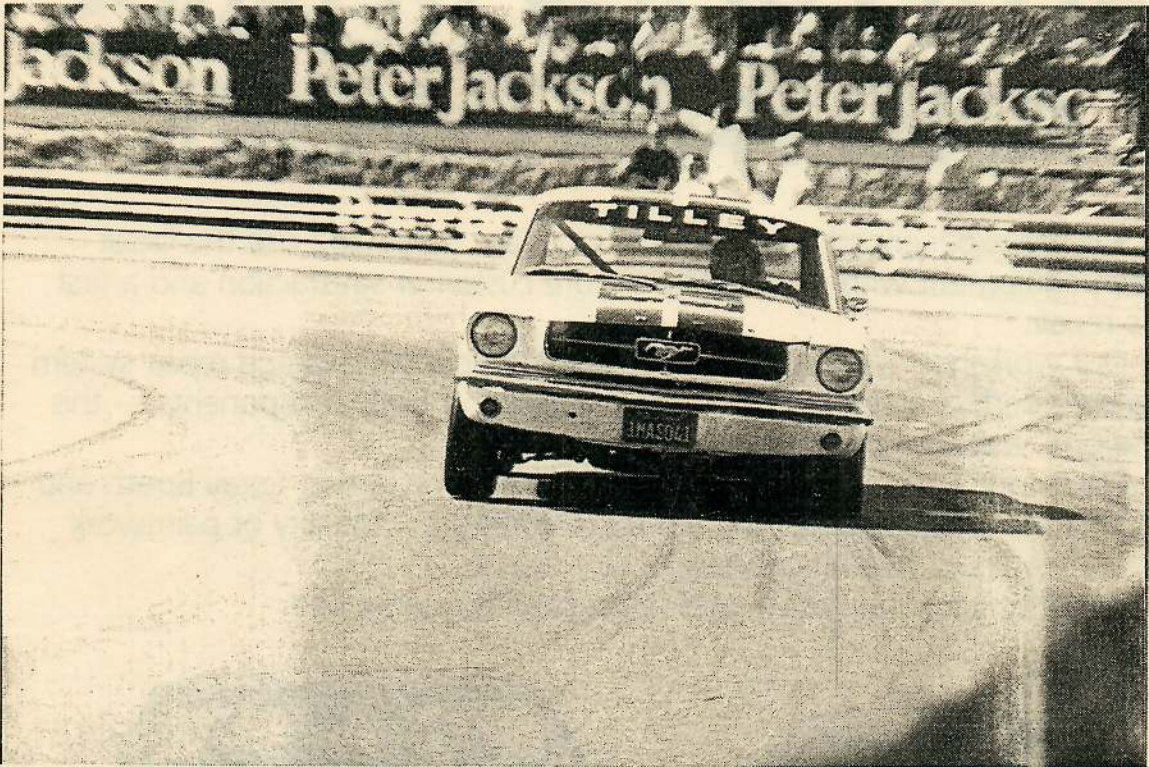


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EDITORIAL etc.

Welcome to the new 1993 year. I hope that this year is better for you than last and that the Association can consolidate the gains of the last twelve or so months.

There have been a number of issues and opportunities over the Christmas break and some of these are included in this magazine. Developments in tyres, the next category and racing promotion are just a few. Relatively new laws on towing vehicles and speeds plus the new safety requirements are also developments for 1993 along with an already full calendar mean the interstate meetings may be just a bit further away this year. But more of that later.

In this magazine the full ruling on tyres has been published. In summary, 60% aspect road tyres are legal from 1st January, 1993 for all vehicles although 70% series are also permitted. No more R or S rated tyres are allowed from 1st January, 1994 giving the Mexicans a full 12 months to wear out their Dunlops. The changes are exactly what this Association sought and I would like to thank Paul Burchall for his assistance in introducing these much need changes.

On the same front a new category, 1965 to 1972 has been announced from the beginning of 1994 although this Association has not supported such a move at this stage. More discussion and correspondence is bound to flow and if you want a say come to the February meeting and put your view.

On the calendar front, an interstate Tri-state series is on again along with the very good Amaroo open series and Bathurst. Robert Ingram has put together a great calendar and the outline is at the back of the magazine.

I hope the new year is a great one and given the fast start I have already experienced I feel I will soon be welcoming 1994 before I'm even organised for 1993. It only feels like 1992 anyway!

Regards,
Tom Amos

PS. Membership renewal time is here again ... please fill

COMPETITION REPORT

by **THE DROVERS DOG**

(Robert Ingram)

1993 will be another good solid year of racing for Classic Touring Cars. The Calendar will be composed of the good old standby meetings, some special events and invitation meetings and the usual pie-in-the-sky "maybe's". All dates for events have been allocated and the calendar will be finalised by the next committee meeting. The only real point of discussion will be allocating the number of club meetings.

ARDC Series for Group N

The ARDC is again conducting the Group N series over the Touring Car round and two AMSCAR meetings. There will be trophies for outright placings at each round and end of year awards for first to third.

Bathurst

Entries are out for the support race at the Bathurst Easter 12 Hour Meeting. We are the only other category of cars besides the production cars. The rest of the program is made up of bikes. Despite the apparently steep entry fee of \$200 it represents great value:

- 2 x 20 minute practice sessions on Thursday
- 2 qualifying sessions on Friday
- 5 lap race Saturday at noon AND
- 6 lap race on Saturday afternoon
- PLUS a tent!

There appears to be a large contingent of Mexicans making the trip north, 2 sandgropers and a handful of banana benders.

Tri-State Series

We are again organising the Tri-State series to take in rounds at Phillip Island, Lakeside and Eastern Creek. Prizes have not yet been finalised but, hopefully, will be substantial - first, second and third at this stage.

The pointscore details are:

- 2 scratch races per round
- classes: 0-1300; 1301-1600; 1601-2000; 2001-2600; 2601-3000; 3001-4500, 4500+
- 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 points for each class. Must finish to score points
- 1 point for fastest lap
- 3 points for starting practice
- minimum number of cars per category is 4 - otherwise points will be 4, 3, 2, 1

COMPETITION REPORT continued

Phillip Island

Degenerates travelling south are: Amos, Ingram, Dubois, Wicks, Coote, Donaher, Heriot, Neal, Donnelly, Tweedie, etc.

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One Mr Tweedie (affectionately known as "Two Dicks" - I've seen him answer to it when shouted from the spectator enclosure behind the Amaroo pits - now THAT's fame!!!) also AKA Intercity Business Centre, has kindly agreed to sponsor the Amaroo Touring Car meeting for J's - BIG TA BOB.

Oran Park, Eastern Creek

Despite desperate negotiations, we will not be appearing in an open round at either Oran Park (touring cars or trucks) or Eastern Creek (other than Historic). There may be an "in" later in the year at E.C..

New Zealand

Hopefully, we will know by the end of February the feasibility of cars being invited to New Zealand Historic Races - in particular 13, 14 & 15 November 1993 at Manfield or Feb/March 1994.

At this stage the NZ MG Car Club will sponsor each car for \$500 and arrange significant discounts on airfare/sea transport plus accommodation.

Adelaide Grand Prix

We are making appropriate noises for Adelaide; WA's Bill Meeke is putting a professional package together - maybe this time, eh boys!

The full programme for 1993 will be in the next issue of 'Action Line'.

Robert Ingram

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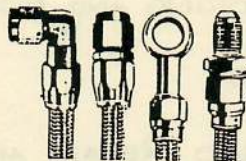
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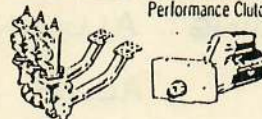
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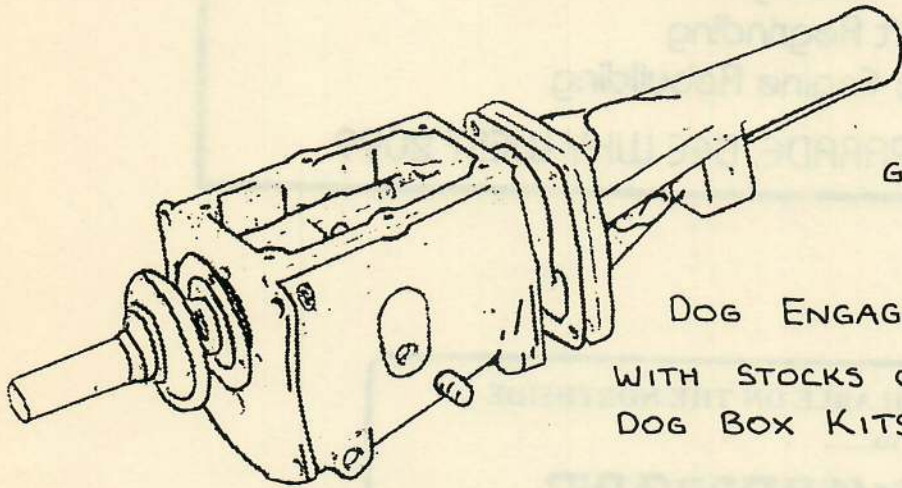
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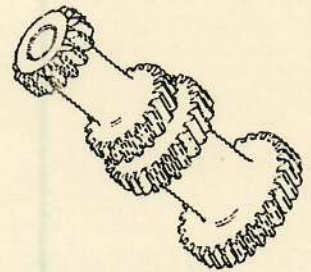
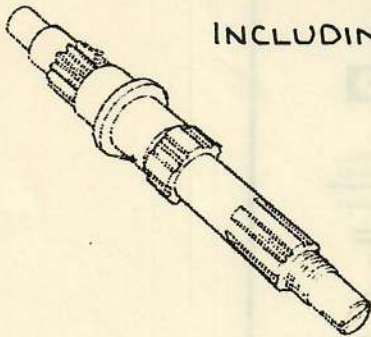
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BATHURST - EASTER

It is a PRE-REQUISITE for all intending NSW competitors that they enter the Touring Car Round at Amaroo Park on 27/28 February.

NSW entries for Bathurst are limited - only 45 starters in total and considerable entries are expected from interstate.

Ensure your acceptance at Bathurst: get a late entry to Amaroo NOW!

TROPHY REPORT

Hello everybody and Happy New Year.

ARDC Trophy Night

What a top night! The club was well represented and the following members received trophies: Rob Tweedie, Bob Pearson and Steve Butchart. Tom presented the ARDC with a "Thank You" plaque for the 1992 racing season during a top speech that went down very well. Thank you ARDC.

Club Picnic

Great day. Those who turned up must have had a great time. Thanks to Anne Bailey, Steve Turner and their team for putting on a great show. The "Tug of War Trophy" was won by the North Side team - and rightly so! Thank you to Alan Wicks for the KEG - don't remember much after that!

ARDC

Entries close for the Touring Car Round on 29/1/93 if you haven't entered, try to get a late entry. We have a good sponsor and lots of trophies. Please support the ARDC as they support us.

Bathurst EASTER

Entries are now out - closing 22/2/93. Top weekend of racing plus barbecue and heaps of trophies. Rob and Tom have gone to a lot of trouble to put this weekend together.

Regards,
Syd Grevett

INQUIRY INTO TOWING CARAVANS AND TRAILERS SAFELY

Reprinted from Boating Industry Association (BIA)
"Logbook" October 1992 Submitted by Ross Donnelly

STAYSAFE Parliament of NSW Joint Standing Committee on Road
Safety

Introduction

BIA made a major submission to this inquiry into the safety of trailers and the claims of some sections for a licence to tow. The report on the STAYSAFE Inquiry was released in August 1992. The following is the conclusion from the summary of the 102 page report printed for BIA members' information.

"Whilst the STAYSAFE recommendations represent a valuable inquiry into trailer safety they have a long road to travel before acceptance or rejection by the NSW Parliament.

It is a good result in that no additional licence to tow was introduced and STAYSAFE opted for an educational approach rather than a regulatory approach. In addition annual inspection of trailers was also rejected.

On the negative side STAYSAFE clearly rejected any change in "Mass Ratio Limits". They were very strong in their rejection and supported by NRMA and a number of manufacturers.

On the other hand the RTA in their submission as a result of Victoria's changed requirements indicated "that a national position will need to be developed on this issue", probably under the auspices of the National Roads Transport Commission. In this regard you should be aware that the National Road Transport Commission from 1 July 1992 has become responsible for registration requirements and standards. The maintenance of the standards will remain with the states.

It is clear if BIA wants to pursue a change in the mass ratio limits from 1:1 to 1:1.5 NSW Government and RTA must be convinced that this matter should be reviewed by the National Road Transport Commission.

The other issue that has been raised at BIA meetings is that of trailer width. This aspect was not canvassed in the STAYSAFE Report. I would imagine it would be a matter for the RTA and a comparison of National Standards."

(Ed:) For racers the bigger the better and all the same!

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**REPRINT OF CAMS BULLETIN
NO. B93/2**

**RE: TYRES PERMITTED IN
HISTORIC GROUP N DURING 1993**

Group N competitors are advised as follows, viz:

The tyre regulations as applied in 1992 will continue to apply through until 31 December 1993; refer to page 226 of the 1993 Manual of Motor Sport.

On 1 January 1994 new regulations will apply which will reduce the minimum permitted aspect ratio of tyres to 60%. At the same time tyres used in Group N will be restricted to "road based radial" tyres; it will no longer be permitted to use "r" and "s" type tyres such as Yokohama A-008R, Bridgestone RE-71S and the Dunlop Formula R series.

This restriction will be implemented by CAMS publishing a List of Acceptable Tyres for Historic Group N; this list will be updated as new tyres become available.

In order to facilitate the introduction of the 1994 regulations Group N competitors will be permitted during 1993 to use tyres conforming with either -

- A. The 1993 regulations as appear on page 226 of the Manual - ie the tyres which were permitted during 1992,
OR
- B. The regulations which will come into force on 1 January 1994, viz: Road based radial tyres of minimum aspect ratio of 60% as listed on the CAMS Approved List.

The Initial CAMS List of Approved Tyres for Historic Group N (1994) is attached.

The purpose in arranging 1993 as an interim period is, of course, to minimise waste of resources. Competitors presently equipped with tyres purchased during 1992, and which will not be acceptable after 31 December 1993, will have one year of racing from their tyres, while those competitors who find they need new tyres in, say, mid 1993, will be able to buy tyres to 1994 requirements, use them during 1993, and no further change is required on entering 1994.

19 January 1993
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LIST OF APPROVED TYRES FOR HISTORIC GROUP N (1994)
(ONLY TYRES OF ASPECT RATIO 60% OR GREATER ARE PERMITTED)

AVON	Turbosteel Turbosport Turbospeed		
BRIDGESTONE	219V RD339V RE88 S310-(10" only) S370	319V RE71	RD229V S330 S340 Supercat
DUNLOP	SP Sports D40 Le Mans D40M2 D60M2		
GOODRICH	Comp T/A	T/A, Comp	
GOODYEAR	NCT Vector Eagle VR	Grand Rally S Ducaro Eagle GA	
KLEBER	GTS C2T C40H	T1 C20H	C2 C50H
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MICHELIN	XVS XWX MX XZV XAS	MXV MXL MXX2 XDX XZX	
OHTSU	Falken FK		
PIRELLI	CN36 P700 P4 P700Z	P6 P5 P44 PZERO	P7 P8 P600
RIKEN	GR-06 GR-301	GR-14	GRT-16
SUMITOMO	HTR60H	HTR60V	
TOYO	600 600F7 718 Extra-steel 717 Tramplo C-2 4D	600C1 600F1 717	6004D 600F4
YOKOHAMA	AVS V151 AVS141 AVS161 Y352 GX501-(10" ONLY)	AVS V162 AVS142 AX321	AVS V153 AVS143 A008 SX703

ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

POSSIBLES for 1993 calendar. Confirmed events are marked with an asterisk (*).

JANUARY	30/31	*Amaroo Historic, HSRCA
FEBRUARY	2	General meeting
	8	Committee meeting
	27/28	*Amaroo Park, ARDC, ATCC
MARCH	2	General meeting
	6/7	*Phillip Island, Historic, VHRR, Round 1 Tri-State Series
	8	Committee meeting
	21	Amaroo Park, ARDC, Restricted
APRIL	6	General meeting
	8/9/10	*Bathurst
	12?	Committee meeting
	18	Oran Park, NSWRRRC
MAY	1/2	Eastern Creek, SSRA
	4	General meeting
	10	Committee meeting
	22	Oran Park (Day/Night), NSWRRRC
	23	Amaroo Park, ARDC, Restricted
JUNE	1	General meeting
	7	Committee meeting
	19/20	*Amaroo Park, Open, AMSCAR

CALENDAR cont'd

POSSIBLES for 1993 calendar. Confirmed events marked *.

JULY	6	General meeting
	10/11	*Lakeside All Historic, HRCC, Round 2 Tri-State Series
	11	Amaroo Park, ARDC, Restricted
	12	Committee meeting
	17/18	Eastern Creek, HQ's
	18	Oran Park, NSWRRRC
	24/25	*Amaroo Open
AUGUST	1	Amaroo Park, AMSCAR
	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	Skywest Cup, Western Australia (also includes "Around the Houses on 9/10 October)
	5	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
	11	Committee meeting
	16/17	Alfa Club 6 Hour Relay Race
	17	Oran Park, NSWRRRC
NOVEMBER	2	General meeting
	6/7	AGP, Adelaide
	8	Committee meeting
	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, NSWRRRC
	13	Committee meeting

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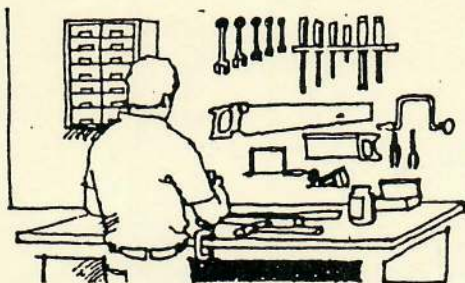
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