

P R O G R A M M E

DECEMBER

Friday 21st - Natter Night at the Rayments
70 Bromwich St., The Gap. Q. 30 3148

" 28th - Closed

JANUARY 1980

Friday 4th - Working Bee at New Clubrooms -
18 Nash St., Rosalie.

Friday 11th - Big Official Opening of Clubrooms
Come and help the Secretary cut the
ribbon.

Friday 18th - Night Run - Starts Clubrooms 7.45 p.m.

ALL ARTICLES TO EDITOR FOR JANUARY ISSUE OF THE OCTAGON

Friday 25th - Watter Night - Clubrooms

FEBRUARY

Friday 1st - Film Night - Clubrooms organised by
Grant Beaumont.

Friday 8th - Open Forum - Clubrooms 8 p/m.

Friday 15th - Night Run - Clubrooms

Friday 22nd - Natter Night - Clubrooms

23rd/24th Sat.&Sun. Midnight to Dawn Run - C.S.C.C.A.

For particulars contact Peter 30 3148

24th Sun - Club Motorkhana - Donalson Rd.,
Rocklea - bring your own food and drink.
Start 12 noon.

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EDITORIAL

Dear Members,

Pen to paper and HI again. We hope this edition will reach you all before Xmas, but most likely it won't as the poor old posties' are really working flat out now aren't they?

Members will be pleased to know that as from 1st January, 1980 we will have a place to call our own. Yes, we have at long last found a little shop that meets with nearly all of our requirements and as you'll see by the calendar the official opening night will be on the 11th January.

A working bee is planned for the 4th January and your support is sought, at the Clubrooms. They are situated at 18 Nash Street, Rosalie and if you know C.A.M.S. office - well it's directly opposite that.

Offers of help to renovate the Clubrooms have been received so far from Bob Cossor to repaint the inside of the shop, Mr. Vanderburg (Snr.) to signwrite on the windows, and Denis Purdy for floor coverings -- thanks boys!!!

We're wanting some heavy curtaning to cover two large windows approx. 10' X6' - if anyone has some that they don't want any more!!!

New members to be welcomed this edition are :-
Brain and Annette Haynes - MGB; Glyn Phillips
Graham Wise

Hope to see you at Club gatherings.

It seems (on reading other Club magazines, local and interstate), that at the present time ours isn't the only Club in the doldrums but I only hope with the starting of the New Year in a 'New' permanent Clubrooms that 'things' will improve.

'Till next magazine look after yourselves and have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Delia Rayment.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The year 1979 has been a year of changing fortunes.

The committee, who were elected last year, numbers fell early in the year with Greg Findlater's resignation due to school commitments. Then Neil McNeil resigned in the latter half of the year due to work commitments. Put extra pressure on the committee.

The year started off badly with the loss of permanent clubrooms at the end of the last year. Thru this year we had been meeting on alternate Friday nights at the Kiosk and at members homes. Roll ups on Friday nights had fallen off but has increased slightly at the end of the year.

I would like to thank Denis and Erin Purdy for the use of the Kiosk thru the year.

EVENTS

The club organised major open events thru the year namely;-

1. Stanthorpe Rally
2. Australian Hillclimb Championships at Mt. Cotton.
3. All Historic Race Meeting at Lakeside.
- and 4. Para Quad Economy Run.

Along with these there were 10 closed touring assemblies 5 closed hillclimbs, and 5 motorkhanas.

I would like to thank all of the people who have helped to organise or run these events.

With all of the other CAMS calendared events there has been little free time left for members if they were interested in participating in these events, to do so.

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President's Report Cont'd..FINANCE

The full report is best seen from the balance sheet and the Treasurer's report.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is down and unless an upward trend is returned the Club is in for difficult times ahead. Be whatever a member has joined for, they are all important and without them there is no club. I feel that it is up to each individual member to try and get another member to join.

M.G. membership is reasonably high but it is a pity that we don't see members out in them more often.

HILLCLIMB

The hillclimb has had a reasonable year. The Australian Hillclimb Championships that were held at Mt. Cotton were a success.

Working Bees were attended by a reasonable number of people before the Championships but work to be done all year round so attendance at other times of the year is needed.

The 5 closed Hillclimbs all went off well with good fields running at all the events.

OCTAGON

The magazine, I hope has given people the information that members are after. Delia has tried to get the magazine out on time but lack of stories does not help. I would like to thank Alan McConnell for all of the photos that he has produced for the magazine and Keith and David Miles for the use of their machine to do the stencils of the photos on. We are now starting to improve the quality of the photo reproduction and I hope this will continue.

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TOP LEFT - Greg Marshall -Group D; TOP R. Alan McConnell
Miles Hunter Award. Bottom Peter Rayment - Best T Type,
Keith McConnell - Trials Driver. Mal Spiden-Trials Nav.



Photos taken at the Annual Dinner Dance of some of the trophy winners for the year, 1979.

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Left - Barry Vanderburg-best M.G.

Right - Delia Rayment - Ladies.

John Fraser appears in all the photos as he acted as Chairman of proceedings for the night. Thanks J.F.

President's Report Cont'd.

And now to quote Brian Tebble's President's report of 1964, which I find applies today to me -

"Whilst I am well aware that I would not win the Popularity Poll for 1979, it was never my intention to try, simply to do the job I had undertaken to the best of my ability and limitations. The success of a Club (or its failure) is largely up to its members...if they are keen to help, compete, and determined to enjoy the club, then it will be a guaranteed success...if not then the result is obvious. One can only 'get something out' if one 'puts something in'. To 'put something in' does not necessarily mean to work, simply to take part. The formula for good clubbiness is as simple as that!"

CONCLUSION

The club is at a crossroads as to which way to go. Do the members want the club to put on large open meetings or should we try and organise more social club type events. A large amount of work is needed for both types and so I think the committee would like to hear the members comments. Also, I myself am wondering if members would like once a month to have a general meeting so that the club members themselves would know what is going on with the club instead of the committee having to decide what they think the members want.

So I leave it with you the members to let the committee know what you want.!

(signed) Peter RAYMENT
PRESIDENT

EVENTS REPORTS

Since our last magazine various events have been held by our Club with the Historic Race Meeting at Lakeside being the first on the list.

Our Club Secretary, Joan Appleby (who acted as Secretary of the Meeting also) informs us that it was a success all round. A thank you on the Clubs behalf to everyone who either participated, worked or spectated at this popular event. No doubt it will be on again next year.

The week-end after the H.R.M. we held our last Hillclimb for the year at Mt. Cotton. Steve Austin, after a year(!) of bad luck eventually came thru with persistence and claimed F.T.D. and a closed class record on 49.4 in his Lotus Super 7. As Hillclimb Secretary might I take this opportunity to thank each and everyone who has had some connection with Mt. Cotton in 1979 and we look forward to seeing you in 1980 at same.

Next on the Calendar was the Annual Dinner Dance and Presentation of Trophies at the Indooroopilly Golf Club on 30th November. The folk that were there, we feel, enjoyed themselves and the Sugar Daddies proved to be a popular change.

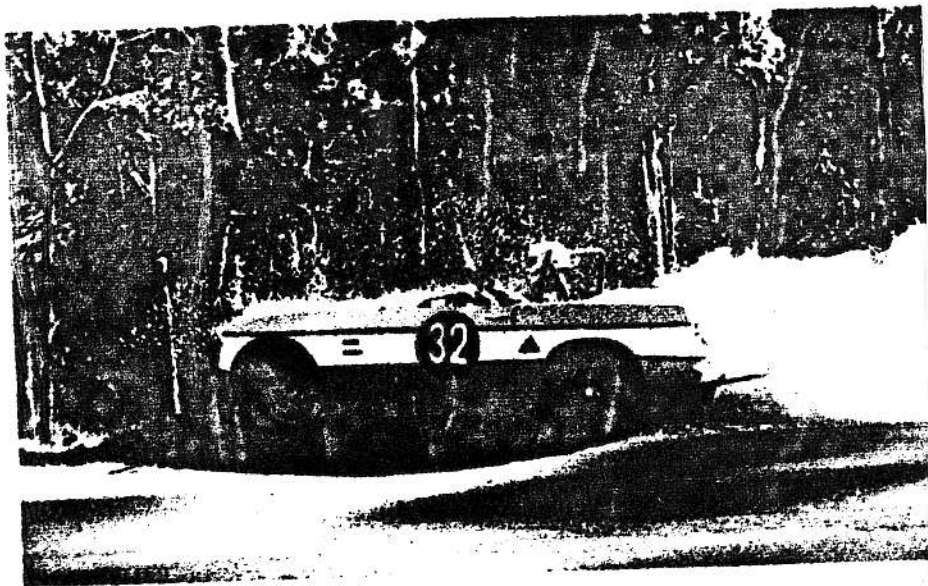
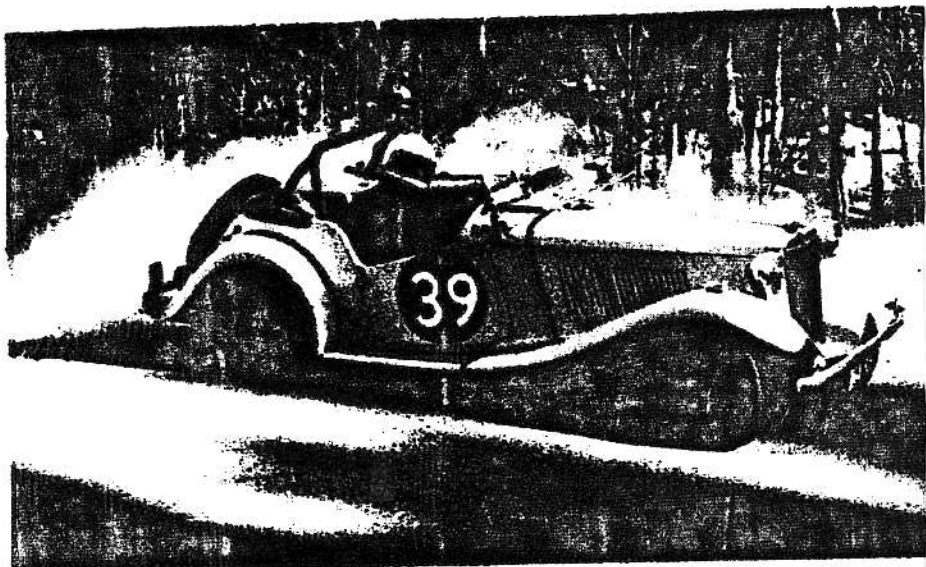
But as usual - lack of support put a damper on the otherwise well catered for evening.

Just when(at what time of the year) does one try and organise such an event. Last Year's' was held off until March (no go) then this year put back into the year it applied to (and still no go).

The Annual General Meeting at the Newfarm Park Kiosk on the 7th December proved more successful. And your new Committee for 1980 is noted on the back page of the Octagon.

An open forum was held after the AGM and a few subjects were discussed to some length. If you peruse your calendar you will note other Open Forums mentioned - these are for

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IN THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE JUST A
FEW OF THE SHOTS TAKEN BY ALAN McCONNELL
OF PEOPLE DOING FUNNIES AT MT. COTTON.

Don Webster MGTD

Greg Fahey MGB

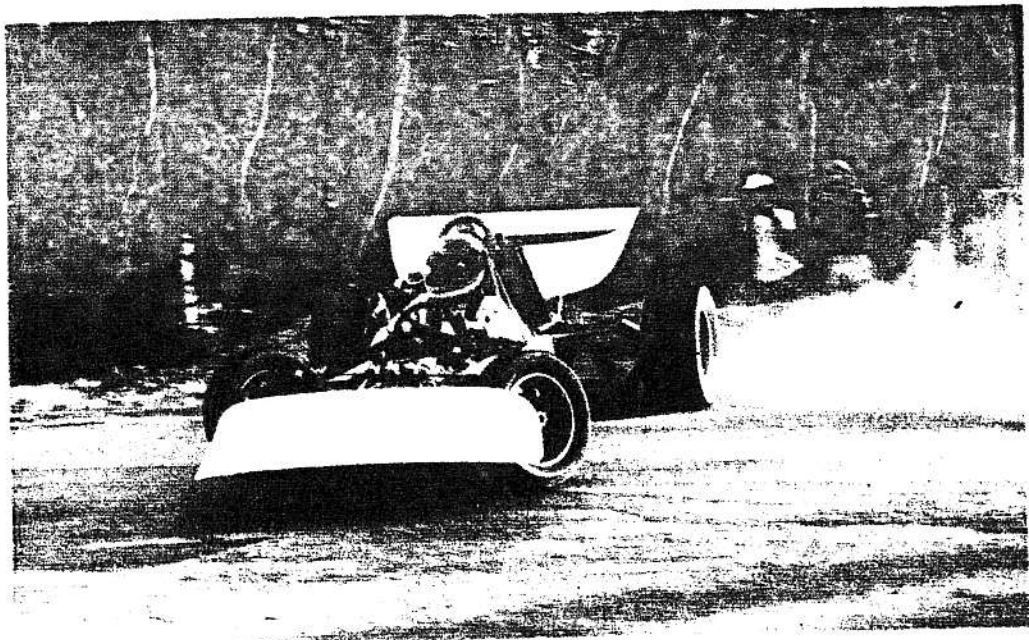
MEMBERSHIPS ARE

NOW DUE

Please pay early

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(the increase is due to a CAMS increase)



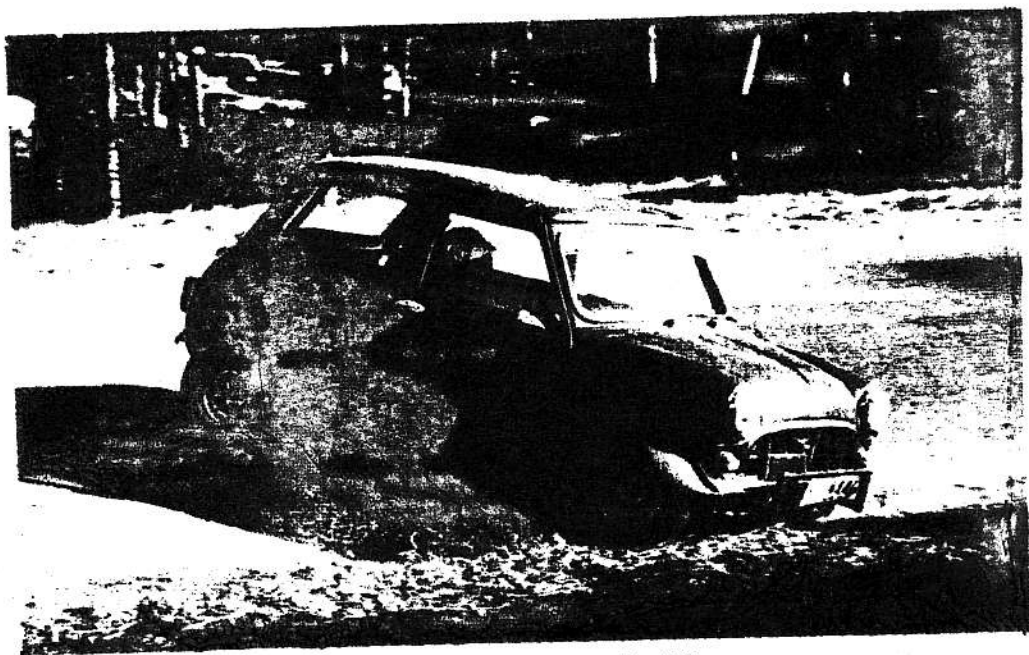
Robert Pidgeon



Phil Hutchison



John Whittaker



Kevin Heffernan

Events Report Cont'd..

you the member to attend, to let the Committee and members know what you feel should be done within your Club.

The next night after our A.D.D. 3 representatives from our Club attended the C.S.C.C.A. dinner at Mt. Gravatt. Our Club was lucky enough this year to procure the C.S.C.C.A.'s trophy for the Club with the highest points - mainly due to Club members Barry Vanderburgs efforts in his MGA. Barry came away with a personal trophy also, for the best individual point score for 1979 - congratulations Barry.

The night at Mt. Gravatt organised by Sprite Car Club . really was a wizz with Mr. Noel Constantine as compere and fun organiser. Congratulations to Sprite Club for such an enjoyable night.

Last happening on the calendar last magazine was the Cricket match and barbecue at our place. All who attended seemed to enjoy themselves. The evening progressed into a slide showing evening, with the next door neighbors garage wall being used as a screen - quite successfully too. Real life size action packed shots.

Well till 1980.

D.R.

RENEWALS OF CLUB MEMBERSHIP ARE NOW DUE

FOR 1980

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DON'T FORGET THE BIG OPENING OF

THE NEW CLUBROOMS 11/1

18 NASH STREET, ROSALIE.Q. (Opp. CAMS)

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THE OCTAGON

'Application for Membership' Form

THE M.G. CAR CLUB OF QUEENSLAND,
G.P.O. Box 1847, BRISBANE.Q. 4001

NAME, in full.
ADDRESS.
OCCUPATION. Phone/s.

PARTICULAR OF VEHICLES

MAKE. MODEL. YEAR. REG. NO.
ENGINE NO. CUBIC CAPACITY. CCS.

I, the undersigned, hereby apply for membership in the M.G. Car Club of Queensland. This Application is subject to the acceptance by the Executive Committee and extended on condition that I will agree to abide by the Rules of the Club and Centre.

Dated. Signed.

Attached please find cheque/cash for \$20 being Annual Membership Subs. \$ 3 being Joining Fee.

Proposed by. No. Q.

Seconded by. No. Q.

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OCTAGON EDITOR - Delia Rayment - 30 3148

JAN CONSTANTINE &
MAL SPIDEN ENJOYED THEM
SELVES AT THE ANNUAL
DINNER DANCE & PRESENTATION
NIGHT...



IAN WELLS (going
for all he's worth),
helped brighten up the
Annual Dinner Dance wit
some fine Banjo playing