



**Dear Competitor,**

**The Austin Seven Club Inc cordially invites you to compete at our postponed 44<sup>th</sup> Historic Winton meeting, now to be held Sat 22nd & Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 at Winton Motor Raceway. Private practice sessions will be conducted on Friday 21st.**

The world has certainly changed since our last event in May 2019. I do hope that you and your families, businesses and life in general are getting back on track after the very trying year that 2021 and COVID19 threw at us.

Due to the evolving restrictions, and the Government mandates relating to COVID Safe compliance, the Austin 7 Club have made the difficult decision to proceed with a limited, no spectators event. It will look very different to our usual meeting, and is not a decision we have made lightly. We hope that you, the competitors, will support us with your entries. No spectators, means no income, so we are depending on full grids in each class to make this event viable. I certainly would not like to see another Historic Winton cancelled, and our hard-working Committee will do their utmost to make it happen for you.

Under our Government Tier Three Permit, we are limited to the number of attendees. At this stage we can offer one Pit Crew pass per entry, and there will be no public tickets on sale. We are saddened to be unable to invite car clubs and the general public, and to support the local community services - they have all supported us immensely in the past. However, we need to get back on the track, and trust 2022 will be easier.

The rules and restrictions are changing weekly, and we are very optimistic that these will ease by the date of our event. This being the case, we would hope to offer a further 2 Pit Crew passes and be able to open 1000 entry tickets per day to the general public.

Historic Winton is the longest-running, all-historic race meeting in Australia with approximately 400 historic vehicles actively engaged in competition events. The Austin 7 Club considers 2020 as a hiatus only, and we hope that you will again be part of the weekend's non-stop action of both historic cars and motorbikes in 2021.

#### **Travel Permits**

Interstate entrants should be aware that Victorian Government travel permits may be required to enter Victoria. The onus is on individuals to apply for these. Please visit <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/victorian-travel-permit-system>

#### **Highlights and Milestones:**

Due to the attendance restrictions, we will hold over marque milestones to 2022. We expect there will be very much to celebrate.

#### **Happy Hour & Trophy Presentation**

We are unsure whether the "Happy Hour" and trophy presentation will take place this year. We certainly hope it will! Perpetual and Special Trophies will still be awarded, however. We will provide more information on this with the Further Regulations distributed in early May, or via email.

#### **Changes to 5<sup>th</sup> Category Regulations**

The 44<sup>th</sup> Historic Winton will again be held under the rules and regulations of AASA. Requirements for Roll Over Protection and vehicle Log Books have been addressed in the Supplementary Regulations. See clauses 19 and 8 respectively. Rain Lights are highly recommended, but not yet mandatory. Frontal Head Restraints (FHR) to be fitted where feasible where the vehicle will support them. This will not apply to many vehicles competing at Historic Winton. If you have any concerns, please visit the AASA website or contact the Secretary, Peta Lee.

#### **Entry Forms & News**

Copies of our entry form and supplementary regulations are enclosed. Additional entry forms can be downloaded from our website [www.historicwinton.org](http://www.historicwinton.org) (then select Competitors). News of our event is posted at regular intervals on the website and forwarded to competitors via email. Completed Entry forms can be emailed or posted to the Secretary, as detailed on the Entry Form itself.

Competitor entry fees for 2021 will be \$350. We believe this is great value for such an iconic National Historic motor race event. Confirmation of your entry and further supplementary regulations etc. will be sent in early May.

**Entry enquiries to:**            **Secretary**            **Peta Lee**            0407 330 881 or [petailee@gmail.com](mailto:petailee@gmail.com)

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