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Photo by Seth Coultas: Multi Club Go Karting @ Pooraka November 2010

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Photo by Seth Coultas: Phillcom Rally Time Attack Round 3 @ Mallala 2010

## Editors Report:

With Christmas fast approaching the last 2 months have been full of motorsport events of all types. For you track racing there was the final round of the Phillcom Rally Time attack out at Mallala; for Hill climbing you have been spoilt for choice with the Australian Hillclimb Championships at Collingrove, and the Legend of the Lakes at Mount Gambier. Finally for some dirt based rally action there was the postponed Kuitpo Forest Rally. If you have any interest in local motorsport October & November were great months.

For club events we had our Gelato Cruise in October, and in November we fought for Team Sooby honour at the final round of the Multi-Club Go kart series in Pooraka. Of course we also had our monthly club meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at the Royal Hotel, and as always all members are invited to come along, have a bite to eat, and discuss club issues.

Coming up we have the Christmas Cruise & Bowlz afternoon on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December, finishing at the Adelaide Bowls Club for some drinks, nibbles and if we are lucky, music from our very own DJ Spark.

See you all out there & Merry Christmas!

Seth Coultas

## Fast Facts:

Behold, the Impreza design concept unveiled at the LA Motor Show on the 18<sup>th</sup> of November, as a concept it may never see the light of day but it might give an indication of the direction the Subaru designers are heading in. Love it? Hate it? Jump on the forums and tell us what you think.



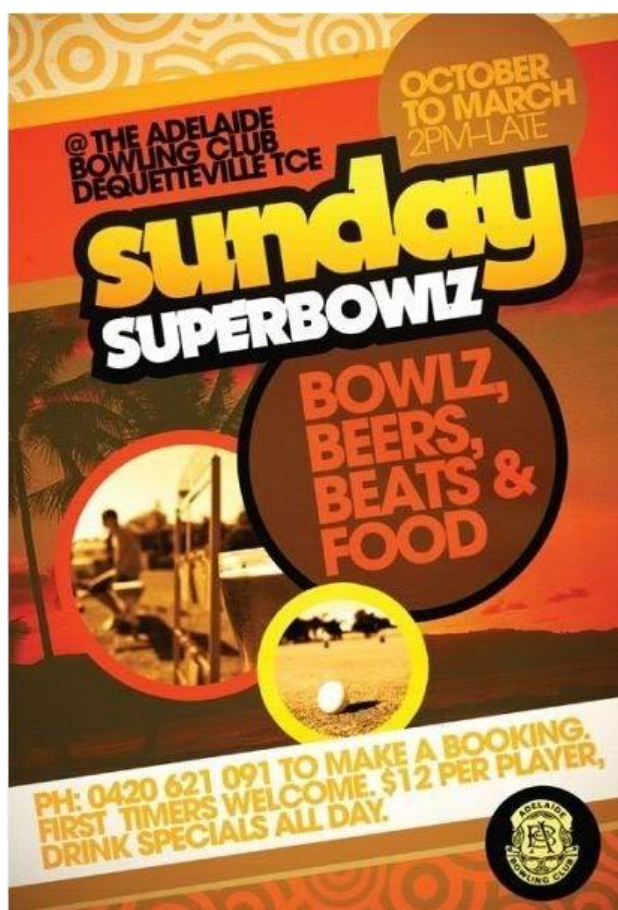
Photo by Top Gear UKs: LA Motor Show 2010

### Coming Club Events:

<p><b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b></p>	<p><b>Monthly Club Meeting:</b> Meet at the Royal Hotel at 5.30 for a 6pm start, all members are encouraged to come along for a bite to eat and chat about the club.</p>
<p><b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b></p>	<p><b>Team Sooby Christmas Cruise &amp; Afternoon Superbowlz</b> Leaving from Newton Shopping Centre, Lower Car Park (corner of Montacute Road &amp; Stradbroke Road, Newton) at 2pm. Finishing at the Adelaide Bowls Club (Dequetteville Terrace) at approx 4.00pm.  This will be another relaxed hills cruise capped off with an afternoon of exciting lawn bowls, drinks, nibbles, and with luck beats provided by our very own DJ Spark!</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b></p>	<p><b>Monthly Club Meeting:</b> Meet at the Royal Hotel at 5.30 for a 6pm start, as always all members are encouraged to come along and let us know what kinds of events you would like to see in the new year.</p>

### Coming CAMS Events:

Stay tuned for the 2011 CAMS Calendar.



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### Previously on....

(Recent Events)

#### Phillcom Rally Time Attack Round 3

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October

It was perfect weather for the final time attack round out at Mallala Motorsport Park which was ideal for smashing those personal lap records (mine at least ☺, 1.23.08 thank you very much). This round saw some slight changes to the day's proceedings with open practice in the morning giving beginners a perfect chance to get a feel for the track without the pressure of trying to get a fast time. Many thanks to Tristan and the Mitsubishi GSR/EVO Club for organising such a great event and I can't wait to get out there again next year!



Photo by Brass Munky Media: Phillcom Rally Time Attack Round 3 @ Mallala 2010

#### Seth's Sunday Arvo Gelato Cruise

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2010

This was a relaxed hills cruise starting on one of my favourites, Gorge Road continuing up through Cuddly Creek to Chain of Ponds, back down to Lenswood, across to Ashton then coming down Montacute Road to finish up at gelato Bello for some sweet frozen snacks. If you weren't able to make it, we hope to see you next time.





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## Kuitpo Forest Rally, SARC 4

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Held at Kuitpo Forest, thanks to Southern Districts Car Club.

While it was postponed to November due to bad weather the SDCC still managed to get a great field of 31 cars including 9 Subaru's to put on a good show for all the spectators that braved the unseasonably cold November weather (12°C at lunch time) with the weather starting to turn in the afternoon. The second spectator point in particular provided a great deal of excitement, a tight left hander that if taken a bit wide on the exit would cover spectators with mud! But it provided a great chance to see the cars up close and in action.



Photo by Seth Coultas: Kuitpo Forest Rally @ Kuitpo 2010

## 2011 Committee:

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<b>Membership Officer</b>	<b>Vacant</b>	
<b>Events Coordinator:</b>	<b>Vacant</b>	
<b>General Committee:</b>	<b>Vacant</b>	

We still have three positions vacant on the committee so if any members are interested in becoming more involved in the club please let a committee member know. Details on the vacant roles below:

### Membership Officer:

The Membership Officer coordinates all new memberships, enables forum access, answers any membership enquires, handles end of year renewals, manages membership list/spreadsheet & generally is proactive in the securing new memberships.

### Events Coordinator:

The Event Coordinator role is both a challenging and rewarding one and will need to fulfil the following tasks:

- Responsible for the planning of social events, cruises and any other events that the club is taking part in. This includes planning cruises at least 4 weeks in advance and ensuring that the route is sent to CAMS.
- Needs to be an ambassador for the club, especially at events to promote the clubs values and membership.
- Update and communicate with members about events (What do the members want? What can we do better?).
- Liaise with the CAMS officer in organising CAMS insurance for all events.
- Maintain and promote the events section and of the forums and also the events calendar (encourage other members input).
- Coordinate with other clubs to run events with Team Sooby.
- Help members to run their own events and encourage involvement.
- May also be needed to help store some of the club's gear.
- Actively communicate with the committee members.
- Help promote other clubs motorsport and charity events.

### General Committee:

The role of General Committee Member is to:

- Represent the members at all committee meetings.
- Put forward thoughts or ideas from members who are unable to attend a General Meeting.
- To help other Committee Members with bits and pieces from their roles from time to time.
- May also be needed to help store some of the club's gear.
- It is an excellent position to use to get a feel for just how much the Committee does behind the scenes for the Club, and what is involved in the other roles.

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### Member Profile:

Name: Howard Ryan – Howie on the forums – Club CAMS Officer

Married?: Yes, My wife Claire is a nurse at the Royal Adelaide and a very successful co-driver in both gravel and tarmac rally, including a couple of international events.

What do you drive: My wife crazy!!! Only kidding, I'm certain she still loves me. Well this depends on what I'm doing. I have a 1990 Subaru Brumby 4WD Ute which is on LPG, for a car that has over 530,000km it runs great and all the electrics still work. The thing is super cheap to run and I don't mind beating it around when I'm out doing Recce for my next Rally.



I also have one of the rarest Subaru's in Australia, Sadly it's also one of the most troublesome. I have a 1993 Subaru SVX in Charcoal Grey. 3.3L all wheel drive. If it had a manual trans I'd be much happier because the auto is a bit of a pig..... actually the auto is a complete pile of crap but the rest of the car is pretty cool in an ugly kind of way. I found out that my SVX was one of the Subaru Australia Demonstrators brought in prior to official release and was eventually sold to a marketing/promotion company in Sydney. For any of you old enough to remember an Aussie Comedy called "Front Line" you will see 'Mike More' driving it in 2 episodes.

I also have a GC8 WRX that I run in the SA Rally Championship when I can afford it. Bright Orange for something different. The rally budget is almost as plentiful as an Ethiopians summer harvest of Grapefruit so it doesn't get contested as much as I'd like. It also has a dentistry issue at the moment, 5th gear is missing thanks to the Adelaide Hills Tarmac Rally. I guess that'll learn me for not lifting off through the ford on Hindmarsh Tiers.....

Nice cars are you a drug dealer? I would have much better cars if was doing that. I was previously employed by CAMS but that job was not as enjoyable as I had hoped, I guess you really can have too much motor sport. I am now working in the Gas Industry specialising in Gas Detection, Radiant Heating and Cremation. Yes, that's right, I build and service Human Incinerators. People really are dying to meet me..... J

Likes: Gravel, Mud, Gravel, Trees, Gravel, Blind Crests, Gravel, Dust, Gravel, Fast Cars. Oh and Gravel.

Dislikes: Having to drive around and around and around in circles, I can't say I'm fond of bitumen either but if it's all that's available. Mind you, having just done the TS Vs MGEC Go-Kart challenge passing all those Evo fools did make the whole roundy roundy thing much more bearable. Ok, so almost all those Evo fools, dead last on the grid to second right up the leaders tail pipe made for a fun night.

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Favourite quote: "You know you're having a good day when it starts on the inside of a cremator and you make it home for dinner."

Favourite music: This also depends on what I'm doing, my collection ranges from Classical and Jazz right up to Electronic Dance. Darude, Da-Hool and Faithless would be up near the top of my list.

Favourite author: Any author whose books are available on disc with talking pictures

Favourite movies: My Top 5 Would be: (5<sup>th</sup>) The Godfather Part 2, (4<sup>th</sup>) The Godfather, (3<sup>rd</sup>) Thirteen Days, (2<sup>nd</sup>) Aliens, and my all time favourite would be Singing in the Rain. Laugh if you like but for a film made in 1952 it takes the piss out of stupid Americans and Hollywood beautifully.

Favourite TV shows: "Family Guy", the Modern Version of "Battlestar Galactica" and of course "Top Gear" but I can watch episodes of "The West Wing" for Days at a time.

Hometown: Sleepy little Adelaide



### Last Laugh:

A duck walks into a pub and orders a pint of lager and a ham sandwich.

The landlord looks at him and says, "But you're a duck".

"I see your eyes are working", replies the duck.

"And you talk!" exclaims the landlord.

"I see your ears are working", says the duck, "Now can I have my beer and my sandwich please?" "I'm working on the building site across the road", explains the duck.

Then the duck drinks his beer, eats his sandwich and leaves. This continues for 2 weeks. Then one day the circus comes to town. The ringleader of the circus comes into the pub and the landlord says to him,

"You're with the circus aren't you? I know this duck that would be just brilliant in your circus, he talks, drinks beer and everything!"

"Sounds marvellous", says the ringleader, "get him to give me a call".

So the next day when the duck comes into the pub the landlord says, "Hey Mr. Duck, I reckon I can line you up with a top job, paying really good money!"

"Yeah?", says the duck, "Sounds great, where is it?"

"At the circus", says the landlord.

"The circus?", the duck enquires.

"That's right", replies the landlord.

"The circus? That place with the big tent? With all the animals? With the big canvas roof with the hole in the middle" asks the duck.

"That's right!" says the landlord.

The duck looks confused, "What the hell would they want with a plasterer?"

Thanks to kiwi\_sooby on the forums

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To all sponsors, fellow competitors and friends, here is a brief account of our final Hill Climb for the 2010 season, the much anticipated Mount Gambier “Legend of the Lakes”.

An early rear hub failure on Saturday morning cost Dad and I two runs each, and one slick. We were forced to change from brand new slicks, which the car was set up for, to second hand R-spec's, after the tow truck dragged Dads car off the track wearing down the R/H rear slick to canvas. Fortunately Mark Povey had time to change the tyres on the rims for us to the trusty Hankooks. Luckily Damien Brand had a spare hub bearing at his house about 55 km out of Mount Gambier. Whilst Dad, Mum and Simo pressed in the bearing at Damien's house, Brad, Simon, Reece and I changed the tyres and managed to fit in some spectating. Dad and Simo caught the shuttle bus down to the pits with the newly pressed hub. The reliable S&J team put the car back together in time for Dad's second to last run for the Day. My next and last run for the day felt really good, I immediately felt comfortable with the Hankooks and managed to beat my best time from last year with a 57.99, and still only my second run of the weekend.

Day two came in wet for the first run, but Dad and I managed to be the two fastest AWD's for that run. Each of my runs on the second day improved by at least half a second. My final and best run gave me a 56.28, placing me 17<sup>th</sup> out of 133 entrants. With the power that Dad's STI has now (300kw on low boost) it certainly is a handful to drive, Dad admits that he struggles a little with it and says that this type of experience is invaluable at my age. S&J Motorsport clients and friends Michael Willis (EVO 9), Mark Povey (STI TypeR), Simon Orme (STI R/A) finished 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> respectively with Dad 7<sup>th</sup>, all 4 of which were within .08 of a second and flying the S&J Flag proudly. Due to the loss of the Slicks the car was just over a second slower than last year, so I am very happy with my 2.2 second improvement. Damien, Trent and BJ in their STI's and my Pop in his Mustang all also did extremely well to improve their times this year. Big Congratulations to Tristan Catford on a Fantastic 3<sup>rd</sup> place with some awesome times throughout the weekend.

It was also good to have yet another break from school and work on the 28<sup>th</sup> November Thursday. Dad and I towed the STI out to Mallala for the Track day organised by Phil McLeay. We decided to do this track day mainly for time in the car before Mt Gambier Hill Climb, but fortunately Steve Glenney was out helping and instructing several drivers, so Dad and I were able to have a couple sessions with him. I managed to fit in 60+ laps for the day and Dad left with about 10 laps. If time permits next season, we will try to fit in a couple of the Phillcom Rally Time Attack rounds that the Mitsubishi GSR/EVO Club is involved with. I really look forward to this!



Daniel Day 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> November 2010