

AHTCA COMMITTEE MEETING – 8/10/2024

CONDUCTED

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm (AEST) and closed at 10:05pm (AEST).

ATTENDEES

Josh Axford – Historic Touring Car Association of South Australia

Ron Blake- Queensland Historic Touring Car Association

Nic van den Berg - Historic Touring Cars Association of New South Wales

Jervis Ward - Historic Touring Car Association of Victoria

APOLOGIES

Martin Dennis - WA Historic Touring Car Club Inc.

AGENDA

Matters discussed were as follows and agreement was unanimous unless stated otherwise:

Opening

The meeting was conducted via Zoom hook-up and was opened by Mr Jervis Ward, who welcomed all Committee present to the Committee meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

The Secretary/Treasurer Report provided to the meeting was noted.

Eligibility

The Committee noted updates provided in the Secretary's Report relating to Specification Sheets and Reference Sheets.

The Committee agreed the following papers to be referred to the Group N Working Group (GNWG) for discussion and decision with the following comments from the AHTCA:

- Submission 6 – Vented rotors – Group Nb
 - This was originally submitted for Jaguars, but has been broadened by the AHTCA to include all Nb cars because:
 - The submission does not change the “form and type” of braking system and therefore complies with that rule;
 - The submission does not request for drum brakes to be replaced by disc brakes and therefore complies with that rule;
 - The submission is not requesting a change to calipers and therefore complies with that rule;
 - Disc pad material available today (composite Kevlar) creates too much heat for a solid rotor – old disc pad material did not create this issue in the day;
 - The submission points out that there are three Group Nb vehicles that already have vented disc rotors (Ford Falcon Rally Sprint, Ford Mercury Comet Caliente, Ford Mustang 64/65 Ford Mustang, so the precedent to have vented disc rotors is already within Class Nb;
 - The availability of original parts for such vehicles is becoming problematic – examples given were the Studebaker Lark Daytona and any Ford Cortina.
- Submission 7 - Austin A40 Farina Block
 - The Austin Farina competes in Class F – (1001 cc to 1300 cc), as its original cubic capacity motor is 1098 cc (bore of 64.58 mm, stroke of 83.8 mm, giving a swept volume of 274492.2), which may be increased to 1149 cc with a 1.5 mm increase in bore and retention of the standard stroke of 83.8mm (bore of 66.08mm, stroke of 83.8mm, giving a swept volume of 287391.5);
 - Crankshafts (north-south) for the original cubic capacity motor (1098 cc side plate) are hard to find and are expensive;
 - The submission requests the resolution of this issue by substituting a block that is readily available (1100 non-side plate), and using the crankshaft and head from that motor (this crankshaft is not interchangeable to the original 1098 cc side plate block);
 - The requested block, head and crankshaft are already permitted component substitutions for the Morris/Austin Mini Cooper “S” Mark 1 (Class NbE), Morris/Austin Mini Cooper “S” Mark 2 (Class NcF), and Leyland Mini Clubman GT (Class NcF).

- Submission 8 - Mini – Speedometer location
 - any proposed wording needs to be refined to ensure that it is actually practical and legal;
 - the fact that cars have been built under the old rule needs to be recognised by including a “grandfather” clause indicating that a new modified rule that is practically and legally possible would apply to any vehicle log-booked on or after the date of the rule change, and that the previous rule would be applied for any vehicle built prior to the date of the rule change.

The Committee noted progress with work on providing each State’s list of engine sealer to the Secretary.

The Committee noted that old CAMS manuals (sourced mainly from Mr Phil Barrow) have been scanned and placed on the AHTCA website.

The Committee noted that the provision of the AHTCA website and the use of the AHTCA Newsletter as being successful.







General Business

The Committee agreed to invite a conversation with Mr Gary Hunt.

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Action Items - outstanding

ACTION	PERSON	DUE DATE		STATUS
AHTCA funding	All	Ongoing		Sponsor for website being pursued. Fees for 2024 agreed on 14/2/24 – will cover running costs
Tyre discussion – develop one-page survey for Committee about concept of control tyres	Nic van den Berg	1 March 2023 30 March 2024		Draft completed 16 February 2023. Topic included in eDM 13 about new website. Concept to be further discussed by AHTCA. Letter from Hoosier of 14/2/24 to be further clarified with Hoosier. Questions issued to Hoosier 15/2/24. Reminder email issued to Hoosier on 14/3/2023. Response from Hoosier received 31 May 2024. To be discussed further.
Prepare submission about shift lights	Nic van den Berg	30 June 2023		To be referred to GNWG Research and paper being developed by Murray Paddison
Develop topics for eDM 24	All	31 October 2024		Suggestions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QHTCA Race Review • WA Race report
Develop paper on Rose joints/Spherical joints	Nic van den Berg	30 September 2024		Paper prepared and to be discussed at GNWG on 16/10/2024
Prepare papers for GNWG meeting on 16 October 2024	Nic van den Berg	8 October 2024		

Action Items - Completed

ACTION	PERSON	DUE DATE	STATUS
EO forum	Jervis Ward/Nic van den Berg	1 March 2023 30 March 2024	● To be replaced with Technical panel – see management of Group N Note issued to all EOs re GNWG on 16/2/2024
Develop topics for eDM 20	All	30 March 2024	● Suggestions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Constitution changes ● Technical Panel ● Office bearers for 2024 EDM 19a issued 26/2/2024 EDM 20 issued 24/2/2024 EDM 21 issued 28/2/2024
Weights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Camaro weights 	Nic van den Berg	22 February 2024	● Investigation completed and agreed 14/2/24. Response sent to competitor on 5/1/2024. Further response sent on 6/1/2024. Further response issued on 15/1/2024. Further response issued on 15/2/2024. Final response sent 23/2/2024.
Lodge annual return with Consumer Affairs Vic	Jervis Ward	30 March 2024	● Lodged on 1/3/2024
Issue 2024 invoices for AHTCA membership fees	Nic van den Berg	30 March 2024	● Issued 15/2/24. NSW, SA, Vic, and WA paid. Reminder issued to Qld on 14/3/24. Paid in April 24
AHTCA Constitution	Nic van den Berg	30 March 2024	● Draft revised Constitution and lodge with Consumer Affairs Vic Draft completed and agreed on 14/2/24. To be circulated to all clubs and placed in Newsletter 20. Constitution changes detailed in EDM 20 of 24/2/2024. Chair requested answers to questions on 6/3/2024. Response provided to Chair on 6/3/2024. Request to publish issued to Chair on 14/3/2024. Special meeting held on 9 April 2024. Lodged with Consumer Affairs on 10 April 2024
Develop topics for eDM 23	All	31 July 2024	● Suggestions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Technical Panel ● Signage eDM issued on 30/7/2024
Management of Group N	All	30 September 2023 30 March 2024	● Submission sent to CEO MA on 31 August 2023 (see Secretary report for meeting of 19 September 2023) Respond to MA re establishment of Technical Panel.

ACTION	PERSON	DUE DATE		STATUS
				Response issued to Frank Adamson on 15/2/2024. Arrange first meeting. GNWG held first meeting on 17/7/2024
Group N Technical Group	Nic van den Berg	April 2024	●	Obtain from each State nominations for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Technical Rep; and ● SMEs Membership finalised. Constitution amended 13 April 2024. Confirm at first meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MA Scope document at first meeting ● AHTCA Constitution changes GNWG held first meeting on 17/7/2024
Use of the letter J for Group Nb	All	1 July 2024	●	Mentioned in EDM 22 of April 2024. Submission to allow the use of the letter to be developed and submitted to Historic Committee. Resolved at GNWG meeting on 17/7/2024
Signage Company name			●	Mentioned in EDM 22 of April 2024. Clarification of conditions to allow the display of Company name developed and awaiting confirmation from MA before publishing. Updated on AHTCA website on 5/6/2024
Engine Seal database and forms	Nic van den Berg	Ongoing	●	Database updated on 1 June 2024. Request to competitors who have not lodged Sealing form being issued. Database is then to be updated to include all engine sealing forms. Database now updated as business-as-usual in AHTCA website
New ATO requirements for NFP organisations	Nic van den Berg	31 July 2024	●	Lodge self-review return for AHTCA with the ATO To be completed by HTCAV
Datsun 1600 5 speed gearbox	Nic van den Berg	31 July 2024		Response received from Nissan. Refer to GNWG for discussion and recommendation Resolved at GNWG meeting on 17/7/2024

Memberships

Current status is below:

Paid	5
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Bank Statement

The bank statement to 29 September 2024 is at Attachment A.

The Balance sheet to 29 September 2024 is at Attachment B.

Electronic Direct Mail

AHTCA's [EDM23](#) was issued in July 2024. Topics of interest were:

- HSRCA Sydney Classic
- The Bend Classic
- AHTCA Constitution/Rule changes
- Group N Technical Panel
- Engine Sealing forms
- Phillip Island Classic Eligibility Report
- Car Signage - Including numbers and the letter J
- Group Nb - Bore and Stroke AHTCA
- New website

ATO requirements for Not for Profit organisations

From July 2024, the AHTCA will need to lodge an annual self-review return with the ATO.

This will be arranged by Mr Jervis Ward.

CAMS/MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA MANUALS

Old manuals from 1980 to 2006 have been scanned and placed on the AHTCA website. Manuals for 2007 to 2014 are yet to be scanned.

Thanks to Phil Barrow for providing most of the old manuals.

From 2015, the MA manual has been electronic and versions of those manuals for the years 2015 to 2023 are not available.

From 2007 Historic sections were made electronic and previous versions of those sections are not available.

Eligibility

1. Minimum weights

- Minimum weights are now in place.

2. Specification Sheets

The following Specification Sheet changes were actioned following a request from David Twigg on 30 September 2024:

- Ford Cortina Mark 2 - 220,240, 440 -Nc - one photo was wrong on cover page
- Morris Austin - Cooper S - Mark 1 - Nb - insert word "inwards" re instrument binnacle in bodywork.
- Morris Austin - Cooper S - Mark 2 - Nc - insert word "inwards" re instrument binnacle in Appendix re bodywork.

3. Reference Sheets

The following Reference Sheet changes were actioned to line up with Specification Sheet changes requested by David Twigg on 30 September 2024:

- Ford Cortina Mark 2 - 220,240, 440 -Nc - one photo was wrong on cover page
- Morris Austin - Cooper S - Mark 1 - Nb - insert word "inwards" re instrument binnacle in bodywork – *now referred to GNWG.*
- Morris Austin - Cooper S - Mark 2 - Nc - insert word "inwards" re instrument binnacle in Appendix re bodywork – *now referred to GNWG.*

4. MA Manual and Technical Appendices

- Wording re Letter J to be included in 2025 manual.

5. Datsun 1600 – 5 Speed Gearbox

- This was discussed by the Group N Working Group, a recommendation was made to the Historic Motorsport Committee and the result was published in the eDM of 23 July 2024.

• Porsche 911

- An enquiry regarding the accuracy of Porsche Specification Sheets has been received from Mr Darren Hill.
- The Secretary is still working with Mr Hill to confirm the information in the Specification Sheets.

[AHTCA Website](#)

Funding possibilities for the AHTCA website:

- Sponsorship of website annual running costs of \$1,200 is still being sought.

[Group N Administration](#)

The Group N Working Group (GNWG) met on 17 July 2024.

Minutes of that meeting were placed on the [AHTCA website](#) on 26 July 2024 after they were approved by all.

eDM of 23 July 2024 provided advice to all about the results of this meeting.

The second meeting is to be held on 16 October 2024. Topics are:

1. Strengthening structures in vehicles forward of the firewall
2. Application for replacement block for Austin Farina A40
3. Application for use of Vented Disk Rotors on the front axle of Jaguar 3.4 (Mk1); and Jaguar Mk 2 (3.4 & 3.8) cars
4. Letter J – wording in the 2025 MA Manual
5. Use of Rose Joints/Spherical Joints

[Group Nd](#)

Refer Attachment C.

ATTACHMENT A –BANK STATEMENT

Tue 01 Oct 2024	Debit	Credit	Balance
+ Transfer To Daniel Moody NetBank AHTCA website mtce – Sept 2024	-\$100.00		\$1,696.28
Mon 16 Sep 2024			
+ Transfer To Jervis Ward NetBank HTCA Refund - Mailchimp-Sept ...	-\$43.79		\$1,786.28
Thu 05 Sep 2024			
+ Transfer To Jervis Ward NetBank Refund of Zoom sub paid	-\$246.29		\$1,830.07
Mon 02 Sep 2024			
+ Transfer To Daniel Moody NetBank AHTCA website mtce - Aug 2024	-\$100.00		\$2,076.98
Fri 16 Aug 2024			
+ Transfer To Jervis Ward NetBank AHTCA Refund - Mailchimp-Aug ...	-\$44.55		\$2,176.98
Fri 02 Aug 2024			
+ Transfer To Daniel Moody NetBank AHTCA website mtce – July 202...	-\$100.00		\$2,220.91
Mon 15 Jul 2024			
+ Transfer To Jervis Ward NetBank HTCA Refund - Mailchimp-July ...	-\$43.40		\$2,320.91
Mon 01 Jul 2024			
+ Transfer To Daniel Moody NetBank AHTCA website mtce – June 202...	-\$100.00		\$2,364.31
Sun 23 Jun 2024			
+ Transfer To Jervis Ward NetBank AHTCA Refund - Mailchimp-Jun ...	-\$44.23		\$2,464.31
Mon 03 Jun 2024			
+ Transfer To Daniel Moody NetBank AHTCA website mtce – May 2024...	-\$100.00		\$2,508.54
Wed 15 May 2024			
+ Transfer To Jervis Ward NetBank AHTCA Refund - Mailchimp-Mar...	-\$45.39		\$2,608.54
+ Transfer To Jervis Ward NetBank AHTCA Refund - Mailchimp-Apr ...	-\$44.50		\$2,653.99

ATTACHMENT B –BALANCE SHEET

Balance Sheet for AHTCA													
Balance Sheet	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan 24 - Dec 24
Current Assets													
Bank Account	\$ 1,342.73	\$ 1,198.84	\$ 3,453.80	\$ 3,461.67	\$ 2,798.43	\$ 2,608.54	\$ 2,464.31	\$ 2,320.91	\$ 2,176.36	\$ 1,786.28	\$ 1,686.28	\$ 1,686.28	
Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sponsorships	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Memberships	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,600.00
Bank refund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Income	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,600.00
Total assets	\$ 1,342.73	\$ 3,598.84	\$ 3,653.80	\$ 3,461.67	\$ 2,798.43	\$ 2,608.54	\$ 2,464.31	\$ 2,320.91	\$ 2,176.36	\$ 1,786.28	\$ 1,686.28	\$ 1,686.28	\$ 2,600.00
Current liabilities													
Bank fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Trophies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Consumer Affairs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47.70	\$ 413.40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 461.10
Web - Development	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Web - site subscription	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Web - Maintenance	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Domain Subscription	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 104.45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 104.45
Zoom Subscription	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 246.29	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 246.29
Mailchimp Subscription	\$ 43.89	\$ 45.04	\$ 44.43	\$ 45.39	\$ 89.89	\$ 44.23	\$ 43.40	\$ 44.55	\$ 43.79	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 444.61
Photography/TV	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Printing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Promotion material	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 143.89	\$ 145.04	\$ 192.13	\$ 663.24	\$ 189.89	\$ 144.23	\$ 143.40	\$ 144.55	\$ 390.08	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,256.45
Net Worth	\$ 1,198.84	\$ 3,453.80	\$ 3,461.67	\$ 2,798.43	\$ 2,608.54	\$ 2,464.31	\$ 2,320.91	\$ 2,176.36	\$ 1,786.28	\$ 1,686.28	\$ 1,686.28	\$ 1,686.28	

“During 2020 I made had contact with you on Facebook messenger regarding the prospect of creating Group ND as a way to expand the Group N category to include cars built between 1st January 1973 and the 31st December 1984. This also with the purpose to gain greater participation in historic touring cars whilst also not detracting from A&C Heritage Touring Cars.

Over the period since I first made contact with you in this regard, we have been doing much to progress Group ND and we are now at a time when we believe it’s right to approach regulators and start the process to gain approval of Group ND.

At this stage we have a guideline regulation in use at Morgan Park with the QSSS in which a few cars participate, a draft full and detailed set of regulations, a number of cars being built, and we are progressing our own incorporated association. Most of this is visible on our Facebook page where we have over 1,000 members from across the country, including a few former race drivers from the era.

We would like Historic Touring Cars to assist us take this next step with Motorsport Australia and are hoping we can discuss this with you (and/or others in the committee) in the next few weeks.

Appreciate if you can advise a suitable time to meet and discuss matters further.

Many thanks, Gary

Gary Hunt