

BRISBANE SPORTING CAR CLUB

Time to get the Christmas light up...





Hi Everyone and welcome to December, the "Christmas" month, a time when we enjoy coming together as a family, reflect on the year we have had and look forward to the year ahead. To that end, my piece to you this month will follow that theme.

2021 has been a better year for the BSCC than 2020 when we were in the worst of our COVID dramas but it wasn't without it's starts, stops and re-starts. Like many, we've been lucky and unlucky as well. After the **Future Autos Wynnum Test and Tune** in February, it wasn't until late May could we return to the forests when the BSCC rejoined



the Australian Rally Championship by running the **Accent Benchtops Rally Queensland** under the leadership of Brian Everitt. Brian and the team made the seemingly impossible possible by taking a standing start with a blank page and produced what turned out to be the year's highlight on not just our 2021 calendar, but one of the highlights of the rally year in Australia. Moving to a new location and engaging the township of Gympie was



brilliant and the mayor of Gympie, Glen Hartwig, should also share the accolades for opening the doors

of the region and providing support some in other states would envy. However, the event and all those who took part, enjoyed this because Glenn Brinkman (Accent Benchtops), Russell Hewitt (P3 Solutions), Clay Badenoch (Baden Civil), Damien Emery (Emery Engineering & Electrical), Nick Ashwin (NA Autotune & Engineering), Australian Institute of Motorsport Safety (Crashtag), Phil Thomas (Lock & Load Transport Systems)

and Duncan Cooper (Gympie Motor Group) all partnered with the BSCC to make this great rally possible. It simply would not have happened without them.

Peter Flynn again did a magnificent job with the **KCF Winter Stages** Short Course event at Benarkin. This event has grown into one of the clubs must do rallies. It is fun, the roads are always fantastic and the hosts at the Benarkin State School are very welcoming. Because of these features, it has become the ideal option for those early in their rally careers to have a go at the sport and for



those more experienced, a great way to dust off the toy and have some fun. Being a pace noted format, it is also ideal practice for our ARC round.



Imbil did its best to challenge everyone as usual at the Globe Roamer II Imbil Rally and notwithstanding the odd foible on the day, I'm told by those who competed that on the whole, it was a good event. The roads were good, the facilities superb and even the weather was kind to us. I think it was also a reminder that it is important to focus on the good things in life.

On the not so good part, we had to finally give up on the **Roo Systems Australia Manumbar Rally** for 2021 and our Fun Run as unlike Imbil, the weather wasn't so kind.

The good news on that front is **Roo Systems Australia** is still supporting the event and we are basing the revised version of the rally, the proposed first round of the 2022 Queensland Rally Championship, in a new location which will be revealed in next year's calendar which you can see later in BRISPORT and the Fun Run we will try again early in the new year.

Also in 2021, the BSCC farewelled Errol Bailey. One thing I can say about my knowing Errol was he had a determination to get things done and Rally Queensland, later International Rally Queensland, set a benchmark for all other ARC events, particularly in the late 1990's and beyond, had to live up to. On a positive note, the club welcomed over



80 new and returning members in 2021 taking our overall membership total to 365 at the time of writing.

So now with the brief wrap-up of the year about to pass us by complete, it's time to look towards the future. The first new item you should see in the New Year is a new format for BRISPORT. Yes, the BSCC is heading into the digital age and from February, the club

magazine will be available on a digital platform able to be accessed on phone, tablet and PC while at the same time be available in a full colour hard copy print format. It will bring us up to speed with links to advertisers and events, our social media, provide for video content and a higher level of connectivity with and between all of our readers and club supporters. Our current mailing list sits at about 1,150 and those who follow the BSCC on Facebook numbers just over 2,000. With some overlap, that means we reach probably near 2,500 people so the Board sees this move as a great opportunity to promote the club, the events and all partners in the best way possible in our modern world. We will also be moving to a bi-monthly issue.

The calendar, as I mentioned, is being published later in the magazine and has been designed based on some feedback from competitors as well as seeking an opportunity to blend our event types better in line with our key events. The main piece of feedback I have been receiving this year has been "Can we do more pace noted events". To that end and with **Accent Benchtops Rally Queensland** moving back to July, it provides the opportunity to run three pace note events as lead in events to the big one. It also gives us the opportunity to provide a good mix of pace note and route chart events and we also welcome back the East Coast Classic Rally Series to Imbil for the **Globe Roamer III Rally Imbil** in September. Good news also is that an off road racing event is taking shape for November with some successful early land approvals. More news on that as it comes to hand.

Looking forward to 2022 the BSCC is planning a bold year. We are well down the track towards testing a new events communication system and new ways of promoting ourselves. There will also be serious challenges ahead. Many of those challenges can be found in the continued uncertainty around COVID and how that affects our plans. Also, there is the weather and by the time you read this you may still only now be drying out from an extremely wet start to our event planning season.

But the bigger challenge than these is concerning our people who do so much to create and plan our events. The pool of those is shrinking dramatically and the club really needs your help. Behind the scenes, we are working on a series of tools to make organizing or the pathway to organizing events easier. "So what can I do?" I am sure you will ask. Road Blocks are the best way to start but in many cases these are the easiest roles to fill and be over subscribed. Where we need the greatest level of help is in running stages and in HQ. With stages, there are ways to assist at the beginning of your experience before moving into being a stage commander if that appeals. There are roles before and during events in radio communications, SOS, event and stage scouting and planning, course checking, service park management and assisting Clerks of Course, just to name a few and ultimately the big one, Clerk of Course. Some of our heroes in these roles have been doing these jobs for around 20 years and some well more. The reality is some of these folks cannot do this forever so new ideas and enthusiasm backed up by boots on the ground is what we need to build the future for our events and in the club itself. truth in the old saying that many hands make light work so to make our bold plans for 2022 and beyond be the best they can be, we need your help.

In closing my last message to you all in 2021, I want to thank the BSCC Board, Marg MacKay for her tireless efforts behind the scenes in club administration, Margot Knowles for editing the magazine, Craig Porter for his work in the equipment department and everyone else and every organisation for the help and support you provided the club and the rally community this year.

Among all the challenges we faced, you all shone brightly and the members, friends and family of the BSCC and the rally community were the beneficiary and for that we thank you. You made 2021 into a good year. To all readers, I wish you a very merry and safe Christmas, a happy new year in 2022 and I look forward to seeing you out there next year.

Cheers,

Dom.

See you in 2022



BRISBANE SPORTING CAR CLUB LTD

2022 Motorsport Calendar

(All Dates are proposed and subject to final approval by Motorsport Australia)

Test and Tune - 26/02

(Jimna)

Roo Systems Australia Rally of the South Burnett

ORC 1:19/03

(Nanango)

Short Course Series Round 1 - 30/04

(Benarkin)

Short Course Series Round 2 - 21/05

(Location TBA)

Short Course Series Round 3 - 18/06

(Benarkin)

Accent Benchtops Rally Queensland

ARC 4 / QRC 2 - 22, 23, 24/07

(Gympie)

Globe Roamer III Imbil Rally

QRC 3 / ECCRS - 10/09

(Imbil)

BSCC Off Road Event - 12,13/11

(Location TBA)

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The Cobb and Co Explorer Road Rally and Tour.

The Historic Rally Association is conducting a new style event for Queensland on the 12th and 13th of February 2021 and the BSCC membership is invited to enter this event. The event is based in Oakey which will host the start of both days and the overnight stop.



The Cobb and Co Explorer Road

Rally and Tour will be a two-day combined event covering 800 kilometres of untimed map reading navigation road event with some timed closed road sections. This is an ideal opportunity for newcomers to this style of road rally wanting to try their hand or an oldie (like me) who remembers the good old days and still wants to be involved.

The untimed navigation sections are like the old-style navigation rallies using simple map reading on the shire roads of the Darling Downs. There are also some closed road sections. The closed road sections will be Rally Regularity sections using closed forest roads or Khanacross sections on private property.

The new Motorsport Australia (formally C.A.M.S.) category of "Rally Regularity' sections has relaxed the requirements so is a perfect entry level format to get started in rallying.

The navigation section requirements are a "run what 'ya brung" and simplified. The requirements for the Rally Regularity are:

- A registered car (or permit to drive)
- Neck to wrist to ankle coverage (no driving suits required)
- A helmet.

The car does not require Roll Over Protection and neither the usual triangle's, fire extinguisher, first aid kit, etc you normally see in a full house speed competition vehicle. The closed road sections are limited to a maximum <u>average</u> speed of 70 kilometres per hour and will have and a top speed of 110 kilometres an hour. Penalties of 1 point per second late or 5 points per second early will apply.

Along-side the Road Rally, the HRA is running a "Tour' category. This is an untimed social event following the route of the rally but not competing in the Rally Regularity Sections or you like, you can select the watered-down tour that uses a lot more sealed roads to arrive at the same destinations.

The Tour category does not require a MA (formally C.A.M.S.) competition licence, only membership of a MA affiliated club so your BSCC membership is sufficient. The tour is like a long fun run. You can choose to enter both days of the tour or only the Saturday or the Sunday parts - the choice is yours.

If you need an Event MA speed licence for the rally category timed sections, these can be arranged for you too.

The supplementary regulations have been approved and will be available in the coming days.

The HRA would like to thank the BSCC for allowing us to promote this event in the newsletter. If you would like to know more about the Cobb and Co Explorer Road Rally and Tour, please contact me directly on the number and email below.

I hope to see you there,

Laurie Garth.

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Run what your brung!





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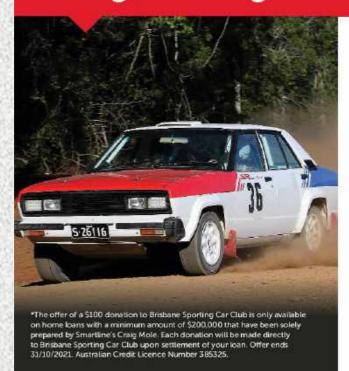
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BSCC FUN RUN

It's been a long time between fun run's, fun run is happening on 30 January 2022.

START: 9.00am (so be there by 8.45am)

WHERE: The Hub Shopping Centre Burpengary East

The Fun Run consists of 200kms of various forms of navigation but all will be very basic.

We will finish at a park close to the Bruce Highway.

\$10 per car.

Bring your friends or family (maybe mum or dad if you can't read a map) and have a fun time.

Members and non Members Welcome

SOME OTHER STUFF TO KNOW!

The event will be byo lunch - snags, onions bread etc for the bbq at the end.

Bring your sense of humour, as we are not playing for sheep stations.

If you haven't finished by sunset you will need to phone a friend as you are not where you are supposed to be. There may be some small gravel roads however these are public roads and no worse than what you would drive on to get to a spectator point.

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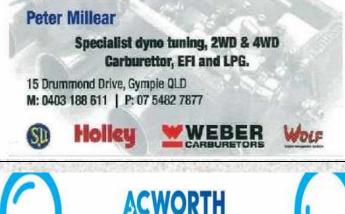
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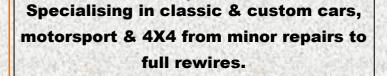




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If you've got something to contribute to the magazine we'd love to hear from you.



On behalf of the Board of Brisbane Sporting Car Club and Membership Registrar, Margaret Mackay; it is with great pleasure that we welcome the following new or returning Members to our Club.

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