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General Meetings  
First Thursday of Each Month

**October 2012**



**BENDIGO CAR CLUB**

# Upcoming events

4 <sup>th</sup> October	BCC General Meeting	Maiden Gully
13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb	Maldon
11 <sup>th</sup> November	BCC VCAS, Autocross and Motorkhana	Bagshot
25 <sup>th</sup> November	George the Janitor's fun run rally	State wide

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# **BAGSHOT WORKING BEE**

## **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October from 9:00am**

### **Presidents Report.**

For some reason this time of the year just seems to get busier and busier with our normal BCC club championship days and other key events such as the Huntly VMC round filling in the gaps. This doesn't include events that we hire out Bagshot to other clubs. In September a new club hired Bagshot for the first time to conduct a vintage motorbike enduro call a Vinduro and from the feedback that we have received they will be coming back again.

As you are all aware we are not conducting a BCC championship round in October, this is due to two reasons, firstly most of our key officials will be concentrating on making sure that the Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb is run to the high standard that it deserves. And secondly there are just not enough weekends in the month to fit everything in.

While on the subject of Mt Tarrengower, plans are progressing well with about 70 cars and 20 bikes entered for this year's event. Peter

Valentine and the rest of the hill climb committee are to be congratulated in for their work so far and I ask that as many of our members as possible get behind them and offer their help over the weekend.

As noted above we have a working bee planned for the 21<sup>st</sup> October to have a cleanup of the old toilets and tidy the general area up for the 2 large events to be held at Bagshot for 2012. These are the October HRA Rally Sprint and a VCAS round in November. As per usual a BBQ lunch will be supplied on the day.

Finally the committee is currently looking at the 2013 calendar most of it will be very similar to this year but there may be some little surprises install.

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

### **2012 Bendigo Car Club Championship**

This year to be eligible for points in this year's club championship members have to nominate at least 2 non championship events that are run by the Bendigo Car Club in this calendar year. A nomination form will be available at the monthly events, as well as at the general meetings. A register will be kept and each month a list of nominated officials for the next event will be posted in the Crossflow. If a member does not nominate for their events they will not be listed in the points posted, the same goes if they do not attend the nominated events without prior notification.

### **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 Darryl Wensley.

Email address updates to [enquires@bendigocarclub.com.au](mailto:enquires@bendigocarclub.com.au)

## Mackenzie Brothers ready for Final

After electing to skip the last round of the Rallyschool Australian Junior Challenge, brothers Steven and Brent Mackenzie have taken the opportunity to make further development to their newly built Ford Fiesta. Although taking a convincing win at the Queensland round of the Rallyschool Junior Challenge the boys are still not satisfied. In search of more pace the car has undergone a few small modifications making for a lighter and more powerful vehicle.

Using the recent Mt Porepunkah ralliesprint as a shakedown before tackling the Rallyschool Australian Junior Challenge final in Coffs Harbor. Steven was keen to adjust a few settings on the DMS suspension in search of more mid corner grip and greater traction. By the end of the event Steven was happy with the progress made, “we’ve made a handful of changes, some good, some not so good. But at the end of the day the car feels better and we now know the direction we need to keep going” Steven stated.

This was also a great opportunity for 17 year old co-driver Brent to gain a bit more pace note experience, being only his second year in the seat, and having only done 3 pace noted events together the boys are constantly making changes to their system. Brent walking away from the event happy with the progress and changes to their notes, “we haven’t had a lot of competitive time in the car together recently, but we haven’t forgotten how important notes are. We have spent many hours on forest roads around Bendigo improving the way I write and deliver the instructions recently” Brent said.

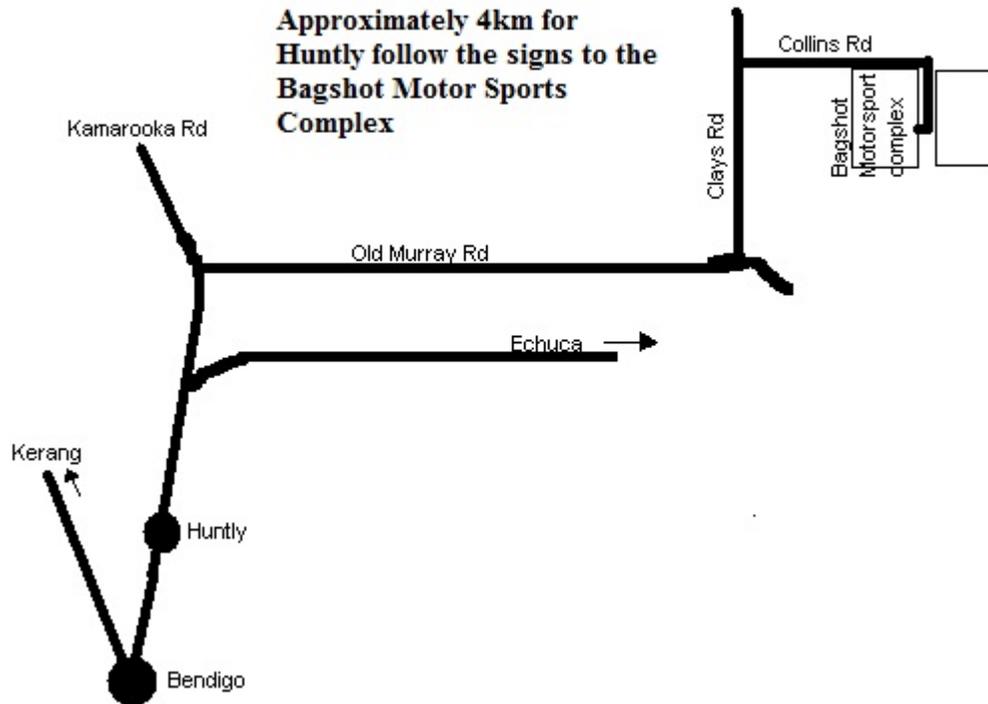
The team isn’t taking the competition lightly, with Adam Casmiri being in fine form at recent events, the determined South Australian teams of Michael Busby and Guy Tyler, and Luke Page having a change of car the pair are looking forward to a close battle and will need to push hard from the start to be a chance.

Steven & Brent are currently supported by; Bendigo Tyre Centre, Moro & Dooley Accident Repair, Perrows Automotive Paints, Bendigo Specialist Brake & Clutch, Innes Motors, Northern Victorian Assessors. Photo by Paul Mollison



## TRAVELLING TO AND FROM THE BAGSHOT MOTORSPORTS COMPLEX

Due to road conditions and agreements made with local land owners, members are reminded to travel to and from the complex via Clay's and Collins Road. Recently several competitors towing trailers have been using Wirike Road south of the complex gate. Unfortunately most GPS units will direct you down this way. Please follow the posted signs from the Midland Hwy at the Kamarooka/Lockington intersection to the complex.



### 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.

## VICROADS CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

As you all should be aware, the recent changes to the Vicroads Club Permit Scheme have opened up freedoms on the use of vehicles. This has led to an increase of enquiries and demands for it from members and prospective members of our club. Due to this, there has been some concern that some people may take advantage of the cheap “rego” offered by the scheme without putting anything back into the club. As a result, the committee have moved that some requirements be placed on members who have vehicles on the Vicroads Club Permit Scheme, they are as follows.

Members who have vehicle/s on the Vicroads Club Permit Scheme must participate in at least two (2) activities that the Bendigo Car Club is involved within a membership year. It is the member’s responsibility to maintain proof of this for the permits officer at time of renewal, a suggestion of this proof is get an official of the attended function to sign your Vicroads Logbook.

The club activities that are eligible for this are:

- Monthly General Meetings
- Club run motorsport events, competitor or official
- Social tours
- Working Bees

### **60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Key Rings**

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

**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 REPORT**

### **BCC Twilight Autocross and Motorkhana 8-9-12**

Conditions were near on perfect for the BCC championship round at Bagshot on the 8<sup>th</sup> September. The track was hard after rain during preparation and this stayed that way all day/night. The action was not only on the long track, the motorkhana was as intense with 16 juniors of the 23 drivers. At the end of the night Brian Shanahan was only 4 seconds ahead of Ross Batson with the leading junior Stephen Rosenow in third. The best placed lady was Jessica Farrar in 6<sup>th</sup> outright. The autocross was a battle of the Subaru's with Brendan Paynting taking the win ahead of Brad Hall and Darryl Wensley in third. In the other class's, Rod Martin was the sole runner in class C in the XU1 Torana finishing 8<sup>th</sup> outright. Class B saw Sean Hudgson in a Datsun 1600 take the win in 6<sup>th</sup> outright with Josh Watson in second in a BMW. In the biggest class of the field class A, Dean Smith took the honours in 7<sup>th</sup> outright, with Ross Batson second and Peter Hardiman third. Stephen Rosenow followed up his motorkhana win to take out the juniors in the autocross with Jessica Farrar, who was also the leading lady, second ahead Jack Barnaby in third.

### **BCC VMC Round 22<sup>nd</sup> September at Huntly.**

The sun was shining on the 38 drivers competing on the state championship motorkhana and the 11 juniors who took part in the JRace program. The day took a different format compared to previous years, with only 2 test areas being used and competitors had 5 runs in each area for a total of 10 runs, the other area normally used for competition was used for the CAMS JRace program which was co-ordinated by Ross Batson with the help of the CAMS representatives. Thank you to Ross and those that helped out on the day. This program from the early feedback is very encouraging, the juniors that participated in the program have indicated that they have learnt and experienced new things that will help them in the future. The motorkhana was taken out by Aaron Wullemin in the family run special. There were only 3 BCC members competing with Brian Shanahan being the best of them in 13<sup>th</sup> outright and 3<sup>rd</sup> in class. Stephen Rosenow was the best of the BCC juniors in 34<sup>th</sup> outright and 3<sup>rd</sup> junior with Mathew Shanahan 4<sup>th</sup> junior.

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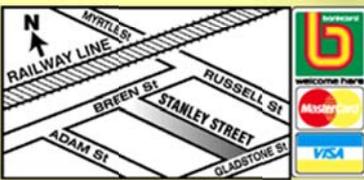


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