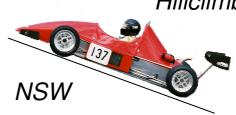
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# HOOKER TOO GOOD AT RINGWOOD

#### **ROUND 8 - RINGWOOD PARK**

5th August 2007

Host Club: MG Newcastle

Supported by: Pit Crew - Street - Rod - Race Components

MG Newcastle again arranged top weather conditions for Round 8 at their tight course just north of Raymond Terrace.

We know that Stephen Hooker has been in good form of late but the final result at Ringwood was always in doubt with the lead regularly changing between the top three or four drivers.

Steve's Jedi was one of five motorcycle pow-

ered cars in the top seven places, a sign of things to come?

Local driver, Peter Robinson (PRS) held the early advantage and was first to go under 30 seconds. Dave Morrow's Krygger Suzuki briefly countered the move, only to have Hooker finally secure FTD with a neat 28.78s charge.

Eventually, the minor place getters were Morrow 29.27s, Robinson 29.45s then Geoff Lord's Axtell Suzuki (with a new Formula Libre up to 750cc record of 29.57s).

Next quickest was Nick Mason's distinctive sounding Sparrow which is getting quicker with each outing. Jon Bown (Altin) was next ahead of Mark Inwood in the GRD Toyota.

Fastest Tin Top and eighth outright was Heath

Campbell's flying VW Beetle. Heath managed to lower the Imp Production 1600cc-2000cc record to 32.44s.

Glenn Parsonage (PRB) was best sports car while habitual record breaker, Stuart Inwood (Nissan GTR) set a new record of 33.14s for Late Model 4WD cars.

Christine Campbell left no doubt that she was Fastest Lady by punting the family Beetle to eleventh outright on 33.23s. The Campbell's are one fast family!

Fastest Junior was Tim Norris in the Datsun 280ZX.



Heath Campbell tried hard all day



Stephen Hooker on the charge at Ringwood



Congratulations to

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50 Years of Hillclimbing in King Edward Park

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### **GUMLEY TOPS AT TAMWORTH**

#### **ROUND 7 - OAKBURN PARK, TAMWORTH**

8th July 2007

Host Club: Tamworth Sporting Car Club.

A good field of competitors made the trek to Tamworth this year for an enjoyable weekend of motorsport.

Outright placings went to Peter Gumley (SCV) on 31.51s, followed by Dave Morrow (Krygger Suzuki, 33.23s). Peter Robinson was next in the PRS on 34.09s. Class winners included Geoff Lord (Formula Libre 0-750cc), Noel Gibson (FVee). Glenn Parsonage (PRB) again grabbed the spot for best sports car.

Other class winners included Stuart Inwood (Late Model Improved), Heath Campbell's Beetle, (3J Imp Prod1601-2000cc), Greg

Omerod's Rx3 (3J Imp Prod 2001-3000cc) and David Ellis (3J Torana)

Sports Sedan winners included Donn Vidler (Cooper S), Bob Bell (Mini) and Daniel Fort (Torana).

Fastest Lady was again Christine Campbell in the Beetle, while the ever improving Nicole Omerod took a well earned Juniors Trophy.









Grafton Photos: (Clockwise from top left), Donn Vidler (Cooper S); Terry Hartmann (Commodore SS); Garry Angel (Lotus 7; Glenn Parsonage (PRB) and below Stuart Inwood (GTR)

### **GUMLEY TOO GOOD AT GRAFTON**

#### **ROUND 6 - MOUNTAINVIEW, GRAFTON**

10th June 2007

Host Club: Grafton Sporting Car Club Supported By: Quantum Racing Ind

Despite the wild weather experienced by much of NSW, it was perfect hillclimbing conditions at Grafton Sporting Car Club's Mountainview Hillclimb over the Queen's Birthday long week-

Open wheelers took the lion's share of the top places, with Peter Gumley (Wortmeyer SCV), fresh from a win at the Queensland titles being the man to beat. Though unopposed in the outright class he set a string of 44 second runs, finally claiming FTD at 44.15s, around one second outside his course record to maintain his lead in the NSW Championship.

Honours for second outright developed into a tight battle between the 750cc MegaKart of Tom Donovan and Dave Morrow's rapid up to 1300cc Krygger Suzuki open wheeler, with both improving their times as the day went on

Morrow's final best a 46.64s just enough to pip Donovan's last charge of 46.92s.

Allan Hindes (Piranha Suzuki) placed fourth ahead of Geoff Lord's Axtell Suzuki and Jeremy Gray in the Honda Racer.

Peter Gillard was best non openwheeler, hustling the Toyota MR2 around in 50.62s for an amazing seventh outright.

Next placings went to Jon Bown (Altin), Tyrone Bauer in the WRX and Stuart Inwood (Nissan GTR)



### HOME TOWN WIN TO PG

#### **ROUND 5 - HUNTLEY HILL**

Host Club: Wollongong Sporting Car Club. Supported by: Wilsons Holden

Huntley Hill is one of the longest running and steepest climbs in NSW and now apparently one of the most deceptive, evidenced by a number of off course excursions occurring at the recent Wollongong Sporting hillclimb.

Local driver and series leader Peter Gumley (Wortmeyer SCV) led the way and was not seriously challenged all day. His best run of 19.78s, a few tenths outside the course record for the outright class.

Steve Hooker (Jedi Suzuki) meanwhile, kept a firm grip on second place and the F/L 751-1300cc class with a best of 22.01s.

Tim Edmondson took a break from his usual Force open wheeler, using the recently updated Mallock 32B to have a crack at Murray Bingham's outright Sports Car record set in the fearsome Bingham Cobra back in 1986. Happily for Tim it became mission accomplished and he sliced his way to a best of 22.05s, about 1.5s under the old mark.

The up to 750cc class was competitive as always, with Geoff Lord (Axtell Suzuki) best, ahead of John Bown (Altin) while Kylie Gumley, took time out from crewing for husband Pete, for her first championship run in the newly acquired Jedi.

Next quickest (and best Tin Top) was Stuart Inwood in his Late Model Imp. Nissan GTR on 25.22s ahead of Greg Jones (Dentor) and Barry Fraser in the Subaru WRX. Next quickest was Greg Omerod (Imp Production RX3) while Peter McLeod rounded out the top ten in his pretty Porsche like McRae Spyder.













Photos (Clockwise from Top Left):

**Peter Gumley** (SCV) attacks Huntley; **Nicole Omerod** (Rx7) at Ringwood; **Peter Gumley** at Huntley chatting with past champion and hillclimb legend **Errol Richardson**; **Nick Mason** has the Sparrow flying at Ringwood; **Dennis Roohan** has the new Commodore motoring at Ringwood; **Tim Edmondson** (Mallock 32B) launches toward a new sports car record at Huntley.

# Coming Events 2007

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Oct 28	Fairbairn Park	SDMA	Australian Championships			
Nov 4	Bathurst Esses	BLCC	Nov 2/3/4	Mt Cotton, QLD	MGCCQ	
Nov 11	Huntley	WSCC				
Nov 18	Ringwood	MGN				
Dec 2	Mt Cooperabung	KSCC	Club Secretaries: Let us know about planned hillclimbs in 2008			
Dec 2	Wakefield Park	(Timespan / Dave King)	so we can include it here and on the website.			
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# The Big Bio

Its getting close to 2008, so don't forget to fill in the attached form and send it in with your 2008 registration form. Post it to 111 Baulkham Hills Road, Baulkham Hills, 2153 or better still...Email your details to <a href="mailto:editor@hillclimbnsw.com">editor@hillclimbnsw.com</a> and you too can be a web legend!

NAME OCCUPATION
AGE (Optional!) CURRENT RACE CAR(s)
FAVOURITE SPORT (other than Motor Racing)
FAVOURITE RACING DRIVER
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN HILLCLIMBING?
FAVOURITE HILLCLIMB COURSE
WHAT OTHER MOTORSPORT HAVE YOU TRIED?
FAVOURITE TYPE OF MUSIC
FAVOURITE MOVIE FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS
FAVOURITE FOOD/DRINK (type, not how much!)
PREFERRED ROAD CAR
OTHER INTERESTS/HOBBIES

#### **Photos**

We would like to thank photographer Alan Beattie for his coverage of the NSW Championship. Take a little time to view his work on www.awbphotos.com.au and the NSW Championship site www.hillclimbnsw.com.

#### 2008 Calendar

Letters of invitation have gone out to clubs to host rounds of the 2008 Championship. Details to follow as it all falls into place.

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# A Message From The Panel Chairman

Chairmans Report - October. 2007

King Edward Park brings about the end of our championship and you have to ask yourself where did this year go. I trust you have all achieved the goals you set yourself and enjoyed the rounds of our championship form of motorsport.

Congratulations to MG Newcastle for their efforts in making this event another piece of history in the arena of motorsport, a fantastic

achievement by all concerned, I trust the dinner and all celebrations planned are a success and enjoyed by many.

At the September advisory panel meeting I informed the members that I would be standing down as chairman of the panel at the end of 2007. However, to maintain some form of continuity I will make myself available as a panel member to assist the new chairman in the changeover. I think after 15 years on the panel the time has come for me to step back and take a break.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all who have worked with me through those years and look forward to our sport continuing long into the future.

Yours in Motorsport Barry T Thew

Keen on Hillclimbing? We have room for you on the Panel! Have a chat with Barry Thew (02 96381155) if you think you can contribute. No experience necessary with lots of on the job training provided, workplace agreements are not necessary!

## The Big Quiz

At right is a photo of two of the most famous names in British motor sport, from pre war hillclimbs through to the nineteen fifties and sixties GP scene.

- The venue is the legendary Shelsley Walsh hillclimb.
- The year is 1931
- The car is the Villiers Supercharge

#### Name both driver and passenger.

First correct answer by Email to Barry Thew (jubarson@bigpond.net.au) wins a bottle of our much sought after Hilltorque Red.

Get researching and Good Luck!



<sup>\*</sup> All our thoughts are with Geoff Lord and his family following his recent accident at Huntley.

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