

GEAR SELECTOR



The Newsletter of the GOLDEN ERA AUTO RACING CLUB QUEENSLAND INC. PO Box 5280, Kenmore East. 4069 www.gearqld.org

The Golden Era Auto Racing Club promotes the preservation of racing & sports cars of the golden age of Australian motor sport.

GEAR organises non-competitive Drive Days for the pleasurable use & enjoyment of cars in a safe, regulated, affordable and social motoring environment.

In Gear

News, views and updates from the President, David Chilton:

Hello Members,

The conditions were perfect for our sixth meeting of 2026. With a sense of relief, I can report that our July track day at Lakeside Park had significantly less drama than our June event!

We started the morning in the Briefing Room, with a safety briefing that was intentionally serious in conveying the expectations that entrants were to abide by the GEAR Drivers' Code of Conduct. It was firmly stated that the Code is to be strictly enforced. Lakeside Park management fully supports our initiatives to maintain GEAR events as social outings, allowing spirited driving but clearly distinct from the 'full-on' race days they host for other clubs.

We had 75 entrants who enjoyed the expected four rounds of 15 minutes. and we squeezed in passenger laps at the close of the event.

The day proceeded without any major incidents, but we still had the occasional mishap, a tow-in and a few minor 'offs' requiring the flashing red lights. As the event wound up the track manager and staff expressed their satisfaction that the entrants, both our GEAR members and the 'Invited Clubs' entrants, were following the directions and intent of the Code.

Our next track day is at Morgan Park on 27th August (8.30am - 3pm). If you have never been, here is the ideal opportunity for you to come and experience what you have been missing out on.

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I would describe this track as interesting and challenging like Lakeside Park, but with a more laid-back atmosphere and sufficient trackside real estate to accommodate wayward drivers excursions more safely.

Do please join us for a fun, social day that has lots of track time. Some members will be overnighting, parking their vehicle securely at the track before enjoying a social evening and a 'fresh' start on a winter Downs morning.

If you are unable to enter, come for a country drive to Warwick and enjoy the vibe, a coffee, and even lunch. See you there!

Cheers

David

There are a couple of **mandatory requirements** to enter GEAR Track Day Events.

All GEAR participants must be financial members

1. Current membership card is Orange with a date of 1 July 2026 – 30 June 2027
2. All cars entered in the event must be prior approved to run at GEAR Track Events.
3. If you have any doubts regarding either of these requirements, please contact the Secretary.

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REMAINING 2026 GEAR QLD DATES

Thursday	27/08/2026	Morgan Park
Thursday	24/09/2026	Lakeside Park
Thursday	08/10/2026	Morgan Park
Thursday	12/11/2026	Qld Raceway
Thursday	03 /12/2026	Lakeside Park

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 24/09/22 Lakeside Park
CHRISTMAS LUNCH 03/12/2026 Lakeside Park



Editorial

Greetings Fellow Members,

Possibly the best track conditions we've had this year on a cool and fine outing at Lakeside.

58 GEAR Members and 17 members of the invited Westfield, Lotus and MX5 clubs all enjoyed a great day's fast driving without the adversities experienced at the June event. Probably because participants took heed of the briefings. Well done drivers, not difficult is it when common sense is applied. Same again next time, please.

Participants were spread quite evenly over the three GEAR Member categories and in manageable numbers which would have contributed to the event being trouble free for the Committee and Lakeside management.

Please see the new section LOST AND FOUND on page 17.

Treasurer Ian still has a stock of GEAR shirts. Should you require one, contact Ian (treasurer@gearqld.org) to see what he has and you can pick them up at Morgan Park.

The fabulous Morgan Park circuit beckons on 27 August. Please join us as we enjoy the last of the chilly weather that is Warwick in winter and known to freeze the balls of a billiard table.

TO SEE MORE PHOTOS GO TO ROSS JOHNSON PHOTOGRAPHY.



PLEASE NOTE – MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2026/27 ARE NOW DUE.

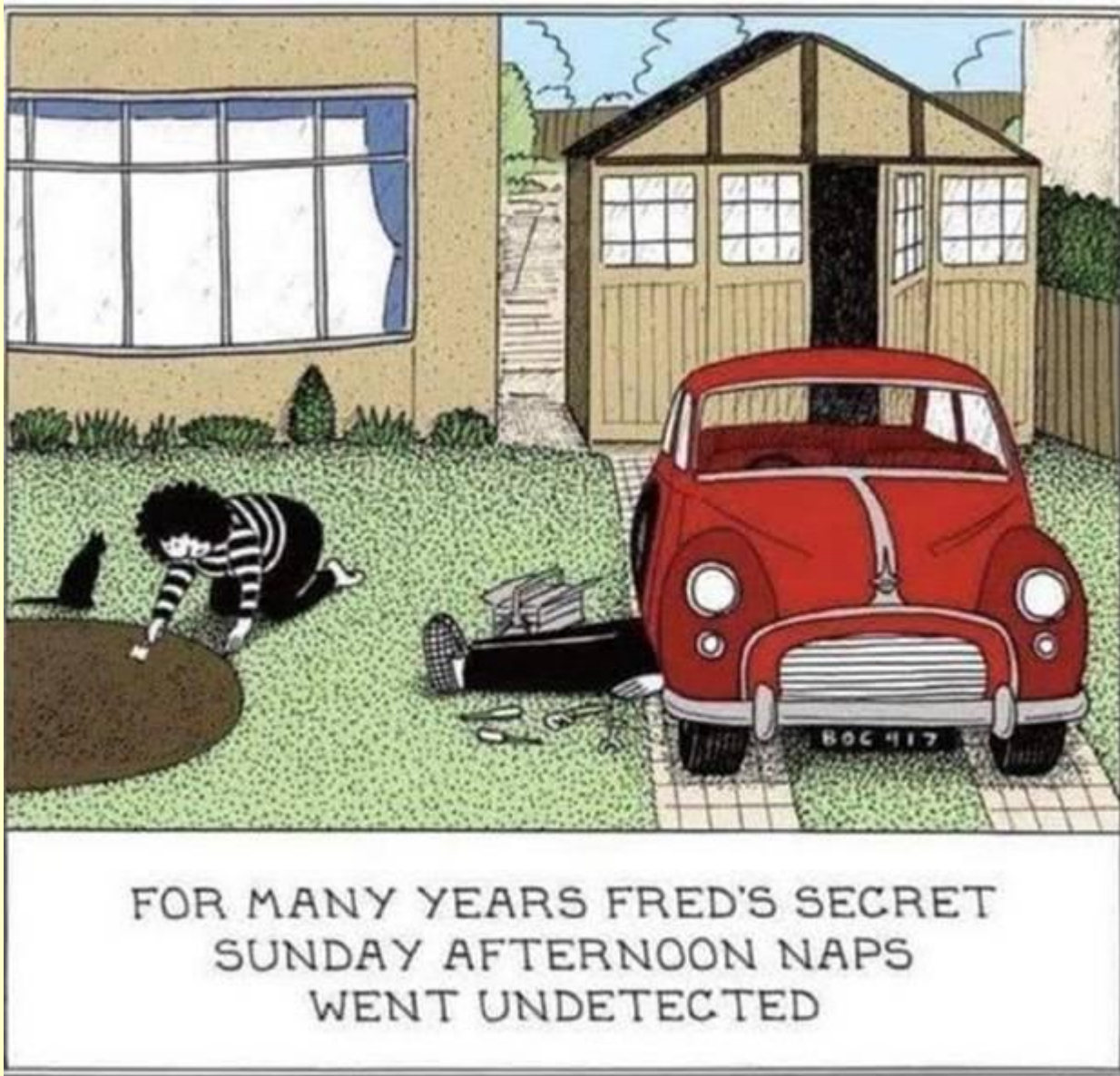




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GEAR Drivers List – Lakeside Park June 2026

Green Group Entrants	Member Number	Car	Model	Year	Colour
Greg Osborne	1066	Mini	Cooper S	1970	Blue/White
Stephen Rzepka	973	Morris	Mini	1967	BRG/White
MacIcolm Trull	1052	Chrysler	Valiant	1962	Blue
Corrado Gaglardi	1107	Porsche	911	1980	Gold
Tim Ware	1123	Ford	Falcon 500 XT	1968	Polar White
Michael Paine	775	Leyland	Mini 'S'	1978	Red/White
Paul Ritchie	662	Ford	Escort	1978	Yellow
Neil Cope	1148	Peugeot	205GTi	1989	White
Greg Graham	1132	Morris	Mini cooper	1965	Grey
Rod Zaverdinis	670	GSM	Dart	1963	Red
Peter Mac	931	Bolwell	Mk 7	1966	White
Chris Bool	993	Holden	Kingswood	1968	Green
James Hodgson	820	Datsun	1200Coupe	1972	White
Ian Wakerly	558	Leyland	Mini Special	1976	Red/White
Gordon Ross	949	Fors	GT40 Replica	2008	Yellow/Red Stripe
Mel Cason	721	Alfa Romeo	GTV 2000	1972	Red
Mal Ditchmen	694	Fiat	600 Abarth	1962	Blue/White
Bill Blackmore	922	Lotus	Elan +2	1968	Red
Steve Jeffs	619	Holden	EH	1964	Grey
Brendan Pemberton	963	Porsche	911	1973	Yellow

Yellow Group Entrants	Member Number	Car	Model	Year	Colour
Wayne Ahearne	912	Nissan	Bluebird	1976	Whie
Chris Ryan	1139	Pontiac	Firebird	1967	Orange
Andrew Wilson	905	Alfa	1750	1969	Silver/Black
Thomas Overland	809	BMW	323i	1984	Silver
Stephen Ziu	800	Ford	Escort Mk 1 1300	1972	Blue
Joe Gehrke	1005	Toyota	Celica GT-4	1990	Red
Bradley Searle	903	Triumph	TR8	1980	Red/White/Blue
Gary Yates	990	Bolwell	Mk 7	1966	White/Orange
Darryl Worth	952	Ford	Cortina	1968	Grey/White
Stephen Kerslake	971	Mazda	RX7 S2	1980	Silver
Stephen Corrigan	1145	BMW	E36	1996	Black
Stephen Hodge	1120	Ford	Fsirmont	1978	Yellow
Mark Davies	399	Porsche	944	1986	Black
Bob Bear	468	Alfa Romeo	1750 GTV	1971	Red
Michael Davis	1021	MG	F	1995	BRG
Mick Walsh	965	Alfa Romeo	GTV 6	1984	Red
Peter Walsh	134	Mazda	MX5 NA6	1991	Green
Claude Ciccotelli	742	Holden	EH	1964	Red

Blue Group Entrants	Member Number	Car	Model	Year	Colour
Clive Robertson	1136	Van Diemen	RF97	1997	White/Blue
Howard Williams	1157	Liston	TP2	1984	Green
Jim Andrews	653	Elfin	600B	1971	Silver/Black
Phil Charles	355	GRD Nota	Formula Libre	1977	Blue
Rodney Duffield	926	Nimbus	Formula Vee	1976	Maroon
Mark Higginbotham	1017	Manta	Formula Vee	1985	Yellow
Ash Lowe	1121	JMW	Clubman Sports 1300	1992	Yellow/Blue
Brian Aldred	977	Centaur	Clubman Mk3A	1965	Black
Lance Boucaut	319	Holden	Buchanan Special	1959	Blue
David Christy	202	Westfield	SEi	2000	Red
Kerry Lyall	1151	Spirit	Formula Vee	1973	Yellow/White
Mat Wells	1089	Bowin	FF P6F-73	1973	Blue/Orange
Edwin Brady	833	PDR Elfin NG Replica	Formula Vee	1990	Red/White
John Cragg	1043	Brabham	BT21	1965	BRG/Yellow
Grant Craft	1124	Brabham	BT21	1965	BRG/Yellow
Grant Gibson	1160	Sharp Holden	Sharp	1966	Blue
Jim Lowe	683	JMW	Sports 1300	1985	Blue/Yellow
Lindsay Harris	1102	Volkswagen	Formula Vee	2001	Red
Barry Singleton	704	Clubman	Haynes Sharel	2005	BRG





FUTURE GEAR MEMBER



JAN PROBABLY PAID ROSS FOR THIS PIC



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RED number 65 F3 1300cc Holbay Ford engine
Comes with historic log book
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2006 LOTUS EXIGE





Lotus Exige with many, many add Ons, has achieved 60 second lap of Lakeside Park.
EOI and sensible offers for this
2006 Toyota 2ZZS LOTUS!

contact David on 3841 2730

Ford Lotus 18 Formula Junior



Built on an original chassis jig alongside an original car, was built as a Spare chassis. No chassis number so not logbooked to MA requirements. Highly suitable for GEAR days or Supersprints 109e 1100cc engine with Steel Crank, Rods and Bearing caps, revs to 8000rpm.

Gearbox is Renault Dauphine converted to 4 speed as in period.

Absolutely period correct in every detail and simply the most fun car I have ever driven.

**Enquiries; Ian on 0412 720 234, or
email; hylandian47@gmail.com**

Jaguar 3.8 Manual/Overdrive 1961



Coombs lookalike with cutaway rear spats and louvred bonnet. Black with Beige trim and Chrome wires. Engine is genuine 3.8 with Side Port Head, High compression pistons and camshaft. Triple 48mm Dellortos and Competition Extractors. All Synchro/Overdrive Gearbox. Vented Discs with new Booster etc. Lowered suspension.

Fast but non fussy engine, plenty of power for track or road.

Super looking car that could double as a GEAR Car.

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1973 MK4 Cheetah - Historic Formula 3



A well-known and actively campaigned Australian Historic Formula 3 car with excellent provenance.

First owned by Neil Neilson Holden and driven by Peter Roach, the car was purchased by Hugh Gartley in 1974 and then raced, maintained and developed by him for more than 46 years. I purchased the car directly from Hugh in 2021 and am only the third owner since new.

The car comes with its current CAMS / Motorsport Australia logbook and Certificate of Description, along with the original green CAMS logbooks.

It is fitted with a Holinger 5-speed gearbox and comes with spare ratios. Very low-use Hugh Gartley-built 1298cc Corolla engine, described by Hugh as having “all the good bits”. Also included are a spare set of wheels, nosecone, and various odd spares and parts.

I am simply consolidating the collection down to a more manageable and usable size. As they say, you can’t drive them all.

Located in South East Queensland.

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GEAR SCRUTINEERING CHECK SHEET

Drivers take full responsibility for the safety and roadworthiness of their vehicle. Please check ☒ the following items and sign the statement below.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A
Brake lights working			
Firm brake pedal			
Brake fluid level- DOT 4 or better			
Flexible brake lines- not cracked			
Pad / lining thickness OK			
Battery secure			
Catch/overflow container fitted			
Fuel cap secure			
Bonnet secure (2 independent systems)			
Throttle springs – 2 fitted			
Fire extinguisher fitted			
Wheel nuts secure			
Tyre inflation correct			
All four tyres above wear marker			
Wheel bearings secure			
Wheel centre caps removed			
Seat and seat belt secure			
No loose objects inside vehicle			
Lamp glass protected (Tape)			
No oil or fluid leaks evident			
Rear vision mirrors effective			
Tail shaft restraint fitted			

I have inspected my vehicle as per the above checklist and I present my vehicle in safe condition as required for a GEAR event.

LOST AND FOUND



FOUND (contact secretary@gearqld.org)



Misplaced at Lakeside Park 23rd July 2026
Ryobi Impact Driver similar to this one.
If you have it or can shed some light on its whereabouts
can you please advise Steve Jeffs Ph: 0413889979

LOST

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS

