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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE BRISBANE SPORTING CAR CLUB

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The Trophy Presentation Night for the Solvix Challenge was held on Wednesday 9 April. It was a well attended evening with most competitors present and everyone enjoyed themselves. Here are the joint winners Andrew and Stewart Owen, Matthew and Peter Whalley, with Simon Knowles the Club President.

## Presidents Piece

I would like to thank the club for electing me for another year as president. This year we have a strong board with some new faces and some old. I believe it will be a good mix which will give us fresh ideas and good direction for our future. The first half of this year has been very sparse for events but we are heading into a very busy second half which kicks off with KCF 2 at the end of this month, so please put your hands up to help our busy teams organising our events. I am sure you have all heard about the CAMS organisational review. The board decided not to vote in favour of this document in its current form and put a letter to State Council informing them of this. We were not the only ones concerned about this and many other clubs did like wise, at a special State Council meeting it was decided unanimously not to accept this proposal and a letter was sent to the board of CAMS to inform them of this. Now we wait for the board to come back to us with the options.

This year we have a near full board including a new Treasurer in Fred Van Tuinen. Fred is already hard at work simplifying our books and making it easier to get cost reports on events and such; while Matt Van Tuinen has taken on the role of Club Captain and is very keen to expand this role. So if you need anything contact Matt and he will help you out. Don't forget if you have any ideas or concerns contact myself or any of our board members and they will listen, while we endeavour to do our best the more input from you the members the better the club can function. This is why this year we want to get club meeting nights bigger and better, we started last year and this year we will make them a structured meeting with guest speakers, so if you have any ideas for speakers please contact myself or Berenice.

That's enough for now so until next month play nicely in the forests or on the track and be safe.

Simon Knowles

# FORTY YEARS OF THE AUSTRALIAN RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

Tony Best

This year 2008 is very significant as it was in 1967 that CAMS made a decision to conduct the very first Australian Rally Championship in 1968, with rounds to be held in different parts of the country. The Queensland Round was to be the Ampol Warana Rally, the major Rally held in Queensland at that time, and organised by the Brisbane Sporting Car Club.

The Warana Festival at that time was a festival held in the Brisbane Area to celebrate the start of Spring in September. It consisted of a number of sporting, cultural, and community activities, one of which was the Car Rally which had been held as part of the Festival prior to 1968.

It is interesting that the Clerk of Course of the 1968 event was Henk Kabel. Forty years later Henk will be an Official on the Traverse Down and Traverse Up Stages on which his son Tony is the Stage Commander.

Since 1968 the Brisbane Sporting Car Club has continued to run the Queensland round of the Australian Rally Championship, although in 1988 the event was not run as only a couple of weeks before the event the Police refused to issue a Permit. This means that the 2008 event will be the fortieth time that it has been run.

Henk was the Clerk of Course from 1968 until 1973. As well as this he and his company Stones Corner Motors, later Mazda Springwood and now Keema has been a great supporter of the sport. The Company first sponsored a round of the Queensland Rally Championship in 1965 and continued to do so every year until 2003. From 1985 to 1987 Keema sponsored the Australian Championship Round in Queensland and in 2001 and 2002 sponsored the Queensland Formula 2 Rally Championship.

Gary Connelly took over from Henk Kabel as Clerk of Course from 1974 to 1980, and later went on to become Clerk of Course of the Australian Round of the World Rally Championship. Other Clerks of Course include Peter Marshall,

Jim Reddiex, Dennis Brown, and the present Clerk of Course Errol Bailey who has been in this position since 1990.

The Australian Rally Championship round was part of the Warana Festival until 1976 and then it was decided that the rally should be held earlier in the year but the Warana Rally continued as a Queensland Championship Round for a few more years.

Ampol withdrew their sponsorship after the 1971 event. In 1972 Ron Brazier, a keen rally competitor at the time, sponsored the event through his business Ace Driving School. Brookside Shopping Center was the sponsor for the next two years and then Lutwyche Shopping Village for eight years.

The next two sponsors were James Hardie (two years) and Keema (three years).

In 1988 Dennis Brown was Clerk of Course and obtained good sponsorship from Caltex. He put a lot of work and publicity into the event and planned to use a lot of closed Shire Roads but as mentioned earlier the Police would not give permission for the road closures. In 1989 the event ran without a major Sponsor but significantly this was the year that the event was titled Rally Queensland, a name that has been kept until the present time, then in 1990 and 1991 the Rally was sponsored by BP as part of their overall sponsorship of the Australian Rally Championship.

BP withdrew their sponsorship after the 1991 event and since then the sponsors have included Cleanaway, Yokohama Tyres, Falken Tyres, and the present sponsor Coates Hire.

The list of winners over the last forty years reads like a 'Who's Who' of Australian rallying, with many of today's top drivers such as Chris Atkinson, Cody Crocker, Simon Evans, and Neal Bates on the list, as well as past legends of rallying such as Possum Bourne, Greg Carr, Colin Bond, Geoff Portman, Harry Firth, George Fury, Murray Coote, Ross Dunkerton, etc.

The Rally has seen many changes over the past forty years. Initially it used to start around lunch time on the Saturday with a few afternoon daylight Stages and then go all night with a finish at breakfast time on the Sunday morning.

There were a number of changes in format over the years including a Friday lunchtime start with the main competition held on the Friday and Saturday nights. Some Sunday morning stages were also tried on a num-

ber of occasions. Gradually the event used less night stages and more daylight.

The biggest change was in 1997 when pacenoting was first permitted and the event was run as two Heats, one on the Saturday and one on the Sunday, predominantly during daylight. This format has proved to be very successful and has continued until the present time.



## CAMS relaxes officials requirements

Consistent with its repeated commitment to club level sport the CAMS Board has approved a recommendation from the Australian Rally Commission (ARCom) to remove the requirement for rally road closure and control officials to hold an officials licence; subject to them having undergone a thorough standardised briefing covering key issues set down by ARCom. The National Officiating Committee will continue to work through a review of the officials system, stemming from its 2005 review of the program. The decision recognises the feedback to CAMS that rally organisers are continuing to have increasing issues with obtaining sufficient officials, in particular Road Closure and Control Officials, to run events. This has seen some stages cancelled and threatened the viability of some events. ARCom made the recommendations, designed to provide immediate assistance to rally event organisers in the area of road closure and control official availability, following feedback received during the successful National Rally Forums held earlier this year.

The following process is now approved and will be implemented:

Subject to the official receiving a standardised briefing meeting the minimum requirements set out by ARCom and signing on as an official, that:

- there be no requirement for a Rally Road Closure or Control Official to hold a CAMS Officials Licence;
- the provisions relating to 'supervision' outlined in the National Officiating Program (NOP) not apply to Road Closure or Control Officials.

CAMS CEO Graham Fountain said "the decision reaffirms CAMS commitment to support and nurture club level motor sport." "This is the first of similar initiatives to be approved by the Board consistent with its renewed sport and club development focus. It is a clear indication that we have listened and acted on something that is important to our members and is representative of us adopting a can do attitude in the interests of the sport," said Fountain. ARCom Chairman, Colin Trinder is pleased with the result which he believes is an important step on the path to improve the operations of rally events and the demands on rally organisers.

"We trust this will make it easier for rally organisers to source these officials, which in turn will make the difficult task of running rallies a little less complicated," said Trinder.

"Most people in rallying accept that officials licensing and accreditation is a valid response to managing high risk activities. However, there has been debate in rally circles regarding the NOP and its effectiveness for the rally discipline", he continued. "ARCom is looking forward to working with the National Officiating Committee and building on the good work that has already been completed to ensure there will be a strong and suitable officiating program in place for rallying into the future," he stated.



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40th Anniversary of Queensland round of the Australian Rally Championship

Year	Event/Sponsor	Clerk Of Course	Winners	Car
1968	Ampol Warana	Henk Kabel	H Firth/ G Hoinville & F Kilfoyle/ Rutherford	Lotus Cortina/ Cortina GT
1969	Ampol Warana	Henk Kabel	F Kilfoyle / D Rutherford	Cortina GT
1970	Ampol Warana	Henk Kabel	B Watson/ J McAuliffe	Renault R8
1971	Ampol Warana	Henk Kabel	C Bond / G Shephard	Torana XU1
1972	Ace Driving School Warana	Henk Kabel	C Bond / G Shephard	Torana XU1
1973	Brookside Warana	Henk Kabel	C Bond / G Shephard	Torana XU1
1974	Brookside Warana	Gary Connelly	C Bond / G Shephard	Torana XU1
1975	Lutwyche Village Warana	Gary Connelly	R Dunkerton/ J Large	Datsun 260Z
1976	Lutwyche Village Warana	Gary Connelly	M Cooter/ B Marsden	Datsun 1600
1977	Lutwyche Village Warana	Gary Connelly	D Stewart/ N Faulkner	Mitsubishi Lancer
1978	Lutwyche Village	Gary Connelly	G Carr/ F Gocentas	Ford Escort
1979	Lutwyche Village	Gary Connelly	R Dunkerton/ J Beaumont	Datsun Stanza
1980	Lutwyche Village	Gary Connelly	G Fury/ M Suffern	Datsun Stanza
1981	Lutwyche Village	Peter Marshall	G Portman/ R Runnals	Datsun Stanza
1982	Lutwyche Village	Peter Marshall	G Portman/ R Runnals	Datsun Stanza
1983	James Hardy National Rally	Peter Marshall	R Dunkerton/ D Kortlang	Datsun Stanza
1984	James Hardy National Rally	Peter Marshall	G Carr/ F Gocentas	Fiat Arbath 131
1985	Keema Classic	Peter Marshall	M Cooter/ I Stewart	Mazda 323
1986	Keema Classic	Jim Reddix	A Murfet/ T Jackson	Mazda 323
1987	Keema Classic	Jim Reddix	G Carr/ F Gocentas	Alfa Romeo GTV
1988	Event not held			
1989	Rally Queensland	Dennis Brown	G Carr/ M Harker	Lancia Delta
1990	BP Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	E Ordinski/ M Nelson	Mitsubishi VR4
1991	BP Rally Queensland	Dennis Brown	R Herridge/ S Vanderbyl	Subaru Legacy
1992	Cleanaway Rally Qld	Errol Bailey	N Bates/ R Horsley	Toyota Celica
1993	Yokohama Rally Qld	Errol Bailey	P Bourne/ R Freeth	Subaru Legacy
1994	Yokohama Rally Qld	Errol Bailey	N Bates/ C Taylor	Toyota Celica GT4
1995	Yokohama Rally Qld	Errol Bailey	N Bates/ C Taylor	Toyota Celica GT4
1996	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	N Bates/ C Taylor	Toyota Celica GT4
1997	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	P Bourne/ C Vincent	Subaru Impreza
1998	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	P Bourne/ C Vincent	Subaru WRX
1999	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	P Bourne/ C Vincent & N Bates/ C Taylor	Subaru WRC & Corolla WRC
2000	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	P Bourne/ M Stacey & N Bates/ C Taylor	Subaru WRC & Corolla WRC
2001	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	P Bourne/ C Vincent	Subaru WRC
2002	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	P Bourne/ M Stacey & N Bates/ C Taylor	Subaru WRX
2003	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	C Crocker/ G Foletta	Subaru WRX
2004	Falken Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	C Atkinson/ B Atkinson	Subaru WRX
2005	coates Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	C Crocker/ G Foletta	Subaru WRX
2006	coates Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	S Evans/ S Evans	Toyota Corolla
2007	coates Rally Queensland	Errol Bailey	S Evans/ S Evans	Toyota Corolla



## Brisbane Sporting Car Club Ltd Calendar of events for 2008

### Club nights for 2008

May 14<sup>th</sup> (Night 1 of Co- driver and pace Note school, BSCC clubrooms)

June 11<sup>th</sup>

July 9<sup>th</sup>

August 13<sup>th</sup>

September 10<sup>th</sup>

October 8<sup>th</sup>

November 12<sup>th</sup>

December 10<sup>th</sup>

### Co-Driver and Pace note school

14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> May, BSCC Clubrooms, Ph 3846 0233 booking essential.

### KCF Short Course Rallies

May 31<sup>st</sup> Round 2 Benarkin

December 6<sup>th</sup> Round 3 Gallangowan

### Rallies

\* June 20-22 -coates Rally Queensland – Round 3 of Australian Championship and round 3 & 4 of Queensland Championship.

\* August 2<sup>nd</sup>- Jimna – Philcomm QRC & Clubman.

\* November 8<sup>th</sup>- Cooloola - QRC & Clubman.

\* December 6<sup>th</sup> –Gallangowan- Goodyear Autocare Sumner Park Rally Clubman.

### Touring Events

\* June 20<sup>th</sup> - Fulcrum Suspension Coastal Challenge.

\* August 30<sup>th</sup> - Queensland Challenge, round of Interclub Challenge.

### Motorkhana

TBC – Queensland Motorkhana Series, Beenleigh.

### Off Road Event

October 18-19<sup>th</sup> - Albins Off Road - Goondiwindi

# Interior Sound Deadening/Tar Removal Made Easy - Part 1

By Gideon Street

One of the joys of building your own race/rally car is that from start to finish you control what happens and you can customise the car to your requirements. No matter how much work you put into a pre-built car, I found that there's always something that you'd do differently if you could start from scratch. Of all the hours, blood, sweat, tears and bucket loads of cash needed to turn a road car into a race car, the one job I wasn't looking forward to was removing the sound deadening from the interior.

Prior to attacking the project I spent time talking to people, combing the depths of race and rally forums trying to find that one golden nugget of information that could save me the dreaded hours I'd have to spend inside the car with sharp tools and nose destroying chemicals. And find it I did; Dry Ice. Those little pellets of beer chilling goodness we all know and love from extended camping holidays. They sure keep your beverage of choice at a rather thirst quenching temperature; but as I discovered that's not all they're good for!!!

First you start out with a standard road car (a Peugeot 306 S16 in this case) and get all the road car sensible stuff out and you're left with a floor pan covered in tar.

Wander down to your local welding shop and get about 10 kilo of dry ice pellets (my nearest store was the local BOC), remember to take an esky, lined with newspaper helps to keep them from disappearing on the trip home.

Once at home, don the relevant safety equipment and then spread a layer of the dry ice pellets over the offending weighty material, doesn't have to be piled on but enough to cover the floor two or so pellets deep.



Leave the pellets on the sound deadening for 10 – 15 minutes; you should hear crackling and popping as the tar freezes. Have a cup of coffee, and wonder why all your friends hate removing their sound deadening as it doesn't appear to be that strenuous a task.

Now comes the fun bit, when the tar is nice and cold, remove the pellets, grab a rubber mallet and have at it.

Note: Eye protection is advised, I covered the tar with an old shirt so bits wouldn't hit me in the face but goggles wouldn't go astray, also ensure your feet are adequately protected.



Continue usage of rubber mallet until most bits are loose. Clear out the chunks and then put the dry ice back on the last few bits. Grab another coffee, if so inclined, and wander into the shed to find a large flat bladed screwdriver. With screwdriver in hand, return to the car, remove the pellets and pry up the last remaining pieces of the semi-frozen tar.

**(Part 2 next month)**

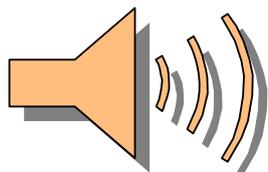




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# NEWSLETTER

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## THE COUNT DOWN HAS BEGUN..... ONLY 10 WEEKS TO GO!

Everything is on schedule for a spectacular event with the Pacific Ford Shootout on Friday night at the Nambour Showground and the Noosa Hill Climb on the Saturday night. Never before has there been as much action for spectators and accessibility for volunteer officials. So make your plans and have your family and friends enjoy the sport you love.

Don't forget the Officials' Training Weekend to be held in conjunction with the second round of the KCF Short Course Rally Series at Benarkin. If you've not yet been in contact with your Stage Commander to advise of your attendance please call Berenice at BSCC on 3846 0233. There's nothing like a live event to get the brain cells flowing!

A few pointers:

- ✓ starts 8.30 am Saturday May 31
- ✓ 1.5 hrs introductory training on stage procedures, stage layout, timing procedures etc
- ✓ Rest of the day spent on live stages with the assistance of experienced stage officials
- ✓ If numbers allow intention is to rotate thru stop, start and SOS positions
- ✓ Expected to finish by 6pm
- ✓ BBQ dinner will be provided so please let Peter know you're coming so we can count you in
- ✓ Camping is available at the school from 4pm Fri (Parc Ferme area to be clear)
- ✓ Bring hat, sunscreen, water and food for several hours in the bush, pen, CAMS licence and folding chair
- ✓ Questions? Please contact Peter pflynn@relianceworldwide.com.au

This year Rally QLD will have a stand at the Sunshine Coast Show. There will be a static display of several rally cars covering the broad spectrum of competitive vehicles. For the first time in a number of years we will also have merchandise for sale. So come on over and show your family and friends what it is all about!



Does anyone have any ideas for Goodies Bags this year? We are looking For donations and volunteers to distribute them to the hardworking Officials in the field. If you would like your business promoted or know of any that do and have appropriate freebies please call Berenice.



## EXCITING NEWS FOR THE ARC!

Toyota has reconfirmed its involvement with the ARC with at least 4 separate vehicles scheduled to run – at this stage two \$2000's, driven by defending Champions Simon and Sue Evans and teammates Neal Bates and Coral Taylor, and two Group N(P) vehicles are entering - one driven by our own Stewart Reid!

AND CONGRATULATIONS TO NEAL AND CORAL WHO TOOK OUT THE FIRST ROUND OF THE ARC IN PERTH



You think we've got it bad with fuel prices? Under an agreement with Shell the front-running ARC teams will be paying \$5.17 per litre for racing fuel! And that is 83 cents per litre cheaper than last year!

### AND WITH FORD OUT OF THE ARC WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE DRIVERS?

*Michael Guest* will be back driving for Les Walkden Rallying in a Subaru

*Darren Windus* will be back in his own Subaru

### And don't forget the all-important registration so you can be a part of a memorable Rally Q



Registration forms can be completed and forwarded direct to Brad per the details on the form or they can be lodged online at <http://www.bscc.asn.au/RallyQld2008.htm>. Please register as soon as possible to ensure you receive your T-Shirt and don't forget to list your coates Rally Queensland experience (dates and roles) to be eligible for the service awards

#### Positions Vacant

Accommodation Officer  
Equipment Officer  
Quartermaster/Storeman

Position Descriptions are available. Please contact Berenice at BSCC if you're interested. We need you!

## Take 5

(a new article with 5 brief facts about one of our key officials. This edition the lucky official is....)

### **Tony Kabel**

Started in Rallying 1977 driving a Mazda 600

First roll over was the next year in his Mazda 1300 on his way to pick up navigator Bruce Fullerton for the event Tony's last rally car was a Suzuki Baleno Wagon! That quite often featured in the outright results and nearly won the Qld Rally Championship

Tony is married to the lovely Robyn and they have two daughters.

Tony's favourite pastime away from Rallying is spending time with his daughters

Tony is now one of our volunteer stage commanders

That's it for this edition folks. Until next time "Take care out there".

*Annette*

Annette Dragona, Newsletter Editor

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**MT STUART SPRINT TARMAC RALLY**  
**2008**  
**Twin Cities Autosports Club Inc.**

The **2008 Mt. Stuart Sprint Tarmac Rally** will be held **over two days** in Townsville on the Queens Birthday long weekend 2008.

- Mandatory Reconnaissance of the course along with Shakedown and Stages 1-2 Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June and Six stages Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June
- Entries are open to Drivers and Navigators who are members of CAMS affiliated clubs and who hold a CAMS National Rally Licence.
- Only Road registered Rally cars (with CAMS Log Book) complying with Tarmac Rally Regulations and CAMS Manual of Motor Sport will be eligible.
- Full Tarmac Rally apparel for both crew.



**For details contact Ron White - 0438 710 262**  
**OR Wendy Hickey - 0418 254 401**



## **IAIN STEWART'S PACE NOTE AND CO-DRIVING SCHOOL FOR 2008**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008  
1900 for 1930 start at BSCC Clubrooms  
1-206 Montague Rd  
West End.**

**All interested Co-Drivers and Drivers are welcome to come along and learn from Iain Stewart and Chris Murphy the best in the business.**

**Iain and Chris will cover many of the basics that will get you on the road to becoming a professional Co-Driver. These nights are designed for co-drivers and drivers in gravel rally, tarmac rally and off road events.**

- **Time control procedures**
- **Understanding the road book**
- **A-A Timing**
- **Scrutineering**
- **Paperwork before and during the event**
- **Managing the rally day**
- **Pace Notes**
- **Many more advanced topics to help you get the most out of your Rallying.**

**Bring pen, note paper and your driver will benefit from Iain and Chris' vast experiences.**

**Places are limited so you must book, call Berenice at BSCC on 3846 0233.**



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three bedroom, 2 bath-  
room apartment, with  
one queen sized bed, 2  
single size beds and  
two single size beds.  
Austar, full kitchen, din-  
ing and lounge area.  
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occupancy 6 guests.



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## City Subaru Queensland Rally Championship Newsletter

Autumn 2008



### QLD Clubman Series Winner to receive \$1,000 of BP ULTIMATE !

**BP Ultimate** is the company's performance fuel which offers better engine cleanliness, power and acceleration and is the fuel of choice for rally competitors looking for maximum performance from their vehicles.

BP is a long-time supporter of rallying in Australia, and will be remembered as the major sponsor of the Australian Rally Championship in the halcyon days of the early 1990's.

BP Ultimate has thrown its support behind grass roots rallying in Queensland with a proposal to become a major supporter of the 2008 City Subaru Clubman Rally Series.

*The overall winner of the 2008 series will receive \$1,000 worth of BP Ultimate fuel.*

As a further incentive for each round of the series, the second-placed competitor in each class will receive a \$50.00 fuel voucher.

The Clubman series is open to P1, P2, P3, P4 and P6 classes and will be run over 4 Rounds in 2008.

Please note that only registered Clubman competitors will be eligible for the BP awards, and each competitor will need to carry two BP Ultimate stickers on their vehicle for the duration of the series.

To register for the series contact the CAMS office on (07) 3368 2911 or visit the 'QLD' page on the CAMS web site.

This generous gesture by BP is a firm sign of support for the development level of the sport.



### **Rookie of the Year??**

The Queensland Rally Advisory Panel has recognised that there are many young people becoming involved in the sport at all levels.

The thrill of rallying is still an attraction for many, partially because of the success of the Australian Rally Championship in recent years along with the WRC being shown regularly on free-to-air tv.

There are rally people who are making successful names for themselves in local and international rallying and many of them happen to come from sunny Queensland – just look at Chris Atkinson, Ben Atkinson, Chris Murphy, Anthony McLoughlin to name but a few.

In an effort to recognise some of the abundant talent, the QRAP is considering the implementation of a ‘Rookie of the Year’ award.

To properly recognise the outstanding efforts of a single individual, many things need to be taken into account including his/her performance in events, reliability, professional appearance and approach – and of course, their potential for growth in the sport and evolution through its different levels. Feedback from competitors would be appreciated in terms of the value of such an award, along with any offers of support from local businesses or supporters who wish to contribute to a ‘prize pool’.

Please contact QRAP Chairman Margot Knowles if you have comments to offer.

### **Points validation for championship eligibility**

It is critical to remember that competitors must register for the championships for which they wish to accumulate points – whether it’s the QRC, Clubman Rally Series, Gemini Challenge or the Pocket-Rockets.

This process has been in place for many years, and it is still the same.

Forms are generally available to be downloaded from the CAMS website and enquiries should initially be directed to the CAMS office here in Brisbane.

Even more importantly is the need to carry out your volunteer duties in an event during the season and have that attendance signed off by the Clerk-of-Course.

This small amount of work validates your ‘bona-fides’ as a point-scorer and ensures that you will be considered in the final tallies for championship winners.

### **Mentors wanted**

While recognising the number of young people considering joining the sport of rallying, the Queensland Rally Advisory Panel also notes that some newcomers are just that.....venturing into a sport where they have no background at all, but a strong desire to challenge their skills behind the wheel in a forest.

Its been considered that a panel of ‘mentors’ would be very valuable to provide guidance and an insight to what rallying is really all about – both in competition and behind the scenes.

If you are an ‘experienced’ competitor who is willing to offer some time to the cause, please speak to the QRAP Chairman Margot Knowles.

There are no hard and fast rules about being a ‘mentor’. You may wish to meet up with your nominated charge, and talk through personal experiences and give advice on how certain things can be done.

### **Date changes – Border Ranges Rally**

Although old news now, the opening round of the 2008 Queensland Rally Championship has been postponed from its original date in early April to a new date later in the year.

The recent high rainfall and flooding in the regional areas of Northern NSW created havoc, not necessarily with the intended rally roads, but more seriously with the fantastic Urbenville Showgrounds where the rally HQ was located and the rally based.

The Gold Coast Tweed Motorsporting Club had no option but to request the date change, and although the QRC season start is now delayed to June (coates Rally Queensland) the end result will be a much better event for all concerned.

For those who had pencilled in the ‘Rally of Classics’ at Willowbank for that day, there are further discussions underway at the moment to see if that innovative event can continue on another date, perhaps under the organisation guidance of another club.

Stay tuned for further announcements.

### **Website**

The Queensland Rally Advisory Panel has managed to encourage the involvement of one of our rally competitors into the formation of a QRC website.

Kent Lawrence is well experienced in the construction of web pages and sites and has been hard at work to get a Queensland Rallying website up and running.

While it is early days yet, the website will continue to develop and eventually it is hoped to be a one-stop shop for information relating to rallying in Queensland, the clubs and the personalities involved.

Thanks must go to Kent for his willingness to become involved, and stay tuned for more information.

### **Consolidation of 2009 Events – WRC Year**

With 2009 now confirmed as the first year that the Australian round of the World Rally Championship will be run here in the eastern states, it is undoubted that the resources in the Sunshine State will be stretched.

In addition, there will be many people who will want to be involved in the event – either as officials, competitors or spectators and interested hangers-on.

We need to remember that in addition to the major WRC event, we will still have a number of championships to run and all other events in between.

Therefore, the Rally Advisory Panel is inviting feedback from organising clubs in an effort to perhaps consolidate the Queensland Rally Championship into a more manageable number of quality events that may make it easier for all concerned.

### **Invitation to QRAP Meetings**

The monthly meeting of the Queensland Rally Advisory Panel is not a completely ‘closed-shop’.

If you have a point of concern or an observation that you’d like to share with the panel members, please feel free to contact the Chairman Margot Knowles and request an invitation to the next available meeting.

Meetings are usually held on the second Monday night of the month at the CAMS office at ‘Sports House’, Milton Q4064.

## Alliance Airlines back Fullerton's 2 Car Team

Bruce Fullerton took great pleasure this week in announcing that Alliance Airlines have decided to back both the Full-On Rallysport team of Bruce Fullerton and Hugh Reardon-Smith and the brother and sister team, Ryan and Rebecca Smart, for the 2008 rally season. Both teams run under the Fullerton Financial Services banner in Evo 6 Lancers and will be competing together for the first time at the 2008 Rally of Canberra. The Alli-



ance Airlines backed cars will be entered in the Premier League at the Rally of Canberra, limiting the teams to 12 tyres and pump fuel for the event. Bruce said that the support of Alliance Airlines is a major boost for both crews. "This backing shows faith in the results both teams have achieved" said Bruce. "Full-On Rallysport was ultra competitive in the 2007 rally.com Challenge, being in the equal lead going into the final round, and Ryan and Rebecca debuted their Evo 6 with a fine 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the first KCF Rallysprint of the 2008 season". Alliance Airlines are the pre-eminent fly-in fly-out charter operator in Australia specialising in operations on behalf of the resource sector. Their headquarters are in Brisbane with major bases in Adelaide, Perth and Townsville. Alliance use the Fokker 100 Twinjet and the Fokker 50.

At a recent promotional day, directors of Alliance Airlines were able to sample the power of the Evo 6's they are sponsoring, when Bruce and Ryan took them for runs in the cars prior to final preparations for the Rally of Canberra. Keep an eye out for both Alliance Airlines backed Evo 6's as they compete around the nation's capital in the upcoming Rally of Canberra.

## THE KILCOY ROAD RALLY

The Northern Districts Sporting Car Club ran their Kilcoy Road Rally on Saturday 26 April. Clerk of Course was Peter Stringfellow ably assisted by Peter Junior as Event Secretary.

The Event was a Round of the Interclub Challenge Series which is basically a series of club – type motor sport events at which teams from different Clubs compete for points throughout the year. This year the Series is being sponsored by Hornbrook Motorsport. Eighteen entries were received and BSCC was represented by Richard Chaseling and John Keen, who were in a Holden Ute as Richard has recently sold his Peugeot and did not have his replacement vehicle ready. Tony Best navigated for Brant Rayment from the MG Club who had borrowed Pat Kennedy's Genimi. Fortunately this team was able to score points for both BSCC and the MG Club. Keith Morris had entered as navigator for Mal Spiden but was unable to compete due to his wife's illness. { Fortunately she has since made a good recovery. }

The event started from Strathpine and the morning run consisted of two fairly tricky navigation sections and three motorhanna tests. A wide variety of different types of Route Instructions were used. After the lunch break at Kilcoy there was a parking test and a long navigation section back to Kilcoy. The final Special Test was a timed competition of ten laps of the Kilcoy Slot Car Racing Track, something a bit unusual but enjoyed by all competitors. The winners of the event were Jonathan Mc Cowan and Simon Grounds in a Subaru WRX from the WRX Club. Richard Chaseling and John Keen finished in second place while Brant Rayment and Tony Best finished seventh. Everybody appeared to enjoy the event and the day was concluded with drinks and snacks at the Kilcoy Pub. Results were calculated and trophies presented within an hour of the finish of the event.



Dick Owen would be pleased to know that Peugeot 504s are still used as taxis in Cairo.....

# The King of Africa

(Media Release)

The Spanish Press acclaimed it as “The King of Africa” on its maiden European Rally victory – and now its roar will be heard in the forests of Australia as part of the Australian Rally Championship: Australia’s first, and at this stage only, FIA Homologated Super 2000 Rally Car – the all conquering VW Polo S2000. Built and Developed by VW Racing South Africa, this ex-Works Polo comes to our shores fully rebuilt and fresh from Victory in the 2007 South African Rally Championship where, in the hands of 2007 South African Rally Champion Jannie Habig, it regularly dominated over the local Toyota Corollas, Subaru STi’s and Evo Lancers.

Powered by a Lehmann Built normally aspirated 2.0ltr engine, developing 273+ HP at 8,500RPM, its drive is generated through all four wheels via a SADEV 6 Speed Sequential Gearbox – a control element common to all S2000 cars.

Queensland business owner , Marius Swart has imported the vehicle after prolonged negotiations with the South African VW Works Team that commenced in April last Year. He was able to finally clinch the deal, to bring The King of Africa down under, late in November. Now, after a full refurbishment the car has been delivered to Swart’s Brisbane based workshop in anticipation of a Maximum Attack on the Australian Rally Championship, beginning at the Rally of Canberra in May.

Rally of Canberra will be the cars’ first event and Swart, along with Co-Driver Gerard McConkey, is working hard at putting the new team – OZ2000 Rallyesport - and budget together for the full ARC season. Swart today emphasized his enthusiasm for the car and its potential while talking about his plans.

“There is a very exciting year ahead of both Gerard and myself,” said Swart. “The design principals and build quality of the Polo is absolutely world class and we can’t wait for the first event, to get on with it. “We hope to put together decent sponsorship to enable us to mix it with the big boys but come what may, we will give it our best shot.

“Still, I have to familiarise myself with the Polo and how it behaves, but having come through the ranks of RWD , N2 FWD and N4 AWD in the tough South African Rally Scene, I am confident

I will come to grips with it fairly quickly and should be able to drive it to its full potential; as much as a true privateer can afford to do.

“The pedigree of this VW Polo S2000 shows that it has Event and Championship winning capability – it is now up to us to prove it,” he continued.

Team OZ2000 Rallyesport is currently engaged in rigorous pre-event testing and promotional activity with interest in the VW Polo S2000 already huge. A dedicated group of fans and admirers have already started to grow and they are about to become known as the ‘OZ2000 Polo Club’ as Corporate and local financial backing comes to fruition. Swart is urging all motor sport fans to come and spectate at the Australian Rally Championship events and experience first hand the mighty roar of The King of Africa!!



## RACQ MOTORFEST helpers required

To be held on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June at the spacious new venue Eagle Farm Race Course 930am-230pm. Helpers are required to help traffic control and parking cars in display areas. The Motorfest has grown to one of the largest gatherings of over 600 classic, veteran and vintage, restored cars, commercial and specialty vehicles and Motorcycles held in Brisbane and will be a bigger and better event in 2008.

If you wish to display your vehicle register online at [racq.com/motorfest](http://racq.com/motorfest) or call 3872 8696.

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The role allows for the successful applicant to work from home for approximately four hours per week.

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For further information, please contact Rallycorp Operations Coordinator Chris Chrystiuk on (03) 9593 7767 or via [chris@rally.com.au](mailto:chris@rally.com.au)



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