



# Cross Flow



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**General Meeting to be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> May from 8pm**

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## **Presidents Report.**

April was a month of ups and downs first of all the first round of the Victorian Off Road Championship at Bagshot had to be cancelled due to lack of entries, then 2 weeks later, with a limit of 80 we received 102 entries for round 2 of the Victorian Club Autocross Series (VCAS). This was the first event that I have been involved with that I've had to turn competitors away, unfortunately due to the popularity of the VCAS and being a round of the BCC championship some regular VCAS and BCC runners missed their chance to participate in a great event. I would like to thank all who helped out on the day, all those people who endured the dust on the observation points, specially the ones who also were competing as well.

The club has received a lot of feedback regarding the event from competitors and all has been good. Once again thank you all. This month there will be 2 events firstly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May there will be a day/evening khanacross and motorkhana. The motorkhana will be run in daylight only, while it is hoped that the khanacross will have 4 tests in day light then another 3 or 4 after dark. The other event will on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May it will be a social tour; this is effectively a treasure hunt with cars. More information on this day will be available soon and be on the club website. If you do not have access to the web Kevin Symons is the chief coordinator for this and he will be able to pass any information on to you.

In the coming weeks there is a track inspection due and there will be a working bee to finalize some of the things that need doing. Notice will be given for this via email.

**Yours in Motorsport.  
Craig Button  
President Bendigo Car Club**

# Event Reports

## Round 2 VCAS, Round 3 BCC Championship. Autocross

102 drivers entered the event but with a limit of 80 it meant that somebody had to miss out. In the end 84 entries were accepted to allow for late withdrawals. And there was 5 dropouts meaning there were 79 drivers who started the day.

3 of the early favourites, Tim Smyth, Mike Reeves and Kirk Marks, only competed one run for different reasons. The track was very slippery early on but as the day progressed that changed with the loose surface being swept away to create a surface that provided some very fast times.

Brendan Reeves in his Subaru took outright honours with Gary Davis (BCC) second ahead of James Stanford.

There were 39 Bendigo Car Club members competing, even with number there was only 2 who took class wins, Gary Davis driving his Yamaha Special took Class S and Renee Larter in a Subaru WRX took out the ladies.

In the chase for the BCC championship Craig Hardiman has stretched his lead by being the second BCC member behind Gary Davis.

## Off Road Report.

Three crews travelled to Danbury Park, Mellool on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> for round 2 of the Mallee Shield. Over all there were 26 entries for this popular event. Ken Holt and Jim Coombs finished second outright and second in Super 1650 class behind Alistair and Andrew McClelland, third in that class was David and Trevor Larson, this as David's first off road event and in a vehicle that has been in storage for nearly 15 years, this shows that there must be more off roaders in sheds and backyards around Bendigo just wanting to be driven. The other crew was Craig Button and David Anderson in there new 2WD Extreme truck, they finished second in class as well, not bad considering six days earlier that vehicle was rolled in a practice incident.

The next off road event in Victoria will be the Donald 500, Rd 2 AORC and VORC on the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> May.

Round 3 of the Mallee Shield will be at Koorlong on the 18<sup>th</sup> May.

Information on these events can be found at [www.offroadracing.com.au](http://www.offroadracing.com.au)

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Windcheaters	\$30
Baseball style caps	\$15
Club Logo Cloth patches	\$10 (Limited)

Those interested should contact **John Hardiman**.

Otherwise there will be some available at General Meetings and the Canteen on race days.

## WEB SITE

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If you of anybody that has participated in an activity that may be of interest to others, please pass it on to me at

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## UP COMING EVENTS FOR MAY

3<sup>rd</sup> Khanacross/Motorkhana.  
18<sup>th</sup> Social Tour.

## A quick word of thanks...

I want to thank everyone at the car club for making my first foray into Motor sport a great experience. I joined the Car club early last year with a Datsun 180B which I bought for \$150. I put mudflaps and a fire extinguisher on it and went racing. I could never have believed that I could get started for such a small outlay. Yes I was slow and hardly ever finished an event, but I had heaps of fun, learned a lot and made some friends. Everyone at the club was very helpful and friendly and no one ever made fun of my piece of #\$\$%^ car. Thanks in particular to Craig Button for all his hard work and understanding, John Hardiman, Craig Hardiman, Chris Hume, Ian Percival and everyone else who took the time to chat and make me feel part of the club. I am sorry to be leaving, but I've decided to move my family back to WA. I wish you all the best, and I'll be watching the website keep up with things.

Cheers.

Pete Meers (White 180B with red and blue stripes)

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