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THE MT ALEXANDER VINTAGE ENGINE CLUB INC. COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES as of 7th. Sept. 2009 No.135.

President Tony Steiner Pleasant Street Castlemaine Vic 3450 Ph: 0354723217	<p style="text-align: center;">PRESIDENT'S REPORT</p> <p>MAVEC Members.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Not a lot to report on this month, although Flowserve look like they may come on board with some money to help with the removal of the Thompson Machinery, keep your fingers crossed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Till then keep on cranking.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Regards,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Tony Steiner</p> <p style="text-align: right;">President</p> <p>A message from the Secretary,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">If you have overlooked paying your subscriptions and still want to be a member please pay as soon as possible or this may be your last newsletter.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Regards</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Graham.</p>
Vice President Ray Rice.	
Secretary Graham Mason, P.O. Box 71 Castlemaine Vic 3450 Ph: 03.54762481	
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John Powell Reserve Laurie Adams & Ray Rice	

ATTENDANCE

No	PRESENT			APOLOGIES
1.	G. Mason	13	B Patterson	J Hayes
2.	T Steiner	14		P Rautman
3.	R Rice	15		D Burgess
4.	W. Mein	16		D. Bennett
5.	J. Conn	17		M Mason
6.	B. Tonkin			M Conn
7.	G Tonkin			L Burgess
8.	A Burgess			G Ralph
9.	A Leyshan			J Kingwell
10.	J Norris			A Chapman
11.	A. Tori			J Chaplin
12	L Adams			P Thompson

Meeting Opened At: **7.40 pm.**

Meeting Chaired By: **Tony Steiner { President }**

Minutes Of Previous Meeting dated 3rd August 2009 circulated in Newsletter No 134 confirmed. Moved R Rice, seconded J Conn .

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CORRESPONDENCE – Dealt With as Read

INWARD.

August 2009 Yarra Valley Newsletter.

August 2009 Goldsmith Gazette.

Letter from Darryl Schofield Re model steam engines for sale.

July 2009 Steam Whistle (Gisborne N/letter.)

July 2009 Oily Rag (Ballan N/letter.)

Letter from Melb. Steam and traction Engine Club inviting us to show at or attend their Rally March 2010 (Labor Day Weekend.)

Letter from Port of Echuca Re display on Oct .3rd / 4th 2009.

Letter from Mt Alex. Shire Re. Events Exhibition 9See general business.

August 2009 Port Phillip N/letter.

August 2009 Manifold (Central Goldfields N/letter.)

Invitation from Rotary Club to exhibit at the Castlemaine Truck Show.

OUTWARD.

No outward mail.

A REMINDER.

If you have something to sell or swap or you want to buy something let Tony , Alan or Graham know and we will include it in the newsletter.

REPORTS

TREASURERS REPORT.

Alan reported that we have a credit balance of \$.

Sec A. Tori.

MARONG PICNIC DAY.

Tony Steiner went in his 39 Ford, Bob Bentley had his Dodge truck Graham Tonkin took along two engines, there was a lot of cars, trucks. Tonks said he had a real good breakfast (for free) and a bottomless cup of coffee. A good crowd showed up and a few of our members were seen walking around, Graham said it was a good outing.

Report by Graham Tonkin.

PICNIC AT MUCKLEFORD.

Ed Harvey brought along his EH car, Graham Tonkin took 2 engines, Sid Sleep took along 2 engines. Mitchell Chapman brought along 2 of the family tractors and some old machinery. A bloke from Inglewood had a ex army welder, there was also a Morris Minor and Joe,s newly aquired motor bike in the compound. All said that they had a good day. Graham Tonkin said that 2 members of Central Victorian Restorers Group were interested in going to the Metcalfe Tractor Pull with our members.

Report by Graham Tonkin.

CABOOLTURE ANNUAL RALLY.

This event is held at the Caboolture Historical Village .There was stuff everywhere, including 2 very large sheds housing some big engines and other sheds housing tractors , farming equipment, old cars and trucks. John was talking to the lady President (Ruth Eaton) and she highlighted that their club has the same problem that we have in attaching the general public to their rally. She has 14 engines of her own and her husband has a collection of tractors, also she has just aquired for herself a tractor that she can drive to the rally. During Johns conversation with her she told him that anybody passing though Caboolture is invited to make contact with her on 0754292310 and she will show you around, well worth a look. John also saw the Thompson roller (which is a goer) and was talking to the bloke who is looking after it who told him the bloke who owned it had passed away but when he found it he saved it from the scrap metal man. John and Margret also went to the Gunnedah Museum and met 2 blokes travelling on motorbikes , they were Barry Murfett, Alan Transen from Castlemaine.

Report by John Conn.

ALAN & LORRAINE BURGESS 50TH ANNIVERSARY.

Adam Tori reported that a few members of MAVEC along will a lot other people had a very pleasant night and a beautiful spit roast (of which a lot of us ate too much .) to celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The members of MAVEC take this opportunity to congratulate Alan & Lorraine on reaching this milestone, and wish them all the best for the future.

Report by Adam Tori.

MALDON MUSEUM.

Work on the weighbridge is progressing quite well, and the materials for the doors on the MAVEC shed has arrived, but the weather was not real good.

Report by Adam Tori.

<p>GENERAL BUSINESS</p>

A REMINDER MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW DUE.

ROTARY TRUCK SHOW.

About 8 members indicated that they intend to display at the truck show. Sec. to write to Russell Timmins to accept the invitation to attend.

MT. ALEXANDER EVENTS DISPLAY.

We have not participated in this display for the last 2 years, meeting decided not to do anything with it this year.

THOMPSON PROJECT.

One pipe that has some asbestos on it the asbestos has been taped over and the pipe will be cut either side of the tape and it will be removed. Everything is ready to go it is full steam ahead, Tony has spoken to Leeches cranes the job will be done on mates rates but a firm price has not been worked out. It looks like the machinery will not be able to go on the train due to the logistics. Leeches have looked at the site and are confident they can reach everything from the door. Tony has been able to get Flowserve management to get the maintenance dept. to make up stands to sit the compressors on, also we may be able to get some of the drawings for some of the machinery we have to display on the wall of the shed where the machinery is.

Joe Norris told the meeting that Hugh Goldup has offered to help move the machinery if he is needed he can be contacted on 54733272.

Tony has also had some packing case wood saved to bolt the marble switchboard to he also has the bolts .

CLUB LOGO STICKERS.

Graham Mason told the meeting he knows of a person who makes stickers if the Club members were interested, members present want more information. Hopefully will know by next meeting.

EVENTS COMMITTEE.

It was suggested to the meeting that at our next meeting we organize our events committee to start planning our 2010 Rally.

TACK LEES MUSEUM.

Because of the winter weather and other commitments nothing has been done about contacting Tack as to when it would be possible to visit, Sec to follow up on this.

COMING EVENTS

WHEN	WHERE
3 RD & 4 TH Oct.	Goldfields Rally at Dunolly
3 rd & 4 th Oct.	Dunmuckle Sumpoilers Rally at Murtoa.
18 th Oct	Maldon Show (Static display only)
18 th Oct.	Lancefield Show and Tractor Pull.
17 th & 18 th Oct	Creswick Mill Display. (For details contact Adam Tori)
31 st Oct. & Nov. 1 st	Lake Goldsmith Rally.
14 th & 15 th Nov.	Bendigo Swap Meet.

2010	
9 th & 10 th Jan.	Charles Hall Krankup at Korweinguboor.
21 st Feb.	Ballan Rally and Tractor Pull.
17 th & 18 th April	MAVEC Rally at Guildford.

Meeting closed at 8.55 pm.
Next meeting 7 30 pm. Mon.5th Oct. at Guildford Clubrooms.

Have a laugh,

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. A nun had made a note and posted it on the apple tray, Take only one. God is watching. At the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note Take all you want, God is watching the apples.

Neighbour: What are you up to Tommy?

Tommy : My goldfish died and I just buried him.

Neighbour : That's a very big hole for just a goldfish isn't it ?

Tommy : That's because its inside your bloody cat.

For the ladies.

Melon & Pine Jam ;

14 lbs sugar, 14 lbs melon, 1 large pineapple, 4 lemons. Cut up fruit and leave overnight. Boil 1hr. together then add sugar and boil further 2 hrs.

Drought buns.

1 lb flour,
3 ozs. Clarified dripping,
6 ozs sugar,
A few currants,
1 teaspn baking powder,
1 teaspn salt,
A little spice or nutmeg,
A cup of cold water.

Mix everything together except water, then add it and make a limp dough. Put in pieces on to a greased tin and bake in a moderate oven.
Very nice if eaten fresh.