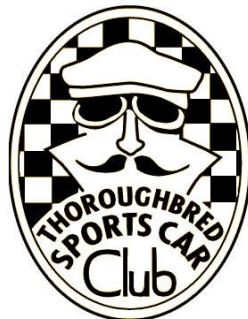


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John Moody's Pride Of Ownership winning E Type Jaguar



2009 COMMITTEE

President	Terry Daly	9651 6175 (H)
Vice President / Social Director	Not Filled	
Secretary	Vicki Bell	9958 8721 (H)
Treasurer	Malcolm Ireland	9416 3031 (H)
Editor / Webmaster	Ian Norman	9674 2717 (H)
Club Shop / Raffles / Club Property	Colin Watts	9624 8202 (H)
Point Score Keeper/CAMS & CMC Delegate	Lester Gough	9799 3209 (H/F)
Sporting Secretary	Malcolm Stephen	9543 2951 (H)
Club Plate Registrar	Roland Clark	9653 2866 (H)
		9653 2867 (F)
Public Officer	Greg Ball	9958 8721 (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 (except January and December)
at The Carlingford Bowling Club
Corner Pennant Hills Rd. & Evans Rd., Carlingford commencing at 7.30pm

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's Report

December 2008

This is my first column as the 2009 President and I would like to start by thanking Vern Kelly and his very able Committee for all their efforts over a exciting 2008.

Everything from two wonderful weekends away (Orange and Scone) to very active Wednesday Runs, a good mix of social outings and a very successful Shed Tour thrown in for the boys!

I've had the opportunity to talk to approximately 30 members soliciting ideas and opinions of what ideas, direction etc that the TSCC should pursue in 2009. Phone calls went from a few minutes to what seemed a few hours but all were very supportive of what the Club stands for and its direction. I also sourced ideas about the 2009 calendar. Currently, we have the "Great Northern Tour" in May as the largest event on the calendar. Additionally, we have nine Wednesday runs, (possibly some on either a Tuesday or Thursday – depending on a vote at the February meeting), the normal social events and we hope to include some activities for car lovers. Furthermore, we are looking at some joint runs with the Mercedes Benz Club and possibly the Rolls Royce Club. The calendar as at the 15 December 2008 is in this addition of Top Gear.

Three activities that the Club will participate in late January/early February should be considered by members:

- Jan 26 – NRMA Motorfest
- Feb 4/5 – Gnool Classic Car Show Orange
- Feb 15 – Display Day with Mercedes Benz & Rolls Royce Club

The first two will occur prior to the February meeting, so I will email details about the Gnool Classic Car Show Orange.

The real positive for 2009 is that the price of petrol is tipped to go under the \$1 per litre, making motoring reasonably affordable again.

I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year.

See you in 2009!

Terry Daly

President

CALENDAR 2009

	DATE		EVENT	ORGANISER	PHONE
JAN.	Mon 26	S	NRMA Motorfest		
FEB.	Sat 7/Sun8	S	Gnoo Blas Orange	Terry Daly	0418 675 253
	Wed 11	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Sun 15	S	Display Day MB/RROC	Vince Thompson	0411 773 440
	Wed 18	F	Wednesday Run	Peter & Sue Smart	9630 1050
MAR	Sat14	S	Tea Gardens Hawkes Nest		
	Sun 15	R	Oran Park GP	NSWRRC	
	Wed 11	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Wed 18	F	Wednesday Run	Roland & Stephanie Clark	9653 2866
APRIL	Wed 8	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Wed 2	F	Wednesday Run	Keith & Carol Reynolds	9634 6342
	Sat18/M20	S	Wine/Wool Ballooning Mudgee	Roland & Stephanie Clark	9653 2866
	Sun 19	R	Oran Park GP	NSWRRC	
MAY	Sun 3	R	Wakefield Park	MX 5 Club	
	Wed 13	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Sa16/Sa23	S	Great Northern Run	Les Johnson	0417 249 081
	Sun 17	R	Eastern Creek	ARDC	
	Wed 20	F	Wednesday Run	Vern & Wendy Kelly	9651 2770
JUNE	Sat 6	S	Restaurant Night	Peter Stefan	9624 8331
	Wed 10	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Tu16/W17	F	Tuesday or Wednesday Run	Jack & Jennifer Jones	9654 1129
	Sun 21	S	Breakfast Run Wisemans Ferry	Terry Daly	0418 675 253
	Sun 28	R	Wakefield Park	Mini Car Club	
JULY	Sun 5	S	Xmas in July	Peter & Sue Smart	9630 1050
	Wed 8	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Sun 12	R	Oran Park GP	NSWRRC	
	Wed 15	F	Wednesday Run	Paul & Jan Goddard	9481 9715
	TBA	S	AHOC "Brass Monkey" Run	Les Johnson	0417 249 081
AUG.	Sun 2	R	Eastern Creek	ARDC	
	Wed 12	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Wed 19	F	Wednesday Run	John & Karma Watson	9875 3080
	Sun 23	S	Shannons Eastern Crk	Adrian Walker	9987 4299
	Sun 30	S	All British Day Kings School	Ian Norman	9674 2717
SEP.	Wed 9	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Sat 12	R	Oran Park GP	Mini Car Club	
	TBA	S	Orange Blossom Festival	Malcolm Ireland	9416 3031
	W15/Th16	R	Wednesday or Thursday Run	Brian Marshall	9651 2821
	Sat 26	S	Art/Craft Night	Colin Watts	9624 8202
OCT.	Wed 14	M	Monthly Meeting	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Sat 17	S	Lane Cove River Cruise	Malcolm Stephen	9543 2951
	Sat 17	R	Oran Park South	NSWRRC	
	Wed 21	F	Wednesday Run	Les & Roselee Johnson	0417 249 081
NOV.	Sun 1	S	Pride Of Ownership Day	Terry Daly	9651 6175
	Wed 11	M	Monthly Meeting/AGM	Vicki Bell	9958 8721
	Wed 18	F	Wednesday Run	John & Val Dixon	9403 6905
DEC.	Sat 5	S	Christmas Dinner & Presentation Night (Away)	Malcolm Ireland	9416 3031

NOTES:

- 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)

THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB

WEDNESDAY FUN RUN

2009 ROSTER

18 February	Peter & Sue Smart
18 March	Roland & Stephanie Clark
15 April	Keith & Carolyn Reynolds
17 June	Jack & Jennifer Jones
15 July	Paul & Jan Goddard
19 August	John & Karma Watson
16 September	Brian & Barbara Marshall
21 October	Les & Roselee Johnson
18 November	John & Val Dixon

If the designated dates do not suit the specified organisers, then please make alternate arrangements with any of the other members listed for a change of dates that are mutually suitable. Please advise me of any changes.

Would each of the nominated organisers please forward a copy of their proposed activity to Malcolm Ireland (malton217@bigpond.com) for electronic distribution to all members prior to the monthly club meeting. Please also have flyers available for distribution at the meeting prior to the run.

Malcolm Ireland

In addition to the events listed on the previous page the following events are authorised TSCC events for the purpose of Conditional Registration (“Club Plates”) and have been extracted from the Council Of Motor Clubs (CMC) Website.



CALENDAR OF KNOWN EVENTS

2008 / 2009

Please check the 'Affiliated Club + Links' page on this site to access individual club websites for more information on events

2008	Event	Venue
7 – 9 NOV	CMC BATEMAN'S BAY WEEKEND	BATEMAN'S BAY
9 NOVEMBER	TLCAC "10TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL SHOW N SHINE	WYONG RACECOURSE - WYONG
16 NOVEMBER	MORRIS MINOR & MINI MINOR BIRTHDAY BASH SHIOW 'N' SHINE	PENRITH SHOWGROUND
23 NOVEMBER	MARQUES IN THE PARK 08	JOHN KNIGHT MEMORIAL PARK, BELCONNEN
28 - 30 NOVEMBER	HSRCA – TASMAN REVIVAL MEETING	EASTERN CREEK RACEWAY
3 DECEMBER	GEAR MOTORSPORT	WAKEFIELD PARK, GOULBURN
7 DECEMBER	TERRIBLY BRITISH DAY	OLD PARLIAMENT HOUSE, CANBERRA
9 DECEMBER	SECOND GEAR MOTORSPORT	WAKEFIELD PARK, GOULBURN
2009	Event	Venue
26 JANUARY	NRMA MOTORFEST	SYDNEY CBD
1 FEBRUARY	BATHURST HISTORIC CAR CLUB 23rd ANNUAL SWAP MEET	BATHURST SHOWGROUND
15-FEBRUARY	V&VCAA SYDNEY SUPER SWAP	HAWKESBURY SHOWGROUND
7 & 8 FEBRUARY	HSRCA ALL HISTORIC RACING	WAKEFIELD PARK, GOULBURN
7 & 8 FEBRUARY	GNOO BLAS CLASSIC CAR SHOW	JACK BRABHAM PAR, ORANGE
10 - 12 APRIL	FoSC EASTER RACE MEETING & DISPLAY	MOUNT PANORAMA, BATHURST
18th April	Mudgee Wings, Wheels, Wine and Wool Festival	MUDGEE
1 - 4 MAY	CMC THREDBO JAZZ FESTIVAL & TOUR	THREDBO, SNOWY MOUNTAINS
2 & 3 MAY	HSRCA ALL HISTORIC RACING	EASTERN CREEK
17 MAY	NATIONAL MOTORING HERITAGE DAY	VARIOUS LOCATIONS
27 & 28 JUNE	HSRCA ALL HISTORIC RACING	ORAN PARK
22 & 23 AUGUST	SHANNONS EASTERN CREEK CLASSIC	EASTERN CREEK RACEWAY

2009 NSW Motor Sport Calendar

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St	Day	Date	To	Event Name	Venue	Event Type	Level	Organiser	State	Champ/Series
Sat	24-Jan	25-Jan		Festival of Sporting Cars	Oran Park	Races	Multi-club	FOSC	NSW	
Sun	25-Jan			Jugiong Interstate Challenge	Jugiong Park	Motorkhana	Multi-club	RCC	NSW	
Tues	27-Jan			NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	31-Jan			NSW Champions Dinner	Canada Bay Club	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sun	31-Jan	1-Feb		Powercruise #16	Symmons Plains	Nats Event	Multi-club	ARDC	TAS	
Tues	2-Feb			NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	7-Feb			Motorkhana Training	Eastern Creek Skid Pan	Motorkhana	Club	RCC	NSW	
Sat	7-Feb			NSW Rally Presentation Dinner						
Sat	7-Feb	8-Feb		Historic Wakefield Park	Wakefield Park	Historic Races	Natnl Historic	HSRCA	NSW	
Sat	7-Feb	8-Feb		Gnoolias Classic Car Show	Jack Brabham Park, Orange	Non-comp	Multi-club	NBCCC	NSW	
Sat	7-Feb	8-Feb		Summer All Historic Race Meeting	Wakefield Park	Natnl Historic	National	HSRCA	NSW	
Sun	8-Feb			Annual Show and Shine	Prince Edward Park, Woro	Non-comp	Club	Volvo	NSW	
Sun	8-Feb			2008 Supersprint Presentation	Eastern Creek Skid Pan	Motorkhana	Multi-club	NSWSSAP	NSW	
Sat	14-Feb			NSW Off Road Presentation Dinner	Raymond Terrace	Presentation	State	NSWORAP	NSW	
Sat	14-Feb			Supersprint	Oran Park Grand Prix	Supersprint	Multi-club	Clotus	NSW	
Sat	14-Feb			Come and Try and Motorkhana	Eastern Creek Skid Pan	Motorkhana	Multi-club	CACA	NSW	
Sat	14-Feb			State Khanacross	Hampton	Khanacross	State	HDCC	NSW	NSWKXC1
Sat	14-Feb	15-Feb		Australian Rally Championship	Tasmania	Rally	National	TAS	ARC1	
Sun	15-Feb			State Hillclimb	Fairbairn Park	Hillclimb	State	SDMA	NSW	NSWHC1
Sat	21-Feb			Mini Dulla	Ulladulla	Rallysprint	Club	SKDAC	NSW	
Sun	22-Feb			Nabiac 4 Hour	Nabiac	Off Road	Multi-club	CNCSSC	NSW	
Sun	22-Feb			Nabiac Rallysprint	Nabiac Sporting Complex	Rallysprint	Multi-club	CNCSCC	NSW	NSWRSS1
Tues	24-Feb			NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sun	1-Mar			State Motorkhana	Nirimba	Motorkhana	State	RCC	NSW	NSWMKC1
Tues	2-Mar			NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	7-Mar			State Hillclimb	Bathurst Esses	Hillclimb	State	BLCC	NSW	NSWHC2
Sat	7-Mar	8-Mar		Rally of Canberra	Canberra	Rally	National		NSW	ARC2
Sun	8-Mar			State Hillclimb	Mountain Straight	Hillclimb	State	BLCC	NSW	NSWHC3
Sat	14-Mar			CHDSCC Rally Recce	Coffs Harbour	Rally	Multi-club	CHDSCC	NSW	
Sun	15-Mar			CHDSCC Pace Note Rally	Coffs Harbour	Rally	Multi-club	CHDSCC	NSW	
Sun	15-Mar			NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 1	Oran Park GP	Supersprint	State	NSWRRC	NSW	NSWSSC1
Sat	21-Mar	22-Mar		NSW Off Road Ch & Tri Challenge	Dondingalong	Off Road	State	KMORC	NSW	NSWORC1
Sat	21-Mar	22-Mar		NSW Motor Race Ch 1	Eastern Creek	Races	State	ARDC	NSW	NSWMRC1
Sun	22-Mar			State Khanacross	Awaba	Khanacross	State	WAC	NSW	NSWKXC2
Tues	24-Mar			NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	28-Mar			HVSCC Rally	Taree	Rally	Multi-club	HCSCC	NSW	
Sat	4-Apr			Rallysprint	Awaba	Rallysprint	Multi-club	WAC	NSW	
Sat	4-Apr	5-Apr		Australian Rally Championship	Western Australia	Rallysprint	National		WA	
Sun	5-Apr			Multi-club Races	Eastern Creek	Races	Multi-club	ARDC	NSW	
Sun	5-Apr			State Motorkhana	Nirimba	Motorkhana	State	SCC	NSW	NSWMKC2

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Tues	8-Apr			NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
Fri	10-Apr	12-Apr		Festival of Sporting Cars	Mount Panorama	Races	Multi-club	FOSC	NSW	
Sat	11-Apr	12-Apr		Condo 750	Condobolin	Xcountry Rally	Multi-club	CSP	NSW	
Sat	11-Apr	12-Apr		Australian Off Road Ch 1	Hyden	Off Road	National		WA	AORC1
Sat	18-Apr			Rally of Lithgow Pace Notes	Lithgow	Rally	State	NSSCC	NSW	NSWRCL1 NSWCRS1
Sat	18-Apr	19-Apr		NSW Off Road Ch Rd 2	Crookwell	Off Road	State	CORC	NSW	NSWORC2
Sat	18-Apr	19-Apr		NSW Motor Race Ch 2	Wakefield Park	Races	State	WPM	NSW	NSWMRC2
Sun	19-Apr			State Hillclimb	Kempsey	Hillclimb	State	KSCC	NSW	NSWHC4
Sun	19-Apr			NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 2	Oran Park GP	Supersprint	State	NSWRRC	NSW	NSWSSC2
Tues	28-Apr			NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	2-May			Rallysprint	Awaba	Rallysprint	State	WAC	NSW	NSWRSS2
Sat	2-May	3-May		Historic Eastern Creek	Eastern Creek	Historic Races	Natnl Historic	HSRCA	NSW	
Sun	3-May			NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 3	Wakefield Park	Supersprint	State	MX55	NSW	NSWSSC3
Sun	3-May			State Motorkhana	Nirimba	Motorkhana	State	TCC	NSW	NSWMKC3
Tues	4-May			NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	9-May	10-May		Asia Pacific/Aust Rally Champ'ship	Queensland	Rally	International		QLD	
Sat	16-May			Rally of the Manning Valley	Taree	Rally	Series	CNCSCC	NSW	NSWCRS2
Sun	17-May			NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 4	Eastern Creek	Supersprint	State	ARDC	NSW	NSWSSC4
Sun	17-May			State Khanacross	Hampton	Khanacross	State	HDCC	NSW	NSWKXC3
Sat	23-May			Star Mart Rally	Canberra	Rally	Multi-club	BMSC	NSW	
Tues	28-May			NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	30-May	31-May		NSW Motor Race Ch 3	Oran Park	Races	State	NSWRRC	NSW	NSWMRC3
Sun	31-May			Rallysprint	Maria River	Rallysprint	State	KSCC	NSW	NSWRSS3
Tues	1-Jun			NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	6-Jun	7-Jun		Australian Off Road Ch 2	Alice Springs	Off Road	National		NT	AORC2
Sun	7-Jun			Bega Valley Rally	Bega	Rally	State	Marmelang	NSW	NSWRCL3
Sun	7-Jun			State Hillclimb	Grafton	Hillclimb	State	GSOC	NSW	NSWHC6
Sun	14-Jun			State Motorkhana	Awaba	Motorkhana	State	WAC	NSW	NSWMKC4
Sat	20-Jun			BRM Silverstone Safari	Canberra	Rally	Multi-club	LCOC	NSW	NSWCRS3
Sat	20-Jun			Rallysprint	Awaba	Rallysprint	Multi-club	WAC	NSW	
Sat	20-Jun	21-Jun		NSW Off Road Ch & Long Course	Wittitrim	Off Road	State	KMORC	NSW	NSWORC3
Sat	20-Jun	21-Jun		Sportscar Carnival	Eastern Creek	Races		ARDC	NSW	
Tues	23-Jun			NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
Sat	27-Jun			Night Owl	Hunter Valley	Touring Road Ev	Multi-club	AHRG	NSW	
Sat	27-Jun	28-Jun		Coffs Rally	Coffs Harbour	Rally	National	CHDSCC	NSW	ARC5 NSWRLC4
Sat	27-Jun	28-Jun		Historic Oran Park	Oran Park	Historic Races	National	HSRCA	NSW	
Sun	28-Jun			NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 5	Wakefield Park	Supersprint	State	Mini	NSW	NSWSSC5
Sat	28-Jun			State Khanacross	Awaba	Khanacross	State	WAC	NSW	NSWKXC4
Sun	4-Jul	5-Jul		NSW Motor Race Ch 4	Eastern Creek	Races	State	ARDC	NSW	NSWMRC4
Tues	6-Jul			NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	

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	Sun	12-Jul		NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 6	Oran Park GP	Supersprint	State	NSWRRC	NSW	NSWSSC6
	Sat	18-Jul	10-Jul	Shannons Natl Racing Series	Eastern Creek	Races	National	ARDC	NSW	
	Sat	25-Jul		Rally of Camden Haven	Port Macquarie	Rally	Multi-club	PRC	NSW	NSWCL54
	Sat	25-Jul	28-Jul	Festival of Sporting Cars	Oran Park	Races	Multi-club	FOSC	NSW	
	Sat	25-Jul	28-Jul	Australian Off Road Ch 3	Mildura	Off Road	National		VIC	AORC3
	Sun	28-Jul		State Motorkhana	Awaba	Motorkhana	State	WAC	NSW	NSWMKC5
	Tues	28-Jul		NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sat	1-Aug		Day Night Races	Oran Park	Races	Multi-club	NSWRRC	NSW	
	Sat	1-Aug	2-Aug	South Australian ARC	South Australia	Rally	National		SA	ARC6
	Sun	2-Aug		NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 7	Eastern Creek	Supersprint	State	ARDC	NSW	NSWSSC7
	Sun	2-Aug		State Hillclimb	Ringwood	Hillclimb	State	MG(Newc)	NSW	NSWHC6
	Sun	2-Aug		State Khanacross	Awaba	Khanacross	State	WAC	NSW	NSWKXC5
	Tues	3-Aug		NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sun	9-Aug		Myall Lakes Pace Notes	Bulahdelah	Rally	State	NDDC	NSW	NSWRLC5
	Sat	15-Aug		Manning Valley TRE	Taree	Touring Road Ev	Multi-club	SNCSCC	NSW	
	Sat	15-Aug	18-Aug	NSW Off Road Ch, Tri Ch & Long Crs	Milbrodale	Off Road	State	HVORRA	NSW	NSWOCR4
	Sun	16-Aug		State Motorkhana	Nimba	Motorkhana	State	MiniCC	NSW	NSWMKC6
	Sat	22-Aug		Morgan Owners Supersprint	Eastern Creek	Supersprint	Club	MOCA	NSW	
	Sun	23-Aug		Shannons Eastern Creek Classic	Eastern Creek	Races	Club	CMC	NSW	
	Tues	25-Aug		NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Mon	1-Sep	5-Sep	Classic Outback Trial 2009	New South Wales	Rally	National		NSW	
	Wed	3-Sep	6-Sep	World Rally Championship	Northern NSW	Rally	International		NSW	
	Sat	5-Sep	6-Sep	Australian Muscle Car Masters	Eastern Creek	Nats Event	Club	ARDC	NSW	
	Sat	5-Sep	6-Sep	Australian Off Road Ch 4	Milfont	Off Road	National		SA	AORC4
	Tues	7-Sep		NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sat	12-Sep		NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 8	Oran Park GP	Supersprint	State	Mini	NSW	NSWSSC8
	Sat	12-Sep	13-Sep	NSW Motor Race Ch 5	Wakefield Park	Races	State	WPM	NSW	NSWMRC5
	Sun	13-Sep		Death Adder Dash IXX	Nabiac	Supersprint	State	CNCSCC	NSW	NSWRS4
	Sun	13-Sep		State Motorkhana	Nimba	Motorkhana	State	HDCC	NSW	NSWMKC7
	Sun	13-Sep		State Khanacross	Ringwood	Khanacross	State	MG(Newc)	NSW	NSWKXC6
	Sat	19-Sep	20-Sep	NSW Off Road Ch & Long Course	Wialda	Off Road	State	WMSC	NSW	NSWOCR5
	Sat	19-Sep	20-Sep	Historic Wakefield Park	Wakefield Park	Historic Races	National	HSRCA	NSW	
	Sun	20-Sep		State Hillclimb	Bulahdelah	Hillclimb	State	MLSCC	NSW	NSWHC7
	Tues	22-Sep		NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sat	26-Sep	27-Sep	Corsa di Milie Pini	Canberra	Rally	Multi-club	LCCC	NSW	NSWCL56
	Sat	26-Sep	27-Sep	Oran Park Enduro	Oran Park	Races	Multi-club	NSWRRC	NSW	
	Sat	4-Oct		State Hillclimb	King Edward Park	Hillclimb	State	MG(Newc)	NSW	NSWHC8
	Sat	10-Oct	11-Oct	Bathurst 1000	Mount Panorama	Races	International	V8SC	NSW	
	Sat	17-Oct		NSW Supersprint Ch Rd 9	Oran Park South Day/Night	Supersprint	State	NSWRRC	NSW	NSWSSC9
	Sat	17-Oct	18-Oct	Australian Off Road Ch 5	Goonewind	Off Road	National		QLD	AORC5

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	Sat	17-Oct	18-Oct	Australian Rally Championship	Melbourne	Rally	National		VIC	ARC7
	Sun	18-Oct		Tambora Rallysprint	Kempsey	Rallysprint	Multi-club	KSCC	NSW	NSWRS56
	Sun	18-Oct		State Khanacross	Ansell Park	Khanacross	State	TCC	NSW	NSWKXC7
	Sat	24-Oct		Bay Stages	Batemans Bay	Rally	State	SKDAC	NSW	NSWRLC6
	Sat	24-Oct	26-Oct	Indy	Sold Coast	Races	International		QLD	
	Sun	25-Oct		State Motorkhana	Nimba	Motorkhana	State	VWCC	NSW	NSWMKC8
	Tues	27-Oct		NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sat	31-Oct		Oberon Rally	Oberon	Rally	Multi-club	NDDC	NSW	NSWCL58
	Sat	31-Oct	1-Nov	NSW Off Road Ch & Tri Challenge	Nabiac	Off Road	State	CNCSCC	NSW	NSWOCR6
	Sat	31-Oct	1-Nov	NSW Motor Race Ch 6	Oran Park	Races	State	NSWRRC	NSW	NSWMRC6
	Sat	31-Oct	1-Nov	Festival of Sporting Cars	Wakefield Park	Races	Multi-club	FOSC	NSW	
	Tues	2-Nov		NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sat	8-Nov	7-Nov	ARDC 8 Hour Relay Race	Eastern Creek	Races	Club	ARDC	NSW	
	Sun	7-Jan		BLCC Rallysprint	Macquarie Region	Rallysprint	Multi-club	BLCC	NSW	NSWRS56
	Sat	21-Nov		Nat Cap	Canberra	Rally	State	BMSC	NSW	NSWRLC7
	Tues	24-Nov		NSW Supersprint Advisory Panel	Ryde Eastwood Club	Presentation	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sat	28-Nov	29-Nov	NSW Off Road Ch 7	Colo	Off Road	State	SORRA	NSW	NSWOCR7
	Sat	28-Nov	29-Nov	Historic Eastern Creek	Eastern Creek	Historic Races	Natnl Historic	HSRCA	NSW	
	Sat	5-Dec		Rallye des Femmes	Canberra	Rally	Club	BMSC	NSW	
	Sun	8-Dec		Ray Vesty Memorial Christmas Cup	Crookwell	Off Road	Club	CORC	NSW	
	Tues	7-Dec		NSW Scrutiny Advisory Panel Mtng	Northmead Sports & Rec Clu	Meeting	State	CAMS	NSW	
	Sun	13-Dec		Kids Race Day	Oran Park	Charity Day	State	NSWRRC	NSW	

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TSCC Sporting Report

Congratulations to Lindsay Day - our 2008 Sporting Champion

The changes to the Sporting Championship rules this year have seen the greatest participation in the championship since I've been with the club. Usually, it's been only 1 or 2 in the competition; but this year we've had these 5 guys competing in a wide variety of events:

- Vic Andrews
- Lindsay Day
- Grant Liddell
- Malcolm Stephen
- Lionel Walker

Let's hope we can build on it again next year.

Lindsay and Grant have sent in their latest reports and they appear below.

LINDSAY'S REPORT

As foreshadowed in my previous report, the Morgan round of the CSCA was held at Eastern Creek the day before the annual Shannons display day. As I am writing this some months later all that I can recall is that it was a very pleasant day due in no small part to the consummate organization with which Morgan Owners Club runs this event. My best lap was my last and at 2:15.1 it was 0.7 seconds slower than my PB at Eastern Creek. My Triumph 2.5PI ran well with none of the fuel dramas of the previous round.

A few weeks later Jill and I, and our son Andrew, departed for the Triumph Sports Owners Association National meeting which was held in Queensland this year. The meeting started at a resort near Warwick on 13 September and finished on the following Sunday with quite a number of participants rolling down to have a look at the last day of Speed on Tweed. We took our Triumph 2.5PI sedan as it is air conditioned and we thought it would be warm in Queensland. Andrew took his 1973 Triumph Spitfire Mark IV. To avoid my sedan dragging its backside on the road all the way to Queensland due to the weight of the luggage in the boot, I took out my lowered rear springs and put standard height rear springs for the trip.

On Monday 15 September, the national meeting Supersprint and Regularity competitions were held at the Morgan Park circuit near Warwick. It was a bit hard to work out where the circuit went to start with as it is sort of built around a low hill, and the back part of the circuit can't be seen from the grandstand on the main straight. Everyone soon got the hang of the circuit layout but I was a bit puzzled as to why one of the flag points had a stationary yellow flag out all day. One of the marshals from that flag point later asked me ... did I not see the kangaroo grazing on the side of the circuit that was there all day? No ... too much tunnel vision for that 1:28.44 was my best lap and again pleasing that it was my second last lap. This brought me a third in the six cylinder unmodified class.



In the afternoon the competition turned to Regularity. As I had been pushing the car to get to 1:28 I thought I would take four seconds off and nominate 1:32 as a target time.....after all we had another 1,500 km of motoring to do at the national meeting including driving back to Sydney.....and it would be a long walk if I broke the car. My best four lap session was 1:30.6460, 1:31.6645, 1:30.1133, and 1:31.6132 which meant that I lost no points on two of the laps and 10 points combined from the other two. Finished well out of the money..... but still a good afternoon had on a quite warm Queensland day, and I was pleased with my times as this was only my second attempt at running in a regularity event.

My son Andrew was also competing in my saloon so in the afternoon it was doing back to back regularity sessions which it did not seem to mind except that after packing up and starting to drive back to the resort which is about 40km from Warwick, I found that I did not have any front brakes until about half way there due to over heating the brake fluid. All was well once the brakes and fluid had cooled down.

After four nights at the resort we all had to repack our cars and drove down in convoy of at least fifty Triumphs through the hinterland to the Gold Coast where we spent another four nights at the Crowne Plaza. On Thursday 15 September the national meeting hill climb event was held at the Mount Cotton track run by the MG Club of Queensland.

The track looked innocent enough; however, it does have quite a few features and subtle changes of camber that are traps for new players. My first run was fairly steady at 65.5 seconds and it felt ok, so I was somewhat more adventurous for my second run recording 62.4 seconds but it was quite a ride with the beginnings of what could have been a big lose on the change of camber on the first downhill section. Simply put the back of the car wanted to overtake the front.



Andrew started at 67.1 seconds in his Spitfire Mk IV and reduced to 65.1. The fastest time of day of 43.5 seconds was set by bloke in a modified go kart which had a Kawasaki 1000 motor bike engine and gearbox fitted to it. He reckoned he needed more power as it would not spin the rear wheels in top gear!



Second fastest was a very well sorted Triumph TR7 with a very large V8 engine in it that achieved a time of 46.6 seconds. Minor placings included a BMW Z4 and a Subaru STI. Most interesting sound was from another TR7 which had a 2 litre engine from a Triumph Dolomite Sprint sedan in it which had been supercharged. It was well up in the field but had twin exhausts, the sound from which reminded me faintly of an early Ford transit van.

Back in Sydney and back to work and soon it was time for the TSOA driver training day followed by seventh round of the CSCA hosted by TSOA at Wakefield Park. These were two crisp clear, sunny days with no wind to speak of....perfect Wakefield Park weather. And a large and very pleasant contrast to the TSOA round of the CSCA a few years ago where racing had to be suspended at Wakefield Park because it snowed and sleeted for half an hour in the morning session. A trip to find a source of the right brand of fuel threatened to cause fuel problems as we ended up going back to Marulan to get some BP 98.....only to have the car coughing as soon as I pulled back onto the highway to return to Goulburn. The car had been running flawlessly and strongly all day prior to this. The fix was to rush into SuperCheap Auto in Goulburn just before closing time and get some octane booster which was dumped into the tank and within a few kilometres of driving the car showed signs of settling down. One can only conclude that the 98 in the pump I used was not 98 but short on octane rating. This is beginning to happen to me more often... I am wondering how often the travelling public are being sold fuel that is not true to label (as most modern cars will automatically adjust their fuel mixture)?

CSCA round 7 on Sunday was another good day with my 1:25.16 bringing me another class win. This time is about half a second slower than my PB. For this round the car still had the standard height rear springs in it. Only one more round to go for the year in the CSCA series and that will be at Oran Park south circuit on 15 November 08.

Lindsay Day

Grant's Report

The Australian Hillclimb Championship for 2008 has been run and won by Western Australia's Gary West in his Lola with a time of 21.73. Second was Andrew Howell in his Gould GR55 BNME with a time of 22.11 with Peter Gumley in the Wortmeyer SCV – 22.33, third.

A wider range of technology I can't imagine. The SCV being built in the 1960s although much altered now while the Gould is a state of the art hillclimb special – I believe that McLaren freshens the motor after 20 hours of running time. The Lola fits somewhere in-between.

As for myself, I had a weekend of bad choices and memory lapses – mmmm! Friday's practice saw me in front. Saturday arrived wet and I ran the first run while most chose not to. I sat out the second run which saw me slip to 8th on a drying track. The third and last run for the day saw me up to 6th and hoping for a fine Sunday. Sunday came and my wishes had been granted – a much better day. My first run showed what was going wrong. My first

split saw me in front but by the finish I was lagging behind following excessive valve bounce exiting the dipper. I was using the wrong gear – 2nd through the dipper instead of 3rd. Two runs to go.

I tried a 2nd gear start and 3rd through the dipper which saw a slower first split but a much better second split which moved me into 4th place. My last run saw me where I should have finished on Friday. A 31.83 had me tied for 3rd – if only another run was available, but it wasn't.

Improved production 0-1600cc class results:

1.	Clinton White (QLD)	31.26	Escort
2.	Daniel Gibson (QLD)	31.69	Lancer
3.	Rhys Howell (VIC)	31.83	Civic
3.	Grant Liddell (NSW)	31.83	Datsun

Clinton won this class at the 2008 QLD Championship while Rhys won the VIC Championship. Rhys is the son of outright contender Andrew Howell and one of five drivers selected as a member of this year's CAMS Junior Driver Development Program. I must remember that you can't choose to miss a run at this level and that it's more important to concentrate on my performance than that of others.

On Sunday night I found my misplaced notes from a previous Bathurst event and they clearly showed I should have used 1st, 2nd and 3rd gears to Forest Elbow followed by late braking into the dipper and quick acceleration to the finish. (Next time!)

Grant Liddell

Thanks again to Lindsay and Grant for their interesting reports – all I have to do is cut and paste.

Please note the call for volunteers for the 2009 Repco Rally and CAMS' relocation detailed elsewhere in this issue of Top Gear.

I look forward to hearing from any club members who are out there competing in motor sport.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of competing in the Sporting Championship, please feel free to contact me.

Wishing you all a happy and safe festive season and an even bigger and better Sporting Championship in 2009.

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MOTOR RACING IN THE 1980'S

Readers of Top Gear will recall my previous articles tracing the history of motor racing in Aus. This article outlines the major developments and characters that made the 1980's a memorable period in the sport.

Firstly, television coverage of motor racing became a regular feature of televised sport. Channel Seven covered the touring car events while Channel Nine broadcast the Grand Prix and European rallying. There were technical advances that put the viewer right in the action: there was the periscope camera atop the Jim Richards' BMW in the Bathurst 1000, then in the headlight cowling and finally, inside the car.

Tin top racing dominated during the 1980's but open wheel racing soldiered on with 4 classes, namely Formula Mondiale (the national formula), Formula 2, Formula Vee and Formula Ford, the latter connected with the "Driver to Europe" competition. The Australian Grand Prix held at the beginning of the decade was based on the local Formula of 1.6 litres with Ralt and Tiga cars dominating. The 1981, '83 and '84 Championships were won by Roberto Moreno in a Ralt RT4. This make of vehicle is still active in historic racing today in the hands of Chris Farrell. In 1982 the event was won by none other than Alain Prost, again driving a Ralt. Other names that are worthy of mention are Alfredo Constanzo, who won the 1980 Australian Drivers Championship in a Lola T332 Chevrolet and John Bowe who won the Mondiale class in 1984 and '85 driving, yep, you guessed it, a Ralt RT4. Not long after that Bowe switched to Touring Cars driving a Ford Sierra for the Dick Johnson Team. Formula 2 struggled during the '80's where Cheetahs dominated ever decreasing fields. The main drivers were Peter Glover and Brian Sampson. Formula Vees remained a very popular, cheap and cheerful class during the "80's.

In 1985 Australia staged the first world Grand Prix, run on a street circuit in Adelaide, which counted towards the World Championship. For the first time fans could experience Formula One down under. This was the first year of the Adelaide street circuit. Even though the Championship had been decided at this stage there was some spirited competition amongst the top drivers. The practice sessions saw Senna on top of the time sheets eventually taking pole position with Mansell in second place. Senna's car eventually expired as did many others. Rosberg was the eventual winner followed by Jacques Laffite with Phillipe Streiff in 3rd place. The Adelaide circuit had at least 5 years to run before its contract ran out. As is now known Melbourne stole the Grand Prix from Adelaide in the '90's.

The James Hardie 1000, as it was known then, was the premier motor racing event during the 1980's. The Holden/ Ford battle was less evident in those days, but nevertheless bubbling beneath the surface. The 1981 shortened event was won by Dick Johnson and John French in the green XD Falcon. During the race there was a disastrous prang on lap 120 on the top of the Mountain, resulting in Johnson being declared the winner as he was leading at the time. The win was poetic justice for Johnson, because the previous year he had an altercation with a large rock when leading Peter Brock by a full lap. This incident put Johnson out of the race and almost sent him broke. At the time he claimed to have put his life savings into the race car. The Brock/Richards combination went on to win the race. The starting grid for the 1984 race saw a Nissan Bluebird in the hands of George Fury on pole position. This turbocharged car was indecently quick but expired during the race. Who can forget the dominance of the XJS Jaguars in the 1985 race. Because of the adoption of Group A specs for touring cars in

Australia there were a variety of cars now eligible for tin top events. In this event a Volvo, driven by the effervescent Kiwi Robbie Francevic, gave a good account of itself. Rover SDI's from overseas competed for the first time. But the Jags took the trophy overseas braking the domination of local cars.

In the early eighties the Mazda RX7 took the V8's head on in the hands of the indomitable Allan Moffat. In the 1981 Bathurst 1000 the Moffat Mazda was placed 3rd: in 1982 he finished 6th and in '84 was placed 3rd again. Other worthy RX7 pedallers included Terry Shiel, Barry Jones and Bob Morris. Toyota enjoyed great success in the under 2 litre but one quiet achiever in a larger capacity Toyota was Liverpool car dealer Peter Williamson who managed 2nd in a Toyota Supra in the 1985 Sandown 500 and that was without factory support. One outstanding touring car driver who had great success in the new Group A Formula was the evergreen Jim Richards in his stunning black BMW 635 who won the 1985 Australian Touring Car Championship. Other winners of the ATCC during the early eighties included Dick Johnson (1981, '82 and '84) and Allan Moffat (1983). During the latter part of the eighties the Touring Car Championship was split into separate categories giving the under 2 litre class a fighting chance. The little Toyota Corolla of John Smith used to give the V8's a torrid time on the shorter circuits where the nimble Toyota came into its own. Other Toyota pedallers included Drew Price and Bob Holden. Group E production cars came to the fore during this time. One of the drivers who had great success in this category was Brad Jones (Mitsubishi Starion) who only recently retired from V8 Supercar racing. Recently retired Porsche driver Peter Fitzgerald was another Starion driver who had great success in the Group E class. In fact he won more races than any other driver in this category. A Bathurst style enduro was run at Winton circuit in 1985 which was eventually won by Fitzgerald. GT sports car racing saw some monster machines during the 1980's. Who remembers the flame throwing Mercedes Turbo of Brian Thompson? Tony Edmonson's unbeatable V8 powered Alfetta GTV won the Championship in 1980 and '81. That car is still competing today. Brocky and Grice had some memorable battles in their respective Chev Monzas and to keep them honest Rusty French drove the fearsome Porsche 935 with great determination. One name that is probably forgotten these days is that of Bap Romano who campaigned a car bearing his name. Despite showing potential Romano had a run of bad luck in the car, bending it on numerous occasions.

Hopefully the foregoing provides you, gentle readers, with a brief reminder of what was an interesting period in Australian Motor racing. In many ways the eighties set the stage for things to come, especially the emergence of the V8 Supercar era. Of course some of the cars are now running in Historics so we can still experience many of the cars of that era today.

Colin Watts

Some of the cars of the 1980's racing era



Holden Commodore VC



Rover SDI



Jaguar XJS

PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP DAY – 26 October 2008

Well folks once again Vern and Wendy ordered and received another glorious day for the TSCC annual PoO Day. We're not sure who you know Vern when it comes to the weather but whatever you're paying them, it's not enough for all these top days.

The event as usual was very well patronised with 55 people attending the luncheon, including the guest judge, his wife and son (Iain Andersen, Catherine and Owen). Many of the members are also Jaguar Club members with a Club day unfortunately coinciding with the TSCC PoO day. This meant that some TSCC stalwarts from past PoO days were not present, however the Jaguar marque was extremely well represented with models ranging from Roland and Stephanie Clarke's blue pre-war (WW2 of course!) upright and elegant SS, to an XJS, E-types including the immaculate award winning S3 E-type of John and Margaret Moody and finally to the very sleek black XK-R's from the current era.

Red may turn out to be the new black as there was a plethora of red cars in attendance this year – 8 in fact – including an MG, a Honda, a Maserati, a Ferrari, 2 Mercedes and 2 Jaguars.

In total there were 16 cars entered for judging (7 in the 30 years and older class and 9 in the under 30 year class) by the professionals and for the more prestigious award of Ladies Choice.

Pre-lunch drinks were held as usual in the gardens whilst the judging was completed. Here I believe there was a general consensus that the wait staff from Oatlands House, and patrons, would benefit greatly from the assistance of a drinks table in the garden (including jugs of iced water).

After drinks we adjourned to the Rebecca Room for our 3 course meal which was as always most enjoyable. Drinks flowed freely in association with lively conversation throughout, which was the norm for such events, and an extremely pleasant day was had by all.

As this is the final PoO Day that Vern (& Wendy) will be arranging I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of all the club members to thank them most sincerely for their great efforts and achievements over the last 3 years. Only one question remains: does this make Vern the PoO Master or Master of PoO's?

Kay & Rob Finney









November Wednesday Run To Kurrajong Heights

After enjoying a coffee together at McCafe Dural, we set off on our run. Our organisers, John & Val, took us on a beautiful drive through the North Western outskirts of Sydney. We passed through the semi rural areas of Dural, Middle Dural, Maraylya, and onto the Cattai Road to historic Windsor. We crossed the Windsor Bridge and on to Wilberforce, then towards Singleton (Putty Road). Next we turned west and drove through the beautiful green hills of East Kurrajong, where the jacaranda trees were in full flower, before joining Bell's Line of Road for the last few kilometres to our destination The Kurrajong Heights Hotel.

On a clear day, the view from Kurrajong Heights is beautiful, with the Sydney Basin spread out below, and the city skyline clearly visible. Unfortunately, we had a cloudy, misty day so couldn't enjoy this bonus. We did enjoy the meals from the extensive menu and catching up with news from our fellow members. We passed a very pleasant couple of hours, until it was time to return home before the busy afternoon traffic.

Fellow day trippers were:

John & Val Dixon, Jan & Paul Goddard, Bruce Griffiths, Colin Watts, Ian Norman, Toni & Malcolm Ireland, Carol & Keith Reynolds, Graham Olliffe, Bob Walsh, Vern & Wendy Kelly.

We were also very pleased to meet Jelly and Peter Van Dyk, who live at Kurrajong Heights, and who met us at the hotel for lunch.

Many thanks to Val and John for their organisation of the run and the lunch venue.

Peter & Sue Smart



ORANGE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL DISPLAY DAY

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER, 2008 – BULL & BUSH HOTEL, BAULKHAM HILLS.

Strong winds gusting to gale force, overcast with showers, morning temperature 13 degrees – how's that for an unappealing weather forecast on the Saturday night prior to the above display day event? And this was November, not a winter's day. The event had already been postponed from its original planned day on 14th September because of – you guessed it – very bad weather.

As often eventuates, the day didn't turn out quite as bad as the forecast suggested. There was some wind, but it wasn't nearly as strong as suggested, & there was one prolonged shower during the morning which sent participants scurrying for their cars or huddling under umbrellas, but it came & went & left us for most of the day able to wander around without brollies.

After many years of our Club supporting this very enjoyable little event, our intrepid supporters for this year were:

Ian Norman	Jaguar Mk 2
Bruce Griffiths	Jaguar XJS
Jack Jones	Morris Cooper S (Jack was a judge for the event so we didn't see very much of him)
Malcolm & Toni Ireland	Jaguar X300
Colin Watts	Honda Civic Type R
Vern & Wendy Kelly	Mercedes-Benz CLK 430 Cabriolet

There were approximately 150 cars this year, down somewhat on last year due to the dodgy weather, but nevertheless a very good turnout considering the weather. Although this is a relatively small display event, it is very interesting because of the enormous variety & diversity of cars, with a particularly strong contingent of older cars dating back to the twenties. The latter situation is driven by the long time organiser of this event, Wayne Merton, State Liberal MP for Baulkham Hills, who is himself an avid collector & restorer of early classic cars.

For a little bit of insignificant background, I went to school with Wayne. We were in the same class for the first 3 years of High School. He mentioned to me that this was the first bad day in the 12 years the event had been conducted – not a bad outcome.

One little situation caused both mirth & "head shaking". On arrival, those of us (including our Club) who were to park on the paddock adjoining the hotel car park arrived to find a locked car partly blocking the entry gate to the paddock. The driver couldn't be found. The car was parked in a normal hotel parking spot the night before, but the driver presumably couldn't drive it home & left it there overnight. The trouble was that the spot he was in was in front of the gate to the adjoining paddock (which is normally not used). So, we all had to manoeuvre around the car with not a lot of room on either side to spare. The car was there for the whole day until the event finished.

For lunch most of us chose the comfort & convenience of the Bull & Bush Hotel's very good bistro. Also lunching in the bistro was a large contingent of members from the Jaguar Drivers

Club. Since all of our members (except Jack Jones) attending this display are also members of the Jag Club, it was a bit of “old home week” with everybody knowing each other.

As in past years, there is a large number of classes for judging, which allows many people to receive an award. This year, Ian Norman gained 3rd place in Class F, & Malcolm & Toni Ireland, & Wendy & myself, gained equal 3rd place in Class I (the classes are in various bands based on year of manufacture).

When I received my award from Wayne, he said over the loudspeaker for all to hear that he appreciated the long term support from the Thoroughbred Sports Car Club for the event – this is a heartening recognition for our efforts in supporting these public display days.

This event is a lovely little “boutique” event which has a relaxed & laid back flavour to it & is well supported by local enthusiasts & draws a good crowd of local people to it. Despite the less-than-desirable weather, all of our members said that they very much enjoyed the day.

Many thanks to Malcolm Ireland for organising our attendance on this day.

Vern Kelly





Repco Tasman Revival Historic Race Meeting at Eastern Creek

The conditions couldn't have been better for a day at the races; mid 20's, occasional clouds and a breeze to keep the air fresh. Along with an array of club displays, we were designated an area along Pit Straight and had unlimited access to the pits and grandstand. The official club display consisted of 9 vehicles and 15 members and guests.

Ian Norman & Vern Kelly	1963 Jaguar MK 2
Colin Watts & Gordon Newman	Honda Civic Type R
Adrian Walker	68 Mustang GT
Roland Clark & son in law Paul Wellington	Aston Martin - Lexus
Peter Stefan & Manuel Mifsud	E-Type
Rob Finney & Kevin Leggott	Porsche Boxster
Malcolm Stephen & son David	WRX
Bob Walsh	MG B
Colin Allerdice	Triumph TR6

Vic Andrews (Formula Ford) and Lionel Walker (Jaguar MK 2) went the whole hog and competed in the 4 day event. Les Johnson had the Aston Martin DBR1 on display in the pits, rightfully alongside the best of the best and also completed some demonstration laps. In addition, Jack Jones, Grant Liddell and Terry Daly (after the late cancellation of his trip to Thailand) were there to spectate. Malcolm and Toni Ireland were also in attendance with the Jaguar club; spending their day in a lovely shady spot adjacent to us, which many of us shared as the day went on.

Once we established our position trackside, at various times during the day, we took advantage of the pit access to admire the assemblage of fine historic racing machinery and see again, many of their former drivers. Rarely does one get the chance to get so close to such vehicles and discuss them with their drivers and crew. The Repco marquee displayed racing memorabilia and various open-wheelers among other things including my favourite, the Matich SR4 - 550bhp weighing in at 670kg – wow! Repco also put on some stellar guest speakers including Kevin Bartlett and Vern Schuppan.

There was so much to see and hear with such a stunning array of sports cars, sedans and racing cars from around the world: Repco Brabhams, Lotus', Elfins, Lolas BRMs and Ferrari F1s, a full field of thundering Formula 5000, open-wheelers from the 70s as well as the classic 2.5 litre cars from the late 60s. The F5000's were literally awesome – there would have been some ringing ears in the grandstand after their race start. Rob Finney went all weak at the knees seeing his old Cobra racing with the big-block he'd always wanted. Grant Liddell brought along some of his old race results from his Warwick Farm days which certainly brought back

memories. The last race was a real nail-biter with the V6 Capris duking it out with the bigger V8's. The truth's out - I'm an old Capri man.

Overall, it was a successful weekend for our hardy competitors, Vic and Lionel. Thursday was practice, with qualifying and racing on Friday and racing only on Saturday and Sunday. Lionel was hampered with fuel problems on Friday, then got it all together with good fuel and new tyres resulting in a second in class on Saturday and a first in class on Sunday. Lionel took great pleasure knocking off the other Mk2 in the class and enjoying a good dice with the more powerful blue HQ Holden. Vic's weekend took on a 60th Birthday theme i.e. his own, by sporting #60 on the Formula Ford. Many guests at a 60th Birthday Party have a few aches and pains, war wounds etc. and Vic's car was no different, with the Ford being variously afflicted by a broken exhaust manifold, melted high tension leads and driveline issues. Considering these performance sapping mechanical problems, Vic to his credit was able to dice race-long with one of the Japanese competitors in a Lotus and finish in middle of a 30+ car field. Well done Vic and Lionel.

There was something for everyone and (sunburnt) smiles all around

Malcolm Stephen













TSCC CHRISTMAS PARTY AND PRIZE GIVING
Castle Hill RSL – Saturday 6 December 2008

Twos the night before Christmas and all through the house.....errr garage....well it was a good start. Actually it was 24 nights before Christmas and the final formal TSCC event for the year. A compact but quality group of members gathered in the Meridian Room at Castle Hill RSL to celebrate another great TSCC year in good company.

The room was resplendent in black and gold balloons and decorations with the tables also beautifully dressed including place names for all. Those present were admirably positioned in the following table groups:

Vern & Wendy Kelly Russell & Carol Kelly Malcolm & Toni Ireland Terry & Robyn Daly	Paul & Jan Goddard Keith & Carol Reynolds Peter & Eve Stefan Colin & Kerry Watts
Vic Andrews & Margaret Mathews John & Val Dixon Lindsay & Jill Day Malcolm & Margaret Stephen	Greg Ball & Vicky Bell Ian Norman Margaret Moody Jack & Jennifer Jones Brian & Barbara Marshall

The Jaguar Drivers Club was also holding their end of year function and prize giving on the same night so John and Margaret Moody appear to have gone to one each in order to lift the silverware at both functions for his E Type Jaguar. We understand that representations have been made and agreed at the highest levels so that Jaguar will hold their 2009 function on a night that does not clash with the TSCC.

The pre dinner cocktails were well attended to with friendships old and new renewed and brought up to date with events of 2008. Before long it was time to take our designated places and you can imagine our surprise at finding that Jill had won the lucky door prize which was a beautiful hamper prepared by Toni, along with the privilege and pleasure of being your scribes for the night. Toni also prepared the other prize hampers.

Time to start writing notes and to address the buffet which provided an excellent range of fare including Prawns, Mustard Roast Beef, Baked Ham, Marinated Octopus, a Selection of Gourmet Salads, Roast Turkey Breast with Macadamia and Bacon Stuffing, Beef Ragout with Glazed Carrots, Char grilled Chicken with Sherry Mushroom Sauce & Buttered Broccoli, Vegetable Curry & Rice, Garlic Rosemary Chat, Potatoes, and Dinner Rolls & Butter.

President Vern gave a closing address, acknowledging the skill and dedication of his management committee members and bringing his three successful years in the chair to a close, which was acclaimed by all present. Vice President Malcolm also addressed the members providing details of the social functions held during 2008 which were all very successful due to the efforts of members in organizing events for the club. Incoming President Terry also addressed the members and outlined some ideas for 2009.

The conversations continued and through the champagne buzz I recall Val Dixon recounting how she and John had discovered the set for the film 'Cocoon', or at least the cast of the film, in a caravan park near Moree where they were 'taking the waters' on their recent inland trip. In other conversation the strength of air flow from the turbocharged hand dryer in the Men's also got a mention.

Soon it was time to visit the buffet again for dessert which included Mini Chocolate Eclairs, Christmas Cup Cake Trees, Strawberry Tart, and Chocolate Pudding with Christmas Custard. Shortly thereafter the presentation of prizes began with prizes from the Pride Of Ownership Day:

Ladies Choice	Roland Clark	SS1 Jaguar
Post 1977 Runner Up	Terry Daly Colin Watts	Lotus Elise Honda Civic 'R'
Pre 1977 Runner Up	John Moody Len Fardell	E Type Jaguar MG TF
Car of the Year	John Moody	E Type Jaguar

Then the remaining prizes:

Clubman Trophy	Vern Kelly
Castrol Trophy	Lindsay Day
Donald McDonald Trophy	Ian Norman
Citizen Kane	Lance & Maree Dowle

The formalities now finished, conversations gradually concluded and the main event on the dance floor began. After an hour or so of dancing some of us began to wend our way home leaving the bulk of the members grooving on.

Thanks to Malcolm and Toni for a superbly organized and presented night which everyone enjoyed.

Lindsay & Jill Day

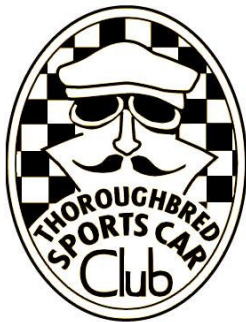




Renewing Membership 2009/10

As we wish to ensure our records are correct & up to date with car details etc. it would be appreciated if a membership application form could be completed when renewing for next year.

Malcolm Ireland



Thoroughbred Sports Car Club
2009 Membership Form

Membership Year: 1 March 2009 to 28 February 2010

Mail form and cheque to the Treasurer,
 Mr. Malcolm Ireland, 9 Lyle Avenue, Lindfield NSW 2070

<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> New Member	Surname	OFFICE USE ONLY Date Joined M'ship No. CAMS No. TSCC Plate No. Amount Paid Cash / Cheque Receipt Number
	Given Names	
	Address	
	Post Code	
	Birth Date / 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/Partners Surname		
Given Names		
Birth Date / DAY / MONTH (Year not required)		

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 _____ x

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	ANNUAL FEE
<input type="checkbox"/> Single	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$60

ENTITLEMENTS/CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES
(i) Eligible to attend and/or compete in all listed TSCC calendar events (ii) Receive all printed matter issued by the Club
This category covers ONE ADDITIONAL person (ie Member plus one) Spouse / partner is eligible for (i) above

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