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Monthly Newsletter of the Pakenham Auto
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CALENDAR

5th April	Thursday	General Meeting	Pakenham Hall	8.00pm	Yes
14 th April	Saturday	Introductory Rally	George Woods Introductory Trial	Neerim	Yes
15 th April	Sunday	Dirt Motorkahana	VMC round 1 - (PAC)	Moorabbin	Yes
21 st April	Saturday	Rally	VCRS round 1 - Spring 200 (FFCC)	?	Yes
22 nd April	Sunday	Autocross	VCAS round 2	Bendigo	Yes
22 nd April	Sunday	Dirt Motorkahana	G5 round 3 - (VMCI)	Weeribee	No
27 th to 29 th April	Friday to Sunday	Rally	ARC round 2	WA	No
3rd May	Thursday	General Meeting	Pakenham Hall	8.00pm	Yes
5 th May	Saturday	Rally	VRC round 2 - East Gippsland Stages	?	No
6 th May	Sunday	Dirt Motorkahana	VMC round 4 - (HSCCV)	Weeribee	Yes
13 th May	Sunday	Autocross	VCAS round 3	Shepparton	Yes
20 th May	Sunday	Dirt Motorkahana	G5 round 4 - (NCCA)	Melton	No
26 th & 27 th May	Saturday & Sunday	Touring	Club Social Run to Winton Racetrack	Winton Racetrack	
26 th May	Saturday	Rally	VCRS round 2 - Autumn Sprintrally	?	Yes
27 th May	Sunday	Dirt Motorkahana	VMC round 5 - (VMCI)	Weeribee	Yes
1 st to 3 rd June	Friday to Dunday	Rally	ARC round 3	Canberra	No
7th June	Thursday	General Meeting	Pakenham Hall	8.00pm	Yes
10 th June	Sunday	Rally	VRC round 3	Bega	No
16 th June	Saturday	Autocross	VCAS round 4 - (PAC)	Maffra	Yes

Presidents Report January 2007

33% of the new 9 member committee are fresh faces, which should help to invigorate those of us who have been serving for a while now. We've even taken a novel approach and included a secretary on the team, this should mean we have minutes of meetings more consistently. Congratulations to all those members elected to the committee for 2007. My thanks to the members of last year's committee for dedicated service during 2006.

By the time you get to read this you will probably be recovering from your Christmas indulgence (I hope it wasn't over indulgence) and looking forward to 2007. The club year will kick off with a dinner meeting at the "Grayn" Restaurant on Thursday 4th January from 6-30pm. Those members wanting to come for dinner need to book through myself no later than the 28th Dec. phone 56254049 A.H. (Your too late ed.)

For other events coming up in the New Year check the calendar, although most dates are still being finalized, so you may need to wait until next month for things to really get into full swing. Have a safe and happy New Year.

Presidents Report March 07

Once Christmas arrives I tend to go into holiday mode and perform mundane tasks like trips to South Australia and towing the caravan to NewHaven. (I don't like the beach), so I came home and finished the tiling in the kitchen and made some cupboard doors. Exciting jobs like writing a Presidents report tend to become "low priority". Although we were in holiday mode, we did manage the schedule to be around for the Dinner meeting at the Grayn, which was a very enjoyable additional element to the holiday period.

Towards the end of January, (once I had returned to work, so there was more time available), I sent a proposal to the Rutter Reserve Committee in Tooradin seeking to use a portion of the reserve to run our Motorkhanas for 2007 . (Up the east end near the tractor pull area. The committee is very supportive of the idea and will forward the proposal to Casey Council so there may be a chance we can get a few Motorkhanas going later in the year.

The Cardinia Shire Mayor, Cr. Kate Lempriere, was a guest at our last club meeting. She spoke very supportively of our quest for a regional Motorsports Facility but pointed to the difficulties presented by the "Green Wedge" legislation within Cardinia Shire. That said however she did leave the impression that something being difficult is not a reason to abandon the cause.

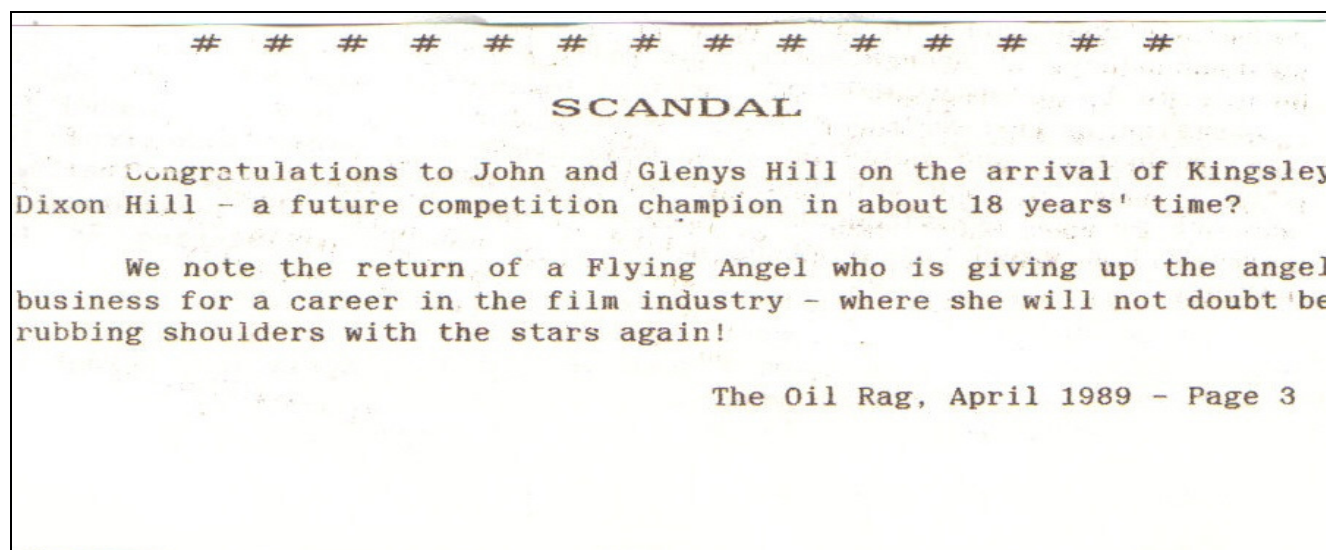
Presidents Report April 07

We've had a few hiccups with the "Oil Rag" over the last few months. Emma has resigned as editor and I take this opportunity to thank her for the effort she has put in over the past year. This means of course that we are looking for a new editor so if anybody can help please call me. In the meantime I will endeavour to get some kind of communication out to members each month. So that you don't feel too deprived I am including my reports from January and March in this issue. This gives you a good idea of what's been happening so far this year.

The recent Keith Rawson dinner was combined with our 35th anniversary and proved a great opportunity for all us "Old" members to bang on about how things used to be. The Mayor was also at this function and repeated the message she delivered at the February club meeting. Essentially, that the "Green Wedge" legislation creates a major impediment to our chance of finding suitable land to accommodate a motor sports facility within Cardinia Shire. Our thanks go to John Carney and his sub committee for organizing a great night.

President 2007 John Hill

Found in the Archives:



March 29th 2007. Yes! Kingsley celebrates his 18th Birthday. And No! He hasn't followed the passion about competing in motor events. This is more likely to be Tyson's ambitions, as he's the one interested in Motorsports.

Our trip to St.Arnaud

We were led to view historic railway bridges. Included was a full history from Mick, who had obviously done his home work on these. We lunched in Castlemaine, where Annette was unfortunately bitten not once but three times on the foot by a European wasp. Asking for an aspirin, Annette told us that if you place it on the bite, after wetting it, the pain subsides. Driving onto Maldon the Boys checked out the car museum. Annette and I saw the nick nack shop next door. We drove to the top of Mt.Tarangowa and some of us climbed the fire tower for a panoramic view of the area. Historic Maryborough Railway Station was our next stop that Mick led us to. Here we spent time admiring its décor and browsing the quality nick nacks inside. We then drove on to St.Arnaud Motel where we freshened up before heading to the St Arnaud Hotel. A great meal, a few drinks, then time to retire for the night. Sunday we rose, had breaky of sorts, then headed off to the Sprints. We then proceeded to the Pyrenees Bakery Avoca, for lunch. (And another nick nack shop or two). Then onto a couple of wineries to sample the wares before driving home. We have all been to PARADISE so if you weren't with us you might think about the next TOURING EVENT that will be coming up soon. Thanks Mick and John C. Glenys.

VICTORIAN MOTORKHANA CHAMPIONSHIP

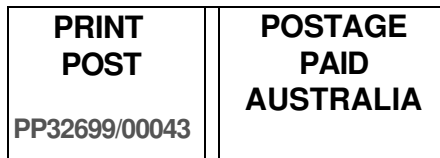
P.A.C. Will be running our round of the V.M.C. at **Moorabbin Airport**, (Second Ave. Cheltenham. Melways ref .87 F4), on the **15th April**. Sup. Regs will be posted on the club website.

We are looking for people to help us run this event. Mainly timers, but also somebody capable of scoring would be handy. I seem to be likely to be running the event due to Glad's involvement with the George Woods Rally the night before. I'm not all that experienced at organizing Motorkhanas so having some members around who know the drill would be much appreciated.

If you are able to help please contact me on 56254049 A.H.
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