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President - W. Paola

Hi to all our members for the second time this year,

The year has kicked off with a fantastic time at Winton on the 10th and 11th of February. I won't go into details of the competition, (Greg Black will write about the weekend) but I will say that having the chance to have passengers in our cars on the Saturday was a highlight. It gave me a chance to see how Chris drives my car (usually quicker) but far more aggressively.

I got to take Julie out, Kylie, Melissa and of course Chris. He took out Greg K, Steve (Melissa's other half) and Julies daughter Max, as well as father. Hopefully everyone enjoyed the experience as much as I did. I had a spin with Kylie in the car going into the esses, to which she later told me she pooped herself (did not want to say anything at the time) all really in a days driving for me. Ha ha.

While I am on Winton though, I would like to say hello to the person that left a colourful note on my borrowed cars windscreen. Seems that in Benalla, people have trouble with parts of the female anatomy and voting labor, all because a bumper bar was over a white line outside the Commercial Hotel. Kim and Peter's distorted minds could have fun with the note, but I am still in shock.

PAY ATTENTION NOW.

This next bit is very important. Do not miss this months general meeting at Bell's Hotel. We have a guest from CAMS in attendance, and a very special surprise. Unfortunately, we will

have to squeeze into our meeting room if you all turn up at once (Country Woman's Assoc display will be in place), but it will still be well worth everyone's effort to come along.

On March the 3rd, as you will have seen by e mail, the FFCC and HSCCV are holding a presentation dinner at the SANDOWN HOTEL, for the FORD v HOLDEN SPEED SERIES.

The cost to members is only \$25 per head, but the meal is \$39.50 per head, with the clubs making up the difference. Trophies will be handed out to the appropriate winners, stories and lies will be told, a DJ will be in attendance playing all the best stuff from the 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's, and there will be video highlights as well. It promises to be a fantastic evening, with 60 tickets allocated to the FFCC, and the same to HSCCV. Peter Stewart is holding the tickets, so please show your support of this joint event by buying a ticket. After all, we don't want to be shown up by the FFCC guys and gals. This year we want to cement firmly a solid working relationship with FFCC, so as to ensure both clubs continue to grow in membership, activities social and competition, and of course financially. So come on all HSCCV, YOUR CLUB WANTS YOU!

See you all at the meeting, 26th February, and be prepared.

Ps. Well will also have a lucky door prize.

Vice President - G. Mason

Hello all,

Welcome to my first report as Vice Pres, and welcome to the 2007 year!! I don't know about all of you, but geees am I hanging out for some motorsport action. Clipsal 500 only a week away!! Woohoo!! In the meantime we had the first round of the Holden Ford Challenge. Unfortunately despite all my best efforts, I was unable to attend, which left me feeling somewhat distraught, because I was desperate to get in and have a go in the A9X early, and start off the year in style. From what I hear, Saturday was fairly quiet with about twenty five cars, so those who were there had something like 10,000 laps each apparently. Does that give them an unfair advantage because they know the track so well. ?!?

After we had such a successful year in 2006, with good membership growth and the quite astounding result with the Holden Ford challenge, we are looking to improve on that effort, and continue to grow. Membership is as good as anyone can remember, and our finances are better than ever before. We are trying to establish some really solid ground work and lay some good foundations for the future of our club. There have been more members at the general meetings than I can remember before, and people seem to be happy with the way things have been going. We are setting up a manual that outlines what the club is about and what the committee does, i.e. what each committee member role is. This is to ease the way

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for new committee members, and give some guidance as to what each person does. This makes it all much less daunting, and allows people to pick up and do the job with guidelines that show what is expected.

I wish to thank all committee members of the past couple of years for their excellent achievements, and look forward to working closer with them this year. A special thanks to Bruce for his dedication and hard work that has been instrumental in the success of our club, and I thank him for his continued involvement to assist in the running of events. I am sure he'll be happy for the extra free time to drive the Gemini at events all year. I feel I have big shoes to fill and can hopefully do that! So here's to an even bigger and better 2007 for us all, see you at the track, or at a meeting, or both hopefully.

Drive safe drive well

Glenn

Secretary - K. Kastelic

Well, the first round of the FFCC vs HSCCV series has been run and won. Personally, I love Winton and will sacrifice nearly anything to have a run there. It has been a really busy month for me and even though I knew it was going to wreck me physically for the next week, I decided to run both days. On the Saturday, as it was a training day, I spent my time scooting around in the Rx-7 with Greg giving me lots of much needed advice. Thank you. On the Sunday, I wanted to give the new STi a run as I feel that trundling around at 80km/h in it

is insulting it. The car was previously used as a sprinter prior to me purchasing it and came with a fire extinguisher bracket already in place, and the two straps that were in the boot were obviously secondary bonnet restraints. Some stickers and some paint on the tow points and we were off and racing. A shame the "only used once, kept inside in a dark room" 3inch racing belts that are out of date for FIA purposes could not be used as my experience would have been complete.

I must admit, I did not do the car justice, but compared to my times from the first round of last year, I was 14 seconds faster. I am sure there is another 10 seconds in the car. I just can't get around the corners fast enough. The four wheel drive system was working overtime but my dodgy old road tyres (good enough to pass a road worthy, so we all know what that means!) were sliding all over the place. I had a laugh at KFC Benalla after the event when I said to Greg, "Hey, did you see me get a bit crossed up in front of you?" To which Laurence replied, "A bit crossed up? You were full in sideways coming up the front straight!" Whoops! Watch out Wayne Paola, here I come. Driving the STi did do one thing for me. It made me realize how hard the Rx-7 is to drive. On Saturday, I finished with torn muscles, and bruises and a minimum possible lap time of 1:55 (set by Greg) as the target. The next day in the STi was like driving to the shops. I thought that every one felt like we did after a day of racing, my advice, don't judge the Rx-7 by what it looks like, I admire Greg for getting the times out of it that he does.

I must admit, I did feel guilty about not presenting myself as

an official. This is even though I scrutineered, flagged or both at all rounds last year bar one. This illustrated to me the need for more club members to do their bit. Flag marshals, and grid people are usually what we need at events and if you sacrifice a round to help out, you will still receive points for your effort that count towards the series (the number of points given for helping out may actually be greater than what you would have received competing and could help your series total in a very positive way). So please everyone, you might find out like me, that you actually have a really good day.

On that topic, it was great to see Dave Davies and Laurence Gleeson (who had another bumper weekend with the soaring temperatures) volunteering themselves as officials when they decided that their car wasn't going to run. Thanks guys, that showed a great deal of sportsmanship, which is a valuable trait to have in a club. I know it can be disappointing to have a problem with your vehicle and all you want to do is go home. But you looked past that and set a good example. Thank you. Make sure you come along to next weeks meeting. We have some visitors and a surprise that you don't want to miss! See you in the dirt (and occasionally on the black stuff) Kylie.

Treasurer - P. Stewart

Hi everyone

Well, we're off and running

The January / February period has been very busy already, with the first round of the FFCC v

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Club TORQUE - Club Calendar 2007

Dates & Venues subject to change. Please advise of events that need to be added

JANUARY	
8 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
15 th	HSCCV Print Night
21 st	FFCC/TCCA Practice Motorkhana - Werribee
22 th	HSCCV General Meeting AT BELLS HOTEL

FEBRUARY	
10-11 th	HSCCV/FFCC Sprint Holden v Ford round 1 - Winton
12 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
18 th	PIARC Grp5 Sprint - Phillip Island
19 th	HSCCV Print Night
25 th	TCCA VMC Rnd 1 Motorkhana - Werribee
26 th	HSCCV General Meeting – Bells Hotel

MARCH	
1-4 th	V8 Supercars Clipsal 500 - Adelaide
3 rd	FFCC v HSCCV Presentation Night Sandown Hotel
4 th	HAC Grp5 Motorkhana - Avalon
10-11 th	NCCA Challenge of Clubs Trial - Ballarat
11 th	Phillip Island Historic Races - Club Show & Cruise
12 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
16-18 th	Australian Grand Prix F1 - Albert Park
19 th	HSCCV Print Night
25 th	DSCC VMC Rnd 2 Motorkhana - Deniliquin
25 th	V8 Supercars Perth 400 - Perth
25 th	KCC VCAS Autocross Rnd 1 - Kynton
26 th	HSCCV General Meeting – Bells Hotel

APRIL	
1 st	HSCCV Grp 5 Motorkhana - Werribee
9 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
15 th	PCCV VMC Rnd 3 Motorkhana - Werribee (to be confirmed)
16 th	HSCCV Print Night
20-22 nd	V8 Supercars Placemakers New Zealand
22 nd	BCC VCAS Autocross Rnd 2 - Bendigo
23 rd	HSCCV General Meeting – Bells Hotel
28-29 th	HSCCV Warrnambool Weekend Car Rally
29 th	PIARC Grp 5 Flat Climb (yes, you read that correctly) - Phillip Island

MAY	
6 th	HSCCV VMC Rnd 4 Motorkhana - Werribee
13 th	SDCC VCAS Autocross Rnd 3 - Shepparton
14 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
18-20 th	V8 Supercars Winton
20 th	NCCA Grp 5 Motorkhana - Melton (to be confirmed)
21 st	HSCCV Print Night
27 th	VMCi VMC Rnd 5 Motorkhana - Werribee
28 th	HSCCV General Meeting – Bells Hotel

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JUNE	
3 rd	PIARC Gr5 Sprint – Phillip Island
9-11 th	V8 Supercars Eastern Creek (Queens Birthday)
11 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
16 th	PAC VCAS Autocross Rnd 4 Twilight meet - Maffra
17 th	PAC VMC Motorkhana - Tooradin (to be confirmed)
18 th	HSCCV Print Night
22-24 th	V8 Supercars Skycity Triple crown Darwin
24 th	HSCCV/FFCC Holden Ford Challenge Sprint – Sandown
25 th	HSCCV General Meeting - Bells Hotel
JULY	
1 st	PIARC Gr5 Motorkhana – Moorabbin
9 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
14 th	HSCCV/FFCC Holden Ford Challenge Sprint – Winton
16 th	HSCCV Print Night
20-23 nd	V8 Supercars Queensland 300 Ipswich
21 st	MADCC VCAS Autocross Rnd 5 Twilight meet - Maffra
23 rd	HSCCV General Meeting - Bells Hotel
28 th	MUCC VMC Rnd 7 Motorkhana - Bendigo (to be confirmed)
29 th	NCCA Gr5 Sprint Rnd5 – Sandown
AUGUST	
5 th	TCCA Gr5 Motorkhana - Werribee
13 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
17 th -19 th	V8 Supercars Oran Park Sydney
19 th	SDCC VMC Rnd 8 Motorkhana - Shepparton DECA
20 th	HSCCV Print Night
25 th	CCC VCAS Autocross - Bendigo
26 th	HSCCV Gr5 Holden Ford Challenge Hillclimb – Morwell/Haunted Hills
27 th	HSCCV General Meeting
SEPTEMBER	
2 nd	HAC Interclub Motorkhana - Moorabbin (date/venue to be confirmed)
8 th	BCC VMC Rnd9 Motorkhana - Bendigo
9 th	MMSC VCAS Autocross - Melton
10 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
14-16 th	V8 Supercars Sandown 500
16 th	PIARC/VMCi/GCC 6 Hour relay - Phillip Island
17 th	HSCCV Print Night
24 th	HSCCV General Meeting

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OCTOBER	
4-7 th	V8 Supercars Supercheap Auto Bathurst 1000
8 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
14 th	FFCC VCAS Autocross Gr5 - Melton
15 th	HSCCV Print Night
18-21 st	V8 Supercar Challenge Gold Coast
21 st	FFCC VMC Rnd 10 Motorkhana - Tooradin
22 nd	HSCCV General Meeting
28 th	HSCCV/FFCC Gr5 Holden Ford Challenge Sprint – Sandown
NOVEMBER	
1-3 rd	V8 Supercars Bahrain International
6 th	FFCC Gr5 Motorkhana – Tooradin (to be confirmed) - Melbourne Cup day
12 th	HSCCV Committee Meeting
16-18 th	V8 Supercars Challenge Launceston
17 th	NCCA VCAS Autocross - Kynton Twilight
18 th	PIARC Gr5 Sprint – Phillip Island
19 th	HSCCV Print Night
26 th	HSCCV AGM - Bells Hotel
DECEMBER	
1-2 nd	V8 Supercars Grand Finale Phillip Island
2 nd	WDCC & GMCC VCAS Autocross - Avalon
8 th	HSCCV Christmas Party & Presentation Night



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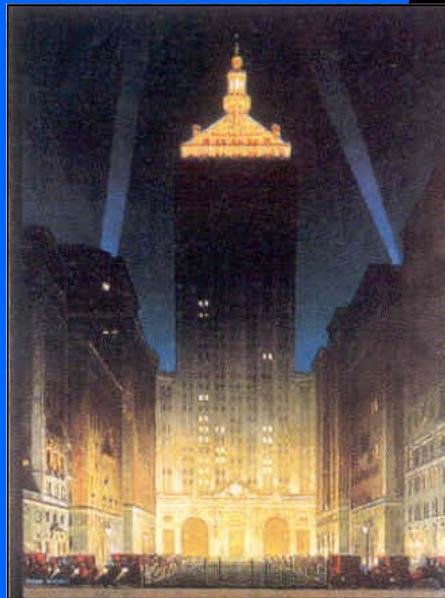
Thanks to every one who submitted pictures for this months magazine - Greg, Julie, Laurence, and Mr Ed.

THE GRAND PRESENTATION NIGHT FORD vs HOLDEN SERIES 2006

A Night of Elegance,



Style,



FFCC & HSCCV Presentation Night
3rd March at the **Sandown Hotel**
Princes Highway Springvale 7.30pm
Tickets are \$25.00 with Club Subsidy
Great food, great DJ, dancing girls and performing elephants
See or phone Peter Stewart for tickets, and details of the elephants. **THIS WILL BE A GREAT NIGHT - DON'T MISS OUT!!**

and Motorsport



The club has 60 tickets to this event - usually \$39.50, HSCCV will subsidise \$14.50 of the ticket cost.
See Peter Stewart, or phone him on **0407361426**

Members WRITE - WINTON Ford vs Holden Round One

WINTON...just love it!

I'm sure there will be serious reports on our day up at Winton, so I'll just talk about my day up there. Winton without doubt is my favourite track, it's a track that is a great equalizer, with other tracks, money gets you to the line first, here, because of the tight layout, it's a very technical track, and every corner has its own interesting characteristic. It's your ability that will win the day... plus a damned big engine.

The lead up to the day was supposed to be organised and well planned, nup, last minute chaos meant it went out again with the same oil, and brakes etc. that it finished with last season.

However, with some fancy engineering and welding by Glenn, we managed to re-secure the rear end back to the body again which had trying to break away and had it's own ideas on how to the steer the car.

I was in the second group to go out, and 'by chance' had drawn first grid line with Wayne, and behind me was the big Argenti Ford coupe.

I had no choice; I was going to have to make a big 'go' off the start.

In the split second that the signal was given to go...I went.

The plan, stay in front as long as possible, spin up the wheels through the corners as much as possible on



3 of GMH's finest



Paola Snr / Paola Jnr set some great times



Craig Bennet and a Torana in need of traction



Bruce & Gemini - Thumbs up! All good!.....er, no.

the 'outlap' to generate heat into the tyres so that when I came through the 'dog leg' there would be enough grip to get me through it quickly and start the timed lap.

Great plan

I managed to stay in front of everyone for the 'outlap'; despite some very creative lines my car was doing through some of the corners.

This is it, the moment of truth, approaching the dogleg at 'warp speed' with half warm tyres, ...well no..it was never going to stick.

So 'high-speed reverse parking' was the new challenge, travelling backwards at 'warp speed', waiting for some sort of impact. Luckily everything seemed to get out of my way.

Felt sorry for Bruce, first time out with the Gem had some engine problems, which put an end to his day, apparently not too expensive.

Chris Loxton was like a kid on a merry go round, he just kept coming in and then straight out again for what seemed like hours getting smoother every lap

Dave D. made a potentially very wise decision to park the car because of overheating problems that were plaguing his car; I think he has some serious horsepower lurking there

I was working the car really hard and managed to break the diff, well done! It was moving around quite severely, clunking and banging, engaging locked diff now and again, but despite the horrible sensations and noises and scream-

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Members WRITE - WINTON Ford vs Holden Round One

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ing, (me), I managed to set my personal best of 1.45.06.

Nothing, I mean nothing, was gonna stop me that day...actually the diff did stop me.

Pleased to see Craig Bennett had a trouble free day, just needs some track tyres now, and Greg Black first time at Winton did some very respectable times, along with Phil and the 'SS'. He came in 'over the moon' on one occasion having just passed VS Ausrar out there

Other casualties on the day were Andrew Holc with a broken gearbox, and Andy Booth with a dislodged clutch cable. Somehow, that Blue and White Datto just keeps getting better and better. Wayne's car was travelling well all weekend and set P.B.s for himself and son Chris. Then the carby got blocked up.

He borrowed my carby to complete the event; my carby has never travelled so fast in it's life, and has now travelled faster than my car.

Can't wait to get my new diff, which is being built up in Euroa, by potential new member Dan Carrigy who visited us that day with girlfriend Alex. He came up to Winton with intentions of selling his nearly complete VN club car, but I think he's going to finish it now.

Big thanks to our members who through blazing heat and floods did the



Richard and James ran the quick Corolla



100+ laps, aircon on, who's a happy chappy??



The Kastelic RX 7, now ignored by Kylie as the WRX is quicker! (and also has aircon!)



Phil in his SS during Sunday's deluge

flagging. Thank you Roll on Sandown, my turn to do flagging maybe.

Pete.
Hello all,

Winton on Saturday was for all a great day for running lot's of laps and having time to allow those who support us behind the scenes a ride in our cars. Despite a fairly small turn out and a stinking hot day, there was no lack of enthusiasm from all and many a fast lap was driven, with the track being open to all cars all day. I think Chris Loxton has the record for most laps run in a day with a count of 100+ at least, I can tell you that car is deceptively quick, even with the aircon on. Wayne and Chris had a couple of small dramas but overcame these with style and also cut some great laps, Kim's clan ran the Dato for the first time, from all accounts they went very well and had large smiles at the end of the day, I heard one of them had his first spin and Kim was very proud. My car unfortunately had some cooling issues but we hope to have these sorted shortly, although I did manage four runs and was quite pleased with the speed of my new engine on 8 cylinders. After the day we all retired to the commercial hotel in Benalla for a meal, many an ale and a few stories of the day's exploits were passed around, which was a great way to relax and unwind, and we even managed to gate crash the Ford Four's motel dinner for a while afterwards. Dave.



Well here we are again. I noticed from my last article the Editor did not hack it too much which means good news and bad news. The good news is I can write even more, the bad is you get to read even more....

The opening round of the Ford versus Holden series has been 'run and won' although with the results not out as I write this I thought a summing up of the day is in order.

It was also good to see some cars and members that have not been seen at speed events for a while.

The day started with Peter Stewart launching like a bat out of hell from the line and leading Wayne and The Falcon coupe through the first lap. The crowd was amazed at the grip and control through the esses; well not quite through the esses, because Peter had an impressive spin with late braking from 100m. Oh well, we enjoyed it. Unfortunately Pete's day ended early when later on his broken diff broke a little bit more.

The 'Summit Holden Commodore Team' of Wayne and Chris put in some very respectable laps and were able to stay quite close to the outright leaders' times. Wayne had to make a couple of rush repairs because Chris has developed a handy trick of handing the car over just before it 'breaks'. The car looked a treat with the black wheels and seemed to handle the track very nicely. It was good to see Wayne and



This thing is going to fly once Dave can keep it cool!



Andy and Darren - doing what the series is all about



Greg B giving it a boot full



Kylies holdon WRX STi, setting a PB

Chris having a go at The Falcon coupe (which from the lap times I saw on Sunday may get outright for the day). Even carburetor problems could not stop them with a quick swap from Peter's car leading to some of their quickest laps of the day (and no adjustments to the carby either!)

Black wheels must be in vogue, and among them was Chris Loxton and his Monaro. Impressive as usual, sweeping through the corners, amazing braking (how long did those brake pads last?) and all that goes with quick times. All this and the comfort of air conditioning on all day. Probably one of the few drivers who didn't mind the windows up rule. Maybe the committee should introduce a success weight penalty (500kgs maybe?). Good luck Chris....

According to Kim he apparently gave his offspring 50,000 laps on Saturday. Not being one to exaggerate it naturally means he must hold the outright lap record for Winton. If he shared the car equally in time that would give 50,000 laps in 4 hours at a lap time of 0.3 seconds. Not bad for their first event and astonishing speed, reliability and fuel economy from the Dulux Datto; surprised no-one protested really....

It was great to see Bruce made it to the event with the Gemini. I would like to report the day was successful and long, but no. It was way too short and frustrating for Bruce; I know the feeling of

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the long tow back in also. The diagnosis at the track was valve train problems, so unless something else pops up hopefully it should be an easy fix. (Are race cars ever easy to fix?). Hope to see the Gem at the next event.

Kylie's new holdon WRX STi seemed to attract a bit of attention. Several people were interested in the holdon turbo engine which was remarkably like the hairdryer and boxer design used in another brand of car. Out on the track Kylie got used to a very different handling car quite quickly and put in some respectable times. I heard there was also at least one 'respectable' slide through the esses, although it's my guess it wasn't really the intention. Lucky this holdon is 4WD also. Hopefully the holdon WRX STi will be seen at other events during the year.

There were some new club members trying things out with Said having a go at his first event. Said entered on Saturday, so there is no information on times, but a 'reliable source' reports he had a quick ride with Dave Davies and had fun out in his own car. Looking forward to maybe seeing Said at the next event.

Ken brought out the VK Commodore and apart from early oil surge problems seemed to have a good run all day with no problems. Any VK is a good VK. (Anything to say to that Ed?) (yes, after the VK I owned I always have a soft spot for them. It's in the middle of Clayton tip - Ed)



Trying hard, but there's no substitute for cubic inches!!



The start of a crowd pleasing lose on the front straight



Looked great, sounded great, went well in the dry...



....and kept going hard in the wet. HOW many laps did he do?

The immaculately presented SS Torana of Craig Bennett ran on Sunday and I can report Craig had good run all day, no static displays this time. Craig's car is beautifully presented and even has a gleaming Edelbrock carby, (with spacer) sitting on the manifold. Sunglasses are required for the shine on this piece of work. You know the driver is having fun when you can see the smile from ear to ear even with a helmet on, and Craig was still on the track for the last run of the day and steadily reducing his lap times.

Andy Booth, can you wring any more out of your car at Winton? Going through the esses, getting exit oversteer, pushing hard, big braking efforts. That wall looked like it was getting closer each time. Very entertaining for the rest of us.

David and Lawrence need to stop breaking mirrors or something, because the day was not the best for them. Overheating problems took them out of the event; hopefully it can be resolved easily because it will be pretty exciting to see the car going hard and maybe pushing The Falcon coupe also. Even with the problems they had it was good to see that both Lawrence and David stayed at Winton and helped with officiating on Sunday. It's a bit tough to withdraw after all the work put in to get there but very much appreciated by the rest of us driving.

Speaking of officials, Julie

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did a great job out on the track in conditions ranging from hot & dry to thunderstorms & heavy rain. Along the way Julie also took some impressive shots of club

competitors. There are some great action shots and sequences which should be up on the website soon, check them out if you get a chance.

And to all the other officials from both clubs who worked the weekend, hope you enjoyed it and remembered the sunscreen (and possibly raincoats too). Thank you!

Club TORQUE - Editors Ramblings - Kim McConchie

Hi everybody, and welcome to the February mag. With all the fine words already written about Winton I won't add too much. However I must say that the 2 day program worked really well for us (just a pity that financially it didn't work for the clubs) as it meant the two boys got a fair slab of track time without them being in fear of their lives, or placing others in the same position! As a confidence booster it was invaluable, and Lachlan achieved his first spin, which he handled pretty well considering it's a lot noisier, dustier, and up front and personal compared to spin-

ning something on a Playstation.

Somehow the Dato survived the indignities of dodgy gear changes (1st to 2nd to 1st was popular), the clutch being dumped at every opportunity, and big, BIG revs in neutral....I can only assume it was inspired by the sign on the garage.....

Now if I could just get it to go even half as well as Stubber's Camaro I'd be a very happy man! Might have to have another look at that Rover V8...

Went to the All-American car Show at Gembrook on Sunday 18th, as I decided to give the

Phillip Island Grp 5 a miss - the car needs a bit of work done and that's still pending. This car show is always good value, and there are usually a few good Aussie cars there as

well. Around 400 cars turned up on the day, with everything from vintage tin to current models rolling up, plenty of muscle cars and hot rods, limos and cruisers and....the low riders. The "winner" from BBDO showed up, but was clearly out-classed by a couple of other entries that took the term crass to a new level. I guess you'd have to have a sense of humour to own one, please don't tell me its not the case!

As usual the 60's and 70's muscle cars caught my eye, with Mustangs out numbering every other model by many to one. Some very nice Camaros and Pontiac GTO's, and amongst the Mopar entrants an absolute killer hemi Challenger, in lime and white - OK, reminded me of a lime splice, but I really like them too!

The best part is all the cars are driven there - which makes sitting in Emerald watching the parade a great way to spend the morning! Cheers, Kim



Club TORQUE - Club Web Site - Webmaster G. Kastelic

Its up, it running, its a new design for the HSSCV website. It focuses on the Members at Play, The Ford vs Holden Series and Club Cars, seeing these are what we mostly do and are interested in. The Ford vs Holden Series now has its own page as the series has grown quite large and we would like to promote it as much as possible. Our clubs sponsors are located just below the HSSCV logo where it will rotate through our main sponsors. If you haven't had a look, do so soon - and let me know any feedback.

webmaster@holdenclub.com. Greg - Webmaster.

Club TORQUE - Stock - G. Mason

G'day all from stockland. We still have a little bit of old stock left over, though not much, so, if you're feeling a little retro, come along to the next general meeting and have a look!! The prices will be very special. Other than that we have the usual collection

of caps, beanies and stickers available for your perusal and edification. They look great too!! We are looking at doing some interesting stuff during the year so keep your eyes on this column to keep up with all the latest fashion trends and the

coolest gear around!! Well sort of ! Certainly good looking gear you won't be embarrassed to be seen in.

See you all out and about,
Glenn.

Club TORQUE - Motor Khana & Group 5- F. Rogan

Well, virtually bugged all to report. The practice khana day was washed out in Jan and has been rescheduled for the 17th of Feb.

Note, that is a Saturday. There's no official times, point or trophies but you get to perfect your skills. Or try new techniques, or just mess it all up in the name of fun. It'll only cost \$10 schmackers so it's very inexpensive entertainment at the very least.

The year officially kicks with a VMC at Werribee on 25th February. It's the Theo Wintels Memorial Motorkhana and should get the juices flowing. The supp regs were made available just prior to typing this...

The 4th of March provides us with the first round of the Group 5 motorkhana series. That is still to be run at Avalon by Huntingdale Auto

Club.
By the time you read this the 1st round of Holden/Fraud series will have been run and won, and ditto for sprint at Phillip Island, part of the Group 5 speed series.

Until next month, see you sideways,

Frank.

Club TORQUE - Special Events - A. Davies

Howdy all, just a quick note to advise that the date for the Warrnambool car rally/camping trip has been set for the 28-29 of April (wait for the flyer in the mag/website)

We have set out what we think will be a challenging rally down to the final arrival point.

Its not to dangerous for your pride and joy (although I did lose a mud flap on the way down in one of the many "points of interest")

Plans are underway for the overnight stay in regards to entertainment, etc. and will be advised as soon as we are able to finalize it all

I do ask that if you are interested in attending, could you please let me know, in advance via email, sms, or for the older generations you can just plain talk to me.

Plans are also underway for the suspension night and when finalised, details will also be in the mag.

Ray Cardwell - Life Member

Ray Cardwell became the HSSCV's new LIFE MEMBER late last year. Ray is our clubs Public Officer and has organised the wonderful venue at Cresco Park each year for our Christmas party. Ray also has put many of his own hours in organising and setting up many events for over 10 years.



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New Members

Welcome to:

Andrew Hougton
David Cole
Jonathan Humfrey
Stephen Crupi

Holden Sporting Car Club of Victoria

Hi all,

As was mentioned in the Winton article all had a good time at Winton. It was Great to see Saied there for his first ever drive on a circuit, after a shaky start and some average tuition by myself he seemed to do well, although I think he needs some new front tyres.

My condolences to Bruce on his bad luck for the day, I am sure it wont take long for him to repair his Gemini and We hope to see both of them out again soon.

We will have a mail out letter and pamphlet to send to prospective members available soon.

2007 events from other clubs.

I have logged some events from other car clubs here if you are interested in running in between the first and second rounds of the Holden versus Ford challenge. if you know of any other please let me know on the e-mail address below

MSCA	SANDOWN	MARCH 4 TH
NISSAN C/C	VARIOUS	MARCH 10 TH + 11 TH
MINI CLUB VIC	MORWELL	MARCH 24 TH + 25 TH
HONDA SCCV	WINTON	APRIL 15 TH
MX-5 CLUB VIC	MORWELL	APRIL 15 TH
MINI CLUB VIC	MORWELL	APRIL 25 TH
MSCA	WINTON	APRIL 22 ND
PIARC(HILL CLIMB)	P.I	APRIL 28 TH + 29 th
MSCA	P.I	MAY 20 TH

For relevant info please don't hesitate to e-mail me

ntpguy@hotmail.com or obtain the supp regs

from the clubs directly.

If you are going to any of these events please send an e-mail and I will tell you if any other

HSCCV members are going.

Please don't forget to support the series again this year, the dates are available on the www.holdenclub.com website.

www.msca.org.au

www.piarc.com.au

www.nissancarclub.org.au

www.mini.org.au

www.mx5vic.org.au

thank you

David Davies

I have also started calling old members who have not renewed to fill them in on the clubs positive aspects from the last couple of years, so far I have had a good response and hope to entice a few of them back.

If you know of any new or old members who might be interested let me know or direct them to the website. We are still waiting on all those who have not renewed for 2007 yet to do so a.s.a.p.

As of the 13th/02/2007 we have.

Financial members.

19 singles

15 families

82 members in total

Non-financial members.

24 singles

7 families

53 members in total

There is no Pointscore as yet until I receive the timing sheets from Winton. That's all from me for the moment.

David Davies.
Membership/Pointscore.

Here is a guide to what you will need to do to your car to compete in our events.

The definitions of event types are available in the 'getting started in Motorsport' section of our website

Each event has an entry form you will need to fill out either before, or, at the event itself.

The earlier you submit this form with your money, the more chance you have of racing in that event.

With the entry form, there will be another page or sheet called the SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS, these will outline any special requirements (ie: noise level, event timing, number of competitors allowed, etc.), that needs to be adhered to for that particular event. ALWAYS read these before filling in your entry to ensure you comply. Some events are referred to as 'noisy days' and the decibel limit is raised to 95db but most are 75db limit days.

You will receive your competitor number from the event secretary on the day, or you can call them to get this in advance if you want to affix firm numbers (ie: stickers, refer numbers 16&17 below).

You are now a member of a cams affiliated club and you can enter other car clubs events with your HSCCV membership.

General guidelines (always check the event Supp regs and the CAMS manual for specific requirements)

Clothing and Helmet: Speed events

You will be required to wear cotton clothing that covers you from head to ankles and wrists to compete in any event. (Gloves are not required)

A race suit is easiest but not essential and is available from places like revolution racegear.

(Make sure what you buy is cotton, not a blend)

You will also need an Australian design approved helmet that DOES NOT have any major scratches or deformities visible on the surface.

An open face helmet is acceptable if you prefer.

While these regulations are basically the same for speed and motorkhana events, all required Vehicle Modifications will be outlined in the supp regs as mentioned above. Motorkhanas have less requirements than speed events, and are listed further on in the article.

All eligible vehicles shall conform to the requirements of Section 6, Schedules A and B of the 2007 CAMS Manual which is available for viewing on the cams website.

1. Fire extinguisher (1kg minimum) fastened in the cab within reach of the driver, check date requirements
2. Double return spring on accelerator (unregistered cars only, but recommended for all cars)
3. No loose items in cabin area or boot.
4. Battery must be fastened securely and have the positive terminal covered.
5. Battery triangle (blue) fixed to outside of vehicle near battery location.
6. Catch can to replace pcv system on unregistered cars only (2 litres capacity for engines under 3.0 litres, 3 litres capacity for engines over 3.0 litres).
7. No visible oil leaks.
8. Standard seat belt is ok, 2" harness has no date limit, 3" harness has expiry date affixed.
9. Forward facing glass must be covered (ie: headlights) with tape or contact (speed events only).
10. Working brake lights.
11. Car must be in a general roadworthy condition. (ie: no loose wheel or wheel bearings, no cracked windscreens, etc etc)
12. Metal valve caps fitted to all wheels
13. Open top cars must be fitted with an approved roll over protection system and must comply with Schedule J of the CAMS Manual.
14. LPG fuelled cars must have the tank inspection details visible and within expiry limit. The LPG warning label must be to regulation as defined in schedule G.
15. Vehicle noise shall be no louder than 75db or 95db depending on event supplementary regulations.
16. All cars shall be required to carry regulation size competition numbers clearly displayed on the Left and Right side (Upper Door or equivalent area) of the vehicle.
17. Cars driven to and from the circuit must not display numbers outside the circuit area.
18. Additional bonnet strap or other means of securing the bonnet are required for cars pre 1973, may be

Club TORQUE - I want to go racing - D. Davies

included in the supp regs for all cars, and are recommended anyway as a safety item.

MOTORKHANAS

As mentioned, motorkhana requirements are not as stringent as speed events. Helmets are not required for standard cars, a fire extinguisher is not required, and the clothing requirements may be relaxed (don't expect to run in thongs!) - BUT ALWAYS CHECK THE SUPP REGS!

Motorkhana (standard cars):

1. Wheel nuts tight
2. Brake pedal not low or spongy
3. Steering to have minimal to no play
4. Throttle moves freely and returns
5. Battery firmly mounted
6. Seat belts in good condition
7. No loose items in cabin and boot
8. Jacking and wheel changing gear removed from vehicle
9. Spare is removed or tightly affixed
10. The car is sufficiently muffled; not too loud

If you are running a special, refer to the CAMS manual, as there are additional requirements for them.

This guide should make things a little easier but if you have any questions please don't hesitate to call the membership secretary before an event and they will try to answer your question or get an answer for you. Remember the objective is to have fun and enjoy your motor racing, see you out there.

The Membership Secretary.
Holden Sporting Car Club of Victoria.

Club TORQUE - January General Meeting Minutes**Minutes of Holden Sporting Car Club of Vic. Inc. – General Meeting**

Bells Hotel, South Melbourne – 22/01/2007

MEETING OPENED AT 8:32PM

PRESENT As per sign in book.

APOLOGIES Kerry Cardwell, Matthew Cardwell, Andy Booth, Craig Bennett, Justine Slater, James Towers, K.McConchie.

Previous minutes M: G.Black S: G.Mason
Any business arising from previous minutes? Nil.

PRESIDENT:

Firstly, welcome to 2007. My fifth year with the club and looking forward to it getting underway.

Significant agenda for this year to cement the clubs future financially and

FFCC HSCCV kicks off in three weeks. Hope fully more people running this year.

Trying to win a sports development grant from CAMS. Up to \$5000. Putting a submission together.

A lot of social and special events and overhaul of magazine and website.

Thank you to Glenn for bringing in the A9X.

Welcome to new members.

Bruce has tendered his resignation from the Committee and is wishing to pursue a competition year.

BL- spoke to members regarding his decision to vacate the committee.

Fairly unusual situation for this time of the year. The constitution was looked at and the committee has placed Glenn Mason in the position of vice president.

Speech from Glenn.

Thanks to Frank Rogan who has donated a HSV wallet. The winner will be drawn with the Lotto balls.

Club TORQUE - January General Meeting Minutes**VICE PRESIDENT**

Very desperately looking forward to the beginning of the season. Will only be able to do the second day as something has come up. But looking forward.

Fair gap between Winton and following event so I expect everyone would want a go.

Honoured to have taken a place on the executive committee.

Hopefully a holden member will win the series this year.

SECRETARY

Incoming mail: Unicar mag, ING direct statement, Antiques in Sassafras promo, Beechworth Bakery promo, Camcrusher magazine, Epping Plaza Car Spectacular promo, Kangan Batman Tafe course guide.

Renewals: Slater family, Alan Davies, Wayne Paola, McConchie family, Douglass family, Greg Every, Gordon Haley, Mark Lomas, Clough family.

New Membership: David Cole, Ian and Jan Smith, Anthony Jenyns, Saeid Aghazamani.

TREASURER

Welcome to Glenn, thank you to Bruce.

Will be about 43 degrees at Winton. Please keep your fluids up if it is hot.

ANZ \$58.98

ING \$15,266.00

Petty cash \$45.00

Total \$15,500

IN my five years in the club have not seen it looking so healthy.

This time next year should have a projected \$30,000.

We are just custodians of the money and if any member has any good ideas about projects, please let us know.

MEMBERSHIP & POINTSCORE

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New Membership: David Cole, Ian and Jan Smith, Anthony Jenyns, Saeid Aghazamani.

Looking for ideas for members and if you know anyone who would like to join, please give them my number.

Have been actively promoting the club on forums.

EDITOR

Not present.

WP- Kim is committed to putting a lot more content in the mag but it still relies on us.

The full calendar is in there again so you can look ahead.

MOTOR RACE AND RALLY

New committee member Greg Black.

Not much happening yet this year.

Winton day coming up.

Paris-Dakar on SBS on Wednesday nights.

Top gear is back on.

If you have any ideas for me to write about, please let me know.

Potentially 15 members on Sunday.

Chris Atkinson ran 4th at Monte Carlo.

11-11.30pm on ABC2.

SOCIAL

Welcome Frank, another new committee member.

New things coming up.

Christmas in July at a new venue.

Possibly running a different venue for Christmas.

Go Kart night new venue at Dandenong. Looking at prices. 30 laps \$59 + \$10 membership. Large tracks and a choice of two. Over 16 only.

Special function in late April so maybe run Go Karts in June July.

KrackerJack will be tried again this year.

Al will have more info.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Special event in late April. Car rally to Warrnambool from 7am. Overnight camping stay. Finish rally by about 2pm and them run on Barry and Kathleen's autocross track.

Unofficial event, owner onus. Further details coming.

Technical night for suspension in June and a brake night later on. These are mid week events.

If anyone has any other ideas that you would like us to accommodate, please come and see us after the meeting.

Club TORQUE - January General Meeting Minutes

BL- Saw Ian Tate yesterday. Spoke with him regarding a club display at the PI Historics. 10-11 of March for a freebie day as tickets will be supplied, and the old Holden thumbs will be loaned to us. Cruise down with our display cars.

Harry Firth said to say hello.

GRP5/ MOTORKHANA

Not a great deal, calendar is sort of set. There has only been one change so far. Which is our Winton event and we will now run on a Saturday.

Motorkhana is set in concrete and will have a run at DECA, Melton and Tooradin.

Will be speaking to my local member of parliament in Mt Evelyn and will be looking to organise a new venue.

Event dates given.

WEBSITE

New website underway. Wanted to enhance a few things and promote the FFCCHSCCV series and club cars.

In the contact us page, there is an online form that can be filled in if someone has something to say to us.

Looking at the statistics of the site. This month we have had 1070 hits already. We can also see what people are searching to get to us.

DD- direct potential members to the how to site on the web.

CSC

Will be attending again this year.

PUBLIC OFFICER

Need to ensure the annual report has been finalised.

PS- Waiting on bank statement.

STOCK

Buy stuff. It is all down the back. Let me know if you want anything.

Looking at getting a few new shirts and smaller ladies shirts.

GENERAL BUSINESS**FFCC/HSCCV**

On the 3rd of March at the Sandown hotel a presentation dinner for last years series. 100 people maximum. \$39.50 with \$14.50 subsidised by the club. There will also be a DJ. All must be on their best behaviour. This is for all competitors, not just the placegetters.

CP- after discussion on the weekend. We are thinking of hiring some corner weight scales. We need to see if there is interest so it will bring the cost down.

I will be there to help make adjustments.

DD- mentioned last year the Bathurst Hillclimb. Has anyone heard anything about it?

RC- cartoonist has drawn a picture of my car for me. If anyone is interested he would probably do one for you for a few dollars.

WP- On the Brock Commodore forum there is an artist and has done a VE commodore picture with old model livery and bumpers and he has gotten into a lot of trouble with Holden.

AD- Concrete sculpturer in Warrnambool will do a 12inch clay sculpture of your car.

FINE: Kylie- for buying a Sooby.

David for a phone infringement.

Donation from Jeremy

Wayne for his haircut.

Wayne for a phone offence.

LOTTO: 1-4-4 Winner Greg Black.

Wallet won by David Davies

MEETING CLOSED: 12.45PM

Talk given by Glenn Mason on the A9X.



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I hereby certify that I will abide by the rules and regulations of the Holden Sporting car Club of Victoria Inc. and also the National Competition Rules of the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport with which this club is affiliated.

Signed:..... Dated:.....

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