# **BI MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

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Norm Johnson's prize winning XK120 Jaguar at the Tea Gardens/Hawks Nest Motorfest



# 2007 COMMITTEE

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Graham Olliffe

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 (except January and December) at The Carlingford Bowling Club Corner Pennant Hills Rd. & Evans Rd., Carlingford 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

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# PRESIDENT VERN'S



Hello to all, and I hope you all are well. It's May already!!

Apart from our regular and increasingly-supported Wednesday Runs (now usually attended by well over 20 people per Run), our year for "external" events started extremely well with our inaugural participation in March in the Tea Gardens/Hawks Nest Motor Club's "Motorfest". We had, from memory, thirteen cars displayed, resplendent in their uniquely-identifying windscreen sashes. Around 20 of us stayed overnight, and enjoyed the usual fun social occasions and camaraderie of our Club.

Many thanks to John & Sue Burton who co-ordinated all of the liaison and communication arrangements, plus accommodation facilities and dinners, at the Hawks Nest end, and to Malcolm Ireland for pulling it all together at Club level. It was a popular (close to 300 vehicles) and very well run event, and we are sure to be back there again next year.

Upcoming on 25<sup>th</sup> May is what promises to be another great event within our Club – the four day "Back to Bingara Bash" kindly organised by Terry and Robyn Daly. This has been greatly supported by 22 people and promises to be not only fun but very interesting and informative as Terry & Robyn have particularly focused on the rich historic background of the whole Bingara area.

Further upcoming in June we have the Restaurant Night and (hopefully) the Hunter Valley Wine Tour, and on 1<sup>st</sup> July the Ladies Day/Christmas in July, & Brass Monkey Run on 29<sup>th</sup> July.

## It's all go!!!

Happy Motoring, President Vern

#### TEA GARDENS HAWKS NEST MOTORFEST

Les, Roselee, Pam and Myself arrived late on Friday night to be greeted by most of the club members in attendance coming back from a night out after some jovial conversation everyone retired to their rooms.

I awoke Saturday morning to see Les washing his E type, Vern was cleaning his windscreen and Malcolm was tinkling with his Jaguar all eager for the Motorfest. By around 8-30 everyone was up and about in readiness for the day's events, we were introduced to two new members Greg and Vicky who were in their Porsche Boxster. At 9-00 o'clock we assembled outside the motel and proceeded off in convoy for the easy run to the oval. Upon arriving we parked our cars inline and applied the club banners to the windscreens, the oval was already busy with lots of cars already parked.

This turned out to be a great day with nice weather [hot] a good variety of cars and quite well catered for with lots of time for all members to look around and chat to each other. It was nice to catch up with Ray and Margaret and John Burton was in his element counting money as one of the organizers.

Our club put on a good display but unfortunately couldn't sway the judges. I was fortunate enough to pickup a trophy for best classic. The Motorfest finished at 2-30 so it was all back to the pool for drinks and a swim that evening we went to a restaurant for a nice meal and you guessed it more drinks and a easy stagger back to the Motel.

Before departing the following morning we were invited to John and Sue Burton's lovely new home for morning tea a special thanks to Sue, Robyn and Margaret for all their effort in the kitchen and thanks for everyone that attended for making it a great weekend or a long weekend for our golfers.

Norm Johnson









### Wednesday Run 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2007

The run started at 'Pie in the Sky' on the old Pacific Highway near Cowan with a lot of happy people

John & Barb Lewis	Vern & Wendy Kelly
Peter & Kathy Eaton	Marilyn & Graham Olliffe
Malcolm & Toni Ireland	Ian Norman & Jan
Roland & Stephanie Clark	Vic Andrews
Terri Harris	Paul & Jan Goddard
John & Val Dixon	Colin Watts
Roselee Johnson	Keith & Carol Reynolds

I cannot report on this part of the day because at 10.30, as we were arriving, the happy 'Thoroughbred's' were approaching their waiting cars for the drive.

On leaving, we drove steadily along the Old Pacific Highway, over the Hawkesbury River bridgefollowing the signs 'Beware of motorcycles'- over the old Mooney Mooney Bridge - turning right at Somersby and onto Kariong Native Gardens.

These gardens were designed and planted for the 2000 Olympics but as one of the locals reported, not many people visited the gardens during the games.

As I chose this time to catch up on coffee, I can only say, as it was reported to me, that the gardens are well worth the visit, with plenty of pathways through carefully planted native bushes, beautiful native flowers, water features, stone carvings and lots more.....



Well satisfied the next stop was TRACKSIDE, This family owned business was conceived in early 2003 with the introduction of the Trackside Theme, for the last 25 years motor sport played a big part in the Ashwood family.

The cars on display mainly came from the Gibson Motor Sports Stables, for which the cars were manufactured and raced during 1984 and 1992.

If you dine at this restaurant, try the Stonegrill dining, I would highly recommend the mixed grill.



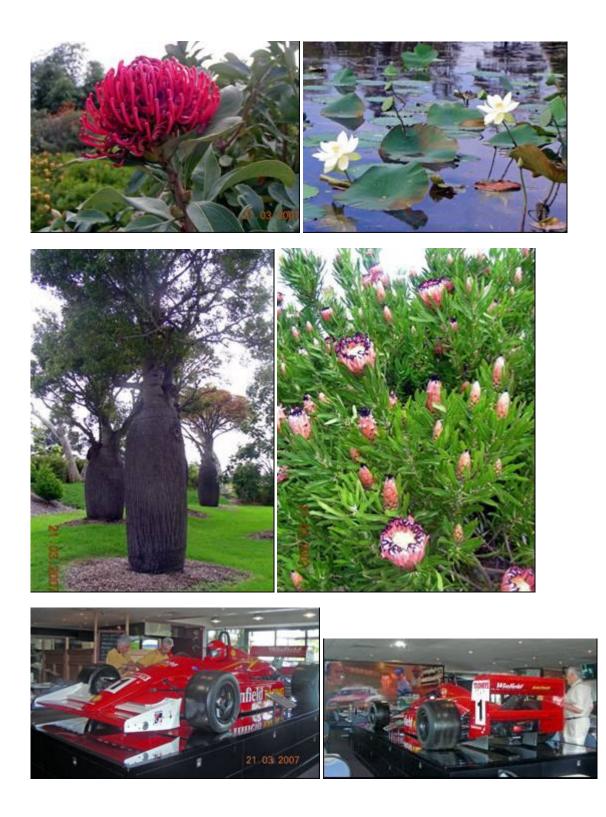
A few drinks, full tummy, we said good-bye and went different ways

home.

A good day had by all.

Reported by Keith Reynolds





# TSCC Wednesday Run to Speers Point 18<sup>th</sup> April 2007

On a bright sunny day we greeted good friends and their assembly of fine automobiles and enjoyed a cup of coffee etc. at McDonald's of Mt. Colah. We were getting ready for our run to Pippi's restaurant at Speers Point, a run organised by Kevin and Robyn Leggott. I took this opportunity to collect monies along with names of those who would be attending the Brass monkey Run. Upon arrival it was good to see Peter & Kath Eather along with Peter & Sue Smart, John &Val Dixon, Vern & Wendy Kelly, Graham & Marilyn Olliffe who were discussing their impending trip to Italy, making every one very green-eyed because they will be holidaying for 6 weeks. Roland & Stephanie arrived in the Green DB4 Aston Martin. Roland rolled himself out of the Aston saying his back is not as good as it used to be, but it was great to have the Aston there. Stephanie is taking off to the U.K. and beyond for a holiday leaving Roland to play with his cars. Keith (& Carol in the Green BMW) commented it would have been great to be in the Triumph Stag because he had not taken it out on a run for a while, but he had to keep peace in the camp. (I knew what he meant.) Ian Norman arrived in his trusty Holden Astra with roof down also took the chance to remind us to keep the articles coming for TOP GEAR. After coffee etc. we proceeded up the Pacific Highway to the Toronto turn off, and waiting for us were Robert & Kay Finney in their 1965 GT Ford Mustang. They quickly joined the group as we proceeded to Speers Point to be greeted by Kevin & Robyn Leggott and John & Sue Burton. The setting was magnificent, right on the water. Tables had been reserved for us and we soon formed our seated cliques. As usual we started off very peaceful but after a few rounds of drinks the noise tempo rose. I always enjoy having a wine with Peter Smart but in we can never remember who paid for the last round, so, the only answer is to have another glass until we decide. Kevin, Robyn, John & Sue are taking of to Canada and Alaska soon. I didn't think you still had holidays once you became a retiree, because retirement seems to be one big holiday. Some of the meals at Pippi's were a bit on the large size and it is always helpful if it can be shared around. After we had wined and dined. Vern assembled us outside for the obligatory group photo at the waters edge, and after saying our good bye's it was time to depart for our homeward journey.





Another happy TSCC gathering at Speers Point



A great day was had by all who attended



Only metalworker's size meals served here at Pippi's Val's King size meal Rob & Kay's desert

Brief history on Speers Point

William Brooks selected 1280 acres in 1828 [Kahibah Parish] He did not receive the title deeds to his grant until 1839. The grant was on the eastern bank of Cockle Creek and encompassed the present day township of Boolaroo and Speers Point. He called it Lockend. William Speer [also know as Spier or spear] a wealthy business man and Alderman from Sydney acquired part of Brooks 1280 acres in 1870. In 1983 Mr. Brooks opened the Lockend Colliery and began mining coal at the foot hills at the top end of the present Hopkins street. The coal was carried by trolleys on a line to a jetty at Speers Point .In 1916 T.D.H Rhodes opened the Speers Point Gully mine . Soon after 1870 William Speer built a dairy. Prior to 1874 a citrus orchard was cultivated along near the lakeside.

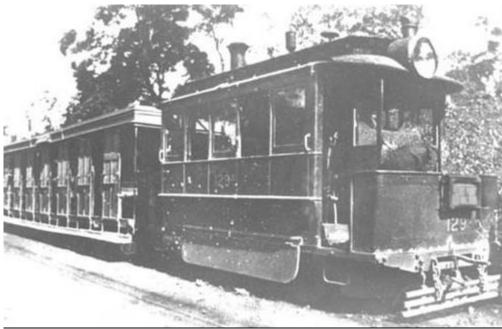
The Boolaroo & District Sulphide Brass Band played regularly in the Park on Sunday afternoons. During the war soldiers camped in the Park. The Park has provided much enjoyment over the last 100 years and now it is time for the community, the Council and Government to initiate many strategies to protect the Lake and Park into the next Century

The Winner of the very First Sydney to Hobart Yacht was built at Speer's point by Mr Les Steel a 35



foot Cutter

Which he named "RANI "



Steam Trams were introduced in 1912 but ceased in 1930 for financial reasons.



Pippi's Hotel at Speers Point 1939

Members and Cars on Wednesday Run 18th April 2007.

<ul> <li>A. Ian Norman</li> <li>B. Peter &amp; Sue Smart</li> <li>C. Vern &amp; Wendy Kelly</li> <li>D. Peter &amp; Kathy Eather</li> <li>E. Keith &amp; Carol Reynolds</li> <li>F. John &amp; Val Dixon</li> <li>G. John &amp; Sue Burton</li> <li>H. Kevin &amp; Robyn Leggott</li> <li>I. Graham &amp; Marilyn Olliffe</li> </ul>	Holden Astra Convertible BMW Convertible Mercedes Benz Convertible Mazda MX5 Convertible BMW Convertible BMW 318I Coupe Nissan Farm Yard 4WD Mazda MX6 Sports Runabout Peugeot 407 Coupe
I. Graham & Marilyn Olliffe	Peugeot 407 Coupe

Also attending in true motoring cars of the Golden Years

Rob & Kay Finney Roselee & Les Johnson Roland & Stephanie Clark Ford Mustang GT 1965 Jaguar E Type 4.2 Series Aston Martin DB4



The Clark's Aston Martin DB4

A big THANKYOU Kevin & Robyn from all those who attended



The Hotel Prior to the Motor Car

Les Johnson

## **RESTAURANT NIGHT** 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Dear All

Firstly, thank you for entrusting your night to Eve and I.

The dilemma has been where do you take a bunch of nice, discerning people, who are basically "petrol heads" for an interesting dinner. A place that they would not have gone to before......And is easy to get to ?? The answer is.....to a servo !

The restaurant is very interesting – when was the last time you went with your partner to a service station for dinner....well it's not really a service station but it is next door to one! So, head West boys and gals.

The high point of course (next to the company) will be the food. There is a very wide range of truly delicious food - ranging from steak, to seafood to Italian .....to ....well if nothing pleases you, you can always fall back on to the wood fired pizza.

The prices are very reasonable so absolutely no excuse for anyone not turning up.

Details are-<u>Date</u> – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June <u>Time</u> - 7pm <u>Place</u> – il Piatto restaurant Cnr Wallgrove Rd and The Horsley Drive, Horsley Park (next to Shell) <u>Teleph</u>. – 02 9620 2166 <u>Directions</u> the essist way is to get onto the M7 and take the Horsley Drive Evit (15

<u>Directions</u> – the easiest way is to get onto the M7 and take the Horsley Drive Exit (15 minutes from start of M7). At the end of the ramp turn right, cross The Horsley and cross Wallgrove Rd and mate you're there. Turn into service station driveway.

**<u>Parking</u>** – available on site. So if you want to bring your special car ok.

**<u>BYO</u>** - They will allow wine only, if you wish. There will be a corkage charge. (The Restaurant does have a good selection of wines and spirits and they are reasonably priced (e.g. Scotch and coke is \$5 - \$6).

Please email Peter your availability and number of people to <u>peter.stefan@beiersdorf.com</u> RSVP - by 18<sup>th</sup> May please.

Remember – the more the merrier so bring your friends. Who knows, they may enjoy themselves so much that they may want to join the Club.

Looking forward to a great night

Peter and Eve Stefan (Peter 0416 047 325)

P.S. to make cost manageable I will suggest to restaurant that we pay for drinks as we go, so we will pay for what we each drink.

# **CALENDAR 2007**

	DATE		EVENT	ORGANISER	PHONE
JAN.	Fri 26	S	NRMA Motorfest	Roland Clark	9653 2866
FEB.	Wed 14	М	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Wed 21	F	Wednesday Run	Peter & Sue Smart	9630 1050
MAR	Sun 4	R	Oran Park GP	Lester Gough	9799 3209
	Sat 10	S	Tea Gardens Hawkes Nest	_	
			Motor Club Motorfest	John Burton	4997 1859
	Wed 14	Μ	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Wed 21	F	Wednesday Run	Roland & Stephanie Clark	9653 2866
APRIL	Wed 11	Μ	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Wed 18	F	Wednesday Run	Kevin & Robyn Leggott	4959 5771
	Sun 22	R	Eastern Creek	Lester Gough	9799 3209
MAY	Wed 9	М	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Wed 16	F	Wednesday Run	Greg & Kayelene Menzies	9871 7352
	Sun 20	S	Hunter Valley Bus Tour	Keith & Carolyn Reynolds	9634 6342
	Sun 20	R	Wakefield Park	Lester Gough	9799 3209
	25 - 28	S	Bingara Bash	Terry & Robyn Daly	9488 9590
JUNE	Sat 2	S	Restaurant Night	Peter & Evelyn Stefan	9624 8331
	Wed 13	M	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Wed 20	F	Wednesday Run	Chris & Joan Johnson	9875 3691
** ** * *	Sat 30	R	Oran Park GP	Lester Gough	9799 3209
JULY	Sun 1	S	Ladies Day/Xmas in July	Paul & Jan Goddard	9481 9715
	Wed 11	M	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Wed 18	F	Wednesday Run	Keith & Carolyn Reynolds	9634 6342
	Sat 28	R S	Oran Park GP	Lester Gough	9799 3209
	Sun 29	3	AHOC "Brass Monkey"	Las & Deseles Johnson	0412 1929
AUG.	Sun 5	R	Run & O'night Stay Eastern Creek	Les & Roselee Johnson Lester Gough	9412 1838 9799 3209
AUG.	Wed 8	M	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Wed 8 Wed 15	F	Wednesday Run	John & Karma Watson	9980 8981
	Sun 19	S	All British Day, Kings Schl	Ian Norman	9674 2717
	Sun 26	S	Shannons Eastern Crk	Adrian Walker	9987 4299
SEP.	TBA	S	Orange Blossom Festival	Malcolm Ireland	9416 3031
SEI.	Wed 12	M	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	14 - 16	S	Temora Air Show Weekend	Graham & Marilyn Olliffe	9630 3971
	Sun 16	R	Wakefield Park	Lester Gough	9799 3209
	Wed 19	F	Wednesday Run	Paul & Jan Goddard	9481 9715
OCT.	Wed 10	Μ	Monthly Meeting	Val Dixon	9403 6905
0011	Wed 17	F	Wednesday Run	Peter & Kathy Eaton	4360 1700
	Sat 20	R	Oran Park South	Lester Gough	9799 3209
	Sun 28	S	Pride Of Ownership Day	Vern & Wendy Kelly	9651 2770
NOV.	Wed 14	M	Monthly Meeting/AGM	Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Sat 17	S	Mystery Activity	Keith & Carolyn Reynolds	9634 6342
	Wed 21	F	Wednesday Run	Colin Watts	9624 8202
DEC.	Sat 1	S	Christmas Dinner &	Vern Kelly &	9651 2770
-		-	Presentation Night	Malcolm Ireland	9416 3031

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.

**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)



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	Surname
	Given Names
Renewal	Address
	Post Code
	Birth Date /
New Member	DAY / MONTH (Year not required)
	Telephone (Home) (Work)
	Fax (Home or Work)
	Mobile Phone
	E-Mail
FILL OUT	THE FOLLOWING IF JOINING UNDER FAMILY MEMBERSHIP
Spouse/Par	tners Surname
Given Name	es
Birth Date	/ DAY / MONTH (Year not required)

OFFICE USE ONLY
Date Joined
M'ship No.
CAMS No.
TSCC Plate No.
Amount Paid
Cash / Cheque
Receipt Number

CAR(S) MAKE MODEL YEAR REGO. NO. COLOUR MAN./AUTO 1 2 3 4 5 6

I agree to abide by the rules of the Club
MEMBER/APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	ANNUAL FEE	ENTITLEMENTS/CONDITIONS OF
Single	\$50	<ul><li>(i) Eligible to attend and/or compete i</li><li>(ii) Receive all printed matter issued l</li></ul>
Family	\$60	This category covers ONE ADDITION Spouse / partner is eligible for (i) above

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<ul> <li>i) Eligible to attend and/or compete in all listed TSCC calendar events</li> <li>ii) Receive all printed matter issued by the Club</li> </ul>	
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