

# THE BLOWER

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# Next Club Night:

## Thursday 1/6/2023

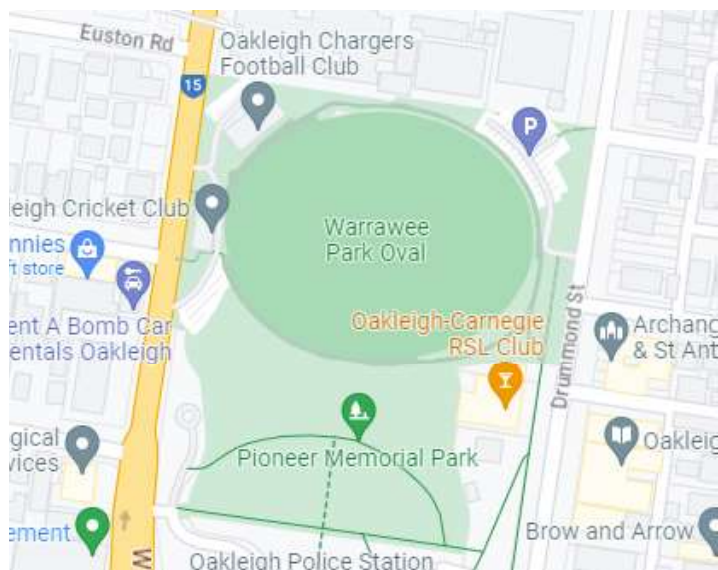
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### Harry Bates having a big go at the Gippsland Rally

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## Presidents Waffle

Hi all, long time no communication!

We are off and into another year, hopefully it is a good one for everyone in the club!

There has been a couple of events this year, with quite a few club members out there having a good time.

Finally we are getting together in person for a catch up, dinner and ramble of bullshit and story sharing. If you can make it along to the club night on the 1st of June, please make the effort and come along for a catch up and bullshit session.

We have shifted the venue to the Oakleigh RSL, which will hopefully be a better venue for our club nights. They have meals, which look quite good, and we have a private function room.

We still have a vacancy on the committee for the State Council delegate. The meetings are via zoom, and can sometimes be quite interesting with the politicking that goes on between the different areas of motorsport administered by Motorsport Aus. If you are interested, please get in touch and we can line you up with the role.

The Phillip Island 6 hour is on again this year, with entries opening this Friday. It usually fills up really quickly, so if you want to have a go, get in touch with Rick ASAP.

On the Rally front, the 2023 Gippsland Rally is coming around fast, with only about 14 weeks till the event. If you want to be an official, or just want to stay in touch with what is going on, please see the web page, [gippslandrally.com.au](http://gippslandrally.com.au), or find it on facebook.

The 2022 Christmas hillclimb was a success. A very wet track greeted everybody in the morning, but the day was mostly fine, with the odd shower just to keep it interesting. Everybody had a good day I think, with a few young members getting in and having a go. The AGM took place, and other than the retirement of Wayne Roffey, all positions remain the same.

We have bugger all content this month provided by club members, please get on board and write something yourself and send it in to me.

Bernard

# Phillip Island 6 hour 2023

Entries open this Friday 12/5 - CCRMIT are you in?

## Victorian 6 Hour Relay

Phillip Island Grand Prix Circuit

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The date for the 2023 Victorian 6 Hour Relay has been confirmed as 29 & 30 July 2023  
Entries will open about mid May and when they are open the link at the top of this page  
will turn green.

Please keep an eye on this web site for further information.



I have volunteered to coordinate our teams again – happy to have any other assistance 😊



Just shows you that you can “run what you brung” ... don’t be fooled it was a quick car!

I expect CCRMIT will be entering several teams this year, the club covers the upfront cost for entries to simplify cash collection but is cost neutral to the club as each driver pays their share of the teams cost.

If you’re interested let me know driver/s and car or shared car by prompt email and please deposit \$100 for each driver into the clubs bank acc. **BSB 063 150 Acc 1004 7474**. As a reference please use PI 6 with your first initial and surname (PI6 J.Citizen) when making the deposit. As far as total costs they are only an estimate at this stage will about \$750 per driver, this includes entry fee, car numbers, Dorian hire and catering. Although entry fee has gone up \$150 per team it may be a little more, email me Rick Thorpe - [treasurer@ccrmit.com](mailto:treasurer@ccrmit.com)



Dave Gates in action - can you tell he's basically a dirt rally driver!!

## The Event

This is a teams-based event with multiple drivers on each team aiming to achieve their nominated lap time, it's not a race but the team with the most laps wins. The trick is to get close to your nominated time and score bonus laps but go too fast i.e under your time and you lose lots of laps. ☹

Saturday will see you practice in heats and set your target lap time. Sunday is the 6 Hour regularity relay event where you try and match your target time. Teams are usually 5 members but can be 4 or up to 6 drivers.



Wilsons a few years back

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## Random Shit sent to me by Barry..

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## Brett Williams filling the left seat for VRC and VCRS Series Sponsor Brad Till at the Victoria Cross



The Crozier's are back!

Long time friends/mentors Darren and Michele are keen to tackle the remaining rounds of the VRC after a successful outing at the rally of the heartland in SA.

## David Gates













