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Newsletter - August 2009

General Meetings - 19 August

As usual, our next meeting will be held at the Deniston Sporting Club - 59 Chatham Road, West Ryde. Formalities start at 8:00pm but feel free to join us earlier for dinner and/or a drink.

President's Message

Two of our members have suffered misfortune recently.

Peter Cohen blacked out on the dummy grid at the recent Morgan Park meeting. He is now well on the way to recovery, complete with stent and pacemaker. With the blood now circulating properly, he'll probably be a second a lap quicker! It is interesting to note that while people were involved in the minor activities of restarting his heart and arranging for his transfer to hospital, a CAMS official was busy confiscating his competition licence. Glad someone had their priorities right. Peter is staying in Queensland with friends for the short term.

Ross Hodgson was involved in an accident while training for a major cycle race. An errant motorist "popped" in front of him and then proceeded to turn right. Ross was thrown over the car and suffered contusions to collarbone, arm and leg. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Bruce Richardson - HSRCA President

Club Plate Run (and Lunch) 2009

Note to all those members who have booked in with me and paid their money for the upcoming Club Plate Run and lunch on Sunday August 16: We have close to 70 people coming in some really tasty machines and it will be a terrific day. We will see you at either the Camden or Mittagong meeting points, as nominated by you, at the allotted times. Any questions, please call me on 0418 686 340.

Note to all those members who have not booked in for this event: **Please do not just turn up on the day as there will be no lunch for you!**

Seriously, if you decide that you cannot miss this extravaganza please call me now as I will be providing final numbers to the venue in the next few days.

Roll on August 16 - it will be HUGE!

Rick Marks - Club Plate Registrar

Rob Hibberd (1967-2009)

With sadness we report that one of our members and competitors, Rob Hibberd, passed away in June. Rob joined the HSRCA in 2003 and had a number of successful runs in Regularity in his familiar green Datsun 240Z. He is survived by wife Brenda and daughters Ely, Sophie and Olivia.

Membership Renewal Reminder

Okay, despite the words in last month's newsletter, the committee has decided to send out one last reminder to renew your membership. Everyone will receive this newsletter but unless you renew this will be the last monthly report you'll receive - really. If you've lost your renewal notice or simply aren't sure, give us a call.

While we're on the subject of renewals, why not consider, if you haven't already, receiving your newsletter via email? First of all, you'll be saving \$15.00 which will buy you, well, something. It will also save us time addressing envelopes, folding paper and licking stamps. And if that doesn't convince you, think of the environment - maybe you can claim some sort of carbon trading allowance?

Prue & Wes Dayton

Minutes Committee Mtg - 4 August 2009

Present: Peter Addison, Noel Bryen, Garry Hancock, Dave Medley, Geoff Morse, Steve Perry, Bruce Richardson & Les Wright. **Apologies:** Peter Rose, Mark Alchin. **Previous Minutes:** July '09 minutes were reviewed in summary by Bruce Richardson; Acceptance - moved: Noel Bryen, seconded: Geoff Morse.

Action Items: Bruce updated outstanding items and status, including the planned meeting dates for 2010 - noting that these are to be officially published in the next *Oily Rag*.

- **Calendar 2010:** 20th & 21st Feb HSRCA Family & Training Days, (March Phillip Island), 1st & 2nd May HSRCA Eastern Creek, (July Morgan Park), 18th & 19th Sept HSRCA Wakefield, (Nov Sandown), HSRCA Tasman 25-28 Nov.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Medley

- **Financial:** Oran Park has resulted in about \$30K profit. Income being received from social function increasing coffers. The banking statement was issued for July.
- **Accounts:** HSRCA end of financial year accounts are being prepared.

Race Report: Noel Bryen

- **Oran Park Issues:** Good feedback regarding the \$100 rebate for any of remaining 2009 HSRCA meetings offered to Oran Park competitors, due to the extended delay to competition on the Saturday, which seems to have resulted from some mixed communications from both parties.
- **Wakefield Park:** Very early days, but 43 entries so far. Even one competitor coming from Cairns!
- **Regularity Teams Event:** This is planned for Wakefield. Maybe an event for M&O can be included.

Secretarial: Steve Perry

- **Correspondence - Wyong Council Track:** Steve Perry collated Committee answers to Wyong Shire Council questionnaire "Wyong Automotive Racing Precinct" (WARP) and responded to Council on the 16th July 09, including the offer of Don Thallon (Qld member) to assist Council in design matters.

- **Administration:** Wes has provided details to the Committee as to current workload and some options for review including a direct deposit facility for members – is this required?
- **George Aungle collection of Historic 35mm film:** HSRCA has bought the collection and Peter Schell will head up a review and the processing. Suggest a policy be reviewed by the Committee as to processing & storage of such historic collectables and a way of making available to members and non-members via our website. Will discuss further with Peter Rose.
- **Denistone Sporting Club letter:** Bruce read a letter from this Club regarding a \$100 donation request towards trophies for their 60th anniversary. All agreed we should donate. Dave Medley to organise a donation cheque to be sent.

Registrars: Geoff Morse

- **Next Registrars' Meeting:** In two weeks' time. Will chase up outstanding info required from some Registrars for Peter Rose and the web site access items. Dick Willis has done a great job so far with web photos etc.
- **Rebate:** All seemed reasonably accepting of the issues at Oran Park and the \$100 rebate.
- **Position:** New nominations required for Registrars for next year – including FVee as Eamonn Matthews has gone to England.
- **JKL:** Maybe consider a JKL Regularity group to help bring some older cars (& drivers) out onto the track again? (This would assist in getting two Regularity speed groups again!)

OH&S: Mark Alchin: No report this month.

Social: Gary Hancock

- **Social evening:** The Denistone Sports Club presentations to members went over well, with both Charities' representatives from "Careflight" & "Prostate Cancer Foundation" making informative presentations. Member numbers were down somewhat with State of Origin etc, (and these members missed some educational medical & emergency support information).

General Business:

- **Oran Park Meeting:** Communications person required; Committee is to further review.
- **Cheetah Tribute:** Bruce has spoken with John Kierath. Maybe at Eastern Creek next year as well as the Group S relay. Kevin Lewis would be a good contact. The November meeting could be a possibility. Brian Caldersmith may be able to do a poster, but limited time available.
- **Presidential Travels:** Bruce announced he will be away overseas from 6th Aug to 30th Aug 2009. Peter Addison agreed to chair the next meeting.
- **Race Meeting Management:** Bruce acknowledged Noel's commitment and effort over many years, and that Noel has managed this with an increasing workload at his paid work! It was suggested that Noel's workload be shared in some0

way with others from the Committee with some restructuring of tasks. Some ideas from Committee members are requested by our next Committee meeting. This will assist Noel to get back to racing again. Noel mentioned the task of managing race meeting requirements of officials. Noel will send a list of the major tasks for review.

- **Bruce McLaren Tribute NZ Race Meetings:** Several members are interested in attending. Paul Hamilton will assist with planning for Australian entrants, but needs assistance with the costs to be managed centrally. Peter said there was great interest in attending. Costs are involved in container racking. Costs say \$1,500 - \$2,000 for freight there and back. Peter & Bruce suggested the HSRCA could be a resource to assist members. Dave Medley suggested that the funds could be managed by HSRCA but not ownership of racking, with ongoing storage costs etc. Further discussion to take place.
- **Regalia:** Don Holland's wife Judy has accepted this important role for our Association. Issue with towing of the club trailer. Cheaper storage now available at Windsor, at Ian Ross's factory units, (which is also closer to the Hollands). A tow vehicle & volunteer is required for the trailer – please consider assisting your Club! Restocking is required.
- **CMC day, Eastern Creek:** Geoff Morse has volunteered to take over from Bruce to organise a Club display of cars. Limited number of 12 spots available for a mix of cars.
- **CAMS State Council:** Peter Addison reported that correspondence had been received from CAMS State Council regarding the Sports and Development Council. Main contact for our Club with CAMS is via the Historic Commission and so not much direct contact with CAMS State Council.
- **MotosportRetro.com:** Peter said there is a new web site for Historic motorsport – worth a look.

The Meeting closed at 9:50 pm.

Classifieds

ELFIN 622 FOR SALE: 1973, Formula 2, Group Q logbook and C of D, 1600cc Lotus Twin Cam 3-hours old, Mark8/9 Hewland, mounted wets, excellent condition. Also logbooked as 1300cc F3 if desired. Competitive and reliable entry into Historic racing. \$49,500. Call **Malcolm Miller** on 0418 835 206. Can email photos.

FOR SALE: Two tickets, plus Startline grandstand tickets, to the Goodwood Revival Meeting, 18th, 19th, 20th September, as well as membership pass to the Goodwood Club. Open to offers. Contact before 30th August **Bruce Mansell** on 02 9417 4755 (as I will be away) and after 30th August **Bruce Richardson** on 02 9449 6062.



A couple of Jeremy Dale photos from our final Oran Park event.