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10 - 11 MARCH 2018

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EDITOR'S REPORT

Another year is here: with nearly 2 months gone already. Our first event for the year is only a couple of weeks away, so brush off the cobwebs and head out to Charters Towers for the weekend. The AGM the is the following weekend - come along and support your club + see what's happening. Kerry has the Hillclimbs up and running next month. Please give him a call if you can help in anyway. There's news about World Rally Championship and I've included some stories about the North Queensland Khanacross Series which is on again this year.

TOWNSVILLE CITY AUTOSPORTS CLUB
MINUTES MEETING 12th FEBRUARY 2018

PRESENT: Wade H, Wendy H, G Nicol, K. Long, Gavin R, Greg VD

Meeting opened at 7.40pm

Minutes of previous meeting read - correct and approved K Long

Business from minutes:

2 day event 10/11 March 2018 Sat Motorkhana Sun Khanacross Charters Towers

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance \$16 430.73

President's Report - No Report

Club Captain - No Report

General Business:

1. New clocks working, many new features including flying finish times transferred to stop point clock
2. New radios have 80 channels
3. Motion (G Nicol) to have B. McCarthy as life member.
GVD suggested K Long and G Nicol. Further discussion to be held.
1. Hillclimb dates: Sun March 25; Sun May 27; Sun July 29; Sun Sep 23
2. NQ Khanacross Series - Club happy to be a part of the series if run according to CAMS rules
6. Twilight Motorkhana 21 April
7. Targa Nth Qld - discussion either to assist or spectate— decision to spectate
8. QRC in Airlie - discussion held
9. Rally Discussion re Cardwell and Ingham - only run with right amount of officials
10. AGM - date set Saturday afternoon March 17th at 3pm
11. Hillclimb will need 8 officials at each event.

Meeting closed at 8:30pm

TCAC 2017 Results for the year

Motorkhana **3rd** Place

Dean Gartrell *(46)*

Motorkhana **2nd** Place

Brett Wasley *(47)*

Motorkhana **1st** Place

Bruce McCarthy *(56)*

Khanacross **3rd** Place

Leif Hickey *(53)*

Khanacross **1st** Place

Brett Wasley &
Daniel Weller *(64)*

Official Of The Year

Ken Whitby

Junior Champion

Jenna Wasley

Ladies Champion

Jenna Wasley

Club Champion **3rd** Place

Daniel Weller *(143)*

Club Champion **2nd** Place

Peter Trezona *(151)*

Club Champion **1st** Place

Bruce McCarthy *(172)*

Hillclimb results have not received by the time of publication. Hopefully they will be in next month's Wheelspin.

Calendar to date:

2 Day event at Charters Towers

10 March: Motorkhana

11 March: Khanacross

Supplementary Regulations are included

Keep an eye on Facebook/Club website for updates.

Annual General Meeting

Saturday 17 March 3pm at the Clubhouse

Election of new Committee

Calendar to be set

HILLCLIMBS

Sunday March 25

Sunday May 27

Sunday July 29

Sunday September 23

TWILIGHT MOTORKHANA

Saturday 21 April

Talbot Park

WRC PROMOTER HAS ANNOUNCED THE 2018 FIA WORLD RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR TODAY (THURSDAY).

The 13-round calendar marks the return of Turkey after a seven-year absence. It replaces Poland in the fixture list, which was approved by the FIA World Motor Sport Council in Paris this afternoon.

The championship begins with the traditional season-opening Rallye Monte-Carlo in January and features a mix of gravel, asphalt, snow and ice action across four continents to find the world's best all-round driver.

Innovations for 2018 include:

- Turkey returns to the WRC for the first time since 2010. The 10th round will be based in the popular international holiday resort of Marmaris, in the south-west of the country, on 13 - 16 September.

The gravel event will feature fast to medium-speed special stages, including a mix of smooth open roads near Marmaris and more demanding rocky mountain passes in Mugla state.

Turkish motorsport federation TOSFED will organise the rally, which will be one of the most compact in WRC history with several stages starting or finishing close to the service park. The speed tests hug the coast in places, guaranteeing dramatic TV images for fans.

WRC manufacturers Toyota, Hyundai and Ford build vehicles in Turkey, which was Europe's fifth largest automotive producer in 2016 with almost 1.5 million vehicles constructed.

Marmaris is a stylish Mediterranean resort along the Turkish Riviera. It sits in a valley between pine-forested mountains and the sea and is a popular sailing destination and beach holiday location.

WRC Promoter managing director Oliver Ciesla said the 2018 calendar offered heritage and originality.

"The 2018 season brings an enticing blend of WRC tradition and history, in the form of classic and long-standing rounds such as Sweden, Argentina and Finland, with a welcome return to Turkey," he said.

"Turkey is a hugely important automotive market, in terms of sales and manufacturing. Record sales of almost a million vehicles were recorded in 2016 and the sporting reasons for its reintroduction are matched by a compelling business rationale."

"We offer manufacturers the opportunity to showcase their products in a championship focused on production-based cars, and I'm delighted Turkey's return was unanimously supported by our participating manufacturers," he added

Round 1	25-28 January	Monte Carlo
Round 2	15-18 February	Sweden
Round 3	8-11 March	Mexico
Round 4	5-8 April	France
Round 5	26-29 April	Argentina
Round 6	17-20 May	Portugal
Round 7	7-10 June	Italy
Round 8	26-29 July	Finland
Round 9	16-19 August	Germany
Round 10	13-16 September	Turkey
Round 11	4-7 October	Great Britian
Round 12	25-28 October	Spain
Round 13	15-18 November	Australia

NQ KHANACROSS SERIES

ROUND 1. Was held at the whit Sundays Tonker Park 10 Km south of Proserpine on the May Day long weekend. 25 Series competitors battled though changing conditions along with 15 non series competitors to see one of the largest fields of 40 drivers compete over the two day event. The event ran smoothly through out Saturday with no car damage or retirees. Local track knowledge helped Tim Hall set the early pace after lap one. Rowan adjusted his tyre pressures and was hardly headed all day by most of the field but finishing less than a second faster than Greame Colls in his AWD Subaru and Tim Hall only nine one hundredth of a second behind. Junior, Heath Barry in the mighty Micra was a further 6 seconds behind placed in fourth. After him it was daylight but some very close completion rounded out the top ten.

Sunday morning the starting garages were lined up side by side for the two tracks. This proved popular at last years event and this year was no exception. The first run all drivers had to contend with the wet conditions, with the inside track proving very slippery in places as a few drivers found out as they skidded into the tyres or of the track. The early runners had the worst of the conditions which reflected in the times. The drizzle abated and the track gripped up nicely as the second run started. By the third run dust prevailed again as drivers had the opportunity to elect whom they wish to run against. The spectators were in for a treat as big V8s lined up against each other but the high light was the closely matched Celica of Rowan lined up against the small mighty Micra driven by junior competitor Heath. The turbo monster class D Celica only inched away from the micra down the straight and was slightly ahead at the braking duel into the garage for both

runs. Well done to Rowan winning outright 1st. Tim out right 2nd and Heath for out right 3rd. 1st Ladies Deb closely followed by Kym and 3rd Kara. 1st Juniors Heath 2nd Jody Greame winning out right 1st in AWD

ROUND 2. Held at Rally Sport Park Mareeba, west of Cairns lived up to it's reputation of being dry. Well mostly dry with some very light persipatation falling late Saturday afternoon and over night. Nothing like the rain on other parts of the tablelands and not enough to dampen the racing and certainly not the dust.

A total of Twenty Nine drivers lined up including Seventeen series competitors, some traveling over 900km one-way to attended what has become a very friendly series filled with laughs and mate-ship. Last years winner, Andrew Horn started with a flurry setting the first two fastest times closely followed by last event winner Rowan Trewick. Andrews competitive run ended when his Corollas engine knocking foretold of imminent doom. Local driver crocodile Kevin, in his new Pulsar put in a faultless driving display setting 8 fastest times out of the 21 runs for the weekend. Rowan stayed in touch with the leaders until he made two wrong directions and then failed to start the last four runs. Junior driver Heath Barry didn't place a wheel wrong all weekend and that showed in the final results. Mark Horder's Soarer didn't handle some of Mareeba's rougher sections, ripping the inter-cooler piping from its mount. He managed to repair the damage and continue until finishing the event in the club car. Steve Van der Brug, acting as Assistant Clerk of the Course for the first time, hit a tree on run three in his 570SX but managed to continue for the rest of the event.

The FNQ club put on a spectacular dinner for the racers and family Saturday night. Lots of club members brought a dish of food, including some of the Mossman club members. It was all organised by Kylie and when it was all put together it was fabulous, as was the breakfast cooked by the Thompson family on Sunday morning.

The tracks deteriorated on Sunday with some very loose sections challenging the drivers and cars for grip and the ultimate racing line. At the end of the weekend when the dust settled the leader board has some surprising results with two rounds completed and the final at Mossman Tim Hall from Whit Sundays has jumped to the lead closely followed by Junior Heath and at least 3 other possible out right contenders.

Results for round 2. 1st Outright Kevin Durose

21:17.38 2nd Heath Barry 21:34.77 3rd Tim Hall 21:45.72 1st Ladies Kym Hall 1st Junior Heath Barry

ROUND 3. The final round of the NQ Khanacross series was held at Mossman last weekend (14-15 October) in bright sunny conditions. Those of you may remember that the previous 2 years day two was washed out by torrential rain. This years campers had a slight scare at 4:00am when the rain started, but it soon stopped.

Coming into round 3 Tim Hall in his SSS pulsar and Heath Barry in the mighty Micra where tied on points for the outright placing's and some of the classes where to close to call. It all came down to the final round and Saturday started hot, fast and dusty.

Heath set the pace on lap one. Rick set the next two fastest times but more importantly, Tim clawed back time on Heath. The series lead swapped continually between the pair with Heath setting impressive times but loosing all the advantage in just one poor run then retaking the lead a few runs later.

Meantime FNQ club crocodile member, Kevin in his SSS was setting the pace from where he left of in round two, in a faultless display to be well clear of the field in first place. It was all SSS pulsar out in front and with a veritable 6 entrants out of 25 driving the mighty machines it was little wonder that towards the final 2 runs for the weekend that three of them featured in the top three. Rick in his SSS was within .9 of a second from taking the outright position from Kevin.

Saturday racing concluded with six drivers all possible outright contenders. The Mossman club lived up to their reputation and put on a fabulous feast for dinner and deserts to match. The tracks held up well all day though a little dusty, the wind always blew the dust away so wasn't a problem for spectators or drivers.

Sunday Breakfast provided by the Mossman club was every bit as good as it looked but all competitors where keen to start racing. A water truck Saturday night settled the dust on the lower track and a brief shower early morning took care of the rest. The hills came alive too the sound of A thumping V8 driven by Shane. It didn't take long for the dust to re-emerge especially after president bob held the large Falcon on full lock from corner to corner billowing great clouds of dust and not to be out done the Blue Bird piloted by Sam, slid gracefully sideways around every bend.

The completion was close all the way down the order with many bragging rights battles taking place between drivers. In the end the Nq series was decided in the last three runs. Unfortunately for Heath he hit a course marker incurring a five second penalty, which shot Tim to the lead. On the second last lap Heath managed to claw back almost two seconds on Tim. This left a all out battle for the final lap of the series with Heath posting the fastest time but only .41 quicker than Tim who bettered his previous run by 2.42 seconds which made the final winning margin a slim 2.39 seconds. O so close after six days of racing over three events it still came down to the final run.

Having won round two Kevin won this event convincingly by just over 7 seconds from Rick and must be ruing his round one event performance, scoring only two points too finish 3rd in the series outright.

2017 NQ Khanacross Series results.

<u>Out Right Result</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Ladies</u>
1 st Tim Hall	1 st Heath Barry	1 st Kym Hall
2 nd Heath Barry		2 nd Kara North
3 rd Kevin Durose		3 rd Deb Melrose
4 th Rick Ranscombe		
5 th Steven Van der Brug		

<u>Under 1600</u>	<u>1600-2000</u>	<u>Over 2000</u>
1 st Heath Barry	1 st Tim Hall	1 st Steven Ven der Brug
2 nd Shane North	2 nd Kevin Durose	2 nd John Sutton
3 rd Kara North	3 rd Rick Ranscombe	3 rd Shane Buchanan

On behalf of Dave and myself we wish to thank all the drivers in the series for traveling to all the events. The clubs for hosting the series rounds and all the volunteers we rely on to have these events.
Our series sponsors, Triple T truck hire – S & A Automotive & Éclat Visual Brilliance.

We are planning the 2018 calendar so watch this space.

Cheers

Steven Van der Brug.

OTHER DATES

QRC DATES

Round 1	March 17	Imbil
Round 2	July 14-15	Border Ranges
Round 3	August 18	Benarkin
Round 4	September 22	Manumbar
Round 5	October13	Whitsundays

TARGA

April 16-21	Tasmania
August 31-2Sept	Cairns Barrier Reef
November 9-11	High Country



STANDARD SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS FOR NON SPEED EVENT

MULTI-CLUB MOTORKHANA & KHANACROSS

The event will be conducted under the International Sporting Code of the FIA., the National Competition Rules of CAMS., the discipline specific Standing Regulations, the National/State Championship or Series Regulations relevant to the event, the CAMS Passenger in Vehicle Guidelines, the CAMS Come and Try Policy, these Supplementary Regulations and any further Supplementary Regulations or Bulletins which may be issued. This Event will be conducted under and in accordance with CAMS OH&S and Risk Management Policies, which can be found on the CAMS website at www.cams.com.au. Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by CAMS in relation to the event. Further details can be found in the CAMS Insurance Handbook, available at www.cams.com.au.

CAMS PERMIT:	417/2210/03	DATE:	10-11 March 2018
ORGANISING CLUB/PROMOTER:	Townsville City Autosports Club Inc		
ORGANISING COMMITTEE:	Leif Hickey (0405 150 385)		
ADDRESS:	PO Box 7696, Garbutt, Qld, 4814		
NAME OF EVENT:	TCAC Dirt Daze		
TYPE OF EVENT:	Multi-club Motorkhana & Khanacross		
VENUE/LOCATION:	Millichester Motorsport Precinct, Charters Towers		
TYPE OF SURFACE:	Gravel		
TESTS:	<p>10 March – Motorkhana - There will be a minimum of 6 tests as sourced from the CAMS Motorkhana Test Booklet.</p> <p>11 March – Khanacross – There will be a min. 6 courses. All courses will be designed according to the CAMS Manual of Motorsport Khanacross regulations.</p>		
INVITED CLUBS:			
CLERK OF COURSE:	Wade Hickey		
STEWARDS:	TBA		
SCRUTINEER:	Daniel Weller	SECRETARY:	Wendy Hickey (0418 254 401)
JUDGE OF FACT:	All signed on officials present at the event.	TIMEKEEPER:	Wendy Hickey (0418 254 401)
LICENCE REQUIREMENTS:	Minimum CAMS level 2 non-speed		

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS cont

ENTRIES OPEN	Motorkhana – 10 th March 2018, 1000hrs Khanacross – 11 th March 2018 0800hrs	ENTRIES CLOSE	Motorkhana – 10 th March 2018 1345hrs Khanacross – 11 th March 2018 0845hrs
ENTRY PRICE	Full weekend \$70/adult \$30/junior (under 18) or one day \$40/adult \$20/junior (under 18)		

Entries will be accepted in order of receipt

The organisers may refuse any entry in accordance with NCR 83 of the current CAMS Manual. Entries from competitors under 18 years of age must be counter signed / consented to by a parent/ guardian.

MINIMUM NUMBER OF COMPETITORS:	3		
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF COMPETITORS:	40		
MAXIMUM ENTRIES PER VEHICLE:	3		
STARTING TIME:	<p>Motorkhana - Competition will commence no earlier than 10th March 2018 1400hrs. Last competitive test will commence no later than 10th March 2018 1800hrs or at the discretion of the clerk of the course.</p> <p>Khanacross – Competition will commence no earlier than 11th March 2018 0900hrs. Last competitive test will commence no later than 11th March 2018 1300hrs or at the discretion of the clerk of the course.</p>		
DRIVER'S BRIEFING TIME	10 th March 2018 1345hrs 11 th March 2018 0845hrs	LOCATION	Millchester Motorsport Precinct TCAC Motorkhana Pad
SCRUTINEERING TIME	10 th March 2018, 1200-1345hrs 11 th March 2018, 0800hrs-0845hrs		

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS cont

All vehicles must comply with Schedule A and Group 4H (or OST Formula) of the current CAMS Manual. Approved helmets and apparel, in accordance with Schedule D of the current CAMS Manual. Fuel must be in accordance with Schedule G of the current CAMS Manual. Cars must be adequately muffled.

Competitors must produce a valid and current CAMS Competition Licence and Club Membership Card of a CAMS-Affiliated Car Club and Log Book (if issued) at document check.

CLASSES:

Classes will be as per the CAMS Manual of Motorsport.

PRIZES & TROPHIES:

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd Outright, 1st Junior and 1st Female for the overall combined results of the TCAC Dirt Daze weekend event.

Results shall be determined by total elapsed time in ascending order.

Event organisers reserve the right to cancel, abandon or postpone the event in accordance with NCR 59 of the current CAMS Manual

Protests must be lodged in accordance with Part XII of the current CAMS Manual.

ALCOHOL, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES

Any holder of a CAMS 'Competition' or 'Officials' licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of drugs (or other banned substances) and subject to a penalty(ies) for a breach in accordance with the CAMS Anti-Doping Policy and/or the CAMS Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy as published on the CAMS website. Consumption of alcohol in the paddock, pits or any section of the competition venue/course under the control of the Officials is forbidden until all competition is concluded each day. Accordingly, any holder of a CAMS 'Competition' or 'Officials' licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may also be tested for the presence of alcohol by a CAMS Accredited Testing Official (CATO) in accordance with the CAMS Standard Operating Procedure for Breath Alcohol Testing.

TCAC Dirt Daze

Townsville City Autosports Club Inc

11th March 2018

FURTHER REGULATIONS

CAMS Permit # 417/2210/03

☒ This Event will be on the 11th March 2018.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

FEES for 2017 - 1st April 2017 - 31st March 2018

SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP:	\$10.00 / single	\$20.00 / family
COMPETITIVE:	\$60.00 / single	\$70.00 / family

Form to: Townsville City Autosports Club Inc: PO Box 7697, Garbutt Qld 4814
Cheques made payable to: Townsville City Autosports Club Inc
Or Pay in person at the next club meeting or event

I, the undersigned hereby apply to become a member of the above mentioned association. In the event of my admission as a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the association for the time being in force.

Name:

Spouse/Partners Name:

Address:

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Postal Address:

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Phone: Home..... Mobile.....

Email:

CAMS Lic/Official Lic No:..... Level:..... Expiry Date:.....

First Aid Cert:..... Categories/Grades:.....

Signature of applicant: Date / /20

I, the undersigned, a member of the association, nominate the applicant, who is personally known to me for membership of the association.

Name: Signature of Nominator:

I, the undersigned, a member of the association, second the nomination of the applicant, who is personally known to me for membership of the association.

Name: Signature of Seconder:



President: Greg Wright Vice President: Greg Van Dinter Treasurer: Ken Long Club Captain: Wade Hickey Secretary: Kerry Cobbing