

# 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the FVAA Board of Management

## Final Minutes

Teleconference, Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2008

Commenced 6.30pm WAT, closed 8.15pm WAT

### Present:

- Scott Wythe – President, , Ian Chivas – NSW, Mark Mitchell – VIC, Pip Welch – TAS, Greg Hepburn – NTD

**Apologies:** Derek Burns – WA, Tom Cameron – Qld, Ben Rebbeck – SA

### Item 1 – Introductions and Action Item Review

- SW welcomed the Directors and noted apologies.
- See Action Item table below for details of review of previous Action Items.

### Item 2 – Acceptance of Previous Minutes

- The draft minutes of the previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2008 were passed as a true and accurate record of the meeting (PW/IC).

### Item 3 – Finance Report

- SW noted that following the reconciliation with the FVANSW and receipting of outstanding invoices for capitation fees, lift jigs, seals and restrictor plates, it is expected that the FVAA balance will be approximately \$5,000. Arrangements are being made for assistance in the Treasurer duties from Leigh Porter, the NSW Treasurer.

### Item 4 – Marketing Update

- MM to catch up with Colin Manie to discuss options moving forward including possible FVAV financial input.

### Item 5 – Tyres

- SW noted GHs amendments to the EOI document and asked for any comments.
- PW stated that Tas were OK with the amendments.
- MM asked how we arrived at the testing fee which seemed high? GH stated that the fee was to cover the track hire costs which would be in the region of \$6-8k for Eastern Creek, to be split between the tenderers.
- MM asked could the testing be done during an open practice day? IC stated that good track time was needed. GH noted that last time 4 suppliers were tested and it took a full 8 hours and was very intensive.
- SW noted that a fee of \$1,500 per tenderer was agreed at the last BoM Meeting and this was to be updated in the document.
- GH is to check track hire costs with Eastern Creek. **Refer to Action Item 53.**

- SW asked whether the document was ready to put to CAMS for review prior to issuing? GH said yes with the minor updates discussed.
- PW asked what if there was only one tenderer? GH suggested noting that testing would be at the FVAAs discretion in the EOI.

## **Item 6 – Fuel**

- GH has reforwarded the original document to SW to pass on to CAMS. Pump fuel clarification questions are to be asked at the same time. **Refer to Action Item 49**

## **Item 7 – Nationals**

- MM advised that updates had been placed on the website. Entrants had been emailed information. EOIs for 50 cars with a final grid capacity of 55 cars. 1200 and 1600 cars would be racing for separate trophies.
- MM advised that the Sunday night presentation would be at the bowling club and that the Vic Committee were still working on merchandise.
- GH would be attending. SW suggested splitting costs for his travel with the FVAV but this was subsequently rejected by the FVAV. SW to try to arrange cheap flights and attend if possible.

## **Item 8 – National Series**

- IC gave a brief summary of the Mallala round which had a disappointing local turnout due to the proximity to the last state round for the year.
- IC noted that 53 entrants had paid the second payment for Bathurst and others were interested which should see a full grid.
- PW discussed the possibility of running at the Symmons Plain National round next year. He is awaiting confirmation of the National Challenge dates. IC confirmed that this National Series round would be subsidised by Shannons next year.

## **Item 9 – Technical Update**

- GH noted that he spent some time with the CAMS Category Scrutineer in SA Trevor Carter and that he is doing a good job and will provide good on-going support in SA. Trevor had not seen the valve lift jigs.
- During the Mallala round GH checked sealing cards, weights and ride height and no discrepancies were found. There was also good consistency between cars from different states.
- SW relayed some queries from SA concerning cross drilling of brake discs. GH queried whether the drilling was on the friction face. SW/GH to investigate further. Also ceramic facing on piston bores was queried. GH to take this up with the NTC.
- GH noted that he would try to arrange an NTC hook up before year end.
- Lash Caps – these fit on top of valve stems and are part of standard VW reconditioning practice. GH noted that there could be an advantage using them when lift was not limited but that there is likely to be a disadvantage with them being when lift is limited. GH to ask CAMS. **Refer to Action Item 54.**
- MM raised the polishing of gears within transmissions as a potential issue. This was not part of standard VW reconditioning practice and the technique is

potentially performance enhancing. FVAV have gone to CAMS for a ruling which MM will copy to the BoM when completed.

## **Item 10 – Other Business**

- PW noted that there were now few sealers and/or engine builders in Tas and raised the idea of a random audit. He suggested any State Association should be able to request GH to come over at the States expense. This takes the pressure of local sealers and allows for independent assessment of State activity. MM suggested appointing a CAMS Eligibility Scrutineer and have a clause in membership documentation stating this.
- GH replied that he was happy to do so and noted that NSW State Regs allow for such audits. PW noted that Tas did not have State Regs issued each year.
- GH queried whether his qualifications were still approved by CAMS. He is OK for the National Series but may need to approach CAMS to check. **Refer to Action Item 55.**
- IC asked if the FVAA could reconcile the FVANSW account for the National Series for the year. SW confirmed that this should be done.
- GH suggested that copies of BoM minutes be sent to State Secretarys to assist with communication to the States. This was agreed. **Refer to Action Item 56.**
- Next meeting TBC, either at Winton or on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December by Telecon.

## Action Item List

<b>Action Item #</b>	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Actionee</b>	<b>Raised</b>	<b>Due</b>
8	<b>Provide a briefing on the advantages and disadvantages of both AASA and CAMS and the implications for FVee.</b> No further progress. MM noted this was in relation to the Nationals particularly with the FVAV preferring to run at Winton under a CAMS permit but costs are still being investigated. MM to report back to Board. CAMS permit is going in shortly at a cost of \$4k. Single club vs multiclub being looked at which will save ~\$1500. MM in absentia advised that the CAMS paperwork had been received.	MM	28 <sup>th</sup> Aug 07	Completed
31	<b>Chase Shantui Lishide Oran Park TV sponsorship payment and report back to BoM.</b> No further progress at this time although IC is furthering discussions with parties involved. Letter of demand is being drafted to go to Shantui from Shannon's Nationals. This is likely to be the limit of action available to the FVAA. IC advised that Leigh Porter had taken this up with a solicitor and a letter was being drafted to come from Rob at Shannons Nationals to Shantui requesting payment.	IC	22/5/08	Next Meeting
36	<b>Capitation Fees to be charged to State Associations at \$30/member. Invoices to be sent out once numbers supplied. All Directors to supply SW with State Member numbers.</b> Still awaiting Qld, SA and WA. Invoices issued to final 3 states.	All	12/8/08	Next Meeting
37	<b>FVAA budget to be drafted.</b> Leigh Porter to assist.	SW	12/8/08	Nov 08
39	<b>Investigate Vic interpretation of National Series State specific minimum commitments and subsequent liability and report to Board</b>	MM	12/8/08	Completed
40	<b>Organise flights and accommodation for GH for Mallala National Series round.</b> Not organised in time for cheap flights. Invoice received from FVASA for \$430 to be discussed at next meeting. BoM agreed that SA should pay this invoice as it had 3 months notice.	BR	12/8/08	Next Meeting
41	<b>Public Officer forms to be completed and submitted to the SA Consumer Commission</b>	BR	12/8/08	Next Meeting
42	<b>Produce eligibility scrutineering checklist for STD use</b>	GH	12/8/08	Next Meeting
46	<b>Check whether Dunlop support would be available at Winton for the Nationals.</b> Yes.	MM	8/9/08	Completed

48	<b>Confirm names of U26yo drivers in National Series</b>	IC	8/9/08	Next Meeting
49	<b>Request for Fuel Change to go back to CAMS for drafting with Jan 1 09 start date.</b> Add in request for Pump Fuel definition clarification.	GH/SW	8/9/08	ASAP
50	<b>Exhaust rule change to go to CAMS</b>	GH	8/9/08	ASAP
51	<b>Confirm with CAMS the requirement to tender for provision of tyres</b>	SW	13/10/08	Completed
52	<b>SW to discuss with Leigh Porter aspects of the finances that he can assist with</b>	SW	13/10/08	Next Meeting
53	<b>GH to chase up Eastern Creek track hire costs</b>	GH	10/11/08	Next Meeting
54	<b>GH to chase CAMS for further ruling on eligibility of lash caps</b>	GH	10/11/08	ASAP
55	<b>GH to check his qualifications with CAMS</b>	GH	10/11/08	ASAP
56	<b>Chase up State Secretary email addresses and ensure approved minutes are distributed accordingly</b>	SW	10/11/08	Next Meeting