



## **The Vintage Sports Car Club of WA (Inc.)**

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Dear Enthusiast

Thank you to those who put in an Expression of Interest for the Lake Perkolilli Centenary of Speed 1914-2014 from October 16 to 19, 2014. The response has been fantastic but there's still room for more. We have at least 26 pre-war (World War 2 that is) cars on the list which makes the event the biggest meeting of pre-war sports and racing cars ever since Perkolilli in about 1938! It should be great fun and something very special.

We have now obtained a track licence and Event Permit from CAMS which enables us to call for formal entries. I have attached the list of Supplementary Regulations and Entry Form for the event. Can you please fill in and forward to VSCC Entries PO Box 1097 HILLARYS WA 6293 or email to [entries@vsccwa.com.au](mailto:entries@vsccwa.com.au) as soon as possible? Closing date is 26 September 2014.

As many of the participants at Lake Perkolilli may not have been involved with a CAMS-sanctioned event before, I have been asked what the fees cover. This event is being run by enthusiasts for enthusiasts. The public is invited but we are not charging an entry fee. We have structured the participant's fee so that the Vintage Sports Car Club of WA's costs are covered and the volunteers are not personally out-of-pocket. They are contributing their time to support the Centenary and we are very grateful that they are willing to help. It is the same price whether you are coming for one, two, three or four days.

The event has all the usual risks associated with motorsport (although at a much lower level) and by operating the event under the umbrella of the Vintage Sports Car Club of WA, which is affiliated with CAMS, it gives us as organisers of the event and you as participants with considerable

benefits and protection. CAMS provides insurance for the event which includes Public Liability, Personal Accident and Voluntary Workers' Insurance up to a value of \$100 million. In summary, we all have a high level of protection in case anything unfortunate happens to any of us personally or to the public who are watching you perform.

The fees cover all four days so it is less than \$30 per day to have all the volunteer helpers, insurance cover and back-up. It is great value and I would like to thank the VSCCWA for its support. The entry form lists the cost of \$110 per driver (this includes GST). If you are not a member of the VSCC or a club affiliated with CAMS we have a nominal \$11 temporary membership to the VSCC. If you don't have a CAMS license (again this is compulsory so that you can access the insurance benefits) you can apply on the day for \$65 which covers all four days.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are only driving in the Centenary Parades at lunchtime on Saturday or Sunday in your veteran or classic car you do not have to fill out this form or pay any fees but you must sign-on at the office tent when you arrive at Lake Perkolilli so you are covered by the insurance, and if you wish to take a passenger (over 12 years of age only), be sure to have them fill out the "Passengers in Cars" disclaimer so they are covered.

#### CAMPING AT LAKE PERKOLILLI

For 100 years, competitors and their friends have been camping at Lake Perkolilli. There is an area under trees to the left as you drive in which seems to have remained more or less clear in recent years. This will be the camping area. There will be no camping allowed on the lake surface itself. People who have been to Perko before will know about the spot. It is well-protected and cool amongst the trees. Click onto Google Maps and you can see the layout of Lake Perkolilli. There will be a communal fire pit but the creation of individual cooking fires is discouraged. Please use gas as a preference, to reduce the risk of fire.

Thanks to the support of the City of Kalgoorlie/Boulder we will have portaloos on-site for the four days of the Centenary. What we won't have is potable water (actually any water), power, cleaners, rubbish disposal, security staff or slaves to clean up afterwards – they just add to the cost. We are working on arranging a skip bin so you can dispose of your rubbish. At past Perko events, the campers have enjoyed life under the stars, got on with each other, and developed great camaraderie. You are welcome to come. It will be first in, best dressed for the camping area. There is no charge for camping and is entirely at your own risk and you must be self-reliant. I may be passing the hat around to help pay for the rubbish skip if we can't get it sponsored.

#### STAYING IN KALGOORLIE

If you are staying at accommodation in Kalgoorlie/Boulder and coming out to Lake Perkolilli it is only about 30km on the Kanowna/Kurnalpi road. The last part of the track after Kanowna is dirt. You can leave your car and trailer at the pit areas at Perkolilli overnight so you don't need to bring it out each day but please be aware that it will be at your own risk.

## THE EVENT

The Lake Perkolilli Centenary of Speed will be held over four days. The draft event program is attached. It is still evolving as the number of people committing to the event increases and it will probably change some more between now and 16 October. The first two days, Thursday 16 and Friday 17 October are free practice days. This is a relaxed time for you to drive the claypan at speed and enjoy the informality of the wide open spaces. There are no scheduled events for these days and you will be able to get just about as much track time as you can handle!

The timekeepers will be timing the cars and motorcycles to determine how the handicaps will work for the Centenary events on Saturday and Sunday. For those who can't arrive until the weekend, there will be a window to drive the circuit first thing on Saturday and Sunday morning if required.

Saturday and Sunday is the celebration of the Centenary of Lake Perkolilli and events involving cars, motorcycles, bicycles, hang-gliders and a few surprises are planned throughout the day. We are trying to recreate a little of the feeling of the events held at Lake Perkolilli between 1914 and 1939. Your circuit times from Thursday and Friday will be used to structure the events and it is hoped that we'll have some spectacular massed finishes.

Peter Briggs, the owner of the York Motor Museum and the reconstructed 1904 Napier L48 Sampson (which broke the land speed record at Ormond Beach in Florida and was the first British car to exceed 100 miles per hour) is equipping the car with Rushmore searchlights so that he can re-enact a portion of the 24 Hour Record which was set at Brooklands. This will be held from dusk on Saturday evening and should be quite something to see.

On Friday evening, a civic welcome and parade is being arranged in Kalgoorlie and more information on this will be disseminated when it comes to hand.

## THE MICK RUST CENTENARY PIT AREA

Mick Rust has offered to set up a period mechanic's workshop in the pit area with tools, oxy, generator etc. You will be able to access the equipment if your car breaks down. This doesn't mean that you shouldn't take your own tools, battery chargers etc and work on your own car, but it will be a back-up on-site if you need it. Thank you to Mick for offering to do this. His plans are very exciting.

## CENTENARY PROGRAMME

Once the programme is finalised, we'll be putting together a booklet for the Centenary of Speed event which will include timing of the events and a list of participants. We'd like to include a picture of as many of the participating cars and people as possible. Hopefully someone will still have a copy when the next centenary comes around in 2114! If you'd like to be included, please email a picture of you and your car or motorcycle to me at [gacocks@iinet.net.au](mailto:gacocks@iinet.net.au). Easiest to use are 300dpi jpegs. CLOSING DATE for your pictures is Friday 26 September.

## THE NATIONAL VETERAN CAR RALLY

The National Veteran Car Rally is being held in Kalgoorlie/Boulder in the week following the Lake Perkolilli Centenary. It begins on Sunday evening (19 October) and runs until the following weekend. You may wish to extend your stay in the Goldfields and see the veteran cars. It will be the biggest veteran car event held in WA. There will be more than 80 pre-1919 cars in the rally. It is based at Cruickshanks Arena and the rally heads to different locations and comes back to Kalgoorlie every afternoon.

Thank you once again for supporting the Lake Perkolilli Centenary of Speed 1914-2014.

It should be a very memorable event and a lot of fun for all. Please complete the attached form as soon as you can. I look forward to seeing you at Perko!

Best wishes

Graeme Cocks  
Event Dreamer

<b>THURSDAY 16 OCTOBER</b>		
10.00 to 4.00pm	Scrutineering, Free Practice and Timing for Handicapping	Cars and Motorcycles
<b>FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER</b>		
09.00 to 4.00pm	Scrutineering, Free Practice and Timing for Handicapping	Cars and Motorcycles
<b>SATURDAY 18 OCTOBER</b>		
7.00am to 8.00am	Aircraft fly-in, track closed	Aircraft
08.00 to 8.30am	Scrutineering for new arrivals, free practice	Cars and motorcycles
8.30am to 9.30am	Timing on new arrivals for Handicapping, free practice	Cars and motorcycles
9.30am to 11.30am	Centenary of Speed car events	Cars
11.30 to 12.00	Veteran and Classic Cars and Motorcycles Parade Laps	National Veteran Rally cars, VMCCWA motorcycles, Classic Cars
12.00 to 2.00pm	Historic Motorcycle demonstrations and sprints General Parade – 2 laps Goldfields MC Championship – 2 laps (9 Heats of 6 entrants – tiered final) Goldfields MC Handicap – 2 laps (3 heats of 6 entrants)	VMCCWA Motorcycles
2.00pm to 2.45pm	“Cycle Speedway” races	Eastern Goldfields Cycle Club
2.45pm to 4.30pm	Centenary of Speed car events	Cars
4.30pm to 5.00pm	Track Closed, Hang glider Demonstrations	Goldfields Dust Devils
5.00pm to 5.30pm	Aircraft fly-in or fly-out, track closed	Aircraft
5.30pm to 6.00pm	Free Practice	Cars and Motorcycles
6.00pm to 8.00pm	Napier Sampson record-breaking reenactment	Napier record breaker and other record breakers

SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER		
7.00am to 8.00am	Aircraft fly-in or fly-out, track closed	Aircraft
08.00 to 8.30am	Scrutineering for new arrivals, free practice	Cars and Motorcycles
8.30am to 9.00am	Timing of new arrivals for Handicapping, free practice	Cars and Motorcycles
9.00am to 11.00am	Centenary of Speed car events	Cars
11.00 to 11.30	Veteran and Classic Cars and Motorcycles Parade Laps	National Veteran Rally cars, VMCCWA motorcycles, Classic Cars
11.30 to 2.15pm	Historic Motorcycle demonstrations and sprints Dunga run – (2 heats) 2 laps Rabbit Run – two's choose competitors WA open – (practice window of 30mins – 1 heat) – 3 laps Closing Parade – 2 laps	VMCCWA Motorcycles
2.15pm to 2.45pm	"Cycle Speedway" races	Eastern Goldfields Cycle Club
2.45pm to 5.15pm	Centenary of Speed car events and Gala Final Event	Cars
5.15pm to 5.30pm	Track Closed, Hang glider Demonstrations	Goldfields Dust Devils
5.45pm to 6.10pm	Aircraft fly-out, track closed	Aircraft
	End of Event	

#### Notes:

1. Kalgoorlie Parade and Official Welcome may be scheduled for Friday evening - to be advised.
2. For your info: First Light 4.50am, Sunrise 5.15am, Sunset 6.04pm, Last Light 6.29pm.
3. All timings are provisional and may change closer to the event.
4. Weather in October for Kalgoorlie. Mean max 25.8°C Min 1.1°C, Mean 4.3 rain days for October, Median rain 10.4mm.