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The Monthly Newsletter of the Pakenham Auto Club
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The Gallagher/Russell Team's Lancer in action – want your picture here? – then email it to the editor.

Keith Rawson Memorial Dinner

Glad has booked The Pakenham Railway Hotel for our PAC Annual Keith Rawson Memorial dinner and Presentation Night for Thursday January 22nd. We have a private room with a capacity of 62. We need to have about 40 people to attend. Being a Thursday night in school holidays should suit our junior members so they can come along, enjoy a \$12 parma. The hotel has recently been renovated making the room very attractive room, with a door out onto the patio area. The hotel would like to know approximate numbers early in the week.

Don't forget this is where the awards for 2008 are presented. Your chance for 15 minutes of fame.

Members intending to attend this Function should contact John Hill with the numbers ASAP (but no latter than 16th January). Either Email jgmhill@dcsi.net.au or phone 5625 4049.

CLUB CALENDAR

DATE	DISCIPLINE	EVENT	LOCATION
January 1 st	General meeting	No General Meeting will held in January	Stay Home
January 1 st	Rod Run	Mornington Rod Run	Mornington
January 9 th	Cruise	Kustoms of Australia Cruise	Berwick
January 9 th to 11 th	Custom Nationals	Kustoms of Australia Nationals	Phillip Island
January 11 th	Social	G.C.C. Sporting Register Breakfast club Palmerston St. Warragul - 8-00am	Warragul
January 15 th	Committee Meeting	John Hill's home	Drouin
* January 18 th	Motorkhana - PAC	P.A.C. – 405 McGregor Rd.	Pakenham
* January 22 nd	Social	Keith Rawson Dinner - Railway Hotel	Pakenham.
February 1 st	Social	Toorong Falls Camp Ground Meeting/working bee	Toorong Falls
* February 5 th	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
February 7 th	Social	Victorian Rally Diner - Collingwood Town Hall	Collingwood
February 8 th	Social	Picnic at Hanging Rock	Woodend
* February 15 th	Motorkhana – VMC - 1	TCCA Werribee Dirt Kim Cole 0412 410 457	Werribee
February 21 st	Rally	George Woods Introductory Trial – PCCV HELPERS REQUIRED – see Glad	Powelltown / Noojee
* February 28th	VCAS Round 1	DSCC (Deniliquin) Saturday Twilight.	Deniliquin
* March 5 th	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
March 7 th	Rally	Challenge of Clubs Trial – NCCA	Wombat State Forest
* March 15th	VCAS Round 2	Kyneton CC	Kyneton
* March 15 th	Motorkhana – VMC - 2	PAC	TBA
21 st March	Rally - VRC-1	Cerberus Stages – CerbCC	Powelltown / Noojee
* April 2 nd	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
April 4 th	Rally – touring road event	Trail blazer – HRA	Bendigo/ Heathcote/ Rushworth
April 11 th	Motorkhana	Sat. Challenge of Clubs NCCA Grass/Dirt Steven Porter 0428 388 981	Ballarat
* April 18 th	Rally – VCRS-1	Rally Bonnie Doon – NECC	Strathbogrie
* April 19 th	VCAS Round 3	Bendigo CC	Bendigo
* April 19 th	Motorkhana – VMC - 3	VMCI Dirt Gary Birt 9434 7785	Werribee
April 25 th	Rally - touring road event	Forest Classic Rally - Rallysport	North Eastern Vic
May 2 nd	Rally	Rich River Trial – HRA	Murray/ North East

* May 7 th	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
May 10 th	Social	Mother's Day	Your Mothers
* May 16 th	Rally – VRC-2	East Gippsland Stages - MUCC	East Gippsland
* May 17 th	VCAS Round 4	Melton SC	Melton
* May 17 th	Motorkhana – VMC – 4	DSCC Grass/Dirt Peter Short 0419 464 091	Deniliquin
May 23 rd	Rally - touring assembly	The Italian Connection - Rallysport	North East/ Mansfield
* May 23 rd	Motorkhana – VMC – 5 Group 5 Round 3	FFCC/TCCA Dirt Nicholas Charrett 9758 4208 May only be Grp 5 round, and not combined with VMC	Werribee
May 30 th	Rally	The Number 9 Trial	Maryborough/ Bendigo
* June 4 th	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
June 6 th /7 th	VCAS - Practice Event	Swan Hill SCC	Swan Hill
Jun 7 th	Rally – VRC-3	Bega Valley Rally - Marmelang	Bega/Eden
* Jun 13 th	Rally – VCRS-2	Nissan Nightmoves - NCCA	Bendigo/ Heathcote/ Rushworth
* June 20 th	VCAS - Round 5	PAC Saturday Twilight.	Maffra
June 27 th	Rally - touring road event	The Wangarally - NECC	North East Victoria
* July 2 nd	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
* July 12 th	Motorkhana – VMC - 6	MUCC Bitumen Peter Otzen 9682 0657	SPT Somerton
* July 25 th	VCAS - Round 6	MADCC Sat Twilight.	Maffra
* August 6 th	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
* August 16 th	Motorkhana – VMC – 7	PCCV Dirt David Isherwood 9873 3342	Werribee TBC
* August 22 nd	VCAS - Round 7	CCC Sat Daylight.	Bendigo
* September 3 rd	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham
September 6 th	Social	Father's Day	Your fathers
* September 16 th	Motorkhana – VMC – 8	Saturday BCC Bitumen Brian Shanahan 5442 5439	Bendigo
September 25/25 th TBC	Motorkhana – AMC	AMC NSW Bitumen Bill McCarthy 9744 6874	Sydney NSW
* September 27 th	VCAS -Round 8	Shepparton DCC	Shepparton
* October 1 st	General meeting	General Meeting Pakenham Hall Cnr. John and Henry Streets 8-00pm	Pakenham

Events marked * will count towards club point scores.

Sunday Coffee: Some members gather for an informal meeting on Sunday mornings at Lakeside Pakenham approx. 8.00a.m. This is a good chance to take your club permitted car for a run, just make sure you shove this copy of “The Oil Rag” in the glove box.

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President's Report - Glad Fish

Welcome everyone to 2009.

And welcome to the new committee members for 2009. We have had our first meeting where it was pleasing to see everyone take on positions to help run our club for the next 12 months. Once again I am confident that the club will continue to grow and prosper.

As part of that growth CAMS will be having a Silver Module course run on Saturday 31st January 2009. This module is aimed at those Officials who are seeking upgrade to Silver. Please contact Lauren Croft At cams via the details below if you would like to participate:

Direct: 03 9593 7731 email: lauren.croft@cams.com.au

Vice President - John Hill

As you will all know we have had a change in power at the Cardinia council with the recent elections. In the process we have lost some of our supporters for our new grounds. To keep the momentum going to get a proper long term ground I have sent letters to the 3 new councillors. These are Stuart Halligan, Collin Ross and George Blenkhorn. To date I have even met with Stuart. To date I haven't had much contact with Collin and George, but will keep trying.

There has been a Motor Sports Complex working group set up to work towards the establishment of Motor Sports Complex in the Cardinia area. However PAC has not been invited to recent meetings, after being initially involved. I am working on getting us involved again.

Secretary – Fred Jasher

Hello everyone,

After being away from the club for a couple of years I'm glad to re-acquaint myself with everyone. Also happy to see the old faces, the new ones & to see the club still very much alive & active with almost 200 members, despite the fact that we don't have a "proper" home yet - meaning an autocross track. The Club also has a healthy balance sheet which is a credit to past committees - and the members. I look forward to catching up with other members I haven't seen yet, and wish the PAC all the best in our endeavours to obtain a permanent home for all our activities.

Cheers, Fred

Treasurer - Alan Upton

Below is the summary of the club's finances as at 31 September.

Pakenham Auto Club Financial Statement Year ending 31/10/2008

	Income	Expenditure	Surplus (Deficit)
Administration	4,681.83	3,003.02	1,678.81
AMOC	0.00	0.00	0.00
Catering	93.00	281.73	-188.73
Club cars	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Misc	120.00	1,204.68	-1,084.68
Events motorkhana	1,941.00	1,593.14	347.86
Events rally	11,495.00	12,055.73	-560.73
Events social	3,128.00	2,400.00	728.00
Events speed	5,365.00	3,519.00	1,846.00
Events swap meet	0.00	0.00	0.00
Facility	0.00	955.03	-955.03
Fundraising	724.78	0.00	724.78
Junior development	0.00	0.00	0.00
Magazine	0.00	403.47	-403.47
Membership	5,563.50	0.00	5,563.50
Merchandising	71.00	0.00	71.00
	\$33,183.11	\$25,515.80	\$7,667.31

	31/10/2007	31/10/2008
Cash float	96.40	275.15
Canteen float	300.00	300.00
Entry float	0.00	0.00
Investment account's	60,603.21	76,234.86
Cheque account	17,719.12	10,263.22
	\$78,718.73	\$87,073.23

Cheque account statement 25/10/07	17,606.31
Less un-presented cheques	687.19
Investment account statement 01/10/06	60,603.21
Add unreconciled. Deposit	896.40
Add floats	300.00
	\$78,718.73
Add surplus	7,667.31
	\$87,073.23

Cheque account statement 28/10/08	11,748.92
Investment account's statement 31/10/08	76,234.86
Cash float (to be deposited into cheque account)	275.15
Canteen float	300.00
Entry float	0.00
Less un-presented cheques	1,485.70
Total of all accounts	\$87,073.23

Rally Co-ordinator - Dale Allan

Greg Wyatt has kindly volunteered to direct the PAC Yakkerboo rally for 2009. Greg will once again be after helpers over the coming months, so please make yourself known to Greg if you can help out. This event takes months to organize so help will be required early on.

The 2009 George Woods Memorial Trial

The 2009 George Woods Memorial Trial incorporating the Rookies Ramble, will be held in the Powelltown-Noojee area on February 21, with the start and finish at Neerim. The event will include a special event for beginners, reviving the Rookies Ramble event that was first held by the PCCV about 40 years ago. This event will be the 28th running of the George Woods, and the 21st year with Glad Fish as director.

Beginners naturally want a novice event, but the George Woods also caters for novices with some rally experience. The event has two aims: to give rookies and novices a chance to get rally experience, while not excluding higher graded drivers and navigators, especially if pairing with the less experienced entrants.

With this in mind, the 2009 George Woods will be divided into two components. The first component will be the Rookies Ramble, with 50 kilometres of competitive sections for beginners (E & F Grade crews only). There will be an award for the winners of the Rookies Ramble. The remaining 75 km of competitive sections will be more challenging to both driver and navigator, but rookies are invited to continue on and compete in this component. The route is designed so that they may then drop out if they find the going becoming too hard. Should they do so, they will not affect their result in the Rookies Ramble, but will have gained some more experience. The two components together form the George Woods Memorial Trial.

Glad is looking for competitors and helpers.

For more information, or to volunteer as a helper, contact Glad at glad@netspace.net.au.

Supp Regs are available from the vicrally.com.au files section or by emailing nwright@netspace.net.au.

Finally the 2009 Repco Rally Australia are looking for Volunteers. This is run in northern NSW in September. More details will be in next month's magazine.

Membership Secretary - Alan Bloomfield

As of late December PAC has 198 members, including 50 junior. We also have 15 memberships that have lapsed.

Classifieds

Got something car related to sell, swap or buy. Let us know.

Motorkhana Co-ordinator - Peter Morrison

Hello everyone, we are having our first club motorkhana for 2009 on January 18th at our McGregor Road grounds. This will be a regular motorkhana, not a come and try day. Supp Regs are enclosed.

We are currently working out the calendar for club motorkhanas for 2009; so watch this space, and the website, for more news. Also, we are considering running some khanacross events during 2009.



At left is our very own VMC champion, Ian Williams sliding his way towards first place in class D for the Victorian Motorkhana Championship 2008.

Congratulations Ian.

Other PAC members to feature in the 2008 championship points for the year were:

Bruce Rawlings who managed equal 5th and John Hill 7th in class C for the year,
In junior's class, Jackson Evans was 7th, Tyson Hill 13th, Tom Evans 18th, Nick Clarke 20th and Liana Rawlings 24th,
Stacy Elson was 5th and Campbell Richards 11th in Novice class,
And finally Sue Wasson was 4th in Ladies class.

These results meant that PAC finished 7th overall.

Editor - Stephen Gallagher

Hello and welcome to the new look Oilrag. I hope you like it, and hopefully you'll also find it to be a good read.

Thanks to John Hill for his caretaker role in the production of the magazine for the last year in the absence of anyone stepping up to the plate on a permanent basis.

This is your magazine, so please help me make it worth the postage costs and send something in for inclusion. I may make some other changes along the way, feel free to make suggestions. If you're lucky I may even include them.....

Member of the Month

This year we are back with a Member of the Month. This highly regarded award will be determined by the committee will attract 10 points toward the annual Activity Award. If you think someone should be recognised, please let a committee member know.

The December Members of the Month are joint winner Ross & Scott Allan in recognition of them winning the Excel Series for 2008. Each will receive 10 points.

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REAR VIEW MIRROR

1979

This edition had a full club calendar for 1979. Interestingly we were scheduled to run 7 Autocross meetings and not one motorkhana. The trials (rally) director reported there were 33 events to be run in our area (West Gippsland) for the year.

So you could wear out a Rally car without having to drive through Melbourne in those days.

1989

By 89 we had run out of time to plan 12 months ahead so the calendar was the 2 to 3 month format that we still use. The editor, Glad Fish was excited about getting an article contributed by a non committee member. (that sort of thing still gets editors excited). The Treasurer reported a bank balance of \$2,578-90 and an increase in the full membership fee to

\$20-00.

1999

The points score for the activity award was in this edition. The editor was obviously trying to embarrass STEPHEN CRAIG. He was the ONLY member listed in EQUAL 147th place with a tally of zero points. It's terrible the way some members in a position of influence treat their mates. Don't worry Craigy we won't be able to do that to you this year, your duties at the Yakkerboo Trial will have earned you some points.