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President's Report

Welcome to the December/January Newsletter

October saw the new T&CC Committee being elected in. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the members who have stood down from this Committee, for their time and input over the last 12 months. These members are the Chairperson, Chris Hutchinson, Bruce Morisset, Peter Stevens and Deb Squires (WHS Rep). Congratulations and thank you to those who have been elected onto the New Committee for 2020 – 2021. They are, Peter Cirillo, (Chair), Owen Wilson, Kim Wilson, Cathy Sinton, (WHS Rep) & Janelle Orrock.

Stepping down from the General Committee to the T&CC are Graham Church and Ray McGuinness. If you need any questions answered regarding the T&CC, you can email, tcc@samroa.org.au or approach any of the above people.

At the elections for the General Committee, we had all but one seat occupied this being the Treasurers seat. Ray had formally stood down from this position as he will do some travelling in the near future. Thankfully, Ray has continued to keep the club's books while we sought a new treasurer. Janelle spoke with Nick Papanikolaou to see if he would be interested and as luck would have it, Nick has taken on the Treasurers position. Thank you Nick and we look forward to the in-depth reports you will bring to our meetings.

You may be aware the traditional handover dinner was cancelled due to COVID 19 so the Committee sought to have an informal/ social lunch at the SCCSA on Dec 6th. In light of the 6 day lock down we experienced mid-November and not knowing the outcome of the future, that event was also cancelled. The SCCSA has also cancelled all social functions at their venue until further notice. The Committee subsequently selected another date for our luncheon at last Tuesday's meeting, this being Sunday, February 7th. We had approximately 55 people attending prior to its cancellation; I hope all those people can make it on the 7th. Remember, this is a free function for financial members and will be \$25.00 for non-members / partners.

A big thank you to Peter Cirillo and Paul Bonnett for attending the Motorsport Australia 2021 Calendar Meeting last Tuesday evening via the Zoom platform. I believe all went well and the 2021 calendar has no back-to-back race meetings. We do have, as usual, the same number of two-day events by the same promoter. In addition, the SCCSA have included an extra event in which SAMROA will be engaged. This will be held on October 9th 2021, the Celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the Grand Prix at Mallala. At this stage it is only a one-day event but could easily change to a two-day event. The calendar for 2021 is looking busy. Your club is looking at approx. 24 plus days next year shared between 2 venues, Mallala and The Bend. This does not include any Major International or National Event that The Bend may wish to add, or for anyone to add for that matter. The T&CC can elaborate on the 2021 calendar further into this newsletter. The Committee hopes that our members will support their club next year at all grass roots motor sport events in which we are engaged.

It is a timely reminder heading into the summer months to check your race bag and ensure that it comprises of suitable attire, hats, sunglasses, water bottle etc. We encourage all members to bring their own water and some snacks in case what is supplied isn't enough.

It is now time for everyone to put your feet up and relax a little; I know this is a bit hard with Christmas just around the corner doing all the shopping.

I would like to thank you all for the support you have given us throughout the year and hope that this continues in 2021. I wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

All for now,

Steve Lewis – SAMROA President.

Local Events Calendar

Reminder, as the COVID-19 situation is ever changing, keep an eye out on social media, SAMROA emails and newsletters for updates.

See the T&CC Report for the 2021 Calendar.

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)



Happy birthday to our members will be celebrating milestones in December or January.

December

Lisa Totani – 1st
Kimberly Stevens – 4th
Graham Church – 9th
Ray McGuiness – 12th
Bryce Crawford – 14th (*Life Member*)
Darren Mattiske – 17th
Shaun Dobbins – 17th
Chris Monck – 18th
Robert Schofield – 25th (*Life Member*)

January

Nathan Kenny – 1st
Jackie Schlein – 2nd
Karl Fleming – 16th
Stephen Lewis – 20th
Alan O'Dea – 22nd (*Life Member*)
Bruce Morisset – 24th (*Life Member*)
David Lans – 24th

T&CC Report – Peter Cirillo

Welcome to the T & CC article for the December Newsletter

Hi all, what a year it has been 2020. We started with 3 race meetings which one was the Last Adelaide 500 as it has now been announced.

Then we had COVID 19 introduced to the whole world which saw restrictions to our lives including our motorsports. Our next 7 race meetings cancelled over 4 months and we all were wondering if we were ever going to be able to get back out trackside.

Once some of the restrictions were lifted, we were all introduced new changes we have had to adapt to due to COVID 19. We need to provide all details of those at the event to the event organisers prior to the event so that we comply with the 2 square metre rules inside, as well as the 1.5 metre safe distance rules. Ensure you register prior to an event, as if you come and have not registered and the event is at capacity, from a view point of maximum numbers for an event you will not be able to attend. We are restricted to the amount people per post, 1.5 metre distance between each other, as well as having wipes and hand sanitiser, to wipe down all flag handles and headsets and microphones. Latex gloves are in our bags if you feel like wearing them.

Reminder that if you are unwell leading up to an event to STAY HOME and inform the Chief Flag. We all want to keep racing and stay healthy.

So, we then were able to attend a following 8 events including 2 rounds of Supercars at the Bend Motorsport Park.

The last 2 events for this year that were scheduled have been again cancelled due to another outbreak of COVID 19 which saw restrictions again reinstated in SA.

Due to the ever-changing emergencies medical changes and now waiting to see if and when we can recommence motorsport events again in SA.

So, I and the T&CC would like to mention a very big **Thank You to all** for attending and volunteering your marshalling services to all the race meeting that we have had this year.

We keep on asking and remind all to fill in their performance sheets, as individuals and as seniors at the posts, so we can see where we need to help improve your skills or how you are progressing, please all hand them in at the end of the day to the Chief Flag.

We are planning to have a Back to Basics/ Up skilling training day on Sunday 6th of June 2021 for all SAMROA members as well as the Tailem Bend Officials to attend, a venue has not been set as yet, but we will keep you informed. Fire Training day which is still to be confirmed as well as a date and venue.

T&CC Report continued next page.....

SAMROA's 2021 Race Meetings Calendar

Date	Race Meeting	Track	Organiser	Days
Sun 14/02/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1
Sat 20/02/2021	Circuit Season Launch	Mallala	SCCSA	1
Sun 21/02/2021	Porsche Supersprint 1	Mallala	PCSA	1
Sat 13/03/2021	SA Motor Racing Championships Round 1 (Twilight Meeting)	Mallala	SCCSA	1
Sun 28/03/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1
Sat 17/04/2021	All Historics Circuit Racing	Mallala	SCCSA	2
Sun 02/05/2021	Peter Hall Memorial 6 Hour	Mallala	MSCA	1
Fri 07/05/2021	Supercars	The Bend	Supercars	3
Sat 15/05/2021	SA Motor Racing Championships Round 2	The Bend	SCCSA	2
Sun 30/05/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1
Fri 18/06/2021	Supercars (Darwin)	H/Valley	NT Gov.	3
Sun 04/07/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1
Sat 31/07/2021	SA Motor Racing Championships Round 3	Mallala	SCCSA	2
Sun 15/08/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1
Sun 12/09/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1
Sat 18/09/2021	SA Motor Racing Championships Round 4	The Bend	SCCSA	2
Sat 09/10/2021	60th Grand Prix Historic Event (NB: Bathurst Weekend)	Mallala	SCCSA	1
Wed 20/10/2021	Porsche Supersprint 6	Mallala	PCSA	1
Fri 15/10/2021	Shannons Round 6	The Bend	Shannons	3
Sat 23/10/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1
Sat 20/11/2021	Circuit Race Meeting	Mallala	SCCSA	1
Sun 28/11/2021	Superkarts & Modern Regularity	Mallala	A7CSA	1

We would like to thank you all again for all your efforts in 2020 and wish you all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year stay safe and we will see you all in 2021.

Peter Cirillo
T&CC Chairperson

Social Committee Report – Janelle Orrock

Standby for further updates to the event mentioned in the president's report, currently scheduled for Sunday 7th of February 2021.

*Cheers,
Janelle*



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Mallala – Photo by Deb Squires



Superloop Adelaide 500 2020 - Photo by Deb Squires



Hidden Valley 2019 - Photo by Deb Squires



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