



# National Historical Machinery Association Inc

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*Before moving into the report proper, the Committee wishes to express condolences to the families & close friends of all who have passed away during the year. In particular, mention is made of the passing of Graham Hein, the incumbent Vice-President of the Association. Each Committee Meeting sets aside time to remember the stalwarts of our hobby - please let us know of the passing of club members.*

## **NHMA COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT REPORT For 2017 (2018 AGM)**

### **1. Membership:**

The Association had 8 clubs that did not renew their membership, but had four new clubs join, and as at the 31st December 2017, has 177 member clubs.

At the end of April (the cut off date for insurance) over 9,600 individual insurance cards had been issued.

A 'Membership Register' (a legal requirement for Incorporated not-for-profit associations) and a 'Membership Data Base' is maintained by the Secretary & the Assistant to the Secretary (clubs often ask who has contributed to the fees as records are sometimes lost)

### **2. Finance:**

Last year the 'NHMA Profit & Loss Statement/Balance Sheet' did not offer 'a good financial picture'. The Committee of Management is pleased to offer a much brighter financial report this year - from a 'loss of \$14,304' to a 'profit of \$10,986' is a great turn around.

Delegates should obtain a copy of the Audited Profit & Loss Statement/Balance Sheet to take home to their club and if they find that a hard copy is not available, please leave your club's name with the Secretary or Assistant Secretary, who will mail a copy to your club. (Part of the Service!)

### **3: The 2018 Budget:**

This matter was brought to earlier meetings but in the absence of any firm decision, has been left entirely to the Secretary & Treasurer. With a budget for a not-for-profit Association this exercise has much guess-work apart from the usual line items. This makes the task somewhat futile so an overall percentage increase (in line with cost of living increases) has been factored in.

***It is recommended that the 'Annual Club Membership Fee' and the 'NHMA Levy & Insurance' remain at \$10.00 per member club and \$18.00 per individual member respectively.***

### **4. Insurance:**

Again, 2017 has passed without any substantial claims being made on either policy. This is great news for the NHMA and says 'congratulations to member clubs' for being 'safety conscious' over the year. It should always be kept in mind that the Association has an important role in being able to offer clubs and individual members of clubs, cover that responds to the needs of the hobby - 'the collection, restoration and display of vintage machinery'. For the benefit of those on the Committee a register of 'Injury/Incidents' is kept, in order that the Committee can review safety guidelines should a particular type of incident become widespread. This register is also of great assistance in keeping track of any insurance claim that may result.