

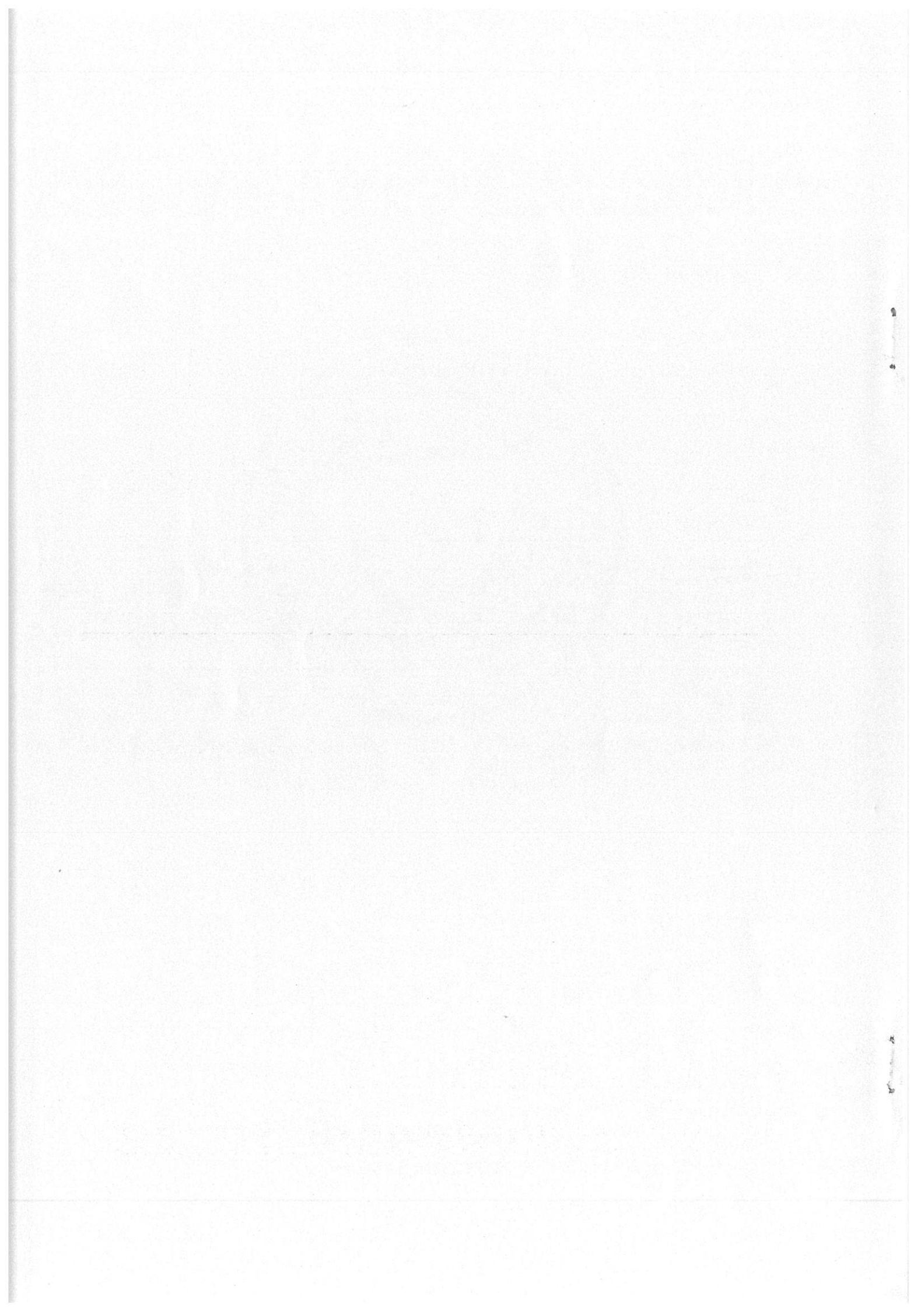
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY CAR CLUB



1955 - 1995

SOFIA, CAMBERWELL

11 OCTOBER, 1995



"The Thirties"

- There is evidence that a car club or motoring club existed at Melbourne University in the late 1930's. No further details are available at the time of writing.

Foundation

MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING UNIVERSITY CAR CLUB

History Lecture Theatre, Tue. 11-10-55

Present: The organizers, Messrs Fleming and Nekrasov;
in the Chair, Mr. Endacott, Science Rep. 50th S.R.C.
Approximately 70 staff and students.

I. The meeting opened at 1.10 pm. Mr. Fleming was appointed Minute Sec.

The Organizers spoke briefly as to their reasons for forming the Club. Both had long felt the need for such a body in the University, and in view of the proximity of the exams, and the fact that Sydney has recently formed a car club, they felt that Melbourne should delay no longer.

II. The Chairman then read the Draft Constitution, copies of which were circulated.

III. In discussion of this draft, Mr. Eccles raised the point that it would be desirable for Committee members to actually own a car of some sort; but this was ruled by the Chair to be unacceptable to the S.R.C. under the terms of Regulation III, Clause 6 of the S.R.C. Constitution. Further discussion concerned:

- i) The desirability of affiliation with the S.R.C.
- ii) Whether the Club intended to affiliate with C.A.M.S.
- iii) The location of future meeting places.

These were answered by Mr. Fleming:

- i) Financial aid from the Union, and advertisement in the Fresher's Handbook
- ii) Under the terms of the Constitution as dictated by the SRC, it is inadvisable to do so. However, when sufficient Registered Members are listed, these will form a subsidiary Club for this express purpose.
- iii) Meetings will be held in whatever lecture theatres or rooms in the Union are available.

IV. Moved that the Constitution as read be adopted. (G.Nekrasov/J.Fryer)
Carried unanimously.

V. The Chairman then called for nominations for President of an interim Committee; the entire Committee to be elected by show of hands.

Nominations:	John Phillips	8
	Dennis Corr	11
	George Nekrasov	54

Mr. Nekrasov was declared elected.

Mr Endacott then vacated the Chair in favour of the President.

VI. The President then called for nominations for the remaining positions in order:

Treasurer:	Nicholas de la Vatine	elected unopposed
Secretary:	Brian Fleming	54
	Dennis Corr	2
	Mr. Cassidy	5

Mr. Fleming was declared elected.

Committee members	Duke	
	Cassidy	
	Martin	48
	Shea	29
	Miss S Bentley	49

Miss Bentley, Messrs Martin and Shea were declared elected

VII. General Business:

- a) Post Exam Run - it was agreed that this should be to the day of car racing at the Opening Meeting of PIARC, be it the Saturday or Sunday, Nov. 26 or 27. details to be posted on the Upstairs Notice Board when finalized.
- b) The design of a suitable radiator badge was left in the hands of the Committee, to be presented to a General Meeting at a later date.

1955-1975: SUMMARY OF FIRST 20 YEARS

- 1955 Foundation (re-foundation) 11 October
- 1957 Introduction of 'Aggregate Trophy' for Club participation.
- 1958 Association with the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport [CAMS].
Monthly newsletter 'Unbalanced Notes' renamed 'UNICAR'.
- 1959 Formation of Timing Team - first meeting Phillip Island, 28-30 March (Easter).
Membership exceeded 100.
- 1960 Affiliation with CAMS from 1 January.
Introduction of MUCC 'Open' trial.
Timing team assisted LCCA at Armstrong 500 race, Phillip Island.
- 1961 Open trial renamed AKADEMOS
- 1962 AKADEMOS granted VTC status
Timing team provided with LONGINES Chronotypogines electronic printing timer for race timing by Australian agents; S.Hoffnung & Co.
Aggregate Trophy replaced by Championship and Club Trophy awards for competition and participation respectively.
First annual gymkhana (*motorkhana*) at Flemington racecourse - members car park
- 1964 Timing team members officiated at Donald Campbell record attempts at Lake Eyre (land) and Lake Dumbleyung (water).
Club constitution revised.
CAMS introduced annual capitation fee of 5 shillings (50¢).
CLUBNIGHTS introduced between March and September
The 'NIGHT SCATTER', later Nite Skatta, introduced to the club competition calendar.
- 1965 Tim Kendall stepped down from leadership of the timing team - replaced by David Ferguson.
Club team provided timekeepers for Ford Motor Company 8 day Falcon endurance run at company You Yangs proving ground.
- 1966 'MUDDY MOTORKHANA', a sort of observed section trial, introduced.
- 1967 Racing, & MUCC timing, recommenced at Phillip Island after an absence of 5 years.
The club joined with the Warden of MU Union to entertain a dozen student members of Kobe University of Economics motoring club.
First INTER VARSITY motor sport competition, a gymkhana at Monash University between MUCC, Adelaide University Car Club and Monash Sporting Car Club - won by MUCC.
Don Humphries co-opted as 'editorial assistant'
- 1968 Use of Longines 'Chronotypogines' printing timer for final loop sections of AKADEMOS as well as chronographs at controls.
MUCC and MSCC journeyed to Adelaide for Inter-Varsity. AUCC expanded the competition with introduction of lap sprints at Mallala racing circuit.
Club conducted a control for the London-Sydney Marathon at Murrindal in East Gippsland.

- 1969 Record entry of 65 for AKADEMOS, 60 started.
LADIES AWARD added to annual trophies.
The club's round of the VICTORIAN MOTORKHANA CHAMPIONSHIP at Eastland shopping centre attracted 59 entries.
Club timekeepers officiated at Class RECORD ATTEMPT by Chrysler at Sandown using Valiant Pacers - cut to 3 hours by rain squalls.
SPECIAL REGISTER MEMBERSHIP introduced to permit MU members to compete in 1 club event per year on payment of CAMS membership fee only.
Record membership of 153.
Inter-Varsity returned to Winton, hosted by MSCC, won by MUCC.
- 1970 MUCC has a 'home' - sharing room 12 on the 3rd floor of MU Union with the motorcycle club.
MUCC timing team provided the timekeepers for a further class RECORD ATTEMPT by Chrysler with the 1970 245ci Valiant Pacer which was again dogged by bad weather.
Inter-Varsity expanded by inviting New South Wales Car Club and University Car Club (Sydney).
Cloth Badges introduced.
- 1971 UNICAR foolscap format altered to quarto with dedicated cover in blue from February edition. Various editions featured colour printing.
AKADEMOS'71 3rd heat of AUSTRALIAN RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP.
Dispute with MU Union over 'red' phone in the UNION CLUBROOM led to vacating the room and special meeting to discuss future use.
MOTORSPORT WEEKEND centred on University property at Blackwood introduced. Booking error subsequently reduced event to one day - hence nickname 'Blackwood Bungle'.
- 1972 AKADEMOS - 2nd round of ARC.
Blackwood Bungle replaced by 'MALDON MUDDLE'.
- 1973 AKADEMOS once more VRC event.
- 1974 Ladies award discontinued
- 1975 Annual award for 'less experienced' [LEx] members introduced.

COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE 1955-1995

YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
1955/56	George NEKRASOV		Brian FLEMING	Nicholas De La VATINE
1956/57	Nicholas De La VATINE		Bruce ACKLAND	Tim KENDALL
1957/58	Bruce ACKLAND		Keith NICHOLLS	
1958/59	Keith NICHOLLS		Brian FLEMING	Tim KENDALL
1959/60	Keith NICHOLLS		Brian FLEMING * Greg SCOTT	Tim KENDALL
1960/61	Keith NICHOLLS		Tim KENDALL	Stephen COFFEY
1961/62	Tom SWANSON		Tim KENDALL * Bill DENVIL	Stephen COFFEY * John TANDY
1962/63	Tom SWANSON		Bill DENVIL	John TANDY
1963/64	Stephen COFFEY		Bill DENVIL	John TANDY
1964/65	Tom SWANSON		Geoff SPROAT	Ted WILLIAMS
1965/66	Tim KENDALL		Geoff SPROAT	Ted WILLIAMS
1966/67	Tom SWANSON		Geoff SPROAT	Ivan POWELL
1967/68	Tom SWANSON		Geoff SPROAT	Ivan POWELL
1968/69	Geoff SPROAT		Roy DEANE	Tom SWANSON
1969/70	Geoff SPROAT		Clarke BALLARD	Bob McINNES
1970/71	Bob McINNES * Clarke BALLARD		Clarke BALLARD * Rod TROUTBECK	Trevor RICHARDS
1971/72	Clarke BALLARD		Rod TROUTBECK	Trevor RICHARDS
1972/73	Bill DENVIL		Clarke BALLARD	Rod TROUTBECK
1973/74	Bill DENVIL		Clarke BALLARD	Alf PEARCE
1974/75	Bill DENVIL		Robin BAASS	Alf PEARCE
1975/76	Alf PEARCE	Bill DENVIL	Robin BAASS	Geoff SPROAT

YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
1976/77	David MCKENZIE	Peter OTZEN	David OFFICER	Geoff SPROAT
1977/78	Peter OTZEN	Robin BAASS	Kathryn HOBSON	Bill DENVIL
1978/79	David McKENZIE	Don HUMPHRIES	Kathryn HOBSON	Bill DENVIL
1979/80	Peter OTZEN	Kathryn HOBSON	Greg MATHESON	Alf PEARCE
1980/81	Greg MATHESON	Peter OTZEN	David McKENZIE	Alf PEARCE
1981/82	Alf PEARCE	Peter OTZEN	David McKENZIE	Kathryn HOBSON
1982/83	Alf PEARCE	Don HUMPHRIES	David OFFICER	Kathryn HOBSON
1983/84	David OFFICER	Alf PEARCE	Andrew BROWNE	David STANNUS
1984/85	David STANNUS	Peter OTZEN	Rohan TEAGLE	David McKENZIE
1985/86	David STANNUS	Alf PEARCE	Michael MORRISSEY	David McKENZIE
1986/87	Michael MORRISSEY	David STANNUS	Darryl OTZEN	Alf PEARCE
1987/88	Michael MORRISSEY	Peter OTZEN	Darryl OTZEN	Alf PEARCE
1988/89	Michael SEIDLER	Michael MORRISSEY	Robert PLENTER	Peter OTZEN
1989/90	Michael SEIDLER	Michael MORRISSEY	Robert PLENTER	Peter OTZEN
1990/91	Robert PLENTER	Michael SEIDLER	Tony DORNOM	Alf PEARCE
1991/92	Robert PLENTER	Michael SEIDLER	Tony DORNOM	Alf PEARCE
1992/93	Peter OTZEN	Robert PLENTER	Alf PEARCE	Michael STEPHENS
1993/94	Peter OTZEN	Robert PLENTER	Alf PEARCE	Michael STEPHENS
1994/95	Graham PATE	Peter OTZEN	Michael MORRISSEY	Alf PEARCE
1995/96	Graham PATE	Peter OTZEN	Paul FRANKLIN	Alf PEARCE

* mid-term resignation

ANNUAL AWARDS

* 'Aggregate Trophy'

YEAR	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	LESS EXPERIENCED [LEx] AWARD	CLUB TROPHY	LADIES AWARD
1957/58	*FRANK KILFOYLE			
1958/59	*BRIAN FLEMING			
1959/60	*BRIAN FLEMING			
1960/61	* JOHN TANDY			
1961/62	* JOHN TAWS * DAVID WALLIS			
1962/63	GEOFF SPROAT		BILL BATES BILL DENVIL	
1963/64	DAVID WILSON		CLARRIE MITCHELL	
1964/65	GEOFF SPROAT		JOHN TAWS	
1965/66	RICHARD BAINBRIDGE		GEOFF SPROAT	
1966/67	CLARKE BALLARD		DON HUMPHRIES	
1967/68	IAN SPARK DON WILSON		DON HUMPHRIES	
1967/69	CLARKE BALLARD		RICHARD BAINBRIDGE	
1969/70	JUDY RICHARDS TREVOR RICHARDS		DON HUMPHRIES	JUDY RICHARDS
1970/71	GEOFF SPROAT		CLARKE BALLARD	PATRICIA TAWS
1971/72	IAN PEARCE		TREVOR RICHARDS	ROBYN BAASS
1972/73	IAN PEARCE		ROBIN BAASS	JOY PEARCE
1973/74	BRIAN FLEMING		BILL DENVIL	JOY PEARCE
1974/75	GLEN McALIECE	DAVID MCKENZIE	BILL DENVIL	
1975/76	DAVID BROWNSWORTH	BARRY JOHNSTON	IAN SICHLAU	
1976/77	DAVID OFFICER	JOHN SCALZO	KATHRYN HOBSON	
1977/78	DAVID OFFICER	GREG MATHESON	PETER OTZEN	
1978/79	GILG MATHLSON DAVID MITCHELL	ROBERT HUGHES	IAN COLE	

YEAR	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	LESS EXPERIENCED [LEx] AWARD	CLUB TROPHY	LADIES AWARD
1979/80	DAVID OFFICER KATHRYN HOBSON	ROBERT BRADLEY	PETER OTZEN	
1980/81	DAVID McKENZIE	GARY REID	GREG MATI IESON	
1981/82	SCOTT CHIRNSIDE	SCOTT RIDDELL ANDREW ROBBINS	DON HUMPHRIES	
1982/83	PETER OTZEN	ANDREW BAYLISS KEVIN PIERCY ROHAN TEAGLE	DAVID McKENZIE	
1983/84	JEFF MOORHEAD ROHAN TEAGLE	ROBERT PARKER	DON HUMPHRIES	
1984/85	ANDREW BROWNE	ANDREW BROWNE JENNY HUTCHINSON	DON HUMPHRIES PETER OTZEN	
1985/86	CHRIS ADAMS TONY COOPER	CHRIS ADAMS TONY COOPER	MICHAEL MORRISSEY	
1986/87	PETER OTZEN	MICHAEL SEIDLER	PETER OTZEN	
1987/88	MICHAEL SEIDLER	ROBERT PLENTER	PETER OTZEN MICHAEL SEIDLER	
1988/89	MICHAEL SEIDLER	ANDREW COLLINS	BRIAN FLEMING	
1989/90	ROBERT HUGHES	JIM RIIS	BRIAN FLEMING	
1990/91	ROBERT HUGHES	STEVEN FLEMING	DARRYL OTZEN ALF PEARCE	
1991/92	VICKI WILLIAMS	VICKI WILLIAMS	DARRYL OTZEN	
1992/93	PETER OTZEN	PHIL TIMPANO	ALF PEARCE	
1993/94	PETER OTZEN	ANDREW MACKIE	PETER OTZEN	
1994/95	MICHAEL SEIDLER	TIM O'CONNOR	DARRYL OTZEN	

AKADEMOS

THE WINNERS

1960 - 1993

1960	Tony THEILER/Martin HARTIGAN/J.HARTIGAN	VOLKSWAGEN 1200	Open
1961	J.ZEJBRILK/Bob FORSYTH	VOLKSWAGEN 1200	Open
1962	Harry FIRTH/Graham HOINVILLE	FORD Anglia	VTC
1963	Frank KILFOYLE/Mike FLANAGAN	FORD Falcon	VTC
1964	Bob WATSON/Jim McAULIFFE	HOLDEN EH	VTC
1965	Bruce WOODFULL/Bob FORSYTH	FORD Cortina GT	VTC
1966	Tony ROBERTS/Peter HAAS	HOLDEN HR X2	VTC
1967	Ron PHILLIPS/Jim McAULIFFE	HOLDEN HR X2	VTC
1968	Bob WARTSON/Jim McAULIFFE	HOLDEN HK v8	VTC
1969	Peter JANSON/Neville PRICE	RENAULT Gordini 1.3	VTC
1970	Bob WATSON/Jim McAULIFFE	RENAULT Gordini 1.3	VTC
1971	Frank KILFOYLE/Mike OSBORNE	HOLDEN Monaro GTS 350 v8	ARC
1972	Frank KILFOYLE/Roger BONHOMME	HOLDEN Torana GTR XU 1	ARC
1973	George FURY/Monty SUFFERN	FORD Cortina Mk.1 2.0	VRC
1974	Colin BOND/George SHEPHEARD (NSW)	HOLDEN Torana XU-1 3.3	ARC
1975	aeq. Ross DUNKERTON/John LARGE (WA) Stewart McLEOD/Adrian MORTIMER (SA)	DATSUN 260Z DATSUN 260Z	ARC
1976	John DIXON/Ian RICHARDS	DATSUN Sunny 1.4	VRC
1977	Graham TROUNCE/Lloyd MINIFIE	DATSUN P510 (1.6)	VCS
1978	Gil DAVIS/Graham TONER	HOLDEN HR	VRC
1979	George FURY/Monty SUFFERN	DATSUN Stanza (2.0)	ARC
1980	Ross DUNKERTON (WA)/Jeff BEAUMONT (Tas)	DATSUN Stanza (2.0)	ARC
1981	Geoff PORTMAN/Ross RUNNALLS	DATSUN Stanza (2.1)	ARC

1982	Chris BROWN/Noel RICHARDS	DATSUN 180B SSS (2.0)	VRC
1983	David OFFICER/Kate HOBSON	MITSUBISHI Galant (2.4)	VRC
1984	Peter A THOMPSON/Simon SCOTT	DATSUN P510 (2.1)	VRC
1985	Hugh BELL/Steve ELLIS	MAZDA RX7 (2.2)	ARC/VRC
1986	Andrew MARTIN/Philip MARTIN	MITSUBISHI Galant GB (2.4)	VRC
1987	Greg WALKER/Denis O'BRIEN	FORD Escort Mk.2 (2.2)	VRC
1988	David GREIG/Paul TIRANT	DATSUN P510 (2.5)	VRC
1989	aeq Greg HOINVILLE/Mike CAINS Greg WALKER/Denis O'BRIEN	FORD Escort Mk.2 (2.0) FORD Escort Mk.2 (2.0)	VRC
1990	John REYNOLDS/David BOYCE (NSW)	MAZDA 323 Familia 4Wd t.	VRC
1991	Gary KENDRICK/Ron GOTTSCHALK	HOLDEN Commodore VH v8	VRC
1992	David OFFICER/Greg IIORE	MITSUBISHI II Starion 2.0 t.	VRC
1993	Nigel LETTY/Stephen YOUNG	SUBARU Liberty Rs-R 4WD t.	VRC

ARC: Australian Rally Championship

VTC: Victorian Trials Championship - forerunner of VRC: Victorian Rally Championship

VCS: Victorian Clubman Series [restricted State title]