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## PHILLIP ISLAND AND BEYOND

Phillip Is. is here again wacko!!! Only two weeks and we are on the plane to Melbourne again for the Festival of Motor Sport.

Three WA cars are already on the Island and a truck load to follow I believe, thanks to the organising skills of our resident entertainment manager JD. No entry list as yet for the Island but we have met many of the Front Engine contingent heading to the Is. in New Zealand. They were a fun bunch .



Feature cars this year are Alfa as shown here. The car of Peter Greenfields that was spectacular at Hampton Downs and Pukekohe will be there, as will our local grown Alfa of Rod Quin shown above. Peters P8 is like the prettiest thing on the planet and goes like a rocket, If the earlier model of Peter Giddings is there then I want to be up close enough to watch them do some wheel banging. They are fright-

eningly quick and I can vouch for Peter G's driving, he doesn't hold back. There are several other cars that have come across the ditch after NZ including the ex Bib Stillwell Cooper Climax 2.5 driven by "Pommy" Rod Jolly. Rods no spring chicken, but after being lapped by him at Pukekohe I can tell you that the little Cooper goes like the proverbial scalded cat.

Our airfare return is \$490 or there about's so if you want to jump on the bird and come and watch in preparation for going over in



Eastern States hosts the West Aussies

# Phillip Is. And Winton

2011 or 2012 then don't hold back, I am sure there will be the odd spare bed to be found on the Island or close by on the Mornington Peninsula.

be very proud that we can field a grid of strength in an international event, I would take nearly any odd's that the Victorians couldn't get 30+ cars to WA!!



Peter Giddings Alfa at PI 2008

They struggle to get any to Eastern Creek. Interestingly this year there was only 1 K and three Lb racing cars at Wakefield so don't go and get all disappointed about the numbers we get here in Perth, we do better than that every event!! That's not to say more isn't better, so I do hope that all of you who have

had the summer at home whilst we were out rubbing shoulders with the rich and famous in NZ have been busy getting the cars ready.

The Group S fields for PI have been cut down the middle this year to make way for an all Group Sc race, this will forever end the argument about which is the quickest 70's sports car, with it obviously turning into the Z cars verses Europeans represented with the Alfa's and Porsche's. I think I might have some money on the Alfa's this time, there should be enough of them for one to finish!!! If not then the beastly De Tomaso Pantera's which were rather off song last year might just hold up.

The 34th Historic Winton entries are open, well some of us have invites if we are lucky! The rest of you will need to put up a fight for a possie.

Interestingly it is being run under AASA this year, (remember Winton is net effect owned by AASA)

I believe there is another truck load of Group N (our nearest relative with front engines) heading over to the Is. Given that 500 cars are going and 30+ will be West Aussie then I think we ought to



or visa versa which ever way you want to word it!! I think that as they come from Ned Kelly country they sort of have a different sort of rule book, go to the web site you will see what I mean.

[AASA Website](#)



I would be thinking that some of the cars that don't get a log book under the CAMS rules will be there so we might see some of them creep up into racing from regularity. The Maybach maybe?? There would be a host of others that would "maybe" qualify for a AASA log Book as Historic?? It would be a once in a life time opportunity for them to have a go at racing and put down a time!! I think that's got to be worth the entry fee and the \$50 application fee.

The Winton freight train will be on again so let us know if you want to go!

Winton is like Phillip Is for beginners and is a very relaxed atmosphere compared to the cut and thrust of the Is and Eastern Creek.

The competitors are pretty laid back and no one gets too bent out of shape, fit your lowest axle ratio though, its tight and twisty!

In all, no matter who is running the rules, Winton it is about the Cars

entertainment I hear intends to hang up his helmet after this event and put the Healey up for grabs! I don't know if that will ever happen! He couldn't do it, he has too much fun. I think he's just like John Howard, he wont pass up the mantle of top dog in Group S here in WA that quickly and easily.

But just in case if you want to see him in action best you book the airfare whilst its still cheap. I also hear that Lou S. has caught the Winton bug and will take the Prad over to Winton and I know he will have a lot more fun than he did last year with the small car, it will suit the circuit much better than the Big HWM.

and the people so don't miss it! Our Captain of

**34<sup>th</sup> HISTORIC WINTON**  
 PROUDLY PRESENTED BY THE AUSTIN 7 CLUB  
 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> MAY 2010

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 Featuring over 400 Historic Racing Cars and Motorbikes from 1920's to 1980's  
**Saturday \$20.00 Sunday \$30.00 Paddock \$5.00**  
Practice 9.00 am. Racing 1.00pm Racing all day from 9.00am Saturday/Sunday  
**Winton Motor Raceway, Benalla, Victoria**  
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# CLEM DWYER HISTORIC RACE MEET

Get ready, the Clem Dwyer is shaping up to be the big one for WA this year, the Historic Groups have been hammering away in the background to bring the Clem Dwyer back to its high status historic event, we wont be having the V8 supercar circus in town this year so the mantle falls to the Historic groups to bring it up to the biggest event on the calendar. The V8's wont be hogging the sponsorship money either so we will get some support for a change.



Laugh I hear!! Well lets see what are some of the best attended shows of black track circuit racing here in WA!! Albany of course, yes the event V8 super cars wanted to run against this year, the WAHTCC have some well sorted groups to compete, as well as the rear engine classes which would have enough for two fields by August, I call them fast and slow but that might be being unfair, lets say big and small.

1ST OF  
AUGUST 2010  
BARBAGALLO

Given that the Formula Vee crew will be running (half of them are historic) and that invitations are going out to A and C then we should see some different things in 2010. I call upon all to speak to the eastern states competitors you know to get them on board, how about offering to billet them for the week? The car above has been invited already by one of our enterprising supporters, that will be the first time we will have seen it here in 40+ years. Me, I want a few of those humpy Holden's to come over so I will be busy dropping posters off at PI and Winton.

The Collie Crown is on afterward so maybe they would like to spend some time in the west and enjoy a holiday at the same time.

Local cars are well supported and the organisers will be running regularity, albeit they will have a limited grid so best those than can race do so.

Have a talk with the competitors you know, who we haven't seen for a while and get them back on the track, maybe they need some new drivers. My offer still stands for young drivers!! They are ready willing and able.



# OUR LOCAL RACING SCHEDULE

**HERE IS THE WASCC CALANDAR OF ALL EVENTS FOR CIRCUIT RACING**

**THIS IS AVAILABLE ON THE NET AT**

[LINK TO THE WASCC](#)

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2010 WA Sporting Car Club Circuit Racing Calendar Matrix	Smarter than Smoking Night Masters	Smarter than Smoking Night Masters	Autotrader Trophy	Race Meeting	Race Meeting	Clem Dwyer Race Meeting	Race Meeting	HQ Holdens Nationals	Improved Production Car Nationals	Night Meeting
Date	20-Feb	13-Mar	11-Apr	20-Jun	11-Jul	1-Aug	22-Aug	18/19 Sep	18/17 Oct	13-Nov
Formula Classic			✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Formula Ford		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Formula Vee		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Groups J, K, L, N & S					✓	✓				✓
Groups A, C, T & U						✓				
HQ Holdens	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
Improved Production Cars	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Saloon Cars (EAVN)		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Saloon Cars (AUVT)		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Historic Touring & Production Cars (Groups Nb, Nc, Sb and Sc)	✓		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Sports Cars, Marque Sports & Targa Cars	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Sports Sedans and Street Cars	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓
<b>Number of Categories Racing</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>

Updated by WASCC Competition and Events Committee 23 February 2010

## 2010 Calendar of Events

27th & 28th March  
Northam Flying 50  
Mt Ommanney Hillclimb  
Round-the-Houses - Northam

5th & 6th June  
Albany Classic  
Mt Clarence Hillclimb  
Round-the-Houses - Albany  
Wind Farm Hillclimb

September  
Collie Crown  
Regularity / Racing  
Collie Motorplex

14th November  
The Caversham Revival

December  
Vintage Stampede  
Barbagallo Raceway

Here is the VSCC calendar of events, you will note that a date for Collie has not been set or confirmed. This should be all sorted by next month, nothing sinister just that the date has now clashed twice with the WASCC, so it will be take Three before it gets sorted.

Don't just stand there get the diary out and start writing them in and for the moment put the Collie Crown down for 21/22 August 2010

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GROUP!

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this!



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