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The Newsletter of the GOLDEN ERA AUTO RACING CLUB QUEENSLAND INC. PO Box 5280, Kenmore East. 4069 www.gear.org.au The Golden Era Auto Racing Club promotes the preservation of the racing & sports cars of the golden age of Australian motor sport.

GEAR organizes non-competitive Drive Days for the pleasurable use & enjoyment of the cars in a safe, regulated, affordable and social motoring environment.

# In Gear....

News, views and updates from President, David Chilton:

#### Hello Members

Our visit to Morgan Park was a great success. We had 26 entrants from GEAR and just as many visitors and crew. The WDSCC crew made us very welcome. With a stronger interest than they were expecting, a few things quickly changed - we started earlier, finished later, changed to the longest track, and they opened the Cafe'. All the participants got more track time than they could handle. The goal was 2 hours, but there were not many left at the end! It was a relaxed atmosphere, perfect for a GEAR social day.

We have been invited back for another day, Wednesday 23 August. My hope is that more members who have never driven on MP Raceway will come and give this favourite track and venue a go, I doubt you would be disappointed.

Our QR track day attracted 31 entrants. We ran three groups throughout the morning, and we tried the new track addition, the Clubman Circuit with the four extra 90 deg corners, to be known as the "Switchback". The feedback was positive, "more interesting", "a new challenge".

The day was attended by plenty of spectators coming out for a walk around and a coffee.

With cooler months approaching our meetings tend to become more popular both with entrants and visitors. Please come and enjoy the day with us. *Cheers* 

### David

#### **GEAR** SELECTOR NEWSLETTERS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER EACH TRACK DAY!

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# Upcoming car events will be posted here in the next newsletter....

- 14 April—Munchies Friday night car meet 5.00-7.30pm @ Acacia Marketplace Shopping
- 15 April—Ipswich car meet Sat 5.30-7.30pm @ Bunnings Bundamba
- 22 April— Test n Drive Weekend Saturday 9:30 am @ Lakeside Park, Lakeside Rd Kurwongbah
- 29 April— QC Brisbane Meet & Cruise Saturday 5:30 – 8:00 pm @ Auto One Browns Plains, 18 Commerce Dr
- 30 April—Qld Auto Spectacular Sunday from 6am
   Willowbank
- Every Saturday—7am Donut Derelicts @ Old Petrie Town

## **GEAR QLD DATES for 2023**



Thursday	20 April	Lakeside Park
Thursday	18 May	QId Raceway
Thursday	22 June	Lakeside Park
Thursday	27 July	Lakeside Park
Wednesday	23 August	Morgan Park
Thursday	28 September	Lakeside / AGM
Thursday	12 October	QId Raceway
Thursday	23 November	Lakeside Park
Thursday	7 December	Lakeside Park
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End of year Christmas Party will also be on 7 December

## **Event times**

Lakeside Park 9.00am – 4.00pm

Morgan Park 9.00am – 1.00pm

Qld Raceway 8.30am – 12.30pm

Also published on https://gear.org.au/calendar/

# Editorial

#### Hey Racers

Where is this year going.....can't believe we are April already! The days, months and years just keep flying by!

I've heard the Morgan Park GEAR Day was a very successful day with lots of track time for everyone. Make sure you mark the next one scheduled for 23 August in your calendar as it would be great to have even more entrants from GEAR.

Loved how they changed the Qld Raceway track for the March GEAR meet! We raced on the Clubman Circuit – I don't think I've even taken so many 90-degree corners in my life!!

Please remember, if there is anything you want me to add to our newsletter, please reach out, as I would love to hear your ideas.

If you are interested in selling your car, please just send me an email with the details and some photos (and of course your phone number/email) and I will include it in the classifieds section.

I'm also interested in featuring stories about your cars and their history as they all have their own unique stories which we would love to hear. So, please if you have any ideas for a good story, please contact me as I would love to add your article in our GEAR newsletter.



Karly Miller – Editor Email – <u>Karlymiller77@hotmail.com</u> Eat—Sleep—Race—Repeat!



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# Qld GEAR Drivers List—Morgan Park 8 March 2023

Member #	Name	Car	Colour
355	Phil Charles	Nota GRD Formula Libre	Blue
525	Bill Black	Black Porsche 917-10	
558	Ian Wakely	Leyland Mini Special	Red/ white
591	Duncan Miller	Holden FJ	Cream/ Maroon
592	John Kean	Ford Cortina GT	White
653	Jim Andrews	Elfin 600B	Silver/Black
708	Colin Schiller	MG TB	Red
721	Mel Cason	Alfa Romeo GTV 2000	Red
731	Steve Purdy	MG Midget	Red
743	Geoff Karger	Reynard Formula Ford	Red
781	John Partington	Triumph TR7	Yellow
789	Jon Kendall	Holden Torana SS	Black
794	Damien Emery	Ford Cortina	Blue /white
815	815 Christopher Andrews Ford Escort Mk2		White
856	856 Gary Lucas MG BGT		Red
863	863 Liam Pelly Chevrolet Camaro		Yellow
865	Steve Denby	Morris Mini	Blue/White
900	Greg McKinnon	Ford Mustang Edelbrock	White/Red/Blue
921	Howard Moss	MG B	Red
926	Rodney Duffield	Nimbus Formula Vee	Maroon
937	Ian Oxborrow	Mazda RX7 S3	Brown
953	Philip Larsson	Porsche 944 Turbo	White
961	961 David Overington Alfa Romeo GTV		Red
972	Roger Bennetts	Jaguar XJ6	White
993	Chris Bool	Nissan 280ZX	Black
997	Brian Wild	Mallock MK31	Blue/Silver



# Qld GEAR Drivers List – Green Group

Membership #	Name	Car	Colour
714	Paul Cuthbert	Austin Healey Sprite Mk1	Green/red stripe
865	Steve Denby	Morris Mini	Blue/White
509	Ross Johnson	Morris Mini	BRGreen/ White
974	Graham Harding	Austin Healey Sprite	Black
556	Peter Wild	Triumph GT6	Magenta
775	Michael Paine	Leyland Mini 'S'	Red/white
854	Rhet Silkstone	Morris Cooper S	Blue
963	Brendan Pemberton	Porsche 911	Yellow
361	John Barram	Lotus 7	Green
800	Stephen Ziu	Ford Escort Mk1 1300	Blue
670	Rod Zaverdinos	GSM Dart	Red
893	Karly Miller	Mazda RX7 SII	Gold





# Qld GEAR Drivers List - Yellow Group

Membership #	Name	Car	Colour	
789	Jon Kendall	Holden Torana SS	Black	
807	Cameron Waite	Torana UC V8	Pepper Grey Metallic	
825	Paul Attard	BMC Mini Clubman Sports	Blue	
484	Robin Fleming	Morris Cooper S	BR Green	
770	John Tupicoff	BMW 2002	Black/Silver	
900	Greg McKinnon	Ford Mustang Edelbrock	White/Red/Blue	
948	Michael Miller	Porsche 928	Platinum	
815	Christopher Andrews	Ford Escort Mk2	White	
937	Ian Oxborrow	Mazda RX7 S3	Brown	









# Qld GEAR Drivers List – Red Group

Membership #	Name	Car	Colour
730	Spencer Yarrow	Nota sportsman	Red
846	Leslie Endres	Caterham 7(Raca)	Yellow
997	Brian Wild	Mallock MK31	Blue/Silver
1018	Stan Benbrook	Lola T320 SuperVee	Red
765	Fred Frech	Crossle 32F	White/Blue
653	Jim Andrews	Elfin 600B	Silver/Black
977	Brian Aldred	Centaur Clubman Mk3A	Black
467	Thomas Lane	Mercedes W125	Silver
1015	Peter Bartolo	Arrow Clubman	Orange
202	David Christy	Westfield Sei	Red







## Pit-happens

More photos online: <u>https://rossjohnsonphotography.zenfolio.com/gear\_2023</u>







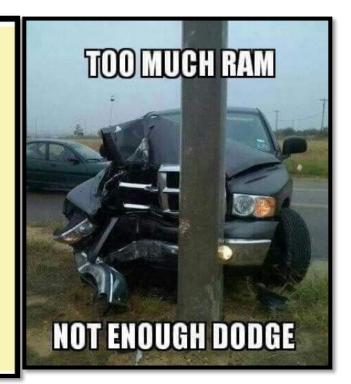


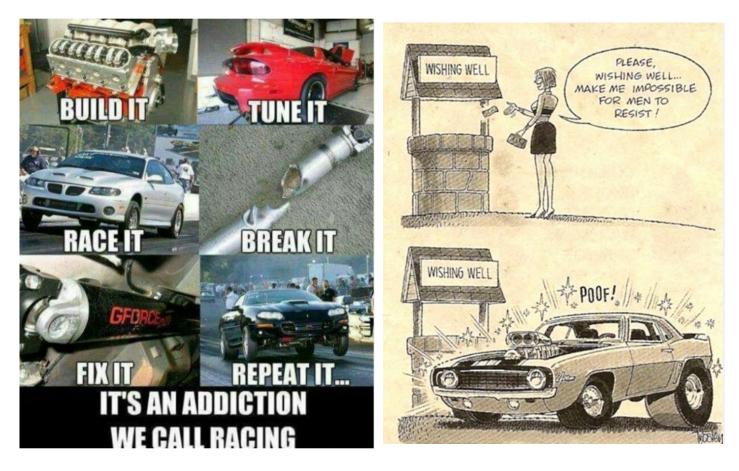




## Some car jokes to accelerate your day...

Beware of a new Amazon scam. My husband ordered me some expensive jewelry, but motorcycle parts came instead. Thankfully they fit his bike...





## **1938 PONTIAC SILVERSTREAK COUPE**

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# Max Pearson Offers for Sale FOUR EXAMPLES OF MOTOR RACING HISTORY

## The Mildren Waggott as driven by Max Stewart

This car is the second most trophied open wheeler racing car in Australia behind that of Frank Matich.

Originally built by Bob Britton for Alec Mildren Racing it is without doubt one of Australia's great open wheeler racing car icons.

Included in its history are:-1967 - Max Stewart's first Australian Drivers' Championship

1969 - Australian Formula 2 Championship driven by Max Stewart 1970 – Second in the Australian

Drivers' Championships 1970 – Tasman Series

1970 - Australian Formula 2 Championship driven by Max Stewart

1971 - Max won his second Australian Drivers' Championship against the might of the F5000s.

Also raced in the Singapore, Kuala Lumpur and Japan Grands Prix

The Mildren Waggott has gone through a complete and exhausting reconstruction to its original condition from the tube frame up by David Kent. No cost has been spared on this process representing another proud and magnificent historic Australian motor racing car.





## Elfin MR5 Formula 5000

This is the Elfin MR5 that was driven by Max Stewart in the later 1972/73 Tasman Series and Australian Drivers Championship

A great car fully rebuilt by Murray Sinclair in Christchurch, New Zealand during 2012-2016 with motors prepared by Rod Collingwood. Maintained in Australia by Alan Matthews and David Kent.

This truly historic car is ready to race with its CAMS 'Gold' Certificate of Description and is priced at \$185,000 to encourage a great opportunity for a new owner/driver as an introduction into F5000. Supplied with two motors (RMG12 and RMG20) and wet weather rims. Plenty of spares available.



## 1967 Brabham BT23 Serial Number 3

This car is one of three works cars prepared for the 1967European F2 Championship.

The three cars were driven by Jack Brabham, Denny Hulme and Frank Gardner. Only nine Brabham BT23s were built and from the learned advice from Andrew Fellows and Bryan Miller just four are still in existence.

We are prepared to negotiate and assist a new buyer in formalising a new CAMS' CofD or HTP papers.



## 1969 Brabham BT29 Serial Number 14

This is my much loved Group O BT29 that was prepared by David Kent and generously and expertly maintained by Alan Matthews. With its Log Book and CAMS COD it is ready to race and is a delight to





## Trailer

drive.

Dual F5000 and/or Brabham BT29 open wheeler transporter/trailer. Built by Allweld, Maryborough, Qld. this five year old 7.5 metre trailer consists of an all-aluminium frame, body and rear ramp loader.

All electric complete with solar panel, it features an integrated electrical charging facility including an electric rear load door, electric winches and 240v power points.

It also comes with a standby generator, air compressor, "BULL-DOG" hitch height assist and a "HITCH EZE" coupling. With a distributed load capacity of 1-5 tonne it is ready to rock and roll.



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#### **CENTAUR The very first (1960) Centaur is for sale**



Built during the years 1959-1960, this car is the first of a number of Centaurs, of various types, including the Australian GT Championship winning Centaur GT.

Having been sold to make way for Centaur IV, the car was raced by a number of owners, both for a short time in Victoria and more generally in Queensland.

An extensive rebuild was undertaken around 2008, during which the specification was returned to that of the early 1960s, using a 105E Ford motor and gearbox, and BMC A-Series rear axle assembly.

A 1973 CAMS logbook is available.

Photo records of the rebuild are available.

It is pictured as run at GEAR days.

It is for sale with sundry spares and tipping trailer.

For further details contact Tim Harlock Phone: (07) 3870 1842 Email: <u>tdjhsrf@bigpond.com</u>

#### **1954 Mk1 ZEPHRY HISTORIC RACE CAR**







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## GEAR SCRUTINEERING CHECK SHEET

Drivers take full responsibility for the safety and roadworthiness of their vehicle. Please check  $\square$  the following items and sign the statement below.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A
Brake lights working			
Firm brake pedal			
Brake fluid level- DOT 4 or better			
Flexible brake lines- not cracked			
Pad / lining thickness OK			
Battery secure			
Catch/overflow container fitted			
Fuel cap secure			
Bonnet secure (2 independent systems)			
Throttle springs – 2 fitted			
Fire extinguisher fitted			
Wheel nuts secure			
Tyre inflation correct			
All four tyres above wear marker			
Wheel bearings secure			
Wheel centre caps removed			
Seat and seat belt secure			
No loose objects inside vehicle			
Lamp glass protected (Tape)			
No oil or fluid leaks evident			
Rear vision mirrors effective			
Tail shaft restraint fitted			

I have inspected my vehicle as per the above checklist and I present my vehicle in the safe condition as required for a GEAR event.



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