

SOUTHERN AFRICAN VETERAN AND VINTAGE ASSOCIATION



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MINUTES OF THE 53rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN VETERAN AND VINTAGE ASSOCIATION HELD AT THE QUEENS HOTEL, QUEENSTOWN ON SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Present (in person):	Gavin Allison (SAVVA President) Philip Kuschke (SAVVA Chairman) John Reidy (SAVVA Vice Chairman, Austin Healey Club of SA) Megan Woodward (SAVVA Secretary, CHC) Riaan Hanekom (SAVVA Youth Development) Giel Bester (QAC) Manie Niewoudt (QAC) Graeme Cullen (QAC) Kobus Harris (SCOCC) Naas van Zyl (SCOCC) Harvey Metcalf (CHC & EFCC) Claude Stander (POMC) Emil Kuschke (Model T Club of SA) Charles Gardiner (MMOC) Llewelyn Faifer (EPVCC) Reiner Schwarz (BVCC)
Present (online):	Paul Koski (SAVVA Treasurer, VVC) Jon Lewis (Motorcycle Dating) Brian Bruce (Legislation, GRMC) Gavin Youngman (CVMC) VSCC Midland Car Club CMCN DECC VCC Old Wheelers Club of Namibia Centenary Car Club Buick Club of SA MMOC Durban Piston Ring
Apologies:	Austin Healey Club OFSVC Jacaranda Beetle Club

Vryheid Car Club (Cassie Lourens) CMC Johannesburg Benoni Heritage Club MMOC PE Hennie van der Walt (SAVVA Motorsport, OFSVCC) EFCC Maluti Antique Car Club

Non-attendance - no apologies received

1. Welcome

GA welcomed all to SAVVA's 53rd AGM. He noted it was a great honour to be in Queenstown, hosted by the QAC which is the oldest club in the country. It was founded by a land surveyor, before it merged with the RAC.

2. Attendance, apologies and voting strength

The Chairman confirmed that a quorum had been achieved. PK listed those clubs which had given apologies. Any voting that was required would consider the voting strength of clubs, which is determined according to the number of members.

3. Minute of Silence

GA asked for a minute's silence for friends and family who have passed away over the past year.

4. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2022

As the minutes of the 52nd Annual General Meeting held on 11 September 2021 had been circulated, they were taken as read and signed as being a true record of proceedings.

5. Matters arising from the minutes

Nil

6. Chairman's Report: Philip Kuschke

PK's three years as chairman comes to an end at this AGM. His term was exciting, challenging, unusual and very satisfying. During his term, the SAVVA council saw Covid-19 as an opportunity rather than a stumbling block where new ways were used for the council to meet and get things done. New initiatives were developed over this time. PK thanked the council for turning these hindrances into opportunities. It is fantastic that the motoring movement can once again organise normal events such as shows, rallies and outings.

During his time, the council made an effort to visit and keep in touch with clubs across the country. He thanked all the clubs who made them feel welcome and hosted them during this time. It was a great privilege to meet local club leaders and committee members. PK noted a

special thanks to the POMC, QAC and the VVC's DJ organising committee who hosted them for the Cars in the Park in August, Tiger Moth Old Car Show in Queenstown in May and the DJ rally.

PK is excited about the initiatives which have been put into place in 2022, which can be reported on:

- Meetings are now held monthly on Zoom (rather than twice per year) and have included meeting in person twice as well
- Meetings were held with the portfolio holders
- The new insurance which has been put in place with Cross Country has very competitive rates which are a lot lower than the previous scheme with FNB
- The history of SAVVA is being compiled by Alex Duffey (POMC) and already reads like a story. PK asked all clubs who might have any info or photos regarding this history, to share this with Alex
- Following the SAVVA visits at local clubs, the council has now got a face, and is no long just a name
- SAVVA is now working with government policies and legislation surrounding licencing which is an ongoing struggle for members of SAVVA. PK wished BB well with his endeavours.
- A relationship with FIVA has been developed, and hopefully soon we will have both a youth representative and legislation representative on their commissions.

PK thanked all clubs and portfolio holders who have provided support to him during his term. He wished everyone well.

7. Treasurer's Report: Paul Koski

The report was summarised as below:

	2022
Loss for the Year	(R 53 286)
Retained Income	R 469 887
Legal Reserve	R 227 099
Cash/Equivalent	R 676 436

Question was raised about how the loss occurred. Paul Koski noted there were legal fees during 2022, as well as the FIVA subscription. Our income, however, from clubs and dating certificates has not been enough to cover this. In addition, SAVVA has sponsored some national events despite the lack of sponsorship from our insurer.

8. Reports by Portfolio Holders:

a. Motorsport – Hennie van der Walt

SAVVA Motorsport is an instrument to keep track of and formalise different events held by our member clubs. Back in the day when the first official event took place in the 1950's, there was a vehicle cut off of pre-1930. The veteran events were approx. 200km and the vintage events 450-600km. As time went by, a Post '45 category was created. HvdW noted that only 18 clubs had submitted their annual clearance certificates, which means that all other clubs have no public liability insurance for events.

Nine applications were received during the year for a car show. HvdW noted these kinds of events require a separate application for which a permit will be issued. This will ensure the event has insurance cover. Twelve organising permits for tours and rallies were also issued over the last year. Five once-off clearance certificates were issued for daily events, as well as overnight events.

b. Dating of Motor Vehicles - Peter Hall

Over the past year, applications have been less due to Covid-19. Peter has done some valuations of cars for members and non-members (it is free for members, but R300 for non-members).

Over the past year, new brass badges had to be made. Cost to SAVVA of R385 for car badges and R295 for motorcycles. PH suggested SAVVA now charges R500 for dating plus R100 for couriering, in order to cover these new increased costs. No objections were received.

During the past year, 9 dating certificates were done, 12 queries and 18 valuations.

c. Dating of Motorcycles - Jon Lewis

JL took over this portfolio at end of Feb 2022. He has had 25 dating applications. All the plaques were used but Peter Hall has ordered new which JL is still awaiting. The engraving on the Garden Route is expensive so JL has been sending badges in batches to Kevin Walton in Johannesburg. This incurs a cost of R200 return in courier fees.

Costs will need to go up and R500 should be sufficient for bike dating application. The certificates which are printed cost R2.

The history of past records was delivered to JL in boxes and they are taking up significant space. JL suggested that maybe these records could be stored at Brian Bruce's museum.

Peter Hall offered that badges could also be engraved in Durban by Peter Hall. If needs be, the records could also be housed at the VCC in Durban.

d. Youth Awareness Report: Riaan Hanekom

RH took all attendees through the youth report which SAVVA has prepared. RH noted that the definition of youth is 40 and under. He noted clubs are requested to make younger people feel welcome.

RH noted the suggestion of special subs rates for juniors 18-25 and youth 25-40. RH proposed that a youth portfolio be introduced on club committees. SAVVA has their own youth representative (Riaan) who will hopefully be joining the FIVA commission soon.

An important component for attracting youth is marketing, which focuses on social media, as well as keeping websites updated. It is also necessary to have affordable events which youth can attend. Events which are seen as attractive to youth include car shows which provide an opportunity to have youth reps on site to chat to youth. It is also suggested that car shows could have specific youth displays – cars which are owned by youth.

Another event which has been suggested would focus on youth day on 16 June, where clubs can organise specialised events. These events could be sponsored by SAVVA if it is worthwhile.

Finally, a suggestion was given to hold events where young and old can participate together such as a rally or gymkhana – where a driver and navigator are required.

e. Webmaster - Kirstin Rowlands

The website was renewed with a new look in 2018. The website has had 9682 new visitors since the launch. The most popular pages are About us, Events and Forms. Most people who visited the page are from South Africa.

Some additional updates have been undertaken which includes webpage speed, load times and number of documents on the site. Some backend work has also been done to allow mobile devices to use the site and future proof the site from a security perspective.

Upcoming attractions – SAVVA's logo will be updated annually, letterheads and forms will be updated, the upcoming events calendar will include images, additional images and photos across the entire website will be added.

f. Trophies – Tertius du Preez

Tertius gave his apologies as he is attending the WOMZA National Rally Championship. Since 2021, four trophies were sent to the Ford Model T club for the SAVVA National Veteran Tour at Gariep. 12 other trophies were sent to QAC for their Post 45 National Rally. There are also 2 chairman's trophies, as the first one was returned after being missing. The second trophy has now been renamed the president's trophy and will be awarded to the club who hosts the SAVVA AGM each year. This has been backdated to 2017.

g. Insurance – Gavin Allison

SAVVA operates 2 insurance schemes:

- Public liability cover from iToo/Hollard group which is available to all clubs for monthly and special events, such as car shows.
- Car collector's scheme Cross Country/Puma provides competitive rates and good customer service. There is also 3rd party insurance available at R60 per vehicle on events.

Annual reviews are undertaken with both policies to ensure they are still competitive. One claim was processed over the past two years, and it was paid out.

h. SAHRA – Gavin Allison

Nothing to report.

i. FIVA – John Reidy

SAVVA initiated renewed communications with FIVA executives during 2021/2022. SAVVA attended the FIVA AGM online in November. SAVVA has noted that SA experiences similar problems to clubs all over the world.

In line with SAVVA's youth development plans, SAVVA will shortly have representation on both this and the government legislation committees in FIVA.

Negotiations are also underway for SA to host a FIVA International Tour of SA in 2024, which has been agreed in principle with extensive arrangements still to be finalised.

j. ITAC - Eric McQuillian

EM is hoping to get more involved with ITAC from the end of October 2022. ITAC has finally appointed a person to handle imports who is happy to use SAVVA. It is currently difficult to meet in person, specifically at their offices. But, Eric hopes to meet them somewhere for lunch or coffee soon.

The Ford Model A club noted the importance of engaging with ITAC on importing spares into the country. This has been a significant hold up.

k. Motorsport SA – John Reidy

SAVVA continues to have a good working relationship and communications with the executive at MSA. SAVVA has two members who are directors at MSA – Frik Kraamwinkel and Greg Mills. SAVVA meets regularly with MSA.

VVC noted concern about casual events which are taking place across the country without any permits, insurance, indemnities etc. Question was raised whether SAVVA/MSA would be doing anything about it as these events are technically these events are illegal. JR noted there is very little that SAVVA/MSA can actually do about these events. Brian Noik suggested that SAVVA/MSA makes a public statement which distances themselves from these events.

I. Auto News – Fred & Aisne Rascher

PK noted that the Auto News continues to be a great newsletter which he suggests people distribute to friends and fellow motor enthusiasts. Fred & Aisne Rascher struggled with content during Covid. But, this should be easier going forwards with events now taking place again.

m. Legislation – Brian Bruce

BB noted that there is a disconnect between legislation and administration. There are two portfolios which deals with legislation. One is Government Liaison officer (National Road Traffic Act) and the other SAHRA (Heritage Resources). Over many years, SAVVA has failed to be involved with government.

We are now learning from FIVA to be more proactive. We have to fight for the freedom to use historic vehicles on the road. The SAVVA constitution is limited to the export of heritage items/objects, yet SAHRA and HRA do no list vehicles as a heritage asset. The National Road Traffic Regulations define historic vehicles as pre-1965. This date has not been updated. BB recommends that SAVVA should propose a new date. But, what is this date? BB believes it will be very difficult to get the date shifted post 1975 and believes the date is directly linked to technology within vehicles.

Charles Gardiner noted that SANS 10047 refers to the date of 1965 which is used at registration centres. It would seem that the different departments don't understand how this works. The question is how can we/SAVVA get involved with the regulator of SANS. BB believes SAVVA needs to be more involved with government.

EPVCC noted that members in PE have been struggling with licencing cars which were previously scrapped. BB noted that once a vehicle has been scrapped, it is technically not on record and no longer exists. BB noted that you could register the car as a built up and get it back dated to the correct date. There appears to be an issue with this specifically in the Eastern Cape.

VCC noted that left hand drive cars can be registered in SA, provided you can prove it was registered here prior to 2005.

VVC suggested that SAVVA petition national government to add a 5th category to registrations (apart from built up, new, used, demolished) which would be for classics.

9. Report back by promoters of Events on the National Calendar for 2021 - 2022

- Kalk Bay Veteran Run Harvey Metcalf (CHC) noted that the run was a success with a good turnout from public supporters thanks to some social media advertising which was very successful.
- Vettoer PK noted this event was a success with many members who first went to the Kalk Bay Run and then travelled back to George.
- George Old Car Show very successful, despite having a restriction on the number of visitors due to Covid 19. There was a great display of tractors.
- DJ Rally approximately 120 motorcycles, with punishing road conditions which resulted in 25/30 non-finishers. Great event, including the Binder boys. There were a couple thousand supporters at the finish venue.
- Piston Ring Swap Meet very successful meeting with lots of public, vendors, exhibitors, as well as a flea market. The attendance was huge.

- Austin Healey National Tour was based in Knysna and Plett over 8 days, great tour and lots of socialising.
- Knysna Motor Show format changed this year, with a focus on being inclusive. It included young timers with youth having their more modern classics in a specific area. There was a super car section (classic & modern), as well as classics and vintage.
- QAC's Tiger Moth Anniversary & Old Car Show this event started being organised over a year ago. This event had been postponed due to Covid 19. QAC organised this with the flying club. It was a very successful event with many clubs from afar joining in. The SAVVA Chairman also attended with this Model T.
- Cars in the Park, Zwartkops very successful event with about 2500 vehicles on show. Lots of visitors, and vendors were present.
- Magnum Rally Entries were less than in past years, well organised event with positive feedback. There is definitely a problem with roads country wide, which makes it difficult finding good routes for these kind of events.

10. Voting on 20-year roll over date of vehicles/ Dec 1997 standing cut-off date

A proposal was put forward by the POMC to revise the existing SAVVA constitution regarding SAVVA eligible vehicles. This would now require a vote by all SAVVA clubs. In order to change the constitution a two thirds majority is required.

PK explained how the process would be undertaken, which included the ballot papers and the electoral committee (made up of Giel Bester, Atman Oberholzer and Kobus Harris). PK also noted that there are 4 clubs who have not paid their subs and cannot be eligible to vote. If a ballot paper does not have a club name, it will be discarded.

Voting result:

A total of 40 votes were counted, 14 in favour of option A (maintain 1997 cut off) and 26 option B (rolling 20 year). However, a 2/3 majority was required to change the constitution. This was not reached. Therefore, the constitution remains in place.

11. Chairman's Trophy Award

PK awarded this to Giel Bester – for his hospitality shown towards SAVVA, and service to his club. Under his leadership he has built up his club to make it one of the strongest in the country, and always offers his services.

12. President's Trophy Award

This trophy is awarded to the club who hosts the SAVVA AGM. This year, it was awarded to the QAC.

13. Election of Office Bearers

All existing officer bearers and portfolio holders will remain in place. No voting is required. However, PK will be stepping down as chairman. JR will be stepping up as chairman. PK will be become the president and GA has been nominated as the vice-chairman.

14. National Events Roster for 2022/2023

All clubs were requested to submit any additional national events that they are hosting in the upcoming year to the SAVVA Secretary. The following events have been recorded:

Date	Event	Organising Club	Venue
September 18-22	SAVVA National for	Model T Club of SA	Gariep
	Vintage & Veterans		
September 24	Midland Car Show	MMOC	Graaff Reinet
October 1	Old Auto Club Car	Welkom Old Auto Club	Welkom
	Show		
November 5-6	Houw Hoek Rally	СНС	Cape Town
November 6-9	Fairest Cape Tour	CVMC	Worcester
February 5	Kalk Bay Veteran Run	СНС	Cape Town
February 9-10	Vet Toer	SCOCC	Prince Albert
February 11-12	George Old Car Show	SCOCC	George
March 10-11	DJ Motorcycle Run	VVC	Durban/Jhb
March 19	Swap Meet	Piston Ring	Modderfontein
May 1	Cars in the Park	OFSVCC	Bloemfontein
May 18-21	Fragram Natal Classic	CMC of Natal	Drakensville
	Motorcycle Rally		Resort
August 6	Cars in the Park	POMC	Zwartkops
August 9-13	Magnum Rally & Post	POMC	Hazyview
	'60 SAVVA National		
	Tour		
September 9	SAVVA AGM	OFSVCC	Bloemfontein
September 10-13	SAVVA Post War Tour	OFSVCC	Bloemfontein
	(1945-1960) /		
	Rendezvous Tour		
September 17	Swap Meeting	Piston Ring Club	Modderfontein
November 5-7	Fairest Cape Tour	CVMC	Worcester
November 6-7	Houw Hoek Rally	СНС	Cape Town

15. Discussion points submitted by Clubs

Old Auto Club in Welkom would like to propose a vote take place again at next year's AGM for a 25-year rolling data versus a cut-off of 1997.

16. Thanks and Closure

PK thanked all for attending the AGM.