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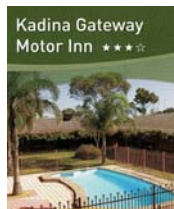


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President's Report

Hi Everyone,

Happy New Year!

Welcome to another year of motor racing and, the most important part of it, officiating for the fairness and safety of the competitors and all who enjoy our sport. This year we have a new look cover for the newsletter, to spruce it up a bit for the New Year!

Recently it's been brought to our attention that there is a concern regarding lack of attention from the Flag Points, when it comes to reporting of incidents, and visible flag signals. Imagine if you will, your child crossing the race track and your flag signals to the drivers were the only thing that will save their life! A horrible thought for this time of year but that's the intensity we require of all our officials no matter where you work. **Wave those flags like you mean it!** And report all contact, no matter how minor. It's easy to say, but we do mean it, in 2012 lets really lift our game because people can get seriously injured by the "on the spot" decisions that we make. I know the T&CC are planning some training days this year and I urge everyone (know matter how good you think you maybe, or the amount of meetings you do or do not) to attend. That's enough on that for now.

For those who do not know, the road from Two Wells to Mallala is now a 100kph speed zone, so please watch those Speedos (*not yours Tony Abbott! – back to horrible thoughts again*) you can bet the local police will be monitoring it during long weekends through out the year.

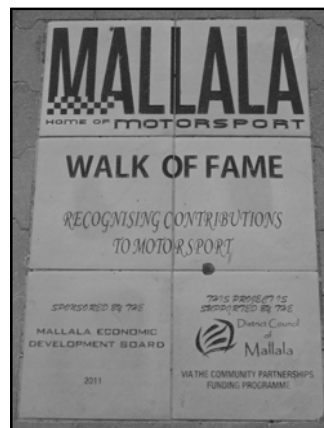
Can all Paintballers please think about dates that they are not available and get back via e-mail (I need it in writing) by the end of January.

Cheers Paul. president@samroa.org.au

President's Report (cont.)

Over the summer break The Mallala Economic Development Board sent an e-mail out telling of the opening of the Mallala Walk of Fame! (Several months ago) .Some may remember several years ago, we arranged for SAMROA to have a logo and written paver in the walk of fame. Christmas Eve I drove up to take a

look and a few pics. SAMROA and Bob Jane T-Mart were the only picture pavers, lots of written ones, from local Motorsport identities to V8 Drivers. The Mallala Walk of Fame is directly across the road from the IGA. For the General Committee at the time, yes they did lay it wrong to what I proposed many years ago! Logo on top would have looked better!



Anyway, as we are still in the Christmas Break, we have no General Meeting this month. But stay tuned as we have a new location to hold our General Meetings. Sunnybrae Function Centre, Naweena Rd Regency Park, behind the Coopers Brewery.

The date will be 8th of February 2012 Please write this down in a diary or electronic memo *now!* It is a week earlier than usual but there will be more info in the February Marshals Mumblings which will also be in your letterbox a week earlier.

Cheers Paul,

(All the Clipsal 500 news in the next edition of Marshal Mumblings)

T&CC Report

2012 is here, and time to get back in business. Hope you all enjoyed the break and are all rested, recharged and ready to rock, roll and run to the Clipsal 500 Adelaide.

While we are still confirming chief flags for the year, this year's events have now been added to the Database and are listed on the inside of the mailing slip with the newsletter each month.

First up is the Superkart and Modern regularity event on the 12th February with a Twilight state championship race meeting on the Saturday afterwards (18th). It would be great to see as many of you as possible at these events. For the new members who have not been to a Twilight before, this is racing at night under lights and is a great spectacle – well worth coming along to. So get on the Database or contact a T&CC member and get your name down.

As well as the planned training this year, we want to get a better idea of where you are and where you want to go. With this in mind, we are enclosing a member questionnaire with this newsletter (see separate article) . This questionnaire and questions are optional, but it would help us to help you meet your goals.

Hope to see you out there on the 12th Feb.

Andrew and the T&CC.

Members Questionnaire

Your members' questionnaire is enclosed with your magazine this month.

Members at the last SCCSA Round 4 in November would be aware that the new T & CC is looking for feedback from the membership on your role within motor sport, SAMROA & at Mallala. What are your aspirations for the future, what new positions you would like to undertake and what training you feel is necessary to achieve this next goal.

CAMS has an integral role to play in providing appropriate courses and modules, however, your T & CC also can provide additional sources of training, utilising the extensive experience available from within our own membership. This is your opportunity to give the T&CC vital information so that we can “unlock” that experience, for your benefit.

Members Questionnaire (cont.)

Please take time to think about your present contribution to motor sport and where you would like to be in say 2 & 5 years, then provide leads as to how SAMROA can assist you get there.

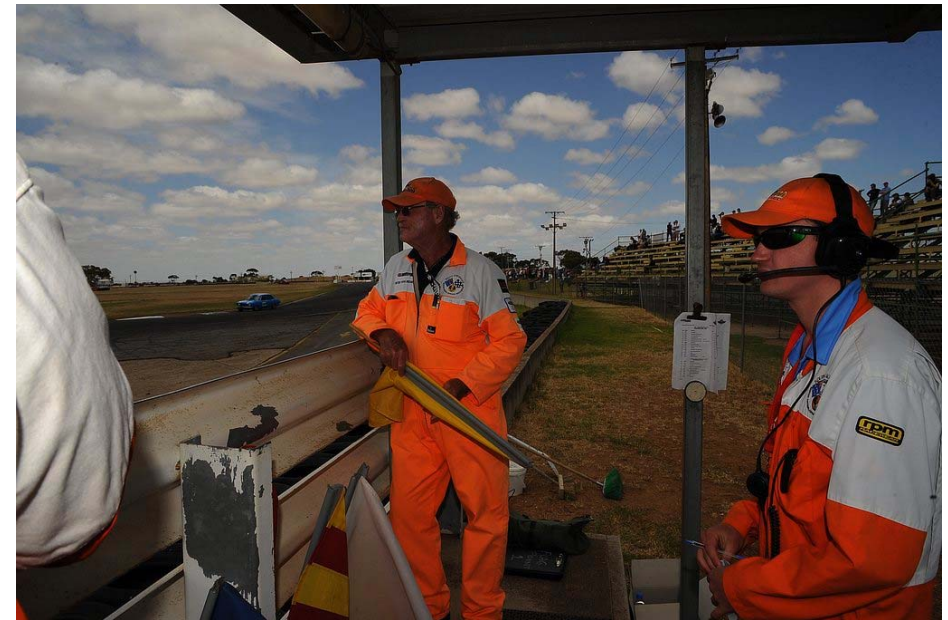
If you wish to discuss any matters in more depth, please do not hesitate to contact members of your T & C.

When form is complete, send to Steve Clift:-

Fax 0883369695

Email ridgenews@chariot.net.au

Or leave it with the Chief flag at the next race meeting.



Action at Mallala –Photo courtesy of Bob Taylor – see www.freewebs.com/bobteee/

Officials Training



January—April 2012

REGISTER NOW!

Only 20 spots available!

There is no registration fee for these courses.

All course materials, tea and coffee are provided. You may bring your own lunch or purchase close by.

However, participants are requested to bring a current CAMS Manual, if you have one, and your official's passbook for endorsement by the Presenter.

Course Venues:

TBA Closer to the date.

COURSES AVAILABLE:

- 21-22 January 2012: Silver Module
- 22 January 2012: Rally Module
- 5 February 2012: Course Presenter
- 16 February 2012: Introductory Module
- 22 April 2012: Event Assessor
- TBA: Scrutineers Course
- TBA: Steward's Course

Complete the registration box below and mail to CAMS, 3/43 King William Street, Kent Town SA 5067
Or advise by email to charise.bristow@cams.com.au
You will be contacted before the course to confirm times and venues.

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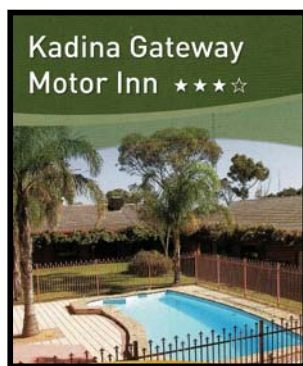
E-mail :

Left intentionally blank so application form can be used.

A New SAMROA Sponsor.

For the observant ones out there, you would have noticed a new logo on the front cover under the sponsor section. I'm proud to announce that Lyle Wallace from the Kadina Gateway Motor Inn has given us another 2 overnight vouchers to use at our discretion. The General Committee will use these to the best advantage of SAMROA.

Two vouchers have already been used in a silent auction at our last annual dinner. This is what the lucky recipients are going to enjoy!



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I have visited the Kadina Gateway Motor Inn and was very impressed by the complex, well worth a stay. It's on the Copper Coast Hwy 2Km Adelaide side of Kadina. Ph: 8821 2777

This is over \$500 worth of vouchers given to us, and we are very appreciative of this. Lyle Wallace is now a Social Member for 2012!

Paul Hart.

Minutes of the General Meeting

Meeting Details

Date & Time: 13 December 2011 @ 2000 (8:00pm)

Location: Veneto Club, 06 Toogood Ave, Beverley, SA

Meeting Opened: 20:12 (8:12 pm)

Present: Paul Hart, Andrew Robinson, Peter Tann, Paul Bonnett, Darren Mattiske, David Lans, Steve Santinon, Tom McDonald, Robert Holloway, Bronwen Williamson, Tony Alois, Peter Cirillo, David Mori, Luigi Mori, Barry Hughes & Andrew Leitch.

Apologies: Bob Schofield, Paul Karamanov (Karo), Brad Morrison, Karl Fleming, Matthew & Jodie Johnson.

Previous Minutes:

Previous Minutes (October 2011) were accepted as read by members. Moved by Secretary (Paul Bonnett) and seconded by David Lans. All voted in favour that minutes be accepted.

Business arising from the minutes:

- Nil Business Arising.

Correspondence:

Correspondence as per list tabled at the meeting. Moved by Secretary (Paul Bonnett) Seconded by David Mori that the correspondence be received. Voted all in favour. Carried.

Business Arising from the Correspondence:

- Registrations (Trailer & Scooter) – let them expire and re-register in February 2012 when we actually start using them again.

Reports from Other Committees:

OHS&W

- Nothing to report

Minutes of the General Meeting (cont.)

T&CC (Provided by Andrew Robinson)

- T&CC Nominations – there have been no further nominations. T&CC will continue with Andrew Robinson, Paul Bonnett, Steve Clift, (OH&S) Brad Morrison and Matthew Johnson. Steve has suggested that he perhaps steps down from the OH&S role and joins the T&CC – this will open up the OH&S role to someone who may not have a Bronze Licence but will add an extra person to the T&CC.
- Now that the CAMS Racing calendar is finalised, the T&CC has a first draft Chief Flag / Assistant Calendar for the race meetings next year, T&CC in conjunction with Rob Thiry will also need to allocate Clerks of Courses for 2012. Database and the “Red Book” will also be updated over the Christmas / New Year's Break.

CAMS REPORT (Provided by Peter Tann)

- Final Draft of 2012 SA & NT Calendar has been accepted (NOTE: the clash of dates in November is still under review)
- State representation to Commissions for 2012:
 - Nomination for Off-Road Commission – Fred Severin
 - Nomination for Motor Race Commission – Vince Ciccarello
 - Nomination for Historic Commission – John Bryant
- CATO Course was held 03Nov11 – 10 participants and all passed.
- Club Development Seminar will be run on 18 Feb12 – topics include Club Management, Volunteer Management, Marketing and Grants / Funding. All clubs are invited and will be run free of charge. (SAMROA will be attending)
- SA/NT CAMS Office will be closed 22Dec11 until 09Jan12.
- Tickets are still on sale for the CAMS Awards Night – 04Feb12.

STATE OFFICIATING PANEL (SOP) REPORT

- Nothing to report, next SOP meeting will be Feb 2012.

MOTOR RACING PANEL (MRP) REPORT

- Several items came out of the last meeting that will affect SAMROA.
 - a) Safety Car Procedures have been revised for National Events – able to now stop and restart under the Safety Car.
 - b) Yellow Flag rules – now added Double Yellow to cover Marshals working track-side.
 - c) The Critical Incident Form has been updated.
 - d) The back to back Twilight / Superkart meeting clash in November is still ongoing.

Minutes of the General Meeting (cont.)

Junior Development Program (JDP) Update

- Very happy with the year's program.

WEBSITE / IT

- Scott, due to his high work load is unable to singularly look after our web site, Shaun Field and Grant Paproth have offered their assistance. This should not be just a Committee initiative. If any member has any ideas on how to “jazz up” the web site, please pass it onto the Committee. (It has been said before that the Web Page should be the initial contact for prospective new members – it needs to reflect this)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE (Provided by Darren Mattiske)

- Social Committee meeting held earlier in the month – general discussion on way forward for next year.
- SAMROA & Adelaide Superkart Club Paint-ball “WAR” – No set time to use these tickets – we need a minimum of ten people for this to go ahead – almost got numbers now. More details can be found in the Newsletters.

PROMOTIONS

- Nothing new to report

SPORTING CAR CLUB of SA (Provided by Bronwen Williamson)

- Feedback from drivers – Seems to be a lot of frustration – drivers feel that not enough reports are being handed in to race control from the Flag Points. Bronwen's role as SCC-SA liaison is to bring it to SAMROA's (T&CC) attention. Discussion between members at the meeting was constructive and we all agreed that standards in general have declined considerably in the last 5 years.

Way ahead is to focus more on verbal / written reports and convince the drivers that we are “on top” of the problems. (This is to be taken to our next T&CC meeting)

Minutes of the General Meeting (cont.)

General Business

- CAMS Award Dinner Tickets – As mentioned earlier, tickets are still available:
 - 3 Nominations from SAMROA: 2011 Circuit Official of the year – Darren Mattiske,
 - 2011 Speed Official of the year – Paul Bonnett, and
 - 2011 SA/NT Official of the year – Steve Clift

Thank-you once again to Vern Schuppan for his kind donation – Secretary will draft up a letter advising him of the nominations.

- Possible New Venue for Club meetings – Sunnybrae Farm. Cost will be just \$10.00 more (\$50.00 per meeting) **This is not yet official** but more details to be put in next newsletter. Timing of the General Meeting **may** have to move to second Wednesday of every second month.
- (This was mentioned above in the CAMS Section) To help with the Recruitment and Retention of Officials, Charise Bristow will be running a Club Development Seminar on the 18th February 2012. Topics to include Club and Volunteer Management, Marketing and Grants / Funding. All clubs are invited and will be run free of charge.

With no further General Business, the meeting was closed at 21:35 (9:35 pm) President wished all present a Merry Christmas / Happy New Year and invited them all to the bar for some “Christmas Spirit”

Next Meeting: **20:00 (8:00 pm) on Wednesday 15 February 2012**
Veneto Club, 06 Toogood Ave, Beverley, SA.

(This Date / venue may change – any notifications will be in the next couple of Newsletters)



Congratulations to members celebrating birthdays this month:

January

Steve Lewis (20th) – congratulations on your 50th Birthday
Alan O’Dea (22nd), David Lans (24th)
Bruce Morisset (24th) – congratulations on your 60th Birthday

February

Shaun Doecke (5th), Steve Clift (6th)
Lachlan Newitt (7th)

Did everyone get question 16 of the Holiday Quiz right? Of course, I **meant** to leave that answer in for you.

Vale Jason Richards

Motor racing lost one of the good guys when Jason Richards lost his courageous fight with a rare and aggressive cancer late last year aged 35. He is survived by his wife Charlotte and two young children Sienna and Olivia. He will be missed by everyone involved in the sport.

SAMROA organised a condolence card which was signed by about 40 participants at the officials recognition day, this has been forward on to his family.



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(Metal) - \$3



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



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