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THE MT ALEXANDER VINTAGE ENGINE CLUB INC.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES as of 5TH November, 2018 NO 236

<p>President Stephen O'Connor 109 Yandoit Creek Rd. Yandoit, Vic. 3463 54762433</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Dear Members</p> <p>Mucklefest seemed to be popular with the public once again. We had a good number of tractors and a lot of interest shown in the Tractor Pull. I would like to thank everybody who helped in any way to make the MAVEC contribution to Mucklefest a success, your help is greatly appreciated.</p> <p>As you have put your confidence in me to be your President, I would like to let you know if anyone has any grievance with the Club or a Club member please bring it to me and together, we will approach the problem.</p> <p>I would like to take this opportunity to thank Graham Bird for bringing his tractors to the Pull and then letting the young chaps drive them so to introduce them to fun of tractor Pulling.</p> <p>Also, a big thankyou to Rob and Tim McClure for their contribution of the trophies and their assistance throughout the day.</p> <p>A big thanks to the Metcalfe boys for their help with the sled. I am personally looking forward to starting to construct our new shed and planning our 2019 Annual Rally.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Steve O'Connor</p> <p>Sad Message from the Sec. Jim Chaplin rang me on Sun 11th Nov to inform me of the passing of Laurie Rinaldi. Laurie was a popular identity at many Rallies including ours, He will be missed by many.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Funeral Details</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MONDAY 19th Nov 11am Eaglehawk Cemetery</p>
<p>Vice President Ray Rice</p>	
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<p>Treasurer Alan Burgess 0409762367</p>	
<p>Public Officer Secretary</p>	
<p>Committee Jason Williams</p>	
<p>Archives</p>	
<p>Reviewer George Milford</p>	
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ATTENDANCE

No	PRESENT			APOLOGIES
1.	G.Mason	13	A Chapman	P Rautman
2.	M Mason	14	E Harvey	A Burgess
3.	J Chaplin			K Burgess
4.	T Dzioba			J Hayes
5.	J Robinson			M Conn
6.	A Burgess			J Williams
7.	R Rice		APOLOGIES	D Burgess
8.	J Conn		N Chislett	L Burgess
9.	S O'Connor			P Thompson
10.	G Milford			J Blake
11	L Rice			F Girvan
12	N Girvan			K Chaplin

Attendance Mov. J Chaplin Sec. L Rice Carried

Meeting Opened At: 7.30 pm.

Meeting Chaired By: Steve O'Connor President

Before he opened the meeting, President Steve told the members that any issues arising from Mucklefest would be addressed AFTER the meeting to finalise the 2018 Mucklefest. He proposed a meeting for the 7TH JANUARY 2019 to discuss the 2018 event and to bring forward the forming of the Mucklefest Committee for the running of the 2019 event

Minutes Of Previous Meeting dated 1ST October 2018 circulated in Newsletter No 235 confirmed. Moved E Harvey Seconded T Dzoiba Carried.

Business arising out of the minutes was how late the electronic newsletter had been in the last few months. John Robinson moved that the Sec be responsible for sending the email newsletter this was seconded by M Mason and was carried.

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CORRESPONDENCE – Dealt with as Read

INWARD.

Oct 2018 Rev N Rec N/letter

Nov 2018 Baw Baw N/letter

Oct 2018 Oily Rag Ballan N/letter

Oct 2018 Steam Whistle Gisborne N/letter

Oct 2018 Port Phillip N/letter

Oct 2018 Manifold Central Goldfields N/letter

Sept 2018 Hit & Miss Wedderburn N/letter

Flyer and invite to Melb Steam & Traction Rally Mar 9/10/11 2019

Letter from Shire council advising that there was one objection to the proposed shed Sec has spoken with the Town Planner and he is almost sure that the objection will be withdrawn.

Email from George Milford Re. FRRR Grant for our tank ~~L~~ooks positive at this stage.

Invoice via Nigel Chislett from Aussie Plasma Cutting for last Rally trophies

OUTWARDS

Letter to Guildford Grumpies Re. Donation owing.

Letter of thanks to Bernie Clancy for donating crockery to us-

Letter of thanks to Doug Parsons for moving Laurie's tractor no charge.

Letter of thanks to Darren Rice for donation of concrete pipes

Mov.A Chapman Sec M Mason Carried

REPORTS

TREASURERS REPORT.

Alan reported that we have a credit balance

Moved A Burgess Sec. E Harvey Carried

Treasurer Alan moved we move \$45000 out of our investment to our general account to be able to pay for the shed. This was seconded by Ray Rice and carried

MUCKLEFEST TRACTOR PULL

Neil came out on Sat with his T model and he said there were not a lot of people around. But on Sun the Tractor pull went well. As far as the Tractor Pull, he said the committee may have to look at reverting back to a number system, as there was two drivers named Rod both driving the same type of tractor, also Graham Bird was kind enough to let some juniors have a drive of his tractor, as a result there was some confusion as to who was driving.

Report by Neil Girvan

LANCEFIELD TRACTOR PULL

John reports that it was a good day out, but the numbers of tractors were down But the crowd didn't seem to realise that most tractors had three pulls and there was almost an hour and a half for lunch

GOLDSMITH

John ventured to Goldsmith and had a great day but a lot of it was spent looking at a heap of Land Rovers, John made comment that most of the L R owners were over eighty.

Both reports by John Robinson

Steve O'Connor said that at Goldsmith on the Sunday there was a good crowd and when the mill started up it drew them like bees to honey. Steve's grandson Tyson loved the cannon that they fire.

Report by Steve O'Connor.

GEORGE VISITS ELDORADO

George and Josie had a trip to Canberra and on the way home they detoured to Eldorado approx. -20 klms east of Wangaratta. The reason for the visit was to have a look at a mining Dredge that was built at the Thompson Foundry in Castlemaine. George said they spent about half a day just looking around the site. George recommends a visit if you are in the area
Anyone interested google Cocks Eldorado dredge a very informative description and Photos.

Report by George Milford

GRAHAM BIRD EXCURSION.

Graham was gracious enough to invite John Robison, Maree and Graham Mason To have a guided tour of his Newbridge quarry, it is an extremely modern, large operation. After a comprehensive look around, Graham suggested we venture on to have a look at the recycling plant in Eaglehawk, this is another eye opening plant. We then drove by the batching plant in Cal Gully then on to the old Selkirk brick works where they have a concrete moulding plant. It is amazing how much Graham and Lynn have achieved from small beginnings. The three of us thoroughly enjoyed the day and thank Graham for the opportunity to accompany him.

Report by all three

It has been brought to the Secretary's attention that Congratulations are due to Peter and Maddy MacDonald on the arrival of a bouncing baby boy. I suppose it won't be long before we meet him on the Rally circuit

GENERAL BUSINESS

If you have something to sell or need a special part or treasure let Steve, 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.

Sec. asked what the members wanted to do for a Christmas Break-up, it was suggested a catered for BBQ at the Dave Bennett Reserve, the members present agreed to this suggestion so on the 15TH Dec at 6.30 onwards. BBQ meat and salad and sweets all provided for a minimal cost

For Catering purposes we will need to know if you intend coming by the Dec Meeting (3RD Dec) or contact Sec.

At Mucklefest Sec was talking to Maree Edwards and her husband, he offered to bring a contact of his down to inspect our Merry go Round (in the next few weeks) and tell us what needs doing to bring it up to be able to pass an engineers

inspection, and they may be able to point us in the direction of an engineer who can carry out the said inspection.

On the subject of the Merry go Round Pres Steve spoke to a college of his and his company is prepared to supply us for the cost of the materials four wooden trusses eight metres long Approx cost \$1900 MAVEC price approx. \$1000 plus we put advertising on the structure. This will be the makings of a permanent roof over the Merry go Round

George asked if we intend to get grid power connected, the answer was no we will generate our own.

George was contacted by the FRRR grant committee to provide letters of support for our application to get a grant to buy a tank and pump. George contacted Walmer CFA, MVMM and VGR. The three parties responded favourably, but two had a reference to us being in partnership with VGR and MVMM, the members of MAVEC wish it to be known that MAVEC and its ground the Dave Bennett Reserve are autonomous and in no way partners with any one. We would also like it known that we are where possible willing to work in co-operation with other organisations who are staging events at the Muckleford station precinct Ray Rice was talking to the principle people from the Harcourt miniature railway they would like to display some of their rolling stock at our next Rally. But they won't come without a written invitation. Sec will send them a letter in the next week or two.

COMING EVENTS

WHEN	WHERE
NOV 17 th / 18 th 24 TH	Bendigo Swap meet Glenlyon Rally at Glenlyon Reserve Free Entry
DEC 15 th	MAVEC Christmas breakup BBQ at Dave Bennett Reserve 6.30
2019	
JAN 5 & 6 12 & 13	Korweingie Krank up at Charles Hall's place Geelong Truck & Machinery Show
FEB 17 th	Ballan Rally (Feature Ronaldson Tippet)
MAR 2 ND 9 th to 11 th 22 --- 24 30 th / 31 st	Ballan Swap Melbourne Steam And Traction Rally NHMA National Rally at Murray Bridge. Wunghnu Rally
APRIL 13 th / 14 th	MAVEC RALLY at Dave Bennett Reserve

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Next meeting 7.30pm MONDAY 3RD December 2018 at MUCKLEFORD

Tractor pull results, Dec newsletter

HAVE A LARFF

Two blokes talking at the Men's Shed one says how old are you, second bloke replies 75 how old are you, 73 says the other bloke and by the way how is your sex life. Real good says the 75 year old how's yours. Bloody awful what do you think is maintaining your stamina. The older bloke replied I think it is all the rye bread I eat. All the way home the 73 year old is thinking about the benefits of eating rye bread. He sees a bakery, stops the car goes in and asks the young lady if they sell rye bread. She said yes we do and it is \$9 a loaf. Well said the bloke I will have five loaves thank you. She replies it will be getting quite hard by the forth day. The bloke replies I certainly hope so at \$9 a loaf.

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