

Southland Sports Car Club Inc.

Newsletter May 2012

Welcome to the end of season newsletter.

Once again we had a busy season with Race Meetings, ClubSport, Open Days and the New Zealand ClubSport Championships as well.

All of these events take organising and man power to run, so we must thank all of you that have helped in any way to make these events successful. It is no easy task to make everything fall into place at each event but good volunteers make things easier.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

With the 2011-2012 season well and truly behind us and winter in full swing it is time for all you race car owners to get out into your sheds with the heater cranked up and get those jobs done on the car in readiness for the new race season. It comes around quicker than you think.

Last season had its ups and downs weather wise and some of our meetings were a bit light on entries so we can only do our upmost to market the new season to as many competitors as possible. Thanks must go to Bevan Gerrard, our new Race Committee Chairman, and his team for their organization of the race events.

Our ClubSport is still growing in numbers and competition is fierce. It is good to see new younger people coming to compete. Thanks to Robert Ralston and Nick Hamlin for their work with ClubSport during the year and in particular the National Event where Wendy Jenks joined the team with her expertise to make it an exceptional event.

The spectator bank has come on in leaps and bounds, the extension at the North end not far from finished and what a great view you get from there.

By the time you read this the Motorsport New Zealand Conference and Awards Dinner will have been held and we will be reporting on it later.

Our next event is a Car Trial on the 21st July being organised by Wendy, and we are inviting the Vintage Car Club and the Mustang Club to join us. More info in this newsletter.

That's all for now folks

Howard Kingsford-Smith

SOCIAL EVENT

On Saturday 21st July we are holding a Mid-Winter Car Trial (on sealed roads only) and Quiz night.

The car trial will start at Feldwick gates in Gala Street at 4pm. At the conclusion of the Car Trial there will be a pot luck finger food meal, so please bring a plate of food. There will be facilities to reheat some food. When everyone's fed and watered we will get the Quiz underway.

There will be a small charge of \$5 per couple. It is not just for Club Members – Volunteers and Guests are most welcome and we are planning to invite the Vintage Car Club and the Mustang Club as well.

This is just a fun social event to let everyone enjoy themselves in the middle of winter. If you have any queries please contact Wendy on 2166641.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND PRIZEGIVING

This will be held on the 2nd July 2012 at the SSCC clubrooms.

Enclosed is a nomination form if you want to nominate someone for the Executive of our Club. At the conclusion of the AGM the Annual Prize Giving to honour those who have had a really good season will take place. Enclosed is a copy of the Club championship points, so if you are in the first three places in

any of the classes you will be getting a trophy or certificate, so please try and be there. Everyone is welcome to attend, so bring your family or crew. A light supper will be served at the conclusion of the prize giving.

TROPHIES

If you received a trophy at last year's prize giving, could you please return it to the office as soon as possible, so we can get them organised for this season.

CLUBSPORT REPORT

This season we have had the most amazing ClubSport events with fields increasing each time we have one. As you can see by the results there have been some very hard fought tests around Teretonga. Robert, Nick and their helpers should be very proud of the work they have put in to increase the awareness of grass roots racing which is just as competitive as racing. Well Done.

Motorkhana Championship 2011/2012							
Competitor	11/09/2011	16/10/2011	13/11/2011	29/01/2012	1/04/2012	22/04/2012	Totals
Nick Hamlin	36	36	40	36	40	33	221
Roger Laird	40	30	36	18	36	36	196
Paul Fairweather	28	24	33	40	22	40	187
Brendon Mitchell	24	40	24	33	30	30	181
Errol Hewlett	30	26	28	14	20	22	140
Jake Bradshaw	33	33	13		13	28	120
Justin Johnstone		22	26	28	24	18	118
Ian Richardson	18	16	22	16	26	20	118
Anthony Ralston	22	14	18	30	14	16	114
Robert Ralston	16	9	20	20	33	13	111
Cameron Morison			30	24	28	26	108
Noel Atley	26	28	14	13		24	105
Dion Dawson	8	12	DNF	12	18	14	64
Troy McGee	20	13		22			55
Joseph Oliver	6		12	11	16	10	55
Cameron Richardson	11	10	16				37
Jeremy Dawson				26			26
Jason Crosbie	13	8					21
Wayne Shieffelbein		20					20
Rachael Beck	12	7					19
Brett Flintoff		18					18
Donald Conway	14						14
Krista Richardson	7	6	DNF				13
Roger Neilson						12	12
Craig Watson		11					11
Tyler Titchmarsh						11	11
Andrew Muir	10						10
Daryl Scott	9						9

Sprint Championship 2011/2012							
Competitor	11/09/2011	16/10/2011	13/11/2011	29/01/2012	1/04/2012	22/04/2012	Totals
Nick Hamlin	40	40	40	33	33	28	214
Errol Hewlett	36	36	33	40	26	33	204
Robert Ralston	28	18	30	36	36	40	188
Brendon Mitchell	30	33	12	14	24	36	149
Paul Fairweather	18	13	24	30	28	30	143
Roger Laird	26	24	13	13	20	16	112
Noel Atley	26	26	18	11		22	103
Steven Boutcher	33	30	26	8			97
Ian Richardson	10	16	16	18	13	24	97
Cameron Morison			22	24	22	26	94
Daryl Scott	16	28	14	20		13	91
Anthony Ralston	14	20	11	10	18	18	91
Jake Bradshaw	20	22	20		14	14	90
Dion Dawson	12	8	DNF	12	30	20	82
Justin Johnstone		11	10	16	16	11	64
Jason Crosbie	11	9	36				56
Troy McGee	13	12		22			47
Joseph Oliver	7		8	9	11	9	44
Scott Laurence					40		40
Cameron Richardson	8	10			12		30
Damon Leitch			28				28
Jeremy Dawson				28			28
Warren Kett				26			26
Rachael Beck	9	7	9				25
Andrew Muir	22						22
Wayne Shieffelbein		14					14
Tyler Titchmarsh						12	12
Roger Neilson						10	10
Craig Watson		6					6

NEW ZEALAND CLUBSPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS

A couple of years ago at the Motorsport New Zealand conference they were looking for a club in the South Island to hold the New Zealand ClubSport Championships. We put our hands up because we knew we had a good team running them at the time, and we were sure we could make it work. Two years in the planning came to fruition on the weekend of 2-4 March 2012.

We had documentation and a welcome on the Friday night, followed by the Motorkhana at Southern Transport yard on the Saturday morning which worked really well.

On arriving at Teretonga after the Motorkhana, we provided everyone with lunch which went down really well. Then we had the Autocross around some of the roads at the track.

At the conclusion of Saturday's event, the results were published up in the clubrooms, and we provided nibbles. Quite a few of the competitors and crews then went to the truck museum and were very impressed.

On Sunday we went to another venue, this time Southern Aggregates gravel pit. We held a gravel sprint on a great track. Everyone really enjoyed it as it was quite different to anything we have at our sprint events before. We put on a BBQ lunch for everyone once again.

On Sunday evening we had the prize giving at our Teretonga Clubrooms, and we also had a great two course meal (thanks to the Ladies in the kitchen). Copy of the results are attached.

Without the help of Robert and Nick and their team of Helpers we would not have had the success we did with the event. Well done.

Congratulations to all the competitors and a big thank you to the following sponsors who helped make this event possible –

Invercargill Oil Shop; Kayes Bakery; Southern Aggregates; Southern Transport; Mobil One; Arrow International; Ralston Sheetmetal.

RACE MEETINGS

The season got underway on the 24-25th September 2011. This was a two day meeting with a one and three hour endurance races on the Saturday and a Clubmans meeting on the Sunday which included Clubmans, Sports and Racing Cars and Pro 7's.

At the October meeting on the 29-30th October we had Clubmans, Sports and Racing Cars, South Island Formula Fords, NZ 6 Saloons and Pro 7's again. The fields were a little light but there was some great racing amongst the groups.

The December meeting on the 3-4th December was once again a meeting that the registers enjoy coming to, as we had Clubmans, Sports and Racing cars, SI Pre 65 register, OSCA and Classic OSCA, Super 6, and Mini 7 South. It was a full on day with some fast and furious racing.

On the 13-15th January weekend we once again hosted the NZ Premier Race Meeting which included NZV8's, V8 Utes, Suzuki Swift Sports Cup, Toyota Racing series, Formula Ford, Sports GT and Production GT. A couple of the classes had very strong fields and had some awesome races, but there were some classes with small fields. Unfortunately after 6 weeks of amazing weather, it decided to start raining on the Friday which put the damper on things for the whole weekend.

On the weekend of the 17-19th February we once again held a great weekend of Classic and Clubmans racing at the Evolution Motorsport Classic Speedfest. There was a great array of machinery on show, and as usual, these competitors enjoy racing their vehicles as well as talking about them. The function in the Marquee on the Saturday night was another great event. Thanks must go to the major sponsor of this event, Rick and Fiona Michels at Evolution Motorsport.

The final meeting of the season was a very small event compared to the other meeting this season with only Clubmans, Sports and Racing and the A1 Auto's One Hour race. The weather once again held the upper hand and started off wet, but it did improve slightly during the day.

Thanks must go to all our sponsors for the season, Bevan Gerrard and the Teretonga Race Committee for organising these meetings and last but not least ALL the people who help in any way to make these events successful.

Race Championship 2011/2012						
Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Darryn Andrews	80	72	69	52	44	317
Brent Cross	54	63	50	40	42	249
Bradley Dawson	66	42	46	20	72	246
Jeremy Dawson	66	48	59	15	46	234
Dean Maw	46	22	30	45	58	201
Anthony Ralston	26	54	53	35	28	196
Ivan Harvey	56	34	40	28	36	194
Glenn Johnston	56	28	32	12	66	194
Ian Clapperton	13	56	52	38	32	191
Paul Muir	27	26	25	31	58	167
Inky Tulloch		80	70			150
Steven Boutcher	32	27	34	20		113
Robert Ralston	34		21		46	101

Tony Forde	33	14		24	26	97
Walter Willmott			50	30	14	94
Wayne Elliott	35	23	19	10		87
Allan Dippie				80		80
Grant Molloy					80	80
Rachael Beck	16	10	16	10	26	78
Scott Laurence				64		64
Greg Elder		48		12		60
Ian McKenzie	16	14	6	1	22	59
Nicky Maw	30	5	13	2	8	58
Rodger Cunninghame			54			54
Nick Hamlin	21	15	11	6		53
Andrew Muir	26	9		18		53
Grant Aitken				46		46
Stuart Black				44		44
Jeremy Skeggs		40		1		41
Colin Dawson				36		36
Andrew Brown		33				33
Russell Watt		13	16			29
Merv Lloyd			15	11		26
Howard Kingsford-Smith				26		26
Scott O'Donnell				26		26
Jason Crosbie				2	19	21
John Muir	20					20
Alan Crawford	12					12
Ian Wooster			9			9
Warren Kett				7		7
Pierre Neame				5		5
Nathan Pilcher				5		5
Daryl Scott				3		3

Saloons - Flying Farewell Championship 2011/2012

Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Ian Clapperton	22	30	36	22	36	146
Darryn Andrews	40	33	DNF	26	40	139
Brent Cross	18	36	33	20	28	135
Bradley Dawson	28	26	26	18	30	128
Inky Tulloch		40	40	30		110
Anthony Ralston		13	24	33	22	92
Glenn Johnston	24	12	18	9	26	89
Jeremy Dawson	33	24	11	16		84
Ivan Harvey	30	22	20	10	DNF	82
Steven Boutcher	26	18	22			66
Robert Ralston	16		14		33	63
Tony Forde	36	9		14		59
Walter Willmott		16	28	8		52
Dean Maw	13	14	16			43
Greg Elder		28		12		40

Colin Dawson				40		40
Allan Dippie				36		36
Rachael Beck	14	10	10		DNF	34
Jeremy Skeggs		20		11		31
Rodger Cunninghame			30			30
Nicky Maw	10	8	9	1		28
Scott Laurence				28		28
Grant Aitken				24		24
Grant Molloy					24	24
Russell Watt		11	12			23
Nick Hamlin	9	6	7	1		23
Jason Crosbie				2	20	22
Andrew Muir	11	7		3		21
John Muir	20					20
Paul Muir	12			7		19
Wayne Elliott			13	5		18
Ian McKenzie	8	DNF	6	1	DNF	15
Howard Kingsford-Smith				13		13
Ian Wooster			8			8
Alan Crawford	7					7
Nathan Pilcher				6		6
Merv Lloyd				4		4
Daryl Scott				1		1

Sports & Racing Championship 2011/2012

Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Don Nelson	112	101	99	NO RACE	88	400
Damon Leitch		80	120		120	320
Stephen Heffernan	99	93	82			274
Jamie Conroy	80	72	108			260
Brendon Leitch		69	84		99	252
Dave McKenzie	63		60		108	231
James Dicey		84	70			154
Dave Harris	89		54			143
Trevor Earley			44		86	130
Justin Heffernan	0		64		52	116
Nathan Pilcher		52	60			112
Johnstone		22				22

Sports & Racing - Flying Farewell Championship 2011/2012

Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Jamie Conroy	40	40	36	NO RACE		116
Dave McKenzie	33		30		36	99
Don Nelson	36	DNF	33		28	97
Brendon Leitch		36	28		33	97
Stephen Heffernan	30	33	26			89
Damon Leitch			40		40	80
Justin Heffernan	28				26	54

Trevor Earley			24		30	54
James Dicey		30	22			52
Dave Harris	26		18			44
Nathan Pilcher		DNF	20			20
Alan Johnstone		DNF				0

Saloons 0-1300cc Championship 2011/2012

Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Ian McKenzie	40	36	36	40	40	192
Walter Willmott		40	40			80
Alan Crawford	36					36

Saloons 1301-1600cc Championship 2011/2012

Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Bradley Dawson	36	40	36	40	40	192
Jeremy Dawson	40	36	40	36	DNF	152
Nick Hamlin	30	28	33	24		115
Andrew Muir	33	30		28		91
Jeremy Skeggs		33		33		66
Stuart Black				30		30
Daryl Scott				26		26
Grant Molloy					DNF	0

Saloons 1601-2500cc Championship 2011/2012

Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Ivan Harvey	40	33	36	36	30	175
Glenn Johnston	36	28	33	30	40	167
Dean Maw	30	30	30	33	33	156
Rachael Beck	24	24	24	26	28	126
Steven Boutcher	33	36	40			109
Wayne Elliott	22	26	26	28		102
Robert Ralston	28		28		36	92
Nicky Maw	20	DNF	22	22	26	90
Greg Elder		40		40		80
Jason Crosbie				24	24	48
Ian Clapperton (RX7)	26					26
Ian Wooster			20			20

Saloons 2500cc & over Championship 2011/2012

Competitor	Sep-11	Oct-11	Dec-11	Feb-12	Mar-12	Totals
Darryn Andrews	36	36	36	30	40	178
Brent Cross	40	33	33	20	30	156
Paul Muir	28	26	24	16	33	127
Anthony Ralston		28	28	33	28	117
Ian Clapperton		30	26	22	36	114
Inky Tulloch		40	40	28		108
Tony Forde	33	22			26	81
Russell Watt		24	22			46

Allan Dippie				40		40
Pierre Neame				36		36
Merv Lloyd			20	14		34
Rodger Cunninghame			30			30
John Muir	30					30
Scott Laurence				26		26
Grant Aitken				24		24
Howard Kingsford-Smith				18		18
Nathan Pilcher				13		13

THANKS TO SPONSORS

Many firms, organisations and individuals assist the Southland Sports Car Club to stage our events at Teretonga Park throughout the season. We would like to thank them for all their generosity, support and assistance. These include –

A1 Auto Services; Advanced Engineering; Advantage Advertising; AJ Auto Electrical; Alliance Rescue Squad; Arrow International; Auto Centre; Canon Copiers; Castrol NZ Ltd; Community Trust of Southland; Cooke Howlison; Downer; E H Ball; E Hayes & Sons; EIS Electrical; EnviroSouth; Evolution Motorsport; Framed on Windsor; Global Diesel Parts; GWD Russells Ltd; Hirepool; Hynds Pipe Systems; ILT Foundation; Invercargill Licensing Trust; Invercargill Oil Shop; Invercargill Volunteer Fire Service; K&D Automotive; Jesco Hydraulics; Kayes Bakery; Laird Motorsport; Macaulay Motors; McCallums Group; McDonalds; Mobil One; Mr Murray Pfeiffer; Newfield Auto's; New Zealand Police; Noel McIntyre Drainage; Pak n Save; Parkside Panels; Performance Wholesale; Purdue Bros; Ralston Sheetmetal; Repco Auto Parts; Richardson Group; Riverside Rentals; Sievwright Auto; Sono Sound Systems; Southern Aggregates; Southern Paints; Southern Suzuki; Southern Transport; Southland Honda; Southland Landrover Club; Southland Tractors; Southland Tyre Centre; St John Ambulance; Toyota Racing Management; Turntru Machining; Venture Southland; Wayne Shieffelbein; Wilson Bros Ltd.

We hope that we have included everyone in the above list who has helped out over the past season, however if we have not mentioned you please accept our sincere apologies as we do appreciate all the assistance we have been given and ask that our club members support the above businesses whenever possible.

MOTORSPORT NEW ZEALAND AGCM

This was held in Auckland on 17-19 May 2012 and we sent Howard, Norma, Dean and Bevan to represent Southland Sports Car Club. Noel was also attending as part of the Training & Volunteers Commission. Overall it was reasonably informative. It kicked off with the Circuits Commission Workshop on the Thursday. Then on the Friday we had the Training & Volunteers, Finance, Historic & Classic, and finally the ClubSport Workshops. Saturday morning brought the Race and Rally Workshops and then Saturday afternoon saw the AGCM proper get underway. If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to ask one of the above named.

NEXT SEASONS DATES

Sunday 12 August 2012	SSCC ClubSport Hit Out
Sunday 9 September 2012	SSCC ClubSport Round 1 – Motorkhana/Sprints
Saturday 15 September 2012	SSCC Pre-Season Test Day
Saturday 29 September 2012	SIEDC Enduro
Sunday 30 September 2012	September Race Meeting (Clubmans/Registers)
Saturday 13 October 2012	SSCC Public Track Day
Sunday 14 October 2012	SSCC ClubSport Round 2 – Motorkhana/Sprints
Sunday 4 November 2012	November Race Meeting (Clubmans/Registers)
Sunday 18 November 2012	SSCC ClubSport Round 3 – Motorkhana/Sprints
Sat/Sun 1-2 December 2012	December Race Meeting (Clubmans/Registers)
Sunday 9 December 2012	SSCC Gravel Sprint (possibly)
Fri/Sat/Sun 11-13 January 2013	National Series <i>featuring</i> NZV8s
Sunday 27 January 2013	SSCC ClubSport Round 4 – Motorkhana/Sprints
Fri/Sat/Sun 15-17 February 2013	Evolution Motorsport Classic Speedfest 2013
Sunday 24 February 2013	SSCC ClubSport Round 5 – Motorkhana/Sprints
Sunday 17 March 2013	March Race Meeting (Clubmans/Registers)
Saturday 13 April 2013	SSCC Public Track Day
Sunday 14 April 2013	SSCC ClubSport Round 6 – Motorkhana/Sprints

TRACK HIRES

Once again we are offering yearly track hire cards for \$200. These entitle the person whose name is on the card hires when the track is available, by just signing in at the Office.

Please remember if you want to hire the track during the weekend you must make arrangements BEFORE the weekend.

CLUB CAPS FOR SALE

We have a limited number of Southland Sports Car Club caps available. These can be purchased from the Teretonga Office or at the bar in the clubrooms and are \$25 each.

And to Finish With

Yesterday I was at my local Animates store buying a large bag of Eukanuba dog food for my loyal pet and was in the checkout queue when a woman behind me asked if I had a dog.

What did she think I had an elephant? So, since I'm retired and have little to do, on impulse I told her that no, I didn't have a dog, I was starting the Eukanuba Diet again. I added that I probably shouldn't, because I ended up in hospital last time, but I lost 20 kilos before I woke up in intensive care with tubes coming out of most of my orifices and IV's in both arms.

I told her that it was essentially a perfect diet and the way that it works is to load your pockets with Eukanuba nuggets and simply eat one or two every time you feel hungry. The food is nutritionally complete so it works well and I was going to try it again. (I have to mention here that practically everyone in the queue was now enthralled with my story)

Horried she asked me if I ended up in intensive care because the dog food poisoned me.

I told her no, I stepped off the pavement to sniff a Bull terriers bum and a car hit me.

I thought the guy behind her was going to have a heart attack he was laughing so hard. I'm now banned from Animates.

Better watch what you ask retired people, they have all the time in the world to think of daft things to say.....

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 63rd Annual General Meeting of the Southland Sports Car Club Inc. will be held at the Clubrooms, Teretonga Park on Monday, 2nd July 2012, starting at 7:30pm.

AGENDA:

1. Apologies
2. Valedictory
3. Confirmation of Minutes of the 62nd Annual General Meeting
4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes
5. Presidents Report
6. Chairman's Report
7. Race Committee Report
8. Presentation of Annual Reports and Balance Sheet
9. Election of Officers
10. Appointment of Auditor
11. Consideration of Annual Subscription
12. General Business

Norma Burns
Secretary

Nomination Form

Nominations are now invited for the following positions on the Executive Committee of the Southland Sports Car Club Inc. for the 2012/2013 year.

Nominations close with the Secretary, Southland Sports Car Club, PO Box 543, Invercargill 9840 or Fax 03 2130523 at 5.00pm on Friday 29th June 2012.

If less than the required nominations are received, extra nominations may be called for at the Annual General Meeting. Positions to be elected are –

President • Vice-President • Treasurer • Club Captain • ClubSport Convenor •
Custodian • Social Convenor

Nominations for all offices shall be in writing, each signed by the Nominator, Seconder and Nominee, each of whom must be a Financial Member of the Southland Sports Car Club Inc.

Nominee _____ for the position of _____
(Please Print) (Please Print)

Nominator _____ Signed _____
(Please Print)

Seconder _____ Signed _____
(Please Print)

Signature of Nominee _____