

Minutes of the QSCA Inc State meeting held Saturday August 1st 2009 at the RSL Maryborough

Meeting opened at 9.20am by President Paul Gannon

Introduction of attendees:

Paul Gannon	QSCA President	
Jim Cowley	QSCA Vice President	
Terese Lange	QSCA State Secretary	
Pam Franz	QSCA Treasurer	
Allan Jennings	QSCA Stewards Advisor	
Bill Peall	QSCA SSA Technical Rep	
Tony Cornelissen	QSCA Technical Rep	
Dianne McKeiver	Central Zone Rep	
Wes Beadman	Sth Zone Rep	
Rodney Midolo	Sunshine Coast	Observer
Sarah Franz	Sunshine Coast	Delegate
James Elliott	Sunshine Coast	Delegate
Ed Pearson	Sunshine Coast	Sth Zone Steward
Peter McKeiver	Rockhampton	Delegate
Julie Etherden	Rockhampton	Delegate
Darryl Etherden	Rockhampton	Observer
Judy Oates	Gladstone	Delegate
Peter Booth	Gladstone	Delegate
Gail Ahlstrom	Bundaberg	Observer
Bjorn Ahlstrom	Bundaberg	Delegate
Graham Shallcross	Bundaberg	Delegate
Terry Wenzel	Bundaberg	Observer
Keith Harm	South Burnett	Observer
Martin Ritchie	Maryborough	Observer
Paul Redman	Maryborough	Delegate
Ryan Harris	Maryborough	Delegate
Nely Cornelissen	Caboolture	Delegate
Trish Writer	Caboolture	Delegate
Darell Retschlag	4 Cyl Club	Delegate
Paul Broughton	Brisbane	Delegate
Alan Murphy	Charlton	Delegate
Jan Gorring	Charlton	Delegate
Robin Wells	Bundaberg	Observer
Selina English	Gympie	Delegate

Aplologies: Nil

Discussion held on the reasons why the QSCA COM took this action – explanation given - The QSCA Inc have followed the ruling of QLD transport on the eligible age to be the registered owner of a road going vehicle.

No further discussion

Discussion held on Motion 13 from SSA Meeting April 2009 –

MOTION 13 SSA APRIL Board minutes –

MOVED TSCF 2nd SA

The registered nominated car must be registered in a state of Australia by an ASCF/SSA registered scrutineer. Car is to be registered in the state it is based.

CARRIED

Discussion from delegates at meeting expressed some concerns - is this legally enforceable. Delegates requested Paul Gannon to raise this at SSA board level..

The QSCA Inc has been granted approval from the SSA to use the radio frequency owned by SSA Inc. All clubs in QLD, running SSA & QSCA Registered classes will be required to use the 1600 channel to ensure there is no confusion when competitors travel between tracks.

Clubs are reminded that at all State titles and Blue Ribbon events the use of One Way Communicators is mandatory in Queensland.

Page 4 – The QSCA Inc have purchased a breathalyzer for use at race tracks, the 4 members of the executive will be trained and Accredited by Integrity Sampling in the use of the unit. Once this has been completed the sampling will begin at various race tracks around Queensland.

Guidelines and protocols for the use will be drawn up by the QSCA Inc executive in conjunction with Integrity Sampling.

Should a competitor or an official be tested and found with an inappropriate reading, the operator/tester will go to the steward and recommend that the driver/official take no further part in that night's events.

Pam spoke on the need for club secretaries to ensure that the paperwork is filled out correctly and completed prior to sending to the licensing office. If the required paperwork (eg licence applications, car registrations, insurance applications, statement by supplier) isn't complete or correct, then it will be returned to the clubs.

Page 7 – Introduction of state numbering system – a lengthy and at times lively discussion was held on why the change was necessary, what were the benefits and how it will effect competitors.

Whilst many delegates expressed concerns at asking clubs to discuss with members the need not to have multiple numbers in class divisions overall delegates felt that it was possible to phase in such a system if there was no immediate mandatory expectation to change.

Any club or driver with concerns can contact the licensing secretary for advice on any existing number in use.

Moved Maryborough Seconded Caboolture
That the COM Reports of June 7th & 27th be accepted
Carried

Morning Tea
Meeting resumed 11.00am

Minutes SSA April Board meeting:
Moved Gympie Seconded Sunshine Coast
That the minutes of Speedway Sedans Australia, April Board meeting be accepted for discussion

Carried

Delegates to the meeting requested that it be brought to the attention of the SSA Board and secretary that Tek Torque in present form is difficult to read, the print is too small, the facts contained within are not clearly laid out..

Delegates also felt that as SSA fees were continuing to increase Tek Torque should be sent by the National office to all registered owners, licence holders and officials, as per the listing sent by state offices on a quarterly basis.

Each state is required to forward to the office of Speedway Sedans on a 3 monthly basis up to date listings therefore there should be no reason this cannot be done. Many attendees with current and valid email addresses do not receive a copy of Tek Torque.

Page 18 – Recommendation 5 Junior barwork – Concern expressed that Redline Roll cages are built to supplied specs – these changes do not allow for any phase in period.

Delegates requested that the QLD Tech rep, Bill Peall take this view to the technical meeting.

Paul Redman and Paul Broughton to supply drawings and detail to the QSCA prior to the SSA Technical meeting.

Page 25 – Super Sedan Specification book – QLD Tech delegate, Bill Peall to discuss at next weekend's technical meeting. – concern that the specification book was released when the following is from the April Board meeting.

*Recommendation 16 Super Sedan- taken from records of SSA Board meeting April 2009
Super Sedan Specification book to be held over for 12 months (July 2010)
Reason – Submissions received need to be ratified by drivers and car owners. Currently no problems with the spec book.
MOVED VSCF 2nd TSCF CARRIED*

AWARDS:

Voting took place with presentations following of annual awards.
Winners are as follows.

Volunteer of the year award:	Fran Cowley
QLD SSA Driver of the year award:	Troy Ware
QLD Driver of the year:	Craig Franz
QLD SSA Junior Driver of the year	Charlie Brown
QLD Junior Driver of the year:	Michele Blavius
Dedication Award:	Gary Bown

At this point in the meeting, President Paul Gannon also paid tribute to all those competitors who had travelled interstate, and in particular the junior drivers who attended the NT State Junior Sedan title, with QLD competitors taking the first 3 places.

Correspondence:

Letter from Maryborough Sporting Car club with a request for supplementary rules – this request has been rejected by the QSCA Inc executive as it is outside the spirit of the use of supplementary rules.

Maryborough requested that the QSCA Inc submit their ideas re grid restarts for consideration to the rule book review committee – to be dealt with later in the meeting.

Letters from SSA in request of assistance for meeting the costs of Todd Doyle appeal – as dealt with by COM June 2009.

All other correspondence has been dealt with as it came to hand or through the COM process.

Moved Terese Lange Seconded Rockhampton
That the inward correspondence be received and the outward endorsed
CARRIED

Meeting adjourned for lunch 12.20pm

Meeting reconvened 1.30pm

Financial Report:

Paul Gannon congratulated Pam Franz on the presentation of the report, with details clearly laid out all delegates can see where the QSCA Inc stands financially.

Pam advised that the QSCA Inc now had the capability to accept credit card payments, and if necessary a visa debit card can be used.

Pam advised that all bank statements were available for inspection should any delegate wish to see them.

Moved Pam Franz
That the Financial report as presented be accepted

Seconded Maryborough
Carried

General Business: -

Bundaberg – Agenda items withdrawn by meeting delegates

Sunshine Coast: -
Minimum weight – fly wheels
Discussion held on the possibility of having a minimum weight for fly wheels, concern expressed at the dangers of potential machining a fly wheel too thin

Motion 1 Moved Sunshine Coast
Lapsed

Motion 2 Moved Sunshine Coast
Lapsed

Brisbane:
Title nomination fees Junior sedans – Pam, in her capacity as treasurer gave a detailed outline of how the title nomination fees are made up, what the fee supports and covers. ie trophies, travel & accommodation costs for officials, tow money for competitors, mailing costs associated with the title.

Pam Franz explained that when setting title fees, the Committee of Management took care to ensure that it didn't matter where the title was held, the outlay for clubs would be the same wherever in the state it was held.

Brisbane club delegate advised that he was happy with the explanation and could now take it back to his club and explain the detail.

Letter from junior car owner received regarding Rear bumpers on front wheel drive junior cars

Motion 3 Moved Brisbane

Lapsed

At this point the chair recognized Paul Geary from the Super Sedan Association and welcomed him to the meeting.

Paul Geary addressed the meeting stating that the QLD Super Sedan Association had some areas of concern.

Concern that Speedway Sedans Australia had not followed their own protocol in relation to the new specification book Page 18 of April Board meeting

Recommendation 16 Super Sedan

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MOVED VSCF 2nd TSCF CARRIED

Despite this motion book has been released without consultation – this led to the letter from QLD Super Sedan Association to Speedway Sedans Australia-

Motion 4 Moved Brisbane

Seconded Central Zone Rep

That the QSCA Inc support the Super Sedan Associations letter about the new specification book being introduced without following the correct SSA/ASCF Procedure.

CARRIED

Motion 5 Moved Southern Zone Rep

Seconded Rockhampton

As the Zone Representative involved with the SSA QLD, I move a motion that we send a letter of 'No Confidence' in Des Alfirevich, due to his lack of consistent performance in his role.

Carried

Club Delegates unanimously support the letter authorized by the COM meeting June 2009, of no confidence in SSA CEO, with a letter of no confidence in the technical director be written supported by the above motion

Paul Geary gave an overview of how he saw the new ASSA group working and what they have to offer the sport of speedway racing. Paul Geary advised that they were not wishing to take control of speedway sedans; rather they wished to have a voice and some input into the direction of their class for the future.

The intent is to have a forum available nationally for all super sedans drivers (must hold a licence/ be a registered car owner) to vote and participate.

With a 75% approval rating for a vote to be counted and the item forwarded to the Speedway Sedans Australia technical committee for consideration and acceptance.

The ASSA will promote a division 1 and division 2 – with a potential for a super 6 class (6 pack)

Paul Geary advised that the QLD Super Sedan Association would support the QSCA Inc in the introduction of a state numbering system and looked forward to working with the QSCA Inc to ensure another successful season.

Meeting adjourned at 3.20pm to hold the AGM

Meeting reconvened at 3.55pm

Presentation of Certifications of Appreciation:

Annually the QSCA Inc presents certificates of Appreciation to those who have assisted us throughout the year.

Motion 6 – February state meeting

This motion was rescinded by the original mover and seconder, Pam Franz and Allan Jennings, as it is unworkable for the QSCA Inc.

Agenda for the National Technical meeting – Paul Gannon/Bill Peall

Junior front bar work – prior to the technical meeting Paul Redman and Paul Broughton will forward to the QSCA Inc drawings of potential barwork for Junior sedans.

Paul Gannon advised that NSW has a proposal to be discussed on a 4 cyl national class – QSCA will support in principal but more information is required.

This could be an avenue for Junior drivers to move into.

Blue Ribbon events – Discussion held on the need for all QSCA Inc state titles to be listed as Blue Ribbon events.

Motion 6 Moved Central Zone Rep

Seconded Sunshine Coast

That the QSCA Inc lodge a letter seeking to list all QLD State titles for nationally registered classes as Blue Ribbon events.

CARRIED

Motion 7 Moved Maryborough

Seconded 4 Cyl Sedans

That the QSCA Inc put forward the proposed 2 wide restarts for all restarts, to the rule book committee (as per Maryborough proposal)

LOST

Further discussion to be held and the proposal to be sent out with these minutes for clubs to discuss, to be an agenda item for the February state meeting.

There being no further listed general business the chairman went around the table –

Bundaberg: 2 x motions in relation to Super Street Sedans

Motion 8 Moved Bundaberg

Lapsed .

Motion 9 Moved Bundaberg

Lapsed

Sunshine Coast:

Some concern by the club delegates that cars (Street Sedans & Super Street Sedans) are being built to the Modified Production specification book – the main concern being that once the new QSCA Specification book is approved these cars may be deemed illegal.

Discussion on seat positioning Street Sedans and Super Street Sedans:-

The QSCA Technical review committee, who are presently reviewing and upgrading the QSCA Specification book, consisting of Jim Cowley, Pam Franz, Tony Cornelissen and Trish Writer advised that the issues raised are on the table and being investigated prior to the new book being released.

Rockhampton: -

Some concern that drivers are still having difficulty in getting out of cars in an emergency with the HANS Device in place – this needs to be followed with a written report of time/date/track/incident. Statistical information is required to support any such discussion. As Central Zone Rep Di McKeiver agreed to undertake this task.

Fuels for Super Street Sedans – can E85 be used?

The QSCA technical review committee are still investigating E85, therefore the meeting was advised that at this point this fuel cannot be used.

Maryborough:-

Next state meeting date, Maryborough have a blue ribbon event scheduled on 6th February 2010 – are unable to change – after discussion delegates agreed that the meeting would be held over 2 days with the meeting adjourning at 12.30pm on the Saturday.

Discussion on a Junior Development Programme. Paul/Terese to follow up with NSW to obtain a copy of their programme. Maryborough interested in participating in running a junior development programme.

Caboolture: - Request that the QSCA Inc not consider BIS for future titles – advised that all titles are awarded on merit and it must be remembered that the Junior sedan title was a rescheduled event with BIS filling a date for this event to be held.

Brisbane: - Discussion on Junior Sedans competing for prizemoney – needs to be in SSA Policy, delegates felt that it is no good saying it was passed at a meeting or phone hook up, this needs to be where everyone can find it.

Charlton:-

Charlton delegates read a letter from a car owner with a number of requests, as these requests are outside the spirit of the specifications they were not discussed any further. A copy of the letter to be sent to the state office.

Jim Cowley – Vice President:-

Jim advised that the latest issue of title winner shirts had arrived, and would be going straight back as they were of poor quality, not what was ordered and totally unsuitable for our purposes.

Pam Franz:-

Pam raised some concerns about seat mounting position in Modified Production – Bill Peall advised that the mounting position had been left out of the current specification book. It was his understanding that SSA were to send out a stickin to cover this – to be raised at National technical meeting.

Major Blue Ribbon events – Street Sedans – there needs to be a process in place to ensure that placegetters in these events are checked for compliance to specification similar to state titles. Eg Mary 1000

Delegates to take back to their clubs for discussion and to be an agenda item for the February Stare meeting.

There being no further business the president closed the meeting at 6.00pm

Next Meeting 6 & 7th February 2010
RSL Maryborough

