

# MGCC Racing Register Committee

Minutes of Meeting held at The Hobson Stores, Sandringham  
Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**Meeting Opened:** 7.05 p.m.

**Present:** David Vernall, John Baragwanath, Kim Cole, Jason Holmes, David Mottram, Allan Richardson, Jim Robertson, Andrew Watson

**Apologies:** Peter Dunn, Trent Price

**Opening Note from RR Captain:** MGCC Presentation Dinner was held the previous Saturday evening, (4<sup>th</sup> December), at the Darebin Arts & Entertainment Centre where Greg Hewson was awarded the trophy for Outright 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 2010 MGCC Road Racing Championship. Members of the RR made up 1 table as well as being present throughout at other tables.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** No corrections to the minutes as circulated were required.  
Acceptance of minutes, Moved: Allan Richardson. Seconded: Jim Robertson,. Carried: Unanimous.

**Business Arising from the Previous Minutes:** Nil

**Correspondence:** Nil

## Business

### **Register Captains Meeting:**

- The only event relevant to the RR was the Driver Training day calendared for Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2011.
- The RR is to provide supper at one of the G.M. evenings.
- MG Racing cars are wanted for display at the Concourse.

### **VHRR Sandown Histories:**

At the post event wash up meeting and the following points were noted.

- Assurance of a MG & IB category for 2011 and the foreseeable future.
- General consensus that there are too many categories being run presently. One course of action to be considered is to drop 1 category per year on a rotational basis.
- Officials turnout was excellent.
- Profitability this year likely to be lower than last year, probably caused mainly by the change of meeting sponsorship from National Lube to Penrite Oils.
- Financial return to MGCC will be the same as for the previous year.

### **Class Letters:**

Discussion was held in regard to refining the agreed class lettering to clearly delineate class "1" or "2" cars. Motion proposed to confirm and not alter the decision taken at the previous meeting (November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010)  
Carried: 7 For, 1 Against.

- Liason between Trent Price and promoters to advise of competitors numbers and class.

### **Calendar:**

- Positive feedback received by David Mottram from Wakefield Park. All British race meeting will be held on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. AHOC conducting a Sprint meeting on Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Offer of Practice session late Saturday afternoon. Qualifying, 3 MG & IB races & 1 All British race on Sunday. Entry fees of \$220 for Sunday racing, \$190 for Saturday sprints.
- Wakefield Park All British race meeting considered to be worthy of pursuing and to be included in the proposed 2011 calendar.
- FoSC Easter meeting at Eastern Creek considered to be an unviable option due to the VSCRC Rnd. 1 being held the weekend prior.
- VSCRC Rnd. 4 date change to October 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> (previously calendared for September 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>).

### **Registration:**

It was agreed that competitors will be required to register with the committee for competition in the 2011 season. A proposed registration form was discussed and suggestions made as to what modifications could be made. David Vernall will circulate a modified form (v2) for comment.

### **Awards:**

- After some discussion, it was agreed that the Peter Lee Memorial Clubman Award be renamed as the Hugh Gidney Memorial Clubman Award.

- Hugh Gidney Memorial Clubman Award: 2 nominations proposed, vote taken.
- Register Captains Award: David Vernalls problem!! (Ha Ha)
- Rookie of the Year Award: 1 nominee proposed, no vote required.
- Link Automotive MGF Trophy: Kim Cole.
- Bent Con-rod: 4 nominations proposed, vote taken.
- MGF Phillip Island Index of Performance Trophy: Award given this year to the competitor who shows the best improvement in lap times. Winner named.
- Invited British Trophy: Tom Hutchinson.
- Outright and Class Trophies awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> places
- MG Road Racing Championship: Outright 1<sup>st</sup> place Perpetual Trophy presented to Greg Hewson at the Presentation Dinner.

#### **RR Presentation Function:**

Jason Holmes & Andrew Watson to liaise. Consensus was to have a function at Hobsons Stores around late January or early February.

#### **Website:**

Trent Price unable to attend this evening, therefore no report from Trent. Note was made that there already has been some changes made to the website.

#### **Treasurers Report:**

\$5236 in the bank, Sponsorship money received from Hobsons Stores, \$190 received from regalia sales at Sandown Historics.

- Similar to previous reports, it is expected that 2010 will finish with a surplus of \$300 – 400

#### **Sponsorship:**

John Baragwanath has had discussions with some potential sponsors with results varying from genuine interest to no interest. John is predominantly looking to find a sponsor who would be interested in becoming a “name series sponsor” and some supporting “minor” sponsors.

- Flamecrusher will *not* be a sponsor in 2011.

#### **Eligibility Classification:**

The RR committee will be the arbiters of a cars classification and this process will be go hand in hand Registration for competition in 2011 as noted above.

#### **Committee Meetings:**

- Initially, a monthly meeting of the RR committee is considered to be needed. This may be relaxed later into the year if the workload allows.
- Try to conclude each committee meeting no later than 10.00 p.m.
- Circulate an agenda prior to committee meetings, with sufficient lead time to allow extra items to be added as required and notified to all committee members. This should also give members an opportunity to develop their thoughts regarding the various topics for discussion.

#### **Additional Business:**

- Suggested that we try to develop a theme for each round. e.g. Historic MG’s at Winton, invite owners of cars not raced for some time to display their cars at Sandown.
- Introduce a split grid and delayed start to allow the slower cars in the field to attain the full numbers of laps in their races. This idea was considered to be fraught with any number of problems and considered impractical. Reaffirmed that the scoring of points for 2011 will be done using the same system and method as was used in 2010.
- Dates relevant to the RR ought to be published.
- Commentators required. John Baragwanath spoke of the need for people who would be prepared to commentate at race meetings on behalf of our category. These persons would need to feel comfortable with the idea and using a microphone.
- “Wheelspin” articles & photos. John Baragwanath also spoke of the need for properly written articles and photos for inclusion in “Wheelspin”

**Next Meeting:** T.B.A. David Vernal to canvass the availability of members for a regular meeting date & venue.

**Meeting Closed:** 21.20 p.m.