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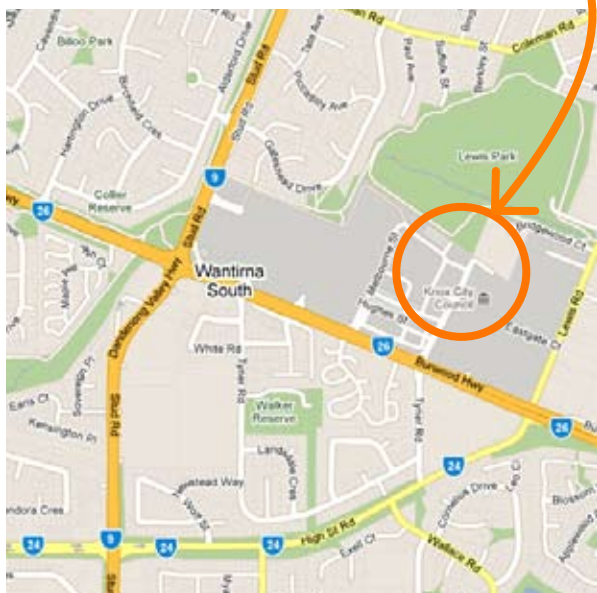
this months cover The Wilson's show how it's done @ the Eildon 1600 classic.
Photo thanks to Jimbo.

club night has moved

next meeting 10th march 2011

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presidential report

Dear one and all, welcome to the month of March! The year is truly moving quickly – we've had two rallies and numerous other events in the meantime since we last spoke, and somehow I've managed to be at most of them!

THE FIRST CLUB NIGHT OF THE YEAR – Thanks to those that came to help make the first club night at the new venue (The Knox Tavern – we can't promote it enough!) a good success. We had numbers in the low-20's which seemed sufficient to please the venue, and gave our annual award winners a generous audience to accept their awards from. Congratulations to all our winners :-

- Brett Williams who took home the David Lambie All Round Club Champion, as well as Club Member of the Year
- Cathy Rainer as our Club Official of the year for her endless hours of hard work on the GDMR last year
- Leeham Bansagi for taking out both the Noel Kelly Novice and the Steve Poore Trials Champion trophies

My personal thanks to the Top Gear crew for their assistance in revealing our perpetual award winners – unfortunately if you missed seeing the MTV award style videos you've missed out – I'm not prepared to put them on the website as they may just breach some copyright infringement somewhere... make sure you get to the next club night so you don't miss any of the entertainment! That's a great segway into...

THE NEXT CLUB NIGHT – It's this Thursday – at the Knox Tavern – and we will start promptly at 8:15pm. We get the place for free, so please come and show your support by having a bite to eat or a few quiet drinks amongst friends. Noel Kelly will be coming along for a fireside chat – see the ad somewhere else in this month's Blower.

Brendan Reeves Supporters Club – Brendo and Rhiannon leave for the UK today, embarking on their 6 rounds of the WRC with the Pirelli Star Academy – it's never too late to jump on board and help these young guns have a crack at the title. Brett and I are quite used to taking pleasant afternoon drives in the country together, and so once again we piled into the ute with the frilly picnic basket and headed off to Wedderburn for the first Supporters Club function. It was an entertaining night, and was great to see a lot of people coming out to show their support. We couldn't come home empty handed, and I managed to secure the Proton WRC shirt on offer signed by Alister McRae during the auction.

CAMS Motorsport Evening – Nadine and I went along to the formal CAMS presentation evening to represent Rallying, and were happy to cheer on the Evans (x3) receive their National Awards. It was at a very interesting place called the Elfin Heritage Centre – if there is enough interest, it might even make a club social activity to head down and have a look at some very unique history.

Eildon 1600 Rally – We've had the first rally of the year! It was the Eildon 1600 (and followed later in the night by the Millard Memorial). I went along as the Rally Panel steward, and got to see the event from a very different side of the fence. From all accounts, other than being a tyre-shredding event the roads were great, and people enjoyed the daylight stages. The winner of the event was Ivan Register, who was very happy to win the prize of "win your weight in beer" – for those interested, Ivan weighs 9 slabs of Carlton Draught. I notice that Ivan got on the scales holding his trophy, his navigators trophy, and had his pockets full of anything heavy he could pick up on the way up to be measured...

CCRMIT Autocross – It's our turn to run a round of the Autocross – thanks very much to the team involved – Mark Howard-Jones who we made go sit through the 'Club Chief' license lecture to be our Clerk of Course for the day, and to Brett Williams who is handling all the entries. It's a fun day – see the ad elsewhere – we look forward to seeing lots of blue shirts there!

Official goings on – It's always a busy month for me what with State Council, State Council Exec, Rally Panel, VRC Management Group, and the CCRMIT Committee and Club night – so what are the major things going on that I can tell you about? Well last week the Board of CAMS came to a meeting they called to present the findings of the Victorian Taskforce – a process that started 18 months ago by the State Council who were concerned that Graham Fountain was turfing anyone with motorsport experience out of CAMS, and closing the State Offices along with it. For those who weren't at the night to hear the board respond to the taskforce findings, read the slide pack that was made available (let me know if you want a copy) – essentially, what is in the slide pack is what was presented. This taskforce presentation has taken most of the attention of State Council and State Council Exec. Rally Panel have been busy getting regs approved so our sport can run for another year. The 2011 VRB and VRC Standing Regulations are now approved, and the season is ready to get underway. It has also been the focus of a small group on panel to get our understanding of what funds we hold, to reconcile with the CAMS books –again, in good news, we are making progress. Two other 'in progress' items are providing insurance cover for the rally equipment – radios, clocks etc, and improving the RP Scheme. More on that to come throughout the year!

2011 George Derrick – James and Cathy have spent a weekend in Avoca working on the road book (thanks heaps team!), and are probably at the point where we get to go through and 'access check' the forest – this is the part where we need to see where all the side roads and little goat tracks go to; to help us plan which we can simply bunt off, and which need a manned road closure on them. If anyone with a trail bike is happy to help spend a day in the forest assisting with this task, we'd love to hear from you! The event will assist with fuel costs and provide meals along the way too. Chat to James at Club Night if you are interested!

Anyhow, enough prattling for another month – come on down to The Knox Tavern on Thursday to listen to some stories from Noel, and hear what else is going on around the traps!

Cheers,

Prez Ormie



new year - new venue - new start time
8.15pm prompt start

club night guest speaker
noel kelly

We are very pleased to have Noel at this months meeting where he will also be presenting the Noel Kelly club trophy.

Who is Noel Kelly you may ask?

Noel is a life member of CCRMIT and many current day competitors may not be aware that he is the man who draws the Mum maps we often use. He has been a Director/Clark of Course for several CCRMIT rallies and competed at State & National level as a Navigator. He was Secretary on State Rally Panel for ten years.

In his day job Noel works for Goodyear Dunlop Tyres Australia and for many years was involved with testing and recommending which tyres will arrive as original equipment on your brand new car in Australia. Major involvement now is with farm tyres.

However this also involves him attending every V8 Supercar Race as a Dunlop tyre technician and many of us have seen his friendly smile in the V8 pits while checking tyre temperatures etc. Noel is just back from the Abu Dhabi's V8 supercar round so we believe he will have all the "goss" and an opinion as to who will do what in the championship this year.

Apart from involvement with cars Noel enjoys a drop of red wine and has been involved with a joint venture winery.

Noel will be having a chat about car racing in general, V8's, tyres for you road car, plus any question from the floor on cars and life in general!

Rick Thorpe

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It is ultimately YOUR responsibility to ensure your membership is current. This membership report is only a guide. If you expired at the end of last year for instance, you will not find your name here. Check your cards now for your expiry date. Ensure you are current for upcoming events. Check it now and not the night before documentation. We will NOT be doing rush renewals the night before the event... this job doesn't pay enough. Please use the membership form (on the back of the Blower or website) and fill it out IN FULL even if it's just a renewal (Tick the renewal box)... and plllleeeaaassee print clearly.

ccrmit autocross

Round 2	March 13th	CCRMIT	(Maffra)
Round 3	April 10th	MMSC / FFCC	(Melton)
Round 4	May 7th	BCC	(Bendigo) Sat Twilight
Practice	June 11th/12th	SHSCC	(Swan Hill) Practice Event)
Round 5	June 18th	PAC	(Maffra) Sat Twilight
Round 6	July 23rd	MADCC	(Maffra) Sat Twilight
Round 7	August 27th	CCC	(Melton Reverse) Sat Daylight
Round 8	September 25th	KCC	(Kyneton)
Round 9	October 23rd	SHSCC	(Swan Hill) – TBC
Round 10	November 6th	CCC	(Mafeking Park, Caveat) – TBC
Round 11	December 4th	NCCA / SDCC	(Shepparton)

CCRMIT VCAS Representative is

Mark Howard-Jones

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NEXT EVENT - ROUND 2 - 13th March 2011

Maffra Autocross Track

hosted by CCRMIT.

Supp regs can be downloaded from the VCAS website

<http://www.vicclubautocrossseries.com>

ccrmit avoca clean up thank you

Maurice & Ruth Cain & Family would like to thank the members of RMIT Car Rally Club for their superb effort of supporting us with flood reclamation last weekend. We are in awe of your generous spirit that you so willingly shared in giving your physical help to us with flood damage. Your warmth of friendship and enthusiasm to support in this daunting effort has left us in awe of what great people we have to share in our lives.

As we forked and raked in those daunting mounds of flood debris We cannot explain how it is to our heart, when we drive around the farm, and see those fences restored, fence lines cleaned and recall the hot day that you all worked in.

Thank you.....ONE AND ALL !!

We trust that your planned calendar events bring great results and well earned enjoyment for you all.

Don't forget to call any time for a chat, drink or breather! whilst on your country /rally pursuits.

Thank you ...One and all ...You really did make a difference

We trust that the past days of another band of radical weather patterns has not invaded your own personal wellbeing.

We are so appreciative for everything that you have done for us.

Yours sincerely Maurice & Ruth Cain & Family.

george derrick 2011



So Cathy and I have spent a weekend writing up the new sections of the road book, heading up Saturday afternoon we managed to slip in a stage, before stomachs onboard got the better of us! A quick meal at the pub, and we were soon after pitching a tent and getting some sleep (minus the noise being made into the wee hours of the morning from a local wedding...) Sunday morning (after a freshly cooked hot breaky) was spent doing the remaining new sections, and hunting around for other areas of interest, as our day got cut short due to DSE doing some hazard reduction burning across the main range. There's certainly been signs of heavy weather across most stages, so I'll be looking for volunteers to assist with road clearing (a couple of light weight trees requiring chainsaws, and general hands to pull branches and large rocks of the road) in the next couple of weeks - more hands make for lighter work, and it's a great way to spend a weekend! I look forward to hearing from you!

We are still looking to fill the positions vacant below, and of course need volunteers to take up the helm for Stage Commanders and other senior event roles. It's worth noting that this year's event will commence around 10am, and should be finished up by 7.30pm at the latest. I know how important all out officials are, and aiming to make the day as comfortable as possible for all concerned.

If you can fill in a space or are looking to help officiate contact Cathy at blower@ccrmit.com or on 0428168173.

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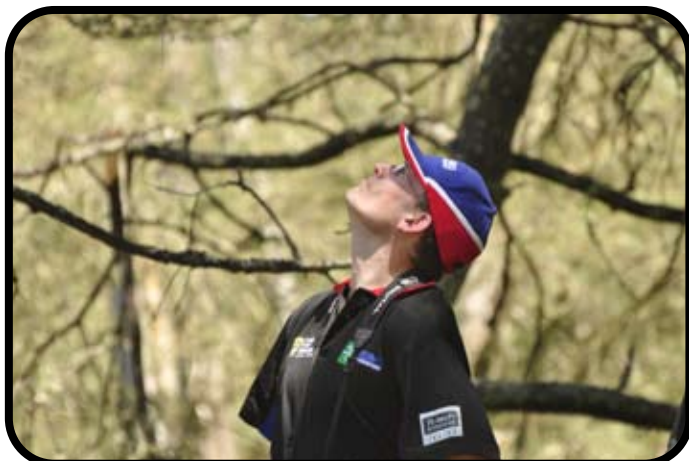
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Yes/No: _____ If Yes what grade ie, general: _____

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1 Year	3 Year	Type
\$15	n/a	Full time RMIT University Students
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\$20	n/a	Full time Student
\$30	\$80	Full CCRMIT Member
\$40	\$110	Couple/Family living at same address
\$10 fee for priority issue (membership card issued within 2 working days)		

Club use only

Member #

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Entered into DB

Card prepared

Membership type requested: _____ Amount paid: _____

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Cheques: payable to "CCRMIT" and sent with this form to 2/71 Berry Ave Edithvale VIC 3196

Direct deposit: BSB 063262; Acct 10069719; Reference "Member-surname" please email your receipt number and a copy of this form to secretary@ccrmit.com

CCRMIT values your privacy; information provided will only be used for the organising of CCRMIT activities. If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact the membership secretary.

ccrmit club merchandise

For sizing information and stock availability email Brett Williams on merchandise@ccrmit.com
Orders can be delivered via Australia post (postage extra) or collected at one of our club nights or other activities... just speak to Brett & he'll do you a deal.



polar fleece [zip] \$45

bucket hat \$12



sticker [classic] \$1



sticker [new] \$1

peaked cap \$12

beanie [classic] \$10



beanie [new] \$12

polar fleece vest \$40

kev [not for sale]

stubbie cooler [classic] \$5



stubbie cooler [50th] \$5



polar fleece [pull over] \$40



polo shirt [classic] \$20

ccrmit club calendar

March

10 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
13 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd2 CCRMIT	Maffra
19 th	Comp	Uplands Stages	Ballarat, Daylesford
26 th	Comp	Rally Bonnie Doon (NECC)	Strathbogies

April

2 nd	Comp	VCRS Rnd1 Yakkerboo Trial (PAC)	Tanjil Bren, Erica
10 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd3 MMSC/FFCC	Melton
14 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
15/17 th	Comp	ARC Rnd1 Quit Forest Rally	Western Australia
16 th	Comp	Seemore Stages No.1	Powelltown

May

7 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd4 BCC	Bendigo (Twilight)
12 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
13/15 th	Comp	ARC Rnd2/APRC International Rally of Queensland	Queensland
14 th	Comp	VRC Rnd1/VCRS Rnd2 East Gippsland Stages (MUCC)	East Gippsland

June

9 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
12 th	Comp	VRC Rnd2 Bega Valley Rally	Far East Gippsland, NSW
18 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd5 PAC	Maffra (Twilight)
18 th	Comp	Seemore Stages No2	Wombat
25 th	Comp	VCRS Rnd3 Nissan Nightmoves Trial (NCCA)	Heathcote, Whroo

July

14 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
16 th	Comp	VRC Rnd3 George Derrick Memorial Rally (CCRMIT)	Avoca, Maryborough
23 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd6 MADCC	Maffra (Twilight)
30/31 st	Comp	ARC Rnd3 Scouts Rally SA	South Australia

August

6 th	Comp	Baden Powell Intro Trial (RSM)	Black Range
11 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
13 th	Comp	VCRS Rnd4 Cooper Memorial Rally Sprint (WDCC)	Wombat
27 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd7 CCC	Melton Reverse

September

3 rd	Comp	Mt. Porpunkah Rally Sprint (NECC)	Bright Area
8 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
8/11 th	Comp	WRC/ARC Rnd4 Rally Australia	New South Wales
10 th	Comp	Mafeking Mayhem (HRA) - Sprint Rally	Yea and Districts
17 th	Comp	VCRS Rnd5 Marysville Stages (FFCC)	Black Range and Blue Range
25 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd 8 KCC	Kyneton

October

8 th	Comp	Wild Dog Stages (Seemore)	Wombat
13 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
15 th	Comp	VRC Rnd4 Akademos inc. Bog-a-Duck (MUCC)	Blue Range, Rubicon
23 rd	Comp	VCAS Rnd 9 SHSCC	Swan Hill (TBC)

November

6 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd10 CCC	Mafeking Park, Caveat (TBC)
10 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	The Knox Tavern
12 th	Comp	ARC Rnd5/VRC Rnd5 Rally Victoria (CCC)	Powelltown, Noojee, Erica
26 th	Comp	Alpine Rally	East Gippsland

December

4 th	Comp	VCAS Rnd11 NCCA / SDCC	Shepparton
8 th	CCRMIT	Club Night	TBA

Please note that events and dates listed (particularly social outings) here are subject to change. Please regularly check the latest calendar in the Blower, on the CCRMIT or series websites, or come along to club nights for all the updated information. Please email any additions or corrections to scorer@ccrmit.com

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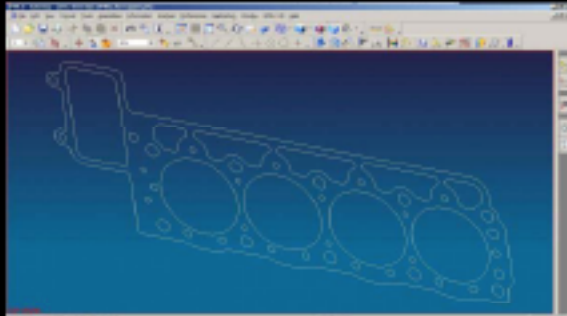
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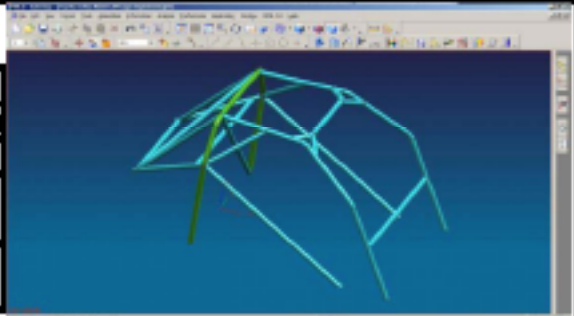
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