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P.O. Box 361, Bendigo. 3552

General Meetings

1st Thursday of Each Month from 8pm

September 2016



BENDIGO CAR CLUB

Upcoming BCC event

1 st September	BCC General Meeting	Maiden Gully
3 rd September	BCC Twilight Autocross/motorkhana	Bagshot
25 th September	Maryborough Wings and Wheels	Maryborough
15 th & 16 th October	Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb	Maldon

Bendigo Car Club Office Bearers 2015-2016

President:	Mick Elvey	Ph 0428 506492
Vice President:	Darden Brown	
Secretary	Daniel Rossi	
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Assistant Treasurer:	Brad Hall	
Membership Sec':	Jim Coombs	Ph 0407 330957
Property Officer:	Mick Elvey	Ph 0428 506492
Regular Members:	Kevin Symons, Chris Hume, Peter Valentine, Craig Button, Craig Hardiman	
Facilities Maintenance Coordinator	Mick Elvey	Ph 0428 50649

Presidents Report.

Here we are in the second half of the year, lots to do with some big events coming up. We will need lots of helpers. Our day night auto cross is next on our calendar this should be a good event.

We had our AGM and we have one new committee member which is Chris Hume we welcome him aboard.

Some points raised at the AGM have been followed up and as we thought the committee has done everything above board, it is as it has been for the last three years. If you have something to say or complain about come and talk to the right people. If you think

you can do a better job step up we are all volunteers that give our own time for you to enjoy your sport.

Thanks to all who ran the offroad event and to all the officials who helped out. How ironic is it that the offroaders in the club help out at all our events and working bees but when it comes for their event we struggle to get helpers so they can enjoy their event. Let's all work together so we can all enjoy OUR CLUB. Officials are needed at all events.

Mick Elvey
President

MAINTENANCE REPORT

There was a working bee on the 30th July with 14 workers on hand and another 6 turned up at the end of the day. The 14 received 20 points towards the club championship. We achieved a lot on the day with some safety walls finished, some track work done and the off road track graded for the HRA Rally Sprint.

Hopefully we can get parts of it resurfaced in the near future.

We are getting quotes for the toilet block to be finished and we have some new ideas in the pipeworks.

Track Complex Manager
Mick Elvey

Contact List

The Bendigo Car Club is a multi-disciplined motorsport club that gives its members the opportunity to compete in a wide range of activities. Below is a list of members who can be contacted in regard to specific disciplines of motorsport. It is also hoped that each month a list of upcoming events that our members are travelling to will be listed so that other members can go along and support their efforts.

Motorkhana Brian Shanahan

Khanacross/Autocross: Mick Elvey

Bitumen Sprints/ Circuit: David Dixon
Roger Hall

Rally Murray Mackenzie
Tony Moore

Officiating Peter Valentine
Lesley Smart

Off Road Craig Button
Jim Coombs
Ken Holt

Vicroads Club Permit Scheme: John Orr
Craig Button
Mick Elvey

CLUB EVENTS

In light of recent volunteer participation issues that the Club has faced at certain events, it has been suggested that perhaps a few positive initiatives should be entertained.

One point that has been highlighted is that *nobody* should be expected to assist if they have not been informed *how* they can assist. In light of this, at upcoming events with higher levels of participants, a very brief induction will be included as part of the drivers briefing, intended *for everybody*, on practical technical measures such as: *how* to conduct timing, car control/release and flag marshalling etc. An induction is also intended to assist with junior and newcomer development and mentoring, as well as to cover our backsides for insurance liability purposes.

It is hoped that if all attending are well informed through practical measures, participants will feel more forthcoming in offering assistance and be less apprehensive. It is expected that this will take time and leadership, so please bear with us as we try to introduce this and get it happening.

At this stage, we are hoping to avoid mandatory rostering or a user pay system, and would much rather foster volunteer participation through inclusive and pro-active leadership measures. If anybody has any great ideas to encourage volunteering at events we would love to hear your thoughts at the next event or club meeting.

Robert Andre

SOMETHING SAID BY ONE, BUT THOUGHT BY MANY

Lately questions have been asked about Mt Tarrengower event and whether the event provides any money to the club for the effort that is put in. This is a very valid point and one that club members would be better to actually see me personally for an answer or bring it up at a club meeting.

The club has a timing system that has been used at a few events and in the future when enough people learn to use it, the system will be used at a lot more. This timer is electronic and easy to operate and was purchased by the hillclimb committee for about two and a half thousand dollars. The committee also sourced and paid for another two and a half thousand dollars of traffic barriers that are used by the club at the saleyards and Tarrengower, that save us on hire costs.

As well as this we have paid half of a sign writing machine that can do logos for the club and if members require sign writing for their cars then Craig Button can oblige at material cost, saving members money.

This equates to over five thousand dollars in the past three years. There is still money in the account but we also have to be mindful that at some stage in the future CAMS will require track upgrades at Mt Tarrengower and the council will not foot the bill for total cost so we are trying to build a "war chest" in order that these tasks are achievable. The event has put our club and its ability to run good events on the map as to speak.

In the mean time I thank each club member who has put in an effort on the weekend of the event no matter how small, as it all benefits the club in some way. To the other members, the ones who complain when the results aren't up on Sunday night after the event, even though our obligation is only to provide them within 5 days of the event, then complain to CAMS but never actually ask the person who run the event. The members who could not help at our one off road event each year, (when the majority of our club events are run and organised by the off roaders), so they could have a weekend off competing, who will only turn up to a working bee when club points are awarded, who complain that other clubs run a more "fun" event, but won't assist at our events. Then well done you are the backbone of our club, without your input we wouldn't function and you are probably the reason that another club cancelled one of their events just a few days before it occurred with a statement that the committee were sick of the same people doing everything with no one stepping up to help unless told to, so the event is not going to run this time.

If I have offended anyone then you are probably not the persons that I am talking about because those people don't have a conscience and could not care less, so I am probably preaching to the converted. As you know I am always open to criticism or suggestions to do something different. I am happy to listen providing you are willing to do something about it, you don't have to do everything or fix the whole problem just be willing to assist in some way otherwise zip it and keep it to yourself. We are after all just volunteers and our family time is first priority.

The club has just re-elected our office bearers for the next twelve months and I congratulate them all and wish them the best for the next twelve months in what will be a very trying time for the club with the volunteer situation as it stands. Remember you will only get out of the club what you are prepared to put in, and over the past twenty plus years, despite a lack of actual competition, I have some unforgettable memories and great lasting friendships. Try it you may just like it!

Grumpy Pete.

VICROADS CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

As of the 1 February VicRoads have changed the requirements associated with the Club Permit Scheme, these new requirements can be found on the VicRoads website <https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/registration/limited-use-permits/club-permit-scheme>

With the VicRoads requirements in mind the BCC committee have reviewed the club's CPS requirements, below is an overview what is now required, the VicRoads requirements will also need to be read in conjunction.

- Full Roadworthy for all new applications. (post 1948)
- All new applications will need to supply a set of dated photos for future reference to the Club Permit Scheme (CPS) Officer. (See below)
- All renews for the next 12 months must also supply same photos as above.
- All Applications and Renewals to be processed at BCC General Meetings or at a Committee Meeting by appointment, owner must bring vehicle to the meeting where CPS Officer will review the supplied photos against the CPS vehicle, before signing the renewal.
- A copy of all permits/photos/etc will be kept in a locked cabinet at the BCC clubrooms, there will be three (3) authorised signatories, who will have access to this cabinet.
- There will no longer be an annual inspection unless the CPS Officer believes the vehicle has been modified beyond the requirements of the CPS scheme or the vehicle appears to be in an unacceptable standard of condition for a Club permit.
- For all New Applicants they must be a member for at least 6 months and attend at least one BCC General Meeting and one BCC event as a competitor or official, prior to applying for a Club permit.
- Permit holders must still attend at least 2 BCC General Meetings and 2 BCC Events during the permit year before the CPS officer will sign off the CPS Renewal.

Photo requirements are as follows, all photos to be dated and verified.

- Front View.
- Drivers Side, door closed.
- Rear View.
- Driving Position, side view with driver's door open.
- Engine Bay
- Where possible, Identifiers such as, Chassis and or Engine No's.
- Other photos may be requested by the CPS officer.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Any future club membership renewals will only be able to be done at the monthly General Meetings, renewals will no longer be accepted at pre-event check-in at BCC events. Membership renewals will only be accepted if a Membership Renewal Form is accompanied by the relevant fees, forms will be sent out with the May Crossflow, they will/can be found on the club website and a limited number of forms will be at General Meetings. Other arrangements can be made with prior approval of the membership secretary.

The current membership fees for the Bendigo Car Club are as follows:

Full (adult)	\$90
Junior	\$40
Family, one full membership plus \$30 for each extra family member.	

There is also now the option of direct deposit for payment of membership fees, details of which are on the application/renewal forms.

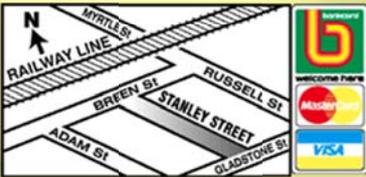
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