prepared their vehicles so well.

Our Restaurant Night at Crows nest on 7th September was a roaring success thanks to Pauline & Tony Chapman.

Upcoming events include:
13th Oct. Observation Run and Picnic Day – all members have received a separate flyer
26th Oct. to 2nd Nov. 21st Birthday Tour – Les & Roselee Johnson & John & Val Dixon have put an enormous amount of work into this event, which promises to come up to the high standard set in previous years.
17th Nov. Pride of Ownership Day – This is usually one of our club's most popular events. Newsletter has been sent out separately with details of the day.
1st Dec. Surprise Day – has been organised by Chris & Joan Johnson, further details later.
A competition day at Oran Park South is also scheduled–for details contact Lester Gough.
7th Dec. Christmas Party & Presentation Dinner – Les & Roselee Johnson are again organising this popular evening. Tickets will be on sale soon.
As well as these events, Vernon & Wendy Kelly continue to organise Wednesday runs on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, for members who can get a free day mid-week.

The Club's Annual General Meeting will be held on 13th November at Ryde RSL Bowling Club and I ask all members who are able to attend this meeting to do so.
It is important that as many members as possible put forward their views on the future direction of your club, and also vote for next year's committee.

On behalf of club members, I wish to thank each and every committee member for the hard work and time given for the benefit of us all. Thanks also go to non committee members who have helped with organisation of other events and activities. What a great team effort!

I wish everyone safe and enjoyable motoring, and look forward catching up at one of our club events in the near future.

Peter

SPORTING REPORT

By Lester Gough

Two events have been held since the last edition of Top Gear. Both were at Oran Park with plenty of laps being put in by members. The Diff figures are the time behind the class leader.

4/8/02 Oran Park South	**Car**	**Class**	**Laps,**	**Fastest**	**Best Time**	**Diff**
MALCOLM STEPHEN	LANCER	SVA	19	14	0:57.8180	0:09.6075
BARRIE HILL	JAGUAR	1D	23	11	0:57.6634	
ADRIAN WALKER	JAGUAR	1D	18	17	0:59.5880	0:01.9246
ROB WILSON	JAGUAR	4D	23	18	0:59.2677	0:08.3183
22/9/02 Oran Park GP						
MALCOLM STEPHEN	LANCER GSR	SVA	19	18	1:33.6326	0:14.3319

Two racing events remain in our calendar for 2002, with the next event at Wakefield Park on 19 October. The last event is at Oran Park South on 1 December and will count in next years point score. Any member wishing to compete or just wishing to discuss competing or attending as a spectator should feel free to contact me on 0411 117 370 or 9799 3209.

THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB

MEETING HELD 14TH AUGUST, 2002

Meeting commenced at 8 p.m.

PRESENT

Colin Allerdice, Adrian Walker, Bob Smith, Roland & Stephanie Clark, Les Johnson, Vernon & Wendy Kelly, Lester Gough, Lindsay Day, David & Barbara Muir, Peter & Sue Smart, Chris & Joan Johnson, New Member Ron Pulling.

APOLOGIES

John & Karin Brown, Val MacDonald, Tony & Pauline Chapman, John & Val Dixon, Malcolm Stephen, Vic & Judy Andrews, Ray & Margaret Ross.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved that the minutes of meeting held on 10/7/02 be accepted: Roland Clark, Seconded: Bob Smith.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Sydney Motor Show letter and flyers
- CAMS Newsletter July 2002
- CAMS letter and Confirmation of Insurance for General Public Liability
- Bob Jane T-Marts 1000 Bathurst 2002 Merchandise catalogue
- Wayne Merton MP letter re Baulkham Hills Orange Blossom Festival Classic Car Display

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE

Orange Blossom Festival Classic Car Display & Swap Meet– to be held in the Bull & Bush Hotel carpark on Sunday 8th September 2002. After discussion it was decided that the Club would not participate in this event.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank Balance 10/7/02		$4,666.89
Income		620.00
		$5,286.89
Outgo		$1,656.00
Bank Balance 10/8/02		$3,630.89
Plus Term Deposit as at 5/2/02	$ 754.58	
		$4,385.47

Above figure includes a balance of $1,700 held for the 21st Birthday Rally in October.

EDITOR'S REPORT

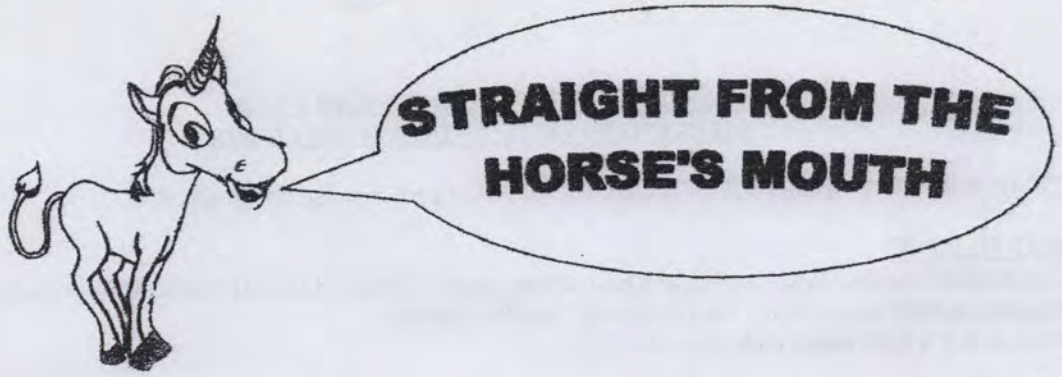
Lindsay Day asked for more news for "Horse's Mouth" column and more articles for the next newsletter. His new email address is published in July Top Gear. Next deadline will be end of September. Printing costs for last newsletter were approx. same as previous.

SPORTING REPORT

Lester Gough reported that 4 club members competed on Sunday 4/8/02 – Adrian Walker, Malcolm Stephen, Barry Hill, Rob Wilson (last 2 in Jag. V12's)
Next events – 22/9/02 Oran Park G.P., 19/10/02 Wakefield Park. The HSRCA will conduct an event at Eastern Creek on Saturday 17/8/02.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

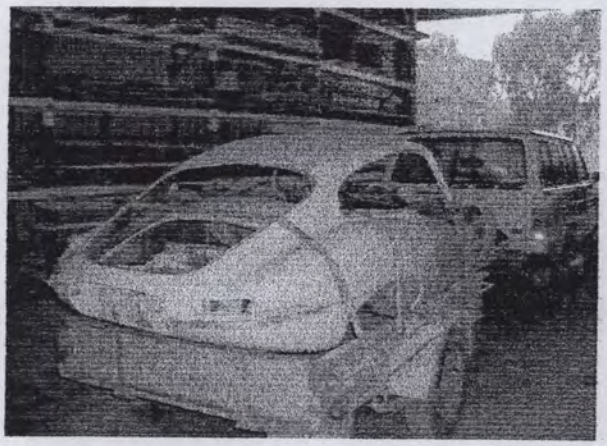
**Wednesday runs: Roland Clark reported on the July outing on The Last Riverboat Postman. Roland is handing over organisation of the Wednesday runs to Vernon & Wendy Kelly. A vote of thanks was extended to Roland and Stephanie for organising the mid-week runs, which have been enjoyed by many club members over the last few years.
Vernon advised the next run would be to Berry, via Royal National Park & Princes Hwy.
**Brass Monkey Run: Les Johnson advised this was a very popular event with 95 cars in total travelling to Mudgee in the early morning frost – a temperature of –6.5 Celcius was recorded by Terry Daly just over the mountains. Breakfast was at Mudgee, lunch at Rylstone then to Sofala for an overnight stay for TSCC clubmembers at "Chesleigh".
**Shannon's Eastern Creek Display Day: Sunday 18/8/02, organised by Adrian Walker, a meeting will be held of the committee after the meeting tonight.
**Restaurant Night 7/9/02: For bookings, phone Tony Chapman the organiser.

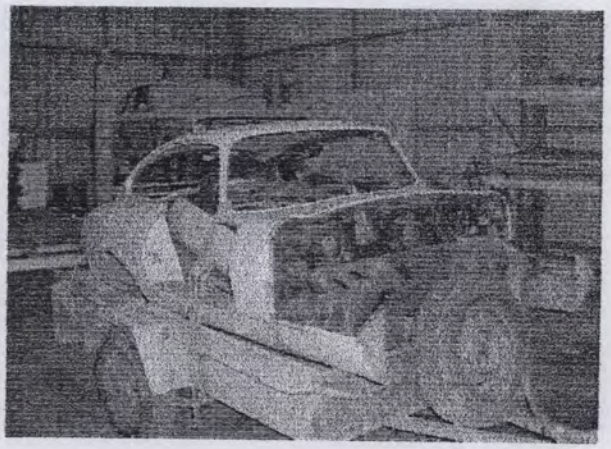


Occasional jottings since the last edition of Top Gear:

- A little bird has told the Horses Mouth that Norm and Pam's cruise was a roaring success with a surfeit of food, drink and pleasure....so much so they had to come home to have a rest.

- No, it is not the last trip to the tip. As the pictures show a labour of love is about to begin.....this is Norm Johnson's E Type on the way to the panel shop to begin restoration.





Seeing the TSCC membership is such a modest pack of 'woofies' (see July issue) and are not dobbing each other in nearly enough, or at least the Horse's Mouth does not get to hear about it, we will be forced to consider car stories.....are those gasps of shock and horror I hear?

Jaguar's new aluminium intensive X350 saloon which will replace the current XJ saloon has a body shell largely held together by 3,500 self piercing aluminium rivets. The rivets are being used in place of spot welding to eliminate the potential for distortion. Production of X350 body shells will begin around the end of this year at Jaguar's Castle Bromwich site in Birmingham.

The design and development of the latest version of the legendary Ford GT40 is underway with extensive use of an aluminium spaceframe structure and aluminium skin panels. British firm Mayflower Vehicle Systems of Coventry is to handle vehicle packaging and integration, spaceframe design, class A skin panels, body structure, and exterior trim. Production is expected to commence in 2004 at Ford's Norwalk Ohio facility. Other members of the GT40 'dream team' are Lear for interior systems, Roush Industries for powertrain development and Saleen for niche manufacturing systems.

This years Bentley Le Mans car that finished in fourth place may have looked like last years car which came third, however, 75% of the body was new, as was the 4 litre twin turbocharged V8 engine made for Bentley by Audi. The new designs being completely developed and analysed using 3D engineering software and design tools.

Ladies, I trust there will be more scintillating news for the next Horse's Mouth.

THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB
MEETING HELD 14TH AUGUST, 2002 (cont.)

**21st Birthday Rally: a letter will be posted with details of participants, mobile nos. etc.

C.M.C. REPORT

Lester attended the last CMC meeting and gave a brief report. The LC/LC XU1 Torana Club is seeking affiliation, and will be voted at a future meeting. Public Liability Insurance as it affects motor clubs was discussed.

CLUB PLATES REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Roland Clark advised that revision of TSCC "Rules for Club Plates" would be undertaken. There will be no real change as far as reporting goes. Revision would be done by the committee.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Shannon's Eastern Creek Display Day: the President asked for members to support our club display and wear their club shirts.

Club Shirts: purchase/order of new club shirts was discussed as we have none left in stock. A lighter fabric would be preferred for the new shirts. Chris Johnson suggested that members order and pay in advance for their shirts. Adrian Walker displayed a cap bought from HSCRA and suggested enquiry for a TSCC cap.

MEETING CLOSED: 9 p.m.

TSCC FINANCIAL STATEMENT 14/09/02 to 9/10/02

Bank Balance as at 10/07102			**$3,610.89**
Income			
Membership fees	$60.00		
Total Income	$60.00	**$60.00**	
			$3,670.89
Expense			
Rally costs P.Smart	$101.30		
CAMS Rally permit	$70.00		
Total Expenses	$171.30	**$171.30**	
Bank Balance as at 9/10/02			**$3,499.59**
Plus Term Deposit as at 5/2/02			$754.58
Total Funds			**$4,365.47**

Vic Andrews

THE BRASS MONKEY RUN AND WEEKEND AT SOFALA

It's that time of the year again when a normally sensible group of people get a little troppo, and gather in the freezing predawn for a drive, topless, thru the even colder Blue Mountains for breakfast.
And so it was that our Thoroughbred group met with the Healey Club, Triumph Club, Mini Club, Clubman Club and other assorted vehicles at 5.45am for the 6.00am start.

Thoroughbred participants were :-
Peter and Sue, BMW
Vic and Judy, Volvo
Vern and Wendy, E Type Jaguar
Roland and Stephanie, Mk11 Jaguar
Ray and Margaret, E Type Jaguar
Norm and Pam, XK 120 Jaguar
Graham and Nola, Corvette
Colin and Ron, Triumph TR6
Lindsay and Andrew, Triumph Stag
Wayne Watkins, Datsun Silvia
Les and Roselee, Rolls Royce
Tony and Sondra, Rolls Royce
Terry and Robin, Porsche
Tony and Pauline, Maserati

6.00am sharp and some 150 cars left Prospect on the freeway, in darkness.
Dawn was just breaking as 150 throaty exhausts echoed off the mountain passes as we roared thru the foothills. Around Leura it was light enough to turn off the headlights, and marvel at the white frosty landscape.

Beyond Lithgow , on the road to Mudgee, the road became perfect for these types of sportscars – frigid air, long straights, sweeping bends, some twisty bits, and with little oncoming traffic, the opportunity to open it up a little. Stirring stuff.!

Colin had some carby trouble, as did Roland later in the trip, other than that the cars went OK. (It's a fatal mistake to praise the cars up any more than OK- it's asking for trouble. So OK it is.)

Breakfast at the Mudgee RSL, as the day started to warm up, was most welcome. The whole street outside was taken up by the cars and attracted much attention from the locals. The opportunity was taken by many to catch up with aquaintances from other clubs and bask in the warm sunshine.

Late morning we said farewell to Wayne, Colin, Ron, Graham and Nola, and Lindsay and Andrew who were homeward bound.

The rest of us headed out on the scenic route to Rylestone for lunch. This proved to be a very pleasant drive in warm winter sunshine along a great, and generally traffic free, country road. Along the way we stopped at Louie Pottery for pots, or pots. Then had a guided tour of a new venture – the Bonfiglioli Virgin Olive Grove and Press. The owner is a prominent Sydney neurosurgeon, and this is his retirement project. Probably only spent a couple of mil, so far. So, there's money in somebody else's brain.

Norm looked everywhere for the virgin, but wound up frustrated. Look for it (no not the virgin - the property) on Sydney Weekender, they were there filming as we left.

On to Rylestone for lunch, somewhat late , due to Norm's search. We were worried that lunch would be over, because not only did we arrive late, we were bailed up by the local historian. He owns an old Chevy or two, and one of his mates had seen our cars in town, and phoned him to get on down for a look.

So he did, and, declining to join us for lunch, was difficult to get away from. As it turned out, we need'nt have worried since Terry Daly, despite turning up early, had problems with the menu, and wound up eating last. Seems everything he ordered suddenly became out of stock! Leaving historic Rylestone, we drove the 40 minutes to Sofala along some great country roads in the late afternoon sun.

At Sofala there was just time for a quick check of the antiques (mostly old stuff) and a drink before the nightmare, - DIRT ROAD – to Chesleigh for overnight capers.

There was a scramble to be first away to avoid the dust, the Rolls made it, the rest of us eating dust behind him. The road itself wasn't too bad, it was only a couple of K's.

But then the turn off, and the creek crossing (fortunately dry), and huge boulders, razor sharp. We dragged a couple of rocks. No damage, they always sound much worse than they usually are, but it's a worry when there is no spare tyre. I have been lucky over the years, so have resolved to refit the spare. As it is an absolute pain to fit and remove, this will guarantee no flats for a couple more years.

Roland disproved that principle by having a spare and a flat. Cancel plan A.
Interesting place, the homestead. Its probably worthy of a full report. Suffice to say that all the supplies purchased in Mudgee were put to good use. Mine hosts put on a great meal, followed by Banjo Patterson recitals.

We then adjourned for drinks around the camp fire. Les is a member of the Bush Fire Brigade and having seen the campfire he built for us, he needs to be ! Towards the end of the night he had to be restrained from tossing onto the fire the logs we were sitting on. It was still going the next morning as we somewhat blearily assembled for breakfast, to be confronted by Terry in shorts and off for a jog.

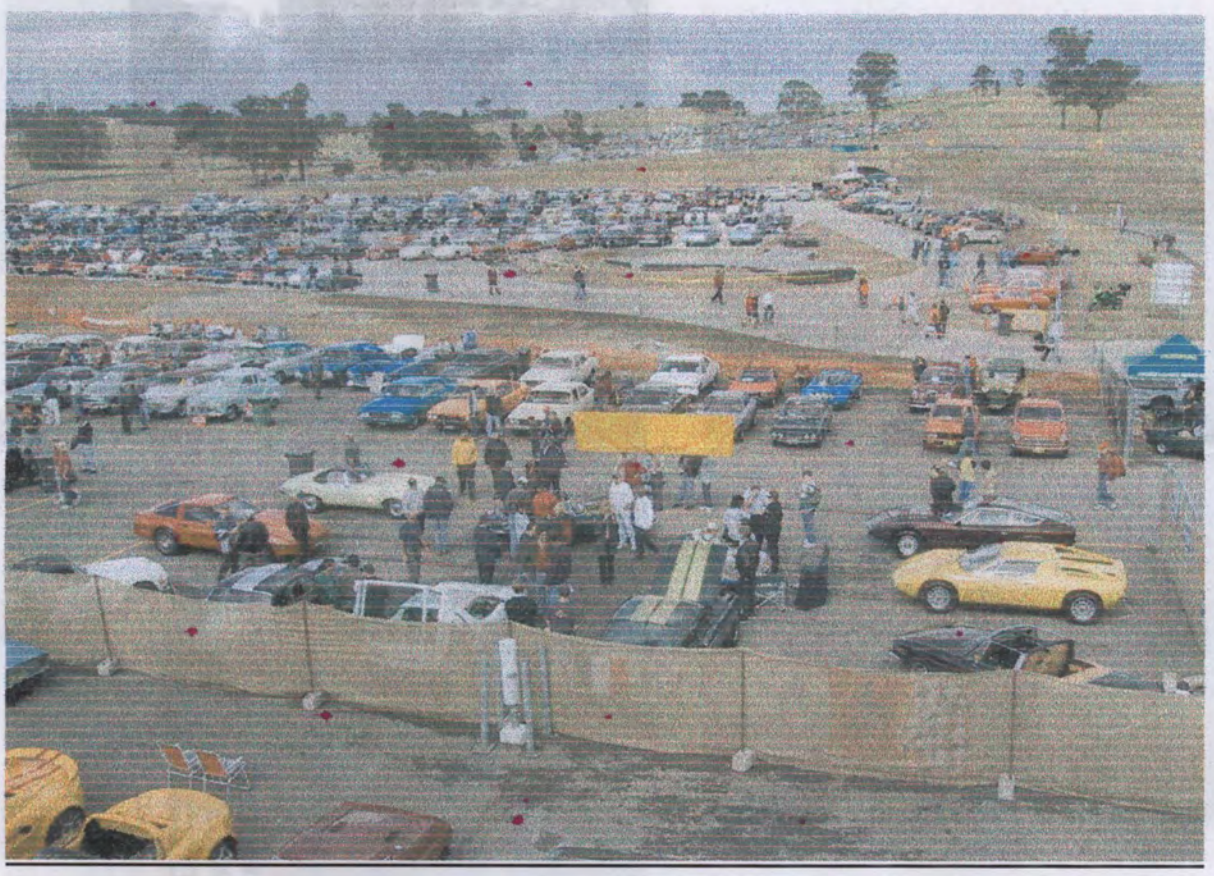
After a huge country breakfast it was time for farewells, scrape the ice off the cars, and the drive back to reality.

All in all, a great weekend, fine cars, fine roads, great company and more happy memories. Thanks, once again, to Les and Roselee for their time to organise the details of the trip.

Tony and Pauline.

THE HOMESTEAD
Chesley

EASTERN CREEK DISPLAY DAY



CMC EASTERN CREEK DISPLAY DAY

SUNDAY, 18th AUGUST 2002

The night before I woke up and it was very wet - pouring rain in fact - Oh well - that's the way it will be tomorrow - but we woke up on Sunday morning and looked out the window to a cloudy but glorious day with quite a bit of sunshine as it turned out ..... and headed off out to Eastern Creek for probably the most successful Display day TSCC and CMC has ever been involved with .....

We were next to the Aston Martin Club and the Lotus Club, and the total size of the display was very impressive extending across the entire pit area, as well as all the newly concreted areas beside and behind the pits covering many acres. There were literally hundreds and hundreds of cars on display with 150 or so clubs involved, including historic military vehicles, historic double decker buses which were available for rides around the circuit, and overall around 1,500 classic vehicles were on display.

It was generally a nice day as the sun warmed us up and we shed TSCC jackets and layers of clothing, Committee Members set up the Display from around 8am ..... with the TSCC banner supported between two cars, surrounded by Hessian covered Fences, various flags, Club Photo Boards, with a few chairs around a table in the centre, with Club Photo Albums, and new Membership forms available for people to look at.

Our TSCC members displaying their lovely Vehicles arrived from around 8.30 am and our TSCC cars were setup in sort of a circle, with Norm Johnson's Jaguar XKSS having pole position in front under the banner, and TSCC Cars included

- NORM and PAM JOHNSON who brought out the beautiful JAGUAR XKSS in British Racing Green and created quite a stir ..... people coming over all day to marvel at this amazing machine:
- VERN and WENDY KELLY who brought their lovely cream E-TYPE ROADSTER
- GRAHAM and NOLA WEBSTER who brought out their lovely red CORVETTE STINGRAY;
- SID DAVENPORT who brought along his very rare MASERATI BORA V8;
- TERRY DALEY who brought out his quite famous rally prepared MUSTANG;
- NICK KOKOTOVIC who brought beautiful maroon MASERATI KAMSIN;
- COLIN ALLERDICE who brought out his beautiful white TRIUMPH TR6 CONVERTIBLE
- TONY CHAPMAN who brought along his trusty daffodil yellow MASERATI MERAK
- LINDSAY DAY our Editor who brought his gleaming black TRIUMPH STAG CONVERTIBLE
- ADRIAN WALKER with my British Racing Green with Gold Stripes MUSTANG GT a la Shelby ..... alias your scribe for the day

Most of the well known Clubs were represented and had displays ie; MG club with rows of cars, Jaguar, Rolls Royce, Bentley, Morgan, Austin Healy, Studebaker, Alfa Romeo, Volvo, Mercedes, Buick, Packard plus many others including HRSCA, VSCC and Veteran car club of Australia... best Display this year won by Studebaker Club. In the middle of the day a display of racing was put on by the HRSCA with quite a contingent of Racing Cars, Elfins, Lotus, MGs and other classic racing and sports cars, and Appendix J Touring Cars, all making wonderful noises

A great many people showed interest in our vehicles and our TSCC display and chatted with owners/members, and many new Membership forms were given to people who expressed interest in our club and quite a few new members will result from this I am sure. One member said to me that the time went so fast for him compared to previous years, he talked to a many people, did a circuit of the complete Eastern Display, and it was already 2.30pm ..... Others said to me that with all the people they were talking to, they hardly had time to get around and see the other displays .....

Overall, everybody involved and Club members felt the day was a resounding success, and we certainly had a lot of interest from a great many people. CMC later said it was their best Display Day ever attendance-wise, and it is now the 3rd biggest event on the Eastern Creek calendar .
There is no doubt this impressive TSCC Display, put together with your help, presents the club in a very positive light and can be a strong source of continuing membership for the club.

The organising Committee would like to thank TSCC members who took to the time to prepare their cars and bring them out for the Display, and those members who came out to support the Club during the Day, and particularly those who were kind enough to assist in setting up and dismantling the display. Lets hope we can do the same NEXT YEAR !! We have big plans for next year, and let's hope the weather will be even better.....

Your organising Committee
Adrian Walker, Peter Smart, Colin Allerdice, Vern Kelly, Tony Chapman

THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB
MEETING HELD 11TH SEPTEMBER 2002

Meeting commenced at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Vernon & Wendy Kelly, Ray Ross, Chris Johnson, Bob Smith, Malcolm Stephen, Roland Clark, Lester Gough, Les & Roselee Johnson, John & Val Dixon, Peter & Sue Smart, Wayne Watkins.

APOLOGIES: Stephanie Clark, Lindsay Day, Vic & Judy Andrews, Margaret Ross, John & Karin Brown, Joan Johnson.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved that the minutes of meeting held on 14/8/02 be accepted: Chris Johnson
Seconded: Bob Smith
CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

- Les Johnson, CAMS NSW Newsletter, CAMS Database Information

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank Balance	$3,610.89		
Term Deposit	$ 754.58	Total	$4,365.47 (Includes $1,700 Rally Deposits)

EDITOR'S REPORT

Lindsay has received 2 articles but asked for more for the October Top Gear which he will be putting together at the end of September.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Eastern Creek Display was a successful day, well presented and and attended by members. Several enquiries re club membership. Studebaker Club won best display.
7th September Restaurant Night was held at Michael's Ocean Food Restaurant, Crows Nest – 17 people attended – thanks to Tony & Pauline Chapman for organising this night.
Wednesday Run on 18th September to Megalong Valley–organisers Vern & Wendy Kelly
Observation Run on 13th October will be the next social event. BBQ Run 22/9 cancelled
21st Birthday Rally – 1 couple has dropped out, Les will try to find a replacement.

SPORTING REPORT

Next event will be on 22nd September – Oran Park G.P. Followed by Wakefield Park on 19th October.
Contact Lester Gough for details re attendance as a competitor or spectator.
Event on 1st Dec. will be in next year's point score.

C.M.C. REPORT

Public Liability Insurance was discussed at the last meeting. Several companies are offering cover to affiliated clubs. Peter Ryan has withdrawn as CMC Patron as he is no longer Police Commissioner, and Ken Moroney declined, citing a conflict of interest.
Log Books required for car using AVGAS – this will be discussed at next CMC meeting.

CLUB PLATES REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Revision of club plates rules to be done by Committee.
Request for use of club plates from Les Johnson & Chris Johnson – they wish to enter the Quattro Giornate Per Auto Classiche and will be using cars with club plates from 15/10/02 to 20/10/02. This was approved.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Meeting Room Hire: John Dixon advised that in recent times the room has been untidy and tables in need of cleaning. A staff member queried our serving of refreshments and asked us to check with the new Secretary Manager. Peter Smart to follow this up.
Club Shirts: The company that supplied our jackets has a large range of shirts for orders. They hold our logo on file which we have already paid to have set up.
Committee to select suitable design and arrange for an order to be made up.
Name badges were also discussed.

MEETING CLOSED: 9.30 p.m.

La Notte Italiano

A Cold night out in the wilds of Berowra, perfect for an Italian dining experience.

Snuggled under the heaters at a long table 25 hardy TSCCers braved the elements in the not so luxurious surroundings of the Berowra shopping centre.

Owner Mario Noggarotto from Lazio ably assisted by some of the Dixon clan son Matthew and niece Katie had prepared an us Italian smorgasbord [excuse the mixed cuisines]. Notice I was not asked to give of my wealth of experience in the cooking arena.

Garlic Bread/Salads/Pastas/Roast Lamb/Vegetables/Dessert/Coffee and plenty of it.

If you were full to bursting let it be known that Mario said to me later that night I still have more Pasta – Santa Maria !!

A long table is a difficult thing for conversation particularly if your half deaf – what was that dear ?? So as we were all getting ready to leave more conversations arose with those you hadn't had the time or ability to talk to.

We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves among the clatter of dishes, cutlery and glasses.

For the record it was also one of the busiest nights at Noggars 50 patrons in a restaurant built for 2 !!

John & Val Dixon

CMC KNOWN MAJOR EVENTS at June 2002

12-13/10/02 Illawarra Vintage Rally 2002, Wollongong & South Coast
13/10/2002 Twin Lakes Show and Shine, Wyong Race Course
20/10/2002 MGCC Concors, TBA
20-21/10/2002 CRC Alpine Classic Lithgow & Western Districts
20/10/2002 VSCCA's Bol d'Ot Wakefield Park, Goulburn
20/10/2002 All Chrysler Day Fairfield Showground
20/10/2001 All British Display Day Liverpool Catholic Club
27/10/02 Triumph Sports Owners Concours, Brays Bay Reserve, Concord
2-3/11/2002 AROCA Six Hour Relay Classic Eastern Creek Raceway
30/11-1/12/02 HSRCA Historic Race Meeting Wakefield Park, Goulburn

2003

26/1/02 NRMA Motorfest, City
16/2/2003 Sydney Super Swap, Clarendon Show Ground
23/2/2003 CMC Presidents Run, TBA

MEETING HELD 9TH OCTOBER 2002

Meeting commenced 8.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Vic Andrews, Lindsay Day, Peter & Sue Smart, John & Val Dixon, Malcolm Stephen, Ray & Margaret Ross, Grant Liddell, David & Barbara Muir, Les & Roselee Johnson, Roland & Stephanie Clark, Joan & Chris Johnson, Vern & Wendy Kelly, Col Allerdice.
APOLOGIES - Lester Gough, Ron Pulling, John & Karin Brown.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved that minutes of meeting held 11/9/02 be accepted: Colin Allerdice,
Seconded: Ray Ross. CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

- CAMS magazine
- CAMS memo re. State Executive Election & Voting Papers
- CAMS invitation to 2002 Dinner & Presentation Night 7/12/02
- Motorex letter re Expo on 5th & 6th July 2003
- Rotary Club of Kariong Letter re Expo of Yesteryear Vehicles 23/2/03
- Vintage Sports Car Club letter re Bol d'Or 20/20/02

2003 events detailed in above correspondence to be considered for our 2003 calendar.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank Balance as at 9.10.02	$3,499.59	
Plus Term Deposit	$ 754.58	Total $4,254.17

EDITOR'S REPORT

October newsletter is ready to go. Lindsay asked for articles for January edition.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Wednesday runs – well attended in September to Megalong Valley, no run this month.
Observation run scheduled for 13/10/02 – only 3 cars registered so far, decided to cancel.
21st Birthday Rally – emails and letters going out this week with final details.
Pride of Ownership Day 17/11/02 – numbers going up for this event, judges organised.
Surprise Day in December organised by Chris & Joan Johnson –details at a later date.

SPORTING REPORT

Meeting on 22/9/02 attended by Malcolm Stephen who gave a short report.
Next one at Wakefield Park on 19/10/02. Contact Lester for details & entry forms.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Social Event – Roland Clark gave details of New Year's Eve package he has arranged at Charlotte Pass - $99 per room per night, 3 course dinner $50 per head.
- Club Polo Shirts – these are being made up and will be available from 20/10/02.
- Badges – order form to be distributed, to get an indication of numbers req'd.
- Roland Clark gave a short talk on the rally to S.A. – he travelled in a Packard via Wagga Wagga, Hay, Mildura to Adelaide and home via Broken Hill and Cobar.
- Grant Liddell gave an up-date on Gary MacDonald's entry in V8 Brutes Series

MEETING CLOSED at 9.15 p.m.

REMINDER – Pride of Ownership Day Sun. 17th Nov.

Please contact Peter Smart NOW–numbers being finalised

NEW YEAR'S EVE 2002

Are you tired of doing the same old boring thing on New Year's Eve?

Are you up to trying something different?

COME TO STILLWELL LODGE (Charlottes Pass)

UNDER THE SHADOW OF Mt KOSCIUSKO FOR A
FUN FILLED NIGHT OF LAUGHTER, ENTERTAINMENT
AND FINE DINING
$99 per room (2 people)
$50 per person for New Year's Eve Dinner.
[All rooms have a view of the Valley, and come with ensuite]

TOO FAR TO GO FOR ONE NIGHT? Well, stay a couple of days, (prior to or after New Year's Eve), taking advantage of the many walking trails, the scenic wildflower and the cool crisp air. ($99 per room per night (includes continental breakfast). Cooked breakfast, lunch and dinner available at reasonable rates; packed lunches available for the adventurous.

Bookings close Ist November.
To secure your booking, or for further information, contact..
Roland Clark: 9653 2866

Roll up for NRMA Motorfest...!

The National Roads and Motorists' Association Limited (NRMA) is delighted to once again sponsor the NRMA Motorfest as part of Australia Day Celebrations.

2003 will celebrate 18 years of NRMA Motorfest, the largest event of its type in the Southern Hemisphere.

When: Sunday 26th January, 2003

To be eligible to participate in NRMA Motorfest, your vehicle must be at least 30 years old. ie must have been built before 1974. Participation in this event is **FREE**.

If you participated in Motorfest in 2002, you will automatically receive an invitation. However, if you do not receive one by mid October, please contact Stephen Knox on tel (02) 9416 7055.

Space is limited, so mark it in your diary and act quickly once you receive your invitation.

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CLUB SHOP

NEW!!
Gold and Black Club Shirts with Insignia $35.00

FLEECY JACKETS WITH CLUB INSIGNIA $65.00
Sizes – Small, Medium, Large & X Large

CLOTH BADGES $5.00

STICKERS $0.50

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