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COFFEE & LIES



WAKEFIELD RUN



## Welcome to another year of Club Torque

January has come and gone, the President's BBQ was a big hit, and the venue, one of the best spots in Sydney. Paul and I missed out due to work commitments but I have on very good authority that it was great.

The first Coffee & Lies was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of Feb, and hope this is will be an enjoyable edition to the Mx-5 calendar.

By the time this edition has hit your letter boxes Valentines Day will be a memory and Easter will be on our doorsteps, the Easter Show and a long weekend.

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#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

**When:** 7.30 p.m

**Where:** Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club,  
117 Ryedale Road, West Ryde.

#### Last Wednesday of each Month

**When:** 6.30 p.m

**Where:** Rolfe Mazda, Josephson St,  
Belconnen

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each Month

**When:** 7.00 p.m

**Where:** Newcastle Panthers, King Street,  
Newcastle. You may like to join the others  
for that great \$10-00 dinner deal at 6.00  
p.m







## The Hunter

**Chapter** is going from strength to strength.

Our Coffee & Lies on the 2nd Thursday of each month is popular and we will now be incorporating an official moonlight run after every meeting, weather permitting.

Our monthly runs can only be described as friendly, fun and fabulous. More members are turning up and visitors who come along for the day soon ask for a membership form. Our next big weekend away will be the Thunderbolts Run on 5-6 April. This run is being organized by Stephen Carter (Kuntry Kuzzin) and details will be available shortly.

Last July we had a Run to the Putty Road and as we drove through the Vineyards, a few drivers indicated that they wanted a pitstop. We just so happened to have stopped near the entrance to Nightingale Winery, so we meandered up the long driveway and made use of their amenities. We then made use of their wine tasting! An hour and a half later someone reminded us that we were supposed to be on our way to the Putty Road, so we collected the bottles that we had bought and set off again.

When we were deciding on a venue for our Christmas Party it was unanimous that we hold it at Nightingale Winery. Nine MX-5s took the scenic backroads of the Vineyards to arrive at Nightingale Winery for a great meal. The scenery and hospitality made for a very memorable party. So much so that there is already talk of holding our Christmas in July there as well!

**TOM WILDE**

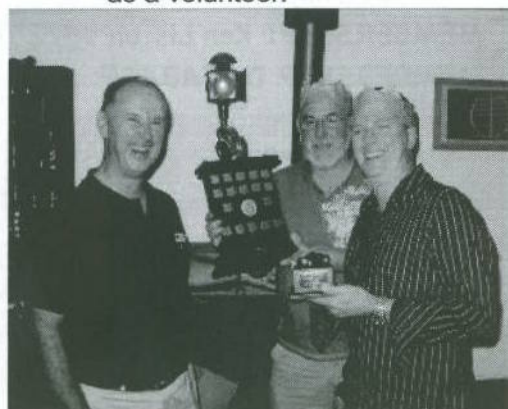
## Canberra Chapter and Verse

When I last wrote the country was in election mode. Well, that race is done and won. Summer has embraced the nation and in parts the drought has well and truly broken. Rain and more rain. However, the Nation's Capital has been blessed with some perfect top down motoring weather, long summer days and cool nights.

Our first summer event was the Canberra Chapter Christmas Party, held at the Poachers Pantry, just outside Canberra off the Barton Highway on 9 December. 44 members and 6 guests attended and a wonderful time was had by all. The Chapter

conducted a run to the venue, taking in the Sutton Road, Federal Highway, The Bungendore Gundaroo Road and the Murrumbateman Road to the Bedulluck Road and then to the Pantry.

During the evening, a number of awards were presented to members who made a contribution to the Chapter during 2007. The Canberra Chapter Member of the Year was awarded to **Troy Stichbury**. Sponsors, Dave and Toni Battison of Carco Exhaust and Automotive, and Mark Wilson of Rolfe Mazda, presented Troy with a perpetual trophy and a memento for him to keep. Trevor Rix, proprietor of the Lonsdale Street Cyclery and motorsports enthusiast, presented John Brown with an award for his contribution to motorsports as a volunteer.



The Chapter conducted its annual Christmas Lights Cruise on Wednesday 19 December. 40 people in 19 MX-5s and an SP20 participated in the run,



taking in some of the spectacular private home Christmas lights displays. The weather was kind to us and the rain cleared for the run. The threat of rain had two unintended effects, firstly there was relatively little traffic and so our convoy remained intact and, secondly and unfortunately, there were few people about drool over the line of sparkling M-X5s.

The New Year kicked off with Coffee and Lies on the shores of Lake Burley Griffin. With the Lookout Bar and Café closed for the Christmas Break, we gathered on the water's edge.

The Canberra Chapter has established a tradition of opening the year with the "5s drive 6 hills" run. This run, held around the 6 prominent hills in Canberra; Mt Pleasant, Mt Ainslie, Capital Hill, Red Hill, City Hill and Black Mountain, provides a gentle introduction to the year, a horde of hill climbs, some rivetting roundabouts and centrifugal off and on ramps, culminating with a picnic

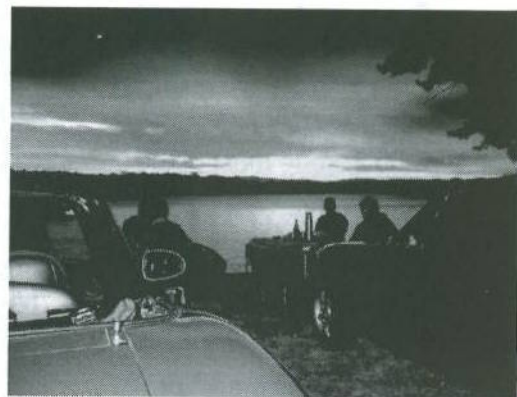
supper on the shores of lake Burley Griffin, observing the sunset over the lake. Regretably we have not experienced a sunset like that in the photograph since 2005.

Chapter members are now geared up for a GR8 2008.

*Motorsports:* the prospect of running on the mountain, Track Days, Hill Climbs, Motorkhanas, the list is endless. *Touring:* Targa Trail 2008, with 26 members taking two weeks out in April May to follow the route of Targa Tasmania, monthly Chapter runs. *Social:* informal dinners, for example 25 people attending the Entertainment Fried Rice at the Wasabi Teppanyaki in February.

The Canberra Chapter is also building a BBQ trailer based on a half cut NA model MX-5. The expect launch of the trailer is April. Photos and story will be provided in the next edition.

The Chapter wishes to thank its sponsors for their



kind assistance over the past year; Rolfe Mazda, Carco Exhaust and Automotive, and Fox Imports and Antiques.

MX-5 owners can be assured of a warm welcome to our fine city at any time, but particularly at our world famous Coffee and Lies, held on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00am at the Lookout Bar and Café, Red Hill.

Zoom, Zoom **Paul**





## Competition Report - February 2008.

Since the last edition of Club Torque most of the competition scene has been in recess. However there were a few things happening over the December - January period.

On Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December a number of club members attended the New South Wales CAMS Presentation Night at the Canada Bay Club. Two of our members Matilda Mravivic and David Raddatz received awards for their success in State Events in 2007. Matilda was runner-up in the Supersprint Championship and David Raddatz was the winner of the Production Sports Car Race Championship. Congratulations to Matilda and David.

On the following weekend yours truly and Peter McAulay competed in the AROCA Victoria supersprint at Phillip Island. I had some unfinished business to attend to following the same event in 2006. Peter recorded a best time of 2.01.90 in his "SP" whilst I recorded a best of 2.04.17. It's a long way to Phillip Island but the experience of driving the track including the number of laps completed makes it well worthwhile. I'm sure I'll be tempted to return in 2008.

In January I was fortunate to be allowed to drive MX-5 Racing's very pretty red NB 8B 'coupe' to the Presidents BBQ at Garden Island. This car is only one of 350 cars built by Mazda

for the Japanese market. Mazda built one hundred and fifty 1600s and two hundred 1800s, the red one being an 1800. A big thank you to Chris Gough of MX5 Racing for loaning me the car. Whilst it did not perform any differently to the open cars its body stiffness was far superior, as one would expect. Unfortunately this particular car cannot be registered in Australia, which is a great pity. Chris currently has a second 'coupe' in his workshop and it is hoped that this second car may be able to be registered. I certainly hope so. These are the only two in Australia. For those going to the Wakefield Park Track Day or 'run' on the 17<sup>th</sup> February, you will get another chance to view this beautiful and unique MX-5 on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

On Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> January a group of MX-5ers sampled the re-surfaced Wakefield Park circuit at an open practice day. As well as the resurfacing, the edges of the track have been repaired giving much safer run off should you venture off the 'black stuff'. Overall the new work gets the thumbs up with lap times likely to fall by one second per lap. Talking of Wakefield Park we have fifty entries for our opening Track Day of 2008 on the 17<sup>th</sup> February. We are looking forward to a fine day following all of the recent rain.

On the weekend of the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> of February the Production Car 12-hour

race meeting was run at Mount Panorama Bathurst. Unfortunately the MX-5 Racing entry was a withdrawal prior to the event. Never the less club member Zane Al-said acquitted himself very well in the three Formula Vee support races finishing with a seventh, twelfth and fourteenth in a field of fifty five cars. Zane's best lap was a very credible 2 minutes 47seconds. Also included in this edition of Club Torque is a 2008 calendar of the motor sport events of interest to club members in New South Wales.

Events in March and April include the Festival of Sporting Cars race meeting at Bathurst over Easter, round 1 of the State Supersprint Championship at Oran Park GP on 30<sup>th</sup> March, round 1 of the Production Sports Cars Race Championship at Wakefield Park on 12 & 13 April, round 2 of the Supersprints at Wakefield Park on 27<sup>th</sup> April followed on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> by our next club track day. Safe and enjoyable MX-5 driving.



**Mike Hicks**





## SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Wow, what a busy couple of months we have had on the social scene.

Starting in November 33 MX-5s were presented for judging in the **Concours d' Elegance and Show and Shine competition** at Garden Island.

The cars were presented at their gleaming best. Three members I have been told, even went to the extreme of wiping clean the interior of the exhaust tip. Now that's dedication.

And while we're talking dedication I'd like to thank those members who helped by judging the cars. It was a hot day and some put in a

few hours pouring over the cars. I was lucky enough to just have to whip around and check out the tops. One tip for those entering next year is to wipe down the top after applying the surface finishing produce. Besides loosing points think about those poor flies that get stuck to the roof.

This year's competition was very close and the results were:

### Show & Shine Trophies

Winner	Louie Mazzarolo – 205.15 points
First Runner Up	Ray & Pam Estreich – 195.45 points
Second Runner Up	Ken & Maggie Liston – 185.84 points

### Show & Shine Certificate

Dave & Amy Perin – Best Customised NA

### Concours d' Elegance Awards

Best Standard NA	Colin & Elaine Caldwell
Best Modified NA	Mick & Vivian Consalvi
Best Standard NB8A	Mark & Hella Underwood
Modified NB8A	Jeff Swords
Best SP	Tanya Lazarou
Best SE	Dennis & Lola Dalzotto
Best Customised NB8B	Gavin Cross
Best Modified NB8B	Jen & Anthony Slater
Best Limited Edition NB8B	Paula & Stephen Sewell
Best Standard NC	Ian Miller
Best Limited Edition NC	Riko Rubin
Best Modified NC	Phil & Cheryl Ashton
Best Customised NC Coupe	Laurie & Janeen Tesoriero

### Concours d' Elegance Trophies

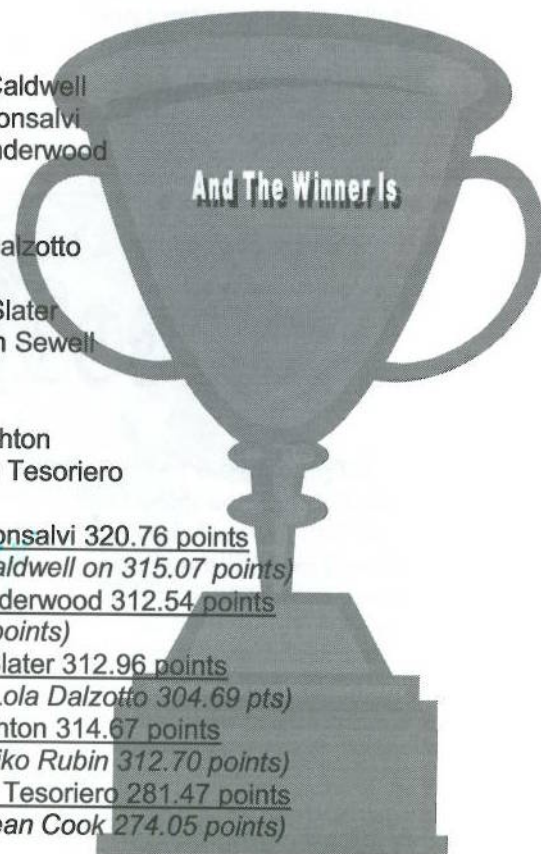
Best NA	<u>Mick &amp; Vivian Consalvi 320.76 points</u> (from Colin Caldwell on 315.07 points)
Best NB8A	<u>Mark &amp; Hella Underwood 312.54 points</u> Swords 309.58 points)
Best NB8B	<u>Jen &amp; Anthony Slater 312.96 points</u> (from Dennis & Lola Dalzotto 304.69 pts)
Best NC	<u>Phil &amp; Cheryl Ashton 314.67 points</u> (from Riko Rubin 312.70 points)
Best NC Coupe	<u>Laurie &amp; Janeen Tesoriero 281.47 points</u> (from Jean Cook 274.05 points)

### People's Choice Trophy - Steve Wood

**Concours d' Elegance Overall Winner** - Mick & Vivian Consalvi 320.76 pts  
Then we had our December **Christmas Party**. After a stuttering start where the original restaurant closed due to a fire, around 90 members and their guests attended St George Motor

Boat Club for a sumptuous buffet lunch.  
It was a fantastic sunny day and the views over the water very calming especially later in the day when a hail storm ripped through the western and north western suburbs. Had we been the Hills Lodge as we were last year then

there would have been a lot of dented MX-5s.  
Awards were presented for the Concours d' Elegance and Show and Shine competition and also awards for the Member of the Year.





**Member of the Year** went to Kim Ranger, now our new Club Captain. Runner up was Ken Liston. **New Member of the Year** went to Maggie Liston, who joined the club a year after Ken. Runners up were Kevin and Jenny Tuckerman. The Club also awarded a **Certificate of Appreciation** to Cheryl Ashton for all her behind the scenes work organizing the Cowra Trip, Xmas in July and Christmas events for the Club.

January saw the **President's BBQ** move to the scenic and secure Garden Island on Sydney Harbour. 90 members and a 'zillion' MX-5s turned up for yet another fine, hot day.

Mike Hicks brought along Chris Gough's 2003 MX-5 Coupe, as a special treat. There were only a few hundred of these cars produced and all for the Japanese domestic market. Too bad it can't be registered here. Thanks to Chris for the loan on the day so we could all take a look at this stunning car.

We settled in for the day under the trees with food a plenty, a glass of wine and told a lot of tales both true and tall. Some members took the walk to the lookout on top of the hill to get a 360 degree views taking in the bridge, the city and harbour or around to where some sailors from the First Fleet carved their initials into a rock in 1788.

We have just kicked off **Coffee 'n Lies** for the Sydney region. At 10:30am on the first Saturday of the month we'll meet at various spots around Sydney for an informal chat. Our first location was at The Mean Fiddler, McGrath's Hill, where around a 20 members and MX-5 turned up for a chat and to enjoy the company of other MX-5 owners. Keep your eyes peeled for the next location down south and come along for a few hours.

If you have any special requests for a social event, either drop me a line or come up and talk to me on one of our runs or race day meetings.

Cheers **Phil Ashton**

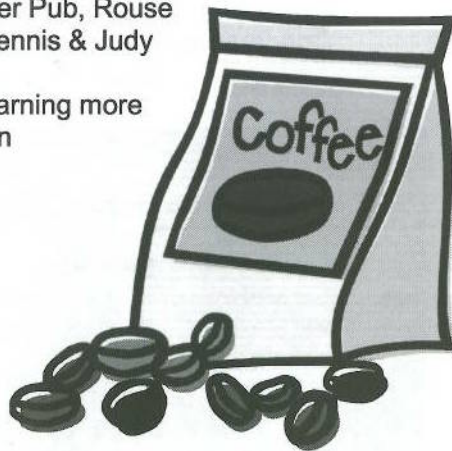
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## coffee & lies

The first coffee & lies was held on 2nd February at the Mean Fiddler Pub, Rouse Hill. About 22 people joined in, mostly regulars but 5 new faces. Dennis & Judy from Lithgow who have just joined and 3 single guys. Feedback from the younger members was they are interested in learning more about their MX-5's in the form of a Tech Night and maybe a night on Wheels/Tyres.

**HELP WANTED!** There is a lot of work involved in planning monthly runs and weekends away and it would be extremely helpful and appreciated if members could volunteer to plan a run for the future. Any takers to do a May run.

**Kim & Peter Ranger**  
**Captains**





## MX-5 XMAS

### PARTY

- We arranged to meet Mark and Hella Underwood to travel in convoy to the St George Motor Boat Club. It was a sunny (hot) day and definitely a top down drive from Wollongong via the coast road and up through the National Park. The road is pretty good until you get into the park where it becomes a bit unfriendly to MX-5's due to the rough surface. Another case for a letter to politicians, if this was a smoother road it could be one of Australia's great drives!

Pretty uneventful trip except for a little blip by Mark had to catch up, just as a policeman was coming up over the hill. No problem though. Oh, we did catch up with a HSV Commodore in the park and gave him a nice little hurry along for a bit. I think they got a shock to see the 2 little cars suddenly appear.

By the time we got to the St George Motor Boat Club it was very hot, the car park was looking good with heaps of great looking MX's and we were certainly looking forward to the cleansing lemon squash. (Unfortunately the bar people were overwhelmed by the club members who all had the same idea). Hella was glad to be out of the car because all the corners were becoming a little hard on her stomach.

We were greeted at the door by Jean and her able assistants and given our lucky door tickets (you can never have enough doors) and we were 'encouraged'

to buy some raffle tickets in a range of goodies.

The room was abuzz with tall tales and true. There was about 10 tables of club members, so a wonderful turnout.

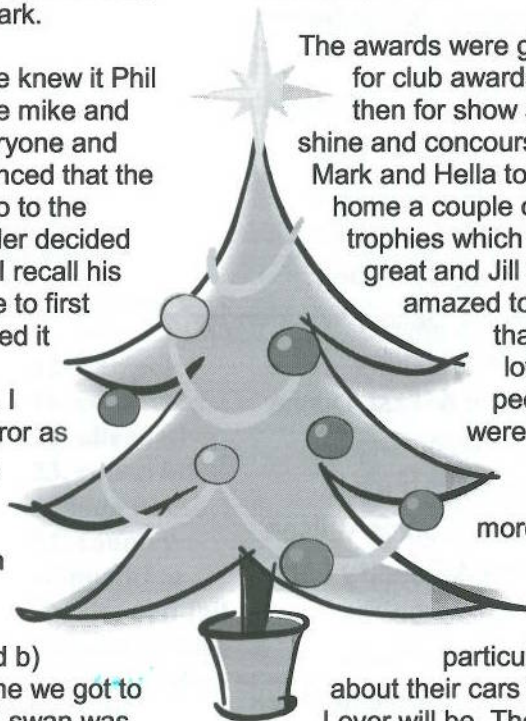
Mr and Mrs Regalia were there of course and doing a great job in whipping club members into buying frenzies. As we mingled it was nice to meet old faces and new. In the background a projector and large screen showed various shots of MX-5's, particularly at Wakefield Park.

Then before we knew it Phil Ashton took the mike and welcomed everyone and then he announced that the tables would go to the buffet in an order decided by himself. As I recall his table was close to first and you guessed it our table was absolutely last. I watched in horror as the ice carving of the swan that was filled to the brim with prawns started to a) be emptied and b) melt. By the time we got to go the poor old swan was dripping and drooping from what was left of its beak. But just as we got up a waiter brought a fresh lot of prawns out, so all was not lost!

The food was great - lots of meats and salads and desserts for all.

Then we were told of the tale of how someone ordered what he thought was 100 little tins of MX-5 mints from Victoria, only to come home and find that 100 cartons had been delivered with each carton

had multiple packets containing 24 tins of mints and each tin containing about 50 mints, phew! Suffice to say each club member was thrilled to receive a box of 24 tins of MX-5 mints even though they are in an RX-8 box. These have been a great gift over the festive season and so far I haven't received any complaints about the laxative effect that excessive consumption can cause. Just getting into the tins is an engineering exercise in itself.



The awards were given for club awards and then for show and shine and concourse.

Mark and Hella took home a couple of trophies which was great and Jill was amazed to find that a lot of people were a lot

more

particular about their cars than I ever will be. The amount of hours that they put in to get their cars right for the event was amazing and their prizes were a just reward.

President Jean spoke about the good year for the club and she wished us all well for the festive season and invited us all to the President's Barbeque at Garden Island in January. The raffles were drawn and then we got to mingle again - keeping a close eye on our mints to make sure they didn't get stolen. I was told I have to get into race action



in 2008 at Wakefield Park, because it is "better than sex" so I'll certainly give that some serious thought. I just happen to have a spare set of rims in the garage, so who knows?

As we went to leave a thunderstorm that had been brewing from the South decided to try and cool things down, so unfortunately it was top up for the drive home.

A very good day, and nice to be part of the group, the venue and food were excellent and so was the company.

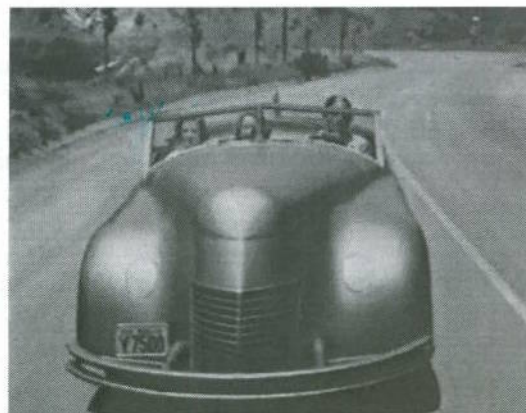
Peter & Jill Feutrill

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## Welcome to Our Newest Mx-5ers

Tanya Lazarou  
Tony Badger  
Dennis Dalzotto  
Angela Broomby  
Ron Tito  
Bob & Cheryl Pental  
Stephen Ingram  
Louie Mazzarolo  
Matthew Deckers  
Jenny Campbell  
Jill & Dennis Wicklander  
Chris Hingee  
Colin & Tess Dunne  
Cameron Ing  
John Petrich  
Bob & Chris Wilson  
Phil & Felicity Long  
Angela Dodds  
John Barbaro  
Tom & Rhonda Meek  
Kerry Mullaney  
Bernie Seeers  
John Taylor  
Rod Carter  
Stephen Smith  
Lorna Tamagos  
David Goble  
Rick Marks

Vicki & Alan Mitchell  
Mervyn & Margaret Lyle  
Geoff Morse  
Brett Morse  
Ross Jones  
Jan-Maree Campbell  
Roger & Shirley Evans  
Marcus Jeffrey  
Tiffany La Gerche  
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Sean Watharow  
Brad Carpenter  
Seung Arnfield  
Dennis Weatherly



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# A Bit Bent

## ANSWERS TO LAST EDITIONS CROSSWORD ACROSS

1. Perpendicular. 22. Tournament. 33. Main. 41. Ass  
47. Ether. 52. Oak. 56. Hunter. 62. Rotunda. 72. Aura. 78. Week-  
end.  
85. Admit. 95. At. 99. Tumut. 105. Odd. 112. Tide. 118. VIP.  
121. Event. 127. Pence. 132. Try.

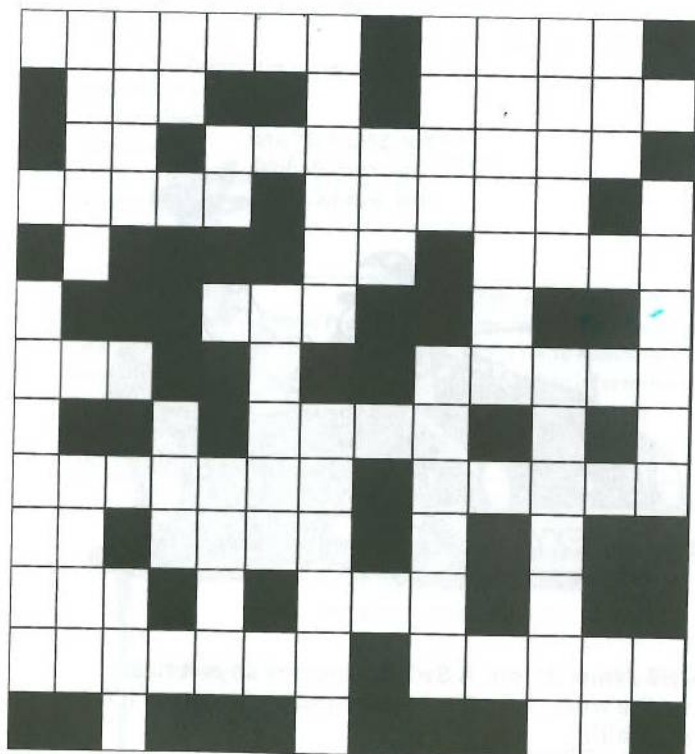
## DOWN

1. Peter Howe. 3. Parent. 5. Nearer. 8. Canberra. 11. Aims.  
12. Reason. 14. Manuka. 51. Road. 53. Ado. 58. Needy.  
60. Election. 65. Unit. 72. Adam Eve. 87. Matter. 90. End.  
103. Tap. 105. Ode. 106. Dent. 108. CIA.



"Yes! That was very loud Mr. Trainer,  
but I said I wanted to hear your **HEART**!"

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



## CLUES

### Across

1. receives
8. tidy, undiluted
12. bar/pole
16. consumed
21. alternative
23. colourful  
fashion house
31. country  
competition
36. rise and fall
43. point in time
45. colour/state of mind
50. private room
55. fish eggs
59. born in Wales
66. female singer
72. take notes
79. Hunt for
84. opposite to B.C
86. to show agreement
92. 2,240 lb.
96. abbr. Universal  
Serial bus.
100. to lift up
107. Pakistani cricketer
114. well/implied

### Down

2. sing in a low  
subdued voice
3. wire / rope etc.
4. abbr. editor
7. exposure to the sun
8. require
9. alright to eat
10. ringed shaped  
coral reef
11. decade
23. unpleasant odour
26. \_\_\_ wit
41. castrated ram
49. apes & man included
51. finished
59. Japanese horseradish
61. thieves, after a disaster
65. Easter roll
67. supplies to
73. image of worship
76. Romans garb
94. before marriage(name)
110. abbr. adults only





## Blondes on a Bus

### BLONDE LOGIC

Last year I replaced all the windows in my house with that expensive double-pane energy-efficient kind.

Yesterday, I got a call from the contractor who installed them.

He was complaining that the windows had been installed a whole year ago, and I had not paid for them yet.

Hellloooo?

Now just because I'm blonde doesn't mean that I am automatically stupid. So I told him just exactly what his fast-talking sales guy had told ME last year... namely, that in just ONE YEAR these windows would pay for themselves! Hellloooo??(I told him). "It's been a year"!

There was only silence at the other end of the line, so I finally just hung up....He hasn't called back, probably too embarrassed about forgetting the guarantee they made to me! %##+

Two bowling teams, one of all blondes and one of all brunettes, chartered a double-decker bus for a weekend trip to London. The brunette team rode on the lower deck of the bus and the blondes on the top level.

The brunette team down below really whooped it up, having a great time, when one of them realized she hadn't heard anything from the blondes upstairs. She decided to go up and investigate.

When the brunette reached the top, she found all the blondes in fear, staring straight ahead at the road, clutching the seats in front of them with white knuckles. The brunette asked, "What the heck's going on up here? We're having a great time downstairs!"

One of the blondes looked up at her, swallowed hard and whispered.....

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# Coming Attractions

## Meguiars Tech Talk Night



**When:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of May

**Meeting:** 35 Slough Business Park, Holker St, Silverwater.

**Time:** 6.30pm onwards...don't be late!

**Details:** Well it's that time of the year again to visit Meguiars to get the good oil (or is that polish!) on how to look after your car. Peter & Matt from Meguiars have indicated that there will be a 20% discount on stock for sale on the night for MX5 club members. They will be giving demonstrations on how to use and apply their products as well, using an MX5 donor car! So if you have an MX-5 that needs a bit of TLC, bring it along as it might get chosen for a make over.

**Organiser:** Phil Ashton on 0401 993304 or e-mail [socialsec@mx5.com.au](mailto:socialsec@mx5.com.au)

**RSVP: NOTE ONLY ABOUT 30-35 PEOPLE CAN ATTEND DUE TO THE SIZE OF THE WORKSHOP!**

**\*\*\* PLEASE CALL or E-MAIL AND BOOK YOUR SPOT BEFORE 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL!**

## Heasman Steering

### Tech Talk Night

**When:** TBA but within the next few months

**Meeting:** 463 Princes Hwy (cnr Canal Rd.) Sydenham.

**Time:** TBA

**Details:** Heasman Steering has been in operation since WW2 and has been involved in motor sport since the 1950s so they really know their stuff.

Come along and get all your suspension questions answered.

In conjunction with Bilstein, we will see them demonstrating the shock absorbers they build and fit, wheel alignments, corner weighting and their race scheme.

**Organiser:** Phil Ashton on 0401 993304 or e-mail [socialsec@mx5.com.au](mailto:socialsec@mx5.com.au)

**When the date is finalised within the next week, an RSVP will be required to attend this night. Watch this space for details.**

## Coffee & Lies

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 10:30am at Mt Keira lookout

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 10:30am at Pie in the Sky

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 10:30am at Watson's Bay Pub

## WEEKENDS AWAY

**EASTER** - Natmeet, Victoria

**JUNE LONG WEEKEND** - Planning a trip to Dubbo.

**OCTOBER LONG WEEKEND** - Batemans Bay looks good.



# COMPETITION CALENDAR FOR 2008



MONTH & DATE	DAY	EVENT	WHERE	CLUB
February, 17 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Club Track Day	Wakefield Park	MX-5
March, 21 <sup>st</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup>	Fri, Sat & Sun	Race & Regularity	Bathurst	FoSC
March, 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sunday	Natmeet Track Day	Winton	MX-5 Club of Victoria
March, 30 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	NSW SS Rd 1	Oran Park GP	NSWRRC
April 12 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup>	Sat & Sun	NSW Prod Sports Rd 1	Wakefield Park	Wakefield Park
April, 27 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	NSW SS Rd2	Wakefield Park	Mini Car Club
April, 28 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	Club Track Day	Wakefield Park	MX-5 Club
May, 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	NSW SS Rd 3	Eastern Creek	TBA
May, 24 <sup>th</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>	Sat & Sun	NSW Prod Sports Rd 2	Eastern Creek	ARDC
June, 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sunday	NSW SS Rd 4	Oran Park GP	NSWRRC
June, 14 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup>	Sat & Sun	Race & Regularity	Oran Park GP	FoSC
June, 21 <sup>st</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sat & Sun	NSW Prod Sports Rd 3	Oran Park GP	NSWRRC
June, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sunday	Club Track Day	Wakefield Park	MX-5 TBC
July, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	NSW SS Rd 5	Wakefield Park	MX-5 Club
July, 21 <sup>st</sup>	Monday	Club Track Day	Wakefield Park	MX-5 Club
July, 26 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup>	Sat & Sun	NSW Prod Sports Rd 4	Oran Park GP	NSWRRC
August, 10 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	NSW SS Rd 6	Eastern Creek	ARDC
August, 16 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	NSW SS Rd 7	Oran Park GP	Mini Car Club
August, 16 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup>	Sat & Sun	NSW Prod Sports Rd 5	Wakefield Park	Wakefield Park
September, 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	NSW SS Rd 8	Oran Park GP	NSW RRC
September, 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sunday	SS-Interstate Challenge	Sandown Park Victoria	AROCA TBC
September, 27 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup>	Sat & Sun	NSW Prod Sports Rd 6	Eastern Creek	ARDC
October, 18 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	NSW SS Rd 9 (D/N)	Oran Park South	NSWRRC
October, 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Club Track Day	Wakefield Park	MX-5 Club.
November, 22 <sup>nd</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sat & Sun	Race & Regularity	Wakefield Park	FoSC
December, 7 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Club Track Day	Wakefield Park	MX-5 Club
December, 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	SS@Phillip Is Vic	Phillip Island	AROCA Vic



