

Victorian Rally Advisory Panel

Minutes - Tuesday 8th September 2009

Present:		2009 Meetings Attended:
DS	Darryn Snooks	7
SL	Stuart Lister	8
MH	Mark Hallowell	9
JC	John Carney	6
TB	Troy Bennett	8
JR	John Roberts	9
RG	Richard Gill	6
DL	David Lambie	9

Abbreviations used in these Minutes:	
ARCom	Australian Rally Commission
CM	CAMS Manual of Motorsport
DSE	Dept of Sustainability & Environment
HRA	Historic Rally Association
HVPC	Hancock's Victoria Plantations Corp.
TRE	Touring Road Events
VCRS	Victorian Club Rally Series
VRAP	Victorian Rally Panel
VRB	Victorian Rally Bulletin
VRC	Victorian Rally Championship
VRCMG	Victorian Rally Championship Management Group
VRSG	Victorian Rally Scrutiny Group
WIP	Work in Progress

Apologies:
Richard Gill

Minute Numbering:
/ 200# / ## - Month / Year Commenced / Sequential Minute No

Priorities
H = Must be done within 7 days of Panel Meeting
M = Must be done before next Panel Meeting
L = Ongoing, likely to take over a month to complete
C = Completed action (date to be recorded)

Visitors:
Justin Dowel
Scott Pedder
Sue Evans
Ross Runnalls
Murray Price

1. Meeting opened at 7:32pm and meeting closed at 10:22pm
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of previous minutes – 14th July 09 Moved JR Seconded DL

4. Visitors Business

Visitor:	Item:	Action:
Justin Dowel , Scott Pedder & Sue Evans	The listed visitors spoke on how the Australian Championship had been in trouble and how Rallycorp was financially strained. The competitors got together to ensure television coverage and make the series viable for their sponsors. To continue to rebuild the series, it is important that it is truly national series and Victoria is a vital part.	Any EOI's for the Victorian ARC round will be presented to the VRAP for consideration prior to forwarded to ARCom as sign that the championship is serious about the consulting with all states.
Murray Price	Murray talked about a possible sponsor for the ARC and how that sponsor would desire a Victorian event in the Championship	

5. Correspondence In

From:	Topic:	Action:
Gary Howard	VRSG Minutes	
Robert Dunt	2010 Event Applications	
Peter Whitely	2010 Event Applications	
Justin Dowel	Request for EOI's for a Victorian ARC Round	
Rob Parry	Application for himself & Kim Beckwith to be regraded as a C grade driver & Co Driver on results as per the VRB.	Granted
Craig Hardiman	Application for dispensation from VRB 3.1.33	After a review of Craig's results in other events in the car he intends to rally in and with the supporting letters - The dispensation was granted
Tony Moore	Support for Craig's application	
Brian Semmens	Support for Craig's application	
Trevor Barson	Trevor asked about the rules regarding L Platers in rallies in Victoria	L plate drivers are not permitted in any rallies in Victoria.
John Roberts	Application for field extension for Spring 200 & Camcrusher.	Granted

6. Correspondence Out

To:	Topic:
Peter Otzen	Approval for applications
OLT applicants	Advising of OLT at VCAS Autocross
Justin Dowel	Inviting ARC Representatives to the meeting
David Johns	Asking for recommendations for OLT Observers to appoint in the Western Region.
Angela Tsoulakas (CAMS Member Services)	Request for OLT Observer status for Peter & Jeff Whitten & Ralph Scalzo

7. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Please note - To keep these minutes brief the Action Required column only contains updated from the previous two months

Item No	Topic	Discussion/Action Required/Motion	Action By/ Priority H/M/L/C	Comp Date
5/9/05	George Woods / Gil Davis Memorial	The panel has heard some anecdotal reports from this event in regards to lack of proper setup and possible breaches of VRB rules. The panel is keenly awaiting all reports to review this event. 14/7/09 - Awaiting report from Rob Bride as has been in hospital 11/8/09 - Still WIP 8/9/09 - Report in from Rob, no time to review yet		
6/9/02	RP Scheme	It is expected that the RP Scheme will have its TAC levy brought in to line with CH Plates on July 1. If all occurs Leeham Bansagi is concerned that a massive rush for plates will occur, The VRAP asks that all consider this and only apply when they need to. 14/7/09 - Still waiting on Vicroads advice for confirmation of TAC Levy 11/8/09 - Cost has come down to \$326, Vicroads admits to DS they have made error and will come down to agreed cost. 8/9/09 - Submission to lower costs further has been presented.		
8/9/01	Shire Road use	Discussion on Traffic Management Plans when using shire roads. DS to investigate possible CAMS Officials Licence to include training that my satisfy those requirements. 8/9/09 - WIP	DS/L	

8. General Business

Item No	Topic	Discussion/Action Required/Motion	Action By/ Priority H/M/L/C	Comp Date
9/09/01	SEAC Rallies	MH noted that SEAC rallies have run in Victoria that have not been calendared. The Supplementary Regulations have not been present to the VRAP Regulations Checker by CAMS Office. DS to discuss with Michael Smith	DS/M	
9/09/02	Rookies, turbo cars & Autocrosses	DL presented the following - At present we have a regulation that states "a driver in an Rally or Trial must compete five such events as a driver before he can compete in a vehicle with forced induction or a high powered motor vehicle as defined in regulations made pursuant to the Road Safety Act, unless dispensation is approved by the VRAP." DL asked that the VRAP consider granting an exemption to a driver who has completed eight VCAS Autocrosses at a minimum of three different venues in the vehicle they wish to enter Rallies or Trials in. DS asked that David hold over that request until after the next ARCom meeting where there is some expectation of changes to the OLT and the VRAP can then consider those changes with David's proposal.		
9/9/09	Excel Series Training Day	JC reported that the Excel series was having issues with the permit costs for its training day.		

9. Reports

Report:	Action:
ARCom	Teleconference held - New rallysprint rules are proposed to enable rallysprints run under certain conditions to allow Level 2S Licence holders to compete.
Board of CAMS	Nothing to report
State Council	No meeting
VSCE	No rally issues
Rally Calendar	21 events applied for, some expected events have not applied.
Supplementary Regulations	All in for the year.
Event Reports	Derrick - Checker reported some documentation late. Begonia - Had first spectator point altered for safety reasons. Local activists sabotaged signs etc. Had issues with residents signatures on some stages. Nightmoves - Spectator point had poor control, officials were not wearing vests.
Finances	August report handed to Stuart. Panel still not happy with reporting. No interest credited to accounts. Monies unaccounted for.
Rally Scrutiny	No issues
VCRS	No report
VRC	It will be proposed that the standing regulations will be amended to have the ballot held at the drivers briefing.
Historic Events	Bagshot Rallysprint happening. Winter Classic ran well.
Touring Road Events/Touring Assemblies	Nothing to report
Area Coordinators	No report
Rally Panel Stewards	As per event reports

10. Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th October at the CAMS Meeting Room

11. Meeting Closed: 10:22pm

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