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BENDIGO CAR CLUB

P.O. Box 361, Bendigo. 3552

October 2011

Up coming events

6 th October	BCC Annual General Meeting	Maiden Gully
15 th & 16 th October	Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb	Maldon
6 th November	Bagshot VCAS Hill Climb	Bagshot
20 th November	Off Road Mallee Shield	Bagshot

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60th Anniversary Key Rings

Mick Elvey still has a few key rings to commemorate the club's 60th year last year. If you would like to secure yours please contact Mick.

WANTED:

Crossflow editor/compiler.

If you think you can help with a strong communication link for our club please contact Craig Button

Presidents Report.

As you can guess, by reading this monthly report, I have been reappointed by the committee as president of this great club, in fact the only change that was made to the club executive was Craig Hardiman being elected at Vice President, taking over from Kevin Symons who has held this position for many years. On behalf of the rest of the club I would like to thank Kevin for filling this role for as long as he did, he will still be on the committee as a general member and I'm sure he will still heckle me as usual from the back stalls in meetings. This is Craig Hardiman's second year on the committee this time around; he was on the committee many years ago and in recent years has been a very active committee member taking on the role of Maiden Gully caretaker. I look forward to working with Craig in continuing with improvements with the club.

Last month we tried something different with the twilight event by having a motorkhana and autocross on the same day, from my stand point the event went off very well, I am interested in hearing from any members with comments about it, good, bad or indifferent.

By the time you read this newsletter the October BCC monthly event will have been run and won.

The key event for this month is the Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb. Once again this is a very important event on any calendar and volunteers are needed for both Saturday and Sunday, please consider and let Peter Valentine or Kevin Symons know if you can help out over the weekend. Next year the club will be taking full ownership of the event after many years running it jointly with the VSCC. A sub-committee will continue to run the event as it is now, this is along with the Easter Salesyard event is a great opportunity to strengthen the image of the club with competitors from around the state.

On to next month, the BCC Hill Climb on the 6th November will still be around of the BCC championship, it has also been taken on as a VCAS round, so if you are planning to have a run you will have to get your entry in early.

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

CH PLATE SCHEME.

A reminder to all club members who are using this scheme that you must renew your membership otherwise your permit lapses. If you use your car without renewing your membership you are driving an unregistered, uninsured vehicle.

Vicroads will be notified of un-financial members who are using the scheme.

If you have a car that was on the scheme and is no longer please let me know, as the permit is not transferable if the vehicle is sold.

Permit renewal forms are printed with 45 or 90 days. If you wish to change the number of days a new form will need to be completed

The club also requires that a vehicle inspection be done on an annual basis; these can be obtained from Norm Brown at **Specialist Brake and Clutch** in Golden Square or **Roger Hall** in Myers Flat.

John Orr

Club Permit Scheme Official

Event Reports

3rd September BCC Twilight

What an event! 32 entries in the autocross and 10 in the motorkhana, the club tried this format in favour of the khanacross/motorkhana. Weather conditions on the day allowed numerous runs in both events, a total of 7 autocross runs and 18, yes 18 motorkhana tests, 4 of which were after the tea break. I'm sure there would have been some very tired people by the end of it.

Some moisture in the track and a hard surface, along with enough wind in the right direction meant that dust was not a problem for all concerned.

Autocross

There were battles right through the class's, including inter-family rivalries.

Overall and Class D honours went to Brendan Paynting ahead of Jim Gill and John Hardiman in a fleet of Subaru WRXs, Class C saw John Strauch took the win after getting back into the Beige Pig (Nissan Skyline) after having a drive of a Hyundai at the last event. Second in class C was Marcus Houston (Subaru Leone) ahead of Roger Hall in a Holden Commodore.

The winner of Class B had to do it with 2 cars, Doug Adams started the day in his new acquired black BMW but during the day Nathan had a little problem with the car not going where he wanted it to damaging the front suspension. Doug then shared Josh Watson's BMW who finished second to Doug. Third was Brian Semmins in his sons Nissan Bluebird.

Class A had two battles going on all day with Murray and Steven Mackenzie duelling for the win while Dean Smith and Ross Batson fighting over the minor place. In the end it was Murray taking the win over Steven by 3 seconds with Dean Smith taking third less than 2 seconds further back.

Harley Gill was again the leading junior in the Subaru with Brent Mackenzie in the family Hyundai in second ahead of Stephen Rosenow in third.

Jessica Farrar (Toyota Corolla) and Melissa Debnam ("Beige Pig") battled for the ladies honours. In the end, even having to contend with some Bagshot natives on one of her night runs, Jessica lead Melissa by 3 seconds.

Motorkhana

Most competitors were unsure how the evening session was going to play out, but once again, the wind was sufficient that the dust cleared well allowing drivers to see using their head lights.

10 drivers took up the challenge, early on Stephen Rosenow showed the rest of the field how to do it, but as the day/night went on the field closed, with Ross Batson and Brian Shanahan pushing each other from the start, they both suffered a wrong direction in the third run meaning they both had to stay "clean for the rest of the event if they wanted to finish well, and they did. In the end Ross Batson took the win over Brian Shanahan by 7 seconds with the early leader and best placed junior Stephen Rosenow in third 11 seconds further back. Jessica Farrar and Harley Gill filled the final junior placings.

BCC SOCIAL GROUP

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.

Private Practise

The policy regarding private practise at Bagshot is listed on the club website.

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

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.

CLUB MERCHANDISE

The club merchandise is being reviewed and Cheryl Holt is trying to organize a new range for members. Those interested should contact Cheryl.

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