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**President - B. Lethborg**

Hello fellow motor sport enthusiasts, March already, it'll be Christmas soon so you better start shopping now.

We have had a few things happening this month, first we had a club display at Repco in Nunawading, we had a sausage sizzle and raised around \$150. Thanks to Peter for cooking the BBQ, Steve and Kim for bringing their cars for display.

The VMC2 has been run and won at Werribee amid the usual dust. We had a good entry (44) only 1 less entry than the first round; we sold food and drinks and made a profit around \$600. Thanks to all the helpers on the day, we were able to rotate the time keepers around and give them a rest from the sun and dust due to the numbers. Thanks again for your help to make the event a success.

We had a display at the Phillip Island historic race meeting on the Shannons walk opposite the pit area. Phil and Jeremy displayed their Torries on Saturday and we had a lot of interest from the public many brochures and business cards were taken. Sunday there were nine cars on display again much interest was shown from the public. It was good to see Glenn's A9X back on the road and on display.

The next display is Brocks big day out on April 13, this year it is being held at Flemington racecourse. I had a chat to Lewis Brock at Phillip Island about a club display and he needs to know numbers so an area will be set aside for us, so if you are coming let me

know and we can have an area reserved for us.

Winton is coming up fast and the supp regs are still not out but will be put on the website the moment they are available. Kris is keeping the website up to date but he is still learning from Greg so please be patient if you see something that is not right or up to date, we are working on it.

The VN won't be ready for Winton as time has been my enemy with VMC2, PI historics, the Grand Prix, a week in Sydney for work I only have two weekends left and there is still heaps to do.

Jeremy has arranged a visit to Crow cams on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April, this should be very interesting to see, I have seen a new cam being ground from a blank on an old Repco machine and this was fascinating. Details in Jeremy's report.

Holden stole the limelight at the motor show this year with the Coupe 60 dubbed the next Monaro. I couldn't keep my eyes off it at the show and have told Wayne that the HQ Monaro is my deposit for one. The FG Falcon was a bit of a fizzer, it doesn't look any different from the old one, the way their going they'll be going down the same path as Mitsubishi and become an importer which will be a shame for the local market.

I went to the Garry Rogers Motorsport clearing auction at Hallam recently with a couple of dollars in my pocket thinking I might be able to get a few small items of memorabilia for my garage. I ended up with 4 VX supercar

rear bumpers, 3 VY bonnets, RH & LH front guards all with battle damage and signed and a RH rear quarter panel from last years car all within the first hour then I had to get more money. I sold a couple of the items to another collector on the day so I didn't have as much to bring home but I still have one rear bumper left if anyone is interested call me, but I will have a good display in the garage for the Bathurst day bash. There were over 400 lots consisting of memorabilia, engine parts, suspension parts, work shop equipment as well as just plain junk. They had a front and rear race bumper from the 24 hour Bathurst Monaro's that despite the fevered bidding, they went for a reasonable price.

Time to go to bed now as I have three more days in the lovely HOT sun at the GP and I'm buggered.

Cheers Bruce

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**Vice President - G. Black**

March is here, summer is over and the Ford Holden challenge is getting closer. As I write Entries and Supp regs are not available yet, but keep an eye on the website as they can't be too far away. It should be a great start with a run at Winton in Autumn; hopefully warm but not too hot and a good grippy track (grippy being the highly technical term for 'abundant traction').

Another event to consider soon is the Philip Island Six

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Hour. Yes I know it is way down the calendar at the end of August, but talking to the organisers the Supp regs and entries should be available very soon. Last year a few Club members missed out on entry because the event filled up so quickly. This year is expected to be the same, so get yourself organised and work out your teams now. It's OK to send entries with Team Manager and bits missing, as long as you have some entrants and full entry fee you are in! (Missing bits can be put as 'TBA' and advised later.) It is a great event, lots of fun and track time (if you can stay out of the damn 'kitty litter') and some great club camaraderie. Last year a few team members were in a bit of trouble and most everyone pitched in and helped. I have never experienced mateship to this extent in other clubs; something to be proud of. The website with all the information on the event is [www.6hourrelay.com.au](http://www.6hourrelay.com.au)

It was great to see so many helpers at the VMC round. Thanks to everyone who turned up. With so many helpers Bruce was able to rotate timekeeping and we had a chance for a cool drink, rest or watch some competitors without concentrating on the flags or stopwatch. Timing wasn't a hard task really; I just wonder how competitors can kick up dust, go at the flags and still know which way to turn next; maybe I should give it a go one day....

Cheers  
Greg.

**Secretary - P. Slater**

Hello and welcome to the March Mag. I've been to three great events in the last month. The first being the All Holden Day, at Flemington on a very hot afternoon. Amelia took some photos but they were in poster format and I haven't got the skills to change them. As usual there were many fine old Holden's to be seen but few Toranas (maybe they're all locked away).

The next event was our round of the VMC and it was great to have so many helpers there and be able to take a break from timing/eating dust. I was glad to see Ray take on the Ford entrants in the big car class.

The final event was The Phillip Island Historics, always my favourite event of the year for spectating, mingling with legends and admiring the wonderful cars on display. There were plenty of Toranas on the track but not so many on display. In fact on Saturday Jeremy and I had the only two Toranas there and they drew a lot of interest to our club display. Sunday was a hot but eventful display with the club putting on an excellent display as usual. By the time you read this, the AGP will be run and won and I'm going to try out one of the new four corner grandstand tickets although I'll only be

there for 2 1/2 days. I'm really looking forward to the Winton Sprint, which will be my first competitive event this year and I'm itching to hit the track with a few improvements to the SS.  
Phil Slater

**Treasurer - V. Kowal**

It's good news this month! We made a profit on the VMC Motorkhana (as we should have considering our "all hand on deck" approach on the day. Please refer to the summary below for our final figure for the day. What fantastic support our club members gave with setting up the tests (thanks Ray for your trusty power auger and your setting out experience, and to the crew of Wayne, Chris, Greg, Chris, Alex, and Phil helping Bruce set up the tests). All those helpers and no disagreements or arguments? Unheard of elsewhere! Timekeepers even had to fight each other for a position on the stopwatches. (This actually gave us some really good breaks and we impressed members from other clubs who struggle to find sufficient timekeepers) Our treasurer couldn't run because CAMS hadn't sent him his licence renewal. That was until around 2:30pm when - while flicking through

Income		Expenditure	
Entry fees	\$765.00	Venue hire	\$150.00
Food sales	\$284.35	CAMS Trophy fee	\$ 88.00
Total	\$1049.35	Food, drinks, ice etc.	\$211.31
		Total	\$459.31
Balance	\$590.00 (rounded down)	Food and drink left over for historics	

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his new copy of the 2008 CAMS manual – he discovered the two new licence pages tucked into the last two pages of the manual. What a DODO! Voluntary fine!! Well, at least I'm ready for the next event. I'm looking forward to hearing Leo Pruneau at our meeting in April. He tells quite some yarns for those who have never heard him before.

**Don't miss out !**

Back in 2003, a small booklet arrived in the mail from CityLink. Its title was "101 ways to enjoy your extra time". This referred to the extra time you now have on your hand because of CityLink, of course. Some of you may have seen it and had a laugh. I don't know how proud the company was of its efforts, but they didn't bother to cover it with any kind of copyright. I have a copy of this booklet and some of the really "useful" suggestions are reprinted below. (Really, I didn't make any of these up!)

- 4. Go to a country race meeting
- 6. Hit the snooze button again (presumably not while driving)
- 21. Listen to the sound of waves and feed the seagulls at Port Melbourne beach.
- 30. Drive slower and safer.
- 37. Plant a tree.
- 39. Call someone you haven't spoken to for a long time.
- 47. Book a holiday for two.
- 48. Take the kids to Luna

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- Park.
- 60. Make a model.
- 65. Go to St.Kilda beach and fly a kite.
- And so on...I think you get the general idea. I'll bet none of you thought of those!
- Some extra ones could be:
- 102. Read this booklet while in a CityLink traffic jam.
- 103. Get a life.

104. Plug the leaks in the tunnel.

*(Ed: Eastlink TOLL road are doing the same trick with ads on bus shelters.  
"Time is money, don't spend it in traffic".  
Maybe Eastlink should look at #102)*

Income/Deposits for the period 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2008 to 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2008	
Donation Home Loans	\$ NIL
ANZ Deposits	\$ 2135.00
Interest ING account	\$ 53.12
Transfer from ING to ANZ Cheque Account ( )	\$ NIL
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2188.12</b>
Payments for the period 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2008 to 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2008	
Magazine postage	\$ 0.00
Trophies	\$ 25.35
CAMS (VMC Trophies)	\$ 88.00
Food, Drinks, Ice etc VMC 2/3/08	\$ 211.31
TCCA Werribee Hiring Fee	\$ 150.00
Withholding tax ING	\$ 26.00
Trailer Rego.	\$ 34.60
Trailer equipment	\$ 269.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 804.88</b>
Accounts/Liquidity i.e. Our Balance as of March 7, 2008	
ANZ Cheque Account	\$ 3,104.37
FFCC Cheque in hand	\$ 4,459.00
ING account. Includes \$53.12 interest	\$ 10,288.16
Petty cash tin	\$ 45.00
Less unrepresented cheques	\$ 488.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,408.53</b>

**Club TORQUE - Club Calendar 2008***Dates & Venues subject to change. Please advise of events that need to be added*

<b>MARCH</b>	
2	HSCCV VMC Rnd 2—Werribee
7-9	V8 Supercars - Eastern Creek
7-9	Shannons Philip Island Classic Historic Motor Races—Philip Island
10	<b>HSCCV Committee Meeting</b>
13-16	Australian Grand Prix—Albert Park
17	<b>HSCCV Print Night</b>
24	<b>HSCCV General Meeting —Bells Hotel</b>
30	FFCC Motorkhana—Tooradin

<b>APRIL</b>	
6	DSCC VMC Rnd 3—Deniliquin
6	<b>HSCCV/FFCC Ford Holden Challenge—Winton</b>
13	HAC Grp5 <b>Motorkhana</b> - Avalon
13	BBDO—Hurstbridge Pony Club Grounds
14	<b>HSCCV Committee Meeting</b>
18-20	V8 Supercars Hamilton New Zealand
21	<b>HSCCV Print Night</b>
26-27	PIARC Hill climb—Philip Island
28	<b>HSCCV General Meeting —Bells Hotel</b>

<b>MAY</b>	
6	PCCV VMC Rnd 4 <b>Motorkhana</b> - TBA
9-11	V8 Supercars - Perth
12	<b>HSCCV Committee Meeting</b>
17-18	PIARC State Race—Philip Island
18	NCCA Grp 5 <b>Motorkhana</b> - TBA
19	<b>HSCCV Print Night</b>
25	VMCi VMC Rnd 5 <b>Motorkhana</b> - TBA
26	<b>HSCCV General Meeting —Bells Hotel</b>

<b>JUNE</b>	
1	PIARC Gr5 <b>Sprint</b> – Phillip Island
6-8	V8 Supercars—Sandown
9	<b>HSCCV Committee Meeting</b>
16	<b>HSCCV Print Night</b>
22	FFCC VMC Rnd 5—Shepparton
23	<b>HSCCV General Meeting —Bells Hotel</b>
29	VMCi Grp5 Motorkhana—Werribee

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<i>JULY</i>	
4-6	V8 Supercars—Hidden Valley, NT
13	<b>HSCCV/FFCC Ford Holden Challenge Sprint – Sandown</b>
14	HSCCV Committee Meeting
21	HSCCV Print Night
18-20	V8 Supercars—Paperclip, Qld
20	MUCC VMC Rnd 6—Shepparton
28	<b>HSCCV General Meeting —Bells Hotel</b>

<i>AUGUST</i>	
1-3	V8 Supercars—Winton
3	VMCi Hillclimb—Broadford
11	HSCCV Committee Meeting
17	VWCV Drags Grp5—Heathcote (event TBC)
18	HSCCV Print Night
25	<b>HSCCV General Meeting—Bells Hotel</b>
30-31	6 Hour Regularity—Philip Island

<i>SEPTEMBER</i>	
7	PIARC Grp5 Motorkhana—Moorabbin
8	HSCCV Committee Meeting
12-14	V8 Supercars—Philip Island
14	<b>HSCCV/FFCC Ford Holden Challenge Sprint – Winton</b>
15	HSCCV Print Night
20-21	PIARC Grp5 Sprint—Philip Island
22	<b>HSCCV General Meeting—Bells Hotel</b>
28	TCCA Grp5 Motorkhana—Werribee

<i>OCTOBER</i>	
9-12	V8 Supercars Supercheap Auto Bathurst 1000
13	HSCCV Committee Meeting
20	HSCCV Print Night
23-26	Indy 300 (incl. V8 supercars)
26	PAC VMC Rnd 8—Tooradin
27	<b>HSCCV General Meeting—Bells Hotel</b>

*Dates & Venues subject to change. Please advise of events that need to be added*

<i>NOVEMBER</i>	
2	HSCCV Motorkhana—Melton (event TBC)
4	HSCCV/FFCC Holden Ford Challenge <b>Sprint (Grp5)</b> – Sandown (Cup Day)
6-8	V8 Supercars—Bahrain
9	PIARC Grp5 Sprint—Philip Island
10	<b>HSCCV Committee Meeting</b>
17	<b>HSCCV Print Night</b>
21-23	V8 Supercars—Symmons Plains
24	<b>HSCCV AGM—Bells Hotel</b>

<i>DECEMBER</i>	
4-7 TBA	V8 Supercars Grand Finale—Oran Park <b>HSCCV Christmas Party &amp; Presentation Night</b>

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**Club TORQUE - Philip Island - Feb Group 5 Sprint**

The sun was shining, track was clear, scrutiny was quick and painless, check-in was faster than usual, and none of us had been on the track this year. The right foot was itchy and the hip pocket was empty. Welcome to Philip Island, the best\* track in Australia and the opening round of the Group 5 series. There were crowds everywhere to cheer on

tures (water boils at only 100°C doesn't it?) saw the day end too early and Pete headed in...



Ian was there in the Yellow VK, but he too succumbed to the heat with a split radiator and did not even get to show off for the photographer.

Stan, Dave and Laurence had a good go in the BM and VK, with Stan getting down to 2.05 which is not bad at all. Dave and Laurence were also showing the trusty 6 a good time.

the HSCCV entrants. It was good to see new and seasoned club members come down to watch (and maybe be a little green). A few members had to set up in the grassed area which turned out to be a good idea, because as the day heated up (and it did heat up!) being on nice green grass was far more pleasant than dealing with heat radiating of the bitumen in the regular paddock area.



Pete had a good first two laps, but then it turned a bit sour. Leading up to the event much work had been done but a leaking thermostat cover and some hefty tempera-

I think some competitors decided that while at the island if you can't race you might as well go fishing; catch anything?



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**Club TORQUE - Philip Island - Feb Group 5 Sprint**



times with a 1:54 which is impressive. Craig's first session started under around 1:56 which is quick right out of the blocks! One look at the photo and it also looks like the handling is sorted out too.

The next Kingswood was Mark with a hefty Chev engine at 383 ci. Mark

Cameron was there in his VB which looks a treat, and from the looks of things was really hooking into MG corner.



comes a long way for his motorsport and it's always good to see him and the beast. With a best time on the day of 2:01 and this was on a new engine there is possibly plenty to come from this car. Now is Mark trying to give a false sense of security to the opposition with the 327 number?

Craig Eddy had the HQ with the superb rear wing going pretty hard and topped the club

Steve was having a good day in the XF. As usual it was well presented and this time wearing new livery. Well if the main game can change each year why can't we? The paint job looked great, and obviously makes the car go faster. I'm sure the Ford Vs Holden parity panel will be looking into this one soon.





Steve's car in action at turn 4



Craig's car leading the pack at Siberia. The VS in the background is the one that took out honours for Class J at 1:49



Lastly, there always seems to be at least one person who knows where the camera is. You know who you are.... This behavior will not get your car published in the magazine, and these shots taken at turn 11 are the ones that you won't see.



Hi guys, on Saturday 1st March, another club member and I, Terry Wallis decided to go to Morwell and do the Multi club Hill climb . It was an early start but the day sounded like was going to be good. About 60 entrants had turned up for the day ,little did we know but this was the final Multi club event at the track. We all went through scrutineering then all those competing were in a photo for their final meet. We started the day with plenty of practice runs. I think I had about 7 or 8 runs which was good, as I had not been there for about 12 months . Terry who drives a very nice Club Sport R8 enjoyed the practice in most directions, he is now called Shane. First run I started with a 40.09, last time there my best time was 40.15 so I needed

to get under 40sec then I would be happy. My car was running very well my tyres seemed right. Two more runs, bugger 40.21 and 40.32 what could I do. I thought maybe I am staying in first gear too long before going into second, so I decided to shift first to second early from the start and came home with a 39.71. This made me feel good, my last run I did a 39.93, too much wheel spin maybe. My aim that day was to do better than 40 sec. For me I had a goal and that day, I reached it at the final Multi club meeting at Morwell.

David Williams and the ever reliable VH SS

## Newsflash! Plane crash at Werribee

Breaking news, at the VMC round a light plane lost power and crashed nose first into the ground. The impact caused the propeller to shear off and left an relatively large imprint in the hard ground.



The plane appeared to be a write off with very heavy damage. There were no passengers and only one crew (which according to the information detailed on the plane was the

Champion Women's pilot, Barbie).

The rescue crew were visibly distressed at the carnage and threatened litigation with the Earth for causing the damage, however did calm down when advised that no ground personnel or vehicles were damaged.



The damage to the propeller, fuselage and engine can be clearly seen. It is difficult to imagine this craft being airworthy again.

**Club TORQUE - VMC at Werribee**

However the rescue crew were quite confident of rebuilding the plane. Unfortunately the same could not be said for Barbie who suffered significant damage on impact.

With that the owner collected the remnants of his craft and went home.



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Time stands still for no-one! Can anyone tell me what happened to February, where did it go?

So far, March has been a mainly manic month of motorsport. Mmmm, enough M's I wonder?

Well, not so much from the perspective of club racing, that's still quite light-on, but certainly other events where us motoring enthusiasts can take a more leisurely approach. The Phillip Island Classics was definitely worth going to, now I know what our members were raving about last year. It's gotta be one of the best collection of cars from all eras and racing disciplines going.

Some of the rarest cars were displayed and raced there, and people come from all over the country just to be there for the weekend. A great day with brilliant weather.

From the world's most powerful sports car (Porsche 917/30 Spyder) to Jack Brabham's famous car, touring cars from the late 80s through to Formula 5000s, there was something there to suit everyone.

There are simply too many cars and categories to go into detail here so instead of going on and giving our illustrious editor nightmares, I'll just provide some idea about it.

Brockies first car was on display, for those who don't know what his Austin 7 looked like before (or after) Peter took an axe to it, here's a useful comparison:



*And after the axe...*

A great event indeed and definitely worth a visit again next year.



*Austin 7 Before*

HSCCV had a display down there, and we had quite a few comments about it being the best, or at least one of the best. Don't know who won the best stand at the end though.



The same weekend the Melbourne Motor show ran, and whilst it was good, it wasn't great.

For a start the Bugatti Veyron was only at the show for 3 days, I really wanted to check that one out.

Then there was no Mercedes, and no Porsche stand either. Bit surprising for Porsche, given the revamp of their Victoria Parade Showroom, one would expect they'd be trying to get cars away from there.

I'm sure they've got their reasons, they did had a couple of cars at Phillip Island though. Nissan put some effort into their 4wd displays, putting a Patrol and a Navara on lumps of timber...a clever exercise in marketing that involved good engineering! BMW's 135 will be a ball-tearer of a car, at about 70K, bang for your buck is very high with that car. You're gonna see a few of these looking very second-rate from racetrack use in years to come...

The VE concept coupe was pretty damn good, be nice to see hit the market. The front lip will need changing or it will last about 5 minutes, and the side pipes wouldn't pass ADRs, but otherwise appears to be almost production-ready. Here's a couple of photos:

In my opinion the most contradictory stand was Fiat. The best girls and the worst cars. Quite funny really. Don't get me wrong, the 500 is a great little car for what it is, but it just doesn't inspire me nor most of the population to want to drive one.

I feel for the very small car manufacturers, they make a couple of prototypes, then go into production and often shortly thereafter go broke. Anyone remember the Joss? That thing looked fantastic and would drive like a go-

kart, it has/had potential (the name doesn't help though).

Apparently it was/will be at the Albert Park GP this year...

This year at the show, Evade was another example, yet based on history are taking a very conservative approach to the possibility of production.

300kw and 950kgs in road-going form, do you reckon that would be a hoot to drive?

Final word about the motorshow, sorry to hear that Kim's A9X didn't fetch the money he wanted for it at the Shannon's Auction. Kim, I hope you've considered Plan B mate.

And by the time you read this the Melbourne Grand Prix will be all over. As it's on right now I cannot say much about it. Gotta love Melbourne and it's motoring activities!



Moving on to our own motorsport activities, HSCCV ran Round 2 of the Vic Motorkhana Championship at Werribee.

No doubt there'll be a report elsewhere in the mag about the event so I won't go on about it. A poor day for me, the car was quite okay, but the driver, well, that's another story altogether...

Still, I had fun out there and it was good to spend a bit of time with the crew, I couldn't spend more time with you guys because I was supposedly competing!

Noteworthy items include the Le Mottee Mazda chewing a fan belt, easy fixed courtesy of Coles (not the supermarket), and Lachlan Parrent-Siedel took 2nd in Juniors. HSCCV had a class winner as well, Ray Card-

well easily took out Class E, well done Ray!

At the end of the month we have a Group 5 round at Tooradin, and the following weekend is the short drive to Deniliquin. I'm most likely to attend that and do the autocross on the Saturday too.

April 20 takes us to Avalon for a Group 5 round, haven't been there for a number of years now. Then we are into May...

Speaking Group 5, this time speed events, there's the Holden Sporting/Ford Four sprint Round on April 6, supp regs should be out anytime now if not already!

Haunted Hills is booked for October 5, and have got some initial costings and info from Gippy Car Club. The track hire for the new place is nearly double and they have to charge GST!

There's a multitude of track layouts, cameras on corners. We've got some options with fire and ambulance services as well.

They reckon the numbers still work if the entry fee is put up by \$10 or 15 to cover it. Should make for an interesting day when the time comes.

More on that when more is known...

Also at the time of writing, contact has been made with MMSC and they are yet to confirm the date of November 2 and costings for the day. Though the date looks like it will be okay.

Melton could be an interesting venue if everything else stacks up because a water truck is used to appease the neighbors by "looking" like they are dealing with the dust.

Until next month, see you sideways.



**(Ed: Carbon fibre brakes as standard!)**



**Club TORQUE - Editors ramblings**

A selection of fine photos from the VMC Werribee courtesy of Julie.



**Working hard....**

More of Julies photos.



Time keeper friendly competitor (less dust)



There is actually a car in the dust; but who?



Well done Ray and co-driver on the class win.



Club TORQUE - A day at the Races—Kim

As usually happens (well, in our company any-way), when the F1 hits Albert Park then the bunfight for tickets to the corporate box begins. This year I was lucky enough to be there for 2 days, missing the race day but what the heck, with Saturday being an awesome day – but not due to the GP circus, however more on this later.

One of the highlights for us (and it helps being a Ferrari sponsor – even if we can't put the name on the car) is the tour of the Ferrari pits,



and meeting the drivers and some of the support team members. While we couldn't get right to the back of the pits (DON'T

touch the body panels! DON'T play with the steering wheel! DON'T pick up tools and make like a mechanic!!) as usual the technology on show is pretty impressive. Check out the latest



low tech hub details especially.... After the afternoon qualifying Felipe Massa dropped by to have a bit of a chat about the day, how the

car had performed and his thoughts about marrying any of the women who had offered their hand, their body or just a good time in general during the day. He was pretty informative about how they had planned for the qualifying, especially with fuel loadings and tyre choices, although his minder was ready to step in if he gave too much detail away.....and I was ready to step in he gave away any of the women who had surround him all day – well, it would beat an autograph!

Anyway that was all well and good, but the best

was yet to come – courtesy of one of our corporate guests, who was in with the guys who run the drift team that were on the program, I was asked “How'd you like to go round as passenger in one of the drift cars this afternoon?”.....oh yeh?? Wahoooooo!

I was introduced to Robbie Bolger, the Toyo 2007 Drift champion, and his awesome Monaro, and the other team drivers running a VX sedan and a Nissan whatever. Robbie has been a



stunt motorbike rider for years and now runs this 7 litre super-charged umpteen-hundred horsepower beast, and I was going in to ride shotgun around Albert Park...do

I need to suit up? I asked – “Nah, I'm driving in short sleeves, all you need is a sweaty helmet –

here's one I used earlier - and don't kick the Motec box in the foot-well 'cause it won't be a good look if you do”



Club TORQUE - A day at the Races—Kim



Nissan whatever, and a VX

Team runs the Monaro, a



ning. We were told we'd go out as soon as the last lap was completed, with the added plea of please don't run over any that are still on the track as you come around – beauty!! That inspires confidence!

OK, in I go, optimistically carrying the camera, and away we went to the track entry, 3 cars running and raring to go. And stopped. We were meant to be out at 4.30, but after the Supercar carnage things were running late, and the Aussie look m I shrunk the car Legends were still run-

(the exhaust exit is just behind me) with alternate huge thrusts of go followed by bangs, crashes, screaming tyres and the cabin filling

Track opens, Robbie fires it up and HOLY CRAP WE ARE SO SIDEWAYS!!!! Trying to take pics as we go, Robbie didn't want me to hold the camera to high as it would distract him if it got into his sight line, the noise is fantastic with tyre smoke as it all gets sideways to the left, to the right, to the left again..... through turn 4 and he's way out wide and I'm watching the stands to the left going past the windscreen....as the program is running late he can't do the screaming donuts at each corner so on the straighter bits he's just nailing it to get to the next turn and does this thing GO!!!

And then haul back on the rear brake lever, just like a khana but it's a lot faster as once again the car is out at 45 – 50 – 55 degrees and bang! back the other way, coming up to turn 12, Bruce asked me to wave at him but its not going to happen, sideways and bloody hell there's an Aussie Legend limping along back to the pits and we are very very sideways coming up behind him, with the VX and the Nissan in the smoke behind us and as we go past I'm not sure if the driver will be enjoying the best view in the world of drift cars, or be too busy having a heart attack.



Club TORQUE - A day at the Races—Kim



More bangs, smoke, noise and the lap is over, too damn quickly for my liking but what a blast it was!! Getting around the track on the GP weekend in anything – Goggomobile, go kart, golf buggy - would be a treat; banging around sideways in the Monaro was bloody sensational!



It's going to make the Dato feel very sedate and boring though...



# **BOWLING!!!**

## **APRIL 27<sup>th</sup>**

It has come the time to have some fun, and that's just what we at H.S.C.C.V. are going to do. On Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup> we are going to be strapping on some weird looking shoes, and throwing a big heavy ball as fast as we can in the general direction of 10 innocent pins, with the intent of hitting as many as we can. No, it's not cruel, it's TEN PIN BOWLING!!!

This wondrous event will be taking place at AMF Bowling - Chadstone Shopping Centre. I'm sure there will be plenty of laughs. Don't forget the kids. Start time is 2.30pm so there is plenty of time to do your warm ups.

The deal is as follows: for the price of \$22.00 you will get 2 games, shoe hire, 1 x burger, fries, and a soft drink.

Please let me know if you would like to attend, either by phone or in person at the next meeting so I can start to plan numbers. Cheers.

**Jeremy Watt**  
**0412 200037**

# **CROW CAMS**

## **TRADE NIGHT**

### **April 16<sup>th</sup>**

Our first trade night for 2008 is to be held at CROW CAMS on Wednesday April 16<sup>th</sup>. Ray Hudson and Ron Spencer have kindly welcomed our presence and it would be great to show them plenty of interest in return by having a large number of us there.

Crow Cams now have two sites in operation and on the night we will be visiting both of them. It is set to be a fantastic evening and very educational so have your questions ready.

Start time is 7pm ( 6.45pm for those of you who are commonly late or drive slow cars ) and we will begin the night at the original premises, 16 Colbert Rd Campbellfield.

Put it in your diaries and I'll see you there.

## Bathurst Facts

- Ford have won Bathurst 16 times, GM 26 times, BMC once, Jaguar once, Nissan twice.
  - Commodore has won Bathurst 16 times, Falcon 10 times, Torana 5 times, Monaro, Cortina and Nissan twice each.
  - Peter Brock has won Bathurst 9 times, Larry Perkins 5 times, Mark Skaife 5 times, Allan Moffat 4 times, Jim Richards 4 times, Greg Murphy 4 times, Dick Johnson 3 times, Craig Lowndes 3 times and Harry Firth, Bob Jane, Allan Grice, John Bowe, Jamie Whincup, Stephen Richards and Rick Kelly twice each.
  - 8 cylinder cars have won 34 times, 6 cylinders once ( the mighty LJ Torana), 4 cylinders 4 times and turbos 4 times.
- About 20,000 people attended the first Bathurst 500 in 1963. Over 100,000 attended the race in 2007.



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Classification:	Club:	

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Signature:.....

Date: .....



**Minutes of Holden Sporting Car Club of Vic. Inc. - Feb Gen Meeting**

Bells Hotel–25/02/2008

MEETING OPENED AT 8.20PM

**PRESENT** As Per Attendance Book /Sheet**APOLOGIES**

Amelia, Troy, Maxie

Previous minutes; M. Phil S. Bruce

Any business arising from previous minutes?

No

**PRESIDENT:**

Condolences to Ashley Cooper's Family

Calendar discussed

Season started at PI, MC

Historics PI club display

April meeting Guest speaker Leo Pruneau – Vlad

VMC 2 March 2<sup>nd</sup> Weribee officials needed**VICE PRESIDENT**

PI report a great day

Club Members did well.

**SECRETARY**

Incoming Mail Feb 2008

<b>Item</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Person to Action</b>
Short Courses Guide	Kangan Batman TAFE	Distribute and File	Secretary
Tourism Brochures	Vic Goldfields Rail	Inform members and File	Secretary
Auto Auctions	AA Geelong	Inform members and File	Secretary
Holden Car Show 1/3	Geelong Holden Day	Inform members and File	Secretary
UNICAR Mag	MUCC	Inform members and File	Secretary
AMC Club info form and Calder info	AMC Calder	Inform members and File. Return Survey	Secretary
Melbourne Auction	Shannons	Inform members and File	Secretary
CCRMIT Mag	CCRMIT	Inform members and File	Secretary
Sydney Summer Auction	Shannons	Inform members and File	Secretary
Dyno Day	Straight Torque	Put to committee	Special Events
Palm Plaza	Greater Dandenong	Put to committee	Special Events
Leaflets	Unique Cars	Inform members and File	Secretary
Poster & Info	Winton Historics 25/5	Inform members and File discuss club involvement	Secretary

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**Club TORQUE - February General Meeting Minutes***(Continued from page 25)*

PI Classic Display	Shannons	Inform members and File discuss club involvement	President
Leaflet	Mtech	Inform members and File	Secretary
VMC Tax Invoice	CAMS	Pay	Treasurer/Bruce
Bank Statement	ANZ	File	Treasurer
Mail Box Invoice	Aus Post	Pay	Treasurer
Membership	Peter Scott	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	Gordon Haley	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	Peter Dixon	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	Lomax Family	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	David Cole 1201	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	Colin Heal 71188	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	M Cardwell Family	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	Douglas Family	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	Williams/Binnie	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership	Le Mottee Family	Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary
Membership		Receive Payment and Data-base	Treasurer and Membership Secretary

**TREASURER**

Gp 5 affiliation fee paid

Receipts \$

ING- \$

ANZ- \$1,170.82

Petty cash- \$250.00

Fccc - \$

TOTAL- \$11,759

As per mag.

**MEMBERSHIP & POINTSCORE**

All working

**EDITOR**

Articles needed

Send emails to address in mag.

**MOTOR RACE AND RALLY**

Discussion of PI, Adelaide

Sandown 13 July

GP coming up

**SOCIAL**

Go Karts PI on a Sunday

10 pin Bowling

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**Club TORQUE - February General Meeting Minutes**

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**SPECIAL EVENTS**

Crow cams April 16<sup>th</sup>. Norm Beechey, Toll/HRT ?

**GRP5/ MOTORKHANA**

HSCCV MK Champions

Ffcv MK at Tooradin

**WEBSITE**

Kris met with Greg

Site is updated PI pictures up soon.

**STOCK**

See Martin

Take to PI

**CSC**

NTR

Bruce rep

**PUBLIC OFFICER**

NTR

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Kim's car at MMS auction

Reports: All Holden day, Targa

Stan – Picnic at Hanging Rock

Jeremy auditioned for Top Gear

Peter club assets radios

FINE: Kris, Bruce, Vlad, Stan for burning bumcrack.

LOTTO:

MEETING CLOSED: 9.40 PM

**Next meeting at Bells Hotel on Easter Monday.  
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Signed:..... Dated:.....

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