
Minutes - AHMF GENERAL MEETING - Teleconference **Monday 27th July 2020**

PRESIDENT, NEIL ATHORN, OPENS THE AGM at 7:00pm

Present: Delegates: Neil Athorn (FVVCVC), John Kennett (FVVCVC), Christine Stevens (QHMC), Albert Budworth (QHMC), Morvan Green (FHVC SA), Mike Beale (CHMC NSW), Maxine Beale (CHMC NSW), Terry Thompson (CMC NSW), John Goddard (FVVCVC)

Observers: Jenny Fawbett (CHMC NSW)

Apologies: Eric Hutton (NTMC), Matt Lack (CHMC NSW Observer)

We took some Agenda items from the AGM and put into this meeting to take some pressure off for the AGM. An amended AGM agenda will be forwarded to you along with the minutes of THIS meeting.

MINUTES

Confirmation was required for the following minutes

24th Feb 2020 - Special Meeting Teleconference - These minutes were passed during the 30th March meeting.

Christine advised, she received a phone call and email from Shayne Harris from Motor Vehicle Enthusiasts Club, the largest club in the NT and he also emailed the Secretary as it had been noted in the minutes that *"NT has the club registration scheme. The largest club with the most people and most vehicles don't adhere to the philosophy."*

Shayne advised MVEC supply supports and complies with the club registration scheme. They also fully support the NTMC.

This is a state issue and should not be raised at a National Level though it is included as a note only.

30th March 2020 - Teleconference

Morvan advised he attended and is missing from the attendance list - and Christine is included twice.

Moved Mike Beale Seconded Morvan Green All in Favour. Carried

Amended minutes will be forwarded to all delegates.

25th May 2020 - Teleconference

Moved Albert Seconded Terry Thompson. All in Favour. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Morvan advised, nothing has been done with GMH; nothing has happened with Birdwood museum. Due to covid-19, it is just functioning and that is all.

Morvan advised, he has been in contact with Office of Fair Trading and lodged the amended constitution; he has not received acknowledgement back as yet.

TREASURERS REPORT

Maxine advised, she has an appointment with auditor on Wednesday and everything is ready to be lodged. Report for the AGM will not be a problem.

Albury Council and Destination Rutherglen had advised we could retain their sponsorship funds for use if we were to return to Albury in October. This now cannot happen. The planned holiday to Albury is March 2021 and Christine feels confident we can retain the funds on the condition they are spent in Albury in March. The intention is to use the Council funds for a band at a Country Hoedown evening.

ACTION: Christine to speak with Albury Council and Destination Rutherglen to confirm AHMF can retain their sponsorship funds for use during planned holiday to Albury is March.

Christine has accounts to be paid for postage; they are to be sent to Maxine for payment.

ACTION: Christine to sent accounts to Maxine for payment.

Moved Maxine Beale, That the report be accepted. Seconded John Kennett. All in Favour. Carried.

DELEGATES CONTACT LIST

Terry confirmed, Tony O'Donnell & Lynelle Titcume are both still CMC NSW delegates.

Morvan confirmed Alan Pickering still the 2nd delegate for FHVC SA.

AOMC and CACT have not advised the names of the delegates and if they will be phoning in for the AGM.

The updated contact list was sent to all delegates on 17th July and again on 24th July. Please ensure you have the correct details - and note Neil's updated email address.

AHMF 2020 NATIONAL MOTORING FESTIVAL

Christine advised, a written report was supplied with the Agenda for the AGM.

John Kennett advised he has the regalia that was donated to Robert Shannon Foundation, some of which has already been sold. Neil asked for a list of what is still available.

Christine had taken photos of the stock-take on the top of many of the boxes. She will pass this information on to John Kennett to assist him.

ACTION: Christine to advise the numbers of the regalia she passed on to him, being an AHMF Donation to the Robert Shannon Foundation.

Jenny suggested RSF Trustees could set a shopify site to sell the regalia. At present it is still on the AHMF site but shopify would open it up to everybody, not just the entrants. Christine is to investigate.

Christine advised, she and Greg intend having a week-long holiday in Albury, arriving Sunday 21st March, depart Saturday 28th March - i.e. finishing 1 week before Easter. it will not be an official event. It is simply a holiday. We are taking our Model T and, anybody else wishing to join us in their old cars for a holiday is welcome. We will let the entrants of the cancelled event know when we plan on having our holiday. Again, it was confirmed, this is not an AHMF event.

OUTSTANDING STATE / TERRITORY COUNCIL REPORTS FOR THE AGM

It is the responsibility of the State/Territory Councils to supply their reports to each of the delegates (details are on the Delegate contact form, supplied to each of you).

Reports have not been received from AOMC, CACTMC, CMC NSW or NTMC. Terry said it is no point doing a report as CMC has nothing to report due to Covid-19. Christine asked, surely there was some activity from their 2019 AGM un until March? Terry said there wasn't.

Christine supplied NMC email in relation to QHMC. This is a state issue and should not be raised at a National Level though they insisted so the letter us being supplied for your reference, as a note only.

DATE & LOCATION OF THE 2021 AGM

Given the cancellation of the 2020 AGM in ACT, it was agreed by all we hold the 2021 AGM in Canberra if they wish to host it, though this is a decision for the September 2020 AGM.

Note - avoid 2nd weekend in September to avoid Fathers Day.

Albert Budworth suggested we invite politicians from Heritage, Treasurer, Environment. Transport to the AGM.

AHMF & THE FUTURE

What has AHMF achieved in the past 7 years?

1. AHMF is seen as an information flow process which members lever off
2. Definitions of historic and modified vehicles
3. Vehicle categories - All states and territories agreed on a standard for vehicle categories.
4. Constitution - regularly updated and current.
5. Website - regularly updated and current.
6. Risk Management - Importance highlighted with considerable information provided to Councils to pass on to clubs
7. Introduction of teleconferences (though, sadly, some Councils will not participate)
8. National Motoring Heritage Day - promoted by the majority of State/Territory Councils
9. Input into National Road Rules & child restraints
10. Associate Membership - changes to the constitution to allow associate members (though there have been no applications)
11. Minute Secretary appointed with a 5 year commitment from 2019 to 2023 inclusive.
12. Luxury Car Tax - import historic vehicles into Australia as a Collectors Piece of Works of Art. Australia then has obligations not to impose duties.
13. Asbestos - Border Force attended AHMF AGMs and gave clarification though, zero still means zero.
14. Protection of Movable Cultural Heritage Act, Concessional RAV entry, NoOn-RAV entry import approval
 - Vehicle Safety Stands Branch represented attended 2019 AHMF AGM
 - Input in The ACT with attendance to meetings in Melbourne, Brisbane & teleconferences. The issues being discusses are not related to the historic vehicle movement.
15. AHMF 2020 - This event was organised to raise the profile of AHMF and entries were received from every state and territory, with the exception of NT. The event was cancelled due to Covid-19 but the coverage and promotion of the historic vehicle movement was worth the effort and is on-going.
16. Robert Shannon Foundation - Charitable organisation status received from the ATO

ACTION: It was agreed, Christine Stevens is to have the webmaster load this information onto the AHMF website.

We need to discuss the stability of AHMF and its on-going presence. Over the years, delegates have volunteered to take on responsibilities, put their paperwork in their briefcases only to locate the paper again at the next AGM.

- What can we do to improve this?
- If this cannot be improved, what is to be done?

This organisation is NOT just the committee; it is each and every delegate and State/Territory Council.

There was minimal discussion on this subject so it has remained on the agenda for the AHMF AGM.

Christine suggested we keep CMC WA informed and invite them to attend all meetings as visitors. It is better to keep them informed. Their input is still welcome.

MOTION: Mike Beale moved we keep CMC WA in the loop by sending them agendas, minutes and invite them to attend all meetings as visitors. Seconded Albert Budworth. All in Favour Carried.

Terry advised regarding the hotel in Canberra.; he took the cheapest option available and paid in advance. They did not give him a refund and finally the company in the US forced the hotel in Australia and Terry has been given a credit to use in 12 months.

AHMF - the future

1. AHMF needs representation at government level. This has been covered with the suggestion we invite politicians to our next AGM.
2. Internal Combustion Engines - We need to investigate other motoring organisations throughout the world. Jenny said not much is happening in the UK at the moment. They are discussing the effect of electric vehicles at the moment. They will be doing some brain-storming and giving a report.
3. Neil raised, 60 Minutes last week had a subject on Global Warming. The Northern Ice cap is melting and the old trees and items that have been frozen for 100's of years are deteriorating and thawing out. They then release a gas with concerns to the Ozone Layer.

Some areas in Europe there are exemptions for old cars to get into exclusion zones.

ACTION: We need to investigate exemptions for old cars to get into exclusion zones.
A person to action this - or a due date - were not discussed so it has been added to the AGM agenda

Parliamentary Friends of Motoring.

John Kennett said, we need to be proactive. If we have information and support, Parliamentary Friends of Motoring will support and assist us with this.

We need a minimum of one member from each party for Parliamentary Friends of Motoring.

Paul Fletcher likes Heritage aeroplanes. He is also on the ball with Holden since March; he is the Liberal, Minister of Arts, Culture, Environment, etc, etc. Paul Fletcher set up advising committee with Matthew from National Museum in Canberra re Holden Heritage. He has become aware of export. His electorate is Bradford, NSW.

Maxine asked what happens if we have more than 1 person in the party that would support? We want as many politicians with a minimum of 1 per party.

ACTION: We need a minimum of one member from each party for Parliamentary Friends of Motoring.

Neil will contact Andrew McDougal and see what is the latest on FIVA from him.

ACTION: Neil to contact Andrew McDougal for an update on the latest on FIVA/

GENERAL BUSINESS

Vehicle Standards working group - NSW

Terry Thompson said they had a win with the Vehicle Standards working group that Terry is the chair of. Brake assessment manual, for any vehicle that has its brakes altered - including veteran and vintage - included 60 stops from 100km from rapid succession. They took them to task with the minister. They have withdrawn the document and have gone back to the 2017 document. 100 tests is not workable;- it has to be safe, affordable and practical.

Concessionally Registered Vehicles

Terry advised, he has been researching Transport in NSW and he asked for some statistics. Terry calculates the number of concessionally registered vehicles to be 61,000. NSW has 0.86% of the total fleet in NSW bringing them down in significance, though they still have a big voice. We still have to consider the numbers and our significance.

Neil raised the rate of accidents the concessionally registered vehicles. Shannons have hardly any accident claims whatsoever.

QBE charge NSW \$24 and they could not be giving at that rate if there was a high record of accidents.

The 10 year review of the Victoria scheme is due in 2021.

There was a death in a NSW veteran, doing 40km, hit up the rear by panel van looking for a CD. The driver of the veteran was thrown out through the windscreen.

Cancelled events

Jenny advised, the Automotive Historians Conference in Castlemaine October is cancelled and is being replaced by a series of webinars.

Albert asked and Morvan advised Bay to Birdwood is currently still on.

Albert advised, Veteran Car Club of Australia, Qld was to have a big concourse, generally open to the public. It is now a closed event.

The MG's have been doing Virtual rallies. They have had MG UK president as guest speaker via Zoom.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is the AGM, for 2 hours, on Monday 7th September 2020 at 7:00pm EST to 9:00pm

AGM will be Zoom. Terry Thompson will organise this and advise all how to sign in. Terry advised, CMC will carry the cost of the Zoom meeting.

ACTION: Terry Thompson to organise the Zoom meeting and advise all delegates how to sign in.

ACTION: Christine to invite CMC WA to the AGM and pass this same information onto CMC WA.

PRESIDENT, Neil Athorn closed the meeting at 8:01pm