



Over the Hill And Round the Bend

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What's on?

SDMA Hillclimb – Sunday 27 August

Entries should be forwarded to the Event Secretary, Barbara Bennett, as per sup regs/entry form which can be accessed at the SDMA Website
<http://www.sdmahillclimb.com>

**Annual General Meeting of the SDMA
Tuesday 18 July 2006
Western District Rugby Union Club**

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As always if you have anything to contribute to the newsletter please send it to generis@iimetro.com.au or phone 6251 0232. Reports and items of interest should be sent before the 25th of the month.

Members, where are you? – We are missing you - come along and have a chat and a drink, catch up with old and new friends. Talk cars, wine, women, song whatever, please come along. 3rd Tuesday of the month at Western Districts Rugby Union Club, Jamison, meeting starts at 7.30 – some of us go for dinner beforehand, the more the merrier, come and join us.

Vice President's Report – Rob Wall

Our experiment to hold a Saturday Hillclimb did not seem to be all that successful with only 30 entries being received. However, this will not deter us from considering another Saturday event in next year's program at perhaps a different time of the year. Needless to say, the members that did enter had a most enjoyable, albeit cold, day. A new format was tried for the final two runs of the day with drivers doing consecutive runs. That is, they completed Run 6 and staged immediately on completion for Run 7. This meant that Run 7 was done with 'warm' tyres. With one or two exceptions, drivers recorded their fastest time of the day on Run 7. It was agreed that this format was good but the Committee will

need to consider how and when such runs can be undertaken in the future.

On a sadder note, after 5 years of holding meetings at the Western Districts Rugby Club we have been advised that they can not accommodate us after July as the Club is to undergo extensive renovations. Our thanks go to the WDRUFC for the provision of meeting rooms and their hospitality over the time we have enjoyed with them.

Our final meeting at the WDRUFC will be the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 18 July. I encourage all members to attend the AGM and have a say in who guides the Association for the next 12 months. I also encourage members to nominate for the Committee as some present Committee Members have indicated they will not be standing for re-election. Details of positions, Nomination Forms and Proxy Vote forms are attached to the Newsletter. Come and have your say.

On the venue front, all is not lost! We have found alternate accommodation for our meetings at the Canberra Southern Cross Club in Woden (yes - a move to the South side). Our first General Meeting at the CSCC will be on Tuesday 15 August in the Australis Room. Come and investigate the new venue.

There will be a Maintenance Day on Saturday 15 July specifically to do some work on the Pit Stop Café commencing at 9.00am. The more people that attend, the earlier we can all get home.

See you at the AGM – if not at the Maintenance day, until then

Stay Safe. Rob

Needed, Needed, and Needed.

Officials in training.

Remember: **NO** officials, **NO** Hillclimb!!

We have an urgent need for people to be trained in the role of Assistant Event Secretary. To this end, Barbara Bennett has offered to conduct an Introduction to Assistant Event Secretary's course at a date to be determined – but in the very near future.

Would all persons interested in finding out what an Assistant Event Secretary does and what the position entails please register their interest with Barb as soon as possible so the course can be finalised.

Barb's number at home is: 6288 7207 or send her an Email at: tandb@actewagl.net.au

Maintenance Day

Saturday 15 July at 9.00a.m

Task: To lift the roof off the Pit Stop Café and install Sisal (or similar) to prevent condensation under the existing roof. The aim is to prevent a walk-out of our Chefs!!

Needed: Workers and ladders.

For sale

Is it a pain having to write a cheque or purchase a Money order for your entry fees and memberships? Well now if you have access to a computer you can make your payments electronically (if your Bank has the capability). The account details for payments are:

BSB Number 801009
Account Number 4303872
Account Name SDMA

Anyone can direct credit into the account electronically or direct into the Credit Union in Queanbeyan.

To confirm your payment print off the receipt and send a copy with your paperwork when you enter an event.

If you need more information you can contact us via the website, just email Treasurer@sdmahillclimb.com

WEBSITES OF INTEREST

There is a new website which has just been set up in Victoria for Hillclimbers throughout the country. This website has the approval of CAMS and the SDMA has a link to the site. The webmaster came to the State Round at Fairbairn and I have provided him with a report on the event. The site is www.hillclimbracing.com and as it is a new site there will be more information in the future.

Also www.capitalmotorsportnews.com is still supporting Motorsport in the district. David Coltman provided photographs for the report which appears in the magazine.

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR SDMA HAT, T-SHIRT, STICKER and of course – your number plate frame? - its time you did. For those of you who haven't purchased these important items the prices are shown below. Contact Col Merz if you want to purchase these items or buy them next time you are at a hillclimb

Chambray shirts (pre ordered only)	\$25.00
SDMA cloth patches	\$5.00
Hats (peak and bucket)	\$15.00
T-shirts	\$20.00
Number plate frames	\$8.00 pair

CAR: Gemini TD

Standard 1600 motor & 5 speed gearbox

Car used for hillclimb and no speed limit days.

Cobra Race Seat

SABELT harness

Sports steering wheel

4 alloy wheels with Avon Formula Ford tyres

2 x 7" mag wheels with Yokohama Advans

2 spare 7" Formula Ford tyres.

Not road registered.

Trailer:

2000kg GVM tilt trailer

Trailer weighs 560 kg

Solid Axle

HQ Bathurst Globes with light truck tyres

Disc Brakes on front axle

Registered in the ACT until Sep 06

Large round 7 pin plug.

\$3300 for both Will not separate

Contact Noel m 0423 663036 h 625929999 or

volvocrazy@optusnet.com.au

Wanted - Car Trailer

Tandem axle with brakes and carrying capacity approximately 1500 kg.

Registered preferred.

Please call David Yates 02 6238 2259.

FYI

Rim repair shop moved from Queanbeyan to Fyshwick. The relocated repair shop is part of the new JAX/Quickfit tyre outfit, situated at Gladestone St, Fyshwick. Old Strathfield Car Radio, between Kembla and Wollongong St.

Time to explain the pointscores:

Drivers Championship:

3 points for winning class

2 points for 2nd in class

1 point for 3rd in class

1 point for every run that is completed up to a maximum of 5

1 point if you break your class record

eg. Winning class 3 pts, 5 runs 5pts and new record 1pt equals 9 points

4th in class and 5 runs equals 5 points.

PLUS – officiating at one event 20 points. A driver cannot win his class in the championship or outright if he does not officiate at one event during the year.

A driver can only score the 20 points once during the year.

Clubperson championship:

10 points for officiating at an event for a full day

5 points for half day

10 points for working a full day at a working bee – 6 hours minimum

5 points for working half a day – 3 hrs min.

1 point for attending a general monthly club meeting.

1 point for entering a non SDMA event and using SDMA as your nominated club.

Minutes of General Meeting of the SDMA – 20 June 2006

Meeting was chaired by Vice President Rob Wall in the absence of the President.

Meeting Opened 7.40 pm.

Apologies: *John Templeton still o/s, Brian Fenwick*

Matters arising from previous minutes:

- *Nil.*

Correspondence from last Committee Meeting:

In:

- *Invoice - Billington P/L For around \$1,900 being outstanding from Dec 05 for work undertaken putting electricity on to Pit Stop Café.*
- *CAMS Annual Report*
- *Returned letter addressed to Ken Lau – No longer at this address.*
- *Invoice - Fairbairn Park Control Council for rent - \$713.70*
- *Grant Acquittal reminder from ACT Sport and Rec*
- *Invoice - ACTEWAGL for electricity at circuit for period 25/2 to 24/5 - \$37.00*
- *Letter from ATO advising our GST Registration has been cancelled with effect 1 Jan 2002*
- *Snowy Mountains Credit Union advising Term Deposit is due for renewal on 18 July at which time interest of \$320.28 would be credited. (Next General Meeting to consider increasing Term Deposit and consider seeking higher interest rates).*
- *Letter inviting SDMA to attend and possibly put a display at 2007 Bathurst International Motor Festival 5 to 8 April 2007. Details can be obtained from their website at www.bimf.com.au .*

- *Certificate of Insurance from Stay Upright.*
- *Invoice/ Receipt – CAMS for 1 July Permit - \$561.00*
- *Receipt – First Aid Services for 28 May - \$165.00*
- *Noise Meter Reading for meeting of 28 May. 75.7Db*
- *Emails L. Nolan/Eric Stevenson re hire of SDMA land (around spectator car park) for military vehicle rides.*
- *Email from Ken Siva at Environment ACT re an updated Noise Credit Table.*
- *Membership renewals from G Chappell, Phillip John, A Costa and a new Membership Application from Scott Clements*

Out:

- *Event paper work for the 1 July event to CAMS*
- *Email to 5 CAMS affiliated clubs in Canberra inviting them to participate in the proposed Administration training course.*

New Correspondence In:

- *CAMS NSW April-June Tale Spin newsletter (received 2 June)*
- *CAMS NSW Stewards Appointments for NSW Championships/ Series*
- *CAMS NSW Guidelines for Stewards expense reimbursements.*
- *CAMS NSW re 2007 Rally Series Application Guidelines.*
- *Invoice from Western Trophies - \$123.75.*
- *Invoice from Timespan for 28 May Hillclimb & Dutton Rally - \$308.00.*
- *CAMS forwarding new Officials sign on sheets.*
- *Statement from Service One Credit Union advising balances as at 4 June of \$28,547.51 in Investment Account and \$20,005.75 in the General Account.*
- *Stay Upright requesting track hire dates of 23 July, 23 Sept, 12 and 18 November.*

- *Ken Siva of Environment ACT re Noise Credits.*
- *Email from Mike Neal re future publicity.*
- *Assorted flyers and promotional material.*

New Correspondence Out:

- *Email to Stay Upright re the Contract.*
- *Letter to Canberra Southern Cross Club seeking a new meeting venue.*

Vice President's Report – Rob Wall: Rob reiterated his thanks as expressed in the Newsletter to all the officials and other helpers that contributed to the success of the Alphera Dutton Rally.

He also advised that the WDRUFC had advised that the SDMA could no longer meet at the Club after July due to renovations. Hence, the need to find an alternate venue for August onwards. As advised under Correspondence, a letter has been sent to the Canberra Southern Cross Club.

Secretary's Report – David Yates: David expanded on the letter received from Ken Siva on Noise Credits and said that, at present, we are 3 credits down for 2006. This is across all activities and not just SDMA. There needs to be further liaison with Environment ACT on Noise Credits and the amount of credits allocated to events which may not be held. David called for volunteers for the 1 July meeting. Leon Nolan, Paul Wyatt, Andy Donne and Terry Bennett advised there availability.

Treasurer's Report – none presented except for the balances under correspondence.

Peter Browning advised that the ATO had granted the SDMA GST Exempt status backdated to 1 January 2002. He advised that the accounts for all previous years were all but done and only required auditing – which would be done shortly. Peter also advised that the 2005/06 accounts would also be available for the AGM in July.

Pre-Event Secretary's Report - Anthony Hyde: Nil as Anthony was absent.

Club Captain & Membership Secretary's Report - Terry Bennett: Terry advised that he had received advice that Russell Wise would not be renewing his membership as he had been transferred to Sale in Victoria with the Air Force. Russell thanked the club for its hospitality during his time as a member.

Terry also reminded all that membership renewals were now due.

On a sadder note, he advised that Graeme 'Grumpy' Syphers (an Escort driver in the State Round who has regularly competed at our track) suffered a heart attack at the State Round in Wollongong and has since undergone a triple bypass at the St George Hospital in Sydney.

Publicity Officer's Report - Barbara Bennett: Barb has done some flyers for the 1 July meeting and handed them out to members to display at shopping centres etc. She also stated that the usual web sites had been updated and that ad would be placed in the Canberra times and the Chronicle. She has approached Clive Carling regarding permanent advertising signs but had not yet heard from him.

Magazine Editor's Report - Tony Smart: Tony said the electronic and hard copies of the Newsletter had gone out. He asked for articles for the next Newsletter due at the end of June. He also noted that there were no items presently for sale and that if anyone had anything to let him or Rob know so they could be included in the Newsletter and placed on the Website. Tony was also asked to put the results of meetings in the Newsletter so those people who do not have web access can see them. He undertook to do it.

FPCC Representative - Leon Nolan: Leon advised that the Lease Deeds were finished but that ACTPLA were undertaking a site visit of Fairbairn Park on 21 June prior to their finalising the lease. He expects ACTPLA to take 'a couple of weeks' before finalisation.

General Business

- **Advertising signs** – as covered under the Publicity Officer's report.
- **Term Deposit** – the meeting agreed to increase the amount of funds under Fixed Deposit and split the amounts in order to increase interest. Rob is to organise to fix \$30,000 for a period of 12 months and \$8,000 for a period of 3 months.
- **Officials Training** - 3 people had expressed interest. They would meet at Barb's on Wednesday 28 June.
- **Track Maintenance:**
 - The next track maintenance day is scheduled for Saturday 24 June. Work required is:
 - Cleaning of Toilets
 - Cleaning of Barbeque area in Café (including windows)
 - Sweeping of the track
 - In relation to a request received to sell donuts at our Hillclimbs, the meeting agreed that the catering should be kept within the club only. If there was a demand for donuts, they could be supplied and sold by the café.
- **MGCC catering** – Peter Wall was organising the catering for this event on Sat 25 June. However, volunteers were required to assist him. Also, the club generator would also be needed as it was hoped to provide tea and coffee. Col Merz undertook to drop the generator to Peter.
- **John Phillips Memorial Hillclimb** – Beb Fox raised the possibility of running a hillclimb in memory of John Phillips, a long standing club member who passed away recently. It was agreed that this could be left to the new committee following the AGM in July.

- **Winton Fun Day** - Noel Bruin advised there would be a Fun Day held at Winton on Sunday 16 July. These were run along similar lines to Wakefield No Speed Limit Days with up to 30 cars on track simultaneously. Cost of the day is \$25.00.
- **Rollbars** - Peter Browning raised the issue of roll bars and the necessary clearance between the bars and helmets as stipulated by CAMS as he was ruled out of the NSW Supersprints at Wakefield on 1 June. He also pointed out the fact that if he took his roll bar off, his car would pass scrutineering!! He raised this issue in case the scrutineers had the same issues at our hillclimbs and that drivers should be aware of it. Following discussion it was confirmed that the Clerk of the Course could make ruling that such vehicles could compete.
- **Tractor** - Paul Wyatt advised that if the club was still interested in obtaining a tractor, he may know of one that is available. He will check on it and report back.

Raffle: The raffle for 2 cinema tickets was won by David Yates.

The meeting closed at 8.53pm.