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Executive Committee members' version of the minutes of the Healesville Stages General Committee meeting held 17 February 1993 at the Cuthbert residence.

Present Keith Morling, Gary Hodgskiss, Stuart Lister, David McKenzie, Jenny Cuthbert, Roger Baker, Ken Ash, John Brann, Colin Hardinge, Jenny Ellis, Suzi Wiseman, Glenn Cuthbert

Meeting commenced at 8:40 pm.

1. **Radios.** Personnel have almost been finalised. The Department of Communications will licence us a frequency (around 70 Mhz) for the event which will cost \$180 in licence fees. This will enable the zero cars to communicate with the outside world with almost 100% coverage. The only fuzzy areas will be at the back of Donna Buang. **Roger** to speak to Bill Bennett to organise in-field media scoring information. Roger has some 4WD radio people for the Spur stage. **Roger** to give contact details to **David**. Glenn has arranged for police radios to be installed in the 00 car.

2. **Media.** Suzi has a copy of the disclaimer used in the media guide at Sandown. **David** will get it checked out by a friendly solicitor. The media day has been set for 12:00 noon Thursday 11 March at Bulleen. Things will need to be fairly tight because there are a few other car related things on that week, e.g. the motor show. The Yarra Valley Country Club have indicated that they might supply a light lunch. Media headquarters will need to have sufficient phone points for media reps to send articles, etc. **Suzi** to speak to Sportscom about TV coverage. There will be 12 cars (by invitation only) at the media day giving a good cross section of makes. Some media people have suggested that a media pass with photo be made available to the 'fair dinkum' media people as they have had trouble with the local yokels tagging along behind, or the real people giving their passes away to the first person with their hand out.. This may be too hard to organise. We will probably be better off checking the credentials of applicants beforehand and explaining the need to not hand the passes around. The local yokels can make do with spectator passes. The officials will need to be briefed on how to handle the media. There will be a \$10 deposit payable on the media vests. We will need stapled sets of crew profiles for the Hilton briefing and also for the media day. We will need casual assistance at the start of the event so that the start, Yarra Glen and Healesville are staffed simultaneously. We need an escort for the TV crews. Tyre changing competition will be about 4:30 pm on the Friday. **John** volunteered the use of his fax-modem to send out media release faxes to multiple addresses.

3. **Sponsorship.** Sunsmart have said they will sell us goods at a reduced price to the value of \$400 for us to re-sell.

4. **Promotions.** **Suzi** will speak to Moorabbin Aviation about a fly-past either at the city or Healesville.

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5. **Route.** Route instructions have all been typed up. Only need to add the tulips. We need to determine where they will be printed. **David** and **John** to liaise on the amount of space available for the map for each stage. Service point scheduled for Healesville main street on Saturday evening will have to be moved to River Street due to Police concerns.

6. **Zero cars.** 0 car to be Simon Birrell and Peter Gayle. 00 car will be Keith with Sergeant Frank Horvarth who will be the police 2-I-C. Crew for 000 has yet to be determined. 00 and 0 will be the Subarus, 000 will probably be a Pajero. Zero cars will need servicing. **Keith** to organise.

7. **Safety.** The safety committee met last night. Saturday is OK. On Sunday, some long stages may not have an ambulance in the middle. At a last resort, a St Johns first aider will be stationed there. Efforts are continuing to find more ambulances. 4WD recovery vehicles. Nissan Patrol car club has fallen through. Alternatives are being investigated. Safety plan is finished except for inserts such as running schedule, etc. Next safety committee meeting 2 March 1993.

8. **Spectators.** Control officials will have an officials' pass in their envelope along with the other stuff such as the fuel voucher which will let them into spectator points.

9. **Clocks.** We only have 30 clocks but we need more 60 or 70. *We will probably have to use old CAMS clocks at the flying finishes. It is important that the new clocks are at the time controls where the competitors will see them. Exec members note: the preceding sentence is on our versions only.* **Glenn** to ring Col Fletcher about obtaining more clocks. **John Thompson** will reset the Citizen clocks before competition begins on Saturday morning and Sunday morning to ensure that the second and minute hands correspond with the official clocks.

10. **Officials.** We have 81 officials for Saturday and 48 for Sunday with another 41 maybes. We need about 150 for Saturday and about 100 for Sunday. This is road closures only. Control officials are above and beyond these numbers. Everybody must get out and about and find officials. Report findings to **Greg Hoinville** or **Keith Morling**.

11. **Permit fee.** We have had a reprieve from the \$110 per car fee. Our fee will be last year's fee plus 10%.

12. **Signs.** Control boards will be ready next week. We need 150 A4 sized road closure signs.

Meeting closed 11:30 pm

Next meeting 8:00 pm Wednesday 24 February at the Cuthbert residence.