

Meet Date:	16 th November 2024
Attendees:	(DL) Daniel Lowe, (ML) Michelle Lowe, (BL) Barry Lowe, (HP) Helen Pearl, (PM) Peter McPhee, (AM) Anthony Miller, (LS) Lisa Stanley, (MM) Matt Moore, (DL) Dennis Land, (JF) Jamie Finch, (TH) Tim Hall, (KH) Kim Hall, (TB) Troy Baker, (JP) Justin Portelli, (JP) Jure Portelli, (MC) Mitchell Cole, (TT) Tasman Taylor, (FH) Finn Hansen
Apologies:	Ian Single, Eve Graham, Zach Blazely Cooper Sander, John Sutton, Kelly Horder, Mark Horder, Lance Melrose, Debra Melrose.
Next Meeting Date:	Saturday 25 th January 2025
Time and Place:	12:00pm
Meeting Chair & Minutes:	Lisa Stanley

No	Item	Officer Initials	Description
1.	Meeting Open	LS	Meeting opened by Lisa Stanley at 4:30pm
2.	Night Racing on the Bitumen Track	FH	<p>Background – Years ago, the Whitsunday Sporting Car Club hosted weekend races, with Saturday night races being a highlight. Over time, the relationship with the Whitsunday Motorsports Club deteriorated, leading to the cessation of night racing.</p> <p>The committee has agreed to explore the potential of reinstating night racing, envisioning it as a thrilling addition to our community's weekend activities.</p> <p>Finn has initiated discussions with the Whitsunday Regional Council regarding the leased land to clarify our club's position. With this understanding in place, Finn will proceed to establish a connection with the Whitsunday Motorsports Committee.</p>
Action Item			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Council to further clarify our club's position and provide any updates to the committee. Establish a relationship with the Whitsunday Motorsports Committee.
3.	Calander	LS	<p>During a recent discussion, Lisa Stanley proposed that the Whitsunday Sporting Car Club's standard racing weekends be scheduled for the last weekend of each month. This suggestion aligns well with the calendars of other clubs and aims to optimise participation and coordination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard Race Meetings: Scheduled for the end of each month. Scott's Cup: Planned for the weekend of the 19th and 20th to ensure a break between this event and the NQKC Round 1. November Race & AGM: Scheduled for mid-month to avoid conflict with Kingy's Cup. NQ Khanacross Championships: Set for the May Day long weekend. Working Bees: To be held on the weekend prior to each monthly event. IDrive Dates: To be discussed at the next committee meeting.

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			<p>Scheduling adjustments, additions, or removals may be resolved throughout the year to ensure a well-organised and efficient racing calendar, fostering greater community engagement and smoother event execution.</p>
Action Item			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update calendar • Advertise on website and all social media outlets
4.	Race Start Time	BL	<p>During the previous meeting, Barry Lowe proposed trailing a new race start time of 10 am, which the committee agreed to implement.</p> <p>This initiative aims to foster a sense of community and teamwork among participants. By starting later, all racers are encouraged to contribute to the preparation of the venue and track. Additionally, a BBQ breakfast will be offered as part of the event nomination fee, providing a more enjoyable and social start to the day.</p> <p>Following the trial of the 10 am start time on Saturday, it was resolved to revert the race start time to 9 am to maximise race time.</p> <p>All racing members are kindly requested to assist with the preparation of the venue and track, helping to expedite the process and distribute the workload evenly. This collective effort will ensure a smooth and efficient start to our racing events, while also enhancing the sense of community within the club.</p>
Action Item			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update calendar and website (LS).
5.	Saturday Event Fee Increase to Include BBQ Breakfast	BL	<p>Barry Lowe asked for feedback regarding the Saturday BBQ breakfast in which the committee is delighted to announce the success of this initiative.</p> <p>At the previous meeting it was resolved to increase the Saturday fee from \$40 to \$50, which will now include a simple yet satisfying BBQ breakfast consisting of bacon, eggs, sausages, onions, and a bun or bread.</p> <p>This idea has been enthusiastically received by our racing members and is seen as a wonderful initiative to encourage more participation within our club.</p> <p>We extend our gratitude to Barry and Lennie for generously offering to sponsor the Saturday breakfasts at the monthly events they attend. Their support and dedication are greatly appreciated and play a crucial role in making these events a success.</p>
Action Item			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update website (LS) • Advertise on website and all social media outlets (LS)
	BBQ & Electric Frypan for Club	BL	<p>It was noted that the existing BBQ for the club only has one element working making it difficult to cook on for events.</p> <p>It was resolved that the club has enough funds to purchase a new or second-hand BBQ and Barry would see what is available.</p>
Action Item			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barry Lowe to see what's available and purchase a BBQ.

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	<p>Business Sponsorship</p>	<p>LS</p>	<p>During the previous meeting, Lisa Stanley presented the need for pursuing business sponsorship for the club.</p> <p>The objective of this initiative is to secure numerous business sponsors at a rate of \$400 per year. The funds obtained from these sponsorships will cover the Motorsports Australia event fees and contribute towards the annual insurance costs for the club.</p> <p>In return for their support, the club will promote the sponsors by listing them in all monthly racing correspondence throughout 2025.</p> <p>Furthermore, sponsors will have the opportunity to place additional advertisements at their discretion, including signage on the front fence and within the canteen and pits areas.</p> <p>This initiative was well received and committee members currently in pursuit of new sponsors.</p> <p>Thank you to the following businesses have kindly offered sponsorship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$400 Sponsorship - Sub Sea, Peak Downs Mechanical, and B.J Auto Engineers (paid) • Contribution towards the cost of canteen items monthly – SweetAlibis Entertainment • Funding the BBQ breakfast when attending our monthly events – B.J Auto Engineers. <p>This initiative not only contributes to financial stability for the club but also offers businesses valuable exposure within the community.</p>
<p>Action Item</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship information and Invoice to be created and sent out to sponsors. • Provide printed copies for committee members to take away and pursue businesses. • Advertise and make information available via email on request, website, and social media outlets.
	<p>Motorsports Australia Officials Training & Certification</p>	<p>LS</p>	<p>Lisa Stanley discussed the preparation for our upcoming year of racing and ensuring we have enough licensed officials certified by Motorsports Australia to run the events its crucial that we have officials skilled and recognised by Motor Sports Australia running the events.</p> <p>Lisa offered to assist as many members as possible to get through the Motorsports Australia Online Officials Portal training. Group sessions will be online or in-person sessions at intervals throughout 2024/2025.</p> <p>Once the online training is complete, practical experience is logged in a MSA logbook, and a qualified Motorsports Australia Official is booked for practical assessment.</p> <p>Note that not all roles require practical assessment.</p>

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Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrange dates and times for online training and add to calendar.
Disposal of Vehicles	BL/ MM	<p>Barry presented the opportunity to generate revenue from vehicle removal. It was noted by members that local scrap metal companies typically do not offer payment for vehicles but will provide removal services free of charge.</p> <p>During the meeting, committee member Matt Moor mentioned that a scrap metal business in Mackay is willing to pay for the vehicles and handle their pick-up. Matt successfully negotiated a price of \$1,500 for the vehicles.</p> <p>Subsequently, Taylor agreed to the removal of the vehicles for \$1,500, and arrangements will be made for their collection.</p> <p>This initiative not only provides financial benefit to the club but also ensures the efficient removal of unused vehicles.</p>
Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrange for vehicles to be collected. • Bank the \$1500
Mackay & District Carting Club	DF	<p>Dennis Finch introduced an innovative proposal aimed at generating additional income and bringing engaging events to the Whitsunday Sporting Car Club grounds.</p> <p>During the recent meeting, Dennis updated the committee on the progress of his proposal, stating that while he has presented the idea to the club, further discussions will be needed to refine and finalize the initiative.</p> <p>This potential new venture promises to enhance our club's offerings and create exciting opportunities for both members and the wider community.</p>
Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dennis mentioned he will investigate the interest and provide feedback to the club.
Vehicle Auction	MC/ TT	<p>At a previous meeting, Mitchell Cole proposed an initiative for club members to attend vehicle auctions that will be taking place over the coming months. Although the condition of the vehicles at these auctions is currently unknown, it may be worthwhile to investigate.</p> <p>Tas Taylor provided an update regarding his attendance at the Whitsunday Regional Council's abandoned vehicle auction in early November, where he successfully acquired two vehicles for \$25.</p> <p>One of the vehicles requires a new battery, while the other needed a \$400 key, which was subsequently purchased to make the vehicle operational.</p> <p>This initiative presents an opportunity to secure valuable assets for the club at minimal cost, enhancing our resources and operational capabilities.</p>
Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find the dates and locations for the vehicle auction and provide any updates at the next committee meeting.

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	Professional Development	ML / LS	<p>At the recent committee meeting, Michelle Lowe volunteered to complete the Motorsports Australia online training to become an event official in 2025.</p> <p>Michelle has coordinated with Lisa Stanley to expedite her training and certification through the following Motorsports Australia modules: Event Administration, General Official, Event Scrutineer, and Event Command. Michelle has also successfully completed the timing module earlier this year.</p> <p>Lisa has committed to specifying times and days to assist club members in completing the necessary training to become officials.</p> <p>Additionally, Peter McPhee has volunteered to support the club's training and development efforts.</p> <p>Congratulations to Michelle on her achievements and thank you for your invaluable contributions to our club's growth and success!</p>
Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide Michelle with business sponsorship information (LS). • Michelle to investigate leads for business sponsors in Mackay. 	
	Grant Writing Team	ML / LS / DL	<p>It was noted that the club requires skilled individuals in the field of grant writing, as this is a specialized area.</p> <p>Lisa Stanley mentioned that he has previously worked as a grant writer for Whitsunday communities and is willing to assist, provided we have a team to support this effort.</p> <p>Daniel Lowe emphasised the importance of having a business-minded individual to assist with grant submissions and agreed to help with the review process.</p> <p>Michelle Lowe also volunteered to assist with the grant process to ensure the club secures necessary funding.</p> <p>We are actively seeking additional individuals to join the grant team to maximize our grant application efforts.</p>
Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find available grants. • Discuss with the committee the priorities and what will be applied for. • Gather the relevant information that the club is applying for, review the application, and submit. • Provide a follow-up of the grant application status at each committee meeting. 	
	Fundraising	TF / LS	<p>At the previous meeting Tracy Finch put her hand up to provide photography at some of our monthly events throughout the 2025.</p> <p>Tracy also put forward a prize of a car shoot as first prize that will be raffled off over the Christmas period along with other items to raise funds for the club.</p> <p>Lisa noted that actions items are on the to-do-list for December 2024.</p>

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Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a WSCC Club account for RaffleTix an online raffle program and prepare the raffle. • Provide details of additional prizes information to Tracy. • Tracy will complete the flyer to add to RaffleTix.
First Working Bee & Committee Meeting of 2025	DL	<p>At the previous committee meeting, Daniel Lowe emphasized the critical role of working bees in ensuring the success of our organization. These working bees are essential for lightening the workload and ensuring that we are fully prepared for upcoming events.</p> <p>All members present concurred that the 2025 working bees should be scheduled for the weekend preceding each monthly event.</p> <p>Given the extended hiatus from racing over the Christmas break, it was resolved to hold the first working bee in conjunction with a committee meeting on the weekend of January 25th & 26th, 2025.</p> <p>This strategic scheduling aims to ensure a seamless transition back into our racing activities and to guarantee that all necessary preparations are completed in a timely manner.</p>
Action Item		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add to 2025 calendar and distribute. • Send out requests for new agenda items and updates on any pending matters.
Items Noted for Maintenance	n/a	<p>Items listed for maintenance on the 25th & 26th January 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue Tractor – Diesel mechanics to the next working bee to assess and determine what is required to fix the blue tractor. • Water truck – Find the most competitive pricing for a replacement battery and weld repair the floor. • Female & Male Toilets – The internal door lock on female toilet facing the Go Kart track, and washers on all leaking on all leaking taps in the amenities. • Canteen Power – Canteen power requires assessing, and potentially additional circuits installed to stop power tripping.
Action Item		<p>Item Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue Tractor – Matt Moore & diesel mechanics friends to assess and determine what's required to fix the blue tractor. • Water Truck – Battery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tas to provide the make, model, and year of the water truck to Barry. ○ Barry Low to find the most competitive pricing for the required batty. ○ Mitchel Cole to assess and repair the floor of the water truck. • Female Toilets – The internal door lock on the female toilets facing the Go Kart track. • Canteen Power – Request a callout to club members that are in the electrical field or organise an electrician that will donate time to resolve the canteen power issues.
Meeting Closed	LS	Meeting minutes and meeting closed at 5:00pm

Action Item

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Distribute meeting minutes to members at each meeting in paper form, via email, and social media within 1 week of meeting where possible. |
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