

# HISTORIC TORQUE

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Wayne Clift  
1987 Holden Commodore VK



Photo by Ian Welsh

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# FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK



Greetings to all. We trust everyone's Easter preparations are coming along nicely.

Our traditional Autumn Historic weekend is nearly upon us. May 7-9.

There is still more than a month before the Autumn entries close.

Numbers are good and there are still some carports available. We look forward to again welcoming the Heritage Touring Cars (C & A) as a feature group.

With the recent fuel/energy price rises, it will cost a little more to compete in May. Yes, it is more frustrating for our long travel competitors - Your travel/tow fuel will be more expensive. We certainly recommend you get all your tow car and race fuel early, book accommodation and adjust budgets to account for some extra expense.

Remember that we will have our Saturday night party at the track (moved from Friday due to availability of Musicians).

If you are on a budget, this will be a cheap night of food and drinks, so give this serious thought instead of a restaurant night in Warwick?

Other 2026 events

## Past

See attached the photos from our QR TTT in February. Funnily enough, despite hyped-up weather forecasters predicting floods, we actually had a dry track for lots of Saturday and some Sunday.

## Upcoming

**HRCC Practice Day - Thursday June 4th @ QR.** This is an HRCC exclusive full day practice, for anyone (HRCC members, friends and CLASSIC entrants) wanting to get their eye in one month prior to the CLASSIC QLD. Cost for a full day will be \$180, payable on the day. We are planning to run 8:30am-12:30am, then 1pm-5pm. It will be a big day, lots of laps.

**CLASSIC QLD - July 3-5.** Planning is well advanced. A lot of work is going on in the background. Entries for the CLASSIC QLD will open in April.

**Day/night Supersprint - Saturday September 5th @ QR.** We are trialling a big, single day of Sprints and Timed Trials. We had the option of a daytime only event, or something different, going from 1pm through until 10pm at night. We are leaning towards the day/night format. All Historic and invited cars are welcome. Running under lights during the evening session should be fun and something completely different. We also thought this would be a cost effective event, with no accommodation costs. You will get more details in the coming months, but definitely put it in your calendar.

See you in May.

Stay well.

Chris and the HRCC Management Committee



# 8-10 MAY 2026

## HRCC's Traditional Autumn Historic Race Meeting

# AUTUMN CLASSIC



## MORGAN PARK RACEWAY WARWICK

- ✦ Open to all 5<sup>th</sup> Category Historic race group cars and invited cars.
- ✦ Featuring Rnd 2 of the Heritage Touring Cars Series.
- ✦ Sprint events and timed trials (regularity) will be offered to non-logbooked classic and modern vehicles.
- ✦ Saturday night Meet and Greet with Live music.
- ✦ Invitations will be sent to HRCC members by email. Event entry and updates are via the QR code.



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# HRCC TTT PRACTICE SUPER SPRINTS & TIMED TRIALS by Ian Welsh







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# QUEENSLAND HISTORIC MOTORSPORT EVENTS 2026

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<b>14 - 15 FEB*</b>	<b>HRCC TTT PRACTICE, SUPER SPRINTS &amp; TIMED TRIALS</b> OPEN TO HISTORIC, CLASSIC & MODERN CARS	<b>QUEENSLAND RACEWAY</b>
<b>8 - 10 MAY*</b>	<b>AUTUMN CLASSIC</b> OPEN TO HISTORIC, CLASSIC & MODERN CARS	<b>MORGAN PARK RACEWAY</b>
<b>4 JUNE*</b>	<b>HRCC PRACTICE DAY</b> HRCC MEMBERS ONLY	<b>QUEENSLAND RACEWAY</b>
<b>3-5 JULY*</b>	<b>CLASSIC QLD</b> OPEN TO HISTORIC, CLASSIC, MODERN CARS & MOTORCYCLES	<b>QUEENSLAND RACEWAY</b>
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# MEET A MEMBER

Stephen Hoade

What is your most memorable race?

This would be Sandown Historics 2018. My first time at the track, and our first race was red flagged after an accident, and the second race I won by 15 or 20 seconds from memory, which was a huge surprise!

What would you do if you won the lotto?

Upgrade my tow vehicle and travel around Australia towing the caravan.

Who has inspired you the most?

My Dad for sure

Are you a cat or dog person?

Cat person, we have 2 in the family.

Who is your favourite motorsport hero?

Ayrton Senna

What is the first car you owned?

1967 Morris Cooper S which I still own.

Marvel or DC Comics?

DC Comics



Morgan Park July 2019

What is the first event you competed in?

Junior sprint karts at Lismore, 1987.

What age were you when you first started in motorsport?

Age 12 in sprint karts

What do you like watching on TV?

Australian travel videos on YouTube.

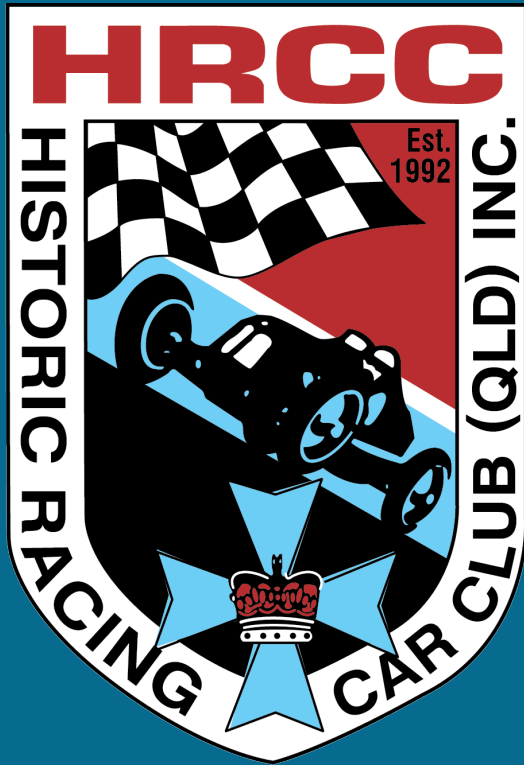
What do you do to calm the butterflies while you compete?

Once I get to the track, I don't get nervous.

What is the best part about competing?

I enjoy spending time with and meeting fellow racing enthusiasts and chatting after the days racing over a few beers.

# GENERAL MEETING AND BBQ



All HRCC members  
welcome

Date: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April

Time: Starting at 6.00pm

Venue: VCCA Club Rooms  
1376 Old Cleveland Rd, Carindale



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# MEET RENNAUTO IN THE PADDOCK

Drop in for a closer look at what we're running this weekend.  
Come by the paddock and see what's roaring to life.

# *Rennauto*

## Exotic Vehicle Sourcing & Consignment





### Expression of Interest

#### The Fabulous Nota Din

The Nota Din (Chassis Number 40) was the last & most successful Monoposto race car built by the Nota factory. Powered by a well-developed 6 cylinder Holden Grey motor driving through a Peugeot gearbox and a Skoda rear axle, the Nota Din needs no introduction and is a well-known Historic racer having been regularly campaigned over recent years at GEAR events across NSW and at various Historic meetings. Lapping Winton Short Track at around 1.12 this is a fast, reliable, immaculate and very well-known Historic racer.

In addition to the car there are a number of support parts including a Diff, Gearboxes, Spare wheels & assorted bits & pieces. A short motor which has been machined & is ready to be assembled (New pistons, con rods, mains & big ends bearings, new cam bushes etc.) is also available and includes a very well developed cylinder head modified for optimum performance which has only just been completed.

The car is being offered for sale with an immaculate custom built aero designed dual axle tilt trailer which has all the standard requirements such as a powered winch, fix rear door ramp, side & front doors, electric bakes, dual spare wheels, roll out side canopy, (3 meters square) so full car coverage when in use and is on full NSW registration.

This is a turn key, fully sorted & fresh Historic racer complete with documented history including AASA & CAMS/Motorsport Australia log books & COD.

#### Contact

**Alan McMaster**

**0402 356 103**

**stocktonnews@hotmail.com**



**\$45000.00 ONO**

#### CATERHAM LOTUS 7 (Cosworth BRG)

I am selling a 1990 Cosworth Lotus 7, with the 16 valve BDG motor.

The car has just had extensive rebuild, been repainted in dark BRG. Motor has new head and bottom end check. New 40mm Webbers, 5 speed Siera gear box, new seats, new lights, all new hoses and belts. Has wide body guards with 10x13 rear and 8x13 fronts with F3 soft grooved tires (virtually new), plus a set of standard lotus road wheels. The car has aero screens but also comes with a standard road screen.

Absolutely nothing to spend. The perfect road/track car.



#### Contact

**Ian Gray**

**0431 847 870**

**ian@graeson.com.au**

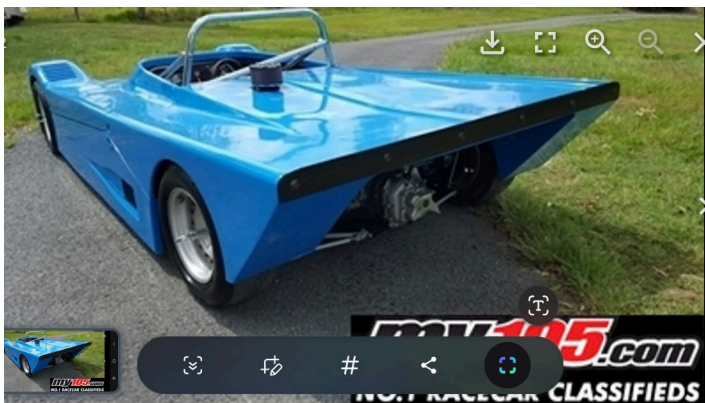


**WANTED**

**1982 Royal S2000 previously owned by Ian Gray**

I need help, I sold a Royale Sports 2000 a few years ago and want to try to buy it back.

If the current owner wishes to sell please contact me.



**Contact  
Ian Gray  
0431847870  
ian@graeson.com.au**



**\$17,500.00 ONO**

**1970 MGB GT**

Previously owned by Vern Hamilton, this vehicle is in good original condition including the one-year only steering wheel.

No rust, always garaged and just serviced.

This BGT has been fitted with a new radiator, battery, belts, exhaust, reconditioned clutch and slave cylinders with invoices for \$3,600.00.

This vehicle is in Yatala, Queensland and represents good buying.



**Contact  
Stan Adler  
0414 911 901**



**\$40,000.00**

## 1967 Mustang

Looking for a perfect, straight shell to begin your Historic Mustang build?

As I will be retiring to a rural location with only dirt road access, sadly my 67 that I've owned for around 30 years must go up for sale.

The shell is perfectly straight and completely rust free. Paint does have some blemishes up close. You will notice the car has a very low stance with great road presence.

Mechanically car is very good except for a slow auto transmission fluid leak. 289 motor is standard but runs perfectly.

Interior standard with a couple of tears in the seat vinyl. Heater unit is disconnected due to a pipe leak about 20 years ago.

Original hub cap wheels and air con unit and dash control panel will be supplied with car if looking to restore to street condition.

Located at The Gap, Brisbane

### Contact

**Paul Brelsford**

**0412 357 730**



**\$27,000.00**

## HAWK FORMULA FORD from the mid 1970's

The car has had a full ground up restoration/ rebuild and is like new.

Never raced in Australia the car was imported from the UK. Located on the Gold Coast.



### Contact

**Ian Gray**

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**ian@graeson.com.au**



**\$42000.00 ONO**

**Genuine 1964 Morris Cooper**  
(Australian Assembly)

Presents as Group Nb  
1964 Morris Cooper S  
Prepared to English Specification  
Believed racing since 1977, alloy roll cage (ROPS)  
from 1983.  
Nb logbook 1991.  
Fresh rebuild:  
1330cc heavy duty block,  
New EN40B Forged Crank,  
New MED Flywheel & Harmonic balancer,  
Max speeding rods,  
New Omega Forged pistons at 13.5:1.  
New MED Roller Rockers, new valves,  
New Swiftune SW23 camshaft, followers and  
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Original Weber 45DCOE, Tuned for E85 or  
102NE.  
Recent dyno report.  
HRCC Class Champion 2016, 2017, 2022, 2024

**Contact**  
**Peter Walsh**  
**0419 778 007**



**\$30,000.00 NEG.**

**ELFIN 620B**

Formula Ford built 1976, the last 620B built.  
Raced in Formula Ford Championships, 1976 to  
1989.  
1st. owner J. Summers, he won the 1982 TAA  
Driver to Europe Series in this car.  
Complete competition history available,  
including original log books.  
C.O.D. Fc 021. 09. 11.  
Historic Log Book H 3447.  
Extensive rebuild carried out, the car is  
presented as raced in that period.

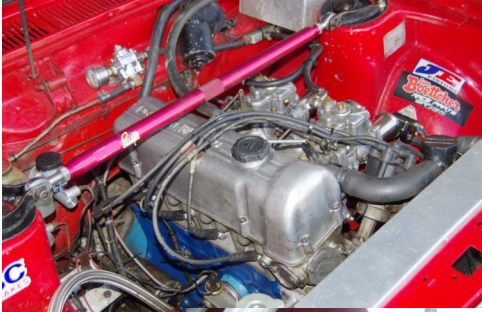
**Contact**  
**Jeff Sorensen**  
**0419 701 740**



**\$35,000.00**

## Datsun 1600

- Group NC Log Book
- Price include spares
- Fresh engine doing 63.9 seconds around Lakeside last time out.
- Car is located in Ipswich.



**Contact**  
**Trevor Norris**  
0412 143 691  
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**\$11,900.00 ONO**

## 2010 Suzuki Swift Sport

This car was one a few Swift built by Greg Cox at GMC Motorsport. Greg had intended to run a series similar to the Excel cup but it never got off the ground. This car is log booked as a 3E Production car with CAMS/MA Logbook.

We bought this car to give the kids a start into motorsport, and it was the perfect choice. It is extremely well set up, and has never missed a beat. It is fitted with MCA gold non canister shocks all round, a clutch type LSD, slotted rotors and Winmax pads up front. It also has a comprehensive CAMS approved roll cage and winged seat. It will need a new harness as it is out of date. The motor was freshened up and sealed by Greg prior to us buying the car.

The only thing with it is the body work wears the scars of a couple of minor incidents on the track, so its not perfect but looks great from 20 feet. We have only used the car at Morgan Park for Super Sprints (Mid to low 1.34 on track E) but it would also be a perfect car for any endurance racing.

Happy to make time for inspections, located on the Gold Coast.

**Contact**  
**Cam Lepp**  
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[camlepp30371@gmail.com](mailto:camlepp30371@gmail.com)



**\$30,000.00 FIRM**

## 1976 Chevrolet Corvette

L48 350 Chev auto droptop  
VIN 1237L654 15162  
Black - originally yellow

Good body and mechanicals, has had quite a lot of money spent on mechanicals in the last few years.

It's not getting used, so we are selling.

Call me to discuss all other car specifics.

### Contact

**Don Thallon**  
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Mobile:		Birth Year: (Optional)		
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Motorsport Australia Licence Number: (If available)				

SECTION 2		MEMBER CATEGORY (For description of membership categories see page 2 of this form)		
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Referring Member Name: (Optional)				

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Make & Model	Year	Colour	Engine Capacity	Competition Group	

SECTION 4		AGREEMENT & PAYMENT		
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I, ..... (Print name) hereby agree to abide by the rules of the Historic Racing Car Club (Qld) Inc.

Applicant's Signature:		Date:	
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