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2011 CAMS OFFICIALS GAZETTE

OPENING BARK

Friday's edition of the 2011 CAMS Officials Gazette is a supersize edition to make up for no Thursday edition. Seems the gremlins ate it!

Over the last few years I have become a greater fan of Formula 1 because I have invested more time into it and got more out of it. I have watched all the races, spent time scouring through media websites looking for insights and news on cars, teams and drivers to gain a better understanding of the sport. It's all about reward for effort and in 2011 we can access more information that we could possibly know what to do with. So am I greater fan because I know more about the sport and how tough it is or is it because the racing is better?

Not sure if I know that answer because the racing between Senna, Mansell and Prost was always exciting, they were all different on and off the track yet I didn't have the same level of access to them as I have to any one of today's drivers. We can follow today's drivers almost like GPS follows cruise missiles, follow their moves through tweets, read their publicists razzle and dazzle and of course there is the lifestyle that follows such success.

2011 sees KERS back in town, moveable rear wings, tricky exhausts and a new tyre supplier in Pirelli plus with low temperatures and showers predicted as well as a 5pm start, the race will be an interesting one. For me the sheer number of likeminded fellow officials that attend this race is what impresses me travelling from around the globe. So when the final wife and wild child go to bed on Sunday nights muttering "you must be crazy to stay up this late", I know that I am not the only mad fool watching the Formula 1 race live; you are watching it with me as well!

Back in the International Gazette Team for 2011 is Lynne Huntting (USA), Michael Shaw (NSW), Ron Searle (Qatar), Liam Meegan (SA) and yours truly from this great state. We will be out to photograph you at every corner and to make this Gazette a little more fun than previous years. Every FORMULA 1™ Grand Prix in Melbourne is different so get involved this year and send me information throughout the weekend so we can relay your story to your fellow officials at rmclean@beaver.com.au CAMS will again make these editions available online through the CAMS website on www.cams.com.au so make sure you download them after the event.

Regards

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F1 ROAD TRIPS

Bathurst, Bolte Bridge and Ballarat have all seen F1 cars on their roads over the last week with Vodafone, Red Bull and Minardi all taking turns to highlight the QANTAS FORMULA 1™ Grand Prix in Melbourne this weekend. The concept is sound and the laps are always well received from the spectators. Many of which that have never seen or heard a Formula 1 car live so the experience is bound to invite them to come to Albert Park and see them in full flight.

On Tuesday Jenson Button and Craig Lowndes had the opportunity to switch their race cars at Mount Panorama. Both Jenson and Craig went under the track record in the 2008 McLaren, with Jenson setting an unofficial 1:48.3 lap. A crowd of around 10,000 were on hand to witness this unique occasion and across the top of the mountain the crowd were excited to see the cars plunge down through the Esses and Dipper, where the car was driven cautiously but still lifted a wheel.



| JACK DANIEL'S RACING | |
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| TIME | OUTING |
| 7:30 | LEAVE W/SHOP |
| 8:30 | ARRIVE TRACK |
| 8:45 | P5P |
| 9:15 | TEAM BRIEF |
| 11:20 | #7 RIDES |
| 12:30 | LUNCH |
| 13:30 | PRAC 1 |
| 16:10 | PRAC 2 |
| 18:30 | GLIAL |



BLAST FROM THE 2005 PAST



20 YEARS AS FIRE CHIEF – TAKE BOW SON



20 Years as Chief – Allan Young

After two decades at the helm of one of the most crucial on-track official teams at the Australian Formula 1 Grand Prix, Chief Fire Marshal, Allan Young is officially retiring from his position and will step into a mentoring role in 2012.

Beginning in 1986 when the Grand Prix took place on the streets in Adelaide, under the then Fire Chief, Brian Davis, Allan came as a Fire Marshal, with professional experience under his belt as a full time fire fighter in the Queensland Metropolitan Fire Brigade. In 1992, Young stepped into the position of Chief Fire Marshal after being appointed jointly by Peter Nelson, Race Secretary, Brian Davis and Glenda Grove from Women for Wheels SA Motorsport Fire Rescue.

The transition from Adelaide to Melbourne was sighted as a challenge, and the logistics associated with the move were definitely no easy task. Playing a vital role in the establishment of the Albert Park Circuit, Allan had a team of 220 Fire Marshals at the 1996 event from right across Australia.

"The time spent in the job has been both rewarding, enjoyable but it has simply gone too quick, yet the satisfaction is immense" said Young.

Following this event, Allan will continue to maintain his involvement in Motor Racing, as Fire Chief for the V8 Supercar rounds at Bathurst, Townsville, Gold Coast, Homebush and Queensland Raceway, whilst still also actively working trackside for the Queensland Fire & Rescue Service who will celebrate their 50th anniversary this year. Allan will also look to 'revisit the past' and attend the 2012 Clipsal 500 Adelaide, which will be just his second trip back to the track since the final Grand Prix in 1995, but is undecided as to whether he will don the red overalls again!

Allan credits enormous thanks to his crew's right across the last 20 years for their professionalism, knowledge and support.

CAMS will now look to appoint a new Chief for the 2012 event from the group of experienced Assistant Chief's.

CLIPSAI SET FOR OFFICIALS GAZETTE

The 2012 Clipsal 500 Adelaide will see the adoption of an official inside look at the event from the eyes of race officials, written for race officials. The CAMS Officials Gazette has strengthened in its popularity over the course of its existence at the Australian Formula 1 Grand Prix at Albert Park, and the Clipsal 500 will look to mirror the successful publication next year.

In conjunction with Clerk of the Course, Lawrie Schmitt; Race Official and local commentator Liam Meegan will work with the Grand Prix team to develop a publication available to all officials on each of the four days of the event. It will see interviews with various officials, coverage of the on and off track action and to act as a physical memory of the world's greatest touring car festival for those that make the event happen. In past years, race officials have very much enjoyed the opportunity to not only be interviewed, but also have the chance to read about the peers around the circuit. This is another advancement for an event already steeped in history and recognised as one that is always attempting to make the next groundbreaking move in ideas to grow the race meeting further. The existing F1 Gazette Team is looking forward to working with Liam in 2012.



F1 DOCTOR & EXPENSIVE DUMMY

DR GARY HARTSTEIN, FIA F1 Medical Doctor oversaw the Australian Medical Team on Wednesday, as it went through its paces. Two tests were done - extrication practice and driver accident simulation. For the former, a willing F1 team member played the role of driver. The accident sim used a very expensive dummy, programmed with special software to mimic and react to a wide variety of scenarios.

Hartstein oversees, with a stop watch and note pad, telling the crew what symptoms the dummy has, and they (and the dummy) react accordingly. The medics did not have prior knowledge as to the scenario Hartstein would present. And as every action has a reaction, one symptom led to another, etc. The Medical Team performed very well. Hartstein said they were "brilliant", had "excellent communication" and overall did a good job. He said "it's always enjoyable working with the Australian Medical Team because of its experience and maturity."



SIGHTS AND SOUNDS FROM THURSDAY



SCRUTINEERING AN F1 CAR

EWAN COLE has headed up the Formula One Scrutineering Team since AGP came to Australia in 1985 as a round of the World Championship. His Deputy Chief, WAYNE RODGERS of Melbourne, missed the first Adelaide race, but has been with the team ever since. They head up a diverse crew of technical inspectors from not just Australia this weekend, but also Bahrain, Korea, and Spain.

Thursday's Scrutineering tests were done in the F1 garages, and consisted mainly of safety checks. The teams have a six hour window, 10 am-4 pm, to complete the process. This year, despite being the first race of the season, it's gone smoothly because for many years AGP was the first race of the F1 season. New cars always take longer to complete the process. This year, although the rear and front wings are working differently, their measurements are the same as 2010. When there are changes the scrutineering process is more difficult and time consuming.

After the second Practice the F1 cars are scrutinized and for CAMS it is a teaching session, to learn how to do the checking. The legality and compliance scrutineering comes after Qualifying, and the top ten qualifiers are put in Parc Ferme. For this, the CAMS inspectors are the eyes for FIA - they observe everything, and closely watch the removal and replacement of every single car part.

Many drivers have three or four sets of race suits and gear (underwear, shoes, gloves, etc.) and all have to be inspected for fire rating and colour (dye is forbidden as it could poison the driver). The helmets (many drivers have more than one) are carefully checked for Snell rating and FIA approval.

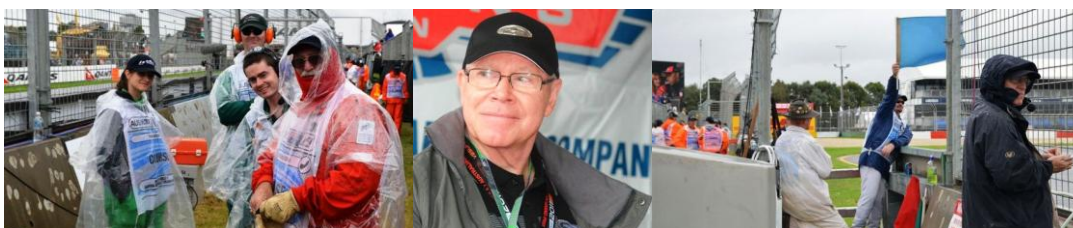
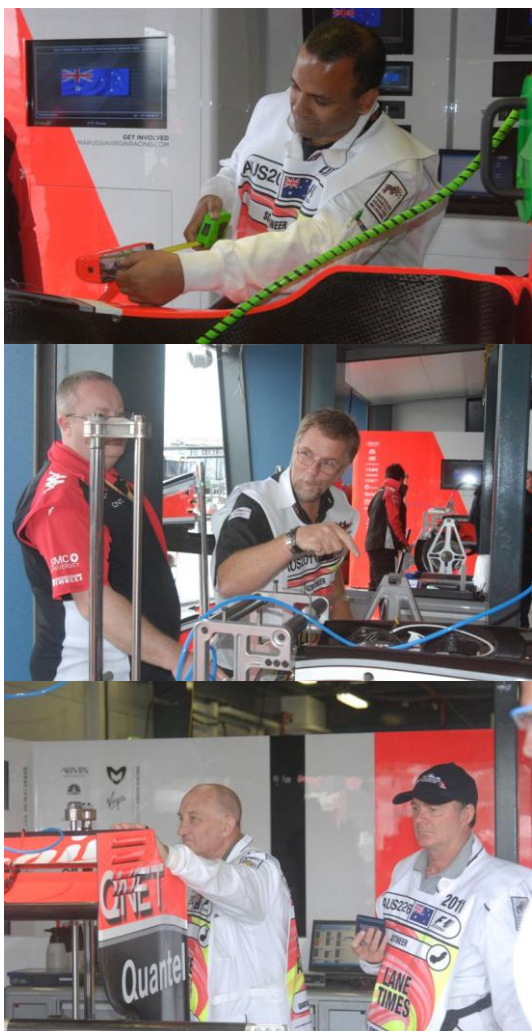
They are physically felt for cracks, bumps or anything which would degrade the integrity of the helmet. The radio installation in or on the helmet has to be checked. The HANS Device is also checked for FIA numbers. The Thursday safety checks include: fire extinguisher installation - setup and location; cockpit opening; wheel tethers; seat belts - ratings; size of the mirror glass; brake assemblies; brake locks; and chassis numbers.

This is the sixth year at AGP for DIEGO MERINO of Spain. He has also worked F1 races in Abu Dhabi, Bahrain, Europe, and Singapore. He works five or six F1 races a year, and is hoping to work the new USGP in Austin, Texas.

RUPERT RODRIGUES was born in Uganda, but has lived in Melbourne for the past 37 years. This is his first year in F1 Scrutineering. In the past he's worked with the Track Safety and Officials Safety Teams. In CAMS he works in Motorsports handling Technical Issues.

BOB VALE of Melbourne is another 'stalwart', having worked as a F1 Scrutineer for all 27 years. He said he is a 'car' nut and loves the technology. Vale supports his habit by working as an engineer for General Motors. In earlier days he raced Formula Fords in England.

CHRIS HALL of Ballarat is in his eleventh year at AGP, the past seven as a F1 Scrutineer. This weekend he's checking all the race gear. For the drivers it's their first race of the season, so everything they present for inspection is new.



CAPTION CONTEST FRIDAY

What can be said about this photo? Well, you know the drill! Dream up with your own caption for this photo. Just write your name, team, corner, and your caption in the area provided below and place it in the designated box in the muster tent.

Name: _____ Team: _____

Corner: _____ Caption: _____

Phone Number: _____

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