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THE MT ALEXANDER VINTAGE ENGINE CLUB INC.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES as of 3rd February NO 183

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Giday,

Well holidays are over everyone's back to normal. Rally's coming up and the events committee is getting organised. Its time to get our displays together and spread the word.

12th & 13th April Guildford Rally

Bring the family and friends something of interest for everyone. If you have something a bit different, big or small bring it along to create interest and adding to an enjoyable weekend. Hoping to see you all there.

Regards Laurie.

ATTENDANCE

No	PRESENT			APOLOGIES
1.	G.Mason	13	G Tonkin	P Rautman
2.	J Conn	14	B Tonkin	M Hayes
3.	K Chaplin	15	M Mason	J Hayes
4.	L Rice	16	A Chapman	E Hayward
5.	W Mein	17	G Milford	P Thompson
6.	A Burgess	18	N Chislett	M Conn
7.	J Chaplin	19	A Murley	D Burgess
8.	J Blake			L Burgess
9.	L Adams			A Tori
10.	T Steiner			E Harvey
11.	J Norris			
12	R Rice			

Attendance Mov.J Chaplin Sec. A Chapman.

Before Laurie opened the meeting he called the members to order to hold a minute of silence in memory of Rob (Lasho) Leyshan.

Meeting Opened At:7.32 pm. Meeting Chaired By:

Laurie Adams (President)

Laurie on behalf of the members welcomed Joe Norris and Graham Tonkin back to the meeting after their time in hospital.

Minutes Of Previous Meeting dated 2nd December 2013 circulated in Newsletter No 182 confirmed. Moved L Rice. Seconded M Mason.

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CORRESPONDENCE - Dealt With as Read

INWARD.

Letter of invitation to display at Rheola Charity Carnival on Easter Monday 2014 Dec/ Jan 2013/14 Port Phillip N/letter

January 2014 Steam Whistle Gisborne N/letter

Flyer and invitation to Bullarto Tractor Pull March 9th 2014

Flyer and invitation to Quambatook Heritage Weekend 25th & 26th Jan 2014

December 2013 Yarra Valley N/letter

Account for printing newsletter

January 2014 Cranks & Eccentrics Geelong N/letter

December 2013 NHMA N/letter (read Insurance Section in G.B.)

Summer breast cancer n/letter.

Jan 2014 Sth West Dist. Rest. Group N/letter & invite to Rally 15th & 16th Mar.

Account for hall hire for 2013 (See G.B.)

Invitation to display at Harcourt Applefest Sat 8th March.

Invitation to Melbourne Steam Fest. At Scorseby 8,9,10, March.

Invitation and flyer to Goulbern Valley Rally at Wunghnu 29th & 30th Mar 2014. January 2014 Goldsmith N/letter December 2013 Oily Rag Ballan N/letter

OUTWARDS.

Get well card to Joe Norris.

Sympathy cards to members of the Leyshan family.

Letter to Tomm Mag. to list our Rally.

Order to E Badges to order Rally badges.

Reply to Rheola Charity Carnival Committee.

Mov.J Conn. Sec.A Murley.

REPORTS

TREASURERS REPORT.

Alan reported that we have a credit balance of \$

Moved A Burgess Sec T Steiner

GEELONG RALLY:

It was a lot better than past rallies they had their ship engine running in a pavillion it was so quiet that it was hard to here it because of the noise of other engines nearby. There was a lot of trucks from interstate and a tractor pull in a compound. A mechno club had a lot of working models, one was a rope maker making 8 ply rope it was beside a big rope maker that was doing the same thing. Another model was a mechanical "knitting nancy". They also had a model crane that the kids could have a play with. A Ruston Hornsby engine that was at Wattle Gully, then went to a sawmill in Gippsland is now on display at Geelong. It was a good day out, Loretta said there was a market next door which is an added attraction. Ray was the designated driver and his vehicle was an 11 seater bus with only 5 passengers.

Report by Ray Rice

WOODS BROS MUSEUM:

Some members of Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum had a day out and travelled to the Woods Bros Museum at Rupanyup. They went right through and saw the whole display, which they all enjoyed. On the way back they had a look at the display at the Murtoa water tower.

Report by Andrew Chapman

SUNSHINE BISCUIT BEAMS:

George Milford stated that he had had a good time helping to retrieve the beams from the railway bridge at north Castlemaine. Quite a few concerned residents including Peter Thompson and MP Maree Edwards. The beams came from England and were being transported to Castlemaine on horse drawn wagons and they were met at tunnel hill (Elphinstone) by a group of angry Castlemaine ironworkers protesting about their pay rates. The protesters tipped the beams off the wagons and so the beams could continue their journey to Castlemaine the police had to intervene. The beams were not replaced due to fatigue but because the bridge was too low. The beams are currently being stored at Vossloh Cogifer near the Botanical Gardens. Early discussions are that they could be used to build a footbridge over Barker's Creek at the rear of the gardens

Report by George Milford.

KORWEINGUBOORA KRANKUP:

Very hot weather a lot of engines on Sat. John went on Sunday there was a few vintage trucks and tractors it was a chance for people to get together and have a good yarn. A good time had by all.

Report by John Conn.

GLENLYON SPORTS DAY:

A good day was had by people who attended Glenlyon, it is a good picnic day. There was a full program of woodchopping, a bull boar eating competition also a mineral water drinking competition. Also on the program there was horseracing. Tac Lee had his "Lady Di" truck on show, Adam Tori had an axe display and the Daylesford Pipe Band was playing.

Report by John Conn.

STARLIGHT FOUNDATION.

To raise funds for the

Starlight Foundation there was an event held at Newstead that included motor mower racing, about 12 engines, tractors and trucks on display Some members of the feral car club had their vehicles on show. When it was dark there was an outdoor movie show.

Report by Alan Burgess & Nigel Chislett.

GENERAL BUSINESS

If you have something to sell or need a special part or treasure let Laurie, Allan or Graham know and we will put it 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.

EXHIBITOR INSURANCE:

Secretary read out from the NHMA Dec. 2013 N/letter that there had been a few Clubs break away from the NHMA and seek their own insurance and in some cases set their own guidelines for their events. Secretary had a phone conversation with Brian Culley, his advice to us booking in our exhibitors that if they are not insured with NHMA, we must see a club membership card and a certificate of currency or a club membership card and a letter from his/her club stating the club insurance cover.

Joe Norris suggested that if we could not establish either of these that we have the exhibitor sign a disclaimer. The members present thought this was a good idea . Secretary will have one for you to approve next meeting. After the meeting closed George Milford found another Club's disclaimer this will be able to be modified to suit us.

The raffle tickets should be ready about the 11th of Feb and if you want to get some before next meeting contact Betty Tonkin.

Name badges have arrived and the cost of the badge is \$10 and the Club will pay \$5 and member pays \$5.

Events committee meeting will be at Tony Steiner's place on Wed 19th Feb 7.30pm. Vale badges will be attended to by the Sec.

Kath Chaplin is set to do the Friday night catering. Betty Tonkin will do what she has done in past years for Sat night meal.

Approx 7/8 members indicated they would go to Applefest 8th Mar. Set up by 9 am Joe Norris said that all monies from Dave Bennetts estate should be paid out by the end of March. Joe said he would let Sec. know when it will be open day at Dave's shed for MAVEC & Eddington Railway. Joe has contacted Sec. and more

information re this open day will be in coming newsletters.

COMING EVENTS

WHEN WHERE

FEB

16th Ballan Rally and Tractor Pull

19th MAVEC Events committee meeting 7.30 Tony Steiners

MAR

1st Ballan Swap Meet 9th Bullarto Tractor Pull

 $\begin{array}{ccc} 15^{th} \& 16^{th} & & Talbot \ Rally \\ 15^{th} \& 16^{th} & & Kyabram \ Rally \end{array}$

15th & 16th Sth Western Dist Restoration Group Rally at Cobden.

29th & 30th Goulburn Valley Rally at Wunghnu

APRIL

12th & 13th MAVEC Rally Guildford

 $19^{\mathrm{th}},\,20^{\mathrm{th}}$ & 21^{st} Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum (Easter Rally)

21st Rheola Charity Carnival (Easter Monday)

26th & 27th Lockington Rally

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Next meeting Monday 3rd March 2014 at the clubrooms in Guildford.

Have a larrf.

The female dentist prepares to give the male patient an aesthetic needle to remove a tooth. The patient says no needle for me I freak out at the thought of a needle. She the starts to get nitrous oxide ready he says no gas for me because the thought of a mask on my face would make me faint. She says to him how are you with pills? He replies no worries with pills, she goes away and comes back with a glass of water and a Viagra tablet. He says I didn't know Viagra was a painkiller. She said its not but it will give you something to hold on to while I pull your tooth.

A male passenger is sitting in a plane near the window when a man with a very large Labrador came to the two empty seats beside him, he made the dog sit in the middle and he sat on the aisle. The male passenger said I hope that is that a guide dog, because if it isn't it should not be onboard. The man replied I am a policeman and it is a sniffer dog and you will see him work when we get of the ground. Once the plane was in the air the policeman let the dog of the lead and he walked up and down the aisle and sat beside a lady for a while then came back to his master and put on paw on his leg. The policeman said to the passenger that lady has marijuana on her and will be handed to the police on landing. The dog went off again and sat beside a man for a few minutes then came back and put two paws on his masters leg, the policeman said that man has cocaine on him and he will be handed to the police when we land. The dog went off again and ran back to to his master with a very bad case of the squirts it sprayed all over his master and the passenger. The passenger was very irate and yelled at the policeman What the bloody hells wrong with your dog. The policeman said I think he has found a bomb.