THE

BLOWER

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Next Club Night:

Still waiting....

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

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2017 Phillip Island Memories



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Presidents Rumblings

Well what a year of no motorsport we have had. 2020 was just a write off, and the club has pretty much been in a holding pattern for 12 months while the State, Country and World gets its shit together with COVID19. Hopefully, if we can keep this under control for the foreseeable future, at least until enough of us and the world is either vaccinated, infected and recovered, or dead, things will get back to normal. Due to my health condition, I have already had the first dose of vaccine, and I did suffer a few shitty side effects. Had 24 hours of feeling like I had a rough flu.. still better than the other options in my opinion..

Anyway, back to club business.

A decision has been made to make all of the 2020 club trophies "uncontested" due to the lack of events to use for scoring etc.

We have a few rallies on the horizon, and there have already been a couple of VRC/VCRS events that have taken place. If you have been out there competing, please send us a quick roundup of what is going on for you and your team at blower@ccrmit.com, and we will put it in the next mag.

For the club, we are organising another Motorkhana, this time we are returning to Lardner Park, just south of Drouin. We have used this venue before, and it give us plenty of space to set up 2 or 3 tests. 30th of May is the date, lock it in!

The Phillip Island 6 hour is coming up, a great way to get a lot of track time around the island.

The club committee has also committed to assisting Andrew Roseman in the running of the 2021 Gippsland Rally, a round of the Australian Rally Championship. This event will also incorporate a Victorian Rally Championship round, which will be the CCRMIT George Derrick. If you are available on the weekend of the 7th/8th August, or even the 5th and 6th for the shakedown days, please get in touch with the officials co-ordinator. The top cars in Australia will be here competing for honors. The event is running from Heyfield, using the forest to the north west of there.

Ok, forward planning, we are looking at running a Christmas breakup and hillclimb at Bryant Park, in the haunted hills. The tentative date we have decided on is the 28th of November. Hopefully that suits most of the club membership, and others, so that we can make this a successful event. The hire of Bryant Park is an expensive exercise for the club, so put it in your calendar now to help us to recoup our costs!

Thanks for reading my rantings Hope to see you all around soon

Bernard

So I have good news and bad news.. I found the spanner ☑ But..... ※





CCRMIT Motorkhana – May 30th

9am – 4pm Lardner Park, Car Park Documentation & Scrutiny: 9:00am – 1:00pm

After the success of the 3 events held over the last year (measured by the fun participants had on the day!), we will be holding our next club motorkhana on Sunday May 30th 10am at Lardner Park.

This is a great event where you can have some fun and test your driving skills around a series of short courses marked out with plastic poles and witches hats (won't hurt your car) on a grassy track.

Event will be a Come and Try day open to anyone who wants to have some fun throwing their car around and getting sideways – no previous experience or existing CAMS licence required!

Great opportunity to bring along friends or family who may have wanted to try out motorsport (or even just a handbrake turn!) in a pressure free environment (no timing or results).

Entries will be \$55 for anyone without an existing CAMS licence and \$30 for those who have one.

Event is also open to any children 12 and over, with **entry for under 18's only \$**25 – great opportunity to get the kids into driving early. Kids and inexperienced drivers must have an experienced passenger in the car (at least to start with).

Supp-Regs (rules) will be emailed to club members, and also put on CCRMIT.COM. There will be online entries only, with payment taken online also.

Event

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Close to Melbourne - just 10 mins off the freeway at Drouin/Warragul.

Entries

Entries open until 1pm on the day – come down any time. \$55 entry fee (\$30 for holders of an existing CAMS licence) Open to kids 12 years and up (junior entries only \$25!)

Kids and inexperienced drivers must have an experienced passenger in the car (at least to start with).

Cars & Tyres

Almost any car can participate from road cars to rally cars (road tyres only).

Lunch

BBQ lunch supplied for all competitors and assistants on the day.

For any queries, please contact Brett Williams, secretary@ccrmit.com
0419 363 133

PHILLIP ISLAND 6 HOUR 2021 - 95 days to go!!

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST



Last year's event (2020) saw CCRMIT enter 5 teams but then we got COVID lock-down and it was cancelled.

If you're not familiar this is a **teams based event** with multiple drivers on each team aiming to achieve their nominated lap time, it's not a race is about regularity, so extremely little panel damage.

Saturday will see you practice in heats and Sunday is the 6 Hour regularity relay event. It kicks off around 10.00 am both days and it's down to business with all hands on deck to keep the garage and cars running smoothly as well as the timing on the wall for the drivers.

This year's event will be held on the **31**st of July and **1**st August entries will open mid-May and have filled fast in past years i.e. within 48 hours opening so we need to see who's interested for 2021.



The cost is \$50 to secure your spot in a CCRMIT team (the deposit will be deducted from your entry/catering fee for the event once you are placed in a team, your money will be refunded should it not happen.

The deposit can be made to CCRMIT via the following bank account

BSB - 063150 Account no - 10047474

As a reference please use PI 6 with your first initial and surname (e.g. PI6 J.Citizen) when making the deposit.

Total costs, only an estimate at this stage as we don't know the entry fee will be somewhere near \$700 per driver, this includes 2 days on track, entry fee, car numbers, Dorian hire and catering. Once we know more details we will publish this and seek full entry details.

I will be there and have volunteered to coordinate CCRMIT's 6hr teams again so any questions to

Rick Thorpe - 0413 458729, treasurer@ccrmit.com



Will the CCRMIT Taxi be back on track at P. Island in 2021?



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