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# Preserving our Mechanical Heritage

### THE MT ALEXANDER VINTAGE ENGINE CLUB INC.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES as of 5th June, 2017 NO 220

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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Hi All,

Firstly I would like to thank the members who attended at Laurie Adam's funeral. Our club was well represented and a special mention of thanks to Steve Hancock for leading the Funeral procession with his Chamberlain Tractor, Laurie would have thought it was a spot-on tribute.

A few little jobs have started taking place out at Muckleford with a few loads of clean fill being dropped off in a few of the lower spots, my thanks to Jason Williams for co-ordinating this project and to all who have been spreading the word that we need the fill.

Also purchase of the land at Muckleford (The Dave Bennett Reserve) is near on completion and we will be able to start putting together the proposed layout that you all have had the opportunity to have some input into, a proposed map will be available soon that we can share with the council and the railways and to help gain some well needed grant money to assist the project.

Over the long weekend a lot of us made the trip over to Jeparit for their Historical Weekend. I am sure those that went, like me, had a great time and I Thank the Jeparit Crew for their wonderful hospitality.

Regards Peter t

## **ATTENDANCE**

No	PRESENT			APOLOGIES		
1.	G.Mason	13	P Thompson	P Rautman		
2.	M Mason	14	W Mein	K Burgess		
3.	G Milford	15	J Blake	A Burgess		
4.	J Hayes	16	S Thompson	G & B Tonkin		
5.	J Robinson	17	P MacDonald	K Chaplin		
6.	A Burgess	18	J Conn	J Jones		
7.	L Rice	19	A Williams	D Burgess		
8.	H Goldup	20	A Leyshan	L Burgess		
9.	E Harvey			S O"Connor		
10.	J Williams			J Chaplin		
11.	R Rice			A Chapman		
12	N Chislett			M Conn		

Attendance Mov. J Robinson Sec. J Conn Carried

Meeting Opened At: 7.30 pm.

Meeting Chaired By: Peter Thompson President

After opening the meeting President Peter handed over to John Hayes who informed attending members of the passing of Laurie Adams. The members all stood and observed a minute silence in memory of Laurie. He was a popular member and had served as President for two terms. Laurie was the driving force behind the starting of the MAVEC Tractor Pull. After passing the sad news to the meeting John Hayes suggested we should give some thought to renaming our Tractor Pull to the Laurie Adams Memorial Tractor Pull. This idea was suggested to John by his daughter Maddy.

The members of MAVEC pass their condolences on to Laurie's extended family Tuesday 13th June

About 300 of Laurie's family and friends gathered at the Church Of Christ to farewell Laurie, after a moving service the cortege left for the Harcourt cemetery, MAVEC member Steve Hancock along with his dog Cindy led the hearse from the Harcourt shop to the graveside with his Chamberlain Tractor.

So it could be said that every man and his dog attended Laurie's funeral.

Minutes Of Previous Meeting dated 1st May 2017 circulated in Newsletter No 219 confirmed. Moved E Harvey Seconded J Blake Carried.

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## CORRESPONDENCE - Dealt With as Read

#### INWARD.

April & May 2017 Oily Rag Ballan N/letter

May 2017 Baw Baw N/letter

Invitation and flyer to Riverina Vintage Machinery Rally 12/13 Aug.

Flyer for Denni Collectors Club Rally 16/17 Sept

Email from Australian Heritage Association Re Insurance passed on to John Robinson

Letter from Guildford Grumpies Re Our shed

Letter acknowledging us as a Charity organisation

May 2017 Border Flywheelers N/letter

Letter from NHMA Re our Insurance for next year.

May 2017 Port Phillip N/letter

#### **OUTWARD.**

Get well card to Paul Rautman

Email to Australian Heritage Association. Requesting Insurance cover information.

Mov. L Rice Sec. E Harvey. Carried

### **REPORTS**

#### WEDDERBURN SWAP.

Good swap it was foggy all morning, attendance was down. The swap was all but over by lunchtime . Alan took a load and sold most of it.

Report by Alan Leyshan.

#### WINTON HISTORIC MEET

Good weekend, unfortunately there was a lot of damage to some beautiful classic vehicles. There was a lot of show cars to have a look at. John Blake attended for the first time and was very impressed by what he saw.

Report by Eddie Harvey.

#### BRENDAN BAKER DAY

Although the day was a bit wet it was a good outing. The rock crusher was working driven by the traction engine. There was also a tractor trek. Steve Hancock went on the trek driving his jeep.

Report by Peter MacDonald

#### **OLD TREASURE**

John told the meeting about a 1926 2cyl. 2 stroke Avance engine he had the pleasure of seeing, it was hooked up to an air compressor. The bloke who owns it told him that it was bought new by his grandfather. It is a 6/8 litre motor and when running it is very smooth.

Report by John Robinson.

#### MUSEUM AT CHILTERN

Hugh told the meeting that he went through Gordon Stevens Motor Museum at Chiltern well worth a look, on display is a 1947 Packard Clipper fully restored . There are crawlers , tractors and a whole lot more, It is well worth the \$5 entry fee. Hugh also told the meeting that 15 years ago he sold a steam engine for \$100,000 and it went to Tasmania and it is now coming back to Vic and the bloke

who has just bought it paid \$300,000 for it. He also knows of a bloke at Milliwa who has sheds and sheds of goodies.

Report by Hugh Goldup

#### GOLDSMITH RALLY

It was a good day out and George thought it was a good Rally. Steve O'Conner was working on the sawmill and George thought it was a bit dangerous but he was happy to watch from the spectators side of the fence. He was pleased to see the Thompson engine that came from the Maryborough Knitting Mill running

Report by George Milford.

#### GISBORNE RALLY

Quite a good little Rally John Hayes also attended they had a lot of stuff on display. It was well attended.

Report by Jason Williams.

#### TRENTHAM TRACTOR PULL.

Unfortunately the numbers were down, they have constructed their track with rock over cinders.

Report by John Robinson

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

If you have something to sell or need a special part or treasure let Peter, Alan or Graham know and we will put your request in the newsletter.

Please note

If you are going to display your treasures at a Rally that has not been through the minutes of the Club meeting please let the Sec. know for insurances purposes.

A meeting was held at Muckleford between the Walmer Fire Brigade, MAVEC and MVMM to discuss Mucklest and also as to where to apply to put the second pedestrian crossing over the rail track near to the Tractor Pull Track and they had a very productive meeting in preparation for Mucklefest .They also discussed the possibility of extending the culvert at the entry of the Tractor Pull area the estimated cost is \$400.

Peter MacDonald moved that MAVEC pay 50% of the cost of extending the culvert at the Tractor Pull entry area this was seconded by John Hayes and was carried.

If you know of anyone wanting to get rid of CLEAN FILL contact Jason Williams and he will advise where it can be dumped.

A few site maps have been returned so if you have any ideas as to how we should lay out our new rally ground bring your maps to the next meeting.

Doug Parsons is teed up to move the container that is being loaned to us. This year's Mucklefest, it has been suggested that the MAVEC engine display be moved to allow more room for the tractors maybe on the other side of the railway line. Tractor Pull track has been regravelled but needs ripping and rolling asap John Blake has spoken to Darren Rice.

The Guildford Grumpies are interested in giving us some money for our shed at Guildford all this will have to be approved by the JPR committee our JP reps will tell the next JP Committee meeting of the offer from the Grumpies.. Peter Thompson and John Robinson will have a meeting with Brian Adams. John Robinson had a good look at the insurance cover offered by the newly formed AHA and informed the meeting it appeared to be a minimal cover. And we really

#### need better

TATETICAL

Peter Mac Donald moved that the Sec write to the NHMA **again** requesting a detailed copy of all NHMA insurance policies. This was seconded by Nigel Chislett and was carried. Sec will do asap.

George Milford, John Robinson, Peter MacDonald, and Peter Thompson will meet to discuss insurance matters relating to Mucklefest

#### **COMING EVENTS**

WHEN	WHERE
AUG	
12/13	Riverina Vintage Machinery Rally at Coleambally
27	Marong Picnic Day
26/27	Speewa Rally
SEPT	
$2^{\rm nd}$	Kerang Hertiage Day
9/10	Wedderburn Rally
$16^{\mathrm{th}}$ / $17^{\mathrm{th}}$	100 Years or Fordson Rally Deniliquin
OCT	
$22^{\rm nd}$	MUCKLEFEST
NOV	
$19^{\mathrm{th}}$	Bendigo Swap Meet
2018	
FEB	
16/17/18	Portland Bay Vintage Machinery Rally at Portland
	Meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

TITLE DE

Next meeting 7.30pm Monday 3rd July 2017 at Guildford Clubrooms

#### FOR SALE

13ft tandem car trailer has a full checker plate floor, slide in ramps, 2 small tool boxes. Fitted with override hydraulic brakes, rocker suspension, hand winch, good tyres. It is well built and tows well and is in excellent condition \$3000 ONO This trailer is 2 tonne capacity and would be ideal for transporting a Ferguson tractor

For more information and pictures call Steve on 0427381667

HAV A LARFF.

Life in the Army

This is a copy of a letter from a kid from a small town in outback Queensland to Mum and Dad.

Dear Mum and Dad

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I am well . Hope youse are too. Tell me big brothers Doug and Phil that the Army is better than workin' on the station, tell them to get in bloody quick before the jobs are all gone.

I wuz a bit slow in settling down at first, because ya don't havta get outta bed until 6am. But I like sleeping in now,cuz all ya gotta do before brekky is make ya bed and shine ya boots and clean ya uniform. No bloody horses to get in, no calves to feed,no troughs to clean- nothing. Ya hafta have a shower though, but its not so bad, coz there's lots of hot water and even a light to see what ya doing.

At brekky ya get cereal, fruit and eggs but there's no kangaroo steaks or goanna stew like wot Mum makes. Ya don't get fed again until noon and by that time all the city boys are buggered because we have been on a "route march"- geez its only just like walking to the windmill in the bullock paddock.

This one will kill me brothers Doug and Phill with laughter. I keep getting medals for shootin'- Dunno why. The bullseye is as big as a bloody dingoes arse and it don't move and its not firing back at ya like the Johnson's did when our big scrubber bull got into their prize cows before the Ekka last year! All ya gotta do is make yaself comfortable and hit the target- it's a piece of p\*\*s! Ya don't have to load ya own cartridge, they come in little boxes, and ya don't have to steady yaself against the rollbar of the roo shooters truck when ya reload!

Sometimes ya gotta wrestle with the city boys and I gotta be real careful cuz they break real easy-its not like fighting with Doug and Phil and Jack and Boorie and Steve and Muzza all at once like we do at home after the muster.

Turns out I'm not a bad boxer either and it looks like I'm the best the platoon's got, and I've been beaten by this one bloke from the engineer's –he's 6ft 5 and 15 stone and three pick handles across the shoulders and as ya know I'm only 5ft 7 and 8 stone wringin' wet, but I fought him until the other blokes carried me off to the boozer.

I car'nt complain about the Army- tell the boys to get in quick before word gets around how bloody good it is.

From your loving Daughter Susan.

#### Photos from the Jeparit Rally;







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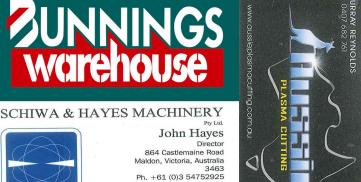


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Notice is hereby given that the AGM of the Club will be held on August 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 7.30pm.in the Guildford clubrooms.

#### Business:

- 1. To confirm the Minutes of the 2016 AGM.
- 2. To receive Reports.
- 3. To elect the Office Bearers of the Club for the ensuing year in accordance Rule 25 [1] of the constitution.
- 4. To elect a suitable qualified Auditor.
- 5. To conduct special Business of which 14 days notice has been given.
- 6. To confirm the fees for the year 2017 / 2018.

The current Office Bearers of the Club are as follows,

President: Peter Thompson

Vice President: Stephen O'Connor.

Treasurer: Alan Burgess. Secretary: Graham Mason.

Public Officer: Secretary has this role now

Committee: Jason Williams.

This form may be copied as required

Rule 25[1] Nominations for the candidates for election as officers of the Society or as the ordinary members of the Committee-

[a] may be made in writing, signed by two members an accompanied by written consent of the candidate (which maybe endorsed on the form of nomination):
[b] shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Society not less than seven days before the date for holding the AGM:

[c] in the absence of written nominations, nominations will be accepted from members present at the meeting:

Nomination Form
Date
Ibeing a financial member of the Mt. Alexander
Vintage Engine Club Inc. Reg. no A0035128D hereby Nominate
for the position ofin accordance with Rule 25 of the Club.
1 Signed[please print name]
2 Signed[please print name]
Consent of the person Nominated
[ Persons nominated must have been a member for 12 months ]

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