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NEWSLETTER - August 2019

We meet Bi-Monthly - on the Fourth Tuesday of the Month 8pm at the VHRR Club rooms 30-32 Lexton Rd Box Hill.

COMING EVENTS

August	3-4th	Winton Festival of Speed	0412 264 997
August	18th	Rob Roy Triple Cup VSCC	0417 002 892
August	27th	AGM	03 9877 2317
September	28-29th	HSRCA Wakefield Park	02 9988 4743
October	6th	Rob Roy Interclub Round 3 CCE	0417 398 606
October	22nd	MGM	03 9877 2317
October	25-27th	Historic Sandown	0402 224 133
November	10th	Rob Roy Triple Cup MGCC	0417 398 606
November	16-17th	25th Anniversary Wakefield Park	02 4822 2811
November	22-24th	Geelong Revival	03 5215 1181
November	30th	VHRR Annual Presentation & Awards Dinner	0407 825 545

Committee Meetings 2019

January 21st	April 15th	July 15th	October 21st
February 18th	May 20th	August 19th	November 18th
March 18th	June 17th	September 16th	December 16th

Wednesday Members Lunch - every Wednesday except Christmas Holidays.

Wednesdays 11.30 - 2.00 Club Nights 6.30 - 7.30 CLUB LIBRARY HOURS **Club Permit Scheme** (Red Plate) 5 Handel Crt Blackburn Vic. 3130 *CCE = Club Championship Event

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AGM Elections: August 27th

Notice of opening of nominations for VHRR GENERAL COMMITTEE for the year 2019-2020 to be elected at the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday August 27 2109 at 8pm at the Clubrooms, Lexton Road, Box Hill.

Nomination forms attached and/or enclosed.

It was a packed house for the Graham Hoinville Memorial service on Monday the 22nd of July. Many people from both the motor racing, motor industry and ski clubs attended. VHRR member Brian Smith conducted the service, with many people speaking about Grahams busy life.

A moving speech was given by Peter Bready, Peter spoke from the heart, no notes and no script, a great effort.

Eugene Arocca the current CEO of CAMS also gave an emotional talk on Graham's time at CAMS.

It was nice to see many of Graham's old pals from his early days of skiing at Mt Buller in attendance.

A nice touch was seeing Graham's well known MG TC parked on the lawn in front of the chapel. RIP Graham Hoinville.

Cheers Simmo

great cars, produces great racing and always impresses with a very well-run weekend, this is why spectators and drivers keep coming back to this meeting! Last year's meeting provided great racing, and some not so great weather, but because of the great racing, we'll forgive Winton for the weather just this once! For our little Formula Ford team, the Winton Festival of Speed is a meeting we are looking forward to, last year we came home with three top-20 finishes out of the 30 or so car field, so it was a really good meeting from our point of view. This year, we're hoping to regroup after a disappointing Historic Winton in terms of results, with two out of the three races being either a DNF or a DNS. For our ace driver, Eric Bellamy, this meeting should provide beneficial seat time, with lots of laps available, which of course is ideal if anyone wants to become more comfortable in their car. Friday practice is a good opportunity to get the car warmed up for Saturday's and Sunday's proceedings, and lots of race time is on offer over the rest of the weekend. This year, being the 50th anniversary of Formula Ford in Australia. Eric and all the other Formula Ford competitors have a massive 15-lap race will be held on Sunday to celebrate

the occasion, which should be a real test of fitness for drivers, and reliability/fuel consumption of the cars! So, get ready race fans, the 2019 Winton Festival of Speed is just around the corner!

Josh Lowing

The VHRR Wednesday Group

celebrated Xmas in July on the 24th.. 38 members sat down to a fully catered Xmas roast followed by a delicious Xmas pudding with all the trimmings.

Special guests were VHRR President Ian Tate, Margaret Dymond and Ken Bedggood from Penrite, along Leanne Newson. I can highly recommend Hot Rod's Roast's who



2019 Winton Festival of Speed Preview The 2019 edition of the Winton Festival of Speed is set to be one of the best yet. From my experience, the Festival of Speed attracts

fully catered for the lunch, their service was excellent

The function was organized by Ron Simmonds and Gordon Hellsten, with help from Lloyd Shaw. Photos

- 1. The Riley from the Penrite Collection.
- 2. The three wise men, Gordon Hellsten, Lloyd Shaw and John Blanchard Snr. See next page....
- 3. John Blanchard Snr and Margaret Dymond chatting with Peter Shea.
- 4. Michael Ban, Terry Sully and John Rowe, Michael was into his third helping. Cheers Simmo.

joy is a fast contraption, so why not try regularity. You are an old bloke, been racing cars for years. You and your fantastic historic racing car have been suffering from slower lap times lately. You have new tyres and been to the dyno, all is well with the car. So off to Philip Island in March, your lap times are slower.

You go home throw a tantrum, kick the dog and the car, then retire for the night, look in the bathroom mirror, your problem is staring you in the face.

So why not try regularity.

Now off to Winton to do this new craft, regularity.

On attending the briefing you observe a mixture of youth and exuberance, and old age and stealth. You have the flags explained to you, hold your line ,the onus on the following car to pass safely, indicate by pointing your left hand to show your awareness of the presence of this far superior car and driver, so he can pass on your left. same applies with your right hand.

Got that piece of cake, now onto the track. A faster car is approaching you and looks menacing, you wonder if this will interfere with your lap times.

He passes you, then you realise he ain't much quicker, and is now holding you up.

Now you have buggered your time you set to win this folly. You come up to 3 Austin sevens in battle, they use most of the track. You move about to find a gap,go off line, look in the mirror to find Stalling Mess trying to anticipate your next change of direction.

You indicate with your right

You indicate with your right hand that you are moving to the right, you were talking instead of listening at the briefing, Stalling goes right, same as the idiot, resulting in two cars inspecting

the real estate near the track. Miraculously you both recover unscathed, then receive the chequered flag. Undaunted you decide to check the results keeping an eye out to avoid Stalling,





How To Win A Regularity

You are a young fellow, highly skilled driver, sick of 40. to 100 kph speed restrictions, and seeking an introduction to motor sport. Your pride and

3 Austin sevens 1st, 2nd 3rd, Stalling 4th, and you have come a glorious last in your first regularity. Go home and apologise to the dog. I trust this helps you in your regularity career. Regards, Hugh Jarse.





Is it just me or do others awaken and think of when is the next race weekend? Sure, we think of the kids, grandkids and friends, but racing is always an early thought.

Over here, in Europe, there is a race meeting virtually every weekend, so no end of fun. Two weeks ago it was was Anglesey on the Welsh North coast. A fantastic track, not unlike Phillip Island in location.

Five Aussies were in the line up and Marty Bullock won the first race and got 3rd in the second. David Kent won his class and, despite a litany of problems, David Watkins also did well collecting, if I remember, a third in the second race.

Bill Hemming went really well in his gorgeous Tojiero and while i was running strong in 4th spot in race 2, I blew a donut and failed to finish. The

field was about 20 strong so we all had some success really. A couple of weeks earlier many of us raced at Most in Czech. It is another excellent venue and the racing there was held in 35°C+ Heat. Everyone got through ok, though overheating was ever present.

We took a couple of weeks to get back to the UK after, you guessed it...lots of shopping, too many bloody castles and numerous churches! She needs therapy of varying types but I'm buggered to understand some of it, even after 45 years of trying!

This weekend we run at Croft which holds a sort of mini Goowood Revival type meeting. Located up North, near Newcastle (there's that bloody word again) it promises to have a bit of a different feel. I will race the F3 Penny Ford and see how that goes after considerable tweaking during the off season. Finally, the week after is Nurburgring, a real highlight on this

trip. Despite the rigid discipline in the organising it is a really good event with A1 hospitality tents, strong entry and lots of interesting cars in various classes.

After a disappointing incident in practice at Winton before I left home, my Lotus 18 is under going a complete refurb with many new components.

Dave Price is, along with Allan Bisset, seeing to it all and I'm looking forward to joining you all on my return for a Summer full of racing. We are working on the 2020 calender and improving our communications with you all as time goes by. It's never easy to satisfy everyone, but we'll keep trying and hopefully grow our group over time. Helpful suggestions are encouraged and your support is the best way to flourish

Meanwhile, Cheers, Kim Shearn President AFJA **Report on the General Meeting** held at the clubrooms on June 25 2019.

This is a short report on some of the items shared at the meeting, which was chaired by Rohan Carrig, Vice President.

Meeting adjourned for our speakers:
Rohan and Bob Harborow introduced our guest speakers who both addressed the abolition of the use of avgas from the start of July.
Mark Tierney, from Race Fuels reported on his fuels with particular regard to avgas, and complementing that was Scott McGrath from CAMS, who spoke about the current regulations. Both Mark and Scott presented relevant and useful information, and created much discussion from the audience.

Scott used a power point presentation which he has subsequently made available to the club. Grant has forwarded this to members and it has been uploaded to the website.

Thanks to Mark and Scott for their time in meeting with the club. Rohan and Bob thanked our speakers and they were presented with a VHRR bag.

Correspondence: letter from Mike Barker resigning from his role in managing our Christmas function (we need a replacement); Chris Nelson has expressed an interested in managing the CPS.

Treasurers Report:

Written report to June 30 was tabled and Ian McLennan gave a visual and report. Club in good financial position and we have surplus from our race meetings. Accounts with the auditors ready for AGM in August. Ian to consider putting some monies into a term deposit if can negotiate a reasonable interest, in this climate. Many thanks to Ian as always for all his work.

Short race reports from WFOS and Sandown. Date for Phillip Island still not confirmed. Mike Barker noted the Interclub Club Challenge on Oct 6 and Triple Cup Challenge on Nov 10 at Rob Roy

Membership: Debbie Collins reported on small increase in membership fee; 510 members; Kim Cornish as non-racing member approved; Debbie asked members when renewing to make sure all credit cards details are correct. Membership cards available tonight. Group reps:

F5000s: Bob H reported, with 54 cars being in Australia, trying to encourage these cars to come back and race again

Laurie Bennett, Phil Randall and Gavin Dearie are working together, considering holding a category meeting in the clubrooms; Facebook page (500 members); need to use database information to encourage entries, which is vital to the category.

CPS: - Gordon Hellsten reported that there were 230 cars currently; a reminder that members within the scheme must be financial members of the VHRR; members need to monitor renewal date as VicRoads not vigilant in sending our reminders; owners must be proactive. Chris Nelson, as noted, has indicated he will take on CPS administration with assistance from Neville Butler. Transition to be sorted. Many thanks Gordon for all your excellent work.

HCC – Bob reported: successful meeting held; CAMS website has been improved with better access, processing of CofD's occurring though still some backlog; applicants must provide good photos; Commission is providing mock ups of what is required.

Social events:

Christmas function – November 30 Ron Simmonds reported on Yarra Valley event which was excellent and all involved had a great day. Thanks Ron and Marg.

General Business:

The next General Meeting is the AGM and all committee positions would be open for nominations. All members are encouraged to become involved. Nomination forms have been forwarded.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next General Meeting and AGM on August 27 2019 at 8pm.

Leanne Newson Secretary

Vale: Graham Hoinville

Speaking personally, Brenda & I knew Graham in the early 70s when he competed in Mud Trials, along with a number of other CAMS luminaries - Maurie Monk, John Pryce & Don Thomson. And of course a little later when we became involved with the Austin 7 Club's 'Historic Winton'. Always a tenacious competitor in the Trials, Graham was no less committed to Historics and showed a great interest in all things Historic, especially on the eligibility side. Graham regularly checked all the entries for legitimate or otherwise cars and updated Brenda on anything dicey. He also

regularly entered Historic Winton, mostly in the Elfin Mono, driving his XW up every day from Donvale. He will be sadly missed and on behalf of the President, Committee and members of the VHRR we extend our sincere condolences to Dot, Greg, Karen, Jeff & Steve.

The following is reprinted for posterity from the CAMS website. Thanks to CAMS for this......

CAMS is saddened to learn of the recent passing of CAMS Award of Merit recipient, Graham Hoinville OAM.

Having a successful career within motor sport as a competitor, sports car designer/constructor, official and administrator spanning more than 60 years, Graham exemplified the spirit of both CAMS and motor sport.

His long-standing affiliation with the sport began in 1950 when he joined the Victorian Amateur Drivers' Club and took part in his first competitive rally, then known as a trial, in 1951. In 1952, CAMS founding President Maurice Monk and National Secretary Donald Thomson approached Graham, then a mechanical engineer, to volunteer as a technical advisor for the newly created governing body.

That was just the beginning of Graham's influence in the sport with his next major achievement coming eight years later, where he devised a set of regulations for touring cars. The regulations eventually came into force for the inaugural Australian Touring Car Championship in 1960 and served as Appendix J for four decades.

Graham sat on many CAMS committees throughout his time in the sport, including acting as Chairman for the inaugural National Technical Committee, serving the Historics Commission for more than 27 years, the National Rules Advisory Committee and the FIA Historic Motor Sport Commission, as well acting as the Honorary Vice-President for the FIA Appendix K Sub Committee.

Graham was also instrumental in the creation of the vital CAMS judicial system, which in turn saw the establishment of the CAMS Eligibility Committee (CEC), a committee in which he chaired for more than 30 years.

The CEC wasn't the only one of Graham's critical creations still in use today, with the CAMS log book and the current alpha/numeric system for historic filing systems both designed by him. Graham also spent time as an official throughout his time in motor sport, his highest profile gigs

acting as Chief Steward at Bathurst for many years, as well as for the iconic Targa Tasmania up until 1998.

Remarkably, while achieving all of this, Graham also ran a successful hire and rental business and found success in rallying as a co-driver at all levels

Most notably, Graham will forever be known as the champion co-driver of the inaugural CAMS Australian Rally Championship alongside Harry Firth.

The pair enjoyed a successful career together, claiming a vast array of victories at a state and national level, as well as competing internationally at events such as the 1962 East African Safari Rally and the 1968 London to Sydney Marathon Rally.

It wasn't just Firth that Graham enjoyed success with, with the highly sought after navigator also enjoying a successful stint with the one-armed Vic Cox, as well as representing Ford Motor Company on many occasions.

In 2011, for his contributions to both the community and motor sport, Graham was awarded the Order of Australia Medal (OAM), adding to his CAMS Award of Merit presented in 1972.

CAMS President Andrew Papadopoulos paid tribute to Graham's many contributions.

"Graham was an instrumental figure and one of the cornerstones of motor sport in this country and I was honoured to work with him throughout my time at CAMS," Papadopoulos said. "Australian motor sport has lost an iconic

"Australian motor sport has lost an iconic administrator, a passionate competitor and a genuinely good person who was well respected and highly regarded among many of the various communities within motor sport."

"It is truly a sad day for Australian motor sport with the passing of Graham and on behalf of CAMS, I would like to pass on my sincere condolences to his family, friends and all those who worked with him."

"I know his legacy will continue to live on for many years to come."

His son Steve also honoured Graham's life on behalf of the Hoinville family.

"He was crucial to the very existence of CAMS and was one of the most respected people in the motor racing industry in both this country and worldwide," Steve said.

"He managed a business and held a number of achievements in not only motor racing, but for other passions as well including skiing and contributing to his community. All of which he seemed to do with ease.'

"He sat on the Ambulance Victoria Technical Advisory board as an advisor for many years and his capacity to do things for other people, as well as still manage to carve out a successful career in motor sport, was extraordinary." "He was remarkable man, an inspirational friend and a fantastic father to us all."

Graham is survived by his wife Dorothea, four children Greg, Karen, Jeff and Steve and eight grandchildren.

Classifieds For sale IDS Clubman sports car

(lan Davies Special) Would make a great car for Historic Motorsport

CAMS log book

1.8 litre Datsun 180B engine

45mm webers

3 piece wheels

2 spare engines unsure of condition

4 speed gear box

New LSD differential (Ford Escort) New reconditioned motor (Installed)

Reconditioned radiator

Spare tyres OLD

\$16000. negotiable

Please call Craig Bowring 0434 351 212 or

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Dunlop Racing Tyres. As new. 2 of 600L15 CR65 New at 2019 Phillip Island, only used for qualifying. \$500 pair, being under half new price. Geoff McInnes 0413 535 404

For Sale Kent 1600 cylinder head with

matched inlet manifold, 34.5 mm inlet ports, recently reseated and springs replaced \$850 Kent 1600 cast iron crankshaft, std size and crack tested at ACS \$350

Kent 1600 plus .040" pistons have been fitted, very little use, set of 4 \$120

Weber DGV32/36 suit deco \$50

Radiator, brass 4 row 360mm high, 315mm wide, recently cleaned \$150

Set of 4 CSA 5.5" x 13" aluminium wheels, 4" offset, 4.25 pcs (English Ford), Hydro blasted and crack tested \$600

Derek Smith 0403 830 390.

Elfin 620B Formula Ford, restored & running \$30.000 or best offer. Please phone Peter Halpin on - 0418 593 659. For photos, e-mail Brian Simpson - cooperjap1955@gmail.com

For Sale

Set of Historic Dunlop L series tyres 5.50b x15. At least 60% tread. One race meeting and a few sprints, but getting on a bit. Ideal for demo/regularity/display.

Complete with tubes \$100, located in Highett. Nick McDonald 0414 569 50

Wanted: Awards Night Organiser

Following many years of successfully organising the annual Awards Night Dinner, Mike Barker has resigned from the position. 2019 will be his last gig! The VHRR is seeking a new organiser to take on this role and Mike is more than happy for this person to join him with the 2019 event. Interested parties can contact Mike Barker (0407 825 545) or Leanne Newson (0417 128 33).

Entries are now open for the All Historic

Racing & Car Show.

It's that time of year again!

2 wheels, 3 wheels, 4 wheels! Get those Historic masterpieces ready for what will be the biggest ALL HISTORIC RACING event ever to be held at Wakefield Park Raceway.

During the last 12 months, we have put a lot of effort into promoting and ensuring that the event continues to grow! So, how can you help this event become one of the best in the country! GET YOUR ENTRIES IN NOW!!!

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