



**Antique Caterpillar Machinery Owners Club
(ACMOC) – Chapter 19
Committee Meeting
Date: 10th August, 2023
Location: William Adams & ZOOM**

Attendees: G.Slocombe M.Hutchings **Copies:** ACMOC office, Peoria
D.Robins S.Jackel International Director
B.Jackel B.Cornfoot Chapter 18 secretary
N.Clydsdale (online) P.Hughes Chapter 29 secretary
T.Bassett J.Loaring Chapter 30 secretary

Guests: P.Thongmaner

Apologies: L.Rees R.Bassett-Smith
R.Fern

Quorum: Yes
(½ committee + 1)

Item	Notes	Voting	Action
	Meeting commenced at 6.00 pm. M.Hutchings opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.		
1	Present/Apologies The secretary called for apologies which were noted.		

<p>2</p>	<p>Correspondence in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 6/7 CAV annual statement lodgement advice - 31/7 Invoice from NHMA for insurance - 8/8 NHMA insurance certificate for 2023/24. - 10/8 TOMM confirming they will run our classified ad on recurring basis. <p>Correspondence out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 28/5 Email TOMM subscriber ad - 25/7 Email NHMA about asset insurance - 25/7 Email TOMM follow up subscriber ad - 30/7 Email insurance forms to NHMA. <p><i>Motion: That correspondence in/out as detailed is accepted as true and accurate.</i></p>	<p>Moved: GS Secoded: PH Motion passed unopposed</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p>Confirmation of minutes from the previous meeting.</p> <p>The secretary called on members present to review the minutes of the previous committee meeting dated 6th May 2023 which have been available on the Chapter website and a copy was available at the meeting.</p> <p><i>Motion: That the minutes of the previous annual general meeting have been read and are true and accurate.</i></p>	<p>Moved: MH Secoded: DR Motion passed unopposed</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>Business arising from the previous minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Tail seat high tea 8th Jul (GS) <p>G.Slocombe gave an overview of the weekend, specifically thanking John Mawson, Eric & Margot Thiele and Mike & Anna Meyer for their contribution to the success of the weekend. It was pleasing to see new members and partners making friends and enjoying themselves. Overall, the Chapter made \$273 after costs and donations from the raffle. Members are reminded photos of the event are on our website landing page.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asset Register (GS) <p>G.Slocombe has reached out to the NHMA insurance broker, and has a meeting planned to understand what assets qualify and would need to be itemised before we create a register.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - D343 block or short motor purchase (PH) <p>P.Hughes has rung the supplier the lowest they will take is \$850. Phil believes it to just be the block (tunnel bored, decked and inserts), not a short motor. The committee asked Phil to go and physically have a look and take photos. Chapter to consider rarity and whether it was worth purchasing and market desirability.</p>		<p>G.Slocombe to meet with Honan and report to the committee.</p> <p>P.Hughes agreed to inspect and provide details.</p>

<p>4 cont.</p>	<p>- Telstra D9 (DR) D.Robins has not heard back from the museum but advised there was a change of staff and needed to reach out to them again.</p> <p>- Parts offer from Tilly's (SJ) S.Jackel gave details of the complete machines and parts that are on offer. Is looking to go an inspect with D.Robins in the next 30 days. He believes there is a No.11 grader, No. 10 grader, D6 radiators – 15-20 other radiators, 9K No.12 grader, R4 or R5 D6, boxes of magneto's etc.</p> <p>As Steve has secured first right of refusal once we know the extend of what is on the offer, then we to understand if the tractors are to be offered to members, or an offer is made by the Chapter on their behalf as part of an overall offer by the Chapter to purchase the parts for resale. We also need to consider transport costs.</p>		<p>S.Jackel & D.Robins to arrange to inspect and make a recommendation of what the Chapter should offer.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Directors Report N.Clydsdale gave a verbal report, stating the outcome of the subsidiary Chapter situation in the USA was still not yet known, but that he expected many not to convert to Contract Chapters. The impact on the Club may not be significant as of the 1700 USA members only a small (estimated 250) number are members of Chapters. Of concern too was the amount of people that were not financial members of ACMOC but considered members of these Chapters.</p> <p>The automated renewal and membership payment system deployment was ongoing, now moving existing members across from the Paypal system to the new Zoho system. The Club was committed to reduce complexity and administration cost and this requires the transition to online auto renewal payments only. There was positive feedback that once members use the new process, they were finding it easy to use.</p> <p>There is significant reliance on Sue and other directors in terms of administration time and the Club needs to look at supporting this.</p>		
<p>6</p>	<p>Presidents Report M.Hutchings gave a verbal report reinforced the success of the Tail Seat High Tea and thanked those involved, as well as the continued focus on replica parts as an important member service.</p>		

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Finance report

The treasurer (GS) presented the finance report as at 9th August 2023.

Funds in cheque account	\$17,859.94
Funds in cash account	\$ 650.39
Funds in Paypal account	\$ 874.09
Inventory merchandise	\$ 7,629.98
Inventory replica parts	\$ 775.73
Banking yet to clear	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total assets	\$27,790.13
Plus debtors	
NHMA insurance (unpaid)	<u>\$ 220.00</u>
Total assets	\$28,010.13
Less liabilities	
Memberships	\$ 0.00
Insurance (pre-paid)	\$ 20.00
Postage	\$ 0.00
Replica parts	\$ 0.00
Creditor invoices	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total liabilities	-\$ 20.00
Net financial position	\$27,990.13

Motion: That the finance report represents a true and accurate account of the Chapters financial position as at 9th August 2023

G.Slocombe advised that a debit card in the Chapters name had been requested of Westpac to avoid the current situation of him paying on his personal card then reimbursing himself each time.

Moved: GS
Seconded: JL
Motion passed unopposed

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Membership report

G.Slocombe advised that there are currently 144 financial members.

- 22 members will be due to renew at the end of current September 23 quarter.
- There are 7 members that were due to renew at the previous June 23 quarter which remain outstanding and are now considered overdue. Reminder emails have been sent. The names being

Tom Barley (junior)
Greg Hillier
Ruth Jackel
Dane Lee
Jim Leithhead
Damien Orourke
Lachlan Peachey (junior)

Both our junior members have not renewed.

There is 3 new members

- Chris Edwards, Highton, VIC
- Stuart Macdonald, Launceston, TAS
- Ian Heferen, Moree, NSW

New membership form is now in use to try and direct members to renew online with credit card. This helps as they are auto renew but makes it much more difficult for me to manage the membership of who is current and not.

Also, this means the quarterly renewals go out the window, back to 365 possible renewal dates to manage.

Phil to follow up with June qtr members that are due to renew.

<p>9</p>	<p>Merchandise</p> <p>As at 9th August 2023 we had stock valued (at cost) of \$7,629.98.</p> <p>New heritage Block C logo polos in stock. New batch of blue men's shirts in stock. Placed an order for 20 of the Rohan Skinner 'dozer' picture books.</p> <p>No approval yet for the block C CAT POWER diecast badges from Cat branding yet.</p> <p>We are still trying to negotiate with the Club around other discontinued merchandise that exists in the USA since the store was closed, currently we have a 'profit share' proposal with the Board for consideration.</p>		<p>Neil to continue to push the Board for an answer on the merchandise proposal.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>Replica Parts</p> <p>G.Slocombe advised TOMM had agreed to publish our replica parts ad in the classified section each edition for free going forward.</p> <p>D.Robins has added some additional gaskets to the replica parts offering and provided additional consignment stock.</p> <p>G.Slocombe has ordered 6 x 8F3825 pilot motor exhaust rain traps through Kev Pauli for stock.</p> <p>A new shipment of the GCI grader tyres is due in next month for Garry Cotton.</p> <p>Discussion was had about Florian stock was procured by another party. Need to determine who, and if they are willing to sell items like fuel bowls.</p> <p>No update on the Clubs position to promote Chapter replica parts through the store at this time. Agree to remove this from the minutes going forward.</p>		<p>G.Slocombe to update the replica parts catalogue to reflect new products and pricing.</p> <p>Need to try and find out who has this stock now.</p>

<p>11</p>	<p>Club tractor projects</p> <p>- CH65 Originally proposed working bee date is Sunday 14th May 2023, but have not had confirmation from Phil Hughes. Date to be confirmed.</p> <p>- DW21 Glen to provide the parts book to Darryl to make a part's list so the engine can start to be reassembled. Head needs to be reassembled.</p> <p>- 933 Travis is working on expected head gasket issue. Ben has donated a head, Travis has agreed to do this job for the Club, for which the committee expressed appreciation.</p>		<p>Phil to make a list of what is needed to prepare engine parts and logistics for the working bee Gearon or Cornfoot workshop?</p> <p>Glen to give parts book to Daryl.</p> <p>Travis is taking the lead on this engine repair.</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>Shed & Facilities</p> <p>Electrical & plumbing planned but electrician (Aaron) now off work 4 months. Mark is going to see if he can get a local sparky to install some of the lights and fit off power points,</p> <p>LGSPA is working a new reticulated sewer system project, but also looking to access Stockyard Hill \$300k per year for next 3 years community grant program. Current thinking is a building that includes a dedicated document archive room. Mark has expressed a desire that ACMOC would also like to have access to this facility with some dedicated space, and for them to keep us informed. The building will include a research room, as well as their clubrooms with required amenities. If ACMOC can assist with the grant application, it was agreed we would be happy to help.</p>		<p>Mark to see if local sparky available.</p> <p>Mark to continue to work with LGSPA to ensure our interest is known.</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>Technical Library</p> <p>J.Loaring has agreed to allow the use of his selected service magazine collection to be digitised by Daryl under supervision.</p>		<p>Jamie and Daryl to organise a time to complete this.</p>
<p>14</p>	<p>Lake Goldsmith Rally 4th – 5th November 2023</p> <p>British tractor theme. No further update.</p>		

<p>16</p>	<p>Rally updates</p> <p>S.Jackel gave an update on their experience at the Heyfield rally, and home welcoming they were and encouraged others to consider participating. He is organising a traction engine, towing float with a dolly in the next parade. They also have tractor pull with kids involved.</p> <p>New ACMOC marquee is now available for attending rallies.</p>		
<p>17</p>	<p>Caterpillar 2025 centenary celebrations</p> <p>M.Hutchings advised a meeting was held virtually. Primary outcome was to focus on 5 key official rallies that the Chapter would focus on for 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Korumburra - MSTEC - Warracknabeal - Lake Goldsmith - Tassie (Exeter?) <p>This would not prevent other rallies be attended, but these would be the one we focus on for 2025 representation.</p> <p>The above schedule results in a clash with Wheels at Wanaka in New Zealand, but this was unavoidable. B.Cornfoot suggest Wanaka was already sold out from an accommodation perspective.</p> <p>Need to consider transport and logistics if tractors are to be brought from mainland to Tassie rally.</p> <p>The 'Building Australia' documentary sizzle reel video was shown. This is part of the project so that now we can try and secure interest and funding. A meeting is organised between ACMOC, William Adams & Caterpillar next week.</p>		
<p>18</p>	<p>General business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Other French Antarctic equipment <p>G.Slocombe attended a dinner in Tassie with representatives – not happening at this time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - N.Clydsdale advised he insures his vintage tractors with Shannon's insurance, and that this was very affordable. Perhaps we need to establish a relationship with them to promote this option. They are usually represented at Lake Goldsmith. 		<p>M.Hutchings to speak with them at LG rally, perhaps have them speak at the Saturday meeting.</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>Next meeting:. AGM 28th September @ William Adams</p>		
<p>20</p>	<p>Meeting closed at 7.32 pm</p>		