

## **The MG Car Club Limited**

### **Minutes of the 67th Annual General Meeting – 14 November 2017**

Location: Denistone Sports Club, 59 Chatham Road, Denistone

Meeting Commenced at 7.50pm

#### **Welcome:**

Stuart Ratcliff opened the meeting and welcomed all members attending.

Stuart then introduced Jim Hull as the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

#### **Business:**

##### **The Chairman:**

The Chairman declared the meeting open.

In accordance with the Constitution Jim Hull informed those present that only financial members of the MG Car Club are permitted to speak or vote on any matter during the proceedings of the AGM.

The Chairman asked for any apologies:

- Nil Received

The Chairman advised that the Minutes of the 2016 AGM that were published in the September 2017 edition of Opposite Lock, and requested acceptance of the Minutes as a true and correct record.

Moved: Ingo Weinberger

Seconded: Bob Parkinson

Accepted by general acclamation.

#### **President's Report:**

Jim Hull invited Stuart to present a report pertaining to the activities of the MGCC Committee for the preceding 12 months. Stuart reported as follows:

Again we have reached the end of another MG Car Club year. The 2017 club year has passed us by faster than any other I can remember.

This year the board gained Elizabeth Sutherland as our treasurer. Elizabeth joined us as John Bastian departed for another overseas adventure. With Elizabeth as treasurer and Sally Ratcliff as assistant treasurer the club has had another stable year with a small deficit reported. The club continued to subsidise the Bobb Dabbs Tour, Tour D, Annual Concours, web site and the Production of Opposite Lock in the absence of Ros Bastian.

The continued success of both Opposite Lock and our revised web site was recognised with the winning of the magazine and web site trophies at the 2017 National Meeting. Ros Bastian, Seth Reinhart and Steve Holt should be congratulated for their efforts.

This year has seen the formation of the Illawarra Register in an effort to involve our southern members. Runs organised by Michael Hough have been a great success and Michael should be congratulated for his efforts.

Again the organising of club gatherings was undertaken by Robert Smith with some interesting speakers joining us during the year. The inclusion of some informal workshop meetings was well received by the members and Robert is working on some similar events in 2018. Attendances at club gatherings continue to be around 80 to 100 members.

Club runs have again had good support with the registrars coming up with some interesting destinations throughout the year. All the registrars must be thanked for their efforts during 2017.

Mid-Week musters have again been a feature of the MGCC year with Bob Parkinson bearing the organisational duties.

Again the All British Day, Shannons Eastern Creek and our Annual Display Day stood out as the major events in terms of member participation during the year. To all those who were involved in the organisation of these events the board thanks you .

Our major tour events The Bob Dabbs Tour and the Tour D were again well patronised with the Tour D celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Bob Dabbs, Robert Smith and Ron Taylor and their helpers must be congratulated for their ongoing efforts.

Again the running of the Spring Rally was a great success mainly due to the efforts of Jim and Bev Richardson, Doug Barbour and Xanthea Boardman and their helpers.

Our sporting side continues to be quiet but a dedicated team led by Steve Perry put together our round of the CSCA in conjunction with the Newcastle MGCC. The passing of long time regularity group organiser Gerry Graham was a sad occasion for our competition members. On a brighter note it was pleasing to see a selection of competition MG's at the annual Display Day.

During the year the Board decided to withdraw our offer to run the 2019 National Meeting due to what was felt to be our inability to supply the required organisational and on the ground manpower to do the event justice.

After saying that I am pleased to say that under the enthusiastic guidance of Dominic David our National Meeting contingent continues to grow with record numbers booked for Tasmania 2018.

While things are looking good at the moment we are missing some key staff and have some vacancies that need to be filled. Margaret Norman had to give up the regalia position after many successful years and that position needs to be filled as does the TD registrars position. I am sure that this will be the last year for many current board

members and 2018 will be the year that a new management group needs to be put together.

Membership is at a long time high with 737 current members. Many of the increase are attributable to the concessional registration scheme reducing the cost of owning a classic car. Along with this desire to have “cheap rego” it would be nice to think that some of these new members might find time to help run the club that makes it all possible.

To those on the Board, those listed on page 5 of Opposite Lock and those who pack magazines every month or put up tents or cook at the display day I thank you for your efforts and look forward to your continued support in 2018.

Moved: Alan Heritage

Seconded: Len Darcy

Accepted by general acclamation

### **Treasurer’s Report**

The Chairman asked if there were any questions from the floor. As there were no questions the Chairman asked for acceptance of the report.

Moved : Elizabeth Sutherland

Seconded: Frank Perry

Accepted by general acclamation

### **Committee Positions**

Jim Hull asked Andy Leondiou to read out the Nominations received for Director’s position’s, the following were read out;

Director	Stuart Ratcliff
Director	Robert Smith
Director	Andy Leondiou
Director	Elizabeth Sutherland
Director	Sally Ratcliff
Director	Steve Perry
Director	Steve Holt

It was confirmed that all the above were nominated in terms of the MGCC Constitution and that all were financial members of the MG Car Club Ltd.

Therefore, as only one nomination had been received for each of the positions and with no dissensions, the poll was declared as elected by a call for all in favour.

The Chairman thanked the Directors

**Auditors:**

Jim Hull called for the appointment of the current Auditors McBurney & Partners for the 2017/2018 accounting period.

Moved: Leone Johnson

Seconded: Frank Perry

Accepted by general acclamation

**General Business:**

No special Business received.

The Chairman declared the AGM closed at 8.05pm and handed over the meeting to Stuart Ratcliff, President.

Stuart Ratcliff expressed his gratitude, on behalf of the members, to Jim Hull for conducting the AGM.

Stuart proceeded by listing the number of positions vacant that needed to be filled.

Jim Hull asked everyone by way of acclamation to thank the Directors

Minutes prepared by Andy Leondiou Secretary on 1st February 2018

Checked by:

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Andy Leondiou, Secretary

Approved by:

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Stuart Ratcliff, President