



Minutes of the General Meeting
Wednesday 4th May 2016 at 7.30 pm
 Oberon RSL Club

- 1. Present:** Tim Arnison, Col and Glenda Bembrick, John Brotchie, Graham Williams, Peter Culley, Ian Davis, Elaine Boxer.
- 2. Apologies:** Greg Bourne, David, McMurray. Martyn Salmon, Marjorie and Richard Webb.
- 3. Minutes from the previous meeting:**
 The Minutes from the meeting of the 6th April 2016 were accepted as a true and accurate record;
Moved ...T Arnison.....; Seconded:...I Davis.. Carried.
 No business arising from the minutes.
- 4. Safety Management**
 No safety issues to report. The ONRSR Monthly return for April submitted.
- 5. Correspondence.**

Received	Sent
20/4 Lithgow group visit 25 May	18/4 TA to C Riddiford re carriage unloading
21/4 C Riddiford reply to unloading carriage	21/4 Reply Skoda Tatra proposed collaboration
21/4 Reply to RHA shared resources	21/4 R Jackson re Shared Resources proposal
21/4 ATSB report x2	21/4 Letters for funding to local businesses
21/4 PWI Newsletter opportunity	21/4 To JHR re R McMahon letter to paper
21/4 THNSW Sector Forum for May	20/4 To JHR copy of Mario's exemption from ONRSR
21/4 Confirmation quote for roof	20/4 TA to SKS re roof quote
21/4 Correspondence with M Conners	28/4 CB to G Noble re bridge survey.
21/4 M Conners re Licence to access rail corridor	
22/4 GW Clause for JH standards	
22/4 C Riddiford re R McMahon	
26/4 Insight Tours details & times	
26/4 ATSB report	
26/4 M Conners advice to OTHR	
28/4 Nev Nichols contact details	
28/4 C Bembrick bogies and such	
28/4 Contact details Louise Reeves JHR	
28/4 ATSB report	
2/5 Work for the dole request	
2/5 ATSB survey	
2/5 D McM Gofundme Account	

Resolution: *That the meeting receive the correspondence*
Moved E Boxer; Seconded P Culley..... Carried.

The meeting sought clarification of the response from M Conners regarding the stop work notice from JHR.

6. Committee Reports.

6.1 President:

- The webpage changes continue with most changes being made to the SMS site. There

are now 6 documents that have been revised and are for review by the Members and Committee. The documents for review are listed on the SMS page and everyone is requested to review these with comments to Ian by 14th May.

Peter noted that he found the webpage out of date and not user friendly and that it would benefit by an update. The President noted that this was part of the plan and would occur in 2 stages. The first stage is to get the SMS documents revised and then the layout of the website can be reviewed. Col noted that the Infrastructure webpage has been updated by him and Mike.

- The station roof replacement discussion continues. JHR have realised that the money available to replace the roof is insufficient and they will need to add funds to complete the replacement. The saga continues.
- David McMurray has instigated a “Gofundme” site and hopes this will raise some money for OTHR.
- ATSB sent out a survey for members, Ian completed and returned it.
- There is a training day for starting the diesel locos on Saturday at the working bee.

6.2 Systems Manager.

No Report.

6.3 Treasurer’s Report

Total funds \$29, 689 at hand.

Moved that the Report be accepted: J Brothie, Seconded E Boxer Carried.

Treasurer requested following accounts to be paid:

Mawhoods Hardware, Council rates, reimbursement to E Boxer and C Bembrick.

Approved for payment: All in favour.

6.4 Track Manager’s Report.

- The survey of the track to Hazelgrove is underway and has been completed as far as Rutters Ridge Rd. The biddy bush is being cleared and cleaned up. The remainder of the track from the tip to Hazelgrove is heavily overgrown.

6.5. Public Officer- No report

6.6. Publicity Officer.

- Update material for website with assistance of Mike Lorimer.
- Update Newsletters on website with assistance of Margaret Connors and Rick Fletcher.
- Slow day at Heritage Display.
- The search for new Publicity Officer/Editor
- April Newsletter – all material to Col by Noon Saturday 10th.
- Photographs of the Snakes Valley bridge and the end of the line at Tarana have been taken.
- Peter loaned Col a copy of a CD on the Works in Progress 2006. There may be photos on this that can be used in the Newsletter.

7. General Business.

7.1 Insight Tours visit 11th May 2016 at 12.45pm at Tarana station. There will be photo boards and souvenir sales on platform of the station. There will be 35 people on the railmotor. Tim/Col will talk briefly to the passengers at the beginning of their lunch then they will return to the platform and re-embark at 1500 hrs.

7.2.Lithgow group visit set for Thursday 26th May. Graham and Elaine will man this visit.

8. Other Business.

The President raised the issue of having 2 meetings a month. At the last Committee meeting we discussed the idea of having both meetings on the same night, the Committee meeting would precede the General Meeting and the Agendas would be modified to accommodate this change. It was further discussed that the general Meetings need to have a more social focus.

The members could suggest guest speakers and topics for discussion at the General meeting. Film clips or similar variety agendas could be included. Peter to investigate conversion of VHS tapes to disc, as there are a number of tapes at the station that may be suitable. The RSL Club has a data projector that can be borrowed for these events.

Ian has a drawing for the office construction in the shed to go the Oberon Council for approval.

There is no further action on the loco hire from Lithgow Valley State Mine Railway. Peter raised the issue of 2 loco motors at the LVSMR that belong to OTHR. The existence of these motors needs to be established.

The next Newsletter will bear a reminder to members that membership is due on 1st July and that the rate will be increased to \$20.

Graham asked for clarification of the correspondence with C Riddiford about R McMahon.

The meeting: closed 9 pm. Next meeting **Wed 1st June 2016.**