

AUSTIN 7 CLUB Inc.

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Minutes of Monthly General Meeting with Zoom, Wednesday 6th July 2022.

Meeting opened at 8.05 pm

Members Present: 20 in the room, 10 on Zoom.

Meeting Chaired: Len Kerwood, President,

Committee:

Glynis Gibbons: Secretary/Vice President,

Tony Press: Minute Secretary.

Gary Hawkins: Competition Secretary on Zoom,

Russell Dickson: Membership Secretary,

John Shiells: Property Officer,

Ron Crellin: Social Secretary on Zoom.

Apologies: Paul Goethel: Treasurer, Leanne Goethel, Robert Humphreys: Editor, Lachlan Story, Rob & Ivy Davis, Michael and Helen Shegog, Adam Courtney, Courtenay Rumble, Merv Boldner, Bruce Walker, Bev Logan.

New Members & Visitors: .Simon and Naomi Murray with a green 1928 Wasp from NSW with a varied history rebuilt over four years and fitted with a John Needham rebuilt gearbox. Australian Craig Jones now living in Florida with a 1928 Chummy, visiting Melbourne

Sick Call: Bruce Walker is recovering from hospitalisation, John Fatouris is still not well

Announcements: Len heard from Dorothy Bowring that long time Club member John Fleming died- he has told Doug Veel. The Duck Racer is back in the UK

Minutes of the Last Meeting (posted on the Website & on the Noticeboard.

Moved Acceptance: James Spencer,

Seconded: Glenys Gibbons,

Carried.

Reports:

Historic Winton: Len noted that the accounts are still being finalised but figures indicate a return to 2019 results. Noel Wilcox has a group of 'tintops' applying for 2023 regularity.

Competition Secretary: Gary reported on OST 4 Gilderoy, OST 5 at Narbethong with coming events at OST 6 Three Bridges and OST 7 Dale Shaw Trial at Rob Roy. His report with results is attached to the minutes.

Editor: No report with Robert on holiday. The June/July combined Light Shaft has been emailed and posted.

Membership Secretary: Russell advised membership is slow but OST passengers are joining. New member Julie (and Alan) Mansbridge from Warmambool who now own the Alan Esmore Chummy.

Treasurer: In Pauls absence Len presented his report: Cash Maximiser \$346,882.60, General Account \$34,206.62, Historic Winton \$116,636.78, National Rally Account \$4,000.00 Spares Garage \$108,736.26, Westpac \$2,040.52 giving a total of \$612,502.78. A copy Paul's report is attached.

Secretary: Glynis advised the Other Club magazines have been sent to Tony for email distribution, hard copies are on the back shelf. Federation membership paid. Consumer Affairs Annual Report due end December. Nice letter from Alan Lowe about Historic Winton thanking all volunteers.

Len commented that the Club HW volunteers must allow for a four to five day event at their own cost each year. See the Club website for a video of the event.

Social Secretary: Ron again asked for attendees at the mid-year 'Not Christmas in July' 17th July Baxter Motor Inn 'Pay as You Go' event- more applicants please! Warren Bonning's memorial at the Clubrooms on 16th July.

Spares Report: Graeme Logan is negotiating for a large parcel of Austin 7 and other instruments from UK. Phoenix Cranks are back in production and he will look at a purchase.

Property Officer: John advised our Unit two tenant went into receivership 11th June and left the unit which now requires to be cleaned up for re-renting. He is arranging removal of an illegally installed hydroponic heating system- anyone want it? Our good investment needs an upgrade for the first time in 10 years to attract a tenant and he is looking at agents. The Bond will cover the upgrade including a new air-conditioner.

Past Events: John McMillan hosted the URRRS run Tuesday 21st June to The Essendon Airways Museum.at 10am. John reported a fantastic day with 24 attendees- an eye-opening display of radio, navigation aids and air traffic control history. The August URRRS is cancelled.

Graeme Logan reported on the Border Run which although successful only had three Victorians (two Austin 7's) and seven South Australian entrants with no Austin 7s. The event has run for 60 years but now is dying and needs a review- move to a midweek spot at a warmer time of year? Committee to discuss.

Coming Events: Club Spares will be open this Saturday with a BBQ provided by the Club. OST Dale Shaw Trial and the long standing John Pryce Memorial Trial at Rob Roy. John McMillan advised Pub Crawl to Bellarine Peninsula has 8 rooms left. VHRR Winton. Day Run to be advised. August URRRS cancelled.

General Business: The Club requires two volunteers for the Federation meetings to replace retiring Noel Wilcox- Gary offered to be one, advise Len if you can help. The Club Annual Rally date in the current Light Shaft is incorrect- Phil Hallo will provide Tony with full details and corrected date to be emailed to members. Tony Casabene will advise about attending the upcoming Austins Over Australia event.

Meeting Closed: at 9.20 pm