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About The Cross Country Drivers Association:

The CCDA is a global body, not constrained by political or territorial boundaries, setting the standards for four wheel drive motor sport events, with equitable representation from competitors, marshals, officials and event managers as well as regional groups.

The CCDA aims to develop and promote all aspects of four wheel drive based competitions from navigation events through to winch challenges and rock crawling.

Our Goals and Objectives are to:

- Represent the view of the competitors with regard to legislation and event rules.
- Regulate the sport to ensure fairness within classes and safety.
- Promote and encourage more events through providing affordable insurance.
- Assist new people into the sport with entry level events and development programmes.
- Provide assistance in getting International teams to attend Australian events as well as helping our members attend overseas events.

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Sep / Oct Points Of Interest:

- *The CCDA aim to provide you with regular updates and information via it's newsletter, proudly brought to you by autobalance.com.au.*
- *Annual Awards Dinner is fast approaching.*
- *Event Guides - The future of our events*
- *CCDA are now offering advertising opportunities in it's newsletter*
- *Contact information for CCDA Committee has been updated, Check out our contact info on the back page*
- *See inside for updated list of CCDA Scrutineers.*

Smithy's Outlook

We suffer from a lack of venues for a variety of 4WD competitions and that is our urgent focus for the next 6 months. We must develop a long term plan (3 yrs) but without properties booked in advance with certainty we have no show of keeping to the planned dates. NSW four wheelers may have less bush tracks than Victorians but have some great club properties. SA's have Loveday and the best sand driving in Australia and QLD'ers have Land Cruiser Park. The Territory has open slather, Tasmania has some very remote wet areas and way over in the West there are some great beach drives. There is an opportunity for the CCDA to lease or at least have access to three great properties in Vic over and above the existing properties generously offered by Alan & Karen McMullen and Malcolm & Susan Heath.

My vision is to have a number of venues as versatile as Land Cruiser Park with a variety of terrains and the locations we are looking closely at are: Omeo (1500 acres of high country), Camperdown (350 acres of volcanic rock) & Bulla (1000's of acres rocky gullies). The aim is to have several properties for events so that we can rotate from one to another. Once we get the Shire Permits approved we will be moving quickly to secure these properties.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING OVER CHRISTMAS? HAVE YOU A WEEK TO SPARE? This would be the time to develop access and tracks on the Omeo block and have a great 4WD holiday at the same time. The Camperdown property will be easy to set up with volunteers from the area including 4WD clubs especially as it is near Geelong. Bulla is so close to Melbourne that we can tackle the track layouts on any weekend especially as it only needs us to install anchor points in the steep sections.

THE ANNUAL AWARDS night is coming up where we pay homage to the winners of the ENGEL Series and express our appreciation to our volunteers. Last year it was a great night and if you are from out of town I'm sure we can organize accommodation, maybe even a 4WD trip on the weekend.

The VWC and the Bootcamps are set up to help newcomers develop the skills to enjoy 4WD Challenges and we plan to vary the theme to keep the interest high. It's great to have a couple from S.A and another ten from Vic. attending the September event, I'm sure it will help the newbies as they will be right on hand to witness the top 12 teams show how to do it well! They are then teamed up with a top 12 crew for the two car team's event on Sunday, what a great experience!

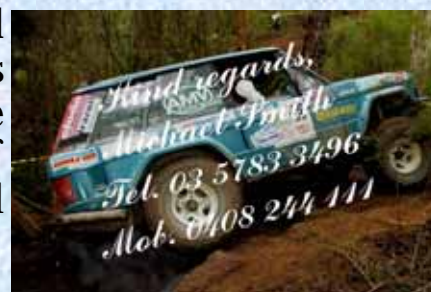
Marshals are essential for the management of competitions and they contribute big time so we are making every effort to recognize that with awards and a few perks. Volunteers are needed in every sport and it is only their love of the sport that makes them want to be there. Hopefully it is a good alternative to

having a club weekend away as this is a great and unique opportunity to commune with other devotees. Club run events are generally the best managed events as they can input extensive resources from their membership, but, club philosophies change as does their membership structure and we sometimes lose their support, yet we still need to have organisations hosting events. What is developing is private people prepared to put in the effort and taking it upon themselves to form groups of hard working volunteers to run events. They take the financial risk and the benefits that may arise from running an event and thanks to their efforts we will continue to have events based on the CCDA's management principles. It is no surprise to find that hosting an event is not a money spinner and I venture to suggest it is their love of the sport that drives them to take on the challenge and if they make a few bucks out of it good luck to them.

We continue to encourage the growth of the Production Class in 4WD Events and there are some great performances coming from low cost rigs, good news, as this is the entry level for a lot of young people. I hear a rumour that there may even be a ladies event in 2009 with blokes supporting them, providing recovery teams at the tough bits. Guys, be prepared to hand over your truck to the gals for a real fun weekend.

We are excited to announce the trial of printed programs for major Victorian events, In this issue is **THE GUIDE** and this will lift our marketing profile even higher. We want to help you with your sponsors and there will be advertising for your sponsor on the opposite page to your team profile. **THE GUIDE** will also help spectators know what's happening and little about the teams, I think it is an effective low cost advertising option for sponsors to further their exposure and enhance our image. Those who want to take advantage of this offer need to respond by the end of September.

For the competitors in the ENGEL Series, good luck with the final round it will be different and very challenging. Running the VWC at the same time will be a task but it will make for an action packed weekend and a chance for the newbies to see the Challenge Class cars going hard. With it being close to Melbourne (details to follow) we can expect a large number of spectators so let your sponsors know that they will enjoy high exposure.



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Present 2008 Annual Awards - Dinner



TIME TO CELEBRATE 2008.

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Date

Friday, 9 November

All action!

Special guest speakers will entertain you along with highlights from 2008, see it on the big screen. Dance & jive to the best band in the land. Make up a party & book a table of 10 or 12

Dress standard

Men: jacket and tie (black tie optional), no jeans.

Ladies: gowns or dresses, please.

Venue

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Sep 24	CCDA General Meeting	HV Jones Pavilion, Kingston Road, Ferntree Gully, VIC
Oct 3 - 6	Willowglen	Goulburn NSW
Oct 10 - 12	Super 4WD Challenge Round 4 Engel 4WD Challenge Series 2008 & Vic Winch Challenge	Vic.
Oct 22	CCDA General Meeting	HV Jones Pavilion, Kingston Road, Ferntree Gully, VIC
Oct 23 - 26	Melbourne 4x4 Show	Melbourne
Nov 7 - 9	Sydney 4x4 show	Sydney
Nov 14	Engel 4WD Challenge Series 2008 Presentation Evening	Bulleen, Vic
Nov 26	CCDA General Meeting	HV Jones Pavilion, Kingston Road, Ferntree Gully, VIC

Alpine Challenge Postponed to 2009

Paul Vanderhorst has made the decision to postpone the Alpine 4x4 Challenge until September 2009. After investigating numerous properties with potential it was unlikely that he could supply the same standard of tracks and competition as in previous years and could not get safe access for spectators.

Also working on track construction under-snow is both arduous and dangerous. After discussion with other CCDA members it was deemed better to postpone than put together a rushed event that does not live up to standard. The dates for 2009 will be the first weekend of the Victorian school holidays which is September 18th - 21st, 2009.

For those still coming along this September, Paul will be heading off on day drives both Saturday and Sunday morning (20th and 21st) meeting at 9am in the day carpark at the entrance to the village (DP Hut).

For those who might travel in the area this is a reminder not to use tracks previously used for the Alpine Challenge as they are private property and not available for public use. The owner is allowing Paul to use another of his properties so any use of the old tracks will once again jeopardise any future events.



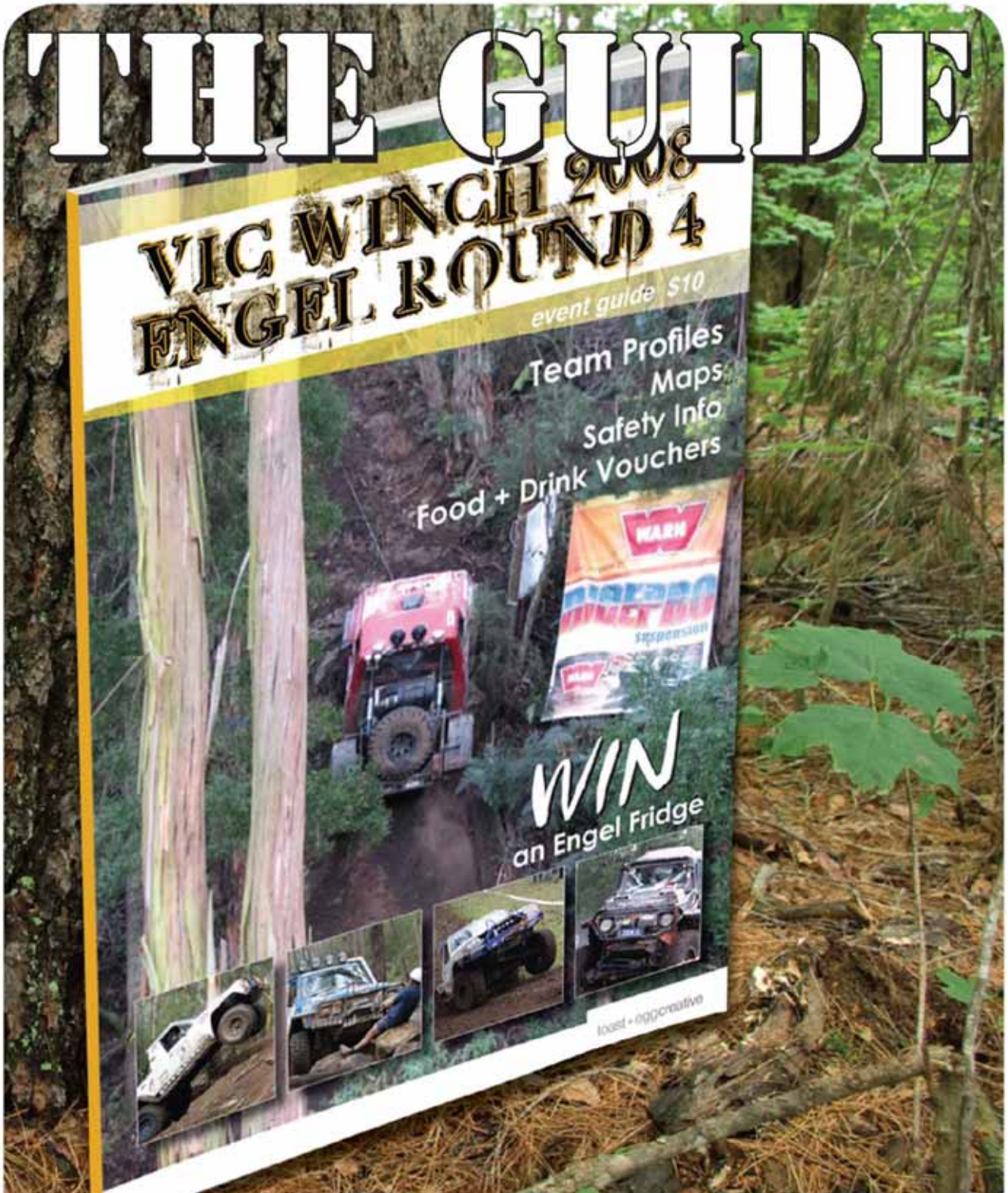
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- Team Name
- Driver & Navi Name
- Truck Specs
- Experience / Events
- Most exciting event?
- What are you 'famous' for?
- How long have you been competing / driving?
- What are your hobbies (other than 4wd'ing)

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EVENT RESULT - ALL CLASSES



PLACING	TEAM	DRIVER	CO-DRIVER	CLASS	POINTS
FIRST	1	Trent Leen	David Hickman	Challenge	979
SECOND	33	Rohan Canavan	Wayne Smith	Challenge	955
THIRD	9	John Bidwell	Joe Prosenak	Challenge	951
4	8	Ben Russell	Sean Harbour	Challenge	907
5	24	Darren Green	Kevin Nott	Challenge	890
6	6	Andrew Cassar	Ben Jamison	Challenge	881
7	3	Alan McMullen	Stuart Gruchy	Challenge	847
8	2	Scott McGill	Andrew Smith-Proctor	Challenge	844
9	38	Darren Webster	Marc Elliott	Challenge	841
TENTH	15	Adrian Parker	Alan McGilvray	Challenge	823
11	11	Steven Hudson	Aaron Isherwood	Production	810
12	4	Clinton Sharpe	Iain Parnaby	Challenge	776
13	5	Luke Hall	Daniel Hall	Challenge	742
14	14	Adam O'Brien	Shane Baguley	Challenge	704
15	25	Dave Cameron	Rob Koliskin	Challenge	680
16	18	Mick Magher	Paul Beretta	Challenge	653
17	16	Alan Cuthill	Wally Shorney	Challenge	650
18	34	Scott Alison	Jason Forssman	Challenge	644
19	17	Alister Grove	Bryan Ross	Challenge	641
TWENTIETH	7	Clint Read	Russell Andrew	Challenge	604
21	30	Josef Ordon	Stephen Crawford	Challenge	592
22	31	Martin Sutton	Matthew Sparkes	Challenge	591
23	37	Stuart Johnson	Nathan Alison	Challenge	570
24	12	Scott Beaven	Jarrold Winch	Production	554
25	28	Joel Bottomley	Rebecca Bottomley	Challenge	510
26	22	Ben Croft	Peter Butcher	Challenge	494
27	36	Shayne Barkley	Jeremy Masal	Production	483
28	35	Scott Smith	Jaey Pearson	Production	434
29	27	James Tyrrell	West Reynolds	Challenge	414
THIRTIETH	26	James Simmons	Alex Jones	Challenge	403
31	10	Clive Denholm	Tom Shire	Challenge	345
32	23	Brett Chynoweth	Rob Barton	Challenge	313
33	13	Wade Griffiths	Andrew Curry	Production	160
34	29	Johnnie Stavrou	Andrew Dyer	Challenge	74
35	32	Peter Mihailoff	Shiloh Noel	Challenge	20



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Max Pressure Rating	100 PSI (1,034 KPA)
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Intercooler/Air Reservoir	1 Gallon (3.78 liter)

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P/N76800

Power	12V DC Motor
Max Pressure Rating	100 PSI (690 KPA)
Airflow Rating	12 CFM @ 0 PSI 4 CFM @ 90 PSI
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Intercooler/Air Reservoir	1/3 Gallon (1.3 liter)

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Max Pressure Rating	150 PSI (1,034 KPA)
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