

**IPRAA National Delegates Meeting**  
**9/10<sup>th</sup> May 2015**  
**Quality Hotel CKS Sydney Airport**  
**35 Levey Street, Wolli Creek, 2205**

Attendees - Garry Mennell (NA); Leigh Forrest (Tas); Gary McKay (Vic); Scott Willing (Vic); Alan Bucton (NSW Sat only); Steve Jagger (NSW Sat only); Joesph Lenthell (NSW Sun only) Steve Jagger (NSW); Drew Lawrence (Qld); Aaron Lawrence (Qld); Luigi De Luca (SA); Simon Moyle (SA); Steve Cherry (WA); James Pocock (NT); Lyn Starkey(minutes).

## **Minutes**

*Meeting commenced at 9.30am*

### **1. Opening and Introduction**

Garry welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

### **2. Confirmation of 2014 Minutes**

- Item 11 from 2013 minutes needs to remove the “all agreed”. LD
- Item 14 from 2013 as minuted does not makes sense reference re ABS with old/new technology etc. LD - GM will remove item 14 from minutes
- Item 3 point 4 Replace “rates “with “weights”. LD
- Item 3 point 6 Note to be added, agreed that any new items to be added to the bottom of the list. LD
- Item 7 Highlight that all states have option to use new National logo LD
- Item 8 Point 12 Replace “illegal” with “others”. LD
- Item 10 point 6 Add that WR variant is not currently excluded. LD
- Item11 point 5 Add and “don’t want to lose more competitors than we gain”. LD
- Item 11 point 9 Replace “equals” to approx. LD
- Item 12. Comment from SA was omitted. Sent email to all delegates mentioning that there are many factors to consider if change is warranted. LD
- Item 13 Comment from SA was omitted. The 2% proposed wording will not fix the problem.
- Item 13 Regarding Strut Braces and Roll Cages. SA vote was Free.(not minuted) LD
- Item 14 SA comment omitted. Diagram shows fitment of restrictor, turbo housing is free. LD

With above changes to 2014 minutes, minutes were accepted.

### **3. Finanical report**

- GM advice of typo ref to chq 135 should be from SA and not NT.
- Bank balance is healthy with an annual increase of around \$3500 to \$4000.
- Couple of states still owe Cap fees.
- GM asked for any thoughts /suggestions on possible expenditure.
- SC suggested that a re-write of regs for easier understanding and interoperation ie; re-formatting. Paid job. SW & SC to work on a draft format for review  
(Check with CAMS that this is acceptable)
- General discussion regarding a starter pack and Nationals web site. *Action*
- CAMS has some info regrading getting started in the sport
- Financial report was sent out via email prior to meeting

#### **12hr review and update**

- General discussion held regarding the email sent out be GM on the proposal and future of the event.
- Approx \$28,000.00 held in account.
- Item was held over until Sunday morning for finalizing

#### **4. State by state review**

Tas; 6 round c'ship with 2 rounds completed. Low grid numbers. other categories also low with combined fields

Vic: 5 round c'ship with 2 rds completed. Numbers down for Winton up for PI. Membeship is increasing.

NSW; 5 round C'ship with 2 rounds completed. V/low numbers with possible threat to having split grid for future if O2L doesn't increase

NT: 5 rounds C'ship. Cost factor to compete is a concern

Qld: 6 round C'ship. Strong numbers with more O2L cars. New BMW's Membership increasing  
Have some local issues with track promoters re rolling starts.

SA; 4 round C'ship 1 round completed. Membership is increasing. Good Vibe. Currently have issue with having no CAMS state C'ship.

WA: 2 round completed . 50 - 60 members, Grid number could be better. V8 event had split grid with 16 IP and 16 SC's

*Lunch Break*

#### **5. IPRA Nationals Review & Update**

SJ gave a rundown of the 2014 event.

- Number of entries were 83 total with 37 U2L & 46 O2L. Approx ½ from NSW
- Event was pretty much trouble free with a small profit at the end
- TV was worthwhile which included DVD package

JP updated 2015 event

- Waiting on Regs to be approved. GM to follow up Action
- E of I indicates about 15 to 20 interstate cars. About the same from local competitors
- Planning all going well with things looking good
- V8 marquees being held over and will be used for weekend
- 4 support categories
- EO from WA will attend. GM indicated he may also be able to attend in an official capacity as NA

#### **6. National Administrator position**

- GM asked if there was anyone interested in taking over the role. GMc advised that Ben Schoots may be in a position to takeover subject to work comments etc. Would not be for at least 3 – 6 months
- GM advised that he will stay on until someone steps up, but on a limited basis as he was not able to devote to much time to the job currently.
- GM gave a brief on his time as NA and IP moving forward
- General discussion
- IPRAA mission statement needs to be updated Action

#### **7. Yokohama Tyres**

- GM tabled the signed contract same as emailed copy to delegates
- General discussion on tyre issue with side wall failure
- Problem more evident at PI but has happened at other tracks
- GM has had talks with Yokohama on this issue
- Info/data sheet has been distributed and needs to be filled in and returned
- Number of factors may be the cause
- Tyre list in contract reflects which tyres fit within our regs and which do not

#### **8. Rule 1.1**

- General discussion on current wording and if the interpretation is consistent with what IP wants as an eligible car.
- Action from 2014 outcome was to remove section within 1.1 (iii) “The interior dimensions shall comply with the homologation requirements of FIA Group A”.  
Action
- Agreed outcome to remove word in 1.1(ii) replace with “sold by normal sale for road use” Action
- Discussion on the definition of a Touring Car. SW & SC to find and advise(confirm current FIA definition and provide copy to all delegates) Action

#### **9. General Business NSW**

- Sunset clause on LM’ racing as EM’s. General discussion. No action
- 2.5 L weight breaks. General discussion with some states in the negative. No action
- Sliding scale of restrictors based on weights. General discussion with some states

recognising that there is a need to have slight increase in size but there was no agreement on how it should be implemented. No action

- Over 6L NSW still thinks it needs some thought. No Action
- Under 2L turbo. General discussion. Some states recognised that there may be a problem in the future. More state club discussion required. No action

*Meeting closed 6.15pm*

*Sunday meeting recommenced 9am*

#### **10. Outstanding items previous meetings/ CAMS**

- No answer from CAMS on items sent in for clarification ( group A wording, ABS, Traction Control, tyre heat treating)
- ABS to be allowed to be run in 3J. General discussion on the fact that modern vehicles are all fitted with system. Unable to be removed as per rule 2.5
- SA read out the rule 10.1
- Vic proposed that a vote be taken based on, "Allowing ABS system to be used in a vehicle where it is Std equipment. Motorsport ABS control units are not permitted"

Vote; Tas- yes, Vic – yes, NSW- yes, NT – yes, Qld – yes, SA – no, WA –yes

- Motion by JP sec LF. To accept vote subject to confirmation by all states with 60 days Action
- Sequential Gearboxes allowed to be run in 3J. General discussion on allowing vehicles that come Std with sequential shift gearboxes to run. 2014 meeting delegates asked to get response from clubs. WA ask for vote

Vote; Tas- yes, Vic – not sure, NSW- yes, NT – not sure, Qld – not sure, SA – yes, WA – yes.

- GM asked that all states to confirm answer within 60 days Action
- Traction/Stability control. Discussion on allowing system to be run legally in 3J.
- Was pointed out that modern vehicles all have a form of T/S control and its is virtually impossible to remove from vehicle as it is integrated with several ECU's / BCU's systems. Intent: To allow vehicles that otherwise comply with 3J regulations that come fitted as standard traction/stability control to run in IP where the standard control unit is retained. Eg; VE Commodore, BMW335i, etc
- Discussion on possible wording.
- Rule 8.6 to add the following, "Vehicles that come fitted with Traction/Stability Control systems as Std equipment may retain these systems only where the Std computer control unit is retained for the traction or stability control. The fitment of additional or replacement ECU's for traction or stability control is forbidden"
- GM asked for all states to get back with an answer on allowing this to be implemented. Action
- Modifying of tyres (heat treating) General discussion regarding the policing and enforcing of the rule. Decision that no further action to be taken due to there being no effective way of policing if tyres have been heat treated.
- 6/7 speed gearboxes to be used as 5spd's. General discussion.
- SC to submit proposed wording ASAP for the intent of allowing in 3J Action
- Turbo restrictor measuring tool. GM to follow up with sample or drawing. Action

- SA submitted Vehicle Approval document on Mazda Cosmo for review by all states. LD spoke about progress of category, referred to email sent out mid 2014. Asked all states to consider and advise on possible guidelines with new vehicles being added to Vehicle Approval List. Action
- Wheel & Tyre Table/ rule 16.2 – Intention is to close the existing loop hole regarding wheel width vs engine capacity incl. 2% tolerance
- SA tabled wheel & tyre chart. General discussion on implementation of the chart in conjunction with rule 16.2. All agreed a wording change was required.
- Rule 16.2 change the word ‘nominal’ to “effective engine” Action
- Tabled wheel & tyre chart to have reference to “Class” be removed and typo changed to 1601cc & 3001 in 16.2 Capacity Classes. All agreed on chart being included in 3J regs Action

Lunch break

#### **11. 12hr support Event. (returned to, refer to item 3)**

GM confirmed with delegates’ on agreement between OTM and IPRA. All agreed to the below proposal

*All 6 stake holders to be given a payout figure of 1/7 of the cleared bank balance (profit) from the Bathurst bank account. The new promoter (OTM) of the IP Bathurst event will also receive 1/7 of the funds for working capital to assist in securing the future of the event. A fixed amount of \$1000/year will be paid to the IPRAA for a maximum of 4 years, or as long as OTM hold the rights to stage the event, based on an average entry @40 cars per year. OTM to agree that this event, or any other future event, will only be undertaken for and on behalf of the IPRA category.*

#### **12. General Business Qld (3 items)**

- Use of floor mounted pedal boxes
- General discussion. Qld to draft up a formal proposal Action
- Asked about EM cars running as LM or visa versa and being able to identify between the two.
- Noted that NSW already has “L” identification on their cars as per state regs.
- General discussion with all agreeing to the implementation to use of the letter “L” in or adjacent to door number panel for all LM vehicles Action
- Policing of LM vehicle that have non standard engines and them complying to minimum weight. ie; engine model change. No outcome. Further discussion required.

#### **13. General Business SA ( 6 items)**

- Think about combining of the rules of EM & LM rather than adding another sunset (3Jc) and probably have discussions and disruptions for another many years as we have had for EM vs LM
- Allow all LM cars run turbos as per EM?
- Why do we need LM weight limits. Should they be removed

- Allow more freedoms with control arms for all the category
- Freedom in the flaring/ pumping of guards for LM
- Look at slowing down fast V8's to be consistent if looking at EM U2L turbo
- LC asked that in general all delegates reply to all emails/correspondence in future
- Take above back to members for discussion

#### **14. General Business WA**

Introduce a sunset clause on use of Alloy Roll Cages in IP

General discussion referring to email sent out by SC. All states to discuss further

#### **15. Teleconference**

GM to organise a teleconference in approximately 4- 5 months in regards to any items that need to be confirmed or finalised from a result of this meeting

#### **Action items**

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| 1. Get quote for admin of IPRA Nationals website and starter pack             | Vic     |
| 2. Check with CAMS on status of IPRA Nationals regs                           | GM      |
| 3. IPRA Mission statement to be updated                                       | All     |
| 4. Rule 1.1 wording update  | GM      |
| 5. Definition of Touring Car  | SW & SC |
| 6. Confirmation of vote taken regarding ABS within 60 days                    | All     |
| 7. Confirmation of vote taken regarding Sequential G/boxs within 60 days      | All     |
| 8. Confirm proposed wording regarding Traction/Stability Control              | All     |
| 9. Obtain either sample of drawing of restrictor size checker                 | GM      |
| 10. WA to submit recommended wording to allow 6/7spd g/box to be used as 5spd | WA      |
| 11. States to discuss IP progression and adding of vehicles to approval list  | All     |
| 12. Rule 16.2 wording update  | GM      |
| 13. Inclusion of Wheel & Tyre chart into 3J                                   | GM      |
| 14. Draft of proposal for freedom in fitting of Pedal Boxs                    | Qld     |
| 15. Include wording to regs for all cars to run "L" indicating LM             | GM      |
| 16. Cosmo Approval  | All     |
| 17. Tele conference   | GM      |