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President's Report

Good evening everyone.

October is upon us, and the run to the end of the motor sport season has begun. As I write this, a group of our members (me included) are about to set off to Bathurst, while later this month a contingent sets off as part of the training team for the Korean Formula 1 Grand Prix.

This club's participation in training overseas is recognition of the skill, dedication and knowledge of its members. One of the driving forces of this is the Training and Competition Committee which plays an important role in the training and monitoring of our volunteers.

Last month, Steve Clift was elected as OH&S representative, while Leigh Marchesi agreed to return for another year. This leaves another THREE positions vacant on this important committee. If you have a Bronze circuit licence then I urge you to consider volunteering and take a step forward and help maintain the standards that we are recognised for.

PLEASE NOTE: With numbers of members travelling to Korea for the F1, the General Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 20 October will NOT TAKE PLACE.

On a sad note, I must unfortunately inform you of the passing of club member Peter Chiricuta. Peter passed away unexpectedly and quietly at home recently and will be sorely missed. He is featured (far left) in this month's cover photo as a mark of our regard and respect.

Our recent display stand at the Murray Bridge show attracted some interest with several new names – not only from that region but also in Adelaide. Welcome.

Developing a base in the Murray Bridge region is important at this time, as it is expected that as the Tailem Bend facility develops, there will be a need for experienced officials in the region.

President's Report (cont.)

That's it from me – time to hit the sack. Remembering that some members will be newly returned from overseas, I hope to see many of you at round 4 of the State Championships on the 30th of October...

Andrew.

(Clarkson voice)

Some say he is simply an author struggling to get his book published. Others say he is ex-Formula 3 racing driver Ben Collins.

All we know is... he's unemployed!

November Newsletter:

November issue will be printed on Thursday November 11 for post on the Friday.

Final deadline for material is **9:00AM Tuesday 9/11. Earlier is better.**

Space for 'rent'

Any contributions - Pictures, short stories or items of interest always welcome.

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

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:

- Chief Flag at the upcoming Sporting Car Club meet at Mallalla on Saturday.
- Treasurer, Peter Tann, at the Sporting Car Club meet on Sunday
- Peter Tann on the day of course.

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





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Says*



Your club needs you.

The weather is improving. The garden needs your attention and your family wants to get out and about at the weekend.

BUT, we have two big race meetings coming up and not enough officials to keep them safe and enjoyable for everyone – currently we barely have enough volunteers for two to a flag point for the first event.

The Sporting Car Club – Championship round 4 - 30/31 October
National Superkarts – Sunday 7 November

I urge you to put your name down, even if for one day. If the club is to continue to offer the professional support we are known for, we need everyone to do their bit.

It's up to you.

Minutes from the General Meeting

Reports from Other Committees:

OHS&W (Provided by Andrew Robinson)

- Nothing new to report – Reminder on the fitness of some marshals – Chief Flag / Flag point senior to monitor on the day.

T&CC (Provided by Andrew Leitch)

- The new flags are almost complete – just need to attach them to 16mm dowel and they may be ready for the kart meeting. (26Sept2010) Because the flags now have the “thinner” handles, the second bracket at the Mallala flag points will be removed.
- Reminder of the First Aid Course being held Nov 20, work books are available from Andrew L. Money to be paid to Treasurer.
- City to Bay Fun Run (19 Sept 10) Currently have 11 names – a few more would be greatly appreciated. As an incentive maybe offer a bottle of wine.
- Reminder of Superkart meeting (26th Sept) As usual barely enough official – always appreciate more names.
- SA Championships Rnd 4 (30/31 October 10) is to be held the weekend after our members return from Korea. To “ease the burden”, it would be appreciated that members who DIDN'T go put their names down for this meeting.
- Most improved Official – Rod Mountifield received his award. “Well deserved”!
- September/October is usually the change-over time for the T&CC, Andrew is stepping down as Chairman and gave a big thanks for outgoing T&CC.

CAMS REPORT (Provided by Peter Tann)

- Next meeting will be held next week – nothing to report.

STATE OFFICIATING PANEL (SOP) REPORT (Provided by Peter Cirillo)

- Next Meeting will be on Monday (20 Sept 10) – Nothing to report.

Minutes from the General Meeting

MOTOR RACING PANEL (MRP) REPORT (Provided by Darren Mattiske)

- Nothing to report. (Truth is that he forgot his notes – but we'll keep it to ourselves)

Junior Development Program (JDP) Update

- 04 Sept got blown away – next event is in October. Any volunteers are most welcome.

WEBSITE (Provided by Scott Chamings)

- Nothing new to report regarding the Internet site, however Scott will continue to work on a safe storage area for all Committee / Club Information.
- Updates / Changes to the Website – Bronwen suggested that the web site be “opened up” to other selected members who could help Scott with the maintenance and updates of the site. (It was agreed that it was a good idea as a lot of other clubs use the same procedure)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

- There were a few issues with the annual dinner. The General Committee has addressed some issues at the last meeting. This is not a “head hunt” on the existing Social Committee – we need to address the issues and learn from them so we don't make the same mistakes. The dinners are a big task to organise and the Committee needs all the help they can get.

PROMOTIONS (Provided by Darren Mattiske)

- Murray Bridge Show (September 25 / 26) Will be joining the Tailem Bend Motorsport Park display at no cost to club. Andrew Robinson will do Saturday and Darren Mattiske will do Sunday.

SCC of SA (Provided by Bronwen Williamson)

- Nothing to report.

Minutes from the General Meeting (cont.)

General Business

- Elections for T&CC

i Leigh Marchesi Nom. Scott Chamings, Sec. Bob Holloway – Elected
Unopposed T&CC member

ii Steve Clift Nom. Andrew Robinson, Sec. Bob Schofield – Elected unopposed
OHS Rep.

Two General Committee members are: Paul Bonnett and Rob Thiry (second member will rotate every three months) which leaves three vacancies on the T&CC. Secretary will hold off sending out letters until we have a better idea on membership.

Another notice will be placed in the Newsletter and Chief Flag to ensure that the vacancies are mentioned at the weekend's meeting and note any person who wishes to volunteer.

- Legend of the lakes – SAMROA have been approached to supply 4 experienced Flag Marshals for the Legend of the Lakes Hill-climb, Mount Gambier (05 – 07 Nov 10) Unfortunately, the answer is “not this year” (plus it clashes with a Superkart meeting on the 07Nov10) but we would be willing to assist in training officials from that area.

With no further General Business, the meeting was closed at 20:56 (8:56 pm)

Next Meeting: 20:00 (8:00 pm) on Wednesday 20 October 2010.

Veneto Club, 06 Toogood Ave, Beverley, SA. (Any change of venue will be notified)

REMINDER:

THE MEETING FOR 20TH OCTOBER IS CANCELLED.

CAMS Junior Development Program Day #3 Oct 2nd

The September JDP day 3 was postponed due to the wild weather. The rescheduled day 3 on Oct 2 had much better weather and went really well.

With Trevor Pound (ORCC) recovering from surgery, the members of the Openwheel Racing Car Club Geoff Fussell (ORCC) and Ken I'Ansen (ORCC) set some more challenging tasks to demonstrate the dynamics of the car and improve car control. I got an opportunity to watch the afternoon session and I could see a huge improvement in speed, car control and confidence.

In the classroom, we had 4 presentations.

- Wayne Pannowitch - Introduction to Superkarting and racing costs
- Cody Hill – Introduction to Formula Vee
- Luke Fraser – First race experience
- Graham Boulter – Introduction to HQ racing

The presentations were very informative for the kids and parents, and good experience for the 2 young drivers to talk in front of people. It's also a great training for the trainers to develop their communication and presentation skills.

The only casualty on the day was a brown snake.

The next JDP day is planned for November 20th.



A student on a section of the “circuit” task.



Wayne Pannowitch presentation on superkarting.



Matthew Roesler demonstrating that these cars have a bit more body roll than his formula ford".

From Darren Mattiske

T&CC Report

There is no T&CC Report this month, pending appointment of further committee members and a chairman.

This committee is vital to continuing professional and safe completion of our duties at race meetings. Your committee strongly urges you to consider stepping up to assist with this important role. There are experienced members available for advice and guidance.

You'll find you get even more out of your club when you put some more into it!

Talk to the President, Andrew Robinson, past chair, Andrew Leitch or any committee member for more information.

Have you put your name down for October 30 and/or 31? Don't forget the Superkarts too.





Members celebrating Birthdays in the coming month



Happy Birthday!!

October

Ted Blackwell	7th
Peter Cirillo	15th

40th

Cathy Croci	4th
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60th

Dainis Zakis	17th
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November

Grant Paproth	1st
Ron Stevens	2nd
Darren Martin	2nd
Shaun Field	5th
Heather O'Dea	8th
Nicola Dutton	14th



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