The QMSC Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 29 September at Lakeside, resulting in a number of leadership changes. The Advisory Council - Life members will be now led by Chris Malone with Matt Pegg as deputy. The Advisory Council – Organisations will be led by Paul Blundell with Nic Cooke as deputy, while the Advisory Council – Venues will be led by Matthew Ronke with Kevin Bartlett as deputy. Following this, the six elected representatives formed the Board meeting with the following positions filled. President - Paul Blundell, Vice Presidents - Chris Malone and Nic Cooke, Secretary - Matthew Ronke, Treasurer - Matt Pegg and Advisory Board Member - Kevin Bartlett. The following short bios give some background on the new leaders.

Paul Blundell - A long time motorsport, car, bike and RC fan with a family history in motorsport and engineering. Paul specialises in community/corporate engagement and partnerships. He brings a business development ethos to growing QMSC’s voice. Currently a Bank Manager at St.George Bank and member of many online forums including Downshift and Brisbane Euros.

Chris Malone - President of the Pontiac Car Club (QLD) for the last eight years and recently granted honorary life membership, Chris specialises in the road-registered vehicle population, as well as photography. His background is in bureaucracy and hence provides QMSC’s representation to various bodies.

Matthew Ronke - grew up in a motorsport family, his father running Winton Raceway in Victoria. After graduating with an Economics degree, Matthew became the finance manager at the same racetrack for eight years. More recently, he managed Wakefield Park Raceway at Goulburn for eight years before moving north to take up administration roles in Queensland Raceways.

Nic Cooke - commenced motorcross racing in his pre-teen years, reaching a high level of the sport in the UK. Professionally, Nic operates a company providing business advice, coaching and sales training, and has a passion for involvement of younger people, giving them the skills to become successful in life.

Kevin Bartlett - former open wheel and touring car racing driver who won the Australian Drivers’ Championship in 1968 and 1969, as well as the Bathurst 1000 in 1974. Commenced his racing career in a Morris Minor at various NSW tracks in 1957, but more well known for his association with Formula 5000s and the Channel 9 Sports Camaro that competed from 1979 to 1983. He retired from professional racing following his final drive in the 1990 Bathurst, but has kept busy as an advisor at all levels of motorsport.

Matt Pegg - has been involved in motor sport for a number of years, mainly as an official. He has performed just about every role there is at a track including being Venue Supervisor at Lakeside. Matt served in the RAAF for six years, and was in a management position with Inghams Enterprises for 25 years. He is currently an Operations Supervisor for a national transport company.

The new QMSC board looks forward to serving and representing you in 2015-16. This includes at the forthcoming Motor Organisations and Car Clubs Committee meeting with the Transport Department, scheduled to be held on December 8.