

# ***TRead***

***March 2023***

Official Journal of Triumph Sports Owners Assoc  
(Ecurie Triumph) NSW Branch Inc.  
[www.tsoansw.org.au](http://www.tsoansw.org.au)

Facebook [www.facebook.com/TSOANSW](https://www.facebook.com/TSOANSW)  
Print Post Approval NO:10000-1708



*Do not miss this significant event, reservations are still open but are filling very fast*

at [tsoansw.org.au](http://tsoansw.org.au)

*Friday 17th to Sunday 19th March 2023*

2023 Marks the Centenary of the first Triumph motor car. To celebrate this significant event, a weekend in the iconic city of Bathurst has been organised. All Triumph owners and enthusiasts are invited and encouraged to attend. Your accommodation venue is up to you, however Rydges at Mt Panorama will have a discounted room and breakfast rate for attendees. Room \$199 night \$20.00 PP for Breakfast.

There will be welcome drinks, a static Triumph display, a celebration dinner with guest speaker, a convoy of Triumphs around Mt Panorama and a visit to the National Motor Racing Museum.

***For information:- Nev Bowden 0419 004 283***

**Front cover: A glorious line-up of TR4s, TR5s and TR6s for as far as the eye can see, for the explanation of why I am featuring this classic photo refer to the bottom of Page 13.**

# President's Report March

*Lorraine Mooring*

Having been away since the 31<sup>st</sup> January, I have been absent from all TSOA events since then so I will leave it to others to recap on the comings and goings of TSOA members.

My trip was to Antarctica and at the initial gathering of fellow travelers the talk turned to cars (as it often does) and one person mentioned that he used to own a TR4. The next day he produced a photo of said car which was taken at the 2017 Kings School Day.

The surprise was that his photo included a part shot of the car he was parked next to – none other than my Dolomite and the owner of the TR4 – Ian Chipchase whom some members may know. Just proves, you can go to the ends of the earth and still find Triumph enthusiasts.



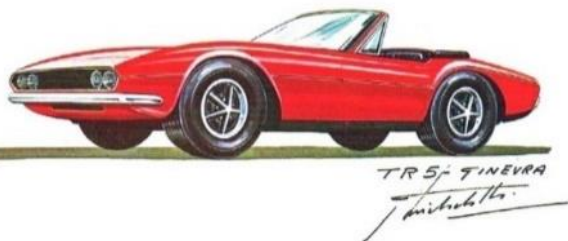
I am still catching up with the details of upcoming events and am excited at the response to Nev Bowden's 100 Years of Triumph which is only a couple of weeks away.

This is going to be the largest collection of Triumphs we have seen for some time and even if you haven't registered it would be worth the drive to see the display on Saturday. There is no more space for cars to be included in the display in the main street or to be a part of the organised event, however as an interested spectator you would be welcome.

Our special thanks go to Keith and Merran Higgins for being the Coffee and Cake Convenors since mid July 2019. This regular run has become one of our most popular events each month with Keith and Merran taking us to some great locations. This takes some organization with booking numbers as we often take over a large portion of the venue. Please remember to register your attendance in advance. Welcome to our new organiser, Leigh Larmour.

I look forward to catching up with the latest happenings and will see you out and about soon.

**Cheers for now.....Lorraine**





It has been a bit of a scramble to get you a magazine for this month. It is becoming more and more difficult to source sufficient club reporting to make for a meaningful monthly magazine. It is early in the year as yet and there is very little motorsport happening, and with the explosion in the quantity of reference material, parts lists, workshop manuals and DIY videos now available on the internet there has been a distinct slowing down in knowledge sharing via the printed format (magazines such as TRead). There is a particular scarcity of new printed technical articles etc. focused to our 60 and 70 year old cars. On the other hand, the predominant interest of the members of our club is shifting more and more toward the regular social activities that TSOA members are now involved with.

For this month's magazine I have had to rely on social activities reports from members to bulk the pages – Drive Your Triumph Day from Keith Higgins, a social comment from Peter Addison, Coffee and Cake also from Keith Higgins, a report on the Gerringong Motor Fest from Ian Kennedy and Norbert Nieuwenhuizen plus a report on the Orange Show and Shine event Gnoo Blas from Sonia Goodwin.

Sonia's article about the Gnoo Blas show in Orange is a good example to discuss. The Gnoo Blas event is not on the TSOA event calendar, Sonia is a current TSOA member, and she (and husband Rob) were presenting a Stag at the event ... those are enough qualifying ticks to make it into TRead magazine nowadays.

It's getting hard.

## **Notice to all members:**

**2023 club membership fees and annual magazine subscription fees were due for payment by 31 December 2022. Payment of fees may be made by PayPal, by cheque or by electronic funds transfer to TSOA at**

**BSB: 032 081 and Account Number: 910909**

**Any member who has not paid the 2023 membership fee and who has his/her car on either the CVS or HSV vehicle registration schemes is advised NOT TO DRIVE that car as it is no longer legally registered. Current RMS Conditions for Registration require the owner of a vehicle on either of the CVS or HSV schemes, to be a "financial" member of the club.**

# Membership

*Norbert Nieuwenhuizen  
Membership and Concessional Registration Officer*

## NEW MEMBERS

We have done well again this month and gained 4 new members:

- **Terry Handley** with a **TR7**
- **Mark Armstrong** with a **TR6**
- **Martijn Tiemens** with his **Spitfire**, and
- **David Stoodley** with a **TR5** (the photo came too late)



Martijn Tieman's  
Spitfire left

Mark Armstrong's  
TR6 right is a WIP  
(that front anti-roll  
bar in blue does  
look 'aggressive,' it  
has obviously been  
done with intent ?)

***Cheers Norbert***



# RIMMER BROS EST 1982

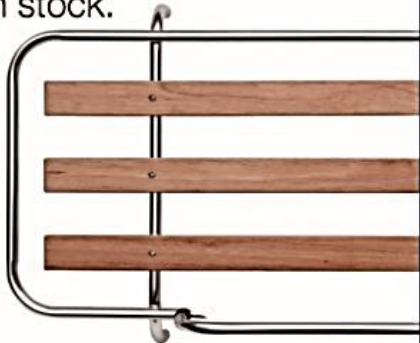
A BRITISH COMPANY SUPPORTING BRITISH CARS



# ALL THE PARTS YOU NEED

PARTS & ACCESSORIES  
FOR TRIUMPH MODELS  
1953 ONWARDS

Trust us to deliver...**Worldwide.**  
Millions of parts in stock.



Parts service also available for Land Rover,  
MG, Rover, Mini & Jaguar '96 on.

ASK FOR A  
**FREE**  
CATALOGUE

LAND  
ROVER



JAGUAR  
from 1996

[www.rimmerbros.com](http://www.rimmerbros.com)

Triumph House, Sleaford Road, Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln, LN4 2NA, England  
Telephone: +44 1522 568000 | Fax: +44 1522 567600 | E-mail: [sales@rimmerbros.com](mailto:sales@rimmerbros.com)

## Correction:

*I am sure that most of you will recognise the article extract following, it comes from your February TRead. To correct last month's article, long term serving TSOA member **Peter Addison** has offered up his memories of those times and events.*

*Racing Car News, August, 1961*

# SOCIALLY SPEAKING

## CAMS BALL

Saturday night, 9th September — that's the date to remember for the Annual Motor Sport Ball to be held this year at the Sky Lounge, 202 Pitt Street from 8.30 p.m. to 1 p.m. or thereabouts. Tickets are available now from your Club Secretary or direct from Midge Wood at CAMS office, telephone

but bring your own liquids. Tickets available at 25/- each from Allison Coleman at WJ 3110.

## TRIUMPH CLUB DANCE

On Friday night, 11th August, the Triumph Sports Owners Association is holding a social dance at "The Postern", Castlecrag Community Centre. An invitation to attend is invited to all CAMS

***"Re the article in the February TRead from Racing Car News, August, 1961 ... "***

" ... actually, the first social outing was a drive from meeting at Standard Cars showroom in William Street, in the Sydney CBD, out to the Kurrajong Hotel for lunch to then assemble down the road at a large field for photos and to then return to William St. It was a whole day, and I was the lead car of (if I recall correctly) 12TR's with Ray Cook at the rear keeping the convoy together and spot on the speed limit. (no fast cars, no slow cars.).

Around a couple of months later the same crew went to Nowra via Moss Vale and Kangaroo Valley, had lunch at the beach at Nowra then a lovely police escort (one patrol car in front of me and one behind Ray keeping our cars in 3<sup>rd</sup> gear for that only great TR rumble) through the main drag and heading back north. Once we reached the derestricted area the police pulled over and waved us on. We returned to Sydney via the highway with a detour through The Royal National Park (was in those days a derestricted area and you would only be booked if it could be proven that you were

driving it a manor dangerous) Needless to say, it was 'pedal to the metal' to complete a great day.

*Now back to that article.*

That venue was used by the club on a couple of occasions when we had been requested to move from Standard Cars, bearing in mind that our official club calendar was set as the July/June financial calendar, and we were looking for a venue to hold our AGM and trophy presentations. Graham White lived in that suburb at the time, and as we needed somewhere(?) in a hurry, hired it for the July meeting and presentation night. As we were still in need of a meeting room, we also had a tentative arrangement for further use. It was a great little hall and to cover costs for that meeting it was decided to hold a dance night in August. A group of musos, 4 or 5, supplied by my mate Ron Cunningham (played 2<sup>nd</sup> band at White City for Frank Sinatra looked for practice venues) so we had a top *free* band.

Invited were the clubs that we had invites to with their club days at that time being Northshore, Manly and Eastern Suburbs of which my old mate Max Stahl was a committee member of the latter and owner of Racing Car News. (that is why we had lots of mention in that publication over that period)."

**Peter Addison**

(the very, very, old Events Secretary)

[his descriptor not mine ... Ed.]



**The Swinging 60's**  
(Photos Allan Wright)



# Coffee and Cake

*Keith and Merran Higgins*

**22 February**

## **Waterview Café, Sydney Olympic Park**

Coffee and Cake for 2023 has at last kicked off for the year at our usual venue in Sydney Olympic Park, The Waterview Café, and for those who braved the forecast of bad weather, they were rewarded with fine weather.

Company and conversation were as good as ever and it was good to catch up and have a chat with everybody. Please note that somebody has been awarded an OBE Congratulations from us all.



As this was our last Coffee and Cake as organisers (for now), Merran and I would like to thank all those who have turned up over the recent years and made the Wednesday Coffee and Cake a great social outing for all club members.

Coffee and Cake has now been officially handed over to Leigh Larmour whom we are sure will continue this TSOA 'institution' in fine fashion.

*Signing off ...  
Keith and Merran*

# **Coffee 'n' Cake ... with Leigh**

0417 849 658 / [Larmour@tpg.com.au](mailto:Larmour@tpg.com.au)

**29 March**

**From 10:30am at Baybreeze Café,  
St George Motorboat Club,  
2 Wellington Street, Sans Souci**



There is plenty of easy parking, a good menu for us plus a menu for your dog/s and spectacular waterfront views.

**Please RSVP before 22 March**

**Leigh on text: 0417 849 658 / email: [Larmour@tpg.com.au](mailto:Larmour@tpg.com.au)**

## **Coffee 'n' Cakes with Leigh for 2023**

- **March 29 - Baybreeze Cafe**, St George Motorboat Club
- **April 26 - Parramatta Lake Café**, North Parramatta
- **May 31 - By the Bay**, Carrs Park
- **June 28 - Vanilla Cream Café**, Annangrove
- **July 26 - Strathfield Gold Club**, Strathfield
- **August 30 - Frankie's Food Factory**, Terrey Hills
- **September 27 - Como Marina Café**, Como
- *(October 25 no coffee and cake due to Nationals)*
- **November 29 - TBA**
- **December 27 - City Lights**, Woolwich

# DAVID CLARK AUTOMOTIVE

*Triumph Specialist*

*Established 1976*



**2000, 2500, 2.5 PI, Stag, TR4, TR5 and TR6**

In 1976 David Clark Automotive was Sydney's first Triumph only specialist workshop.

David Clark Automotive is now Sydney's only Triumph only specialist workshop.

Complete workshop facilities in our own premises.

Full range of work carried out (all by David himself) — grease and oil changes, mechanical repairs, servicing, vehicle safety inspections (pink slips), competition preparation, concours preparation, restorations.

Parts and accessories — an extensive range of new and second hand.

Personal, friendly service — over 40 years of experience.

Business Hours: Monday to Friday 7.30am — 4.30pm

28 Mary Parade, Rydalmere, NSW 2116

Phone: (02) 9638 3941

Website: [www.davidclarkautomotive.com.au](http://www.davidclarkautomotive.com.au)

Email: [david@davidclarkautomotive.com.au](mailto:david@davidclarkautomotive.com.au)

***David is happy to discuss all your Triumph needs for the models we cover.***

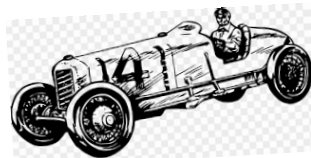


# Motorsport Report

*Philip Larmour*

Hello All,

Well, it looks as though our plans for Motorsport in 2023 are coming together with the first CSCA event being the Round 1- 2nd April - SMSP South Circuit, organised by the Sprite Car Club.



Entries for the event are now open and I have forwarded the Invitation to Compete to those who were on the competitor list from last year. If you haven't received the invitation, please contact me via e-mail and I will forward it to you and make sure we have the correct e-mail address for you. If you haven't competed before and would like to enter the event, contact me as well and you will be added to the contact list for all future competition events. You don't have to compete in a Triumph to enter these events.

The remainder of the CSCA calendar for the year appears below-

- Rd 2- 17 June- Pheasant Wood, (MG CC Newcastle)
- Rd 3- 9 July- Sydney Dragway (TSOA)
- Rd 4- 19 August- SMSP GP (Club Lotus)
- Rd 5- 30 September- Pheasant Wood (MGCC Sydney)
- Rd 6- 22 October- SMSP North (Jaguar Drivers Club)



Arrangements for the **TSOA "Come and Try Day" hillclimb at Ringwood on 6 May** are progressing well. A deposit for the circuit has been paid and we are currently in the process of submitting the permit application to Motorsport Australia. This will be fun day and is open to all TSOA members, so come and join us for the day. Entry forms will be sent out shortly.

**Happy motoring, preferably on a track somewhere!**  
*Philip*



## **HEADS UP! TRIUMPH TR5 AND TR6 OWNERS**

**Marque Representative for TR5/TR6, and TR6 racer Geoff Byrne will give a talk at the May General Meeting on all things TR5/6.**

Many of the things covered will have application to other Triumphs so it promises to be of interest to many members. Some of the topics that Geoff will cover will include ....

- Buying a TR5/6
- Sensible modifications
- Non-sensible modifications
- Maintenance issues
- Questions and discussions

The talk will not be about racing modifications, but Geoff is willing to take questions on the modifications made to his own race car. His recommendations and suggestions are based on his owning a number of TR6s over fifty years and racing his green machine for twenty years. It promises to be a lively discussion so come long to the meeting with your questions and hear from Geoff.



This is what happened the last time that Geoff gave such a 'technical talk'

# Coming Up Trumps

TSOA social and motorsport activities of particular interest in the next month or two that should be in your calendar.

Registration is required for events marked **(R)**.

## 01 March, Wednesday

TR Register C&C

## 9 – 12 March, Thursday to Sunday

Ecurie Triumph Philip Island Vic.

Geoff Byrne 0418 409 170

## 17 – 19 March, Friday to Sunday **(R)**

100 Year Anniversary of Triumph Bathurst

Nev Bowden 0419 004 283

## 20-21 March Monday and Tuesday **(R)**

Return to Sydney Road Trip.

Philip Larmour 0407 191 299 or

Email [Larmour@tpg.com.au](mailto:Larmour@tpg.com.au)

## 29 March, Wednesday **(R)**

Sydney C'n'C with Leigh – St George Motor Boat Club

Leigh Larmour mobile: 0417 849 658 or

email [larmour@tpg.com.au](mailto:larmour@tpg.com.au)

## 02 April Sunday **(R)**

CSCA Rd1 SMSP Healy Car Club

Phil Larmour mobile: 0407 191 299

## 05 April Wednesday

TR register C&C

## 16 April Sunday **(R)**

Social Run TBA

Geoff Batty mobile: 0428 242 597 or

email: [geoffrbatty@gmail.com](mailto:geoffrbatty@gmail.com)

## 22 – 23 April Saturday and Sunday

Ecurie Triumph Mallala SCCSA.

Geoff Byrne 0418 409 170

## 26 April Wednesday **(R)**

Sydney C'n'C with Leigh – Parramatta Lake Cafe

Leigh Larmour mobile: 0417 849 658 or

email [larmour@tpg.com.au](mailto:larmour@tpg.com.au)



# Social Report

*Geoff Batty*

*email: [social@tsoansw.org.au](mailto:social@tsoansw.org.au) or text: 0428 242 597 or*

February is always a busy time of year with all sorts of distractions and events to keep us out and about in our Triumphs. This February was especially so with a number of activities for members to enjoy.

Firstly the Sir John Black Drive Your Triumph Day to Grey Gums Café on the Putty Rd was well attended with fine weather making it a great tribute to the memory of the Standard Triumphs MD and Chairman in the pre and post WW2 era. Thanks again to Keith for organising this run and ensuring Grey Gums were able to accommodate our group. I know how much stress Keith was having trying to organise this run. Grey Gums was not operating as it had previously and staffing was an issue. As such Keith needed to advise them of our numbers so they could ensure adequate service. As of registration cut off the numbers were well down on his early advice to the Café which caused him to reconsider his venue options. Thankfully numbers improved and turned up on the day but it does mean that **getting commitments for events that require a booking helps relieve unnecessary stress for the organiser.**

A number of members attended the Gerringong Car Show run by the local Lions Club. This event had been cancelled and re scheduled due to Covid and rain over the last 3 years so it was nice to see it go ahead again in 2023. The weather forecast was for hot and sunny and I was wondering how attendees managed in the heat but reports were that a lovely sea breeze kept the temperature down to more pleasant levels making it a more bearable day. The show is organised to match up with the Gerringong Markets which offers a variety of stalls and music throughout the day.

The Barefoot Bowls Day at Scarborough Wombarra Bowlo was a very relaxed affair with some laughs at the variety of bowling styles and colourful attire. The aforementioned sea breeze again made warm conditions very pleasant and dinner from the Black Duck Restaurant finished off a good day out.

The next event on the Calendar is of course the Big Bathurst Bash which is sneaking up on us very quickly, I'm sure Neville and all participants are looking forward to catching up and creating a very special gathering.

The Kurri Kurri Nostalgia Festival on the last weekend in March has been a regular calendar event in recent years but another event has popped up on the same weekend which may be of interest to some, it is the Oakville Fire Brigades Car Show at the Pitt Town and District Sports Club, 139 Old

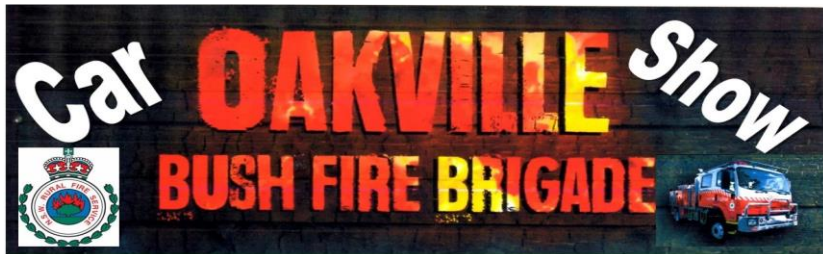
Pitt Town Rd Pitt Town. Please let me know if you are interested in attending either of these events.

In April I'm looking to do a run to a country Pub/Venue of interest so if you have any suggestions, please pass them on.

**TR6 Project Update:**

The test run for the Six took place last week with Steve Ralston on board. We didn't go far just out to Kurnell and back. A few minor fluid leaks which required a few turns of the spanners but nothing to worry about. The good part was that all the upgrades have added a big boost in power and the feeling coming through the loud pedal was very pleasing. Bathurst will be the next run and I can't wait to put it through its paces on the open road. See you then.

***Cheers Geoff***



**Sunday**  
**26th March**



**PITT TOWN SPORTING CLUB**  
**139 OLD PITT TOWN RD, PITT TOWN**  
*Shows and Displays Starting at 10am.*

**\$10** Car Entrant  
**GOLD COIN**  
Admission  
**DONT**  
**MISS OUT!**



# Drive Your Triumph Day Putty Road to Grey Gums Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February



It is difficult in times of extreme weather cycles to plan with some confidence. The first idea was a new very interesting run with no traffic and great scenery but after a survey run the road was not suitable for anything other than goats. Rain had caused severe potholes and in some places it had washed away and down to one lane. Let's hope it is all repaired for next year.

The fall back was the good old Putty Road which is going under repair as well but it provided about 23 members with a very enjoyable drive, except for one TR8 owner that said every time he ran over a gumleaf the car bottomed out.

The Grey Gums Café were once again very obliging and set up for lunch even though there weren't many of us. They too have been doing a lot of work after the periods of rain. New bitumen on the previous dirt entry road, and for the observant ones new turf on the grassed areas, which meant we had to line up in the carpark this time.

Lunch was good and the company was excellent ... as usual. Just a great day out with the absolute fun of driving your Triumph on a nice open country road. I always think this road is exactly what Triumphs were designed for.

As I have resigned from Coffee and Cake and the cup and saucer has been handed over to Leigh Larmour for the rest of 2023, please contact her for details of the next Coffee 'n' Cake event.

Thank you everybody for making Drive Your Triumph Day a great day out and developing it into one of our big annual events.

**Best regards Merran and Keith Higgins**



# Gerringong Motor Fest / Car Show

## Michael Cronin Oval

### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February



The Gerringong Motor Fest run by the Lions Club of Gerringong was a great day out, the weather was almost perfect and by the afternoon there was a sea breeze blowing across the field which made it very enjoyable indeed.



We had 5 TSOA members in proud attendance - Ian and Sue Kennedy in their signal red Stag, Scott Burnie also with his russet brown Stag, Kevin and Beverly McClarence in their special metallic red TR6, John Lamond with his red TR2 and Norbert Nieuwenhuizen with that gleaming blue TR6. Also joining the group were Horacio Liendo with his wife and daughter in the white Stag (*I apologise ladies for not having your first names .. Ed.*)

It was a glorious day for the show, sunny and warm but with a cool breeze keeping things very pleasant. 6 Triumphs were on show in our group, although there were a few other Triumphs scattered around the show representing other clubs. There was an impressive number and variety of vehicles on show, ranging from a couple of McLaren supercars (with L-plates on one!), E-type Jags, American muscle cars, through to a 1911 Cadillac among other veteran vehicles. We all spent a relaxing few hours in the sun, sitting around exchanging stories, maintenance tips, and other useful (or not) information.

The event was well run, and it took no time at all to find you spot on the field as they had plenty of volunteers on hand to guide us in. It was a \$5.00 entrance fee which went to the Children's Cancer Research and well worth the effort.

The letter following from Lions Club of Gerringong confirms what a great success the day turned out to be.



**Good morning all,**

Well now the dust has settled the Lions Club of Gerringong would like to pass on our thanks and appreciation for your participation on Saturday at our Car event. Almost all that advised they would come did just that with approximately 300 vehicles in attendance on the day.

Didn't we have a fantastic variety of vehicles on display. The four category winners were most deserved voted on by you and the general public. I could have chosen those or another 20 vehicles I thought were show stoppers. Having said that it is not the trophy cars that make the day it's all the balance of cars that seem to have come out of the woodwork for this event. So, thanks for sharing your toys with us.

On the day we announced we had financial support from Gerringong Automotive, Shannon's, local farmers the Baileys, raffle ticket prizes from Prized Pieces and Bowden's Own Car Care Products plus a very generous donation from one of your fellow car clubs VW Owners Club NSW (well done and many thanks to them). I don't yet have the final figures for **the money raised but we know its above \$8,000 and maybe \$9,000 all of which will go directly to Lions Childhood Cancer Research.**

Thank you all very much, we hope you enjoyed the day.  
Keith Watson (on behalf of) Lions Club of Gerringong

**Combined report/photos Ian Kennedy + Norbert Nieuwenhuizen**

# Barefoot Bowls & Dinner

## Scarborough Wombarra Bowling Club

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Just as the City Lights Picnic event at the end of each year has become a 'signature' event for TSOA members, Barefoot Bowling at the Scarborough Wombarra Bowlo is fast becoming the 'signature' for the beginning of the TSOA social year ahead.



As Geoff B has described it in earlier pages, the day is a very "relaxed affair". The approach drive through The Royal National Park and along the glorious sunny coastline is spectacular, and the destination a wonderful reminiscence of past summers. Perched as it is above the Pacific Ocean and enjoying every whisp of sea breeze, the bowling club itself evokes the feeling of those simpler long lazy summer days of yesteryear, no flashing signs and noisy machines, no slick (and noisy) floor tiles, no hassling for elbow room just open space, green grass, the sun, the ocean and barefoot local kids running everywhere. This place may not be flash, but it is a lot of fun.

Members gather at the meeting point in Engadine for the drive south into the National Park with its sensational coastal rain forests, emerging at Stanwell Tops for those spectacular coastal vistas out over sunny beaches and then down to the dramatic Sea Cliff Bridge at Coalcliff.

And then there is the bowling .... It is 'shoes off' and everybody is into the competition, there are more laughs heard here than there are shouts of 'good shot' [way more]. This year a courteous committee member (me) ably assisted fellow member Mark Larmour in taking off first prize ... a box of chocolates. Speaking of competition there were a few loud coloured shirts on the greens and one particular chap (with the worst hairdo that you have ever seen) smooching his way around ensuring that members were having a good time.



After the heat of competition there was time for a cooling refreshment before enjoying the very fine Asian cuisine on offer. This prior to the return journey back along the coast and through the rain forests, all while enjoying the glorious late daylight hours of a perfect summer afternoon.

And Geoff Batty guarantees the weather ... what else could you ask for?

*Ed.'*

# Barefoot Bowls & Dinner Sunday 18 February



**Phil Larmour – Stag  
Lorraine Mooring – Dolomite  
Luciano Cerrone – Spitfire**



**2023 Barefoot Bowls Champion Mark Larmour**



**Organiser Geoff Batty and that hat and the hair ? (don't say anything to him)**



# Drive Your Triumph Day Putty Road to Grey Gums Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February



**The Triumph line up and drivers on Drive Your Triumph Day 2023**



Photos: Keith Higgins

# Gerringong Motor Fest / Car Show

## Michael Cronin Oval

### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February



**Triumphs are well represented at the Lion's Gerringong Motor Fest**



**That ring of confidence ??**



by SNA



**GNOO BLAS**  
Classic Car Club  
Orange NSW



**Sue Ransom with  
Sonia + Rob Goodwin's  
Stag at Lake Canobolas**



**Crowd control was never going to  
be an issue at Gnoo Blas**





## 11 and 12 February 2023

by Sonia Goodwin

It's that time of year again when our Gnoo Blas Car club in Orange holds its annual show & shine and dinner on the Saturday and then a run on the Sunday which makes for a very full and enjoyable weekend. On Friday the 10th of February after fixing a slight issue with the car we finely headed off from the Central Coast at about 9.30am on a fine sunny morning in our 1974 mimosa yellow Triumph Stag and arrived at Orange at about 1.45pm having contended with some heavy traffic in places. We dropped in to see one of Rob's nephews and then a visit to one of his brothers before heading around to yet another brother's place where we stayed for the weekend. His brother, Wally moved some cars around so the Stag fitted nicely in the garage while Shirley prepared a lovely dinner for us.

On Saturday we woke to a fine morning and after breakfast headed out to Sir Jack Brabham Park. It was only about 8.15am when we arrived and there was already a lot of cars in the park and queued up at the gate, but we moved in pretty quickly and found a spot to park in the long line of Gnoo Blas Club cars. Wally and Shirley were also there putting up their tent as they were helping sell tickets for the Can Assist charity. We did manage to walk around most of the cars, trucks and motorbikes with many outstanding vehicles there. The quality and number of vehicles was amazing. Also, on display was 'Albert' the 1947 double decker bus which has a very interesting history. Two people who actually toured in the bus were guest speakers at the dinner that night. The registered number of vehicles displayed on the day was 530 but I'm pretty sure there was actually a lot more vehicles there on the day. They also had a helicopter for sightseeing tours over the park and around the local district of Orange. After catching up with many old friends we headed back for a rest at about 2.30pm to be ready to go out that evening to the dinner.

Wally gave us a lift over to the Waratah Sports Club where there were 197 people for the dinner. Their first guest speaker was Sue Ransom who began her career with rallying and then transitioned to tarmac and made 5 Great Race Starts before switching to drag racing through the 1970's & 80's. She drove a variety of cars and entered the Bathurst 1000 five times between 1973 and 1980. Then professional Jet Funny Car and Top Fuel Dragster driver in the USA in the 1980's. In between she was a motoring journalist working in public relations at Ford and Mazda and played an instrumental role in creating the ABC TV motoring program Torque.

Their next guest speakers were Stewart and Natalie Baker who actually travelled in the bus 'Albert' to Australia in 1972 at a cost of 145 pounds each to travel from Dover on the 14th of November 1972 to Australia via Turkey, Iran, Afghanistan via the Khyber Pass, India and Singapore where Albert was put on a ship to Australia. What an amazing experience and incredible journey it must have been. Not to mention that all these years later they are still together! At the end of the evening our friend, Peter Barrett gave us a lift back to Wally's place in his very early little 2 door Toyota Corolla.

Sunday morning was yet another bright sunny day as we headed down to line up in front of Cook Park for the start of the run. There were approximately 60 cars that made the first leg of the run out to Lake Canobolas for morning tea. While there we had a chance to have a chat with Sue Ransom and get a photo of her next to our **Stag**. Sue is one of those people who are really down to earth and so easy to talk to. And when you stop and think that when she was racing it must have been extremely hard for her to break into the sport not to mention motoring journalism as this was a very male dominated sport.

From the Lake we headed off on the next leg of the run but luckily, we left the lake a bit late and we had only travelled a few kilometres and cars were coming back so we turned around and headed to the Robin Hood club for lunch. We later found out that there had been an accident that blocked the road so everyone had to back track. At the Robin Hood there was plenty of room to park and display the cars where an area had been reserved for the car club and about 50 people stayed for lunch. Long tables were also reserved, and we got to sit next to Stewart and Natalie (the bus people) who were great company. I was so pleased that we only ordered the one pizza to share thinking that we would only have a small meal as Shirley was preparing dinner for us that night but when the pizza arrived, I'm sure that it would have fed 4 people without any problem! The other meals were also very large and looked very tasty. And as luck would have it another one of Rob's brothers was there having lunch so we got to catch up with them too. Then we said our fair wells and headed back around to Wally's place and had a well-earned rest till it was time for dinner.

Monday morning after breakfast we said goodbye to Wally and Shirley and then had time for a quick visit to Rob's sister and then headed for home. The closer we came to the mountains the more cloud rolled in until it was misting rain until we were back through Sydney where it started to fine up.

As usual we had a great weekend and would recommend to clubs that they put this event on their calendar for next year.

**Photos: Sonia Goodwin**

# What sort of future did Triumph have in mind with its XL90 concept?

Introduced in 1967, it was meant to peer 25 years into the future.

[Daniel Strohl](#)

02/17/2023

Dredging up older predictions about the future in automotive form can prove both entertaining and enlightening, and Richard Bartrop suggested another one to look at: the 1967 Triumph XL90. "Presented as the car of 25 years hence, it was almost a dead ringer for a Chevy minivan from 1992," he wrote.

Indeed, the XL90 looked futuristic and thus nothing like Triumph's contemporary crop of cars. With its one-box format and heavily sloped front, it did have the look of a [Dustbuster U-body minivan](#)—itself often described as futuristic—but it was meant more as a prediction of what advanced technologies might be incorporated into automobiles rather than the look and shape



of them. Designed in-house by Triumph engineer Ed Pepall, the XL90 ostensibly included a "sealed-for-life" drivetrain, pneumatic controls for suspension and brakes, "handgrip" steering, ultrasonic windshield cleaning, and automatic guidance and speed control.

Exactly what any of those meant or how practical those features would be is anybody's guess. As Claus Ebberfeld [at viaRetro](#) noted, Triumph's suggested powerplant for the XL90 was its own 2-liter six-cylinder, an engine that would not easily fit anywhere in Pepall's design or go more than a few thousand miles without servicing. Then again, if the drivetrain is sealed, then the lifetime of the drivetrain becomes the lifetime of the vehicle, and perhaps

the XL90 was (and all cars of the early 1990s were) intended to be far more disposable than vehicles of the late Sixties.

Automation and driver-assist systems have long been fantasies for automotive prognosticators, and given that experimental versions of those technologies [appeared in British Leyland demonstration vehicles by 1971](#), it's likely those systems were already in development when Pepall designed the XL90. Pneumatic suspension was nothing new either, though perhaps Pepall envisioned a less costly and less problem-prone system than Cadillac's late-Fifties Air Dome feature.

The windshield cleaning system sounds intriguing. Ostensibly, the windshield would vibrate at a specific ultrasonic frequency that would shake off raindrops and dirt and make windshield wipers unnecessary. Makes sense that a British carmaker would be on the forefront of rain-deflecting technology. To our knowledge, nothing along those lines has been proposed or tried in other concept or production vehicles—windshield wipers are a proven technology, after all—though McLaren claimed to do something similar with the [windshieldless Elva](#) and its Air Active Management System which directed a stream of air claimed to protect the occupants of the open-topped car.

Ultimately, the XL90 proved to be little more than idle speculation. While it appeared at the Earls Court Motor Show that year, perhaps more people saw it in a print advertisement in which the company billed it as "the shape of Triumph to come," claiming that "its ideas are so advanced that many of them are still only sketches in a designer's notebook. Or experiments in the earliest stages of laboratory research. But all of them could be—and probably will be—the talking points of Triumph cars at the Motor Show of 1992."

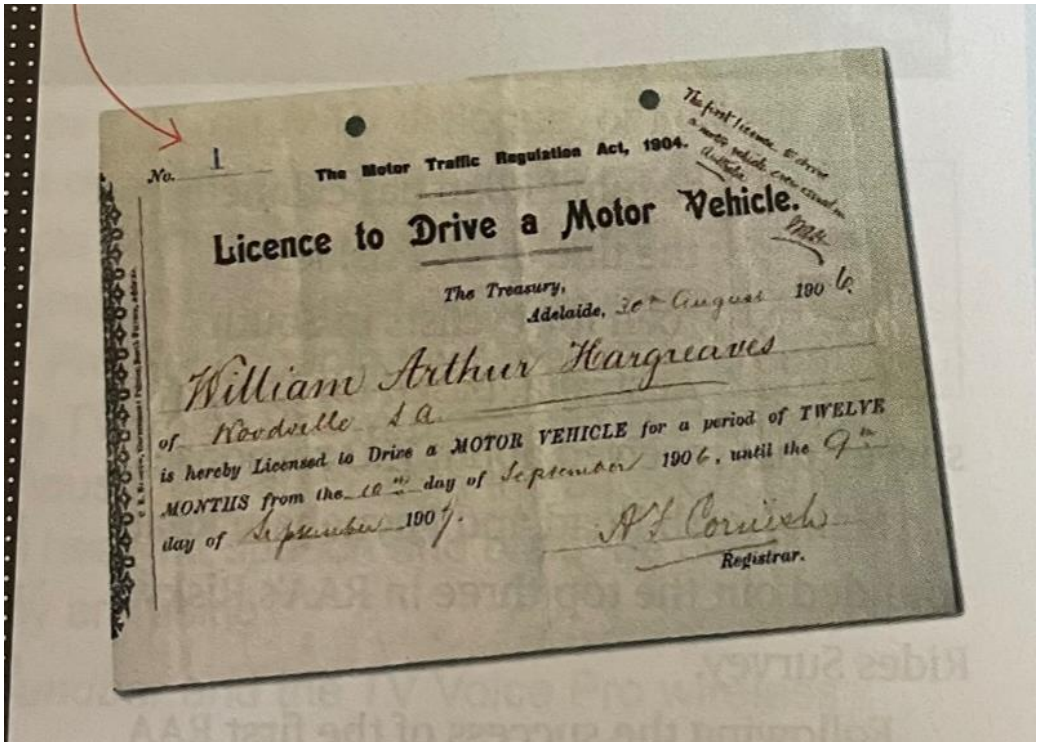
Nobody ever saw the XL90 as a full-size vehicle. Instead, it was a scale model cleverly photographed to look larger. [That model](#) today exists in the [British Motor Museum](#) in England.



*Submitted by Colin Allerdice*

# Australia's first Drivers Licence.

Back in September 1906 RAA committee member Dr William Hargreaves was the first person to be issued with a driver's licence and registration (pictured). SA was the first state to issue the nation's first driver's licence and registration holder.



Rego number one was first attached to Hargreaves' Beeston Humber, and later adorned his De Dion Bouton, which he drove for many years.

The first driver's licence issued in Australia was bequeathed to RAA by Hargreaves when he died in 1959.

*An extract from SAMotor, Autumn 2023  
RAA Magazine*

*(Submitted by Kaye Placing)*

The inventor of the treadmill died at the age of 54.

The inventor of gymnastics died at the age of 57.

The world bodybuilding champion died at the age of 41.

The best soccer player in the world, Maradona, died at the age of 60.

And then..

KFC inventor died at 94.

Inventor of Nutella brand died at the age of 88.

Cigarette maker Winston died at the age of 102.

The inventor of opium died at the age of 116 in an earthquake.

Hennessy cognac, Irish inventor died at 98.

How did doctors come to the conclusion that exercise prolongs life?

The rabbit is always jumping, but it lives for only 2 years. The turtle that doesn't exercise at all, lives 400 years.

So ... Have a drink ... Take a nap ...

*And IF you wake up, have bacon & eggs!*

Submitted by Ken Peters

# Hunter Happenings

## TSOA hunter Area Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Present:** Graham Paterson, Wayne Wheaton, Michael Debono, David Hynes, Bryan Mclean, Steve McGill, Barry Prasil, Brett Gilles, Sarah Armarego

**Apologies:** Alan Watson, Chris Lancaster, David Walshe, Michael O'Brien, Gary Cox, Rick Schmalzer. Bruce Milner, Rob Guyder, Terry Burns, Graham Paterson, Michael Markey, Rob Lysaght, David Walshe, Bill Burns, Danny Herringe, John Derrick, Ian Lovi, Chris Johnson, Damien Whittaker

### Events on the horizon:

**Sunday 12 February 2023 9am Morning Tea at Bryan's Rutherford** with a gold coin donation to cover costs Please indicate your attendance to the writer.

### General business:

**Michael Debono** - Michael has been working on the TR2 and wishing to test recent brakes work, he was cranking over the TR when suddenly the starter began cranking terribly slowly. Instinctively it was thought that a battery failure was the cause, but in subsequent days four quarter circles of bronze were found on the ground. These were the remnants of the bush that had emitted from the starter motor. The TR2 has a longer starter motor than the later TR3As and as they go to pains to explain, the correct reduction starter motor was ordered through Bareco the TR Register and arrived within a couple of days. (One cannot praise the TR Register Australia and the charming Ray Kasparian enough for the parts support which may be unique in the world) It was difficult to extract the overly long starter motor necessitating the removal of the inlet manifold. On this car it had been worsened by a piece of brake piping remade that didn't adhere to the chassis but made a gentle curve instead. Once extracted the TR2 starter motor resembled a piece of ordnance. Certainly not for the scrap dealer it has been retained. The new starter has that characteristic urgent and enthusiastic crank which is very welcome.

**Wayne Wheaton** - Wayne told of a business on the Central Coast called British Spares and Repairs whom will be giving Wayne assistance with raising the body of his Spitfire from fouling turning bits. Wayne's five year story with his Spitfire involved the poor Spitfire being in the hands of a panel beater for three years whom ultimately went broke. Wayne is still

seeking Spitfire door handles and an Adelaide supplier recently chuckled when asked about these very hard to get pieces.

**Barry Prasil** - Barry continues to improve his Lexus 4 litre V8 powered Stag. The bonnet cable is now sorted with an either side arrangement now being in place. A re-aligned heater unit now provides one finger operation and the central locking is now operative after a broken soldered wire was restored. He has installed an annoying sound headlight reminder too but it delayed attention he wants to give to the steering rack. A puddle of fuel below the fuel regulator was also remedied. Next time Barry for the steering rack.

**Bryan Mclean** - Bryan restated his wish that attendees to the Morning Tea make their intention clear at the earliest time. This has been addressed in a separate email. Attendees will be inspecting the most tended expanse of lawn in Australia a credit to Bryan and Rae.

**Rick Schmalzer** - Rick and Jane on Australia Day went to a cafe in Norah Head. Rick now wants members to choose the right cafe of the two available. Apparently, the better one is on a path that leads to the lighthouse. Clearing his shed Rick recognised a curious piece of steel and in a lighthearted way fitted it to Alexander's vehicle. After two days the youthful one complained that his vehicle needed attention because it was making an unusual sound. Rick fessed up and had fitted an exhaust whistle to its tailpipe. An alert member explained that the device is designed to mimic a turbocharger at much less cost and performance.

**David Walshe** - David, though not at the meeting, emphasises that his 1969 TR6 is for sale and his number is 0409885342. David has also arranged a non-TSOA event, a Coffee 'n' Cake at Colliery Park, 6 Withers Street, West Wallsend for 10am on Wednesday, 15 February 2023.

**Brett Gilles** - Brett took his Skyline to Singleton Exhaust with whom he is friends with its Maitland based owner. They engineered a sideplug which with simply removing it allows the Skyline straight through exhaust for its competition use. He also related how driving his Skyline to competitive events always leaves him nervous, should it become unable to return to his home. Brett is now very pleased that he has a Nissan Navara diesel and a tandem car float which he will be transporting the Skyline with. He also has surplus to his needs an EA Falcon wagon that is available for \$500. Brett is also available to help with anyone's TR mechanical issues, he actually says he *misses working on these interesting cars !*

**Steve McGill** - Steve had no TR news and hasn't used the TR6 since last meeting.

**Sarah Armarego** - Sarah is a TSOA member whom has longed to attend our meetings. Welcome Sarah. Sarah is a dyed in the wool Triumph



enthusiast whom grew up in a Triumph family. They owned TR7s, 2000s, Dolomites and others. Presently Sarah has a gold coupe which is an original one which she can easily distinguish from a 'cut down' fixed head coupe FHC. Sarah handed around photos of this lovely vehicle together with other TR7s which her Canberra based brother own. Living at Redhead, Sarah is paranoid about the salty air and thus employs a "Carcoon". The writer having only once seen several Torana XU1s each enjoying their clear plastic cocoon with continual dry air circulation. Sarah's gold TR7 had its second owner import it from Britain with him to Australia, she is the third owner thus and believes it to be 6/81 and as such is without emission control. At this stage everyone present concluded that Sarah has an extraordinary knowledge of Triumphs ! She plans to have her recently retired brother in Canberra to repaint the blue TR7 and it become part of her collection after its engine is restored. The gold TR7 has never had its engine restored as it is not warranted.

**Graham Paterson** - Graham is pleased to have had the low profile tyres and their attendant choppiness changed on the TR5. When quizzed about the tyre size it was thought a small excursion to the car park could clarify the sizes.

**David Hynes** - David wanted his great thanks acknowledged to Bryan for the use of his car hoist. David had been *unenjoying* not having Overdrive on the Stag for some weeks. He avoided freeways and generally resented the revs involved without overdrive. The Overdrive is back and pleasingly it was just a broken wire. David has enjoyed celebratory drives even with a Porsche since.

### **TO THE CAR PARK:**

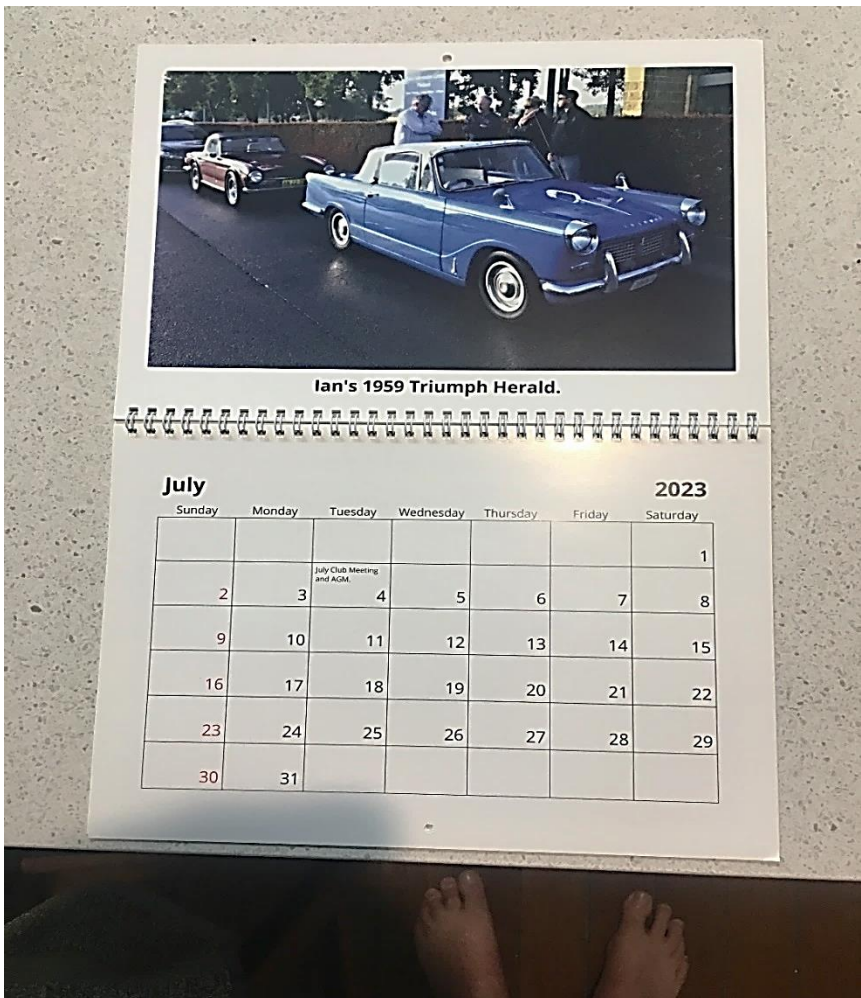
We adjourned to the car park. The writer, since unexpectedly purchasing a 1976 TVR 2500M, has had TVRs on his frontal lobe. Entering the car park from our beloved club he saw what he thought to be a TVR T350 or Tuscan. Seemingly six metres long, magnificent in Silver and 70% of that length being bonnet, he soon worked out it was no TVR but the most exotic of AMG Mercedes Benz. After becoming visibly affected our new attendee Sarah said, "That's my car !"

We admired Graham's new tyres on beautiful minilites which Graham mentioned were Performance Wheels of South Australia. Despite Graham's protests that the TR5 was not concours... we were collectively awed by its dark blue paint, sheer presence and for the writer, that it came from a small island in the Northern hemisphere a long time ago. Barry lifted the bonnet on his Lexus Stag and everyone could not believe how the exhausts were connected at all, such was the compaction of this hi tech V8 in a reasonable large engine bay. Once Barry started the vehicle it was impressive at a very smooth idle.

Sarah was generous and showed the cohort the 2016 AMG Mercedes Benz. She opened the bonnet, its doors, started it and revved it for an appreciative and curious audience. The engine bay was almost all shroud. In the absolute centre was a badge with the signature of the person whom built it. Standing at the back of the car one was struck by its bulbous back and attention to detail. The seats looked exceptional, and it was impossible not to feel admiration for its design and execution. Sarah then left and joining the road out the front a sophisticated growl came from the vehicle as it disappeared.

**Michael Debono**

From Ian Lovi .... "The herald made it into a calendar".  
*(The feet ? You are free to speculate about these. Ed.)*



# Minutes of TSOA (Ecurie Triumph) NSW Inc 706<sup>th</sup> General Meeting.

Carlingford Bowling Sports and Recreational Club, Carlingford  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Chair: Vice President John Stokes**

**Minutes: Nev Bowden**

**Start: 7.33 pm**

**Apologies:** Lorraine Mooring, John Whittaker, Jenny Campbell, Graham & Helen Harrold, Geoff Batty, Steve Ralston, Lyn Bowden, Helen Carter, Roger & Shirley Gates, Bruce Meppem,

**Minutes of January GM:** acceptance proposed Allan Wright: Seconded Leigh Larmour. Accepted by the meeting.

**President: Lorraine Mooring** Apologies

**Secretary: John Whittaker** Apologies

**Vice President: John Stokes**

- Victorian National Meeting at Warrnambool now well under way with regular planning meetings being held by the committee. There is a limit of 100 people, and that number has almost been reached. Register asap if you wish to attend.
- TSOA Annual concurs may go back to a stand alone event at Sydney Helicopters based on the success of the 2022 event. We will continue to have a strong presence at the Kings All British Day when that is arranged.

**Treasurer: Laurie Bromley** Presented a detailed Treasurers report for February with the main points being

Income \$7654.00

Expenses \$5480.24

Account Balance \$42748.22

**Competition: Philip Larmour**

- Next CSCA Round 2<sup>nd</sup> April at SMSP hosted by the Sprite Car Club
- The "Come and Try" event at Ringwood Hillclimb in May is now booked with contracts signed.
- The CSCA TSOA round will be at Sydney Dragway on the 9<sup>th</sup> July.
- Wakefield Park: State Politicians are showing interest to boost their popularity for upcoming elections, but nothing tangible has happened.

**Social Director: Geoff Batty** Apologies

Coming Events

- Gerringong Car Show this weekend.
- Barefoot Bowls rescheduled for 26<sup>th</sup> February.
- Triumph 100 Year Celebration in Bathurst 17,18,19 March.

**Editor: Jeff Breen**

- Please continue to contribute your stories and photos.

**Coffee and Cake: Keith Higgins**

- February venue is at Sydney Olympic Park
- 25 cars were on the Drive Your Triumph Day. Grey Gums Café are upgrading their site.

**Club Contact: Steve Ralston** Apologies

**All British: Craig Sankey**

- Nothing to Report

**Librarian: Ken Peters** Apologies

- Nothing to Report

**Webmaster: Eric Hanich** Apologies

**Regalia: Tony Moss**

- Orders for 100 Year Regalia have now closed. Orders taken for 63 Shirts and 83 stickers.

**Publicity Officer: Nev Bowden**

- The 100 Year Celebration has attracted much interest and registrations have now closed due to available space to display our cars. A number of sponsors have come on board, including Bathurst Regional Council, Rydges Mt Panorama, Supercheap Auto, Meguiars, Bunnings and David Clark Automotive. Also, professional photographer Adam Bromfield from Bathurst has come on board to capture the weekend. Bathurst Police have agreed to supply a motorcycle escort around Mt. Panorama on the Sunday providing operational issues do not impede on the day. Emails with further details will be sent to all registrants before the event.

Current numbers for the event are:

Friday Drinks 158, Display Day 214 people 117 cars, Saturday Dinner 179,

Mount Panorama Convoy 108 cars, Museum 138.

- Phillip Larmour presented an outline of a post Bathurst return trip to Sydney that he and Jeff Breen have developed. Leaving Bathurst on Monday, Via Mayfield Garden, Tarana and Lake Lyall to Lithgow. Overnight at Lithgow Workers Club Motel and touring

Lithgow Tuesday before returning to Sydney. An email with full details will be sent out to NSW registrants this week.

**Pointscore: James Rose**

- Turn up...enjoy yourself!

**Membership/Concessional Registration:** Norbert Neuwenhuizen

- 18 members on concessional registration have not renewed their membership. This means their vehicles are unregistered.
- New small version of the Classic plate has been seen. It is the same size as the Historic Plate. White with green lettering.
- CVS renewals now need 3 forms to be sent to CMC for endorsement. It is important to keep up to date with the changes required.
- Will stamp renewals tonight if registrations due.

**CMC Report:** Bob Adby

- Nov 2022, NSW Gov passed the Unattended Property Act. This applies to vehicles and property left in a public place or street.
  - A registered vehicle can be impounded after 28 days.
  - An unregistered vehicle can be impounded after 15 days.
  - Both carry a \$660 fine.
- Shannons Classic in August, limit of 20 tickets per club. Display area will be first in best dressed.
- TSOA email appears to have some technical issues.
- There has been a fact sheet produced for historic vehicles outlining the allowed use and when logbooks should have entries.
- The CMC Annual Dinner is coming up. All tickets have been sold. Bob Adby will attend, representing TSOA.

**Trivia: Philip Larmour:**

**General Business**

- Philip Larmour Upcoming Winton Event is looking for a display of Triumphs with authentic racing history. If you are aware of any such vehicles, please contact Phillip
- Keith Higgins looking to step down from his role as organizer for Coffee and Cake. Volunteers requested to take on the role. Leigh Larmour offered her services and now takes on the role. Thanks Leigh. And a big thankyou to Keith Higgins for his dedication to the role over recent years.

**Meeting Closed: 8.30 PM**

**Triumph Sports Owner's Association  
(Ecurie Triumph) of Australia (NSW Branch) Inc**  
Life Members – *Ray Cook, Neil Fraser, Roger Gates, Ken Hannaford  
Graeme Laurie, Grant Turnbull, Graeme White, Geoff Byrne*

<b>SYDNEY CONTACTS</b> TSOA – PO Box 200 Gordon NSW 2072 Website: <a href="http://www.tsoansw.org.au">www.tsoansw.org.au</a>	<b>GENERAL MEETING 7.30PM</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month Carlingford Bowling Club Cnr Pennant Hills Rd & Evans Rd Carlingford	<b>HUNTER GROUP 7.00PM</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month Club Macquarie 458 Lake Road Argenton
Email Address: <a href="mailto:tsoansw@hotmail.com">tsoansw@hotmail.com</a>	Facebook Address: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/TSOANSW">www.facebook.com/TSOANSW</a>	Westpac Bank - TSOA BSB: 032-081 Account No: 910909

**CLUB COMMITTEE**

<b>President</b>	Lorraine Mooring	96520664	<a href="mailto:President@tsoansw.org.au">President@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Vice President</b>	John Stokes	0433 826 880	<a href="mailto:VicePresident@tsoansw.org.au">VicePresident@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Secretary and Public Officer</b>	John Whittaker	0425 371 640	<a href="mailto:Secretary@tsoansw.org.au">Secretary@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Treasurer</b>	Laurie Bromley	0411 372 619	<a href="mailto:Treasurer@tsoansw.org.au">Treasurer@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Competition and Motorsport Director</b>	Philip Larmour	0407 191 299	<a href="mailto:Motorsport@tsoansw.org.au">Motorsport@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Membership &amp; Concessional Registration Officer</b>	Norbert Nieuwenhuizen	0415 207 748	<a href="mailto:Membership@tsoansw.org.au">Membership@tsoansw.org.au</a> <a href="mailto:Registration@tsoansw.org.au">Registration@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Point Score Officer</b>	James Rose	0448 523 521	<a href="mailto:Points@tsoansw.org.au">Points@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Social Coordinator</b>	Geoff Batty	0428 242 597	<a href="mailto:Social@tsoansw.org.au">Social@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>TRead Editor</b>	Jeff Breen	0419 203 295	<a href="mailto:Editor@tsoansw.org.au">Editor@tsoansw.org.au</a>

**CLUB DELEGATES**

<b>Motorsport Australia</b>	Allan Cameron	0412 288 870	<a href="mailto:allangjcameron@gmail.com">allangjcameron@gmail.com</a>
<b>CSCA – Combined Sports Car Association</b>	Glen Coutinho	0418 640 188	<a href="mailto:Motorsport@tsoansw.org.au">Motorsport@tsoansw.org.au</a>
	Ken Peters	0417 676 199	
<b>CMC – Council of Motor Clubs</b>	Norbert Nieuwenhuizen	0415 207 748	<a href="mailto:Membership@tsoansw.org.au">Membership@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>All British - Association of British Car Clubs</b>	Craig Sankey	0417 286 903	<a href="mailto:sankey.cj@gmail.com">sankey.cj@gmail.com</a>

*Note: These club positions are all honorary and are carried out by private individuals in their spare time. Please contact them at sensible times only and accept that they may prefer to call you back at a time more convenient to them. All phone numbers and email addresses listed are private addresses.*

## OFFICE BEARERS

<b>Ecurie Triumph Captain</b>	Geoff Byrne	0418 409 170	<a href="mailto:gkbyrne@optushome.com.au">gkbyrne@optushome.com.au</a>
<b>Publicity Officer</b>	Neville Bowden	0419 004 283	nvbowden48@gmail.com
<b>All Triumph Challenge Convener</b>	Glen Coutinho Ken Peters	0418 640 188 0417 676 199	<a href="mailto:glencoutinho@hawgood.com.au">glencoutinho@hawgood.com.au</a> <a href="mailto:kenp7@bigpond.com">kenp7@bigpond.com</a>
<b>Webmaster</b>	Eric Hanich	0413 613 826	webmaster@tsoansw.org.au
<b>Vehicle Registrar</b>	Lorraine Mooring	96520664	<a href="mailto:lorraine.mooring@gmail.com">lorraine.mooring@gmail.com</a>
<b>Sydney Club Contact</b>	Steve Ralston	0411 755 758	<a href="mailto:sjralston54@gmail.com">sjralston54@gmail.com</a>
<b>Hunter Group Contact</b>	Alan Watson	0418 662 114	<a href="mailto:bluebell20@bigpond.com">bluebell20@bigpond.com</a>
<b>Regalia</b>	Lyndon & Tony Moss	0466265 751 0418 961 001	<a href="mailto:Regalia@tsoansw.org.au">Regalia@tsoansw.org.au</a>
<b>Librarian</b>	Ken Peters	0417 676 199	<a href="mailto:kenp7@bigpond.com">kenp7@bigpond.com</a>
<b>Coffee 'n' Cake Coordinator</b>	Leigh Larmour	0417 849 658	larmour@tpg.com.au
<b>TRead Distribution Officer</b>	Allan Wright	9451 0165	<a href="mailto:allan-renate@inet.net.au">allan-renate@inet.net.au</a>

## MARQUE REPRESENTATIVES

<b>TR2/3/3A</b>	Roger Gates	0418 112 541	Allan Wright	9451 0165
<b>TR4/4A</b>	Bob Slender	0407 284 548	Bruce North	4297 4917
<b>TR5/6</b>	Geoff Byrne	0418 409 170		
<b>TR7</b>	Grant Turnbull	4627 0500		
<b>TR8</b>	Peter Yeend	0433 559 216		
<b>Spitfire</b>	John Whittaker	0425 371 640	Craig Sankey	0417 286 903
<b>GT6</b>	Geoff Byrne	0418 409 170		
<b>Stag</b>	Lindsay Day	9939 2863	John Stokes	0433 826 880
<b>Herald &amp; Vitesse</b>	Tim McGurk	0413 227 455		
<b>Saloons</b>	Mal McFarlane	9790 2332		
<b>Dolomite</b>	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.

<p><b>MAGAZINE ADVERTISING –</b> Contact Editor</p> <p><b>Classifieds:</b> Two issues Up to 5 lines. Photo/s at editor’s discretion Free to members; non- members, \$10</p>	<p><b>Display ads:</b> Yearly rates, 11 issues. Full page (130x180) \$450, Half page \$225 (130x90) Quarter page (65x90) \$125 / \$60 to members.</p>
---	---

*Advertisers receive 11 complimentary issues of the magazine except members 'quarter page advertisers who receive the magazine as part of their membership only.*

**CLUBMAN POINTS FOR MAGAZINE ARTICLES**

Clubman points are awarded each month for articles published in **TRead** as follows:  
10 points for all original articles of substance.  
5 points for all other articles.  
5 points for photos or as judged by editor.

**Deadline for articles/photos is the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month (unless otherwise highlighted elsewhere).**

**DISCLAIMER** The opinions of contributors, advertisers and any editorial comments expressed in **TRead** do not necessarily represent those of the Committee or members of TSOA. While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the content in the magazine including technical articles TSOA assumes no responsibility for any affects arising there from and disclaims any liability from errors or omissions herein. Contributions may be edited.

"**TRead**" is the official journal of the Triumph Sports Owners Association (Ecurie Triumph) of Australia (NSW Branch) Inc. ABN 86 009 802 507.  
Copyright: Prior permission required from TSOA before reprinting any article, photo or information. Print Post Approval NO:10000-1708.





# TSOA NSW EVENTS CALENDAR

( 26/01/2023 V2)



## Notes:

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

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

**Events on this calendar are registered club trips – logbook entries are not required for any events listed on our website calendar.**

**'Non -TSOA Events' not listed on our events calendar and that may appear elsewhere, are not registered club events– these must be log-booked for HVS and CVS vehicles attending.**

**Events marked (\*) are Clubman Points scoring events.**

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

## MARCH

Wed 01	TR Register Coffee & Cake
Tues 07	Hunter General Meeting * (R)
Tues 14	Sydney General Meeting * (R)
Fri 17-19	100 YEARS OF TRIUMPH W'END BATHURST* (plus ext. run days to Tues 21)
Wed 29	Sydney Coffee & Cake (R)

## APRIL

Sun 02	CSCA Round 1 SMSP
Tues 04	Hunter General Meeting*
Wed 05	TR Register Coffee & Cake
Tues 11	Sydney General Meeting* (R)
Sun 16	Social Run TBA* (R)
Wed 26	Sydney Coffee & Cake (R)

## MAY

Tues 02	Hunter General Meeting * (R)
Wed 03	TR Register Coffee & Cake
Sat 06	'TSOA Come and Try Day' Ringwood* (R)
Tues 09	Sydney General Meeting* (R)
Sun 14	National Heritage Day Berry* (R)
Wed 31	Sydney Coffee & Cake (R)

## JUNE

Tues 06	Hunter General Meeting* (R)
---------	-----------------------------

Wed 07 TR Register Coffee & Cake  
Tues 13 Sydney General Meeting \* (R)  
Sat 17 CSCA Round 2 Pheasant Wood  
Tues 28 Sydney Coffee & Cake

## **JULY**

Tues 04 Hunter General Meeting\* (R)  
Wed 05 TR Register Coffee & Cake  
Sun 09 CSCA Round 3 Sydney Dragway – TSOA event \* (R)  
Tues 11 Sydney General Meeting \* (R)  
Sun 16 Christmas in July \* (R) The Carrington at Katoomba.  
Wed 26 Sydney Coffee & Cake.

## **AUGUST**

Tues 01 Hunter General Meeting\*(R)  
Wed 02 TR Register Coffee & Cake  
Tues 08 Sydney General Meeting  
Sat 19 CSCA Round 4 SMSP  
Wed 30 Sydney Coffee & Cake

## **SEPTEMBER**

Sat 02 Cootamundra Sprints \* (R). Allocated run days Fri 01 to Tues 05.  
Tues 05 Hunter General Meeting\*(R)  
Wed 06 TR Register Coffee & Cake  
Tues 12 Sydney General Meeting\*(R)  
Wed 27 Sydney Coffee & Cake  
Sat 30 CSCA Round 5 Pheasant Wood.



# CLASSIFIEDS

**FOR SALE: Race ready TR7 - \$14900**



For sale is my 1978 Triumph TR7 with a 16v Dolomite Sprint engine. The car presents very well and has been a quick and very reliable Supersprint car with an AASA Vehicle Passport dating to 2009. The paintwork is in good condition, ceramic coated, and the car could be registered with a few changes on modified club plates. Has recorded a 1:57.1 at SMSP and 1:13.4 at Wakefield Park. Only selling as I am moving up into a new category.

This race car is ready to go, a detailed schedule of the extensive engine and suspension modifications, spare parts and other miscellaneous items is available upon request.

**Contact Thomas Derwent** at [thomas.derwent@protonmail.com](mailto:thomas.derwent@protonmail.com) OR  
0431 571 408



**EVERY DAY  
LOW PRICE**



**\$139<sup>99</sup>**

**SEAT WALKER  
TRIUMPH BLUE**

**Some members comment  
that I do not take this job  
seriously enough. Ed.**

*Submitted by James Rose*