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Guest Speaker for May

We are pleased to announce that the NSW Police have accepted our invitation to be Guest Speakers at our May General Meeting.

Sgt Phillip Muscat, who is in charge of the Motorcycle Division, who has also had a wealth of experience in both regional policing and administrative duties, is coming along and will be accompanied by Leading Snr Constable Laura Weatherall from the Highway Patrol.

They will arrive at 6.30 pm to give members the opportunity to inspect their vehicles, a motorcycle and a highway patrol car in the club carpark, before the commencement of the meeting.

If you have any specific questions you would like to ask, it may be helpful to send those to me in advance so that a correct and detailed answer can be provided. The floor will be open to a general question time during the presentation.

Please register to attend

[\(R\) Register here](#)

Date: Tuesday 10th May 2022

Time: 6.30 pm to inspect vehicles

7.30 pm Meeting

Venue: Carlingford Bowling Club

334 Pennant Hills Rd., Carlingford



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Presidents Report – May *Lorraine Mooring*

Greetings everyone

How wonderful has the last couple of weeks been with lots of warm sunny days and a few outings to get those Triumphs back on the road again.

Since my last report some of us have enjoyed a trip to Leura where we lunched at the Alexandria Hotel. **Much to the gentlemen's delight our dining room** sported a large screen television which they quickly tuned to the Melbourne Grand Prix.

As advertised, Andrew Gibson was the guest speaker at the April Meeting. Andrew gave us an insight into his racing days, his vary fast TR3A and screened an in-car video of one of his races at Sydney Motor Sport Park. Maybe this has inspired some to get back out onto the track, I would love to myself however those days are over for me. Thank you Andrew, it was great to watch.



Another visitor was Graeme Laurie from Qld. Graeme is one of our Life Members and was put on the spot to say a few words. He will be visiting Sydney again over the next few months and has offered to regale us with some photos and stories of his early years in TSOANSW. Watch out for details of his next visit.

Thank you to everyone who turned out to watch the Super Sprints at SMSP on 23rd – as much as the competitors love their sport, having fellow members there to witness their efforts and share the event brings another level of enjoyment. I also met a few newer members and hope they will continue to come along to future outings.

Ken Peters did a great job in catering and our lovely Sue Tahir excelled as waitress for the day making sure everyone was well fed. Quite a change for Sue as she is usually out on the track. Great suggestion Ken – should do this again.

I look forward to seeing plenty of people at the May meeting for our guest speakers from Police Departments – **don't forget, if you have questions to** put to them, please send them on to Neville Bowden prior to the meeting. Although they will be bringing their Police motorcycles for display, there will be no joy riding before the meeting.

The weather again played havoc with plans to go to Berry for the National Day of Motoring however, Geoff Batty is checking out other venues for this

run. Keep a look out on the website and check your email for updates on this one.

Back home after another pleasant Coffee & Cake gathering. Sitting on the verandah at Café Sasanqua you can feel the autumn chill and now the showers have returned. Sometimes it pays to drive a sedan, no soft tops on the today.

Cheers for now..... Lorraine

Secretary's Ramblings

John Whittaker

Wow, two events in one month, the '*swing axes*.' are in an unprecedented state of excitement!

Congratulations to the Sprite Club for an excellent CSCA Round 2 event on the Amaroo (South) Circuit at Sydney Motorsport Park on Saturday 23rd. The glorious sunshine on the super-grippy clean track surface was a great opportunity to practice being smooth and consistent. With the shorter straights and tight corners this circuit is perfect for refining the braking technique of firm on and trail off towards the apexes without upsetting the suspension balance between phases.

Whilst the car enjoyed a diet of steering and braking input, Ken Peters' chicken and salad lunch input to our tummies made for an excellent day for *Team Triumph* competitors and TSOA visitors alike.

Speaking of 'grip', one of the best ways to explore your vehicles grip potential in a relatively safe environment is to join *Team Triumph* in any of the frequent CSCA events. Don't be put off by thinking that you need a Triumph track car or have a specially prepared racecar – *Team Triumph* includes members with road registered cars and other makers' vehicles without serious racecar modifications. Seek any of us out for a chat about how to get involved at this uncomplicated entry level racetrack experience.

Check out the calendar for upcoming events both competition and social and please remember to register your attendance via the drop-down panel on our website at www.tsoansw.org.au

Cheers for May ... John W

Front Cover – Ecurie Triumph Captain Geoff Byrne pressing hard at Phillip Island March 2022. Photography courtesy Xanthea Boardman

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Club business matters ...

.... it sure does!

John Whittaker



1. Amendment to information in the *TRead* calendar:
 - Towards uncluttering the fixed hard copy calendar information, we have decided to omit contact details in the listing and request that everyone visit the electronic calendar prior to an event in case there have been some last minute changes to location, meeting time, event coordinator etc.
 - **We apologise for the inconvenience of removing the 'quick access'** to phone numbers and recognise that in the case of changes on the day you will need to the portfolio contacts and numbers available in another way.

2. Advance notice questions for the NSW Police Guest Speakers at the next General Meeting – Tuesday 10 May:
 - Please send in your prepared questions as soon as possible so we can send them to the Police in a timely manner for them to research responses prior the general meeting. Forward your questions direct to Nev Bowden nvbowden48@gmail.com , or to me at tsoansw@hotmail.com .

3. All British Day The Kings School Parramatta:
 - Craig Sankey has advised that the All British Association is yet to have their first meeting, however this should be very soon. Craig believes that our spot on the field on the day will be the same as it has been in previous years.
 - Featured this year will be the TR4 (carried over from the aborted 2021 show) and the Spitfire – a celebration for both of 60 years. Polish them up folks, it will be BIG and we will be defending our **title of 'Best Club Display'** which won at the last All British event.

4. Website Design Changes:
 - Eric is hard at work linking new features to the calendar to enhance your information experience. This too will be big – enjoy when it comes online.

5. Convoy Procedure Document:
 - At this time this remains as work for next month.

John Whittaker
Secretary



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EDITOR'S NOTE

REGISTRATION FOR AN EVENT

ATTENTION!

To assist our TSOA volunteers who step forward to organise our many social events we have adopted a procedure for pre-registration of members' **intention** to participate in those events. Just think of the complexities involved to organise such events – safe parking for our cars, table bookings, tour groupings, logistics for barefoot bowling, go-carting, etc etc. It is important for the organisers to be aware early of the numbers of members and friends wanting to attend and therefore needing to be catered for.

On the TSOA website under EVENTS there is a dropdown tab – REGISTER FOR AN EVENT, there members are requested to enter their details and pre-register their intention to attend particular events.

To further assist members, I have prepared an automatic link from this magazine to that REGISTER tab.

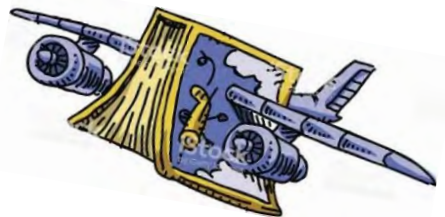
The following notation will appear with every social event promoted here in the magazine ... [\(R\) Register here](#)

Simply place your cursor over the words, the arrowhead will change to a small hand, left click your mouse and you are there. *Ed*

From the Library

Ken Peters

Even though the COVID restrictions have been eased off it is still the case that I do not always make it to the monthly General Meetings held at the Carlingford Bowling Club. Therefore, I propose to continue the recent practice of my being directly contactable by members for anything to do with the club's library material.



Simply contact me by email with details about whatever it is that you might be looking for and I will get back to you to work out how we might get that technical advice or publication over to you. If it is sufficient for your purposes, I would be happy to photocopy any technical information or specification and then to email those copied pages to you.

Cheers Ken Peters, Librarian

kenp7@bigpond.com

Motorsport Report -May

Glenn Coutinho

Welcome to the Motorsport Report for May. At last things seem to be getting back to normal with a number of events happening and a few more yet to come.

On the last round at Wakefield Park, it was good to get out on the track and see all the competitors from TSOA and other clubs coming out and having some fun on the track. Thankfully Goulburn turned on the weather and the rain stayed away.



It was great to see Tom Derwent running around in the TR7 and **doing a great job in Allan Cameron's old car. Unfortunately** Jon Newell packed his car up early and went home while I spent most of the day playing around with spark plugs and fuel injectors while Sue had a ball in her TR6 scoring her PB of 1.129 and yes, she even went faster than me.



The next round was held on the short circuit at SMSP on the 23rd of April. That event was made more interesting by the social event held by TSOA to promote participation in CSCA and motorsport. I have to say the day was a great success in that we had a few people enquiring about running their car on the circuit, the bonus was there were also enquiries in regard to the cars and the club itself. Hats off to Ken Peters for a great idea and a great event.

It was great to see a lot of people who have not competed for a long time to make their way out to the track, in particular John Stokes in his Stag and **Mark Lamour in his Dolly, it's been ages since I've seen these cars** out on the track. Geoff Byrne was also there with his TR6 as were the usual culprits. I have to say, standing there watching certainly made me feel like getting out there and having a go myself even though the short circuit is not my favourite.

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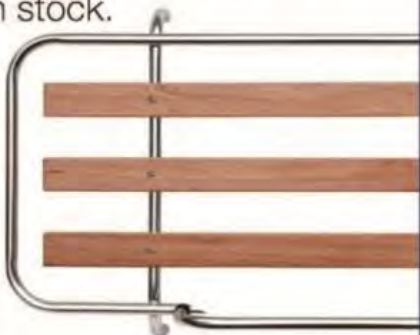
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Everybody appeared to have a trouble-free day and at this particular point **in time we are still waiting for the results to be ratified, as such I can't** report who was fastest on the day. The next round of the CSCA will be held at Pheasant Wood on the 25th of June with the TSOA round to follow on the 16th of July. In advance, we will be looking for a few volunteers to help out on the day, so please put the date in the diary and any help will be appreciated.

In talking to a number of people on the day there appears to be a need to organise a training day or development day for a number of new competitors to introduce them to motorsport. While this sounds like a great idea the cost in hiring a track would make this unfeasible. However, there is an opportunity to tag on to one of the many open track days that Wakefield have and to use one of these days to get a group of drivers, experienced and unexperienced, to come out and have a bit of fun and get to know their cars a bit better, with the hope of progressing to super sprints or something more serious in motorsport.

Briefly the Wakefield track day are on average run 1-2 times a month, the cost is \$190 for the day, if you do not have a license, a day license can be purchased from Wakefield. You can use any car you want. The drivers are divided into 4 or 5 groups depending on skill and ability. All that is required is neck to toe clothing and a helmet, you do not need a race harness or any other specialist equipment. This is a relatively easy way to get out on the track and to experience what it is like to drive your car at speed without worrying about speed traps or head on traffic.

On a good day you will get a good 4-6 sessions which I would suggest will be more than enough to satisfy your need for speed. Wakefield email me dates as they become available, if anyone is interested, please let me know and I will try to organise a day out at the track. Please keep in mind most of these days are held mid-week. I believe SMSP also hold track days but having been to a few of these I believe the Wakefield Park track days are better value for money.

See you all at the racetrack sometime soon.

Glen



Ecurie Triumph

Geoff Byrne

Editor's Note: Loyal readers of *TRead* will recall that in the April edition it was noted that I had had "technical difficulties" with the photographs with **Geoff Byrne's** Ecurie Triumph Report Phillip Island March 22. Well '*mea culpa*' your Editor has stuffed up, many of those photographs have been permanently misplaced, not all but most. Apologies to Geoff *Ed*



Geoff Byrne leading the way at The VHRR Phillip Island March 2022. Photograph (plus those that I 'misplaced') courtesy of Xanthea Boardman

Graeme Rutledge - My Phillip Island Weekend March 2022

My weekend started on Wednesday loading the TR6 onto the trailer and setting off. After an overnight stay at Albury, I arrived at Phillip Island circuit around 1pm and started to unload the car when the seal in the fuel pump failed. I fitted a new pump motor only to find it was faulty. Lots of phone calls which continued into Friday. One call to Barry Pritchett resulted in a second hand unit which I was able to use with my parts to make a complete unit and to compete on Saturday and Sunday. Starting from rear of grid on Saturday morning and progressing up the grid Saturday afternoon and Sunday, I was able to finish the weekend well gaining two class wins. This was mainly due to the generosity of Barry without whose help this would not have been possible.

Graeme

CSCA Supersprints (*Team Triumph*)

Jeff Breen

SUPERSPRINTS ROUND 2 SMP Amaroo (South) Circuit
April 23 hosted by Sprite Car Club of Australia

We spent the entire week beforehand scrutinizing the BOM forecasts, frequently glancing up at the sky and dodging the all too frequent showers. The forecast heavy rain did not quite eventuate, but Sydney was far from dry. The heavy rain at my place overnight on the Friday had me pretty nervous. **It's a long way from Cronulla to SMP** and I can manage only **1 set of tyres ...** but which one?

Saturday morning dawned dry (well not actively raining) so it was a case of suck it up, take a punt and off we go. When I did arrive at SMP South Circuit the few competitors there already were picking their way gingerly to the apparently dryer spots between the shallow puddles of rainwater in the carpark. Luckily *Team Triumph* member Ian Mash had secured a good area up against the fence early. Ian and I proceeded then to spread ourselves out quite a bit and for long enough to hold sufficient dry ground for the rest of *Team Triumph* members as they trickled in and spread out.

Team Triumph racing this day included John Whittaker Spitfire, Geoff Byrne TR6, Lindsay Day 2.5PI, Ian Mash MX5, Thomas Derwent TR7, Trent Avery Evo7, Phillip Larmour Dolomite Sprint, John Stokes in his Stag and your Editor in my TR6. A very respectable TSOA turn out. In marque terms Triumph was probably only outnumbered by Club Lotus (as usual). However, by adding in the large number of shiny *Team Triumphs* to be found at the other end of the pit carpark, there to enjoy the club lunch, we easily outnumbered all other marques on the day.

The supersprinting for the day was highly rewarding for those of us who managed to get out there. A very grippy and surprisingly dry track (after initial drying off) and a very smoothly run day - thank you Sprite Club - a free chicken lunch plus a lot of interesting conversations, and technical comparisons, to be had in the pits as TSOA members, old and new, swapped yarns. Times for the day were very good for most of our members with Trent Avery being the fastest TSOA driver for the day with a lap time of 1:06.6 A couple of *Team Triumph* entrants did perhaps not have their best days however it was interesting to see just how many willing helpers there were around when it came time to get under, over or push these reluctant runners. *Team Triumph* at the lunch tent also appeared to be having a good day (refer social reports).

The next CSCA Round 3 is on 25 June at Pheasant Wood Circuit hosted by MG Newcastle, we hope to see you there.

Cheers ... Jeff/Ed.

Supersprints and where they may take you?

Howard Glinn

Follow up on last month's article on lap dashes and where it may lead you

So the follow up from last month's article was last weekend's first round of the Formula Ford Sate Round at SMP. Having not been at a race track since December 2021, to turn up Friday to a track totally flooded and the rain continuing nearly all day was always going to be a challenge. Greg Morsillo made the long trek down to help get the set up sorted. Never fun to go out for 20 minutes at a time in very heavy rain with no roof, no windows and no aero to help push he car down on the track. Even worse when both your visor and glasses keep fogging up.



Changes for such a wet track were to remove 1 degree of the camber on each of the 4 wheels. The next was to add 2.5 Psi to each tyre as it goes out onto the track, then remove the sway bar settings front and rear, and soften the shocks off by 6 clicks on both the bounce and rebound on all 4 shocks. Normally we measure the tyre when it comes in at 3 places across the face but on a wet track **that doesn't work as the pooled water takes all the temp out of the tyres.** Each session when the car comes in Greg and Josh do a long debrief on any problem corners to try and dial out any oversteer/understeer. Given the many fast left hand corners we ended up with a different setup on the left to the right of the car. For the last

session we had the understeer all fixed but then had to work on how the car responds from turn 4 to 5 (a fast right then straight into a fast left. The car unloads itself through the change in direction and it takes fine **tuning to get so that it doesn't unsettle in the transfer point.** (Which can easily lead to an induced spin). As we packed up for the day Greg and Josh had found a good wet set up.

Saturday was another wet day with just the qualifying and race one. Josh had a blinder of a start from 8th to be 3rd at turn 3 but was pushed out wide onto the grass so finished 6th. The cars are designed so that the corner (front and lower control arms) simply collapse and fold inwards in an accident and at over \$5K per corner to fix touching other cars is not a **good idea for a privateer's wallet!**

Sunday started to dry out. This meant increasing the front bar by 20 mm and the rear by 10 mm and then 4 click turns on the front shocks and 2 on the rear. Another great start by Josh but 2 spins in large puddles including a massive 360 in turn one resulted in a finish in 5th. The day kept drying out on track but looked very cloudy. We had to set the tyre pressure on the dummy grid, removed 5 mm of rear bar and 2 clicks more on the rear shocks as it was going to be dry. Josh was 5th at the end of lap one and had an 8 second gap to 2nd and 3rd. Lap by lap he slowly closed the gap. Always trying to keep to the drying line. With 2 laps to go he was in 3rd place and 2 secs behind 2nd. Slowly as the laps progressed he closed the gap to second. As he headed down the back straight before the last turn onto the main straight, he made the brave move to make a pass on



the right that started as he exited the fishhook. He had completed the pass on the outside but not quite enough to move left for the turn and to be back on the dry line. Wide and on the wet line he **simply couldn't make the stop cleanly** and so the other car regained 2nd through the turn on the dry line. Josh pulled in close behind and tried to get the slip stream down the last straight. He pulled wide and was only 0.2 secs behind across the line and would have been second if the finish line was only 50 meters further down the road. **But that's** motor racing.

We are incredibly proud that he got third place for the main race! So who knows? When you start doing lap dashes with TSOA it may take you somewhere similar to Josh in the years ahead

Howard Glinn

Coffee and Cake

Keith Higgins

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Wednesday 27 April

Café Sasanqua @ Camellia Grove Nursery

Good to see our members enjoying some sort of normality amongst these days still of Covid and wet weather. Cafe Sasanqua is located within a large camellia nursery, and our timing was good as all the plants were out in bloom making this a very nice place to relax and enjoy good company.

As usual we were all settled in for who knows how long and before you know it the staff gave us the nod and said those not staying for lunch would you mind vacating because they had a large group arriving for lunch and they needed the parking spaces.



NEXT:

Wednesday 25 May

By the Bay Café & Grill,
107 Carwar Avenue,
Carss Park NSW 2221

Here you will enjoy good food, good coffee, beautiful views of the bay and of course good company.

Please register on the website for this event.

[\(R\) Register here](#)

It is important for me that you register at least a few days beforehand. Keith



See you there Keith

Social Report – May

Geoff Batty

I'm pleased to report that we have managed to stage two social outings in April. The first was a trip to Leura for lunch at the Alexandra Hotel in lieu of the Megalong Valley Tea Rooms. (The road into the Valley is not conducive to low slung sports cars at the moment, and they didn't return any of my phone calls or emails.) I understand that at Leura the meals were good and the company even better. Thanks to John Whittaker and Jennie Campbell stepping in to be the tour leaders for the day.

The other outing was "A Day at The Races" to support the *Team Triumph* racers at SMP Eastern Creek Amaroo (Short) Circuit, organized by Ken Peters and Lorraine Mooring. It was great to get out in the sunshine and see some classic Triumphs, and others, on and off the track. The Chicken and Salad Lunch provided by the Club was an added bonus to a very enjoyable day out. It was good to see a number of members in their pride and joys, and also to talk to a few members who are doing re-builds and restorations, which hopefully will be finished sometime soon.

A similar weekend event is coming up in Goulburn and Wakefield Park on July 16th and 17th to support the racing members, enjoy each other's company, visit local places of interest with a dinner on the Saturday night. Contact Glen Coutinho or Ken Peters or refer to the TSOA website or *TRead* for further details.

The National Heritage Day of Motoring at Berry on Sunday 15th May has been cancelled due to the soggy condition of the Berry Showground. As an alternative suggested by member Ian White, we will still be heading south for lunch at "The Butter Factory" in Pyree (east of Nowra), via The Motorlife Museum at Dapto, weather permitting. See Flyer for details.

Phil & Leigh's Mudgee Trip is fully subscribed so it should be a great getaway for all of the attendees, I hope you are all blessed with good weather, and I am looking forward to hearing everybody's travel tales.

On June 5th I'm planning a trip up to the central coast for a show called "Feast & Furious" at Morrissett Showgrounds. I'm still waiting for confirmation of the details so keep your eyes on your emails or the website.

Christmas in July is looming on the horizon at the stately Carrington Hotel in Katoomba so plan your night(s) away around this popular event.

Hoping to see you out and about soon.

Cheers Geoff

LUNCH RUN TO LEURA - 10 April 2022

After wondering all week whether or not we would be able to have our run to Leura on Sunday, it was a pleasant surprise to wake up to sunshine. As a precaution we had fitted the hardtop to our Stag but it was largely fine until just a few sprinkles upon arrival in Leura.

We all met up at the Red Rooster Car Park on the M4 before commencing our drive up the highway to Leura, where we caught up with Keith and Merran Higgins **who had gone directly there after a 'fail to proceed' in their** chosen Triumph of the day. A small but high quality band carried in two Stags, a TR8 convertible, a TR7V8, a Triumph Kluger and Triumph Getz.

After doing a lap of the town looking for parking it was decided to go on the Alexandria Hotel, park and walk back to town from there. We had been thinking that we would have a leisurely coffee, but it was not to be. Everyone else was also taking advantage of the fine morning and all the cafes were full to overflowing. We spent a little time walking around, some stocking up on fruit and vegies at the local market and others just taking in the scenes.

Before long it was time to head back to the hotel where we all enjoyed our lunch accompanied by the background entertainment of the V8 Supercars at the Melbourne Grand Prix.

We had good run home with little traffic.

Jill Day



A DAY AT THE TRACK (SMP Amaroo [short] Circuit)

I'm not the pit crew, just a family member who doesn't know anything about cars, so I am free to wonder around and enjoy the sociable ambience at the track. It was lovely to see so many members just chatting. I suppose they were mostly talking car, but with me they found other interesting topics. Leigh Lamour seemed in her element at the track. Debbie Stokes cast an eye over John's Stag. Kerry Derwent kept a watchful eye on her son, Thomas, as he pushed his TR7 to go faster. Craig Sankey had his son, Mark, a younger version of himself, there. I had my son Hamish there. It was excellent he could get to see his dad run the *Spittie* and they talked cars. Afterwards. Ken Peters' lunch was simple and delicious. Chatting with Sue and Glen Coutinho and Lorraine Mooring during lunch was fun. Thank you for providing me with good food and good company.

Of course, I was interested in what happened on the track. I saw a car spin and do a merry dance. Apparently, that's putting the power on too early when the road ripples upset the car's momentum. I was sad there weren't more Jags on the track, but they probably don't like the short twisty course. I saw a car who repeatedly took the hard left-hand bend with the inside front wheel off the road. Apparently, this car is very stiff in the front. The driving looked very safe with plenty of room between cars as each driver settled into a niche on the track.

The club has something to offer for anyone. It's not all about cars and conversations can go in remarkable directions. A great day at a club event.



*Jennie Campbell
(Whittaker)*

PS: Project Update.

I have now buttoned up the camshaft timing and put the head back on but now have to work out the correct length of the pushrods as I have a skinnier head than what I started with. One step forward...

Cheers Geoff.

TSOA Social Run

National Motoring Heritage Day - Motoring & Fashion through the Years

Date: Sunday, 15th May 2022

Meet: Midas Muffler /Ampol Service
Station - 1344 Princes Hwy,
Heathcote 2233

Time: 8.30 am for 9.00 departure.



Venue: Motorlife Museum, Integral
Energy Recreation Park,
94 Darkes Road, Kembla Grange 2526

Lunch: The Butter Factory,
739 Greenwell Pt Rd, Pyree 2540

Time: 12.00 Noon

Please register on the TSOA website by 5th May

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Coming Up Trumps

Social and motorsport club activities that should be in your calendar. (R) Registration is required for social events.

15 May, Sunday [\(R\) Register here](#)

National Motoring Heritage Day, South Coast
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22 May – 25 May

Mudgee Vineyards Road Trip
Phillip Larmour email: larmour@tpg.com.au

25 May Wednesday [\(R\) Register here](#)

Coffee and Cake–By the Bay Café, Carrs Park
Keith Higgins: Mob 0409 656 577 or
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05 June Sunday [\(R\) Register here](#)

Feast & Furious Morisset (tbc)
Geoff Batty. 0428 242 597 or
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10-12 June Weekend

Ecurie Triumph – HSRCA-SMP
Geoff Byrne – 0418 409 170
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25 June Sunday

CSCA Round 3 Pheasant Wood Marulan
Glen Coutinho – 0418 640 188
email: Motorsport@tsoansw.org.au

27 June Wednesday [\(R\) Register here](#)

Coffee and Cake–Vanilla Cream Café, Annangrove
Keith Higgins: Mob 0409 656 577 or
email: keith@aodaustralia.com

Team Triumph Road Trips

Trip 1 – Mudgee Vineyards Sunday 22 May to 25 May

Philip and Leigh Larmour have arranged for us a easy paced 4 day road trip out to Mudgee and return. Accommodation in Mudgee has been organised, a couple of lunches have been arranged plus there are many options to visit wineries, museums, galleries and any of the many other attractions to be found in this pretty country town and local region. Phillip Larmour email: larmour@tpg.com.au



Trip 2 - VSCCA Cootamundra Sprints Saturday 20 August 2022

A 4 day road trip out to Cootamundra and return via Millthorpe/Bathurst

Jeff Breen email: jeff.m.breen@gmail.com



Trip 3 - 41st National Meeting Tanunda SA week 21st to 28th October 2022

A 3 week road trip to the SA Nationals and return via Broken Hill and back again.

Jeff Breen email: jeff.m.breen@gmail.com



VHRR Phillip Island March 2022

Andrew Gibson TR3A

Graeme
Rutledge TR6

Geoff Byrne TR6

Tony Dains
TR6



CSCA Supersprint Round 2 SMP Amaroo (South Circuit)

The usual frantic scene
of hasty preparations in the pits.





The competition for bragging rights in Group 5 continues unabated with Lindsay Day 2.5PI and Jeff Breen TR6, and John Stokes's **Stag** (right) chasing us up and over the hill.



Young **Jordi O'Hara** trying this one for size. (Barbara + Peter Yeend's grandson)



There are clowns everywhere.



Meanwhile over at the other end of the pits things were also frantic. (*what if one missed out on that last bit of chicken!!*)



... how did that go again?

50 TRIUMPHANT YEARS

Mr. Roger Gates

PART 2 THE CLUB

Continued on from March
TRead

..... and so it was the following week, not sure what night, Tuesday I think, I found myself sitting in Norton St. Leichhardt with no other cars in sight. I waited a while and then decided I must have the wrong night; I was about to leave when an absolutely immaculate black TR4A pulled up behind me. Don Hunter, the driver of this splendiferous machine introduced himself, and we chatted about cars in general and TR's in particular for a while. Don then proposed that as nothing was doing, he knew of an excellent hamburger joint on Parramatta Rd., and that we should adjourn to it. I came to discover that Don was quite the guru on excellent hamburger joints all over Sydney. We were just about to leave, when a Falcon Wagon pulled in behind us, and out jumped a member I came to know as John Parker, with his wife Carol. So we all entered the ARDC, and soon after, quite a few members rolled in. It was at this time that I **learned what "TSOA time" meant**, anything up to half an hour after the posted starting time.

Noelene Harris was the first to pounce on me, wanting to know what I drove, and less importantly who I was. Amongst others she introduced me to husband Terry, and we all hit it off right away. Noelene and Terry, Shirley and myself became all but inseparable, **right up to Noelene's death, and then Terry's slide into dementia.** But this first night was terrific. Met Neville Turbit, Editor, Graham Masters, Secretary, I think it was here I



first met Geoff Byrne, Competition Secretary, and many others. Glaringly neither Don Trudgitt nor Bob Fulton were present.

There was an old upright piano in one corner near the billiard table where several members were playing snooker, not a game fit for gentlemen, but few of us were gents in those days. John Parker had sat himself down at it **and was belting out "The Teddy Bears' Picnic" for all he was worth, whilst those of us that knew the lyrics sang along with gusto. Now I don't know** if that was the only song John knew, or if the piano was really a pianola and that was the **only roll available. Either way Teddy Bears' Picnic** became the club song for years afterwards and was sung virtually wherever we went.

The following Tuesday night was the monthly club meeting, and the first to be held in the Leyland Auditorium on South Dowling Street. Zetland. This time Bob Fulton was there and we sat together whilst Bob pointed out some of the club luminaries, several of whom I had met the week before at the ARDC. There was Graeme Laurie on the stage, he was our new President, and the first to have a Spitfire not a TR. I pointed to a group of blokes who all seemed to be sitting slightly apart in a huddle of their own, **and asked "well who are that lot over there?" Bob leaned over and whispered in hushed and reverential tones; "They are the Ecurie Triumph boys". "What are the Ecurie Triumph Boys when they're at home?" I asked. "They are the guys that race Triumph sports cars" Bob replied. "Well what about that old geezer in the middle of them, surely he's not racing?" I asked. Bob nearly fell backwards off his chair, "That's Bob Kennedy, one of the aces" Years later when I was at Bob's 80th, I did a calculation and worked out that Bob was probably about 40 when I made that comment! Bob and his wife Dot and I became good friends over the years, and if you ever wanted to know anything about hotting up a 3A for racing, well you **didn't ask Bob, because he held onto all his secrets, but** what a lovely man and a true gentleman.**

At the end of the business session, Graeme politely asked the ladies if they would adjourn to the kitchen and prepare the coffee and biscuits, magnanimously supplied by Leyland, for the break. Imagine that today! I started to head for the kitchen for my coffee, when I was roughly pulled aside by one Alan Higginbotham, often known as Higginetcetera, but usually just plain Higgie. Anyway, this bearded chap said **"Nah mate, you** come with us. I was to discover **that "us"** was a group of desperates revving up their TR's waiting to do a Le Mans style start out of the Leyland carpark and into South Dowling Street. I tagged along, and discovered that tradition amongst this group, of which I suspect Terry Harris was the ringleader, was to race to the nearest pub, in this case the Bat And Ball at Cleveland Street, sink two schooners of beer, and then fang it back to the meeting in time for the second half which usually involved 16mm motor racing movies from B.P or Shell or Castrol and sometimes even Leyland, especially when Paddy Hopkirk was blitzing everybody in a works Cooper

Mini. I decided right away that this club was definitely worthy of my membership fee, and signed up straight away, a decision I have never regretted even for one second in 52 years of membership.

So much for the preamble of getting the car, and joining the club, There is plenty more for me to bore you with when I regale you with the adventures and fun, and pure camaraderie I have experienced with this club. **So don't leave the country, and for heaven's sake don't resign your membership.**

THE SOCIAL SIDE

My first social outing with the club was an organised coach tour to Tyrrells Winery in the Hunter Valley. Shirley and I had recently become friends, and so this was her first encounter with the club. The coach was leaving from North Sydney, so as I was driving off the Harbour Bridge and into Pacific Highway I saw Geoff Byrne's concours winning TR5. He



called out and asked if we were going on the wine trip. I replied in the affirmative. **"The coach is just up that street"** he said, **"introduce yourself when you get on board"**. That's odd I thought, Geoff knows me well enough by now surely. Anyway, I found a parking spot on the highway out the front of the North Sydney Police Station. Imagine doing that these days on a Saturday morning, or any other day for that matter.

Shirley and I entered the coach, and I was immediately assailed by an uncouth, American accented voice yelling out from the back of the coach, **"hey skinhead!"** You guessed it, my old mate Don Trudgitt. Everybody on the bus turned to see who Don was singling out, and I was immediately aware of being the subject of much mirth, then I realized why Geoff had not recognised me. The week before I had applied to Qantas for a job as aircrew, and as I knew that Qantas liked their staff to be very clean cut and conservative, off had come the Jimmie Edwards moustache, the Elvis Presley mutton chops, and on had gone a very military short back and sides. As an aside, I was invited back for a second interview which others told me almost guaranteed employment, but by the time that came around I had moved on to other things, and was content with what I was doing, and so did not attend the second interview. Not one of my better employment decisions. Anyway I enjoyed the ribbing if not the nickname which stuck around for far longer than its use by date, After all, at that time I had not even begun to thin out on top.

The coach trip was two hours of pure merriment, where I got a reputation for knowing an awful lot of rugby songs and other dirty ditties, and Shirley got a reputation for having the loudest whistle ever heard on the old Hawkesbury Bridge, when she let go the one she used to call her father in for dinner from the bottom paddock. The wine tour and lunch was a great success, and a lot of tasting was done, likewise a fair bit of purchasing. The trip back to Sydney started off soberly enough, but our driver made a fundamental error when he decided it was a good idea to return via Broke, and then, silly man, decided it was also a good idea to make a stop at the Wollombi Inn, where we were introduced to "Dr, Jurd's Jungle Juice" Well after nearly everyone having bought at least a half flagon of the dreaded juice and then having consumed most of it on the journey home, I'll bet the poor old driver wished he had gone straight down the highway, because at least one of our number disgraced themselves down the back of the bus. Poor old Pykes Coach Tours I'll bet were never the same after.

Soon after this outing Shirley and I drove overnight to Adelaide in the TR3A. We stayed a couple of nights with an old Darwin friend, Grant Gepp. Then Shirley flew out to Perth to see family before starting on her twelve month UK and Europe working holiday, and I flew back home to Darwin for Mum's wedding. Consequently, I missed out on that year's ski trip, which apparently was such a success that everybody booked again for the following year. I was back in Sydney for the annual run up the Putty Road to Boggy Swamp for a picnic. It was a great day out, but looking back, I don't think some of our driving habits were as good as we thought they were. Thank goodness we drove primarily safe cars, whilst those around us careered about on drum brakes and bicycle tyres. We did survive, however probably more by good fortune than by good thinking.



NEXT TIME A RETURN TO MOTOR SPORT

Shannons 2021 / 2022

Yes it is on, and no it is not a typo, even though we all know that it is **2022, Shannon's are copying the Tokyo Summer Olympics** and are holding the Shannons 2021 Event in 2022 (??).

It will now be held on Sunday 14th of August 2022, and the good news is that we still have some tickets available.

It is the of 60th Anniversary the Spitfire and we will be having 3 Spitfires included in the special concourse display along Pit Lane. The rest of our TSOA cars will be displayed in Area A as in previous years. Area A is adjacent to the Pit Lane garages.



It is a great day out and you do get to have a run in your car around the SMSP circuit. There will be nearly 2000 cars on display on the day, a huge range of makes and models will be presented for your inspection. Tickets are \$25 per car so if you have 2 or 4 people in your car still \$25, so not bad value

So please do have a think about coming out and joining fellow TSOA members displaying their cars. It is great day out and considering that we have not had our cars out much due to all the COVID restrictions, a great day to re-appreciate your own pride and joy.

If you would like to purchase tickets please drop me an email or give me a call.

Norbert Nieuwenenhuizen

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A highly respected TSOA member may soon be presenting his immaculately maintained Spitfire Mk 111 to the market. This vehicle has been fastidiously maintained and might be offered at around \$26000. Initially the member wishes to remain anonymous and has requested that Secretary John Whittaker field enquiries, contact John for further details and photographs on **0425 371 640 / jwhittsred110@yahoo.com.au**

Editor's Note. The following pages are a contribution to *TRead* from former TSOA member and editor Bill Revill.

The Organisation:

GIPPSLAND GALLOP 2022

Sunday 10th April



We start at Warragul Woolies with the Breakfast Car Show for early birds. - The Warragul Restorers Car Show occurs on every second Sunday morning of the month with an excellent collection of diverse machinery. Timing is informal – there are usually cars coming and going through this time. **I'll suggest that those wishing to have a look**, turn up between 8 and 9-ish then drive half a km to the start at Warragul Supercheap carpark – 9.00 for a 9.30 AM start – this is just off the freeway for those who are coming direct from Melbourne. There is coffee, snacks and toilets available (about 300 meters away). Then we leave at about 1-minute intervals for an observed **section run.... This will be in total about 20 questions between** Warragul and Mirboo North. It will not be a navigation run but simple observation and we will supply route maps. The first half will lead up north of the highway via Willow Glen to the Bryant Park Hillclimb. I expect the

cars will take about 40 minutes for the 60-odd km so a nominal 11 am should see everyone there.

At Bryant Park Hillclimb we will park up and do a photoshoot of all the cars and crews which will be performed by a professional photographer. We then meet a club representative who will be with us when we do a couple of runs – **we'll do the full course for perhaps two or three runs**. We will then head off via Thorpdale through some twisting roads and scenic countryside and the questions of the observation run will continue.

This should see us at Grand Ridge Brewery in Mirboo North for about 12.45 – 1 pm for lunch. Then we award the WWQMS Gippsland Gallop Perpetual Trophy to the winner and away we go!

Then Melbournites can head south for Leongatha and South Gippy Highway and home, and the Gippslanders turn North back to Warragul. Grand Prix enthusiasts will make it home for the second part, or if you **have Kayo, turn your radio off and 'watch from start' when you get home!**

Please call if you are coming for catering numbers

The Report:

GIPPSLAND GALLOP 2022 – an observation run

Bill Revill and Keith Atherton

"What sound emanates from Melaleuca Park money makers?"

*"What road has money on fire?" **

These and many other questions were answered by a good field of Gippsland Gallopers who enjoyed a beautiful autumn day for a drive through the scenic Gippsland hills. The run included a visit to the monthly Warragul Classic Car Show, some drive time around the excellent Bryant Park hillclimb track, (the scene of the Australian Hillclimb Championships in 2018) and ended in Mirboo North at the Grand Ridge Brewery.

All of the Triumphs were immaculate and sparkled in the morning sun. Sidescreens included those of Mike Daley, John Johnson, Bernard & Poppy Dougherty (Gippsland locals) and Geoff Bowman with his 12-year-old grandson, Rohan. TSOA provided a mouth watering range of cars, with the **TR6's of Dave & Jenny Ferguson** (who came complete with watchdog), Peter Lane and Peter Blackman. Mike Bindon and Philip Johnson were in

Mike's beautiful dark blue TR5 with the throbbing big six sounding wonderful. Wedges were represented by Michael and Ineke Kip and Stu Smith. The TR 4's all had a story – the very rare 'Dove' GT of Keith Atherton looked and sounded great. But a late entry and a big surprise was welcomed by all. Dave Mc Dermott recently purchased a TR 4 and displayed it at this morning's Warragul monthly car show. The TSOA members who visited the show fell on the car like vultures and immediately invited him to take part in the run, thus providing Dave with an excellent introduction to TSOA! Welcome in Dave!

The route commenced with a run through busy Warragul followed by pleasant scenic roads towards the hamlet of Willow Grove, with competitors allowed plenty of time to enjoy the Gippsland scenery whilst busily answering questions to test their powers of observation. The route visited several lookouts which showed the giant coal mines in the area before arriving at Bryant Park.



At Bryant Park, the cars lined up for photographs and then did three laps of the track at low speeds escorted by a pace car. All participants were amazed at the panoramic views, the wonderful track, clubrooms and facilities of Bryant Park and were impressed by the excellent condition of the area with the grass neatly mown and all buildings and garages in good repair, clean and painted. All drivers and passengers found the track to be both thrilling and challenging, even at low speeds, and several drivers expressed interest in participating in either khanacross or hillclimb events in the future.

Then it was back to the road and the question sheets. Perhaps the most **spectacular part of the drive is the 'Gippsland Stelvio', not quite as entertaining as the great Stelvio alpine pass in Italy, but it still boasts 14 consecutive bends – quite a set of esses!**

The finish at the Grand Ridge brewery was a welcome sight, with a wonderful selection of beers which we all tested, (the Hatlifter Stout is **my favourite!**) **especially enjoyed by the passengers who weren't driving!** The Grand Ridge was great – a vast range of beers and local wines, good food and remarkably quick service considering the whole place was jammed with the Sunday lunch crowd. AND of course, the prizegiving!

Results were a tie with Geoff Bowman and Stu Smith, but Rohan, Geoff's young navigator, provided a set of historical notes to fill out one of the questions (On Governor Latrobe), a good effort for a junior!! Geoff and Rohan were awarded the first prize and well deserved, too!



Soon time was called to saddle up and head for home, most people in time to get home and to tune in to the Australian Grand Prix if they chose to. Poor Geoff and Rohan paid for their pleasure on the way home, a blown welsh plug dropping their coolant and delaying their trip. But everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and the "Gippsland Gallop" trophy is perpetual, so get ready for another gallop next year!

Thanks to Gippsland Car Club for the use of their track and Nina Revill, Bill Revill, Geoff Bowman and others for the photos.

* Melaleuca Park is a dairy farm = cows make the money = and they make a cow sound = mooooo! And we have a "Dollarburn Road" near Warragul



**Bill Revill's
'Sabrina'**

Minutes of TSOA (Ecurie Triumph) NSW Inc 696th General Meeting

Carlingford Bowling, Sports and Recreation Club, Carlingford.
Tuesday 12th April 2022.

Start: 7:31 pm

Chair: President Lorraine Mooring

Minutes: Secretary John Whittaker

Apologies: Bruce Meppem; Eric Hanich; Craig Sankey; Graham and Helen Harrold; Helen Carter; Laurie and Fran Bromley.

Welcome: Special Guests – Andrew Gibson; Graeme Laurie.

Minutes March GM: Meeting cancelled.

President: Lorraine Mooring

- Apologies for inclement weather cancellations last month – General Meeting, Kurrir Kurri Festival of Steam, Coffee and Cake at Lake Parramatta.
- Not cancelled was the lunch run to the mountains – changed from Megalong Valley to the Alexandra Hotel Leura. Great atmosphere and menu.
- We need people to register for the social lunch run to SMSP on Sat 23rd April – club is supplying lunch to members at the CSCA super sprint event. Come and view, chat with competitors.

Vice President: John Stokes

- Cootamundra Sprints on the 20th August – must register asap; check with Jeff Breen or me for details.
- Noted the new design features of the website are attracting good feedback. Please forward any comments to us whenever desired.
- The Webmaster Eric Hanich is planning a GM tutorial presentation on the new features when the site is finalised.

Treasurer: Pres. (for Laurie Bromley – absent)

- A check of funds reveals a sound financial position. Detailed statement when Laurie returns.

Captain Ecurie Competition: Geoff Byrne

- Andrew Gibson invited to give a report on recent Philip Island event. Andrew delivered a detailed account of the goes and woes

experienced by the TSOA Ecurie Team.

- Geoff presented the John Thompson Performance Trophy for 2021 to Andrew, noting that the first winner of the trophy is here tonight Life Member Graeme Laurie - 1969 and this is the first time Andrew has won in all his years of competing with his TR3A.

Social Coordinator: Geoff Batty

- Weather has not been good causing many cancellations throughout the region. The Berry Display Day gone because the grounds would be a complete bog. Keep the date on the calendar 15th May for an alternative run TBA.
- Bob Adby - suggestion run to Kurrajong?
- Saturday 23rd April social lunch run to Round 2 CSCA super sprint at SMSP. Visit, lunch and chat run. Please book in soon for catering.
- Thanks to everyone who offered advice on timing the new camshaft. Car is coming on well. Looking forward - The big reveal will be soon!
- Trip to BHP coming up in June – best month for visiting a Steel Works!

Mudgee Run: Phil Larmour

- Itinerary all set and accommodation sorted. Meet 0900 Sunday 22nd May at Glenbrook, lunch at Wattle Flat Historic Church then on to Mudgee, visits to wineries, Robert Stein Motor Museum, home on Wednesday 25th. Two rooms still available. Remember to pre-pay into the TSOA account for the lunch.

Editor: Jeff Breen

- Please get copy in for May early. Will be doing this one without Judy to help.
- Cootamundra Sprints - run details being finalised.
- Long run to SA Nationals all sorted. Information out now for accommodation along the way.

CMC/ Membership Officer: Norbert Nieuwenhuizen

- **CMC magazine 'The Preserve' has been emailed out to everyone.**
- Shannons Day on Sunday 14th August at SMSP – 3 tickets only left, see me soon. We have three Spitfires on the grid for 60th anniversary, Area A for the main display of our cars.
- Club membership stands at almost 270.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Secretary JW – discussion on detail interpretation of the logbook rules for HVS/CVS cars as per 'Club Business' page 5 April TRead.

Promotions Nev Bowden – Guest speakers next month will be Snr. Sgt. Phil Muscat from the Motorcycle Patrol and Const. Lauren Wetterall from the Highway Patrol. Please fwd prepared questions to tsoansw@hotmail.com . Planning a vehicle inspection in the carpark at 6:30 pm prior the May GM.

Spitfire for sale – **John O'Neill's immaculate MK3 is for sale. Car is** located in Perth, John is very unwell. Contact John Whittaker 0425 371 640 for details.

Stag wood rim steering wheel for sale from Helen Carter – back table, see Geoff Byrne for details.

GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATION:

ANDREW GIBSON

Andrew presented a history of his racing with the TR3A leading up to the present time and the John Thompson performance Trophy.

Noted that he has broken nearly everything on the car over the years, a consequence of extracting more and more performance out of the old car. Geoff Byrne noted that the TR3 is a real beast to drive with torque most of us dream about.

Andrew presented an in-car video of a race on the GP circuit at SMSP which, in **Andrew's words, was very satisfying that the old car stuck it** right up a \$3m Maserati! Comment from Jennie Campbell about just how smoothly the TR3 circulated, catching the Maserati up in all the corners.

Meeting closed 9:45 pm

Hunter Happenings

TSOA Hunter Area Meeting 05 April 2022

Present: David Hynes, Michael Debono, Graham Paterson, David Walshe, Alan Watson, Bryan Mclean, Steve McGill, Rick Schmalzer, Danny Herringe, Rob Guyder.

Apologies: Bruce Milner, John Derrick, Chris Lancaster, Terry Burns, Rowan Burns, Ian Lovi, Barry Prasil, Michael Markey, Chris Johnson, Doug Brodie, Damien Whittaker, Wayne Wheaton, Michael O'Brien.

Events on the horizon:

13 April 2022 10am Coffee and Cake The Vintage Cafe at 38 Melbourne Street, East Maitland

30 April 2022 A little bit of Italy in Broke

General Business

Rob Guyder: Rob and his wife have been away in the US visiting his Son and young family in Tennessee. They left on the 10 March going from Sydney to San Francisco and then to Nashville, all with United Airlines. The Covid restrictions had made it quite unusual in that the youngest granddaughter was born in February 2020 and this was the first opportunity to see her. Rob told that the Covid environment in which she was raised made her very social distance aware, happily after 12 days there were cuddles aplenty. Some of the interesting observations Rob made were that houses were \$300,000 newly built, clad in vinyl but with brick facades. The architecture did not vary and schools seemed to be everywhere. Throughout Covid the schools provided meals as usual but they were provided free. Rob's son drove a F150 and fuel was comparatively cheap. Freeways were everywhere and the navigation was easy, though Rob found Nashville was not small.

Graham Paterson: Graham had nothing to report but in response to a question concerning his TR5 and the SP250, Graham's allegiance is with the SP250 despite its harsh leaf springs when compared to the comfortable ride of the IRS TR5.

David Walshe: David is keen to get another car. He looked at a Renault 16TS but ultimately decided that it was not suitable. We are all on the lookout for David, but to the writer's disapproval, David says it must be air conditioned !

Rick Schmalzer: Rick reports that Alexander's boat is progressing and he is anxiously keeping a record of the expenses incurred. Rick is keen to acquire a stalled project car and is canvassing all and sundry, even advertising to satisfy this whim. It appears that Alexander is quite an effective petitioner in this endeavour.

Bryan Mclean: Bryan and Rae decided to go to Queensland in the new Kia recently. They stopped in Coffs Harbour and then proceeded to Beerwah where they stayed with RAAF friends before going to Ipswich and staying with other RAAF friends. The Ipswichers asked whether they wanted to stay another night and Bryan politely declined. It should be mentioned at this point that the entirety of the journey had been in constant rain. Returning to Maitland it was found the Cunningham Highway had been cut by water. They continued avoiding the Cunningham

and returned in more rain via the New England Highway. The Ipswichers were flooded during that time !

Michael Debono: In a part of his talk he said was an advertorial, he suggested to Rick that he should consider a Zimmer Golden Spirit that Michael became aware of and is now for sale. Michael reports having purchased a slightly less than half scale 1953 Ferrari 500 F2. He hastens to add that it is not a fine model but at 184 cm long, it has character and appearance that made it transcend the unusual path from being an item to resell to being part of his collection.

David Hynes: David and Judy have been enjoying some outings in the Stag. A favourite has been the Common Grounds Cafe at Morpeth. David suggests a great Coffee and cake venue.

Steve McGill: Steve recently had a pink slip for the TR6 and also some fairly involved exhaust work on Brumby. Steve is very pleased with the work of Toronto Exhaust which saved replacing a complete exhaust.

Danny Herringe: Danny reports that the GT6 has been not taken out much because of the incessant rain. However, the GT6 about ten minutes into the warm up will start running roughly. The GT6 has a new coil, new leads and electronic ignition fitted during Danny's ownership. The Brain's Trust considered the scenario but it was, once again, David Hynes that came up with some good ideas. The writer retrospectively sees his stupidity asking whether electronic ignition sill runs a condensor (of course it doesn't because it hinders a spark across the points). Danny is going to follow David's suggestion taking off leads one by one and noting the result. David also suggested that a variation of the spark plug type should accompany the upgrade to electronic ignition due to the stronger spark. It has been a while since we've seen Danny and it was great to do so. Compounding this, the writer has been using a wrong email address so Danny's been unable to follow the minutes.

Alan Watson: Alan is having some maintenance done on the TR6. He and his wife hope to tour Dubbo later in the month. This was wrongly reported as being on the 26-27 March 2022.

**01. Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got married.
The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent.**

**02. A jumper cable walks into a bar. The bartender says,
"I'll serve you, but don't start anything."**

03. Two peanuts walk into a bar, and one was asalted.

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TR5/6	Geoff Byrne	0418 409 170		
TR7	Grant Turnbull	4627 0500		
TR8	Peter Yeend	0433 559 216		
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GT6	Geoff Byrne	0418 409 170		
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Dolomite	Howard Glinn	0409 600 078		

1. General Meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Carlingford Bowling Club.
2. Coffee 'n' Cake is held from 10:30am on the last Wednesday of each month at varying locations.
3. Committee Meetings are held each monthly, usually the Monday following the general Meeting.

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5 points for all other articles.
5 points for photos or as judged by editor.

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- 04. A dyslexic man walks into a bra.
- 05. A man walks into a bar with a slab of asphalt under his arm and says: "A beer please, and one for the road."
- 06. Two cannibals are eating a clown. One says to the other:
"Does this taste funny to you?"



TSOA NSW EVENTS CALENDAR

Notes:

Attendance to all events must be registered via the website prior the day. (R)

Details of events can be found in TRead and in flyers on the website.

Events on this calendar are registered club trips – logbook entries are not required.

'Non -TSOA Events' may appear elsewhere – these must be log-booked for HVS and CVS vehicles attending.

Events marked (*) are Clubman Points events.

TBC (to be confirmed); TBA (to be advised)

MAY

Tues 03	Hunter General Meeting*
Wed 04	TR Register Coffee & Cake
Tues 10	Sydney General Meeting*(R)
Sun 15	Social Run* (R) National Day of Motoring
Sun 22	Start Social Mudgee Long Run (R)
Wed 25	End Social Mudgee Long Run
Wed 25	Sydney Coffee and Cake (R) – Bayside Cafe, Carrs Park

JUNE

Wed 01	TR Register Coffee and Cake
Sun 05	Social Run *(R) TBA
Tues 07	Hunter General Meeting*
Fr 10 – Sun 12	Ecurie Triumph* HSRCA – SMSP – Geoff Byrne – 0418 409 170
Tues 14	Sydney General Meeting* (R)
Mon 20	Sydney Committee Meeting
Sat 25	CSCA Round 3*- Pheasant Wood Marulan – Host – MG Newcastle
Wed 29	Sydney Coffee & Cake (R) – Vanilla Cream Cafe, Annangrove

JULY

Sun 03	Donald Healey's Birthday Display* (R), Parramatta Park – Host - Austin Healey Club
Tues 05	Hunter General Meeting*

Wed 06 TR Register Coffee & Cake
 Tues 12 Sydney General Meeting* (R)
 Sat 16 CSCA Round 4* (R) Wakefield Park – Host - TSOA
 Mon 18 Sydney Committee Meeting
 Wed 27 Sydney Coffee & Cake (R) – Black Cat White Cat
 Cafe, Mulgoa
 Sun 31 Xmas in July* (R) - Carrington Hotel Katoomba

AUGUST

Tues 02 Hunter General Meeting*
 Wed 03 TR Register Coffee & Cake
 Sun 07 Annual Pinkstone Run* (R)- Details TBA
 Tues 09 Sydney General Meeting*(R)
 Sat 13 CSCA Round 5* - SMSP – Host – Morgan
 Sun 14 Shannons Day*(R) - SMSP
 Mon 15 Sydney Committee Meeting
 Sat 20 Cootamundra Sprints (R) Run days for the event start
 Fri 19, end Mon22.
 Sat 27 CSCA Round 6* - Pheasant Wood – Host – MG
 Sydney
 Wed 31 Sydney Coffee & Cake (R) – The Armoury Cafe,
 Newington.

SEPTEMBER

Sat 3-Sun 4 Ecurie Triumph* Round 10 ARDC- SMSP
 Tues 06 Hunter General Meeting* - Alan Watson
 Wed 07 TR Register Coffee and Cake
 Fri 9 – Sun 11 Ecurie Triumph* Round 11 HSRCA – Wakefield Park
 Sun 11 All British Day* (R)- The Kings School
 Tues 13 Sydney General Meeting* (R)
 Mon 19 Sydney Committee Meeting
 Sun 25 Social Run*(R) - BHP Wollongong Tour
 Wed 28 Sydney Coffee and Cake (R) – Coal Loader Cafe,
 Waverton

CLASSIFIEDS



Member seeking 'a hand' ...

I would like to borrow (or hire) 3 knock on wheels suitable for a TR3 while I paint my own wire wheels. If you might have a spare set of wheels for a TR3 and can spare them for 3-4 weeks, please call ... **Dimitri ..0408 184 942**

Wanted

TRIUMPH TR6

I'm a previous owner of a TR6 (1982) back in Scotland before emigrating at that time. Now filled with lots of nostalgia and would like to bring one back into my life again, so can you help me locate one from a committed seller you might know. John McNab 0411 474 344

For Sale

TR5 wheel for sale good condition ... \$40
4 x 205/ 70R1 tyres as new ... \$200
Contact: Paul Hutley 0412 233 846



For Sale

ALUMINIUM SUMP FOR TR5-6

New unused aluminum sump includes windage plate and fitting kit. The Aluminum sump with its fins provides additional strength for the block and cooling for the oil. The windage plate prevents oil surge under braking and cornering to ensure the oil pump does not loose pressure. The sump includes an additional port for an oil temperature probe and has additional capacity \$700



HEAVY DUTY CAR RAMPS, the ramp component can be removed once the car is up to allow better under car access. Free

Contact:
Geoff Byrne 0418 409 170



For Sale

1974 Triumph Stag Auto - \$47500



1974 Triumph Stag Auto, Mimosa colour with Tan interior
Engine Number LF25832HEBW
VIN LD31881A. Currently club
rego not transferable.

We've owned it past 28yrs, 2
previous owners at 10 yrs. each
Original engine 215000 klms.
Rebuilt at 150k. including heads,
timing chains/tensioners and
uprated water pump etc

Always runs cool with excellent stable oil pressure. Very reliable.
Very good to excellent condition inside and out. No Rust. Always garaged.
Soft top as new plus Hardtop. Interior as new. Inertia seat belts front and
rear. Full stainless exhaust including stainless extractors.
Engine oil cooler with oil temp sensor. Spin on oil filter. Electronic Ignition
History file from new with all receipts. Vehicle is in Newcastle.

Contact
Tim Peterson
Phone 0474127567



TSOA **TRead's** own roving reporter (Judy Breen) has discovered a couple of green gems on the tropical shores of Nightcliff, Darwin.

Owner of this 2500S, Jack Tinapple, has driven his saloon as his daily drive for the last 26 years! His daughter and son are the envy of their school. Sunset over Darwin Harbour (below)

