



French Car Festival

Seaworks Museum, Williamstown

Sunday 16th October 2016



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Dear Clubs and Club members.

Following is the latest update for the 2016 French Car Festival, to be held at **Seaworks, 82 Nelson Place, Williamstown, on Sunday October 16th**. Vehicle entry is via Ann Street.

1. Gates open. As the venue is being used for another event on the Saturday, we will not have late Saturday access for setting up. However, the gates will be open from **6 am** for setting up stalls, displays etc and cars are invited to arrive from **8.30-9.30am**. Vehicle entry is \$10 per car.

2. Drip trays. *All vehicle owners are requested to bring and use a drip sheet or tray under their cars.* Could Clubs please pass this management requirement on to their members. RCCV has a number of sheets it can provide if needed.

3. Club sites. A request was received to establish separate areas for each large marque. However, after multiple site visits and deliberation, it has been decided that it just isn't feasible on this site due to its shape, the significant difficulty associated with reserving an adequate number of spaces for each club and vehicle movement issues. As a result, we suggest that if clubs or groups of members wish, they marshal all or some years or models of their vehicles, prior to arriving in convoy at Seaworks. There are good areas for doing this along Douglas Parade (near Newport Power Station) and The Strand in Newport and along Kororoit Creek Road in North Williamstown. Please feel free to contact us if you need more information on specific mustering points.

4. Vehicle movements. Seaworks Management requires us to keep vehicle movements to a minimum. All vehicles are requested to stay until at least early afternoon. In the case of an emergency and/or if a vehicle needs to leave, it is the driver's responsibility to get a vested marshal to walk them out of the venue. Please let your members know as this is an OH&S issue we must comply with.

5. Undercover parking. As in 2013, a number of special and rare cars will be offered parking inside the main shed. We ask each of the Renault, Citroen and Peugeot clubs to email us a list of up to 10 cars they would like to see included in the shed group by no later than October 9th. Clubs should provide the model, number plate and colour of these cars. The owners of these vehicles should be advised to indicate that they are on the "shed list" when they arrive.

Vehicle owners are encouraged to get in touch with their clubs if they would like their cars to be considered for undercover parking. Non-club members are most welcome to be considered for undercover parking. Please send your details directly to us and we will advise you of the outcome. RCCV reserves the right to limit the number of cars going into the shed and to offer this opportunity to other "special" cars that arrive on the day.

6. Awards judging. We request that representatives from each of the main marques judge their own vehicles for the Festival awards. The RCCV will form a group to judge other marques. A shortlist of selected vehicles will then be submitted to the final judges for the awards. The award categories will be Best Citroen, Best Peugeot, Best Renault, Best Other Marque, and Best In Show. This means that two vehicles need to be selected for each of the Citroen, Peugeot, Renault clubs and from "other" marques and the winners will be judged from these. Clubs that wish to make their own additional awards during the day are at liberty to do so.

7. Car parts washing. Don't forget to bring any dirty car parts you want washed using the equipment being demonstrated by Jim Picot from Revolution Advanced Metals and Materials. We will be running an engine pull-down race as part of this display.

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8. Raffle. We have again been able to get together some great prizes for our raffle. They are:

- 1st. \$250 B&B voucher for Annabelle of Healesville
- 2nd. \$160 seaplane flight voucher
- 3rd. \$100 dinner for two at Santorini Greek Restaurant, Williamstown
- 4th. Wheel alignment and balance, Stuckey Tyres
- 5th. \$50 tool voucher, Qualitools, Geelong
- 6th. Car care products, AutoBarn Altona

Tickets will be on sale on the day.

9. Gabriel Gate. Gabriel Gate, the well-known French chef, author, TV star and SBS chef will again be part of the Festival. Gabriel is going to give a cooking demonstration AND run an inter-club cake decorating competition. All ingredients will be supplied!! *Each of the Peugeot, two Citroen and Renault Clubs are asked to nominate two people to take part in the decorating competition.* If there are other clubs or groups who are interested in taking part, please let us know as we can accommodate more.

In addition to the cooking demonstration, Gabriel will be happy to chat to visitors and sign copies of his books which will be on sale from the Renault Club tent. A copy of his most recent book, *Delicieux*, will be auctioned.

10. Program. The provisional program for the day is:

French Car Festival 2016: Provisional Timetable

6.00 - 8.30am	Main shed boot in of Club tents/tables, food vans, display areas, sponsors
8.30 - 9.30	Arrival of club and other cars
9.45am	Welcome Geoff Rasmussen, Pres. RCCV and Mikee Elliott, MC
10.00am	Official opening: Wade Noonan, Member for Williamstown and Victorian Minister for Industry and Employment & Minister for Resources
10.15am	Car engine pull down competition and Revolution Advanced Metals and Materials parts washing demonstration
11.00am	Barry Bourke Renault, Berwick presentation
11.15am	Michael Bailey: Marque Garage. Car cleaning and detailing demonstration
11.50am	Bayford Peugeot, North Melbourne presentation
12.00noon	Alan Mance Citroen Footscray presentation
12.15pm	Gabriel Gate: French cooking and cake decorating demonstration; book signing and auction
1.45pm	Bayford Peugeot, North Melbourne presentation
2.00pm	Mr. Pierre Tole, President of the Australian French Association for Sciences and Technologies (AFAS Vic), representing Mrs Miriam Boisbouvier-Wylie, Honorary Consul-General of France: meet and greet interview with Mikee Elliott. Presentation of Festival trophies
2.30pm	Raffle draw. Thank you and close: Geoff Rasmussen, President RCCV

If you have any questions regarding the Festival or the arrangements for the day please contact Ken Marriott or Paul Stewart on the contact numbers below.

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