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BENDIGO CAR CLUB

P.O. Box 361, Bendigo. 3552

March 2010

Up coming events

5 th March	March General Meeting	Maiden Gully Clubroom
7 th March	Rd 1 BCC Championship	Bagshot MSC
21 st March	BCC Junior Challenge	Bagshot MSC
3 rd April	Salesyard Dash	Huntly Livestock Ex

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Presidents Report.

The BCC championship kicks of this coming Sunday (7th March) in earnest with a khanacross and motorkhana under our regular format. Something new for this year will be a new officials roster on our club championship days, see below, this is to spread the load across all on the day not just the 6 or 7 people who normally do 95% of the work.

This year the Bendigo Car Club celebrates a major milestone. In November 1950 a group of motoring enthusiasts held a meeting to form the Bendigo Car Club. A few years later the newly formed club became the Bendigo Branch of the Light Car Club of Australia. In the late 1980's the LCCA suffered financial difficulty and the current Bendigo Car Club Inc was formed. The current committee is planning to mark the occasion of the original meeting and would like members to suggest how we could do this.

For the first time in many years we were able to conduct the BCC Presentation evening without any weather related problems. The weather was warm but with the new air conditioners working well for the more than 80 members in attendance. As well as the various class champions, Brendan Paynting was crowned the 2009 BCC outright champion and Tanya Hardiman was crowned the 2009 BCC ladies champion. There was also special presentations to Max Jackman in appreciation of his support over the years and Peter Valentine for being the 2009 Clubman of the year.

The BCC training day was ran on the 7th February with more than 50 participants and all the feed back was very positive. The members have asked if these sorts of events could be run more often but with the calendar as it at the moment it would be difficult to schedule one in. However there are possibilities and options to look at and the committee will be open for suggests and give feed back when available.

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



Craig Button, President (left) With 2009 BCC outright Champion, Brendan Paynting.

Max Jackman (left) receiving his recognition plate from Kevin Symons (Vice President)



Peter Valentine (left) accepting his Clubman of the year award from 2007 Clubman Roger Hall



Peter Panozzo testing his new air-ride front suspension at the recent BCC training day

BCC event roster

To make the BCC club championship days run with sufficient offices the committee took suggestion from members and this is what is to be adopted.

The entry list is broken up in to groups of 15. For example: Group 1, (1 to 5, J1 to J5 and 6 to 10), Group 2 (11 to 25), Group 3 (26 to 40) and Group 4 (41 to 55)

A “team leader” will be nominated out of each group and they will be the go to person for the Event Director and other officials from their group on the day.

At driver's briefing a draw will take place as to which group will official when.

On the run when drivers are officiating on they will have their run at the back of the field, this does not matter which group is drawn when.

If somebody is not able to take their turn they must be able to arrange a replacement for themselves.

A list of names in which group will be placed on the notice board so everybody is aware on who is suppose to be officiating when.

If a member who is suppose to be on duty and they are not there and has not given advice as to why the event will stop until the position is filled.

As the year goes on it is expected that we will there may be tweaks to this procedure so please give it a go and make comments on it after we trial it for the first time and not just dismiss it straight away.

2010 Easter Events

Planning for this years Easter Salesyard Dash event is well underway, once again the public will be invited to come along and see some of our club’s best drivers in action. It is planned once again to have a display area set up for BCC members along with others to show off their pride and joy. Several other clubs have been asked to include it on their activity calendar as a promotion tool for them as well. Also after last years success of local media challenge, an invitation will go out for a 2010 Media challenge.

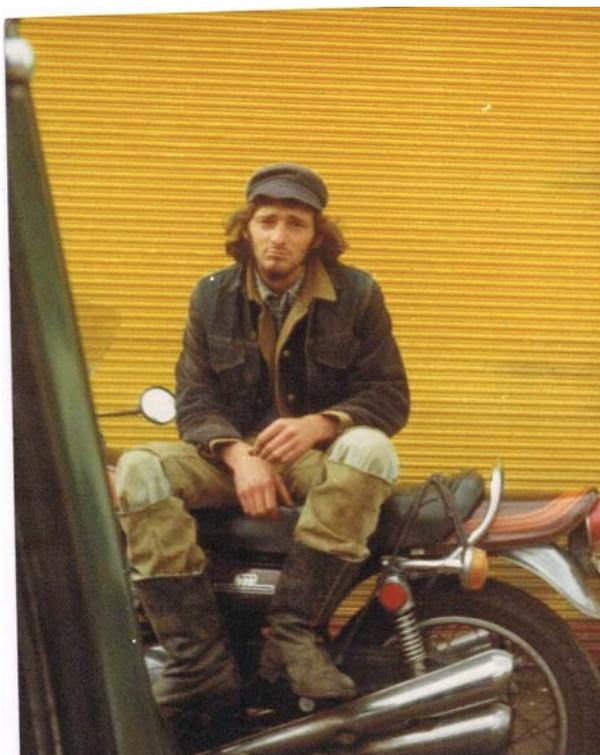
Planning is also progressing to have a display in the Easter Monday Gala Parade, the theme of this years parade is Past, Present and the Future. It is hoped that we can persuade up to 6 members to participate. What we would like is a couple of vehicles that represent the 3 eras of the club. Craig Hardiman will be co-ordinating this with the guidance of the committee.

BCC Championship Eligibility

To be eligible for the 2010 Bendigo Car Club Championship members must nominate and officiate at least one of the non BCC championship events. This nomination can be changed at anytime during the year. If an event is over subscribed with official's preference will be a first in first served basis. Below is a list of events which this regulation applies to.

21 st March	Junior Challenge Khanacross and Motorkhana
12 th June	Centre State Mopars Salesyard Motorkhana
18 th July	Ladies day
21 st & 22 nd August	Victorian Off Road Championship
18 th September	Victorian Motorkhana Championship Rd
16 th October	Australian Motorkhana Championship (TBC)
16 th & 17 th October	Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb
14 th November	Off Road Mallee Shield

Each month a list of members a list of volunteers will be published in the Crossflow and the website to let members know when it is their turn. Members may also be contacted to help out at extra events if enough volunteers are not obtained.



Guess who??

Maintenance Report.

As most of you are aware Craig Hardiman has organised some work that has been done at the Maiden Gully clubrooms. Some of these are easily seen, painting etc. but there has been other activities as well such as the replacement of damaged stumps and the levelling of the front wall. Craig has a list of items that he has worked on and if anybody would like to help him, please contact him to see what can be done.

Roger Hall has once again been a busy boy out at Bagshot getting the track prepared for the next event and a working bee is to take place after this edition was to go to press.

If you have a report on any event/activity you wish to let us know about please send to enquires@bendigocarclub.com.au

Address updating

If you move house or change email address could you please let us know so we can keep you informed and up to date.

Postal address updates can be done by contacting Gary Doherty.

Email address updates to enquires@bendigocarclub.com.au

BCC Junior Development Cars

The club is lucky enough to have several vehicles that have been donated us for the use of juniors. Some of these cars need some TLC; if anybody would like to adopt one of these cars and help maintain them it would be much appreciated.

Unfortunately over the last 6 months 2 of the club's JD cars have been damaged beyond viable repair. As a result all these cars will be being fitted with "Emergency Stop" buttons on the dash.

These buttons will "kill" the ignition and slow the vehicle.

All Adult passengers are to make themselves familiar with these and use them if the trainee/junior driver is driving above a safe level of control.

TOTAL FIRE BAN DAY POLICY

On days of Total Fire Ban there will be no activities conducted at the Bagshot Motorsports Complex. This also includes events, track maintenance, private practise, etc.

NEW POSITIONS WITHIN THE BCC

The Bendigo Car Club is looking for enthusiastic members that would like to organise social activities for members of the club, whether it is a social tour or a shopping trip to Melbourne. If you think you fit the bill, please approach any of the committee and we can start from there.

CLUB MERCHANDISE

T Shirts	\$23,
Windcheaters	\$30
Baseball style caps	\$15
Club Logo Cloth patches	\$10 (Limited)

Those interested should contact **Cheryl Holt** .

Otherwise there will be some available at General Meetings and the Canteen on race days.

Cheryl Holt has been doing some research in to long sleeve tops for use by members, if you are interested in these please contact her so she can estimate how are required.

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