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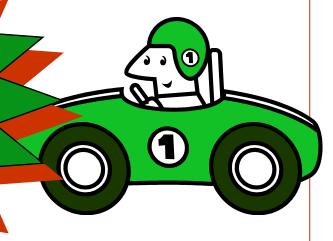
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HRA OF WA MEETINGS

Club meetings are held at the Veteran Car Club Rooms Hale Rd Forrestfield bimonthly.

Meetings start at 7.30 pm and are usually held on the 3rd Thursday of January, March, May, July, September and November. In unusual circumstance these dates change due to Motor Racing commitments as was the case with Phillip Island 2011 where the meeting was held on the 30th of March 2011. So things change so keep an eye on the club website at

http://www.hrawa.org.au/

Any person with an interest in Historic Motor sport is encouraged to attend.

Meetings are relaxed and informal.

It is not a requirement to own or even race a Historic motor vehicle, just an interest will suffice.

THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Welcome to the Visor for 2013.

I congratulate the work of the CAMS Historic Panel and the work done in the XMAS break to bring us the State Championships. I ask all club members to become actively involved with and support

this great new initiative.

Audit scrutiny for cars in the competition is now available at the WASCC on tuning days and the opportunity to have your car audited on April 13 gives you the time to prepare the cars and present them to the scrutineers the day before an event. This is a no cost service provided by the club volunteers.

CAMS has seen the just how valuable the JKL cars are to the sport and come to its senses and revised the cost of CofD's for these vehicles.

ET Mitchell.

THE FRONT COVER

Well where does one start, new cars have arrived over Xmas, a State Championship has been announced, many within the ranks have booked their trips away for 2013, Tasman has been run and won, Winton and Phillip Island are coming at us very rapidly and we have 5 race meetings this year here at home.

Scrutiny dates are out as well and the list goes on so somewhere in

The Visor we will try and get the news out to all

Please enjoy you 1st Visor for 2013 "The Year of the Snake. It si also the Porsche 911's anniversary and is featured at Northam.

Throughout the year we hope to be able to bring you up to date with all the happenings but as we say if you have some news please let us know. I know it sounds like a stuck record but CAMS log Books and CofD for historic cars is way too expensive, well CAMS Historic Commission is listening and have gone into battle and come back with a result.

Soon to be published is the new schedule which has very much reduced costs for the CofD for many cars. Keep your eyes peeled and now is the time to get an application in if you have been holding off because of the cost.

IT TAKES NEARLY 10,000 BOLTS TO PUT AN AUTOMOBILE TOGETHER, AND ONE NUT TO SCATTER IT ALL OVER.

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What's in this edition of The Visor,

Announcement: Western Australian Historic Motor Racing and Regularity Championships.

Quite a bit of reading required here but its on, we get to see who really is the best driver car combination in the good state of WA. Championship for Regularity as well as racing. We await confirmation from the WASCC with its acceptance by running some of the rounds, but all the associations are in and promoters onboard. Its a reality!

CAMS Reduces cost of Certificate of Description. Hooray!

Also there are moves afoot to include HTP cars into our folds. Read the discussion paper, It may be long but has all of the information you need to form an opinion. You will see the word Replica in there.

Morgan to run at Northam? Read all about Craig Atkins bringing the Ex VanDal car to the Northam Flying Fifty.

WA off to take on the rest of the world at Phillip Island. The Silverware is up for grabs and WA is sending one of its strongest ever fields to the Phillip Island Classic

Easter weekend meeting at Mallala. Group N has known about this treasure of an event for years, talk to Pappy Smith who by the way is now the president of the WAHTCC about it he a local lad and will tell you all you need to know.

Northam Flying 50 entry information. Poster is out now so get onto it, get an entry form in might be the best, be quick though!

CAMS Discussion paper on inclusion of FIA compliant Historic vehicles into your sport. Important point as it brings up the replica argument. An old horse but one we are all familiar with.

New cars coming out of the woodwork! See Charlie Mitchell's Elfin FJ, Its engineless at the moment but not far away

Kens page! Who is Kenny? Well regular readers will know that Ken is our resident historian, travelling companion and photographer who went to Eastern Creek for the Tasman and contributed the photos of Frank Matich and Charlie Elfin FJ on page 19 Thankyou Mr Devine!

MUNDAKAHANA Mundaring Motorkahana is what that is. Running in streets around the Mundaring Hotel in Craig St Mundaring on the 21st of April. I do believe that our top female driver Maggie Waters is competing alongside Grant Johnson and a gaggle of talented West Australian Drivers. Its a Come and Try day so novices and experienced hands will be out there together. Entry is open to 14 year olds and up who can beg steal or borrow mums car to compete,

Classic Car Show is on the 28th of April, no doubt Jimmy will be door knocking again to see what real racing cars we can get out to Whitman Park.

The irrepressible Ernie Nagamatsu has been out touring again, Guess where this time and now he collects poetry. We will be catching up with another old friend a Phillip Island in POMMY Rod Jolly in that tiger the Monza Jag.

PHILLIP ISLAND CLASSIC

The WA contingent is ready and rearing to get off on the annual pilgrimage to Phillip Island, the entry list is now published and makes for an interesting read. Phillip Island entry list

Whilst it is being promoted that Skaife is the lead ticket, a late shoe in is The famous Porsche 936/81 Spyder from the 1981 Le Mans. Alex Davison is on standby for the drivers seat, that is so long as it arrives on time and gets off the wharf.

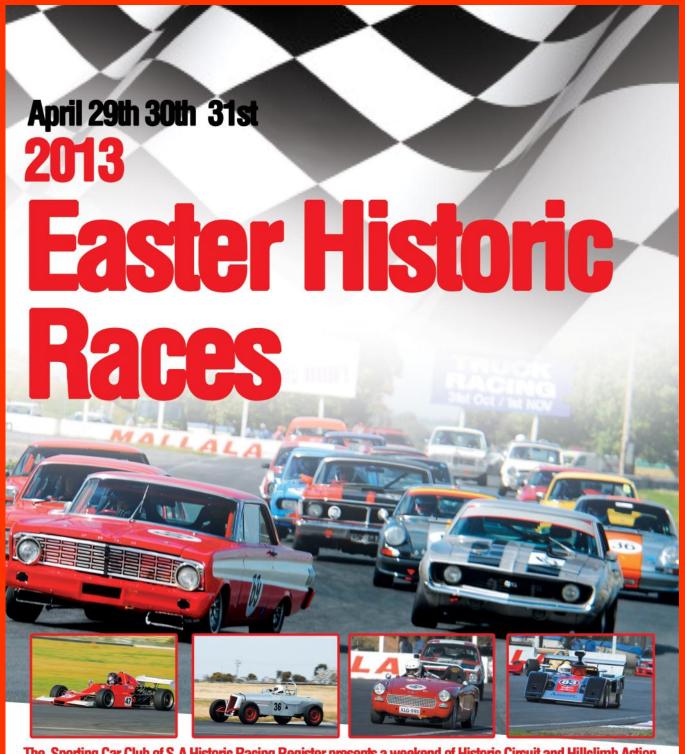
Other notables are the Matra's! A feast even for the blind, you don't need to see them to sense them, they are awesome. In fact you don't even have to be able to hear them. These devices announce their arrival before you can see them or hear them, What are the symptoms of an approaching Matra? Well the barometric pressure starts to drop rapidly and you feel a pulsation through your chest as the air starts to beat.

Big Banger Sports cars are on the menu. See the list here and read it and weep! SPORTS CAR CHALLANGE I'm having \$5 each way on my sentimental favourite "The Graduate"

Way back down the billing list is our humble J,K,L feature, and included in the ranks is our new Cooper Climax of John Davies. He has to run the gauntlet of international competition including "POMMY" Rod Jolly in the Monza Jaguar. Good luck JD, I've seen Rod in action and anyone who can two wheel a Cooper Climax might just get a look in, maybe best let Faux Par have a go at him or maybe Scotty Taylor might be able to give him a hurry up with his Cooper.

Can not see an event where WA isn't more than capable of holding its own in, even in the International class fields so good luck and hopefully a few more gongs will be heading back home after the weekend.

For those poor misguided lovers of all things British, the ex Stillwell 1955 D type is running for the first time in 50 years?



The Sporting Car Club of S.A Historic Racing Register presents a weekend of Historic Circuit and Hillclimb Action. Featuring Muscle Car Action, Historic Sports Sedans & F5000 Monsters like you have never seen before!

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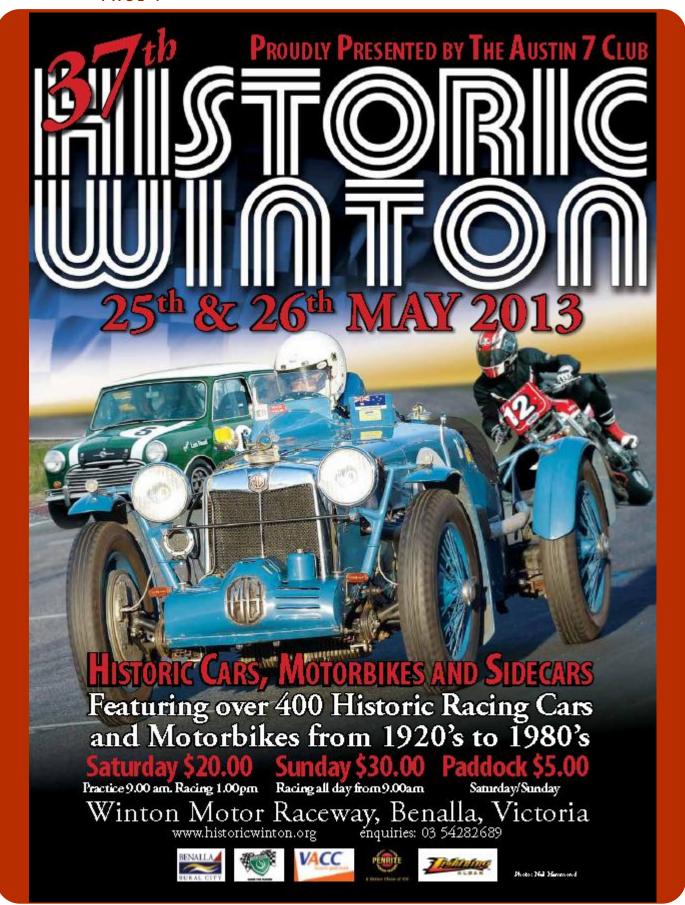
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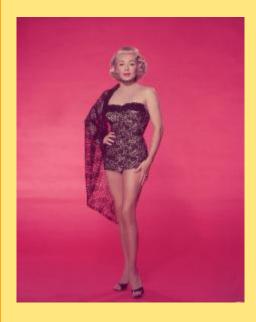
WASCC 2013 Racing Calendar												
Date	9-Feb	2-Mar	14-Apr	3 - 5 May	16-Jun	7-Jul	28-Jul	25-Aug	22-Sep	13-Oct	3-Nov	23-Nov
Circuit	SHORT & LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG	LONG
Saloon Cars												
Sports and Marque Sports										4		
Sedan Super Cup												
Historic Touring Cars												
HQ Holdens						1						
IPC and Street Cars												
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Historic Sports and Racing									1			
Formula Ford												
Formula Vee												
Formula 1000												



2013 EVENT CALENDAR'S ARE AVAILABLE FROM CAMS AND THE PRINCIPAL RACING CIRCUITS AND CLUBS OR ONLINE AT WWW.CAMS.COM.AU

	 		
April	6 th	Mt Ommanney Hill Climb	Club Hill Climb Championship 2
April	6 st	Minson Av Autokhana	
April	7 th	Northam Flying 50	State Historic Regularity Championship 1, Club Regularity Championship 1
June	1 st	Mt Clarence Hill Climb	Club Hill Climb Championship 3
			State Historic Regularity Championship 2,
June	2 nd	Albany Classic	Club Regularity Championship 2
August	3 rd	Clem Dwyer Historic Race Meeting	State Historic Race Championship n
August	18 th	Targa West VSCC Sprint	Club Hill Climb Championship 4
2September	28 th	Collie Hill Climb	Club Hill Climb Championship 5
September	29 th	Collie Crown	State Historic Race Championship <i>n</i> , Club Regularity Championship 3
October	19 th	Goomalling Sprint	Club Hill Climb Championship 6
November	24 th	Vintage Stampede	Club Regularity Championship 4





Do men prefer blondes? GO TO PAGE 17



For those who remember this as the height of good taste and fashion, then you will remember the 1952 Northam Flying 50 winner! Yes the David Van Dal's 1951 Morgan Plus 4.

Now whilst this 50's fashion beauty will never make it back to centre stage, the Morgan will. Current custodian and Morgan aficionado Craig Atkins is busily hammering away in the garage to get the aging beauty back to the circuit for this years Northam Flying 50 April 6th and 7th.

Keep your eyes peeled as this blonde beauty may be also making a reappearance to! Does anyone want to try a wild guess on who she is?

Rather than I prattle on about the Morgan, see Dr Craig and get the full story from him, I would only get it wrong anyway, it is reputed that Dr Craig knows everything Morgan, even down to the owners children's birthdays, and the pets they own? Don't know how he does it! Come and join in the fun entry links are below.

NORTHAM FLYING 50 WEEKEND APRIL 6TH AND 7TH 2013

Northam 2013 Entry Forms

Northam Weekend Invitation Letter (<u>Click Here</u>) Northam Hill Climb, Round the Houses and Autokhana Entry Form (<u>Click Here</u>)

Northam Round the Houses Sup Regs (<u>Click Here</u>)
Autokhana Sup Regs (<u>Click Here</u>)
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IN CLUDING

2013 CAMS WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HISTORIC REGULARITY DRIVERS CHAMPIONSHIP

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APPENDIX A

CALENDER OF HISTORIC EVENTS 2013

CAME HISTORIC ADVISORYPANEL

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HISTORIC MOTOR SPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS

It is with considerable pleasure that we announce the CAMS, 2013 WA Historic Motor Sport Championships.

The approved copy is now available at the CAMS Website, follow the link below

2013 WA Historic Motor Sport Championships Regulations

The regulations are in two parts, consisting of

2013 CAMS WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HISTORIC MOTOR RACE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013 CAMS WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HISTORIC REGULARITY DRIVERS **CHAMPIONSHIP**

This is a milestone event for us here in Western Australia, being, the first time that the State Historic Racing Championship will be run in its correct form, most probably, it is also the first time that State Historic Championships has been conducted in Australia. This is certainly the case for Regularity Drivers Championships.

It demonstrates the maturity of the Historic Movement here, that it can propose and conduct the Championships where none others exist, is a credit to those who contributed to their production and those who have accepted them by undertaking to conduct events featuring the State Championship. This is an opportunity for the Historic community to unite and for clubs and promoters to use this as a tool to further their ideals and objectives within the Motor Sport Community and the public at large. I know I am speaking to the converted here but, I must say, Historics are the growth area of the sport as well as being a visually spectacular form of entertainment. I implore you all to encourage participation in the events as proposed. As well, I ask you to consider your club or association participate in the championships as promoter, supporter or participant, it costs nobody to align themselves with the championship, but I can assure you or your organization and will benefit from its involvement.

A calendar of events is being prepared at present and we await confirmation from promoters accepting these regulations and acknowledging their participation, in due course we will present a final championship calendar, in the interim below is the proposed calendar/program noting their status in the championship.

Historic Regularity Drivers Championship Historic Motor Racing Championship

Northam Flying 50 (Confirmed) Albany Classic (Confirmed) WA All Historic Race Meeting (Proposed) Clem Dwyer Race Meeting (Proposed) Coalfields 500 (Confirmed)

14 April 2013 (Proposed) 16 June 2013 (Proposed) WA All Historic Race Meeting (Proposed) 25 August 2013 (Proposed) Clem Dwyer Race Meeting (Proposed) Coalfields 500 (Confirmed) 13 October 2013 (Proposed) 23 November 2013 (Proposed)

I do request that you share comment amongst your fellows and if you have any questions or require any assistance with the Championship or require clarification that you contact the panel through myself.

Please enjoy the fruits of the work from a dedicated team of enthusiasts.

Thomas A. Benson CAMS Historic Panel Chairman WA caterpillars@bigpond.com

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HISTORIC MOTOR SPORT DISCUSSION PAPER

As I alluded too earlier in the Visor, and noted in Motor sport publications across Australia, CAMS has been listening to your comment regarding the cost of Certificate of Descriptions and log books. The Historic Commission has gone into bat so to speak and a new schedule of rates is shown below. You will note that there are now the inclusion of grading called Tiers for the Log Books which represents the degree of difficulty in having the log book and C of D prepared.

There of course must be a new definition of the descriptions from the old Gold Silver ect that was attempted some time ago, its just that I can not find it! Rest assured when we know we will publish the result.

In the mean time think of it in terms of the value of the certificate as a guide to what fee you will pay.

On a simular matter the Historic Commission is working on the inclusion of HTP vehicles into the sport. It has asked for feedback, there is a discussion paper out there for all to see and comment.

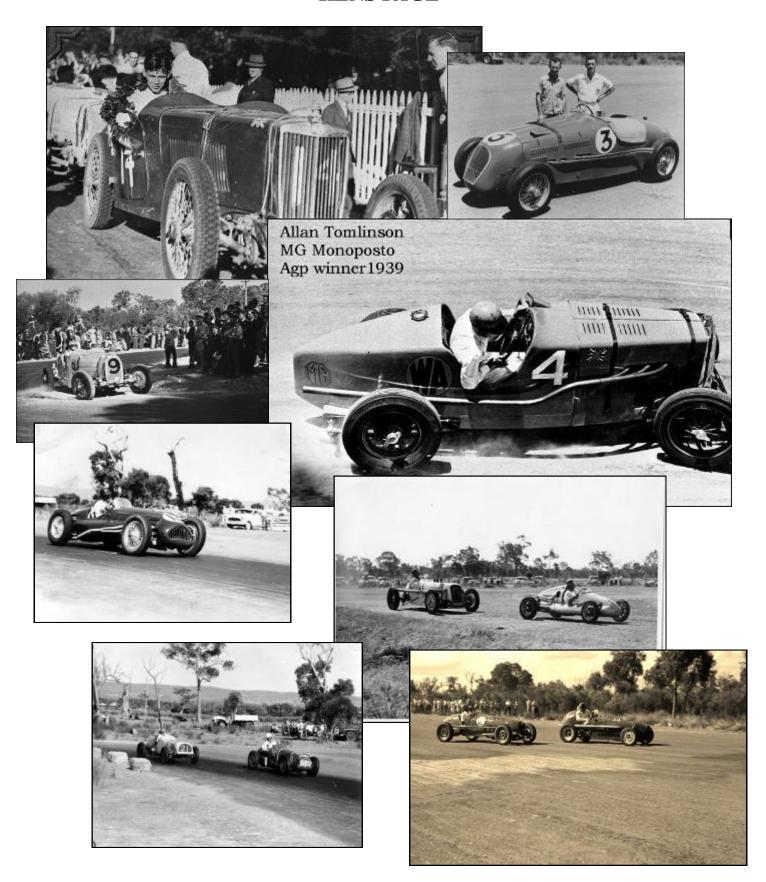
Here is the link to the data

http://www.cams.com.au/en/Media/News/2013/HISTORIC_MOTOR_SPORT_DISCUSSION_PAPER.aspx

If you wish to comment and don't want to submit we at the Visor can help. Let us know what you think!

Historic Documentation	
Historic Certificate of Description (includes logbook)	\$950.00
Tier 1	Ψ,30.00
Historic Certificate of Description (includes logbook)	\$800.00
Teir 2	Ψ000.00
Historic Certificate of Description (includes logbook)	\$660.00
Tier 3	Ψ000.00
Historic Certificate of Description AIP Tier 1	\$475.00
Historic Certificate of Description AIP Tier 2	\$400.00
Historic Certificate of Description AIP Tier 3	\$330.00
Historic Certificate of Description Upgrade (Revised	POA
Specification)	IOA
Historic Certificate of Description Upgrade (Current	\$150.00
Specification)	ψ130.00
Certificate of Description Replacement – Lost	\$200.00
Temporary Permit to Complete	\$115.00
CAMS Fees for FIA Historic Technical Passport (with	\$950.00
no CoD) Tier 1	\$30.00
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no CoD) Tier 2	ψου.υυ
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1 Allan Tomlinson MG Albany 1938. 2. Allan Tomlinson AGP 1939,

3 Bugatti Patriotic GP 1940, 5 Syd Taylor and Syd Negus Caversham 1954, 6. Don Hall and Don Rieman HRG Holden 1954. 7 Doug Green Cooper MKv and Mick Geneve Ballot Dodge 1954, 8 Syd Anderson Alta Agp 1957. 9 Fred Coxon and Aub Badger Holden specials AGP1957.

That should be enough clues for you to tie the photo to the title.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Membership renewal time.

Yes that time of year to decide is it really worth the money, do I need to be a members of another motoring club,? Well don't miss out on this one. At \$30 its a bargain and keeps you up to date with what's happening in the Historic Motor Sport game!

Grab an envelope and stuff in \$30 and post it to the address above and be assured of your continued updates of motor sport in WA. You don't need to be a racer or own a car just have an interest in Historic motor sport and enjoy the companionship of like minded people.

The club is incorporated has secure bank accounts conformant with statutory requirements so its safe to deposit monies electronically .It is CAMS affiliated

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A/C details for you, but don't forget to give your details on the payment so we know who is who!!









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There Breeding!



Seems that everyone's got one now,

Recently at a Gala outing in the ritzy suburb of Cottesloe was the unveiling of the next Cooper Climax to grace our shores here in WA.

And what a machine it is, all magnificent in black and in impeccable dress. Sounds like the Grammy awards does it not? And surly this one deserves some award!

This is the latest acquisition of our stalwart John T Davies.

Its quite a step along the way from the Healey for John, but if I haven' seen a rabbit with a gold tooth before, then I surly saw the next best thing when the covers came off the Cooper in front of an admiring (Jealous) crowd at Johns house. JD the consummate host had a smile of a schoolboy having just having his first kiss!

Amid the champagne quaffing and hors d'oeuvres stood the 1958 F2 Climax powered machine that will be competing at Phillip Island come early March with JD behind the wheel. JD will have to learn to keep his gold teeth hidden and get that smile off his face if he wishes to be up with the rest of the Coopers and other exotic machinery but i doubt anyone will be happier than JD.

Johns touching address on his lifetime desire to have one of these beauties warmed the heart.







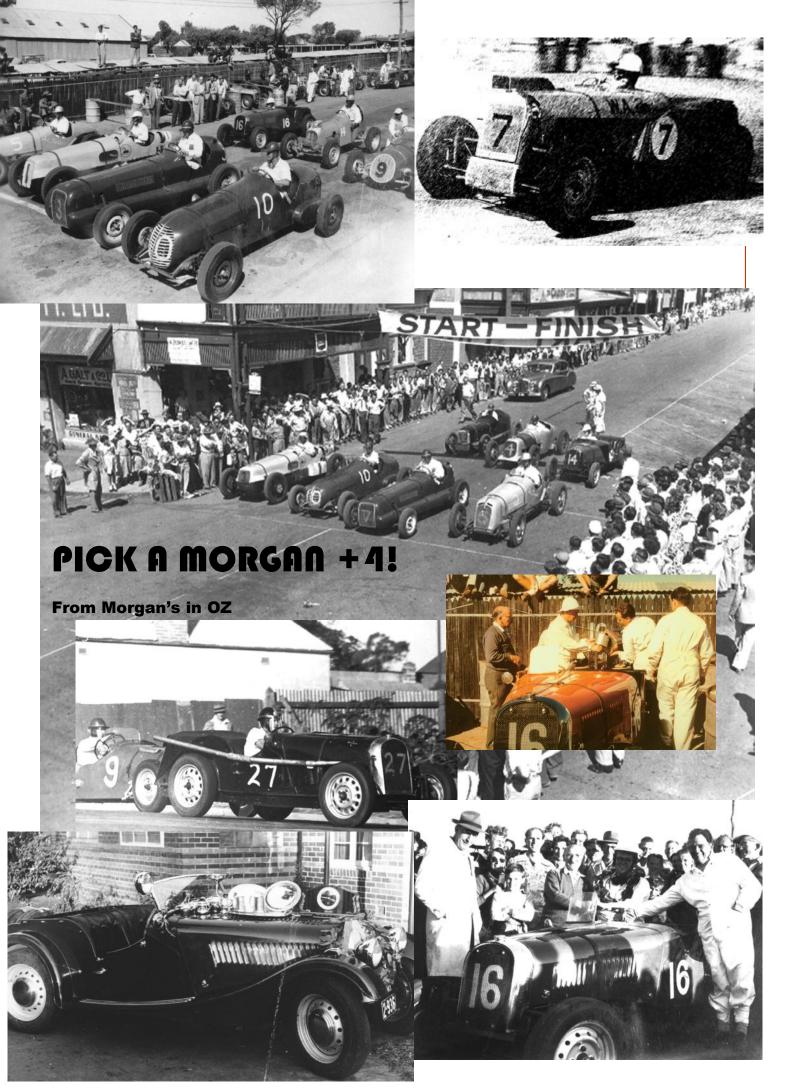
THE RESULTS SPEAK FOR
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1952 FLYING 50 WINNER
MORGAN + 4

FROM MORGANS IN OZ BY DR CRAIG

In the Flying Fifty, Motteram started on 6.5min and Van Dal with 4:25 start on the scratch car, the double V8. By lap 10 of the 23, Motteram still led and Van Dal had worked his way up to second.

They proceeded in this order with the 4/4 lapping just 3 seconds slower than the +4. However, on lap 18 disaster struck. The 4/4 lost a battery connection requiring a costly stop for Motteram of four minutes to effect repairs. At the finish, Van Dal (63:08) took the flag by about ten seconds from a fast Finishing Morrie Maurice (64:20) in his Chrysler Special and Noel Aldous in his well prepared MG TC (65:49), with Motteram in eighth place.

SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGE FOR A PICTORIAL OF THE MORAGN'S



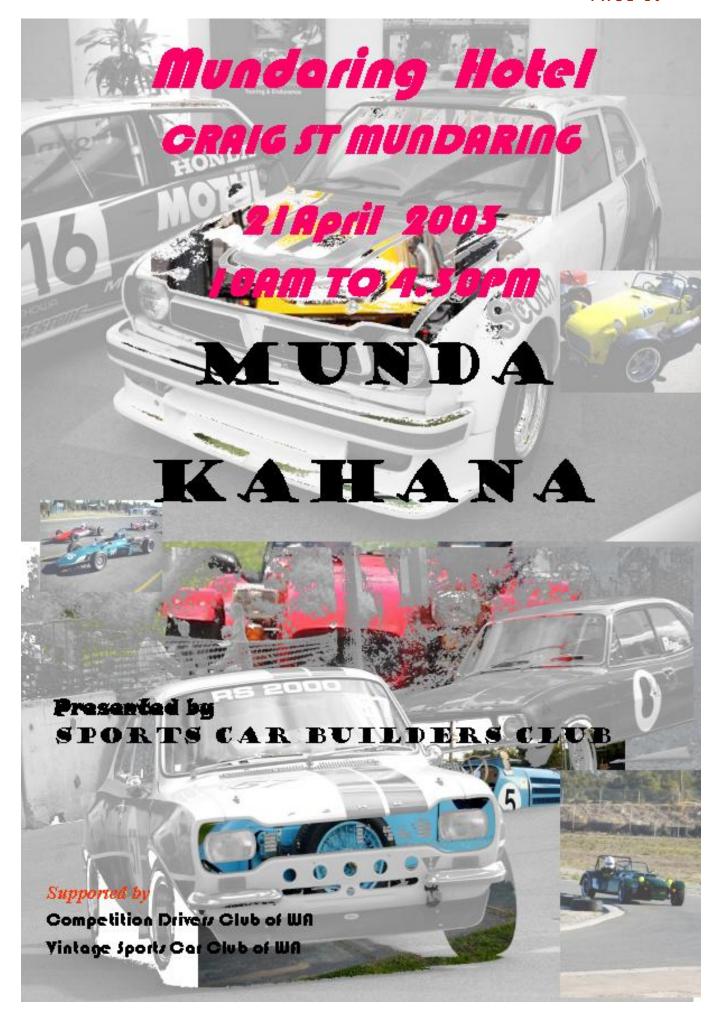
THE WOODEN CAR THAT WOULDN'T GO



Above, Frank Matich reunited with his Championship winning Elfin FJ. Below, Frank after winning Championship, in the background are Frank's son and grandson.



Of course the dashing, moustached gentleman with hands on hips is our Pres, trying to look happy that the Elfin had made it to Eastern Creek for the TASMAN, unfortunately its a little short in the ring, the noise generator wouldn't go, thus the wooden car that wouldn't go!



THE NEW RULES FOR PROTECTIVE PADING

11.1 Helmet and Head Protection:

- (a) Where the helmet of an occupant could come into contact with the safety cage, protective padding shall be fitted in that area, which complies with:(i) International competition and below, FIA standard 8857-2001, type A (see FIA Technical List No 23 "Roll Cage Padding Homologated by the FIA"); or(ii) For national competitions and lower, SFI specification 45.1.
- (b) (b) Implementation Dates

Padding of the type specified in 11.1(a) is required as follows:

- Any FIA category vehicle (eg, Group N, Super 2000) refer FIA Appendix J, Article 253 currently in place;
- •National competitions from 1 January 2012; and
- All competitions from 1 January 2013.

The use of the specified padding is highly recommended in the meantime.

11.2 Body Protection: Where the body of an occupant could come into contact with the safety cage, it is recommended that flame retardant padding be fitted. FIA standard 8857-2001 or SFI specification 45.1 padding is recommended.

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THE LATEST CONTRIBUTION FROM OUR MAN IN CALIFORNIA

SEE PAGES 22-25 FOR THE REPORT ON THE

Denny Hulme Festival.

One burly looking, but friendly fan (he competes in 'Senior' Weight Lifting), was wearing an Old Yeller T shirt and wrote a special poem for us that he brought to us...

Old Yeller

The car is old yellow and it comes from the past
V8 power it is loud and fast
It roars like a lion as it races around the track
Frightening little kids, giving old ladies heart attacks
In it's DNA there's a bit of Dan Gurney
Now it's owned by a racer and his name is Ernie
Traveling 'round' the globe having a lot of races
Many different cars, meeting lots of faces
Welcome to New Zealand, hope you like the stay
Look forward to see Old Yeller again racing down this way

E. Nagamatsu



New Zealand Festival of Motor Racing 2013 Tribute to Denny Hulme

January 18-20, 2013/January 25-27, 2013

We arrived into Auckland via Air New Zealand and we had excess luggage of a set of racing tires in two packages, which was interesting for Customs. After getting a rental car, we head out and trying to always remember "stay left... stay left," After stopping in Pokekohe at the Count Down market for some supplies, we headed toward the South down the Waikato Espressway to the Chestnut Ridge Farm Stay once again... after two years. It is a beautiful Chestnut Orchard farm and in the very

quiet town of only a few stores in Te Kawata. We get acquainted once again with names for baked goods such as lollie cakes, Louise slice, Neenish cookie, Banoffi Pie, Piako lemon curd, 'Sammies' (sandwiches), pom-poms (potato balls fried), Belgium biscuit, and cream buns. The farming countryside is endless green scenery and fresh corn is in season, as that is good luck for us as it is the very best. Soon we are hearing..."Good on you," and "Well done," as the Kiwi hospitality rules in NZ. We hear "Bloke", 'mate', Jandals (sandals and national footwear), and a Chilly Bin is a cooler. We visit a "Denture and Denture Repair" office and one only has to be a licensed dental tech qualified in dental prosthesis and not a dentist to make dentures. It is two full weekends of packed races as there are 2 Qualifying sessions and 10 full on 'fender to fender' races with "standing start races," like F1 over each race weekend. We register and locate our garage assignment and find that the organizers had waived our expensive "entry fee" for us. It is exciting as it is our 3rd NZ Festival event. We take the 1958 Kilpatrick Porsche Speedster is first in line for Tech Inspection, and the #71 is quickly passed through, as they must trust our crew preparation. John and Sandy (niece of Bruce McLaren) are helping us to crew again for us

and Dennis Russell flies in from Sydney by Friday to join our crew...and Paul Hunter (nephew of Bruce McLaren) also joins us. We go to nearby Huntley from more provisions and notice the high presence of Maori people in the area. In the meat section there is middle bacon rashers, short cut bacon (like Canadian bacon), minty lamb sausage, pork chillie apricot sausages, Chinese honey sausages, lamb flap, and cut eye bacon. The Chestnut Ridge Farm gives us a separate room and bathroom with garage and a micro wave and toaster so we are good to go... as our breakfast consists of Wattie's Baked Beans and toast very early in the morning before we go to the track nearby. On Wednesday we attended the special Bruce McLaren



Trust Presentation event of the unveiling of the Denny Hulme famous papaya orange colored McLaren Can Am race- car completed by Duncan Fox. Unfortunately, the electrical gremlins prevented the starting of the race- car at the last hours as they ran out the clock to finish by Wednesday evening at the Hampton Downs track.

The 58' Kilpatrick Porsche has been in New Zealand following the 2012 Porsche Parade (held every 20 years) at Lake Taupo last January. The Speedster was featured with a story in the BBC Top Gear magazine March 2012 issue... as a fan brought the magazine to give to us at the garage. The 58' Kilpatrick Speedster was race prepped by legendary race shop of Duncan Fox and now much improved and race ready. With the new alternator, we are now finally able to use the rpms at the upper levels. The shifter and steering was worked on, as the Speedster is now really enjoyable to race at the very limits of the race-car. In New Zealand Historic Racing, there is no real class for such early Sports Cars, so we are placed in the "Pre 1978 Sports, Sports Racing, and GTs," which includes blindingly fast newer big bock Corvettes, 308 1978 Ferrari, Porsche 911/ 924S/ Gulf Porsches, Lotus Europas, Morgans ...and two very quick Lotus 23 B racing cars. We have such limited HP (1500)

cc) against the other race- cars so it is "mirror watching" time in the race. It is so different in NZ as in the USA they can fill the entire grid with just 356 Porsches, as the very first production street Porsches imported to New Zealand was around 1957. The 20-year differential in Sports Cars and Sports Racing Cars is monumental in our class, but still fun to mix with the "big dogs." We shared a garage with two Americans and they had a professional race support/crew team. The crew was "Jr" and his wife Eileen of their company- TMT Racing of Connecticut. The husband and wife team were ultra professional and had that special racing "eyes like a hawk" point of view for safety and preparation in race-cars.

There was much excitement in the air at the Festival, as the Tribute to Denny Hulme (one of the three Motorsports legends from New Zealand which included Chris Amon, Bruce McLaren and Denny) event has brought together so many of the race-cars that Denny raced at one time. There was even the giant racing "Scania 111 truck Denny raced along with his boat named "Can Am" with the proper aluminum Big Block Chevy Can Am motor in the boat. We took a photograph of Greeta (Denny's wife) and in front of Denny's first race- car ... an MG TF. Denny's daughter Adele recalls fondly having been asked by her father to attend the 1992 Bathhust race as she took the long train ride to the race... Denny was racing the BMW and during the race Denny slowly pulled over to the side of the track along the Conrod straight... having suffered a fatal heart attack that Sunday October 4th. Adele stated, "I was so pleased that I had been there for his last race. It was as if it was meant to be." There were two beautiful young girls were proudly wearing their 'T shirts'..."My Grandfather was a Formula One Champion."

The young Kiwi, Denny Hulme, arrived in England as the co winning the "Driver to Europe" scheme of New Zealand for the most promising driver. George Lawton was the other NZ recipient that year and young Kiwi with Denny going to U.K that year. Sadly George Lawton died in a racing accident in

Europe. Ronald Lawton who Lawton's George older brother and livin Auckland. ina made a special trip to visit at Te Atatatu where we were staying at the end of our trip...to bring and show me a historic period photo of his brother George racing in a Cooper racecar. George Lawton is the unsung hero of New Zealand and he was a Kiwi star, as well as Timmy Meyer who was a young Kiwi team- mate of Bruce who also died in a racing accident. Denny is most fa-



mous for winning two F1 Championships and being a part of the record breaking "Bruce and Denny Show" while dominating the competition in Can Am racing. The original McLaren team has been assembled once again for a reunion and Denny's wife Greeta Hulme, provided wonderful and touching stories of the early days of racing in Europe with Denny. The original Mk 1 Ford Zodiac car they bought in England for \$350 dollars was on display as they had shipped the car back to New Zealand after racing. There were lively panel discussions with key Kiwi team members such as Phil Kerr, Cary Taylor, and Howden Ganly...and it was moderated by Eoin Young (the first Press person/ employee for Bruce and McLaren team... and later became a world famous journalist... but unfortunately he went immediately went into the hospital in very bad health immediately following the panel presentation on the first weekend of the Festival). Denny Hulme is still so loved in New Zealand, as the legendary racing hero who had raced Formula Junior, Formula 1, Can Am for Championships and and famous Kiwi Chris Amon stated..."The old



'Bear' (his loving nickname) had this amazing ability to bring the car home." Denny was the ultimate racing "journeyman" as following his record breaking career, Denny continued enjoying racing all forms of cars and he also did some "truck racing" in huge racing trucks. He had passed on during a race with a BMW in 1992 and that exact car was also on display at the Festival. There were stories of heroic efforts and the classic one was where he badly burned both hands while racing at Indianapolis but the determined Denny still showed up at the first Can Am season Opening Race. Denny was totally devastated by the death of Bruce McLaren when Bruce was testing a McLaren at the Goodwood racing circuit and Denny felt personally that he must carry on for McLaren and provide the much needed leadership at that difficult time for Denny. He was

in pain with both hands covered in bandages, but still led many laps in that race... and by that Can AM season end, Denny had won his second Can Am Championship and fourth in a row for McLaren cars. Eoin Young recalled how Denny wandered around Bruce's house in England following the death of Bruce saying over and over... "It shouldn't have happened and I should have been driving that car"... and it was Denny's Can Am car that Buce was testing when the rear wing became detached at high speed at Goodwood in 1970. Phil Kerr recalls the dilemma saying to Denny... "We've got this problem because the doctors said that you cannot drive" ... and Denny's response was "I'm going to drive that car for Bruce, no matter what." He was known fondly as the "Bear" for his sometimes grouchiness and 'short fuse,' but admired for also being the caring, gentle, and loving "Bear" as well by the McLaren team members present. It was noted that he did not ever seek publicity, as he pushed for safety in racing along with Jackie Stewart ...and he did not get the full credit like Jackie Stewart did. The common thread was the point of

view from his friends and from the team..."He was a remarkably down-to-earth bloke, wasn't he?" I personally recall having the legendary Denny Hulme- Ken Miles Le Mans GT 40 in our rented shop at one time long ago as our crew Bobby was working on the GT 40 that was one of the three crossing the finish line together at Le Mans in the 1966. Sadly Ken and Denny were leading when told to "pull back" while leading for the famous three abreast "showcase" finish for the Ford Motor Company...and Bruce McLaren and Chris Amon were given the win at Le Mans that year.



After one Qualifying and 5 full on races with the Kilpatrick Speed-ster on the first weekend, we had a break so Sandy and John took us North to the Bay of Islands. On the way we were taken to the spiritual forest of Waipoua where everyone pays respect to the "King of the Forest"... otherwise known as "Tane Mahuta"... as this mammoth eye boggling tree towers as the largest living Kauri tree and being over 2,000 years old. A lunch stop was a Opononi (noted for the famous and friendly Dolphin came to visit beachgoers for years) at Opo's for the famous fish and chips along with a small size can of Wattie's "Rip and Dip," which is like catsup to us. We continued on the Waitangi, which one can find the historic "Waitangi Treaty House" which was the place for the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi, which is still contested today by the native Maori people. Paihia is the small town where we stayed and over 54 giant Cruise ships anchor in the harbor during the season and allow passengers to visit the



town and the adjacent "Treaty House." We took the short car ferry trip to Russell for dinner at the Duke of Marlborough, as it is the oldest licensed restaurant in NZ. Along the way while traveling, there are always "meat pies" available everywhere you can imagine such as mince and gravy, smoked salmon, spinach and mushroom, potato top, mince and double cheese, Brandy gravy- Angus pepper steak, cream chicken, and also one can enjoy Cornish Pastie. One can always find Pavlova (baked meringue in round cake like with a ridge) for adding fresh fruit on top... Lamingtons (rectangular cake covered with red-pink or white thin icing with coconut flakes...and Maori names for towns and villages. The names keep catching our eyes such as Anzac biscuits, "Ploughmans" sammy, Kumara chips, Black Doris Plum preserves (best ever), "Over the Moontriple cream Brie with Blushing pear, spicy three cheese parcels, Waikanae crab, "drinking nut" (coconut), Melting Moments cookies, Butterfly Cup Cake, Kumi Kumi, Yo- Yos, Double Happy cookies, Boston Bun, chocolate rice bubbles (Rice- Crispies to us), pancake cream roll, marshmallow biscuit, and Latte Slice. Vegemite is Australian and Marmite is New Zealand and OMG... no Marmite on the shelves as the huge earthquake in Christchurch took out the factory for now. We learn the secret to tender fried calamari as the locals put Kiwi slices on top of the squid for hours before breading and frying to tenderize the squid. The scones are to die for with clotted cream and the date-ginger orange scone is our favorite. I finally tried "creaming soda malt" and it is a coke tasting flavor. We stop at the well known Mercer Cheese Shop (30 years in operation) with has all Dutch products and special tasting cheese like Mercer Blue Vein, Masdam Gouda, and Garlic and Olive cheese.

We were back to racing the 2nd weekend and the Porsche motor is "off song" and struggling with smoke issues as well. Saturday morning race and the motor almost stops and shuts down (loud popping and cracking like loud fireworks and we said we were celebrating Chinese New Year early this year)... and we took the tired Speedster to a Porsche shop across the track. The young man working on mega bucks Porsche Cup race- cars said he started on 356 early Porsches at Sonoma, California for a period of time, as he just tackled the issues head on without hesitation. The motor nearly almost stopped with no power at all. He checked all of the electrical elements/leads and then took apart all of the "carbies," as they say down under. The Porsche motor was completed and running again and found that two plug

gaps were closed as well. Amazing and it was fixed just 5 minutes before the final race of Saturday, as there was also a quick run to Pukekohe included in the drama for the special plugs. Back "on song" and the motor barely made it to the last race of the event and day on Sunday... and a big cheer from all of us to survive, as there was a small trail of smoke trailing the Kilpatrick Speedster again, as the motor needs work. On the "cool off" lap around the track following the checkered flag... I flew the Porsche flag that Scooter Patrick autographed... in tribute to Scooter that is struggling with medical issues (he came back to racing after over 25 years to recently race the Kilpatrick Speedster at the Coronado Speed Festival Races).



We leave Chestnut Ridge Farm Stay and the friendly owners give us a 50% discount, as a special favor, which was amazing and reflecting the genuine Kiwi hospitality. The Hampton Downs track is challenging and the Porsche Speedster is "on song" finally, as the race- car now drifts nicely and it is now predictable. The many race fans stop by over the two weekends and ask about the Old Yeller II that

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raced at two prior Festivals and come to visit Elaine in the garage throughout the two weekends... as she always has cards and candy "lollies" for the fans. We wind down our trip with fantastic summer tropical weather and eating fresh NZ corn and Hokey Pokey ice cream, as it is another great trip of racing in New Zealand.



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