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### GENERAL MEETINGS

7.30pm start FIRST TUESDAY EACH MONTH
BURWOOD RSL CLUB, 96 Shaftsbury Road. Burwood

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# EDITORIAL etc.

The following is a letter sent to Auto Action Letters on 28 July in response to recent editorial comment in that publication:

### CLASSICAL GAS

After reading Graham Howard's recent Historical column in Auto Action I would like to assure other readers in the Classic Touring Car world that the future of Group N racing is NOT about to change and in fact there will be little, if any change to the current formula.

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The success of Group N in both Australia and overseas has been due to the close and exciting racing, certainty of the rules and the continued spectator interest due to the variety of makes and models that regularly compete.

Rule certainty is a key point and the NSW Association has no desire or plans to change. I am truly amazed at this left field suggestion. Why change a successful formula and for whose benefit or what reason? It is reasonable to suspect there are no grounds for change when there has been no consultation with the Association who are the very basis of the success. It's just hot air!

There is simply no desire for a rule change although there are now obviously urgent and necessary changes required to an administration that purports to act on behalf of the Associations and competitors but fails to seek their view. Suffrage rather than window dressing is now mandatory if the values and expectations of those who are Group N in Australia are to be maintained.

As to the proposed new class, well it should not be at the expense of the current one. There is always room for new blood and if the class can be introduced with little drama then we all benefit. History, unfortunately is not a good guide here and the Association views have again not been sought prior to the apparent decision being made to proceed. Simply amazing.

Graham Howard's column is essential reading to find out what may be going on in the minds of the puckas but from my view, this time it is all just S bends and classical gas.

### COMPETITION REPORT

### by THE DROVERS DOG

(Robert Ingram)

It is likely that 2 Mark 1 Lotus Cortinas from New Zealand will be running at the Eastern Creek Historic meeting - Barry Jackson and Carl Northcott. The details regarding freight. accommodation and transport for NSW drivers wishing to attend the Mansfield meeting in NZ in November have still not been finalised.

NZ Classic Saloons can run sponsorship but not mobile billboards - apparently must be conservative. R rated radial tyres are used.

CAMS and MANZ are still discussing details of licence requirements for racing in either country.

Tom Amos and I will be meeting with the ARDC in the next few weeks to finalise a few details for Bathurst including the tent, trophies etc. You will recall from my "column several months ago that Allan Wicks and his transport company are sponsoring our 2 races at Bathurst.

Entries so far for the ARDC Club meeting (7), Eastern Creek Historic (15) and Bathurst (12) are not going well. The Historic meeting and Bathurst are two of the most important meetings of the year and one would hope grids would be full.

Interesting entries for Eastern Creek include Michael St John Cox in a 1960 MKII Jaguar and Chris Haigh in the ex-Peter McKay 1958 Mk I Jaguar, Alan Heath's Sprint from SA is also entered. Roger Wells is also making a comeback at the meeting. Good to see 'Racing Roger' back. As for Bathurst names include Stubber's EH from WA, Hunt (Mustang VIC, Heath (Sprint) SA, Lacey (Sprint), QLD, Tweedie (Sprint) and David Stone has entered 2 cars, the Cortina GT and a lightweight Galaxie. One entry will be running - hope the Galaxie is ready!

The HSRCA has sent reminder letters to all potential competitors - so get those entries in quickly.

The NSW entries for Adelaide have, on most criteria, chosen themselves without any major input from the committee. In effect, the Committee took into account all suggested grounds upon which one might be eligible to run. El Presidente should have more news in his jottings.

The second round of the Arai Helmets Tri-State Series for Classic Touring Cars was run at Lakeside on July 17-18. Cumulative pointscore will be published in the next mag.

# Excerpts from minutes of the General Meeting held 6 July 1993

Meeting opened 8:35pm.

# Correspondence:

- ARDC Stewards Course
- Official CAMS Motor Sport Insurance Booklet
- Letter to Paul Burchell from Historic Touring Car Movement (National) (Tom) re: Period signing on Group N vehicles for Adelaide.
- Letter of proposal from Greg Neale re possible setting up of Group N (c) 65-72 category.

# President's Report:

- Adelaide sponsorship & starters
- Tom thanked all people involved with Motorfest, especially those who provided cars and set up the stand.

# Secretary's Report: 1

- Next OLT day 4th September
- Oran Park has resealed the "esses".

Treasurer's Report: \$8,700.

# Competition Report:

- NZ "very possible" awaiting exact cost and more details.
  - Sydney loading, now OK Drive on-drive off 45ft total length
  - Tow cars, OK
  - Noise limit 95db.
  - Racing against classic saloons. Robert read out list of cars that compete in NZ. Sounds like anything goes. V8 Anglias, Lotus Escorts, GT Falcons, XU1's, Trans Am Mustangs, 59 Wolsley, etc.
- NZ asking to compete at our September Historic

# Eligibility Report: nothing to report Public Relations:

 Good response from our club for the Motorfest Show, but no lookers.

### General Business:

- CAMS asked if we need an extra eligibility officer for the new Group N (c) category. The feeling from the floor was that we should advise them we want to appoint one before one is appointed for us!
- Alan Wick asked how starters for Adelaide will be picked.
- Greg Toepfer won the raffle.

Meeting closed 10.05pm.

Chris Dubois Secretary

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## TROPHY REPORT

Entries are now open for the following meetings:
Amaroo Park Clubbie closing 30/7/93; Bathurst October closing 9/8/93; Eastern Creek Historic closing 6/8/93

The Committee has decided to make the Amaroo Clubbie (22/8/93) a big day as it is the last meeting for us there this year. We would really like to see a big field on this day. Also, there will be <u>FREE</u> drinks after the meeting for all the drivers who enter. If you haven't received an entry form, ring the ARDC or me and I will send you an entry.

I must say the racing this year has been very clean and competitive. The championship in both divisions has been hotly contested and there is still four rounds to go. There was some unfortunate touches in the wet conditions and considering the state of the track (oil from Brett Reeves plus rain) it was amazing that there were so few incidents on the day.

Congratulations to Greg Toepfer for winning the ARDC pointscore series and also for bringing a new sponsor to the club: Powderworks Spares, Narrabeen donated the trophies for the Amaroo open. Thankyou Jim & Mark.

Regards, Syd Grevett

# RESULTS

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2	18	DNF	1	11	Don Thallon	C	Chevy Monza	64.00
3	DNS	3	DNS	DNS	Gary Brown		CH Holden	04.00
4	11	6	6	DNS			Austin Cooper S	65.10
5	17	5	5	13	Bruce Lynton	T	otus Cortina	64.77
6	DNS	1.3	11	DNS	Ian Geoghegan		ord Mustang	
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12	22	11	15	DNS			Molden EH	66.07
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### RESULTS

July 25, Amaroo Event	Park; AMSCAR round, sp		Spares y race)
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4 2 1	Darren Stewart	EH Holden	66.78
1 3	Jason Tilley	Valiant AP5	
DNF 4			67.83
	Greg Toepfer		66.58
2 5 5 5	Cameron Tilley	Valiant S	
12 6 6	Tom Amos	Bellett GT	68.46
9 7, 7,	Steve Williams	EH Holden	69.96
7 8	Ross McKenzie	EH Holden	68.66
10 9	Brett Reeves	EH Holden	69.94
13 10 5	David Stone	Cortina	69.88
11 1111	Warwick Agustin .	Cooper S	71.78
5 12 12	Frank Dartell	Cooper S	72.13.
8 13	Syd Grevett	EH Holden	71,97
14 14	Russell Stanford	Vauxhall Velox	71.57
DNS 15	Dave Beveridge	Cooper S	74.80
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# WANTED

I am making a FILM on Appendix J starting from 1981 till now, but I need your <u>HELP</u>. If you have VHS tapes of races I would appreciate if you could lend them to me to make this FILM. They will be looked after and returned. This FILM will be shown at club nights and the presentation night. You can ring me on (02) 973 1449.

Regards, Georgie Grevett

# 1993 DRIVER'S CHAMPIONSHIP & APPENDIX J CUP

# Compiled by Syd Grevett

Rd	1	21 November, Oran Park	Rd 2 29 January, Amaroo
Rd	3	28 February, Amaroo	Rd 4 18 April, Oran Park
Rd	5	23 May, Amaroo	Rd 6 20 June, Amaroo
Rd	7	17/18 July, Lakeside/Oran Pk	Rd 8 24/25 July, Amaroo

Division 1	143 143	Division 2
S Williams	77	C Dubois 75
C Tilley	71	K Brigden 51
G Toepfer	54	A Wick 49
J Tilley	53	D Stone 40
T Amos	37	R Stanford 36
D Stewart	31	B Brown 36
R McKenzie	28	K Ballantyne 32
T Hutchins	27	M Powell 30
B Asher	27	L Coote 23
L Cleaver	26	G Smart 18
R Tweedie	25	J Hodges 15
G Neal	24	R Owers 14
R Ingram	21	D Corner 11
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P Heriot	9	FINAL POINTS
F Dartell	8	
L Donaher	8	G Toepfer 16
F Binding	4	D Stewart 15
B Reeves	4	T Hutchins 11
D Beveridge	3	J Tilley 10
A Heath	1	B Stewart 6
		T Amos 6
		C Tilley 6
		S Williams 3
		S Grevett
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# ENTRIES FOR THE TOOHEYS 1000 APPENDIX J SUPPORT RACE ARE NOW OPEN

Contact Tom Amos, Robert Ingram or Syd Grevett for an entry if you have not received one.

The following obituary letter is from Robert Tweedie to the editor of the HSRCA's "Oil Rag" and is kindly reprinted here:

Dear Sir,

Are kangaroos an endangered species? "No Sir!" They still exist in committees and tribunals of sporting administration (enough said).

I am a "fallen poppy" whose experiences in trying to dismiss an incorrect ruling against my car's eligibility leaves much to be desired.

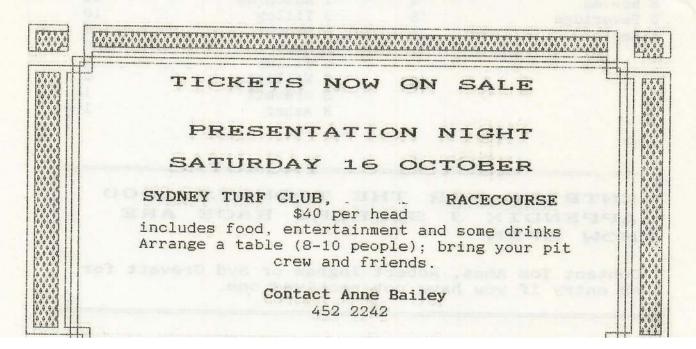
Three separate hearings (two of them interstate) and being advised throughout by a solicitor with at least 20 years of practice to his credit... I am still victim of the devilish system of the National Competition Rules being cleverly orchestrated so even the "good" are hanged!

The CAMS "Establishment" has closed ranks as my solicitor and I firmly believe, to avoid the embarrassment of being wrong and, of course, to protect one (especially) of their own who is short and resides in or near Melbourne... and his name is not John!

Yep... I should know better... win a few races... research my car's specification properly... employ the services of a solicitor whose vows and oaths are to pursue natural justice... nope, I now can be round riding the "High Sierras" (pun)... turbocharger and all... a virtual goodbye to historic racing... and thank you CAMS.

Regards, Robert Tweedie

Mikes' Definition: Tall Poppy - An unrefined dope!



# ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

Events marked with a question mark (?) are unconfirmed.				
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AUGUST	3 9 14/15 22	General meeting Committee meeting Oran Park (GP Circuit), SSRA Amaroo Park, ARDC, Restricted		
SEPTEMBER	7 11/12 11/12	General meeting Eastern Creek, Historic, HSRCA, Round 3 Tri-State Series Sandown 500 (Appendix J race scheduled)		
	13	Committee meeting		
OCTOBER	1/2/3 2/3	*Bathurst, Tooheys 1000 Wanneroo, Western Australia (also includes "Around the Houses" on 25/26 September) \$1000 assistance for each vehicle attending; billet accommodation available.		
	5 10 11 16	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Oran Park, NSWRRC *change from 17th Committee meeting Presentation Night		
NOVEMBER	2 6/7 8 13/14/15 27/28	General meeting * AGP, Adelaide Committee meeting *? New Zealand Historic, Manfield *? New Zealand		
DECEMBER	4/5 7 11 13	Eastern Creek, SSRA General meeting Oran Park, Day/Night, NSWRRC Committee meeting		

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