

AHOC General Meeting 1st October 2009

AUSTIN HEALEY OWNERS CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.
Minutes of General Meeting held on Thursday 1st October 2009
At 19 – 23 Rosalie Street Springvale

Guest Speaker:

As a precursor to the Club's October General Meeting, at 8.30pm, Chairman Bill Ingham introduced guest speaker Iain Ross. Iain, the President of the "Association Of Motoring Clubs", gave an informative presentation upon the history and achievements of the AOMC.

The AOMC was started 33 years ago to cover English cars and has since diversified to the current membership of 212 car clubs representing in excess of 60,000 Victorian vehicle enthusiasts. AOMC's activities include representing the Associated Clubs at State and Federal Government levels, attending to the Club Permit Scheme (Vic), quarterly Newsletters, Publications to assist in the running of Car Clubs (with copies provided for our records) plus the Engine Number Records Service and the running of events. Included is the "RACV Classic Showcase" at which our Austin Healeys are to be the Feature Marque on Sunday 28th February 2010.

Show Car:

This month Russell Catling's beautifully restored tri-carb BT7 3000 Mark1 was on show at the front of the auditorium and Russell was available to speak to Members after the meeting.

The General Meeting opened at 9.10pm

Present:

77 Members with 8 Healeys and 2 Visitors (John Morton and Leo Squires).

Apologies:

Mike Snelgrove, Ross Chilianis, Arthur Tuckett, John & Heather Curtis, Mike & Ros Sinclair, Bryan & Barb Meredith, Ron Boyle, Allen Saunders and Tim Westover

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Motion: "That the Minutes of the previous Meeting held on the 3rd September 2009, are accepted".

Moved: Bill Vaughan

Seconded: Ken Tame

Carried

Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes:

Nil.

Correspondence In:

Flyers:

- Euroa Show & Shine 4th Oct.
- Park Lane Tourist Park Traralgon.
- Aust Tarmac Challenge one-day event at Lang Lang 21st Nov. (Email)
- Mountain Motorsports P/L Mt Buller Sprint on 4-6 Dec.s'09.
- Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club – Picnic at Hanging Rock 14th Feb. 2010.

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Magazines and News Letters from:

- A.H. Sprite Driver's Club – Goblins' Gazette (Sept)
- Austin Healey Owners Club of Qld. "Healey Torque" (Sept)
- Austin Healey Owners Club of N.S.W. - "Flat Chat" (Sept)
- Ballina District Restorers Club - "The Carrier Pigeon" (Sept)
- Austin Healey Club of WA - "Healeys West" (Sept)
- Riverina Sports Car Association – Newsletter (Sept/Oct)
- Southern Peninsula Classic & Historic Car Club "The Crankhandle" (Oct)
- A.H. Sprite Driver's Club – Goblins' Gazette (Oct)

2008 Yearbook

- Two hard copies and two CDs were received of the "Austin Healey Owners Clubs of Australia 2008 Year Book" from Patrick Quinn (AHOC NSW) on 14th Sept.

Letters and Emails:

- Various Invoices and payments for Magazine advertising.
- Rod Vogt email re participation in 18th Oct. '09 MotoGP Riders Parade
- Request from Casey Hill seeking involvement in three race events to assist in gaining his licence as a general official.
- Ken Styles advice that VSCC have written to CMC declining the opportunity to participate in the Clubrooms.
- Notification of the passing of John and Mary Birdsey's 42 year old son Tom.
- CAMS Trainee Official Volunteering Request from Kuo Chuin Sin

Correspondence Out:

- President's email to Stonnington Leader Newspaper re Victorian Healey Day
- Email from Gordon Lindner to Members re participation in Sunday 18th Oct. MotoGP Riders Parade at Phillip Island.
- Condolence card to Mary and John Birdsey upon the passing of their son Tom.

REPORTS:

Financials:

Treasurer - Ken Tame reported:

Operating Account

Opening Balance (as at 21/08/'09 – last date reported)	\$13,732.01
Plus Deposits	\$11,612.20
Less Payments	\$12,614.03
Closing Balance as at 18/09/'09	\$12,730.18

Note, major deposit and payment for the period was for the Bush Fire Donation.

Special Purpose Account \$5,729.89
(Of which \$2,742.50 relates to the Bush Fire Appeal)

Term Deposit Account \$25,000.00

Membership:

Membership Secretary Greg Howe provided the following report:

MEMBERSHIP REPORT OCTOBER 2009

Healey owning Members	253
Ex-owner members	9
Associate Members	4
Family Members	266
Life Members	5
Total Membership	537

Welcome to our new members:

Dominic Kelly & Robyn (joined July) Ross & Rosemary Turner (joined July)
Peter & Brigitte Heading Gary & Kathie Kohlman Brian Peart

Social:

Social Secretary - Maressa Rowland was enthusiastically supported in her "expression of thanks" to Brian and Linda Dermott for organizing such a great "Weekend in the High Country" over the 19th and 20th September.

Maressa went on to highlight the upcoming events as detailed in the magazine. Events of particular note are the 4th Oct. Picnic at Albert Park, the 8th and 9th Oct. ROF's Run to Warragul/Inverloch, the 10th Oct. Run to Marysville and the 25th Oct. Vic Healey Day.

Editor:

Editor - Harvey Pearce expressed his disappointment at the lack of "letters to the editor".

Website:

Website Manager - Gordon Lindner noted that he is currently transferring Club Videos to DVDs and he is interested in any Member contributions that could be similarly transferred, for inclusion in the Club Library.

Librarian:

Barb Meredith – Apology.

Bill Ingham noted that Barb is proceeding with the Library upgrade, including the purchase of new books. Ken Tame has also donated new books to the Library

Regalia:

Regalia Manager - Bill Metcalf, with the assistance of Alan Cant, displayed a large silk banner incorporating a full area photograph of Alan's Austin Healey. These banners are available, made-to-order by Alan's daughter, from the photographs of Members cars.

CMC / Clubrooms:

Chris Coughlin reported that VHRR are not going ahead with involvement in the Clubrooms. Chris is also looking for trainees to help with attending to the Bar.

Competition-MSCA:

Rod Vogt drew Members attention to the upcoming events, as detailed in his Report in the Magazine. Rod also noted his surprise at the apparent lack of interest by the Members present in the web site covering the recent events at Bonneville.

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Peter Stanley expressed disappointment at the poor support from Club Members, both as Entries and as ground support crew, for the “Six-Hour Relay” and noted the likelihood of AHOC not participating next year. Peter has managed our AHOC Team over recent years and this year will be his last. A “vote of thanks” was conveyed to Peter, along with a round of applause, for his contribution.

CAMS:

Tony Barrett: nothing to report.

AOMC:

Ken Styles: nothing to report.

Vic Roads:

Ken Styles: nothing to report.

National Rally 2010:

Maressa Rowland reported strong support for the National Rally, with 240 already registered including 8 from the USA, 2 from Sweden plus 1 from each of Northern and Southern Ireland.

Jeff Gillard, together with Fay and John Raisbeck and Greg Kilmartin, modeled the Polo and Rugby Tops that will be available at the Rally. Order forms are on the Rally website.

National Delegate:

Chris Coughlin: nothing to report.

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

Nothing new from the floor.

Editor - Harvey Pearce noted that Members “cars and parts” adverts are removed from the Magazine after three issues. They can be rerun upon advice to the Editor.

The Victorian Healey Day is on Sunday 25th October at Como North, be there!

Those Members wishing to partake in the Club supplied free lunch need to register their request with Maressa Rowland.

General Business:

It was with regret that the passing of Alan Taylor of the Austin Healey Sprite Drivers Club was noted.

There was support from the Members present, including the Dinner Dance Subcommittee (as represented by Mick and Jill), for rescheduling of the “Presentation of Club Awards” ceremony away from the Dinner Dance to another occasion. There was also the suggestion that it be on the night of the AGM. The Committee will revisit this matter at next Wednesday’s Meeting.

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Members were requested to please bring along to the next General Meeting on 5th November items to include in Mick Smith's famous Annual Christmas Hampers. Wine, chocolates, biscuits, novelties, anything you can contribute will be appreciated. Mick needs your donations to fill the baskets, as prizes for the Christmas Raffle to be held at the End of Year Break-up Night on 3rd December.

Selwyn Hall noted that there are already 19 cars wishing to be involved in the 18th October MotoGP Riders Parade at Phillip Island and thanked Gordon for his assistance in promoting this opportunity. Thanks were also conveyed to Selwyn and Mike Snelgrove for their contribution.

The November General Meeting is to start earlier, at 6.30pm, with a BBQ.

Meeting Close:

As there was no further business, President - Bill Ingham closed the Meeting at 10.20pm

Andrew C. Goad
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