

COMPETITION REPORT & MSCA NEWS

MARQUE SPORTS CAR ASSOCIATION (MSCA)

2017 MSCA Championship

Events listed below count towards the Competition Championships (unless marked **).

Sprint and Regularity events require a basic CAMS level 2S licence only. (contact Rod Vogt)

2017 MARQUE SPORTS CAR ASSOCIATION (MSCA) CALENDAR

SPRINTS AND REGULARITY

The 2017 calendar has just been released. Some events are confirmed, some could be subject to change. Please put these dates in your diary but watch for any changes should they occur.

Sunday 5 February	SANDOWN	Sunday 21 May	ROB ROY HILL CLIMB
Saturday 25 February	WINTON		(not for AHOC competition championship points)
Sunday 26 March	PHILLIP ISLAND	Sunday 18 June	SANDOWN
(F1 Melbourne GP - watch at track after event)		Sunday 9 July	WINTON
Saturday 29 April	SANDOWN	Saturday 23 Sept	PHILLIP ISLAND
(Sandown 4 Hour Relay next day)		Saturday 21 Oct.	SANDOWN
		Sunday 5 November	WINTON

MSCA COME AND TRY DAYS 2017

Saturday 10 June Sandown
Saturday 9 December Phillip Island

To enter an MSCA event for the first time (or discuss "Come and Try" days) ring Rod Vogt 0408 395 240 or email competition-MSCA@healeyvic.com.au

Entry is via the CAMS online entry website www.meecamsau.com

Spectators are encouraged, entry is free and you are welcome in our garage.

Competition starts at around 9am.

OTHER EVENTS with points counting toward 2017 Championships

2017

Sunday 12th March
Rd 1 Vic Supersprint Championship
Phillip Island (PIARC)

17-19th March
VHRR Phillip Island Classic Historics
Group Sa/Sb balloted out in 2017 - no Healeys, Sprites or MGBs racing but may be some in Regularity.

8/9th April
HSRCA Historics at Wakefield Park featuring Group Sa/Sb which miss out at PI in March.

22/23rd April
Mallala Historic Races

Sunday 30th April
Sandown 240 Four Hour Relay run by
Porsche Club

Sunday 30th April
Rd 2 Vic Supersprint Championship,
Phillip Island (PIARC)

6/7th May
HRCC Autumn Historics, Morgan Park,
Warwick. QLD.

20/21st May
FOSC Wakefield Park races

27/28th May
Winton Short Course Historics. Austin
7 Club

10/11th June
ARDC Sydney Classic Speed Festival
(Group S)

Monday 12th June
Rd 3 Vic Supersprint Championship,
Sandown (Ford Four CC)

1st/2nd July
HRCC Annual Historic Queensland
Historic meeting at Morgan Park,
Warwick. QLD.

Saturday 8th July
Rd 4 Vic Supersprint Championship,
Winton (Maserati Club)

5/6th August
VHRR Winton Historics (long track)

Sunday 13th August
Rd 5 Vic Supersprint Championship,
Sandown (Maserati Club)

2/3rd September
HSRCA Wakefield Park Historic races

9/10th September
HRCC Historic Lakeside, Lakeside
QLD

22-24th September
Baskerville Historics, Baskerville.
Tasmania.

Saturday 30th Sept
Rd 6 Vic Supersprint Championship,
Sandown (Skyline Club)

14/15th October
AROCA Winton 12 Hour Relay - Team
Healey competing

28/29th October
ARDC Muscle Car Masters (Gr S),
Sydney Motorsport Park

Tuesday 7th November
Rd 7 Vic Supersprint Championship,
Sandown (Ford Four CC)

11/12th November
VHRR Historic Sandown

11/12th November
HSRCA Historic Race meeting at
Sydney Motorsport Park

COMPETITION REPORT

PHILLIP ISLAND

COME & TRY DAY

10 December 2016

WHETHER IT WAS a classic car or a modern, there was plenty of testosterone on Phillip Island for the Come & Try Day.

Luckily, to balance this out, quite a few females drove the circuit to high value and esteem.

To begin, all drivers removed loose objects including wheels and other things they may have looked for on previous occasions and couldn't find!

Tables and chairs set in place with the car's items and these became the cups of tea brigades for families.

There was a buzz in the air as cars revved in preparation for their particular sections.

Quite a few Healey club members attended, some in official garb who came to wish drivers well and discuss various aspects of the circuit and what to expect.

There were information sessions and helpful hints before two runs with an instructor then two solos at the end.

Two club members, Deb George in an Austin-Healey Sprite, and David Kisby in an Audi (his Healey remains off the road) presented themselves well with their particular instructor, then let loose on their own for the final circuits.

David Kisby put the Audi through its paces and to the maximum during the second session. Many of us were in awe at the speed at which he hurtled past us, faster than the previous lap.

Deb, conscientious and aware of her car's abilities, had the best time around the circuits. Nervous at the beginning, her smiles and excitement upon the return to the garages showed us how much she enjoyed the experience.

The day remained dry and warmed up even under heavy cloud. It was a grand day, full of surprises for a lot of drivers who tested their driving skills and learnt about their cars above all to their advantage.

The MSCA is instrumental in the formation of such a day and very strict rules apply to all drivers. Unfortunately, there had to be the renegades with drivers

taken off the run because of their unsafe behaviour.

There were 12 MSCA affiliated car clubs in attendance:

Alfa Romeo; Austin-Healey, Bolwell Car Club, Fiat Club, Jaguar, Lotus, MG Car Club, Nissan Datsun, and Sports Owners Club, Triumph, 86/BRZ Club and Victorian Clubman Association.

Paul McPherson got a session on the track in his Volkswagen Golf R Wagon Wolfsburg. Not with the Come & Try groups but because he had done a Come & Try Day at PI in his Healey before. The MSCA officials suggested that after working as a scrutineer he may like to run with the pretty fast regular sprint drivers who were acting as instructors on the day. We believe he had one 35 minute session.

In total there were 88 Come & Try competitors on the day and they ran under cloudy but fine conditions; very pleasant weather for Phillip Island.

Surprising but about half had done a Come & Try before.

There was a large variety of cars and speed differentials all the way from the little Sprite up to a Radical in sports cars.

There were also numerous Porsches, Lotuses and some very quick Audis and BMWs.

Club members Paul McPherson and Bill Metcalf acted as scrutineers with Terry Wade acting as a grid marshal and steward.

Apart from those working as officials other club members who attended included John Raisbeck and Merv & Jill George supporting their daughter.

Deb George's Sprite lost its starter motor and had to be push started all day but apart from that ran faultlessly.

Both drivers loved their experience and did the whole day.

Deb elected to take her instructor on one extra run but did the last one on her own. Merv is already talking of a bigger engine in the Sprite for next time!

Anne Kruger & Terry Wade

TASMAN TROPHY MEETING SYDNEY MOTORSPORT PARK

19-20 November 2016

Steve Pike took the blue Group Sa 3000 north for the first point scoring event for our 2017 season.

Race One was a non event with three slow laps behind the pace car after a lap one incident and then a red flag stoppage.

Race Two was the 45 minute Group S Enduro with the option of one or two drivers.

Steve kindly gave Sydney Healey driver Zac McAfee a share of his 3000 after Zac's Healey overheated in Friday practice and was withdrawn.

After the first 9 laps Steve pitted and handed over to Zac who suffered a rather bizarre retirement on lap 15 - the hard top flew off at the end of the main straight, broke the windscreen and Zac not surprisingly spun and then retired. Here's your Healey back Steve! The hard top was not too badly damaged apparently.

Colin Goldsmith ran solo and despite sitting stationary in his pit simulating a driver change, he emerged in front of Steve/Zac after trailing Steve to that point.

Colin brought the big dark blue Healey home in 24th place of the 35 starters with 20 laps completed compared with the flying winning Porsche with 22 laps after 45 minutes.

Back on the track for race 3 on Sunday afternoon, Steve said he was a little disappointed by his slower times - did you have the hard top on Steve? And a Turn 4 spin on lap 3 of 6 dropped him back behind the Goldsmith Healey again. By now Steve may have checked his records and feel a bit happier because by my reckoning his fastest lap for the weekend - 1.57.31 easily bettered his previous best time of 2.02.55 set way back in 2008.

Peter Williams ran his Brabham in Group O and Invited M class in a relatively large 24 car field with 12 of them being Brabhams, 10 with 1600cc engines and the winner, Richard Carter with 2500cc to play with plus Les Wright in a 3500cc BT21/23 third.

Missing practice, Peter worked his way



up to midfield by end of Race 2.

Race 3 on Sunday morning was a retirement on lap 5 of the 8 lap Tasman trophy feature race which added Formula Junior cars to the field for 33 cars starting.

Whatever the problem was, Peter was a non starter for the final race. Disappointing after a long haul to Sydney but Peter easily improved his best lap time at SMSP from 1.51.16 12 months ago to a new 1.45.40 seconds. Well done!

POINTS TOWARD AHOC

COMPETITION CHAMPIONSHIP

for Healeys and 4 fastest laps

Steve Pike (3000) 898 pts #1.57.31, 1.57.93, 1.58.14, 1.58.33

POINTS TOWARD ASSOCIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

for non Healeys, and 4 fastest laps

Peter Williams (Brabham) 891 pts #1.45.40, 1.45.50, 1.45.94, 1.46.49

new fastest lap

GEELONG REVIVAL

MOTORING FESTIVAL

26-27 November 2016

This iconic event with a 60 year history was resurrected three years ago after a break of some years and is proving quite popular with many of our members.

Over 400 modern and classic cars sprint over a standing quarter mile track on Ritchie Boulevard, right on the Geelong Eastern Beachfront.

Now restricted to single car at a time, drivers still have to negotiate a tricky curve in the middle of the run!

There is also a 600 car display, a Friday night cruise, classic boats and vintage aircraft active and on display. Live music, trade stalls, food and other entertainment offers something for everyone.

For the first time a competitive round of the 2016 Victorian Hillclimb

Championship was run as part of the event at a site very close to the Ritchie Boulevard sprint course.

Five Austin Healeys competed in the Sprint event in a class of 10 cars for Production Sports Cars 1041-1977 over 2000cc (No Log Book).

This class was won by Rex Broadbent in a Porsche 911RS Replica but the next

three places were closely fought by three very fast modified big Healeys.

Second was Max Hooper's 3.8 litre DMD alloy engined 3000 MK 1 with a best run of at 13.26 seconds, followed by Evan Jones in Ian Jones' BT7 less than 0.06 seconds behind with 13.82 and then Barry Batagol at 13.89 seconds in his recently acquired ex Eric Rudd/Peter Hopwood big six best remembered for Peter Hogwood's mighty race against Dennis Welch at the 1998 All Healey races supporting the Bathurst 1000 Touring Cars.

Eric Patterson and Terry Wills-Cooke again supported the event and had a great battle in their more standard BJ8s at a slightly more sedate pace with Eric besting Terry for bragging rights.

The sixth Healey to watch was the 6-litre Healey of John Strick as seen by many members over the last couple of years at various locations with its purpose built chassis, suspension and numerous other modifications which enabled John to record an impressive 12.20 second quarter mile time and second in class only to a 7-litre Cobra.

John Raisbeck competed again in his beautifully prepared Mk 1 Ford Escort with modern 2-litre engine to win his class for the third year in a row with a 13.28s best run to emphatically defeat the second placed car by two and a half seconds.

Hopefully John will keep trying to get in too the 12s next year.

And last but not least was Brian Dermott trying something completely different in his tarmac rally prepared LC Torana XU-1.

In the biggest class of 19 Over 2-litre 1940-1979 Touring Cars Brian finished 9th with a best run of 14.19 seconds.

Perhaps the club should organize a run to Geelong in 2017 and watch the fun.

KEN LEIGH HQ HOLDEN

4 HOUR ENDURO

WINTON

3-4 November 2016

Phillip Aitken now brings out his HQ only for this event each year after many years of competing in the State and National HQ Series and even in support races at the Nascar/Auscar Calder

Thunderdome events in the late 1980s and early 90s.

Built in 1988 Phil's HQ is probably the oldest HQ still competing, being one of the first prepared when HQ races moved to the mainland after starting in Tasmania.

The HQs are very evenly matched due to limited modifications allowed. A 3.3 liter six, "three on the tree", open diff etc, but still able to lap Winton in 1.46 to 1.50 seconds which is right up there with our Healeys and Sprites in the Six Hour Relay team.

Two hours on Saturday and two hours on Sunday with compulsory tyre and driver changes and 124 laps of the Winton Long Track later Phil finished THIRD from a starting field of 33 cars.

Knowing the HQ so well, Phil drove the difficult second stint each day when he reported the HQ is hot, oily, "doughy" and the non baffled fuel tank has fuel slopping around and at times barely picking up the near exhausted fuel remaining.

For Phil the following well earned POINTS TOWARD ASSOCIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

for non Healeys and 4 fastest laps

Phillip Aitken (HQ Holden) 969 pts 1.48.01, 1.48.20, 1.48.31, 1.48.32

A CLOSING THOUGHT

"Best thing about being older is that I did all my stupid stuff before the internet."

Cheers Rod Vogt



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41st HISTORIC WINTON
27th 28th MAY 2017
www.historicwinton.org
Presented by The Austin Seven Club and HMRAV
Enquiries 03 5428 2689

2016 COMPETITION SEASON SUMMARY

2016 AHOC COMPETITION CHAMPION for Healey cars is Rod Vogt in his Sprite. Geoff Leake in his 100/4 was second and Rob Raverty in the red 3000 placed third.

Thank you to our competing members and our many helpers and supporters for another successful season. Twenty members (22 in 2015) competed in 18 circuit events (18 in 2015) for the title of Competition Champion on the Club Honour Board. There were 8 six cylinder Healeys, 5 four cylinder Healeys, 6 Sprites plus the Graeme Marks Mac Healey monoposto with full details below.

2016 ASSOCIATE CHAMPION (in non Healey cars)

Russell Baker (PRB Clubman)

Rod Vogt (MGB) was second Tony Rogers (Porsche) third.

We acknowledge that many members compete in cars other than their Healeys. The 2016 competition was fought out between 16 members (15 in 2015) at 15 events (19 in 2015). Six also ran their Healeys in the AHOC Championship.

2016 AHOC COMPETITION CHAMPIONSHIP

2016 ASSOCIATE CHAMPIONSHIP for Healeys.

For Healeys - Best 4 events. Max 4000 points.

For Non Healeys - Best 3 events. Max 3000 points

Number of events completed in brackets

Events entered in brackets.

1 Rod Vogt (Sprite)	3824 (4)
1 Russ Baker (PRB)	2647 (3)
2 Geoff Leake (100/4)	3738 (4)
2 Rod Vogt (MGB)	2635 (4)
3 Robert Raverty (3000)	3714 (5)
3 Tony Rogers (Porsche)	2625 (3)
4 Steve Pike (3000)	3447 (4)
4 Phil Aitken (Coad Spcl)	1856 (2)
5 Bill Vaughan (Sprite & HQ Holden)	3193 (5)
6 Simon Gardiner (Sprite)	2907 (3)
5 John Raisbeck (Escort)	1801 (2)
7 Brian Duffy (3000)	2860 (3)
6 Shane O'Brien (Lister Jag)	1796 (2)
8 Peter Kaiser (Sprite)	2836 (3)
7 Peter Williams (Brabham)	1695 (2)
9 Graeme Marks (Mac Healey)	2681 (3)
8 Hamish MacLennan (MGB)	1508 (2)
10 Mark Bird (100/4)	2509 (3)
9 Chris Lamrock (MG J2/4)	985 (1)
11 Damian Moloney (100/4)	1890 (2)
10 Peter Kaiser (Mini)	967 (1)
12 Ken Sadler (100/6)	1790 (2)
11 John Goodall (Cayman)	952 (1)
13 Andis Salins (3000)	1749 (2)
12 Peter Jackson (Brabham)	891 (1)
14 Rick Lyon (Sprite)	1723 (2)
13 Hugh Purse (Lister Jag)	881 (1)
15 Tony Rogers (100/6)	1716 (2)
14 Rob Rowland (AC Cobra)	829 (1)

16 John Southwell (Sprite)	982 (1)
15 Geoff McInnes (Riley Spcl)	669 (1)
17 John Goodall (100/6)	946 (1)
16 Damian Moloney (Jag XJS)	439 (1)
18 Russell Baker (3000)	921 (1)
19 David Kelly (100/4)	884 (1)
20 Leon O'Brien (100/4)	743 (1)

Marque Sports Car Association

Thank you to the 14 members who supported the Marque Sports Car Association Sprint or Regularity events for 2016 - 12 in Healeys, 6 in non-Healeys (4 members ran 2 cars).

In Big Healeys and Sprites were Rod Vogt, Bill Vaughan, Steve Pike, John Goodall, Rob Raverty, Ken Sadler, Andis Salins, Mark Bird, Leon O'Brien, Simon Gardiner, Tony Rogers and Rick Lyon.

In non-Healeys were Rob Rowland (Cobra), Tony Rogers (Porsche), John Raisbeck (Escort), Russell Baker (PRB Clubman), John Goodall (Porsche Cayman) and Rod Vogt (MGB)

Historic Events

Group S Racing - Brian Duffy, Steve Pike, Damian Moloney in Big Healeys, Peter Kaiser in his Sprite and Rod Vogt MGB.

J,K, & L Racing - Graham Marks (Mac Healey), Geoff McInnes (Riley Special) and Phil Aitken (Coad Vauxhall)

Group M & O Racing - Brabhams of Peter Williams and Peter Jackson

Regularity - Bill Vaughan (Sprite), Mark Bird and David Kelly in 100s, Shane O'Brien (Lister Jaguar) and Hamish MacLennan (MGB)

Winton 10 Hour Regularity in October

Once again the AHOC competed and finished a hard earned 17th of 42 teams. Drivers were Geoff Leake and Russell Baker in big Healeys, plus Rod Vogt, John Southwell and Simon Gardiner in Sprites. Team managers were Brian Froelich and Paul McPherson and senior helpers were Graham Palich, John Goodall, Lorraine & Adrian Newman, Keith & Enid Nankervis and Wandy Leake. Many more club members helped and supported over the two-day event and we thank them.

Other Events

Members also competed at tarmac rallies, timed straight line sprints plus the odd hillclimb - these efforts were acknowledged but unfortunately do not meet the scoring criteria for our racing circuit event based championships.

THE DONALD HEALEY CENTENNIAL MEMORIAL TROPHY

Awarded by the committee in 2016 to Graeme Marks in his 1954 Mac Healey Monoposto, competing in Group Lb Historic Sports and Racing class events.

First presented by Brian Healey in 1998.

From the AHOC Committee meeting on October 14th 1998:

"That we instigate the Donald Healey Centennial Memorial Trophy to be awarded to the member who achieves the most notable performance in non-club events over the year as judged by the committee."

