

**AUSTIN HEALEY OWNERS CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.
Minutes of “General Meeting” held on Thursday 4th March 2010.
At 19 – 23 Rosalie Street Springvale**

Meeting opened at 8.25pm with the President welcoming all in attendance, including New Members Rex and Deanna Hall and Visitor Greg Goad (Andrew’s brother visiting from Queensland).

Bill went on to draw attention to Roger Swales’ Original 100M on display at the front of the auditorium, noting Roger will give us a talk on his car after the Meeting.

Present:

65 Members with 16 Healeys, and 1 Visitor.

Apologies:

Mike Snelgrove, Rod Vogt, Ken Tame, Ron and Mick Smith, Ross Chilianis, Carole Vaughan, Greg and Phyl Howe, Alan and Maureen Cant, Alan and Kathy Saul, Kris and Eddy Clark, Mike and Jill Forrester, Bruce Dixon, Ros and Mike Sinclair, Matthew Thomson, Arie and Val Vermaas.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Motion: “That the Minutes of the previous Meeting, held on the 4th February 2010, are accepted”.

Moved: Harvey Pearce **Seconded:** Bill Vaughan Carried

Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes:

Nil

Correspondence In:

Flyers: - Nil

Magazines and News Letters from:

- Southern Peninsula Classic & Historic Car Club “The Crankhandle” (Feb)
- Austin Healey Owners Club of Qld. “Healey Torque” (Jan/Feb)
- Ballina District Restorers Club-“The Carrier Pigeon” (Jan/Feb)
- Austin Healey Club of WA -“Healeys West” (Feb)
- AOMC Newsletter – Issue 107 {plus separate copy for Editor} (Feb)
- Austin Healey Owners Club of S.A.-“Healey Howl” (Feb)
- Southern Peninsula Classic & Historic Car Club “The Crankhandle” (March’10)
- Jaguar Car Club Victoria-“Cat-A-Log” (Mar)

Letters and Emails:

- CAMS 2010 Club Affiliation Renewal notice.
- MSCA (Marque Sports Car Association) Membership Annual Subscription notice.
- AustPost renewal notices for “Mulgrave Post Box”, Balwyn Post Box” and mail transfer from Mulgrave to Balwyn.
- Invoice for CGU Association Liability Insurance.
- Notification of Shannon’s 25th April to 4th May Historic Tasmania Rallye for cars over 30 years old.

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- Watch distributor offering boxed 'Frederique Constant' Healey Watches (with accompanying model car), at a special price to Members.
- Notification that the first opportunity for an AHOC Car Clubs display at Federation Square is the last Sunday in September **2012!**
- Invitation to participate in the "Riverina Sports Car Association" National Motoring Heritage Day, 16th May, visiting Yackandandah, Beechworth, Chiltern and Albury.

Correspondence Out:

- Letters of condolence to the JCCV and to Mrs. Pethard on the passing of Bob Pethard.

REPORTS:

Financial: Treasurer - Ken Tame had phoned through his Report, which Andrew presented as follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT – MARCH 2010

Operating Account

Opening Balance as at 22/01/'10	\$17,090.50
Plus Deposits	\$13,359.70
Less Payments	\$11,229.21
Closing Balance as at 19/02/2010	\$19,220.99

Term Deposit Account \$25,000.00

Special Purpose Account

\$91,633.45

(Of which \$2,742.50 relates to the Bush Fire Appeal and the remainder to the 2010 National Rally.

Note Re the Operating A/c: - A large portion of the deposits and payments for this reporting period relate to some \$8,000 debited, in association with the National Rally, and subsequently re-deposited. A large part of the remaining deposits relate to Membership and of the payments, to the Magazine.

Membership: Bill Metcalf reported the following numbers: 485 paid-up and 44 unpaid, (updated to 506 and 35 at 14th March).

Updated Report as at 14 March:

<i>Ex-owner members</i>	5
<i>Associate Members</i>	3
<i>Life Members</i>	5
<i>Healey owning Members</i>	236
<i>Family Members</i>	257
<i>Total Membership</i>	506

Leaving us with 35 unpaid members.

Social: Selwyn Hall noted arrangements are in place for the **Grand Prix Driver's Parade**, with the 26 participants notified and Brian Froelich is to be the man on the ground on the day.

Selwyn is still looking for names to go on the **Supper Roster**, noting that the guys should be pitching in to help with this task.

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Selwyn also highlighted the Social Calendar functions for March, including the **Spectators run to Phillip Island** with Paul McPherson leading the group off from Tooradin at 7.30am, and noted that all Members are welcome to the **Pre Rally Events**.

The National Rally is in early April and a Run to Marysville on Anzac Day is being considered. Brochures and entry forms for **The Great Macedon Ranges Grand Tour**, with Healey as the Feature Marque, are available on the front desk.

Maressa also highlighted the **Stuart Turner Presentation** on 31st March, which those not attending the Rally may wish to attend.

Gordon Lindner spoke to **The Weekend at “RUSTY SPRINGS”** that he is organizing for 4th, 5th and 6th June, noting that numbers are limited to 32 people and asked for those interested to contact him. The Event will start with lunch at Whittlesea and include a Murder Mystery Night on Saturday. Cost per couple will be less than \$400.

Editor: Harvey Pearce noted the deadline for contributions for the next magazine is 15th March and he complemented the President for the excellent current magazine cover that he prepared without the assistance of his son Michael, who was on leave.

Website: Gordon Lindner - nothing to report.

Librarian: Barb Meredith: Apology – no report.

Regalia: Bill Metcalf was complemented upon the great job he did in taking the Regalia to the Classic Showcase at Flemington, selling some \$877 worth while taking a further \$210 in orders, as well as selling 7 tickets to the Stuart Turner Presentation.

CMC / Clubrooms: Chris Coughlin noted the sad passing of Bob Pethard, a staunch and longstanding Member of the CMC as well as JCCV and AHOC.

Competition-MSCA: Rod Vogt drew attention to forthcoming Competition Events, noting that we have 7 entered to compete at Calder this Sunday.

CAMS: Tony Barrett - nothing to report.

AOMC and Vic Roads: Ken Styles - nothing to report.

National Delegate: Chris Coughlin - nothing to report.

National Rally 2010: Maressa Rowland noted that the Rally Team would be on site at the time of the next General Meeting. There are 130 cars registered to attend the Rally and more than 100 tickets have been sold for the Stuart Turner Pre Rally Presentation, with several saying they will come and pay on the night.

Cars &/or Parts to Buy &/or Sell:

Peter Heading wishes to obtain a Mark 3 Bonnet Badge,
Ken Styles has 2 books for sale on behalf of another Member,
and there was also a request for driving lights and an offer to provide them.

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General Business:

Peter Jackson invited Members attending Phillip Island to “Garage 12” on Saturday at 4.30pm for a drink. He also noted that 5 or 6 Healeys are expected to go to run at Bathurst at Easter.

Member’s attention was drawn to the Picnic at Albert Park Lake this coming Sunday, organized by Mike and Jill Forrester’s, and disappointment was noted at the poor attendance at Mike’s February South ROFS Run, with only 2 other Healeys attending.

Harvey Pearce gave a rundown on the **AOMC/RACV Classic Showcase**, held on 28th February at Flemington, noting the President’s enormous input towards our exhibit and that we received the award for “**The Best Display**”. The President held up the plaque for Members to see and thanked all involved, with particular thanks to Bill Metcalf. He noted that, without the massive input from Bill Metcalf, our involvement would not have happened. George Forbes with his immaculately restored Bugeye Sprite also won the “Car of the Show Award”. Attendance included 72 Big Healeys and 10 Spridgets.

Options for the 31st October **Victorian Healey Day** Venue were discussed, and it was noted that Birrarung Marr is no longer available as Council no longer allows cars on their parks. It was agreed that **Como Park North** is the preferred option.

The President conveyed congratulations to Julie and Simon Maan’s upon the birth of their second son, Ethan James Maan.

Next Meeting: - 1st April 2010 with attendance by some overseas visitors expected.

Meeting Close: at 9.10pm.

This was followed by an entertaining and enlightening presentation by Roger Swales speaking about his Original 100M (which was on display at the front of the room) and the various categories of cars wearing this badge.

Andrew C. Goad
SECRETARY