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Minutes of ARC Safety sub-committee meeting held 7 December 1992 at Cuthbert's.

Present: Glenn Cuthbert, Keith Morling, Gary Hodgskiss, Col Hardinge, John Reid, Ken Foord

Apologies: Paul Thresher

Meeting commenced: 8:05 pm

1. **Safety Plan.** John circulated a safety plan from the 1991 Esanda. Col also had a 1992 Esanda safety plan. The idea is to have a safety plan equal in standard to Rally Australia and the Esanda.
2. **Recovery vehicles.** John has spoken to member of 4WD clubs about providing recovery vehicles. The response so far has been encouraging. John and Col will follow up with other 4WD people.
3. **Radio.** St John's Ambulance have their own frequency. Wisen will be running at least two other radio nets.
4. **Hospitals.** John will arrange for all hospitals in the area to be notified, principally Maroondah, Healesville, and Warburton. John will also speak to the Healesville ambulance station.
5. **Authority.** John will be overall medical co-ordinator, and will be responsible for the co-ordination of any medical emergency including allocation of resources. Stage Commanders will be in charge of the stage. No recovery vehicles etc will be sent out unless the SC says so, however once a medical emergency is identified, John will take over.
6. **Fire.** We will need fire vehicles of some kind (not necessarily CFA) on the bitumen stages. Col will speak to the Fire & Rescue Squad.
7. **Duties.** The specialist members of the sub-committee (Col, John, & Ken) will be responsible for writing the safety plan and presenting it to the Executive Committee. It will need to be substantially complete by the end of January 1993.
8. **Duration of work.** St John's Ambulance officers usually work eight hours in a shift, so we will probably need rotating crews.

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9. **Vehicles.** Last year we had 11 St John's Ambulance vehicles including 3 mid-stage. This year we will need a vehicle at the start and finish of each stage as well as every 10 km on longer stages. Ambulances will need to be accompanied by a recovery vehicle. This will ensure 4 or 5 people will be available to assist at an accident site. Recovery vehicles will need to be 4WD's with 'real' gear such as power winches, etc.

10. **Standard of care.** There is not much difference between St John's Ambulances and Victorian Civil Ambulance Service ambulances. Main difference is SJA do not use invasive resuscitation techniques, e.g. drips. Generally SJA delivers casualties to nearest VCAS ambulance who then take over transportation.

11. **Spectator points.** We may use the SES to act as marshals at these points. Could also be used as bases for ambulance points.

12. **Fire extinguishers.** We will need plenty. Perhaps we could get some on a sponsor deal from one of the manufacturers, e.g. Quell, FFE, Chubb, Wormald.

13. **Time response.** Vehicles located locally (ambulances and recovery vehicles) should arrive within 5 -10 minutes of being notified. Specialist equipment such as Jaws of Life may take 45 minutes. We will have to make sure equipment such as this is strategically located.

Meeting closed 11:00 pm