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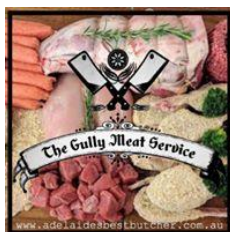
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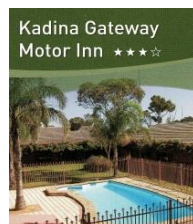
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President's Report

Hi everyone, I'm (David Castrechini) writing this report on behalf of Steve because he is snowed under this month with a host of other president stuff that need his attention so here goes.

The first week of October saw the passing of Tony Grove, whom we would of all encountered at one time or another over the past 50 years or so. Our sympathy goes out to Glenda and all of Tony's family.

Ray McGuinness will be retiring at the end of this financial year after several years in the role of treasurer for the club. He has done a sterling job and whoever takes over will I'm sure own the position as well as Ray has. Having said that, we need a replacement for the coming financial year. I know it is a bit early to be mentioning this, but I would like everyone to consider having a go at it especially if you've had some sort of book keeping experience in the past or are a retired accountant or are a bookkeeper. You may know someone who would be suitable, give them a little push to try their hand and support the club for a year or ten.

Also, if anyone knows of a CPA/ accountant current or retired that could be our auditor for the year, the only stipulation is that they are independent of the club. We had our elections in August and welcome to new committee that was voted in, but unfortunately one committee member had to resign from the position due to differing work commitments, because of this the club is calling on nominations for the vacant committee position in October, so put your thinking caps on and nominate someone you would like to see leading your club for the next year.

A big thank you to those that supported the club at the last Superkart round at Mallala on the 16 September we need to keep up with the local club level events as without them there will be no major events, in other words we need to support the little guys too.

The T&CC elections will be held at the next general meeting so please try to attend so we are all able to vote on who we want training us and mentoring us, all the nominees are later in this newsletter.

We also have just 4 more race meetings for the year to go 2 at The Bend and 2 at Mallala, please all of us try and support these events as best you can even 1 day at a 2-day event is helpful. The details of these events are elsewhere in this newsletter.

In relation to the annual dinner, there will be parking at the oval for \$14.50 if you validate your parking ticket at the venue. If you don't, it will charge you \$6.50 per hour so don't forget.

That's all for now.

David Castrechini - On behalf of Steve Lewis



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Happy birthday to our members who have already celebrated or will be celebrating milestones in October.

Tom Westin – 6th

Ted Blackwell (Life Member) – 7th

Peter Cirillo – 15th



Registrations Now Open

**2018 Improved Production Nationals & 2018 Saloon Car Nationals
The Bend Motorsport Park – Nov. 10-11**

Please click the link below or visit the SAMROA website to download the registration form. Please fill it in and return via email to the secretary ASAP so the organisers can get a rough idea of numbers.

[IPSC Nats Officials Reg 2018 E form](#)



If you would like to register as an official for the 2019 Formula 1 GP in Melbourne from the 14-17th March (Dates to be confirmed) follow the link below to read through the first edition of the AGP Newscast. **Applications close November 24th**

<https://www.cams.com.au/media/news/latest-news/19agp1>

A message from the SCC: Round 4 Thank You

"On behalf of the Sporting Car Club of SA, thank you for being part of Round 4 of the CAMS SA State Championship at The Bend Motorsport Park.

Once again this was a record breaker with the biggest entry numbers we have seen at a South Australian state round. This included a big field of Historic Touring Cars along with large numbers in Improved Production, Sports Sedans, and Circuit Excels.

We would like to sincerely thank all the officials and volunteers who put in many hours of work to make the event happen. I would like to thank the flag marshals who were working solo in the warm conditions.

We greatly appreciate all of the officials who attended in many different roles. You did a fantastic job as always - and without your dedication, there wouldn't be any motorsport. Please feel free to pass on any feedback from the race meeting as we continue to learn from events at The Bend.

We trust you enjoyed the weekend and look forward to seeing you at future events."

Kind regards, Naomi Maltby
Motorsport Manager - Sporting Car Club of South Australia Inc.

Social Committee Update

Thank you to everyone who has purchased and paid for their dinner tickets. We look forward to seeing you all and celebrating the momentous occasion this Saturday night. 😊

As always, help on the social committee is desperately needed. Additional events have not been being arranged as we just do not have time to do this arrange meals for the SuperKart meetings and other activities we have been doing. So again, please let a committee member know if you wish to help.

T&CC Report

Hello and welcome to this month's T&CC report. We hope you are all well rested up after the OTR SuperSprint; it's now time to turn our focus toward the end of year run home. We have a couple of big events over the next two months in which we will require good number to be able to manage all the points required.

In November the Improved Production and Saloon Car Nationals will hit the Bend circuit, they will be utilising the International circuit layout. A request has come through to the T&CC that next time you are in the database adding yourself to an event could you please just have a quick look over your details and update if required, your address, phone numbers, email address, licence grades and emergency contact details.

DATE	UPCOMING EVENT	TRACK	CF	ACF
Nov 10-11	Improved Production & Saloon Car Nationals	The Bend	TA	BM
Nov-17	State Circuit Racing Championships Rd 5	Mallala	PB	AR
Nov-18	Superkart & Modern Regularity	Mallala	SH	PB (backup)

By the time you would get to read this the elections for the new T&CC would have been held, I would like to that Steve Lewis for being the T&CC chairperson for the last 12 months. A big thank you must also go to all the other members of the committee Darren Mattiske, Chris Hutchinson, Peter Stevens, Nathan Fenn and Brad Morrison for their work over the last 12 months.

If you are having trouble getting your name down for an event, please contact either the Chief or Assistant Chief flag (as stated above) or a member of the general or T&CC Committees and they can assist you with this.

That's about it for this month, once again a big thank you to the outgoing members of the committee and a big welcome to the new members of the committee. Until next month stay safe and see you all trackside for an exciting end to the first year of the Bend Motorsport Park.

Brad Morrison

T&CC Committee member

Cover Photo: Announced today! The 2019 Adelaide naming rights sponsor – The Superloop 500. See the link below for more information on the company and support categories. <https://www.speedcafe.com/2018/10/25/superloop-becomes-naming-rights-sponsor-of-adelaide-500/>

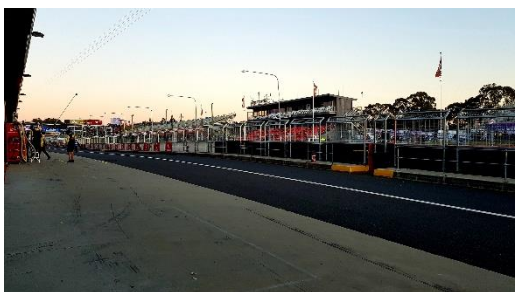
Event Wrap UP – Bathurst – Jackie Schlein

Supercars Bathurst 1000 2018. This was my second time here as an official, again in Pit Lane & Grid. I enjoy being in this location for the big events – close to all the cars & garages, rubbing shoulders with drivers & watching what goes on behind the scenes. We also get to have glimpse of the big screen TV's and are surrounded by ticket holders on top of the pit building and across the track in the grandstands. In Pit Lane we can feel the atmosphere & hear the crowd. Most of what we do here is blowing whistles to warn people when cars traverse through the lane, which sounds a bit boring, but there are other jobs too including looking out for items left out from pit stops, watching for fluid spills/leaks, that the teams are following safety procedures, to keep an eye out for the safety of our fellow officials, media, team staff & drivers and to check the track for any debris.



Thursday started wet and stayed wet all day. Glad I had the wet weather gear on. I was warm and dry (unlike some other officials)! I started the day in front of the Tickford garages, then Red Bull, and was shifted to the centre area of pit lane (Nissan garages) in a floating type role.

Friday I was in the same place. The rain cleared around lunchtime and the cars on track were going faster – leading to more running off the circuit! Dirtier, dinged & dented cars started to appear. The first of the races was today – the Super Utes followed by the Porsche Carrera Cup. After the Super Utes I was placed on the pit wall with yellow flags for every race start for the rest of the weekend – grid spots 9 & 10 were mine to look after.



Saturday the weather was perfect. Faster cars = more offs! All support categories are racing today including a 250km Super 2 race. Huge crowds – lots of noise & colour. Sunday I was still on the yellow flags on pit wall & had the privilege of 'looking after' Craig Lowndes & Garth Tander in grid boxes 9 & 10. Pre-race I was right behind them watching (& trying to stay out of camera shot) all the interviews, fans, family & teams go about their business. I enjoyed being in amongst the pomp & ceremony in the build up to the main race.

After race start the officials from the paddock form-up joined us on pit wall, so there were plenty of us. I again moved around & filled in gaps so got to see all of pit lane & the garages. We had a few light showers

of rain, but not enough to put the wet weather gear on. Sunday night the officials were treated to a dinner & drinks as a thank you. I had a great time and am already looking forward to next year.

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