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MEMBERSHIP FEE: Membership fee is only \$5.00 per year.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

JUNE

Wednesday, 5thNight Run
Wednesday, 12th.....Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 19th..... Trial Briefing
Sunday, 23rd.....Championship Trial No.4
Wednesday, 26th.....Night Run
Sunday, 30th.....Closed Races

JULY

Wednesday, 3rd.....Night Run
Sunday, 7th.....Mudscramble (I.W.M.A.C.)
Sunday, 14th.....Sprint Meeting (Q.M.S.C.)

COMING EVENTS IN DETAIL

Wednesday, 5th June:- A night run will be held on this evening. The usual equipment of map-board, pencil, light, street directory and boundless knowledge of Brisbane will be required.

Also Charlie Blake will be staging the final draw of the Club's Silver Circle competition. This has proved quite a money spinner for the Club and Chas. is to be commended for his work. If you have not yet won a prize, don't give up - the \$30.00 may yet be yours.

Wednesday, 12th June:- A committee meeting will be held at the usual venue, Stones Corner Motors, commencing at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, 19th June:- Trials time again, boys. The briefing for the next Round of the Queensland Championship Trials series the Amoco Winter Rally, will be conducted. After the Briefing, films will be shown. Do not forget, entries will close on the night but don't leave if until then, competitors, ENTER NOW.

Sunday, 23rd June:- The Amoco Winter Trial will start very early in the morning from the Amoco Service Station, Cnr. Croyden & Jephson Sts., Toowong and will finish at this same station. Dave Iather and Charlie Blake are the organisers of this event. Supplementary Regulations are now available. Though the organisers aren't giving much information away in the Regulations, they're promised a "fairly easy" event.

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Competitors welcome such assurance from the organisers, as previous events this year have been quite a test of crews' ability.

Control officials are, of course, required for this event so if you aren't competing and can make your time available please contact the organisers of the Secretary.

Wednesday, 26th June:- John Connell is planning the Night Run for this evening. He is an old hand at this type of thing so it should be an interesting run, probable on the south side of the city.

Sunday, 30th June:- Another closed Race meeting will be held at Lakeside circuit on this day. The Q.M.S.C. are the organising Club. This type of event is becoming increasingly popular with all, so, you aspiring Norm.Beecheys, don't forget, the 30th June - LAKESIDE.

Wednesday, 3rd July:- Another night run with the organisers to be selected at the next committee meeting. Don't forget, members, if you have a night run planned or would like to set one, don't hesitate to see Ray Luckhurst, or any of the committee members, who will give you any assistance you may need.

Sunday, 7th July:- Something a little different from the race meeting this time - A Mudscramble at College's Crossing, organised by the Ipswich, West Moreton Club. To make sure the course is up to scratch, the Ipswich boys plough it up and pump water over it for 24 hours.

FURTHER DETAILS OF EVENTS IN JULY WILL BE GIVEN IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER. BE WATCHING.

CONTROL OFFICIALS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE AMOCO WINTER RALLY ON

23rd JUNE.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:-

Dear Members,

This month, Dave Iather and Charlie Blake will be organising the Amoco Winter Rally, a one-day event. Amoco and the co-sponsors (Redex and our Club) are providing considerable amounts of prizemoney and trophies, which will be shared by at least eleven crews. This should be an interesting event and I'd like to see strong support by our members as both competitors and officials.

During the past month, night runs have been popular with members, but unfortunately it is being left to too few members to organise these events. New organisers are invited to set out a run, and, if possible, introduce some new ideas that they think other members might enjoy.

RAY LUCKHURST (PRES.)

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

* John Connell's wife Jan, gave birth to a daughter, Tracey Doreen, on 27th May. A sister for their two boys. Congratulations John and Jan.

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* Congratulations also due to Brian Gemmell and Wendy Heath, who have announced their engagement.

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* Regular night-runner Brian Mills was married a few weeks ago, and is still allowed out on a Wednesday night to compete. Best wishes for the future to Brian and his wife.

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* Ray Luckhurst and Les Barron competing in the Rothmans' "Snowy" on the 8th, 9th and 10th June.

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PAST EVENTS

NIGHT RUN

Wednesday, 24th April

Peter Wickham was the man mainly responsible for this run, which included a bit of tricky navigation to get the control in the right direction.

The run resulted in a win by Ray Luckhurst and Les Barron from Brian Gemmell and Wendy Heath, with Bob Thiesfield and Col. Vaughan filling third place.

NIGHT RUN

Wednesday, 1st May

This run was organised by George Briner and resulted in a win by two teams comprised of Col Carlsson, Sandra Freeman, A. Budsworth and K. Jensen.

Brian Gemmell and Wendy Heath again filled second place whilst consistent performers Laurie and Hilary Garth gained third place.

NIGHT RUN

Wednesday, 8th May

The third night run in a row - and judging by the results was again one for the more experienced crews.

Placings were:-

1. Brian Gemmell/ Wendy Heath
2. Ray Luckhurst/ Les Barron
3. Dave Lather/ Peter Hines

Dave gave his new Datson 1600 it's first night run on this evening.

NIGHT RUN

Wednesday, 22nd May

Les Moore and Frank Harkness set a run in the Oxley-Coopers' Plains - Salisbury area which kept crews on their

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tees. In this event the Luckhurst/Barron and Gemmell/Heath teams shared the win, with Dave Lather and Gary Knudsen taking second place and the D. Roberts/G. Offord team filling third place.

SPRINT MEETING AND CRICKET MATCH

SUNDAY, 26th May

Two events were open to members on this day - a Q.M.S.C. organised sprint meeting at Lakeside and an I.W.M.A.C. organised cricket match at Ipswich.

Members at the sprints had two attempts at the standing quarter and two laps of the track to record two flying quarters, one standing lap and one flying lap.

Best standing quarter was 14.5 secs. by Mrs. A. Thompson in a Lotus 15, just ahead of Ray Jorgensen on 14.6 secs. The 20 second mark was broken by Graham Hunter (18.3) in his Cortina GT, John Connell (19.4) in his Holden 186 and Ivan Holmes (19.5) in his Anglia.

Les Hillberg's time was .1 seconds over the 20, whilst Lloyd Robertson (VW) and Hank Kabel achieved 20.5 secs.

The standard Mini of Bruce Dalziel proved too good for other standard Minis with times of 22.2 for the standing quarter, and 1.39.2 and 1.29.6 for the standing and flying laps. Greg Heath's Anglia turned in times of 21.6, 1.39.0 and 1.27.5, whilst Peter Snell's Mini with an extra carby and "widies" got 22.1, 1.36.9 and 1.27.5.

Ray Jorgensen achieved the fastest standing lap with 1.15.0 and the fastest flying quarter with 9.2 secs.

Well, the Club may have some rally competitors, gymkhana drivers and night-runners, but what we haven't got is cricketers. The Club was unable to field a team to meet the challenge from I.W.M.A.C. and Ipswich can

PAST EVENTS (continued)

claim an outright win in this match.

CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL NO. 3.4th & 5th May"THE QUEENSLAND TIMES 300"

This event was organised by Byron and Keith Self of the Ipswich West Moreton Auto Club. It was an all-night trial of three divisions with re-fuelling breaks at Warwick. It certainly maintained the Ipswich Club's reputation for setting difficult navigational events with some fast and very rough sections.

Early sections saw many competitors going every, which way in the Mt. Forbes, Limestone Ridges, Coulson area. Navigation-wise, this must be the most difficult trials' country in Queensland. Leading cars at Dugandan included Errol Bognuda (22), Gary Knudsen (42), Lloyd Robertson (52) and John Connell (61)

After Dugandan, competitors headed south to Carney's Crk., in the foothills of the MacPherson Range and then across the rough Teviot Crk. crossings to the steep climb up to the Condamine Heads and Killarney. This road has not been used in trials for many years and all competitors found the going rugged. Best of this section were Errol Bognuda-Peter Hines (179 Holden) and Lloyd Robertson-Brian Gemmell (V.W.) each with a loss of 11 points. Just for good measure, Lloyd also collected a small guide post! Next best on 12 was Gary Knudsen who was giving his new Falcon its first run.

At the first refuelling break at Warwick, the order was Bognuda (43), Knudsen (50), Robertson (74), Connell (107), and the Willys Motors Fiat 124 of Joe Vasta and Bob Lindsay (111). Joe was slowed only a little on the run up the Head with a very flat tyre. He wondered why the handling was slightly astray.

Division 2 saw cars on a loop through the area north-west of Warwick, then to a long section with many gates to Dalveen and back to Warwick. All cars lost many points on this division

"THE QUEENSLAND TIMES 300" (continued)

with every competitor losing at least 25 points at the end of the first section. The navigation was far too difficult. The run to Dalveen was little better with only Bognuda and Robertson on 12 and 20 points respectively having any success at all.

At Warwick once more, crews were able to enjoy a cup of coffee and the warmth of the heated cafe with the usual, sometimes heated, discussions! Ray Luckhurst and Les Barron in the Toyota Corolla had put in a good run in division 2 to lose 66 points but the Bognuda - Hines Holden had gone further to the lead, losing only 41 points on what was a very difficult division.

The last division back to Ipswich (**the finish**) was much easier with the exception of a very rough section over Spicer's Gap. This road has deteriorated badly in the last couple of years until it is now virtually impassable (or should be). Most cars suffered damage of one kind or another on the creek crossings and rocky outcrops. Lloyd Robertson had the big beetle really motoring to lose only 10 points on the division, just few enough to bring him into second place ahead of the Gary Knudsen/Bob Dances Falcon, who had some trouble on Spicers. Meanwhile, Errol Bognuda and Peter Hines maintained their overall lead and went on to a very convincing win in what was a very tough trial.

RESULTS.

COMPETITION.

1. E. Bognuda	P. Hines Holden	98
2. VW Motors/L. Robertson	B. Gemmell VW	154
3. G. Knudsen	R. Dancer Falcon	159
4. J. Connell	J. Wall Holden	213
5. Farsley Motors/ R. Luckhurst	L. Barron Corolla	261
6. Willys Motors/ J. Vasta	R. Lindsay Fiat	277

" THE QUEENSLAND TIMES 300" (continued)TOURING

1. R. Basons Auto		
Electrical. R. Bason	T. Gillespie	203
2. Swift Motors/G. Briner	C. Blake	238
3. F. Shaw	H. Bate	263
4. J. Baxter	-	313
5. W. Kippen	L. Garth	429
6. J. Daddow	R. Stubbs	431

SILVER CIRCLE NUMBERS

The following list shows numbers so far drawn in the Silver Circle Competition.

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>FIRST</u>	<u>SECOND</u>	<u>THIRD</u>
1	136	86	111
2	197	127	193
3	117	52	43
4	102	122	196
5	62	139	195
6	51	118	117
7	26	20	114
8	32	24	51
9	19	186	161

Tenth and final draw on Wednesday, 5th June Many thanks to all those who helped make this competition a success.

"SALUTE TO A CHAMPION"

It is with sincere regret that we record the death of the great Jim Clark. Members will be aware that since our 1st newsletter Jim lost his life in an accident at Hockenheim. Little detail is known of the circumstances of the accident or whether the use of a seat belt would have changed the unfortunate result.

Clark's achievements eclipsed the efforts of even Juan Manuel Fangio. Twice World Champion Driver (1963 and 1965) he won more Grand Prix Events than any other driver before him, and added the Indianapolis 500 to his achievements in 1965.

The sport lost a great man.

DON'T FORGET:

Car Badges (metal and transfers), Pocket insignias, and Club shirts may be obtained by members at a very reasonable cost. Please contact the Secretary.

QUEENSLAND RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP 1968

Clubmember, Lloyd Robertson, driving a VW1600 beetle, has taken an early lead in the 1968 Queensland Rally Championship. Lloyd, navigated by Brian Gemmell has scored 26 points in the three events conducted so far.

The Queensland Rally Championship is awarded to the highest points scorer in six of nine championship events.

Close behind the Robertson/Gemmell team are John Connell/John Wall (21 points) and Ray Luckhurst/Les Barron (20 points). Also on 20 points is Peter Hines. Greg Sked at present holds 15 points from three events and Joe Vasta/Bob Lindsay team has 13 points.

Details of the points earned so far as follows:-

<u>Drivers</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Navigators</u>	<u>Points</u>
M. Chapman	10	P. Hines	20
L. Robertson	26	B. Gemmell	26
J. Vasta	13	B. Lindsay	13
J. Connell	21	J. Wall	21
N. Ross	6	G. Standfast	6
R. Luckhurst	20	L. Barron	20
L. Moore	4	J. Carr	4
P. Wickham	9	R. Wickham	3
B. Trapp	2	B. Miller	2
J. Read	11	G. Sked	15
B. Self	5	R. Dancer	8
E. Bognuda	10	A. Byrne	3
G. Knudsen	8	D. Kelly	2
H. Kabel	4		
E. Thomas	3		
I. Holmes	2		

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS NOW AVAILABLE FOR RALLY ON 23rd JUNE.

ORGANISATION OF THE 1968 CASTROL SAFETY DRIVE FOR DRIVERS UNDER 25

IS UNDER WAY. THIS YEAR, STATE FINALS WILL BE THE LAST EVENT. i.e.

THERE WILL BE NO AUSTRALIAN FINAL IN SYDNEY.

NIGHT RUN POINTS

The following list shows Night Run points up to 29th May, but excluding run of 3rd April.

L. Barron	48 points	L. Smith	14 points
R. Luckhurst	46 "	S. Gillespie	14 "
C. Blake	39 "	A. Budworth	14 "
L. Garth	35 "	G. Sked	13 "
H. Garth	35 "	C. Vaughan	13 "
G. Briner	31 "	R. Westacott	11 "
A. Reason	30 "	R. Dancer	10 "
J. Read	30 "	I. Holmes	9 "
R. Dawkins	26 "	P. Wickham	9 "
B. Mills	25 "	G. Offord	9 "
A. Allen-Ankins	24 "	D. Roberts	9 "
J. Connell	22 "	F. Harkness	8 "
L. Moore	22 "	R. Williamson	7 "
J. Wall	21 "	M. Chapman	7 "
B. Gemmell	19 "	G. Heath	7 "
J. Carr	18 "	R. Heath	6 "
G. Blower	17 "	C. Coulson	5 "
H. Kabel	17 "	G. Knudsen	5 "
D. Lather	17 "	D. Bright	4 "
B. Dalziel	16 "	G. Collum	2 "
L. Robertson	15 "	L. Hillberg	1 "
P. Hines	15 "	G. Hunter	1 "
R. Gillespie	15 "	N. Sharman	1 "
N. Johnson	15 "	K. Freney	1 "
R. Johnson	14 "		

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