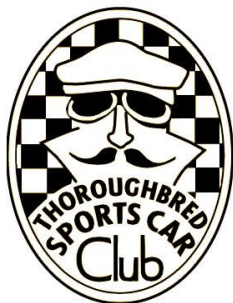


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One of Mark Whitehead's Lagondas – refer article



2011 COMMITTEE

President	Terry Daly	9651 6175 (H)
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Treasurer	Malcolm Ireland	9416 3031 (H)
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Point Score Keeper/CAMS & CMC Delegate	Lester Gough	9799 3209 (H/F)
Sporting Secretary	Malcolm Stephen	9543 2951 (H)
Club Plate Registrar	Les Johnson	9412 1838 (H)
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

INCORPORATED AS AN ASSOCIATION

Registered No. Y15083-35

TSCC is affiliated with CAMS Limited

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President's Report

Hi All,

Welcome to the first edition of Top Gear for 2011.

Firstly , just a gentle reminder that your 2011 subscription is now due. You will find the renewal form at the back of this issue or on the website. Remember, if you aren't a current member you cannot drive that Historic registered car on the road.

We have had a couple of runs already this year . The Wednesday run to Whale Beach organised by Les and Roselee Johnson and the Weekend run to Walcha organised by Tom /Jeremy/Julia . The article written by Tom captures the weekend so ably. I must say ,the Lagonda's and Alvis's in those old barns were the stuff you only read about in Books.

Planning for the 30th Anniversary dinner/party on the 28th May is well underway. We have taken over the entire resort on the Saturday so any excessive noise won't be a problem . We also have approx 20 rooms booked for both the Friday /Sunday night . The room recently vacated by Vic Andrews was snapped up by ML Howard.

As part of the planning we are looking at a smaller dinner on Both the Friday and Sunday nights and will be seeing if those staying over on those nights would be interested in attending. We are also planning a Golf , Tennis and Shopping game Saturday during the day . We will be calling for numbers from those interested shortly.

In addition we are planning a Memorabilia table .. So if you have anything that you regard as part of the 30 years of the TSCC history we would like to hear from you. My e-mail address is terry.daly@live.com.au or you might to ring 96516175. Thanks in anticipation.

Unfortunately, on the 9th February one of our members , Graham Olliffe passed away. In this edition Peter Smart has done a small story on his wonderful life and the TSCC organised some flowers on behalf of us all. I have since received an e-mail from Marilyn his wife .

“On behalf of my family please convey our thanks to the TSCC members for the lovely flowers and support at this difficult time. Graham will be sadly missed. When we joined TSCC Graham and I found the Club unique in that the members came from all walks of life but were united in having a good time without worrying about what car you owned. We made life long friends and I hope to catch up with members soon . Once again thank you . “ Marilyn Olliffe and Family.

Marilyn recently reconfirmed she would be attending the 30th Anniversary Dinner.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the March and April events.

Terry Daly

CALENDAR 2011

	DATE		EVENT	ORGANISER	PHONE
JAN	Tue 26	S	NRMA Motorfest		
FEB	Wed 9	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Wed 16	F	Wednesday Run	Les & Roselee Johnson	9412 1838
	S/S 26/27	S	Thunderbolts Way Run	Tom Aczel	4567 7445
MARCH	Wed 10	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Wed 16	F	Wednesday Run	Roland & Stephanie Clark	9653 2866
	Sun 27	S	Breakfast Run	Les & Roselee Johnson	9412 1838
APRIL	Sun 10	R	Eastern Creek	NSWRRC	
	Sun 10	S	Sunday Lunch Run	Jeremy Braithwaite	4573 2575
	Wed 14	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Wed 21	F	Wednesday Run	Barry Farr & Dot Forrester	9416 6260
MAY	Sun 1	S	Opera At Fagan Park	Brian & Barbara Marshall	9651 2821
	Sun 8	R	Wakefield Park	MX-5 Club	
	Wed 11	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Sun 15	S	Multi Club Display	Terry Daly	9651 6175
	Wed 18	F	Wednesday Run	Keith & Carolyn Reynolds	9634 6342
	Sun 22	R	Eastern Creek	ARDC	
	Sun 28	S	30 th Anniversary Dinner	Sub Committee	
JUNE	Sat 5	S	AHOC "Brass Monkey" Run	Les Johnson	9412 1838
	Wed 8	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Wed 15	F	Wednesday Run	Jack & Jennifer Jones	9654 1129
	Sun 19	R	Wakefield Park	Mini Car Club	
JULY	Wed 13	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Wed 20	F	Wednesday Run	Vern & Wendy Kelly	9651 2770
	Sat 23	S	Restaurant Night	Peter & Eve Stefan	9624 8331
	Subn 30	R	Wakefield Park	NSWRRC	
AUG.	Wed 10	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Sun 14	R	Eastern Creek	ARDC	
	Wed 17	F	Wednesday Run	John & Karma Watson	9875 3080
	Sun 21	S	Shannons Eastern Crk	Adrian Walker	9987 4299
	Sun 28	S	All British Day Kings School	Ian Norman	9799 2521
SEP.	Sun 11	S	Sunday Lunch Run	Jeremy Braithwaite	4573 2575
	Wed 14	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Wed 21	F	Wednesday Run	Brian & Barbara Marshall	9416 3031
	Sun 25	R	Eastern Creek	NSWRRC TBC	
	Fri 16/ Wed 28	S	Tour South	Farr/Reynolds	9416 6260 9634 6342
OCT	Wed 12	M	Monthly Meeting	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Sun 16	R	Wakefield Park	Mini Car Club	
	Wed 18	F	Wednesday Run	Colin Watts	9624 8202
	Sun 30	S	Pride Of Ownership Day	Terry Daly	9651 6175
NOV	Wed 9	M	Monthly Meeting/AGM	Lisbeth Allen	9799 2521
	Sun 13	S	Sunday Lunch Run	Jeremy Braithwaite	4573 2575
	Wed 16	F	Wednesday Run	John & Val Dixon	9403 6905
	Sat 19/Sun 20	S	Weekend Away (West)	Les & Roselee Johnson	9412 1838
	Fri/Sat/Su n	R	Australian Championship – Mallala SA	SASCC	
DEC.	Sat 4	S	Christmas Dinner & Presentation Night (Away)	Peter Stefan	9624 8331

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)

In addition to the events listed on the previous pages 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.

CMC (COUNCIL OF MOTOR CLUBS) Coming Events

December 2010

Tuesday 7th	Oasis Run - Dural Country Club - Dural
Wednesday 8th	G.E.A.R. MOTORSPORT WAKEFIELD PARK - GOULBURN
Friday 17th	Memories of "The Farm " at The Austrian Club - 20 Grattan Cres. Frenchs Forest Anniversary Lunch - Tickets \$85 pp

February 2011

Sunday 6th	BATHURST HISTORIC CAR CLUB 25th ANNUAL SWAP MEET Note: This is a one day only swap meet Bathurst Showground. Gates open 6.00am. Entry \$3.00 per person. Outdoor sites free, indoor sites (by prior arrangement) \$25.00 per day. Set up from 3.00pm on Saturday. NO ACCESS TO SHOWGROUND PRIOR TO THIS TIME. Camping \$10 per night unpowered, \$15.00 per night powered. Catering from 6am. Enquiries Terry Mahony 02 6331 1995 or 0412 541 396 or John Hodges 02 6332 6304 or 0412 814 590
Friday 11th - Saturday 12th	Gnoo Blas Classic Orange
Friday 11th to Sunday 13th	FoSC - Wakefield Park
Friday 11th - Saturday 12th - Sunday 13th	The 3rd Highland Steam & Vintage Fair - 2011
Saturday 12th	“Friends of Oran Park Motor Racing” & “The New South Wales Road Racing Club”

Are pleased to announce details of the next:-ORAN PARK REUNION

It's on again, only bigger and better this time!

To be held at the St George Masonic Club at 7-00pm

86 Roberts Ave., Mortdale

An opportunity to share experiences of 48 years of Motor Racing at the Circuit, with Drivers, Riders, Pit Crew, Officials, Media & Enthusiasts. Driver and Rider Forum including John Leffler and Don Holland representing the Cars, and Len Atlee and Tony Hatton (Bikes) Films, Slide Shows, & Memorabilia of the Great Circuit

A short tribute will be held for the late George Murray, a former Club President and one of the enthusiasts who founded the Oran Park circuit

The night will be held in a private function room of this modern Club, which is equipped with Sound and Video equipment plus a private bar with refreshments at Club prices. Cost of the night, including a comprehensive variety of Finger Food is \$25-00 per head.

An early bird discount of \$20-00 per head for Bookings prior to Dec 31st.

Bookings can be made via EFT to Bank A/C. 491874713 - BSB112-879

or by Cheque made payable to "Friends of Oran Park Motor Racing" and mailed to :- 51 McGirr Street Padstow NSW 2211

Enquiries to the following FOOPMR Committee Members:-

Nev. Beyer 0438160140

Ted De Lissa 0412740549

Darrylyn Huitt

Kerry Butchers 0412718135 Dianne Lacey 0428238608

Organise your groups now as numbers are limited!

Saturday 12th -

Sunday 13th

Berrima District Historical Vehicle Club's

36th Berrima Rally at Mittagong

Contact: Rally Secretary

Jenny Harkness 02 4677 3404 or Rally Director: 02 4868 1252

March 2011

Friday 4th to

Sunday 6th

Yeehah - Bathurst

April 2011

Friday 22nd to

Monday 25th

FoSC - Eastern Creek

May 2011

Saturday 14th -

Sunday 15th

3rd Hunter Valley Truck Masters

Commercial Vehicle Show

Richmond Vale Railway Museum

Sunday 15th

National Motoring Heritage Day

Various Locations

June 2011

Friday 24th to HSRCA - Eastern Creek
Saturday 26th

August 2011

Saturday 20th - Shannon's Eastern Creek Classic
Sunday 21st Eastern Creek Raceway

September 2011

Friday 2nd to Muscle Car Masters - Easter Creek
Sunday 4th

Friday 23rd to HSRCA - Wakefield Park
Sunday 25th

November 2011

Friday 11th to FoSC - Wakefield Park
Sunday 13th

Friday 25th to HSRCA _ Eastern Creek
Sunday 27th

Note: The following was copied from the CAMS Website www.cams.com.au and are also authorised events for the use of Club Plates

Ian Norman Editor

Cams Event Calendar

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<u>SYDNEY TELSTRA 500</u> From 03/12/2010 to 05/12/2010	Race, , National homebush, NSW
<u>Multi-Club Supersprint</u> From 04/12/2010 to 04/12/2010	Speed, , Multi-Club conrod straight, mt panorama, NSW
<u>RAY VESTY MEMORIAL CHRISTMAS CUP</u> From 04/12/2010 to 05/12/2010	Off Road, , Club crookwell, NSW
<u>Z CAR CLUB XMAS CRUIZE</u> From 05/12/2010 to 05/12/2010	Social, , Club glenbrook bowling club, NSW
<u>BORIS VW PICNIC DAY</u> From 05/12/2010 to 05/12/2010	Social, , Multi-Club cook park "the pines", dolls point, NSW
<u>Multi-Club Hillclimb</u> From 05/12/2010 to 05/12/2010	Speed, , Multi-Club mountain straight, mt panorama, NSW
<u>8 HOUR PRODUCTION CAR RACE</u> From 11/12/2010 to 12/12/2010	Race, , Multi-Club , NSW
<u>ROSS' RAUCOUS RALLY & CLASSIC RALLY CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY</u> From 12/12/2010 to 12/12/2010	Social, , Club rosehill, pleasure point, sydney, NSW
<u>SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS SOCIAL RUN</u> From 18/12/2010 to 18/12/2010	Social, , Club pheasants nest to austinmeer, NSW
<u>2011 ARMOR ALL BATHURST 12 HOUR</u> From 04/02/2011 to 06/02/2011	Race, , National mount panorama, NSW
<u>0Z50 MINI CARNIVAL</u> From 27/02/2011 to 06/03/2011	Social, , Club bathurst, NSW
<u>MORRIS MINOR CC OF AUS 15TH NATIONAL RALLY</u> From 22/04/2011 to 25/04/2011	Social, , Multi-Club westport park, port macquarie & hastings, NSW

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

It's that time of the year & this is a gentle reminder.

It would be appreciated if you would complete a renewal form available on the web site or in "Top Gear".

Thanks Malcolm.

THOROUGHBRED SPORTS CAR CLUB

Wednesday Runs

2011 Roster

16 February	Les & Roselee Johnson
16 March	Roland & Stephanie Clark
20 April	Barry Farr & Dot Forrester
18 May	Keith & Carolyn Reynolds
15 June	Jack & Jennifer Jones
20 July	Vern & Wendy Kelly
17 August	John & Karma Watson
21 September	Brian & Barbara Marshall
19 October	Colin Watts
16 November	John & Val Dixon

If the designated dates do not suit the specified organizers, 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 Ian Norman 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.

If you need to email me please do so on:

peter.stefan@beiersdorf.com

Peter Stefan

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PRESENTATION NIGHT

We left Newcastle just after lunch on Saturday and arrived at the Courtyard Marriot mid afternoon and parked our bags in the very comfortable room.

As we had plenty of time we decided to head to the Macquarie Centre for some Christmas shopping. Grant was bamboozled as he never ventures into these places! We managed to find what we were looking for in the maze of ramps, shops, lifts and elevators.

Back at the motel we put on our glad rags and wandered down to the function room and being a bit early checked out some familiar names on the place cards. We were looking forward to catching up with everyone.

Unfortunately I was suffering from a bad case of laryngitis which made communication rather difficult. Pam Gough was amazing at filling in the dots – very patient lady. There were pre-dinner drinks and nibbles on the terrace with lots of chatter (not me). Grant spent much time explaining a current project to anyone who would listen, the design and documentation of a 2.9km motor race circuit just north of Raymond Terrace (another story).

We were ushered inside to our tables and the proceedings commenced at 8.15. Peter Stefan made some great jokes – very funny) and then asked who wanted to write this article for the magazine. Of course no-one volunteered and so a name was pulled from the hat ... Grant Liddell! Thanks to Peter we received a basket full of Nivea products... lovely! (Grant's not sure what to do with the hair products!)

The buffet was fantastic with lots of choice and plenty to go around. Particularly yummy was the entré seafood and of course, the deserts.

The presentation of trophies is hopefully covered elsewhere in this magazine although I do remember someone commenting that Barry Farr's show and shine success was due, in part, to his "kissing all the girls on the day".

As I couldn't talk I decided to go around and ask people to write a comment on the night. Some of these were:

"How wonderful to see Roselee DANCING! A highlight for us."

"Last year we were in so much shit. It's hard to believe what a difference a year can make."

"At long last – great Mobydisc! Great night!!!"

"Ditto. Also, is the President going on the Comedy Channel?"

"Great night and venue – happy to return. The best club and friendship – greatly valued."

"The real Thoroughbreds last forever!"

"This event get better every year. What a great DJ – go James."

Some of these were after a few drinks!!!!

... And then there was dancing.

Grant and I had a great time and it was good to catch up with you all. We're looking forward to the 30th Anniversary.

Penny Creighton

GRANT'S AFTERTHOUGHTS

I have fond memories of the Macquarie Centre area as in the early 70s, in my role as a store planner, I worked from an office in a house on Herring Road. The house, or rather houses, were complete with a squash court and a swimming pool and were later demolished to make way for the centre. It was a period of working the occasional long, hard, 7-day week, interspersed with a party or two. However, our company directors felt it was more a period of motorcycling and too much partying interspersed with work and chose to move us back, under their watchful eye, to head office in Broadway. Friday and Saturday nights by the pool, drinks, more drinks and the occasional whole pig cooked on and under hot stones in a pit became a thing of the past. Fond memories indeed. Grant Liddell

Details of Trophy winners:-

Clubman:

Terry Daly

Sporting:

Grant Liddell

Don McDonald:

Roland Clark

Citizen Kane Award:

Barry Farr

NZ Award:

Robyn and Terry Daly

Pride Of Ownership:

1st Outright and 1st in pre 1990: Barry Farr

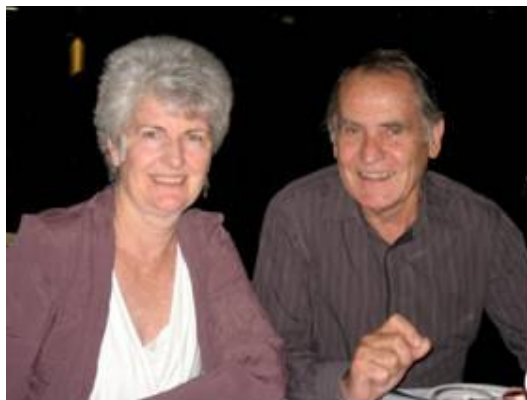
2nd in Pre 1990: John Moody

1st in post 1990: Terry Daly

2nd in post 1990: Malcolm Stephens.









TSCC SPORTING REPORT

Grant Liddell wins the 2010 Sporting Championship

Grant Liddell was at the Christmas Party to pick up the Sporting Championship trophy he'd had all year. Winning his class in the NSW Hillclimb Championship picked up plenty of points and I expect a similar effort again this year will make him hard to beat in 2011.

Congratulations Grant.

How to participate in club level motorsport with the TSCC

For new members and anyone else needing a refresher, the rules are published below.

RULES OF THE SPORTING CHAMPIONSHIP

The rules, which were changed for 2008 onwards, are intended to encourage maximum participation in the Sporting Championship of all members participating in club level motorsport competition. The point score system is designed to recognise both participation and achievement.

Events calendar

The NSW Super Sprint Calendar is the default TSCC calendar (for those without competition options outside the TSCC).

We encourage and allow members who participate in CAMS sanctioned competition events outside of the TSCC calendar to submit their results to the Point Score Secretary for inclusion in the TSCC Point Score e.g. in my case, I will be competing in NSW WRX Club events. Members are allowed to submit a total number of events not exceeding the number of events in the TSCC calendar (in 2011 it is 9 and it may vary in future years) for inclusion in the TSCC Point Score. Members are responsible for advising the Sporting Secretary and the Point Score Secretary of their results.

Point score system

Competitors will be allocated points for each event from 3 categories namely for entering, position in class and Fastest Time of the Day (FTD). The point allocation is:

Entering	1 point
First in class	3 points
Second in class	2 points
Third in class	1 point
FTD	3 points

This results in a minimum of 1 point and a maximum of 7 points for each event.

The Procedure for Competitors

Whenever you compete in an event, gather the following information:

- event details;
- your position in class;
- whether you achieved the FTD; and
- if possible, a few lines (or more if you like or a YouTube etc link if available) about the event and how you went, so that it can be incorporated in Top Gear and my report to the monthly meeting.

If you use the Natsoft Race Results Archive (an on-line service) an extract from that would be helpful. I've started a computer file of my own results extracted from Natsoft annotated with conditions and what I can remember of each set of laps for my personal records.

Please forward this information to:

- Malcolm Stephen and if you're doing it electronically, I would appreciate you cc'ing
- Lester Gough (Point Score Secretary) and
- Ian Norman (Top Gear Editor).

We look forward to receiving news of your on-track feats.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of competing in the Sporting Championship, please feel free to contact me, I'm only too happy to help.

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

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BANGOR, 2234

Whale Beach run Wednesday 16th February

Thanks to Les and Rosalie Johnson for organising a very relaxing run to Whale Beach. The weather was perfect as the group assembled at the Mt. Colah MacDonalds for coffee and instructions before heading off. The MacDonalds' carpark looked very impressive as we all assembled:

Les & Roselee Johnson
Adrian & Lorraine Walker
Keith & Carol Reynolds
Terry & Robyn Daly
Ian Norman & Lisbeth Allen
Barry & Dot Farr-Forester
John & Margaret Moody
Danny Ryke
Steve Kozak
Malcolm & Toni Ireland
Dominic & Pauline Truelove –Sercombe

Rolls Royce Cloud III
Jaguar XJR Sports Saloon
Jaguar XJ 300 4 Litre
Jaguar XK8 Coupe
BMW 330 Convertible
Mercedes Benz 380 SL
Toyota Corolla GT
Lotus Esprit S4
Nissan 350 Z
Mazda 3
Mercedes Benz 380 SL

After gathering together and exchanging news and getting instructions we were ready to head off. We then set off in small groups at a leisurely pace over the Mount Colah railway bridge, then down the F3 turning left on the Pacific Highway, then onto Mona Vale Road.

The run then took us quite some distance along Mona Vale Road turning left along McCarrs Creek Road for a very scenic and picturesque drive through Pittwater, and then continuing along Barrenjoey Road. At Whale Beach we turned into a beautiful restaurant called "Moby's".

The boys gathered around the carpark and talked cars, (what else), while the ladies gathered around some outside tables to catch up. We then all moved into the restaurant for a beautiful lunch. Unfortunately no whales were spotted going either north or south despite being offered a reward by Les if anyone did so, but fish and chips were enjoyed by all. Congratulations to Les and Rosalie for organising such an enjoyable outing.

Adrian & Lorraine Walker





Run to Walcha via Thunderbolt's Way. February 26-28'th 2011 (or, It's Funny How One Thing Can Lead To a Whole Bunch Of Others!.)

By Tom Aczel

An eclectic group of enthusiasts headed out from Kurrajong village on this much anticipated trip on a fine Saturday morning. Through winding Kurrajong backroads, and onto the famous Putty road, where the pace varied, depending on personal preference from leisurely to rather more brisk. Thankfully no sign of Mr Plod's State Revenue Collection Service this day.

First stop, and rendezvous for others to join the party was at the salubrious Singleton MacDonald's. Obligatory caffeine fixes and comfort stops dealt with, the now larger group left in an orderly fashion according to Jeremy's carefully crafted route instructions, ("Proceed West on Howe Street, then proceed East on Howe Street"), with participants departing MacDonald's in no less than three different directions out of the one exit!

Nonetheless, ultimately the group (mostly) managed to depart Singleton for Gresford, up over the spectacular Bingleburra Range to Dungog and ultimately to the Gloucester Country Club for lunch. Entertainment on this leg was the amusing pass-time of either studying the surroundings for the beautiful scenery and scanning the road for the numerous pot holes. Most of us scored at least one decent hit with a pot hole, but all avoided a hit with the scenery.



Slightly better road surfaces, and equally beautiful scenery then accompanied us along and up Thunderbolt's Way. The recent wet period has made this region more beautiful than ever. One stop for the lookout along the massive Valley below and then a run into our end point, Walcha.

An article requested (from this writer) about Australian MG hardtops from a Californian enthusiast, but then circulated amongst Australian MG clubs had led to a remarkable group of contacts in Walcha. George Pethard (MG TC, MGB, Daimler Conquest, Fiat Topolino, Morris Minor) had already advised us about suitable times, and suitable venues. John Cross (MGB and Austin Healey Sprite) offered to supply us with buses and drivers to take the (subsequently) somewhat merry group from our motel to and from dinner at the Winery.



Most remarkably, through these contacts we were able on the Sunday to visit what must surely be the largest single collection of Lagonda and Alvis cars anywhere in the world.

A group of unpretentious farm sheds formed the most remarkable of Aladdin's Caves housing endless cars, including some one offs as a Vanden Plas Alvis Drophead Tourer and a James Young 2 seater Lagonda Drophead, amongst, dare one say, more mundane examples of these two illustrious marques, including coupes, convertibles and sedans . Numerous Lagonda OHC V12's and DOHC inline 6's were scattered about in various stages of assembly. The owner, Mark Whitehead casually walked us around this mind-boggling assembly of mechanical and stylistic masterpieces, any one of which in isolation would be a show stopper. About two hours later, reluctantly, we left as the bus started, indicating our time was up.



Some of us more mundane professionals had to then return home on Sunday, ready for work the next day, leaving the less-obligated gentry and their partners to explore this magnificent district further at their leisure.

For Ged and me, this represented a re-run in reverse back home. A quick cuppa at the Pethard's (leaving all the chairs intact Jeremy) for Ged to explore the garden with Cherie, and me to explore the shed with George was followed by yet another beautiful run back to Kurrajong. Somehow I managed (just) to avoid the Bulga radar gun revenue collector. For that I'm grateful, yet, after such a brilliant couple of days, I could have even worn that final disappointment!

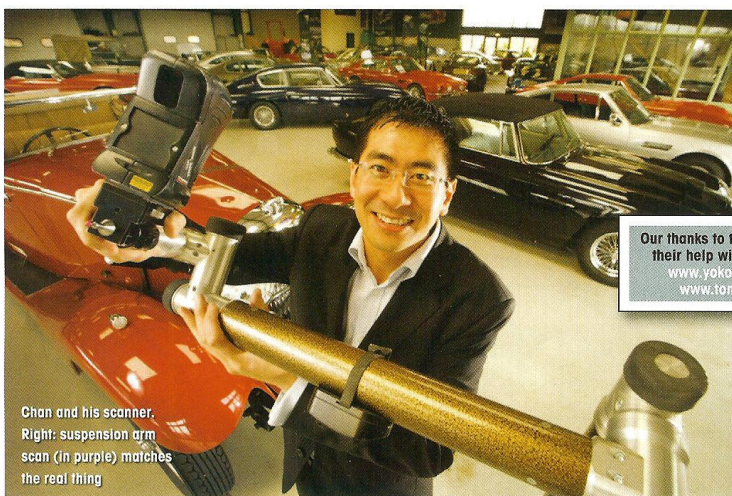
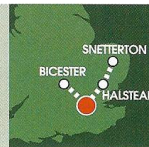
Pictures from the weekend can be found at:

<http://www.jbraithwaite.com/Motoring/Thunderbolt/Thunderbolt.html>

The following item was supplied by Barry Farr and is reprinted with permission from "Motor Sport November 2010". Editor



On the road WITH ED FOSTER



Chan and his scanner.
Right: suspension arm
scan (in purple) matches
the real thing

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A REVOLUTION IN RENOVATION

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY IS NOW BEING USED TO
GREAT EFFECT IN THE REPAIR OF CLASSIC RACERS

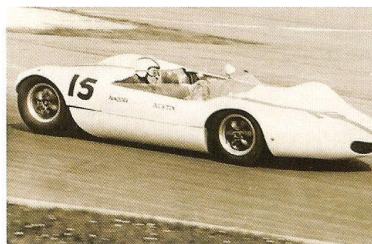
At the Goodwood Revival we witnessed some of the most expensive historic racers in the world going head to head – and, in some cases, panel to panel. A large number of these machines are irreplaceable one-offs that will require hours of mending without the reference of a sister car to work from.

Once a car's mended, though, will it be exactly the same as before? Jo Chan, the founder of [digital] Renovatio, claims it can be – to within 0.2 millimetres.

Chan studied automotive design at Coventry University and went on to work in design studios around the world for such as BMW, Volvo, VW, Nissan and Lamborghini. After taking a year out to do an MBA at Cranfield

University, he struck upon the idea of using his road car expertise in historic cars and racers.

"I was rebuilding my 1955 Porsche 356," he says, "and I just couldn't get a lot of the parts. I looked into it further and there was an unmet need for archiving a car's body, so you have the exact dimensions to work from if you crash."

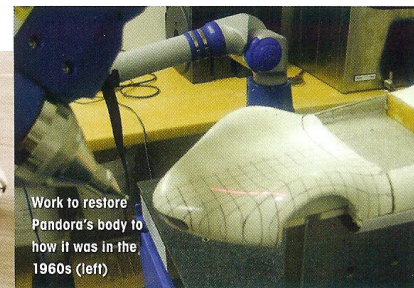


So how does Chan go about 'saving' your car's body onto a computer? Let me explain... His company will travel to where your priceless racer is stored and then scan it. "It takes a day to capture a body and an hour or so to capture a component," says Chan. "With the scanner, you basically work your way round the car and build up the data. All the points you scan are referenced digitally and you then piece it together."

Once this is done a 3D pdf is stored in a vault and there it waits, until the owner needs it to rebuild a car part exactly how it was before.

You can imagine the possibilities... Bent a suspension arm on your Maserati 6C? Just scan the other side and digitally reverse it on the computer. Found a weakness in your 356 cylinder head? Scan it and find out where the weakness is, then re-engineer it before getting the new, stronger head cast. Want to fit wider wheel arches to your Aston Martin? Scan it and then examine the iterations on screen to avoid building wheel arch after wheel arch. We could go on, but one of [digital] Renovatio's current projects neatly sums up just how much can be achieved through this sort of technology.

'Pandora' made its racing debut in the 1964 Whitsun Trophy at Goodwood, where it finished third in class. But during the 1970s the body was then changed to a Can-Am-style



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angular coachwork. The original body was lost, and a few years ago the then-owner decided to try and restore it to how it looked in period. "He went to the lengths of recreating a 10th-scale model and then tried to scale it up to a full-sized buck," says Chan. "It wasn't a great success because of inaccuracies in the wheelbase and track, so Andy [Prill, of Maxted-Page and Prill] took over the project.

"It was obvious that you couldn't build the body because you wouldn't be able to match it to the chassis, so I said 'we'll scan the model, scale it up, and then scan the chassis and superimpose the two to check they both match up'. It was then that my design background came in because some parts of the bodywork weren't right, which I could see from the photographs. I reckon it was about 80 per cent accurate, so I changed a few parts on the computer and it's now probably 97 per cent correct."

As soon as the chassis is sorted Chan can match the two to ensure that the apertures are correct, you have full steering lock and suspension travel and you won't have any rubbing bodywork. From there the panels can be made without any fear that they won't fit or look right. It's clever stuff.

Chan admits that it's hard to tell whether this method is dramatically more expensive than doing it by eye. "What you need is for two 250 GTOs to crash in the same way and then rebuild one traditionally and the other with a scan in order to get a proper idea of which is better value. What you can be sure of, though, is that the scan would create a much more accurate finish," he claims.

In all likelihood this hi-tech approach to historic car restoration will become more popular in the future, despite some initial reservations from the industry about keeping these cars in their original state. And the fact that you can look at cylinder blocks under a microscope on a computer and re-engineer the weak spots won't sit comfortably with the FIA and its Historic Passport. But Chan is adamant that each case is examined carefully and the car's originality is maintained.

Restoration Tips

After hearing of Roger Morgan's experience with removing fittings/bolts from the Lotus' brakes and soda blasting the body at the last meeting, I was reminded of some information which I came across recently, which might be of interest to those undoing rusted fittings and cleaning various components.

Penetrating Oil

This article is from CR4 Daily Digest (an engineering blog)

Best Penetrating Oil

Machinist's Workshop Mag (tm) recently published some information on various penetrating oils that I found very interesting. Some of you might appreciate this. the magazine reports they tested penetrants for break out torque on rusted nuts. They are below, as forwarded by an ex-student and professional machinist. They arranged a subjective test of all the popular penetrants with the control being the torque required to remove the nut from a "scientifically rusted" environment.

Penetrating oil	Average load
None	516 pounds
WD-40	238 pounds
PB Blaster	214 pounds
Liquid Wrench	127 pounds
Kano Kroil	106 pounds
ATF-Acetone mix.....	53 pounds

The ATF-Acetone mix was a "home brew" mix of 50 - 50 automatic transmission fluid and acetone. Note the "home brew" was better than any commercial product in this one particular test.

Source:

<http://cr4.globalspec.com/thread/65442/Best-Penetrating-Oil?frmtrk=CR4digest>

Make sure that you handle ATF and acetone with care (MSDS' are available on the web).

Vapour Blasting

According to various websites, "the vapour blasting process is suitable for Aluminium, Bronze, Magnesium, Elektron, Titanium, Brass, Copper etc. It will gently clean the surface without damage to gasket faces etc, produces a satin finish which will handle without picking up finger marks ..." and the examples on show seemed to verify the claims.

I saw some very impressive results of the process when visiting Vapourblast Cleaning in Silverwater (Ph 9748 3164) with a colleague recently. Having only seen their showroom (I use the broad meaning of the word here) I can't vouch for their service, although they could be a good starting point.

If you haven't seen the process, I suggest that you Google it up (and if you aren't aware of soda blasting and dry ice blasting, check them out too).

Happy restoring

Malcolm Stephen

GOODWOOD REVIVAL MEETING

Various members have mentioned from time to time their desire to attend the Goodwood Revival Meeting. Dott & I attended the event in 2005 so I have retrieved an extensive article I wrote for the Ferrari Club Australia national magazine back then & have extracted the following which may be helpful for those intending to attend.

What It Is

Goodwood is a country area of south-east England where the Goodwood motor racing circuit was established on relatively flat land in 1948 around an existing airfield that was used to launch WWII attacks on Germany. The circuit was used from 1948-1966. Lord March, who has an adjoining estate, initiated the Goodwood Revival Meeting 13 years ago. Back then it was attended by mostly locals. Now it is the biggest Historics meeting in the world. It's always run in the month of September each year & entry is by pre-paid tickets only, of which well in excess of 100,000 are sold each year.

What Makes It Special

Apart from the wonderful old race cars & bikes entered & the extensive world class drivers & riders, together with continual air displays by old wartime planes, the whole event takes one back to the days when the airfield operated in wartime & when the cars & bikes raced over the 18 years to 1966. Consequently, entries are restricted to cars & bikes raced between 1948-1966 however, replicas are allowed as well as modifications.

From the moment you approach the circuit you see differences from a modern day circuit. Chest high wooden fences (akin to Warwick Farm in the early 1960s) against which you can stand with unobstructed view of the track just metres in front of you. No guard rails but lots of sandpits at the critical run-off points. All the track officials are appropriately dressed in overalls reminiscent of the era & the pits are largely open to the public. All the vendors' stalls are in the period style & most of the spectators dress in period costume.

How To Get There

We actually flew into Heathrow which was a big mistake, as had we flown into Gatwick, we could have saved ourselves 2-4 hours travelling time & a good many Pounds sterling as we would not have experienced the inevitable 1-1/2 hour takeoff & landing delays into Heathrow & the train trips from Heathrow via Paddington & Victoria Stations to Chichester. Next time we'll fly into Gatwick as the South Eastern train passes through Gatwick making it a 1 hour train journey only to Chichester.

Accommodation

There's no real accommodation at Goodwood so it's best to stay in one of the neighbouring towns, most of which are quite quaint with a choice of B&B, Hotels, etc. Back in 2005, a double room with full English breakfast included could be had for up to GBP150. In our case, our Hotel in Chichester was just a 15 minute bus ride to the circuit each day with circuit buses leaving Chichester Station every 30 minutes throughout the day.

The Real Business

Friday 10am-6pm is devoted to qualifying & a multitude of air displays throughout the day. It's a great day for strolling about, taking a tractor ride around the circuit, checking out the largely open pits area, taking in the 120 vendor stalls, locating where the best bars & food outlets are & particularly taking a leisurely stroll around the pre-1966 carpark as well as glimpsing at the track from time to time. Saturday & Sunday it's all racing 10am-5pm & what racing it is. Serious racing. Seriously great machines. 30 car grids. Famous drivers, some very brave non-professional drivers & some young stars in old machines. A real mixture. For somebody who's been watching race cars of various descriptions

since the age of 3, this was my highlight to date. Every race was memorable in some capacity & there are some feature races you would just not want to miss.

The Weather

It's England! For us Friday was quite overcast then improved on Saturday to being sunny & a little warmer but still a strong wind from the north-west prevailed. We had tickets in the Lavant corner grandstand but could not sit there for more than 15 minutes at a time because of the cold wind so took up various positions along the fence. On the Sunday we had the best weather with clear blue sky & sunshine & warmer temperature. By 10am spectators were already 6-10 deep in the more favoured spots around the perimeter. We located ourselves at Woodcote, probably the best spectating position along the fences. Should we go again, we would definitely pre-purchase pit straight grandstand tickets for the Sunday.

Barry Farr

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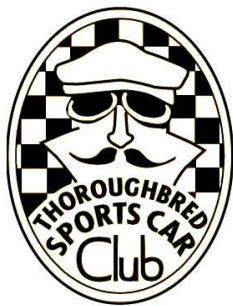
Chest/Bust and Length measurements are in centimetres.

MENS:

Sizes:	S	M	L	XL	XXL	XXXL
Chest:	100	106	112	118	126	132
Length	74	76	78	80	82	83

WOMENS:

Sizes:	8	10	12	14	16	18
Bust:	88	93	98	103	108	113
Length:	60	62.5	65	67.5	70	72



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Membership Year: 1 March 2011 to 28 February 2012

Mail form and cheque to the Treasurer,

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I agree to abide by the rules of the Club

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