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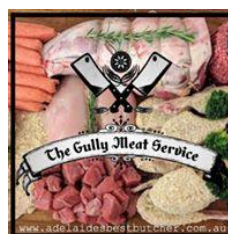
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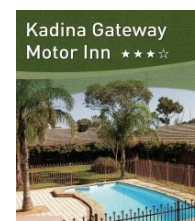
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President's Report

Welcome to the March Newsletter.

By the time you read this the Superloop ADL 500 would have been run and won. Congratulations to all SAMROA officials that took up senior roles at this event and to everyone else that participated. As I'm writing this the week before the event in anticipation that everyone will do a great job, you do yourselves and the club proud.

The Australian F1GP is almost upon us and we wish those members travelling over to Melbourne, safe travels, watch out for each other and most of all, have a great time. If any of our members wish to complete a write up on their experience at the GP, please do so and forward it to the editor for publishing.

We now need to look at upcoming local events and make sure that we have appropriate numbers at each event so that we can continue training people and trying to fulfil your goals. Remember to let the TCC know what you would like to do. Events are in the database so please put your name down early so we can cater for lunches.

When we have new people make their way out to race meetings, please be sure to make them feel welcome and pass on all the knowledge you have, to bring them up to speed with what we do. The first two meetings at Mallala saw approximately six new-comers and from what I gather from talking with them most have filled in membership forms. I have received great feedback from a couple of the new people saying how welcomed they felt and the education they received on the day. This is what we need, to not only bring in new members but to retain them as members for as long as we can.

On behalf of SAMROA, congratulations need to go out to a life member who unfortunately passed away earlier this year. Geoff Sykes was named Life Member of CAMS, an award he was aware of before his passing. Also receiving Life Member status was our Motorsport Chaplin, David Vaughan and Sporting Car Club Member Vince Ciccarello for being awarded, Castrol Australian Official Of The Year. This is very pleasing to see South Australians receiving the high accolades at a prestigious event such as the CAMS National Awards Gala Dinner in Melbourne.

If you have any friends that would like to become an official, please bring them out to Mallala or The Bend so they can experience what we all love to do first hand. Remember we need to keep recruiting with the increased workload that we have with the two Circuits.

Selling slowly but surely, I have a bag full of beanies, approx. 20 for sale which has had the 40th Anniversary badge sewn on them. These are going for \$20.00 or you can get the badge alone for \$10.00, nothing wrong with preparing for the coming winter months. I will have these at the next General meeting for you to have a look.

The database has just now been updated with the first eight race meetings for 2019. Please take a look and start your motorsport planning now well in advance. It is always better to put your name down for what meetings you would like to work as it is easier to remove your name if something arises.

All for now,

Keep on enjoying your Motorsport.

Steve Lewis - SAMROA President

Next General Meeting: Wednesday, 10th of April @ Reephams Hotel (Corner Churchill and Regency Road) at 7:30pm. All welcome.



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

🎉 Thomas Harris – 14th March

🎉 Deborah Squires – 15th March

🎉 Janelle Orrock – 21st March

🎉 Grant Sims – 5th April

🎉 Dieter Von-Zieden – 11th April

🎉 David Mori – 11th April

🎉 Jared Stevens – 25th April

Would you like to be SAMROA'S next Treasurer?

After 5 years in the role I want to do some “grey nomading” and overseas travelling. I am offering to train/do a handover in the months leading up to the August 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The role is not onerous, usually taking up around 4 hours per month, with some extra work required around June/July for the Budget and Annual Report, with the latter going to the AGM. I would be doing this work for 2019 but would be happy to show the incoming Treasurer how it is all done.

Skills Required: Numeracy, literacy, and a working knowledge of MS Excel.

If you are interested, or would like to discuss the role with me, please email me at: treasurer@samroa.org.au

or mobile: 0402 043 956

Ray McGuiness - *SAMROA Treasurer*

Events of Interest

Vehicle Information Day

Sunday 31st of March

Ocean View College, Gedville Rd, Taperoo

See the [website](#) and the T&CC Report in this newsletter for details



Run from April 19th to 21st 2019

Website for more info: <http://www.bathurst6hour.com.au/>

Volunteer Application form: <http://www.bathurst6hour.com.au/event-info/officials-application>



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Event Info: <https://www.darwinsupercars.com.au>



Shannons Nationals - The Bend Motorsport Park 12th -14th July

Check your inbox for registration details or contact Janelle at jorrocksc@bigpond.com

T&CC Report

Hi and welcome to the March T&CC Report.

Well, they call it Mad March, but for us, we got in first with what we should call, Crazy February! Bathurst 12hr, 1st Round of the State Championships, Superkarts and Modern Regularity and the Superloop 500. The numbers for the State Round and Superkarts were encouraging and we hope that the attendance continues at that level throughout the year. Superloop was a tad warm wasn't it?? Hope you all recovered well afterwards and came away with many good memories of another great event.

For all of you who are heading eastwards for the GP – have a top trip and most importantly – Enjoy yourselves.

For us who are staying in SA, it's a bit of a strange calendar for March this year as we don't have any events to officiate at, so, while Tony and the Regularity guys have a training day on the 31st, so will we. There's information elsewhere in this Newsletter but **31st March from 10am to 2pm, come along to our Car Show / Information day at the Ocean View College at Taperoo**. If you've never been up close to a race car before, events such as these are an unstressed, informative way to learn how a simple task of undoing a safety net or unclipping a HANS Device may look until you actually have to do it in an emergency. There will be a BBQ lunch so please confirm your attendance through the Database by the 23rd of March.

Speaking of the Database, I requested a little bit more admin access so I can now help out with access to the Member's area that will let you put your names down for upcoming events – one thing though – it is a Member's database so if you are a non-member and you've requested access, it won't be processed until you are a SAMROA member. Likewise, if you find, all of a sudden, that your access no longer seems to work – have you let your membership lapse??

And whilst we've also mentioned Memberships, both the General and T&C Committees agree that the procedure for how we handle new membership applications needs a bit of an update. This will be happening over the next couple of weeks which will ultimately lead to a more streamlined procedure from when a person first sends in an Application Form to us sending out their Introduction pack. (If you have recently submitted a membership form but haven't received any notification or introduction pack – please let us know and we'll investigate it).

Upcoming Events: 2 in April and 2 in May with all four being held at Mallala.

April 14, Superkarts with Andrew Robinson as CF & **April 27/28**, All Historic Race Meeting and I (Paul B) will be your CF – this is a two-day event.

May 05, Peter Hall Memorial Six Hour Regularity – Grant Paproth will be CF and then **19 May**, Superkarts with Peter Stevens as the CF.

All of these events are on the Database so don't leave it until the last moments before you get your names down. The two-day Historic Event is run by the Sporting Car Club so the gate list will need to be closed off and sent to the SCCSA by the **17th April** for catering purposes. (Get your names in early for this as it's a lot easier to take your name off a list than it is to add a name after the cut-off date)

We are now into March and as we found out at the Superloop – Adelaide can still have crazy weather days – so when you come out to the race meetings, just be wary that the weather can change and pack accordingly with sunscreen, extra water / snacks, one of SAMROA's woollen Beanies (how's that for a plug?) and a lightweight rain jacket – as I say the weather can change from one extreme to the other.

If at any time you have any concerns or questions that you want answered, don't hesitate to contact a Committee Member. Hope to see you all at Ocean View College @ Taperoo on the 31st March – If not we'll catch up trackside soon.

Cheers for Now

Paul B. & the T&CC

WH&S Report

First of all, I would like to say well done everyone that survived Superloop ADL 500 2019.

3 days of 40 degrees plus, and to finish the event a humid day in the 30's. Thrown into the equation were track temperatures of 55 degrees and added heat coming from the cars.

From what I've seen and heard everyone took care and looked out for one another. Encouraging and ensuring adequate fluid intakes were maintained throughout the days. Rotations at posts were in some cases every 15 – 20 mins and were invaluable in maintaining a safe and healthy environment for officials.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELL DONE EVERYONE!!!

Let's not forget though we are heading into cooler months and the bitter cold of winter, so the next few weeks would be a good time to get your wet weather gear out and check that it's in good condition, will give you optimum protection and will withstand the winter race season. This gives us all time to update our wardrobe if needed.

Winter has its own potential perils with not only temperatures but also wind-chill factors and rain. In the next newsletter I will go through what hypothermia is, the prevention, treatment and after track care when you get home. I will also add a list of necessities from clothing to footwear.

REMINDER

SAMROA 40th Anniversary Beanies are available for purchase.

Contact Steve Lewis for further information.

Cheers for now,

Deb

Deborah Squires - SAMROA WH&S Representative

CAMS Awards Night Wrap-up

On Saturday, 9th Feb, the South Australian motorsport community gathered at Sfera's to celebrate, recognise and honour our 2018 champion competitors and officials as part of the CAMS State Awards. The evening was hosted by well-known presenter Greg Rust with contributions from funny man Adrian Flynn (AMSD Commissioner). As always, the event was a great opportunity to meet and mingle with people from other disciplines of the sport including rally, off-road and the competitors. SAMROA was recognised for our 40th Anniversary celebrated last year. Some of our members (listed below) also received awards for their tireless contributions – not just over the year but a lifetime of dedication to the sport.



SAMROA Milestone Certificate



Father and Son, Nick and Paul Papanicolaou

Paul Bonnett (Secretary) – Cams Service Award

Nick Papanicolaou – Speed Official of the Year

A notable mention goes to Ian “Lamby” Lamb who most of us will

know from the A Team. Lamby was named the 2018 Circuit Racing Official of the Year and overall Castrol State Official of the Year for his dedication, expertise and mentoring efforts. Congratulations to Ian – very well deserved.



President Stephen Lewis with wife Sue and Secretary Paul Bonnett with wife Di

Chaplain – Dave Vaughan, was awarded CAMS Life

Membership at the 2018

National Awards in Melbourne last month for his (and Narelle's) 30 years of service to all disciplines of Motorsport around the country. Dave is a regular face at many local, state and national events, his compassionate and friendly nature is a true asset to our sport and community. Congratulations Dave.

Finally, special mention also to Sporting Car Club Member Vince Ciccarello for being awarded, Castrol Australian Official Of The Year



CAMS President Andrew Papadopoulos (L) with Dave Vaughan (R)



Getting To Know You

1. Name and age?

Kim Wilson, 36 yrs.

2. Occupation outside motorsport?

House painter

3. First motorsport event attended?

State round, round 1 at Mallala Motorsport Park, 20th Feb 2016.

4. First car? And Dream Car?

First car was a mustard colour Datsun 120Y which cost me \$50.

My dream car is an Aston Martin Vanquish

5. Favourite team/driver/ event/ category?

DJR Penske and Scotty Mac is one of my favourite drivers, but my other favourite team is Supercheap Auto and my to die for driver is Chaz Mostert who I utterly LOVE! My supercars crush



6. Why did you join SAMROA and why do you consider it a great club to be a part of?

I joined SAMROA because I have a massive passion for fast cars, and to be as close as I can to them when on the track is the biggest adrenaline rush i could ever imagine. I consider SAMROA to be a great club to be a part of because not only has it taught me the value of friendship but trust and respect and confidence. It has not only given me friends but people who I now call family.

7. What goals/aspirations do you set yourself in the next 12 months through volunteering?

To possibly get the opportunity to work my way to chief flag roles, and to hopefully one day get the opportunity to fulfil my dream of becoming a sector at major events.

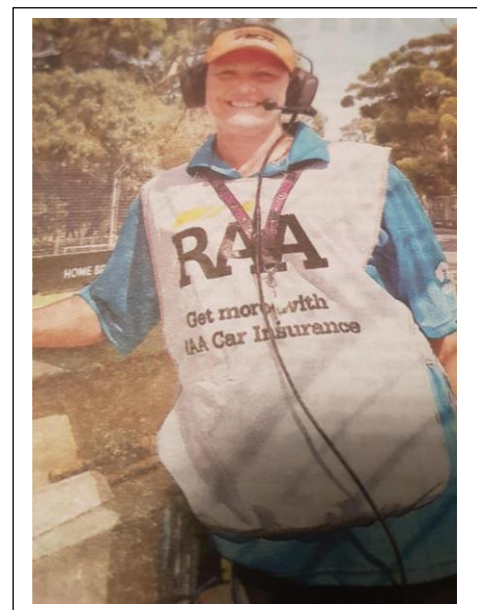
8. Outside interests/ hobbies?

I like a bit of gardening, love listening to music and spending time with my now fiancé Brad and my kids.

9. The best piece of advice (or quote) that you have received?

I can't say I have 1 piece of advice as I have had a lot over the years I have been with the club, but the ones that stick out are:

- Never be afraid to ask questions as the more you ask the more you learn, and I am learning more and more from so many people.
- Always believe in yourself as there is no such word as "can't".
- We are all equal regardless of how long we have been doing this.



MINUTES OF SAMROA GENERAL MEETING

Meeting Details

Date & Time: 13 February 2019 @ 1930 (7:30pm)
Location: Reephram Hotel
273 Churchill Road, Prospect, SA 5082

Meeting Opened: 19:30 (7:30 pm)

Present: Paul Bonnett, Steve Lewis, Ray McGuiness, Deborah Squires, Peter, Kimberley & Jared Stevens, Bruce Morisset, Graham Church, David Ryan, Brad Morrison, Steve Clift, Darren Mattiske, Shaun Halliday and Rod Mountifield.

Apologies: Jackie Schlein & Kim Wilson

Visitors / Guest: Nathan Herbener

Late:

Announcements / Reminders:

1. Database access – David Ryan having trouble logging into Member D/B (PB to chase up)

Previous Minutes:

Some copies of the previous minutes (December 2018) were placed on the tables for members to read. Most copies were either presented in January Newsletter or emailed out. Secretary (Paul Bonnett) moved that minutes be accepted and seconded by Brad Morrison. All members present, voted in favour that minutes be accepted. Carried.

Business arising from the minutes:

- No business arising from the previous minutes.

Incoming / Outgoing Correspondence:

Correspondence as per list tabled at the meeting. (Copy Attached)
Moved by Secretary (Paul Bonnett) and seconded by Bruce Morisset that the correspondence list be received. All present voted in favour. Carried.

Business Arising from the Correspondence:

- No business arising from the Correspondence List.

Reports from Other Committees:

WHS (Presented by Debbie Squires)

- Reminder to all that if you receive an Injury whilst track-side, it must be reported and attended by the Medical staff before you can be stood down. Senior at the post MUST also raise an Incident Report.

T&CC (Presented by Brad Morrison)

- CF Roster has been finalised and sent out. Events up to middle of year are now on D/B.
- Vehicle Information Day is being organised. Date will be 31 March 19 and venue will be at the Ocean view College at Taperoo. Intention to have a sausage sizzle – free to members and non-members will be asked to pay \$10.00 (However, if they join up, the \$10.00 will be deducted from their Membership fee)
- T&CC Shed Clean-Up: Few things:-
 - Condition of Flags. **Some flag poles have been cut down** – we can understand FP2 due to the mesh slots but whoever has decided to cut down all of the flag poles at FP6 – these have now been replaced with new poles, **DON'T DAMAGE ANY FLAGS!!** Any issues with the length of flags should be brought to the attention of the Chief Flag or T&CC members.
 - Flag Bags: Don't use the Post Flag bags as garbage bags!!
 - Flag Holders at the Posts: We do not own any of Mallala's infrastructure so the Flag Holders at the posts are not our responsibility to repair. All we can do is request that these get replaced or we make something portable that we can use.
- Performance Sheets, The A, B, C's etc. are not telling us anything, what we want to read is the remarks. T&CC are looking to introduce Survey Monkey to track-side officials to hopefully capture better comments.

New Membership Applications (For General Committee's Approval)

CAMS (Presented by Paul Bonnett. Last Meeting Held 15 January 2019)

- First meeting of the year, therefore not much information to pass on. CAMS Affiliation has been sent out to CAMS and the acknowledgement will be received soon.
- CAMS 2018 Awards Dinner – February 9 at Sfera's in Modbury. Tickets are \$90.00 per head and available on the CAMS Web site.
- The Lease has been renewed on the SA CAMS Office for a further three years so it will not be moving (as reported in previous meetings).

STATE OFFICIATING PANEL (SOP) REPORT

- Working on Training Courses for 2019. Once Calendar is complete, it will be posted on the CAMS Web Site.

MOTOR RACING PANEL (MRP) REPORT

- No meeting. Nothing to report.

WEBSITE / IT

- Secretary has requested greater access to SAMROA Database so to action Member's requests for access to the electronic "Red Book". One reminder – It is a Member's Database so you will only get access if you are a Financial Member of SAMROA. If you are not Financial, you can still get your name on the gate-lists by either contacting a Committee member or use the "Red Book" at race events.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

- At the moment, SAMROA does not have a Social Committee. If you feel that SAMROA should have a Social Committee then be prepared to spend some time helping out!! Lunches will still be organised at the Superkart events.

PROMOTIONS

- Looking at putting together a promotional stand at the upcoming Adelaide 500. Only has 1 person volunteering at the moment. Need more officials on the day.
- Need to replace the Club's Gazebo as it got damaged during a wind storm at the AMF.

SCC-SA (Provided by Ray McGuiness)

- First meeting for 2019 – 31 Jan, mainly to cover 1st Round of State Championships. This will not be a Twilight meeting as they have become too expensive to run. (No talk of returning to the Twilight / Night racing format in the near future).
- New Recovery Team will now be used at future SCCSA Mallala events.

General Business

- WHS and Duty of Care. Under the OHS / WHS Acts, SAMROA has a Duty of Care to its members that simply says, “At the End of the Day, you go home in the same physical condition as you arrived that morning” (Or in other words, we (and the organisers) will make the event as safe as possible to ensure that you don't get injured). A large part of that duty of care is that the SAMROA Committee needs to be informed (In Writing) if any of its members receive any medical procedures that can ultimately affect their duties track-side. When it is time for that member to return to track-side duties, the SAMROA Committee will not be able to accept your return until a “Clearance Letter” signed by a General Practitioner, stating that the member is fully fit to resume duties, is received. This is not designed to victimise or cause upset any person – as mentioned earlier, it is to assist the Committee in looking after its members.
- Steve Clift gave a CF update for Saturday's Meeting at Mallala. There are some new members who do not where to go at Mallala and the question was asked if New Member Packs are still passed out after the person joins up. Answer is *yes* they are, but some have been missed. The Committee is looking into revising the procedure – need to be told if any problems are found.
- SAMROA White Shirts – Can't wait much longer – need to get order in very soon.

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

Next Meeting: (7:30 pm) on 10th of April 2018

Venue: Reephram Hotel



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Vehicle Information Day

The T&CC invites you to attend a vehicle information and familiarisation training day.

**Venue: Ocean View College School Grounds
Gedville Road Taperoo 5017
(Entrance opposite number 16 Gedville Road)**

Date: Sunday 31st March 2019

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

BBQ Lunch provided

Dress Code: Casual (SAMROA Polo Shirts)

This event is free for financial SAMROA members.

New members welcome at a cost of \$10, if you join the club the \$10 will come off your membership fees.

Please add your name via the database or contact the T&CC on tcc@samroa.org.au