

**ALBURY WODONGA MOTORCYCLE ENTHUSIASTS CLUB INC.**

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**General Meeting – Albury Wodonga Motorcycle Enthusiasts Club (Inc)**

**Minutes of Meeting**

Date: 2024-10-15    Time: 7.30 pm

Venue:                    'The Venue' 5 McFarland Road, Wodonga

**1. Attendees:** 59 Members and 7 Guests

Attendance names

**Apologies:** Mark Lennon, Peter Coulston, Mark Wilson, David Johnston, David Lutton, Peter Mayne, Lindsay Tremethick, Adam Greenwood.

**Chairs welcome address. – Michael Sarroff**

1 – Michael's Iron Butt Ride – Michaels Solo Ride around Victoria.

**2. Previous Minutes:**

Minutes of the General Meeting dated 2024-09-24 as circulated via email & posted to the website.

**Motion of acceptance -**

Moved by - Jo Anne Sarroff

Seconded - Neil Hillas

All in favour - **Carried**

**3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**

**A. Hammonds Traditional BBQ** is coming up on the 10th November. The Hammonds can only cater to a small group of members. So we will be asking again this year for members to RSVP via SMS. Please see website for details

Proposal - The Club subsidises the luncheon the Hammonds provide members.

**Motion of acceptance -**

Moved by - Michael Sarroff

Seconded - Neil Hillas

All in favour - **Carried**

**B. Membership Renewals** start October and end December - This year payment must be accompanied with a renewal form.

The renewal form is to ensure our members' details are up to date. We appreciate our members' help to keep the database current, this includes your motorcycle details which is a compulsory requirement by VIC and NSW.

**Renewal Forms** on the front desk and available online found on the website.

Reminder that our Membership Officer will be able to hand out your Membership Cards at the Members Meetings.

**C. Motorcycle First Aid** – Upcoming Workshop - 20<sup>th</sup> October -Cost \$20 plus booking Fee,

Club Reimbursement 50% of workshop cost. Book on website and follow the links.

**D. Volunteer Policy** - To cover Volunteer recognition and thanks within our club.

**(Proposal to Add 1.7 to the membership policies)**

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP POLICIES

1.7 VOLUNTEER PROTECTION AND APPRECIATION POLICY

The Club is run by volunteers, it is important to protect the efforts and contributions of volunteers within the club from harsh criticism and to ensure they feel valued and appreciated. This policy aims to foster a positive and supportive environment for all members participating and supporting the club as volunteers.

Expectations:

- Volunteers have the right to be treated with respect and dignity by all members.
- Volunteers should not be exposed to any form of harassment, harsh criticism or unfair treatment.
- Volunteers are expected to uphold the values and purpose of the club.
- Volunteers should communicate openly with the management committee about any concerns or issues they face.
- Volunteers will receive support and training to help them succeed in their roles.
- Volunteers have the right to be recognized and appreciated for their contributions.
- All members are expected to adhere to the club's code of conduct, promoting a respectful and supportive environment.
- Members are encouraged to provide constructive feedback through appropriate channels, such as directly to the management committee.

Volunteer Appreciation

- Volunteers will be publicly acknowledged and thanked at club meetings and events.
- Volunteer accomplishments will be highlighted in the club, website, and social media channels.

Conflict Resolution – refer to the Constitution Part 3 Divisions 2 & 3.

**(Proposal to Add section e to rule 5)**

Rule 5. Code of Conduct

AWMEC Members are required to abide by the following code of conduct.

- a. Foster and promote the good image of motorcycling and the Club,
- b. Set an example of good rider behaviour and ride in accordance with the road rules and licensing requirements for the use of motorcycles,
- c. Promote rider safety and ride with your safety and that of others as a first priority,

d. When on Club rides, follow the directions of the lead rider and ride in accordance with the spirit of a club ride including assisting other members if required.

e. Respect the participation of volunteers by behaving in a manner that is supportive of their contribution to the club management and events.

Proposal - Members approve of the above additions.

Motion of acceptance is on the table Michael asked for comments for and against the motion .

After various comments from the floor , Michael thanked the members for their comments.

Proposed by: Michael Sarroff , Seconded by:Rex Beard a show of hands was asked for.

More than 50% of the members were in favour : Motion is carried

#### 4. Correspondence (In and Out):

Clinton Van de Stadt, Secretary

Correspondence In:

1. Mafta Museum - 10 November

2. ATO update letter Re- our non-for-profit organisation

#### **Motion of acceptance -**

Moved by - Doug Flack

Seconded - Mike Yerbury

All in favour - **Carried**

#### 5. Membership Officer's Report:

Chris Brosolo, Membership Officer -

New members tonight - 1 Members overall - 239

Welcome to new members - Gino Diaferia, Mark Tame, Greg Wright.

#### **Motion of acceptance -**

Moved by - David Barson

Seconded - John Kirkby

All in favour - **Carried**

#### 6. Treasurer's Report:

Glenn Withers, Treasurer

#### Operating Account

Opening Balance 24/9/24 - \$11,834.61 Closing Balance 25/10/24 - \$ 12,527.61

NOTE Income & expenditure Spreadsheet available on request.

#### **Motion of acceptance -**

Moved by - Joanne Sarroff

Seconded - John Kirkby

All in favour - **Carried**

### 7. Editor/Web Manager's Report:

Michael Sarroff, Web Manager/Editor -

A. Members website how to - How to find Committee & Office Bearers Contact List.

B. Item of interest - How Tire Repair Kits Work - Visit the NEWS Section on the website to see the video.

### 8. Welfare Officer's Report:

Michael Yerbury, Welfare Officer –

Nothing new to report. Good to have Elsie and Ian at meeting tonight.

### 9. Ride & Rally Report:

A. 2nd Oct 2024 - 9am Start - Stewie Midweek coffee ride – 27 Riders to Eskdale.

The Defib/First Aid Kit on this ride – David Barson

B. 12th and 13th Oct 2024 - 9am Start - John McInnes - Cootamundra Overnighter – 9 Riders

The Defib/First Aid Kit on this ride – Will Frew

### Upcoming -

Please note we are now into spring. The Stands-up time is 9 am.

A. 26-10-2024 All members Overnight BUTTERBALL RALLY 26 and 27th Oct -

We need a member to carry the Defib/First Aid Kit on this ride – David Barson

B. 06-11-2024 Stewie Midweek coffee ride – TBA

We need a member to carry the Defib/First Aid Kit on this ride -

C. 10-11-2024 Stewie Sunday Ride – Hammond's Annual BBQ – LIMITED Numbers

We need a member to carry the Defib/First Aid Kit on this ride -

D. 24-11-2024 Neil Hillas Sunday Ride TBA

We need a member to carry the Defib/First Aid Kit on this ride -

### Ride Participation Leaderboard Brought to you by Quantum Print Services -

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Have a look on the website - the Trophy Room Section – Leaderboard

***For every ride you participate in, you earn a ticket into the End-of-the-Year sponsored raffle. The more rides the more tickets and the greater the chance of winning the Quantum Print Services – \$250 Fuel Voucher.***

### Please note -

Michael would like to remind members about the club defibrillator, we need members to volunteer to carry it on the rides. **Please make contact with Michael if you are able to carry the Defib/First Aid kit.**

### 10. Networking and Outside Clubs:

John Kontista, Networking Committee Chair – John will be an apology tonight as he is away.

No report tonight.

### 11. Club Regalia:

Kelly Coutts-Smith Meeting Activities Co-ordinator - Kelly will be an apology tonight

Hats: \$20; Stubbie Holders: \$8; Stickers: \$1; Sew on Patches: \$10; Machine Badges: \$20, Beanies \$20.

NOTE: Embroidery Creations at 426 Wilson St, Albury can provide polo shirts bearing the AWMEC logo.

### AWMEC Calendars available \$10

### 12. Guest Speaker / Show and Tell:

Kelly Coutts-Smith Meeting Activities Co-ordinator - Kelly will be an apology tonight

A. Ian Camm - 1060 BSA 500 Goldstar

- Meal Voucher for Ian for their Presentation (at 'The Venue' supplied by AWMEC)

### Upcoming Guest Speakers: -

Kelly Coutts-Smith Meeting Activities Co-ordinator - Please see Kelly to add your name to the list

Oct - Ian Camm - 1060 BSA 500 Goldstar

Nov - Phil Stucky

Jan - ???

Feb - ???

Need help to transport - We have a club bike trailer and Glenn W. has a transport, Van.

### 13. General Business:

A. **Butterball Rally** – John McInnes

B. **Bikes and Bands on the Border.** – Glenn Withers will have more to report at next meeting about the venue etc.

C. **Membership Renewals** are due from October until December. Members must make payment along with a Membership Renewal Form. This form is new this year and is a must to ensure our

members' details are current and up to date. Membership Renewal Forms are available at the members meeting and online on the website found -

#### **D. Annual Donation Submissions.**

AWMEC Annual Club Donation program. I invite members to source and make available before January 1st any group that would be an ideal candidate for receiving a donation from our club. Our club policy for donations is found; -

#### **3.6. AWMEC DONATION POLICY**

A donation request example letter can be found under Membership, Documents for AWMEC members.

On receiving the letters, the Management Committee will compile, take weight and will present to members for vote at the January Members Meeting. On resolution, we will invite the receiving group to attend our February Meeting for presentation of the donation.

#### **Motion of acceptance -**

Moved by - John Kirkby

Seconded - Phil Stuckey

All in favour - **Carried**

#### **14. Q & A Segment:**

Terry Gay working on a project - Kawasaki GPZ 1100 – Anyone with expertise ?

#### **15. Whiteboard - For Sale and Wanted Items:**

NOTE the Whiteboard Items are up-to-date and listed on the Club website.

#### **16. Raffle Draw:**

Stuart Moore stepping in for Kelly – Meeting Activities Co-ordinator.

Secretary and Treasurer have collected the funds; tonight's Raffle has Raised \$ 194.10 gross

#### **Prize winners:**

**1st - Doug Flack** – Jack Daniels, Cadbury Chocs, Panetone Cake.

**2nd – Rex Beard** – 2 Bottles of Wine, Wine Glasses, Toblerone Choc.

**3rd - John McInnes** – Paulaner Beers, Glue Gun, Sake Set, Gym Towel.

#### **17. Lucky Door Prize:**

Meal Voucher Donated by Lee Botting at 'The Venue'

Siri conducts a random number from 1 to 59 - the attendance winner is: **Neil Hillas**

#### **18. Next Meeting and Meeting Closure:**

Next Members Meeting will be on **26 November 2024**

Meals, Drinks and Social catchups from 5.30. General Meeting will start at 7.30 pm, Venue: 'The Venue' , 5 McFarland Road, Wodonga

Meeting Closed at the time of: 8.46pm.