

AUSTIN SEVEN CLUB Inc.

Minutes of Annual General Zoom Meeting, Wednesday 3rd November 2021.

Meeting opened at 8.07 pm

Meeting Chaired – Len Kerwood: President

Zoom Members Present: as per MGM.

Committee –

Glynis Gibbons: Secretary/Vice President,

Tony Press: Minute Secretary,

Paul Goethel: Treasurer,

Robert Humphreys: Editor,

Gary Hawkins: Competition Secretary.

Ron Crellin: Social Secretary,

Russell Dickson: Membership Secretary,

John Shiells: Property Officer.

Apologies: as per MGM.

Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting: (posted on the Club website for members to view)

Moved Acceptance: Gary Hawkins,

Seconded: David Isom,

Carried.

Presidents Annual Report 2021:

The 2020-21 year will go down in history as one of the most trying times for the world, our country and state. It is true that many clubs and businesses have not been able to cope with all the requirements and restrictions that have been imposed on them.

I am pleased to say that the Austin 7 Club has weathered the storm with pleasing results. Due to the many years of hard work by the members and various committees the club was in a strong position at the start of the pandemic. Whilst most club activities had to be cancelled, thanks to the hard and outstanding work of the Winton committee under the stewardship of Peta Lee, it was able to conduct the 44th Historic Winton against all the odds, and succeeded in producing a surplus similar to previous years.

The National Rally committee under the stewardship of Andrea Casabene has been working hard against the odds to conduct the 100th anniversary of the Austin 7 in April 2022 at Warrnambool. The OST members and racing members have also had reduced seasons and one can only trust that this down time will make them more competitive for next year. On the social scene, most events were cancelled, although Ron and Helen Crellin were able to organise a Christmas pudding night in the park to end the 2020 year.

One of the most positive outcomes for the year has been the introduction of the zoom technologies which has enabled the club to conduct MGM, AGM, Committee meetings and in recent times, HAS with technical presentations. Whilst we all yearn for the face to face meetings, the zoom technology will now allow our remote members to partake in those meetings. Many thanks to John Shiells and Courtenay Rumble for making all this possible.

Your spare parts department has continued to kick over and acquire more valuable second hand spares. Thanks to Graeme Logan and his team.

The Light Shaft has continued to prove to be most valuable in these difficult times in keeping the members in touch with not only our club but the historic car movement as well. Due to the effort of Robert Humphreys and Tony Press we are now able to send the Light Shaft electronically in full colour to all our members who have supplied their email address. Tony has also added value to members by forwarding other club magazines for your enjoyment.

Membership

The last 12 months Russell Dickson (membership secretary) has updated the membership listing to a much more advanced computer programme with huge assistance from John Shiells who oversaw major modification of the existing Chrysler Club membership programme.

Financial Report

The treasurer Paul Goethel will present the financial report. This report has been reviewed by the committee and sent for auditing. I am pleased to support the report, as the accounts will show that the club has no debts or outstanding commitments, and has sufficient funds to cover operational requirements.

Welfare Officer

A vote of thanks to Bruce Walker for all the work and compassion he conducts during the year.

**Len Kerwood,
President Austin 7 Club Inc.**

2020 -21 Audit Report- As a prescribed association we are required to have a formally approved audit of the Club accounts. The Audited financial report from the Club Auditors has been posted in a password protected page is on the Club Website.

Treasurers Financial Report: Paul echoed Lens comments about the difficulties and confirmed the Club's Audited Financial Report has been posted on the Club website for members to view; a copy is attached to the minutes. Spares finance is included from subsidiary accounting. With regard to depreciation- recent auctions in 19-23 Kylie Place indicate our 3 buildings now have much greater actual value.

He displayed a prepared spreadsheet showing simplified income and expenditure, comparing the last three years to give a better picture of the changes wrought by Covid and went through this explaining all sections. A copy of this spreadsheet is also attached to the Minutes.

At the conclusion Paul asked for any questions.

Question to the Treasurer: Leanne Goethel advised that it be noted that the Historic Winton income benefited from her provision of PR work at no cost for the HW 2021 meeting.

Acceptance of the Treasurers report moved: Paul Goethel,

Seconded: Gary Hawkins,

Carried.

Annual General Meeting Closed at 8.28 pm.

Open Special General Meeting 8.29 pm.