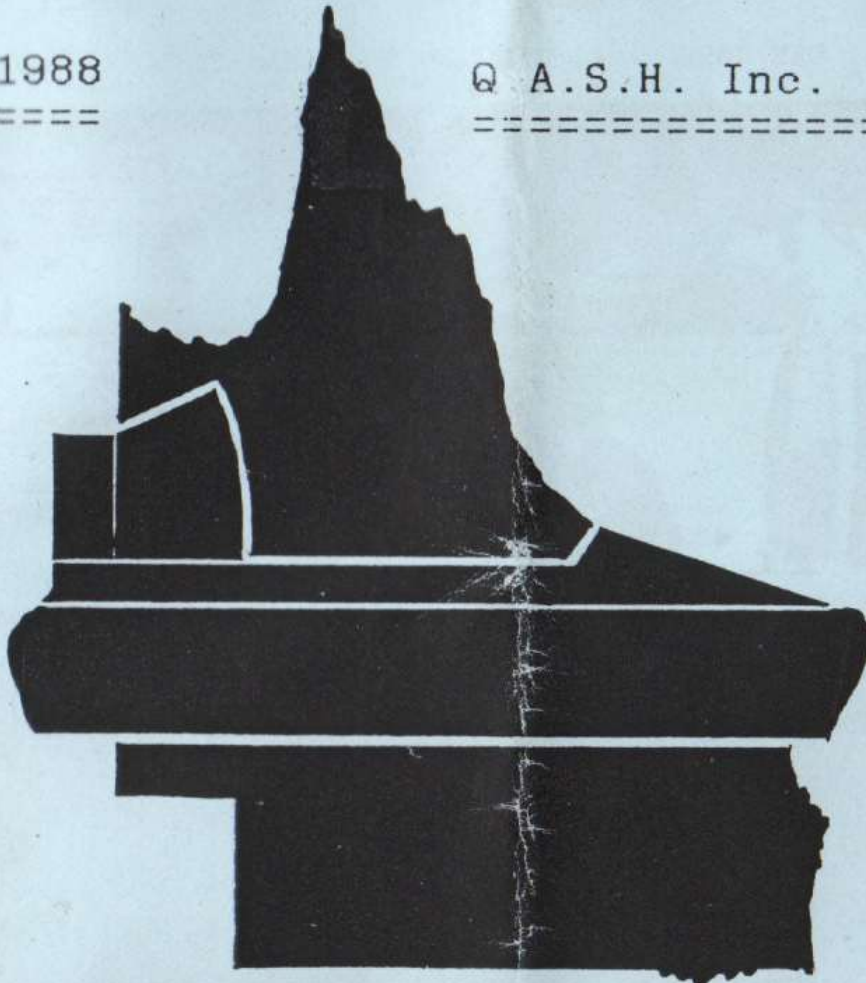


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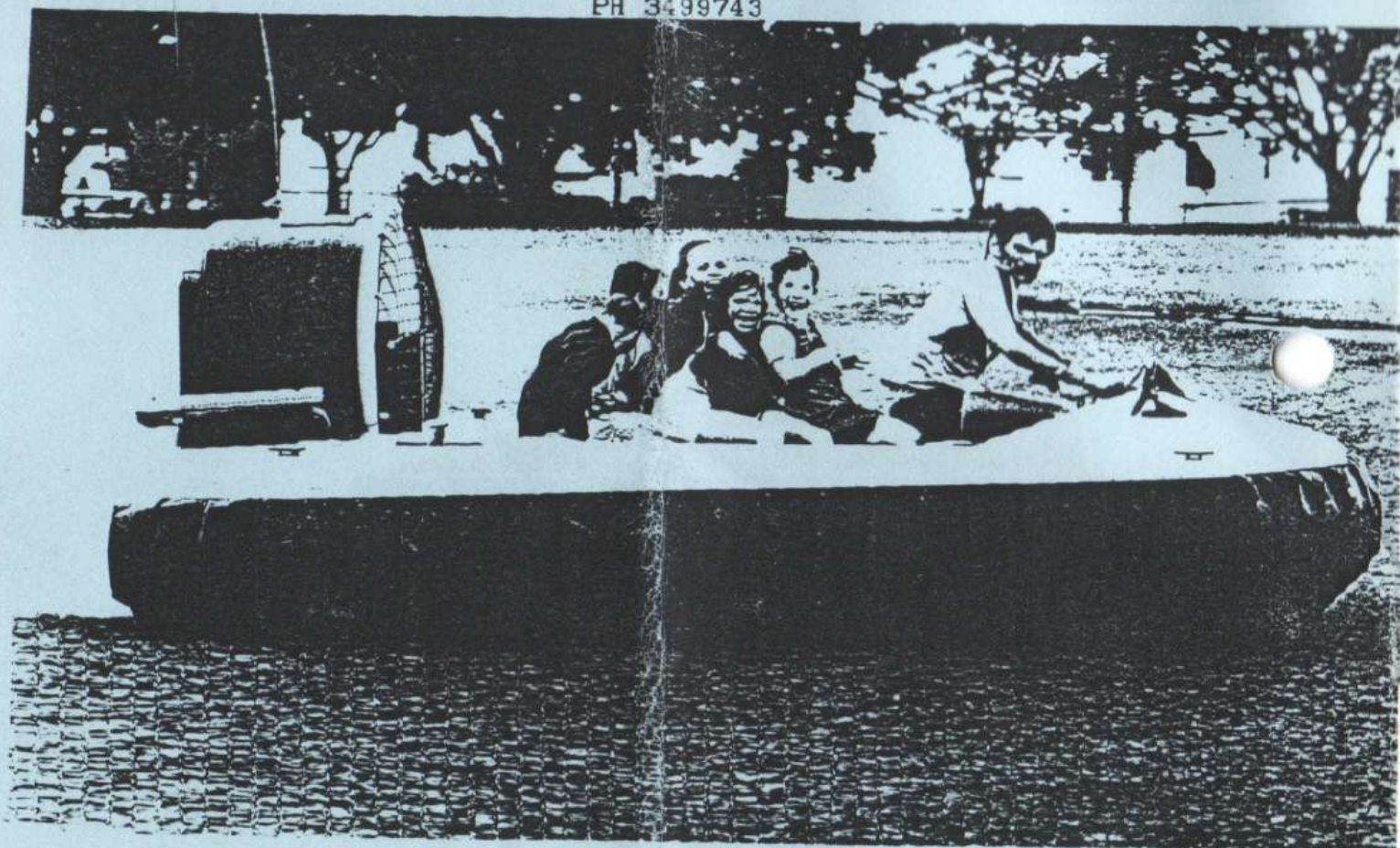
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QUEENSLAND AMATEUR SPORTING HOVERCRAFT Inc.

c/o 52 Utrecht St.,
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Dear Air Cushion Vehicle enthusiast,

The heavy monsoonal rain which drenched South-East Queensland over Easter has transformed the lazy Brisbane River into a raging torrent and for hovercraft travel, many previously impassable sections in the Kholo to Wivenhoe segment may now be negotiated with ease. This month's run was planned for Sunday at this very venue, however four of our regular rally participants are engaged for a hoverstint at Carrara Oval for some half-time entertainment during the Brisbane Bears verses West Coast Eagles VFL match. With apologies to interested club members who work on Saturday, the date has been moved forward to the 16th April and the meeting time is 9-30am at Twin Bridges, which is approximately 2km past Fernvale on the Esk Road (Brisbane Valley Highway). The turn-off is on the left near the beginning of the concrete paving.

The following details of the trip are provided by Des Goss.
Twin Bridges to Kholo.

Without a doubt, one of the best hovercrafting trips in Brisbane and surrounding area. Good for scenery, fresh water and plenty of fish around. A good test of hovercraft driving ability over 2 sets of rapids, low bridge and low tree branches in narrow channels together with a fast flowing current. The destination is Kholo and if anyone is interested a land party could be organized to meet at Savages Crossing for a picnic lunch. Fuel consumption - at least 40 litres. Distance is 30km each way. Note M.D.

The weather for last month's rally down the Maroochy River was dull, but it was great to hear that Phillip Audsley in his Turbo 225 and Tony Thatcher in his Turbo 240 ventured out for their first club event and had an enjoyable run with Mark Dobson, Des Goss and Angus Kerr. We hope to see Steve Koncz out with his Hoveroo the next time a run is held near the Sunshine Coast.

In other news for March, Peter Venn, Daniel Venn, Owen Thomas and Bob Neilsen participated in the Transport Expo on the Weekend 26th/27th at the Brisbane Exhibition grounds. Peter and Daniel were exhibiting their World Expo 88 craft in a static display, Owen Thomas gave rides in his giant 18 ft Turbo and Bob Neilsen, during an afternoon demo on No 2 arena, caught a 2 second glimpse on the 6 o'clock news.

During the last 3 months, Peter and Daniel Venn have been busy preparing for hovercraft rides on the Brisbane River in participation with World Expo 88.

The QASH reporters have been out hounding for a scoop on this exciting Brisbane Hover-affair and we now present for your reading pleasure, Peter Venn's exclusive news release.

Operators: Larry Lewis, Angus Kerr, Charles Julian,
Bob Neilsen, Darryl Simpkins, Gary Sullivan,
Daniel Venn, Peter Venn and David Butler.

Ticket Sellers: Elsie Stead, Diane Lewis, Esther Venn and
Daphne Venn.

Uniforms:

Operators: Green and gold
shirts, black track suit trousers,
A.L.H.S. motto, Expo badges and hat.

Ticket Sellers: Gold blouse, black skirts, cream jackets,
cream hats, A.L.H.S. motto and Expo badges.

Hovercraft: Four Turbo 240s - green and gold.
Bob Neilsen and Angus Kerr's private craft as
back-up.

Hovercraft Fare: \$ 8-00 for 5 minutes on the water.

Launching: Board hovercraft on a 35 tonne floating pontoon.
(Pontoon weighs 20 tonne with 15 tonne of sand
ballast and is 25 metres in length including the
ramps.)

Each craft is expected to operate for approximately 1400
hours during the 6 month period April to October.
The operators have had to sit for a theory lesson and a
gruelling driver training programme with the main aim of
carrying four passengers and keeping them dry even during
times of heavy river traffic.

1. Basics at King Island. 3 hours of simple manoeuvres.
2. Large figure 8s on mud and water. 3 hours.
3. Tight cornering and downwind turns about buoys.
Straight line landings in certain distances with varying
wind directions. Obstructed landing approaches. 3 hours.
4. Manoeuvres under load. 3/4 maximum payload test.
Better accuracy while staying dry.
Follow the leader with varying loads. Sudden shutdowns.
Restricted power trials. Steering without rudders. Sudden
load shifts. Continuous 360 degree turns and simulated
force induced plough-ins. 11 hours.

For the opening of World Expo 88, the Victorian Turbo Team will be providing river entertainment with a spectacular starwars display utilizing spaceship canopies and explosive charges.

The operators for this exciting stunt are Ken Osmond, Paul Mott, Paul Moody, Brian Watts, Gavin Dehn, Bob Craig, Owen Ellis and Peter Djurovich.

With a little bit of luck Ken Osmond, who is President of the Hovercraft Association of Victoria Inc., will be arriving in Brisbane on the 14th April and will be attending our club meeting on Wednesday, 20th April.

The Turbo Team will be hard pressed for time, however we extend an invitation for a combined club rally either on the Brisbane River or maybe in Pumicestone Passage near Bribie Island.

Regarding hovercraft insurance, Ken Osmond will be providing first hand information about the federation insurance scheme, also I encourage you to apply to Andrew Oliver of Independant Insurance Agents, P.O. Box 529, Wynnum, Qld 4178 for a no obligation quotation and also, if anyone is interested in obtaining cover through Lloyds, Bob Neilsen has found the Brisbane agent to be very co-operative. Contact Ralph Cornford of Wenck Nominees, Personal Insurances, Subsidiary of Lloyds, Ph 8393866 Ahrs 2657342.

As mentioned in the March newsletter, this coming meeting will be an annual general meeting.

Nominations in writing received so far are:-

Graham Jones	Treasurer	Moved by	Bob Bumstead
		Seconded by	John Rapley
Steven Odgaard	Secretary	Moved by	Grahame Jones
		Seconded by	John Rapley
Mark Dobson	President	Moved by	John Russell
		Seconded by	Peter Venn
Mark Dobson	Race Official	Moved by	Owen Thomas
		Seconded by	John Rapley
Des Goss	President	Moved by	Bob Bumstead
		Seconded by	Owen Thomas
Des Goss	Vice-President	Moved by	Steven Odgaard
		Seconded by	Angus Kerr
John Russell	Treasurer	Moved by	Angus Kerr
		Seconded by	Mark Dobson

On behalf of the committee I wish to welcome Owen Thomas of Acacia Ridge and Phillip Hughes of North Arm Cove, Sydney as new members and also welcome back to Chris Goodhew of Woollongabba.

The 11th General Meeting is convened for 7-30pm, Wednesday ,
20th April 1988 at Archerfield Airport in the Sporting
Aircraft Association of Australia building.
Note, this will be an annual general meeting to elect a new
committee for the 1988-1989 financial year.

See you there.....

Steve Odgaard
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Wanted to buy: Flywheel and Stator Plate for an EC44 PM
Robin engine. Contact LLOYD Wilding,
Cairns Ph. 070 515446.

For Sale: 1. Scarab 2 Hovercraft, Plywood Hull, Yellow,
Comfortable Foam Bench seat for two side by side,
High Windscreen for wind and spray protection,
Spot light and navigation lights for night travel
Twin fan thrust powered by 28hp industrial engine
Ram air intake for lift fan.
Top speed approximately 70 km/hr.
Ideal cruising craft.
With trailer \$ 3,500

Contact Daniel Venn Ph 2072759

2. Complete thrust unit to suit a Turbo 225.
Robin EC44PM engine , 9 bladed multiwing fan,
belts and pulleys, duct, upper and lower frame
and rubbers.
Fair condition \$ 2,500

Contact John Russell Ph 3497163

3. Turbo 240 Hovercraft, fibreglass, 3 tone blue,
with trailer. Brand new condition. \$ 12,500

Contact Mark Dobson Ph 8084395

4. Cyclone Hovercraft, fibreglass, white,
with trailer. Good condition.

Contact Murray Russell Ph 8121136
North Ipswich

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The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 11

RULE 23—POWER-DRIVEN VESSELS UNDERWAY

- (a) A power-driven vessel underway shall exhibit—
- (i) a masthead light forward;
 - (ii) a second masthead light abaft of and higher than the forward one; except that a vessel of less than 50 metres in length shall not be obliged to exhibit such light but may do so;
 - (iii) sidelights;
 - (iv) a sternlight.
- (b) An air-cushion vessel when operating in the non-displacement mode shall, in addition to the lights prescribed in paragraph (a) of this Rule, exhibit an all-round flashing yellow light.
- (c)—
- (i) a power-driven vessel of less than 12 metres in length may in lieu of the lights prescribed in paragraph (a) of this Rule exhibit an all-round white light and sidelights;
 - (ii) a power-driven vessel of less than 7 metres in length whose maximum speed does not exceed 7 knots may in lieu of the lights prescribed in paragraph (a) of this Rule exhibit an all-round white light and shall, if practicable, also exhibit sidelights;
 - (iii) the masthead light or all-round white light on a power-driven vessel of less than 12 metres in length may be displaced from the fore and aft centreline of the vessel if centreline fitting is not practicable, provided that the sidelights are combined in one lantern which shall be carried on the fore and aft centreline of the vessel or located as nearly as practicable in the same fore and aft line as the masthead light or the all-round white light.

