



# The Victorian Flagmarshalling Team News



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# A Word from the President

by William Gaff

Hi and welcome to a new year of motorsport with the VFT. I hope the new year finds you all well and ready to go, its going to be a big year. As the years go by they seem to get bigger and go by faster than ever.

The first thing I must do is to thank our 2012 committee with thanks to Kevin Watson, Mario Pacifici, Stavros Polyhronidis for the service they have given to the club over the years.

I would like to welcome to the 2013 committee John Pollard, Mark Thompson and the return to committee of Kevin Redman I know you guys will do a great job in moving the club forward.

For me it is a honour to be elected President of this great club and I thank one and all for the support I have been given by you, the members, thanks again.

The year kicks off with the 6 hour at Sandown then VMRC at Winton / Phillip Island Historic our first meeting clash for the year please let the chief know of your availability for either event.

A small thing we need to talk about is the club uniform. The club uniform shows we are a team, it also is a way to support our sponsors, so please make sure your uniform appropriately at each event we attend as a club.

To our new or newer members welcome to the VFT I hope you enjoy your time with us don't be shy to ask any of our guys and girls

questions if your not sure about anything ask the grade 3/4 reps Paul Meade and Mark Thompson that's what they're here for, to help you new guys. The last thing is social media please do the right thing by all of us when we're trackside thanks.

Until next time  
William Gaff  
President VFT



**Welcome to our new members:**

Michael Clewett,  
Mathew Cornford  
Tristan Clark and  
Steve Berry



**Photo credits:** Thank you  
Suzi Bell, Bill McMurray,  
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and Will Gaff



# Flag One Reporting



by Terry O Callaghan

Wow!! How quickly has the 2013 motor racing year come around! By the time you read this article, we would have completed our annual training day at Sandown. Thanks must go to the Porsche Club of Victoria for their invitation to officiate at this venue. Also, a big thank you to Sandown Management for the use of their radios. Nearly all marshals were issued with a radio. This was especially beneficial to our 13 brand new people and also the 9 trainees we had on the day. Total attendance by VFT members was well in excess of 70. Thanks to everyone on their efforts on this very very hot weekend! You must be extremely proud of yourselves!

On the weekend, 8/9/10 March, we will see the running of the Phillip Island Classic (Historics). Over 530 entries which will make it a very busy weekend. This event is thought to be the largest historic meeting in the Southern Hemisphere. The organisers need to be congratulated on growing this event to the status it now holds. EIO's for this event has already topped 60 VFT marshals. Added to this, a number of overseas and interstate visitors will boost our numbers even higher. On the same weekend, we also have the first round of the VMRC at Winton. EIO's at this event is 15 at present, plus 4 trainees.

At the February committee meeting, I was once again appointed Chief Flagmarshal for 2013. My assistant will be Roger Chirnside and has agreed that one of his responsibility will be to mentor our prospective Chiefs/Senior Officials. I thank Roger in anticipation for his role. As in previous years, one of my goals is to give officials the opportunity to rise up the ranks. This is all part of a succession plan to ensure the Club has sufficient leaders moving forward.

Tony van den Dungen will once again head up our training committee ably assisted by Suzi Arnott. Tony will give more information on courses and training as they become available.

The calendar for 2013 is a lot less hectic than last year, with only 3 clashes. Apart from the AGP, we have only 1 event between March 10 and May 16 which is the Phillip Island State Round on 6/7 April. The VFT has committed to supply marshals at all calendared events. Your assistance especially with clashes, will be gratefully accepted.

## Chief Comment:

**Remember if displaying a yellow flag/s and race control calls for a red flag to be displayed at all points, keep a yellow out as well. The yellow flag identifies to the drivers where the incident is.**

If you need to register or withdraw from an event, please use ONE of the following 4 methods:

1. Ring the Club mobile on 0409823657 OR
2. Leave message on VFT answering service 8796 5321 (NB – New number) OR
3. Email – [chief@vicflag.org.au](mailto:chief@vicflag.org.au) OR
4. Add your name to the list at a prior event.

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**Your Chief  
Your Club  
Terry O'Callaghan  
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# Training Matters

by Tony van den Dungen



The Porche 6 hour has just been conducted and Paul Meade and Anthony Filippousis were there to greet and induct the 8 new potential members. These same "newies" were put with Kevin Redman at turn 1, Roger Chirnside at turn 4 and Michael Arnott at Turn 9. Many members took on different roles and the biggest boon to us was that all marshals had a radio! Thank you Porsche Car Club! And thank you induction team! My recent operation flared up some problems with my knee and after accompanying Suz Arnott for the best part of a lap of the circuit, (sorry never got to turn 1), I retired from the event. Thank you to Suz for continuing on. Thank you also to all those members who helped with the training. Terry O'Callaghan reported that we had 70 marshals attend over the weekend!

Officially speaking, the training committee has not been formed but all previous members expressed a desire to continue and as such their naming will only be a formality. I was delighted with the response from our past President Kevin Watson in that he wanted to continue in this role. If there are any members out there who would like to be involved now or in the near future, please let us know. The silly season is about to commence with the Clipsal, Historics, Winton and the AGP all requiring our skills and dedication. Good luck to all and don't forget to show the country our professionalism at all events! Regards, Tony van den Dungen  
Training Officer VFT

## Induction Report

Well, another year is about to kick off. We have had mostly good things happen with our members over the looooong break and some sad news. On a sad note, Benjamin Adam Clarke's brother passed away after a battle with cancer. Our condolences go out to you Adam. On a happier note, Scott Garnham and his wife had a baby girl in January and Glenn Rochester not only got engaged but is also expecting a little bundle as well. From an induction point of view, I must have had a little bit of stage fright with 70 odd people attending the AGM, I forgot to mention a couple of things. Michael Rasmussen has been a member of the Induction team for 3-4 years. Unfortunately, due to his work commitments, he will not be continuing on with the team this year. His input into our meetings and his help has been invaluable. Thank you for all your efforts. Another shout out goes to Lloyd Owen. Again, even though he hasn't been part of the team, he was available to help us out throughout last year. Karen Legg and Anthony Filippousis haven't put their expression of interest in as yet, but I'm

hoping they will continue. Anthony will be scarce throughout the year but is available to help out when needed which is greatly appreciated. For our first event, the Sandown 6hr, we have 13 trainees, 8 are first timers. At the time of writing this, we have 7 trainees, 1 first timer for the Historics and 4 first timers for the Winton clash. Within the next couple of events we will have Dean Anglin, Sonia Jaiswal, Ian Saxby, Michael Clewitt and Sean Bernardo who are approaching their 10<sup>th</sup> day. If you haven't paid your membership for this year, don't forget to pay or we won't be able to present you with your 10 day kit. Speaking of presentations, I eventually got around to presenting Melissa Hatton with her Grade 4 badge and Bag. Catch you at the track

**Paul Meade**  
**Grade 4 Rep and**  
**Induction Co-ordinator**



# **The Victorian Flagmarshalling Team proudly present:**

## **Jim Richards Guest Speaker Night**



Thursday April 11th 2013

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97 Beaconsfield Parade, Albert Park VIC 3206

Dinner is available for you to purchase from 6pm

Guest Speaker commences 8pm

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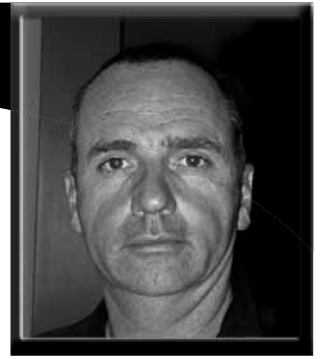
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# VFT Promotions and CAMS Rep

by Murray Stevens

## No armco, no big trucks, no mozzie bytes ... and no stupid hat



Its report time again.

Firstly a thank you to our committee, for some reason they have allowed me the honour to service our great team for another year in both CAMS and Promotions.

This year I'm going to combine the reports as it's nothing more than easier for me...

CAMS. The Victorian State Council has had its first meeting for the year. We had the privilege of being joined by our new CEO, Eugene Arocca. This man has come from a sporting background but has had little to do with motorsport, but I don't think it's going to be a problem for us. Mr Arocca is ready to make changes, to listen and during our meeting he was taking notes like a university student. At one stage, a gentleman told the meeting of his bitter disappointment in CAMS at the Bathurst 12 hour. He spoke of being made to feel like he was wasting his time and the race stewards had no real logic. I had to agree. After he finished, Mr Arocca stood up and thanked him for the criticism then asked the gentleman to call him in the morning.

Mr Arocca told the room it's time to show the Australian people our passion for the sport. It's been quiet for too long. We should be 'up there' with the top 'ball codes'.

CAMS has a media manager, Leef Mulligan. His work will involve getting the sport into the news and social media on a daily basis or when it's needed quickly. Image and information is everything.

An interesting point he has introduced is that every CAMS staff member is to attend race meetings this year, in their CAMS uniform but ready to work the day trackside. This is going to assist help them to understand what the sport looks like on race day and the people that make it happen.

I believe finally we have someone who will be around and will make a difference.

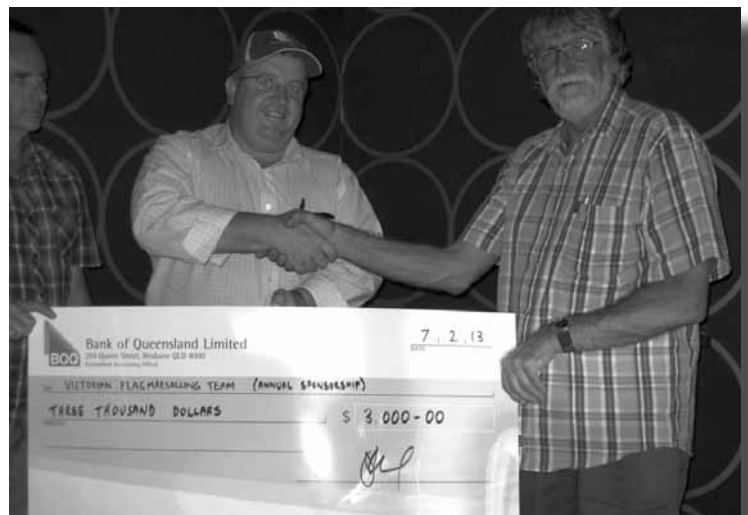
The rest of the night different clubs gave their reports, most of which sounded the same apart from the words used. All clubs are looking for new, fresh blood and some sort of support from above. Funny that after the reports, Avner Kooperman, National Club Development Officer, asked me to address the Council about the importance of the Sport Seminar that was on the same weekend we had the Porsche 6 hour. Basically I told the room to stop asking for help, but then not go to a seminar that last year helped me no-end do my Promotional role in the VFT.

Did you know.....that 60% of volunteer motorsport officials in Australia are 60 years of age?  
(National Officiating Survey, 2012)

Lastly, please keep the Jim Richards Night free to attend and listen to one of our more diverse and successful drivers. April 11th

That's all, and Good Night!!

Murray.



# PATRICK O'NEILL



Patrick O'Neill passed away on Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February 2013. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Pat dedicated countless hours to motorsport and was a fixture at Winton raceway as the driver of Safety 1 and the on track leader of the Fire and Rescue team, with his best mate, Gus McMahon, beside him. No official was held in higher esteem than Patrick. Seeing him and his crew busily preparing the circuit for racing at the beginning of a weekend reassured not only the competitors but also those charged with running the race meeting. You knew that you had a world class team, led and motivated by Pat, out on the track. No-one was a better operator than Pat. His level of concentration while cars were on the circuit, no matter what other chatter was going on, never seemed to wane and he would have noted some careless driver long before he got into trouble or would be moving towards an accident even as the radio call was being made. He could be relied upon to give an accurate assessment of an accident scene and how long it would take to clear up. He was that good.

A down to earth and practical man, he had a low tolerance for fools and posturing. He was a fine judge of character, with a wicked sense of humour. He delighted in taunting the race director of V8 Supercars. He considered the theatrics and circus of the category far exceeded its importance. Yet he was as committed to their safety as any other driver's. But not without a bit of fun.

The race director would become agitated when he spotted Pat parked in his usual position in the infield behind old pit lane. An urgent radio call would be ordered instructing Safety 1 to move behind the protection of old pit lane. Pat would be unusually slow to respond but would wend his way as instructed, only to pull up short of the entry. The directors blood pressure would rise, another radio instruction issued, and Pat would slowly enter old pit lane, undoubtedly grinning broadly. The next day, when the race director had returned to Race Control and was in command again, here came Safety 1 with Pat at the wheel, barrelling across the track and into Pit Lane in the wrong direction, but perfectly safely. The director went into apoplexy demanding to know the identity of the driver and making utterances to the Clerk of the Course about the need to get his officials under control, when the Safety Communicator, one of Pat's many mates, told a little white lie saying that he had given permission to enter Pit Lane wrong direction. Case closed and Patrick had the last laugh, and everybody else in Race Control, bar the director, had to hide their grins.







Patrick would stay in his caravan during race meetings, the permanent camp being known as “the Swamp” in respect of its cleanliness and classy décor. He was the wine industry’s friend as he never met a bottle of red wine that he didn’t like nor one that wasn’t just about to pass its use by date. He enjoyed life, good company and good times, and yet had a serious side just below the surface and a great depth of character. He was a keen observer and could be difficult when he thought his opinion was the right one. From experience, people learnt to listen carefully when Patrick offered advice, as he was usually correct. Pat always ensured that the various safety vehicles had an extra radio issued so that they could run their own separate chat channel. This would be alive throughout the meeting with gossip, quips, jokes, observations and comments about all and sundry. It made for lively listening and often had its own insider’s jokes. Pat’s voice would be heard more than any other. The highlight of any weekend though would be Patrick’s rendition of one of Banjo Paterson’s poems. Those of us who heard it will never hear nor read the Man from Snowy River again without thinking of Pat. Another age, another time, Pat had much in common with the poems hero. To be greeted by Pat as a friend and mate was one of life’s great rewards and compliments. Those of us who were privileged to work with him and enjoy his friendship will always miss him.

Vale: Patrick O’Neill

Bill McMurray

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## **My First Experience As A Flag Marshal**

My journey to becoming a flag marshal began with a pamphlet at the Dick Smith 500 last year. I had always wanted to get on the other side of the fence and involved in motor racing, but I was never sure of exactly how I was going to do it. Flag Marshalling wasn't something I had previously considered; however, the more I thought about it, the more it made sense to give it a try. This was an opportunity to get as close as possible to the action, and play a key role in communicating with drivers on track. Taking the pamphlet from the VicFlag volunteer at Sandown last year may be one of the best decisions I have ever made.

Waking up at 4.50am on my Saturday morning to prepare for a 50 minute drive to Sandown on a 36 degree day was not an appealing thought. However, as I pulled up next to a bright yellow fully kitted racing Porsche on Springvale Road, I was reminded of exactly why I signed up to do this. The warm welcome I received from all of the members of the team was much appreciated; albeit slightly unexpected considering that the sun was yet to make an appearance over the circuit. As I attended the briefing before the cars hit the track, it soon became apparent how much organisation and co-operation is required to run a successful race meeting. The importance of effective communication between flag points and race control is something that cannot be appreciated until you witness it first-hand. Slightly overwhelmed with all of the information and inside jokes at the briefing, two fellow trainees and myself headed to flag point nine feeling nervous yet eager to give flag-marshalling a try.

I loved every minute that I spent trackside, whether it was blue flagging, yellow flagging, or simply observing the radio communications between flag points and race control. Experiencing motor racing from the other side of the fence was something truly special. It was fantastic to feel the cars backfire, to hear the brakes squealing and to smell the racing fuel at such close proximity. The exhilaration I felt waving the Blue flag was unparalleled, and it was extremely satisfying to directly communicate with the drivers. I immediately felt welcome as part of



the team, and it was great to see the passion of the marshals in performing a voluntary duty at a relatively small race meeting. The persistence and concentration of the marshals in extreme conditions also drew my admiration. It's clear that we are all in it for the love of racing. I greatly appreciated the chance to have experienced members of the team passing on their knowledge to me, and I'm sure their advice that will hold me in good stead for my future marshalling experiences. As I headed home after two scorching hot and long days, I would ordinarily have been tired and grumpy, but instead I was thrilled to have spent my weekend trackside with a great group of people. For anyone considering giving this a try, I couldn't recommend it highly enough.

I would like to thank Paul Meade for devoting his time to helping to me get trackside and facilitating this opportunity. I also greatly appreciate the efforts of Michael Arnott, Glenn Rochester and Anthony Fillipousis in passing on their knowledge and enthusiastically assisting me at flag point 9 over the two days. Lastly, I would also like to thank everyone who made me feel so welcome as part of the team, and I look forward to getting to know you all in the future. As I waved the Blue Flag to a beautiful Ford XE Falcon being chased down by an insanely fast Alpine Renault, I concluded, "I'm so glad I took that pamphlet".

**Tristan Clark**





## Stop Procrastinating – *you're going to love this...*

Quote: 'Only Robinson Crusoe had everything by Friday!!!' Author unknown  
Well, if you don't have a Friday, then here are 5 things we can use to help us stop procrastinating.

*(If you are a younger person and don't get this – ask someone with grey hair!)*

### 1 - Stop making excuses.

Proverbs 22 says a lazy person claims, "there might be a lion out there – if I go out there I might be killed" excuses, excuses, excuses. What have you been saying you're going to do "one of these days?" What are you making excuses about? The number one excuse I hear is "when things settle down, then I'm going to..." Truth is, things will never settle down. You must make a choice to prioritise and do what is important.

### 2 - Start today.

Not next month, not next week or tomorrow – again Proverbs says "Never boast about tomorrow, you never know what will happen between now and then." Truth is, none of us is guaranteed a tomorrow. So start your action plan today.

### 3 - Establish a planned schedule.

Proverbs is a book about wisdom. It teaches, "every wise person acts with purpose." If you fail to plan, you're planning to fail. You need to designate some specific timeslots each week for the things you need to do. Whatever it is, put it into your calendar. If it's a big task, break it down into small pieces. So how do you eat an elephant? – One bite at a time.

### 4 - Face your fears.

We hate to admit we have fears because we think they are a sign of weakness. But fear is a sign of humanity. You've heard it said, "Courage is not the absence of fear, it's moving ahead in spite of our fears." Heaven stands ready to help you – all you need to do is ask.

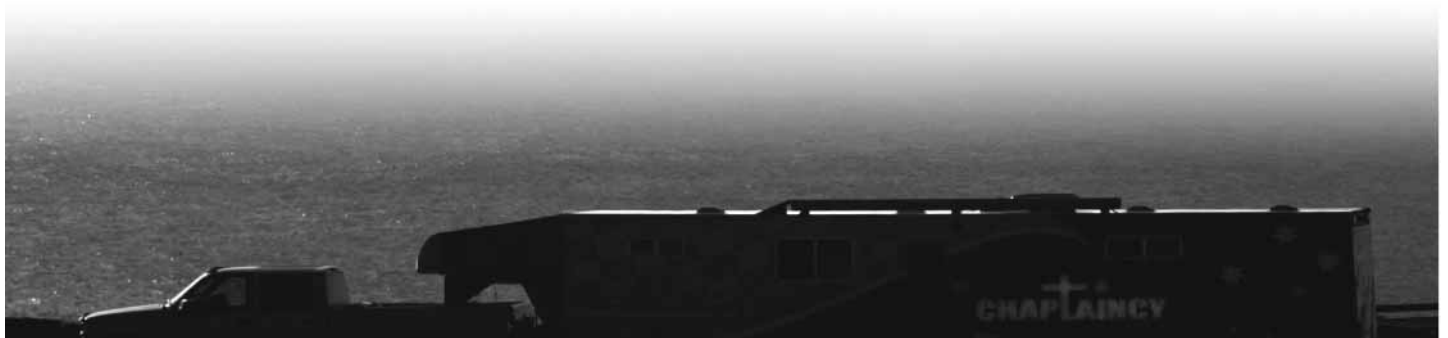
### 5 - Focus on what you gain, not the pain.

There are very few things in life that are easy. You must push through the frustration with your eyes on the gain even while feeling the pain. Concentrate on how great it's going to feel once you've finished the task. Again, the good book says, "Don't get tired of doing good – at just the right time you'll connect with your goal. There will be sacrifice and commitment needed but there will be tremendous joy and that satisfied feeling – when it's done.

**ACTION PLAN** - Write down 3 things you know you need to achieve, one for your family, one for your personal life and one for your career. Choose one of those 3, and start today. Even if you can only work at it for 15 minutes a day, do it – now you're on your way. Need some help? Talk to me.

Doing life with you, Chappy

Mark Bateman 0412 151 121



# Merchandise

Geoff Kay and Tyrone Parkhill are your VFT Merchandise Officers.

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# The 2013 Annual General Meeting and Awards Presentation

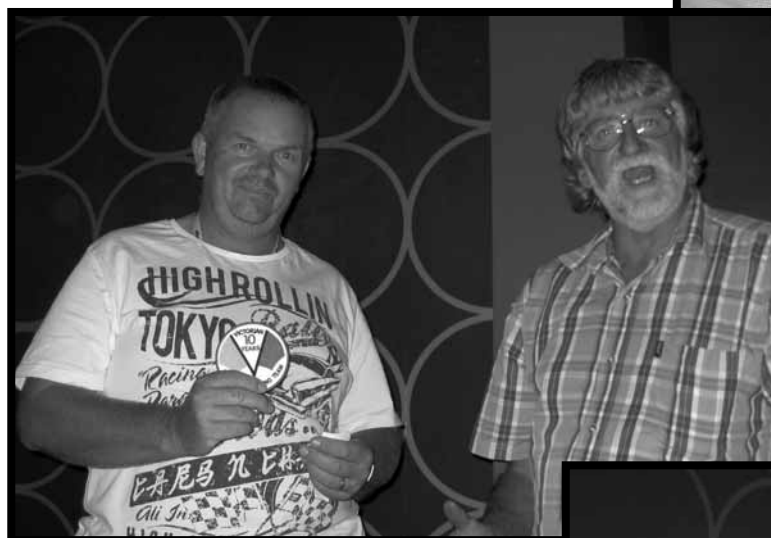


**Melissa Hatton** is presented with her 10 day bag at last.

A great turn up of flaggies and guests at the AGM was a lovely way to start our racing year. New Committee was voted on, and awards were presented.



5 Year member -  
**Anthony Filippousis**



10 year member - **Harold Dreher**

The Shallcross Award, for most improved Flaggie was awarded to **Mark Fischer**.

Mike and Gloria Shallcross are long time members of the VFT, who are no longer able to participate trackside, but still love to be a part of the VFT family through honouring improved flaggies each year.

Thanks must go to **Andrew Mercieca** for the supply of the wonderful images presented to award winners.





# The 2013 Annual General Meeting and Awards Presentation

The Neil Thompson Award, for the most number of days worked over the year, was awarded to **Geoff Kay**.

The President's award went to **Anthony Filippousis**.



Club person of the year was awarded to **Katrina Ballard**



Flagmarshal of the year was awarded to **Zoe Butteriss**

Once the voting was tallied the new committee was presented:

**President: Will Gaff**

**Vice President: Kevin Redman**

**Treasurer: John Pollard**

**Secretary: Eric Rigg**

**Grade 3 Representative: Mark Thompson**

**Grade 4 Representative: Paul Meade**





# Meeting Minutes

Minutes of General Meeting  
December 4th 2012 8.00PM  
The Beach House Hotel  
97 Beaconsfield Pde Albert Park

Members Present: 23

Apologies: Terry O'Callaghan, William Gaff, Matthew Ahlgren, Russell Clasby, John Pollard, John Grist, Stavros Polyhronidis, Country, Interstate and International Members.

President's remarks

1 Social media

Minutes from previous meeting [August]: Moved: Geoff Kay, Seconded: Paul Meade that the minutes be accepted. Carried

Matters arising:

Reports:

- 1 President
  - 1.1 Xmas Party at George's place: 16<sup>th</sup> December
  - 1.2 Roger's BBQ: 19<sup>th</sup> January
- 2 Vice President, via email
  - 2.1 Been a busy year, new website, membership cards, thank you to promotions team and all those who have helped.
- 3 Secretary: as per report.
  - 3.1 Promoters and Circuits asked to get their dates in and if we could avoid clashes.
  - 3.2 Members not updating contact details as required, several magazines have been returned by Aust Post
  - 3.3 Nominations forms available for the 6 elected positions. EOI's also being taken for all appointed positions.
  - 3.4 Website handed over, now working with hosts to find correct program to upload files to avoid error messages as some members have already seen.
  - 3.5 Memberships can now be paid, financial status on website is work in progress at moment, should not be a long delay.
  - 3.6 Kevin Watson: working at updating attendance records to finalise for the Neil Thompson award. Members asked to happy to focus on the top ten for contention as there is no-one else close. Members acknowledge that Kevin focus on top ten.
- 3.7 Changes from Consumer Affairs and Government: The Incorporated Associations Act of 1981 has been replaced with the Incorporated Associations Reform Act of 2012. 2013 Committee will check requirements. Ref to General Business.
- 4 Treasurer:
  - 4.1 Cheques to be passed for payment: Sunaura Embroidery \$62.70, Geoff Kay \$75 [equipment] Eric Rigg \$135 [Equipment and postage] Murray Stevens \$500.97 Flyers. Moved: Roger Chirnside, Seconded: Jason Carroll that cheques be passed. Carried.
- 5 Chief Flagmarshal, via email, presented by Kevin Watson
  - 5.1 Completed meetings, Chief's reports read.
  - 5.2 AROCA 6 hour cancelled due to lack of EOI's, individuals attended, some who were not on list. In the end the club could possibly have attended.
  - 5.3 Reference made to social media again.
  - 5.4 Concerns on withdrawals and no shows at events.
  - 5.5 Upcoming event: Winton 4 hour
  - 5.6 Members must add and withdraw own names only, please do not put other people's names on list in anticipation that they may attend.
- 6 Assistant Chief Flagmarshal
  - 6.1 Island Magic, thank you to those attending, numbers were low.
  - 6.2 PIARC function on Saturday night for 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Circuit being resurfaced over Xmas.
  - 6.3 Concerns about clashes and safety to officials. Roger will follow up
  - 6.4 Porsche 6 hour 23-24 Feb 2013
  - 6.5 Sandown Historics: VFT were diversified in many roles at event
  - 6.6 Grand Prix list closed.
- 7 Training Officer
  - 7.1 Training Committee meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Upgrades and paperwork addressed.



# Meeting Minutes



- 7.2 Nominating again for Training Officer in 2013
- 7.3 Next meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2013
- 7.4 Yellow flags are waved and are part of standard operating procedures.
- 7.5 Russian officials' standards are high and mostly require minimum support for the Russian GP
- 7.6 Philippines are looking at acquiring a V8 race.
- 8 CAMS Rep. via Kevin Redman
- 8.1 Kevin Redman on State Exec for another 2 years and also Victorian Commissioner for the S.O.P. Noel Tippet is Chair of the S.O.P
- 8.2 CAMS presentation dinner 6<sup>th</sup> December. President and guest attending.
- 9 Promotions
- 9.1 More flyers printed
- 9.2 Ad in program at Historics, some replies.
- 9.3 Guest Speaker night being arranged with Jim Richards
- 9.4 VFT has active recruitment programs, not like most clubs who are struggling.
- 9.5 Thank you to Promotions supporters for their help.
- 9.6 Kevin Redman: Jrace program running again at GP 2013
- 9.7 Holden sponsorship through, Kevin Redman, asked if there was feedback from Holden
- 10 Grade 3 Rep
- 10.1 Mail outs happening,
- 11 Grade 4 Rep
- 11.1 lots of new people coming through
- 11.2 Tyrone Parkhill presented with Starter Kit
- 12 Induction officer
- 12.1 Thanks to Induction Team for your work.
- 13 Magazine
- 13.1 Deadline 31st Dec
- 14 Merchandise
- 14.1 Require more Holden Badges
- 14.2 Overalls order going in
- 14.3 Thank you to all

Reports: Moved: Shane Rogers, Seconded: Tyrone Parkhill that reports be accepted. Carried

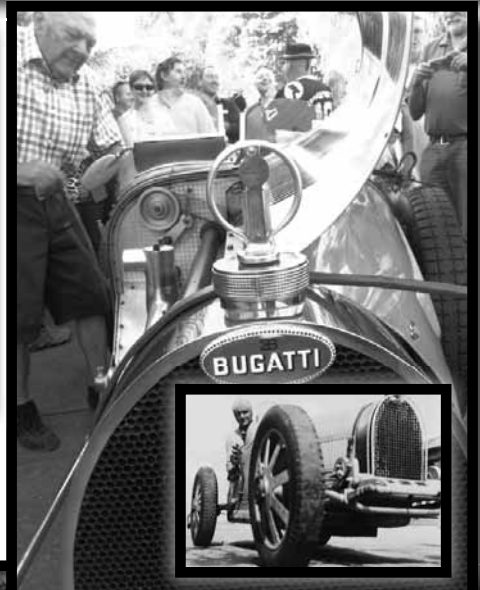
- 15 General Business
- 15.1 Kevin Redman
- 15.1.1 Ambulance Cover need to stress to new people:
- 15.1.2 Island Magic. PIARC presentation to VFT, plaque of appreciation.
- 15.2 Tony van den Dungen
- 15.2.1 We should recognise the Fabulous Officials Award
- 15.2.2 Does the VFT have someone on the S.O.P. - Kevin Redman
- 15.3 Suzanne Arnott
- 15.3.1 Possible to have Stand-by list for events if people change plans, varies circuit to circuit
- 15.3.2 Social Media: Think before you print
- 15.4 Eric Rigg
- 15.4.1 Membership fees can now be paid and Nomination forms for elected and EOI's for appointed positions are open.
- 15.5 Jason Carroll
- 15.5.1 OH & S concerns with several flag points at Phillip Island and Sandown. Roger Chirnside: if report is put in, offer suggestions on how to remedy.
- 15.6 Kevin Watson
- 15.6.1 Wishes everyone a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year

Next meeting: AGM: 7<sup>th</sup> February 2013 at the Beach House Hotel

Meeting closed: 9.45PM



# The VFT BBQ at Joy and Roger's



Once again we thank Joy and Roger Chirnside for opening their home to us for our January club BBQ. The weather was perfect, and topped off with a visit from our club patron George Hetrel, in his lovely Bugatti.



Contact the  
Chief Flagmarshal  
to attend these events

## VFT Attending Events 2013



2013	Where	What
March 8-10*	Phillip Island	Island Classic
March 9-10*	Winton	VMRC Round 1
March 14-17	Albert Park	Formula 1 Grand Prix
April 4th	Beach Hotel	General Meeting
April 6-7	Phillip Island	VSCRC 1
April 11th	Beach Hotel	Guest Speaker Night with Jim Richards
May 18-19	Sandown	VSCRC 2
May 25-26*	Phillip Island	Shannons Nationals
May 25-26*	Winton	Historic Winton
June 6th	Beach Hotel	General Meeting
June 22-23	Winton	Shannons Nationals
July 6-7	Winton	VMRC Round 2
July 20-21	Sandown	VSCRC 3

**Important Note:** These are the only events the VFT will attend as a club. Should you attend any other event it is your responsibility to ensure it is either a CAMS or AASA sanctioned event or you have adequate insurance. VFT uniforms and badges may not be worn at other meetings. Note: Please contact the Chief 10 days prior to each meeting to indicate your availability and obtain the sign on times for each day. Major Events (V8 Supercars etc.), require at least 6 weeks notification of availability.

### Registering for an event

Please note that the VFT's Facebook page advertises upcoming events the club is involved in, and can not take responses to register for events. If you have nominated to attend and your circumstances change please notify the Chief ASAP via one of the following methods.

Expressions of interest to attend events must be conveyed to the Chief Flagmarshal via:

The club phone: 03 8796 5321

The club mobile: 0409 823 657

Email: [chief@vicflag.org.au](mailto:chief@vicflag.org.au)

Or in person at the track or club meetings.

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## VFT Attending Events 2013 cont.



August 1st	Beach Hotel	General Meeting
August 3-4	Phillip Island	Vic 6 Hour Relay
August 10-11	Winton	Festival of Speed
August 23-25	Winton	V8 Supercars
September 13-15	Sandown	V8'S Sandown 500
September 21-22	Phillip Island	Shannons Nationals
October 3rd	Beach Hotel	General Meeting
October 5-6	Winton	Supertruck Nationals
October 19-20	Winton	AROCA 6 Hour Relay
October 26-27	Phillip Island	VSCRC 4
November 8-10*	Sandown	Sandown Historics
November 9-10*	Winton	Winton 300
November 15-17	Sandown	Shannons Nationals
November 23-24	Phillip Island	V8's Phillip Island 400
TBA	Phillip Island	Island Magic
December 5th	Beach Hotel	General Meeting
December 7-8	Winton	HQ 4 Hour Relay

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