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OUR MEETING VENUE (UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCE) IS UPSTAIRS AT THE COMO HOTEL, CANNING HWY, COMO

Many gather earlier for a pre-meeting drink or a meal. Meetings start at 8.00pm on the second Tuesday of the month. We truly hope we can return to this format once the global health crisis is behind us. But for now, dear members, we stay home and give thanks for our blessings.

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Trump Magazine – Editors, Glen and Denise Farquhar look forward to receiving your articles for publication in our quarterly club magazine TRUMP. Each issue is full of all the comings and goings our great club undertakes. Why not put pen to paper (who does that anymore) let your fingers do the typing then and send something in.



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Your articles attract club points. Contact for any articles is (trump@tsoa-wa.com).

Your last Trump was again a cracker Edition where among other gripping topics, we celebrated the 50th birthday of the Stag. Many thanks and well done to our editors and the team at Kwik Kopy Osborne Park. Our club magazine sets the standard for the rest. Utterly professional, reflecting the pride we share in our great club.

Editorial Comment:

In a 'land mark' initiative for our club, our April monthly meeting was held online using the Zoom meeting platform which attracted 22 members. From a personal perspective I felt it had value and for the immediate future, we intend to continue with online meetings until our usual state of 'normal' returns. What this meeting format sadly lacks however is the close contact camaraderie we treasure. Never mind, it's not a forever thing.

As the eternal optimist, I was hoping that by now the dreaded corona virus might have abated but as we have all observed, this damn thing is here for some time yet. I do not intend to repeat the virus warnings in this forum, we are all very well advised by health authorities; however, I urge everyone to please observe the social distancing rules. Then, and only then, might we see some sort of normality return to our lives. And when it does, if you are anything like us, you'll be giving your families, kids and grand kids lots of hugs. So far (thankfully) WA hasn't ruled on the use of concessional cars during the lock down period. Unlike Victoria where cars in that state on the 'Historic' register are classed as recreational vehicles. The Victorian road authority have issued an edict that these cars may not be used. The origin of this information arose from Neil Athorn - President Federation of Vintage and Classic Vehicles Victoria and the Victorian Historic Vehicles and Machinery clubs

On a brighter note, Shannons have an on-line programme where they feature mainly classic cars, recently the Dolly Sprint was their chosen topic. An interesting programme highlighting competition and club cars over the years. The Ron Hodgson Dolly's were giant killers in their day however our Mr Hodgson wasn't one for keeping to the rules so the 200 hp his Dollies developed was often called into question. Watch this while you're on lock down, you'll enjoy it. I did. The link is below.

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/video/triumph-dolomite-sprint-shannons-club-tv-episode-43/?cmpid=SHN:GI:PI:NPS:EDM:20130501:161>

COMPETITION:

Temporarily closed for business (boo hoo from your editor and I'm sure many others too)

Coogee Autokhana - Sunday 14th June – TBA - event confirmed and at time of writing will still be held dependent upon future health warnings.

FYI, Barbagallo are offering private practise sessions at very reasonable hourly rates. They offer social separation distance responsibilities to comply with the health warnings.

Motorsport Australia (MA) Report:

MA media releases over the previous month have quite naturally focussed heavily on the corona virus crisis that has impacted ours, and of course the International Motorsport scene. Like the rest of us, we're all sitting on our hands waiting out this pandemic. How long before we are able to resume our club comp activities?? That's anyone's guess at present.

AASA Report:

AASA have also issued guidelines for Motorsport activities which mirror those expressed by MA. Both Motorsport authorities remind us the information they provide does not override information provided by our Health Authorities

SOCIAL:

- **Autumn breakfast at Avocados.** The 30 seat booking we made with the venue went out the window with over 40 members sharing a memorable breakfast outing. Accolades to the venue and their staff who managed to cater for the extras with only some minimal delays for meals. Sort of highlights the im-



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portance of RSVPing doesn't it?. The last we would want is to decline any who turn up without letting us know, so please if asked to RSVP, do the right thing and lock in your attendance. Best to say you're coming then for other reasons are unable attend. Anyway, no harm was done it all ended well. Thanks Hon Prez Justin for putting a great article together, recently published in the March Trump. Some nice pics there too.

Coming Up

- Nothing planned for the medium to long term. Let's hope it's a wet, windy, cold and miserable winter! That way, makes it easier to stay home when we would all really like to be out enjoying our cars with our TSOA family.
- **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

In the absence of any other matters may I formally announce that the Tahiti Blue David Ryder Stag is back on the road and from all accounts looking resplendent in new paint. Dave did the majority, if not all the resto work himself. He's a very capable man, looking forward to seeing it soon. Next step now the resto bugs have been ironed out will be the application of the pin striping on the sides.

If you haven't already heard, there is a new free to air channel which features many car related programmes. It's channel 96, a subsidiary of Channel 9. I've watched a few classic resto shows and even some have featured our preferred Triumph marque.

The recent sad passing of motoring legend Sir Stirling Moss has left us with yet another race driver of renown transported to that big race track in the sky. Sir Stirling was always approachable and like myself and Anne Douglas, many of our members may have met him and had a brief chat. My experience was at Goodwood a few years ago where I chatted briefly with Sir Stirling and Sir Jack. A very memorable occasion - I even have a couple of nice photos.

Due to the obvious distraction afflicting us all, progress on the Concession for Classics project has slowed. I understand there has been little or no work done on the regulations which most likely will delay the anticipated introduction date of around mid year. We'll keep you posted as developments occur. I know there are many in our club that will be lining up to take advantage of this offering as the savings are significant.

Classifieds:

Wanted urgently – A sense of humour till this damn virus has been beaten!!!

NEW MEMBERS:

Please welcome the following who are mostly former TCC members since the sad decision for that club to 'fold'

Barrie and Pam Nelson joining with their Stag – referred by Stan Stokell

Matthew & Winona Mulrennan joining with their 1978 TR7 – referred by Brian Chaplin

Graham McFadyen with his Vitesse - referred by Fred Standeven.

Jim & Jean Della Maddalena joining with their Stag – referred by Stan Stokell.

Peter Clark joining with his TR8 – referred by Russ Benn

Dino Tollarzo with his TR6 – no referral

Deane Grosser with a TR3a & TR4a – no referral.

Murray Motroni with his Stag - referred by Stan Stokell.

Steve Hogg with his TR2 – no referral.

Hugh & Christine Thomas joining with their Stag – no referral.

Andrew & Helen Crabbe joining with their Stag – no referral.

Kim Bellairs with his Stag – no referral.

Matthew Lawson with his Herald – no referral.

Graham Kittel with his Spitfire – referred by Andrew Weir.

Bruce & Susan Johns with their Herald – referred by Stan Stockell



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Bruce Morison with his TR4A – referred by Dave Ryder.

Ellen Wells with her TR3A and 2000 Mk 1 Sedan - referred by Stan Stokell.

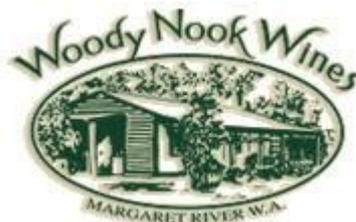
This influx of new members brings our member list to above 200. Certainly, a milestone which will quite likely result in some extra effort from social and comp organisers who may need to cater for greater numbers. Our monthly meeting venue will also need some serious consideration as we've out grown our traditional home of many years at the Como Hotel.

Please welcome our new members when you meet them at any of our outings.

Lucky Lottery (raffle)

Obviously with no monthly meeting we can't run the raffle which as many would attest has become a very entertaining component of our meeting agenda. The happiness on the faces of members as they collect yet another stubby cooler, ball point pen or other highly valued and cherished prize as their number is drawn in utter anticipation. Aaaaaaaah.....the memories.

And while we're all locked away, please try to support our sponsors - they're supporting us – it works both ways, dear members. We all know Kwik Kopy do the best print service ever, but what about those wineries??? Get on the interweb and order a case or 2 of wine. No better time to indulge than now! We can't go anywhere so no drink driving issues!!!



TSOA WA Up-Coming Events Calendar

Plenty to come in the future, We're not going anywhere.



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- **We're all in this crazy mess together - so if anyone gets a bit stir crazy and needs a chat, remember your Club is here for you.**