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Next General Meeting:

Wed. 11th December 2024, at The Kent Town Hotel,

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Join us from 6pm onwards for a meal

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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:
Club members at the last event for 2024**

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MARSHALS MUMBLINGS

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President's Prattle

Welcome to the December Newsletter



Hello all,

It's hard to think we have reached December and the end of 2024. What a year we have all had. 2024 has been an incredible year, from everybody that has been at events, to those behind the scenes helping put it all together; now is the time to look back and reflect on the journey it has been. If you have been to your first event, tried a new role for the first time, furthered your skills in a certain area, be proud of what's been achieved.

I hope everyone enjoys a deserved break over the next couple of months as the 2025 season will soon be upon us before we realise it. Behind the scenes the committee will be working hard to ensure we can support you in the best way possible. Prior to the first event of the year, we will once again be holding a social karting event with dinner either before or after. Keep an eye out on the database and social media with further details. With the assistance of our grant from Motorsport Australia, we will have new flags available for use at Mallala in time for the first event of 2025. A member survey will also be distributed in the New Year. This will be your opportunity to provide feedback on how you feel the club is performing, suggestions on improvements and an opportunity for general feedback.

2024 has been a busy year for the club with many highlights some of these include:

- SAMROA Karting event at Kart Mania, the first social karting event in several years.
- Installation of the SAMROA billboard at Mallala.
- Courtesy of the 2022 committee, new signage installed at the Mallala shed
- Completion of the online training library so members can watch the T&CC training videos "on demand".



Our New Members team have been hard at work since coming on board with a vision of improving our new member experience. Over the past few months we have welcomed 3 new members to the club, they are:

- David Martin
- Wayne Bishop
- Andrew Sutcliffe

Whilst being familiar faces to many people, it is great to formally acknowledge these people as members of SAMROA.



November, we showcased what our members can do with the Adelaide 500. Over the event we had SAMROA members involved with not just trackside positions, but also in race administration, form up, pit lane/grid,

equipment, fire and rescue and finally, race control. The committee this year decided on a different approach for promoting the club at the 500. Many of you hopefully noticed the new SAMROA corflutes on display around the circuit in areas of high spectator volume. Initial response to this promotion has been positive with the new member team already in communication with those who reached out via the QR code on the corflutes.

Keep an eye out for emails via the database over the next few weeks from the T&CC with the 2025 calendar and the expression of interest form for those wishing to experience other roles. As shown at the 500, we aren't just a flag marshalling association, but we cover everything.

On behalf of the committee, we would like to extend to you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2025.

Owen "Ollie" Smith
President

Upcoming Events Calendar

There are no more race meetings scheduled for 2024. A big thank you to everyone who has attended and volunteered during 2024 😊, your help and assistance is greatly appreciated by the promoter, the club and mostly by all competitors.

The 2025 calendar has been finalised and further in this newsletter is the full calendar as it is published December 2024. However, as always, it is subject to change.

Below are the first couple of months' events. Please check your dairies and place your name on the database if you're interested in attending. Chief Flags for the events have not been finalised as yet; as soon as they are we will update you all.

Event Dates	No. Days	Event details	Location
2/02/2025	1	Superkarts/Modern Regularity	Mallala
22/02/2025	1	SAMRC Event 1	Mallala
1/03/2025	1	SCCSA Twilight Trophy-Sprint	Mallala
8-9/03/2025	2	Adelaide Motorsport Festival (Non SAMROA Event)	Victoria Park
22-23/03/2025	2	State round with National categories (TBA) - National Shell V-Power Motorsport Park - International Track	The Bend

T&CC Report

Hello from the T&CC. What a busy couple of months we have had. Thank you to everyone who has come out and helped out at any of our meetings.

The T&CC are planning on continuing to provide online training next year following the success this year. If you have any ideas for training modules you feel our members may benefit from, please feel free to chat to one of the members. The first module to be rolled out in 2025 will be the Chief Flag and Assistant Chief Flag module.

The T&CC are still looking for a member to join the team. Nominations and, if necessary, elections will be taken at the next General Meeting on the 11th Dec – for more information see article below. Everyone is encouraged to apply. You will need at least a Bronze level license to join the T&CC.

Bronze assessments – we have had a number of people ask how they do their bronze assessment. The first thing is to complete the online module via the Motorsport Australia website. Once you successfully complete this, touch base with someone from the T&CC, let us know you have completed the course, and we will begin to work with you to get you prepared for your event assessment. This may involve allocating a mentor, and placing you with senior people who can train you and ensure you are ready to undertake the event assessment at an event. The T&CC are here to help you have a good and successful experience with your assessment.

Expression of interest for roles in 2025 - The T&CC is once again seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from members wishing to learn new roles trackside. These roles include Assistant Chief Flag, Race Control, Form Up, Starter. If anyone is interested in understanding what these roles involve, please feel free to have a chat with any of the T&CC member.

If you are interested, it would be great to see you trackside to get a good understanding of the roles and show your interest.

If you would like to register an EOI, please copy and paste the link below into your web browser and complete the quick Microsoft form. When completing the form please give a good explanation of your experience and why you wish to apply for the roles. Please click on the link or copy paste the URL link: <https://forms.office.com/r/agDC01smrG>

As always, we can only place members in new and different roles if we get sufficient people trackside.

From everyone on the T&CC, thank you for all your efforts during 2024, we wish you all a very merry Christmas and a wonderful new year. We look forward to seeing you in 2025.

Cheers T&CC



SAMROA T&CC ELECTIONS 2024/25

At the last general meeting (October) elections were held for the T&CC. However there is still a vacancy for someone to join the committee.

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 keep up skills
- Develop mentors and assist/allocate mentees
- Assess member development, and assist and encourage development of members skills
- Develop rosters for the upcoming motorsport season for senior positions and trainee positions (Chief Flag, race control, starter, form-up etc)
- Review member and chief flag feedback reports following events



Minimum requirement for members to be on the T&CC is to be a financial member, hold a bronze licence or higher, and an enthusiasm to assist and develop club members.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the T&CC or becoming the WHS representative, please complete the nomination form attached to this newsletter and bring to the October general meeting.

New members

November has seen a number of enquiries to SAMROA, expressing interest in either attending an event or joining the club.

We have had the pleasure of seeing several new faces trackside over the last few events who are also keen on attending further race meetings in the new year. If you see anyone new, please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

The new membership team has also been busy processing new memberships, as well as reviewing current process and documentation. We are aiming to further streamline the onboarding process.

As always, we welcome any suggestions.

Regards
New members committee
Paul, Alec & Deb



Birthdays



Happy birthday to our members who will be celebrating milestones in

December

Julie Finn 1st
Graham Church 9th
Bryce Crawford 14th
Darren Mattiske 17th

January

Jackie Schlein 2nd
Karl Flemming 16th
David Ryan 21st
Alan O'Dea 22nd
Bruce Morisset 24th
Liam Meegan 25th

Social Committee Report

The club is looking at holding another Karting day in January, date and cost still to be determined. We will send out an email closer to the time. Keep your eyes peeled for an email from the database with detail,s and have your racing senses ready 😊

A big thank you to all officials on behalf of the Shell V-Power Motorsport Park ,and Jack and myself for making the year a success.

Many thanks, see you all in 2025
Janelle

WHS Report



A new tyre wall has been placed trackside from post 5 thru to post 6 at The Bend. This will assist when cars hit the wall, and for those who have had the unfortunate experience of being on post 6 when a car has hit the wall. Hopefully this will see less damage and risk to drivers and officials.



For something different, below is some general information regarding heat and summer. This information has been supplied by CFS:

Be prepared for heatwaves this summer

It's important to look after ourselves and others during periods of extreme heat.

There are three levels of heatwave intensity. Each comes with specific advice and may result in the issuing of a localised warning:

Low intensity: check on people at-risk (pregnant women, babies and young children, older persons living alone, people with health conditions)

Severe: keep cool, drink water, check on those at-risk

Extreme: take extra care, plan ahead, keep cool, stay inside, drink water, check on others.

Please pay attention to the warnings for where you live, work and travel.

Heatwaves can impact your health and wellbeing, and anyone can be affected, including fit healthy people who are working or playing sport outdoors or in hot environments. Take extra care of yourself and others, especially those with existing health conditions.

Help yourself

Stay informed, keep cool and stay hydrated. Staying well will allow you to help yourself and others.

Plan ahead and avoid any non-essential activities during the hottest part of the day (including travel), whether for work or for personal reasons.

Contact your GP or visit [Health Direct](#) if you are feeling unwell. For immediate medical attention, phone 000.

Help others

- Encourage family, neighbours and others at risk from the heat to prepare their homes for summer heat (for example, getting their air-conditioner serviced or making sure it is programmed to cool).
- Keep an eye out for any heat-affected and at-risk members of the community to offer them a seat, shade, a cool drink, or help to obtain medical attention if needed.
- Ensure your agency and colleagues are aware of and plan for work safe practices during heatwaves.
- Register at-risk people for the Red Cross Telecross REDi service (who will check on them during heatwaves) by phoning 1800 188 071.
- Keep an eye out for animals affected by heat. If you are concerned, contact your vet or call the RSPCA on 1300 477 722.

For more weather information, please visit [BOM Weather](#).

Wish you all a very Happy Christmas, and a Merry and happy new year. See you all in 2025 😊

Regards, Cathy

Our members out and about at recent events



SA Motor Race Event Rnd 8, Including 777endurance event



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6/04/2025	1	Superkarts/Modern Regularity	Mallala
11-13/04/2025	3	SCCSA All Historics	Mallala
4/05/2025	1	6-hour Peter Hall Memorial	Mallala
24-25/05/2025	2	State round with National categories (TBA) - National Shell V-Power Motorsport Park - International Track	The Bend
15/06/2025	1	Superkarts/Modern Regularity	Mallala
20-22/06/2025	3	Darwin - Supercars	Darwin NT
12-13/07/2025	2	State round with National categories (TBA) - National Shell V-Power Motorsport Park – West Track	The Bend
10/08/2025	1	Superkarts/Modern Regularity	Mallala
23-24/08/2025	2	State round with National categories (TBA) - National Shell V-Power Motorsport Park – International Track	The Bend
5-7/09/2025	3	SRO (Tentative)	
12-14/09/2025	3	The Bend Enduro Supercars	The Bend
19 - 21/09/2025	2	SCCSA Invitational – Shell V-Power Motorsport Park, including saloon car nationals	The Bend
28/09/2025	1	Superkarts/Modern Regularity	Mallala
9/11/2025	1	Superkarts/Modern Regularity	Mallala
21-23/11/2025	2	Homecoming Mallala National Event	Mallala
27-30/11/2025	4	VAILO Adealide 500	Adelaide Parklands

Correct at time of printing – However this is subject to change – Chief flag roster to be advised next newsletter



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A big thank you to all our sponsors and businesses that support the club. 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.

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T&CC Nomination form



Nomination Form 2024/25 **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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30-Certain persons not to be members of the committee

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 - c. of an indictable offence; or
 - d. of-
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 - ii. an offence against a provision applied by section 41B; or
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