



AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF LIVE STEAMERS

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**MINUTES OF THE ALSSC ANNUAL MEETING WITH MEMBER CLUB
COMPETENT OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES**

Friday, 22nd April, 2011, at 4.00 pm.
Edgeworth, NSW.

Chair: Warwick Allison; Secretary Alf Grigg; Gas Code Committee Representative: Brian Carter.

Attendances:

Murray Hill, Ballarat & Wimmera, Les Irwin, Penwood Railroad, Peter Manning, AMSRS, Peter Lawson, ELRSS, Linda Hall, GMES, Reg Murton, Mooroolbark, Lyn Venning, Gerry Dowling, and Ray Hall, Penfield MES, Daryl Harmsworth, TVSMES, Shane Austin, Hornsby MES, Peter Glover, Highlands Miniature Railway, Barry Glover, ILS, Roger Kershaw, OSMEE, Harvey Dart, Penwood Railroad, Barrie Olney, Bluescope Westernport, David Thomas, SLSLS, Rod Harris, QSMEE, Ross Walker, Campaspe VMR, Hugh Elsol, QSMEE, Ian Bowering, Box Hill MSRS, Noel Eberhardt, QSMEE, Ian Kirby, ILS, Ian Tait, CVMR, Eris Heeley, GMES.

Apologies:

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Confirmation of Minutes of 2010 Annual Meeting:

Moved: Peter Lawson;
Seconded: Linda Hall
Carried.

Business Arising:

None.

Annual and Consultation Process Reports in 2010

Moved: Peter Manning;
Seconded: Hugh Elsol.
That the Annual Report and Consultation Process Report be received.
Carried.

**Report on Consultation Program on Code of Practice Key Issues
(See attached report.)**

Concern expressed that the changes to the Safety Code that carriage lengths for 7.25 inch gauge had been reduced.

It was explained all dimensions are “shoulds” (ie not mandatory) and that the proposal had been on the AALS website since June 2010 for comment. However if the motion was adopted the mater could be included into the 2011 consultation process.

Discussion of operator age continued in regard to the operation of boilers as opposed to other locos. It was explained the 18 years of age for steam operators is an OH&S regulation requirement but the 15 years of age operator (for other forms) was an AALS code requirement.

Discussion on draft gas code was presented by Brian Carter and input invited.

Warwick Allison spoke on the OHS National legislation and model regulations, including the responses from regulators from South Australia. He explained that four areas impact on AALS member club activities being amusement device registration, plant design registration, plant operation, and certificates of competency for high risk work (ie boilers).

Exclusions in the model regulations are voluntary organisations, and Class 1 amusement devices, which should cover AALS members. The Australian Standard classified AMBSC boilers as Hazard Level D. Design and operation requirements are not required for Level D boilers. For the purposes of high risk work licence, AMBSC boilers are not boilers within the meaning of the regulations.

The ALSSC submission was number 20, of 1300+ submissions. It is available for viewing on line.

General Business

Reg Murton advised of Sexual harassment legislation, and need for maintaining returns by proper officers regarding the operation of registered organisations.

A question regarding working with children in Victoria was answered by Ross Walker. He advised that compliance with WWC legislation became effective as 1 July '10.

2011 Consultation Topics

Consultation topics for 2011 were proposed to be:

Gas code.

Speedos.

Licenses for drivers.

Length of passenger carriages.

Submissions were invited.

Meeting closed 4.56 PM.

Alf Grigg
Secretary
ALSSC