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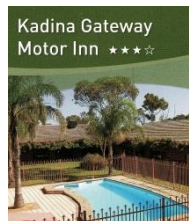
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# President's Report

Welcome to the February newsletter.

At last night's SA/NT CAMS Awards Dinner, SAMROA was again represented well in the awards. Congratulations go to the following members:

Matthew Avery SA/NT State Official of the year.

Following on from the record that SAMROA has with the Junior SA/NT state official of the year this year it was awarded to 2 young officials that are potential members and have strong connections with SAMROA Christian Thiry and Emily de Longte.

Barry Hughes received a CAMS Service Award for his contributions to Motorsport.

This award was presented to Barry for outstanding achievement as a CAMS accredited Motor Sport Official.

Through over 20 years of motor sport officiating Barry has made an invaluable contribution to motorsport through amongst other things dedication to training and mentoring other officials. He has held many roles and in 2001 took on the challenge of becoming a Sector Marshal then a Roving Sector Marshal at Clipsal 500 and became a Sector Marshal at the SkyCity Triple Crown in Darwin in 1999.

Barry has also part of the International training team going to Korea and Singapore to provide training, mentoring and expertise a role that he still does each year at the Darwin Triple Crown with the local officials. This service award is a testament to Barry's dedication, skill, attitude, peer recognition and positive influence as a CAMS accredited official.

Phil Matthews one of our founding members and previous club member of the year also received a Service Award.

# President's Report Continued

Big congratulations to everyone who received awards it is testament to the strength and quality of people involved in our organization.

The first state round in on the 18<sup>th</sup> February followed closely the following day by the Super Kart meeting. A shed clean-up is being held at the timing of writing. Events for this year are on the database do not forget to put your name down early.

Quite a few of our members are at the Bathurst 12hour this weekend we wish them safe travels and hope they enjoy the experience. Remember that Meetings are now held Bi Monthly at the Reepham Hotel, Prospect and the next meeting will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7:30pm remember if you wish to join us there is a few of us who have a pre-meeting meal.

Yours in Motorsport

Janelle



## Happy Birthday!

The following members are having birthdays in February  
...please help us wish them a Happy Birthday...

Shaun Doecke (5<sup>th</sup>), Steve Clift (6<sup>th</sup>), Lisette Hutchins (7<sup>th</sup>), Shaun Halliday (13<sup>th</sup>), Peter Stevens and Brad Morrison (22<sup>nd</sup>)

Front Cover: Attendees and award Recipients from SA/NT CAMS Awards dinner  
Page 7: Service Award Winner Barry Hughes

# T&CC report

Huge thanks to Brad Morrison and Shaun Halliday for cleaning up the SAMROA shed on the weekend. All the forms have been restocked in the flag bags and all the 8 legged inhabitants have been given their marching orders. There are a few housekeeping issues that came out from the clean-up.

- at the end of the day, roll up the flags in an orderly fashion and slide them into the bag. There were many not rolled up and stuffed into the bag. We will take you through the correct technique at Round 1
- Please do not use the flag bags as rubbish bins, Rubbish is to be placed in the bins provided.
- There were a few snappy lock bags for the head set bags. At the end of the day, the head set is to be placed back in the snappy lock bag and returned to the base of tower.

## Coming Events

Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	State Championships R1	Briefing 8am
	Brad Morrison & Rod Mountifield	
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Superkart/Mod Reg	Briefing 8am
	Adam Litchfield & Shaun Halliday	

## Round 1 news

**We will advise the event schedule shortly. There is a possibility that the last race will finish before sun set. Watch you email for any updates.**

Numbers are looking good for both meeting, we are still taking names for the Superkart meeting.

After nearly 3 months off, below are a few reminders flagging

- Flag “face to face” not “back to back”
- Display flags at 90o to the traffic
- Hold a stationary flag at the top and the bottom
- Wave a flag in a vertical figure of “8”
- Hold the flag out of sight when not in use
- Do not over-use the flags.

# T&CC report Continued

- If you are displaying a yellow flag during an incident, do not display the Blue flag
- If you are displaying a yellow flag during an incident and the red needs to be shown, do not withdraw the yellow flag
- If you are displaying a green flag during an incident and the red needs to be shown, you must withdraw the green flag

## Report Writing

- If you see it write it
- If you don't see it don't write it
- Keep strictly to the facts
- Don't give personal opinions
- Write what you saw, not what you think or hope you saw
- Don't sign as a witness to a report you don't agree with
- Write legibly. Please print
- Report everything that happened relevant to the incident (ie contacts, spins, vehicle damage, flag signals, infringements etc)
- Your report should contain the following:
  - ✓ When
  - ✓ Who
  - ✓ Where
  - ✓ What
  - ✓ Result
  - ✓ Diagram
- Don't be afraid to write a report – it is part of your duties

## Social Committee report

This year we will again be trying to keep lunches for the Super kart meeting interesting. The first round will see Wraps on the menu. If you are attending any Super Kart meetings please advise of any dietary requirements well before the meeting so that we can try and facilitate. At this stage, we are looking at possibly Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August for the Annual Dinner please keep this date free and we will again be trying to keep costs down as next year will be the Big 40 and more formal affair. The committee is also looking at a couple of other ideas for activities during this year. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please approach one of the general committee or social committee.

*The Social Committee (Bronwen, Elise, Matt and Janelle)*

# Clipsal 500 Letters

By now most marshals will have received their second newsletter for this year's Clipsal 500 which will include their allocations and additional information to carefully read before the event, it is always good to refresh and look over the notes as some things can change. In particular, it is essential to review the Officials Safety Briefing and Site Induction notes.

We certainly look forward to seeing you both out at Mallala before to dust off the Christmas break cobwebs and then at Clipsal ready for a fun event!

## From the Editors

Thanks for all the contributions to the newsletter for this issue. The newsletter is usually published the Friday before a General meeting (second Wednesday of even months), the next meeting is Wednesday 8<sup>h</sup> February. The **February newsletter will be published on Friday 3rd February. Early contributions would be very much appreciated - any news, items of interest or photographs.** If you are trying to lay out a particular format, remember the newsletter is on an A5 page size. If anyone is interested in learning to edit the newsletter, Andrew would be glad to hear from you. After nearly 10 years it's a good time to pass the baton to somebody else... it really only a few hours a month.

**Andrew & Thomas.**



## COMING EVENTS

- Weds Feb 8th General Meeting
- Sat 18th Feb Masters of Mallala R1 Twilight Race meeting
- Sun 19th Feb Superkarts & Modern Regularity
- 2-5 March Clipsal 500 Adelaide
- 9th April Superkarts & Modern Regularity
- Wed 12th April General Meeting
- 22-23 April All Historic Race meeting



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