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Monthly Newsletter of the Pakenham Auto Club

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CALENDAR

30 th & 31 st Aug	Six Hour Regularity Relay	Phillip Island
*3 rd Sept	General Meeting Narre Warren Autobarn	Narre
*7 th Sept	Bitumen Motorkhana V.M.C. 8 B.C.C.	Bendigo
*14 th Sept	Autocross V.C.A.S. 7 S.D.C.C.	Shepparton
21 st Sept	Hillclimb (Multiclub) G.C.C. Haunted Hills	Newborough
28 th Sept	Khanacross G.C.C at Gippsland Park	Morwell
*2 nd Oct	General Meeting	Pakenham
*5 th Oct.	Club Motorkhana 405 McGregor rd.	Pakenham
*25th Oct.	D.N.F.U.C. Yakkerboo Rally P.A.C. (contact John Hill to register as an official)	Neerim
*26 th Oct	Autocross V.C.A.S. 8 F.F.C.C.	Melton
*2 nd Nov.	Hillclimb (Multiclub) G.C.C. Haunted Hills	Newborough
*6 th Nov.	General Meeting	Pakenham
*8 th Nov.	Khanacross G.C.C. at Gippsland Park	Morwell
*16 th Nov.	Autocross V.C.A.S. 9 N.C.C.A.	Kyneton
*23 rd Nov.	Motorkhana V.M.C. 9 P.A.C.	Tooradin
*4 th Dec.	Annual General Meeting	Pakenham

Events marked * will count towards club point scores.

Sunday Coffee: Some members gather for an informal meeting on Sunday mornings at Lakeside Pakenham at approx. 8.00a.m.

Good chance to take your club permitted car for a run, just make sure you shove this copy of "Oil Rag" in the glove box.

September Special

20% OFF For this month only

And only if you show up for our next club meeting at **Narre Warren Autobarn on Wednesday 3rd Sept.**
 Come along on Thursday as you normally do and you'll be too late!

This months general meeting is being held at Narre Warren Autobarn, Crn. Narre North and Lauderdale Roads Narre Warren. From 7-30pm
 A *Special* discount of 20% will apply to any purchases made during the night. If we collectively spend more than \$1,000-00 the Club will also get a reward. So come along for a great night and bring your money.

President's Report

Sorry, no President's Report last month. I will blame the Editor because he always reminds me to write my report and collect the key to the hall door. Those of you who arrived early for last month's meeting will remember we had to wait for a key to get in.

This month we are really stuffing up the system, I am writing my report and I must remember to NOT get the key. You ask why. Well, turn back to page one and you will see we are meeting a day earlier than usual at a different venue. Auto Barn, Narre Warren is offering us a great night at their premises, with lots of special deals and a guest speaker. So check on page one for details and make this the meeting not to be missed.

We have had our first motorkhana at our new venue in McGregor Road. If you were not there, you missed a very good day. We had lots of entries, lots of juniors and lots of fun. Don't miss the next one, it is going to include another come and try day. See the calendar in this newsletter for details.

Talking of motorkhanas, I am appealing to any members (or parents or friends of members) who come to the Motorkhanas, but do not compete. We need people to run these Motorkhanas, and unfortunately CAMS do not allow the director of the event to compete. I am prepared to teach new directors the simple process of running a motorkhana. That way people like John Hill, who does so much for the club in many other ways, can compete instead of being the director. It is important that more people learn how to run events, or there will not be events for you (and/or your kids) to enjoy.

Please contact me on gladfish@netspace.net.au for more info about how easy it is to run a motorkhana.

Nick or Alan will always help you with the scoring. Peter helps with the application to CAMS and people like Ian Williams and other competitors always help set up the tests. Alan B attends to new members on the day. So there is not a lot left for the director. Please contact me SOON.

I could run a short training night for several of you one evening that suits you. Could more than cover it in an hour.

See you all at Auto Barn, lets make it worth their while inviting us.

Glad

REAR VIEW MIRROR

1978

The President had just returned from overseas and the Secretary, by his own admission, had been a "bit slack". As a result the calendar consisted of 3 club meetings, 2 working bees (only a fortnight apart) and the H.A.C. Interclub Motorkhana.

1988

The treasurer was hoping for lots of entries for a Motorkhana on 4th Sept. and an Autocross on 9th Oct. Apparently the bank balance was getting quiet low although no figures were presented. The other upcoming event of note was a port bottling at Banksia Manor. I only mention this because I'm probably the only member who this function that can remember it. All good fun!

1998

This edition had (amongst other things) a double page of photos from a recent Khanacross and an article on the upcoming 1999 Yakkerboo Rally to be held on 27/28th March. The membership director was complaining of exhaustion after signing 34 new members as a result of our first "Come and Try Day". Most notable among the new batch of members were the Robison family. Congratulations to Tom, Jesse and Sam who have been with us for ten years. Interesting too to note their membership numbers, 568 – 570. It took us twenty six years to get to nearly 600 members but we are now up to somewhere in the mid 1500's so we have signed up nearly a thousand members in the last 10 years.

General Meeting
7 August 08

Open 8:10

Apologies: M Fenner, M de Vaus, J Carney, G Wyatt, R Wyatt.

Prev. Min. moved as true and accurate by I. Williams 2nd J. Hill

Matters arising from minutes: Letter regarding "CATS" has been sent to VRAP Sec. no reply.

Coresp. In. Sandhurst, Westpac, club mags,
Out. Letter to VRAP re: catalytic converter on rally cars.

Treas: Balance in the Operating account \$7848:11
Acc for Payment Motorkhana \$300:00 Rutter Reserve hire April & June.
Moved for payment by B Sprowell 2nd G Begehle.

Membership: 143 members including 46 junior. + 15 not current

Rally: Sam and Jesse Robison win the George Derrick round of the VRC
11 Starters out of 43 were from PAC
D.N.F.U.C. Yakkerboo rally on track at present.

Speed: PAC VCAS round at Maffra had 116 entries each had 6 runs.
A big thanks to Trevor and Kimberly Barson for the smooth running of the event.
Next VCAS at Bendigo 23 Aug.
6HR. Relay 30/31 August. At Philip Island.
Hill climb at Haunted hills on 21 Sept.

Motorkhana: Ian Williams 1st in class at the last VMC round.
First motorkhana at the new McGregor road site on 17th August 08
Council will send an officer to witness the running. Club cars will be available
16th Aug Working Bee at site.

CAMS: Delegate gave a report on recent meeting.
See CAMS site for minutes.

Gen Bus: Keith Wells will provide a video if needed at the next meeting.
Guest Speaker. Lauren Croft from CAMS spoke about new developments at CAMS.
Meeting Closed:

D.N.F.U.C. YAKKERBOO RALLY

25th October is the date for this years Yakkerboo Rally supported again by David Nutter Ford Used Cars. We are looking for people who can help us out on the night of the event. At the moment there are still 28 positions along the route to be manned, most of the good ones will go early, so to book your spot phone the personnel coordinator, John Hill, 56 254 049 or if you prefer email jgmhill@dcsi.net.au

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6 HOUR RELAY 30/31 August 08 Philip Island

A team of 6 from PAC has entered in the six hour relay to be held at Philip Island at the end of August. The relay is a regularity trail where each member of the team nominates a lap time which they endeavour to maintain. Penalties apply for going under the time and lesser penalties apply for exceeding the time. Some parts of the track have a no passing zone just to bring a measure of uncertainty to any lap time being attempted. Drivers in this event must have a minimum 2S licence.

The team will consist of Beth Kidgell, Sue Wasson, Graeme Hurle, Bernie Sprowell, Peter Morrisson and Adam Bloomfield. Two have competed in this event in 2006. Any member who would like to become involved with the team should **contact Mick Kelly 59 412 931** We would love to see plenty of PAC members to come and cheer on our competitors on Sat or, especially, Sunday (Race, sorry, Relay day). Its free entry and you can have a good look around PI circuit without too many officials telling you where not to go. See the pits from the working side!