

THE SNAKESKIN

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has twice the value
of good advice.*

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COBRA CAR CLUB OF WA INC.

RAMBLINGS....

HO, HO, HO, fellow owners, builders, and dreamers, it's that time of the year again. How many shopping days are there to Christmas? But firstly, my apologies for the print quality, or lack of, in our last edition. The culprit no less is the e-mail system which managed to scramble the letterhead, and also our office bearers list.

On the grapevine, I heard our club put up a good showing at the Mundaring Kart Racing day on October 24th. Six cars on display, and top racing from the kart people made for a good day out.

Sunday October 31st saw our members at the crossroads, to attend the All Ford Day or go on the Museum Run to Whiteman Park, the latter getting the thumbs up. Three

cars, Murray, Graham and yours truly, with co-drivers headed off to Whiteman Park via Nedlands, Cottesloe, West Coast Highway to Hillarys, then east across to Whiteman Park, in perfect weather for a pleasant outing. A good roll-up of all types of interesting vehicles attended, with maybe two hundred in total. And yes, we got a certificate to prove it!

At our last Clubmeet it was accepted that we hold our clubruns on a regular day each month, the rationale being that members will plan to be available, and more people, more fun. The day selected is the second Saturday each month, with the meeting place to be Causeway car park 8.00am. The plan is to have a Tourmaster [different person each month] to work out a route, distance, etc. and lead the pack. Tourmaster decides to go or nogo should the weather look suspect. Also more of our people still building can attend and in most cases they will get a ride. Why Saturday? Because many people have

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WHAT'S A GYMKANA?

I didn't know either. As I mentioned last edition a group of us were recruited by V-P Peter Coleman to do official duties at an event run by the MX5 Club, down Gloucester Park carpark way. Turned out to be very entertaining, saw some of

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 12

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The article below was provided by The West Australian, and deals with the personal liabilities and risks of the office bearers, and members, in the event of a claim for damages arising from the activities of the Club. It appears it may be prudent to consider some form of insurance cover in the foreseeable future to eliminate any member liability totally.

associations feature in our legal advice column today. The West Australian and the WA Law Society have offered free legal advice during Law Week this week, with 10 edited letters and legal advice to be published.

the UN charter on the rights of the child was taken into consideration.

At this stage all you can do wait for the AAT decision.

PROBLEM: I am involved with an association which is incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act.

It has about 100 members, a constitution and is managed by a committee.

It is a non-profit organisation whose objectives are to retain and maintain cultural links and traditions with the country of origin of its members.

What are the personal liabilities and risks of the office bearers?

Name and address supplied.

ADVICE: When a group of people or organisations come together to form

an association for a non-profit purpose they can incorporate the association under the Associations Incorporations Act.

When an association is incorporated a new legal entity, separate from its members, is created.

The liability of an incorporated association is limited to the assets of the association.

Section 12 of the Act says members will not be liable to contribute towards payment of debts and other liabilities of the association simply because they are members of it.

But committee members may incur personal liabilities because they are in a special position of trust and must exercise due care and diligence in the performance of their duties. They have obligations to both the association and to people who deal with it, especially in relation to permitting it to incur debts when it is unable to pay its debts when they fall due.

Committee members may also be subject to financial penalties under the Act and the corporations law if, for example, they fail to disclose a pecuniary interest in a contract with the association.

An association can reduce but not eliminate the personal risk to its management committee by any provision in the constitution of the association to indemnify members. If an association has no assets such a clause will not help.

The association also may take out appropriate insurance.

NO CLUBMEET IN DECEMBER

CLUBRUN SAT 11/12/99 TBA

JANUARY CLUBMEET WEDNESDAY 26/01/2000

GLOUSTER PARK GYMKANA

best doughnuts done for a long time.

It works like this. There are three classes. Sedans, Sports Cars, and Racers, [Special purpose built mini-based vehicles].

The competition is held over nine stages, three stages being run concurrently, and timed individually. The timing is done by an electric eye system with two manual timers as back-up.

Each competitor has one only run per stage, so consistency is important as placings are decided on times.

The stage layouts consist of figure eights, four leaf clovers and anything and everything in between, area of each layout approximately 50mx50m.

Front wheel drive seems to be the way to go, with independantly operated front and rear brakes.

There were quite a number of girls competing and they ARE NOT slow.

The basic requirement seems to be "How to do a handbrake turn". Once mastered you could be in the thick of it.

The other thing noted was the number of entries being driven by three and four drivers. Also the number of prangs was minimal, although there was a lovely champagne coloured BMW that got too close to the wire fence.

Thanks, MX5 Club, for an enjoyable and entertaining day.

Ron. John, Colin, Rob and Peter.

POWERHOUSE CIRCUIT COLLIE

Originating from the old Wesfarmers number two mine situated about 12km east of Collie, the Powerhouse dream has finally come to fruition for the South West Touring Car Club. Under the leadership of President Ross McGuigan, and utilising grants from South West Development Corporation and Department of Commerce and Trade, and other benefactors, the club has put together an excellent facility for both motor cycle, car, and heavy haulage driver training .

The Powerhouse circuit's 1600m motor racing track is mostly bitumen of variable grades that is about three metres narrower than the 10m standard width. The circuit is limited to time trial events.

The track is controlled by Motoring South West and track manager Ross McGuigan and are prepared to hire the facility for driver training for \$250 per day. This revenue stream would help to fund further developement of the track and adjacent Off-Road track.

March 2000 has been pencilled into our calendar to do a wheels on appraisal of the circuit, and hopefully we can join with another club, maybe the Mustangers, for a weekend to sort the goers from the show-ers. Gentlemen..... Start your engines.....!

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RAMBLINGS.....

ments for Sunday leaving us with few choices. Also preferred is a return by 12 noon. So let's give it a try and see what happens.

The run to York on Sunday 13th, to look at the Motor Museum saw five cars head off, meeting at the Lakes Roadhouse for brunch. Wayne, Brian, Colin, Graham and Harps, with some of the ladies I'm told, decided York was too far, and despite the perfect weather, U-turned back to the metro. Indeed a special day for Wayne Flanagan as his car was just rego'd the day before. Congratulations Wayne!

I have just had a bo-peep at our social activities program which arrived with the Minutes. Looks good Ron..... words of wisdom from Kostecki's to Lunch in the hills, and nite cruzin'.

This is our final edition for this millennium, so Ladies and Gentlemen, from the Management of our Club, the very best wishes to you and yours, for a safe and joyful Christmas Season, and may the New Year bring you health and prosperity.

CHEERS !
Ed.....RK.