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To all enthusiasts for air-cooled racing cars

Please start planning to come to HSRCA's March 27-28 "Pre-1961" meeting at Wakefield Park, where we hope to bring together as many as possible of our sort of cars. This letter is being sent to some 60 people in Queensland, NSW, Victoria, South Australia, West Australia and New Zealand, who either own cars or who are known supporters of air-cooled racing. Our mailing list shows nearly 40 known cars, not all of them runners. If we can field 12 - 15 cars at Wakefield Park we will be given our own events.

Please aim to attend AND BRING YOUR CAR, even if it is not a runner. We will have our own corner of the pits, and hopefully find somewhere to meet on Saturday night, just so we can get together, swap notes, help push and generally plan our next move.

The Wakefield Park weekend

This is HSRCA's "Pre-'61" meeting, which aims to provide on-track opportunities for all older cars. The whole approach of the meeting is low-key and low-pressure. HSRCA is being very encouraging.

An important part of the weekend is the availability of CAMS' "come and try" one-event licence, which lets you onto the track WITHOUT having to have either a log-book or a full racing licence. There will be one "come and try" run for air-cooled cars on each day of the meeting.

These runs are not races. There will no timing or trophies, there will be a pace car, and overtaking is only allowed on the straights. This is a perfect toe-in-the-water opportunity for those of us who do not have all the necessary paperwork.

Drivers of air-cooled cars who already have all the CAMS racing paperwork can enter for the meeting in the normal way and will be able to run in the racing events as well as joining in the "come and try" runs. It is almost certain we will need their participation if we are to get the necessary 12 - 15 cars for our own "come-and-try" runs.

If we do not reach this number we will still get a run, but it will have to be with other cars.

If you have an air-cooled car and have not already been sent a Wakefield Park entry form, one is enclosed with this letter. This form can be used for "come and try", for racing, or for regularity events.

If you have already entered for racing or regularity, you will automatically be added to the "come and try" fields.

If you do not have a car, or if your car is understood not to be a goer at this time, we have not sent you an entry form. If you want an entry, let us know fast. Likewise if you know someone with a suitable car who has not received this letter.

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Why we need to get to Wakefield Park

If we all aim to enter for certain meetings each year we have a very good chance of providing a complete grid, so we can get air-cooled cars the recognition they deserve. Air-cooled cars work best when they run with other air-cooleds, rather than mixed in with larger water-cooled devices. So if we work as a group we will get more enjoyment from our cars and add to their value.

Wakefield Park is a user-friendly circuit, the Pre-'61 meeting is designed to be low-hassle, and HSRCA wants us to come. We could not ask for a better opportunity.

Any questions

For more about Wakefield Park - please contact Robyn Snape [Robyn - please add the best contacts for you]

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