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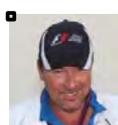
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## 2016 VFT Induction Team



**Induction Team  
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Neil Thompson [dec]

*This month's cover picture shows Mark Thompson and Tony van den Dungen after another successful Officials in Motorsport Expo held at Sandown in July 2016.*

## New Member

Welcome to our new member:  
Darren Day

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## Donation from Karingal Bowling Club

A big thank you to the Board of Management of the Karingal Bowling Club Inc for your donation to the Victorian Flagmarshalling Team Inc - Gratefully received.



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## 2017 VFT Membership

**Note:** 2017 membership subscriptions will be accepted after 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016: due date is 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017, must be paid by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017. Invoices will be sent in November Magazine so please make sure your contact details are kept up to date!



## ***Presidential Pit Stop***



Hello again!

How this time comes around again so quickly is beyond me. Just when you feel that you might catch up, there is something else that stretches your time management program (if you have one).

Over the past few months we have all been hearing about the fire and rescue situation with endless rumours, some clarifications that didn't actually clarify anything, then some sensible clarity for individual meetings, but not a lot that answers if it affects the VFT. So let me just clarify that we are in close touch with both CAMS and VFRS to monitor what outcomes may or may not affect us, and when all the facts are in place and we have a clear understanding, then we will be able to communicate back to the club as a whole that we have everything in place for the future.

Just under a week ago, as I write this article, my third grandchild was born on the Friday, and I was at the time thinking how well planned it was that I had decided not to attend a race meeting that weekend. I do feel somewhat sorry for those that did attend the Island in conditions that were not favourable, but it gave me a bit of an understanding as to those who have young families that have time pressure's placed on them. Having their little brother's arrival not interrupt basketball and gymnastics put everything in to perspective by my other two wonderful grandkids. What busy lives we do lead!!!! I think maybe I could have chosen differently.

Motorsport can become addictive, I believe. We all love it, that is why we do it. I think sometimes we need to stop and think, are we getting addicted? Does it take up too much of our time? Let's think about how we do spend our time and make sure that we get our priorities correct, so that our balance of work, family and pleasure is right.

Signing out,

Kevin Watson  
President  
Victorian Flagmarshalling Team, Inc.



## Flag One Reporting

We have finally seen the end of winter and look forward to some of that lovely Melbourne spring weather over the next few months.

Once again, the manning of most of the meetings over winter fell predominantly to the small band of “core” members – resulting in our resources being stretched very thinly. This was particularly noticeable at the Phillip Island 6 hour relay and August Access meetings. To those members who helped out, even for just one day here and there, I offer a very big thank you. Your efforts will certainly not go unrecognised.



Another group of “core” members who deserve a big thanks are the small band that attend the Winton meetings. Having personally attended the last three meetings, I can attest to the relaxed and friendly attitude that makes Winton unique. This includes the availability of bunkhouse accommodation and a Saturday night dinner at the circuit. Worth noting that of the last ten meetings for the year, five of those are at Winton, so if you haven't been to Winton before (or not for a while) how about placing your name on one of the lists.

It has been great to see so many trainees commencing their training, or nearing the completion of their 10 days. These people are the future strength of our club, so let's make sure that we make them feel part of the team, and that we genuinely show appreciation for their efforts.

Upcoming meetings:

- Phillip Island Shannons Nationals 9-11 September (3 day meeting)- *still need more people and can take late names up until 6<sup>th</sup> Sept.*
- Sandown 500 16-18 September (3 day meeting)- *list closed.*
- VMRC3 Winton 24-25 Sept.
- AROCA 10 Hour Relay Winton 15-16 Oct.
- Winton Sports Car Masters 22-23 Oct.
- Phillip Island VSCRC5 29-30 Oct.
- Sandown Historics (3 day meeting) 4-6 Nov.
- Winton 300 12-13 Nov.
- Phillip Island Magic 26-27 Nov.
- Winton HQ 4 hour relay 3-4 Dec.

Feel free to email me at [chief@vicflag.org.au](mailto:chief@vicflag.org.au) if you haven't already got your name on a list and you can help out.

Arthur Cooksley  
Chief Flagmarshal  
Victorian Flagmarshalling Team



## ***CAMS, Promotions, and Social Media Update***



### **CAMS**

Nominations are currently open for the CAMS Commissions Members. Most relevant to us, would be the Australian Officials Commission, from which our own Tony van den Dungen will be retiring at the end of the year. Terms run for three years from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2019. If anyone is interested in applying for a commission position, please refer to the CAMs website. Nominations will close on 30 September 2016.

Expressions of Interest are now being sought for the 2017 Victorian Motor Race Panel. Interested parties are asked to prepare a brief summary of their experience and submit to the Panel Chair, via CAMS ([vic@cams.com.au](mailto:vic@cams.com.au)), for consideration.

The City of Ballarat has recently passed a proposal document putting forward the case for a motor sport facility in the region. This is an exciting development for the sport in Victoria, and I'm sure we will all be watching on with interest to see how things progress.

### **Promotions**

Our next major promotional activity will be at the Sandown 500. Once again, we will have people wandering amongst the crowd distributing brochures to potential new members. As always, if anyone gets the chance to chat to members of the public during the event please do your best sales pitch for the club and the role.

### **Social Media**

For those of you using TiqBiz on your smartphone, the app has recently gone through a major upgrade. You may find you need to do an update of the app on your phone in order for it to work correctly.

And for those not currently using TiqBiz, it's a great way to keep up to date on the club, so please do download it from the app store and follow the club.

David Thornbury  
CAMS Rep, VFT Promotions & Social Media Administrator



## Grade 3/3A Report

Hello everyone – the year is flying by and it is September already and there is a little warmth back in the air. This means that things are going to get busy as we head for the end of the year. We have a huge number of officials attending the Sandown 500. This is all good but what the club really needs is more members to come along to some of the smaller events we do as a club. This year we have really struggled to meet minimum manning levels especially at Phillip Island. With minimum numbers, members are often working 1 up on a point as well as doing communications and not really getting a break all day. Once again it is left up to same core group of members that step up to get the job done. Many hands make light work so if you can lend a hand even if it is for 1 day your help will be greatly appreciated.



It may seem a while away but Christmas will sneak up on everyone so just a reminder that the VFT Christmas Party will be on the 11<sup>th</sup> December and the Chiefs BBQ on the 14<sup>th</sup> January. So mark these dates down and look forward to a couple of great social days.

I would just like to thank everyone who has been trackside this year and congratulate everyone on a great job. Keep up the good work Guys and Girls.

Cheers for now  
Matt Cornford  
VFT Grade 3/3A Rep

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## Grade 4/5 and Induction Team Report

One thing that I did discuss at the latest General Meeting was that at events, we are getting an average of three Grade 4's per event. A big number of Grade 4's have had or are still undergoing their assessments to go up a grade in which I wish them the best and I'm here to mentor them along their journey. There aren't all that many active Grade 4's left. This is due to a slow retention of trainees coming through over the last couple of years. This is not a dig at anyone. We have had some success with Seek this year with genuine people who are seriously wanting to work trackside, but looking at the information from last year, there were a lot of people putting their names down just to get a signature for whatever reason. Zoe and her team did their best but without much success. Your hands are tied and there is only so much someone can do.



With a big number of trainees coming to events these days, the senior on point needs to work with them, encourage them and keep your team enthusiastic to make it enjoyable, not only for yourself but to retain the new potential member. Let's all do our bit to make these people comfortable when they arrive at the track and let's get the number of Grade 4's back up.

Cya at the track.

Paul Meade, Grade 4/5 Rep, & VFT Induction Team Coordinator



## Motorsport Expo



### 2016 Officials in Motorsport Expo

By Mark Thompson

A big THANKYOU to all the members and friends who attended the Officials in Motorsport Expo, it was a great day with plenty of activities, giveaways and fun. With 18 presenters, a host of attendees and plenty of hands on activities the day was a real success. We send a special thanks to all our supporters and sponsors for their continued support for the expo and throughout the year. The day was MC'd by Tony Van den Dungen, so a big thanks to Tony for his invaluable organisational support and efforts leading up to the Expo; the practical Flagmarshalling session held by Kevin, Arthur and Matt which was a great success with plenty of questions being asked and advice given; and then to have it rounded off by an excellent presentation by Roger and Will on the Role of a Sector Marshal – so well done and thanks again to you all. A special thanks to Eric Rigg - Sponsorships, Rebecca Thompson - Excellent Photography, Bertram Dana - Setting Up & AV, Paul Meade - Cars, Glenn Rochester & Simon Baston for preparing a great lunch – and to all those who assisted in many other ways, a big thanks from Tony & myself.



We also have a special thanks to all our other presenters on the day:

- Darren Millett - Communications
- Tony Jenkins & John Teal - CATO Demystified
- Karyn Hamer - WAMS
- Michael Holloway - Stewards
- Col Smith - Clerk of Course
- Dr Matt Birdsey, Laura Brindley & Steve Lynch - Team Medical
- Russell Stork - Victorian Fire Rescue Services VFRS
- Ken Johnston (Kage) - Recovery Sessions & Critical Incident Management
- Lesley Short - Scrutineers
- Mark Bateman - Trauma Management

And last but by no means least our valued Sponsors & Contributors without whom the day would not have been possible, a big thank you for your support and generosity:

- CAMS Australian Grand Prix Corporation
- Sandown Park Raceway V8 Race
- V8 Supercars Penrite
- Shannons Insurance HQ Car Club
- PIARC Revved Photography
- WAMS TMA Team Medical Australia
- VFRS Victorian Fire Rescue Squad





# Expo pictures





## More Expo pictures





## TRAINING MATTERS

Hi everyone, well here we are at the three quarter mark of what seems to be a very full on year.

### Event Assessors.

I know a lot of you have been thinking about training and/or are currently undergoing upgrades. Whilst we endeavour to do all we can to arrange assessments and trackside training we are still faced with many challenges one of which is the availability of either seniors or members with Event Assessor's endorsement to be available trackside to carry out individual and team assessments.



The feedback has been very positive regarding the new trackside EA prompter sheet and we encourage everyone to seek a copy of this new doc as a reminder of our trackside training and to serve as a refresher.

### Sector Marshals Program

Our Sector Marshal Program is underway with Roger Chirnside leading our trainees into the program. We congratulate Natalie Daish, Paul Freeman, Paul Kelly, Paul Meade, & Paul Nowland as trainee Sector Marshals and thank our Senior Marshals for taking them under your wings – so well done to you all. And to all our budding Sector Marshals please be sure to give your expressions of interest to Roger to check your suitability for the role.



### Report Writing & Communicators Course

We are currently seeking expressions of interest in attending a Report Writing and Communicators Course. Once we have adequate numbers we will then put together the session. It may be run in conjunction with a mock Stewards Hearing and be held afterhours during the week, so let any of the training committee or senior marshals know about your interest and we will add you to the list. We have not established a date as yet; however, we are looking at Oct – Nov for a suitable date.

I thank you all again for your support toward further training, education and your commitment to the club. I look forward to the warmer months of the year ahead and to seeing you all at the next event and hearing about your suggestions and training needs. Remember our Training Committee is at your disposal to answer your questions, alternatively please discuss your needs with your Grade rep.



Mark Thompson  
VFT Training Officer



## ***Date to remember – VFT Christmas Party 11-Dec-2016***

This year's **VFT Christmas Party**, the location of which once again is generously offered by our Patron George Hetrel and his wife Pat, will be held on **Sunday 11 December 2016**.

For those that haven't been there before, the Hetrels' beautiful Como Gardens property includes: a vintage car museum housing some sixteen plus cars and loads of memorabilia; a miniature railway capable of carrying 30 passengers, always a delight for the adults as well as children;



6 acres of formal garden; as well as a rainforest track, complete with teddy bears picnic and hobbit hole; and an enclosure with chooks, turkeys, peacocks, and other exotic birds. There is something for everyone to enjoy



so please come along and make the most of the venue with family and friends. Como Gardens is located on the Basin Olinda Road in The Basin, Melways Ref 65, K7.



You are invited to arrive from 11:00am onwards. Please bring your own food (BBQ or picnic), chair or picnic rug and lots of Christmas cheer. The VFT will supply drinks (beer, wine and soft drink).

*Santa will be making a visit to Como Gardens to give presents to our younger guests. If you wish for your child to receive a present, please bring a gift for your own child (no more than \$20 value) to fill Santa's stocking. Please make sure your gift is clearly marked with your child's name and give it to one of Santa's helpers when you arrive.*

Photos on this page courtesy of the Como Gardens website [www.comogardens.com.au](http://www.comogardens.com.au)



## ***Date to remember – Chief's BBQ 14 Jan 2017***

Once Christmas and New Year are over and before everyone heads back into the hurly burly of race meetings, attendance at the **Chiefs BBQ** is a must event – and will be held on **Saturday 14 January 2017**.

This purely social event is a great opportunity for new members and families to come along and enjoy the evening. In past years we have been very lucky with the weather and with the backyard floodlight, with a motor racing theme, it has always a very convivial occasion.

For the benefit of the hordes of first timers that we hope will be coming, the format is very simple. The Club will be supplying beer, wine, soft drink and water, as well as salads and memorable desserts (including profiteroles for Tony van den Dungen!!).

All you have to bring along is something to cook on the BBQ, and a chair, preferably to sit on.

**Sign-on is at 6:00pm** and chequered flag is when the last one leaves!

Location is - **'Brooklands', 46 Dorrigo Drive, Boronia** (Melways Ref 65 D5 for those who still use a map!!) – the home of Roger and Joy Chirnside

Everyone, including well behaved children, are cordially invited – the more the merrier!

*Roger & Joy Chirnside*

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## ***Event to remember – AGP 2017***

In the forthcoming weeks/months officials will be required to register interest in taking part in the 2017 Australian Grand Prix. When doing so, please be very mindful of the fact that this is a four day event and all officials will be expected to attend on all four days.

In 2016, as well as several years before, there were a significant number of people who had to withdraw from one, two or more days, citing inability to get time off work or other commitments. This places a strain on a number of organising parties, not the least of which includes the Chief Marshals Team, who have to juggle numbers daily around the trackside posts.

There will be a degree of understanding for extenuating circumstances, but if you need to organise leave, do it when the date becomes known, rather than the week before the event.

Roger Chirnside



## Recent Presentations



Danielle Bell, Judy Hill & Murray Stevens receiving Service Awards of 5, 10 and 20 years respectively



Nevil Thatcher receiving his 20 year Service Award



Colleen Walker receiving her Grade 3 badge



Paul Kelly, Shane Rogers and Glenn Rochester all receiving their Grade 3A badges



Cataldo Mase receiving his Grade 4 badge and his starters kit





## Courage, Care, Connect

you'll love this!



Quote: 'Out of your vulnerabilities will come your strengths' Sigmund Freud

I grew up in a great home, number 5 of 6 siblings. We had fun, my home life was safe and I 'fitted in.' When I was 13, some kids at school didn't like me much, because my Dad was a preacher. Looking back now, I can see I disconnected from my family in order to connect with these cool kids but what I felt was shame; shame for my family not measuring up. The sad outcome was, I was too ashamed and wouldn't admit I was wrong and reconnect with my family and I still was not good enough for my school 'mates'.

No one wants to talk about shame, yet the less you talk about it, the more you have it. What underpins shame is 'I'm not good enough,' we all know that feeling: 'I'm not *blank* enough. I'm not thin enough, rich enough, beautiful enough, smart enough, this or that enough.' Tragically there is a persistent amount of media ads that imply you're 'not good enough' without owning what it is they are offering. It's just spin to get you to hand over money.

In order for us to belong, we have to allow ourselves to be seen, really seen, but we feel very vulnerable and often put up masks - we don't like being vulnerable.

But here's what I believe – the people who have a strong sense of love and belonging believe they're worthy of love and belonging. A result of authenticity, they are willing to let go of who they thought they should be in order to be who they are. They fully embraced vulnerability, which you have to do to truly belong and connected. The word courage, it's from the Latin word 'cor,' meaning 'heart' -- to tell your story of who you are with your whole heart. I believe that what makes you vulnerable, made you unique and beautiful.

You can't numb those hard feelings of being vulnerable without numbing the other emotions. So when we numb our vulnerability, we numb joy, we numb gratitude, we numb happiness. And then we are miserable, and looking for purpose and meaning makes us feel even more vulnerable, so then we turn to substitutes (often addictive) to feel better.

Blame is described by researcher Brene Brown as, 'A way to discharge pain and discomfort.' Blame becomes the way to hide our vulnerable state, 'I'm right, you're wrong. Shut up.' This is what politics looks like today. There's no discourse anymore. There's no conversation. There's just blame and rhetoric, no constructive dialogue and our country slides downhill.

The Good Book says God made me, 'just right and that my life is planned and has purpose.'

I'm just so grateful, because to feel this vulnerable means I'm alive. When we work from the place of, 'God's got my back, I'm good enough' ... then we stop screaming and start listening, we're kinder and gentler to the people around us, and we're kinder and gentler to ourselves. Owning our own story can be hard but not nearly as difficult as spending our lives running from it. Embracing our vulnerabilities is risky but not nearly as dangerous as giving up on love and belonging and joy – experiences that make us feel the most vulnerable.

Have a think about this, ...doin' life together! Cheers      Mark Bateman 0412 151 121



## Merchandise

The 2016 Merchandise Officer is Natalie Daish.

To order merchandising you can see Natalie at the track or  
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For overalls and jackets allow 4-6 weeks as these are not stock items.

**VFT Merchandise**

Item	Price
Overalls	\$220
Winter Jacket	\$90
Overall Jacket	\$175
Bag	\$30
Plastic pouches	\$2
Polo shirt (White)	\$25
Bucket Cap	\$12
Cap	\$10
Beanie	\$10
Internal/External stickers	\$2
25th Anniversary medallion	\$20



## *In action (or inaction) at Sandown, Winton & Phillip Island*

### VSCRC Round 3 Sandown:



### Victorian 6 hour relay at Phillip Island:





### Winton Festival of Speed





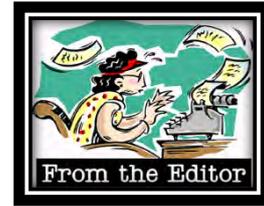
August Access meeting at Phillip Island:





## From the Editor

Many thanks to all contributors to this magazine.  
Please remember articles for the November edition are due  
24<sup>th</sup> October– [magazine@vicflag.org.au](mailto:magazine@vicflag.org.au) - Joy Chirnside



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### Just a thought.....

With the current crop of Formula 1 drivers becoming younger and younger eg Max Verstappen, a little over 17 years old, the question is “Who is, to date, Formula 1’s oldest race winner??”

Answer: Luigi Fagioli – 53 years 22 days when he shared the victorious Alfa Romeo in the 1951 French Grand Prix

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## VFT General Committee Minutes

Victorian Flagmarshalling Team Inc August 2016 General Meeting Minutes  
General Meeting Minutes  
4<sup>th</sup> August 8.00PM  
Beach Hotel, 97 Beaconsfield Pde. Albert Park

**Meeting opened 8.10PM**

**Members Present:** 19.

**Apologies:** William Gaff, Roger Chirnside, David Thornbury, Jenny Creet, Tanya Salan, Country, Interstate and International members

**Minutes of the previous meeting:** Moved: Geoff Kay, seconded: Shane Rogers that the minutes be accepted

**Matters arising:**

- A/ John Clarke: upgrade process documents on website, there appears to be an anomaly. CAMS guidelines mention that an assessee needs to be contacted a week before of the assessment.
- B/ Anthony Filippousis: question regarding EA’s being the only ones who can do assessments, Mark Thompson: that is correct and further changes to EA procedure coming through shortly.



## Reports

### 1 President

1.1 Concerns on numbers relating to attendances at race meetings. Very close to minimum manning levels requirements. Several responses from the floor on incentives, surveys etc to identify why members are not attending

### 2 Vice President

2.1 No report

### 3 Secretary: as per report

3.1 VHRR renewed sponsorship

3.2 VHRR invite to view the BT19 before it goes into storage, possible guest speakers as well.

3.3 October meeting change to 13<sup>th</sup> of October due to the 6<sup>th</sup> being Bathurst eve.

3.4 Corporate Printers donated the 30<sup>th</sup> edition magazine to the club.

### 4 Treasurer: as per report

4.1 Mario Pacifici questioned the amount on Merchandise and if it was in stock, Overalls, overall jackets and winter jackets are not stock items and ordered based on member/new member requirements.

4.2 Cheques to be passed for payment. Boost Up \$41.00 [embroidery], William Gaff \$199.75 [rigger gloves], Revolution Racegear \$405.00 [uniforms], Hostgator \$95.40 [web hosting], Corporate Printers \$160.00 [July Magazine], Telstra \$30 [Chief's phone], Aust Post \$48.30 [postage, uniforms to Glenn Morgan and Arvind Gawade], Telstra \$50.00 [Secretary phone], Invision marketing \$330.00 [Tiqbiz], Geoff Kay \$75.00 [trailer]. Total \$1434.45 Moved: Anthony Filippousis, seconded. Warren Gordon. Carried

### 5 Chief Flagmarshal

5.1 Report for Winton Shannons [16] and VMRC 2 [15], Kevin Watson, problem with lights, debris fencing has improved safety.

5.2 VSCRC 3, good numbers, Friday Practice day 3 attended, Sat and Sun 39, one driver attending came under prepared.

5.3 Vic 6 hour, disappointing numbers, our minimum number is 18, had 18 on both days. New procedure, if PIOPS needed to do fence repairs after an incident, field would be brought into pit lane and held until repairs complete.

5.4 upcoming events and number of members attending at this stage,. Fest of Speed, 15, August Access 22, CoW 8, VSCRC 4 12, Shannons PI 28, Sandown 500 60

5.5 Mailing list for Sandown 500, some waiting on letters, have shown that some have changed contact details, will resolve as quickly as possible

### 6 Assistant Chief Flagmarshal: Nil

### 7 Training Officer

7.1 Training Expo: CAMS covered cost, Sandown donated Vintage Room, 115 registered, 67 attended, including 4 newies, with 15 cancellations. Thank you to Tony van den Dungen, Eric Rigg, Glenn Rochester, Simon Baston, Bertram Dana and Paul Meade for assisting in Lead up, thank you to the Presenters, Sponsors and Supporters on the day

7.2 Prompter form paperwork, work in progress

7.3 Sector Marshal Deputies

7.4 Looking at presenting Mock Stewards Hearings for members.

7.5 Mentors available if members need assistance.

### 8 CAMS Rep. report not available at the moment will share for magazine

### 9 Promotions.

### 10 Grade 3 Rep.

10.1 sent out email asking members to attend at one day

10.2 Upgrade: Rebecca Armstrong 4 > 3, Colleen Walker 4 > 3, Shane Rogers 3 > 3A, Paul Kelly 3 > 3A, Glenn Rochester 3 > 3A. Mark Thompson mentioned that there were currently 15 upgrades in the system



- 11 **Grade 4/5 Rep: Nil**
- 11.1 4 members in process from 4 to 3
- 11.2 Cataldo Mase completed 10 days and moved to Grade 4
- 11.3 average 3 to 4 Grade 4 members attend race members, but will change come the Sandown 500
- 12 **Induction**
- 12.1 induction team had a meeting to address information main available to potential members. Kevin Watson advised that it is to come into line with Worksafe Practices
- 13 **Magazine**
- 13.1 Deadline 24<sup>th</sup> august
- 14 **Merchandise**
- 14.1 Final vest has been ordered, there are no more available in this line
- 15 **General Business**
- 15.1 Incentive draw winner: Shane Rogers
- 15.2 Mario Pacifici, Apology to members for tone used at April General Meeting, but not to Committee for asking question. Committee needs to know how to create policy, implement policy and then present to members, Kevin Watson thanked Mario  
John Clarke: Motion I move that Mario's statement be noted and no further action taken. Kevin Watson then asked for a consensus on that. Kevin Watson said 'a majority of members had put up their hands' So Noted.
- 15.3 John Clarke: On Facebook it was noted that no officials parking would be allowed the paddock, Kevin Watson pointed out that the usual designated officials parking areas apply dur to number of competitors in the paddock.
- 15.4 Anthony Filippousis: possible survey to why numbers struggled at race meetings. Kevin Watson mentioned that there was a survey circulated by Karen Legg and David Thornbury, several members in the room mentioned that they had not seen it.
- 15.5 Eric Rigg: caught up with Keith Alexander earlier in the night and presented him with the gifts that those 30 year members received at the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- 15.6 Shane Rogers: back to manning levels at Phillip Island, is it us or other disciples as well. It is across the board and no easy resolution to fix, ideas of carpooling, evening social events at restaurant, hotel, etc..

Meeting closed 9.25pm

Next meeting 8.00pm 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at the Beach Hotel.

### **David Thornbury's reports which could not be presented on the night**

#### **CAMS**

The next CAMS meeting will take place this weekend at the Winton Festival of Speed. Kevin Watson will represent the club. Please let him know if you have anything to raise.

Applications for the WAMS Trans-Tasman Female Officials exchange are now open and will close on 14 August. You do need to be a Gold or Silver CAMS official to qualify. Members can refer to the WAMS website for details as to how to apply. If you need any assistance with the application, please speak to a member of the club committee.

#### **Promotions**

Sandown 500 is coming up on 16-18 September. If anyone is interested in helping with recruitment at this event (including friends/family) please get in contact.

#### **Social Media**

TiqBiz has recently been upgraded. You may find you need to re-open the app and update your settings to ensure you receive notifications. Anyone with the TiqBiz app on their Smart Phone can refer to the last magazine for details.



## 2016 Calendar

February 28	Winton	Champ of Winton
March 5-6	Winton	VMRC 1
March 11-13	Phillip Island	Island Classic
March 17-20	Albert Park	F1 GP, not a VFT event
April 1-3	Sandown	Shannon Nationals
April 15-17	Phillip Island	V8's Phillip island 400
April 24	Sandown	Porsche 4 Hour
April 30 – May 1	Phillip Island	VSCRC 1
May 20-22*	Winton	V8's Winton 400
May 21-22*	Sandown	VSCRC 2
May 27-29*	Phillip Island	Shannons Nationals
May 28-29*	Winton	Historic Winton
June 11-12	Winton	Shannons
July 2-3	Winton	VMRC 2
July 23-24	Sandown	VSCRC 3
July 30-31	Phillip Island	Vic 6 Hour Relay
August 6-7	Winton	Festival of Speed
August 20-21	Phillip Island	PIARC August Access
August 28	Winton	Champion of Winton
September 3-4	Winton	VSCRC 4
September 9-11	Phillip Island	Shannons National
September 16-18	Sandown	Sandown 500
September 24-25	Winton	VMRC 3
October 15-16	Winton	AROCA 10 Hour Relay
October 22-23	Winton	Sports Car Masters
October 29-30	Phillip Island	VSCRC 5
November 4-6	Sandown	Sandown Historics
November 12-13	Winton	Winton 300
November 26-27	Phillip Island	Island Magic
December 3-4	Winton	HQ 4 Hour Relay

\* = Clash

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

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- The VFT Club Mobile: **0409 823 657**
- Email: [chief@vicflag.org.au](mailto:chief@vicflag.org.au)
- In person, **trackside or at club meetings**

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