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Official Newsletter of the **TWIN CITIES AUTOSPORTS CLUB Inc.**

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MAGAZINE SUBMISSIONS:

Anyone wishing to submit Articles, Information, For Sales, etc. for the next magazine please call me or send the article. Closing deadline for magazine is the Thursday following meetings.

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I am open to suggestions for articles in the magazine eg. Tech Tips, News and Views, etc. so don't be shy. A club magazine is the lifeblood of a club; it informs members, sponsors (I hope you give the people that support you a copy) and keeps the interest up. So if you have something to say, say it in the magazine so ALL members get to know about it.

Any club members that wish to promote their business please contact me with regards to magazine opportunities. The views and opinions expressed in this magazine are those of the author's and editors and do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of the Twin Cities Autosports Club Inc.

Editor's Editorial

The events have started for this year and everyone is talking about what we can run where so keep an eye on the What's On section of the newsletter to find out what's coming up next.

Stories are always fun and enjoyable to read so please send them in if something happens to you or your car that is a bit entertaining.

I have a new photographer for the front cover, Alex (sorry Deb) so expect a lot of photos of the mighty mazda in newsletters to come!!

Wade (Swadey) Hickey

Chronicles of the Club Captain

2008 Committee: nomination forms for election of the 2008 club committee members have now been sent out. If you have not received one please contact the Hickey's. Don't waste your vote, please give some thought to the following when nominating a person -

- a) are you happy for this person to represent you in a trustworthy manner
- b) will they uphold the ideals, principles and values of the club
- c) do they have the knowledge and capabilities to carry out the position or are they willing to learn
- d) can they work in a team environment as a team member or team leader
- e) do they have the commitment and time to devote to attend club and committee meetings, attend club events or represent the club as and when required
- f) are they conversant with club issues and club members
- g) are they progressive with an eye to the advancement of our club, club events and motor sport in general

Please fill in ALL sections of the nomination form or it will be rendered null and void. If you are unsure of whom is a financial member please contact Wendy.

Please ensure you nomination forms are received by the club secretary by close of business Friday 7th March.

Club Membership – is due by 31st March. Please ensure you have your renewal in place by this date. NO affiliated club membership NO entry to CAMS events. Membership forms can be found in this newsletter, are available at upcoming events or from Wade, Leif or Wendy.

Event white bins – 2 white plastic bins containing (hopefully) all the paperwork that is required to hold and be on site at a club event have been doing the rounds for the past 12 months. The bins also contain stationery items and small minor tools and equipment. I have endeavoured to keep these bins filled and updated but it is proving to be a daunting task, made harder by folders and equipment going missing or not returned to their rightful place. If you inadvertently have club items in your possession please return them to the club house for bin checking and updating.

Upcoming events – lots on the calendar if the rain ceases and the ground dries out a bit. Keep an eye on the newsletter calendar and our new web site. Need more info on anything contact the event organiser or a committee member.

Mt Stuart Sprint – 7th / 8th June (Queens Birthday long weekend) more info will be sent out as it comes to hand or contact Ron White 0438 710 262 or Wendy Hickey 0418 254 401

CAMS – web site contains everything you need to know about motor sport rules, regulation and requirements. Check it out - www.cams.com.au

Otago – New Zealand rally check out the web site – amazing how many North Queenslanders are entered this year including Visit www.otagorally.net

Please contact Wendy Hickey on 0418 254 401 or wendy.hickey@westnet.com.au if you have any issues you want raised.

Secretary's Story

Meeting: 18th February 2008
11 Jackson St, Garbutt

Meeting Opened: 7.31pm

Present: Kerry Cobbing, Gary Hickey, Wendy Hickey, Leif Hickey, Wade Hickey, Nathan Mullins, Sam Woodger, Stephen Nicol, Daniel Chambers, Lindsay Stone, Ken Long, Geoff Nicol, Greg Wright, Greg Fitzgerald.

Apologies: Ron White.

Secretaries Report:

- Motion put:
 - o TCAC to accept that the minutes of last meeting be true and correct.
Seconded: Ken Long. Passed.

Treasurers Report:

- We have made no income for the month, but we have had expenses.
- The audit will not be ready before the AGM. The auditor will be Coutts Readington as it has been in the past.

Club Captain:

- Please support all the events that you can. Represent the club to the best of your ability.

Editor:

- The website is now up and running (www.tcac.net.au). Wording in the text is still to be sorted out, but the functionality and layout has been finalised. Let Wade know if you have any suggestions or comments about the logo, website, or the text.

President:

- Letter sent into council regarding the movements for the hillclimb and tarmac rallies, and also thanking them for their continued support.

Social:

- Nothing to report.

Motion:

- o TCAC to accept reports. Seconded: Geoff Nicol. Passed.

General Business:

- Discussed held regarding the Constitution, and areas where the club is not following these rulings.
- Discussed that all new members are to be given a copy of the constitution. Currently it is being made digital to make this process easier. Discussion was held as to the logistics of this. It was practice many years ago all members were given a copy with their CAMS membership card but over time, this lapsed.

- Membership renewals are to be completed and returned before 31st March as this is when the current ones expire. Renewal forms will be sent out in club magazine and any other contact means we have for members.
- New receipting practices are to be put in place. At all events receipt books are to be present and completed when money exchanges hands.
- Motion put:
 - o TCAC is to follow that the director of any event must take to each event the receipt books, which will be made available. Seconded: Sam Woodger.
Passed.
- Questions raised about Tarmac Rally. In the CAMS manual it states that it does not have to be a National Event. If it is going to be a multiclub event, why does Errol Bailey need to be paid for to be present at the event? ArComm still has not contacted back on their decision about it being a multiclub event. If it is not a multiclub event, we do need to bring someone up. Ron will keep in contact with us about the happenings.
- DECAMAG update from Greg Fitzgerald. Craig Wallace released the report regarding the showgrounds relocation. A meeting was then held out at land near the existing go-kart track to be turned into a multi-use facility. Maps were passed around the meeting showing the area. DECAMAG AGM coming up in March.
- Lindsay spoke about earthworks at the pit area at Mt Stuart. Civilquip is happy to do the work. Plan was passed around outlining potential development here. Lodgement fee of \$120.00 was required for plans submitted to council. Receipt was handed to treasurer and reimbursement will be made.
- Speed limits and safety at hillclimbs is an issue. It is difficult to control at the moment with the current layout, if new layout that is being proposed is implemented, then it will be easier to control.
- Warren Skimmings contacted a member of our club regarding the Redex Trial to have a stage run in Cardwell. Ken Long to pass on information. Cardwell will not allow access after August. But club will help out where we can if a stage is run somewhere else.
- Tarmac Rally progress report given. At this stage, Key Motors has come on board with sponsorship, and we are investigating other sponsors. If anyone would like to know any information, please contact Gary Hickey.

Meeting Closed: 9.19pm.

Please send you completed 2008 Committee Nomination forms to the Club Secretary by Close Of Business Friday 7th March By Post (PO Box 7697, Garbutt 4814), Fax (4771 3349) or Email (ldhickey@westnet.com.au)

Club Membership is due by the 31st March 2008

What's On!

All dates listed below are subject to change.
Organiser details provided after event name.

Events:

- Sunday 16th March 08 – TCAC Sign On Day *Murray (0413 528 947)*
- Sunday 30th March 08 - Mt Stuart Hillclimb Round 1 *Kerry (4775 2999)*
- Sat-Sunday 5th-6th April 08 – Rallysprint Series Rd 1 *Greg (0417 609 577)*
- Sunday 4th May 08 - Mt Stuart Hillclimb Round 2 *Kerry (4775 2999)*
- Sat-Sunday 24th-25th May 08 – Rallysprint Series Rd 2 *Greg (0417 609 577)*
- Sat-Sunday 7th-8th June 08 – Mt Stuart Sprint Tarmac Rally *Ron (0438 710 262)*
- Sunday 3rd August 08 - Mt Stuart Hillclimb Round 3 *Kerry (4775 2999)*
- Sat-Sunday 9th-10th August 08 – Rallysprint Series Rd 3 *Greg (0417 609 577)*
- Sat-Sunday 13th-14th Sept. 08 – Rallysprint Series Rd 4 *Greg (0417 609 577)*
- Sunday 12th October 08 - Mt Stuart Hillclimb Round 4 *Kerry (4775 2999)*
- Sat-Sunday 18th-19th October 08 – Rallysprint Series Rd 5 *Greg (0417 609 577)*

Meetings:

What: Twin Cities Autosports Club Meetings
When: 2nd Monday of each month @ 7.00pm
Where: 11 Jackson St, Garbutt (Hickey Cabinets)

Working Bee's\Training Days:

CAMS Certified Officials Training – TBA *Geoff Nicol (0417 614 663)*

Non-TCAC Stuff:

- Sat-Sunday 1st-2nd March 08 – Drift Australia Series Rd 1 (Symmons Plains)
- Fri-Sunday 7th-9th March 08 – V8 Supercars Rd 2 (Eastern Creek)
- Saturday 8th March 08 – KCF Rallysport Short Course Rally Rd 1
- Thurs-Sunday 13th-16th March 08 – Australian Grand Prix (Melbourne)
- Fri-Sunday 18th-20th April 08 - V8 Supercars Rd 3 (Hamilton, NZ)

Classifieds

<p>NISSAN SILVIA Engine rebuilt, new turbo, AC, Mags, CD. Currently registered but will run out shortly. \$7600 ono PHONE- 0439011083</p>	<p>DATSUN 1200 UTES 2x 1200 utes Standard engines, breaks up graded on one ute to disc's, spare engine ready to put in. Need some work and TLC. 2x new front guards 1x new bonnet 1x new front grill and apron 1x pair of new rear tail lights \$2500 ono Call Petrina 0439011083</p>	<p>DATSUN 1600 Heavily modified CA18 turbo. 6 mths rego RWC on purchase call for more details. \$15,500 ono Petrina 0439011083</p>
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1990 Celica ST-185 GT FOUR
 JDM lightweight rally version
 Factory fitted close ratio 'rally spec' gearbox
 Log booked CAMS rally car
 CAMS approved ROPS (Rollcage)
 No rust

Great condition
 Car has been built for Targa style tarmac rallies, hillclimbs and sprints
 Full 'whiteline' motorsport suspension kit, including Koni adjustables
 Velo lightweight race seats
 6 point harnesses
 2 x Fire Extinguishers
 Full Engine / Gearbox rebuild just completed
 Race bearings (ACL)
 Forged pistons (JE) / rods (eagle H-beam)
 S/S manifold and dump pipe
 5 puck competition clutch
 Lightweight flywheel
 oil / transmission / power steering coolers
 Brake upgrade including pagid pads and steel brake lines and full overhaul
 This is not a "abused" dirt rally shell.
 Car is in excellent condition inside and out and has absolutely 'no rust'
 Car currently setup for hillclimbs / sprints with front mount intercooler
 Original intercooler / manifold supplied for 'Targa' type events
 Near new set Dunlop R tarmac race tyres
 Spare set wheels
 Car has good horsepower but further development is avail with ECU or bigger turbo
 Competed in Targa Tasmania in 2005

Holden Gemini Rally Car
 As is condition, New Motor, Log Booked, Full Roll Cage.
 Call for more details
\$3500 ono
 Sean Tiernan 0400 055 279

2004 Subaru RS AWD
 Low km's, log book. Only real difference between this and the normal RS challenge car is the near new STI close ratio box and 4.4 LSD front and rear (\$10000).
\$29000 but negotiable.
 Phone Murdo 0418764226.

This car is freshly rebuilt, well sorted, fast and reliable. Ready for you to compete in any tarmac rally. Outright fastest Rd 2 Mt Stuart Hillclimb 2007

Asking **\$22,500**. Car must be sold, all offers considered. Located Cairns.
 Contact Neil on 0447 966 554 or neilj@iinet.net.au

Classifieds

Car Parts/Accessories.

- 1) Ford 351 Cleveland long engine. Rebuilt with new +.030 pistons, new GT grind hydraulic cam and lifters, recon heads. Engine travelled only 1200km in XB GS. Complete except for distributor, 4bbl carby and fuel pump. \$2200.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.
- 2) B & M Pro-Comp ratchet shifter and cable to suit TH 700/4L60E Commodore/Chev auto. \$250.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.
- 3) Commodore V6 Ecotec wiring harness modified by Castle Auto Electrics to fit auto V6 into Bluebird or any other other vehicle. Complete with computer and reprogrammed Memcal. \$350.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.
- 4) Nissan L series twin webber manifolds. \$100.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.
- 5) Nissan Navara 2001 4wd diesel rear LSD complete drum/drum. 3400km only. As new. 750.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.
- 6) Mitsubishi L200 4D55 diesel engine. VGC when removed from ute. Complete except for front pulley and flywheel. \$750.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808/0409 649001.
- 7) Ford 289/302 Boss hi-rise manifold, new, polished suit Windsor with Cleveland heads. \$500.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.
- 8) Ford C4 auto suit drag racing. 3000rpm high stall converter, shift kit, B & M shifter. Test drive in V8 Cortina. \$1400.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.
- 9) Ford Toploader . Perfect condition except for repaired mounting lugs. Complete with shifter. \$1000.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409649001.
- 10) Nissan Patrol rear LSD suit 1984 ute. GC. \$450.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409649001.

Cars.

Toyota Hilux 2000 model 2wd dualcab. 5L 3 litre diesel, 5 speed, AC, PS, CD player. Alloy tray, canopy(not fitted), new tyres, new head, timing set and recon injector pump/injectors. RWC on sale. Above average condition. \$12000.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409 649001.

Wrecking.

Mitsubishi Magna Elite TM auto. Recon motor 1500km. Mechanically vg. Good auto. Rusty body. All parts available or sell complete \$750.00. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409649001.

Farming/Machinery.

Oily water separator. Never used. Stainless steel, complete with pump and all fittings in box. Safety-Clean brand. Cost \$4000.00 6years ago. Sell for \$2500.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409649001.

Petter diesel genset. 2.5kVA. Old unit with rope type pull-start. Runs well. \$500.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409649001.

Lister diesel 6.5 hp electric start c/w gearbox and clutch unit. Runs well. \$650.00 ono. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409649001.

Wanted to buy.

Ford 9 inch diff to suit TC/TD Cortina. With or without centre. Proserpine 49452808 / 0409649001.

CAMS Media Release: RALLYING & OFFICIATING FIRMLY ON CAMS' RADAR

CONFEDERATION OF AUSTRALIAN MOTOR SPORT (CAMS) MEDIA RELEASE
8 February 2008

For Immediate Release

RALLYING & OFFICIATING FIRMLY ON CAMS' RADAR

Following a number of recent comments in the media querying CAMS' position on rallying and its National Officiating Program (NOP), CAMS CEO Graham Fountain today reaffirmed the organisation's commitment to club level motor sport.

"CAMS fully appreciates a number of frustrations expressed by various members of the motor sport community with regard to rallying and officiating and we are currently progressing resolution to a number of these issues."

"We are reviewing the application of official's licenses and the Compliance Checker process, as well as simplifying and streamlining arrangements at all levels of the sport. Motorkhana organisers are already benefiting from the more user friendly Safe Event Package which has alleviated the need for a Compliance Checker at this type of event and has been developed to assist event organisers in meeting their risk management, health and safety obligations in a more practical and simplified manner."

These issues will be explored directly with the rally fraternity in more detail throughout February and March with senior Australian Rally Commission representatives facilitating a series of open workshops in each state. Members from all levels of the rally community are encouraged to attend these workshops to allow their issues and concerns to be heard and factored into ARCom's Strategic Plan.

CAMS is also continuing the process of rolling out a number of initiatives arising from the NOP Review. One of the key drivers for change within the Program was the need to facilitate club level activity and this is being implemented through a number of threads.

"The introduction of the Club Chief license has made the process of accreditation simpler for officials participating as the Clerk of the Course or Chief Steward for the majority of club and multi-club events," added Fountain.

"We also acknowledge that some clubs are facing difficulties in arranging training opportunities for their officials, particularly in regional areas, and in 2008 we will be targeting regional areas to improve the number of Course Presenters and Event Assessors. This will in part be facilitated by the recognition of tertiary education and assessment qualifications for the Event Assessor Endorsement and the development and implementation of a more practical skills recognition process to capture and acknowledge previous experience and skills.

"These changes will continue to enable clubs to become more self-reliant in the management and safe conduct of their motor sport events."

State Officiating Panels will continue to support the Member Services administrative function and play an important role in the license upgrade process to ensure that an official's experience matches the accreditation level granted.

CAMS is also investing heavily in the marketing of the NOP including the development of an officials recruitment display and promotional brochures which are available for club use, and a media package to attract new officials into the sport. This will coincide with the introduction of a high quality range of apparel exclusive for CAMS accredited officials. Initial steps are also being undertaken to investigate the introduction of an officials licence hard card with a coloured lanyard as part of the overall package.

"This is a period of significant change for CAMS and whilst some of this will take time to embed within the organisation, we are working hard to identify short term improvements that we can easily implement."

"Obviously there will be some hiccups along the way but with the support of people at all levels, I'm confident we can overcome these and move towards increased participation and enjoyment for all concerned including event organisers, competitors, officials, spectators and more importantly families," concluded Fountain.

The New Club Logo

This is the new design of the club logo as accepted by the committee and as can be seen on the still under development new club website www.tcac.net.au. We are aware that the logo displayed below does not contain "Inc" and this is a problem we are currently rectifying.

If you have any **CONSTRUCTIVE CRITISM** please contact Wade Hickey on wade.hickey@townsville.qld.gov.au or 0413 290 786



BP Motorkhana 24/02/08

No.	NAME	CAR	RUN1	RUN2	RUN3	RUN4	RUN5	RUN6	RUN7	RUN8	TOTAL
19	Grant Cooper	Silvia	00:32.63	00:23.99	00:33.19	00:21.86	00:24.40	00:25.95	00:20.86	00:23.27	03:26.15
10	Peter Trezona	R32 Skyline	00:33.73	00:25.16	00:33.43	00:23.36	00:25.58	00:28.33	00:23.99	00:22.81	03:36.39
1	Joel Humphreys	R30 Skyline	00:36.88	00:24.37	00:29.51	00:28.42	00:28.99	00:24.06	00:20.73	00:23.86	03:36.82
6	Ross Angelo	Stanza	00:36.02	00:26.01	00:29.14	00:25.17	00:25.13	00:27.99	00:21.59	00:26.62	03:37.67
26	Judi Crispe	Diahatsu	00:35.45	00:25.33	00:34.11	00:25.91	00:26.17	00:33.72	00:22.90	00:22.84	03:46.43
5	Daniel Weller	Commodore	00:34.07	00:24.36	00:54.13	00:21.52	00:24.57	00:26.96	00:19.89	00:23.73	03:49.23
13	Daniel Angelo	Stanza	00:44.91	00:26.49	00:33.16	00:23.37	00:25.32	00:27.48	00:23.63	00:26.29	03:50.65
24	Chris Rockemer	Subaru	00:35.07	00:24.23	00:37.11	00:37.57	00:24.33	00:26.79	00:20.47	00:28.53	03:54.10
27	Greg Fitzgerald	Celica	00:51.09	00:31.05	00:25.84	00:24.99	00:30.56	00:25.84	00:19.83	00:25.48	03:54.68
4	Sam Woodger	Starion	00:37.03	00:26.37	00:27.95	00:23.39	00:31.86	00:24.57	00:39.08	00:25.67	03:55.92
14	Casey Thompson	Gemini	00:35.03	00:25.07	00:32.14	00:30.38	00:24.21	00:46.17	00:20.22	00:23.01	03:56.23
31	Lindsay Stone	R30 Skyline	00:51.09	00:44.91	00:27.39	00:22.23	00:23.54	00:25.10	00:19.85	00:23.20	03:57.31
16	Travis Mauger	Sunny	00:35.23	00:27.53	00:37.88	00:22.74	00:26.09	00:26.87	00:21.83	00:39.93	03:58.10
3	Mathew Cobbing	BMW	00:35.77	00:25.79	00:33.90	00:26.31	00:25.29	00:27.23	00:39.08	00:25.26	03:58.63
11	Sean Breitreutz	Suzuki	00:34.66	00:27.19	00:54.13	00:25.39	00:32.35	00:23.97	00:21.62	00:23.99	04:03.30
8	Nathan Mullins	R30 Skyline	00:31.59	00:25.96	00:32.59	00:54.29	00:36.70	00:23.93	00:20.03	00:24.43	04:09.52
21	Kay Lewis	Diahatsu	00:38.07	00:39.91	00:33.33	00:27.86	00:29.14	00:33.20	00:23.60	00:24.80	04:09.91
18	Jason Davis	Suzuki	00:40.39	00:44.91	00:54.13	00:23.58	00:23.63	00:23.98	00:23.74	00:24.19	04:18.55
20	Tas Taylor	RX-7	00:38.66	00:28.15	00:38.83	00:27.03	00:34.09	00:46.17	00:22.37	00:27.62	04:22.92
12	Chris Lewis	Cortina	00:40.03	00:27.55	00:42.79	00:26.30	00:46.96	00:29.57	00:21.22	00:29.25	04:23.67
9	Justin Cobbing	BMW	00:34.63	00:44.91	00:54.13	00:28.54	00:25.37	00:33.89	00:26.01	00:23.62	04:31.10
22	Lauren Sutherland	T18	00:41.90	00:29.73	00:36.69	00:28.76	00:43.12	00:41.17	00:32.65	00:27.07	04:41.09
28	Joel Chuntie	Sigma	00:51.09	00:30.00	00:54.13	00:24.69	00:42.12	00:30.23	00:22.77	00:27.77	04:42.80
17	Geof Bowman	R30 Skyline	00:51.09	00:25.56	00:54.13	00:30.90	00:32.70	00:29.91	00:34.08	00:26.52	04:44.89
25	Michael Breitreutz	Suzuki	00:51.09	00:25.69	00:54.13	00:26.40	00:51.96	00:26.49	00:24.61	00:24.83	04:45.20
30	Kim	Commodore	00:51.09	00:28.49	00:37.02	00:23.97	00:32.16	00:32.84	00:20.69	00:59.00	04:45.26
15	Ken Whitby	T18	00:51.09	00:44.91	00:40.67	00:54.29	00:29.53	00:33.35	00:22.01	00:24.09	04:59.94
29	Jay Chuntie	Sigma	00:41.52	00:28.80	00:34.06	00:54.29	00:42.45	00:33.30	00:30.91	00:38.19	05:03.52
23	Gerrard Cecil	Silvia	00:51.09	00:44.91	00:54.13	00:35.41	00:51.96	00:35.72	00:21.57	00:25.77	05:20.56
2	James Ford	Corolla	00:35.65	00:44.91	00:54.13	00:54.29	00:23.23	00:30.03	00:20.36	00:59.00	05:21.60
7	Robert Clum	R32 Skyline	00:46.09	00:44.91	00:31.13	00:54.29	00:51.96	00:46.17	00:29.84	00:59.00	06:03.39



The 2008 Grand Prix Rally will start in Adelaide on Sunday 9 March, and conclude at the Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne on Thursday the 13 March.

The full itinerary that will be posted on our website early next week includes:

- Starting in Adelaide on Sunday 9 March (with scrutineering and welcome function on Saturday 8 March also in Adelaide)
- A great mix on navigation, time trials, auto tests, circuits and other various driver competition on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (not forgetting the social functions along the way)
- Black Tie Gala Dinner on Friday 14 March (2 tickets per vehicle entry).
- And for the first time a competitor lounge at the track with the experience and thrill of a lap around the Albert Park Circuit at the Formula One race in Melbourne (including 2 passes into the great race, with each vehicle entry).

The Rally mirrors the early years with overnight stops in the Barossa, Mildura, Shepparton and Geelong before concluding in Melbourne for three action packed days at the track.

The cost of the Rally is \$3950 per vehicle which includes both driver and navigator, additional crew are \$500 each with additional Gala Dinner tickets at \$150 per person.

For further information or to register please visit our website at www.gprally.com

We hope to see you there

Creative MotorSports

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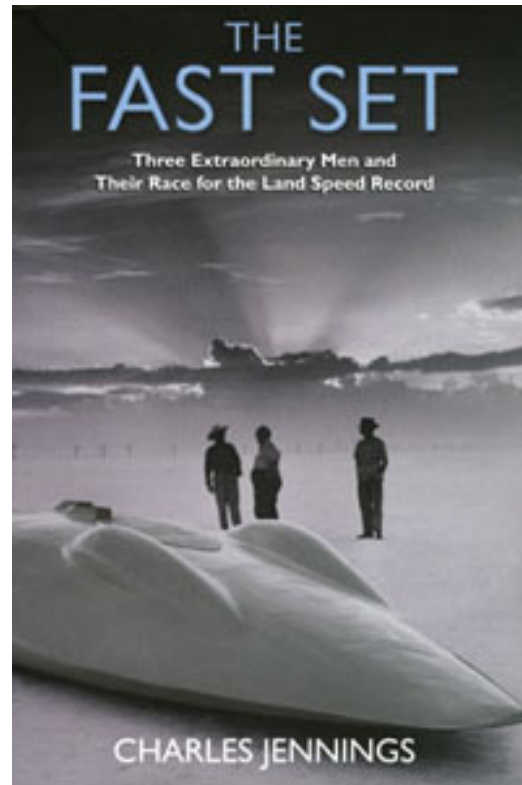
***The Fast Set - 3 Extraordinary
Men and Their Race for the
Land Speed Record
by Charles Jennings***

Hardcover book, 16 x 24 cm, 342 pages, code 14941.

Review by Bob Campbell

The 1920s and 1930s saw a huge interest in the World Land Speed Record, with British and American daredevil drivers in monster cars powered by giant aero-engines vying with each other to surpass various perceived benchmarks.

This book tells the stories of three of them, fearless Henry Segrave, the unique Malcolm Campbell and the taciturn recluse, John Cobb.



It begins with the home of high speed motoring in England, the Brooklands Motor Course, and the development of aero-engined cars to race around the concrete speed bowl. It tells briefly of the short but spectacular career of J G Parry Thomas, which ended when he crashed his special, Babs, fatally on Pendine Sands.

These stories are a lead-in to the body of the book, which tells of the rivalry between the three extraordinary men of the title. Between them they helped to push the Land Speed Record from around 150 mph to almost 400 by the time World War II broke out.

They struggled to raise the money to build the cars, to find suitable venues to run them as they got faster and to beat each other in the endless quest for more speed. It is a fascinating book, delving into the background of these unique gladiators of speed as they fought the elements and their primitive machinery to win the glory of being the fastest man on earth.

This book is available from The Pitstop Bookshop, Freecall 1-800 622 422 (within Australia), or on the Internet at www.pitstop.net.au.

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