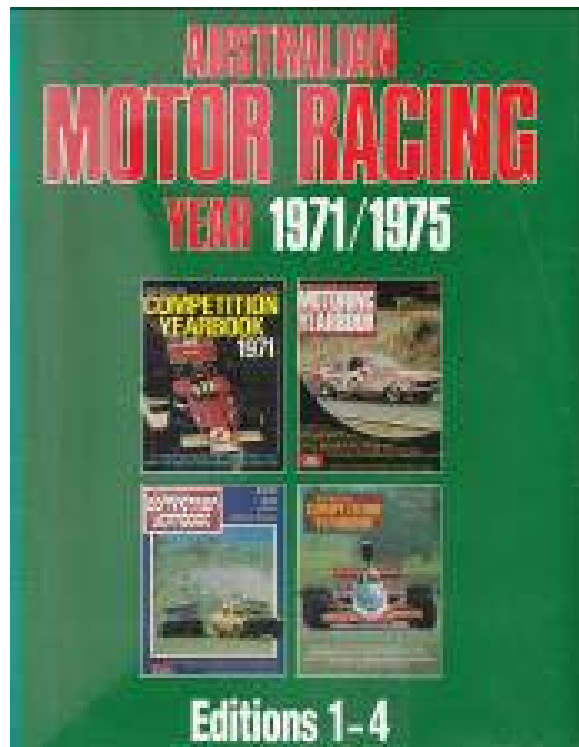


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Almost all of the text, results and photographs contained in this article up to 1991 were taken from Chevron Publishing Group's "Motor Racing" Yearbooks.

These books, produced annually, gave (and still give!) a most comprehensive and wonderful history of Australian motor sport from 1969 (with the exception of 1971, which was destroyed in a fire before it could be published, more is the shame).

The rally fraternity (as with other motor sport disciplines) owes much to these Yearbooks (as it does to Max Stahl's "Racing Car News") for the gratifying record that it provides us today with the history of the sport for a period of 20 to 40 years ago.

Tom Floyd and Ray Berghouse were the main instigators of the Yearbooks, which grew out of "Australian Motoring News", Australia's first successful motor racing newspaper, started in 1969, originated by Tom and that doyen of motoring journalists, Bill Tuckey.

That AMN was successful can be reflected in the often quoted "Australian Muttering News", an affectionate (?) term that it received once it was firmly established. (Its keen rival "Auto Action" was universally known as the "Fish and Chips Wrapper"!!)

By the end of the eighties the editions of the Yearbooks from 1971 to 1979 were so scarce that Tom and Ray took the risk of producing a two-volume Limited Edition of 500 copies (verified by audit!) and these were very quickly sold.

So, to Chevron Publishing Group, our sincere appreciation of their extremely kind permission to reproduce the material contained herein.

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