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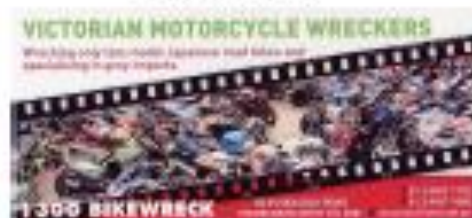
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## **Presidents Report**

Hello and welcome to the latest edition of Flatchat.

I'm writing this a couple of days after the Vic Titles and what an event it was! Over 200 bikes, the Hand shift Battle, Fastest 30 classic solo's, big sidecar fields....it was massive.

This year's event was also a major operation by your committee. I am incredibly proud of everyone and I know how hard they've worked. I think those that stayed for trophy presentation would have got an understanding of how much we appreciated the efforts of all and also just how much we as a group of racers owe people like Chrissie Clancy and Marg Todd.

Lots of people, some of whom were also racing, helped out over the weekend. People like Dougie Hicks, Chris and Dave Large, Aneta Philpots and Julie Skewes were all involved in keeping the show running. Almost all of the committee were there and they were all helping out too. Doghouse, Mick Cheg, Bec and Dave Betteridge, Keith and Reggie were all doing their bit. First Lady Leanne was constantly on the go assisting wherever she could. Even helping me out when I cooked my clutch on Saturday!

I think a special mention should also go to club member Tim Loone who took on the volunteer co-ordination role at the last minute after having to withdraw his sidecar due to mechanical issues.

I also know just how much time and effort was put in by everyone leading up to the event and it showed in the smooth running. Yes there were some delays but that's life. Accidents, oil spills, break downs, all add time to a very tight schedule...but no-one complained. Everyone just got on with their racing. So once again, thanks from me to everyone involved in the Vics....

Really looking forward to Winton and the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this unique event.

Cheers,  
Marchy.

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## **From the editor**

Hi everyone,

So many events on to start the year. A great day was had by all at the Eddington Sprints, this year saw plenty of solos and sidecars in addition to the cars barrelling down the road for the 1/4 mile sprint. The weather was threatening but fortunately held off allowing some great times to be seen. You may not be aware but Eddington is the first leg of a three leg sprint series at HMRAV, the others being Maryborough and Tarrengower.

The sprint series is a great option for some as it generally is a lesser time commitment than our race meets, they cost a little less to enter and are arguably a little easier on the bikes and outfits. As another option you can purchase a one event licence at a sprint meeting, of course a full licence is needed for our race meets.

In early April we saw the Vic Titles—a very successful race meeting with great weather and a heap of entries. For me I was really pleased to see Rebecca and Michelle place second on their Period 3 Norton sidecar in the Richard Frank handicap and third in unlimited sidecars. Its good to see so many women involved in Classic Racing, look out for a great story from Rebecca in this edition of Flatchat.

As we look towards a big 40th Anniversary Winton Event its looking like one of the biggest Winton events with no doubt some great racing to be had on the newly resurfaced track.

At our recent committee meeting we discussed how we are able to best promote our club. As the club now has over 300 members we are keen to know if you have ideas or suggestions in how we can further promote the great sport that classic road racing is. Feel free to get in touch with a committee member or drop in to a committee meeting if you can assist. There is no doubt what a great spectator event that our race meets are—we are just keen to ensure as many people as possible get to enjoy it, for the benefit of all involved!

All the best,

Reg #71

# 40<sup>TH</sup> HISTORIC WINTON

PRESENTED BY THE AUSTIN SEVEN CLUB & HMRAY

## TWO BIG DAYS OF HISTORIC MOTORBIKE RACING

### 28TH & 29TH MAY 2016

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# 2016 HISTORIC WINTON 40<sup>th</sup> RUNNING OF THIS ICONIC EVENT.

Below is a list of plans/ideas/proposals from Austin 7. At this point in time I don't have any specific details but if you're interested in anything in particular, drop us a line and we can chase it up for you.

**The track is being resurfaced**.....hopefully this will encourage more competitors to enter especially P5 Unlimited as our numbers are low in this group.

**Historic Motorcycle gathering - ' All Makes '** - combined with Vespa Display and Trike Display....most of us are in "Marque" clubs. Would your club be interested in displaying some bikes?

**Motorcycle trade vendors**.....Do you run a business and would you be interested in setting up a Vendor stall?

**Race sponsorship and advertising**....are you currently a HMRAV sponsor? If you want extra exposure please contact VP Doghouse Dave.

**Motorcycle VIP Guests/Invitation to early days competitors**.....are you a competitor from the early years of Winton? Contact us if you'd like a free gate pass.

**Possible Vintage / Classic Regularity motorcycle event.**

**Social Function on Saturday night** - early day's re-union - meet and greet.

**Sunday Ride Day to Historic Winton**....open invitation to clubs to come up and check out the event.

**Friday Benalla and District tour** - possible motorcycle participation.

**Camping Area**....Austin 7 informs us that there have been some improvements here.

I know as racers we're pretty narrow focussed at events. We're either on track racing or sorting the bike for the next race. But there are a lot of activities that take place at Winton that help to create the spectacle that it is.

We all have mates that have bikes and would love to be involved in some of the activities listed. Next time you're at a club meeting or social gathering how about promoting Winton and encouraging some of your mates to come along and join in.

## Mums can have fun too!!

This is a shout out to all mums out there, especially mums with young kids. Quite a few of you will know my kids if not by name, by face, Miss Ellie is 7 and Master Ryan is 2. They have both grown up at the track, the amount of extra Aunties and Uncles the kids gain is wonderful, its their home away from home.

We all know, mums live for there kids, and we always put them first, rarely leaving any time or energy for that matter for ourselves.

But, we have to make that time, we are not only part of there life, they are part of our lives, so, every now and then, it's our turn to have fun, and what better fun than getting out on 3 wheels I say!!!

Michelle Loone, from Otway Hydro Blasting and Metal Works, is getting back on the track by trying her hand at riding our P3 Norton sidecar. Together we have done Girls Track Days and Bonanza to prepare for The Vic Titles, and what a meeting it was!!

The weather was great, excellent fun was had dicing with Doug Gorrie and Stuart Williams, we had people coming from everywhere helping us on the dummy grid when we needed it, a fantastic girls photo opportunity which included Peggy Hyde and of course, one of my fav's - The Richard Frank Handicap Race!!

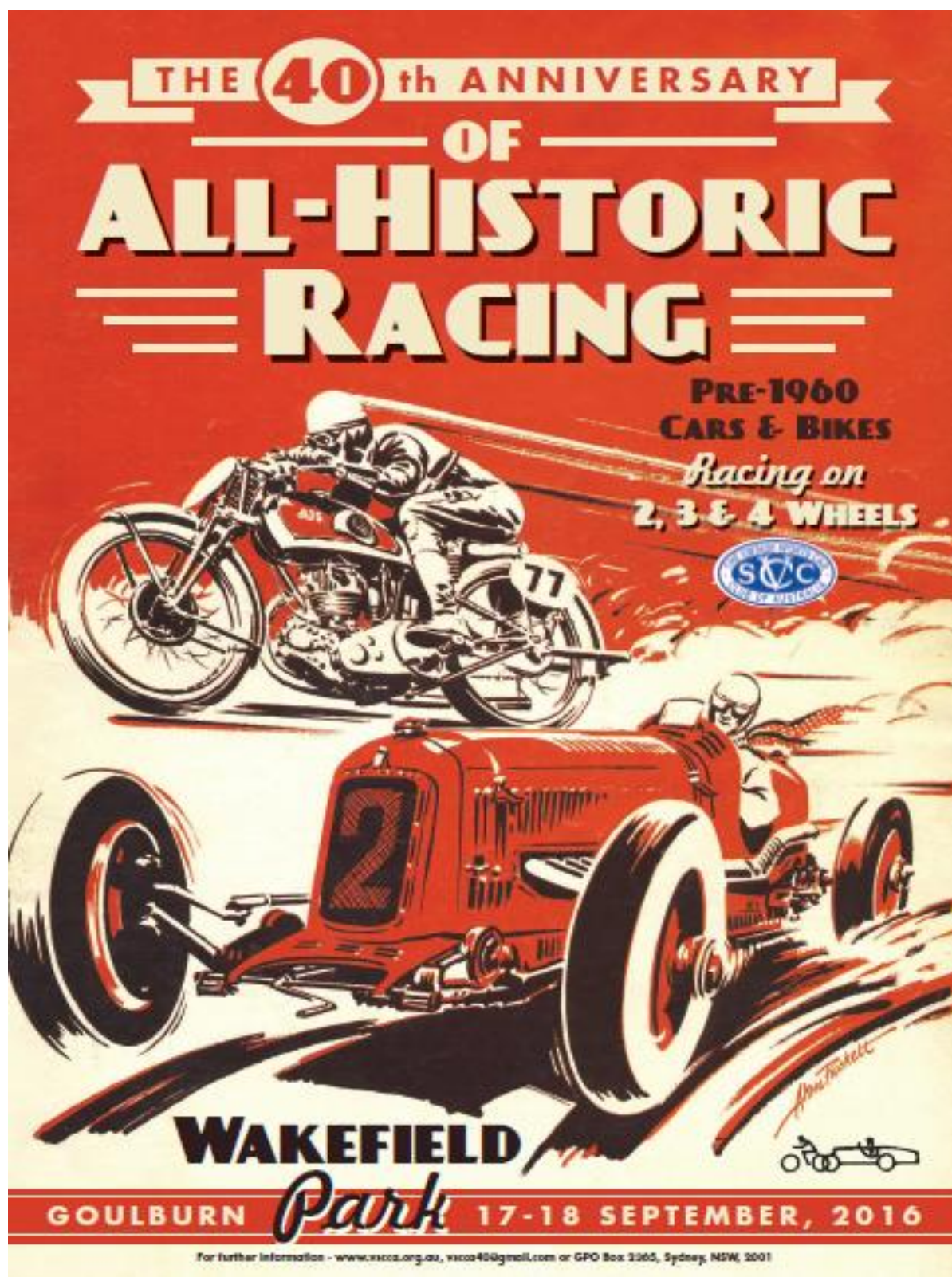
Oh my goodness!! Who'd have thought we'd get 2nd in that and 3rd overall in our class.

Yes it's hard and some planning and thought need to go into what time are our races, when the kids eat, toilet trips, nappy changes and remembering to have a drink yourself. Quite often I don't even get to chat to my rider til it's time to go out (good thing we are great friends) and then there's always the last minute 'Mum I need to go to the Toilet' or a no2 nappy to change 10mins before your next race,. But the point is, you manage, you run, people help you, let hubbys help, it can be done!

So I say to all you mums, if you're waiting til your kids are older to learn to ride that bike, jump on a sidecar or anything really, show your kids what you can do, what mums can achieve, lead by example, get them involved. I tell you what, coming into the pits after a race, see your hubby and kids cheering and clapping for mummy, giving you the thumbs up, makes me feel really proud to be a woman in this sport and this club and very very proud, to be a mummy.



*Editors comment—Well done Bec and Michelle on a great performance at the 2016 Vic Titles! Nice work!*



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## HMRAV dates for 2016

Historic Winton - May 28 & 29

HMRAV C & T – July 31

Southern Classic – November 5 & 6

HMRAV C & T – December 4

### Attention all **Red Plate** members of HMRAV

The club has hundreds of members with Red Plate (or Historic Plate) registration which means there are hundreds of renewals to process by members of our volunteer committee. To ensure that your renewal application is processed, you **must** include the following along with your renewal notice from Vic Roads:

You **must** send a photocopy of your current membership card to show that you are a financial member of HMRAV. This is essential and a Vic Roads requirement for red plate renewals.

**(In regards to family membership, It is important that each person who is part of that family membership, is known to the club and has been allocated a membership card)**

You **must** send a stamped, self addressed envelope to ensure that your renewal gets back to you in a timely fashion and arrives at the right address.

Failure to adhere to these conditions will mean that we can't process your renewal and will lead to delays and frustration for all concerned.

If you have any questions, our fantastic Red Plate coordinator, Mick, is only too happy to give out advice. Please call Mick on 0401 819 609 if you need some assistance with Red Plate issues.

The red plate scheme is one of the great things about belonging to a club like HMRAV, so please let's all ensure we are supporting the club by getting our renewal processes right the first time.

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# Victorian Historic Titles - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2016

<b>CHAMPIONSHIP RACES OVER 4 LEGS:</b> <b>Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Legs 1 &amp; 2 - Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Legs 3 &amp; 4</b>			
<b>Class</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Third</b>
Vintage Solos	Daniel Urquhart	Guy Vickerman	Peter Birthisel
Class C Solos	Ross Bolding	Mike Cheg	Eddie Preston
Classic Solos 125cc	Jonathan Houston		
Classic Solos 250cc	Jonathan Houston	Lincoln Wilson-Tucker	John Imrie
Classic Solos 350cc	Keith Campbell	Phil Paton	Greg Watkins
Classic Solos 500cc	Keith Campbell	Greg Watkins	Danny Ahern
Classic Solos Unlimited	Garth Francis	Russell Craddock	Keith Campbell
Post Classic Solos 125cc	Ron Matthews	David Gittus	
Post Classic Solos 250cc	Dave Keenan	Lincoln Wilson-Tucker	Peter Heles
Post Classic Solos 350cc	David Campbell	Keith Campbell	Dave Keenan
Post Classic Solos 500cc	Chris Pash	Danny Ahern	Daniel Kelly
Post Classic Unlimited Solos	Eric Giggins	Darren Tindale	Craig Hemsworth
Forgotten Era Solos 125cc	David Short	Trevor Liversidge	Peter Forkes
Forgotten Era Solos 250cc	Lachlan Hill	Mick Moloney	Ben Shaw
Forgotten Era Solos 350cc	Lachlan Hill	Chris Hayward	Kevin Youngson
Forgotten Era Solos 500cc	Colin Heather	Chris Hayward	Craig Longhurst
Forgotten Era Solos 600cc	Mark Lithgow	Nick Van De Zand	Daniel Sandler
Forgotten Era Unlimited Solos	Chas Hern	Robert Ruwoldt	Mark Bond
Classic Sidecars up to 650cc	Geoff Dodds & Wal Dodds	Stuart Gorrie & Alaina McCarthy	Geoff Allport & Toby Frisch
Classic Sidecars Unlimited	Garth Francis & Paul Kenny	Dave Philpots & Jason Skewes	Michelle Loone & Bec Betteridge
Post Classic Sidecars 836cc	Ray Smith & Amanda Smith	Geoff Grant & Melissa Foot	Mark Hollingshed & Andrew Heness
Post Classic Sidecars Unlimited	John Clancy & Rob Peters	Peter Cheeseman & Sean Cheeseman	
Forgotten Era Sidecars	Mark Knight & David Rumble	Doug Chivas & Scarlett Breen	Geoff Irwin & Eric Morrison
Formula 2 Sidecars	Mick Alton & Chrissie Clancy	Bruce Collins & Peter De Angelis	Eddie Poucher & Bronson Poucher
HAROLD CARTER MEMORIAL TROPHY (Fastest 30 Classic Solos)	Garth Francis	Keith Campbell	Chris Panayi
RICHARD FRANK MEMORIAL Classic Sidecar Handicap	Garth Francis & Paul Kenny	Michelle Loone & Bec Betteridge	Geoff Allport & Toby Frisch

On any Sunday...

A few members of the committee had gathered on a Sunday to help Chrissie Clancy put together all the competitors' mail out letters for the Vics. You know... the letter that has your pit number and passes.

Whilst doing this necessary but tedious job, I came across the letter for a certain Craig Hemsworth. Being a bit of a shit stirrer, I decided to write a note on behalf of Chrissie. Basically it asked for a couple of autographed photos of his two rather famous sons. I think I said they were for her 17 year old daughter but we all know that was a fib!

So a few weeks later we were at the Vics, everything was happening and the meeting was in full swing. I'd completely forgotten about "the note" when Chrissie came up, (a bit red faced) holding an envelope. Seems Mr Hemsworth Snr had come good and presented Chrissie with a signed photo of one of the boys and a promise of another photo in a few weeks' time.

Apart from suddenly being surrounded by nearly every woman in the pits, Chrissie could not say enough about how much of a good sport and gentleman Craig was.

Chrissie and I later went up and thanked Craig for his generosity and for taking the time to go along with a bit of fun and have a laugh.....Thanks again mate. Chrissie with her new best friend.....



## GENERAL MEETING—Minutes



Date: 7<sup>th</sup> of March 2016

Time: 7.10 pm

Venue: Mitcham Angling Club

Present: Chrissie Clancy, Bec Betteridge, Tim Loone, Keith Campbell, Dave Philpots, Doug Hicks, Brian March, Leanne March, Reg Boeti, Mick Large

Apologies: Jamie and Lisa Hickinbotham, Mick Chegidden, Pete Large, John Clancy, The Todds.

The meeting opened at: \_7.10\_ p.m.

### ITEM 1: MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MINUTES:

Minutes provided for reading.

No issues

Moved: Leanne

Seconded: Chrissy

### ITEM 2: Presidents report

Discussed support letter for Shoalhaven Motorsport Complex.

Brian read out email from Lisa Hickinbotham re volunteers. Advising memberships are up to date. Reg and Dan to provide new membership cards. Reg advised that you can purchase membership card printers. Brian advised to go ahead with it to make the process more streamlined. Reg to advise Lisa on how it works. Lisa putting together a mailing list for renewals.

Lots of interest in Eddington - approximately 30 entries.

Second phase of preparations for Vic Titles.

Moved: Bec

Seconded: Keith

### ITEM 3: SECRETARIES REPORT

\$700 invoice for Doug.

When paid, copy of permit will be provided. Not received as yet.

Doug confirmed that invoices for Eddington and Vic Titles paid on 18 February 2016. Cheque numbers provided to Keith for follow up.

Winton invoice to be paid - provided to Doug tonight.

Winton accommodation booked.

No other MV meetings on calendar to date.

Moved: Reg

Seconded: Dave

### ITEM 4: DELEGATES REPORT:

Nothing to report.

Moved: Doug

Seconded: Brian

## GENERAL MEETING—Minutes

### ITEM 5: RACE SECRETARIES

Change to how we do sign in.

Form created for all riders to complete : Licence #, Expiry date, next of kin and contact number and signature. Reason is that these fields have not been completed in a majority of entries received. Remove signature from this form. Discussion.

Also issue with indemnities not being completed. Everyone needs to sign an indemnity form.

Will MV accept a group indemnity as not indemnity form on line. To be checked with MV.

To be made a mandatory field in on line application in future. Issues with certain browsers - I pads and tablets not working.

General discussion on issues with on line entries.

Reg to have discussion with Brian from Blue Gorilla.

130 actual entries for the event (189 bikes).

Riders to be advised to enter on time, but not pay until certain of bike's availability. This will ensure that entries made on time and may improve possibility of securing a pit.

Moved: Leanne

Seconded: Chrissy

### ITEM 6: TREASURERS REPORT

Qantas Account - 22,527.46

Q Saver - 49,578.26

Term Deposit - 68,603.34

NAB Account - 8,806.66

PayPal account - 9,661.40

Total - 159,177.12

Moved: Bec

Seconded: Keith

### ITEM 7: PROMOTION OFFICERS REPORT

Shannon's keen to sponsor - \$4,000 to cover both meetings.

Doug advised Shannon's paid for last year.

Brian to arrange trophies for Shannons for best presented.

Shannons have a display at Exhibition Buildings on 8-10 April 2016. Performance Expo. Want bikes and side cars - 15-20. No need to pay, just time. [www.fpmmotorexpo.com](http://www.fpmmotorexpo.com). Bikes to be dropped off Thursday and can be collected Sunday afternoon or Monday morning. Dave to confirm will participate. Confirm load in/load out; Exhibitor passes; parking provided; times. Set up dvd's playing to draw people in.

Moved: Reg

Seconded: Doug

### Item 8: MERCHANDISE OFFICERS REPORT

Merch ordered. 50% discount on stubby holders ordered.

27% discount on tshirts and Handshift shirts - used more colors and picture logo for T.shirts, hats and stubby holders.

Moved: Dave

Seconded: Leanne

### Item 9: FLATCHAT - REG.

Flatchat uploaded to website.

Reg and Dave to arrange sponsors copies and manual mailouts. Also making sure all sponsors are up to date.

Vic Titles program to work backwards from date to work out times.

Discussion on sponsors.

Discussion on grid sheets and numbers.

Moved: Chrissie

Seconded: Bec

### Item 10: EDDINGTON.

Scrutineer - Need volunteers for scrutineering.

Need 3 people to scrutineer bikes and gear.

General:

Bike number order; each rider to be provided with details on bike prior; their bike and bike after.

## GENERAL MEETING—Minutes

### ViC Titles :

Supp regs: done.

Permit: Done

Website:

Officials: John Painter and Vic - Toddy

Race Marshalls organised.

Medical: Race solutions - booked.

Flaggies: RMV - confirmed

Timing: Chrissie confirmed with Computime. Chrissie to check whether they will arrive Friday or Saturday.

Flyer/Program/tickets: Sid/Doug

Scrutineers: Morgan's (and accommodation) booked.

Volunteers: Lisa? Need to try and arrange volunteers.

(Brian to speak to people about some volunteers as it is difficult to get the numbers this time.)

Merch: Bec

Canteen: Keith to confirm with Tess.

Trophies: Round 1 of the Hand-shift battle.

Trophies - pewter tankards - to pick a clubman that deserves recognition in Period 5 500/600 in memory of Guy Brown.

Trophies: Marchy

Program: Reg to talk with Chrissie about classes, etc.

Open MV practice on Friday before Vics.

Pits to be allocated and sign posted.

**Moved: Keith**

**Seconded: Mick**

### **Item 12: GENERAL BUSINESS**

Doug has booked 4 HMRAV sheds at Bonanza. Open to all HMRAV members.

Pete requested that the major trophies at the Vics and the Southern be handed out at the start of trophy presentation.

Also that it might be of value moving presentation back to the veranda of the classroom - closer to the bar! PA needs to be set up at schoolhouse.

Meeting at Wakefield in September 2016 - dates to be provided in Flatchat. Danny Rock had a phone call from organisers trying to raise some side car entries for Wakefield Park. Bikes don't need to be log booked and riders can get a one off licence on the day.

Historic Winton - to dress in 1976 gear. Program will be about the same as every other year.

Lisa to buy all normal goodies for volunteers.

## GENERAL MEETING—Minutes

Family memberships - what is red plate constitution? Need to make clear to all members that you need to be listed as part of the membership, and have your own card, to be considered a member of HMRAV. Run some information in Flatchat about family membership rules.

Purchase best Telstra subscription for internet usage at the track.

Need to speak to Blue Gorilla about MA licence numbers not transferring across. Brian to email Blue Gorilla tomorrow - highlighting that compulsory fields need to be completed. Submit needs to be selected at the end of the process, not at the start.

Pete Large not able to attend meetings for the next few months.

Keith raised concern that Rex Wolfenden has not been allocated a pit. Discussion took place.

Tim raised that his sign writer to provide a quote for plaques to see if we can get a competitive price for a larger product. Tim to speak with Mick.

No tyre guy at Vic Titles as he cannot get the pit that he wants. To put a note on Facebook checking to see if any other tyre guys are interested in attending.

Doug advised thank you letter from Broadford Scouts as club increased payment for race day help.

Moved: Reg

Seconded: Dave

Next meeting: 11 April 2016

Meeting closed: 8.45 pm.

Next meeting will be a general meeting at: 7:00 pm at the Mitcham Angling Club 19 Brunswick Rd Mitcham

MINUTES ACCEPTED BY THE COMMITTEE

DATE.....

Signed ..... .PRESIDENT

