



Minutes of the General Meeting
2nd December 2015 at 7.30 pm
 Oberon RSL Club

1. **Present:** Ian Davis, Col & Glenda Bembrick, Lyndle Hawkes, Arthur Robinson, Tim Arnison, Graham Williams, Doug Booker, Elaine Boxer.
2. **Apologies:** P Culley, J Brotchie, M & R Webb, D McMurray.
3. **Minutes from the previous meeting:**
 The Minutes from the meeting of the 4th November were accepted as a true and accurate record; *Moved C Bembrick; Seconded I Davis.* Carried.

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. Safety Management

The President commented that he was pleased to see all track workers wearing high visibility vests.

No safety issues reported.

5. Correspondence.

Received	Sent
20/11 D MC M re Green Army	25/11 M Jensen Acknowledgement resignation as member
23/11 T Williams HPP re fence move	25/11 J Watters re use of photos
23/11 M Jensen resignation as member	25/11 TA to ONRSR re level crossing policy
23/11 HPP letter regarding fence move	25/11 Letter to J Healy LVR re assistance
23/11 RHA Annual General Meeting	
23/11 Rail Safety Posters	
26/11 D McM re Business Plan	
26/11 D McM re Green Army	
27/11 J Glastonbury re ONRSR response to Level Crossing Policy	

Resolution: *That the meeting receive the correspondence*
Moved E Boxer; Seconded T Arnison. Carried.

6. Committee Reports.

6.1 President:

- Stan Knight Smith has been in contact and the replacement of the station roof is continuing to be pursued.
- The donation of the end platform carriage is in progress.
- Tim has had correspondence from Tim Williams at Highland Pine Products regarding the movement of the fence. It will be moved eventually.
- Tim Attended RHA Annual General Meeting.
- The rail crossing on Lowes Mt Road is completed.

6.2 Systems Manager.

No report.

6.3 Treasurer's Report

In the absence of the treasurer, the President reported a summary of the accounts.

Income	\$2117
Expenses	\$978
Balance at bank	\$12 352
IBD	\$19 854

6.4 Track Manager's Report.

- OTHR had a visit from Norris Rail in Parkes regarding the request for a quote to complete the work at Hazelgrove siding.
- Graham noted there are some heavy rail panels near the Lee St rail crossing in Bathurst. These belong to Kandos Developments and it was suggested we approach them to determine if they would be available to OTHR.
- At the next working bee the ends of the crossing rails can be drilled.
- Discussion of the points obtained from Coolah occurred. Graham noted they are 60lb rail and some are not in good condition, so not suitable for Hazelgrove.

6.5. Public Officers Report.

Nothing to report.

6.6. Publicity Officer's Report

- Level crossing articles to Oberon Review and Community Newsletter.
- Photos of level crossing installation to website.
- Ground frame B part now being welded by Matt.
- The photographs of the work on the crossing were posted on website today.

7. General Business.

- The Christmas Party was discussed. It was agreed to have the function at the Royal Hotel at 6pm for 6.30 pm on Saturday 19th December. Members will pay for their meal and drinks from the menu in the bistro. Elaine to book a table.
- The dinner for the Steam fair was discussed. There will be a spit roast, vegetables and dessert, cost \$20 and BYO drinks. Elaine will post a flyer and booking form on the webpage of both OTHR and OHCC and it will go in the respective newsletters. There will need to be a working bee on the 12th February to prepare the shed for the function. A DJ has been booked for entertainment.
- Members requested that a letter be written to LVR regarding the moving of the locos to the shed. Elaine to draft this.
- Mark Norris suggested the new level crossing be certified. Graham to approach Greg Noble to do this.
- As there has been no progress on obtaining HS36 from THNSW, it was decided to write to them and request an explanation.
- Graham raised the issue of the old machinery in the shed and its movement. Valley Heights rail has expressed an interest in it previously but no action as yet. Elaine to draft a letter to VH requesting their intention regarding the machinery. They also offered display cabinets in exchange. Graham to follow up with Moorehead Engineering regarding the lathe.
- Arthur noted the continuing problem of rabbits at the station precinct and the need to eradicate them. No decision taken regarding this.
- The lock up roof needs painting and the door needs repair. Men's Shed to be approached to repair the door. Also stable door in the plough van needs to be constructed, Graham to purchase the timber to do this.

The meeting: closed 8.40pm. Next meeting **Wednesday 3rd February 2016.**