

QUEENSLAND HISTORIC MOTORING COUNCIL INC.

Minutes of July bi-Monthly General Meeting

Held at 1376 Old Cleveland Rd, Carindale QLD on Thursday 22nd July 2010

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Meeting Opened: By President at 7.30 pm.

Present: as per list attached.

New Delegates: . Kellie Hall (Cadillac); Craig Mc Manus (Monaro); Graham Simpson (BVRC)

Visitors: Lyndon Stephenson (Cadillac)

Apologies: Allan Brimblecombe (LAMA); Steve Harvey (HCVAQ)

Minutes of General Meeting of May were distributed and mailed or emailed to all clubs and delegates, copies also published on web site. Copies of the minutes tabled. Richard moved the minutes be approved and seconded by Rick A'Bell.

Business from Minutes: Review Action Points: President reported progress on each of the outstanding action points. It was agreed that all other business items be deferred to general business.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS - Remaining open for next meeting

| Action Point | QHMC Handbook | | |
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| Action | By Whom | By When | |
| Revise and update the section on conducting a Major Rally | Richard Eggesfield with input from the 2010 & 2011 HMC Rally Committee. | 30 th September 2010 | |
| Revise the History section of the handbook to show as much detail as possible found on QHMC/CC Rally results and details of past Management committee members. | Richard Eggesfield | 30 th September 2010 | |
| Review the QHMC handbook and provide the QHMC with details of any changes the clubs recommend | All Clubs | 30 th September 2010 | |
| Action to date | Draft issue 3 published on the QHMC website revision of the HMC rally time table still required. | | |

| Action Point | Revise Web site | | |
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| Action | By Whom | By When | |
| Add an archive page and move old worthy news and other non current info to the archive page | Richard Eggesfield | 15 th July 2010 | |
| Action to date | Completed .Website revised, new pages added and out of date material either archived or deleted | | |

| Action Point | Implement Publicity Plan | | |
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| Action | By Whom | By When | |
| Develop and place short advertisements in the CM | David James | 1 st August 2010 | |
| Modify the front end of the Web to introduce people attracted by the newspaper ads | Richard Eggesfield | 15 th July 2010 DONE | |
| Action to date | Intro page developed and tested | | |

| Action Point | AHMF National Survey | | |
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| Action | By Whom | By When | |
| Collate AHMF Survey returns and forward collated results to AHMF National Coordinator | David James | 30 th June 2010; working date extended to 31 st August 2010 | |
| Action to date | 300 completed survey forms received all electronic ones collated. | | |

| Action Point | No-cost Registration Veteran Vehicles | | |
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| Action | By Whom | By When | |
| Sub-committee to liaise with clubs with Veteran vehicles for input to a business case for providing veteran vehicles with 'no cost' registration. Business case to be developed by the sub-committee and presented to QHMC committee for consideration. | Bill Martin and Rod Graydon | Interim date extended to 31 st August 2010 | |
| Action to date | Initial action plan developed. Sub committee will now include vehicle ages of 80 to 100 yrs in its deliberations with a view to establishing a reasonable 'rolling date'. | | |

| Action Point | Naming Rights Sponsor for future HMC Rally 2012 onwards | | |
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| Action | | By Whom | By When |
| QHMC Management committee seeking a naming rights sponsor for HMC rallies beyond sponsorship 2011. Initial approach to RACQ and then potentially other likely sponsors. | | Management Committee | Interim date extended to 31st August 2010 |
| New Action: President to produce a follow-up letter to RACQ before approaching other organisations. | | David James | 20 th May 2010 DONE |
| Action to date | Letter sent to RACQ in Feb 10. No response to date. Follow up phone call – RACQ will consider after RACQ Motorfest. Second letter to RACQ in May 10. RACQ advise will likely consider after Motorfest. | | |

Correspondence Inward: Richard Egglefield reported on the following correspondence.

Letters: BoQ bank statement. **Various clubs** renewing affiliation. **Childers Collectable Vehicle Association (CCVA)** applying to join QHMC; **Dept of Fair Trading** re Annual Association Return; **Federation of Historic Motor Clubs SA** minutes 19th June meeting (imports, seat belts, ethanol) **Council of Motoring clubs WA** June meeting minutes, **Various Members of affiliated clubs** completed AHMF Survey forms.

Emails: **Various Clubs** providing calendar event updates for the website and advising changes of email addresses and providing link details (URL Addresses) to their websites; **AHMF** various emails indicating that it is doing nothing regarding advocating to the department for clarification on pre-1989 imports; **Childers Collectable Vehicle Association (CCVA)** regarding joining QHMC; **Steve Pantelidis Vehicle Safety Standards Branch Infrastructure and Surface Transport Policy Division** advising details of the changes to the application of the pre-1989 import rules. **Council of ACT Motor Clubs** advising details of meeting with Vehicle Safety Standards Branch Infrastructure and Surface Transport Policy Division (pre-1989 imports). **QVVA & SCAAC** re misplaced QHMC trophy. **Mark Saunders ASRF** re import issue meeting; **Graham Bristow QOCS** question about income tax for clubs; **Austin 7 club** question re registering a long term unregistered vehicle (answers to both these questions were and are on the QHMC website); **Roma Club** re issues to discuss on visit; **AOMC Philip Johnston** advising amendment to web based AHMF survey form; **Austin 7 Club** question re ethanol mandate in NSW; **Main Roads Heritage Centre Toowoomba** advising that **it is** planning a rally in September; **Leyburn Historic Sprints** advising Car & Bike Club Extravaganza display and fun run in conjunction with **Leyburn Historic Sprints** on 21/22 August. **GCAAC** requesting list of the current clubs, addresses for mail out of Autorama entries; **Austnet** re PLI price cut and additional insurance.

Event Flyers: (all flyers have been linked to the event listing on the web calendar)

Magazines: 15 club magazines tabled.

Correspondence Outward:

Letters: Nil

Emails: **All Clubs & delegates** distributing minutes advising that QHMC minutes are on the web site; **Various clubs** acknowledging address changes, additional events on the calendar; **AHMF (Philip Johnston)** advising problems with electronic survey forms; **AHMF** advising/asking/lobbying/pleading with the AHMF President to take appropriate positive action in getting involved re the imposed import restrictions for modified pre-1989 vehicles. **Roma club** re visit; **AHMF Secretary & President** requesting a copy of the AHMF Constitution; **Bad Little Bug-gers V-Dub Club Qld Inc** advising them they are now members of QHMC; **Austin 7 Club** replies to questions and directing club to web site; **AHMF QHMC's President's report** for AHMF AGM; **Austnet Group** re PLI insurance policy for this year;

Approval of the Correspondence: Richard moved that the inward correspondence be accepted and the outwards be endorsed. Seconded: Val Sharp; Carried.

Business Arising from Correspondence:

REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Report 25th June - 22nd July 2010

| Receipts | | Expenditure | |
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| Affiliation fees | \$2,210.00 | Honorarium -2nd half Sec | -\$250.00 |
| Interest - | \$1.11 | QHMC Rally donation | -\$750.00 |
| | | Postage | -\$70.65 |
| | | Printing/Stationery | -\$15.95 |
| | | Meeting room rent | -\$100.00 |
| Total Income | \$2,211.11 | Total Expenses | -\$1,186.60 |

BANK RECONCILIATION

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| Opening cash book balance 25th June 2010 | | \$9,079.32 |
| Plus receipts | \$2,211.11 | \$11,290.43 |
| less Expenses | -\$1,186.60 | |
| Closing cash book balance 22nd July 2010 | | \$10,103.83 |

Term Deposits

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| Term Deposits BOQ | \$17,657.88 | <u>\$17,657.88</u> |
| Total Current Assets 22nd July 2010 | | <u>\$27,761.71</u> |

Expenses for approval and/or confirmation

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| Richard Eggesfield | \$250.00 |
| Darling Downs Veteran & Vintage Vehicle Club | \$750.00 |
| Veteran Car Club | \$100.00 |
| Kevin Eeles | \$86.60 |

Kevin Eeles presented the monthly financial report and moved that the report be adopted & bills approved for payment. Seconded: Cheryl Nott. Carried.

Department of Transport & Main Roads / Queensland Transport Report: Rod Graydon touched on the implications and possible actions re the aspect of 'Authenticity'. TMR would like 'authenticity' included in a Dating Certificate. Rod stated that there has been no change yet. David James also advised that at the last liaison meeting TMR was not able to define what it meant by 'authenticity'; Richard E stated that there has been no change to the current dating process which is documented in the QHMC handbook.

Rod Graydon reported issue of an imported modified vehicle registered in NSW being moved to Queensland and then registered in Qld. (In NSW there is no need to fit a Blue Plate (LO1 or 2) while Queensland would normally require a blue plate). TMR advised that the vehicle does not need an LO1/2 modification plate because the vehicle is already registered in Australia. Rod reported that at the time of purchase of such a vehicle it is important that the buyer gets copies of the import permit and the registration details. Rod also reported that owners would be better off getting a modification plate affixed before registering the vehicle in Queensland because it would then make future transfers of registration anywhere in Australia much easier.

Richard E asked the meeting if there were any items delegates wanted discussed at the next quarterly liaison meeting with TMR. There were no requests for items to be discussed.

Australian Historic Motoring Federation

The President informed the meeting that the AHMF constitution permitted each state/territory council to have a total of three delegates. David nominated Richard Eggesfield as the state's third delegate to AHMF. This was seconded by Cheryl Nott and Richard was elected unanimously. The three delegates are now David James, Ken Griffiths & Richard Eggesfield.

The President reported he was disappointed with the current AHMF management's approach and progress in resolving issues regarding the change in application of the unrestricted pre-1989 vehicle import rules. When applying for approval to import a vehicle under the 'unrestricted importation of pre-1989 vehicles' scheme, any vehicle that has been converted or modified cannot now be imported under the scheme unless the owner can prove that the modifications were performed before 1989. QHMC's concerns were related to what the government department considers a 'modification'. The AHMF management was reluctant to ask or even pass on the questions re modifications asked by QHMC. The QHMC management committee in the face of inaction by AHMF, (our national body), approached the ASRF (Aust Street Rod Federation) to present the case for the old vehicle movement.

David asked the Queensland delegates if they supported a change in the AHMF management. There was overwhelming support for change.

Pre-1989 Import Rules: David reported on the results of the meeting between Vehicle Safety Standards Branch Infrastructure and Surface Transport Policy Division and ASRF in Canberra last Friday. David reported that the department was happy to discuss the implications of the changed enforcement of the rules. The department's interpretation of the term 'modification' provides room for the modifications generally undertaken in a vehicle restoration, even the converting of a vehicle from LHD to RHD and the installation of a mildly up-rated engine. Full details of the our President's letter and the department's response are available on the news pages of the QHMC web site or directly at <http://www.qhmc.org.au/Import-Rules-Clarified.htm>

Calendar of Events: The QHMC events calendar has been updated on the website <http://www.qhmc.org.au/calendar.htm> and links have been added to any flyers or entry forms for events provided by all clubs. Clubs can use a form on the events webpage to advise QHMC of any new events or details of events or to Tom Lewis as has always been the case. Tom advised the meeting of the Toowoomba Swap 4th-5th Feb 2011 Bookings 0400345564 or www.toowoombaswap.com and the Mack Truck VIP day arranged by the HCVA on 21st August Phone Graham 0439732069. Richard advised details of both events will be on the web Event Calendar before the Minutes are distributed.

Web Update: Richard advised that the news pages of the website have been revised and old news items (over two months) have been moved to an archive page. He also advised that a new "Intro" page will be added and will be the page advertised as part of the QHMC publicity drive.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Business from Action Points:

AHMF Survey: Over 320 survey returns have been received to date. Clubs are still asked to encourage members complete and return surveys ASAP.

Veteran Rego Project: The meeting discussed possibly changing the approach and look at getting no cost registration for 100 year old vehicles rather than just Veterans because the Government already recognises 100year old vehicles as “Special”. Clubs through their delegates are asked to provide feedback on the proposed change by the August meeting.

Handbook Update/ Review: Richard advised that the QHMC handbook had been updated. Richard asked delegates to ask clubs if there were any things we need to change.

Business Arising from Correspondence:

Childers Collectable Vehicle Association (CCVA) new club membership. Richard moved that the club be accepted, seconded Albert Budworth, carried. **Action** Treasurer to send invoice & secretary to send welcome letter.

PLI Insurance: Richard spoke of the changes and price reduction in the Austnet PLI policies this year. He advised that all clubs should have their renewal notices

Richard advised that Council news this month would cover income tax, vehicle imports, SIVS registration processes and the role of club dating officers because he had received a number of phone and email requests relating to these issues.

Other General Business

Council News Richard E asked delegates to ask their clubs to inform the secretary of any items they would like included in the Council News.

Roma Regional Liaison Visit: David reported on the successful visit by QHMC management to the Roma Club to ensure that the club members in and around Roma are familiar with the role and activities of the QHMC.

HMC Rally: David reported on his and the secretary’s visit to Toowoomba to discuss the 2011 RACQ HMC Rally preparations with the DDVVMC.

Tolls & SIVS Vehicles: Two delegates enquired as to the policy of toll road operators charging the commercial rate for SIVS-registered commercial-style vehicles (utes, trucks & buses). The secretary advised that these vehicles are not registered as commercial vehicles and therefore should not pay the higher commercial rate. Delegates were asked to have their club members check their toll accounts and seek refunds if they have been overcharged and advise the QHMC secretary so that QHMC can represent this overcharging to both the government and the toll road operators.

Seat Belts: Bill Martin advised delegates that the TMR booklet “The Essential Driving Companion” incorrectly stated that all drivers and passengers in a car must use a seat belt. It made no mention of the fact that there is not a requirement under Queensland law for drivers & passengers 16 & over to use a seat belt in vehicles built before 1972 which are not fitted with seat belts.

Meeting Closed at 8.50 pm

GENERAL MEETINGS ARE HELD 7.30PM 4th THURSDAY OF THE ODD NUMBERED MONTHS

23rd September 2010; 25th November 2010.

Council News

RACQ HMC Rally

Planning has commenced for the RACQ HMC Rally in 2011. The Darling Downs Veteran and Vintage Motor Club is well underway with the planning for this event to be held over the Queens Birthday Weekend in June next year. Ensure that you make a note of the dates 13th to 15th June next year for what will be a fantastic rally in the Toowoomba area.

Changed Pre-1989 Vehicle Importation Rules.

The Department of Infrastructure has recently changed the application of the rules governing the importation of pre-1989 vehicles. Vehicles on which modifications have been carried out from 1st January 1989 onwards can no longer be imported under the 'unrestricted pre-1989 import' scheme. It is important to note that when a vehicle is converted after original manufacture, the date of manufacture is taken to be the later date of conversion. QHMC asked the department for a definition of what constitutes a 'modified' vehicle in relation to the enforcement of the scheme's rules. Specifically, we asked for confirmation of the department's definition of the word 'modified', and whether the following examples of work carried out on a vehicle would result in an import pre-1989 vehicle being assessed as modified or converted:

- replaced drum brakes with disc brakes,
- replaced mechanical brakes with hydraulic brakes,
- replaced original seats with more comfortable and safer seats from a later model,
- installed seat belts,
- replaced headlights or taillights with safer later model units,
- fitted after-market, generally safer, wheels,
- carried out a mild update motor swap,
- changed manual gearbox for an automatic.

We are pleased to report that the department determined that minor modifications such as that listed above carried out on a pre-1989 vehicle do not affect the date of manufacture.

A vehicle restoration does not affect the original date of manufacture. An older historic car would typically have many components that have been reconditioned or replaced over the vehicle's lifetime. In these cases, the vehicle is still the same product. The full text of both letters and a paper explaining the application of the rules has been placed on the QHMC website at <http://www.qhmc.org.au/Import-Rules-Clarified.htm>

This has been a pleasing outcome and the QHMC's intervention in cooperation with ASRF has brought some clarity to the pre-1989 import issue and, in general terms, the change in the application of the rules should not affect the types of vehicles we would generally import for our hobby. However QHMC recommends that members of clubs approach the Infrastructure and Surface Transport branch of the Infrastructure department to obtain import approval before shipping a vehicle

Seat Belts for under 16's

QHMC will at the AHMF AGM. One of the issues it will be raising is to try to get the AHMF to nationally approach government for a relaxation of the national road rules requiring under 16's to use seat belts and under 7s to be in child restraints, when cars are being used in an approved procession or parade such as ANZAC Day parades and other similar parade events.

Tax Issues.

Not for profit vehicle clubs are not exempt from paying taxation.

The taxation arrangements that apply to various not-for-profit organisations can vary enormously. The tax law does not provide a blanket income tax exemption for not-for-profit organisations or membership-based entities. The key determinants of income tax exemption status is the extent to which an organisation provides a **wide public benefit**. (ie charitable, religious, scientific and public educational institutions.)

Where the purpose of a not-for-profit organisation is to provide services or support to its members in the first instance, then a tax exemption is not considered appropriate.

The fact that vehicle clubs are 'not for profit' is irrelevant as far as paying tax is concerned. However, a not-for-profit incorporated club is taxed under **the principle of 'mutuality'**. Under this arrangement tax assessable income consists only of funds raised from outside the organisation. In other words, receipts from mutual dealings with members are not income for tax purposes. This includes all membership subscriptions, raffle proceeds where tickets are sold to members and the sale of club memorabilia to members etc.

Expenditure of funds, to generate a tax deduction is also covered by the principle of mutuality, ie a tax deduction can only be claimed if the expenditure is required to generate an income from non members (ie a taxable income) or as a donation to a recognised charity.

In the case of vehicle clubs that don't run events where they charge the public, the main external income is bank interest.

External income should be totalled annually. Clubs are given a tax-free threshold of \$416.

If a club earns more than \$416 from bank interest or from non members (non mutual) then the club is obliged to submit a tax return.

External income (bank interest) could be managed in order to ensure that it remains below the threshold.

Clubs which conduct swap meetings or car displays where members of the public are charged an entry fee are seen to be generating non mutual income which is assessable for income tax, any expenditure in setting up, conducting, and advertising the swap or display etc. is considered non mutual expenditure and would qualify as a tax deduction.

Clubs are urged to track and record all 'mutual' and 'non mutual' income & expenditure to enable them to identify if they have a tax liability. Further information on tax can be found in the QHMC Handbook or Website or by visiting the ATO's website www.ato.gov.au

AHMF Survey

The AHMF Survey is now well underway with over 200 survey forms returned, however with over 8000 SIVS users in the state there are still lots of us who have not got round to completing and submitting the survey forms. Your club has paper copies available or you can complete the survey electronically on your PC by just logging on the QHMC website www.qhmc.org.au and following the prompts. Try to get your survey form submitted by the end of August please.

Web Update

The QHMC website has been updated and news articles changed to keep up-to-date with the latest news affecting our hobby. Regularly check the page at www.qhmc.org.au/news Old news articles can be found on the 'Archive' page.

| Attendance General Meeting 22/7/10 | |
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| Name | Club |
| Rick Abell | DDVVMC |
| Graham Allum | DDVVMC |
| Graham Auld | VOCA |
| Albert Budworth | ABCCC / VCCA(Q) |
| Graham Bristow | QOCS |
| Fred Clark | QOCS |
| Geoff Connor | QCV8Club |
| Tony Dahl | QEFV8 |
| R Eggesfield | BVRC |
| K Eeles | Citroen |
| Braidon Fowler | LAMA |
| Rod Graydon | Sunbeam |
| John Greene | Mustang Owners Cub |
| Carle Gregory | P76 & BSSMMCC |
| Kellie Hall | Cadillac |
| David James | AMVCQ |
| Tom Lewis | Visitor |
| Craig McManus | Monaro |
| Bill Martin | Wolseley |
| John Miles | RROCA & CJEC |
| Cheryl Nott | BVRC/FX-FJ/Heritage Turck |
| Dick Perry | BNAAA |
| Val Sharp | Cadillac |
| Graham Simpson | BVRC |
| Noel Spicer | Early Ford V8 |
| Lyndon Stephenson | Cadillac |
| Adam Wellings | HMCCQ |
| Ted Wojtasik | QVVA |
| Bert Wilson | A7RQ |

