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Dear Superkarter

The facts about National Superkart racing and SKA

It is very evident that there is a lot of misinformation around National Superkarting and Superkarts Australia (SKA).

During late 2007 it became evident that the then Superkart Working Group (SWG) was operating outside it's terms of reference by maintaining a bank account and running the Australian Superkart Championship.

The Australian Motor Racing Commission (AMRC) recommended an entity be formed to run the Australian Superkart Championship and National Superkart events while the SWG continues to advise the AMRC on Superkart technical matters.

The company Superkarts Australia P/L was registered in January 2008 by Phil Silcock and he became the founding director and shareholder.

After a meeting in Melbourne in early 2008, the company structure was discussed and accepted as appropriate to conduct the Australian Superkart Championships. It was suggested that the Clubs be shareholders and provide appointed Directors.

The SKA took over the Championship running funds formerly held by the SWG and commenced running the Championships from April 2008. During this time the Adelaide Superkart Club declined to be involved and did not provide a Director. This situation was regrettably accepted by the SKA.

The Victorian Superkart Club (VSC) agreed involvement and nominated a Director. During mid to late 2008, after several disagreements, the VSC provided written notice they were withdrawing, however their nominated Director remains on the SKA Board.

The Clubs from Queensland and NSW have remained involved and supportive. The VSC has attempted to take over the SKA on occasions since then. The SKA has attempted, unsuccessfully, to address the concerns of the Southern clubs on several occasions and to get them involved.

By late 2009 it was evident to the AMRC that the divisions within the sport were damaging it and affecting the ability of competitors to enjoy their sport at a National level.

Following several discussions and a meeting with SKA, the AMRC recommended the SKA be restructured along the lines of other National entities successfully running National level motor sport.

The SKA was encouraged to seek direct affiliation with CAMS. This has now been done and announced recently via a press release.

What this means to you as a competitor is that to compete at a National Superkart level you will still need to be a member of a State based CAMS affiliated Superkart Club and in addition you will need to pay a registration fee of \$50 to the SKA.

If you wish to just compete at a state and club level it has no affect.

SKA currently has shareholding directors (listed below) as representatives in three states, and SKA is encouraging the Adelaide Superkart Club to be similarly involved in this way.

I would encourage you to talk to these representatives and have them convey any ideas or concerns regarding the sporting side of National Superkarting to the SKA for consideration.

I would also encourage you to make sure your club either continues to support or starts to support the SKA in developing National level competition for Superkarts in Australia.

Likewise, if you have any ideas or concerns regarding the technical regulations governing Superkarting, talk to your representative on the SWG (listed below). The SWG is the group charged with the responsibility to make recommendations to the AMRC regarding any necessary changes to the technical regulations.

One of the core charters of the AMRC is to encourage as many people as possible to enjoy their chosen form of motor sport. At times self interest, jealousy and bickering makes this very difficult. It makes far more sense for us all to work together to help develop our sport.

Yours faithfully



Lyndon Punshon
Chairman, Australian Motor Racing Commission

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SKA Representatives:
Clinton Brown Chairman (NSW)
Phil Silcock Secretary (Qld)
Anton Stevens Director (Vic)
Carlo Chermaz Director (Qld)
David Bellenger Director (Vic)

SWG Technical Advisory Group:
John Pellicano (Chairman)
Gary Pagararo
Brett Purdie
Phil Silcock
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Superkarts Australia restructures in line with CAMS categories

The Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS) has appointed Superkarts Australia (SKA) to take on the national category administration for superkarts, allowing SKA to adopt a more proactive and comprehensive role to coordinate the competition for superkarts at this level.



CAMS strongly encouraged SKA to take on the administration role and operate in a similar way to the competitor representative groups which continue to be a successful part of the Formula Ford, Formula Vee and HQ Racing series at a national level.

Lyn Punshon, Chairman of the Australian Motor Racing Commission (AMRC) said, "We have seen how other national categories have benefitted from a coordinated approach and we are encouraging the state based superkart clubs to work in with the SKA to develop participation in the sport at a national level."

In its new role, SKA will directly affiliate with CAMS and will offer memberships to those competing at national level superkart race events.

SKA will retain its own member base and operate independently of the clubs, a move it considers necessary to the long term future of the category. SKA recognises the important role played by state clubs and will continue to work with them to further participation in the sport.

Clint Brown, Chairman of Superkarts Australia said, "SKA is very excited about its affiliation

with CAMS as it enables all superkart racers to have their own national voice within a very competitive racing community.”

The SKA Board of Directors will be expanded and the company shareholding will be revised by the end of February 2010.