



Studebaker
CAR CLUB OF QUEENSLAND INC.

MINUTES of the MEETING held on Tuesday 18th July 2023

Meeting commenced at 7.40 pm

ATTENDANCE: Ross Oldman, Jim McKinnon, Greg Devantier, Sheree Copelin, Phil Copelin, George Udovicich, Bill Beverley, Jim Dack, Michael Black, Janelle Black, Gus Trouchet, Carol Trouchet, , Rob Fletcher, Lynda Packer, Dave Lucas, John Cosgrove.

APOLOGIES: Brett Hampson, Doug Murphy, Graham Brandis, Daryl Watterson, Harold Ireland, Phyllis Ireland, Dennis Jewsbury, Athol Lubbe, Janet Darington, Lorna Venema, Dick Adsett, April Adsett.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes of the June General Meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Moved: Bill Beverley

Second: Sheree Copelin

BUSSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN Email – TM Car Show, Club Entry Clarification
Email – YMCA, Old Petrie Town, SCCQ Show and Shine
Email – Doug Murphy, QHMC Membership Application
Email – Michael Black, Thunderbird Car Club, Joint run to BMM
Email – Doug Murphy, QHMC Membership Application
Email – Flyer, Motor Madness, Redlands Showgrounds, 12.11.23
NAB Bank Statement
Booklet – Stude News

OUT Stude News - Minutes General Meeting June 2023
Annual Return – Office of Fair Trading
Email – Doug Murphy, SCCQ Application for membership of QHMC
Email – YMCA, Old Petrie Town, SCCQ Show and Shine
Email – TM Car Show, Club Entry Clarification
Email - Michael Black, Thunderbird Car Club, Joint run to BMM
Letters – Club Membership Termination Advice
Letters – Dating for Special Registration

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 2023

Sheree presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Out: \$ 159.05

In: \$ 163.00

Balance: \$ 13872.42

Moved: Sheree Copelin

Second: Michael Black

Treasurer's report was adopted.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Phil advised that 87 members were now financial following letters to those members with payments in arrears. The Club has four life members. There was a general discussion about increasing yearly membership fees and consensus was that an increase would be in order for 2024. Sheree advised that she would examine the Club's fixed yearly costs and submit a revised fee for consideration at the next meeting.

SALES REPORT

Janelle advised that there had been no sales since the June meeting. Janelle provided samples of long sleeve sports shirts that could be used as a club shirt for members. Due to the favourable responses from members present, Ross thanked Janelle and asked her to proceed with obtaining quotes for a new Club shirt.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

George advised that no books had been borrowed since the last meeting.

SOCIAL ORGANISER'S REPORT

Ross advised that runs had been planned for the coming months with associated run sheets posted on the Web Site.

Ross provided the following summary of Club activities since the last meeting:

Caboolture Regional Car Club 24.06.23: Ross Oldman and Jim Dack attended with their cars.

Maleny Muscle on the Mountain 02.07.23: John Cosgrove and Dick Adsett attended with their cars and reported an excellent turn out of over 700 cars.

Bill Budd's Private Collection Run 16.07.23: Eleven members with 6 cars revisited the Bill's extensive collection of cars and memorabilia. After enjoying 3 hours of Bill's hospitality, the group adjourned to the Burleigh Town Hotel for a delicious lunch and further discussions about all things Studebaker.

Photos of all these activities are available on the Club Web Site and Facebook page.

WEB EDITOR REPORT

George advised that the Web Site was up to date with photos of recent activities and all current run sheets posted.

PUBLICITY REPORT

Ross advised that the Club's Facebook page was up to date with event reports and run sheets.

GENERAL BUSINESS

SCCQ Annual Show and Shine: Ross advised that the event will be a single day affair which will be held on Sunday, 1st October and will coincide with the "Wheels Through Time and Old Trades Fair" that will be held at Old Petrie Town on that date. Ross added that our cars will be displayed on the village green and will share the site with assorted stationary engines.

Subsequent to the meeting, the Best Western North Lakes was selected as the hotel for members planning to arrive on Saturday and make a weekend of it. Jim McKinnon will be hosting a VEEP Dinner at the North Lakes Hilton on the Saturday night, and a short observation run is being prepared for the Saturday afternoon from the hotel around local environs.

Upcoming Runs/Events: Ross provided the following summary of upcoming events and possible activities and encouraged all members to be involved:

Grand Automobile Display - Jumpers and Jazz 22/23.07.23

Brisbane Motor Museum 18.08.23

Tambourine Mountain Car Show 20.08.23

SCCQ Show and Shine 01.10.23

Motor Madness Redlands Showgrounds 12.11.23

MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business Ross thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

RAFFLE

Won by John Cosgrove, Studebaker travel bag.

MEMBER ITEM OF INTEREST

Michael Black gave an enthusiastic and informative account of his earlier life as a Speedway Driver.

Michael's exposure to dirt track speedways began as a child as his father raced go-carts and then cars. As a young man he built his first Midget car using a motor bike engine and transmission and proceeded to become a very competitive driver in his first year of racing.

As he built more powerful cars he excelled in the sport and the trophy cabinet expanded. Michael raced at a variety of tracks in SE Qld including Kingaroy, Toowoomba, Ipswich, Yandina, Surfers Paradise, Archerfield and the Exhibition Grounds in Brisbane.

Michael chronicled the development of the Midget, particularly the introduction of the wing over the car. He added that safety aspects of the car also improved with the introduction of the full race harness and driver safety suits. Aspects which proved invaluable in several altercations with barriers!

Michael also served as the Chief Steward for the Qld Speedcar Racing Assoc and emphasised the

valuable work that volunteers provide in all forms of motor racing in Australia.

As family commitments grew Michael sold his car and accepted driving opportunities in sprint cars. His competitive nature remained and he was rewarded with the winner's trophy in his last race.

Thank you, Michael for an excellent presentation.

For the August monthly meeting the Ross Oldman will be giving a presentation on his exploits as a mining engineer in Papua New Guinea.

NEXT MEETING:

Date: Tuesday 15th August 2023

Time: 7:30pm

Location: With thanks to the
The Veteran Car Club of Australia (Queensland) Inc.
1376 Old Cleveland Rd
CARINDALE Qld 4152.
<http://www.vccaq.org/>