



NSW State Council Meeting

Meeting to be held in the Ken Brown Room
Sports House, 6 Figtree Drive, Sydney Olympic Park
Saturday 12th February 2011
Commencing 1:00pm

MINUTES

1. Attendees:

Voting Clubs:

Andrew Pursey - *Appendix J Assn of NSW*
Laurie Cunningham - *Australian Historic Rally Group Inc*
Neil Turner - *ARDC*
Arthur Scerri - *BMW Drivers Club NSW*
Mike Basquil - *Club Lotus Australia Inc.*
Bruce Smith - *HSRCA*
Evan Jones - *Impreza WRX Club Inc*
Guy Robson - *Jaguar Drivers Club of Australia*
Glenn Thomas - *Mazda MX-5 Club of NSW*
Doug Rae - *MG CC Newcastle*
John Coneybeare - *Morgan Owners Club of Aust.*
Ross Koffel - *Porsche Club NSW Inc*
Bob Wootton - *SDMA*
David Curry - *Southern Sporting Car Club Inc*
Elaine Nikiforoff - *Sydney Off Road Racing Ass.*
Andrew Crowley - *Thornleigh Car Club*
David Anderson - *Westlakes Automobile Club*

Non Voting Clubs:

John Lockeridge - *Nissan Datsun Drivers Club Ltd*

State Council Executive:

Neil Turner - *State Council Chairman*
Evan Jones - *Executive*
Graeme Emerton - *National Board Director*
Jon Thomson - *Executive*
Richard Crawshay - *Executive*

Panel Representatives:

Sue McIntosh - *Off Road Panel*
Mick Latimore - *Off Road Panel Chairman*

Bob Wootton - *Hillclimb Panel Chairman*
Graham Humphreys - *Rally Panel Chairman*
David Ellem - *Stewards Panel Deputy Chairman*

CAMS Personnel:

John Bruning - *Senior Manager, Sport and Club Development*
Doreen Butchers - *Sport and Club Development Officer*
Daniel Milazzo - *Sport and Club Development Officer*
Simon Lakeman - *Sport and Club Development Officer*

Visitors:

Edward Gavin, Chris Cunningham, Judith Rae, Lee Longin, Tom Cusumano

2. Opening / Welcome

The Chairman, Mr N Turner declared the meeting open at 1320 hours, and welcomed all Club Delegates, State Executive Members, Panel Members, Members of CAMS and visitors.

3. Apologies

David Healy - *Executive / Scrutiny Panel Chairman*
Geoff Arnold - *Deputy State Council Chairman / Officiating Panel Chairman*
Adrian Dudok - *Executive / NSW Commissioner -ARCom*
Mike Hicks - *Executive / Supersprint Panel Chairman*
Andrew Collier - *Motorkhana Panel Chairman*

Festival of Sporting Cars Inc
Volvo Car Club
33 Sporting Car Club
Group S Racing Association
Nissan Sports Car Club
Honda Sports Car Club NSW Inc
Griffith Off Road Club Inc
Club Maserati Australia Inc
Toyosports Car Club of NSW
Rotary Enthusiasts of the ACT Inc
Small Ford Sporting Car Club of NSW
Chev Bowtie Club Canberra Inc
Wagga and District Car Club Inc
Condobolin Sports Promotion
Warialda Motor Sports Club Inc
Production Car Association of Australia
Tamworth Sporting Car Club
Grafton Sporting Car Club Inc
Bathurst Light Car Club Ltd
Clubman Drivers Club of Australia Inc
Peugeot Car Club of NSW Inc
Coffs Harbour & Dist Sporting CC
NSW Road Racing Club

4. Minutes of previous meeting

- Meeting held November 13 2010 (distributed and approved by email)

5. Correspondence

Nil

6. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

Due to the need for Mr G Emerton to leave to attend an event as CAMS representative, The Chairman, Mr N Turner, moved the National Board Member's report to this point in the meeting.

8.3.2 National Board Member (Mr G Emerton)

- Acknowledgement and condolences of the passing away of founding CAMS President Maurie Monk.
- Recognition of the management and communication issues regarding officials' appointments is still an ongoing matter.
- A Government grant received by Eastern Creek was announced by NSW Sport and Recreation Minister Kevin Greene for the value of \$7 million. This will contribute to the development of two circuits at Eastern Creek; one at 2.7kms and one at 1.8kms.
- The CAMS Come and Try Day was a positive event judging by the participants feedback, and a special thanks needs to go out to Mr Mike Barry and the individuals at CAMS for all their work in making the day what it was.
- The NSW State Awards Dinner was a vast success with over 160 people in attendance, and special thanks to Ms Doreen Butchers and Mr Simon Lakeman for all their work.
- The FIA President Jean Todt will be in Australia on the 15th and 16th March.
- The Federal Government has developed a \$20.1 million "Illicit Drugs in Sport – National Education and Action Plan". The Federal Government is fully funding the CAMS IDiS Program.

7. Permanent Agenda Items

7.1. Rally Car Registration (Mr J Bruning)

Last year CAMS received feedback on the proposal put forward for the scheme from the RTA. A number of months of discussions and trying to establish a response to the RTA's proposal took place. CAMS recently had discussions with the RTA to gain an understanding on some aspects of the proposal put forward by the RTA. These discussions were not the most positive, with some distance between the position of the RTA and what we hoped the scheme would look like. Another meeting is being organised with the RTA. The intent is to hold regular meetings (bi-monthly) to try and achieve agreement.

Areas of clarification and concern that need further discussion with the RTA are:

- The requirement for engineering certificates
- The definition of a "modified vehicle" and what is the starting position
- Road access to and from events, and for servicing/maintenance

- A number of technical areas around handbrakes, anti pollution devices and the like.

7.2. NSW Forests MOU (Mr J Bruning)

CAMS have a submission in with Forests NSW for a draft MOU on the use of State Forests for rallying. This has been with Forests NSW since May 2010. Regular contact is being made with Forests NSW to try to progress the MOU, but there is little movement with Forests NSW.

7.3. NSW Circuits Update (Mr J Bruning)

Bathurst 2nd Circuit – The feasibility study has been released and it is a positive report overall and does build a picture of the need for another circuit in NSW. Unfortunately the cost quoted in the study (\$47m for the 2nd International level circuit and \$57m for ancillary facilities) has seen the state government back away from any commitment.

Ringwood – The sale of MGCC Newcastle land has gone through. The new owner/developer has had preliminary discussions with Council about a proposal for a race circuit.

Lucas Heights – Process is moving slowly as a CAMS club works with the land owners to gain access to the land. The club is looking at a Motorkhana/Khanacross facility.

Nowra – As of January 2011, Shoalhaven Council voted to establish a committee to undertake a feasibility study on developing a motor sport facility. CAMS have been in contact with the Committee and have offered to assist with the study.

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The Chairman, Mr N Turner reported that at the recent V8 Testing day at Eastern Creek over 14,000 people attended and an announcement was made on the development of Eastern Creek. \$9m development (\$7m from State Government, and \$2m from ARDC) and will be spent on building an additional 1.8km circuit and associated infrastructure. The circuit will have four different configurations, with two configurations being able to be used at the same time. This is a major boost for motor sport events in the Sydney basin.

8. Reports

8.1. Panel Reports

9.1.1 *Hillclimb (Mr B Wootton)*

- December Minutes were recently collated and will be distributed soon.
- Cooma Council has donated \$30,000 to develop a Hillclimb in the area.
- Proposed Hillclimb in Gunnedah with the Gunnedah council on board.
- Ron Hay was elected as Secretary, Alan Barlow elected as Website Editor, Barry Thew elected as Treasurer and Greg Sticker was elected as deputy chairman of the 2011 NSW Hillclimb Panel.
- There is a possibility of running a competition as a NSW vs. Queensland on the two Bathurst rounds as there appears to be a large contingent of Queenslanders coming to the meeting.
- Round 1 and 2 of the 2011 NSW Hillclimb will be held at Bathurst on the 26th and 27th of February respectively.

- Congratulations to Matt Halpin from the Tamworth Sporting Car Club, after he received a Service Medal at the NSW awards.
- Acknowledgement and condolences of the passing away of Bev Fox.

9.1.2 Stewards (Mr D Ellem)

- All national stewards' nominations have been approved.
- Reserve stewards will be introduced to allow for the more efficient and productive running of race meetings.

9.1.3 Motorkhana (Mr Andrew Crowley on behalf of Mr A Collier)

- The 2010 Motorkhana Championship has been run and won with the outright results being; 1st Andrew Collier, 2nd Phil East, 3rd Warwick Butt.
- The 2010 Khanacross Series finished with outright results being; 1st Cyril Croker, 2nd Evan Van Leeuwen, 3rd Michael Snow.
- The CAMS Come and Try Day was a great success. Hopefully participants will be seen at State Motorkhana rounds in 2011.
- The 2011 Motorkhana / Khanacross Calendar is finished and available at www.motorkhana.com.
- The 2011 NSW Khanacross Series Regulations and NSW Motorkhana Championship Addendum will be available shortly.
- They will be posted on the CAMS website as well as the Motorkhana website once they have been re-issued for 2011.
- Round 1 of the Motorkhana Championship kicks off at Nirimba on Sunday 27th February with Round 1 of the Khanacross Series at Hampton a week earlier on Saturday 19th February.

9.1.4 Motor Race (Mr R Crawshay)

- The planned development of the new circuits at Eastern Creek will offer more variety in terms of what race meetings will be held and when.
- The CAMS Come and Try Day held on 16th January 2011 at Eastern Creek was a vast success judging by all the positive feedback received, and was also a vital learning curve for future events of the same nature.
- There is a need to look at the playback from, and ongoing activity of the CAMS Come and Try Day candidates to realistically assess its success.

9.1.5 Officials (Mr E Jones)

- A draft calendar from March to August has been drawn up, with a strategy of training being delivered on the first Saturday of the month. This should assist with clubs and prospective participants to remember the schedule. A special thank you to Mr Simon Lakeman and Ms Doreen Butchers for their help and support in making this all happen.

9.1.6 Off Road (Mr M Latimore)

- 2010 Off Road Championship ended with an overall great result and success.
- Warialda celebrating their '20th year of Off Road Racing' was a rewarding event with a gathering reminiscent of the challenges and champions of the past at the recent dinner, with over 350 in attendance.
- The CAMS Come and Try Day generated high interests and comments at the stagnant displays. Hopefully Off Road will continue to be given the opportunity at similar events to be held in the future. Overall, well done to all involved.

- 2011 NSWORC brings seven (7) rounds, with the first event starting a little later than previous years, on the weekend of 30th April at Crookwell Off Road Club. Other venues for 2011; Wittitrin, Dondingalong, Milbrodale, Warialda, Nabiac and Colo Park.

9.1.7 Rally (Mr G Humphreys)

- The Rally Presentation Dinner for 2010 season awards was held on 5th February 2011. Guest speakers were Dave Johnson (first Rally Panel Chairman), Barry Ferguson (the most winning State Champion) and Matt Bryson (winner of the Peking to Paris). Congratulations to all the winners and in particular the various champions.
- The Rally Panel is currently working to conduct 3 Rally Promotion days in the coming months. The Panel would like to conduct the days in the Newcastle region, Mid North Coast and Sydney. It is hoped that the Sydney venue will be Riverside Oaks that is currently being used by several operators.
- A meeting was held with the RTA on the 2nd February to go over some of the issues within the proposed Rally Vehicle Scheme. While some progress was made during the meeting it became quite clear that there will be many more such meetings before we will have reached an agreement that will satisfy the requirements of CAMS and the other associations involved.
- The ARC Class has been introduced to provide an exciting, appealing, cost effective car. The class will only be eligible to compete in the ARC and will be assessed as to its viability in state level competition. A Junior ARC has also been established and should encourage competitors to take up the challenge.
- The Rally Panel will be calling a meeting during April this year to discuss the requirements that organisers have in regards to when they wish to conduct events.
- The WRC have requested that the NSW State Rally Championship become a part of the event. To enable this to happen the current organisers of our State Championship will be required to move events.

9.1.8 Scrutiny (Mrs Elaine Nikiforoff on behalf of Mr D Healy)

- The Panel held its first meeting for the year on 7th February 2011, welcoming a new Panel Member, Murray Slana (Off-Road background).
- The Panel has been assisting State Office with the updating/revision of the list of accredited Pre-Race Logbook Scrutineers. This is now nearing completion, and should be up on the CAMS website in the near future.
- The Panel has been approached by a competitors' group to assist them in training up their own Scrutineering Group, so that they can become self-sufficient in this regard.
- A Scrutineering Category Module course has been tentatively arranged for May 7th, at Eastern Creek, subject to venue availability.
- The Panel remains committed to assisting the Speed Events groups (Hillclimb & Supersprint) in implementing Targeted Scrutiny for log booked vehicles.

9.1.9 Supersprint (Mr Glenn Thomas behalf of Mr Mike Hicks)

- The third Australian Supersprint Championship was held at Morgan Park Warwick in Queensland on the 13th & 14th of November 2010. The event was held on the new 3 kilometre circuit. Entry numbers were disappointing at 78, 28 of which were from NSW. The Outright Champion Geoff Noble from Queensland drove a Lotus Elise HPE. A number of the NSW competitors returning home with "silverware".

- The 2011 National Championship that was due to be held in South Australia is likely to be transferred to Eastern Creek to be held in either October or November.
- Registration for the nine round 2011 Supersprint Championship is now open. All documents relating to the Championship including the Registration Form can be found on the website at www.supersprints.com.au. Registrations from 144 competitors have been received to-date indicating that we should have another successful year.
- This year we welcome Kumho Tyres through their motor sport distributor FSPORT as naming rights sponsor for the 2011 State Championship.
- First round of the Championship will be at Eastern Creek on Saturday 26th February. It will be hosted by the NSWRRRC. Supp Regs and Entry Forms are on the Supersprint Website. Round 2 will also be at Eastern Creek on 10th April (ARDC) and round 3 will be at Wakefield Park on the 8th May (Mazda MX-5)
- Please contact webmaster Eric Scheeren at website@supersprints.com.au to include your club's events and information.
- Members of the Supersprint fraternity participated in the recent CAMS "Come and Try Day" at Eastern Creek and considered it very successful. They acted as circuit coaches, participated in a Supersprint demonstration and manned the Supersprint display. All believed it should be repeated.

9.2 Commission Reports

Senior Manager, Mr J Bruning detailed the list of NSW Commissioners appointed by the Board to Commissions for 2011:

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| • Australian Motor Race Commission | Mr Mike Barry |
| • Australian Sport and Club Development Commission | Mr Mike Hicks |
| • Australian Off Road Commission | Mrs Sue Zettl |
| • Australian Rally Commission | Mr Adrian Dudok |
| • Australian Officials Commission | Ms Belinda Doyle |
| • Australian Historic Motor Sport Commission | Mr Edward Gavin |

Mr Bruce Smith (HSRCA) expressed HSRCA's unhappiness at the process used to select the Historic Commission representative.

Senior Manager, Mr J Bruning replied that the process used was the same process in place for the past 3 years.

9.2.1 *AORCom (Mr J Bruning on behalf of Mrs Sue Zettl)*

- The Australian Off Road Commission had its first meeting of 2011 in Melbourne last weekend, prior to the start of the 2011 season.
- The Australian Off Road Championship for 2011, will again see 5 rounds of the calendar, Hyden in WA at Easter, Finke during Queens Birthday weekend, Griffith on August 23rd & 24th, The Pines in SA, September 3rd & 4th, and Goondiwindi in Qld, 15th & 16th of October.
- Clubs have started providing organised days for the Biennial safety inspection, focusing on frames/ chassis, with all vehicles built prior to 2000 inspected prior to the start of the 2011 season. From all accounts while not initially well received the inspection has proven to be a success and beneficial to a number of competitors with many minor but repairable faults found on a number of vehicle throughout the country.

- Congratulations to The Warialda Off Road Club. They were nominated and won the Australian Day Community Event of the Year for the Gwydir Area for their 20th Anniversary Event held in September last year, and also received the Ugly Landcare Australia Day Award for the Event of the Year. Well done to the club for a fantastic event and their achievement.

9.2.2 ARCom (Mr J Bruning on behalf of Mr Adrian Dudok)

- There has been long discussions about trying to get a NSW championship round run as part of Rally Australia. With the late invitation to join the WRC there was not an opportunity to make this happen for 2011 despite trying to shuffle dates for other rounds in the championship. ARCom would like to see a NSW round allocated for the next Rally Australia in either 2012 or 2013.
- *Changes to ARC Classes:* The priority / seeded driver system, currently forcing top teams to run in Group N trim, will be deleted. Introduction of a new class for ARC outright called "ARC Car. ARC Car will be an Australian version of PRC rules, with the aim of cutting vehicle running and build costs that will be more exciting to drive and watch.
- *JARC Eligibility:* Drivers must be 28 years old or younger on midnight December 31st 2011.

9.3 Other Reports

9.3.1 NSW State Council Chairman (Mr N Turner)

- The Chairman stated his praise for the CAMS Come and Try Day, especially after a majority of individuals involved had never experienced running an event of that nature. There will be continual discussion about hosting others. All the disciplines on display and in practice were beneficial for all involved, and provided a wide ranged perspective of motorsport.
- The 12hour in Bathurst was short of officials last weekend, and highlights the need for a greater focus to be shown towards smaller clubs in relation to promotion regarding increasing number of officials.
- Mr J Bruning has been officially appointed Senior Manager, Sport and Club Development, after undertaking the role in an acting capacity last year. This role involves overseeing the delivery of CAMS Sport and Club Development functions on a national scale, while also manage the state of NSW and the staff based in the NSW office.

9.3.2 Senior Manager, Sport & Club Development (Mr J Bruning)

- 3rd SCDO in NSW – 2 new SCDOs – Mr Simon Lakeman and Mr Daniel Milazzo started on January 10th 2011.
CAMs have increased the number of SCDOs in NSW from 2 to 3 for 2011, which will allow an improved service to members and clubs, and an increase in activity to support clubs. All clubs will be called in the next two months and taken through a club survey to increase our understanding of their needs and how we can support them. CAMS will be trying to build a clearer picture of the events clubs run and the facilities they have access to.
- State Election – 26th March 2011.
All clubs need to write to the candidates and express their concerns and highlight the need for assistance with motor sport facilities, volunteers and funding.

- Task Force
A Task Force presentation is due to be delivered at a meeting in Victoria on the 1st March. This presentation will be available for delivery in NSW at the next State Council meeting in May.
- Wakefield Park track licence
Confirmation has been received that Wakefield Park have signed the CAMS track licence for 2011, allowing CAMS events to run at Wakefield Park with the surety of CAMS insurance and support.

9.3.3 SCDO Report (Mr S Lakeman)

- The 2011 SCDOs include and cover the following disciplines and areas;

Daniel Milazzo - Supersprint, Hillclimb and Motorkhana / South West Sydney and West of NSW;
Simon Lakeman - Rally, Off Road and Officials Training / A.C.T. and the South East of NSW; and
Doreen Butchers - Motor Race, Scrutiny and Stewards / Central Coast, Newcastle and the Northern sections of NSW.

- NSW Awards Dinner - 160 Members and guests, including the CAMS President Andrew Papadopoulos, special guest CEO David Morgan, John Smailes as our MC and a static display provided by the Sydney Datsun Club.
- The CAMS Come and Try Day - Over 210 Members of the public and over 100 Officials attended. CAMS' plan to assist Car Clubs in coordinating smaller Come and Try Days.
- SCDO's are currently undertaking creation of the Draft training calendar, updating contact lists, OLT's and are making contact with Car Clubs to complete a survey and analyse the position of Motor Sport within NSW.

10 General Business

Nil

11 Any other business

- Question from Mr B Smith (HSRCA) on the position of Speed on Tweed event taking place in 2011; Senior Manager, Mr J Bruning replied that this is being discussed and as of yet no decision has been made.
- Issues with the renewal of a competitor licence will be looked into.
- Winners of the 2010 NSW Awards;
 Kathy Hanrahan - *Official of the Year*
 Adam Proctor - *Competitor of the Year*
 Jon Collins - *Young Competitor of the Year*

12 Close and Next Meeting

The being no further business, the NSW State Council Chairman, Mr N Turner closed the meeting at 1558 hours.

I have sighted these minutes and declare they are a true and accurate record of the meeting:

CHAIRMAN: *SIGNED*

DATE: 21/02/11

Next Meeting: Saturday 14th May, 2011 – Ken Brown Room, Sports House, 6 Figtree Drive, Sydney Olympic Park

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