



**South Australian
Motor Racing Officials Association
Newsletter
October 2023**



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Next General Meeting:

**Wed. 18th October 2023, at The Kent Town Hotel,
72-76 Rundle St, Kent Town Starting at 7:30pm**



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General Meetings held at:

Kent Town Hotel

72-76 RUNDLE Street, KENT TOWN South Australia

The Board room

Meeting starts 7:30pm

Come along from 6pm and enjoy a meal.

Front cover picture: 2023/2024 SAMROA Committee:

Left: Jackie Schlein, Owen Smith (President) front; Rob Thiry (Vice President) Alec Donnon
Paul Bonnett (Secretary), Janelle Orrock (Treasurer), Matt Avery (Rear) Deb Squires, Darren Mittiske

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MARSHALS MUMBLINGS

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President's Prattle

Welcome to the October Newsletter



Hello all,

Hard to think that we are already in October, the year has certainly flown by and what a busy few months it's been since our last newsletter with what seems like an event every weekend. A big thank you to everybody who has been out trackside over this time. It always brings a smile to my face seeing so many old and new faces at events.

Since our last meeting we have had our AGM. A big thank you to the outgoing committee and their work over the last 12 months, their contribution to the club over this time will give the new committee a foundation to build from.

I'd like to welcome the new committee:

President	Owen Smith
Vice President	Rob Thiry
Secretary	Paul Bonnett (Welcome back Paul)
Assistant Secretary	Deb Squires
Treasurer	Janelle Orrock
General Committee	Alec Donnon, Darren Mattiske, Jackie Schlein, Matt Avery

Matt and Jackie have joined the committee for the first time, thank you both for your commitment. Also, welcome back to the committee Rob and Paul.

As a committee this year we are putting a focus on recruitment and retention of new officials. Fresh faces are the future of our club this is achieved through recruitment and training initiatives.

On the 2nd of September the 45th SAMROA Annual Dinner was held at the Windsor Hotel. Thank you to Leslie for putting it together, it was a great evening and enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to Brad Morrison was the recipient of The Kaye Morisset Memorial Club Member of the Year. Brad has been a member of the T&CC for 9 years including Chairperson for 1 year, he has also been instrumental in developing an online training offering for club members.

Congratulations to Shaun Croci on receiving the Most Improved award, it was well deserved.

Well done to both Brad and Shaun.

Graham Church was also the lucky or should I say unlucky winner of the Orange Turkey award for this year. I don't know who had the bigger smile on their face, Graham for laughing at the video of his little mishap or Peter Cirillo for being able to finally pass on the award after 2 well deserved years of holding it.

Our October General Meeting will be held on Wednesday the 18th of October, 7:30pm at the Kent Town Hotel. Nominations and voting will also take place for the Training and Competition today. If you are interested in the training of members and what goes on behind the scenes this is a great little committee to join. Please note that you do need to have a bronze level license of higher to join the T&CC.

Look forward to seeing you all at the track soon.

Owen Smith
President

T&CC Nominations 2023/24



Nominations are now open for the Training and Competition Committee (T&CC) and the WHS officer role. These will be voted on at the October general meeting.

The role of the T&CC is to:

- Develop a training plan for the upcoming year
- Develop and deliver training programs for members to develop and upkeep skills
- Develop mentors and assist/allocate mentorees
- Assess member development and assist and encourage development of members skills
- Develop rosters for upcoming motorsport season for senior positions and trainee positions (Chief flag, race control, starter, form-up etc)
- Review member and chief flag feedback following events

Minimum requirement for members to be on the T&CC is a bronze licence and a enthusiasm to assist and develop both the club and its members.

Two join the T&CC from the committee and a further representatives will come down from the committee.

The club WHS officer position is also part of the T&CC and anyone interested in this position can nominate or be nominated – Only requirement some WHS background knowledge.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the T&CC or becoming the WHS officer please complete the nomination form attached to this newsletter and either send to secretary or bring to the next (October) general meeting.

The following have been received so far:

Brad Morrison: Nominated by Cathy Sinton. Seconded: Rod Mountifield. Will think about it.

Tony Aloï – declined.

Peter Cirillo – declined.

Paul Karamanov: Nominated by Deb Squires Seconded: Rod Mountifield. Will consider.

Andrew Leitch: Nominated by Janelle Orrock Seconded: Paul Karamanov

Upcoming Events Calendar

Month	Date/s	Event	Location	Chief Flag Asst CF	T&CC Duty Officer
October	Wed 18 th	General Meeting	Kent Hotel	President	Tony Aloï
	Fri 27 th - Sun 29 th	The Bend Classic	The Bend	Cathy Sinton	
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	Thurs 23 rd - Sun 26 th	VALO Adelaide 500	Adelaide Street Circuit	Non SAMROA event	

All meetings and dates are on the SAMROA database, please keep in mind that all meetings are subject to change, the dates are correct as of 1 Feb 2023. The T&CC will endeavour to advise if there is any change to the details of any event as soon as possible and update the member database.

Please log onto the SAMROA member database and put your name down for any events that interest you.

Also check out what is happening across the state in all forms of Motorsport via the Motorsport Australia

Events Calendar: <https://motorsport.org.au/events/championships/state/sa-nt> (this site is not validated for accuracy by SAMROA)



T&CC Report

Hi all,

A big thank you to those who have come out to recent events at both Mallala and The Bend, it was great to see the support for motor racing in SA, especially at the recent Superkarts/Regularity event. The more people we can get to an event assist the T&CC and Chief flag to give people opportunities in different roles and also assist with the training and guidance of new people track side.

On that note we have a couple of meetings still to go this year, we are desperately still looking for more name for the The Bend Classic on 28th & 29th October, this event will have a number of categories:

- Vintage race cars
- Classic open wheel & Formula 1
- Formula 5000
- Historic Formula Ford
- Porsche Rennsport
- Modern Sports
- Classic Sports Cars
- Historic Touring Cars
- Replica Touring Cars

If you can make it either 2 or 1 day, please place your name on the member database or contact Cathy Sinton, Chief flag.

There is also a couple more events needing names so if you can please consider coming out and getting some practice in before the final event of the year, the Adelaide Valio 500.

If anyone has recently completed their online bronze course and is looking to undertake their bronze event assessment, can we ask you speak with someone from the T&CC prior so we can work with you and guide you through the process to ensure you have every opportunity to have a successful and rewarding assessment, this will involve placing you with one of our senior people who will mentor and provide you with feedback throughout the process.

Remember if your interested in joining the T&CC and have a bronze license get your nomination in at this month's general meeting and vote. I'd like to thank our outgoing members of the T&CC who have elected not to stand for another term, Tony Aloj, Graham Church & Kim Morrison, they have put in a lot of time and work over the last couple of years and their efforts are thanked and very much appreciated, thank you all.

Until next meeting Cheers

T&CC

From the recent speed series event at The Bend:

The recent Speed Series event at The Bend John Bowe won the GT4 race on the weekend.

This is his last year of racing. I hope this won't be the last time he is first to the chequered flag.

Congratulations on a brilliant career and best wishes to John Bowe, we hope to still see him in the paddock.





*Happy birthday to our members who will be celebrating milestones in
October & November*

October

- Cathy Sinton 4th*
- Alan Hardy 5th*
- Tom Westin 6th*
- Ted Blackwell 7th*
- Paul Papanikolaou 13th*
- Peter Cirillo 15th*
- Matthew Avery 25th*

November

- Kim Morrison 7th*
- Chris Hutchinson 19th*
- Tony Aloï 21st*
- David Castrechini 28th*
- Robert Thiry 28th*
- Lawrie Schmitt 29th*



Promotions Report



WHS Report

Track updates:

The Bend are continuing to work through the issues we have raised with them regarding the marshal post, they have begun replacing the metal boxes at the post, we will see at the next meeting how far they have got.

I would just like to remind people that if you have a medical issue (ie recent significant surgery/illness) that may/will affect your ability trackside to perform all the duties you are required to undertake whilst trackside please contact the chief flag and discuss if there is alternate duties or re-consider coming out. We do not want to make people undertake duties trackside that will put their safety or the safety of fellow officials at risk, nor do we want our official's to be in at-risk trackside of aggravating their injury. This also applies if you are not feeling well, please stay home.

Cheers

Cathy.

SAMROA Annual Dinner 2023

The 2023 annual Dinner was held on 2nd September at the Windsor Hotel. A good night was had by all those that attended with some great food served and plenty of flowing drinks.

Club Member of the Year – Kaye Morisset trophy:
Brad Morrison



T&CC Most improved club member 2022/2023:
Shaun Croci

Orange Turkey Recipient: Graham Church

- “Throwing the Green Flag” at the field at last years.
Adelaide Valio 500 – this was captured on tv 😊



Service awards



Matt Avery



Ray McGuiness



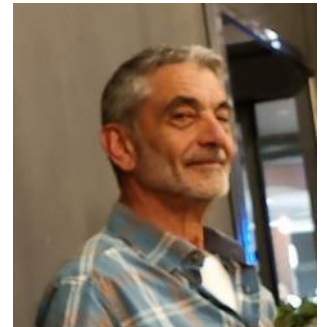
Karl Flemming

Lawrie Schmidt



100 Days Trackside awards:







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Thank you to the team at Hamstead Auto and Alec Donnon for the recent work done to the SAMROA ute. 😊

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SAMROA member Shaun Halliday is a franchisee of Mister Minit which specialises in repairs, engravings, cutting services plus much more! Shaun has offered a 20% discount for SAMROA members upon presenting their membership card. His kiosk is located at the Unley Shopping Centre. Come on down and support each other.

If you or your business would like to sponsor our fabulous club please contact a member of our committee to discuss opportunities, we are always looking for sponsors to assist us continue to support this great club and sport.



2023 SA Motorsport Events calendar



Date		Event	Location	Chief Flag/Assistant	T&CC Duty Officer
August	Fri 18th - Sun 20th	OTR Supersprint	The Bend	Non SAMROA event	Kim Morrison
	Sun 27th	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	Cathy Sinton	
September	Sat 16th & Sun 17th	SCCSA R4	The Bend	Peter Stevens / Leslie Atkinson	Matt Avery
October	Fri 13th - Sun 15th	Motorsport Australia Trophy Series	The Bend	Non SAMROA event	Tony Aloï
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SAMROA GENERAL MEETING

August 2023



Meeting Details:

Date: 23 August 2023
Location: The Kent Town Hotel
Meeting Opened: 19:35

Attendees:

Present: As per attendance book
Apologies: Alan Hardy, Graham Church
Guests: Nil

Announcements / Reminders:

Previous Minutes:

Minutes from the Previous Meeting (June 2023) were emailed to members.

Motion: Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Julie Finn

Seconded: Rod Mountifield

Carried.

Business arising from previous minutes:

Deb Squires and Janelle Orrock stated the Social Committee report does not reflect work that was done over the previous couple of months. A report was not tabled at the meeting, however, emails were put out to venues and a booking was made with Sferas.

In / Out Correspondence:

Correspondence In/Out: See attached list.

Motion: Correspondence be accepted:

Moved: Leslie Atkinson

Seconded: Cathy Sinton

Carried

Business Arising from the Correspondence:

Nil

Treasurer's Report

	June 2023	July 2023
Receipts:	\$2,055.03	\$ 3,040.00
Outgoings:	<u>\$1,362.26</u>	<u>\$ 568.78</u>
Operating surplus/(deficit):		\$2,901.25

Special Purpose & Transaction Accounts:	\$2,506.77 & \$ 4,809.86
Term Deposit:	\$10,800.00
Social Committee	\$ 290.40
Total:	\$18,407.73

Motion: Treasurer's Report be accepted

Moved: Ray McGuinness

Seconded: Paul Karamanov

Carried.

Accounts for Payment:

Peter Ruth: Newsletter postage \$9.60

Nelson Teamwear: Embroidery \$176.00.

Darren Mattiske: Tarps for OTR Supersprint \$144.60

Money moved back to special purposes account as good receipts this month.

Moved: Ray McGuinness

Seconded: Rod Mountifield

Accounts be paid.

Carried

Reports from Other Committees:

WORKPLACE HEALTH SAFETY (Presented by Cathy Sinton)

Post 1 Taillem Bend has had some improvements to the post. This is an ongoing process and will be done to all posts.

Reminder – If you are suffering from COVID or other illnesses, please don't come out. Don't feel bad, it will only make you worse by working when you are sick.

The 2 Cars that hit a flagpost at Queensland Raceway is a timely reminder that cars can still find us even when we are behind the wall, so always keep your eyes open.

T&CC (Presented by Owen Smith)

Fire training has been secured for the Mallala managers to run. The Online theory will be open to financial members only.

Training modules are in the final stages of development.

Committee will follow up with people who have requested to trial other roles at events.

Fill in feedback forms to TCC if you wish to do something different.

New Members (Presented by Kim Morrison)

Kim Morrison is standing down as New Members officer.

Stocktake has been completed of merchandise in her care.

4 new members coming on weekend to Superkarts event.

MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA (presented by)

Nil

STATE OFFICIATING PANEL (presented by Owen Smith)

Across the board recruitment was discussed.

Fire training for Supercars will be held as it was in Darwin – early stages of planning.

WEB SITE (Reported by Peter Ruth)

Noticed Alec Donnon has made some changes to the website.

FACEBOOK (Reported by Cathy Sinton)

Good traction with the Facebook page with some good interaction from other car clubs. It is working well and leading to enquiries. If you have any ideas, pass on them on to Cathy.

Add Peter Ruth back into Facebook so can update web page link.

NEWSLETTER (Reported by Cathy Sinton)

First advertisement was placed in the newsletter this time. Alec Donnon is trying to sell his racecar.

We want more member profiles to print in the newsletter.

Articles of interstate trips etc. are of great interest, so if you go away, consider writing an article for the newsletter.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE (Presented by Leslie Atkinson)

Reminder that the annual dinner is 2nd September 2023 at the Windsor Hotel, Windsor Gardens. If you haven't yet booked and plan to come along, make sure you let Leslie know at secretary@samroa.org.au and pay before the event.

The menu is looking great and we have Cooper performing for us again this year.

PROMOTIONS (Presented by Deb Squires)

We were hoping to be at the drivers signing at Murray Bridge for the OTR. However, we received no formal acknowledgement, and Deb was unwell so no-one went.

Deb is happy to continue in the promotions role and Josh Young has also been very helpful.

Two new mannequins have been purchased – one male and one female.

General Business:

Darren Mattiske:

Ute is still smoking a lot, so much so that it couldn't be driven through the paddock at OTR Supersprint.

Alec will have another word to Hampstead Auto Repairs and see if they can do more.

Ute was left with the JDP cars at The Bend as the next events are mostly at Taillem Bend

Matt Meegan: WfW – Recruitment drive – the drag strip at Taillem Bend will be starting up soon and speedway is on at Murray Bridge across the summer season. WfW need more people. Talk to Matt if interested in joining.

Karl Flemming: Newsletter – there was an incorrect date.

Tony Aloï – thanked Leslie and Bruce for their efforts on the committee over the last two years. It was a difficult time with COVID etc. Bruce and the committee deserve our appreciation.

The meeting was paused at 20:04 to enable the AGM to be held.

Motion: \$400 be put over the bar for drinks at the close of the meeting tonight.

Moved: Bruce Morisset Seconded: Owen Smith

Carried

Owen thanked the previous committee for the for past 12 months. Those that have done multiple years deserve a special thank you.
Welcome to the new committee. Looking forward to working together and hope we can work harmoniously together.

Peter Cirillo:

Nominations for TCC open tonight. Minimum requirement is a Bronze licence except WHS. Two will come down from the committee.

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Meeting Closed: 21:11

Next Meeting:

Date: 11 October 2023

Location: Kent Town Hotel

Start Time: 7:30pm



Nomination Form 2023
For SAMROA T&CC

I..... hereby nominate.....
for the SAMROA Training and Competition Committee.

Signed

This nomination is seconded by

..... Signed.....

Signed by the Nominee; I also declare that I am FINANCIAL MEMBER of SAMROA, hold a minimum of a BRONZE License and that I am not aware of anything under the Incorporations Act that would preclude me from holding a position on the committee.

Nominee..... Dated.....

Nominations close on the night.

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 - b. of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty punishable on conviction by imprisonment for a period of not less than three months; or
 - c. of an indictable offence; or
 - d. of-
 - i. an offence against section 39A; or
 - ii. an offence against a provision applied by section 41B; or
 - iii. an offence against section 60,must not, within a period of five years after his or her conviction or, if he or she was sentenced to imprisonment, after his or her release from prison, without leave of the Commission, be a member of the committee of an incorporated association, or be in any way (whether directly or indirectly) concerned in or take part in the management of an incorporated association.
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