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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Welcome back everyone after a cold and wet winter break. We resumed business last Sunday with a very well supported (by both competitors and spectators) one lapper and it was good to see so many cheerful faces and so much enthusiasm.

In recent times, the second half of the year seems to have greater momentum than the first, probably because after the August and September one lappers we have the Canberra round of the NSW Hill Climb Championship over the October long weekend. That's followed by two events in November (including a two lapper), just in time for the club Christmas Party. And if you think I've jumped the gun by talking about Christmas, it's closer than you think!!

The second half is also the business end of the ACT HillClimb Championship and after Sunday's event there are a number of drivers well in contention. Pedro Hietanen is still on top with 52 points but he is being closely chased by Jon Harrison on 50 and Martin Crombie, David Leaney and Alex Finch in the mid 40's. I think we can look forward to a close run to the finish.

Less sexy than a good day's racing, but just as important to the club, is the SDMA Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held in the Pit Stop Café at 2.00 o'clock on Sunday 23 October. The AGM is a critical event in the club year and can I urge everyone to consider coming along to contribute to the running of your club. We always benefit from new committee members and this year we will have a very significant vacancy as club Treasurer Alex Hitch will not be

standing for the committee again due to heavy work commitments. Alex has done a great job for the club in the five years he has been Treasurer so we need a volunteer who enjoys being part of the club management to put their hand up to take over this key role.

This issue of *Over The Hill* includes nomination forms for committee positions, including the executive (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer). All positions become vacant at the AGM so if you are interested in standing for election, please send your nomination to the Club Secretary, Dave Peisley.

As mentioned earlier, we've had more than our fair share of unpleasant cold, windy and wet weather and the 'traditional' clear, sunny and cold Canberra winter day hasn't been much in evidence. The significance for the club is that we haven't been able to schedule as many work days at the track. In the hope that the weather will become better for outdoor work, we want to get back into the swing of working bees, particularly with the State Round coming up in October, which is when we always want to put on a good show for our visitors. So when e-mails and Facebook posts advise of working bees, please try to help out, even if only for a couple of hours.

There has been a lot of public and semi-public comment about the difficulties being experienced by Wakefield Park at the moment. SDMA has always had to be very careful about noise management so can I draw everyone's attention to the article in this *Over the Hill* discussing our need continue to be very mindful of this issue.

John

Extra help needed at the State Championship round 1-2 October



On the Saturday and Sunday of the October long weekend, Saturday 1 October and Sunday 2 October, SDMA will host the final round of this year's NSW HillClimb Championship.

It will be an exciting weekend, with some of the best hill climbers from NSW and Victoria competing in a range of very quick cars. It will be an opportunity to watch some of the best drivers and cars around at the moment and also an opportunity for some SDMA members to race against them.

Competition is on Sunday, with a practice session on Saturday afternoon.

Because we will be running over two consecutive days we will need significantly more officials and volunteers than for a normal, single day event. More flaggies, more chocks, more grid marshals... the list goes on.

So if you're going to be in Canberra that weekend and can make some time available to help out, please think about offering to step up for a day, or a half a day, or even a couple of hours.

To help planning for the weekend, if you think you're likely to be available, please let Rohan Thatcher know at rohanthatcher@yahoo.com.au



VALE GRACE NICHOLS

The club lost its oldest competitor in July when Grace Nichols, 83, passed away in Kempsey, NSW. Grace drove a dark blue Suzuki Swift GTi and started competing after coming to the track many times to watch her son Jeff compete in his Westfield SE Clubman. She became bored just watching so the Suzuki was found and kitted out and in 2016 Grace lined up on the dummy grid for the first time.

Grace competed in more than 25 events, showing that age is no barrier to enjoying yourself. She was a lovely person who made many friends at the track with her cheerful and engaging manner and will be missed by all who knew her.

The club sent flowers to her funeral and extends its condolences to Jeff and the rest of Grace's family.



EVENT REPORT: One Lap Hillclimb – Sunday 7 August 2022

After no event in July because of the mid-winter break (too cold for the track, too cold for the cars and too cold for drivers and officials), an eager field lined up for five runs to resume battle for the 2022 Championship. There were quite a few close tussles throughout the day with two new class records set.

We welcomed a returning visitor, one of the towering figures of Australian motorsport - **four times Australian Rally Champion Neal Bates**. Neal has been to SDMA many times in the past but not for a number of years recently. He quickly showed that time away was no barrier to results, piloting the legendary Celica GT-Four to a new class record and to second place outright. Impressive for a visitor!

The metrological faith of everyone who entered was rewarded with good weather, quite remarkable given the torrential rain that came down only three days before and which continued, luckily less heavily, on Friday and Saturday. Sunday was mainly sunny after a cloudy start and the track warmed up well in the late morning and afternoon.

The track and the pit area withstood the deluges of the previous days very well, with only a small area of the pits having to be blocked off because it was boggy. The resilience of the facility is due to the drainage work that has been done in recent years, a big improvement from the past when downpours in the days before an event meant mud and debris had to be swept off the track on Saturday or, worse, Sunday morning.

The two new class records were the one set by Neal, who lowered the mark for Type AWD SV 4 over 3000cc from 44.18 seconds to 42.35 seconds, and Donovan Suine, who cut the previous record for Type 3 Over 3000cc three times, from 45.80 seconds to 45.50 seconds in Run 3, then to 45.41 seconds in Run 4 and finally to 45.28 seconds in Run 5. Donovan was double entered in Jason Perkins' new Lotus Exige, making its first appearance at SDMA.





Fastest Time of the Day went to Zac Le Lievre in the Westfield Megabusa in Type AWD SV 4 up to 1600cc, with a time of 41.75 seconds in Run 4.

Fastest Female Driver was Anita Jorritsma, with a time of 54.11 seconds in the Peugeot GTi 180 shared with husband Adam and father Tom (Ballard) in Type 1/2 1601-2000cc. **Fastest Junior Driver was Andrew Ericson** in the Suzuki Swift shared with his father Jamie in Type 1/2 up to 1600cc. Andrew's time of 52.31 seconds gave him second in class, only slightly behind Jamie and ahead of the other seven drivers in the class. A strong performance from Andrew.

The full list of class winners is

- Type 1/2 up to 1600cc Jamie Ericson (Suzuki Swift)51.69 seconds
- Type 1/2 1601-2000cc Adam Jorritsma (Peugeot 206 GTi 180)50.60 seconds
- Type 1/2 2001-3000cc Alex Finch (Mitsubishi Lancer)51.92 seconds
- Type 1/2 over 3000cc Jason Perkins (McLaren 570S)45.69 seconds
- Type 3 up to 1600cc Michael Suine (Fiat X19)51.09 seconds
- Type 3 1601-2000cc Jon Harrison (Renault Clio) 51.81 seconds
- Type 3 2001-3000cc William Goodwin (Mazda RX 8)49.94 seconds
- Type 3 over 3000cc Dominic Suine (Lotus Exige)45.28 seconds
- Type 4 over 3000cc Aaron Domio (BMW E36 325i)49.47 seconds
- Type 6 1301-2000cc Pedro Hietanen (TBC Supersports)45.44 seconds
- Type AWD 1/2 up to 1600cc Ian Zmood (Subaru Impreza).....62.74 seconds
- Type AWD 1/2 2001-3000cc Iain Chandler (Toyota GR Yaris)46.30 seconds
- Type AWD 1/2 over 3000cc Scott d'Este (VW Golf R)46.20 seconds
- Type AWD/SV3 up to 1600cc Robin Mules (Westfield SE Clubman)49.98 seconds
- Type AWD/SV3 over 3000cc Matthew Brown (Audi RS4)44.10 seconds
- Type AWD/SV4 up to 1600cc Zac Le Lievre (Westfield Megabusa).....41.75 seconds
- Type AWD/SV4 over 3000cc Neal Bates (Toyota Celica GT4)42.35 seconds

The complete final results are available on the club website, through the [Results](#) tab at the top of the home page. **The results shown there are the official times for the event.**

COVID affected the availability of officials, with people either having the virus themselves or isolating because they were close contacts. There was a lot of shuffling and doubling-up to cover vacancies but the club was again able to stage another professional event. We are very lucky to have dedicated officials and volunteers who work across the day to enable others to enjoy their motorsport.



Particular thanks to our Motorsport Australia Steward, **Peter Lambie**, who turned out at very short notice in place of our regular Stewards, Helen and Mick Nichols, who were both down with COVID.

- Steward: Peter Lambie
- Clerk of Course: Chris Hardy
- Pre-event Secretary: Daniel Cummins
- Event Secretary: Celeste Oringo
- Chief Scrutineer: Anthony Hyde
- Scrutineer: Ed Goncalves
- Fire and Recovery: Henry Hilhorst
- Pit Stop Café: Julie Merz, Julie Yates, Liz Hilhorst and Pam Masters
- Flag Marshals: Michael Mann, McKelvey Reed and John Courtney
- Timekeepers: Dave King, David Deaves and Conor Longmuir
- Chocks: Col Merz and David Yates
- Sound Meter/General Official: Lyall Reid
- Grid Marshal: David Yates
- Announcer: John Templeton

Chief Scrutineer's Report

With a near maximum field, the scrutineering team of Anthony and Ed inspected 12 vehicles (21% of the field) that either hadn't previously competed at Fairbairn Park, or had competed in a number of events since last inspected.

The standards of presentation and preparedness were high and Anthony's pick was Dan Vittorio's Ford Mondeo XR5 Turbo which had a nice mix of excellent presentation and owner touches.

Vehicles that have been issued with a Motorsport Australia logbook

Club members are reminded of the requirements of Motorsport Australia Schedule L1. General (f):

“Where a log book has been issued it must be presented at the Event even if not required by the table.”

This means that **where a vehicle has been issued with a Log Book it must be presented at each event it enters**. If there is evidence to suggest that a vehicle does have a log book and it is not presented, the onus is on the event organisers to advise the Event Steward(s) to deal with the matter. [Source: *Motorsport Australia, Division Manager – Technical*]



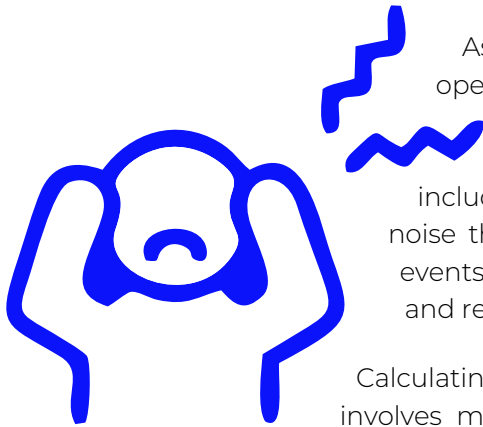
A FEW QUIET WORDS ABOUT **NOISE**...

Recent decisions by the NSW Land and Environment Court affecting Wakefield Park Raceway have focussed people's thoughts on how well or otherwise motorsport manages noise issues and the consequences of not managing them properly.

The Wakefield Park situation has been developing for a long time and is messy for both the circuit and the council. While it has happened in another jurisdiction, there is a lesson in it for us: we need to make sure we follow the rules that apply to us.



As everyone should know, and probably does, SDMA operates under an ACT Government mandated noise management authorisation that covers the *whole* Fairbairn Park motorsport precinct. It's not just the hillclimb – it includes the Karts and both bike clubs. The authorisation limits the amount of noise that can be generated, the frequency that clubs can hold events (e.g. events can't be held on more than two consecutive weekends each month) and requires 10 weeks' notice to the EPA of each event.



Calculating the amount and impact of the noise generated is complex and involves measurement at each track and impact monitoring at a compliance location in Queanbeyan about a kilometre to the east of Fairbairn Park. The two sets of data establish the relationship which determines the overall impact of the noise that has been created at Fairbairn Park.

The key consideration for the clubs is that at the beginning of each calendar year Fairbairn Park starts with 18 'noise credits'. Every time the SDMA runs an event, at least one noise credit is used and that number goes up if the noise limit for the event increases. As an example, SDMA imposes an 87 dBA noise limit for a club event and Fairbairn Park loses one noise credit. When we host the round of the NSW Hill Climb Championship (NSWHCC) in October, we have to follow the NSWHCC rules of 95dBA, which burns up two noise credits on both Saturday (practice) and Sunday (the event itself).

Because other clubs may require noise credits to run some of their events, it's imperative the clubs co-ordinate their event calendars to make the most effective use of every noise credit by holding events on the same day as each other. That means a lot of discussion between the clubs in September and October each year to come up with a calendar for the next year which will ensure we all get maximum benefit from each of the 18 noise credits. Generally that process works well. In the last few years Fairbairn Park has used close to 100 per cent of the noise credits each year and every club (including us) has been able to run a full calendar of events (for us 10 or 11 events a year).

One of the reasons that Fairbairn Park is able to achieve that good outcome is that the clubs work cooperatively among themselves to meet the requirements of the noise management authorisation and they work collaboratively with the ACT Environment Protection Authority (EPA). We collectively and individually have good relations with EPA staff who try to be as flexible as possible while still staying within the requirements of the authorisation.

For SDMA's part, it means we have to follow the rules and be able to show that we have followed the rules. There is a sound meter half way up the main hill from One Tree and every vehicle's noise output is monitored. That data is available to the EPA if it requests it. We also have to adhere to event start and finish time limits (9.00 am and 5.00 pm respectively) and generally be a 'good neighbour' even though we aren't in an ACT residential area.

For members competing in events, it means reading the Supp Regs for each event and ensuring your vehicle will be within the noise limit designated for that event (87 dBA for club hillclimbs and 95 dBA for the NSW HCC round). It also means minimising vehicle noise in the pits before the event starts.

If your car does set the sound meter off, you will have to fix the problem to the satisfaction of the Chief Scrutineer before you will be allowed to start your next run. If your car still breaks the sound limit, you will not be allowed to compete again that day.

If we all individually and collectively follow the rules, we shouldn't face the problems that Wakefield Park is currently facing.



SDMA Members at Wakefield Park Aus Time Attack

SDMA members (and current class record holders!) Matt Brown and Reese McIntosh both ran at the recent Aus Time Attack meeting, held at Wakefield Park on 23 July.

Matt finished third in the Production Sprint class in his rapid red rocket RS4 Audi, setting a very quick time of 1.05.0650. Reese finished close behind in fourth in another Audi, only 0.173 seconds behind Matt.

They were beaten only by two Toyotas in their class, a new Supra GT in first and a GR Yaris in second. There were 28 cars in the class.

Well done Matt and Reese!





Electric Vehicles (EVs)

Until July, Motorsport Australia (MA) did not allow MA affiliated clubs to accept entries from EVs in most motorsport categories, including hillclimbs. In line with that policy, SDMA has not permitted EVs to compete at the hillclimb.

On 1 July MA released regulations which permit competition by road registerable EVs subject to quite stringent conditions, mainly relating to fire hazards and risks to officials and spectators. The regulations apply only to commercially mass manufactured EVs and don't cover one-off special vehicles designed specifically for motorsport competition. To the best of SDMA's knowledge, motorsport clubs were not consulted by MA in the preparation of the new regulations.

The regulations raise many issues for club in terms of the infrastructure and equipment which will be needed safely to allow EVs to compete while doing everything reasonably practicable to ensure public and personal safety.

The Committee has set up a group chaired by Henry Hilhorst to go through the regulations and identify all the implications for us if we were to try to implement the new rules, particularly the resource implications, both financial costs and extra officials required. That process will take time.

Until we have that detailed analysis, and we are able to consider the experiences of any clubs which may decide to allow EVs to compete, SDMA will continue to not accept entries from EVs for our hillclimbs.

The link to Regulations for Event Organisers and Officials and the Technical Regulations is <https://www.motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/electric-vehicle-appendix>

The Standing Regulations for Event Organisers and Officials are 10 pages while the Technical Regulations are 2 pages.

The link to the MA media release is:

<https://www.motorsport.org.au/media/news/detail/2022/07/01/electric-vehicle-regulations-released>.



What's better to do on a sunny Sunday afternoon than come to the club's Annual General Meeting (AGM)?

Absolutely nothing!

The committee would love to see many, many members at this year's AGM, which will be held on SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER, starting at 2.00 pm, in the PIT STOP CAFÉ at the track. Drinks and light refreshments will be provided.

Every financial member of SDMA is entitled to come to the AGM and is very welcome.

The AGM is an important event for the club. It's where

- the committee formally reports to members on how the club performed in 2021-2022 (organisationally and financially);
- the audited financial statements, prepared by the independent External Auditor, are provided to members;
- the club committee for the next year is elected, with all positions open for election; and
- general business matters raised by members can be discussed.

The AGM sets the direction for the coming year and gives members an opportunity to ask questions or to make suggestions about the way the club is run.

Electing the committee for the coming year is the AGM's most important task. Our constitution says the committee consists of the executive (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) and as many general committee members as are necessary to run the club, but with a minimum of six.

The club needs, and benefits from, new committee members with new ideas and new approaches. The current committee wants to encourage club members to stand for committee positions to help strengthen the club and improve how we operate.

If you wish to stand for election to the committee, you need to be nominated by an SDMA financial member and your nomination seconded by an SDMA financial member.

Completed nomination forms should be sent to the Club Secretary, Dave Peisley at: d-p@home.com.au

Nomination forms for all committee positions [President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and general member] are on page 12

Roles and Responsibilities of SDMA Committee Members

President—coordinates the management of the club, chairs committee meetings and is SDMA's main representative when dealing with outside bodies (e.g. *Motorsport Australia*, ACT Government)

Vice President—assists the President and, if the President is absent or incapacitated, acts as President.

Secretary—manages general business including receiving and sending correspondence; issues notices of meetings, writes the minutes of committee meetings and the Annual General Meeting.

Treasurer—manages the club's finances and maintains the club's financial records. At each committee meeting, the Treasurer submits a financial report on the position of the club, including payments and receipts since the previous committee meeting. The Treasurer provides the club's external Auditor with all information necessary to enable the Auditor to prepare Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 June, which are presented at the Annual General Meeting.

Membership Secretary— maintains the Membership Register and processes membership renewals and new membership requests.

Club Captain— in conjunction with the Official Timekeeper, maintains the Drivers' Championship point score and track records for Fairbairn Park Hillclimb so that accurate records are available online and in hard copy; works with the Pre-Event Secretary to arrange officials for events.

Pre-Event Secretary— in advance of scheduled events, prepares and submits applications to Motorsport Australia (MA) for MA event permits, nominating key event officials including Event Secretary, Clerk of Course, Stewards and Chief Scrutineer.

Public Officer— responsible for liaison with the ACT Government Office of the Regulatory Services including lodging SDMA's Annual Return; ensures SDMA complies with the *Incorporated Associations Act*; must be an ACT resident.

Assistant Secretary—assists the Secretary in taking and preparing Minutes of proceedings and resolutions passed at Committee meetings.

Magazine Editor—prepares *Over The Hill* for electronic publication each month and works with the club President and social media team to ensure information for members is available in a timely and consistent manner.

Publicity Officer—undertakes public relations and liaises with electronic and print media about club activities, particularly advance publicity for events.

General Committee Members—work with the executive office bearers (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) and can chair sub-committees formed by the Committee. Can have continuing or ad hoc 'portfolio' roles e.g. Facilities Manager; SDMA representatives on the Fairbairn Park Control Council; maintaining and developing SDMA's social media presence; and raising sponsorship for key events such as SDMA's annual round of the NSW HillClimb Championship.



Southern District Motorsports Association

2022 SDMA AGM NOMINATION FORM

I hereby nominate: _____ SDMA Membership number

for the position of: _____

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Name of Proposer

Membership number

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Signature of Proposer

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Name of Secunder

Membership number

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Signature of Secunder

I accept nomination for the above position.

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Date/...../2022

ACT Hill Climb Championship METHOD OF CALCULATING POINTS

At each club one lap hillclimb, points in the Championship are allocated as follows:

- 1 Point For each completed run on the day, to a maximum of 5 points
- 5 Points For First in Class
- 3 Points For Second in Class
- 1 Point For Third in Class
- 1 Point For breaking an existing Class Record. This will be awarded to the new record holder at the end of the event. Only 1 point for breaking an existing class record can be awarded for each class at each one lap club event.



This means a maximum of 11 Points can be scored by a driver at a club one lap event.

All club one lap events count towards the Championship point score.

Two lap events and State Rounds do not count to the Championship point score.

If a driver enters to compete in two vehicles, Championship points and any records broken are **ONLY** given to the vehicle that the driver *nominates on the Entry Form* as the '*nominated*' vehicle.

In the event of tied points at the end of the year, both the ACT Hill Climb Champion and Class Champions will be determined by count back. The method of count back is:

- *If neither driver has broken a class record*, the driver who has the time closest (in percentage terms) to the existing class record for their car will be the champion.
eg Driver 1 (Type 1/2 Class Over 3000) best time 49.87s, record 48.6s = 97.17%
Driver 2 (Type 4 Class 0-1600) best time 48.27s, record 48.00s = 99.4%
Driver 2 would be the winner.
- *If only one driver has broken a class record*, then that driver will be the Champion.
- *If both drivers have broken a class record*, then the driver who breaks the existing class record at the time by the largest amount (in percentage terms) will be the Champion.
eg Driver 1 (Type 1/2 Class 3001+) best time 47.87s, record 48.46s = 101.23%
Driver 2 (Type 4 Class 0-1600) best time 47.97s, record 48.00s = 100.06%
Driver 1 would be the winner.

The *most recent class record* set by each driver will be used for this calculation.

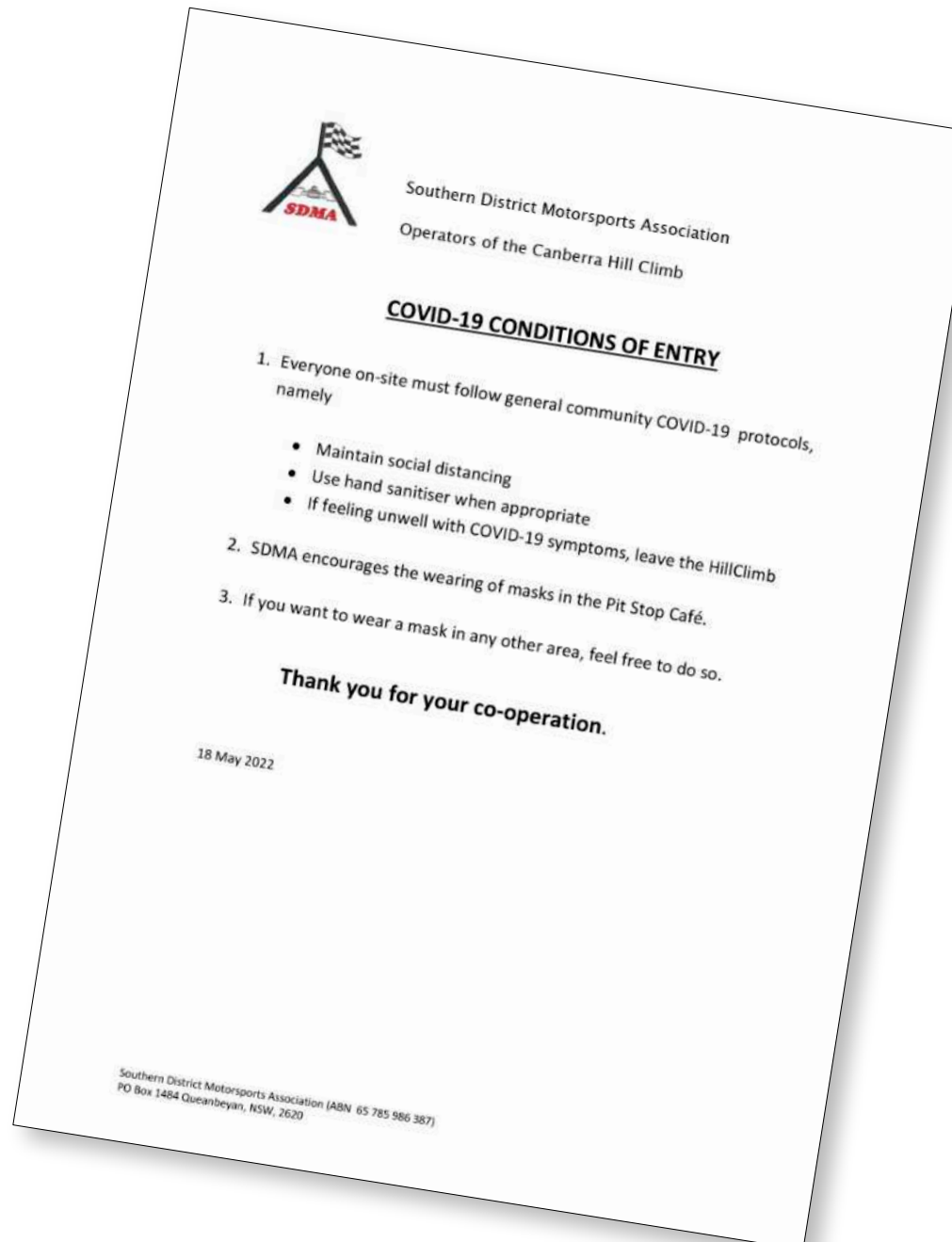
Competitors are required to compete in a minimum of three events to win a Class Championship, as recorded in the final results for eligible events. In this context, '*compete*' means having completed at least one valid timed run in each event.

EASING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS

The ACT Government eased COVID restrictions so it is no longer mandatory for people coming to hillclimbs (drivers, pit crews, officials or spectators) to check in electronically using the *Check In CBR* app and QR code.

However the government wishes organisations to continue to display the *Check in CBR* QR code for voluntary use by members of the community. So the posters with the SDMA QR symbol remain around the track.

SDMA encourages everyone to follow general community COVID precautions such as observing social distancing, using hand sanitiser when appropriate and wearing masks if they wish. These general precautions are set out in the revised *SDMA COVID-19 Conditions of Entry*, which are displayed at both entrances to the track (competitors and spectators) and around the central *Pit Stop Café* area.



SDMA 2022 CALENDAR:

The calendar may change. Check the club website (www.sdmahillclimb.com.au) and keep up with latest club news in *Over The Hill* and on the club [Facebook](#) page.

EVENTS	TRACK MAINTENANCE	NOTES
September SUNDAY 4 September (1st Sunday) ONE LAP HILLCLIMB	Saturday 3 September	Committee meeting Tuesday 13 September
October SATURDAY 1 October Practice NSW Hillclimb Championship Round 9, 12pm-4pm SUNDAY 2 October (1st Sunday) NSW Hillclimb Championship, Round 9 SUNDAY 16 October (3rd Sunday) ONE LAP HILLCLIMB	Friday 30 September and Saturday 1 October Saturday 15 October	Committee meeting Tuesday 11 October Labour Day 3 October
November SUNDAY 6 November (1st Sunday) TWO LAP HILL CLIMB SUNDAY 21 November (3rd Sunday) ONE LAP HILLCLIMB	Saturday 5 November Saturday 19 November	Committee Meeting: Tuesday 8 November
December * SUNDAY 4 DECEMBER Christmas Party		

SDMA SCRUTINEERING ARRANGEMENTS

1. Before COVID-19, SDMA practice was that every car was scrutineered before every event.
2. Motorsport Australia's 'Return To Race' COVID management policies stopped physical scrutineering of vehicles at events. Instead competitors are required to complete an on-line self-scrutiny declaration when submitting an event entry.
 - Because of concerns about the time between a competitor completing the on-line self-scrutiny form at time of entry and their vehicle lining up at an event, SDMA developed the SDMA Statement of Vehicle Compliance, which competitors must hand in on arrival at the track on the day of the event. It requires the competitor to confirm that they have examined their vehicle in the 72 hours before the event and certify that it still meets the standards set out in the on-line self-scrutiny declaration.
3. COVID restrictions have eased but SDMA has not returned to an 'every car, every event' approach. Instead, SDMA has adopted the following scrutineering policy:

On-Line Entry

- (1). Only on-line entries are accepted. This is no change from pre-COVID.
- (2). Competitors are required to complete the **Motorsport Australia on-line self-scrutiny declaration** when submitting an entry.
- (3). Competitors are required to complete the **SDMA Statement of Vehicle Compliance** and hand it in when arriving at the track on the day of the event.

Before the Event starts

- (1). Any **vehicle** entered for the first time will be scrutineered in the Scrutineering Bay before the event starts. This applies even if the driver has competed previously.
- (2). Any **driver** competing for the first time must take their vehicle to the Scrutineering Bay to be scrutineered before the event starts. This applies even if the vehicle has competed at the hillclimb before.
Before an event, the Event Secretary and Chief Scrutineer will identify the vehicles to be scrutineered under (1) and (2).
- (3). In addition to vehicles checked under (1) and (2) above, 10 per cent of total entries will be scrutineered before the event starts. The aim is that every regularly entered car will be physically scrutineered at least once a year.
Before an event, the Chief Scrutineer will decide the vehicles to scrutineered under (3).

Drivers whose vehicles are to be scrutineered will be told on arrival at the track.

At scrutineering, drivers will be responsible for opening doors, bonnets, boots etc.

PPE (principally, but not only, disposable gloves and masks) will be provided for scrutineers.

During the Event

- (1). Any vehicle which activates the noise meter must be physically scrutineered before being allowed to compete again.
- (2). The Clerk of Course or the Chief Scrutineer (or the Chief Scrutineer's delegate) can require any vehicle to be physically scrutineered.
- (3). Random checks of driver apparel (principally helmets) can be done at any time.

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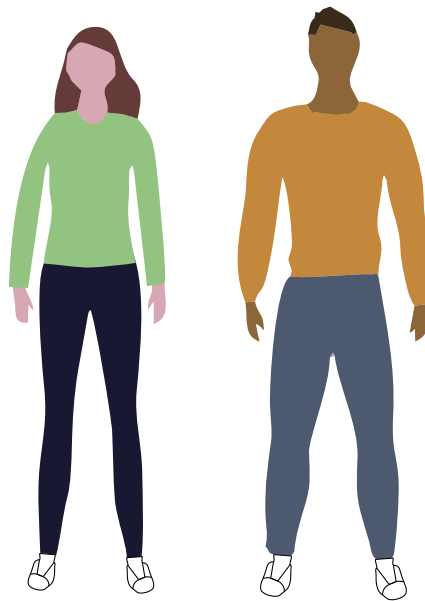
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REMINDERS FOR ALL HILLCLIMB ENTRANTS

- **You must be a *current* financial member of SDMA to compete.** If your membership has expired please contact the Membership Secretary, Ross Samuelson, at sdmamembership20@gmail.com. For 2022, membership is \$55 for individuals and \$75 for families.
- **You must have a *current* Motorsport Australia (MA) Speed licence** to compete.
- **You must have, and use, a Motorsport Australia approved safety helmet** (see the “Competitors’ Information” section of the club website <https://www.sdmahillclimb.com.au/competitors> for details of approved types).
- **Your vehicle must be roadworthy and safe to compete** and meet the safety requirements set out in the “Competitors’ Information” section of the club website <https://www.sdmahillclimb.com.au/competitors>.
- **Drivers must wear long trousers (no shorts) and long sleeved shirts made from a natural fibre such as cotton (no tee shirts), and enclosed footwear.** Any clothing, including footwear, made of flammable synthetic material, such as nylon for example, is not acceptable.



- **If your car has a Motorsport Australia logbook you must have, and must use, a Motorsport Australia compliant frontal head restraint (FHR),** previously known as a HANS device.
 - *There is no requirement to have or use a FHR if you are driving a road registered car or an unregistered vehicle which does not have a Motorsport Australia logbook.*
- **You will need to provide your own COVID personal protective equipment** such as hand sanitiser, disposable gloves and face masks (if you want to wear one). There are hand sanitising stations around the track..

SDMA 2021-2022 COMMITTEE

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Pre-Event Secretary:.....Daniel Cummins

Publicity/Media Officer:.....Celeste Oringo

Membership Secretary:.....Ross Samuelson

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- o David Yates,
- o Henry Hillhorst,
- o Harry Katsanevas,
- o Warren Spires,
- o David King,
- o Celeste Oringo,
- o Daniel Cummins,
- o Zac Le Lievre,
- o Anthony Hyde,
- o Rohan Thatcher,
- o McKelvy Reed,
- o Martin Crombie,
- o Matt Brown,
- o Paul Welch.

Some general committee members have specific roles:

- o Col Merz is the Facility Manager for the track;
- o Celeste Oringo is the social media person;
- o Anthony Hyde and David Yates are SDMA representatives on the Fairbairn Park Control Council;
- o Harry Katsanevas is the SDMA representative on the *Motorsport Australia* NSW Hill Climb Panel.

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For Sale - BRAND NEW RPM Mondial driving suit

Current FIA approval (8856-2000), never been worn. It is marked

'medium' but it is too big for me (174cm/74kg) so I think it is more like a 'large' size and it probably has the wrong tag sewn on it. It cost me \$625 but prepared to cut my losses and sell it for **\$500**. Give me a call if we can do a deal.

Contact: **Col Merz** on 0412 316 275



For Sale - Maxxis tyre (235/55 R18 100V) on CSA Savana rim.

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Contact **Henry** 0421 677 951 or in the pits.



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