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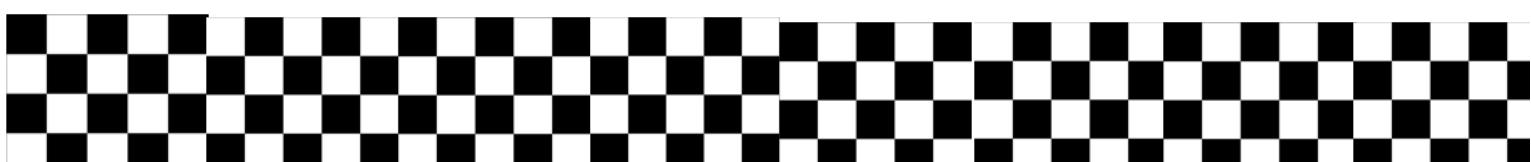
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## Welcome to Sprite Torque

Welcome to the this edition of Sprite Torque for the year. In time of much uncertainty, I hope you enjoy the read. Sorry for the lateness of this issue, Unfortunately I havent come up to well after an ankle reconstruction and then a horrible flu.

Thank you so much to our members who have sent me some wonderful articles.. Please feel free to show us your restorations and projects, or maybe even just send me a photo of your pride and joy and a little story about how she came to be in your possession and the adventures you've had together?.

If you have anything to share, please send them to [bron.wray@gmail.com](mailto:bron.wray@gmail.com)  
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# PRESIDENTS REPORT



June has been an interesting month, one still dominated by the effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic. We have seen the gradual lifting of restrictions in NSW which has enabled the popular SCCA Friday runs, organised by Keith & Juliet Smith, to recommence albeit in a socially distanced manner. Just a week later we have seen a spike of cases in Melbourne which has certainly made me nervous about the thought of travelling interstate. It is all too easy to be lulled into a false sense of security with what appears to be very few cases of the virus but when it does flare up in hotspots, the incredible ease at which it appears to spread is alarming. My daughter is due to go back to Melbourne University at the beginning of August after studying from home here in Sydney, I don't think she will be going back unless the current outbreak is under control by then.

On to brighter things and yes we have had a Friday run to Berry which you can read about elsewhere, from what I understand the run was oversubscribed (max 20) and everyone enjoyed getting out in their cars again. Motorsport will be back in July with MGCC Newcastle running a Supersprint at the Pheasant Wood circuit at Marulan. Motorsport Australia has adapted quite a number of the requirements to run a Supersprint to suit the COVID-19 environment we are living in and this includes self-scrutiny checklists and electronic drivers briefing in order to allow social distancing and eliminate the need for handling sheets of paper.

MGCC Newcastle are to be congratulated on putting in the extra effort to get this event running. On a slightly disappointing note, the Morgan Supersprint has had to be cancelled through no fault of Morgan Owners Club. Unfortunately this event is linked to the Shannons Display Day at SMP and this too has been cancelled with the weekend turned into a round of the Shannons Nationals Series. The HSRCA Event scheduled for August 28 to 30 is still going ahead at this stage which will be a welcome return to historic racing.

Your SCCA committee is still meeting via ZOOM and we have put together a provisional weekend runs list for the second half of 2020 kicking off with a mystery run on 19<sup>th</sup> July starting at McDonalds, McGraths Hill, I wonder where our Treasurer Les will be taking us?

Obviously these runs are all provisional based on the state of the pandemic at that particular time.

On the car front, last month I mentioned that all my cars are up and running so I haven't done anything to them this month. Instead I have been sorting our my inventory of parts that I have accumulated over the years. I have stuff in the roof space, the cellar, various locations in the garage and spread across 2 storage units. There has been no system whatsoever to this storage, it has been based on what I was doing at the time and when I last needed that thing. Also some of this stuff is rubbish and having kept it for years it is now time to throw it away or in some cases find a new home for it with someone else. I am sure many of you can relate to this and I am now in the process of adding some organisation to my storage which will hopefully see everything in one place. The added benefit should be that I can find stuff when I need it, I have previously bought new stuff because I couldn't find what I knew I had somewhere, only to find the offending item 2 weeks later.

Anyway, enough of my rambling. Please stay safe, get your cars fettled and I hope to see you out on the road very soon.

Regards

David Baigent



## The First Bugeye

The First Bugeye At a recent Club Meeting our Sprite guru Colin Dodds, mentioned that the earliest known Bugeye Sprite in the world, was presently under the final stages of its restoration in Victoria. Coincidentally just prior to that, I had visited Melbourne on family stuff and with a free day decided to visit a village that I had not been to since the 1950s – Bacchus Marsh, at that time a popular destination for regular family Sunday drives from that great southern metropolis. Apart from now being a short run down the Motorway, the village had indeed changed over the intervening almost 70 years – or my memory had surprisingly erased all details from times of old!! Arriving in Bacchus Marsh and finding an appealing looking alfresco café for the mandatory coffee pause (with obscenely rich fresh pastry) in the morning sunshine, I recalled that Steve Pike, wellknown Austin Healey expert had his business in that village. With Google as my 1 st lieutenant, I soon located the address of ‘Marsh Classic Restorations’ and I stopped unannounced at the premises of probably the world’s most expert Austin Healey restorer/recreator. Steve Pike is indeed world renowned for his Austin Healey expertise, particularly regarding the 100S variant. That model was produced by the Donald Healey Company in 1955 as a competition version of the then recently released Austin Healey 100/4. It is said that of the 55 competition 100S versions produced, Steve has personally driven, or been directly involved in the restoration of more than half of them. His world standing is illustrated by the fact that he was engaged in 2012 by its new European owner to restore probably the world’s most famous Austin Healey 100S, - NOJ 393- back to the condition that it raced in at Le Mans in 1955. It became famous – or perhaps infamous that year for its involvement in the race disaster that claimed more than 80 lives and which subsequently had a profound effect on world motor racing. Steve generously welcomed me into his workshop and readily showed me around his current projects. They included a comprehensive restoration of a 100S Healey for a US client, the recreation of a 100S (naturally in aluminium), a replica 100S cylinder head, cast in an Australian foundry – and the abovementioned earliest known Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite, chassis AN5L501 built in April 1958. My understanding is that the Bugeye had been located in the US by Ray English of ‘Sprite Room’ fame. Ray had passed on the details of his discovery to the late Tony Bennetto who tracked it down during one of his regular ‘parts finding’ trips to the US for his then ‘Bugeye Barn’ business in Ferntree Gully. Tony subsequently imported AN5L501 to Oz and initially engaged Graham Robb of Table Top near Albury (and well known to many as the builder of my ‘Kermit’ Race Bugeye) to commence its restoration. Graham, who is acknowledged in Sprite circles for his panel skills, carried out the sandblasting, body preparation and painting of the car. I had actually sighted the then ‘barely recognisable’ project when dropping off ‘Kermit’ for panel repair after an incident at Winton Historics in 2015. After the panel work was complete and Tony’s unfortunate passing, his widow Kerry had AN5L501 relocated to Steve Pike’s workshop for assembly and final detailing of the restoration work. At the time of my visit that process was in its final stages, waiting only on a few hard to get Bugeye components, such as original air cleaners for the 1 1/8 inch SU carburettors. Steve advised that Colin Dodds’ ‘Sprite Parts’ had been the source of numerous original Bugeye parts and was on the lookout for remaining items. With Steve’s assistance in relocating stores in his somewhat cramped workshop, I was able to catch the attached images of the world’s now most important Bugeyes – note that it is LHD having been destined for the US market at its outset. So Bugeye enthusiasts all over are appreciative of the work by Steve in resurrecting AN5L501 and are looking forward to its return to ‘public life’.

Barry Cockayne



# The First Bugeye

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# FRIDAY RUNS ARE BACK----- YIPPEE.

And how have the fellow Sprite club members been coping with the Covid 19 lockdown? For me, being retired, nothing much has changed. Except I could not drive the car.

I knew if I was driving the car, some ambitious young police officer would see a little yellow sports car and pull me over for so called non essential travel. I would be resentful and abusive, probably ask questions about the constable's parentage. Get arrested and the car impounded. IT IS NOT WORTH IT. So ,I did not drive the Sprite.

However, the car did suffer from the idleness. I was forever removing cobwebs from the wheels. The steering wheel and gear shift knob developed a green fungus.

I thought I would check the water level. Opened the radiator cap and all these mosquitoes flew out. The wrigglers must have been breeding in the stagnate water. I swear I heard splashes. Probably got tadpoles in there also. Had a look under the car and discovered a wasp nest attached to the drive shaft. I am concerned when I eventually get to run the car, all these critters will come to life. The last thing I want is a big fat huntsman spider crawl across the windscreen whilst I am motoring.

Our Friday run had perfect weather. We were limited to 20 members and had strict instructions to keep a social distance. The first group met at Bulli. Then we headed off to meet the second mob at Jamberoo. No hugging and kissing between members allowed.

It does not get any better. Nice sunny day, in a convoy of Sprites, cruising along and admiring the countryside. Our destination being Berry where the Sprite Club was going to splash some cash in the provinces. Berry is much more enjoyable now that the main road has been diverted. Much quieter and no B double trucks and heavy traffic to worry about when crossing the road.

Our Italian Restaurant was pre booked and we had an area reserved for us.

Everyone enjoyed the meal. very relaxing way to spend an afternoon. I have not seen a happier looking gang of 20. Everyone was glad to give their cars a run and socialise. Afterwards, let my wife have her shopping fix at Berry and then cruised home before it got too late.

Many thanks to Juliet and Keith Smith who have put in an enormous amount of time and effort organising the Friday runs for many years.

And it did not rain.

Paul Hunt.





First Run Back!!!

Photos courtesy of  
Paul Hunt.



Notice how club members are adhering to social distancing. [Close ones are family members]

## MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING

### 9<sup>TH</sup> June, 2020

Venue: Zoom meeting  
Meeting commenced: 7.34pm

**Present:** Committee members: David Baigent, Graham Wells, Peter Smith, Anne Smith, Barry Cockayne, Carol Dodds, Rod Pringle, Les Payne, Leah Holden, Greg Holden, Rob Howes, Steve Rivett.

**Apologies:** Paul Barbara, Ross Reichardt, Avis Fowler, Harley Pringle.

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Graham Wells circulated the minutes from the previous meeting. Moved accepted Barry Cockayne, seconded Leah Holden, Carried.

#### **Business Arising:**

None other than items covered later in the meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Les Payne reported.

General Account:

Opening balance	\$10,756.36
Deposits (memberships)	\$5,960.00
Payments: Snap Printing	\$218.00
Closing balance 31/5	\$16,498.36

Savings Account:

Opening balance	\$46,079.89
Interest	\$3.79
Closing balance 31/5	\$46,083.68

Business Transaction Account:

Opening balance	\$5,286.29
Deposit: Regalia	\$214.60
Payments:	nil
Bank fee	\$10.00
Closing balance 31/5	\$5,490.89

Debit Account

Opening balance	\$2,514.3
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Deposits:	nil
Payments: Refund SS G Allen	\$192.00
Refund SS J. Whittaker	\$178.31



Closing balance	31/5	\$2,244.00
Total Cash in Bank		\$70,316.93

Moved accepted Graham Rod Pringle, seconded Greg Holden. Carried

**Secretary's Report:** Graham Wells reported correspondence:

**Incoming:**

- CMC: The Preserve, Postponement of Shannons Day.
  - Ross Reichardt re new members.
  - Motorsport Aust: SpeedRead, update on Return to Racing, Annual report
  - Magazines/Brochures: Goblins Gazette, Motorlife Museum
- Moved accepted Barry Cockayne, seconded David Baigent. Carried.

**Coming Events:**

David Baigent presented a proposal for four runs to go ahead only if Covid-19 restrictions allow. David will tidy up some details & circulate to members. All present agreed.

The Friday runs were discussed as the first one is only two weeks away. Destination is Berry with no fixed lunch venue or meeting. Run will be two separate groups with a limit of 10 persons in each with two separate start points. This meets current regulation & all present agreed subject to any change in regulations.

Provisional events for 2020/21 are:

- Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> Run to Berry.
- July 5<sup>th</sup> 2020. Donald Healey Birthday (awaiting advice from AHOC of NSW but assumed to be cancelled)
- Sunday, July 19th. Mystery Run.
- Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup> Lunch at Novotel, Wollongong.
- Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup> Drive to Southern Highlands.
- Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> Drive & lunch at Figtree.
- Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> All British Display Day.
- Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup> Drive to Berry for lunch.
- Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Mystery tour to Q Station at Manly.
- Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup> Drive to Bundeena.
- Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup> Drive to Greenwell Point.
- Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> Drive to Leura.
- Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> Drive to Camden Valley Inn
- Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup> Fish & Chips at Kiama.

**Motorsport Aust.** Barry Cockayne reported.

- MSA have issued an update on the Return to Racing strategy.
- A Covid-19 Resource Centre is set up to assist Clubs in planning events.
- Initial contact made re the Club 60<sup>th</sup>. Barry will follow-up.
- No State Council meeting scheduled.
- Annual report released. Licence & permit numbers highlight the complexity of MSA.

**CMC:** Barry Cockayne reported:



- The 2020 Shannons Day has been deferred to 2021.
- The Log Book scheme will stay as a hard copy document with an electronic version in due course.
- CMC is lobbying for the removal of Luxury Vehicle Tax on historic cars.
- Membership:** Ross Reichardt reported by Email. Two new applications this month.
- Trish Bowles who has a 1966 Morris Moke.
- Andrew Galloub who has a 1977 Holden Kingswood.
- Barry Cockayne moved both be accepted, seconded Leah Holden. Carried.

Anne Smith advised that both she & Peter had tried to renew memberships on-line but it did not work. David Baigent will follow up with Ross.

**Competition & CSCA:** David Baigent reported.

- Morgan Supersprint is cancelled.
- MGCC Newcastle is trying to get an event organised.
- Some track days have started to take place under restricted conditions.

**Sprite Torque:** May edition is on-line & printed. Les Payne needs labels to mail out.

**Web-site:** Rob Howes reported everything up to date.

**Facebook:** Rod Pringle advised.

- We have 443 members. People looking for technical & restoration information.

**Drive to Survive:**

- Graham Wells advised we have three nominations.
- David Baigent advised the new provider is STC Education, contact Stewart Nichols.

**General Business:**

- Les Payne advised that the Hills Club is open but only 10 persons allowed for meeting. This means that the July meeting will be on-line as current.
- Rod Pringle advised Beyond Bitumen has been deferred to November.
- Meeting closed at 8.12pm.
- Next meeting: July 14th, 2020 by Zoom unless otherwise advised.



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## 2020 Weekend Drives Provisional

Month	Date	Event Details	
JULY	Sunday 19th	<p>This Weekend Drive will only go ahead if Covid-19 restrictions permit and if it is approved by SCCA Committee. Contact David Baigent 0407 137 776 a day or two before the run to see if it is going ahead.</p> <p><u>Mystery Run</u></p> <p>Meet at 10.0am – McDonalds, McGraths Hill – depart at 10.15am sharp.</p> <p>Run Leader: Les Payne. Mobile 0415 826 650</p>	
AUG	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<p>This Weekend Drive will only go ahead if Covid-19 restrictions permit and if it is approved by SCCA Committee. Contact David Baigent 0407 137 776 a day or two before the run to see if it is going ahead.</p> <p><u>Drive and lunch at Figtree on the South Coast</u></p> <p>Meet at 9.30am – McDonalds Heathcote – depart at 10.15am sharp.</p> <p>Run Leader: Barry Cockayne. Mobile 0427 066 878</p>	
SEP	Sunday 13th	<u>No Weekend Drive this month – All British Day Kings School</u>	
OCT	Sunday 11th	<p>This Weekend Drive will only go ahead if Covid-19 restrictions permit and if it is approved by SCCA Committee. Contact David Baigent 0407 137776 a day or two before the run to see if it is going ahead.</p> <p><u>Mystery Tour to the Q Station – Manly – taster for next year's 61<sup>st</sup> Birthday celebration</u></p> <p>Meet at 9.30am – McDonalds Parramatta – depart at 10.15am sharp.</p> <p>Run Leaders: Carol &amp; Colin Dodds. Mobile 0414 789 263</p>	
NOV	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<p>This Weekend Drive will only go ahead if Covid-19 restrictions permit and if it is approved by SCCA Committee. Contact David Baigent 0407 137776 a day or two before the run to see if it is going ahead.</p> <p><u>Cruise to beautiful Leura in the Blue Mountains</u></p> <p>Meet at 9.30am – McDonalds Penrith Panthers – depart at 10.15am sharp.</p> <p>Run Leaders: Anne &amp; Peter Smith. Mobile 0419 620 034</p>	



## **Skill is Not a Dirty Word**

When I began competing in motorsport back in 1988, a club level Super Sprint was where I first cut my teeth. Not yet old enough to drive on the public roads, here I was punting my brothers LBLancer around Amaroo Park Raceway and having a ball.

Nearly beating him in his own car meant that I was barred from driving it again for some time, but driver competency was already developing in my young mind. Having been around motorsport from a young age while my older brothers competed at speedway events, cars and driving were in the blood. Vehicle technology was basic, with power steering still optional and wind up windows normal.

Fastforward to 2020, modern motor vehicles have every electronic device known to man, hell if you're lazy enough most of them will correct a wandering driver who isn't paying attention.

How is this helpful when we want drivers to pay attention and reduce the road toll, given the technology isn't perfect?

I went on to drive for many years in car rallies, super sprints, khanacrosses and even the odd Improved Production race events, with Oran Park GP circuit a highlight, but it was the Australian Safari that took the cake for me. Driving a Peugeot 405 in 2002 then a 505 in 2003 and winning our category in both events proving the most challenging.

These vehicles were not adequate for the event, but we wanted to prove it was possible competing in the Safari driving old, rear wheel drive technology, and we did, much to the dismay of the 4wd competitors that did not finish.

Could that have been achieved without skill?

The obvious answer is no, not a chance, it wasn't just the driving and navigating skill that got us home, it was also mechanical knowledge and determination. Thinking about this from a modern perspective, young drivers are missing out on valuable life skills by driving vehicles that do everything for them.

As a mechanic I saw this creeping in when Ford took out the ability to even check the oil level on their transmission in the EF Falcon. They didn't want you to have the ability to repair your own vehicle, same with the technology running the engine, you needed to be plugged in to diagnose faults, thus driving DIY repairs to a workshop.

Yet, the vehicle technology in most modern vehicles won't prevent you from having a crash, it may perhaps help, or reduce the severity, but won't eliminate all crashes. A recent study published on June 5 by the Associated Press says stopping all crashes will be practically impossible.

So, is skill a dirty word then? The answer is no, despite government and academic studies claiming a skilled driver is an unsafe driver that will take more risks.

Well if that is the case how did I make it to 47, still have all my points and never have made an at fault insurance claim?

The answer is better driver training, more focus on skill and less on technology, if all drivers took their job seriously, then we would have more skilled drivers and a much lower road toll.

Furthermore, if we took some of the driving aides away from vehicles it would force drivers to pay attention, not reach for the phone and switch off their thinking. Try driving an older manual car with no power steering and see if you can send a text message, for example.

At our driving programs, we like to take drivers back to basics, with education and skill combined to give graduating attendees focus on the road ahead. These factors combined will make the driver more responsible for their actions and less likely to lose focus.

So next time you hear someone say a skilled, trained driver is dangerous, you can advise them otherwise.

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# **Sprite Car Club Drive to Survive Program**



## **DRIVERS WANTED**

The Sprite Car Club of Australia will be sponsoring two people to attend Ian Luff's "P Plate Drive to Survive". Ian has been a driver education pioneer since 1972. Over 150,000 people have attended his Drive to Survive courses designed to improve driver behaviour as well as developing existing skills, increasing a driver's knowledge and awareness. Who better could the Sprite Car Club team up with to provide this opportunity to members, family, friends, neighbours and associates? See here for more details of Ian Luff's P-Plate Drive to Survive Course:

<http://www.drive-to-survive.com.au/p-plate-driving-program>

### **The criteria:**

- The recommendation must come from a Sprite Car Club member.
- We need the recommendation in writing (up to half A4 page) explaining why you are nominating the person.
- Your suggested participant needs to have a current Provisional Licence (red or green P plates)
- If you are a Club member on a Provisional Licence, then yes, you can nominate yourself!
- Age is no barrier.

From the nominations, the Committee will select one member of the Sprite Car Club, and one non-member. Nominations are required by the end of July and be announced in the August edition of Sprite Torque.

The attendees can choose the appropriate available time that suits them.

### **SEND NOMINATIONS TO:**

**Sprite Car Club Drive to Survive Program**  
**PO Box 696**  
**Kingswood**  
**NSW 2747**

**or via email:**  
**[drivetosurvive@spriteclub.com](mailto:drivetosurvive@spriteclub.com)**



Don't forget to include your name, phone number, email address, and the relationship between you and your nominee – eg: self, daughter, nephew, friend, neighbour, workmate.



# Sprite Car Club of Australia Inc

## Membership Application/Renewal

### 2020-2021

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#### Membership

Sprite Car Club of Australia (SCCA) offers both single and family memberships which are for a 12-month period from 1st July to 30th June the following year. A family membership is for two adults and any children under the age of 18.

SCCA memberships provide members with the following:

- You will be entitled to take part in both social and competition events organised by the SCCA and other associated Clubs.
- You will be covered under the public liability insurance issued to the Club by CAMS.
- You will also be entitled to NSW Historic Conditional Registration for one or more of your vehicles, subject to them meeting the requirements of the Sprite Car Club of Australia Inc. and the RMS.
- You will be entitled to vote at any General Meeting and at the Annual General Meeting.
- You will have access to the monthly edition of Sprite Torque, available on the SCCA web site.

Please Indicate If this is:  A new application  A renewal

Name (Please print when filling out the form)

First Name	Surname	Date of Birth	Email address	Mobile phone	Member #

#### Address details

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#### Phone numbers

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Make	Model	Year	Colour	Condition	Rego No.

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Single membership	\$60.00	\$
Family membership (Two adults and any children under the age of 18)	\$70.00	\$
Please indicate if you would like us to mail you a hard copy of Sprite Torque	\$20.00	\$
Total Forwarded		\$

#### Payment

Payment can be made by direct deposit, cheque or money order. For direct deposit, please ensure you reference the payment with your name and membership number (for membership renewals). The club bank account details are:

BSB: 062-309

Account: 1000 4231 Reference (Membership No or Full Name)

#### Application

I hereby apply for membership of the Sprite Car Club of Australia Inc. I state that I am not aware of any reason why I would be ineligible for membership of a CAMS affiliated club or its associated entities, and further that I agree to conform with the Constitution of the Club (copy available on request for 'members area' of [www.spritedclub.com](http://www.spritedclub.com)).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_