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# President's Report

Season's Greetings,

With Christmas only days away, it is time to reflect over our year and look towards 2017. The CAMS 2017 calendar has been finalised and you will find dates elsewhere in the Newsletter. Please feel free to put your name down now for the events that you can attend as they have all be loaded onto the data base.

Please remember the last general meeting for the year will be on the 14th December at the Reephram Hotel. Barry Frost will be coming along to have a talk to us all about timing in years gone by. Darren tells me he attended the last presentation that Barry did and it was well received by all in attendance so please come along and join us. Feel free to come along early and have a meal.

On a side note congratulations to all that worked at Clipsal 500 this year "Clipsal 500 Adelaide Officials have been recognised by winning the "Best Volunteer Group" award at the 2016 Virgin Australia Supercars Gala awards in Sydney".

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of our committees, panels and other helpers. It is a pleasure to work with such dedicated, capable, friendly and helpful people who go the extra mile and put in many hours behind the scenes.to ensure that our club runs smoothly. I would especially like to thank Belinda and David Avery for making the last round of Superkarts for the year lunch that little more enjoyable and also for helping out at the Christmas lunch function at Birdwood.

A big congratulations again to all those that received Fabulous Officials awards at our annual dinner and to all other reward recipients.

On another note Lisa Totani is off to Canberra to study shortly and as such we have a vacancy on the general committee we will be calling for nominations to fill this position. If you are interested please let a committee member know. We wish Lisa all the best and would like to thank her for her efforts during the time she has been on the committees.

## President's Report (Cont.)

In the New Year I would also like to see more people volunteer to be on the Social Committee the committee through one thing and another and with Lisa leaving has dwindled down to Matt and myself. Please let us know if you would like to join us as planning will commence shortly for next year's dinner.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New year. Please stay Safe.

Yours in Motorsport.

Janelle



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Cover Photo: Formula One returns to the streets of Adelaide. Read Stefan Johansson's impressions in this article.

Photos and article courtesy [Stefan Johansson's facebook page](#)...

# T&CC Report

I know everyone is busy this time of year, so I will keep this short.

## Reward and Recognition Scheme

Just a quick introduction for the new members about the about the R&RS. It is a simple scheme, based on a point's allocation for attendance, with a bias towards the Superkart/Modern Regularity events at Mallala. The basic concept is:-

- Runs from the 1st of July and end on June 30th.
- A minimum of 4 Superkart meetings must be worked to be eligible for the R&RS.
- Points will only be awarded for positions at race meetings SAMROA is asked to supply officials for.
- Points will NOT BE ALLOCATED to the following events: Clipsal 500 or Interstate events and other similar major events.
- The committee reserves the right to add or amend these rules as they see fit.

How points are Calculated

The method used to calculate points are quite simple, and they are as follows:

- 3 points for working at a Superkart meeting
- 1 point for each day of attendance at any other event

## 2017 dates

**Shed Clean up Feb 5<sup>th</sup>** – The T&CC will be getting rid of the dust, sorting and restocking the shed before the first race meeting. Many hands make light work. Should only take the morning.

CAMS has released the 2017 SA/NT event Calendar. I have included it 2 formats.

[CAMS SA/NT Event Calendar](#)

[SAMROA Motorsport Event Planner](#)

Dates for all 2017 events have been loaded into the Database so feel free to start adding your name to the events via the Members Database. If you haven't got access or do not remember how to, please contact one of the T&CC or the Committee to help you.

## T&CC Report (Cont.)

First race weekend is a Double header with the **State Round Twilight on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb** and the **Superkart & Mod Reg Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb**. We will be engaging more social media and will create “FaceBook” events soon.

The T&CC are currently working on training plans for 2017.

On behalf of all the T&CC, happy a wonderful Christmas, stay safe and we will see you on the flip side.

Cheers,  
Darren







## 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>th</sup> February, with **January newsletter will be published on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January**. **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.**

## Formula One returns to Adelaide...

I meet an old friend at Adelaide! 🇫🇷🇮🇹

On the Friday before the [Adelaide Motorsport Festival](#), I drove the [Ferrari 156/85](#) through the streets of Adelaide among the public. It was a great weekend – only there could you do something like that. It was Adelaide just how I remembered it from all those years past. It was a lot of fun and quite emotional to drive the old car actually.

I last drove that car up the hill at Goodwood a few years ago but that doesn't really count as you can't really lean on the car there as you do on a real race track. Apart from that my last drive in it was 30 years ago! It started to feel familiar after a few laps. It was kind of emotional when I started pushing it a bit and getting into the performance window of the car a little. Lots of memories... It was great using a manual gearbox and going through the gears and everything. By the end of day two I was getting some small blisters in my right hand from the gearshift which is how it used to be back in the day. They didn't have it cranked up to full power but it was still enough to get a good feel for it.

Expect more photos and videos soon! 📷👤

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*[Article courtesy Stefan Johansson's Facebook Page..](#)*



## Happy Birthday!

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

Lisa Totani (1<sup>st</sup>), Kimberley Stevens (4<sup>th</sup>), Graham Chrucl (9<sup>th</sup>), Life Member Bryce Crawford (145<sup>th</sup>), Darren Matiske (17<sup>th</sup>), Chris Monck (18<sup>th</sup>), Bob Schofield (25<sup>th</sup>), Ben Anderson (29<sup>th</sup>)



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