

MUSTANG OWNERS CLUB AUSTRALIA (QLD) INC

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

24th May 2023

MEETING OPENED: 7.30pm

PRESENT: As per attendance book. 21 members present.

APOLOGIES: Stan Gallo, Ray and Marice Saunders, Robyn Messenger

NEW MEMBERS: - any new members present are encouraged to tell us a little bit about their car and themselves.

Nil

PASSING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved: John Binge

Second: Kerry Thompson

Passed by the majority: Yes.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Nil

TREASURERS REPORT:

Moved: Dave Irving (DI)

Second: Chris Holst (CH)

Reg Coleman (RC) reported there was \$67,822 currently in the accounts and that he had done a projected budget for next year taking the National into account. He reported that worst case scenario there could be a little as \$15,000 in the bank if the Nationals was not well attended.

Passed by the majority: Yes.

RC spoke about a bookkeeper for the Club and that he had identified a woman at Ferny Grove who charges \$70 per hour plus GST (\$77). RC estimated there would be around 3 hours per month required but could be as little as 2 hours. RC advised he was confident with what she does and believed the Club should engage her. For 2 reasons - Independence and Transparency and to make the Treasurer's job easier. RC advised we should remain with the current membership database package but should transition to Xero post the membership renewals to reduce the amount of data entry required. DI agreed about the bookkeeper and stated it would take the pressure of the Treasurer and may encourage members to nominate for the Treasurer position in the future. In the past members have been reluctant to nominate due to the volume of work involved.

INWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

Email correspondence – Dealt with by Ed and Dave

Nothing of interest

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

Email correspondence – Dealt with by Ed and Dave

Ed to talk about sponsorship packages sent out to potential Nationals sponsors.

MEMBERSHIP DRAW: (John Binge) TO DRAW

Winner: Brett Elliott

RUN CO-ORDINATOR:

Brekky Run to Sanctuary Cove. Dave Lewis (DL) gave a short overview. About 9 Mustangs attended. Breakfast was good and then all headed north through Jacobs Well.

DI and CH spoke about attending a morning at Shannon's and that it had been interesting.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

DL spoke about the new coffee pod machine purchased by the Club. Free for all members at this stage but will be evaluated in the future if the cost become excessive. Machine and coffee pods cost was around \$200.

EC spoke about the committee vacating their positions come the elections and that DL, EC and RC had conformed they were not standing for re-election, Stuart Brown was yet to advise his intention. EC advised the current committee was prepared to remain assisting organising the Nationals.

There was discussion about requirements for the club maintaining the Executive Committee and CH advised that as the club was an Incorporated Association it required a President, Secretary and Treasurer at a minimum to remain compliant. If the positions weren't filled at the AGM elections the club has 30 days past the AGM to fill the positions otherwise it was in breach of the Act. EC advised if that occurred, the Club would have to disperse all money in the accounts to other like-minded clubs and it could not be divided amongst the members. CH advised it was illegal for any member to derive a financial benefit from the Association.

EC spoke about the format of the Nationals and the need for it to change citing the recent State Concours where Show n Shine participants were wanting to leave the event by 10.30am they simply don't want to stay all day. He spoke about there still being some resistance towards any changes within the club and that change is needed for the club to survive. EC spoke about the Executive Committee being responsible for organising most event and runs and that it could not continue to do so without greater assistance from other club members.

Ric Dunford (RD) then responded with some comments aimed at Ed. A verbal exchange took place between RD and EC which became quite heated. A couple of members from the floor then interjected to attempt to defuse the conflict. EC advised he was shattered by the cheap pot shots and had had enough, unfortunately he could not continue chairing the meeting.

DL took over running the meeting, running through some of the proposed options for the Nationals including the RNA. EC then spoke up about the cost of the RNA being around \$10,000 per day and that it was not really a viable option. EC then advised he had also secured the parkland at Manly again for the event albeit being a State or National event but was also open to suggestions of other locations. EC also advised if we used Manly again and wanted to block off the esplanade for the 1-day event, it would cost in the region of \$4,000 as you needed 2 certified people to constantly remain at each end of where the road was blocked.

EC spoke about the accommodation packages that he and Paul Halliday found at the Grand Chancellor in the City where there was also sufficient undercover parking with good room rates at \$210/night, \$240/night with breakfast and \$280/night with breakfast for 2 people. Paul and EC had a meeting with the Grand Chancellor events coordinator and had also inspected the rooms and parking area, which although a little tight was acceptable. EC advised this was a better deal than the VOCO and did not require the club to pay a deposit for all the rooms only a meals package deposit would be required. EC spoke about other accommodation options also available across the road from the Grand Chancellor and also about the meal and drink packages being put together for a proper quotation package.

EC spoke about the club having to stump up maybe \$15K - \$20K and the fact that it may OR may not be a profitable event.

There was then discussion about proposed numbers of participants, Gordon Bartils (GB) spoke about vehicle security and EC advised a security guard could be employed. GB spoke about the use of Ford dealer to access a hoist and EC advised he was still in discussion with Motorama Ford. EC spoke about sponsorship packages and that he had sent out proposals to several potential sponsors. There was general discussion about judges and the number of judges required and their possible availability or non-availability.

There was a general discussion about whether the Nationals should be run, and Kerry Thompson (KT) suggested it should be run. More consideration is needed as The Executive Committee is now getting conflicting messages with the previous meeting voting to proceed and now this meeting is throwing doubt on if it should proceed.

RAFFLE DRAW:

1. John Binge
2. Ed Callander (redraw) – Neil Thompson
3. Lee Hellyer

Meeting closed : 9:00pm



Dave Lewis
Secretary

President: Ed Callander

