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*The Monthly Newsletter of the Pakenham Auto Club  
September 2010*



Alan and Angela Bloomfield's new VK Commodore in action at Kyneton  
(gotta love fluoro pink bumpers)

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**Egroup:** [groups.yahoo.com/group/pacautoclub](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/pacautoclub) – Have you joined?

# CLUB CALENDAR

	October	November	December
<b>Saturday</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>			
Monday		1	
Tuesday		2	Group 5 Sprint
Wednesday		3	1
Thursday		4	2
Friday	1	5	3
<b>Saturday</b>	2	6	4
<b>Sunday</b>	3	7	5
Monday	4	8	6
Tuesday	5	9	7
Wednesday	6	10	8
Thursday	7	11	9
Friday	8	12	10
<b>Saturday</b>	9	13	11
<b>Sunday</b>	10	14	12
Monday	11	15	13
Tuesday	12	16	14
Wednesday	13	17	15
Thursday	14	18	16
Friday	15	19	17
<b>Saturday</b>	16	20	18
<b>Sunday</b>	17	21	19
Monday	18	22	20
Tuesday	19	23	21
Wednesday	20	24	22
Thursday	21	25	23
Friday	22	26	24
<b>Saturday</b>	23	27	25
<b>Sunday</b>	24	28	26
Monday	25	29	27
Tuesday	26	30	28
Wednesday	27		29
Thursday	28		30
Friday	29		31
<b>Saturday</b>	30		
<b>Sunday</b>	31		

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.

# CLUB CONTACTS

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**Meeting Venue** – Linc Henry St Pakenham, enter from the right hand side of the building, the meeting room is upstairs, towards the rear of the building

## 2010 MANAGEMENT TEAM

### Elected Committee Members

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### Appointed Members

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## ***President's Report - Glad Fish***

Hi Everyone,

Following 10 hectic days in China, we have had a few days of relaxation with Aunty Shirl & Uncle Rick in Kent England. China was great. We visited Shanghai, Xi'an & Beijing. All are very clean modern cities. The Chinese people have been very friendly, especially our tour guides. There were only ten in our group (four Australians and six New Zealanders); we got on really well. The food has been amazing, most meals were banquet style, sharing a meal with friends is the Chinese way and a great way to try everything. Our meals included a Dumpling banquet and a Peking Duck Banquet, with the chef carving the duck at the table.

We saw the Terracotta Warriors, what an amazing ancient discovery. Archaeologists are still working on the sites and expect to find many more of the life-size models (it is estimated that there are 7,000 in all of which 1,700 have been uncovered so far). We climbed the Great Wall; at the highest spot we could see it stretching in both directions, following the contours of the mountains for as far as we could see. It truly is an amazing structure. We walked miles through Tiananmen Square and had a dinner cruise on the Huangpu River in Shanghai. We have visited tall buildings, ancient gardens, pagodas, mosques, temples and markets. We have had tours of a silk factory, terracotta and furniture factory, a cloisonné factory and a jade factory. We have seen pearls extracted from oysters; attended a tea ceremony and two theatre nights.

We visited old residential quarters via cycle rickshaw in Beijing and had lunch in a private home. This was indeed an eye opening experience.

Glad & Nick.

## ***Vice-President's Report – John Hill***

The PAC Committee is establishing a sub-committee, with myself as Chairman, to help manage the Club's involvement in the proposed Vehicle Activity Complex.

The role of the sub-committee will be to build on the work done to date to develop a firm policy on the Vehicle Activity Complex with input from the broader club membership and to develop a formal submission to Council.

The sub-committee will be formally established at the next general meeting on 7 October, 2010 and will be made up of six club members with Vice President (John Hill) as Chairman.

This is your chance to have input not only into the future of PAC but into the future of motor sport in the Pakenham area so if you would like to put yourself forward to be a member of the sub-committee please notify me before the general meeting or on the night if you will be in attendance.

If we have more than six members nominate then positions will be decided by ballot at the General Meeting.

## ***Motorkhana – Peter Morrison***

The much needed wet winter has not been good for motorkhana activity. PAC's grounds at McGregor Road have become more of a swamp than a Motorkhana course (perhaps we should add jet boat racing to our list of pursuits). This has resulted in the abandonment of all proposed competition since June. We intend to run a khanacross on the 31<sup>st</sup> October, so let's hope that any rain for the next month falls within the next 2 weeks, and is followed by some warm windy weather. Note that Group 5 intends to hold a khanacross at Werribee on the same day (October 31<sup>st</sup>) so even if ours can't proceed there should be an opportunity to compete on that day.

All recent and some proposed Group 5/VMC events have been postponed/cancelled due to rain, except for VMC Rd 7 at Bendigo saleyards (bitumen), held on the 18<sup>th</sup> September. There were no PAC competitors at this event. The next VMC (Round 8) is proposed for the 14th November at Werribee, with the rescheduled Round 4 at Deniliquin the following weekend.

## *Secretary – Fred Jasher*

Minutes from the General Meeting, September 2, 2010

- Open** : 8.10pm  
**Apologies** : LP, RG, AB, AB, AB  
**Previous Min** : Moved as correct. JH 2<sup>nd</sup> SG  
**Matters arising:** NIL  
**Corresp. In** : Returned Oil Rags, Lline invoice for room rental April to Sept 16., Mobile phone account for august Membership renewal, CAMS S/Ment & invoices for M/Khana 19/9 – to be credited & VMC Trophy fund - \$90., Pakenham Trophies S/Ment , Sandhurst S/Ments – 4/7 & 31/7, Westpac Term deposit s/ment & letter re roll over, Westpac cheque account s/ment, CAMS Annual Report & Corporate plan & Insurance handbook, Club magazines  
**Corresp Out** : NIL  
**Treasurer Report:** NIL , Accounts for Payment - Lline - \$60 April account for room rental. Receipts - NIL  
**Membership** : 3 Honorary Life, 137 Adult, 30 Juniors - Total 170 & 46 un-financial.  
**Rally** : PAC's Yakkerboo rally is planned to run in April 2011.  
**Speed** : Melton VCAS last weekend - 78 entries.  
**Motorkhana** : No events planned at McGregor Rd – Grounds too wet. Review in October. Group 5 at Werribee on 26/9.  
**Club Cars** : NIL  
**CAMS** : NIL  
**AOMC** : NIL  
**Editor** : Articles needed.  
**Social Activities co-ordinator:** NIL  
**Toorong Falls:** NIL  
**Scorer & Web Master:** NIL  
**Social** : CAMCS Carnival in Echuca has been cancelled.  
**Gen Bus** : NIL  
**Meeting closed 8.20 pm.**

## *Pointscore – Mitch Garrad*

Hi everyone, below is the leader board for the club's activity award.

Place	Name	Total	Place	Name	Total
1	Hill John	57	15	Gallagher Stephan	18
2	Bloomfield Alan	47	15	Kelly Mick	18
2	Fish Glad	47	18	White John	16
4	Morrison Peter	40	19	Dalgarno Kim	15
5	Williams Ian	36	19	Garrad Ray	15
6	Wasson Sue	26	19	Spowell Bernard	15
6	Wright Nick	26	22	Begelhole Graeme	14
8	Jashar Fred	25	23	Bloomfield Adam	13
8	Prosser Leon	25	24	Hill Glenys	12
10	Bloomfield Angela	24	25	Gallagher Aaron	11
11	Garrad Mitchell	22	25	Wells Jarryd	11
12	Upton Alan	21	25	Wells Keith	11
13	Allan Dale	19	28	Dunn Bruce	10
13	Eastwood Eddy	19	28	Garrad Glenda	10
15	Carney John	18	30	Bloomfield Annette	9

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**REAR VIEW MIRROR**

**1980**

The obvious thing to note about this edition is its brevity. One foolscap page, all contributed by the same person and the type was double spaced.

**1990**

This is interesting! The editorial dealt with the thinning of the Ozone layer (remember the profile this issue had in the community at the time) and the ramifications this had for our use of B.C.F. fire extinguishers.

The reason this is interesting! I just read a report in the paper this morning stating that the Ozone layer is indeed recovering since the ban on C.F.C.s' was introduced and is expected to return to pre C.F.C. thickness by 2050. So putting up with having to give your Dry Powder extinguisher a shake before each event has been worthwhile and will help to save your grand kids from skin cancer.

**2000**

The president's report contained a timely reminder to members to give some thought to the make up of the committee for the following year. Also an article stating the Yakkerboo Trial would return after a 6 year absence.