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59th ANNUAL CONVENTION

AGM MINUTES

Saturday, 4th April, 2015

Held at Penfield Model Engineers Society, Edinburgh, SA

1 The President of the Penfield Model Engineers Society, Mr Ray Hall, handed over to the President of AALS, Mr David Proctor.

Meeting Commenced at 7.30 pm

ATTENDEES

President A.A.L.S. – David Proctor, Secretary A.A.L.S – Linda Hall, Treasurer A.A.L.S. – Ben De Gabriel, Vic President AALS – Ray Hall, Chairman ALSSC – Warwick Allison, Chairman AMBSC – John Auty, Secretary AMBSC – Les Irwin.

Returning Officer – Lynn Venning, Penfield MES.

The following Societies were represented at the meeting: -

Adelaide Miniature Steam Railway Society
BlueScope Steel Western Port Railway Soc Inc
Brisbane Bayside Steam Railway Society
Campaspe Valley Miniature Railway Inc
Diamond Valley Railway
Evandale Light Railway & Steam Society Inc
Hamilton Model Railway Group
Lake Macquarie Live Steam Locomotive
MELSA. Maryborough
North West Model Engineering Society
Penwood Railroad
Roseworthy Railway Club
Sydney Live Steam Locomotive Society
Wandong Live Steamers Inc

Altona Miniature Railway Inc
Blue Mountains Railway Society Co-op Ltd
Box Hill Miniature Steam Railway Society Inc
Castledare Miniature Railway W.A.
Euroa Steam Locomotive & M. E. Soc. Inc
Gippsland Model Engineering Society Inc
Illawarra Live Steamers
Logan Model Engineering Society
Morphett Vale Railway
Penfield Model Engineers Society
Queensland Society of Model & Exp. Eng.Inc
Steam Locomotive Society of Victoria
Wagga Wagga Society of Model Engineers
Western District Live Steamers Co-op Society

2. APOLOGIES

Katanning Miniature Railway

Wayne Roberts – Tullamarine Live Steam Society, Vic
Alf Grigg – Secretary ALSSC
Ed Milington – Sunshine Coast Railway Modellers Society, QLD

3. DEPARTED FRIENDS

The following friends have departed this life since we were last together:

Allan Dickson – Western District Live Steamers Co-op Society Ltd, NSW
Alan Gasteen – Auckland SME, NZ
Alan Orwin – CSME, NZ
Angus Paton – Hornsby Model Engineers Co-op Ltd, Galston, NSW
Barry Gerdes – Hornsby Model Engineers Co-op Ltd, Galston, NSW
Betty Bradley – Hornsby Model Engineers Co-op Ltd, Galston, NSW
Bill Abbott – Box Hill Miniature Steam Railway Society Inc., Vic
Bill Frith – Hornsby Model Engineers Co-op Ltd, Galston, NSW
Bill Kirkland – Western District Live Steamers, NSW
Bill Michelmore – Queensland Society of Model and Experimental Engineers Inc., QLD
Bill Whenn - Hobart Miniature Steam Locomotive Society Inc., TAS
Bob Harris – Adelaide Miniature Steam Railway Society, SA
Brian Hurst – Sydney Live Steam Locomotive Society Co-op Ltd, NSW
Brian Rawlinson – SLSLS, NSW
Charlie Oxley – Maidstone, NZ
Colin Jones – Canberra Society of Model & Experimental Engineers, ACT
David Chapple – QVMR, NSW
David Geary – Box Hill Miniature Steam Railway Society Inc., Vic
Don Await – Society of Model & Experimental Engineers Inc., SA
Edwin (Ted) Beard – Moira Miniature Rail Inc , Vic
Fred Murdoch – Burnaby CSME, Canada
Geoff Denny – South Western Model Engineers Inc., Vic
Geoff Murray – Hornsby Model Engineers, Galston, NSW
Harry Holt – Box Hill Miniature Steam Railway Society, Vic
Hart Brammer – Sydney Live Steam Locomotive Society, NSW
Ian Smith – Canberra Society of Model & Experimental Engineers, ACT
Jack Gore – South Western Model Engineers Inc., Vic
James Black – Box Hill Miniature Steam Railway Society, Vic
Jeff Wakeham - Lake Macquarie Live Steam Locomotive Co-op Society Ltd, NSW
John Beeforth - Maidstone Model Engineering Society, NZ
John Pearson - NSW
Kathleen Steadman – Altona Miniature Railway, Vic
Keith Meers – Southern Highlands
Keith Redgrove – Hornsby Model Engineers Co-op Ltd, Galston, NSW
Ken Brown – Roseworthy Railway Club, SA
Les Wells – MELSA Maryborough, Qld
Lorraine Ward – Yanco MMR, NSW
Malcom Butler – Morphett Vale Railway Inc., SA
Maisie Barker – Tullamarine Live Steam Society, Vic
Max Wilson – BHMSRS, Vic
Mick Stratton – BlueScope Steel Western Railway Society, Vic
Monty Pittard – MELSA Maryborough, Qld
Murray Hill – Altona & Boxhill, Vic
Normelita Ramsay – DNC
Patty Murphy – Diamond Valley Railway, Vic
Peter Kerville – Hastings Valley Miniature Railway Society, NSW
Peter Wood – Maidstone, NZ
Roley Gillam – Grandchester Model Live Steam Assn Inc., QLD
Ron Henderson – MLS, NZ
Ron Trembath – Illawarra Live Steamers Co-Op Ltd, NSW

Sam Stowe – Western District Live Steamers, NSW
Stan Locke – Auckland SME, NZ
Ted Barnes – Maidstone , NZ
Thomas Mounfor – Timaru, NZ
Tony Morgan - Mooroolbark & District Miniature Railway, Vic
Vic Lythall – Queensland Society of Model and Experimental Engineers Inc., QLD
Walter Brunyee – ex HME & LMLSLS (late of UK)

The Chairman, David Proctor, will call for a minute's silence to remember them.

4. MINUTES of 2014 AGM (circulated)

The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted on the motion by Barry Glover (Illawarra) and seconded by Robert Cox (Altona) CARRIED

The Minutes were adopted on the motion by Barry Glover (Illawarra) and seconded by David Kirkland (Western Districts) CARRIED

5. CORRESPONDENCE

The Correspondence was accepted on the motion by John Wakefield (AMSRS) and seconded by Jim Lawton (Euroa) CARRIED

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (circulated)

The President's Report was accepted on the motion by Hugh Elsol (QSMEE) and seconded by Ian Bowering (Box Hill) CARRIED

7. SECRETARY'S REPORT (circulated)

The Secretary's Report was accepted on the motion by Robert Cox (Altona) and seconded by Jim Lawton (Euroa) CARRIED

8. ADOPTION of FINANCIAL STATEMENTS and Receipt of AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT (circulated)

The Adoption of the Financial Statements & Review was accepted on the motion by Hugh Elsol (QSMEE) and seconded by Ian Bowering (Box Hill) CARRIED

9. INSURANCE OFFICER'S REPORT (circulated)

The Insurance Officer's Report was accepted on the motion by Robert Cox (Altona) and seconded by Ray Hall (Penfield) CARRIED

10. AMBSC CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (circulated)

The AMBSC Chairman's Report was accepted on the motion by John Wakefield (AMSRS) and seconded by David Kirkland (Western Districts) CARRIED

11. ALSSC CHAIRMAN'S REPORT and CONSULTATION REPORT (circulated)

The ALSSC Chairman's and Consultation Reports were accepted on the motion by Robert Cox (Altona) and seconded by Peter Lawson (Evandale) CARRIED

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

12(a) National President of AALS Ltd

One nomination was received for the position of National President of AALS Limited.

David Proctor was elected unopposed.

12(b) AMBSC Chairman

Two nominations were received for the position of AMBSC Chairman.

John Auty was nominated by Steam Locomotive Society of Victoria.

Barry Glover was nominated by Lake Macquarie Live Steam Locomotive Society Co-operative Society Ltd.

Barry Glover was elected by secret ballot.

12(c) National Insurance Officer

One nomination was received for the position of National Insurance Officer of AALS.

Dennis Hamilton was elected unopposed.

12(d) National Secretary

This is for a two year term, to bring the position back into line with the AALS Constitution.

One nomination was received for the position of National Secretary.

Linda Hall was elected unopposed.

12(e) State Representatives

North Queensland State Representative

Laurie Fielder was elected unopposed.

NSW State Representative

Roger Kershaw was elected unopposed.

Victoria State Representative

Sam Daly was elected unopposed.

South Queensland State Representative

Hugh Elsol was elected unopposed.

South Australia State Representative

Andrew Davies was elected unopposed.

Western Australia State Representative

Les Smith was elected unopposed.

Tasmania State Representative

Peter Lawson was elected unopposed.

13. APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

No applications were received.

The Board has granted affiliation to North Western Model Engineers Inc. which will need to be ratified at next AGM. Circumstances beyond their control meant they just missed the cut off date for this years' AGM.

14. AFFILIATION FEE 2015 – 2016

The Board recommends that the Affiliation Fee be increased to \$4.00 (which includes the GST).
CARRIED (48 votes)

15. WHEN AND WHERE: 2016 AND BEYOND

2016: South Western Model Engineers Inc. - Cobden

2017: Lake Macquarie Live Steam Locomotive Co-op Society Ltd

2018:

2019:

2020:

PLEASE NOTE THAT SUBMISSIONS FROM YOUR SOCIETY TO HOST ARE WELCOMED BY THE BOARD.

John Wakefield spoke on track inspections before Conventions are held.

16. VOTE OF THANKS by Warwick Allison. Ray Hall responded.

Overseas visitors are Dave Giles and Alan Malaquin from New Zealand. Dave gave a vote of thanks.

Close of Meeting at 8.00 pm

Immediately after the meeting closed the AME Under 25 Award was presented by Brian Carter to Rami Faraj, who was returning to Brisbane the following morning.

There will be a Board Meeting to be held at 9.00 am on Sunday, 5th April, 2015

The presentation of annual awards will be at 7.30 pm Sunday, 5th April, 2015