

GEAR SELECTOR



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 the President, David Chilton:

Hello Members,

With heavy overnight rain and a very wet morning at QR on 20th October, after discussions with the Clerk of Course it was mutually decided not to proceed with our October track day. It is always a tough decision to cancel an event, and by mid-morning we can usually see how good or otherwise the decision was. I was one of a dozen or so who turned up prepared, but as there were heavy clouds lurking all morning, I remain convinced that it was the correct call.

Those who did venture out to QR were able to attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and make up the necessary quorum. We held the meeting in the recently upgraded Cafe where all who wanted could enjoy a coffee, once again courtesy of Shannons. As the agenda and related documents were circulated beforehand, voting on the motions proceeded smoothly. All the motions were passed unanimously, and the 2021/22 Management Committee retired in accordance with the Constitution.

The new Management Committee was then constituted in accordance with nominations received to the vacant positions. The 2022/23 Management Committee consists of five members continuing on: Col, Ian, Ross, John and myself; with the retirement of Phil Strong (after serving 10 years!) Jim Andrews accepted a position on the Committee. Welcome aboard Jim! I was honored to be appointed as a Life Member of GEAR, an unexpected development for which I am very grateful.

The 2022/23 Management Committee got straight to work and held its first meeting after the AGM concluded. As I have previously highlighted, the biggest challenge facing the Club in 2023 is consistently achieving sufficient number of participants at our track days. Participation gives us a strong hand when discussing times, dates and rates with track management.

NEWSLETTER EDITIONS FOR 2022.....

GEAR Selector Newsletters will be issued after each track day.

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The 2023 calendar is being negotiated with the track managements now, and we are looking at all options, and even trialing Morgan Park as a third track.

Please make every effort to join your fellow members at Lakeside Park on **17th November**. Get those spanners working and cars prepared, as for reasons mentioned above, we need a really strong turn out!

Our Christmas function on **8th December** will be the traditional half day on the track, followed by a sumptuous lunch in the air-conditioned function room as we celebrate 20 years of GEAR. Further details will be included in the next GEAR Selector, but please mark your calendar!

Cheers
David Chilton





GEAR QLD DATES 2022

Thursday	17/11/2022	Lakeside Park
Thursday	08/12/2022	Lakeside Park

2022 GEAR will conclude on Thursday **8th December** with half day on the track followed by a splendid lunch in the air-conditioned function room as we celebrate 20 years of GEAR.



Editorial



Hi everyone

It's Karly here, I have taken over the GEAR editorial duties from Dougso please be kind, while I learn to hold the wheel steady and accelerate slowly!!

I was also one of the hopeful GEAR members that turned up on Thursday hoping for a spin around the track....but unfortunately due to the weather our meet was called off! So, I stayed a little for a chat and enjoyed a nice hot coffee from the trendy Willowbank café!

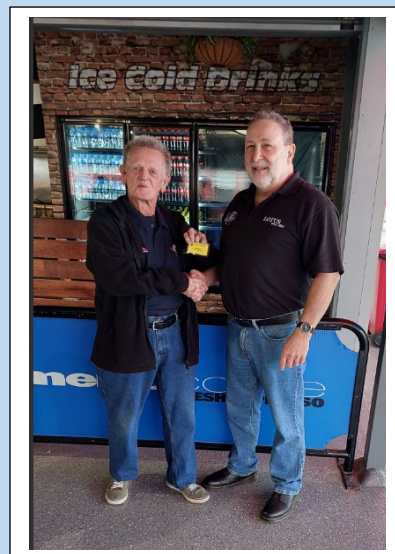
Hopefully everyone managed to stay safe and dry during the recent rainy end to October! Not sure when this crazy weather will be over so we can start to enjoy more warm spring days. Mind you – this time of year I do love seeing all the beautiful purple Jacaranda trees around!

Can't believe the year is nearly over – only 2 GEAR days left for 2022! And like everyone else, I'm looking forward to the next GEAR day so we can spend some time on the track! So, let's make the most of it, get your cars ready for Lakeside on **Thursday 17 November!**

Let's have some fun on the track!
Karly Miller – Editor

Eat—Sleep—Race—Repeat!

Congratulations!



David Chilton being presented his Honorary Life Membership card by Alan Telfer

GEAR Committee (as of October 2022)



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CAN YOU HELP?

We are seeking photos from the early days of GEAR, specifically between 2002 to 2009. Please contact Ross Johnson if you can assist with this!

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Some silly jokes to fuel your laughter



1. What do you call a Mexican who lost his car?
Carlos.

1. When is a car not a car?
When it turns into a driveway.

2. What kind of car does yoda drive?
A toyoda

3. What kind of cars do cooks drive?
Chef-rollets.

4. What kind of car does a dog hate?
CorVETS.

5. What kind of car does a snake drive?
An Ana-Honda.

6. Where do Volkswagens go when they get old?
The Old Volks home.

7. What happens to a frog's car when it breaks down?
It gets toad!

8. My daughter said I could never make a car out of spaghetti.
You should have seen the look on her face when I drove pasta.

CAR QUIZ.....



Q1 Which brand of car was founded by Lionel Martin and Robert Bamford?

Q2 Which brand has a model called Escalade?

Q3 What does Volkswagen mean?

Q4 What is the world's oldest car manufacturer?

Q5 When was the first car seat with the purpose of keeping children safe invented?

Q6 What was the name of the 1969 Dodge Charger in "Dukes of Hazzard"?

Answers

1. *Aston Martin*

2. *Cadillac*

3. *The People's car*

4. *Peugeot*

5. *1962*

6. *The General Lee*

Christmas Lunch Info



Golden Era Auto Racing Club (Qld) Inc
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2022 CHRISTMAS LUNCH
CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF GEAR



Where: Lakeside Park Raceway
Function Room, Museum Building
1:00 pm
Thursday December 8, 2022
(Track will close at 12:45pm after passenger rides)

Register by 28th November 2022
secretary@gear.org.au

Menu - Xmas Roast with salads, and a drink.
GEAR Club members and their guest will be issued with a ticket at
the GEAR sign-on desk in the pits.

MEMBERS - Free
MEMBER'S GUEST (One only) - \$35.00

Cash preferred / EFPOS & EFT accepted
(Numbers are limited, register early, we will accept standby requests)

The caterers MUST know numbers attending.
(‘No-shows’ may be invoiced)

Attending members must reply by 28th November
secretary@gear.org.au

Some of my favourite photos

20 October 2022 - Queensland Raceway (very wet morning)



Nostalgia moment—some of my favourites from last Novembers GEAR Edition



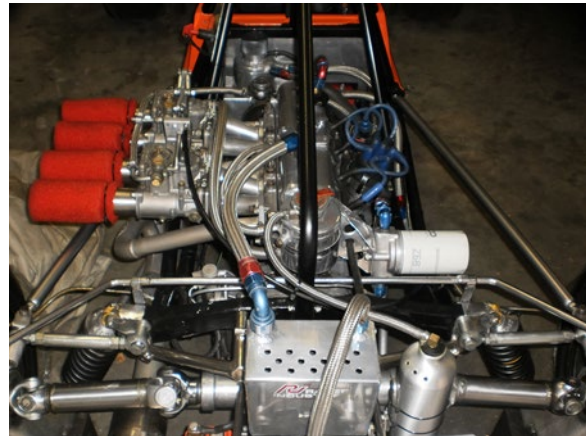


More photos online: https://rossjohnsonphotography.zenfolio.com/gear_2021

CLASSIFIEDS – CHECK OUT WHATS FOR SALE

NIMBUS FORMULA 3

BUILT BY DOUG TREGROVE 1969 CHASSIS NO 14 (COD)
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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 Match.

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 1967 European 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' CoF or HTP papers.



1969 Brabham BT29 Serial Number 14

This is my much loved Group 0 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 drive.



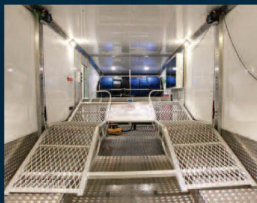
Trailer

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

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HISTORIC TORQUE FOR SALE

1968 AMC AMX 390: Imported at Great Expense!



\$65,000.00

This exceedingly rare, left-hand drive AMX 390 c.i. V8, four speed manual with Hurst shifter, was imported from New Jersey in late 2012 and has been comprehensively re-engineered and equipped with MSA Historic Group S(b) racing in mind. Such eligibility work included replacement of after-market rear disk brakes with a reversion to rear drums. Improvements include a major engine performance investment, revamped driveline, floating rear hubs, race tuned suspension and Yokohama race rubber, full flow exhaust, specialized instrumentation, full safety array with lightweight Speed Technology race seating plus ERG 5-point harness and hydraulic handbrake.

Engine development of the booming 6.4 litre pony car has been restricted to a level where this road registered car is still pleasantly tractable for street use. Original seating included and car presents as would a standard road car.

To date the AMX has only competed in regularity events at Morgan Park and Phillip Island (2015 and 2018) GEAR Days at Qld Raceway and Lakeside plus two Leyburn meets. However, in March 2018, the AMX came a very close second to an 8 litre Dodge Viper in the Sprints at the Wodonga DECA test track, this being a competitive session, during the massive annual Chryslers on the Murray at Albury.

Brutal in a straight line, the AMX runs with its standard power steering and laps Phillip Island in 2 mins 07 seconds with development potential upside. Bodywork is totally rust free and superbly finished in metallic Rally Green with gold stripes. Factory AMX build #05705, plate located on dashboard. Chassis # A8M397X337862, Engine # GR4428, Queensland Concessional Road Registration # 68-AMX.

For inspection, please contact John Carson on 0408 735 358

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Replaced - master brake 4 months ago, 5 wheels and rims 14inch 6 months old

Have road worthy certificate

Winch requires replacement ...

Good solid trailer

Located Stafford Heights

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WANTED

Coil Over Springs – 300mm (12inch) free length. 65mm or 2.5inch bore. 200 or 225 pound

Coil over springs from your never to be used spring box, all and any brands you may have. I am in Brisbane and have a pair of 300 pound and a pair of 400 pound to exchange or sell.

Please contact Jeff Cranny on 0406 709 719 or jeffreycranny@gmail.com

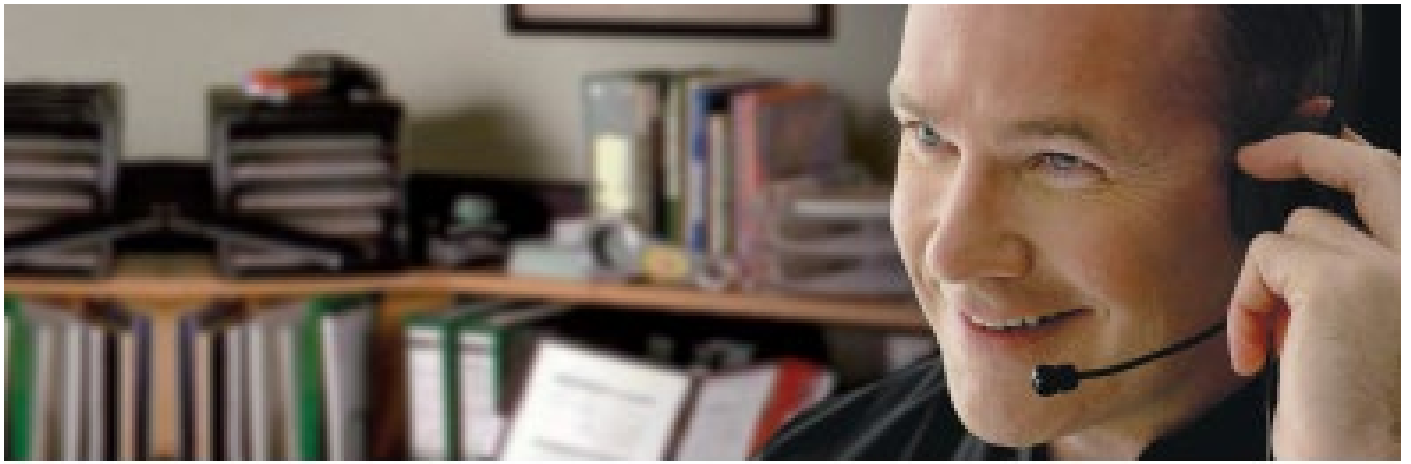


GEAR SCRUTINEERING CHECK SHEET

Drivers take full responsibility for the safety and roadworthiness of their vehicle. Please check 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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