



# Cross Flow



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**General Meeting to be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> July  
From 8pm**

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**Presidents Report.**

June was a busy month for me, what about you? And July will be just as busy. With the normal type club championship day on the 9<sup>th</sup> July and a twilight kxanacross on the 29<sup>th</sup> July. The twilight event is going to be something different for our new members but some of the senior members will relish the chance to turn the lights on again. As this event is before the August General Meeting please put in your diaries now.

The June round of the club championship was held in near perfect conditions and thanks to the maintenance crew the track was great for most of the day. Once again Barry Farnell showed why he has been club champion for the 2 years with a strong day out in his VR-4.

On a downer about the day though was the behavior of some of the people when leaving the Bagshot complex. This has been a problem for many years now and with more residences being built in the area we, as a club needs to be more vigilant. I don't believe that it would have been one of our club members but if anybody sees or hears of anybody doing this could you pass the information on to a committee member so that the relevant authorities can be let know.

With the end of the membership year now here I hope that you all have renewed your memberships, you will need to if you wish to compete at Bagshot on the 9<sup>th</sup> July.

**Yours in Motorsport.  
Craig Button  
President Bendigo Car Club**

## Upcoming events to remember

<b>9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Khanacross/ Motorkhana</b>	<b>Bagshot</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Twilight Khanacross</b>	<b>Bagshot</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> &amp; 30<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>VORC Round 3</b>	<b>Bagshot</b>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>VCAS Autocross(CCC)</b>	<b>Bagshot</b>

## OFFICIALS ARE REQUIRED

Over the next couple of months we are conducting two separate round of a Victorian Championship, first is the Round 3, Victorian Off Road Championship on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> July. Then for the first time in many years we are holding a round of the Victorian Motorkhana Championship at the Huntly Livestock Exchange on the week end of the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of September.

Officials are required for both events. If you can help out at the Off Road event please contact Craig Button 0427 511158 or for the Motorkhana Brian Shanahan 03 5442 5439. Meals and refreshments will be provided.

## Sporting Report

### Round 4 Bendigo Car Club Championships

The weather for the June round of the Bendigo Car Club championship was near perfect. Barry Farnell and Brock Snowden went head to head for the first time this year with Barry coming out on top by a mere 8.5 seconds, John Strauch followed in 3<sup>rd</sup> a further 11 seconds behind Brock. Mathew Stratford once again took the junior honours in the khanacross in 6<sup>th</sup> Outright, ahead of Adrian Hill 12<sup>th</sup> Outright and Paul Sutherland in 19<sup>th</sup> Outright. In the ladies Even after a WD Renee Larter in 36<sup>th</sup> was ahead of Melissa Mackenzie in 41<sup>st</sup>.

In the Motorkhana Mathew Strafford was looking good until the last run when his Gemini stalled and failed to finish costing him the overall win, this promoted Jon Madden in front of him by 11 seconds and in 3<sup>rd</sup> was Tony Moore a further 9 seconds behind Mathew. One of the drives of the day was Harley Gill, competing in his first year, took 2<sup>nd</sup> junior and 5<sup>th</sup> outright

## COMPLEX MAINTENANCE

There was a working bee held on the 25<sup>th</sup> June, this was called late but there was a good attendance with much achieved including cleaning out of the Machinery shed, which now that the new grader is going could be accessed. Plans for the new toilet block have been drawn up, and the crew marked it out on site on Sunday. It will include a separate unisex disabled toilet, which will also incorporate parenting facilities. There have been provisions made for showers at a later date as well.

The new grader is now going and Jim indicated that it would make track preparation a lot quicker. On his test drive he prepared the Autocross track and tackled some of the Off Road track, this was done in about 3 hours, compared to over one day. All we need now is more rain to consolidate the track more.

### **CAR CLUB MERCHANDISE**

T Shirts \$23, Windcheaters \$30 and Baseball stye caps \$15 are still available. Also, limited numbers of cloth patches with the club logo are available for \$6ea. Those interested should contact John Hardiman. Otherwise there will be some available at General Meetings and the Canteen on race days.

### **OFF ROAD NEWS**

June seen the running of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Mallee Rally, with 4 crews from the Bendigo Car Club attempting the challenge. Unfortunately all failed to make the 4 laps, first to stop was Ken Holt in his Raptor suffering an engine failure after one and a third lap, shortly after was Craig Button once again tearing the centre out of the clutch just half a lap further than Ken, Paul Volta completed 2 laps before retiring with suspension problems, Nick Greenman managed to complete 3 laps before calling it a day in the Anne Parker Hilux with front tail shaft problems.

Also on the long weekend Greg Harris and Cameron McClelland competed in the Finke Rally near Alice Springs. Cameron driving Greg's Raptor finished the event in 1<sup>st</sup> in Class 2 and 15<sup>th</sup> outright. Well Done!!

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## **Something to ponder**

### **WHAT DO RETIRED PEOPLE or those on sabbatical DO ALL DAY?**

Working people frequently ask retired people what they do to make their days interesting. Well for example, the other day I went into town and went into a shop. I was only in there for about 5 minutes, when I came out there was a cop writing out a parking ticket. I went up to him and said, "Come on man, how about giving a senior citizen a break?" He ignored me and continued writing the ticket. I called him a Nazi turd. He glared at me and started writing another ticket for having worn tires. So, I called him a shit head. He finished the second ticket and put it on the windshield with the first. Then he started writing a third ticket. This went on for about 20 minutes. The more I abused him, the more tickets he wrote. Personally, I didn't care. I came into town by bus. I try to have a little fun each day now that I'm retired. It's important at my age.

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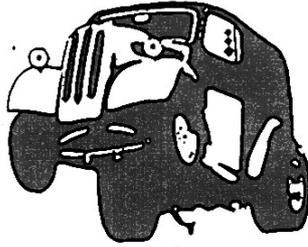
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