

# ***Circuit Excel Racing Association Inc***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

29th of October 2025, 8pm AEDT 7:30pm ACDT, pm AEST, and 5pm AWST Meeting held via Zoom conference call.

### **I. Call to order**

Invitees: John Broadbent (President), Andrew Young (Secretary), Shannon Williams Treasurer, Shane Beikoff (Technical), Tristan Wold, Gavin Faulkner, Darren Seaton, Cameron Charnley, Linda Mrnjavac, Lisa Totani, Ben Davey and Sara Byrne.

### **II. Roll call**

Roll call conducted. The following persons were present: John Broadbent (President), Andrew Young (Secretary), Shannon Williams (Treasurer), Shane Beikoff (Technical), Tristan Wold, Gavin Faulkner, Lisa Totani and Sara Byrne

Apologies: Linda Mrnjavac (Victoria)

### **III. Approval of minutes from August 27th 2025.**

Approved by Tristan Wold, Seconded by Gavin Faulkner.

### **IV. Business arising from Previous Minutes**

Future Proofing of the Category

### **V. President Report:**

- Trying to minimise dates clashes is extremely difficult. Still waiting Supercars Calendar to assist all in this process
- Discussions with Motorsport Australia on implementing a unified penalty and demerit point system. MA having discussion and seeking feedback from Craig Baird.
- Nationals confirmed for SA in 2026.
- Bathurst invitation accepted and announced.
- Discussion on High-Tech Oils 3-round series proposal: concerns about cost (\$900), travel reluctance, and impact on Nationals. Feedback from states requested.
- Marcus Ambrose now promoting AASA events and has asked about being a part of the HiTec Super Series.
- Jamie Augustine has been appointed Technical Manager Motorsport Australia, Excels have a very good established relationship with Jamie.
- Push for mandatory cameras and points-to-merit system in Queensland as a pilot for national rollout into the future.

### **VI. Secretary's Report:**

- Communications with ARG for Bathurst, working to ARG so they will announce Excels as one of the supports categories.
- Communications with Check It Out Graphics as they produced the Bathurst flyer with the QR code so that people could complete an EOI / registration.
- Bathurst online registration system praised for efficiency as it compiles as a spreadsheet, many thanks to Lisa Totani for setting this up.
- 5 Supashock codes issued since last meeting to club members.
- Insurance renewal underway with Gallagher.

## **VII. Treasurer Report:**

- Current account balance: \$2,779.61 after major outgoings (Bathurst deposit \$27,500, trophies, tech expenses).

On the 29<sup>th</sup> of August Bank balance was \$41,411.67

Incoming:

- \$1,045 in Gearbox parts.

Outgoing

- \$1300 for Phillip Island Nationals Trophies.
- \$3800 for DSA of Phillip Island Nationals.
- \$4497.88 for Steering rack bushes and hard break fuel fittings
- \$154 for Dunlop Destiny video at Bend Event.
- \$27,500 to ARG for Bathurst deposit
- \$1391.50 for the CERA Seals (engines and gearboxes) and Seal books.
- \$310.82 for CERA Email accounts. (Thank you to Jonathon Beikoff that organises this every year for CERA)
- \$750 refund to Nationals competitor that withdraw before the event.

Closing Balance: \$2,779.61

Expect replenishment from Dunlop and Bathurst deposits.

## VIII. Technical Delegate Report:

- New rack mount bushes developed with Zeta Corp; available Jan-Feb at approx. \$60/set. Many cars currently have worn bushes or bushes made of incorrect material e.g., aluminium.
- Currently working on Bathurst DSA and Eligibility teams.

**Safety issue:** rear brake pressure limiting valve failures due to vibration. A background was given as to how the brake bias valves (pressure limiting valve) were written into the regulations in the past and why competitors would use them including moving away from the original diagonal brake circuit. Suppliers have already developed metal support brackets and given feedback on this issue.

Vote taken and all 4 States present voted for the use of a support bracket for the pressure limiting valve

The below rule change was approved to be forwarded to Motorsport Australia.

*In either option 1 or 2 it is permitted to fit a rear brake pressure limiting valve near the master cylinder, **which shall include a metal support bracket**, as per Photo 2 Appendix 4, in which case two short additional brake lines may be used as per Photo 2 Appendix 4. Such a valve must only operate on the rear tandem circuit and must not be adjustable from within the cockpit.*

It was noted that if CERA did not deal with this Motorsport Australia would have.

Technical Delegate was thanked for his work with the Steering Rack in producing another part to future the category. The bushes are only for the power steering rack.

It was also mentioned Whiteline produces engine and gearbox mount bushes.

## IX. General Business:

**Dunlop Destiny 2025/2026: State Candidate submissions:** All States reminded to submit their Candidates.

**Driving Standards / Demerit Point system:** Covered in Presidents report with roll out in Qld in 2026

### **Bathurst 2026:**

- Grid reduced to ~40 cars for better track time and value.
- Competitor selection strict-focus on safety and preparation.
- Incentives for competitors will be on offer.
- Nicole Williams will be Category Manager.

### **Nationals 2026:**

- Dates locked in at The Bend 15 to 17 May 2026; awaiting sponsor announcement.
- Will start to promote once Bathurst is settled

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## **Around the States:**

**Queensland:** Last event coming up at Morgan Park on the weekend. Strong financial position and returning value to competitors.

**South Australia:** Summer series launched, rolling starts and random draw for start position. End-of-season presentation on 8<sup>th</sup> November. Joel Johnson is State Champions, won all races. Vaughan Colwill is Masters Champion. Life membership awarded to Wayne Pannowitch, long time Treasurer and built many cars that help got the category started. Gearing up for the Enduro at the Bend 4-5 December. NT has asked to promote Enduro in Darwin 15-17 July 2026, large SA cohort heading up.

**New South Wales:** Season wrapped up with Ayce Buckley as Champion. Currently looking at technical checks on cars. Enduro coming up in 3 weeks at One Raceway, going on opposite direction. Club in good financial position. AGM middle of November.

**Western Australia:** Season wrapped up with Carlos Ambrosio as Champion. Growth in young drivers but need education on driver's standard. Club has recovered to a good financial position from previous year. WA complemented on their social media preparation

CERA looking at assisting States with taking new Eligibility Officers to Bathurst for training. Interest expressed from SA and WA.

Fuel testing: Digitrons no longer available. Specific gravity testers are available. Will look at a bulk purchase.

CERA AGM to be held late January 2026.

## **X. Adjournment**

John Broadbent adjourned the meeting at 9:09pm AEST.

Minutes submitted by: Andrew Young