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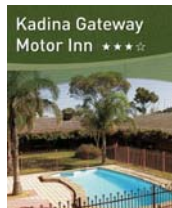


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President's Report

Hi Everyone,

Well I hope we are all rested and set for another year, as the 1st race meeting of 2012 fast approaches.

The big news of 2012 is the venue changes that we have. The General Meeting (That I hope you all can attend) is now being held in the Homestead at Sunnybrae Farm. This has been advertised several times in Newsletters and over the database internet to all members who can receive this media. I hope members have taken the time to assist other members who they know can't receive this, in getting this info.

So, one last time before the General Meeting.

Wednesday 8th Feb – Sunnybrae Farm – 7.30pm

(Time Due to guest speaker)

See maps attached on the next page!

Members of the Committee will be in the grounds to assist the lost!

The General Committee is now meeting in the CAMS Office on the 1st Tuesday of the month; this is a central location that is fair on every member. Having the meetings closer together I hope the information that gets to the General Meeting from the Committee meeting will be fresher and more up to date than we could deliver before.

So why the move? As a progressive President I felt that SAMROA could do with a freshen up, new Committee Members on all committees with new ideas, new look cover on the Newsletter & now, we were given a chance to relocate from the Veneto Club (who have been great to us for many years now) to Sunnybrae Farm. I sincerely hope this effort from us has been worth it, and you will join us to enjoy this New Year!

Clipsal 500 News – further in the newsletter.

President's Report (cont.)

The Social Committee is planning several guest speakers for this year: and to accommodate them with time, these meetings will start at 7.30. John Illingworth from SAPOL will be with us to present his piece on road safety. As we are sharing the facility (separate rooms) with the FPV&XR Car Club, Darren Mattiske has invited them to join us for this presentation, as an ex member of this Club I can tell you they just might learn a thing or two!

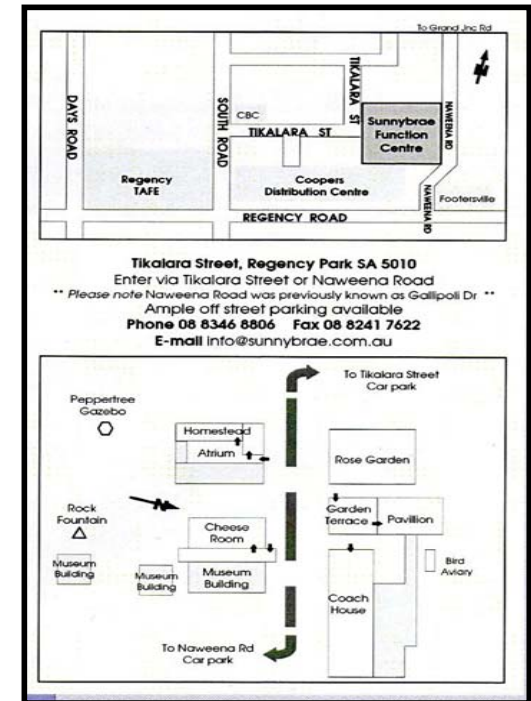
Finally, the Suggestion Box that I spoke of last year is now in place, this box will be at every race meeting that we officiate at and available for use at each General Meeting. Forms are available from the Committee and in trackside packs with the incident forms etc. All suggestions will be looked at and persons suggesting them will be contacted if they want to. Make good use of this free service!

(Anyone want buy ice?)

Cheers for now

Paul Hart.

Sunnybrae Farm Map



T&CC Report

“Formup, 1 minute board please”

Racing season is now here, with the first events coming up very quickly. The first event is a Superkart/Modern regularity meeting on Sunday 12th Feb, with a Twilight State championship race meeting on the Saturday after – 18th February. We need more names for BOTH events, so if you can come along, contact one of the members of the T&CC (see inside the front cover). Remember that the list for the State round closes a week before the event-so DO IT NOW.

At the moment, there is no further information on training during the year...we will advise when the training picture becomes clearer. A reminder also regarding the questionnaires that were sent out with last month's newsletter. The aim of this questionnaire is to help us help to help you. We want to put people in new roles this year, but we need to have the people available to do this.

One important thing to note is that there has been a change to the rules regarding the use of the double yellow flag... the regulation now reads as follows (changes have been underlined):

Yellow flag: This is a signal of danger and should be shown to drivers in two ways with the following meanings:

Single waved: Reduce your speed, do not overtake and be prepared to change direction. There is a hazard beside or partly on the track.

Double waved: Reduce your speed significantly, do not overtake and be prepared to change direction or stop. There is a hazard wholly or partly blocking the track and/or marshals working on or beside the track.

Yellow flags should normally be shown only at the marshals' post immediately preceding the hazard. In some cases however the Clerk of the Course may order them to be shown at more than one marshals' post preceding an incident.

Overtaking is not permitted between the first yellow flag and the green flag displayed after the incident. Yellow flags should not be shown in the pit lane unless there is an incident of which the driver should be made aware.

As a result of this rule change, if marshals are attending an incident on or beside the track a double-waved yellow should be automatic. Think that covers the main points for this month... hope to see you out at Mallala on the 12th.

Andrew and the T&CC.



This year Friday and Saturday are going to be long days, with first cars on the track Friday at 8.30 (Formula 3s) and last cars finishing at 20.15 (Carrera Cup) On Saturday at 8.30 we have Formula 3s first off and Aust GT's finishing the day at 19.15. This is plan "A" until the official program is printed. I would urge everyone to start preparing them selves now, mentally & physically.

By now you should have received your placement letter in the post, so once you have that information it would be a good idea to drop down to the track and see where you are working from.

V8 Supercars will have a top 10 Shootout on Friday with another qualifying on Sunday Morning.

Lunches will be distributed in the usual way, except this year you will be issued with reusable lunch bags & ice packs. These ice packs are to be returned at the end of the day for re-freezing and the bag to be brought back the next day for re stocking of your lunch. For the longer days a Dinner drop off by the A Team will occur.

The A Team has been relocated this year and is operating out of a compound on Drivers Left on Wakefield Rd.

Course Cars are in the same place as normal.

This years Charity is the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

If you have any pressing matters about this year's race, please feel free to contact me and I'll see what I can find out for you.

See You Trackside,

Paul Hart.



COMPETITION NIGHT

Friday 10th February 2012
@ SCC Clubrooms
7.00 for 7.30

“What’s Happening in Local Motorsport”

Cars on display



On the Couch interview with Bill McKenna

Motorsport Trade displays

Scrutineering information

Rule Changes

Upcoming events



Enquiries:- Sporting Car Club on 8271 5689



SANFL President's Luncheon Thursday 1st March 2012



Venue:
Magarey Room
AAMI Stadium
Function Complex
Turner Drive
Car Park Gate J

Time:
Lunch 12:00pm
Official finish 2:15pm
Drink service ends 3:00pm

Price:
\$79 per person

RSVP:
Thursday 23 February 2012

Dress:
Jacket and tie
No denim

Catering by:
Encore Group

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Guest Speakers: Mark Skaife & Tony Cochrane

Join us and network with the state's top business and sporting identities at the 2012 President's Luncheons, held monthly at AAMI Stadium.

This is an ideal opportunity to make new business contacts and entertain clients and colleagues while indulging in a three course food and wine experience prepared by award-winning Encore Group.

To open the 2012 Luncheon program, we'll get your heart racing with two dynamic speakers – five-time V8 Supercar winner Mark Skaife and the founding father of Australian motor racing Tony Cochrane.

MARK SKAIFE OAM

After 22 illustrious years behind the steering wheel, Mark Skaife remains without doubt the most credential driver in the history of Australian motorsport.

Skaife collected his first two championships with Nissan in 1991-92 and then launched into the V8 Supercar era in 1993. In 1997, Skaife joined the Holden Racing Team and with this came success and a period of championship titles from 2000-2005. Skaife's best individual year was 2002 when he won a record equalling seven successive rounds including five in a row.

Upon his retirement in 2008 Mark is now part of the V8 Supercar TV commentary team and in October 2011, announced his new role as Chairman of the V8 Supercars Commission.



TONY COCHRANE

V8 Supercars Australia Chairman Tony Cochrane is the founding father of the modern era of motor racing in Australia, having led the revival of what is now a global brand.

With his involvement, V8 Supercars has had an extraordinary rise to the top of sport within Australia and within the world motorsport scene. The 'other side' of Tony Cochrane showcases his passion for event promotion, having coordinated some of Australia's most successful sporting events, concerts, live shows and touring spectacles.





Ed Says

Congratulations to members celebrating birthdays this month:

February

Steve Santinon 21st
Peter Stevens 22nd
Brad Morrison 22nd
John Stacey 25th

March

Thomas Harris 14th
Paul Hart 16th

We have received the following information from Revolution Racegear:

Would you be so kind as to advise your members that Revolution Racegear has moved.

We are now at:

498 NORTH EAST RD
WINDSOR GARDENS SA 5087
Our phone 08 83595660 and fax 08 83595661 will remain the same.

Visit us on the web at www.revolutionracegear.com.au"

As the Email says, they are now at Windsor Gardens (basically the cnr of Main North East and Pitman Roads - it's just up from the Holden Hill police Station, heading towards the city)

We have arranged a guest speaker for our Feb Meeting, Sergeant John Illingworth from the Traffic Training & Promotion Section of the SA Police. John is a motorsport official and a competitor. John will go through a modified presentation of the 'Cars have Changed' program aimed at middle aged people who might have kids coming up to the driving age or already driving. John was able to provide some frightening statistics about young road users and explain some of the choices they have either when driving or as a passenger.



Ed Says (cont.)

We have received the following from the Porsche Club of SA. Of course, your commitment to SAMROA needs to come first, but...

"The **Porsche Club of SA** holds six sprint events at Mallala each year for members.

We are looking for some volunteers to help us out as flag marshals, and would be very happy to extend **complimentary associate membership** to regular volunteers. As a member you would be welcome to enter our motorkhana events at the Mallala skid pan, in whatever car you choose.

In addition, we naturally provide lunch and refreshment from the Mallala canteen on the day, and can offer Porsche rides during the driver training sessions in the morning. The event usually runs from 9am to 4pm.

We'd love to see you out there!

The dates for 2012 are: Feb 19th, March 18th, June 10th, July 22nd, Sept 23rd, and Nov 4th.

Please contact David Wiffen, our sprint director, at davidwiffen@yahoo.co.uk, or by phone at 0488756888, or 82723043."

The motorkhana dates are 5th Feb, 25th March, 12th Aug, and 21st Oct, but I didn't want to confuse the issue by including that info in the blurb.

However, we would also be very happy to hear from any of your members who are qualified to act as a CoC or scrutineer for any of those events, sprint or motorkhana. We have a short list of people who we contact directly, but it can't hurt to expand the list a bit."

SAMROA Merchandise



SAMROA Sew On
Badge - \$6



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(10cm across)



SAMROA Logo Pin
(Metal) - \$3



SAMROA Cross Flags
(Metal) - \$3



SAMROA 30th year
badges...\$10 each



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