

## The Bulletin

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## **CLUB CALENDAR 2018**

April						
Sat 14 - Sun 15	Rally	ADA River Rally - VCRS RD1	Yarra State Forrest	WDCC		
Sun 15	AX	Round 3	BLCC Complex	Terry Brain		
Sun 22	MK & KX	Round 2 of MK CDC 3, Round 2 of KX	BLCC Complex	-		
Fri 27	Club Night	Doors Open 7:30pm	BLCC Clubrooms			
Sat 28 - Sun 29	Off Road Rush	Public Ride Day	BLCC Complex	Barney Haddon		
May		·		•		
Sat 5	VCAS	Day Night Autocross	BLCC Complex			
Sun 6	Club Run	BLCC Club Run	Ballarat	Wayne Holness		
Sat 12 - Sun 13	Off Road Rush	Public Ride Day	BLCC Complex	Barney Haddon		
Sun 20	AX	Round 4, CDC 5	BLCC Complex	Paul Gladman		
Fri 25	Club Night	Doors Open 7:30pm	BLCC Clubrooms			
June		•				
Sat 9 - Sun 10	Hillclimb	Ararat Hillclimb	One Tree Hill			
Sun 10	Club Run	BLCC Club Run	Ballarat	TBA		
Sun 17	MK & KX	Round 3 MK, Round 3 KX	BLCC Complex	KX- Rob Prosser		
Sat 23	Sprints	Winton Sprints CDC 6	Winton			
Sat 23	Rally	Nissan Nightmoves - VCRS RD2	Heathcote	NCCA		
Sat 23 - Sun 24		Public Ride Day	BLCC Complex	Barney Haddon		
Fri 29	Club Night	Doors Open 7:30pm	BLCC Clubrooms			
July						
Sun 22	MK & KX	Round 4 of MK CDC 7 Round 4 of KX	BLCC Complex			
Fri 27	AGM	Guest Speaker – Glen Wood	BLCC Clubrooms			
August	MK	Reserve date for events	DI CC C1			
Sun 12			BLCC Complex			
Sun 19	Sprints	Winton Sprints CDC 8	Winton	D II 11		
Sat 25 - Sun 26		Public Ride Day	BLCC Complex	Barney Haddon		
Fri 31 September	Club Night	Doors Open 7:30pm	BLCC Clubrooms			
Sat 8	AX	AX Reserve or Double Banger	BLCC Complex			
Sun 16	Rally	Yarra Valley Stages - VCRS RD 3	Toolangi	NCCA		
Sat 22 - Sun 23		Wings and Wheels Sprints	Maryborough			
Fri 28	Club Night	Doors Open 7:30pm	BLCC Clubrooms	Andrew Bayley		
October	Club Night	Doors Open 7.30pm	BLCC Clubroonis			
	Bathurst	Bathurst 1000	Mt Panorama	Supercars Australia		
Sat 6	Rally	Blue Rock Stages - VCRS RD 4	Yarra State Forrest	PAC		
	Off Road Rush	Public Ride Day	BLCC Complex	Barney Haddon		
Sun 21	KX	Potential date for Stapo's KX	BEEC Complex	Burney Hadden		
Fri 26	Club Night	Doors Open 7:30pm	BLCC Clubrooms			
Sat 27	Rally	Tunbridge Rally - VCRS RD 5	Paddy Ranges	BLCC		
November	ixany	runoringe Karry - VCKS KD 3	addy Kanges	DLCC		
Sat 3 - Sun 4	AX,KX & MK	Cog's Carnival	BLCC Complex	Ben McKee		
Sat 24 - Sun 25		Public Ride Day	BLCC Complex	Barney Haddon		
Sat 24	Rally	George Derrick - VCRS RD 6	Stoney State Forrest	CCRMIT		
Fri 30	Club Night	Doors Open 7:30pm	BLCC Clubrooms			
December						
Sun 9	AX Geordie Fawcett Memorial AX		BLCC Complex			
Sat 15 - Sun 16	Off Road Rush	Public Ride Day	BLCC Complex	Barney Haddon		



## **NEWS**

#### **Coming Events**

Sat 28th - Sun 29th April - Off Road Rush, Contact Barney if you can help out.

Sat 5th May - VCAS Round at BLCC, Day/Night Autocross

Sun 6th May - Club Run, Wayne Holness organising.

Sat 12th - Sun 13th May - Off Road Rush, Contact Barney if you can help out.

Sun 20th May - Autocross Round 4, Round 5 of the CDC

Fri 27th July - AGM, Guest speaker: Glenn Wood be giving a talk on his career.

#### **Club Services**

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi all and welcome to the April Bulletin. This month's a lot slower than the ones we have had previously.

First off, the Mt Leura Hillclimb that was cancelled. After attending the Hillclimb panel meeting we can now confirm that the dates are now the 1-2 September. Entries will close a week prior to the event so if you are interested in competing keep this in mind. When this event gets closer we will be looking for officials so remember to put in preferences for your corner. The Hillclimb panel was very impressed with the way the club handled dealing with the total fire ban, so thank you to the officials who helped and to the competitors for their understanding. And thank you to the town of Camperdown for their understanding with regards to competitors' accommodation.

At the latest committee meeting it was decided that the Club would purchase an 8 x 5 trailer. This now means that we will no longer need to annoy **Rod Hall** to have the use of a trailer. This will be a great addition to the Club as it will be able to be used for all aspects of the Club and club events.

This month we received the money for the purchase for 4-5 heated jackets. These jackets will be used by the officials in the middle of the track for the coming events in winter. I would like to thank the REA Employee Community Grant for this grant. Also thank you to **Paul Duncalf** and family for helping organise it. These jackets will be a great new addition to the club.

This month we were going to get the motorsport complex burn off but due to Ballarat City Council that will no longer be going forward. If you would like some free firewood for the winter the motorsport has 3 piles available. If you and some friends would like to come out and cut some wood to take home please contact myself (preferable not on a hot day though).

I would also like to try and advertise some more events that are junior inclusive. Some of these events like the Winton Sprints have free entry for all juniors. Hillclimbs have come and try days and other events are run with lower or free junior entry.

Thank you to **Andrew McMaster** for the last H-plated run. I heard that they had a great day and everyone was very pleased with how it went. Some of those who participated then went onto the Myrniong Historic Sprints.

And lastly, to the person or persons who are using the Autocross track for their own private practice. You have been seen by 2 or more members of the public on more than one weekend, and there have been complaints from residents regarding your dust. We know the appearance of this car and it will not take us long to link it to its owner. To try and stop this behaviour we will be parking objects on the track to prevent this from happening, but if it continues we will have no other choice then to install security cameras. Thank you to all those who are doing the right thing.

Thanks,

**Barney Haddon, BLCC President** 



## **EDITORIAL REPORT**

It's been fairly quiet around the club recently, **Barney's** report covers all the little things I'd usually cover, so instead I'm going to use this free space to thank some of our officials whose names didn't make it into Bulletins previous.

20/1/18 Come and Try Day: Darren Watkins, Damian Faulkner, Reg Johnson, Rod Hall, Arron Secombe, Paul Gladman, Ian Brain, Michele Bayley, Ben Mckee, Paul Duncalf, Wayne Holness, Ambrose Haddon.

21/1/18 Autocross: Chris Hall, Rod Hall, Ian Brain, Reg Johnson, Robert Prosser, Michele Bayley, Chris Stevens, Roy Parkinson, Ben Mckee, Ambrose Haddon, Wayne Holness, Peter Laurie, Melissa Mckee, Bernie Gladman.

11/2/18 Motorkhana & Khanacross: Barney Haddon, Michele Bayley, Damian Faulkner, Chris Hall, Paul Duncalf, Ben Mckee, Marty Cassar, Heather and Robert Pendleton, Keith McElroy.

Everyone who helps is put into consideration for the Clubman's trophy at the AGM. Not only that, but if I'm running reports on events without naming the essential helpers, then I'm not doing my job!

**Andrew Bayley** 

Next Bulletin Deadline is: MAY 16th

#### The Bulletin

#### **Editorial Panel**

Andrew Bayley Kate Bayley Arron Secombe

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Damian Quirk	Peter Ellis								
Darren Wythe	Reg Johnson								
David Stewart	Richard Gay								
Wayne Drew	Rob Prosser								
Garry Harrowfield	Rod Hall								
Greg Pitt	Russell McKenzie								
John Bourke									

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Roy Parkinson	Darren Whyte (Rally)	Chris Stevens			
Les Noonan	Noel Peers	Damian Faulkner			
Damian Faulkner	Ben McKee	Rod Hall			
Richard Gay	Ian Brain	Arron Secombe			
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#### **Membership Renewals**

A friendly reminder that memberships were due at the end of June, At this point, non members will not receive any Bulletins until membership is renewed.

Renewal forms have been posted.

Michele Bayley mbbayley@bigpond.com

**New Members** 

Chas Werner Tom Werner

#### **Bereavement Notices**

It has been brought to the attention of the Bulletin Editor that there have been cases of a past BLCC member's death not being recognised by the club.

If you know, or hear of, the death of a past member please notify the President or Secretary so that the proper arrangements can be made.



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## **CAMPERDOWN HILLCLIMB**

Motorsport may be seen as dangerous, but at the end of the day it's no worse than any other sport, at least, in recent years anyway, where technology and a greater understanding of risks has increased the safety of the sport so much that serious injuries from accidents are few and far between.

But the sport is still full of risks and while no-one was ever expecting a total fire ban to stop our round of the state hillclimb, for the first time ever, it was.

With the news of the fire ban on Saturday, we had still hoped to run the event, with the intention of setting up the hill on the Saturday and starting the runs on Sunday as soon as we possibly could.

The hill was set up over a leisurely Saturday, with timing wire laid out, new tyre barriers installed and fencing run along our spectator point at the start line, with Scrutineering ticking along as drivers arrived we all settled into the swing of things just waiting for Sunday.

The first thing that should have caught our attention was our Camperdown local **Scott Ball** getting a notification from the CFA that there was a large grassfire near the town. Of course, not overthinking anything we paid little notice to it and continued on with the day.

By the time of the drivers briefing at 4pm, **Scott** had returned with news of the fire ban having been extended to the Sunday as well, the drivers briefing became a notice of postponement and **Michele Bayley** soon found herself busy, calling every competitor to tell them the event wasn't going to run.

The weekend became slightly worse for hillclimb racers too, with the news that the DECA track at Shepparton was closing down. While it can never be as bad as people who lost their homes during the fires, it is still a loss of a crucial facility that was focused on driver training, as it has always been a personal belief that I have shared many times; that driver training should be a national focus and losing places like DECA does nothing but raise the risks of accidents as fewer drivers are given the chance to refine their defensive driving skills.





### **CAMPERDOWN HILLCLIMB**

The hillclimb was soon packed up in record time and we headed home, dejected but somewhat happy as many people were then given a chance to attend the White Night festival in Ballarat, it was the next morning when the severity of the fires in Camperdown was revealed.

Camperdown and the surrounding districts were devastated by the grassfires, with many left homeless and the effects of the fire still raging on, with the fire at Cobden still being particularly bad.

It came as a shock to most of us, who had thought nothing of the dangers of the fire which had been burning so close to the town, even more so when it was revealed how close Camperdown came to burning down.

It wasn't until some time later that the Eureka Rally organisers pointed out to the rest of us that given the amount of date-swapping that occurred between White Night and the Eureka Rally that we could have just as easily lost the Sunday of the Eureka to the total fire ban that was placed over Victoria if it had taken the date that the hillclimb was eventually given.

And so, as it stands now, the hillclimb is set to run on the 1st and 2nd of September. And while we wait for the dates to roll around again, one can only turn their mind to the communities affected, we may have been concerned with a hillclimb but the weekend will remain as a hard reminder of a community brought to it's knees and their struggles to recover.

Motorsport may be dangerous, but it's nothing compared to the harsh forces of nature and random chance.

#### **Andrew Bayley**



## **AUTOCROSS RD3**

31 starters out of 36 entrants cheerfully accepted the challenge of honing their wet-weather driving skills in Round 3 of BLCC's 2018 Autocross Series on Sunday 15 April. Frequent showers throughout Saturday then Sunday morning meant water pooled around each apex during scrutiny – and therefore 60+ red cones being placed to "minimise" the creation of mud.

Showers throughout competition were timed fairly for all, with the mud building to create a consistent slush at many parts of the track from lunchtime. Careful car control was the order of the day, with most drivers acquitting themselves well – although the spectator mound near Airport Road is now a lot closer to the track, thanks to very frequent excursions by under-steerers on the ice-like left hander. Only 3 times under 100 seconds were recorded for the day. The much slower times than usual resulted in only four of the planned five runs being possible, with results being decided on the best three runs per competitor.

Our scorers and infield officials were kept busy counting and replacing hits to red "hats", including by our first and second Outright placegetters: **Sam Rozitis** (Mitsubishi Mirage, Class A and 1 hat) from **Les Noonan** (Mazda Familia, Class F1 and 1 hat on two runs). Third was **Richard Gay** (Gemini, Class H), a quarter of a second ahead of **Rod Hall** (Laser S, Class I), with **Ian Brain** in fifth (Peugeot 205 GTI, Class B) – all avoiding the hats.

Other Class winners were:

**Ben McKee** (Subaru Liberty – Class F2 winner and 6<sup>th</sup> outright) who delighted spectators on his last run with a spin at the end of the straight, then two hats.

**Paul Shaw** (Nissan Skyline R31 – Class D)

Josh Gay (Gemini – Class J3)

Sam Cassar (Laser TX3 — Class J2)

**Andrew Bayley** (Corolla – Class C)

Full results appear elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Thankyou to all those competitors who took their rostered turns as infield or tower officials.

A special thankyou – and welcome – to two first-time ever competitors **Tom** and **Chas Werner** in their WRX wagon. They were among the first through scrutiny, and were then happy to help set up our all-weather huts for infield officials. They also returned the huts after competition! Tom should also be very happy with his

8<sup>th</sup> outright on debut.

Many thanks also to our other key officials: **Barney Haddon** (CAMS Steward and track preparation), **Michele Bayley** (Event Secretary), **Rod Hall** (Scorer and mentor); **Ben McKee** (mentor), **Paul Duncalf**, **Ian Brain** and **Chris Stevens** (Scrutineers) and **Wayne Holness** (Equipment and track preparation).

Your next opportunity for autocross will be on Saturday 5 May when BLCC hosts Round 3 of the Victorian Club Autocross Series (VCAS) as a day/night event. Supp Regs will allow winter tread tyres, and be otherwise similar to those already published at <a href="http://www.vicclubautocrossseries.com/?q=2018-events">http://www.vicclubautocrossseries.com/?q=2018-events</a>. Could all those able to assist in any way with the smooth running of that event please email or text me (<a href="mailto:terrybrain3@gmail.com">terrybrain3@gmail.com</a>, **0417369780**) with an indication of your availability (day and/or night) and role preferences. Competitors will arrive from midday and depart from 9pm.

#### **Terry Brain**

Clerk of Course (Apprentice 2)



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## **AUTOCROSS RD 3**



No	Name	Car	Class	Prac	Hats	Run 1	Hats	Run 2	Hats	Run 3	Hats	Run 4	Hats	Total	OR	Class
7	Sam Rozitis	Mitsubishi Mirage	Α	0	0	97.019	0	107.71	0	129.292	1	123.841	0	328.57	1	1
22	Sir Les Noonan Esq	Mazda Familia	F1	0	0	98.492	0	110.059	1	118.441	0	121.743	1	331.992	2	1
27	Richard Gay	Gemini	Н	0	0	99.318	0	112.402	0	128.377	0	126.298	0	338.018	3	1
30	Rod Hall	Laser S	1	0	0	101.28	0	112.894	0	125.896	0	124.104	0	338.278	4	1
12	Ian Brain	Peugeot 205 GTI	В	0	0	100	0	115.951	0	133.431	0	129.305	0	345.256	5	1
25	Ben McKee	Subaru Liberty RS	F2	0	0	102.067	0	117.002	0	127.826	0	135.695	2	346.895	6	1
2	Paul Gladman	Nissan Pulsar	Α	0	0	111.93	0	116.957	0	123.392	0	125.521	0	352.279	7	2
20	Tom Werner	Subaru WRX	F1	0	0	107.292	0	120.041	0	125.767	0	126.64	0	353.1	8	2
24	Keith McElroy	Subaru WRX	F2	0	0	101.423	0	118.545	0	138.981	0	133.204	0	353.172	9	2
11	Greg Cray	Holden Astra	Α	0	0	105.21	0	120.996	0	131.209	0	132.861	0	357.415	10	3
16	Paul Shaw	Nissan Skyline R31	D	0	0	101.532	0	121.127	0	135.481	0	145.261	0	358.14	11	1
5	Reg Johnson	Holden Nova	Α	0	0	103.392	0	126.163	0	131.648	0	129.956	1	361.203	12	4
32	Chas Werner	Subaru WRX	F1	0	0	114.307	0	125.141	0	126.636	0	132.28	0	366.084	13	3
6	Robert Prosser	Subaru Impreza	Α	0	0	107.788	10	112.089	0	125.975	0	129.955	0	368.019	14	5
3	Paul Duncalf	Daewoo Lanos	Α	0	0	114.591	0	119.717	0	138.142	0	135.247	0	369.555	15	6
37	Josh Gay	Gemini	J3	0	0	111.559	0	126.576	0	131.902	0	133.822	0	370.037	16	1
1	Nathan Stevens	Excel	Α	0	0	103.231	0	129.195	2	130.189	0	140.815	0	372.615	17	7
33	Sam Cassar	Laser TX3	J2	0	0	134.418	0	121.709	0	136.241	0	126.365	1	387.492	18	1
9	Marty Cassar	Laser TX3	В	0	0	115.936	0	136.898	0	146.644	0	145.273	0	398.107	19	2
19	Jake Gladman	Nissan Pulsar	Α	0	0	126.46	0	134.903	1	151.619	0	132.828	0	399.191	20	8
36	Bryce Stevens	Excel	J3	0	0	133.044	1	137.286	0	224.029	5	136.483	0	411.813	21	2
14	Andrew Bayley	Corolla	С	0	0	114.767	0	158.091	0	146.256	0	150.885	0	411.908	22	1
38	Nathan Rozitis	Mitsubishi Mirage	J3	0	0	131.737	0	138.984	0	141.705	0	142.216	0	412.426	23	3
13	Jamie Allen	Commodore Ute	В	0	0	115.54	0	147.307	1	149.877	0	160.686	0	417.724	24	3
34	Oakley Haddon	Nissan Pulsar	J2	0	0	137.324	1	131.9	1	159.074	1	138.503	1	422.727	25	2
39	Zaige Porra	Excel	J3	0	0	132.877	0	140.471	0	148.199	1		0	426.547	26	4
18	Nathan Makovec	BMW	D	0	0	125.38	2	149.032	0	150.413	0	149.337	0	433.749	27	2
31	Damien Pendleton	Gazelle	J2	0	0	130.512	0	150.392	0	153.22	0	158.688	0	434.124	28	3
21	Darren Watkins	Subaru WRX	F1	0	0	125.731	10	147.199	1	145.623	0	137.805	0	435.627	29	4
8	Chris Stevens	Excel	Α	0	0	111.29	0	126.242	0	151.555	15		0	437.532	30	9
35	Dylan Simonis	Gemini	J3	0	0	157.39	0	163.843	10	153.833	0		0	511.223	31	5







## **CLUB PLATE RUNS**

A beautiful, sunny morning welcomed members attending the Club Plate run on Sunday 8 April.

The drive commenced at the clubrooms, with six cars participating:

Chris Bourke & Ross Barnett – Porsche 911 Glen Orr – MG Midget Dave Stewart – Chrysler Valiant Mark & Jo Valentine – Porsche 944 Wayne Holness – Mazda Astina Andrew McMaster – Mazda RX7

The drive covered approximately 150km over about 2 hours. After leaving the clubrooms and driving along the Western Highway towards Burrumbeet, we exited at Remembrance Drive. The cars then followed a route through Cardigan, Haddon, Nintingbool, Smythesdale, Staffordshire Reef, Berringa, Devils Kitchen, Happy Valley, Linton (quick stop to stretch legs), Snake Valley, Ross Creek (via Smythesdale), Napoleons, Enfield, Mt. Mercer, Grenville, Buninyong and finished at the Krooze In Café at Mt. Helen for some coffee, munchies and a chat.

Everyone who attended enjoyed the quiet country roads which, were a mixture of winding (some single lane) and straight roads in areas where people generally don't venture.

Thanks to all who attended, **Chris Hall** for his assistance beforehand, and **Chris Bourke** and **Ross Barnett** for acting as tail-end car.

#### **Andrew McMaster**



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## **CLUB PLATE SCHEME (CPS)**



Pictured (left) is a photo of **Andrew McMaster's** club run, dates of future club runs are as follows:

May 6<sup>th</sup> - Wayne Holness organising, run to the museum at Beeac.

0408 343 238

June 10th - Rob Cole organising.

#### RENEWALS

As of May 23 2017 all CPS renewals will be carried out at the Friday night general meetings.

The procedure is as follows.

On arrival to the meeting, members will be able to place the Vic Roads renewal form on a marked table just inside the door (accompanied by the \$5 fee), to be signed by one of our signatories (Rick Pope; Barney Haddon; Chris Hall).

At the completion of the meeting members will be able to pick up the signed form on departure.

Members will be notified if an inspection of the vehicle is required prior to signing.

If unsure that an inspection is required, call the Permit Officer prior to the meeting.

#### NEW CPS APPLICATIONS

Once becoming a member of the BLCC and after a period of 3 months a member can apply to place a vehicle or motorbike into the CPS

There are forms for the Club and Vic Roads to be completed as well as a series of 7 photos of the relevant vehicle. A current RWC is also required.

A check list of documents required is available at the Club

Bring all documents to the Friday meeting and submit to our Permit Officer, Rick Pope.

Rick can be contacted at:

spatiala@yahoo.com or +61 419 550 718

After obtaining Club approval all documents are taken to Vic Roads by the applicant for processing.

You can apply for a 45 or 90 day permit.

A fee of \$5 is payable to BLCC on application.



## **MYRNIONG SPRINTS**



On the same day as **Andrew McMaster's** club run was the Myrniong Sprints.

The Austin 7 Club has been running these sprints for a while now and it's seen as a great hidden gem of the historic racing calendar, often referred to as an event where the car park has a better display of vehicles than the racing itself!

The track itself is 860m long and is a long straight followed by a dip, a sweeping right uphill into a left over the crest and a dip to the finish line, our club has used the hill for a

Winter Classic a few years ago and has always stuck in my mind as an exciting course, mind you, the simple act of navigating makes any course exciting when you realise you've got no control over the car...

But back to the day itself, Given the relaxed attitude of the racers there was a practice run and three timed runs for the 81 entrants, key standouts of the field being **Graham Alexander** in his fire-breathing HT Monaro, **Jim Russell** in his gleaming silver Ford V8 special, **Bill Redpath** in the frankly insane Redpath Oldsmobile, **Mick Hone** in a hardtop Cobra-Chev and **Gary Ball** in his replica of America's greatest race car, the Cobra Daytona.

The day was won by **Mick Hone** with a best time of 26.4 seconds, with **Mark Blekic** in a Ford Falcon clocking in at 26.9 and **Adam Cieciura** 3rd with 27 flat.



But the aim of the day is not to measure outrights, but to compare against classes and previous personal bests as classic racing machinery puts out their finest for a quick Sunday drive.

BLCC members were represented by **Kevin Parkinson** in the sort of HQ they should be racing! (And by that I mean a nice V8) **Colin Newitt** in his Lowcost Clubman and **Graeme Scott** who was sadly a late scratching in his tidy Morris Cooper.



As usual, a great day of historic racing from the Austin 7 club, and while it may have been a windy day, if recent weather is anything to go by, it will also be the last sunny weekend any of us see for a while!

**Andrew Bayley** 



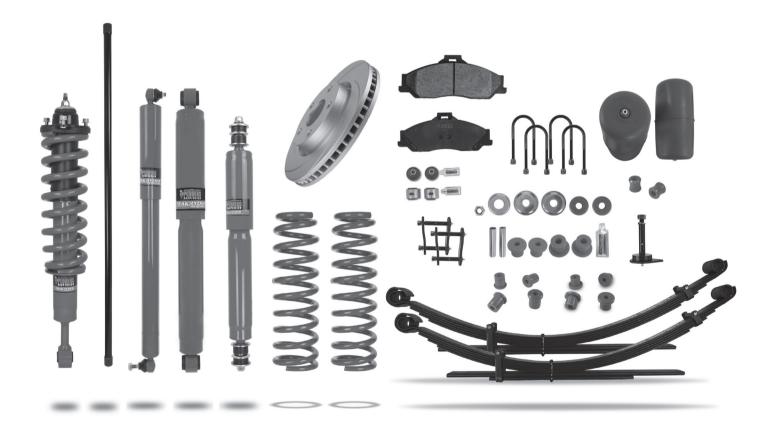


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## **VHCC UPDATES**



**ENTRIES COST: \$125.00** 

(Junior entry fee for drivers under the age of 18 on the day of the event will be \$75.00)

After recent events involving the cancellation of DECA (Shepperton) and the postponement of Mt Leura, the VHCC is open to re-locating it's sixth round to a new venue, The current frontrunner for the rehosted round is Rob Roy while the BLCC event is due to be held on the **1st - 2nd** of **September** once again, at Mt Leura.

The last round of the series is still to be held at One Tree Hill (Ararat) on the 9th and 10th of June.

More information can be found at the following address:

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#### **V8 Supercars**

#### Ford announces Mustang to compete in V8 Supercars

Early on the 17th of April, Ford finally made a decision on the future of their V8 Supercars program, with the Ford Mustang being announced as the replacement for the Ford Falcon in the series.

The Mustang will continue with the same 5 Litre V8 that the Falcons have been running for years, Holden is also set to continue with the 5 Litre as Triple 8's Twin Turbo Six program is currently suspended.

Supercars CEO **Sean Seamer** has said on the Mustang: "2019 will see a Mustang return to the grid in the V8 Supercars Championship for the very first time".

And while it lacks professionalism, pointing out that the phrase "Mustang return... for the very first time" is certainly required, the current line most spokespeople have been towing has been either mentioning **Dick Johnson's** Mustang or just saying it's been years since the Sports car raced in Australia.

The new Mustangs will join a stellar list of their predecessors such as, **Moffat's** Factory built special, **Laurie Nelson's** 1985 Mustang which ran as late as 1992 in smaller events, **Norm Beechey's** Neptune Mustang, **Bob Jane's** white Shelby that was destroyed at Catalina Park and it's replacement 1968 Trans-Am special and of course, **Pete Geoghans** range of Shelby Mustangs in the late 1960's.

However, with touring car racing as varied as it is today, the Mustang has gone from the sleek sportscar that consistently cleaned up, to a backmarker in the GT4 and GT5 fields, however, with considerable input from Team Penske, only time will tell how the Mustang will adapt to the Supercars.

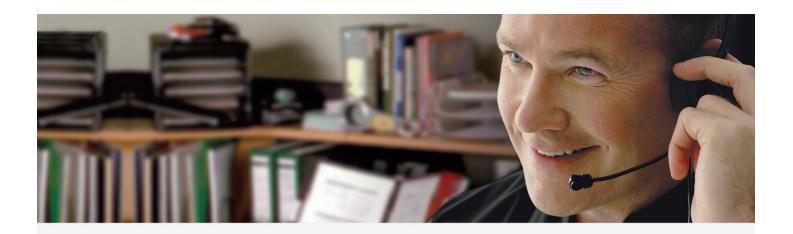
The first Mustangs are due to hit the track during 2019.

#### **Andrew Bayley**

(With information sourced from V8 Supercars and Speedcafe)







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## **NEXT MEETING: Friday 27th April**

Club Night Prize Draw now at:

\$100

Previous Winner was: Daniel Stevens Who wasn't present to collect the prize