
MINUTES

2025 Annual General Meeting

Thursday, 16th October 2025 @ 2:00pm AEST /3:00pm AEDST

ZOOM Meeting

OPEN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Call to order & welcome: Chairman,

Attendance: Colin Kiel (Chairperson), Maxine Kiel (Treasurer), Ian Bone (Secretary), Ian Oliver (Ollies Garage ACT), Frank Carroll (Henry Royce Foundation Qld), Christopher Parker (The Eric Parker Collection SA), David Wakefield (AMMA Publisher)

Apologies: Darryl Meeke, John Hebelwhite

PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES

Minutes as published on the AMMA Website

Approval of the minutes of the last AGM: Moved: Maxine Kiel, seconded: Ian Oliver, Carried

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

Chairman's report 2025

From the heart.

The historical vehicle movement is the reason for me to get out of bed each morning. I love being involved with AMMA and the World Forum for the opportunities that are presented to me, the people I meet and the friends I have made.

We are in the era of robotic guidance and virtual imaging, however there is nothing better than sharing fond memories with a visitor to my museum over an artifact on display. It generally adds to my knowledge, and repertoire for other visitors to share.

The highlight of this past year was by far the World Forum conference in Japan. With Toyota being the main sponsor, and with strong support from the other twelve Japanese automobile manufacturers, was five days jam packed with activities. The speakers were prominent World authorities on the automotive evolution. Culminating on the last days were dualling tour buses on the Mt. Fuji racetrack. I don't know who enjoyed that more, the drivers, or my grandson who was with us at the time. This was followed by a display day by young local enthusiasts with their pride and joys. I was fortunate to be on the judging panel and judged the winner on the day.

Each conference attendee was given a flow chart, in true Japanese style printed on parchment, depicting the history of automobile manufacture in Japan, beginning around 1911 with Isuzu leading the way. Now framed on my museum wall, it is very interesting document for the younger generation interested in Japanese cars, which was the flavour of the conference. The most disappointing part of the conference for me was that only three



AMMA members attended, what an incredibly lost opportunity for many. The 2026 conference will be in Mulhouse, France on the 19th of October.

Throughout the year AMMA was alerted to three historic vehicles requiring new homes. A Bonner special tricycle, an Ansett/Virgin airlines tow truck, and a Dennis fire engine. We were able to find a home for one of these vehicles.

Currently we have 60 members on our books. Membership to AMMA is \$2.00 per week. This includes a joint website listing all members by locality, opening hours, and contact details. Our secretary, Ian Bone, prepares a seasonal magazine, and as frequently as possible we circulate a newsletter with current happenings. We are always looking for content from our members. There is also a hard copy brochure circulated to all members and certain tourist information centres who have shown interest in carrying them. Please contact your nearest information centre, we would be only too pleased to send some to them.

As Treasurer, Maxine's task to collecting this membership renewal is becoming impossible. We are all volunteers to these roles, and we spend wasted hours trying to follow up overdue amounts. Generally, it is admin changes at various museums, some change annually, and we can never keep up. We plan to review the whole system so that it is better for all. Any suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

For me, as depressing as it is, and as a member of the World Forum board of directors, I am the oldest by far. With an ageing body and failing health, I cannot keep up the pace. I became frightfully ill in Japan from sheer exhaustion. It is time for someone younger to take up the AMMA reins.

The current AMMA executives are proposing to hold an Australasian conference in the Autumn of 2027. The location needs to be determined, anyone interested in helping to stage the event can contact me anytime. For ease of access for everyone, we are thinking perhaps Sydney or Canberra for the event.

It is heartening for me to see some younger people coming through the ranks, taking an interest in early motoring, and in fact opening their own museums. It is imperative that we continue to educate the younger generations about the evolution of the motor car. After recently being trapped in traffic on a freeway on a holiday weekend, where in fact does our future lie?

AMMA is an excellent conglomerate to influence our governments in the need to protect our automotive history and become a peak body to influence financial aid for our continued support and survival.

The future of AMMA does rest with the newer members. As the old proverb still applies "many hands make light work". The future of AMMA is in your hands.

Colin Kiel

Motion: "That the Chairman's Report be received". Moved: Frank Carrol, Seconded: Ian Bone, Carried.



FINANCIAL REPORT

There are two financial reports on the AMMA Website for detailed reference. Previous FY to 30 June 2025 and YTD 30 September 2025.

In summary: -

Membership at 30th June = 27

Bank Balance: \$9678.71

Term Deposits remained unchanged and received approx. \$1,000 in interest.

Motion: "That the financial report be received."

Moved: Maxine Kiel, seconded: Frank Carrol, Carried

Membership Fees.

Colin Kiel – Significant frustration and communication issues attending to the collection of membership fees resulted in the poor member number as at the 30 June – 27 renewals received. A new approach was attempted this year in conjunction with the distribution of new Brochures. Unfortunately, this did not provide the results expected as the invoice was in some cases simply thrown out and not recognised as the annual fee invoice. This is the first year Maxine has not sent individual email or post of individual invoices. Nonetheless, many phone calls and other follows up had been unanswered. There is a need to change.

Ian Oliver – Raised the issue of opportunities to pay should be reconsidered to include such technologies that allow direct credit card payments via a "click & pay" or direct debit capability. Ian also noted the best option is to retain membership until cancellation has been confirmed by the member representative.

Maxine Kiel (Treasurer) - noted PayPal was a recent addition and we already include bank details on the Invoice.

Ian Bone – Previously the State Delegates have taken on the responsibility for follow up with non-payment as an opportunity to contact members and engage with them on current activity, challenges and other feedback. It was also noted that since inception in 2007 the average membership has been retained at between 50-60 members using this approach. More to be discussed in General Business.

Motion: "That the joining fee and the annual membership subscriptions remain unchanged for the 2025/26 year".

Moved Maxine Kiel, seconded: Frank Carrol, Carried

DELEGATE REPORTS

Colin Kiel - We have had most state delegate positions becoming vacant due to natural attrition – museum closures and change in personal circumstances.

Ian Bone – Provided the context for the 10 committee appointments in line with the Constitution. Since 2007 it was constituted that in addition to compliance with the South Australian Act under which AMMA is registered, 7 delegates would represent the 7 States and Territories in Australia and in addition 3 positions (Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer).

There remains only 1 current delegate.

ACT – Ian Oliver (Ollies Garage)

Some state updates were provided as follows

SA - The role of State Delegate in South Australia is open and offered to Christopher Parker who provided an update on his personal Museum and latest initiative “Route 777” the connection of 7 SA Museums as part of a new tourism offering.

QLD – A positive approach has been made to Brisbane Motor Museum to have Jackson Smith (General Manager) to take on the position and we await confirmation

NZ – Joclyn Richardson – awaiting confirmation.

No reports were received for

NSW – N/a

NT – N/a

Tas – N/a

Vic – N/a

WA – N/a

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair to thank the current committee members for their work and declared all positions vacant and called for nominations, for each State Delegate position.

As some positions still had no delegates, where delegates indicated they were willing to, it was agreed that a delegate could take on an acting State Delegate position until another delegate is found and elected.

Election of Executive Officers:

The chair called nominations for Delegates for the executive & any honorary positions.

Executive:

- Chairman – Colin Kiel
Elected unopposed



- Vice Chairman – Ian Oliver
Nominated from the floor by Colin Kiel Seconded by Frank Carrol, Elected
- Secretary – Ian Bone
Elected unopposed
- Treasurer – Maxine Kiel
Elected unopposed

Election of Delegates:

Delegates:

- ACT - Ian Oliver
Nominated by Colin Kiel Seconded by Frank Carroll, Accepted
- NSW – Ian Oliver
Nominated by Colin Kiel and seconded by Ian Bone - accepted role
- SA – Christopher Parker
Nominated by Colin Kiel Seconded Ian Bone Accepted & Elected:
- NT – Christopher Parker
Requested from the floor by Colin Kiel and accepted acting role
- Qld – Jackson Smith
Proposed Ian Bone – Following initial discussions - Awaiting formal acceptance
- NZ - Joclyn Richardson
Proposed: Colin Kiel awaiting confirmation
- Tas - Proposed: Nil Accepted: Elected:
- Vic - Proposed: Nil Accepted: Elected:
- WA - Proposed: Nil Accepted: Elected:

Election of Portfolio Positions:

- Roving - Colin Kiel to continue in this role
- World Forum Delegate – Colin Kiel to continue
- Public Officer – Matthew Lombard
Position accepted as required by South Australian Legislation
- Social Media Moderator – Ian Bone accepted the position unopposed
- Website management and electronic material distribution– David Wakefield to continue his engagement

Chairperson thanked David Wakefield for his work setting up the AGM Zoom meeting and his work maintaining the Website and distribution of the magazine and correspondence.

The Chair also acknowledged David Peck for his years of service as Victorian delegate as he has now sold his museum and begun retirement. We all wish David well for the future.

The Chair congratulated and welcomed the executive officers and elected members to the year of possibilities ahead.

The General Business meeting will follow

Next AGM Meeting:

Date to be set

Meeting Closed:

2:50pm Eastern Standard time 3:50 ESDT

General Business Meeting (Audio Recording Available)

The General Business Agenda issued with the AGM Notice was discussed around the future of the AMMA moving forward.

This discussion was led by Ian Bone in the form of a free form presentation and interactive engagement.

1. Future Direction AMMA as an organisation

There are a few things that have now become vitally important for a sustainable future for the AMMA.

- Increased professional profile of the AMMA in both public and political fields. We are unique in the Australian and New Zealand museum landscape.
- Increased membership across a broader range of motoring enthusiasts such as Car Clubs
- Introduction of technology to engage a redefined demographic of younger through older enthusiasts.
- A constitution that takes account of the financial and regulatory requirements of a modern-day organisation
- The development of a recognised national register of vehicles and artifacts of significant historic value
- Introduction of Special Interest Groups in the form of sub-committees for Technology, Conference and Exhibitions, Membership and financial investment/grant submissions.

The establishment of AMMA in 2007 was based on an original idea of bringing together likeminded individuals and motoring artifacts. It has continued in that direction today, always driven by volunteers, enthusiasts/collectors, owners of motor museums and half a dozen Government supported larger scale museums e.g. National Motor Racing Museum NSW and National Motor Museum in Birdwood SA and funding injection to the Museum of WA to sum of \$2m.

AMMA must seek and encourage funding from both the private and public sector, be it through grants for technological assistance (AI generated presentations) or simply operational and infrastructure development.

The future is in the hands of the elected committee, and it is important that we get together on a more regular basis to understand what is happening within our industry. Previously the committee would travel to a venue for the AGM at significant cost to individuals but was always well received and of great networking value. Today we have technology to enable more frequent meetings. Our constitution expects at least twice a year, but 4 times would be better.

2. Business Case/Strategic Planning Document

The current document was developed and presented to the committee some 2-3 years ago by Ian Bone to motivate the AMMA into a more dynamic and representative association.

The current content requires updating to reflect a current 10-year plan with revised targets and action ownership. This will be done and distributed to be discussed at the next General

Meeting. It will likely include the definition of any proposed sub-committees which will focus on such things

To be reviewed by the committee to forge the way forward. Ian Bone will facilitate and manage the development and subsequent actioning of the finalised document.

3. Update the approved new Constitution with SA Govt.

In 2013 Ian Bone revised the format and content of the 2007 registered Constitution. The revision had been reviewed and passed by the committee and is currently on our website. However, unfortunately was never registered with the SA Government.

The revised Constitution will be distributed for comment and a general meeting called to validate the registration to proceed.

The key changes were:

- Insertion of the requirement to define the disbursement of funds should the association wind up
- The use of electronic communication for voting of motions at AGM or other General Meetings
- Tidy up of some of the wording and interpretation of the content.

4. Active Membership? Non-museum membership --- attract the involvement of car clubs and other associations

The current and proposed constitution makes allowance for a diverse membership group which includes car clubs and institutional membership at \$1,000 pr year. We should open our membership and seek to engage a larger and more diverse group which may include Corporate Sponsorship with a revised fee structure that will encourage participation. Also, we need to consider organisations such as the Australian Motor Racing History Foundation who are seeking historical documents and material which may well be hidden amongst our membership. Additionally Frank Carroll suggested engagement with large scale events such as the annual Noosa Concours who have attendances of some 25,000 visitors, significant influencers in our motoring history and entrants with some of the most exclusive vehicles in Australia.

5. Proposal - Conference Feb/ March (Autumn) 2027

It is proposed and now enthusiastically supported by Ian Oliver (Ollie's Garage) to hold a conference in the Autumn of 2027 in Canberra. The AMMA committee will provide much needed support and assistance to Ian in this endeavour to increase AMMA public profile.

6. New Zealand – Update (World Forum of Motor Museums)

The opportunity was offered to Richardsons Museum (Joclyn Richardson) who have excitedly agreed to undertake the World Forum of Motor Museums in 2030. It is likely the AMMA will provide support to their efforts, and the expectation is a strong contingent from Australia will participate.



Next form will be in Paris 2006 and likely to be in Netherlands in 2028.

The Chairperson declared the meeting closed and thanked again the attendance and engagement by those present.

General Meeting Closed

Closed - 3:30pm Eastern Standard Time 4:30pm ESDT

Next ZOOM Meeting - Date TBA February 2026

Signed –Ian Bone AMMA Secretary