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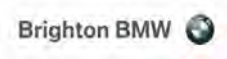
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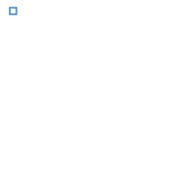
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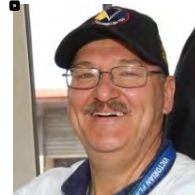
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New Members

Welcome to our new members:
Daniel Moore and
Steven Becker returning

This month's cover picture shows a flag point as the 1952 Le Mans winning car passes en route to victory.

Reminder – General Meeting – Thursday 6 April 2017

Don't forget to come along to the next general meeting and support the club – details as follows::

- MG Car Club rooms
Unit 53 & 54
Eastern Business Centre
41-49 Norcal Road
Nunawading
- Time: 8:00pm

I would like to build up numbers at these meetings so that we can then invite guest speakers along to address the meetings.

Roger Chirnside, President



A word or two

Pride in belonging

People join a club or association for a variety of reasons. It may be for company or an interest in what the group does. It could also be a feeling of belonging. Whatever the reason it would be understandable to assume that a person would feel they could in some small way contribute to the betterment of the group by their presence. This makes it all the more puzzling as to why so many members of the Victorian Flagmarshalling Team (VFT) have joined and have absolutely no intention of taking part in the trackside activities of the club. We have a small group who carry the weight so admirably month in and month out and a large group who never lift a finger to help, or at best only make an appearance once or twice a year at the biggest meetings on the calendar.



Recent meetings have borne testimony to this situation where a very small and dedicated group have flown the flag(!) in atrocious weather conditions, often with a minimum number of other officials to help at the post.

Flagmarshalling is a very skilled discipline and requires long periods of concentration which alone can be quite tiring and yet these marshals turn up time and time again with very little expectation of help.

This state of affairs also applies to general meetings with attendances most times which can only be described as disappointing.

I firmly believe our club should implement a system whereby a member must officiate at a minimum number of four race meetings and attend three general meetings per year to qualify for a spot at the bigger meetings, such as the Supercars.

Several other countries have adopted this system with a fair degree of success, so why not us, who pride ourselves as one of Australia's foremost marshalling groups.

In addition, it was noted with some disappointment that at the recent Sandown meeting, which was Round 1 of the VSCRC, a number of our members, and I include some seniors in that group, didn't deem it necessary to wear the club uniform, be it overalls or trousers and jacket. We pride ourselves on our very high reputation and to observe some of these senior people, who were working with trainees and drivers looking like they had just come in off the street, does not set a very good example, especially when they can be seen from the crowd, or on television.

On a positive note, it was very pleasing to see such a good turn up at the AGM and I hope that this can continue through to the 2017 general meetings – as long as we have the numbers in the audience, I would like to introduce guest speakers at these meetings as I have a couple of high profiles in mind, but it would be somewhat embarrassing to have a poor attendance on these occasions.

Roger Chirnside
President
Victorian Flagmarshalling Team, Inc.

The formal side of the AGM



Natalie Daish & Shane Rogers giving their address for Grade 4/5 Rep



Returning Officer, Darren Millett addressing the audience

Presentations at the AGM



Damien Mitchell – President's Award



Geoff Kay – Neil Thompson Memorial Award for most attendances



Shane Rogers - Barry Petersen Memorial Award Flagmarshal of the Year

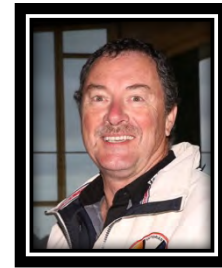


Greg Hardy – Stillwell Motor Group Encouragement Award



Flag One Reporting

Given that this is the first edition of the magazine since the AGM elections, I would like to begin by thanking the Committee and the club for allowing me to fulfil another year in the role of Chief Flag. I would also like to welcome the new Committee to 2017, with a few new faces taking on various office bearer roles. I look forward to working closely with the Committee for a productive year ahead.



By the time this edition goes to print, most of us will have dusted off the cobwebs and attended our first meeting of the year. Unfortunately, it also happened to be our first clash weekend with not just two but three meetings falling on the same weekend. Despite this, we were able to fulfil our obligations at Winton for the WMRC1 round, and at Sandown for the VSCRC1. For those that trekked across to Adelaide, I hope that it was an enjoyable weekend, despite another 888 victory! At least those Fords are knocking on the door this year.

I must thank the small but dedicated band that came to Winton, with Shane Rogers holding the record for operating three light panels from turn 3. I would also like to thank Will Gaff, Jason Carroll, Lloyd Owen and Roger Chirnside who looked after Sandown for what I've heard had some very good racing (and some not so good incidents).

Our next big meeting is the Island Classic, which is a three day meeting. This meeting has always proven to be very enjoyable, with fairly good fields and numerous categories. We are still short on the Friday numbers and, while I know it is a tough call for getting time off work with the AGP the following weekend, we would appreciate anyone who can do the Friday to let me know asap.

Our next big meetings are the Shannons Nationals at Sandown and the Phillip Island V8's. Both of these are also three day meetings and extra assistance for the Fridays would be greatly appreciated. Members are reminded that both of these meetings require registrations with the respective promoters, as well as notifying me for inclusion on the lists. I would also like to remind people that for each of the three V8 meetings throughout the year, the priority for listing is for members that also have supported the club at the minor meetings. It is unfortunate, but with VSCA limitations being put on the numbers of officials that can be accommodated, we have to give priority to the "regulars" where our numbers approach capacity.

The next clash weekend falls on the last weekend of May, with the Shannons Nationals at Phillip Island coinciding with the Winton Historics. Once again, we call on as much assistance as we can get to cover that weekend. Winton then follows with two more meetings over the following weekends, being the Shannons Nationals and VSCRC3. For those that haven't ventured to Winton, or haven't done so in a while, I can thoroughly recommend it. The new management of the circuit make officials feel very welcome, with a good dinner provided on Saturday night and accommodation available at the track.



Upcoming meetings:

- Shannons Nationals Sandown 7-9 April, list closing 27 March
- Formula Festival Winton 15-16 April, list closing 7 April
- Phillip Island V8's 21-23 April, list closing 10 March
- Porsche 4hr Sandown 30 April, list closing 21 April
- VSCRC2 Phillip Island 6-7 May, list closing 28 April
- VMRC2 Winton 13-14 May, list closing 5 May
- Winton V8's 19-21 May, list closing 7 April
- Shannons Nationals Phillip Island 26-28 May, list closing 15 May
- Winton Historics 27-28 May, list closing 19 May

To get your name onto the above lists, members can:

- Email me at chief@vicflag.org.au,
- Call or text me on 0406036714, or
- Add your name on the lists that will be available at each meeting.

Catch you at the track,

Arthur Cooksley

Chief Flagmarshal

Victorian Flagmarshalling Team

Chiefs BBQ – as it happened





More Chiefs BBQ



CAMS Report

Hi all,

This year I decided to put an EOI in to be the CAMS rep for the club, and I'm thankful to the committee for selecting me to do the job. I put my EOI in for the job as I was looking for a new challenge and also have a lot more I believe I can give to the club.



The first meeting of the Vic State council was held in February before our Annual General meeting. David Thornbury attended the meeting but unfortunately it was cancelled due to insufficient numbers turning up and a quorum not being reached. The meeting was then rescheduled to the 1st of March and in the email I received from CAMS they wanted everyone to RSVP to say that we were attending, which I RSVP to say that I was attending on behalf of the VFT. Unfortunately I received an email 1 day prior to the meeting to say that not enough clubs had responded to the RSVP and we would not again reach a quorum.

Attached to the email from CAMS was an open letter to all Victorian clubs from Paul Zsidy who is the CAMS Victorian State Council Chair, and you can read the whole letter on the following page.

Our next meeting date is still to be announced so let's hope that when it's announced there will be enough people in attendance to allow the meeting to happen.

All the best,

Jason Carroll
CAMS Rep



Open Letter to CAMS Victorian Car Clubs

Re: Victorian State Council

The first CAMS Victorian State Council meeting for 2017 kicked off as the 2016 meeting schedule finished; with a meeting which failed to achieve a quorum.

This is clearly disappointing and has prompted me to write this letter, addressing the issue from two related angles.

Firstly; I write to remind all CAMS affiliated clubs of their obligation to provide a delegate to attend State Council meetings, as a conduit to the efficient dissemination of information throughout the motor sport community in Victoria, and as a forum to which they can bring any specific concerns or issues affecting their club, for assistance from the Council.

The second part is somewhat more complex. It is to seek input from you as to why you are not attending, and to ask your feedback on what you would like the Council to do in order to make it more relevant to your club. When we analysed the numbers, we discovered it wasn't a case of clubs no longer attending; our numbers and the representation at Council has remained virtually unchanged. What has happened is that we have a greater number of affiliated clubs, and the Standing Orders require representation from at least 25% of the voting clubs to achieve a quorum. Basically, we have a greater number of clubs, and these new clubs are not represented at Council.

A copy of the State Council Standing Orders accompanies this letter, and I would encourage you to read and understand the role of State Council in the development and management of motor sport within Victoria. The Council should be a vibrant community, promoting and nurturing motor sport, including new clubs and/or new events, within our state. Now, I know that is a nice motherhood statement; the challenge is for us as a group to put some action around those words. And to do that, we need your help.

We have some ideas of what Council meetings could look like in the future. One initiative is to have key note speakers at each meeting. We would ask your input as to what topics you would like covered, so that we can arrange speakers who will be relevant to you.

Additionally, we would suggest that the various State Advisory Panel Chairs would submit written reports on their panel activities, and these would be distributed with the meeting agenda and notes. That way, we do not have to sit there while the reports are read out, but rather the meeting can acknowledge receipt of the report, and only refer to the Chair should there be specific questions. Hopefully that will speed up the meeting overall, and create more time for discussion or other presentations.

Above are just two ideas, neither of which may appeal to you as the incentive for you to attend meetings. This brings me back to the part where we NEED YOUR INPUT PLEASE! You can contact me directly, or via the CAMS Victorian State Office with any comments and suggestions. It is your sport and your council. What can you do to make the sport better?

Yours in motor sport

Paul Zsidy

CAMS Victorian State Council Chair

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As VFT Trackside Volunteers We Should Be Grateful!

Volunteers for the Indy Grand Prix of Alabama have to pay for a Volunteer Package!

(Article submitted by John Grist)

Volunteer Package

All volunteers will be required to purchase a volunteer package. The package includes the volunteer uniform one (1) polo shirt, one (1) ball cap, one (1) Volunteer Badge with Kamtek Garage Pass, one (1) 3-Day Guest Pass with Kamtek Garage Pass, food and beverage while on shift, and preferred parking. All for only \$50.

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Vice President & Promotions Update



Well this is my first magazine piece after having been appointed to the position of Vice President for 2017. I am really humbled and honoured to be in the role, and I am looking forward to working with Roger and the rest of the committee this year to take the club forward.

Over the last two years, we have run schemes to try and boost attendances at race events and general meetings. While they did not have the desired effects on increasing numbers, a positive outcome was that it gave us the opportunity to recognise some of those who make a significant contribution to the club.

The committee has decided that for 2017 we would like to continue to recognise our members, so therefore we are pleased to announce the introduction of a VFT Member of the Month Award.

The criteria for the award is pretty simple. Anyone who the committee deems is deserving of extra recognition, as decided at the monthly committee meetings. The winner will receive a certificate acknowledging their achievement along with a \$50 Fuel Card, and will be announced at the clubs general meetings.

On the promotions front, there are a couple of events the club is looking to attend over the next few weeks for the purpose of recruiting new members. Thanks to those who have already volunteered to help with these.

David Thornbury
VFT Promotions & Social Media Administrator

From the Editor

Firstly my apologies to Danielle Bell for the incorrect photo in the January hard copy magazine.

Many thanks to all contributors to this magazine.

Please remember articles for the May edition are due 24th April – magazine@vicflag.org.au - Joy Chirside



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Grade 4/5 Report



Hello everyone,

First of all I would like to thank you all for voting for me to be your Grade 4/5 representative. I will endeavour to do the best job possible to represent you all.

If anyone has anything that you wish to discuss with me you can contact me via mobile, email, and forms of social media. Hopefully you all have seen an email from me, if not just send me an email, and I'll forward it onto you. And I would also like to hear some feedback on what you guys and girls would like to see in my emails.

With a new racing season now upon us, I would like to see as many of you all at the track as possible. We have another busy year, even if you can only attend one day, that's always still a good Motorsport fix.

Up and coming meetings for March and April.

March 4-5, VMRC Rd 1 Winton Raceway

VSCRC Rd 1 Sandown Raceway

March 17-19, Island Classic Phillip Island

March 23-26, F1GP (non VFT event)

April 7-9, Shannon Nationals Sandown Raceway

April 15-16 Formula Festival Winton Raceway

April 21-23 Virgin Australia Supercars Phillip Island.

(Note: list closes around March 10)

April 30 Porsche 4Hour Sandown raceway.

To apply for any of the events,

Email: chief@vicflag.org.au

Or contact chief flag (Arthur) on 0409 823657 or 0406 036714

See you all around the tracks

Shane Rogers

Grade 4/5 Rep

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Keep this date free – Sunday 11 December 2017

The 2017 VFT Christmas Party will be held again at Como Gardens, home of our Patron, George Hetrel and his wife Pat, on Sunday 10 December 2017. This is always a great family day, so make sure to keep the date free and come along for a great social outing in wonderful surroundings.



Training Matters

Hi everyone, well here we are 2017 and March already!

I thank you again for the opportunity to serve as the training Officer for 2017, I look forward to being of assistance to those who require training and assistance as well as those going for your upgrades. I would like to this time introduce my new Training Team for 2017,



I welcome back Kevin Watson
 Will Gaff
 Arthur Cooksley
 Glenn Rochester
 Tony Van den Dungan

And welcome our new members
 Jason Carroll
 Natalie Daish
 Michael Poole

I also would like to give a special thanks to both Simon Batson & Paul Meade for their contribution to the training committee over the past few years, thanks guys it's been good working with you both and I'm sure your skills will be called upon way into the future, I appreciate your continued support and assistance.

I look forward to working with you all in the coming months.

As I indicated in my last Training Matters we will be concentrating on how we approach and train people trackside as well as streamlining the upgrade process without compromising the importance of the roll. Our emphasis will be on training and the competencies achieved in the role, this is paramount in ensuring that the VFT competency base is maintained to a high standard.

Will Gaff will continue to coordinate the upgrade paperwork and work closely with the Chiefs for training needs placements, so please liaise with Will when organising your upgrade, not forgetting to lodge your request for upgrade with Eric, thus ensuring it is logged and documented, only then can your upgrade be commenced.

We have a pretty full year of events with several events clashing, it's with this diverse array of meetings that makes it all the better for training and upgrades, so I encourage you all to concentrate on honing your skills and to work closely with other members in helping maintain our club at the highest level.

My team look forward to working with you all and picking up where we left off for those members currently undergoing upgrades, as well as working with our newbies and please



be sure to let us know of your intention to attend race meetings so we can do some forward planning.

I again remind those people given an assessment form for a grading that it must be returned at the end of the meeting to be logged and filed. I also urge the EA's of the day to give as much detail as possible on the performance of the person being assessed on the day, it is also important to ask a lot of questions of the person undergoing an upgrade; this allows us all to work with and to tailor the training of the individual in the areas that need attention.

I know a lot of you have been carrying out assessments throughout last year, thank you for your efforts, they have been welcomed. As we bring more EA's in to the VFT fold we are reminded of the high level of detail that is required in order to adequately assess the ability or knowledge of the persons being trained or upgraded. It has also been observed that in some cases we need to have further emphases on the use of flags and their meaning and the techniques that are used, so we are encouraging you all to pay particular attention to these areas.

Mock Stewards Hearing

Thank you to all of those people who attended on the night, it was a great turnout with over 50 people attending the MG Car Club on the night. I thank Michael Holloway for his time and the information shared on the night. As the night progressed it became even more evident of the importance of accuracy in the reports, therefore always be sure of the information provided in your reports. I also thank the MG Car Club for all their assistance on the night and for the great turnout from their club, I also thank Paul Meade and Simon Batson for cooking up a great BBQ, it was really appreciated. And to all our mock drivers, witnesses and stewards on the night a big thank you for the brilliant performances, very convincing! So again I thank all those who attended, the feedback was very positive and encouraging. We hope to have several more training nights throughout the year and whilst we have a forward plan in place we encourage you all to pass on your ideas so we can consider any additional sessions that may be of benefit to the club.

On closing, one thing we must all remember and that is why we are here, "because it's fun" so let's bond together to make it all work and to do the club proud as Members and make 2017 a fantastic year for all.



Mark Thompson
VFT Training Officer



Mock Stewards Hearing





Courage Works, ...you're going to love this

QUOTE: 'Courage is very contagious, it doesn't eliminate being afraid but it refuses to be bound by the 'scariness' of fears'. Oprah Winfrey



Often I am confronted with the news of someone's unimaginable pain – it comes to my attention often as a result of a suicide, an overdose, a cry for justice or hope in the midst of pain – and, like me you have two choices: We can choose to respond from fear or we can choose courage.

We can choose to believe that we are somehow insulated from the realities of these traumas and that our willpower or our strength of character will make us capable, *better resourced than* these displays of desperation and woundedness. I gave a young fella a hug on a Saturday night at the speedway last year only to hear he had driven into a parked truck in the early hours of Sunday morning. A full on argument with his biological father opened a huge door of pain and troubles from his abandoned childhood.

Lean in my direction a little bit with me here, when we seek shelter in the 'I'm *better than – safer than – different than*' thinking, we are actually choosing fear. Fear that would have us self-protect and arm ourselves with judgment and self-righteousness. It's difficult to respond to the tragedies of others – even those we think we know. We will never have access to the whole truth and in the absence of information, we satisfy ourselves with 'what I would have done' stories.

Our only real option is to choose courage. We don't find it easy to tell the stories of the tough times we've been through. We can't deny our vulnerability; we need to lean into both the beauty and agony of our shared humanity. Choosing courage does not mean that we're not afraid; it means that we are brave enough to love despite the fear and uncertainty. Courage is standing up with someone saying, 'I am affected.' Or 'I am really struggling with where I'm at and I need some help.'

The courageous choice also does not mean abandoning accountability – it simply means holding ourselves accountable first. If we are people of faith, we hold ourselves accountable for living that faith by practicing grace and bringing healing. If we consider ourselves to be smart and curious, it means seeking greater understanding. If we consider ourselves to be loving, it means acting with compassion.

I've heard it said that FEAR is an acronym of False Evidence Appearing Real. A lot of us are trapped in a place of fear, afraid of what someone might think of us or that they may even laugh at us. Courage will push you past that and not be hindered, intimidated or afraid

So, Be Vulnerable

Vulnerability – the willingness to show up and be seen with no guarantee of outcome – is our greatest measure of courage. Vulnerability is at the core of difficult emotions like fear, grief and disappointment BUT, it's also the birthplace of love, belonging, innovation, and creativity - the experiences that bring purpose and meaning to our lives. Which are you focussing on?

And, Be Brave

If we are brave enough, often enough, we will fall. Getting back up requires us to turn toward the truth of our struggle and look it in the eye. When we run from struggles, we are never free.

Have, Less Scarcity and More Daring.

People are tired of being afraid. The scarcity culture is created by allowing fear and blame to run roughshod over us. Transformation happens when we step up and do acts of daring.

Choose, Courage

We are all called to be brave with our lives and answering that call means choosing courage over comfort, choosing what's right over what's easy, practicing our values rather than professing them and leaning into our vulnerability.

God be with you, doin' Life Together

Chaplain Mark Bateman 0412 151 121



Merchandise

The 2017 Merchandise Officer is Greg Hardy.

To order merchandising you can see Greg at the track or

Email: merchandise@vicflag.org.au or Mob: 0425 726 310

For overalls and jackets allow 4-6 weeks as these are not stock items.



Why not write an article for the VFT Magazine??

In order to make the magazine a more interesting read, we need to rely on members for articles and/or pictures. If you would like to contribute, please talk to the editor, Joy Chirnside, at magazine@vicflag.org.au or 0417 018 044.



Letter from CAMS



Letter from CAMS CEO Eugene Arocca

Dear CAMS officials,

We have received a number of enquiries from concerned CAMS accredited officials seeking clarification of insurance, legal and related issues when CAMS licenced officials participate in non-CAMS events. To assist in understanding the consequences we wish to remind our officials of the following:

Insurance Coverage

CAMS provides extensive insurance cover for accredited officials, however it is important to note that this only applies when officiating at CAMS sanctioned events. CAMS Personal Accident and Liability insurance cover does not extend to non-CAMS events.

CAMS has provided insurance and legal protection for officials participating in CAMS sanctioned events for more than 60 years and has a strong track record of offering relevant and accurate legal advice as well as counselling support when incidents occur.

CAMS employs a full time legal counsel who is on call to advise you should you require on the spot assistance in dealing with legal or semi-legal matters, including the police and any other government authority investigating an incident. This assistance and cover by CAMS is not necessarily available if you are participating in a non-CAMS sanctioned event.

Officials are strongly encouraged to contact the event organiser or sanctioning body to understand what coverage, if any, they have when officiating at non-CAMS events. You should also satisfy yourself as to the level of critical incident management protocols, support and advice available to you should you require it.

Intellectual Property

CAMS officials have the advantage of the most structured and exhaustive officials training program in Australia.

Indeed, CAMS' training programs are regarded as best practice internationally. The structure, rules and safety information supporting our officials is CAMS' intellectual property. Everything from the uniforms to CAMS and FIA logos and references to CAMS policies, rules and training is legally owned by CAMS or the FIA and can only be used at and for CAMS sanctioned events.



The use of any of the above at non-CAMS sanctioned events amounts to a breach of copyright. Indeed, CAMS is often forced to take legal action to protect those rights. It's also noteworthy that the offending organisations are NOT member based, not-for-profit entities but in fact profit making organisations seeking to sanction motor sport.

CAMS places people before profits.

Standard of Officiating

When officiating at a CAMS event, officials can be confident in the knowledge that each of their peers and fellow volunteers are a part of CAMS' internationally-recognised training structure and content.

All CAMS accredited officials are part of a structured and carefully designed pathway paired with a system of rules and regulations which provide a risk mitigating structure for motor sport.

At a minimum, this structure includes an introduction to the fundamentals of officiating and, at a maximum, includes specialised, targeted tiers of training for experts in many fields of motor sport. It is this investment in learning and continuous improvement that CAMS officials can rely on at each and every CAMS event.

This structure and knowledge-base does not exist elsewhere, and all officials are urged to consider the quality and training of anyone who is not a CAMS official who are often called upon to assist at non-CAMS events. In short, are you confident that your fellow volunteer will know what to do and how to do it when required?

CAMS is very proud of its long history of supporting officials and is extremely grateful for your ongoing commitment to best practice in training and development.

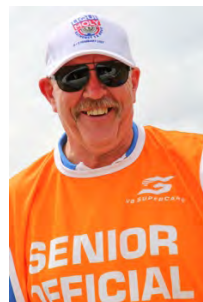
At every level and discipline of the sport conducted under the CAMS umbrella, we all pride ourselves on the contribution of our volunteer officials and will continue to develop our training and officiating programs to ensure that our officials are at the forefront of safety and success.

Kind regards,

Eugene Arocce
Chief Executive Officer



***In action (or inaction) at:
the Bathurst 12 hour***

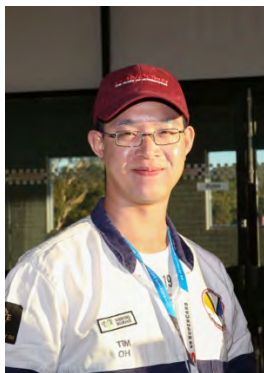


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and Sandown VSCRC Round 1





Sandown VSCRC Round 1(cont'd)





2017 Calendar		
March 4-5 *	Winton	VMRC 1
March 4-5 *	Sandown	VSCRC 1
March 17-19	Phillip Island	Island Classic
March 23-26	Albert Park	F1 GP, not a VFT event
April 7-9	Sandown	Shannon Nationals
April 21-23	Phillip Island	V8's Phillip island 400
April 30	Sandown	Porsche 4 Hour
May 6-7	Phillip Island	VSCRC 2
May 13-14	Winton	VMRC 2
May 19-21	Winton	V8's Winton 400
May 26-28 *	Phillip Island	Shannons Nationals
May 27-28 *	Winton	Historic Winton
June 9-11	Winton	Shannons Nationals
June 17-18	Winton	VSCRC 3
June 24-25	Phillip Island	Multi Club
July 22-23	Sandown	VSCRC 4
July 29 -30	Phillip Island	Vic 6 Hour Relay
August 5-6	Winton	Festival of Speed
August 19-20	Phillip Island	August Access
August 26-27	Winton	Shannons Nationals
September 8-10	Phillip Island	Shannons Nationals
September 15-17	Sandown	Sandown 500
September 23-24	Winton	VMRC 3
Sept 30 Oct 1	Phillip Island	VSCRC 5
October 14-15	Winton	AROCA 10 Hour Relay
November 3-5	Sandown	Sandown Historics
November 11-12	Winton	Winton 300
November 25-26	Phillip Island	Island Magic
December 2-3	Winton	HQ 4 Hour Relay
* = Clash		

Expressions of interest to attend any events must be conveyed to the Chief Flagmarshal via any of the following 4 ways:

- The VFT Club Phone : **03 8796 5321**
- The VFT Club Mobile: **0409 823 657**
- Email: chief@vicflag.org.au
- In person, **trackside or at club meetings**

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