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President Report

The last Motorkhana was a bit disappointing with only 9 competitors. They all had 2 runs at 4 courses and were home for lunch. The weather was good for a winter day. A very heavy frost but it burnt off quickly when the sun came out. I would like to welcome Sarah Bradley to the club. She competed in her first motorkhana on Sunday and I'm sure it won't be long and she will be a contender for the Ladies Championship.

Christopher Baker was the first junior home and 3rd outright just behind Robert Dean 1st out right and Alan Paul 2nd.

On Friday night the 19 July 10 cars took part in Tony's Night Visual Navigation Trial. Despite the bad weather everyone had a good night. Good course and good question's. Well done Tony I'm sure we are all looking forward to the next one, just hope the weather is better.

A couple of our member's are busy preparing cars for big events. John Henderson and Jeff West who are going to compete in the Sydney to London rally are about to put the motor in their Volvo 404 with most of the other preparation work done.

Steven Wells has his Ford Escort ready and is waiting to see if his entry in the Classic class of the World Rally at Coffs Harbour is accepted.

Don't forget the next General Meeting on the 31 July and the there is the next Khanacross on the 11 August. Entries are now open for the Esses Hillclimb on the 25 August so get your entry in early.

Don't forget if you are competing in events outside the club calendar advise Kathy of your results and let Tony know what you are doing he is always looking for news on club members

Remember October the 26 is the 60th birthday dinner at the Leagues club tickets will soon be available.

Robert Wells
President

COVER

Alan Paul (top) Photo Geoff Benson and Robert Dean (bottom) Photo Tony Hanrahan

RYDGES
MOUNT PANORAMA BATHURST

BATHURST LIGHT CAR CLUB 2013

11 August 2013	Khanacross
24 August 2013	Supersprint (cancelled)
25 August 2013	Esses Hillclimb
6 September 2013	Visual Navigation Trial – 4
15 September 2013	Motorkhana
26 October 2013	BLCC 60 th Birthday Celebrations
3 November 2013	Visual Navigation Trial – 5 Full Day
10 November 2013	Khanacross
30 November/1 December	Set aside for a speed weekend if work on the track surface permits. If a speed weekend is not possible a Motorkhana & Khanacross will be held at the Motor Sport Park on these dates
14 December 2013	Christmas Party and Presentation Night

Events run by the WRX Club - BLCC invitation events - not part of our championship. Speed Events eligible for Peter Janson Speed Event Championship, please submit results. See rules.

Sunday 24 August	SMP Full circuit
Sunday 8 September	Wakefield Park
October Date TBA	Khanacross Sheep & Cattle Drome
Sunday 10 November	SMP South

Other Events that will be of interest to Members are:

- **August 16 – 24 2013** - Kidney Kar Rally
- **September 12 to 15 2013** - WRC Coffs Harbour
- **October 12 & 13 2013** - Bathurst 1000

AMSAG Southern Cross Rally Series

- Round 4 – Blacksmiths Inn Rally (Johns River) – 24th August
- Round 5 – Bombala 200 Rally – 26th October

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DONN ROUND 2 AT MORGAN PARK

Well at last a fine but overcast weekend till Sunday after our first run – guess what it rained!

Friday I had about eight laps on the track on my own to see where it went. The old “Brick” is now doing what it should have been doing ten years ago thanks to PCP Motorsport in Brisbane.

Saturday saw us have three by five lap runs and my best lap on the long track was 1:35:4 which to my surprise was a good lap considering I have never run there before.

Sunday overcast but fine but only just got our five lap run in and then the rain – and cold set in. The race of the weekend was between another Mini and myself and there was never anymore then about a foot between us – he beat me in track position but did not beat me in time. I finished seventh in class (out of 13) and 42nd outright (out of 90). The 3rd round is the first weekend in August.

Story Donn Vidler

RD 6 NSWHC GRAFTON

Many records were broken but well done to a young fourteen year old Matthew Birks. It was his third Hillclimb, broke his class record to boot. More clubs should be encouraging more youngsters to go motor racing in a controlled environment rather than do it on the streets. Until next time – Keep it on the black stuff. Donn Vidler.

Thanks for the stories Donn nice to hear from our northern members.

20 CHALLENGE THE ENDLESS VALLEY

Ten crews took on the challenge of “The Endless Valley” trial, five crews finishing with a maximum points haul of twenty.

Kurt Woodward and Natasha Dann headed a three car assault only to see their team members helping Kurt back to the club with a minor mechanical problem.

Trevor Seaman wanted to go around again in the V8 Dolomite – wonder why?

In all 19 pizzas were dispensed with on a cool and wet night, all crews were back at the clubrooms early – some arriving before the pizzas.



WOODWARD WINS AT WAKEFIELD

Kurt Woodward had the Holden Gemini out for a run at Wakefield for the MRA – Round 3 meeting contesting three sports sedans races and a sedan invitation race.

A sixth DNF and a fourth were the results from the Sports Sedans races but in the invitation race the Gemini was ten seconds quicker over the six laps of Wakefield. Kurt's quickest lap was 1:08:96 recorded in the third Sports Sedan race.

ORMEROD GOOD LOCAL – INTERSTATE RESULTS

Glen Ormerod has been on the road since the last Blower, firstly at Willowbank Raceway contesting the Pro Tour Rd 6 JMAX Trophy. Glen contested five races plus a final, he was placed no lower than 5th finishing 4th overall.

Next was Eastern Creek Raceway for the North Shore Kart Club Championship Rd 4 where his worst race was 2nd for a first outright.

Finely at the Combined District Kart Club's Lithgow City Raceway Glen contested two classes the Junior National Light and Junior Clubman resulting in first in the National Light and second in the Clubman.

NEWMAN UNDEFEATED IN ELEVEN

Jason Newman is undefeated in eleven races contested over two kart meetings at Dubbo and Grenfell.

Dubbo Kart Club's Lincoln Country Raceway saw Jason win four races, a prefinal and the final.

Bogolong was the venue for Grenfell Kart Club's Bob Hinde Memorial where Jason won his three races, the prefinal plus the final.

P.S. Jason's dad not doing all that bad either 2nd Senior National Heavy and 1st Senior National Light at Coffs Harbour in the Over 40's.

BIG WEEKEND FOR LANCE

Two events on the same weekend for Lance McGrath at Wakefield Park, firstly on Saturday Lance had the XR8 Ute out for the Austin Healey Owners Club Supersprint where Lance came home 33rd outright out of a field of 89.

On Sunday Lance fronted up for a NSW Excel Racing Championship Series contesting the regularity class, having a practise and then four events.

Knowing the old fox Lance, Saturday was practice so the 12th in practice for the Sunday regularity was just to suck his fellow drivers in. Lance was 1st in his four regularity events a top result.

BARKER QUICKEST JUNIOR – DEAN QUICKEST

Robert Dean blew the opposition away at the Motorkhana on 21 July winning with a time of 128.53 seconds after four courses and defeating Alan Paul who recorded a time after four runs of 136.80 seconds.

Just 0.12 of a second behind Alan was Christopher Barker with a total of 136.92 seconds showing he will be a contender for outright in the near future.



Christopher Barker first junior

Photo Tony Hanrahan

Six drivers, all juniors, contested the C-2WD WB 2391-2574mm class and although the overall field was small on the day this class had six drivers.



Scott Bradley first in class and fourth outright

Photo Tony Hanrahan

NSW HILLCLIMB

It is with great regret that the Ringwood State Championship event has had to be postponed to a date to be fixed or will be cancelled. This is due to the massive amount of rain that has fallen at the Circuit. The clubs endeavors to enhance the pits by filling in the area, grading and compacting is now in danger of becoming a mud bowl.

This is the clubs decision who made this announcement early so accommodation etc. can be cancelled This is beyond the panels control any we will convene a meeting to see what can be done.

The only good thing is that now the Board of the MG Car Club has approved to spend over \$40K on sealing of the pits to cater for over a 100 cars, well done MG. This will be a modern facility and we look forward to it as soon as possible

SOUTHERN CROSS RALLY SERIES

Due to unforeseen circumstances The Blacksmiths Inn Rally scheduled for 24th August will not be able to proceed.

As a result, the Event Director Stuart Southam has kindly offered the date to the organisers of The Bago Rally which has been gratefully accepted.

As a result, The Bago Rally will now take place on 24th August, details to be released shortly.

The Blacksmiths Inn will not be re-run this year and at this stage another event will not take it's place leaving the series at 4 rounds for this year.

CAMS for YOUR CLUB!

This is an invitation to All NSW CAMS Affiliated Car Clubs to attend the Workshops which have been agreed by both CAMS and the NSW Department of Sport and Recreation to run for your sporting club or association who on the night will provide a range of self-assessment tools that will improve the health of your club or ensure it stays in good shape. The Workshops which have been made available are identified below – there is a limit of 5 members per club to attend these workshops. You are welcome to choose as many workshops as you like. There is over \$2,000 worth of workshops which are subsidised by

CAMS for YOUR CLUB!

- Saturday 3rd August, 2013 - **Club Planning Workshop** - 9:00am-12:00pm
- Wednesday 11th September, 2013 - **Recruiting and Retaining Volunteers** - 6:00pm-9:00pm
- Wednesday 16th October, 2013 - **Sponsorship, Fundraising and Grants** - 6:30pm-9:00pm

- Wednesday 6th November, 2013 - **Website Management** - 6:00pm-9:00pm These workshops will help you to: Assisting with Club Planning
- Cover new and important information regarding Member Protection
- How to attain volunteers and retain their services
- How to manage your club website.
- How to apply for Government grants and assist with sponsorship packages.

Just bring a pen and a notepad to absorb this information which in turn could benefit and prolong the future success of your car club. Stay tuned to our website (www.cams.com.au) for further information. **Venue:** Sports House Building - 6A Figtree Drive, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127
Room: Ken Brown Rooms (Entry via rear carpark)
Cost: FREE (subsidised by CAMS)

To enrol into these workshops please contact Ronny via:
Email: Ronny.Maroun@cams.com.au or by phone: (02) 8116 9865.

Please note that the course may be rescheduled if the minimum requirement of attendees is not met.

REGISTER NOW FOR 2013 NSW OFFICIALS TRAINING

CAMS NSW Office is currently in the process of completing the Officials Calendar for the remainder of 2013. Thank you to those officials who had taken the time out to partake in the online survey to help identify which courses that they would like to partake in. Through the responses of the survey CAMS has conversed with course presenters to identify courses which were in high demand and helped introduce dates for 2013 so officials are able to partake and further enhance their accreditation as officials. Dates and courses which have been identified can be seen below:

- **Bronze Circuit Official Module** - Saturday 3rd August, 2013 - Ken Brown Room 1
- **Bronze Communications Module** - Saturday 24th August, 2013 - Pacific Room
- **Club Chief Module** – Sunday 1st September, 2013 – Ken Brown Rooms 1+2
- **Bronze Fire and Rescue Module** - Saturday 14th September, 2013 – Sydney Motor Sport Park
- **Bronze Steward Officials Module** – Sunday 3rd November, 2013 – Ken Brown Rooms 1+2
- **TBC* Bronze Scrutineer Module** – Saturday 28th September, 2013 – Sydney Motor Sport Park
(TBC* - To Be Confirmed)

If you would like to enrol in any of these course or if you have any other enquiries regarding officials courses including registering for other future courses please do not hesitate to contact the CAMS NSW SCDO's: **Ronny Maroun:**
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Doreen Butchers: Doreen.Butchers@cams.com.au - (02) 8116 9866

NEW DIRECTION FOR NSW RALLY PANEL

The NSW Rally Panel has had a quiet makeover in recent months with a new chairman coming into the role and a number of new members recruited, with the aim of getting the sport back on track in the premier state. Colin Fletcher, a well known rally organiser and competitor with more than 30 years in the sport took over the chair of the NSW Rally Panel in March following Adrian Dudok's decision to step down due to work pressures.

A number of experienced rally competitors and organisers have been recruited to the panel to bring a wider range of views on board and to handle a number of key tasks needed to reform the sport as it strives to boost rallying in NSW.

"I was very pleased to accept the role of chairman but I also realise there is a big job to be done in restoring competitor and organiser confidence in rallying," said Colin Fletcher.

"It is clear that we need to reshape the structure of rallying in NSW and the start of that will be the arrival of a new rally registration scheme in this state which we are hopeful will be rolled out in the next few months," he said.

"This has been a real point of contention but the fact is that CAMS has been working very hard over a number of years to ensure a workable scheme with NSW RMS.

"After many years of negotiation we now have an agreement that will enable us to make an affordable rally rego scheme a reality.

"Importantly, we have been able to negotiate a very user-friendly program which allows many freedoms with vehicle specification and a generous range of uses," he added.

"The new registration scheme will definitely increase the participation rate particularly coupled with the fact that ARCom has allowed a range of new freedoms to vehicle regulations that will allow a wider range of cars to participate."

Fletcher was keen to point out that the Rally Panel is also keen to get feedback and open a wider dialogue with competitors to ensure a consultative rather than prescriptive approach in the future. To enable this dialogue, a Rally Forum will be held on Sunday 18 August at Blacktown RSL to give competitors and organisers the opportunity to view the detail of draft plans for the 2014 competition year and make comment. The Forum will start at 1pm sharp and the panel encourages everyone to get involved.

"Rules and conditions are just one part of the picture and the Rally Panel is also working closely with CAMS on solutions for marketing and promoting the sport to members and more importantly to the greater community," he added.

"We are developing plans for better communication using social media but ensuring that the flow of information is kept constant, relevant, professional and right up to date involves quite a bit of planning.

“We are working on various solutions with CAMS now and hope to have the framework for our plans completed within the next eight to 12 weeks.”

“One of the initiatives we have taken is to re-formulate the long running Clubman Rally Series, which will be rebranded as the NSW Development Rally Series with new rules and freedoms to make it more relevant to the sport in 2014 and beyond.

The rounds of the Development series will be conducted separately to NSW Rally Championship events. They will be designed as simple, single format events that require less commitment of time and money from both organisers and competitors, but still enjoy a high level of safety, quality roads and organisation and will be great value for money.

This series is the second tier series of NSW rallying and importantly will appeal to competitors in two wheel drive vehicles who want to shine amongst their peers. The Panel is encouraged by the early response from a number of clubs keen to conduct events for this series in 2014.

“We are also looking to significantly reduce series registration fees and to value add with competitor discounts and special offers in order to offer more incentive to contest a series. We want to give our competitors a reason to engage in a series.”

“We know there have been many problems in years past, however, I want to assure all rally competitors, enthusiasts and organisers that the entire NSW Rally Panel is working towards significant change in NSW rallying,” said Fletcher.

“It won’t happen overnight but we have a lot of exciting reforms that will put us on the right road to restoring the sport to a stronger and more viable position. We want to improve the participation rate; improve the retention rate of competitors; and significantly improve the engagement of new competitors to our sport,” he added.

The NSW Rally Panel is chaired by Colin Fletcher and now comprises 13 members including Adrian Dudok, Ray Baker, Jon Thomson, Laurie Cunningham, Lui MacLennan and Tom Anderson. Several new members have joined the panel in the past two months including reigning NSW Rally Champion Michael Harding along with experienced organiser Mike Cherry and competitors Matt Martin, Darren Mowett, Chris Giddins and Luke Anderson.

“We look forward to welcoming all rally enthusiasts and competitors to the rally forum in August and the opportunity to reveal the plans we have been working on and to hear the feedback and thoughts of the rally community,” Colin Fletcher concluded.

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SUE AND WAYNE TAKE IN ENGLAND

Bathurst to England, June/July 2013
Friday 21/6



Wayne (Nigel) Bowden

Photo Sue Dixon

Donington Grand Prix Collection

We arrived at Donington Park at around 12 and headed into the 'inner sanctum' where all the precious F1 machines are kept. Donington has the largest showcase of Grand Prix racing cars in the world

We were not disappointed. We have never seen so many immaculate and famous vehicles. There were 4 halls of the most amazing cars, all displayed with a noticeboard explaining just what the car was, who drove it, how many wins it had, and lots more.

There are cars driven by Nuvalari, Mansell, Prost, Moss, Fangio and Stewart. There were display cases with trophies, driving suits dating back to the 50's, and so much history, it was just amazing.

They house the largest collection of McLaren and Williams racing cars in the world, and the only complete collection of Vanwalls.

We spent quite a few hours there, Wayne was in his element, and couldn't get the grin off his face.

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Enjoying English motorsport

Photo Sue Dixon

Sunday 23/6

Croft Circuit – British Touring Car Championship

We arrived at Croft Circuit at around 10 in the morning, which was quite early, as their motor racing does not get underway until around 12.

The first thing we did was to find somewhere to set up our chairs, which we did on the hill, next to a very friendly guy who was there with his family and who, we later found out, worked for Honda in Scarborough, which is about an hour from Croft, on the east coast of Yorkshire.

On the program for the day were 4 rounds of the British Touring Car Championships, each round being 20 laps.

There were also support events including the Carrera Cup and the Ginetta sportscar category and Ginetta juniors.

The first notable difference was the driver's parade before the race. The announcement was made that the drivers would be parading around the track and we were waiting for sports cars or similar to bring them out. A large flat bed truck appeared with all the drivers standing shoulder to shoulder on the back, jammed in that tight that it was hard for them to even wave. I wonder what Craig Lowndes and the like would think about that, we would probably have a revolt on our hands if we tried that here.

An interesting feature of the track was a small marker on the outside of turn 2. It is hit and taken out with great regularity and then replaced with a new one at the beginning of each race. There is usually a bet running in the crowd as to how long it will be there before it is hit. Most races it was on the first lap, if it wasn't, then they weren't having a go. Got to wonder why they bother putting it there at all really.



Drivers parade BTCC style- cannot afford the MG Club!

Photo Sue Dixon

The Carrera Cup only had 10 entrants, and in race 2 on the first lap there was a crash just after turn 3 which took out 2 of them, then between turns 4 and 5 another 3 came to grief. So they had 4 laps under the safety car and then 15 laps of just the 5 cars, we were wondering how many were going to finish and if they were going to 'do a Bradbury' and the last one running was the winner.

The Touring Cars came out and were a little disappointing. They seem really exciting on the television, but I think now that they just collect up all the crashes and excitement and put them all together in the telecast so we think it is exciting, but, compared to our V8's they are like 'Driving Miss Daisy'.

The Ginetta Sports Car junior championship is quite an interesting category. It is for 14 – 17 year olds. The engines are a sealed 1800cc Zetec and are restricted to meet the requirements for the juniors to race. They get along quite well, and there are a few lucky juniors who get to drive one, I am sure a few of our junior members would be quite jealous of them. You can find more information about the Ginetta series at this website:





Part of the multitude

Photo Sue Dixon

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ginetta_Cars

And you can find information about the Ginetta Junior Championship here:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ginetta_Junior_Championship

And here:

<http://ginetta.com/>

The rain clouds started to come in after lunch and so, having already watched 2 rounds of the BTCC, and due to the fact that we were parked with hundreds of other cars in a grass paddock (or should I say field), and access to the circuit was via a one lane country road, we decided to leave early and go back to our hotel and watch the remaining races there.

And we were very glad we did. It poured down, and I can only imagine what it would have been like trying to get out of the place later in the day.

All in all, a very interesting day, and it was great to see how they do it on the other side of the world.

Story Sue Dixon

Bathurst Real Estate

BATHURST LIGHT CAR CLUB TRIALS POINTS

NAME	24/02/2013	12/04/2013	19/07/2013			TOTAL
Jeff West	20	19	20	0	0	59
Rob Worboys	20	19	20	0	0	59
Trevor Seaman	13	14	19	0	0	46
Robert Wells	20	0	20	0	0	40
Christine Wells	20	0	20	0	0	40
David Robinson	20	0	19	0	0	39
Arthur Davis	20	0	19	0	0	39
Bradley Roberson	13	14	0	0	0	27
Amanda Wells	20	0	0	0	0	20
Jennifer Wells	20	0	0	0	0	20
Gary Maher	0	0	20	0	0	20
Wendy Maher	0	0	20	0	0	20
Ray Clarke	0	0	20	0	0	20
Helen Clarke	0	0	20	0	0	20
Daniel Blowers	0	0	20	0	0	20
Bradley Davis-Halliday	0	0	20	0	0	20
Wayne Bowden	0	0	19	0	0	19
Andrew Roberson	17	0	0	0	0	17
Scott Campbell	17	0	0	0	0	17
Brendan Smith	0	0	6	0	0	6
Brittany Woodward	0	0	6	0	0	6
Kirt Woodward	0	0	6	0	0	6
Natasha Dann	0	0	6	0	0	6
Robert Picker	0	0	6	0	0	6
Michael Peason	0	0	6	0	0	6



GET INVOLVED AT RALLY AUSTRALIA

Rally Australia will be back in Coffs Harbour in 2013 and once again CAMS is calling for officials to help run a smooth and successful event.

CAMS welcomes all to register to officiate at Rally Australia's round of the World Rally Championship in September 2013. No previous experience is needed.

Events such as this do not happen unless we have the cooperation and assistance of dedicated officials.

Officials not only help run events but also are vital to providing a welcoming atmosphere, showcasing their country and their region and sending visitors home with good impressions.

Not only do you get to see the action up close and personal but you also become part of a hard working and appreciated team.

All Rally Australia officials will receive a goodies bag which includes merchandise, free drinks vouchers, discounted dinner voucher and much more.

There will also be an after party in which all officials will be welcome and there may be a chance to kick back, relax and possibly meet the WRC drivers.

Get involved and meet some new people!

If you have friends or family members that would also like to participate please have them complete a registration form also and enjoy the event as a group.

You can complete a registration form at <http://www.rallyaustralia.com.au/officials/>

Or contact Rally Australia by email at services@rallyaustralia.com.au

For more information on how to become a CAMS official go to www.cams.com.au/get-involved/officials/become-an-official

ALEX, TONY, MARK & SUE HELPING KIDNEY KIDS

Alex Mueller, Tony Wise (Commodore) Mark and Sue Hammond (Falcon) will take on the riggers of the outback next month when the Kidney Kar Rally starts in Tamworth and finishes in Armidale traveling via Bundaberg.

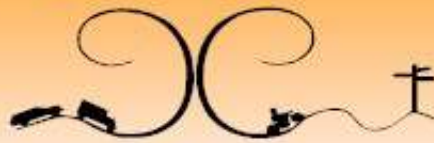
The Kidney Kar Rally raises money to send children suffering with kidney disease and their families on camps to allow them to be just kids for a week.

The rally road director is life member Arthur Davis and the majority of his control officials are club members.

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Cudgegong Cruisers



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www.cudgegongcruisers.org.au

Contact: Nathan - 0488 445 506 or Lyndel - 0411 194 315



Alex Mueller and Tony Wise in South Australia in 2012

Photo Tony Hanrahan



Mark and Sue Hammond finishing the 2012 Perth to Bendigo KKR

Photo Tony Hanrahan

**Sixty Years
Of
Bathurst Light Car Club
Motor Sport
1953 - 2013**

The First Official Meeting of the club was held on the 12th February, 1953. With eleven present in Barry Gurdon's workshop, the club became a reality. Those present were Bill Chadwick, Cam Ashelford, John Hillyer, Max Rowlings, Alan Hestbeck, Dennis Kenny, Mike Kable, Allan Doust, Ivan Wilson, Ted Hilder and John Waters.

Seating was always a problem at the early meetings as there was only one chair in the workshop, so Bill Chadwick who owned it had the honour of using it. The rest seated themselves on the running boards of some of the cars in the workshop. The Joining fee of 14/- was set with an annual subscription of one guinea.

The Licensee of the Royal Hotel, Ben Bernard, offered the use of the premises to the club for their meetings and made the first donation to the club funds of 5 pound.

The first function of the club was film night at the home of Alec Hargans and some discussion was held concerning the name of their club. "Bathurst Light Car Club" being finally chosen as being the most suitable, and not likely to be confused with the club that had functioned in Bathurst in the 1930's

By the second meeting – held at the Royal Hotel – numbers had grown to 24. The meeting must have been an interesting one. Bill Chadwick resigned as President and nominated Barry Gurdon for the position. Barry had not been present at the original meeting. Barry Gurdon then proposed that Bill Chadwick be re-elected to the position. After some haggling Bill Chadwick was once again President. Plans were made for the running of a reliability trial and a committee was elected to organise the event.

The first competitive event was set down for April 11th 1953. The first car was flagged away at 2.00 o'clock. It was a reliability trial conducted over a course of nearly eighty miles. Section 1 was an easy run to Blayney despite the fact that a train was shunting backwards and forwards across the railway crossing at Blayney control. Barry Gurdon seemed disappointed because most cars were doing fairly well. But the next two sections were to be the downfall. The winner was Robin Cheetham who clean sheeted the whole course.

In 1954 The Easter Races were organised by the Australian Racing Drivers Club. The Mt Panorama Racing Committee asked the Bathurst Light Car Club for their assistance in running the event. The Club members gave their support sweeping the track and manning the telephone.

When our forefathers formed the Bathurst Light Car Club they probably had no idea that they were creating an institution that would stand the test of time including buying land and building our Club rooms on Conrod Straight.

The Bathurst Light Car Club is one of the oldest affiliated CAMS Clubs in Australia and the Club has a long history of conducting major motor sport events such as The Australian Hillclimb, rounds of the Australian Rally Championship through to Club Rallies. Club Motorkhana's, Khanacross', Supersprint's, Flying Fifth's and Esses Decent's. Everyone's favourite seems to be the Mountain Straight hillclimb course.

The Club also started the Motor Sport Museum (Now run by Bathurst City Council) and put in all the tyre barriers around the track which are still used today.

- The club has their own grounds (The Quarry) where they conduct their Motorkhanas & Khanacross. The Club spends a lot of time teaching young people driving skills and how to control their cars on dirt. The thought being If it helps to save one life the effort is worth it

On Saturday 26th October 2013 we will be having an open day at the Club rooms with a car display and on the evening a dinner at Panthers Leagues Club. Also that weekend the Australian Pre-War MG Car Club will be in Bathurst. The Committee of BLCC have asked Peter Jansen, Colin Bond & Bruce Garland to be their guest speakers but these have not been confirmed as yet.

If you know of anyone, especially old members of the club, that are interested in coming to the event please get in touch with the club or email Helen Mulholland on ohelen@bigpond.com.



Motorkhana action, part of our 60 years

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Hillclimbing at The Esses, always part of our 60 years

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