

AUSTIN SEVEN CLUB Inc.

Minutes of Monthly General Meeting, Wednesday 1st December 2021.

Meeting opened at 8.05 pm

Meeting Chaired: Len Kerwood, President

Members Present: 15 as shown in the membership book and 10 on Zoom.

Committee –

Glynis Gibbons: Secretary/Vice President,

Tony Press: Minute Secretary.

Paul Goethel: Treasurer,

Robert Humphreys: Editor,

Gary Hawkins: Competition Secretary on Zoom,

Ron Crellin: Social Secretary, on Zoom,

Russell Dickson: Membership Secretary,

John Shiells: Property Officer.

Apologies: Greg McDonald, John McMillan, Ted Thompson, Ronnie Heagney, Graeme Burbidge, Andrea Casabene, Fiona Humphreys.

Sick Call: Bruce Walker, David Crebbin.

Len declared the Meeting open and welcomed all members in the room and on Zoom. In answer to a question from Ron, Len advised the Club Covid Plan is available at the sign in point.

Minutes of the Last Meeting (posted on the Club Website)–

Moved Acceptance: Len Kerwood,

Seconded: Rob Humphreys,

Carried.

Len noted in addition to the recent election of Delegates and Subcommittees, Noel Wilcox has agreed to represent the Club at the Historic Motorsport Promoters group and will be added to the Delegates. Due to the busy 2022 calendar, the earlier Historic Winton dates of 21st and 22nd May have been confirmed by Winton Motor Raceway and a Contract giving our meeting requirements is to be submitted.

Reports:

Editor: Robert thanked the ‘silent helpers’ who packed and mailed the December Light Shaft. The calendar as published is based on best assumptions- any corrections advise Gary or Rob. Following the retirement of our brilliant Archivist we require a volunteer ‘curator’ for the Club collections, to add details to the pictures and trophies, explaining the history and significance and interview older members for their stories. The volunteer can be remote and needs some artistic flair to make all the additions look good.

With another hat on, all but four of the 2021 Historic Winton’s 88 advertisers and sponsors have paid up

Treasurer: Paul thanked Rob for his efforts with the Historic Winton Sponsor’s/Advertiser’s accounts and Robert Baudinette, for acting as treasurer of the National Rally. Paul reported with all accounts paid up to date we have cash in hand \$\$486,080.63. A copy of his report is attached to the minutes.

With subscription renewals coming in our balance will increase. Remember no membership means no red plate!

Moved acceptance of the report: Graeme Logan,
Seconded: Helen Shegog,
Carried.

Secretary: Glynis advised all online magazines have been forwarded to Tony for emailing to members; remaining hard copies are on the back table. Austin 7 Clubs Association UK Magazine has been renewed, members can order from Russell at \$30 pa. Motorsport Australia payment has been finalised. Accounts paid for SE Water and Australia Post Mail Box. The Club Audited Report has been sent to Consumer Affairs.

Membership Secretary: Russell noted that the Light Shaft hard copy had included the 2022 renewal form. Members who receive an emailed LS copy only are being attended to with a special renewal email. More information is now being requested- date of birth (mainly for Juniors) and a check regarding listing of personal details. Three new members for the month as listed in the Light Shaft.

Property Officer: John advised all property items under control.

National Rally: In Andrea Casabene's absence, Len reported on yesterday's Subcommittee meeting. 84 cars so far with 60 more to come. The organisers will visit Warnambool in January. Michael Shegog is chasing Sponsors and all planning is going well. No payment is needed at present- contact Andrea if any questions. Bev Logan made the comment that if the worst happens and Covid causes a cancellation the Anniversary will shift to 2023. Andrea will contact Tony with a new report to be emailed to members. Bev will handle snail mail. Newsletter No 3 is coming out.

Spares Report: Graeme Logan thanked Rob and Janne for the excellent work on Mail Orders. UK Supplies are still slow. Spares will be open this Saturday 4th December with no BBQ.

Social Secretary: Ron advised this Sunday 5th December will be the Christmas Luncheon at Mulgrave Country Club and Wednesday 15th the Christmas Pudding and Awards in the Park, bring your own food, seating etcetera with Puddings and Cream provided plus Janne's Fruit Salad. For January 2022 the first event will be the Picnic in the 100 Acre Park- see the Light Shaft for details followed by the 27th February Progressive Lunch- format to be finalized.

Competition Secretary: Gary advised the 2022 OST Subcommittee has been elected with event runners to be arranged. Rob Roy Hill Climb 28th November was a good event but only one Austin 7

General Business: Len noted that a Monash University team has developed a useable Lithium Sulphur Battery, increasing charge life simply by adding sugar. Len missed attending the AOMC AGM. Graeme Logan gave a report on an impromptu Club run to replace the cancelled Pub Crawl.

Coming Events: There will be a car check day Saturday 12th February at Russel's 7 Heaven workshop. There is no pressure but this will allow the car to be put on a hoist for a good look by the owner

Buys and Sells: John wants an MBGB differential.

Meeting Closed: at 9:05 pm