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VHRR CLUB ROOMS 30-32 LEXTON RD BOX HILL

NEWSLETTER - May 2010

We meet Bi-Monthly - on the Fourth Tuesday of the Month 8pm
at the VHRR Club rooms 30-32 Lexton Rd Box Hill.

COMING EVENTS

May	16th	VHCC Phillip Island	0417 039 113
May	18th	VHRR Social Night.....	0427 031 737
May	29th - 30th	Austin 7 Club Historic Winton.....	03 9584 2635
May	30th	Multiclub Hillclimb Haunted Hills	
June	5th-6th	VHCC Mt Leura.....	0439 652 325
June	20th	1st Interclub Challenge Rob Roy.....	03 9850 4795
June	22nd	VHRR MGM	
July	4th	Tour De Yarra Valley.....	0427 031 727
July	4th	Marysville SES Presentation.....	03 9787 3640
August	14th - 15th	VHRR Winton Long Track - Date firm!.....	03 9877 2317
August	24th	VHRR AGM & Committee Elections	
September	19th	2nd Interclub Challenge Rob Roy	03 9850 4795
October	2nd - 3rd	Wings & Wheels	0419 503 203
October	12th	VHRR Social Night.....	0427 031 737
October	??	VHRR Haunted Hills Trident Cup (CCE).....	0413 744 337
October	26th	VHRR MGM	
November	5th - 7th	Historic Sandown	0448 946 637
November	28th	19th Historic & Classic Rob Roy	03 9850 4795
December	4th	Haunted Hills Twilight Round.....	03 5174 1473

Wednesday Lunch Group - every Wednesday except Christmas Holidays.

CLUB LIBRARY HOURS Wednesdays 11.30 - 2.00 Club Nights 6.30 - 7.30

Club Permit Scheme
(Red Plate) Lloyd Shaw0415 351 164
PO Box 828 Glen Waverley 3150

*CCE = Club Championship Event

All the above club activities including the Wednesday Lunch are designated Red Plate activities

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IMPORTANT NOTICES

August Winton Long Track - Date has now been finalised - August 14-15th. Those interested in being on the committee should contact Ian Ross - 0412 351 403 or Ian Tate 03 9877 2317

More Tony Gaze Videos now available

\$20.00 pick up at Clubrooms, \$25.00 posted. Don Kinsey 0407 327 682

2010 Trident Cup Series Round one will have happened at Rob Roy by the time you get this NL, but Round two will be at Haunted Hills later this year - probably mid October stayed tuned for further details.

Thanks Alf Constanzo - Alf continued the high standard of guest speakers we have at MGMS with an most entertaining talk on his life as a racing driver from his passion to become one at an early age in his home town in Calabria, where, he said, there were only about 4 cars, to his heyday driving F5000s. As someone at the MGM said "You're a legend Alf".

Continuing the high standard of outings Ron Townley's Tooradin Tour of the Mangroves was great fun last Sunday. Good thing we got back before the jokes sunk us altogether. Thanks Ron.

Calling all Group FC/Pre 90 owners

At the recent VHRR general meeting 27/04/10, it was announced that, the VHRR would run stand alone races for Group FC/Pre 90 Formula Fords at the up coming August Winton [long track]. As you can appreciate this is a huge step forward for this group. We need your support to make this a memorable event. This is a AASA event but as an invited category an existing CAMS log book will suffice. While I have you, I need to remind you that it would be prudent to lodge your Historic applications soon as possible for next year.

Please contact me 0418 556 934 for further info if required. Regards Peter Brennan

Congratulations to Stumpy and Joyce on the birth of the latest Group K driver to be - Grandson Liam. Also, Congratulations Stumpy on FTD at Sunday's Rob Roy.

Paul Faulkner has bought the Alan Jones FW07 Williams. No engine yet, but racing planned.

Red Plate Renewals - Change of Procedure

In future when members receive renewal notices from VicRoads the renewal for validation should be forwarded by post to Lloyd Shaw 21 Myers Ave Glen Waverley 3150, together with your cheque for the relevant fee made payable to VicRoads and a stamped envelope addressed to VicRoads. I will forward the signed document and cheque direct to VicRoads on your behalf. The previous post office box address is no longer available. Please do not bring renewals to the above address without prior notice via my mobile 0415 351 164. Lloyd Shaw

VHRR Members with vehicles on CPS (Red Plates) are reminded that monthly runs to both the Mornington Peninsula (mid-week dates TBA), or Warragul (2nd Sunday) are available - contact Lloyd Shaw 0415 351 164 for details.

Global Warming - In the last two Newsletters two contributors have written over 1000 words on this subject and neither of them referred to the true cause of the problem. Global population growth and the needs of that population create all of the problems. Nothing else. Lloyd Shaw.

Moorabbin Air Museum - Wings and Wheels This is the tenth "Wings and Wheels" and will feature Bugattis in recognition of Ettore Bugatti's significant contribution to aviation. It will be in the form of a display of cars, Bugatti aeroplane memorabilia and other related items at the Museum in First St Moorabbin Airport over for the weekend of October 2/3, 2010 Bob King 0419 503 203

Tour De Yarra Valley

Ron Simmonds will be conducting his traditional Tour De Yarra Valley on July 4th and we will use this opportunity to present the Marysville SES with the equipment bought from the Bushfire Appeal. Look forward to a Sausage Sizzle etc at the SES HQ in Marysville. They expect to have an old car to cut up with the gear.

Marysville Update Arrangements are still to be finalised with the SES in Marysville - a formal presentation & hand over of the equipment will be followed by a demonstration to show us what the equipment will do. Watch the newsletter next month for more details. Brenda Campbell

Groups M & O Report

Wasn't the Phillip Classic meeting magnificent, other than a brief shower on Sunday the weather was great and the racing pretty much right across all classes was exciting with close tussles right through the fields. What a great range of cars from overseas, obviously the Alfa 159, the 8C-35, the T33 and

the P3, but how about the BRM P201/02, the Brabham BT26, not to mention the locals with a couple of Marchs, Lolas, the Benneton and of course the Lola Hart and maybe best of all the Ferrari 156/85.

Though lacking numbers the M & O's combined with a large field of Formula Fords provided some great racing with fantastic dices at the front involving Andy Newall in the T33, Ray Stubber in the BT29 and Laurie Bennett and Richard Carter all fighting for the lead with Keith Simpson snapping at their heels. The wins were shared between Ray Stubber and Andy Newall at two each while Richard Carter grabbed the fastest lap for the weekend at 1.39.9, probably as a result of being harassed continually by Laurie Bennett. Lead changes throughout each race being the order of the day.

But the action wasn't restricted to the front with Paul Orr in the Austin special once raced by his dad fiercely contesting his position against at least two Formula Fords in each race.

Reckon Bill Hemming will still be grinning from ear to ear after his weekend with the superb Elfin 400, started four races, finished and won his class in each and also went quicker at each outing.

Good to see Barry Murphy out in the Wayne Ford complete with gold plated transmission housing and of course winning his class in each race

Meanwhile in group M racing Tony Dorrell in the Monaco HS6 enjoyed his close dices with Formula Fords and the odd clubman in taking all four under 1500cc class wins and at the same time getting down to a very respectable time at his first meeting at the Island.

Henry Oosterbaan in the ex Brian Simpson Alton collected all four class medals on offer in group M racing 1500-3000cc, making the long trip from WA worthwhile.

There were only two entries in group M sports Rod Anderson in the Stirling picking up all four medals on offer while Tony Burrage succumbed to gearbox problems in the Rennmax.

Tony Dorrell had a lucky escape in race one when was lapped just before the finish, unable to get 5.00x13, he had fitted 5.25x13, about 25mm wider resulting in scored side walls and deflation on return to the pits, that extra lap would almost certainly resulted in a nasty off road excursion.

I took the opportunity to touch base with as many M & O competitors as possible and distributed a registration form in an effort to establish a register of these vehicles held in Victoria, the aim being to establish a data base and from that promote these classes, thank you to those who have responded, it's a small step but something to build on.

Can't resist sharing a quote with you: Commented to Andy Newall on what a magnificent car the T33 is, Andy replied "Yes it is a nice piece of kit" now there is an understatement.

Derek Smith M& O rep. 0403 830 390 or derrard@virginbroadband.com.au

To the VHRR and all members..

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all involved with the Phillip Island weekend, not only myself but also from the other UK drivers. This was my 5th visit to this now world class event and I have to say it was the best by far. A total delight to be involved with like minded people who all pull in the same direction.... a lot can be learnt over here by how you run your meetings.

Once again a big thank you, not only to the people who make this a great weekend but also to the members who put up with a bunch of outsiders turning up at what can only be classed as a major race meeting.

Best regards and please feel free to post this email on your website.

Andy Newall

Formula Ford - Phillip Island

This year Formula Ford was combined with M&O and limited to just 25 entries in the field of 50. This was a shame really having put an amazing 65 cars on the grid last year. Still, those of us quick enough to get our entries in were rewarded with 4 races on this magnificent track. Despite the mixed field, the racing worked out pretty well with the top 4 or 5 M&O cars clearing off, leaving most of the FF's to fight for honours.

It was great to see new faces too with UK driver John Bladon having a steer of Laurie Bennetts Elfin 600 - and loving it. John van Leeuwen was over from WA having just finished a stunning restoration of his Van Dieman RF80. Tom Vrevc was back in his Wren after its debut at Sandown, Paul McMahon from WA was over driving a McInnes Lola and John Flint was having a great time in his recent purchase, an ex-John Smith Lola T440. The ex-Thomas Mazera Reynard is now in the hands of SA Formula Forder Neil Richardson and he showed good pace throughout the weekend.

For the sake of simplicity, I'll just talk about the FF competition as a stand alone event and not surprisingly Jon Miles was up the front in qualifying with a 1.48.5, with yours truly next, just shading

Andrew McInnes by a measly four hundredths. Formula Ford stalwart Steve Moody was next in a Minda Lola, with Nick Bennett and Paul Faulkner making up the top 6.

In Race 1, Miles and McInnes had chosen to not run a first gear ratio, putting second in its place and thus spacing the rest closer. Obviously it's hard to get off the line, but once moving you've effectively got a 5 speed box. It's quicker in qualifying, but would it pay off in the races?

As the lights went out, not surprisingly, Miles and McInnes went backwards as yours truly got the jump. Jon wasn't slow to catch up though and got passed the Birrana while still on lap 1 and raced away. McInnes set about the chase from 3rd and after we swapped places a couple of times on lap 4, Andrew spun on the oil at turn 2 letting the train of Crozier, Faulkner, Moody, Van Leeuwen, Sampson and Nick Bennett through. In the end, Miles 1st, McDonald 2nd, Crozier 3rd.

In race 2 Miles stayed with the "5 speed" arrangement, but McInnes went back to a traditional ratio selection for race 2 and leapt into second place behind Miles off the start. A bit of room left in Southern Loop though and it was back to 3rd and our dicing was as close as usual. Results... Miles 1st, McDonald 2nd, McInnes a whisker away 3rd.

In race 3 the rain started to come down - but only in places! John van Leeuwen showed real class in the conditions pushing up to 3rd place at one stage and posting a genuinely quick 1.50 in the process. Same finishing positions as Race 2 though.

In race 4 a coming-together between Miles and McInnes saw yours truly scoot away for a Steven Bradbury style win, while Crozier, Moody and Sampson fought desperately for the remaining podium spots. In the end Crozier snatched second with legend Brian Sampson taking a well placed 3rd just ahead of Moody. As usual the racing was clean, hard and fast and a good time was had by all.

See you at Winton.

Nick McDonald

The Maturing of an Historic Racer - "The Cooper Years" from Mallala 1994 to Winton 2010 by Demon Tweaks - usual great read for \$15.00. All proceeds to SCCSA, call 08 8261 0888 BH

Classifieds

Wanted Super 8 Diana Gaze lent someone Lex Davison's personal Super 8 footage of the 1953 Monte Carlo Rally. This seems to have disappeared, so if anyone knows the whereabouts it would be greatly appreciated Call me on 03 9787 3640 if you have any clues. Thanks, Grant.

Garage Sale clearing out Welsy's shed, many interesting items, 4cyl Ford engine parts, fire bomb (new in box), gauges, some tools and lots of misc oddboddery. Saturday 8th May, 10am on, 18 Glengarry Ave Burwood.

1964 Morris Cooper, fitted with 1275cc Morris 1100'S' motor, Weber on Lynx short branch manifold, works extractors, and in a mild state of tune which makes it very easy to drive. Finished in BRG/white, photos of resto available. Winner of VHRR Group Nc championship, and with many class wins at Rob Roy, Heathcoat sprints, and great fun at Sandown and Phillip Island regularity events. Very reliable turn key car make this 'Mini' a great way to start having a go at historic events. Priced to sell at \$15,000.00 or near offer. (Currently on club plates)

For more info contact Ron Simmonds on (03) 59622331 or 0427031737.

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MGB - For Sale Ken Williams 0403 244 261

Kit Car - Beaut Aussie Special - Jim Crocker - 0408 802 710

12 volt winch for trailer Purchased in 2008 (for \$385), installed on my race car trailer and NEVER USED! According to the manual, load capacities are 4,773 kgs rolling, 4,000 kgs marine and 1,590 kgs pulling. Line speed is 3 m/minute, cable length 5.8m and unit weighs 20.9 kgs. Comes with all wiring for tow car. \$200 ono. (03) 9822 5034 or email wumble1@pacific.net.au

For Sale B.W.A. Group Ka

The cheap part of buying a racing car is the cost, then you start spending. Here is a car with a history as long as your arm and nothing to spend! \$100,000.00 Ron Townley 03/59884846
