

# MOTORING CLUBS

**T**HE Melbourne to Sydney Economy Trial run by the GMH Motoring Club was a great success and proved to be a marathon of self-control on the part of all drivers.

The first group of cars left Fishermen's Bend on Thursday evening and spent the night at Holbrook. They were picked up there by the second group of cars, which started at 4.50 a.m. on a cold and foggy Good Friday morning.

Tank filling at the intermediate stops went quite smoothly and all cars finished within the time allowed.

The winners of the various trophies were:—

*Mobilgas Trophy* (for best ton miles per gallon—all classes):

D. Brett (Holden FC), 53.81 T.M.P.G.

*Lovitt Trophy* (for best miles per gallon—under 1500 c.c.):

J. Pesti (Volkswagen), 46.02 M.P.G. (41.99 T.M.P.G.).

*Priestly Trophy* (for best miles per gallon—Holden FJ and 48/215):

M. Cranston (Holden FJ), 32.63 M.P.G. (52.61 T.M.P.G.).

*Tucker Trophy* (for best miles per gallon—Holden FE and FC):

D. Brett (Holden FC), 36.48 M.P.G. (53.81 T.M.P.G.).

Overall results were worked out on a points basis. Tony Roberts and Larry Misson tied for first place with 111 points each, so a tie-breaking event was run. They had to drive from the start to a flag, pick it up and bring it back to a drum. Tony Roberts dropped the flag but his tenacity in going back and picking up the flag was rewarded as Larry Misson knocked over the drum and was disqualified. The trophy, a mounted clock, donated by Charlie Goddard, went to Tony Roberts.

The first ten placings were:—

1, Tony Roberts (M.), 113 points; 2, Larry Misson (S.), 111 points; 3, Dave Anthony (S.), 110½ points; 4, Les Simmons (S.), 99 points; 5, Jim McAuliffe (M.), 98 points; 6, John Bey (M.), 97 points; 7, Graham Poinnie (S.), 93 points; 8, Bob Waugh (M.), 92 points; 9, John Yarrington (S.), 90 points, and Mark McInnes (M.), 90 points; 10, Steve Gould (S.), 89 points, and Frank Sanson (S.), 89 points.

All agreed that the Pagewood division of the Club did a mighty job in organising and carrying out a splendid week-end's entertainment for those Melbourne members who ventured to Sydney for Easter.

**Above:** Flagging out the first car on the Thursday evening start at Fishermen's Bend. From left those in the photo are: MARK McINNES, Plant 3; DICK BRETT, Frigidaire; BOB WAUGH; FRED CUMBERLAND, Plant 6; PETER HAAS, Plant 3; BRIAN LEAKE, Plant 6; JIM McAULIFFE, Plant 3; JOHN BEY, Tool Room, Plant 6; JACK JOHNSON (Mobilgas).

