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# The News Wheel

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# Pres' Ponderings

Well, Christmas and New Year are gone, January is half gone, but the Christmas fat remains....

Hope Santa was good to you all and brought all the go-faster bits you asked for!

We are currently in the process of gaining the required approvals to runs for the year. Hopefully everything will go smoothly and we can start another years racing in February - check the magazine for the calendar. One thing to note is our hosting of the State round of the Hillclimb championship has moved. Traditionally we have had a date in May. This year, given the opportunity to pick up a new date, we are hosting the State round in September (hopefully it will be warmer at the finish line!). This will give us more time to plan and look for sponsors (please start now!) and hopefully be a nicer time of year.

For all those who missed the Christmas Party, you missed a relaxing evening of talking, dreaming and getting faster. Congratulations to all the trophy winners. The new point-score year is underway, so good luck to you all. I'd also again like to congratulate the two new life members; Chris Cowan and Barry Brown. They both received a big but hard earned surprise. Once again thank you both for all your hard work. Thanks also to Chris and Fletcher for their hard work in organising the Christmas Party. Much appreciated.

As Fletcher mentioned toward the end of last year, I'm in the process of getting a car ready to run. It's been my daily for a few months, which gave me time to get used to it and work out what to do to it (the special teflon non-stick tyres will HAVE to go!) so I'm looking forward to getting out there and having some fun.

So, now all the festivities are out of the way you've got a few weeks to fix those annoying little things and get the car ready for another year.

Happy preparations,

Adrian.

## 2008 Calendar

Working Bees		Hillclimbs		Club Meetings	
				Jan 23	Club Meeting (German Club)
Feb 9	Huntley Working Bee	<del>Feb 17</del>	<del>Huntley Hillclimb Rd 1</del>	Feb 27	Club Meeting (German Club)
Mar 29	Huntley Working Bee			Mar 26	Club Meeting (German Club)
		Apr 6	Huntley Hillclimb Rd 2	Apr 23	Club Meeting (German Club)
May 24	Huntley Working Bee			May 28	Club Meeting (German Club)
		Jun 1	Huntley Hillclimb Rd 3	Jun 25	Club Meeting (German Club)
Jul 19	Huntley Working Bee	Jul 27	Huntley Hillclimb Rd 4	Jul 23	Club Meeting (German Club)
				Aug 27	Club Meeting (German Club)
Sep 6	Huntley Working Bee	Sep 14	NSWHCC Hillclimb	Sep 24	Club Meeting (German Club)
Oct 25	Huntley Working Bee			Oct 22	Club Meeting (German Club)
		Nov 2	Huntley Hillclimb Rd 5	Nov 26	Club Meeting (German Club)
Dec 6	Huntley Working Bee	Dec 14	Huntley Hillclimb Rd 6		

Many Thanks to our Sponsors:

***Snap-on Tools***

## 2007 Awards

The Awards for 2007 were presented at the Christmas Party in December. Special congratulations to our two newest life members, Barry and Christine. All the best to our point score winners and Jo Bell who took out the Alan Burrows medal for her determination last year trying to beat Bob – this year may be the big one!

### Life Memberships

**Barry Brown**

**Christine Cowan**

### Club Champion 2007

Points awarded for attendance at meetings, working bees, hillclimbs and officiating at events.

**1st Fletcher Carr**

**2nd Chris Fraser**

**=3rd Trevor Cowan**

**=3rd Curly Cowan**

### Drivers Pointscore 2007

Points awarded for Huntley hillclimb and other events that WSCC members are invited to attend.

**1st Bob Bell**

**2nd David Spring**

**3rd Joanne Bell**

### Champion of Huntley 2007

Points are awarded by performance in class so is up for grabs by anyone. The more people you beat in your class, the more points you receive.

**1st Stephen Hooker**

**2nd David Spring**

**3rd Cameron Petrie**

### Road Registered Pointscore 2007

Points awarded for Huntley hillclimb for road registered cars.

**1st Richard Robinson**

**2nd Mathew Boatwright**

**3rd Chris Robinson**

### Allan Burrows Award 2007

Awarded to an individual who has 'stepped up' both on and off the track.

**Joanne Bell**

## Committee 2008

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## Editors Report

So into 2008 we come! 6 hillclimbs + a state round scheduled for the year, I'm looking forward to seeing some good hillclimbing after the new years break. Congratulations to all the award winners, thanks to Chris, Shawn and Adrian for organising the Christmas Party and trophies. There was plenty of food after Chris and I were left to the catering! I say its better to have more to go around that have people leaving hungry!

We have successfully had our championship round moved to September – hopefully that means no more being blinded by the sun in the afternoon on those final deciding runs! If you are interested in running in any of the NSW Hillclimb Championship rounds this year, you should head over to the official website of the series at <http://www.hillclimbnsw.com> . All the forms, rules and regulations are on there, with event reports and photos from last year.

Attached to the magazine is the membership renewal form, if you could fill them out and bring them to a club meeting or send them in early, it would make life much easier for Bob. Just a note - you can't compete in any CAMS events unless you have renewed your club membership.

I'm doing some work on my car in the hope that it will be on the track before I head over to Japan/Europe for 2 months in April, however the prospect of this happening is looking less and less likely. At least I'll have something to look forward to when I get back ☺. The Europe trip includes a stop at the spiritual home of motor sport – the Nürburgring. The aim is to get the hire car out on the 22km Nordschleife – which is the unlimited speed limit "Toll Road" section of the famous track.

Thanks to Greg for his article below, I wish I could have made it up there this year. If anyone has anything to contribute to the newsletter, please send it to [editor@wscc.org.au](mailto:editor@wscc.org.au) or call me on 0414 301321. Anything sent before the 2nd week of the month will make it into that month's newsletter.

Fletcher

## Bathurst Speed Weekend Report

Great weekend. We had 4 runs in the Supersprint Saturday 3 runs in the Hillclimb on Sunday. Bob and Joanne's Mugen Mini was flying and had a lot of people asking what the hell is in that! Great to see Steve Hooker bring the Jedi out for a fun weekend, unfortunately breaking a timing chain which also broke everything else in the motor. Dave Spring was there in the Commodore doing some great times and trying to scare himself silly in the Hillclimb. Brian Faulkner ran the WRX to the the limit trying some different tyres from time to time. Newby to Bathurst this year was Robert Shaw who had a ball in the Torana SLR 5000 improving his times in leaps and bounds all weekend. The Dentor again had a few guys going which is car 81 -"THAT THING". I got a 50.91 in the sprint for 11th outright and a 52.06 in the hillclimb running 5th outright. Big thanks to the pit crews; Michelle & Shania the Steves, Curly, Neil (who apparently had flash backs to Murray when Dave started the Commodore up at 6am next to his tent) Trevor & Betty. Is it next December yet, gonna book my holidays now!

Greg Jones



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## NEW MEMBERSHIP

Wollongong Sporting Car Club is one of the oldest clubs affiliated car clubs in Australia. Our members compete in all forms of speed events, ranging from hillclimbs, lap dashes and supersprints to all levels of circuit racing throughout Australia.

These events cater for all levels of competition, from the club event with classes for standard & modified road cars right up to international level touring cars and open wheeler races. So whatever your interest in motorsport, be it as a driver, event official or social member, this could be the club for you.

New membership applications are always welcomed. Simply fill out the membership form on this page and send it to: Wollongong Sporting Car Club Ltd. PO Box 35 Coniston NSW 2500 or come to our monthly meeting which is held at the German Club, 636A Northcliffe Drive Kembla Grange on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm.

If you require further information please call the President Mr Adrian Oehm on 0412 124412

WOLLONGONG SPORTING CAR CLUB LTD  
(AFFILIATED WITH THE C.A.M.S)

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

To: The Council of the Wollongong Sporting Car Club.

I, \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_

wishing to become a member of the Wollongong Sporting Car Club Ltd. Hereby apply to be admitted as a Member thereof. Subject to the provisions of the Memorandum of Articles of Association of the Company.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick if you want to receive:      Newsletters [  ]      Supp Regs, Event Info [  ]

Membership of Other Clubs: \_\_\_\_\_

Make of intended racing vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership: \$40.00 adults      \$10.00 Juniors      Basic L2S Licence: \$95.00

MEMBERSHIP CURRENT TO 31 DECEMBER EACH YEAR

Payment from October gains membership to 31-Dec of following year





# Motorkhana Training Day

RENAULT CAR CLUB of AUSTRALIA

*A special opportunity for drivers wanting to learn the basic skills needed to enjoy this extremely popular form of motorsport*

## Novices and juniors given entry priority

- Small group and individual tuition for novice motorkhana drivers
- Learn car control skills needed for a series of motorkhana “tests” on a wet skidpan

## Expert guidance in a friendly atmosphere

- Experienced motorkhana drivers will be on hand to demonstrate skills, guide drivers and give individual feedback
- A structured program will encourage you to improve your skills, however this is not a competition day and no times or results will be recorded

**When: Sunday 10 February 2008**

**Where: Eastern Creek Raceway Skidpan** (wet concrete)  
Enter via Ferrers Rd Gate and look for RCCA sign

**Start:** Vehicle scrutineering from 8am for a 10am start  
Compulsory drivers briefing 9.45am - Event finish 4pm

**Entry:** Pay on the day - **\$50 for novices (includes level 1 licence)**  
**\$50 for experienced drivers (does not include licence)**

**NB** Juniors 12 - 18yrs may be accompanied by an adult at the Director's discretion

## What else will I need?:

- Entry includes Level 1 event licence for non-CAMS licence holders. CAMS annual 2NS and 2S licences also available
- A roadworthy vehicle; sensible clothes - long sleeved shirt, long pants, enclosed leather shoes; hats and sun cream (helmets for open cars only)
- BYO food and drink although some canteen services may be available on the day

### Reserve your place by emailing the following details:

Your name:                      Level of experience:                      Make, model & colour of vehicle:

Car Club (if any):              Any further questions?

Email to: Stewart Barnet [stewartb@med.usyd.edu.au](mailto:stewartb@med.usyd.edu.au)

Or phone 0405 534245 for more information

***Limited places available – be early!***