



# Porsche Club

## Western Australia



## August 2020 Newsletter



Welcome to the August edition of the Club's e-Newsletter. As I write this, winter is trying to hang on, with some intermittent cold and rainy days, but spring is getting ever so closer and that means warmer days and clear blue skies. Perfect Porsche driving weather. We have some great events coming up and with WA still in its own bubble, break the Porsche out of the garage, come out and join us. You and your Porsche will have a great time with your fellow Club members, fine driving roads and fine food at the end. You know you want too.....

### **Stop the Press : Long Standing Club Lap Record Broken**

The Club Sports Series started in 2005 and the Club started keeping Lap Records for each circuit we have held club sanctioned events at. Over the years, these have included the Barbagallo Long and Short circuits, Collie Raceway, Jack's Hill Climb and even Bathurst. In the fifteen years the series has been running, one record had stood unbroken during all that time. It is the Open track record for the Barbagallo Long Circuit. On the 5th June 2006, Walter Epple stopped the clock in 60.9763 seconds in his 911 Race car. At the recent Sports Series round held on the 30th August, Barry Baltinas stopped the clock in a time of 60.5294 seconds in his GT3RS. Congratulations to Barry on one hot lap!

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## Upcoming Club Events

(See the Club Website for more details and to register)

### SEPTEMBER 2020

**Sun 13th** -> Nev King "Wander out Yonder" Tribute Run

**Sat 19th** -> Sports Series Round 7 - Barbagallo

**Sun 20th** -> Classic Cars and Coffee (UWA)

### OCTOBER 2020

**Sun 4th** -> "Amazing Race" Social Run

**Wed 7th** -> Club Meeting at TBA

**Sun 11th** -> Classic Cars and Coffee (UWA)

**Sun 25th** -> German Car Day (TBC)

### NOVEMBER 2020

**Wed 4th** -> Club Meeting at TBA

**Sat 14th/Sun 15th** -> SSR8 - Collie Motorplex

**Sun 15th** -> Classic Cars and Coffee (UWA)

**Sun 22nd** -> Concours D'Elegance & Club Display

**Sun 29th** -> Celebration of the Motor Car - Cottesloe

Please stay safe and keep an eye on your in-box for upcoming events.

## "Members Only" Facebook Page

The Club has established a Facebook Page strictly for members only. You can join up at the Club's Facebook page and stay involved and connected with daily posts from members.

## Next Members Club Meeting

Come and share a complimentary drink & the company of your fellow Club Members.

Wednesday 7th October 2020  
7.15pm start concluding by 8.30pm

### Venue

A Private Car Collection - Details to Be Advised Closer to the date

## New Members

The Club welcomes the following New and Returning Members -:

- Heinji Daquin (911 Carrera)
- Ronnie Milne (Boxster)
- David Cavanagh (Returning Member - 911 Carrera 3.0)
- Nico and Monja Grobler (911 GT3)

You are now part of the larger world-wide Porsche Clubs family. Please come along to one of our many events and get more out of your Porsche ownership and meet new friends.



## Club Members Dining at Cottesloe Golf Club

Prior to Club Meetings held at the Golf Club, the Club has been given access to the dining room from 5pm. Last orders are at 6.45pm and the meals have been well received by the members who have tried them. The menu and pricing is shown opposite and is very reasonable.

So make a night of it, come early and enjoy a relaxed meal and your free drink with your fellow Club members looking over a great view.

Please "Register with Dinner" on the Club website to assist the venue with catering requirements.

See you there.



 Cottesloe Golf Club (Inc) <small>Established 1968</small>	
<b>CASUAL DINING MENU</b>	
Kitchen Open 6pm - 8pm	
Chicken Breast Parmigiana- Boccancini, Rocket Salad, and Steak Chips	\$18.00
Classic Fish & Chips (Beer Battered or Grilled), Homemade Tartare Sauce & Chips	\$16.00
Grilled Scotch Fillet Steak with Chorizo Butter, Balsamic Glaze, Steak Chips & Side Salad	\$20.00
Chicken Caesar Salad, Crispy Bacon, Poached Egg, Croutons, House Dressing	\$18.00
Roast Pumpkin Wedge, Black Bean & Quinoa Compote, Hung Yoghurt (GF) (V)	\$17.00
Pasta of the Day	\$17.00
Premium Market Fish of the Day - See Staff for Price	
Kids Meals Available - See Staff for Options	\$12.00

## Porsche Club of WA — Committee 2020

Club President : Seamus Hannigan  
Club Secretary : Cheryl Leeds  
Membership : Warren Dean  
Sporting Director : Position Vacant

Vice-President : Richard Jamieson  
Treasurer : Chris Clarke  
Webmaster : Peter Ogden  
Social Director : Position Vacant

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## Swan River to Swan Valley Social Run - 16th August 2020

It was a wet and soggy start to our run from the August Classic Cars and Coffee event at UWA, out to the Swan Valley. The Club had our own reserved section for members to gather, catch up and enjoy a nice hot cup of coffee or hot chocolate if preferred. Despite a couple of showers sweeping through, the morning was mostly dry and a great selection of classic cars turned up to delight all the car nuts that attended - no garage queens here. It was also great to see a couple of 928's in our display, breaking up the regular offerings of 911's, Caymans, Cayennes and Boxsters.



Classic Cars and Coffee always finishes around 10.30am, allowing everyone attending to enjoy the remainder of the day. Before long, a conga line of Porsches snaked out of the exit and headed off for a one hundred kilometre run through the hills to our latest lunch spot. As usual, the run sheets were well prepared and emailed out prior to the event to registered members. I believe that no-one lost their way on this run, which must be a first for the Club!

The final destination was Elmar's in the Valley. What a place - it is billed as Perth's biggest German establishment and includes the Biergarten & restaurant, a boutique brewery and also offers a fine selection of german smallgoods for sale. Heaven for those of us that love German food and beer. The staff were excellent and the food came out quickly. Many members tucked into the house speciality,





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which is the "Elmar's Schweinshaxe" or pork shank. Slow-cooked, roasted and encased in crunchy crackling, served with traditional German Sauerkraut, Onion & Bacon tossed Fried Potatoes and a side of Mustard - bewwwdiful! Washed down with one of their six on-tap boutique beers, is there a better way to spend a rainy wintery day in the Swan Valley?

Many members then stretched to dessert and coffees, such as the homemade apple strudel.

If you fancy some great German cuisine such as the speciality pork shank, schnitzels or a fine selection of bratwurst sausages, then give them a go.

Thanks as always to the organisers and to all the members that braved the weather and turned up on the day.





## Sports Series Round 5 - Barbagallo Sprint



*Above: Mick Carratti's Tarmac Rally prepared 944 Turbo driven hard around Clubhouse Corner at Barbagallo*

It was a chilly nine degrees that greeted members at Wanneroo Raceway for Round 5 of the Club's Sports Series. With members from the HSV Club and the Triumph Sports Owners Association also attending, there were fifty eight drivers lining up in pit lane. As usual, they were classified into Club groups based on their lap times and experience and then let loose on the track for five laps, before a cool down lap and parking back up in the pits.

It was great to see a number of rookies competing and the Ladies Plate was also back in play with Caroline Minton and Cheryl Leeds battling it out. Caroline won the day in her Boxster over Cheryl's Cayman.

For the Outright results, it was again Barry Baltinas in his GT3RS beating all comers with a lap time of 61.25 seconds, just pipping John Webb in his modified 911 Carrera by under half a second. Not much in it and some great driving by both. In third place for our Club results, and outright fourth on the day was Daniel Bathe in his Boxster S, in a time of 65.30 seconds. He beat some highly specced HSV's with 6L V8's under their bonnets. A great result and some fine driving as seen below, with a great line through Clubhouse Corner.





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Colin Strickland in his 911 race car was fourth, despite only completing six laps before he lost a hose and had to retire from the event. Hot on his bumper was John Morrow in his 911 based race car, only a mere two one hundredth's of a second behind Colin. Very close times guys.



*Above: Colin Strickland loses the tail of his 911 race car while chasing down John Grono's GT3*

Now to the Club Championship results, starting with the various classes. Of course, Barry still leads Renn Klasse 1 and has a healthy lead in the class. Colin Strickland is second, with John Grono in third place. Renn Klasse 2 is still being won by Daniel Bathe, again with a healthy margin starting to appear midway through this shortened season. Phil Green in his 911 GTS, now dubbed the "Green Machine", is second, with Allan Guelfi (997 GT3) sitting in third position. Only two points behind in fourth place is rookie Gerald Ong in his 991 Carrera S. Renn Klasse 3 is still tight, with Peter Ogden (996 Cabriolet) only six points ahead of David Blainey in his 911 '74 RS replica. Gerrit Oplatt is sitting in third place in his 996 Carrera and had a well saved moment at Clubhouse corner - see below.



Renn Klasse 4 is the tightest class at the midway point of the series and sees three drivers on thirty six points - John Wilding ('84 911 Carrera), Bradd Dunne (Cayman) and Seamus Hannigan (Cayman). Caroline Minton (Boxster S) is in fourth place only six points behind. Caroline also leads the Ladies Plate championship. This class is going to go down to the wire and may even have to separated on a count back at this rate. Great to see, and what the Club Sports Series is all about, levelling the playing field and evening out the competition.

Renn Klasse 5 is being run and won by Bill Wright in his '78 911 SC, a.k.a. the "Barbie Car" due to its Rubystone Red paint colour. No stranger to these driving events, Bill stopped the clock in a very respectable 73.61 seconds and beat ten other club members from the two classes above him!

Now, the points you accumulate in your class are then used to determine your position in the Club Championship. So, the top three in the Club Championship after Round 5 are Daniel Bathe, Barry Baltinas and Bill Wright, all on sixty points. Yep - all on equal points. That is levelling the playing field! Levelling it some more, is Peter Ogden on fifty eight points and David Blainey in fifth place with fifty two points. Fantastic stuff and it is going to be a great fight down to the final event.



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*Above: John Morrow gets some air hitting the apex at Clubhouse. Below: John Webb's built for speed 911 monster.*



*Above: Nearly twenty years of Porsche development- Caroline Minter's Boxster and John Wilding's 911 Carrera round Cat corner and head up to the Esse's*



## **Save the Date - Annual Club Concours D'Elegance and Club Day**



Subject to the state of play with Covid-19, but assuming we will be in a similar or better position to what we are currently in, the date has been booked - Sunday the 22nd November.

It will be held at Manners Hill Park, Peppermint Grove again and we are looking for another great turnout and Club display. It really is the one event for the Club to show off to the Perth public.

Following feedback from last year, we will now have awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each Concours Class, plus a new award, more details to be revealed closer to the event...

