



MINUTES of the MEETING held on Tuesday 15th August 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, Doug Murphy, John Cosgrove, Dennis Jewsbury.

APOLOGIES: Gus Trouchet, Carol Trouchet, Rob Fletcher, Lynda Packer, Dave Lucas, Brett Hampson, Graham Brandis, Daryl Watterson, Harold Ireland, Phyllis Ireland, Athol Lubbe, Janet Darington, Lorna Venema, Dick Adsett, April Adsett.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes of the July General Meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Moved: Sheree Copelin

Second: Jim McKinnon

BUSSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN Email – TM Car Show, Update on activities
Email – YMCA, Old Petrie Town, SCCQ Show and Shine Arrangements
Email – Gold Coast Car Show
NAB Bank Statement
Booklet – Stude News

OUT Stude News - Minutes General Meeting July 2023
Email – QHMC, SCCQ Application for membership 2023/2024
Email – YMCA, Old Petrie Town, SCCQ Show and Shine Arrangements
Email – QHMC Nomination for Doug Murphy

TREASURER'S REPORT

August 2023

Sheree presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Out: \$ 84.90

In: \$ 57.00

Balance: \$ 13844.52

Moved: Sheree Copelin

Second: Bill Beverley

Treasurer's report was adopted.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Phil advised that the Club had 87 members and four life members.

SALES REPORT

Janelle advised that there had been no sales since the July meeting. Janelle and Sheree provided an update on a possible design for a long sleeve club sports shirt. Art work for the shirt would be approximately \$300.00 with individual shirts costing approximately \$50.00. Members present were in full support of a new shirt that would be pre-paid and not purchased for stock. Ross thanked Janelle and Sheree and asked that they proceed with organising art work and selecting a supplier.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

George advised that no books had been borrowed since the last meeting. To encourage greater use of the library, George suggested that the Club consider a hard copy subscription to Turning Wheels magazine. After a brief discussion, George moved that the Club purchase a 12-month, hard copy subscription to Turning Wheels magazine. Seconded by Jim McKinnon and passed. George to organise.

SOCIAL ORGANISER'S REPORT

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

Jumpers and Jazz 20.07.23: Phil and Sheree Copelin (1955 Commander) as well as Wayne Brosnan (1937 Dictator) ventured to Warwick for a truly entertaining weekend. Phil commented that the Grand Automobile Display was excellent and enhanced by the sunny winter conditions.

Photos are available on the Club 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. Ross will send out a run sheet in coming days.

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 going from the hotel and venturing around local environs.

The Hudson - AMC Car Club of Australia: Ross advised that he had been approached by the Hudson –

AMC Club to consider the inclusion of their members in SCCQ runs. Consensus was that the Hudson – AMC members would be most welcome and will be added to the SCCQ mail out listing.

SCCQ Xmas Function for 2023: Ross advised that the Committee had decided to return to Club Southside for this year's Xmas function. A booking has been made for Sunday, 3rd December.

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

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

SCCQ Xmas Function 03.12.23

MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business Ross thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

RAFFLE

Won by Bill Beverley and commemorating Ekka week: a sample bag of Studebaker goodies.

MEMBER ITEM OF INTEREST

Ross Oldman gave an enthusiastic and informative account of his earlier life as a Shotfirer in Papua New Guinea.

Originally from New Zealand, Ross sought his fortune in the WA mining industry, specifically mining for bauxite with Alcoa, before moving to Papua New Guinea with BHP.

Ross had accepted the position of Drill and Blast Manager at the joint venture Ok Tedi Mine. As well as coming to grips with an entirely new aspect of mining, Ross had responsibility for recruiting and training drill and blast crews from the local population.

Ross described the adverse impacts that the local rain fall (approx. 11.5 m/yr.) had upon mining operations; in particular, keeping explosives dry and operating heavy equipment in dangerous conditions. Ross recalled one occasion where he had to scale the 23m high drill rig to perform expedient repairs, necessary to keep operations going.

As Ross' work primarily involved explosives, it wasn't surprising that a couple of his anecdotes involved sheltering from falling rocks either under vehicles or behind large bulldozer blades!

Despite cultural differences and issues, Ross' fondest memory of his time at Ok Tedi was the relationships he built with his local drill and blast crews. Relationships founded on mutual dignity and respect.

Thank you, Ross for an excellent presentation.

For the September monthly meeting Gus Trouchet will be giving a presentation on his exploits as a boat builder and sailor that also involved time spent in Papua New Guinea.

NEXT MEETING:

Date: Tuesday 19th September 2023

Time: 7:30pm

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