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## President's Report

November and after 16 events and 24 days of racing in this state we have reached the end of the season for 2010. We do still have a few things to go, but will leave that to the T&CC.

By all accounts, the group that travelled to Korea for the F1 made a significant contribution to the success of the event under some difficult conditions. They have some interesting stories to tell (not all of them publishable) – but I am sure if you buy them a drink they will give you a rundown, if you buy them two (or more) drinks they *may* tell you the whole story... Overall and in the long run, this experience can only be beneficial to all who went.

Behind the scenes, we are looking at how to increase our base of active members. Darren Mattiske has been working to organise a stand at the Tea Tree Plaza shopping centre in January, and is developing a proposal to redevelop our display material. We are also thinking about WHO we need to target our marketing at..Which begs the questions...what sort of person are we?? How did WE get involved (and sometimes...we think of WHY) ??

The T&CC still needs a few people to take a step forward and help us to continue to improve. The committee helps organise positions at race meetings, examines feedback and uses this to organise further training and instruction. It is also a good learning experience. If you are interested, contact somebody inside the front cover.

That's all from me for this month...hopefully I will see you on Wednesday night at the Venetto club.

Andrew

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### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

A new year's coming with the prospect of another busy season. Your committee needs some willing hands to take on a share of the work. For example, you may not feel you can commit to regular participation but you might feel able to take on managing one task, eg. the Community Lottery, assisting with printing/folding the newspaper, cooking the barbecue after race meetings.



Contact a committee member if you are willing to contribute a small amount of time to helping to run your club.

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## T&CC Report

While the 2010 racing season has come and gone, there are still a few 'events' to consider.

Firstly, there is the first aid course on November 20<sup>th</sup>. If you want to go and you haven't signed up already, contact Andrew Leitch immediately. You will need to be at the venue (129 Richmond road) at 9:00 for a 9:30 start.

Clem is again putting on an official's recognition day on December 18<sup>th</sup>. This is a chance for drivers to say 'thank you' by taking officials out for 'hot laps' in their race vehicles. It is also an opportunity to see what things look like from the driver's point of view. An application form is attached to the mailing slip with this newsletter. We will need a few people to 'help out' for half a day – you still can participate during the other half day.

CAMS are also running a few courses in the next few months: A Silver module is being conducted on the 21<sup>st</sup> November (the day after First aid training), while there is a Bronze Module being conducted on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2001. Contact the CAMS Office on 1300-883-959 if you want to attend either of these modules.

Next year's calendar is taking shape; hopefully we will be able to give you a calendar next month.

The new flags are out and about and (teething issues aside) are working well, feedback so far has been good. Thanks to all who helped with this project – particularly Andrew Leitch who has spent a lot of time making sure that we get the right material and the right colours.

The T&CC is still looking for additional members. It would take on evening a month (and a little homework), but you can contribute by helping to manage the personnel at each event, plan training and assessments and support the club. Remember though that you do need a bronze licence. If you are interested in joining us, please let somebody know (see list inside the front cover).

Over the break, there are a few skills/habits we need to tune up in readiness for the New Year:

- The ability to multi-task – to be observers, communicators and flag marshals simultaneously. To be able to observe and remember what happens in a group of vehicles in close proximity even BEFORE something happens. This is a basic skill of our craft, and it is not an easy one to acquire.

- To remember to take a fire extinguisher when attending an incident. There may not be any fire – but the potential for fire present in any vehicle but particularly one that has been damaged, and
- To remember and have the confidence to isolate the power in a damaged vehicle – this is something that has not been happening much recently. Kill switches (Blue Triangle with a spark in it) and Blue triangles (which mark the location of the battery) are there for this purpose. If the vehicle has been damaged, it is also possible for the electrical wiring to also be damaged and be a fire risk. Remove that risk by isolating the power.

These are basic things, but can be forgotten in the ‘heat of the moment’ and is something for us to work on. Maybe as part of our training we need to have some ‘staged incidents’ to deal with...

That’s about it for this month, enjoy your racing break.

Andrew R and the “T&CC”

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#### **December Newsletter:**

December issue will be printed on Thursday December 9 for post on the Friday.

Final deadline for material is **9:00AM Tuesday 7/12. Earlier is better.**

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#### **HELP!**

**I need photos, information, reports on events at Mallala and elsewhere.**

**Don’t worry about formatting, spelling or English. I’ll fix it!**

**Please send them to the Editor, Fran at  
editor@samroa.org.au**

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## **CAMS Report**

From Peter Tann

Clipsal – due to the cost, CAMS has decided not to have a display at the 2011 race meeting. There was general dissent at this decision. John Bryant This being the only chance for many clubs (including SAMROA) to have the opportunity to make contact with the general public for potential members, John Bryant (SCCSA) to take this up with MSB representatives.

CAMS CEO, David Morgan, to visit at the end of October and to attend Mallala (SCCSA – round 4).

Constitution change – CAMS senior officials cannot work for AASA due to the conflict of interest. This will not apply to general officials or competitors.

Calendar meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> November 2010.

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### **And from State Council Executive Meeting.**

The Chairmen for 2011-2012 SA & NT Panels:

#### **Stewards**

Phil Twigg

#### **Officiating**

Rob Thiry – CONGRATULATIONS!

#### **Rally**

Darryl Power

#### **Motorkhana**

Adrian Flynn

#### **Motor Race**

Vince Ciccarello

#### **Off Road**

Garry Collins

# 2010 SA & NT CAMS AWARDS

The Shores Function Complex at West Beach



**SATURDAY  
5TH FEBRUARY 2011**

Join us in honouring our winners of the 2010 Motor Sport Season



Ticket information will be provided at a later date

Adelaide Superkart Club

Annual Dinner & Trophy Presentation Night

Saturday December 4, 2010

Duke of York Hotel

82 Currie Street, Adelaide

7.00pm

Menu choices

\$46 per person

Enquiries/tickets – Ron 8352 8620 or Geoff 8262 6133

*Limited seating – tickets selling fast*

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All photos: Earlier state round. Thanks to Shaun Doecke.



# REMINDER!

## FIRST AID COURSE

Date: Saturday 20 November 2010

Time: 09.30am – 5.00pm

Presenter: State Training Services



### ALL PARTICIPANTS:

If you have not yet acquired your Emergency First Aid book, you can get one from Andrew Leitch. There is a Work Book accompanying the material which **MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED** to State Training Services prior to participation in the workshop.

Payment for your course can be made to:

- Peter Tann on the day of course.

Venue information is on the next page, including parking advice and a map.



### Parking at State Training Services 129 Richmond Road Richmond

State Training Services has onsite parking, should all parking spaces be full there is ample unrestricted off street parking in the following streets:

- Sarah Street
- Baker's Road
- Bond St
- Richie Tor
- Moss Ave



State Training Services is located at 129 Richmond Road Richmond, we are on the Left side when travelling East along Richmond Rd heading towards the City/ANZAC HWY. Look for a large light BLUE building.

Telephone 1300 766 086



## Paraprosookian sentences

What is a Paraprosookian sentence? A figure of speech that uses an unexpected ending to a series or phrase. Something to throw into the conversation at your next backyard barbie. For example:

I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.

Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on the list.

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.

We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.

War does not determine who is right - only who is left.

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

The early bird might get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.

Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening', and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.

*Ed*

*Says*



## Remember to protect your skin in summer

A reminder, as the season comes to an end and summer's getting going, enjoy the break but continue to take care.

When working (or playing) outdoors The Cancer Council Australia recommends these five simple steps to protect against sun damage:

### **Reduce exposure to the sun's UV radiation.**

Work and take breaks in the shade. Where no shade exists, use temporary portable shade.

Plan to work indoors or in the shade during the middle of the day when UV radiation levels are strongest

Plan to do outdoor work tasks early in the morning or later in the afternoon when UV radiation levels are lower

Share outdoor tasks and rotate staff so the same person is not always out in the sun

### **Slip on some sun-protective clothing**

Cover as much skin as possible. Long pants and work shirts with a collar and long sleeves are best.

Choose lightweight, closely woven material with an ultraviolet protection factor (UPF) of 50+.

Choose loose fitting clothing to keep cool in the heat.

## How to protect your skin in summer (cont.)

### Slap on a hat

A hat should shade your face, ears and neck.

A broad brimmed styled hat should have a 7.5 cm brim.

A bucket style hat should have a deep crown, angled brim of 6 cm and sit low on the head.

Legionnaire style hats should have a flap that covers the neck and joins to the sides of the front peak.

If wearing a hard hat or helmet use a brim attachment or use a legionnaire cover.

### Slop on SPF 30+ sunscreen

No sunscreen provides complete protection so never rely on sunscreen alone.

Choose sunscreen that is broad spectrum and water resistant.

Apply sunscreen generously to clean, dry skin 20 minutes before you go outdoors.

Reapply every two hours or more often when sweating.

Protect your lips with an SPF 30+ lip balm.

Always check and follow the use by date on sunscreen.

### Slide on some sunglasses

Be aware that your eyes can also be damaged by the sun's UV radiation.

Wear close fitting, wrap around style sunglasses.

When buying new sunglasses, check the swing tag to ensure they meet the Australian Standard (AS/NZS 1067:2003 – category 2, 3 or 4) and are safe for driving.

Look for an eye protection factor (EPF) of 10.

Safety glasses that meet AS/NZS 1337 still provide sun protection

Polarised lenses reduce glare and make it easier to see on sunny days.

Remember to use these five steps together for the best protection.

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## Minutes from the General Meeting

There was no General Meeting held during October due to the number of members travelling overseas and interstate .

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## Members celebrating Birthdays in the coming month



### Happy Birthday!!

#### November

Tony Aloï	21st
Ashley Stephenson	21st
Trevor Klingner	21 <sup>st</sup>
Dean Baxendale	23 <sup>rd</sup>
David Castrechini	28 <sup>th</sup>
Rob Thiry	28 <sup>th</sup>
Lawrie Schmitt	29th

#### December

Leigh Marchesi	1st
Ray Stephenson	8th
Graham Church	9th



## SAMROA Merchandise



SAMROA Sew On  
Badge - \$6



SAMROA Sticker - \$3  
(10cm across)



SAMROA Logo Pin  
(Metal) - \$3



SAMROA Polo - \$40



SAMROA Cross Flags  
(Metal) - \$3



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



### Trade Discount at Ray's Outdoors:

SAMROA is now a trade customer at Ray's outdoors, simply quote the Business name (South Australian Motor Racing Officials Association) or number D73564 at the register to get a significant discount.

28 stores nationwide, SA Stores at:

61-69 West terrace ADELAIDE

1 Phillip Highway ELIZABETH

Harbour Town ADELAIDE AIRPORT



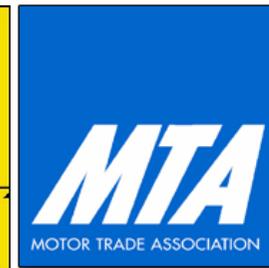
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