AFA Rule Notification to Members No. 55 – August 2015.

This rule Notification deals with the following matters:

- 1. Minor changes to the Open Racing Format On Trail Rules.
- 2. Amendments to the Guidelines for hosting a Competition document available on the AFA Web site.
- Restricted entry competitions which also include an Open format class

Item 1. Changes to Open Racing format Rules (On Trial).

The Committee approved the following minor changes to the On Trial rules for Open Format racing:

Add to Rules after point 8. The following:

- "9). Where Open and Veterans racing are combined in a single division, the maximum number of races and heats shall be as per the Veterans racing format rules.
- 10) Open Teams are not eligible for Champions Trophy.

Item 2. Amendments to Guidelines for hosting a competition document.

The Committee adopted the following amendments to the Guidelines:

Add at the start of the document - before Section 1

- "These Guidelines include some specific requirements where stated."
- .Then add the following words to the end of Section 17
- "No more than 35 heats a day may be scheduled for any team entered in the competition if using 3 heat or 5 heat racing formats. If using a best 3 of 5 format for all races, then no team shall have more than 8 races scheduled in a day. Number of heats or races scheduled shall include any Champions trophy formats. If the requested format falls outside of these requirements, the State Representative shall seek approval of the format from the AFA Supervisory Judge who shall have the authority to approve where the requested format is deemed appropriate."

The above amendments will be included in the Web based document shortly and will apply in respect of all new Sanction applications submitted for competitions effective from 4th August 2015.

3.Restricted entry competitions which also include an Open format class.

Where a Competition is proposed with a Limited Entry condition and also the option of Open Format the Sanction application should indicate the proposed limit of team entries for both the Regular and Open format – for example Restricted to 20 Regular and 4 Open teams. The Competition organiser is free to reallocate places from one format to the other in circumstances where the allocated restricted quote is not meet – example only 3 Open Entries received would allow Organiser to accept 21 Regular entries.