

B.T.P.S.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A formal notice of the Society's Annual General Meeting is enclosed. The meeting will be held at Electra Hall, 14 Camp Street Ballarat on Sunday 9th November 1975 at 2.00 pm.

Electra Hall is owned by the State Electricity Commission's Social Club, and we are very privileged to be able to use this venue which contains many reminders of the Commission's role as a tramway operator.

We apologise for the relatively short notice of the meeting, but this has been due to the difficulty in obtaining a venue for it, and the fact that we are bound by the provisions of the Articles of Association in relation to the latest date on which a meeting may be held.

Business to be Transacted

This is set out in a formal manner in the enclosed notice and is generally self-explanatory. Some comments are however provided in relation to the following matters:-

1. Election of Directors

All Directors, or Board Members, as they are better known, retire at each annual general meeting. This means that nominations are invited for the following:-

- i) President
- ii) Ballarat Vice President (a person ordinarily resident within a radius of 50 kilometers from the Post Office at Ballarat is eligible to be nominated for this position).
- iii) Secretary iv) Treasurer v) Ordinary Board Members (six positions)

Nominations for the above positions need not be in any particular form provided that the person being nominated is adequately described and the nomination is signed by the proposer and seconder. It is also most important that the person being nominated expresses his consent in writing to such a nomination and sign the nomination form to this effect.

A suggested form of nomination is as follows:-

" I (full name) of (address of proposer) do hereby nominate (name of person being nominated) of (address of person being nominated) to be a candidate for election to the position of (position for which person is being nominated) at the next annual general meeting of the Ballarat Tramway Preservation Society Limited (signed by proposer).

I (full name of seconder) of (address of seconder) do hereby second the above nomination (signed by the seconder)

I, the said (name of person being nominated) do hereby consent to the above nomination (signed by person being nominated). "

The person being nominated may provide a written statement of not more than 500 words of his policies and records of service and experience. This statement must be forwarded to the Secretary by the time at which nominations close.

2. Entertainment

It is hoped that during the meeting a number of interesting films will be shown.

3. Proxies

The requirements in relation to proxy voting are set out in the formal notice but please note that proxy forms must be received at the registered office by 2.00 pm., Friday 7th November 1975. Appropriate proxy forms have been enclosed for your convenience.

Should you wish your proxy to exercise your vote in respect of particular

candidates for various positions please clearly list the positions and candidates to whom you wish your vote to be directed. You may however, give the person who you appoint as your proxy a general discretion to vote on your behalf as he sees fit.

Voting

In the voting for all positions the number of candidates for whom you vote should not exceed the number of vacancies. In relation to the election of 6 ordinary Board Members Article 8(h) provides that you may vote for any number of candidates up to 6 to fill the vacant positions. This means that you may vote for one candidate only or for any number of candidates provided you do not vote for more than 6. If you vote for more than 6 your vote would be informal and as such would not be counted.

I look forward to seeing you at this meeting. Might I suggest that you make a pleasant days outing of 9th of November and enjoy a picnic or barbecue lunch in the Botanic Gardens, ride on the trams, attend the meeting and enjoy the films in the afternoon.

CLYDE CROFT
Secretary.

Closing Date for Nominations

I draw your attention to the fact that nominations by candidates for the above positions must reach the registered offices by 5.15p.m. on Friday 24th of October 1975.

Registered Office

All nominations and proxy forms must be forwarded to reach the registered office by the times and dates specified or they cannot be treated as valid. NONE OF THESE DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE SOCIETY'S BALLARAT ADDRESS. THEY SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTERED OFFICES C/-THE OFFICES OF MESSERS RUSSELL, KENNEDY AND COOK 257 COLLINS STREET MELBOURNE.

BALLARAT TRAMWAY PRESERVATION SOCIETY LIMITED.

Registered Offices C/- the offices of Messrs. Russell, Kennedy and Cook, 257 Collins Street, Melbourne.

Dear Member,

Notice of Annual General Meeting 1975

I have to inform you that the annual general meeting of the members of the Ballarat Tramway Preservation Society Limited will be held at "Electra Hall" 14 Camp Street, Ballarat on Sunday the ninth day of November at 2.00 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following purposes:

Business to be transacted

- 1 To receive and consider the balance sheet and statement of ~~accounts, together with the Directors' and Auditors' reports~~ for the period ending 30th June, 1975.
- 2 To elect Directors in the place of the present Directors who all retire in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association, but are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.
- 3 To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.
- 4 To transact any business that may be transacted at an annual general meeting.

Proxies

- 1 In accordance with Section 141 (3) (b) of the Companies Act 1961 you are hereby notified -
 - (i) that a member entitled to attend and vote at the annual general meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of the member; and
 - (ii) that a proxy need not be a member of the company.
- 2 If you wish to vote by proxy at the annual general meeting, kindly complete the enclosed form of proxy, and return it to me at the registered offices of the company by 2.00 p.m. on Friday 7th November, 1975.

Nominations of Directors

Nominations to fill the vacant seats on the Board must, in accordance with Article 48(b) of the Articles of Association be delivered in writing at the registered office of the Company at least 14 clear days before the date of the meeting (i.e. by 5.15 p.m. on Friday 24th October, 1975)

Dated the fifteenth day of October 1975

By order of the Board,

CLYDE CROFT
Secretary.

BALLARAT TRAMWAY PRESERVATION SOCIETY.

ASSOCIATION OF RAILWAY ENTHUSIASTS.

YALLOURN TOUR. Tuesday 4th November 1975. Melbourne Cup Day!

This is the First joint rail tour of our Societies, as there are items of interest that will appeal to members of both, whether they be rail, electric traction, bus or light railway enthusiasts.

Departing Flinders St, (No.1 Centre) at 9.00am, we will travel to Warragul in a reserved carriage aboard the Gippslander, hauled by an L class locomotive. After a 70 mph express run from Dandenong to Warragul, a chance to visit the Railway Refreshment Rooms (if the on-train Buffet has not met your requirements). At Warragul our special train will be waiting to be hauled by a diminutive "E" class electric locomotive. These ultimate 1928 veterans are normally restricted to shunting and suburban goods services only.

The electrified Yallourn branch has very little traffic since the closure of the briquetetworks and associated plants in the early 1970's, and this once-busy line is now almost redundant, the only service being Goods trains which are switch trips run from Moe as required.

At Yallourn, two of Latrobe Valley Bus Co's ageing coaches will be waiting for a tour of the extensive S.E.C. 90 cm (just under 3ft) electric railways. This will be a unique opportunity to inspect these railways operating on a week day as it is not a public holiday in the Latrobe Valley. Our tour will inspect the operations control room, workshop and servicing areas as well as the locomotive Depot. Ample opportunity will be taken to inspect the lines in the Open Cut as well as a "Buscade" of the Main line to Morwell.

A short stop will be made on the return journey at the new Moe Folk Museum Platform, which is being specially constructed for H.R.H. Princess Margaret who will be using the platform a few days previous to our tour. Steam Locomotive K 154 is preserved in a reconstructed station just opposite. Returning to Warragul there will be 20 mins before we travel home once again on the Gippslander arriving back at Flinders St at 6.30pm.

REFRESHMENTS: The Gippslander Buffet car will be open on both the forward and return journeys for snacks and light refreshments. The Warragul Refreshment Rooms will be open during our stay on the forward journey. Unfortunately time will not permit to visit shops or cafes in Yallourn.

PHOTO STOPS: Ample stops will be made on both the Main line (beyond Warragul) as well as on the branch for photos of the "E" class.

Consist: Comfortable corridor car stock has been requested.

<u>TIMES:</u>	Flinders St	9.00am	Yallourn dep	3.20pm
	Warragul	arr 10.18am	Warragul arr	4.50pm
		dep 10.35am	dep	5.09pm
	Yallourn	arr 12.15pm.	Flinders St	6.30pm

ENQUIRIES: All enquiries can be made to the Co-Organiser/Booking Officer including fares ex Warragul and other part journey fares at Melb 579-1015 Geoff Cargeeg. anytime.

*****Please Detach*****

Yallourn Tour,
50 Pasadena Crescent,
East Bentleigh. 3165.

Please forward in the enclosed stamped (18c), self addressed envelope the following tickets.

Melbourne-Yallourn Return.

	<u>No.</u>	<u>RATE.</u>	<u>AMOUNT.</u>
ADULT	@\$6.50
CHILD	@\$3.50
		<u>TOTAL</u>

NAME:

ADDRESS:

TELE:

Cheques made payable to Association of Railway Enthusiasts.
Money Orders at King St P.O.

ST. 649/75-1500.