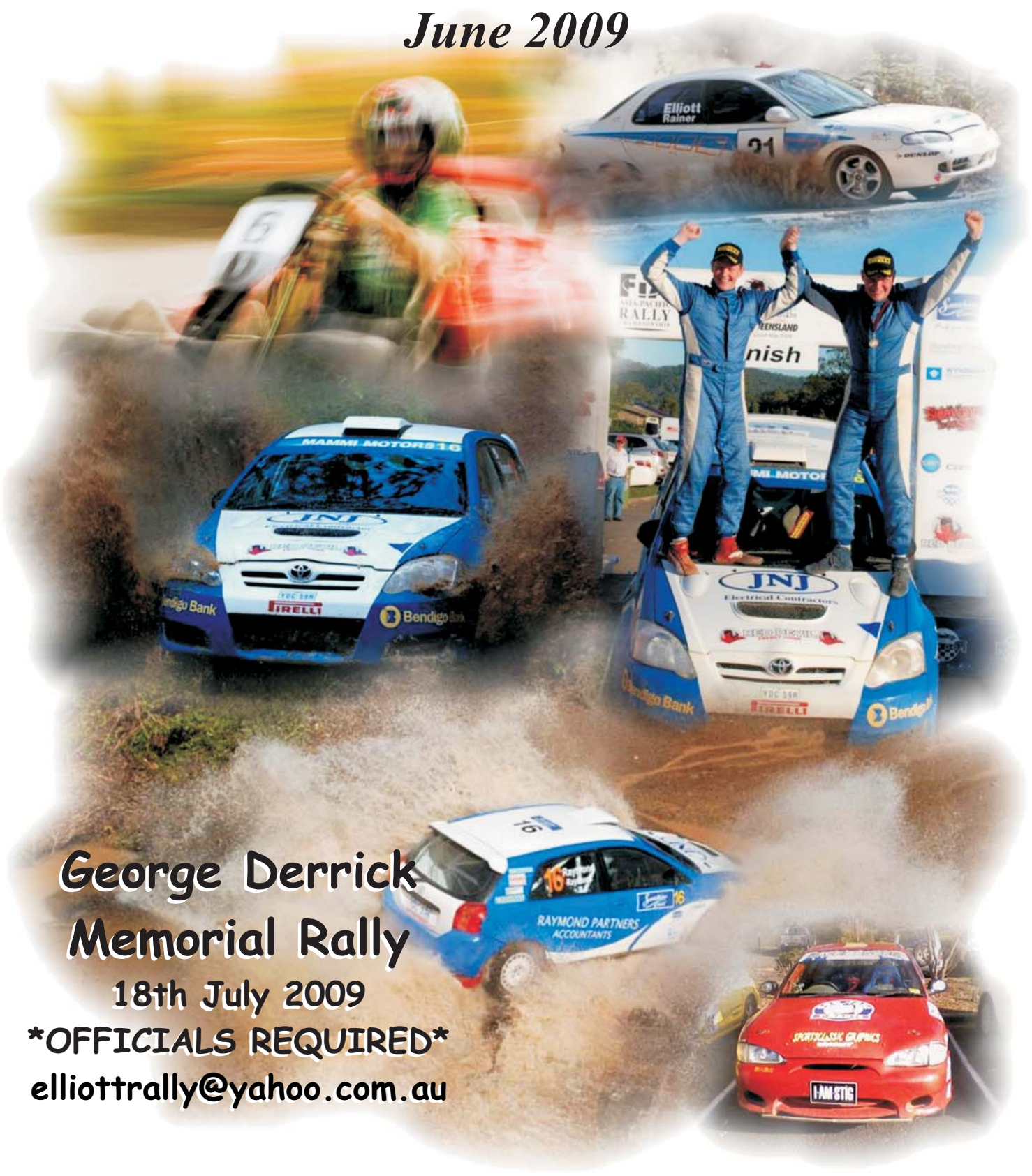




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**George Derrick  
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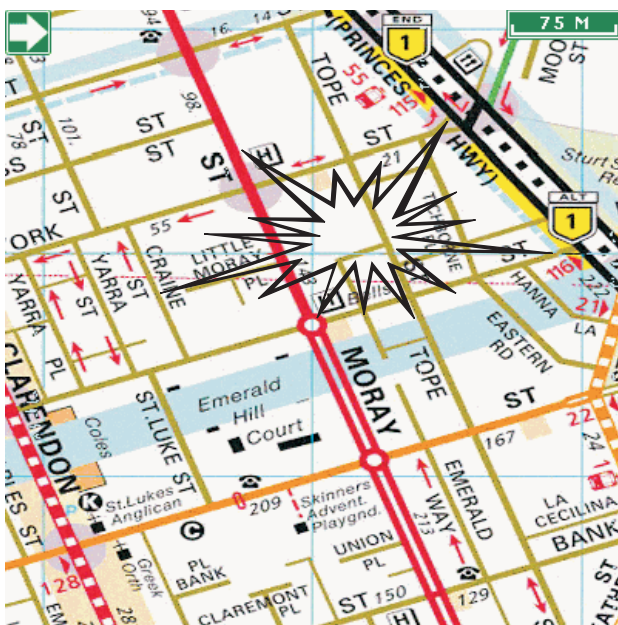
**This month's cover:** A collage of photos. The Raymonds in action at Rally Qld. The Elliott/Rainer Lantra. A Random Excel from Bega (photo P. Lucas) and the upcoming CCRMIT GoKart Night !!

**Next Meeting: 11<sup>th</sup> June 2009**

General Club Nights are held at 8pm on the Second Thursday of each month at :

## **Bells Hotel**

Corner of Coventry & Moray Streets,  
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# Presidential Report

June 2009

Well, what can I say.. Some days rallying are great, some just aren't..

For those that haven't heard, yes, I made a little mess of the Lantra at the East Gippsland stages rally a couple of weeks ago.. A few troubling issues made for a long and tedious week leading into the event, but I guess our luck just ran out during stage 3 of the event.. Shit happens, and that's the risk we all take when playing in a sport we all love and enjoy doing. The car might not be in a good shape, but Cathy & I are, which is the important thing!

What was really great about that weekend though, was all the support of those around us. So a BIG thankyou to those of you that helped out, and continue to do so!

In other exciting news, I've noticed that we have a few crews heading north to Bega, and I'm sure that there will be even more in the up and coming Nightmoves. Good luck, and safe rallying to all those playing..

I think that there was event a VCAS round on, so hopefully there might be some stories to tell on that? I heard a rumor about the VCAS WRC team.. Anyone that wants to pit themselves against Australia's top rally drivers, now's the time to do it (all without the price of a ARC entry fee)!

Finally the George Derrick is getting event closer. I'm still on the hunt for officials, and some key stage commanders.. If you haven't committed to a role already, let me know club night, or get in contact with me!!!!

Again, I'm sure there's stuff I've left out, so come along to Thursday nights club night, and you'll hear about the bits I've left out, or forgotten.. It should also be noted that Kev is going to give us "younger" members an entertaining history lesson, with some "historic" film. Yes, you heard right, film, no DVDs, or Ipods Thursday!

See you club night, or in a forest!

Cheers

*Pres Jimbo*

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## Quick Note From An Editor

Another month and another round of empty promises. If I had a dollar for every time someone said to me, "I'll write you something about that for the Blower." and then never delivered... then I would be financially better off than that other editor guy... Rupert what's-his-name?!?

Anyway, what I have received I've presented to you in the most aesthetically pleasing possible. I hope you enjoy the read. If by chance you have an issue with the content, or feel that it is somewhat lacking, feel free to help out.

Enough cr@p from me... Read on...

**MARK HOWARD-JONES**

Co-Editor - The Blower

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## CCRMIT is seeking officials for the 2009 George Derrick Memorial Rally

The event is to be Round three of the VCRS and Round four of the VRC. It is being run by CCRMIT during the day **AND NIGHT** of Saturday 18th July 2009 in the Avoca area.

If you can help out on the day (and/or night) as an official (stage commanders through to road closures required) please contact the officials coordinator James Elliott on 0438 277 305 or eMail at [elliotrally@yahoo.com.au](mailto:elliotrally@yahoo.com.au)

**URGENT!**

# GOTYA MkII

John Ernst

OK here we go again....

After a break of a couple of months the bug has hit again and it is time to investigate building another Excel. My previous experience had taught me a lot about where to concentrate my limited resources and how to scrounge for the best bits at the best prices. The other thing I learnt was that Excels really are good value and hold their value, so provided you keep them straight others are willing to pay you at least what you spent on it.

So with my bank account freshly replenished by the sale of the GOTYA First Aid Excel Rally Car it was time to have a look see and build Excel Rally Car Mk II. As luck would have it one of the Excel fraternity had decided that now was not the time for him to build a rally car hence the project he had started was now available.

This included a basic manual everything 5 speed single cam 1997 model. It was naturally going to be faster than the car it replaced as it was red (sort of). By the time I finish with it, it will be really red, it also came with some handy extras... Bond Roll Cage kit, Bilstein front coil overs, don't know what's on the back but looks strong. Several spare motors a gear box and assorted bits.



Being located in Sydney meant a Weekend away up north is in the cards, a call to my brother meant that I had someone to share the driving and besides he wanted to make a slight diversion to Newcastle to check out a P76 Targa Florio he is buying.

As mentioned I have found that the cheapest way to get whats needed for the car is to buy it when it is available cheap, I located some Velo Podium Seats second hand as well as bonnet pins, fire extinguishers when Supacheap had them on special. I also joined a buying group and got a new Terratrip 202 for less than \$450 as well as Terraphone for \$125 delivered. Located a light pod to take a mould off and have just about everything else I need to complete the job to log book. I'll keep you posted on the build, but the intention is this one will be on the road quickly.

## CCRMIT Go Kart Challenge

CCRMIT is planning another of it's ever popular Go Kart Challenges. While nothing is yet set in concrete (owing to the resources being poured in to the ever more popular George Derrick) it is assumed that it will run as follows.

What: Go Karting

Where: Ace Karts, Sunshine

When: 19<sup>th</sup> August, 7:30pm kickoff

How much: \$60 for 25 minutes racing

Where can I find more info:

[http://www.acekarts.com.au/individual\\_programs.php](http://www.acekarts.com.au/individual_programs.php)

(Check out the Suzuka package.)



All of the above is subject to confirmation. The event will be discussed at club night and expressions of interest will be taken so we can make a booking.

If you are unable to attend club night or have any enquires about an evening of open wheel racing and usual CCRMIT buggerizing around please contact Pres James at [elliotttrally@yahoo.com.au](mailto:elliotttrally@yahoo.com.au) or 0438 277 305



Raymond Partners Accountants Rally Team

## Raymonds Make a Splash in Queensland

The Raymond Partners Accountants Rally Team of Glen and Matt Raymond has once again proven their speed by finishing second outright in round four of the Australian Rally Championship, Rally Queensland. Held around the forests off the Sunshine Coast, the rough and rocky event is known to be one of the toughest in the championship. The event brought an international flavour with the Asia Pacific Rally Championship running in conjunction with the Australian event.

After becoming the youngest ever winner of an Australian Rally Championship event by winning the Quit Forest Rally, the team had added confidence heading into the event after some great preparation.

The mechanical side on the Toyota Corolla Group N rally car were meticulously gone over by Mammi Motors and a new paint scheme was applied by Blackwell Bodyworks.

"My theory has always been any sort of racing stripes would give you at least an 8% increase in performance," laughs driver Glen Raymond. "But it is confidence building to come into an event being able to concentrate on driving, knowing that the car won't break down and looks the goods."

Despite a spin in the morning of Heat 1, they were able to consolidate the day by finishing in second outright.

Heat two also bought the team home in second outright, however the heat did not go without incident.

"We were 6 seconds in front of Simon (Evans) and it was tied between Neal (Bates) and I going into the 35 kilometre last stage," said Glen Raymond. "It was going well until a water splash about 5 Kilometres from the end. All of a sudden we lost half of our turbo boost, resulting in no power. We then caught another competitor who was having troubles and we thought it was all over."

Despite the drama, they only lost their first outright placing for the heat to Simon Evans by 4 seconds and beat Neal Bates by 1 second.

"My heart sank when we lost the power, but we kept pushing and ended up second outright," said Glen Raymond. "And what an exciting finish, that is what rallying is all about!"

As the Asia Pacific Rally Championship event was held over the same roads, it gave the Australian teams a chance to compare their times to the International crews. The Raymond team was ecstatic to find that if they were registered for points in the APRC, they would have won the APRC part of the event outright.

"We never even expected to get close to the international teams," said navigator Matt Raymond. "But to have the pace to beat the big budget international crews is just awesome."

The round was also a qualifying round of the Pirelli Star Driver competition, a program which offers 5 drivers under 27 from around the world 6 fully funded drives in the World Rally Championship. To win the initiative, a driver must qualify, then win the shootout at the Australian World Rally Championship round later this year.

However, to qualify you must be in the Asia Pacific Rally Championship running in an internationally recognised car, and although the Raymond's Toyota Corolla is built to the same international group N standard, it is not eligible as it is run under Australian Rally Championship rules.

"We were so disappointed not to have been able to compete in the Pirelli Star Driver Challenge, as it is a once in a lifetime opportunity," stated Glen Raymond. "We had a FIA homologated car lined up before the event to enter the APRC but unfortunately it fell through."

"The qualifying scoring system is based on stage times, and had we entered we would have won by 18 points, which is a massive margin. There are wild card entries available for the shootout round, hopefully we have done enough to prove we are more than deserving to receive one."



The team now looks to the next Australian Rally Championship round in South Australia, as the proposed next round in Coffs Harbour in June has been postponed to later in the year due to the recent floods.

To see footage of the Raymond brothers competing please click on the following link:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-iVzk\\_KqDMA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-iVzk_KqDMA)

The team would like to thank its team and supporters who make competing at this level possible: Raymond Partners Accountants, JNJ Electrical Contractors, Bendigo Bank, Global Energy Solutions, Mammi Motors, Blackwell Bodyworks, Premium Electrical Services, Pirelli, Melbourne Performance Centre, Quality Site Welding, Warragul Signs, Jens Dinkum Discounts and VicParts.



## NEW IN-CAR ACTION ADDED TO ACTIV RALLYSPORT WEBSITE

**Media Release**

**28 May, 2009**

The Activ RallySport team of Justin Dowel and Matt Lee are currently enjoying their most successful season in the Australian Rally Championship.

After four of the six rounds, the pair currently lie fourth in the title race, despite retiring from the second heat in Western Australia after a nasty accident left their Lancer Evo IX badly damaged.

Co-driver (and CCRMIT member) Matt Lee has been busy burning the midnight oil lately, editing in-car video footage to add to the Activ RallySport website.

The footage includes all the action from Western Australia and Queensland, including the crash that ended their hopes in the Forest Rally.

**Visit the Activ RallySport website at:  
[www.activrallysport.com.au](http://www.activrallysport.com.au)**

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## Chocolate make the wheels go round!!

BRITISH scientists have built a 200km/h plus Formula 3 race car with a sweet tooth.

Its makers hope the formula three racer, powered by waste from chocolate factories, will reach 230 km/h and give manufacturers ideas about how to build more ecologically friendly vehicles.

The car runs on vegetable oils and chocolate waste that has been turned into biofuel. The steering wheel is made of plant-based fibres derived from carrots and other root vegetables, and the seat is built of flax fibre and soybean oil foam. The body is also made of plant fibres and recycled materials.

Scientists at the University of Warwick say their car is the fastest to run on biofuels. It has been built to formula three specifications of size, weight and performance.

They hope it can reach speeds of over 230 km/h when it is tested on a racetrack in a few weeks. They have driven it at about 110 km/h and are making engine adjustments before attempting top speed.

Warwick's project manager, James Meredith, said the model showed it was possible to build a fast and efficient car that was environmentally friendly.

The engine fails to meet current regulations because of its unusual fuel. The WorldFirst team, from Warwick University, hope racing chiefs will change the rules so they can compete in championship races next season.

A team spokesman said: "We hope the Formula 1 teams will see that an environmentally friendly car is not necessarily a slow car. We expect our new materials to be used by the Formula 1 cars of the future."

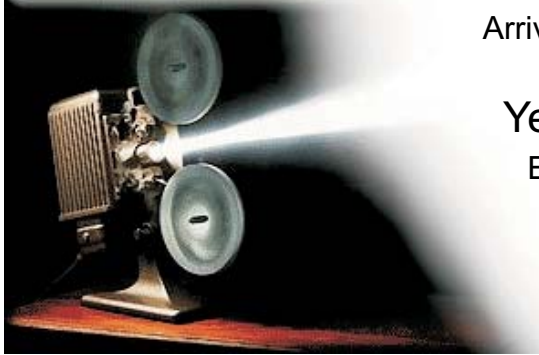


# June Club Night

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 8pm

## Bells Hotel

Crn Coventry & Moray Streets, South Melbourne. (Melways Ref: Map 2K 1E)



Arrive early and grab a meal.

### This month:

## Ye Olde Rally Films

East Gippsland Report

Bega Adventures

VCAS Update

New Merchandise

### Also....

General Rally Discussions - Rally Videos - Extended Bar Breaks - Regular meeting stuff.

## CCRMIT Membership Report

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 up coming events. Check it now and not the night before documentation. I 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.

### Due LastName FirstName Expiry

#### Expired

Austin	Alix	31/05/09	Fraser	Ashley	31/07/09
Austin	Johanna	31/05/09	Fraser	Fletcher	31/07/09
Douglas	Matthew	08/05/09	Fraser	Michelle	31/07/09
Gill	David	31/05/09	Fraser	Myles	31/07/09
Gill	Jerzy	31/05/09	Fraser	Ross	31/07/09
			Fraser	Sharon	31/07/09
			Jones	Craig	31/07/09

#### 30 Days

Gill	Richard	30/06/09	McLean	Janah	08/07/09
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#### 60 Days

d'Auvergne	Philip	10/07/09	Sichlau	Colin	31/07/09
Davis	Peter	31/07/09	Sichlau	Mark	31/07/09
Davis	Val	31/07/09	Wilson	Kevin	31/07/09

#### 90 Days

Williams	Brett	18/08/09
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### Priority Issue:

Please Note that the urgent processing of a club membership will now incur a \$10 penalty. Memberships are processed weekly and if you've left yours to the last minute prior to an event and require the issue of a new membership inside two days you will be required to pay this penalty. We all volunteer our time to keep this club running smoothly, so please help us help you by ensuring that you apply for your renewal in a timely manner.

# CCRMIT MERCHANDISE

New Club clothing Full zip jacket  
with Current CCRMIT logo front and back

Just what you need for the coming Winter rallies!!

**Polar Fleece Full Zip Jacket \$40 each**

Embroidered with the CCRMIT logo as previous 100% Poly

Sizes: S to 3XL



Jacket has full front zip and 2 pockets (see picture above)

If you cant get to the Club night - we are offering a postal order, \$50 including postage  
See us at club night or send your order to mark\_hj@dairally.com and we can arrange  
payment and postage

How can this be happening??... its not summer!  
CCRMIT merchandise is always 6 months out of season !! - Not any more.



## **DON'T FORGET THE CLUB'S REGULAR RANGE**

Jumpers \$50

Hats \$12

Beanies \$10

(old style - New Style \$12)

Stubby Holders \$5 (various styles)

Stickers just \$2

(You'll need them after that respray)

Polos (not pictured) \$25

Postal Delivery can be arranged.

## CCRMIT Inc. Club calendar 2009

### June

11th Jun	CCRMIT CLUB NIGHT	CCRMIT	Bells Hotel - Sth Melb
13th Jun	VCAS Round 5 (Twilight)	PAC	Maffra
20th Jun	Nissan Nightmoves Trial (VCRS Rnd 2)	NCCA	Rushworth

### July

4th Jul	Ivans Folly	PCCV	Heathcote
9th Jul	CCRMIT CLUB NIGHT	CCRMIT	Bells Hotel - Sth Melb
18th Jul	George Derrick Memorial Rally (VCRS Rnd 3, VRC Rnd 4)	CCRMIT	Beaufort/Maryborough
25th Jul	VCAS Round 6 (Twilight)	MADCC	Maffra

### August

13th Aug	CCRMIT CLUB NIGHT	CCRMIT	Bells Hotel - Sth Melb
15th Aug	Begonia (VCRS Rnd 4, VRC Rnd 5)	BLCC	Wombat State Forest
22nd Aug	VCAS Round 7 (Daylight)	CCC	Bendigo

### September

10th Sep	CCRMIT CLUB NIGHT	CCRMIT	Bells Hotel - Sth Melb
12th Sep	Porpunkah Rally Sprint	NECC	Mt Porpunkah
19th Sep	Spring 200 (VCRS Rnd 5) & Camcrusher Intro	FFCC	Toolangi
27th Sep	VCAS Round 8 (TBC)	SDCC	Shepparton

### October

8th Oct	CCRMIT CLUB NIGHT	CCRMIT	Bells Hotel - Sth Melb
10th Oct	Bagshot Rallysprint	HRA	Bagshot
18th Oct	Akademos (VRC Rnd 6)	MUCC	Blue Range
18th Oct	VCAS Round 9 TCB	FFCC	Melton (or spare date)
31st Oct	Yakkerboo (VCRS Rnd 6)	PAC	Noojee

### November

8th Nov	VCAS Round 10	NCCA	Melton
12th Nov	CCRMIT CLUB NIGHT	CCRMIT	Bells Hotel - Sth Melb
14-15th Nov	Alpine Rally	HRA	East Gippsland

### December

6th Dec	VCAS Spare	TBC	TBC
10th Dec	CCRMIT CLUB NIGHT	CCRMIT	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 as it happens. Please email any additions or corrections to [mark\\_hj@dairally.com](mailto:mark_hj@dairally.com)

## Extra CCRMIT Club Night

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 8pm

Cardinia Pk Hotel

Emerald/Beaconsfield Rd, Beaconsfield

**Special CCRMIT EVENT:** An informal evening with motor sport legend Jim Richards.

In the interest of keeping a good working relationship with Cerberus Car Club (since this is their meeting venue and date) we'll let them come along as well.

Cerberus has Jim Richards coming along to the monthly club meeting in July for an informal chat. We are hoping to get a reasonable turn out thus throwing it open to any CCRMIT folks who might be interested to attend.

Meals- Available in bistro prior  
Dress- Preferred if you were  
RSVP- [rallysport@gotalk.net.au](mailto:rallysport@gotalk.net.au)

Renewal New Membership

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

CCRMIT Inc. A0049540G

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State: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Details**

Business Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Home A/H Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Blower Format:          postal | email | both

**This section for  
Club use only**

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**Officials Licence**

Yes | No

If Yes what Grades ie V4: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Membership Types:**

1 Year	3 Year	
\$15	*	Full time RMIT students
\$20	*	Part time RMIT students
\$20	*	Full time student (other university)
\$30	\$80	Full CCRMIT Member
\$40	\$110	Couple/Family living at one address
\$10	\$30	per additional family member at same address

\* Not available

Please note: a priority issue (within 2 working days) will incur an additional \$10 fee

Membership type requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount paid: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cheques made payable to "CCRMIT"****Please return this form to:**

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