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Mike Dyer

Max Stahl

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with regret that I must announce the resignation of Syd Grevett from the position of Competition Director. Syd will continue to organise the trophies and pointscore. The committee is now looking for someone to fill the Competition seat. If you would like to give input into the club and see how the committee works this is a perfect opportunity for someone to take a job on the committee that will entail very little work as the calendar is now fully organised for the '94 year.

The committee got together in January to formulate the '94 calendar which is printed towards the rear of the magazine and we believe we have put together the best spread of events for years. Points events total 13 (not unlucky we hope!) with the usual addition of Interstate, Historic and extra clubbies for those who wish to participate. The reason for excluding day/nighters are now twofold with noise restrictions and winter placement making them less attractive than in the past.

You will also note the increase in Eastern Creek events with Eastern Creek Raceway running more events as a promoter and with NSWRRRC and Street Sedan Association now including these on their calendars as well. An Oran Park Truck Meet is also included this year with an Oran Park Grand Prix Clubbie in August. ARDC is again running the Appendix J Series, kicking off a the touring car round followed by the AMSCAR series.

Bathurst at Easter is definitely not on and October is not looking good, but we are still trying. Adelaide is still on, so if you would like to go, those consistently participating at pointscore events get first offer. Those with intentions of going should talk to Tom Amos.

With the first few meetings of the year now run, I believe the tyres were a great success and definitely increased the competitiveness of the field with most cars within a second of best times.

To round off the year, we intend holding the presentation night again in late October and the children's Christmas party in early December. Dates for these are as yet unconfirmed, so if they do not suit, speak up now so organisation can be arranged.

That's '94 and with the tyre rule now in and no hope of any change the argument for this year is "SHOULD WE BAN DIFFS FOR CLUBBIES IN 1995?". Comments please!!!

As the debates continue....

"The Adjudicator"

Chris Dubois

EDITORIAL

This magazine covers a number of topical issues as usual that have arisen in the Appendix J world but none has more heat than that of the current tyre saga. For those who have missed what has gone on over the last few years, I should quickly recap.

Firstly, after a number of years of discussion that started first in Victoria, it was proposed by CAMS that a return to a road based tyre formula was to occur from January 1993. Again the Trades Hall state successfully introduced a delay at the last minute and an exemption of 12 months was granted by CAMS with the introduction to occur from January 1994. The reason was stated that a number of competitors still had the old tyres and a 12 month period would be sufficient to allow all to wear out their stocks. Fair enough but some people 12 months later still claim that they have been not given enough notice, they are dangerous, its all too expensive, we definitely had R tyres in the day, I'll go slower and so on and on.

The fact is that some minor relativities may change between cars on some circuits; changes more towards the way it was in the day rather than the processional way it has become ... and that can't be such a bad thing when you consider the whole category. But I forgot that not all actually think of the category, rather some just think of how they will go in it. Racing of historic touring cars is a privilege, a real personal buzz, that if it is to continue on unabated, the category requires careful planning and promotion so that it is self perpetuating for those who may wish to come after.

The only way this can occur is to continue to make the sport more attractive, exciting and appealing for new racers, promoters and spectators alike. It would be by pure chance that any personal interest motives or views could lead to a better outcome for the category than a planned approach to change and in this situation I feel this is clearly seen by the vast majority.

The new formula is here and it appears to me it is now in the interest of all the Associations that we should at least try to see if the tyres will be an overall better package rather than have continued bickering about something that was actually decided some years ago. Of course not everyone is fortunate and has the luxury of a level view so we can only hope.

Onto other subjects: the full calendar, as best we have it is set out in the rear of the magazine and I would draw your attention to the pointscore events that are marked with an '*' so they are easily identified. I believe a new point score will be introduced for some rounds ... more later.

Regards
Tom Amos

RESULTS

**6 November 1993, Foster's 1993 Australian Grand Prix,
Historic Touring Car Challenge, Sponsored by FORTRON**

Class results:

0-1300cc		1301-1600cc	
H Draper	Vic	T Amos	NSW
F Dartell	NSW	P Trevethan	Vic
T Brewster	Vic	P Burchell	SA
B Asher	NSW	C Ralph	Vic
J Runciman	WA	B Cracknell	Vic
		P Heriot	NSW
1601-2000		2001-2600cc	
E Martinez	Vic	E Dobbs	Vic
2601-3000cc		4000cc & over	
R Bailey	NSW	R Tweedie	NSW
S Grevett	NSW	J Mann	Vic
I Sharp	WA	B Meeke	WA
3001-4000cc		A Heath	NSW
C Tilley	NSW	T Leo	Vic
		A McDowell	Vic
POLE		BAD LUCK	
R TWEEDIE	NSW	C TILLEY	NSW
BEST CAR		WOODEN SPOON	
P BURCHELL	SA	E DOBBS	Vic

Excerpts from minutes of the General Meeting Dec 1993

Meeting opened 8.30pm

President's Report:

- Oran Park was enjoyed by all those who attended. The day went off very smoothly.

General Business:

- Copy of letter from P Burchall to Historic Car Committee confirming tyre regulations as outlined in January 1993 will go ahead for 1994, ie No 'R' tyres. As per SA/SB Tyre List or period race tyres, eg Blue Streaks.
- Tom outlined formative Group NC regulations.
- Motion moved to increase membership from \$35 to \$40 pa by Tom Amos, seconded by Mark Edwards; carried.
- Motion by Syd Grevett "That 'R' Type Tyres for Group 'n'; cars be retained as per the 1993 CAMS Manual for 1994 and beyond." Seconded Brad Tilley, Seconded Cameron Tilley. Motion was unable to be accepted under point of order. It would first be necessary to review the resolution voted on and accepted by club members previously in regard to this issue.

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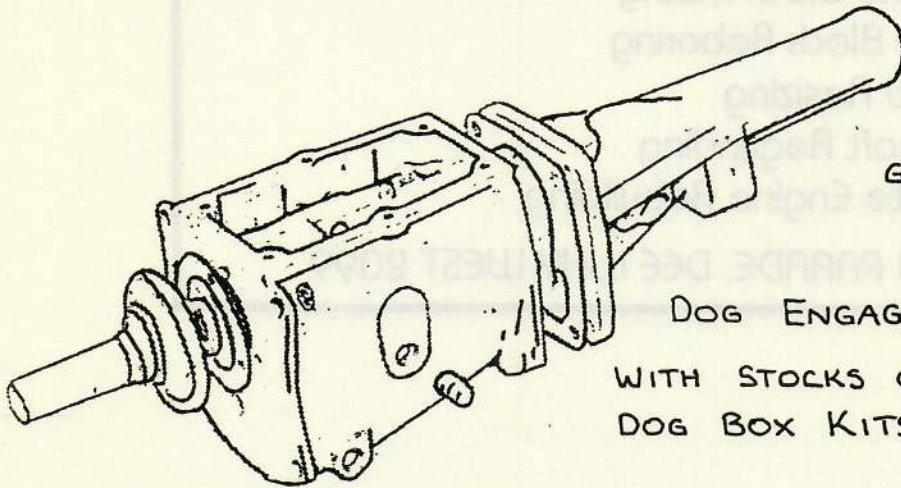
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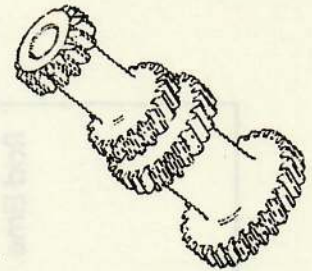
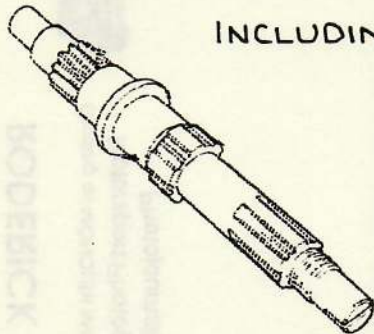
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23 January 1994, 1994 Winfield Triple Challenge - Eastern Creek

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Event		(Trophy race)	
Prelim Trophy		Fastest time	
DNF	1	Alan Heath	Ford Mustang 1'59.20
1	2	Steve Williams	EH Holden 2'00.78
3	3	Robert Asher	Morris Cooper S 2'00.40
4	4	Dave Beveridge	Morris Cooper S 2'01.13
5	5	David Stone	Ford Cortina 2'02.29
6	6	Lionel Walker	Jaguar 2'02.28
7	7	Peter Heriot	Alfa Romeo 2'03.01
11	8	Garry Smart	Ford GT Cortina 2'05.08
9	9	Barrie Brown	Mini Cooper S 2'04.91
8	10	Chris Dubois	FGord Anglia 2'04.93
10	11	Duane Corner	Ford Cortina GT 2'04.96
DNS	12	Alan Barrow	Holden FJ 2'10.11
12	13	Allan Wick	Ford Cortina 2'10.02
DNS	14	Ron Goultman	Fiat 2'22.74
2	DNF	Trevor Hutchins	Holden EH 2'06.04
13	DNF	Mark Curry	Morris Cooper S 2'20.49
DNF	DNS	Derek Smith	Morris Cooper S
DNF	DNS	Mathew Lisle	Ford Cortina
DNF	DNS	Frank Dartell	Morris Cooper S
DNF	DNS	Ross Muller	Ford Mustang

RESULTS

29-30 January 1994, Castrol Classic - Amaroo Park,

Event		(Trophy race)	
Prelim Trophy		Fastest time	
1	1	Bob Asher	64 Morris Cooper1\$01.73
3	2	Steve Williams	64 EH Holden 1'01.76
4	3	Tom Amos	64 Isuzu Belletti1'02.22
2	4	Dave Beveridge	64 Morris Cooper1\$02.19
5	5	Peter Heriot	64 Alfa Giulia TI'03.69
6	6	Chris Dubois	64 Ford Anglia Super04.91
10	7	Duane Corner	63 Ford Cortina GT05.60
12	8	Stephen Clifton	64 Morris Cooper1\$05.85
8	9	Mark Edwards	63 Cortina GT 1'05.75
13	10	Fred Burley	64 Morris Cooper1\$04.54
DNF	11	Ian Robertson (Vic)	64 Cortina GT 1'05.42
DNS	12	Greg Neal	64 Lotus Cortina1'05.16
11	13	Michael St. John Cox	60 Jaguar Mk II 1'07.45
17	14	Lynn Cowan	63 Morris Cooper1\$10.64
19	15	John Tight	64 Ford Zephyr Mk1III.37
14	DNF	Robert Loesch	61 Jaguar Mk II 1'06.75
9	DNF	Chris Haigh	58 Jaguar Mk I 1'07.18
7	DNF	Lionel Walker	60 Jaguar Mk II 1'05.19
15	DNS	Lyndal Coote	64 Ford Cortina GT
16	DNS	Bill Callan	64 Vauxhall Velox
18	DNS	Mark Curry	64 Morris Cooper S
DNF	DNS	Allan Wick	63 Ford Cortina GT
DNF	DNS	David Stone	64 Ford Cortina

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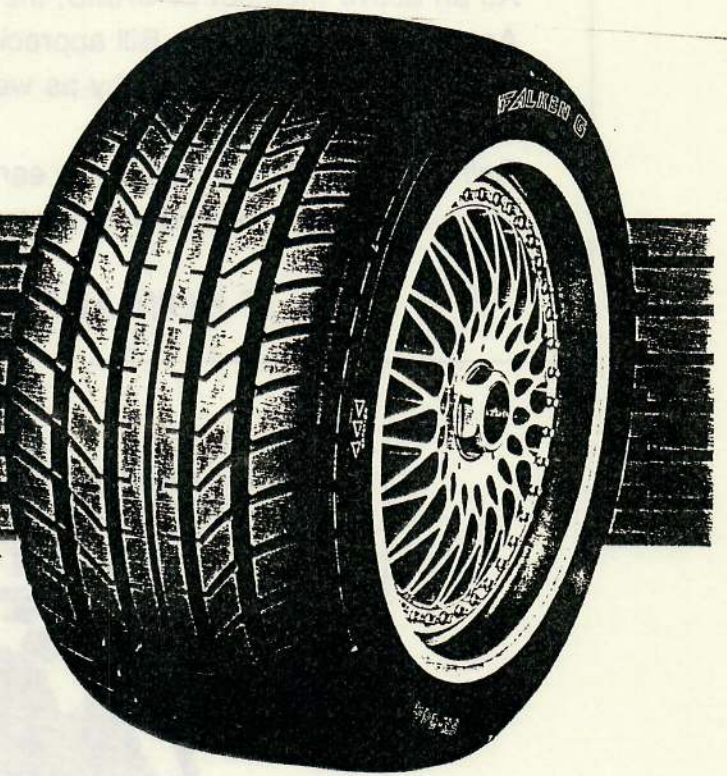
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STEWARDS OF THE MEETING AND CLERKS OF COURSE

SUBJECT: BLACK FLAG

Dated 14 January 1994, file no: A27/2, Doc No: TTS:gc-141

It was reported at a recent meeting of the Motor Racing Executive that there has been instances of drivers ignoring the Black Flag and no subsequent action being taken.

The Committee discussed a reported increase in drivers not seeing the Black Flag, however Steward's reports have not included such findings resulting in any enquiry being held.

I have no doubt that the Clerks of Course and Stewards are well aware of Appendix H and the requirements of flag signals generally.

They are also aware of the consequences of failure to meet the requirements of the rules.

Nevertheless it seems that attention of all Clerks of Course and Stewards should be drawn to the requirement of Appendix H generally, and to Section 3E in particular.

I would expect that an enquiry will always be held if a driver is reported as taking more than one lap to pit, having been shown the Black Flag. Clerks of Course are expected to make an appropriate charge where a significant number of laps under the black flag occurs.

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FEBRUARY	26/27	Amaroo Touring Car Round
MARCH	1 7 12/13 20	General Meeting Committee Meeting Castrol Classic, Phillip Island ARDC Amaroo Restricted
APRIL	5 11 16/17	General Meeting Committee Meeting Eastern Creek Open, Sports Sedan Ch'ship
MAY	3 8 21/22 28/29	General Meeting Committee Meeting Amaroo AMSCAR Winton Historic
JUNE	7 11/12 20 26	General Meeting Oran Park Truck Meeting Committee Meeting Oran Park Restricted NSWRRRC
JULY	5 9/10 11 31	General Meeting Lakeside Historic Committee Meeting Amaroo Restricted ARDC
AUGUST	2 8 13/14 20/21	General Meeting Committee Meeting Oran Park Grand Prix SSA Amaroo AMSCAR
SEPTEMBER	6 12 10/11	General Meeting Committee Meeting Historic, Eastern Creek
OCTOBER	1 4 10 15/16	Tooheys 1000, Bathurst Annual General Meeting Committee Meeting Eastern Creek NSWRRRC, Vee Nationals
NOVEMBER	11/13	*AGP, Adelaide