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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

As this is my first report of the year, I would first like to welcome all new and old members. This year looks like becoming a very good social and competitive year for our club.

Already we have had three night runs and one social Sunday and the attendance at these functions has been very heartening to the organisers. Next month sees the start of the first Trial for the Qld. Championship. This has been organised by two very experienced members of our club - Mr. Ian Wells (the flying Vet.) and our Secretary Laurie (Tubby) Garth.

According to these two chaps, the first Trial of the year will be the best. Control officials will be required so any of you people who assisted in this capacity last year or any member who would like to assist, please contact the Secretary and Director, Laurie Garth.

The only other thing I have to say is, anybody who wishes to set night runs, Sunday Runs or who has any suggestions for the improvement of the Club, which is still the best in Qld, Please contact myself.

Here is wishing all competitors in the McCluskey Ford 500 Rally all the best of luck.

Yours in motor sport,

CHARLES M. BLAKE.  
(President)

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CLUBROOM DUTY ROSTER.

- 25th February, - D. Roberts and J. Carr.
- 4th March, - W. McGreal and R. Westcott.
- 9th March, - B. Dalziel and R. Luckhurst.
- 11th March, - R. Reason and B. Mills
- 25th March, - L. Robertson and L. Barron.
- 1st April, - H. Garth and G. Briner.
- 8th April, - R. Gillespie and I. Wells.

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" RAILWAY TRAVEL IS CONTAGIOUS "

COMING EVENTS:Wednesday February 25thNight Run.

This will be Tony Reason's first night run for quite some time, so it will be good. In other words you should have a reason for not entering.

Wednesday March 4thNight Run

Valtonen "Flying Finn" Taisto is the organiser of this run, so you can trade in that map of Holland for one of Finland.

Monday March 9thBriefing for McCluskey Ford 500 Rally.

This briefing for the first event of the 1970 Qld. Trials Championship will be attended by the competitions manager for McCluskey Ford, Mr. Joe Brown. Competitors attendance at briefing meetings can be most helpful, particularly for novice crews. Films will be shown.

Wednesday March 11thTable Top Rally.

All '500' navigators should enter this event as it could contain some valuable navigation clues for the McCluskey Ford 500 Rally.

Saturday, Sunday March 14th & 15thMcCluskey Ford 500 Rally

This is the event everybody has been waiting for - the start of the State Rally season, a season which promises to be the best ever. Supplementary regulations are available from the Secretary, but be sure to enter early to avoid the last minute rush. See you at McCluskey Ford, Mt. Gravatt on Saturday afternoon March 14th.

Wednesday March 18th.Committee Meeting.

Will begin at 8.00 P.M. sharp at Stones Corner Motors, Stones Corner.

"BEST YEAR YET TO GO FORD."

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THE SPECIAL R and S Event - 11th February 1970

This was the first of the R and S Series of events for 1970 and attracted an entry list of 25 cars. Crews found themselves heading for a trip to Chermside Tram Terminus where the event really got started.

From here there were a few quick dashes around the back of Aspley, Zillmere to a control on Murphy Rd. where some competitors (but not too many) got caught for cutting across a double line. A run to Deagon and to Sandgate followed. At Sandgate the navigators had to leave the comfort of the cars and climb a rather steep ramp up to Shorncliffe while their drivers drove round to meet them at the top. On the way up the ramp, the navigators had to answer 2 questions and these proved to be a downfall to quite a lot of competitors.

Back into their cars again, the navigators were more at home and after a trip around quite a few streets in Shorncliffe they headed for Geebung and back to Aspley where they then returned to the Clubrooms.

Ray Luckhurst navigated by Les Barron won the honours for the night with quite a few sharing 2nd and 3rd places. See points listed below.

R. Luckhurst ✓	6	J. Carr ✓	3	D. Applegate ✓	1
L. Barron ✓	6	C. Kelley ✓	3	Mrs. Applegate ✓	1
T. Reason ✓	4	T. Latham ✓	3	Mr. V. Taisto ✓	1
C. Blake ✓	4	Miss B. Steer ✓	2	Mrs. V. Taisto ✓	1
D. Lather ✓	4	G. Briner ✓	2	R. Underwood ✓	1
R. Brain ✓	4	A. Taylor ✓	2	J. Bibby ✓	1
J. Connell ✓	4	M. Taylor ✓	2	R. Brameld ✓	1
R. Hughes ✓	4	B. Dalziel ✓	2	G. Brameld ✓	1
Mrs. Connell ✓	4	R. Browning ✓	2	G. Moller ✓	1
J. Marshall ✓	4	B. Mills ✓	2	M. Barrborrlett ✓	1
G. Blower ✓	3	G. Sked ✓	2	J. Ward ✓	1
A. Allen-Ankins ✓	3	R. Holmes ✓	1	N. Gordon ✓	1
P. Sadler ✓	3	L. Donaldson ✓	1	T. Garbett ✓	1
B. Woods ✓	3	J. Allison ✓	1	R. Spillane ✓	1
A. Westacott ✓	3	G. Offord ✓	1	P. Murray ✓	1
Miss Hennessey ✓	3	D. Bell ✓	1	D. Eggins ✓	1
H. Kabel ✓	3	D. Roberts ✓	1		

Wednesday March 25th.

Night Run.

Our illustrious El Presidente, Char Le Blake, will be organising this expedition through the steaming jungles of the Amazon. Bring your largest life-support kit and other assorted ammenities for surviving the elements.

Wednesday April 1st.

Presentation for McCluskey Ford 500 Rally.

Trophies and awards for this event will be presented to all placegetters by McCluskey Fords Competitions Manager, Mr. Joe Brown. Starts at 8.00 p.m. with suitable films.

Sunday April 5th.

Motorkhana.

Brush the cobwebs off all those old Motorkhana specials, as there will be one of these historic events held on this day at a venue to be decided. Organisers will be L. Barron, G. Briner and B. Dalziel.

NIGHT RUN POINTS SCORE AT 18.2.1970. (inc. Picnic Run)

L. Barron	31	B. Dalziel	11
C. Blake	26 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	B. Mills	11
R. Brain	25	P. Hines	10
R. Luckhurst	24	A.J. Allen Ankins	9
H. Garth	22	G. Offord	9
L. Garth	22	V. Taisto	6
D. Lather	22	R. Ballam	5
D. Roberts	20	R. Gillespie	5
H. Kabel	19	S. Gillespie	5
J. Connell	19	G. Taisto	4
T. Reason	17 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	R. Westacott	4
G. Blower	17	A. Ballam	4
G. Brameld	16	I. Wells	3
R. Brameld	16	G. Sked	3
G. Bowles	15	J. Sked	3
D. Kelley	13	N. Sharman	2
G. Briner	11	P. Sharman	2
R. Allison	1	A. Westacott	1
R. Dawkins	1	W. McGreal	1

PAST EVENTS:

Wednesday January 21st

The presentation of trophies for the Auto Centre Rally was held on this night. The trophies were duly presented by Hank Kabel. One of the films shown was the 1954 Tulip Rally held in Europe and it was good to see how they did it way back then (navigators hanging out of windows and all).

January 28th

Hank Kable's night run headed off around the Gap and it seemed to get a lot of the experienced crews lost, while the relative newcomers did O.K.

The run was won by the two Braneld Brothers, Gerrald and Rodger who are now members of the club.

February 1st.

This year Charlie Blake's day run headed off once again to Bunya Crossing. The run itself was set by Hank Kable while Charlie, with the able help of Ray Luckhurst, organised the Bar-B-Que. About 80 people showed up along with Mike Chapman's  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cylinder "Grogomobile" which made a long awaited re-appearance. The kids had a good time on this machine (when the big kids let them). Both Laurie Garth and Rick Westacott went for a spur of the moment swim (ably assisted by about 6 people).

John (Tarzan) Connell and Ian (Jane) Wells both mastered the art of swinging on the end of a three hundred foot rope and landing in the creek half a mile away. John Connell managed to get his teeth into the problem, and Ian Wells almost had an 'Italian Love Affair' with the bank (Joseph E.) and was almost 'Captain Cook', having "endeavoured" to do it properly, but they 'reefed' him out as he 'cannoned' off the bottom. He later said that he felt 'wrecked'.

There could be another of this style of event providing everyone recovers by next time.



February 4th.

This run was organised by George Briner and his girl friend and it took crews around the back of the airport out to Virginia and back to the club-rooms. I think George was wrong when he said "I hope you had as much fun on the run as we had setting it". Judging by all the dark and lonely streets we travelled, I think George possibly had the better time.

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ALAN LAWSON does it again.

His entry for the South African Safari - the car the course was surveyed in-is a Datsun 1600 SSS with a 5 speed gear box and all the good bits.

IAN MARSHALL (Gabby) does it again.

Returning home from the Army for 5 weeks holiday he spun out on the New England Highway but this time he did not spill his cup of coffee.

ARMY does it again.

EH Holden retired for 2 years from rallies because Les Hillberg has been conscripted.

Rally drivers & organisers Ian Wells and Cec. Bardell known to have attempted to confuse each other recently. Judging by the reported number of Fiat wheel tracks in South East Qld, it would appear that the 'General' has been displaced as Australia's No. 1. So successful was the resulting confusion that both organisers have been almost irretrievably lost. One even had to borrow maps from the other to finish mapping his event. God help the poor fools who enter these events.

GREG SMITH went shopping "where the action is" so we may see a bright orange Holden Torana in rallies this year.

GEORGE BRINER is announcing his engagement on the 28th February.

PRECISION DRIVING TEAM,

Lloyd Robertson (manager), Bob Lindsay (chief designer), Errol Bognuda, Mike Chapman and Dave Lather are heading south on March 17th to perform at the Sydney Royal Easter Show in four new Holden Monaros supplied by G.M.H, thanks to the foresight of their P.R. man, Barry Nixon-Smith.

Heard around the ridges about other clubs forthcoming championship rallies:-

ROUND 2 - the Q.M.S.C. 'Mayday 500' will have plenty of gates - each of them take 17 mins.23 secs to open, even longer to close.

ROUND 3 - the B.P.A.C. "Renault Rallye Sportive" might have a special section on the Kingaroy Speedway track.

ROUND 5 - the I.W.M.A.C. "Q.T. 500" will have plenty of prizemoney this year - so order your Qld. Times subscription now.

ROUND 6 - the S.P.A.R.C. "Third B.P. Rally of Qld" planning is well under way by director Bob Dancer. Start will be the Sundale Shopping Centre at Southport.

STOLEN from "NAVIGATING IN THE BIG TIME" by Nigel Collier.  
Keen sense of humour. Be able to smile after:

- (i) The driver has just driven into 4 feet of water and inundated 400 dollars worth of irreplaceable maps.
- (ii) The driver has wiped out the car when lighting a cigarette.
- (iii) Just been caught for the shout at the last meal break.
- (iv) Had to sleep in the car whilst the driver procured the last available bed in Warwick in mid winter.

DOC'S DIARY

Dear Doc, (Ian Wells)

The Club has bought me a new typewriter, which is much better than the old Halda, except that one of the keys has fallen off and now when I "P" it stings. What should I do?

Mother of Two.

"W-EEE-LL - what will Doc's reply be?"

HOW TO WIN SPONSORS AND FINANCE RALLIES.

by our Southern Correspondent - S. Cross.

Rallying like crops, cars, wine and women's fashion, has it's good years and it's bad years. These seasonal changes vary from State to State. For instance, N.S.W. is just in the process of overcoming a particularly bad plague of CAMS - councils against motor sport, whilst Qld. has enjoyed a couple of excellent seasons, climaxed by the Southern Cross and Warana Rallies last year.

1970 though, promises to be the best rally year yet. The Australian Championship, the relaxing of the ban in N.S.W, the State Championships, the Ampol, and the special events in New Guinea, New Caledonia, New Zealand and our own Southern Cross here in Australia must make this a truly vintage year. It's enough to make even the most timid rally driver eat up his Weeties, practice his karate, read Dale Carnegie, and then go and front up to his wife, his bank manager and his boss, all major obstacles to a rally man's career.

Of course, the best way of overcoming these difficulties is to find a sponsor, but a keen rally enthusiast who happens to own a fur shop, wants to invest half a million dollars in your bank and wants to sign up a fifty thousand dollar a year contract with your company, is a fairly rare person.

However there are other sponsors around who can be persuaded to part with their hard earned cash. If they do, what do they get in return. Their name on the car. Great Fantastic, Good Advertising -- until you go through the first watersplash, followed by a dusty road. Poor eyesight is not a common complaint in Australia but I have yet to see the citizen who can decipher a sponsors name, covered in mud & dust, at twenty feet and forty miles an hour. - OR spectators who want to wipe off an inch of clay so that they can discover whether the two "g"s they can see refer to Cloggs Used Cars or Bloggs Rent a Bird.

Friends, clubmembers, rally enthusiasts, I come before you, not to criticise but to plead our sponsors' cause. Clean cars, pictures in the paper, press releases, this sort of thing will ensure that your sponsor's money will not assume the proportions of your annual tax rebate. Rally organisers too, should ensure that the rally sponsor gets

value for his money. Most of our State Championships are run by excellent club organisations and are sponsored by leading companies. Yet I cannot recall when a sponsor's P.R. officer followed a State Trial. Perhaps on some occasions a fellow has been sent out, but more than likely he has not been able to find the start. For some reason a lot of rally directors seem to feel that the start and finish of a trial should be just as hard to find as the rest of the route. A little more, or perhaps less, imagination on the choice of these important places could result in a lot more publicity. Starting times too, often make it very difficult for the public to see the finish of a trial.

Most clubs, especially those running trials have their own P.R. officer and if he, the rally director and the sponsor's P.R. got together, the 1970 Rally season could be even more lucrative.

Next month look for another uplifting article, not on bras, but on the various types of rallies. And if any of you readers have any comments on the above article, I don't want to hear them unless they are complimentary, but I'm sure your editor would. That's why he asked me to write in the first place: - To fill the blank pages.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Roger McDonald Hughes, Hendra.	Peter Hillman, Clifton Hill
John E. Marshall, Buranda.	Roger H. Braneld, ST. Lucia
Darryl J. Bell, Morningside	Gerald H. Braneld, St. Lucia
Jack Bibby, Coorparoo.	Trevor H. Garbett, Camp Hill
Peter N. Murray, Nundah.	Rodney R. Browning, St. Lucia
Keith W. Underwood, Coorparoo.	Robert Brain, Coorparoo
Neville Denning, Holland Park.	Gregory N. Moller, Stafford
Freddy Van Tuinen, Holland Park.	Kenneth R. McLellan, Clayfield.

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BILL TRAPPETT received a broken leg in a motoring accident near Lakeside - or was it a ten gallon keg that fell on his leg.

LEACH MOTORS have a new pilot for their Rally Car. Lloyd (tail-out) Robertson thinks that the 186S Holden may be a little different in the handling department to his old V.W. Maybe Peter Hines can be persuaded to wear a seat belt now.

STEW HORNIBROOK reckons that even with Dunlop Aquajets on his V8 Holden, the car is still hard to handle when the dual system, fail safe, power disc brakes fail in Friday nights peak hour traffic.

After some really competitive lap times BARRY ARENTE and BRIAN MICHELMORE had the misfortune to have the motor in Barry's GTHO Falcon give up the ghost in the final practice on Saturday at the last Surfers Paradise meeting. Seems Brian was overheard describing the trouble to Big Al Turner from Ford Motor Co. as electrical trouble. (A con rod flew out and smashed the alternator?)

We may see some new faces in Rallies etc. now that an area of Northern New South Wales (to the south about Evans Head - to the west about Woodlawn) has come under QLD CAMS control. Idsmore and Casino, which are in this area, have a really solid Motor Sport following (even speedway).

STEVE JACKSON is hard at work formulating a new set of Standard Rally Sup Regs for the use of organisers. These should be very handy.

GLYNN SCOTT in the main race (Round 5 of the Tasman Series) described following one of the formula 5000 (V8 Chev. engine) which was running on one bank of 4 cylinders, as following an Earthquake.

THE NOOLUSKEY FORD RALLY - 14th March is fast approaching so apply for your C.A.M.S. Licence now instead of waiting for the last minute. (PHOTOGRAPH required with application this year.) This is the first Rally for many a year that has

THE R AND S EVENTS FOR 1970.

by Ross & Shirley Gillespie.

During 1970 we are organising a Series of Special Events which we hope will provide additional interest amongst members as these events will have Points awarded to all entrants and at the end of the year, we will be awarding a Trophy to the member with the highest number of points.

Road event points will be as follows: 6 points for 1st place, 4 points for 2nd, 3 points for 3rd, 2 points for 4th place, and all other members who entered will be 1 point. The only members to be awarded with points will be the Driver and Navigator, not Passengers.

Social Event points will be as follows: Each member who attends will receive points and any member who brings along any additional non-members of the BSCC will receive an additional point per person (limit of 4 points). To be eligible for these points, the member who brings additional friends must submit their names to us at the start of the Socials.

Non-members who have entered in any R & S Event prior to the 1st. April and provided they have joined the Club by this date, will be credited with any points they have won by that date.

REMEMBER WHEN YOU SEE AN R AND S EVENT, BE IN IT.

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