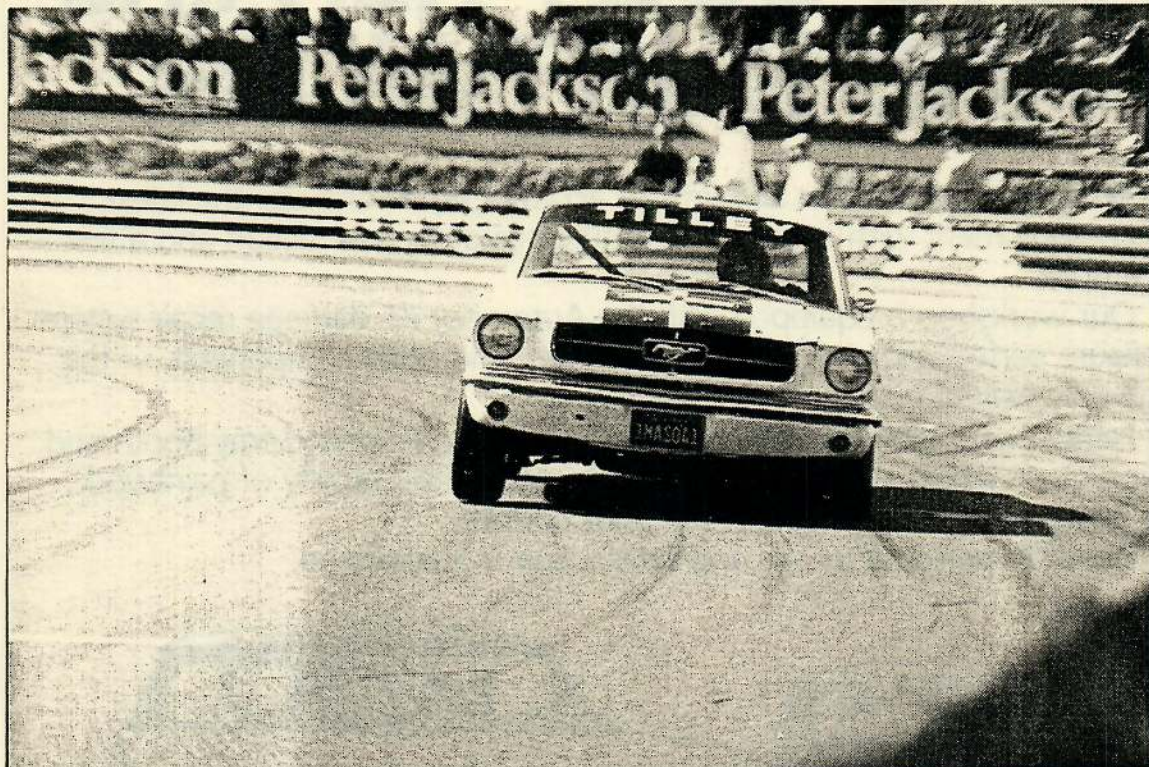


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EDITORIAL etc.

After a superb weekend at Phillip Island it is very easy to become enthusiastic about the future race meetings and what direction the Association is to take.

The Phillip Island event was round 1 of the ARAI TRI-STATE SERIES and with an entry of over 40 vehicles, and almost a third of the field from interstate, it bodes well for the two remaining rounds, Lakeside in July and Eastern Creek in September.

The Victorian club and Barry Jupp Motors, the trophy sponsor, were very good hosts and beer and nuts after practice on the Saturday was most appreciated. The combination of some socialising along with good motor racing is still the best combination.

The Easter Bathurst will feature the same format as previously advised with a BBQ on the Friday evening (fish cakes!!!) plus a ready supply of amber fluid and refreshments from our mobile fridge. The venue will be near the Appendix J tent area so bring your hunger and thirst. Similarly, there will be a presentation after the main race on Saturday and refreshments will also be available.

The subject of CAMS fee increases has been raised in a number of areas and it is disturbing that a number of substantial fee rises have been imposed either directly or indirectly on us all of which are well above the basket CPI for the past year.

The committee & I have considered these rises as particularly unpalatable in the current climate and have written to CAMS seeking the basis of the fee hikes and an explanation of why they were so widespread. I will not hold my breath for a reply but we have invited a member of the CAMS Board along to a general meeting to explain the current position. I will definitely provide the members with plenty of notice of this event.

On a different note, we have two videos to show at the General Meeting. One, from Paul Stubber of the WA Association who has sent a promotional video of the 'Round the Houses' event for 1992, hoping to entice some starters to the 1993 round. Again from WA and this time, Bill Meeke with in-car footage of the 1993 Phillip Island. Lots of Bellett shots and funny lines!! Both good value and to be shown at the April General Meeting.

Speaking of Adelaide and Mr Meeke, Bill and I have, with assistance from Rowlands, been pursuing the Adelaide 'GP' event for '93 with letters and the development of a presentation. We are currently seeking support from some of our more famous race stars to assist in our cause, so if you wish to help in this regard please let me know so I can provide a draft letter and some assistance.

COMPETITION REPORT

by THE DROVERS DOG

(Robert Ingram)

It's Monday night, I've poured myself a glass of cheap red wine (1991 Sadlers Creek Bluegrass Cabernet Sauvignon) and settled down to do this report as El Presidente rightly demands.

Firstly, the Tri-State Series. Great sponsor as you know:

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- 2nd - 3 nights, Hobart, 2 persons including accommodation and airfare.
- 3rd - 1 night, Gold Coast, 2 persons including accommodation and airfare.

I'm still waiting on the official results from the first round at Phillip Island. You can guarantee the series will not be a runaway for the first one or two outright running V8's. Hopefully a pointscore will be available for the next Action Line.

Secondly, Bathurst next weekend. Not the biggest field but understandable in the current economic climate. Very disappointing fields from Queensland, not too bad from Victoria and reasonable from NSW. 34 entries in all. Stars include Tilley'sx3, Heath (Sprint), Lacey (Sprint), Mann (Mustang), One dick (Sprint) (sorry, for the last time) and a return appearance from Lacey's mate Thetkunt Dookay (defamation lawyer's note - Lacey's description, not mine). Thetkunt is possibly driving a Ford Galaxy - welcome back (!)(?).

Jocks may have seen advertising from Oran Park regarding an Appendix J race at Oran Park in July at the Australia/NZ Truck Meeting. It's not really on of course - back to sleep.

The calendar for the year is set. Please see it elsewhere in this issue.

Haven't heard from NZ yet re sponsored trips to their Historic rounds in November 93 or February 94 - will write again

SECRETARY'S REPORT

As at 31 March, we have 92 financial members. Could members that have not rejoined and are going to do so please rejoin this month.

During March, I attended the first meeting of the newly reformed NSW Motor Race Advisory Panel. This Panel consists of promoters, organisers, CAMS representative and members of the larger clubs that supply most competitors at race meetings in NSW.

I, like the other members of the Panel, went along to the first meeting with the view that it would probably be a waste of time, as even if this panel comes up with any recommendations... will they go any further?

After the first meeting, I still have reservations, but believe that CAMS is trying to make a genuine attempt to listen to the problems in the sport.

If you have any comments, suggestions, complaints, advice, etc which you believe should be brought up at these meetings, please discuss them with me and I will forward your comments.

Excerpts from minutes of the NSW Motor Race Advisory Panel 10 March 1993:-

Present: Steve Preece (Chairman), Geoff Senior, Mal Halligan, Andrew Papadopoulos, Brian Gelding, Graeme Emerton, Tony Farr, Chris Dubois, G Howard, John Cotter (Chairman, NSW Board of Management), Colin Osborne (NSW National Council Delegate)

Briefing by John Cotter & Colin Osborne:

- The panel is to have a wide, bilateral view of circuit racing at state level and can deal with any area relevant to the conduct of it. The panel is to act as a forum for new ideas being brought into the sport. Also it can interact with the other panels. The Chairman of the panel is also a member of the National Motor Race Panel.

Erratic number of entires:

- The size of grids greatly varying from one meeting to another.

Variety of events:

- It is widely considered that competitors can only run "so many" times per year because of a combination of circumstances. This, combined with the number of events available, creates a "vicious circle". The Chairman asked members of the panel for their comments on these areas for discussion at the next meeting.

Clashes of the 1993 Calendar:

- It was decided to attempt to reschedule one of the events from the 17 October. Discussions are to be held with the promoters involved.

Next meeting 6 April.

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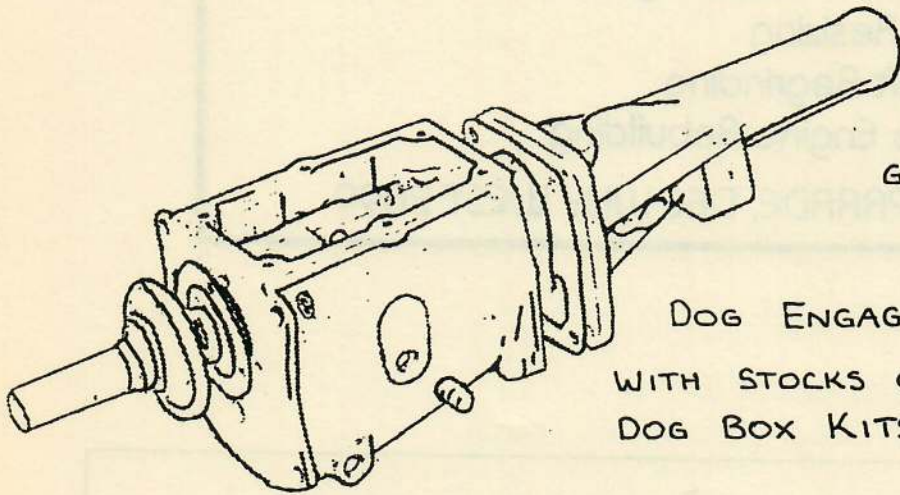
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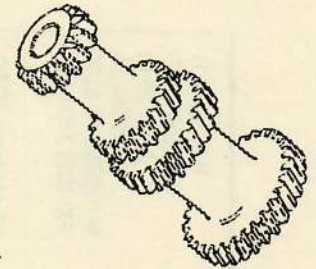
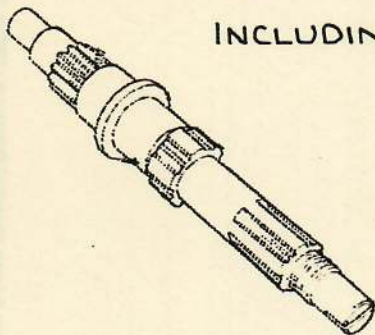
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Excerpts from minutes of the General Meeting held 2 Mar 93

Meeting opened 8.40pm.

Correspondence:

- Tyre bulletin from CAMS
- Proposal from Rowlands Promotions, WA for Adelaide Grand Prix
- P Stubber, WA, re Wanneroo/Albany events 25-26 Sep, 2-3 Oct including a video of the Albany 'Round the Houses' event. They are trying to arrange assistance of approx \$1000. Accommodation can be provided by the Association.
- Acceptance from ARAI for sponsorship of Tri-State Series.

President's Report:

- We have been chasing entries for early meetings this year. Tom asked for members to consider their entries for coming events.
- Looking at running a social day at Oran Park figure 8 with barbecue.
- Advertisers who haven't paid their bills or are not supporters of the club will be deleted from Action Line.

Secretary's Report: financial members.

Treasurer's Report: \$8,300 plus memberships

Competition Report:

- ARAI are keen to support the club with the Tri-State Series being the start of their support.
- Tom ran through 'Coming Events', thanking Robert for his organising of the calendar this year.
- Adelaide is looking possible; sponsorship appears not to be a problem. Tom asked for support of members for Adelaide and will need names at next meeting.
- Bill Coote commented that he thought the break up of events was good but unhappy with pre-requisites for Bathurst at Easter.
- Tom commented on reasons for low entry at Amaroo 28th and also low commitment from interstate competitors for Bathurst.

Public Relations:

- Peter is trying to organise sponsors for Oran Park club events.

General Business:

- Alan Wick is investigating import of tyres direct for club members. He wants lists of sizes and possible numbers.
- Syd Grevett commented on road based tyres series for 93 to promote road tyres for next year.
- Tom noted that the Victoria Association believed we had changed our name; this of course is NOT TRUE!
- HSRCA has made an approach re the possibility of a new future but we do not believe we have a future without CAMS.
- Further to the 65-72 category push. If and when this category comes in we would be able to run in their races but they could not run in ours.
- Barbecue at Bathurst on Good Friday night; Alan Wicks congratulated Rosco on the BBQ at Amaroo on 28th.
- Bill Coote told us a tyre story!!!!
- Alan Wick won the raffle.

Meeting closed 10pm.

PHILLIP ISLAND REPORT

The fourth Phillip Island Classic was a mixture of wet weather, fine days and torrential showers. Practice was dry and some great times and large blow-ups were the order of the day. Tweeds succumbed to engine problems but had a spares and several Minis broke crankshafts or dropped valves.

It is a very fast circuit and does quickly sort out any suspect engines. There were seven of the original nine NSW entries there on the weekend. They were: Coote, Dubois, Tweedie, Neale, Amos, Donaher, Wick. Unfortunately, Heriot & Ingram didn't make it.

In addition, Meeke & Stubber came from WA and Virgo, Heath and Burchell were there from SA. There were more Falcon Sprints than ever and Meeke ran the new 60 series Bridgestones reasonably well.

Race 1

A wet affair after a torrential downpour overnight that waterlogged the pits. Four laps of slip sliding that saw Henry Draper run away and hide in the Mini with the V8's tip toeing around.

Race 2

Dry weather saw some serious racing with Laurie Donaher in the Mustang making a good start with Henry Draper, Tweedie, Hunt and Neale. The Mustangs and Minis were at it for a couple of laps until the Mini blew leaving the Mustang to fight it out with two other Mustangs and a Falcon.

Donaher won with Tweedie, Hunt & Neale in hot pursuit.

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APRIL	6	General meeting
	8/9/10	Bathurst
	19	Committee meeting
	18	Oran Park, NSWRRRC
MAY	1/2	Eastern Creek, SSRA
	4	General meeting
	10	Committee meeting
	23	Amaroo Park, ARDC, Restricted
JUNE	1	General meeting
	7	Committee meeting
	19/20	Amaroo Park, Open, AMSCAR
JULY	6	General meeting
	12	Committee meeting
	17/18	Lakeside All Historic, HRCC, Round 2 Tri-State Series, for entries, fax (07) 262 8598
	18	Oran Park, NSWRRRC
	24/25	Amaroo Park, Open, AMSCAR
AUGUST	3	General meeting
	9	Committee meeting
	14/15	Oran Park (GP Circuit), SSRA
SEPTEMBER	4/5	Eastern Creek, Historic, HSRCA, Round 3 Tri-State Series
	7	General meeting
	13	Committee meeting
OCTOBER	1/2/3	? Bathurst, Tooheys 1000
	2/3	Wanneroo, Western Australia (also includes "Around the Houses" on 25/26 September)
	5	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
	11	Committee meeting
	17	Oran Park, NSWRRRC
NOVEMBER	2	General meeting
	6/7	? AGP, Adelaide
	8	Committee meeting
	13/14/15	? New Zealand Historic, Manfield
	21	Amaroo Park, ARDC, Restricted
	27/28	? New Zealand
27/28	? Macau	
DECEMBER	4/5	Eastern Creek, SSRA
	7	General meeting
	11	Oran Park, Day/Night

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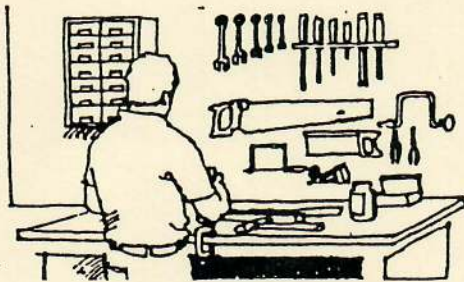
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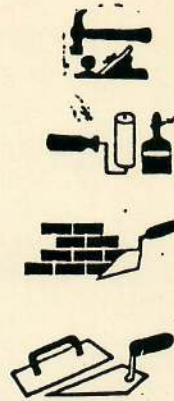
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