

Circuit Excel Racing Association Inc

Meeting Minutes

28th of January 2026, AEST 7:27pm, 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, Ben Davey, Wesley Lehr, Sara Byrne, Jake Burton and Jordan Johnston.

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, Ben Davey, Wesley Lehr, Sara Byrne, Nicole Williams and Jordan Johnston

Apologies: Jake Burton.

III. Approval of minutes from 10th December 2025.

Approved by Tristan Wold, Seconded by Nicole Williams.

IV. President Report:

- The President advised that the major current issue is driving standards across the category.
- A meeting was scheduled with Motorsport Australia (MA) involving representatives from multiple states to address this issue.
- A draft national driving standards and demerit points system has been developed, intended to:
 - Standardise driver behaviour expectations nationally
 - Introduce a cumulative demerit points system
 - Provide officials with clearer enforcement tools
- The system will include:
 - Clear rules on race conduct
 - Mandatory in-car camera operation and framing, with penalties for failure to supply footage
- Once drafted, the document will be circulated to all states for feedback before national implementation.

V. Secretary Report

- Proposal to move national meetings from Zoom to Microsoft Teams for cost efficiency and automatic transcription.
- Confirmation that Teams can generate minutes or summaries via Copilot.
- National calendar distributed, noting the Northern Territory was still outstanding at the time of release.
- Ongoing communications reported with sponsors including Supashock and Dunlop.
- Dunlop Destiny:
 - State nominations completed
 - Evaluation day conducted at Norwell
 - A short promotional video is being produced
- Financial reporting obligations to Victorian Consumer Affairs will be completed following receipt of final figures.
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VI. Treasurer Report:

- Opening balance: \$34,284.83
- Income received: \$96,250
 - \$22,000 from Dunlop sponsorship
 - Remaining funds from Bathurst 6 Hour competitors
- Expenditure: \$3,500 paid to state Destiny representatives (\$500 each)
- Closing balance: \$127,034.83

Members were advised that significant upcoming expenses remain.

VII. Technical Delegate Report:

- Key technical matters addressed:
 - Bathurst and Nationals eligibility processes
 - Introduction of new rack mount bushes, to be sold via nominated suppliers (~\$70 per set)
 - Confirmation that solid metal rack bushes must be removed
- Engine sealing activity reported as strong in SA and QLD.
- Fuel testing:
 - Fuel retrieval fittings distributed to states
 - Investigation underway into suitable fuel conductivity and specific gravity testing equipment
 - Specific gravity testing guidance provided (range approx. 0.740–0.755 for pump fuel).
 - National purchase of suitable equipment to be coordinated in future
- No current parts shortages identified; concerns were described as perception rather than reality, particularly regarding cylinder heads and gearboxes..

VIII. General Business:

Bathurst 2026:

- Field capped at 42 entries, all places filled.
- Event incentives include prize draws and refund of one competitor's entry.
- Trophies are being produced by SwiftTech.
- Logistics, communication groups, and administration confirmed as on track.

Dunlop Destiny Evaluation Day

- Event held at Norwell, hosted by Paul Morris Motorsport at no cost.
- High-level driver mentoring provided by Brock Feeney and Brodie Kostecki.
- All candidates were praised for professionalism.
- Prize structure updated:
 - \$12,000 motorsport grant (not cash) for the winner
 - Funds to be spent solely on motorsport activities with receipts required
- States reminded to ensure nominees meet all behavioural and professionalism criteria.

Nationals 2026

- Dates: 12–14 June
- Event will be live-streamed.
- Proposed format includes: Practice Friday, Racing Saturday/Sunday
- Optional Masters division under consideration
- Pricing:
 - \$990 entry including pit garage
 - \$1,480 package including accommodation
- Additional plans include karting activation, sponsor displays, and podium celebration events. .

Technical Subcommittee Proposal

- Proposal from SA to establish a national technical subcommittee was discussed.
- The committee agreed:
 - No subcommittee will be formed at this stage
 - Existing national technical submission processes are sufficient
 - Any technical concerns should be raised directly with the national committee.

Around the States:

WA:

- Preparing for first round in 6 weeks.
- Some drivers have moved categories; new competitors joining.
- Masters class numbers:
 - Rule requires 7 entries, but WA has only 6.
 - They were advised to write to State Council requesting dispensation.
 - Current WA Excel regs (E6 item 7) actually show a requirement of 8 entries.
- Their 2026 sporting regulations have not yet been published.

SA:

- Summer Series:
 - One event cancelled due to low entries.
 - Mallala event still running.
- Code of Conduct:
 - SA State Council pushing MA-wide code of conduct.
- 2026 season:
 - ~4 state rounds and Nationals.
 - Many competitors heading to NT events.
 - Enduro in December
- Noted that Summer Series events use AASA with rolling starts.
- Strong support for national driving standards initiative.

NSW:

- Transition to Motorsport Australia licensing completed successfully; Very busy start to year:
- Racing first and last weekend of February.
- Championship:
 - 6 rounds + 1 enduro.
 - Round in Queensland for State of Origin.
- Live coverage on Blendline for season.
- Major transition:
 - NSW series has moved from AASA to Motorsport Australia.
 - Logbook and licence transitions handled smoothly with MA support.
 - Drivers must now remember to present logbooks.

QLD:

- First round end of February.
- Strong numbers expected.
- Many new younger drivers (kart graduates) joining.
- Committee strong; sponsors returning.
- 2026 includes:
 - 3 rounds at Queensland Raceway
 - 3 rounds at Morgan Park
 - State of Origin round vs NSW
- Junior driver management highlighted.

TAS:

- First round this weekend.
- Lower numbers; some cars still on mainland.
- Newcomers entering; some drivers sitting out temporarily.

Next Meeting

- No date set for the next meeting; to be scheduled as required, likely after Bathurst.

IX. Adjournment

John Broadbent adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm AEST.

Minutes submitted by: Andrew Young