

# Historic Touring Car Association – HSRCA Summer Festival

### 24-26 November 2023

### Sydney Motorsport Park

The HSRCA Summer Festival event was held at the Gardner circuit of Sydney Motorsport Park. Organising and competing for Group N was again done as one Historic Touring Cars group. Steve Shepard gave his time and expertise to commentating the event. Bruce Richards (QLD) attended as an official on Saturday.

### Entry field

The entry field comprised thirty one cars in total - eighteen Group Nb cars, and thirteen Group Nc cars.

Andrew Miedecke campaigned an invited Volvo 122S.

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Driver name	Vehicle	Group
Bergan, Andrew	Morris Cooper S	Group Nb
Bland, Quentin	Ford Capri	Group Nc
Burke, John	Valiant Charger RT	Group Nc
Colton, Anthony	Ford MK1 Lotus Cortina	Group Nb
Dubois, Christopher	Ford Escort	Group Nc
Eggleston, Brett	Morris Cooper S	Group Nb
Ferguson, Peter	Ford Lotus Cortina	Group Nb
Gray, David	Morris Mini Cooper S	Group Nb
Harmer, Vincent	Volvo 164E	Group Nc
John, Adam	Ford Capri	Group Nc
Lenstra, Jerry	Ford Mk1 Cortina GT	Group Nb
Mariotto, Loris	Volvo 122S	Group Nb
Meier, Francis	Morris Cooper S	Group Nb
Miedecke, Andrew	Volvo 122S	Group Nb
Muller, Ross	Hillman Hunter	Group Nc
Noakes, David	Ford Escort RS1600	Group Nc
Page, Stephen	BMW 2002 ti	Group Nc
Pitman, Stephen	Holden EH	Group Nb
Roberts, David	Morris Cooper S	Group Nb
Russell, Graham	Morris Cooper S Mark 2	Group Nc
Shearn, Kim	Ford Cortina	Group Nb
Tilley, Jamie	Ford Mustang	Group Nc
Toepfer, Gregory	Ford Mustang	Group Nb
Tweedie, Thomas	Morris Cooper S	Group Nb
Wheatley, David	Morris Cooper S	Group Nb
Woolhouse, Graeme	Ford Mustang	Group Nb
Zochling, Hubert	Holden Torana GTR XU-1	Group Nc







## Qualifying

Qualifying commenced on Saturday at 10:16 am. Twenty seven cars made qualifying. The weather was fine, but the track was wet, with some dry lines. Chris Dubois had encountered some fiery problems during preparation of his car and it was a credit to his massive overnight efforts to see his Ford Escort at the event.

Jamie Tilley got the best time, while the smaller cars showed that they meant business – perhaps the weather was to their suiting.

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Pos	Car	Driver First name	Driver last name	State	Competitor/Team	Vehicle	Сар	CL	Laps	Fastest Lap	Gap
1	9	Jamie	Tilley	(NSW)	Jamie Tilley	1969 Ford Mustang	5853	NCF	5	5	1:55.7563*
2	19	Tom	Tweedie	(NSW)	Tom Tweedie	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	5	5	01:56.669
3	12	Andrew	Bergan	(NSW)	Andrew Bergan	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	5	5	01:57.368
4	93	John	Burke	(NSW)	John Burke	1972 Valiant Charger	4400	NCF	5	5	01:57.752
5	86	Graeme	Woolhouse	(WA)	Graeme Woolhouse	1965 Ford Mustang	4727	NBH	5	5	01:59.133
6	27	David	Noakes Jnr	(NSW)	David Noakes Jnr	1972 Ford Escort RS 1600	1600	NCC	5	5	01:59.898
7	33	Quentin	Bland	(NSW)	Quentin Bland	1971 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	5	5	02:00.204
8	88	Greg	Toepfer	(NSW)	Greg Toepfer	1964 Ford Mustang	4799	NBH	2	2	02:00.396
9	5	Anthony	Colton	(NSW)	Anthony Colton	1963 Ford Cortina Mk1	1598	NBC	5	5	02:01.786
10	73	Hugh	Zochling	(NSW)	Hugh Zochling	Holden Torana GTR XU1	3300	NCE	5	5	02:02.541
11	37	Peter	Ferguson	(NSW)	Peter Ferguson	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1596	NBC	4	4	02:03.184
12	51	Brett	Eggleston	(NSW)	Brett Eggleston	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1295	NBB	5	5	02:03.386
13	188	Francis	Meier	(NSW)	Francis Meier	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1310	NBB	5	5	02:04.553
14	54	Stephen	Page	(NSW)	Stephen Page	1972 BMW 2002 ti	2002	NCC	5	5	02:06.225
15	20	David	Roberts	(NSW)	David Roberts	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1275	NBB	5	5	02:06.590
16	61	David	Wheatley	(NSW)	David Wheatley	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	4	4	02:07.195
17	84	Graham	Russell	(NSW)	Graham Russell	1970 Morris Mini Cooper S	1300	NCB	2	1	02:07.978
18	95	Adam	John	(NSW)	Adam John	1972 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	5	5	02:08.858
19	41	Jerry	Lenstra	(NSW)	Jerry Lenstra	1964 Cortina GT	1550	NBC	4	4	02:10.780
20	122	Loris	Mariotto	(NSW)	Loris Mariotto	1964 Volvo 122S	1998	NBD	4	4	02:12.690
21	8	Kim	Shearn	(VIC)	Kim Shearn	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1598	NBC	5	5	02:15.665
22	181	David	Gray	(NSW)	David Gray	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1299	NBB	4	4	02:18.526
23	22	Andrew	Miedecke	(NSW)	Andrew Miedecke	1967 Volvo 122S	1860	NBD	3	1	02:18.629
24	16	Ross	Muller	(NSW)	Ross Muller	1971 Hillman Hunter	1725	NCC	1	1	02:18.697
25	58	Steve	Pitman	(NSW)	Steve Pitman	1964 Holden EH	2965	NBF	4	4	02:20.466
26	39	Chris	Dubois	(NSW)	Chris Dubois	1971 Ford Escort 1300	1298	NCB	4	1	02:20.702
27	44	Vince	Harmer	(ACT)	Vince Harmer	1972 Volvo 164E	2998	NCD	2	1	02:27.316







The race got underway at 2:03 pm on Saturday. It was a drying track for the competitors after morning showers, with all cars now competing on dry weather tyres.

John Burke had engine complications and did not compete, as was the case with Steve Pitman, who lost oil pressure in his new motor. Adam John had fuel issues and also did not line up for this race, while Vince Harmer went looking for the right tyres – no wets was a problem for him.

Stephen Page and Hugh Zochling were still getting used to their clutches causing both to stall at the start and not get underway. Hugh slowly got going, but Stepehen flooded leading to a red flag until he was towed off the starting grid.

At the restart Chris Dubois had to start from pit lane after the car refused to start in pit lane for the 2nd formation lap.

There was a coming-together between Andrew Bergan and Tom Tweedie, and conversations were then held with Stewards.

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		name										
1	9	Jamie	Tilley	(NSW)	Jamie Tilley	1969 Ford Mustang	5853	NCF	4	07:29.757	3	1:50.2330*
2	86	Graeme	Woolhouse	(WA)	Graeme Woolhouse	1965 Ford Mustang	4727	NBH	4	07:39.977	4	01:51.990
3	12	Andrew	Bergan	(NSW)	Andrew Bergan	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	4	07:40.192	2	01:52.651
4	19	Tom	Tweedie	(NSW)	Tom Tweedie	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	4	07:40.369	2	01:52.677
5	27	David	Noakes Jnr	(NSW)	David Noakes Jnr	1972 Ford Escort RS 1600	1600	NCC	4	07:42.296	4	01:52.428
6	88	Greg	Toepfer	(NSW)	Greg Toepfer	1964 Ford Mustang	4799	NBH	4	07:44.492	3	01:53.021
7	33	Quentin	Bland	(NSW)	Quentin Bland	1971 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	4	07:44.990	4	01:52.909
8	5	Anthony	Colton	(NSW)	Anthony Colton	1963 Ford Cortina Mk1	1598	NBC	4	08:01.073	2	01:57.428
9	188	Francis	Meier	(NSW)	Francis Meier	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1310	NBB	4	08:08.208	2	01:58.913
10	37	Peter	Ferguson	(NSW)	Peter Ferguson	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1596	NBC	4	08:10.597	2	01:58.235
11	61	David	Wheatley	(NSW)	David Wheatley	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	4	08:11.251	2	01:59.119
12	51	Brett	Eggleston	(NSW)	Brett Eggleston	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1295	NBB	4	08:14.712	3	01:56.257
13	20	David	Roberts	(NSW)	David Roberts	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1275	NBB	4	08:24.290	4	02:02.678
14	8	Kim	Shearn	(VIC)	Kim Shearn	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1598	NBC	4	08:24.573	3	02:02.165
15	39	Chris	Dubois	(NSW)	Chris Dubois	1971 Ford Escort 1300	1298	NCB	4	08:30.765	3	02:01.253
16	73	Hugh	Zochling	(NSW)	Hugh Zochling	Holden Torana GTR XU1	3300	NCE	4	08:32.374	4	01:59.492
17	122	Loris	Mariotto	(NSW)	Loris Mariotto	1964 Volvo 122S	1998	NBD	4	08:33.217	4	02:03.335
18	181	David	Gray	(NSW)	David Gray	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1299	NBB	4	08:42.975	3	02:04.719
DNF	22	Andrew	Miedecke	(NSW)	Andrew Miedecke	1967 Volvo 122S	1860	NBD	3	06:58.371	2	02:10.165
DNF	54	Stephen	Page	(NSW)	Stephen Page	1972 BMW 2002 ti	2002	NCC				
DNS	84	Graham	Russell	(NSW)	Graham Russell	1970 Morris Mini Cooper S	1300	NCB				
DNS	41	Jerry	Lenstra	(NSW)	Jerry Lenstra	1964 Cortina GT	1550	NBC				







Race 2 (4:29 pm on Saturday) was the was the trophy race and it went for five laps. Again, everyone had left tyre choice to the last minute. But wets were needed. The field was met with steady rain throughout the race. Visibility was poor but the racing was close and competitive right throughout the field and without damage or stoppages - a credit to all drivers.

There was a fantastic mid field 8 car battle between the Lotus's of Ferguson and Shearn from Vic, the Escort of Dubois, the Minis of Wheatley, Meier and Gray and the Volvo of Mariotto. Those cars combined with the Page BMW coming from the rear and unable to find a safe way through. This went side by side two by two for a number of laps until the power of the Ferguson Lotus saw him break away and the pack putting a little distance on the Volvo. Stephen Page slowly fought his way through, leaving the Minis, Escort and remaining Lotus to continue their battle. However, the Meier Mini expired down the main straight causing Dubois and Wheatley to take evasive action to avoid the Mini which was lost in the spray and smoke. Thank goodness for rain lights.

David Grey, Jerry Lenstra and Francis Meier (engine failure on the main straight) failed to finish.

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1	9	Jamie	Tilley	(NSW)	Jamie Tilley	1969 Ford Mustang	5853	NCF	5	10:15.167	2	1:58.3409*
2	12	Andrew	Bergan	(NSW)	Andrew Bergan	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	5	10:38.182	2	02:04.230
3	19	Tom	Tweedie	(NSW)	Tom Tweedie	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	5	10:54.609	3	02:09.127
4	27	David	Noakes Jnr	(NSW)	David Noakes Jnr	1972 Ford Escort RS	1600	NCC	5	10:59.073	5	02:06.945
5	33	Quentin	Bland	(NSW)	Quentin Bland	1971 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	5	11:03.158	5	02:08.571
6	5	Anthony	Colton	(NSW)	Anthony Colton	1963 Ford Cortina Mk1	1598	NBC	5	11:09.247	5	02:10.120
7	88	Greg	Toepfer	(NSW)	Greg Toepfer	1964 Ford Mustang	4799	NBH	5	11:11.858	4	02:12.028
8	86	Graeme	Woolhouse	(WA)	Graeme Woolhouse	1965 Ford Mustang	4727	NBH	5	11:14.268	2	02:12.295
9	73	Hugh	Zochling	(NSW)	Hugh Zochling	Holden Torana GTR XU1	3300	NCE	5	11:16.145	3	02:11.522
10	54	Stephen	Page	(NSW)	Stephen Page	1972 BMW 2002 ti	2002	NCC	5	11:17.303	3	02:08.737
11	37	Peter	Ferguson	(NSW)	Peter Ferguson	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1596	NBC	5	11:29.204	4	02:15.149
12	39	Chris	Dubois	(NSW)	Chris Dubois	1971 Ford Escort 1300	1298	NCB	5	11:45.183	4	02:17.927
13	61	David	Wheatley	(NSW)	David Wheatley	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	5	11:46.782	2	02:17.603
14	22	Andrew	Miedecke	(NSW)	Andrew Miedecke	1967 Volvo 122S	1860	NBD	5	12:23.654	2	02:24.292
15	8	Kim	Shearn	(VIC)	Kim Shearn	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1598	NBC	5	13:10.411	2	02:28.031
16	122	Loris	Mariotto	(NSW)	Loris Mariotto	1964 Volvo 122S	1998	NBD	4	10:18.215	3	02:28.433
DNF	188	Francis	Meier	(NSW)	Francis Meier	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1310	NBB	4	09:29.627	3	02:18.254
DNF	41	Jerry	Lenstra	(NSW)	Jerry Lenstra	1964 Cortina GT	1550	NBC	4	10:04.375	4	02:25.775
DNF	181	David	Gray	(NSW)	David Gray	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1299	NBB	3	07:42.620	2	02:29.710







For the third race for Group N, held at 11:40am on Sunday, nineteen competitors lined up. It was hot and humid and the race track was dry.

The Mid field battle was on again, this time the Lotus's were held up by the Woolhouse Mustang with a gearbox issue, allowing the Escort and Minis to keep with them. The Page BMW again starting from the rear with clutch issues again had to fight to get through, as well as Adam John in his Capri after finally fixing his fuel issues.

On lap 4 at corner 1, there was an incident when contact occurred between the lead car, Andrew Bergan, and the Mini Cooper S of Tom Tweedie. The Race was red-flagged. The Bergan vehicle hit the concrete wall, launched into the air and rolled numerous times. Andrew Bergan was taken to hospital with at least a broken collarbone. It was a time of high emotion, with the Bergan family in particular.

Steve Page had electrical gremlins just as he got through the mid field battle.

Peter Ferguson (1964 Ford Lotus Cortina) was a bit too keen at the start and as a result received a 5 second penalty.

The finishing result was Jamie Tilley securing first place, while Quentin Bland (1971 Ford Capri) secured second place and David Noakes Jnr (1972 Ford Escort RS1600) came in third. Hugh Zochling (Holden Torana GTR XU1) continued his gradual season's improvement towards the front, securing seventh spot in this race.

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1	9	Jamie	Tilley	Jamie Tilley	(NSW)	1969 Ford Mustang	5853	NCF	4	07:22.133	2	1:46.2854*	
2	33	Quentin	Bland	Quentin Bland	(NSW)	1971 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	4	07:35.675	4	01:51.578	
3	27	David	Noakes Jnr	David Noakes Jnr	(NSW)	1972 Ford Escort RS	1600	NCC	4	07:37.160	2	01:52.336	
4	12	Andrew	Bergan	Andrew Bergan	(NSW)	1963 Morris Cooper S	1293	NBB	4	07:41.566	2	01:53.316	
5	19	Tom	Tweedie	Tom Tweedie	(NSW)	1963 Morris Cooper S	1293	NBB	4	07:41.666	4	01:52.904	
6	88	Greg	Toepfer	Greg Toepfer	(NSW)	1964 Ford Mustang	4799	NBH	4	07:48.004	2	01:54.345	
7	73	Hugh	Zochling	Hugh Zochling	(NSW)	1972 Holden Torana GTR XU1	3300	NCE	4	07:59.910	2	01:56.434	
8	5	Anthony	Colton	Anthony Colton	(NSW)	1963 Ford Cortina Mk1	1598	NBC	4	08:03.427	4	01:58.145	
9	95	Adam	John	Adam John	(NSW)	1972 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	4	08:11.612	4	01:57.311	
10	8	Kim	Shearn	Kim Shearn	(VIC)	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1598	NBC	4	08:19.419	4	01:59.407	
11	39	Chris	Dubois	Chris Dubois	(NSW)	1971 Ford Escort 13000	1298	NCB	4	08:19.781	4	02:00.466	
12	61	David	Wheatley	David Wheatley	(NSW)	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	4	08:20.317	4	01:59.746	
13	37	Peter	Ferguson	Peter Ferguson	(NSW)	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1596	NBC	4	08:21.151	3	01:59.813	
14	181	David	Gray	David Gray	(NSW)	1963 Morris Cooper S	1299	NBB	4	08:22.003	4	02:00.558	
15	41	Jerry	Lenstra	Jerry Lenstra	(NSW)	1964 Cortina GT	1550	NBC	4	08:25.907	2	02:01.954	
16	122	Loris	Mariotto	Loris Mariotto	(NSW)	1964 Volvo 122S	1998	NBD	4	08:29.075	4	02:02.859	
17	22	Andrew	Miedecke	Andrew Miedecke	(NSW)	1967 Volvo 122S	1860	NBD	4	08:44.728	2	02:08.014	
DNF	54	Stephen	Page	Stephen Page	(NSW)	1972 BMW 2002 ti	2002	NCC	3	06:34.228	2	02:00.113	
DNF	86	Graeme	Woolhouse	Graeme Woolhouse	(WA)	1965 Ford Mustang	4727	NBH					







For the third race for Group N, held at 3:06pm on Sunday, the rate of attrition continued to show, with fifteen competitors starting this final race. It was hot and humid and the race track was dry.

The finishing result was just about a carbon copy of race 3 - Jamie Tilley in first place, Quentin Bland (1971 Ford Capri) second place and David Noakes Jnr (1972 Ford Escort RS1600) third place. Hugh Zochling (Holden Torana GTR XU1) came home in fifth place.

Chris Dubois broke a rotor button in his Ford Escort 1300 on the first lap.

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1	9	Jamie	Tilley	Jamie Tilley	(NSW)	1969 Ford Mustang	5853	NCF	6	11:21.641	2	1:46.5822*
2	33	Quentin	Bland	Quentin Bland	(NSW)	1971 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	6	11:25.686	2	01:52.352
3	27	David	Noakes Jnr	David Noakes Jnr	(NSW)	1972 Ford Escort RS	1600	NCC	6	11:29.979	4	01:53.306
4	19	Tom	Tweedie	Tom Tweedie	(NSW)	1963 Morris Cooper S	1293	NBB	6	11:33.671	5	01:53.572
5	73	Hugh	Zochling	Hugh Zochling	(NSW)	1972 Holden Torana GTR XU1	3300	NCE	6	11:52.628	4	01:57.226
6	95	Adam	John	Adam John	(NSW)	1972 Ford Capri	2994	NCD	6	11:53.425	6	01:56.505
7	5	Anthony	Colton	Anthony Colton	(NSW)	1963 Ford Cortina Mk1	1598	NBC	6	11:58.561	3	01:57.597
8	37	Peter	Ferguson	Peter Ferguson	(NSW)	1964 Ford Lotus Cortina	1596	NBC	6	12:09.325	4	01:58.483
9	54	Stephen	Page	Stephen Page	(NSW)	1972 BMW 2002 ti	2002	NCC	6	12:10.060	5	01:58.413
10	8	Kim	Shearn	Kim Shearn	(VIC)	1964 Ford Lotus Cort	1598	NBC	6	12:13.954	6	01:59.838
11	181	David	Gray	David Gray	(NSW)	1963 Morris Mini Cooper S	1299	NBB	6	12:14.821	6	01:59.160
12	61	David	Wheatley	David Wheatley	(NSW)	1964 Morris Mini Cooper S	1293	NBB	6	12:39.443	4	02:04.369
13	122	Loris	Mariotto	Loris Mariotto	(NSW)	1964 Volvo 122S	1998	NBD	6	12:52.841	3	02:05.365
DNF	22	Andrew	Miedecke	Andrew Miedecke	(NSW)	1967 Volvo 122S	1860	NBD	3	06:44.158	2	02:07.021
DNF	39	Chris	Dubois	Chris Dubois	(NSW)	1971 Ford Escort 1300	1298	NCB				







The presentation of trophies was cancelled as a mark of respect for Andrew Bergan and his family and supporters. Trophies were provided directly to the winners, (in the case of Andrew Bergan, the trophy will be delivered to him by Brad Tilley at a later date. Brad Tilley and Candice Travica have both had interesting times in recent weeks, coming to terms with Brad's injury he sustained recently at Bathurst and their presence at this race event was very well received. While they were obviously supporting Jamie Tilley, they also displayed their genuine interest in Group N racing in NSW. It was also a good time for all of us to see that Brad is on the road to good health.

### The respective trophy winners were:

1st place – under 2 litre Andrew Bergan
2nd place - under 2 litre Tom Tweedie
3rd place - under 2 litre David Noakes

1st place – over 2 litre

2nd place - over 2 litre

3rd place - over 2 litre

Greg Toepfer

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Photos are here.

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