

# THE BLOWER

The Official magazine of the Car Club of the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology Inc.



## Next Club Night:

**Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>  
2018**

General Club Nights are held at 8pm irregularly due to lack of attendance at:

**The Notting Hill Hotel** (On the map below) 262  
Ferntree Gully Road, Notting Hill



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## The Cover

**A random photo from the Phillip  
Island 6 hr**



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# Presidents Rumblings

Howdy All,

I hope that everyone had a great Christmas, and a happy new year, now it is time to drag that car out from under the tarp and get it ready for the next year of competition.

We will have the trophy presentations for the Autumn Midnight, the Pyrenees Rush and our club champ etc at the next club night, on February 8<sup>th</sup>. If we can get together (please send to me) some video and photos of all of the action the club members have been in throughout the year, I will put together a video and slide show for the night.. The more embarrassing moments the better, and I don't care if the source is facebook or youtube or whatever, I have the tech to steal it. This may include track days, in car footage, photos, whatever you have.

Kevin Wilsons Tour De Dodgey was a fun ramble around the Mornington Peninsula, with a bit of treasure hunt and navigation thrown in.. The few people that came along had a great time, and the after bbq lunch was a fine feast. If you missed it you lose!!

Hope to see as many of you as possible at the next club night to congratulate the winners of our perpetual trophies, and the winners of our 2 Rallies from 2017.

Bernard

The club award recipients for 2018 are:

David Lambie all round club champion

Don Lake

Steve Poore Memorial Trials champion

Matt Lee

Noel Kelly Novice Award

Andrew Thorpe

Club Member of the year

To Be Advised

Club Official of the year

To Be Advised

# 2017 Leech's Mitsubishi GD Pyrenees Rush Awards Presentation

The much anticipated presentation for the Leech's Mitsubishi GD Pyrenees Rush will take place at the up and coming club night on February 8th.

It was great to see CCRMIT entries filling out the top two positions outright with Glenn Raymond & Kate Catford pulling a 3 minute and 21 second lead over second place Warren Lee & David Lethlean. Who knows how the result could have turned if the pie warmer was left back in the service park!

It's been good to run this event the last 4 years, firstly as a day/night VCRS round before 3 consecutive years as a VRC status event. We made it into HVP plantations which has certainly been a highlight over the years, and an area I look forward to getting back into one day again. Over the years we've also had some great support from local business and groups which has certainly made the job just that little bit easier.

Like all events, they simply can't run without the army of officials required to safely secure the stages - The Pyrenees has some great challenging roads, but equally so requires a high number of volunteers to fill the road closure positions. The area is popular with 4wds and motorbikes - I envy the forest that require minimal road closure officials! It's these officials who truly deserve all eh thanks and praise, many of whom spend particularly long days in support of the event.

Finally another thank you to Leech's Mitsubishi who have been awesome to work with in support of the event. If you every need a new or used car, and some handy power equipment, make sure you give them call! in 2017 they gave us over \$1000 worth of Stihl gear that went back to the volunteers.

With a little tacker filling up what spare time I used to have, growing work commitments and a family business to grow my time in rallying will be significantly receding for the next couple of years. Bernard Miron now takes back the helm for the George Derrick, and looks to have a good event planned for 2018 on the eastern side of Melbourne!

See you (hopefully) at the presentation.

James Elliott  
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# Artificial Intelligence Powered Driverless Truck are coming !

Scania has recently announced partnership with Singapore government to commence driverless trucks on the roads this year to transport containers from ports to warehouses. With Artificial Intelligence, this technology will help **vehicles change lanes, recognize signals and also help vehicles communicate to scope out road and weather conditions.**

Driverless trucks can bring about a **400% price-performance improvement in ground transportation networks.** Significantly reducing labour costs and work limitations, a driverless truck can drive nearly 24 hours per day. Driverless trucks will effectively **double the output at one quarter of the current cost.**

**Fuel efficiency gain** is another distinct advantage. Driverless trucks can maintain optimal cruising speed and coupled with the self-driving fleet's platooning technologies in which trucks draft behind one another in highway trains, fuel efficiency is greatly enhanced. **Safety is also markedly improved given that more people are killed in traffic accidents involving trucks than in all domestic airline crashes in the last 45 years combined.**

**AI can boost productivity by 30%, while cutting costs up to 33%. Early adopters of AI have already benefited from improved margins by up to 15%.**

Just thought you would like to know that big brother is coming !



# MEMBERSHIP

It is that time of year when memberships are due for renewal.

Below is a list of members whose memberships ( at the time of writing ) expire on 31 January 2018.

Renewal information is available on the website – [www.ccrmit.com](http://www.ccrmit.com)

Press on the “About Us” tab and have a look at the Membership Form.

If your details are unchanged there is no need to submit the form just transfer the appropriate amount using name/membership number in the reference.

For family memberships please include all names/numbers so I don't miss a renewal.

If there is a degree of urgency in getting the new membership card, send me an email to let me know the funds have been transferred. Otherwise you will need to wait until I check the account and process the renewal.

I will send out individual renewal emails at the start of February to those who have not renewed “on time”.

494 Roy Raymond  
777 Stephen Raymond  
822 Peter Cullis  
881 Glen Raymond  
1193 Jason Lake  
1296 Stuart Wills  
1301 Jonathon Byrnes  
1308 Junny Hetheron  
1342 Shannon Swiderski  
1360 Joseph Eletva  
1362 Don Lake  
1363 Kerrie Lake \*  
1364 Cindy Vainer \*  
1365 Andrew Lake \*  
1366 Daniel Lake  
1367 Philip Dodson \*  
1368 Agi Dobson  
1422 Leigh Crow  
1423 Takashi Komatsu  
1435 Ako Iwabuchi  
1436 Danielle Hayball  
1438 Luca Giacomini  
1439 Trevor Campbell  
1440 Owen Polanski

\* Listed as an Additional/Family Member

Have a great 2018 - Murray



Yes that's right folks...

The 2018 Phillip island 6 hour is just around the corner!!

In only a few days (186 days, 14hrs, 33 mins and 17sec and counting) the 2018 running of the chariots will be happening, and CCRMIT will be there putting on a show for the fans.... All 1 of them!

This year we have decided to put ol' Gates'y out to pasture, and give him a break from the hum drum event organizing. So I've taken over the reins (or keyboard)..

I'm Phil Chrimes, some of you may know me, some of you are yet to meet me, and majority have met me and wanted to forget me immediately..

For the unaware.. I'm this guy,



the detonating Pulsar guy.

So, formalities aside.. I will be sending out Expression of interest forms **SOON** for ya'll to fill out and shoot back to me. Included will be some general info about the who's what's and where's of it all.

**\*side note\*** We need helpers for the event as well as drivers, so please if you aren't going to be a pilot this year, donate your time in the pits and help your mates clock up some laps.

For any queries, questions or conundrums, feel free to shoot me an email on [phil\\_chrimes@hotmail.com](mailto:phil_chrimes@hotmail.com) or message me on 0422 196 718 and I will do my best to answer post haste!

(The event will be held at the Phillip Island motor raceway on the 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> July 2018)



**Call to CCRMIT Members to help run the Sunday  
Enfield Stage again in 2018.**



**First car is due around 9.30am and then again at 1.30pm  
All positions from road closures to control officials available.**



**Please contact Kevin Wilson on 0417 370 756 to assist**

# State Council meeting dates for 2018

State Council meeting dates for 2018 have been set, and you should receive a copy of these in your affiliation packs also. Please make note in your calendars for attendance on these evenings as follows -

- **6<sup>th</sup> February**
- **1<sup>st</sup> May**
- **7<sup>th</sup> August**
- **16<sup>th</sup> October**

All meetings to be held at the CAMS meeting room, unless otherwise advised.

The next Victorian State Council meeting will be held at **7.30pm Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of February** at the CAMS meeting room.

Please send any reports or agenda items by COB Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of September.

Any reports or items received after this date may not be included on the agenda.

Thanks & kind regards,

Chantel Collins - CAMS