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January 2021 Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **14 February** **Ellerslie Classic Car Show**
- **21 February** **ACC Summer Series - Hampton Downs**
- **27/28 February** **HRC Tasman Revival - Pukekohe**
- **5 March** **Motor Cup 100 Years Celebration – Muriwai**
- **6/7 March** **Speedworks Round 6 - Pukekohe**
- **7 March** **British and European Car Show – Howick**
- **14 March** **ACC Summer Series - Pukekohe**
- **19-21 March** **HRC Legends of Speed Meeting - Hampton**

The next HRC Event is Pukekohe Tasman Revival on 27th 28th February. The race meeting features Pre 65/Mini, ERC, Prowear Superlaps, Classic Trial, IPC, Formula Libre/FONZ/NZ Sports Cars, Hooters Vintage Race Series, 2KCup, BMW 2 Litre, BMW E30, BMW Open and Classic Touring Cars. This event will use the full back straight. Practice day Friday organised by Pukekohe Motorsport Park

<https://www.pukekohepark.co.nz/circuit/bringyourcar/> to enter on line

Race entries www.motorsportentry.com



The Paul Fahey Legends meeting on 19th, 20th and 21st March at Hampton Downs. This will feature as many of Paul's cars that are available plus many NZ Motor Racing Legends. We will have a hospitality suite available both weekend days so drivers can mix with the NZ legends. Classes racing are BMW 2 Litre, BMW E30 ,BMW Open, HMC/HSC, F5000, Formula Libre/FONZ/NZ Sports cars, Classic Trial, 2KCup, Historic Sports Sedans, Pre65/Mini, Tranzam, Trofeo, ERC and Classic Touring Cars.

Three of this seasons HRC meetings are honouring Motorsport heroes. Jack Nazer Classic at Taupo on 10th 11th April, Jamie Aislabie Meeting at Taupo on 1st 2nd May and of course the Paul Fahey Legends of Speed Meeting on 19th – 21st March at Hampton Downs.

We would be keen to hear from owners of cars that these legends raced and also their fellow competitors.

All HRC events for this season are available to enter on www.motorsportentry.com

The 2KCup fields are oversubscribed but at all rounds apart from the Legends of Speed there is an IPC round at the same meeting. 2K Cup cars are competitive in the IPC 3 class so competitors should enter the IPC class. As spots become available in the 2KCup class James can shift your entry on the day from IPC to 2KCup. This means you are assured of a start either in IPC or 2KCup .

HRC had a very successful meeting at Taupo on the 9th 10th January. Spectators were also up at Taupo on what we had in previous years at Taupo. Interesting checking the log books. Some of the cars had not raced since 2015. Now that overseas trips are not possible perhaps funds are being diverted back to race cars ! As was mentioned at drivers briefing HRC had combined some of the classes. This enables HRC to run more classes at our race meetings and that in turn means entry fees can be held at the present level even though costs seem to be always increasing. At a two day race meeting we can only run 10 to 11 classes and need an average class entry of about 25 cars to break even. It is no secret that classes that consistently run fields of about 35 to 40 cars do get a discount.

Another pleasing trend is drivers returning to the sport, HRC have seen a rising number of drivers reapplying for a race licence that has expired for over two years. They have

to re-sit the test which can be done at the HRC office Monday to Friday. Just ring and make an appointment.

Great to see HRC life member Kenny Smith competing in his 50th NZ Grand Prix. A record that is unlikely to be eclipsed. In the weekend Kenny drove very bravely in spite of still recovering from shoulder surgery. An inspiration to us all.

Planning for the Muriwai centenary celebrations is well under way for Friday 5th March. See article below for details.

Ellerslie Concours 11 February. At present HRC only have one car for display, Robert Hulme Tiga Sports 2000 . Would be great to have a few more, any car that races at our meetings would be very welcome. Contact chris@hrcevents.co.nz 0274827542

The 2021 Grand Prix at Hampton Downs was a great event, Shane Van Gisbergen driving was superb - his overtaking moves were incredible. Great crowd and some good supporting classes. The track allowed plenty of passing moves and justified the 10 years Chris and Tony spent planning and building was time well spent. Tony Quinn has done a great job taking it to another level and also promoting such a good event. Bringing in the cream of New Zealand talent certainly attracted the New Zealand spectators. Interesting the New Zealand stars raced without banging into each other. Perhaps next year we could 10 internationals and 10 New Zealand drivers. Perhaps the winner of Formula Open gets an automatic entry.

New transponders are now in stock with lifetime licences. Register them once and just charge them up for each race meeting, no more problems with annual licensing and the transponders will have a reasonable second-hand value. See details below

Regards The HRC team

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HRC are looking for cars to display on a stand - they don't have to be concours
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A couple of new displays in different areas,

****Barn Finds** - This isn't just for those cars exactly as found in a barn but also those part restored. It is interesting to see the process the cars undergo to get to the Concours standard. These will be set up in an area able to take cars on trailers. Let us know if your Club is bringing a 'Barn Find' and if it is on a trailer or not.

****Also looking to display some hot rods, the old school classic ones.** if you have one in your club - let us know. Also, we will have a couple of Drift cars on display

****The Newmarket room will be available for displaying anything really, really special** - once again let us know if you have or know of anything.

This show will have two separate judging areas. The new area will host the Team's Shield and will also have a display of past Master Class and Team winners' cars. If you have one in your Club and you haven't been contacted by someone on our committee. - let us know.

New judged events this year are the 50/50/50 and the Park & Polish. The 50/50/50 is for cars and owners under 50 years old and with less than 50k spent, open to anyone, not just Club Members. This will hopefully be an incubator for the younger car enthusiasts to join clubs and ultimately compete in the full concours. The other judged competition is the Park & Polish. This is open to anyone arriving on the day is a Classic car

Tickets now on sale

*FRIDAY 5th March 2021 at Muriwai Beach, Auckland.
The New Zealand Motor Cup Centenary Celebrations*



First New Zealand Motor Cup race, 1921



The first New Zealand Motor Cup race took place on Muriwai Beach, Auckland on 5th March 1921 and was a 25 mile drag race. The race was extended to 50 miles the following year (1922) and three turns were introduced for the benefit of the spectators. In 1923 the race length was 50 miles again but five turns were used.

The cup was won outright in 1928 (after 3 consecutive wins) by R B Wilson, ESQ who in 1953 donated it to New Zealand International Grand Prix Inc, on condition that it be competed for annually in the Auckland Grand Prix race under its original title.

The cup was won in its 100th year by Shane Van Gisbergen at the 2021 New Zealand Grand Prix held at Hampton Downs.

On 5th March 2021, HRC, MSNZ Historic Race Commission and NZIGP will be holding a celebration to commemorate 100 years since the first beach races and the awarding of the New Zealand Motor Cup. Come along and join us for brunch at this once in a century opportunity. There will be a turnout of historically significant vehicles on the beach along with static exhibits at the surf club including the 1921 winning Cadillac right through to the latest Toyota FT60. Many previous winners will also be in attendance and the New Zealand Motor Cup itself will be on display.



Muriwai Surf Club – event venue.

Provisional Schedule

Friday 5th March 2021

- 7am Setup for display exhibits*
- 8am Gates open to public/guests. Coffee station available in surf club*
- 9am Welcome address*
- 9.15am Photo Opportunity - Past winners*
- 9.30 To the beach*
- 11.00 Return to surf club after photograph recreations on the beach*
- 11.15 Brunch is served*
- 12.00 Speeches*
- 13.00 Depart*

Tickets in Advance - \$50

Tickets on the gate (if not sold out) –\$75

If you would like to join us in these celebrations please book your tickets at your earliest opportunity at either:

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Winners of the New Zealand Motor Cup

<i>Year</i>	<i>Circuit</i>	<i>Winner</i>	<i>Nationality</i>	<i>Car</i>
1921	Muriwai	H. Natrass		Cadillac
1922	Muriwai	S. Craig		Packard
1923	Muriwai	Seabrook Fowlds		Vauxhall
1924	Muriwai	H. Natrass		Mercer
1925	Muriwai	C.W.F Hamilton		Sunbeam
1926	Muriwai	R. B Wilson		Stutz
1927	Muriwai	R. B Wilson		Stutz
1928	Muriwai	R. B Wilson		Stutz
1954	Ardmore	Stan Jones	Australia	Maybach Special
1955	Ardmore	Prince B Bira	Thailand	Maserati
1956	Ardmore	Stirling Moss	Great Britain	Maserati 250F
1957	Ardmore	Reg Parnell	Great Britain	Ferrari Super Squalo
1958	Ardmore	Jack Brabham	Australia	Cooper Climax
1959	Ardmore	Stirling Moss	Great Britain	Cooper Climax
1960	Ardmore	Jack Brabham	Australia	Cooper Climax

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1962	Ardmore	Stirling Moss	Great Britain	Cooper Climax
1963	Pukekohe	John Surtees	Great Britain	Lola
1964	Pukekohe	Bruce McLaren	New Zealand	Cooper Climax
1965	Pukekohe	Graham Hill	Great Britain	Brabham
1966	Pukekohe	Graham Hill	Great Britain	B.R.M
1967	Pukekohe	Jackie Stewart	Great Britain	B.R.M
1968	Pukekohe	Chris Amon	New Zealand	Ferrari
1969	Pukekohe	Chris Amon	New Zealand	Ferrari
1970	Pukekohe	Frank Matich	Australia	McLaren M10A
1971	Pukekohe	Neil Allen	Australia	McLaren M10B
1972	Pukekohe	Frank Gardner	Australia	Lola T300
1973	Pukekohe	John McCormack	Australia	Elfin
1974	Pukekohe	Peter Gethin	Great Britain	Chevron B 24
1975	Pukekohe	Warwick Brown	Australia	Lola T332
1976	Pukekohe	Ken Smith	New Zealand	Lola T332
1977	Pukekohe	Keijo Rosberg	Finland	Chevron B34
1978	Pukekohe	Keijo Rosberg	Finland	Chevron B39
1979	Pukekohe	Teo Fabi	Italy	March 79B
1980	Pukekohe	Steve Millen	New Zealand	Ralt RT1
1981	Pukekohe	Dave McMillan	New Zealand	Ralt RT1
1982	Pukekohe	Roberto Moreno	Brazil	Ralt RT4
1983	Pukekohe	David Oxton	New Zealand	Ralt RT4
1984	Pukekohe	Davy Jones	USA	Ralt RT4
1985	Pukekohe	Ross Cheever	USA	Ralt RT4
1986	Pukekohe	Ross Cheever	USA	Ralt RT4
1987	Pukekohe	Davy Jones	USA	Ralt RT4
1988	Pukekohe	Paul Radisich	New Zealand	Ralt RT4
1989	Pukekohe	Dean Hall	USA	Ralt RT4
1990	Pukekohe	Ken Smith	New Zealand	Swift Cosworth
1991	Pukekohe	Craig Baird	New Zealand	Swift DB4
1992	Pukekohe	Craig Baird	New Zealand	Reynard
1993	Pukekohe	Stuart Crow	USA	Swift
1994	Pukekohe	Greg Murphy	New Zealand	Reynard (F.Brabham)
1995	Pukekohe	Greg Murphy	New Zealand	Reynard (F.Brabham)
1996	Not contested			
1997	Not contested			
1998	Ruapuna	Simon Wills	New Zealand	Reynard 94D
1999	Ruapuna	Simon Wills	New Zealand	Reynard 94D
2000	Pukekohe	Andy Booth	New Zealand	Reynard 94D

Toyota Racing Series

2006	Pukekohe	Ben Clucas	Great Britain	Toyota Tatuus 104ZZ
2007(April)	Pukekohe	Shane Van Gisbergen	New Zealand	Toyota Tatuus 104ZZ
2007 (Nov)	Pukekohe	Andy Knight	New Zealand	Toyota Tatuus 104ZZ
2009 (Mar)	Pukekohe	Mitch Cunningham	New Zealand	Toyota Tatuus 104ZZ

2010	Hampton Downs	Sten Pentus	Estonia	Toyota FT40
2011	Hampton Downs	Mitchell Evans	New Zealand	Toyota FT40
2012	Hampton Downs	Nick Cassidy	New Zealand	Toyota FT40
2013	Hampton Downs	Mitchell Evans	New Zealand	Toyota FT40
2014	Hampton Downs	Martin Rump	Estonia	Toyota FT40
2015	Hampton Downs	Sam McLeod	Great Britain	Toyota FT50
2016	Hampton Downs	Pedro Piquet	Brazil	Toyota FT50
2017	Hampton Downs	Thomas Randle	Australia	Toyota FT50
2018	Hampton Downs	Richard Vershoor	Netherlands	Toyota FT50
2019	Hampton Downs	Marcus Armstrong	New Zealand	Toyota FT50
2020	Pukekohe	Liam Lawson	New Zealand	Toyota FT60
2021	Hampton Downs	Shane Van Gisbergen	New Zealand	Toyota FT60



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NZ Historic Race Meetings 2020/21

 <p>13-15th November 2020</p>	 	<p>F5000 HMC / HSC TraNZam Historic Sports Sedans Formula Open NZ Pre65 / Mini NZ Sportscars Central Muscle Cars Historic Racing Cars / FJ</p>
 <p>22-24th January 2021</p>	<p>2021 Taupō Historic GP Celebrating Ford</p>  	<p>F5000 HMC / HSC TraNZam Historic Sports Sedans Formula Open NZ Ford Demonstration Races Formula Junior Historic Sports Racing Cars Invited Single Seaters</p>
 <p>5-7th February 2021</p>	 <p>SKOPE Classic 2021</p> 	<p>F5000 Historic Touring Cars Classic Saloons (Small) Classic Saloons (Large) Formula Libre VCC</p>
 <p>12-14th February 2021</p>	<p>South Canterbury Hydraulics Southern Festival Meeting</p> <p>Organised by Classic Motor Racing Club</p> 	<p>Pre 65 NZ Sports Cars Formula Junior Continental RenSport Historic & Classic Saloons (pre 78) Classic Saloons Formula Libre VCC</p>
 <p>19-21st February 2021</p>	<p>Mobil 1</p> <p>Mobil 1 Classic Speedfest</p> 	<p>Historic Touring Cars Historic & Classic Saloons (pre 78) Classic Saloons Formula Libre VCC Formula Junior and Invited Cars</p>
 <p>19-21st March 2021</p>	<p>HRC HISTORIC RACING CLUB Inc</p> <p>Legends of Speed Celebrating Paul Fahey</p> 	<p>F5000 HMC / HSC TraNZam Historic Sports Sedans BMW Race Driver Series Trofeo Series ERC PPG Classic Trial NZ Sportscars / Formula Open NZ / Libre Pre65 / Mini HFF / Formula Ford 1600 Classic Touring Cars</p>

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FONZ (Formula Open New Zealand)

Round 2 at Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park Taupo has been run and it is great to see that our formula of marble draw grids works well with two rounds under this system it has certainly mixed things up and has created some really good racing. The third and final race of the weekend was a humdinger with Josh Donohue off pole in the Tatuus FT40 and Gary Rush in the Swift DB4 alongside it was an epic battle the whole way through with Josh hanging on for the race and round win in the Ultimate Echo Race despite several determined attacks from a fired up Gary Rush. Josh held his cool and displayed maturity and skill in a well-deserved win.

Others that had a great time were Geoff Harriman in a very smart looking FT50 and Paul Couper in his very first complete run in hi newly acquired Tatuus FT40.

Whanganui's Grant Rivers in his lovely Swift SE3 had it all his own way in the Penfolds Cup Race as poor Leo Francis had another input shaft fail on the FH20RNZ in Fridays practice session. The field was small for this round due to three competitors away on family Christmas Holiday's and three others practicing for the NZIGP so we were down by at least six cars.

Good news for the rest of the season though, Adam Julian advises he has a field of twenty two Wings and Slicks cars for Scope in February including six Formula Atlantics with rest of the field being made up of a majority of Tatuus FT 50 Toyotas and a mixture of FT40 Renaults and Toyotas. There is also a sprinkling of Formula Ford 2000 in there as well. Hats off to Adam for an awesome effort in putting this together and a big thanks to the five North Island FONZ Competitors going down to support it.

Skope 2021 -Formula Open Single Seaters

<u>Class</u>	<u>Surname</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Car</u>
Formula Open	Cooper	Gary	Reynard 92 H
Formula Open	Deaker	Jonathan	Tatuus Formula Renault
Formula Open	MacNeill	Sam	Tatuus FT40
Formula Open	Leitch	Damon	Ralt RT4
Formula Open	Rush	Gary	Swift DB4
Formula Open	Griffith	Guy	Tatuus FT50
Formula Open	Clements	Ian	Reynard FF 2000
Formula Open	Clegg	John	Ralt RT4
Formula Open	Donohue	Joshua	Tatuus FT40
Formula Open	Lovie	Gary	Swift DB4
Formula Open	Williams	John	Crossle FF 2000
Formula Open	Julian	Adam	Tatuus Formula Renault
Formula Open	Harriman	Jeff	FT 50
Formula Open	Scott	Gregory	FT40
Formula Open	Leitch	Brendon	FT50
Formula Open	Pritchard	Mathew	Reynard FC 2000 -

Formula Open	Hamilton	Matt	Formula Toyota
Formula Open	Smith	Kenny	FT50
Sports Cars	Kelly	Richard	Juno SSE LMP3
Sports Cars	Hulme	Robert	Gibson RME Nemesis
Sports Cars	Edgell	Tim	
Sports Cars	Duncan	Gerald	SID SCANZ Car MKII

The next North Island round is at Pukekohe on the 27th February at the second Tasman Revival Meeting. I have been assured by HRC that this will be a one day event for us even though it is a two day meeting. The good news is the fields will be the biggest this season with our Grand Prix competitors in the form of Billy Fraser, Tom Alexander and Ken Smith back in action. Also back from Holiday will be Sam Mac Neill and hopefully we will also have a new competitor joining us with another of the iconic Swift DB4's, this one BDA powered. This of course is dependent on the testing going well. I have also been told that the very fast James Watson has put his Swift DB4 through a full rebuild including a new tub and some very cool looking carbon fibre body work. Whether he brings it out for this meet or saves it until next season only time will tell.

So until next time please see points below from Taupo and season overall. Don't forget you get to drop one round.

No:	Drivers Name	Year	Make	Model	Series	Taupo
49	Josh Donohue	2006	Tatuus	FT40	Ultimate	345
27	Gary Rush	1990	Swift	DB4	Ultimate	335
	Geoff					
3	Harriman	2015	Tatuus	FT50	Ultimate	310
47	Paul Couper	2014	Tatuus	FT40	Ultimate	290
94	Grant Rivers		Swift	SE3	Penfolds	350
33	Leo Francis	2002	Formula Suzuki	FH20RNZ	Penfolds	20

No:	Drivers Name	Year	Make	Model	Series	SEASON TOTAL
49	Josh Donohue	2006	Tatuus	FT40	Ultimate	775
27	Gary Rush	1990	Swift	DB4	Ultimate	735
	Geoff					
3	Harriman	2015	Tatuus	FT50	Ultimate	650
	Sam Mac Neill	2014	Tatuus	FT40	Ultimate	445
	Guy Griffith	2014	Tatuus	FT50	Ultimate	365
47	Paul Couper	2014	Tatuus	FT40	Ultimate	290
94	Grant Rivers		Swift	SE3	Penfolds	770
33	Leo Francis	2002	Formula Suzuki	FH20RNZ	Penfolds	455
23	Jeff Sharp	2002	Formula Suzuki	FH20RNZ	Penfolds	430

Cheers JT

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Classic Touring Cars

HRC have arranged four meetings for Classic Touring Cars

First up is the Tasman Revival meeting at Pukekohe using the traditional long back straight on 27th 28th February next is the Paul Fahey Legends of Speed Hampton Downs 20-21st March. This meeting will feature some true classic and Historic classes including F5000, Historic Muscle Cars, Historic Saloon Cars, Formula Libre, Historic Sports Sedans ,TraNZam. This will be a huge meeting, not to be missed.

Next up will be the Jamie Aislabie Meeting Taupo 1st 2nd May
Then the HRC Season Finale at Hampton Downs 15th 16th May

Received an email from Nigel Arkell and he is intending to run his Honda ST at the Paul Fahey Legends meeting. He is coming up from down south with Robert Broek BMW group A M3. Other competitors who are intending to come are Mike Dias, Stephen Armstrong, Warwick Mortimer, Conrad Tims, Mike Ashton, Brent Parker, Zachery Lawrence, Jonathan Hogg, Gordon Legg, Wayne Weatherly.

Let's see if we build on the 11 entries we had at the last Pukekohe meeting. The indications are that we will have a lot more entries this year.

Classic Touring cars is a non contact class and is gentleman racing, no ladies have entered yet but they would be welcomed.

The cars that we want to see out racing are pre 94 Touring Cars, makes will include BMW, Porsche, Ferrari ,Commodore, RX7, Corvette, Datsun, Group A and any British touring cars. All cars must be in 1990's spec

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Points after Taupo Round

IPC1

Name	Race 1 Position.	Race 1 Points	Race 2 Position	Race 2 Points	Season Total
Allan Bindon	2	43	DNF	5	58
Bryce Bindon					
Jason Weel					
Josh Penny	1	50	DNF	5	325
Mark Costello	4	31	DNS	5	204
Peter Ball					
Todd Mant-Old	5	26	2	43	254
Scott Mills	3	36	1	50	147

IPC2

Name	Race 1 Position.	Race 1 Points	Race 2 Position	Race 2 Points	Season Total
Alan Greig	1	50	DNF	5	324
Ben Bindon	2	43	DNF	5	105
Chris Cozens					36
Eddie Beresford					
Garry Morrell	DNS	5	DNS	5	82
Gordon Legge					86
James Whitlock					
Kevin Varney					
Phil Josephs					

IPC3

Name	Race 1 Position.	Race 1 Points	Race 2 Position	Race 2 Points	Season Total
Cam Dunn					
Chris Watson	3	36	2	43	244
Derek White	1	50	DNF	5	322
Jordan Stickings					93
Gordon Legg	2	43	1	50	179

For those hanging out for their next bit of seat time, our upcoming rounds are:

- Tasman Revival Pukekohe 27th Feb 2021
- Jack Nazer Classic Taupo 10 April 2021
- Jamie Aislabie Classic Taupo 1st May 2021
- Season Finale Hampton Downs 16th May 2021

Note the IPC round at the Paul Fahey meeting has been cancelled due to too many classes and not enough hours in the day

And just in case anyone wants to enter the Australian IPC series the dates are

Rnd	Circuit	Date
1	Sydney Motorsport Park, NSW	May 1-2
2	Morgan Park Raceway, QLD	June 25-27
3	Sandown International Motor Raceway, VIC	September 10-12
4	The Bend Motorsport Park, SA	October 15-17

Their rules are similar to ours and the races are the same length.

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HRC Events 2020/21 Season Calendar

Date	Venue	Meeting Name	PSB	HRC / HSC	TechZam	Wakaheke Sports Services	DMR / Ltr	DMR / E20	DMR / Open	Toucan Tyres	HRC	WPD Claysie Trail	Supercats	Improve Production	Improve Vitesse Race Series	Formal Open NZ	Private SuperRugby	2K Cup NZ National	Formal Trial	Push / Mail	MS / No Nation	WFF / Po-nua Poul / POU	MS Production / Pymble Ltd	Production Race Series	NSR / NZP / NZS / NZT / NZU	Claysie / Toucan / Gae	Other	
26-27th Sept 2020	Hampton Downs	HRC Invercargill		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓												✓	HRC Invercargill
25th Oct 2020	Pukekohe	HRC DBR Endurance Race					✓					✓															✓	HRC DBR Endurance Race
14th Nov 2020	Hampton Downs	HRC ZKCup Challenge							✓		✓	✓																HRC ZKCup Challenge
3-10th Jan 2021	DMHP Taupo	HRC Taupo Revival							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	HRC Taupo Revival Taupo
27-28th Feb 2021	Pukekohe	HRC Taupo Revival					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	HRC Taupo Revival Pukekohe
13-28-29th Mar 2021	Hampton Downs	HRC Paul Fergus Legends of Speed	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	HRC Paul Fergus Legends of Speed
18-19th Apr 2021	DMHP Taupo	HRC Jack Bauer Classic		✓					✓								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	HRC Jack Bauer Classic
1-2nd May 2021	DMHP Taupo	HRC Jamie Sinclair Meeting					✓	✓	✓			✓						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	HRC Jamie Sinclair Meeting
15-16th May 2021	Hampton Downs	HRC Season Finale									✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	HRC Season Finale



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Current SAS Autoparts MSC NZ F5000 Tasman Cup Revival Series title-holder Michael Collins (Leda GM1) winning the Taupo Historic GP feature race Photo Geoff Ridder

Taupō Historic GP celebrating Ford meeting Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park Taupō

EVENT REPORT

22-01-21

COLLINS MAKES EVERY MOVE A WINNING ONE IN TAUPO HISTORIC GRAND PRIX RACE

Category young gun Michael Collins (Leda GM1) made every move a winning one in the feature Taupo Historic Grand Prix trophy race at the second round of the 2020/21 SAS Autoparts MSC NZ F5000 Tasman Cup Revival motor racing series at the lakeside central North Island city's Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park today (Sunday Jan 24).

Behind the wheel of the Alistair and Vicki Hey-owned ex Graham McRae/Dexter Dunlop 1972 Tasman Cup/US L&M series-winning Leda GM1, Collins, 25, set the fastest race lap - a 1:28.532- on his way to his second lights-to-flag victory at the fifth annual, this time Ford-supported, Taupo Historic GP meeting.

After qualifying comfortably quickest on Saturday morning defending SAS Autoparts/MSC Series title holder Collins won the first category race of the weekend in similar swash-buckling fashion on Saturday afternoon.

Not before he had been put under considerable early race pressure, however, by fellow young gun Codie Banks (Lola T332).

Banks, who qualified second quickest, pushed Collins hard for the first four laps of the first (8 lap) race before being slowed by a gear selection issue and ending his charge in the pits.

His luck didn't get any better on Sunday either, pulling out of the second SAS Autoparts MSC series race on Sunday morning before it had even started thanks to an engine issue then being forced to sit out the final race when the problem turned out to be terminal.

That left Kevin Ingram and fellow Lola T332 driver Brett Willis to pick up the pieces and claim the final podium places in both the first and final class races.

Former SAS Autoparts MSC Series title holder Willis did particularly well to get up to third place in the 10-lap Taupo Historic GP Trophy final, after being tipped into a half spin as the field entered the first corner on the opening lap.

Michael Collins' older sister Anna Collins driving the other Alistair and Vicki Hey-owned Leda (LT27) in the field, was the immediate beneficiary of the first corner fracas, inheriting third place.

However she was eventually caught and shuffled back to sixth place by category old hands Russell Greer (Lola T332), Shane Windelburn (Lola T400), and Brett Willis.

Until the final lap that looked like the order the trio was going to cross the finish line in as well – until Brett Willis found a way around both to add a second third race placing to his weekend tally.

New face Tony Annabell (McLaren M10B), meanwhile, who won the second – rolling handicap start - SAS Autoparts MSC NZ F5000 series race of the weekend, earlier in the day, starting off the front of the field and retaining the lead from the start to the finish.

Early on he came under considerable pressure from fellow Class A McLaren driver Frank Karl (McLaren M10B) before Karl slipped back down through the field with a battery issue.

That left Tony Galbraith (Lola T332) in second place with fastest qualifier Michael Collins (Leda GM1) the first of the category front-runners – who started the handicap race from the back of the grid – in a hard-won third place.

Much of the interest in the race was in the position-swapping through the middle of the race, with the starting order based on qualifying positions set on Saturday morning,

Michael Collins again showed his class, however, with both the fastest race lap – a 1:27.742 – and the most positions made -11.

Unfortunately Codie Banks's father David's Talon MR1/A was side-lined on Friday by a broken half shaft and Tony Galbraith was forced to sit out the final race thanks to a brake caliper issue.

The Taupō Historic GP ran over two-days, 23 and 24 January 2021. As well as races for Formula 5000s, the event featured demonstrations of many historic Ford racing and rally cars, races for Historic Muscle and Saloon Cars, Formula Junior, Historic Sports Racing and other Invited Historic Cars, Historic Formula Fords, Historic Sports Sedans & Allcomers, and TraNZams, plus displays of Ford models spanning 60 years of motoring in New Zealand assembled by members of multiple Ford-Owner clubs from around the country.

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QUALIFYING

1. Michael Collins (Leda GM1) 1.25.663
2. Codie Banks (Lola T332) 1:26.581
3. Kevin Ingram (Lola T332) 1:28.924
4. Glenn Richards (Lola T400) 1:30.167
5. Shayne Windelburn (Lola T400) 1.30.326
6. Brett Willis (Lola T332) 1:31.047
7. Anna Collins (Leda LT27) 1.31.620
8. Russel Greer (Lola T332) 1:31.864
9. Tony Galbraith (Lola T332) 1:32.508
10. Tim Rush (McLaren M22) 1:33.444
11. Frank Karl (McLaren M10B) 1:35.555
12. Tony Roberts (McLaren M10A) 1:36.098
13. Toby Annabell (McLaren M10B) 1:36.642

Race 1 (Sat) 8 laps

1. Michael Collins (Leda GM1) 12:01.882
2. Kevin Ingram (Lola T332) +5.454
3. Brett Willis (Lola T332) +6.714
4. Shayne Windelburn (Lola T400) +9.267
5. Anna Collins (Leda LT27) +16.558
6. Russel Greer (Lola T332) +26.383
7. Glenn Richards (Lola T400) +35.297
8. Tim Rush (McLaren M22) +40.849
9. Frank Karl (McLaren M10B) +1:08.486
10. Tony Roberts (McLaren M10A) +1:09.649
11. Toby Annabell (McLaren M10B) +1:09.965
12. Codie Banks (Lola T332) + 3 laps
13. Tony Galbraith (Lola T332) + 4 laps

Race 2 (handicap start 8 laps)

1. Toby Annabell 12:44.723
 2. Tony Galbraith +0.581
 3. Michael Collins +1.377
 4. Brett Willis +3.841
 5. Russell Greer +4.483
 6. Sayen Windelburn +5.141
 7. Kevin Ingram +6.043
 8. Anna Collins +8.051
 9. Glenn Richards +9.640
 10. Tim Rush +29.621
 11. Frank Karl +31.858
 12. Tony Roberts +1:0.034
- DNS: Codie Banks

Race 3 (Taupo Historic Grand Prix) 10 laps

1. Michael Collins 15:44.757
 2. Kevin Ingram + 15:47.678
 3. Brett Willis 16:14.667
 4. Shayne Windelburn 16:14.956
 5. Russell Greer 16:15.464
 6. Anna Collins 16:20.249
 7. Glenn Richards 16:21.117
 8. Tim Rush 16:35.364
 9. Tony Roberts 16:58.957
 10. Toby Annabell 16:59.424
 11. Frank Karl 17:14.603
- DNS Codie Banks & Tony Galbraith.

Calendar

Rnd 1: 13-15 Nov 2020 - MG Classic, Circuit Chris Amon Manfeild Feilding NZ.

Rnd 2: 22-24 Jan 2021 - Taupō Historic Grand Prix celebrating Ford, Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park Taupō NZ.

Rnd 3: 05-07 Feb 2021 - Skope Classic - Mike Pero Motorsport Park Ruapuna Christchurch NZ.

Rnd 4: 20-21 Mar 2021- HRC Legends of Speed Hampton Downs Waikato NZ

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Newsletter

TCM NZ @ Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park - Taupo, New Zealand - Jan 9th/10th 2021.

I guess it is sort of appropriate for the inaugural TCM NZ event to be held at Taupo, given the kind of cataclysmic nature of the place, and the effect that it has not had only locally, but also on the entire globe, ie from small beginnings come much greater things!

Looking at the beautiful Lake Taupo, in the centre of the North Island, with such tranquillity, it is very easy to forget that one is indeed looking at the water filled caldera of one of the planet's largest, most eruptive, rhyolitic super volcanos. In fact, the super volcano has accounted for the two most violent, volcanic events in the earth's recent geological history. One can take some considerable solace from the fact that the last eruption was some 1800yrs ago (the Hatepe eruption for those playing at home) and the first, the Oruanui eruption a little over 26,500yrs ago. To give you some idea of the order of these events, early Chinese records show that the sky in China was completely dark for many months following the Hatepe event, the central North Island was covered in some 660 feet of ignimbrite ash and pumice. The relatively recent eruption of Krakatoa threw some 2.4 cubic kilometres of material into the air, which as dramatic and climate changing as it was in our lifetime, is all but a non-event compared with Taupo, which threw some 530 cubic kilometres (or 100 cubic miles for those who still prefer miles an hour!) into the air in one horrific bang. Super Volcanos, which fortunately are few in number, eg Yellowstone, pool magma under the surface, with no vents or domes to release the pressure, so simply eventually explode, collapsing into the caldera space left by the violently departed magma. (now filled by water as Lake Taupo).

Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park would have been no place to be on the above two occasions, but sadly life at both Pukekohe and Manfeild would not have been any better. By the time you got to the Chatham Islands, some 620 miles to the east of NZ, you are only buried in some 7 inches of pyroclastic pumice and ash, probably still too much for a 4 layer nomex suit. My final comment on the subject, and I am thinking of doing magnetism next time, is that for the advanced class, the Waikato River flowed across the Hauraki Plains prior to the Oruanui eruption, and was moved to its current course through the Waikato, past Hampton Downs, by some pesky volcano, which recidivistically insists on moving the real estate around! Actually, come to that, I wonder on the next go, whether it might like to make a couple of adjustments to the chicane at Taupo or perhaps that is just me!!

So, in a word, Taupo is an extraordinary place, and a very fitting venue for the advent of TCM NZ. What a wonderful event it was, superbly run by the Historic Racing Club (HRC) with over 200 entries and a very sizable crowd. Given the dearth of motor racing over the last season as a result of Covid, enthusiasm levels were running high. Many classes were combined to attract good fields, which they certainly did, with some spectacular racing. A grid of 53 go-carts was some spectacle, and maybe it is just me, but listening to them all sitting on the dummy grid, I just get overwhelmed by that feeling, that they are all about to just go out and cut something (? the grass).

The 8 car TCM NZ field was combined with the Falcon/Commodore 'Super Six' field and a solitary Holden HQ, for a full field of excellent racing. Friday practicing, qualifying on the Saturday morning and then three races over the weekend gave everyone good track time, racing and opportunity. The weather was all versions of hot, with in-car temperatures well into the 50's. Given that Taupo is 1200 feet above sea level, with little cloud cover over the weekend, the sun was fierce.

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There are a number of Muscle Car Race Series in New Zealand. The aim is for them all to be complementary to one another, and many of us belong to all, but all of them. TCM NZ occupies an entirely different space to Mainland Muscle Cars, Historic Muscle Cars, Production Muscle Cars, Northern Muscle Cars, and Central Muscle Cars, etc. TCM NZ is a conduit for the Australian TCM Series to be able to come and race here, and for cars from NZ to go and race there. It is to provide an alternative, but non-competing series to the others with careful round selection so that potentially a driver can race in all without conflict.

John Elliott

On behalf of TCM NZ

RESULTS:

Race 1: 1st Tony Anderson (Monza) 2nd Bruce Anderson (Falcon) 3rd Ken Lupton (Mustang)

Race 2: 1st Ken Lupton 2nd Craig Buchanan (Mustang) 3rd Rick van Swet (Camaro)

Race 3: 1st Ken Lupton 2nd Bruce Anderson 3rd Tony Anderson





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