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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Saturday 10th August - Wendouree Public Hall

Change of Venue

2.00 p.m.

The Annual General Meeting will commence at 2.00 p.m. on Saturday 10th August at the Wendouree Public Hall. Please note the change of venue.

The Wendouree Public Hall is next to the Blue Bell Hotel in Howitt Street Wendouree. This is just west of Forest Street and only a short distance from Wendouree Station. Check at Spencer Street on 10th August to see whether it has been possible to have the 8.30 a.m. Horsham Passenger Train stopped at Wendouree.

Nominations

At the closing date, Friday 26th July, nominations had been received for the various positions as follows:-

<u>Position</u>	<u>Candidate(s)</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Secunder</u>
<u>President</u>	- Maurie Calnin	- A. Harnwell	- G. Inglis
<u>Ballarat Resident Vice President</u>	- Frank Hanrahan	- R. Gilbert	- G. Inglis
<u>Melbourne Resident Vice President</u>	- Jeffrey Bounds	- A. Harnwell	- L. Bounds
	- Bill Jessup	- R. Gilbert	- A. Cook
<u>Secretary</u>	- Clyde Croft	- G. Inglis	- A. Harnwell
<u>Treasurer</u>	- Allan Harnwell	- G. Inglis	- C. Croft
<u>Ordinary Board Member</u>			<u>Six Positions</u>
	- Jeff Bounds	- C. Croft	- L. Bounds
	- Lindsay Bounds	- C. Croft	- J. Bounds
	- Geoff Cargeeg	- R. Prentice	- J. Chadwick
	- Andrew Cook	- C.W. Jessup	- R. Gilbert
	- Richard Gilbert	- J. Withers	- M. Withers
	- Graeme Inglis	- C. Croft	- A. Harnwell
	- Bill Kingsley	- G. Cargeeg	- P. Winspur
	- Barry McCandlish	- G. Cargeeg	- W. Kingsley
	- Peter Winspur	- R. Gilbert	- T. Oakley

Each member is entitled to vote at the meeting in person or by proxy. Members may vote for up to six of the above candidates for the six vacant positions of Ordinary Board Member. You are not obliged to vote for six candidates but any number of candidates up to six. (Article 48(h) )

As the positions of President, Ballarat Resident Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer are not contested the candidates for these positions are declared elected. (Article 48(f) )

Candidates Policies and Records of Service

Please see enclosed sheet.

### ENTERTAINMENT MEETING

After the above entertainment ! - the next entertainment meeting will be held at the Victorian Railways Institute, Flinders Street Railway Station, on Tuesday 27th August at 8.00 p.m. Bill Pearce has kindly offered to screen slides of his recent trip to Japan. One of the highlights of the evening will be slides of trams in the British Crown Colony of Hong Kong.

We urge all members to come along to what promises to be a most interesting and informative evening. Besides Jeff and Lindsay Bounds (otherwise known as the Sales Department) will be glad to show you some of their latest tramway sales items.

### FLEE THE COUNTRY

Member Jim Powe is organizing a very interesting twenty eight day trip to the U.S.A. in September this year with a certain tramway flavour - P.C.C.s and Cables in San Francisco. Cost is approximately \$1000. For further details write to "U.S.A. in the Fall of '74 Tour", Croydon Travel Centre, 34 Main Street, Croydon. 3136.

### MIRBOO NORTH LINE

An issue of "Fares Please" would not be complete without mention on a Mirboo North Tour! We're unable to run another trip to Mirboo due to the SEC expanding their heavy duty electric tramway in the area and therefore having to dig a bigger hole for it. The VR admitted defeat and no longer will counter lunches be ordered by telephone from Boolarra while the yard is shunted.

Seriously, would any members having suggestions for any similar outings please let us know as our two trips to Mirboo North were most enjoyable.

### POWER SUPPLY

On Sunday July 21st, after single - handedly building the substation, Frank Hanrahan, had (we are sure) immense personal satisfaction when he closed the "Sebastopol" knife-switch and electricity flowed. Thus the first test of lights and compressors was made since the closure of the tramway almost three years ago. All trams have undergone initial testing of lights and compressors. Testing of motors awaits connection of the traction supply.

### NUMBER THIRTY

Members will be pleased to know that the Society will have the use of tram number thirty due to the efforts of Geoff Cargeeg, Tony Smith, Terry Oakley, and Andy Cook who obtained this tram from the Kaniva Lions Club. The Society will lease the tram from these members for fifteen years and will house and maintain it.

The tram was brought from Kaniva by low loader on July 7th after many hours of preparatory work in jacking and loading. Thanks go to all those involved in the acquisition of the tram and in the loading and transporting to the Ballarat City Council Yard.

### DOUBLE HEADER

Also on Saturday 10th August the A.R.E. is running a double-headed steam excursion (R and K) commemorating the opening of the Main Western Line from Ballarat to Beaufort in 1874. Arrangements have been made for this train to stop at Wendouree station to allow you to attend our A.G.M. if you wish.

Departure from Spencer St. between 7.50 and 8.00 a.m. and the train will stand at Ballarat City Station from 12.30 pm to 12.50 pm, stopping at Wendouree shortly after departure.

For further details, write to A.R.E. Tours, Box 4870, Mail Exchange, Melbourne. Urgent phone enquiries to A.R.E. Tours Officer Eldon Hogan 20 5389.