



The Old Machinery Club of Western Australia Inc.

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Club Meetings 2017:

May 21st AGM,

Aug. 20th, Nov.19th.

Presidents Report

Hi All,

It was great to see such a good roll up at our February meeting. I am looking forward to seeing everyone on the show grounds soon with the start of the show season on 12 March at the Eaton Foreshore. Thanks to Alan Horridge for the recital of "The Dash" in honour of John Cannam. It seems Bob Jackson is still reeling at his Life Membership and appreciation certificate, you deserve it mate. Thanks also to all those who have put their hands up to be the contact person for different shows. This is important for the smooth running of the show.

Fred

Quote:The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today. – H Jackson Brown Jr

Wanted

Hopper for 2/4 hp McDonald engine
ph. Neil 0419942137

Farewell to John

On Sunday 5th February 83 friends gathered together under the shade of an Oak tree that John & Olive planted on David & Jean McFerran's farm about 30 yrs. ago to lay John's ashes to rest. The service commenced with Phil Scott reading the minutes of the inaugural meeting held at The Whistle Stop Yoongarillup on the 5th February 1989 - 28 yrs. to the day. See page 3.

Kevin Lewis delivered an eulogy. Alan Horridge read the poem The Dash followed by Margaret Tickle reading some excerpts from John's life story as told to her by John some years ago. Phil Ashton then led a short service during which John & Olive's god daughter Natascha Gacia lowered John's ashes into his final resting place beneath a Rosebery engine.



Phil Scott reads the minutes from the inaugural meeting.



Part of the gathering under the shade of the Oak tree.



Natascha lowers John's ashes to his final resting place.



John's headstone : a Rosebery engine.

Photos by Allan Staines

My First Thrill by John Giumelli.

I remember the first time I did it
I was only a kid of fifteen
And even though she was younger than I,
She was far more composed and serene.

I was eager though awkwardly backwards,
And my body cried out with the need
But she seemed not to notice my shyness
With which I prepared for the deed.

It was out in the barn I remember
At the close of a bush summers day.
The evening was scented with clover in bloom
And the fragrance of newly mown hay.

I remember she moved a bit closer
The touch of her body was warm
As my fingers moved slowly and felt her
A quiver ran through her form.

Looking back on it now I remember
How I stood while my heart seemed to spin
At the thought of the thing I was going to do
Yet I was ignorant how to begin.

I remember it seemed hours later
How my heart hammered under my vest
And with the joy of a boy grown to manhood
I made my way home to rest.

Twenty years have passed since that evening
But I'll never forget it I vow
The thrill and the joy I felt as a boy
On the day I milked my first cow.

The inaugural minutes of The Old Machinery Club of
Western Australia Held at the Whistle Stop
Busselton 1.30 pm on Sunday the 5th of February 1989

Present John & Olive Cannam , Ian & Anne Croft, Alan &
Stephanie Biagioni ,Bob & Tina Jackson Julian& Lorraine
Price ,Rob& Jeanette Davis Trevor Roberts , Kevin Lewis

Appolgies , Norm Green Max Gibbons ,Stan Brindley ,
Graham Rowe , Owen Plumb, Bevan Blakers

Finance, A donation of \$50.00 was received from the
Rotary club of Busselton.

Correspondence None.

General Business. A general discussion about whether a
club should be formed and whether it should be an incor-
porated body resulted in a consensus that a club should
definitely be formed and that incorporation was some-
thing that could wait till the club had been operational
for about two years.

It was decided that all people on the current group list
should be invited to join via a circular letter.

Moved Bob Jackson, Julian Price, That John Cannam be
Elected President, Passed, John C then proposed that the
nucleus of a committee should be formed

Moved John Cannam, Trevor Roberts, that Ian Croft be
Secretary/Treasurer, Passed.

Rob Davis indicated his willingness to be seconded as
needed.

The name of the club was then discussed and the title,
The Old Machinery Club of Western Australia was ac-
cepted by the meeting.

Moved Bob Jackson, Rob Davis that the annual member-
ship dues be set at \$10.00, Passed.

The nomination of new members was discussed and the
opinion was expressed that a mechanism for vetting of
prospective new members should be included to the
constitution.

There being no further business the meeting was closed
at 2.15 pm.

Things to do, 1. Open a bank account, 2 Write circular
letter, 3.Commence database 4. Put constitution on the
w/d

Coming Events

Saturday 11th March: Collie Agric. Society Antiques, Collectibles, Swap Meet & Engine display at Collie Showground— Contact Ken McIlree 9734 3762

Sunday 12th March: Eaton Foreshore Contact Jeff Morton - 9725 0278

Sunday 19th March: Harvey Harvest Festival. Contact Pat Edmunds - 9729 1460

Sunday 19th March: S.W. Motoring Extravaganza / Lishman Foundation Truck Pull at S.W. TAFE Somerville Drive Bunbury. Contact Elwyn Harries 9721 1317 elwynharries@optusnet.com.au

Saturday 25th March: Bridgetown Heritage Day at Russell's Farm Glentulloch Road south of Bridgetown - Contact Elwyn Harries—9721 1317 elwynharries@optusnet.com.au.

Saturday 8th April: Bunbury Agricultural Show— Contact Elwyn 9721 1317

Saturday 8th April: Lights on the Hill— Talbots farm Brunswick - exhibitor & helper free Contact Ken McIlree 9734 3762

Sunday 9th April: All Australian Car Day Waroona— Contact Neil Twaddle 9733 1445

Sat. & Sun. 15th & 16th April: Donnybrook Apple Festival— Contact John Harbeck 9727 2496

Fri.,Sat.,Sun. 21-23 April: NHMA National Rally Hamilton Victoria.

Saturday 29th April: Harvey Agricultural Show— Contact Pat Edmunds 9729 1460

Sunday 14th May: The Azelia Ley Homestead & Wagonhouse Museums Vintage Vehicle & Market Garden Machinery Day.— Hamilton Hill. Contact Noel Walkley— taximan11@bigpond.com.au or 0428949407 or Fred Plane plane@wn.com.au

Sunday 25th June: Boyanup Museum Old Machinery Day— Contact Don Brett 9728 1443 or Elwyn Harries 9721 1317

A.G.M.

The AGM will be held at the Burekup Hall on Sunday **May 21st** commencing at 10.30am. All positions will be declared vacant and nominations for positions must be in writing on the club nomination form available from the returning officer Mike Gent - eyehear2@hotmail.com or 9754 8995 or Fred Plane - plane@wn.com.au or 0428912670. Completed forms are to be returned to the Returning Officer by 14th May.

Subscriptions

As the club's financial year is 1st April—31st March subs can be paid on or after 1st April. Those members who will be paying by cash at the AGM please put the correct amount— \$45.00 double / \$30.00 single (includes Insurance) in an envelope with your name on the front. Thanks the *Treasurer*.