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Christmas Lunch December 2020



Ian & Maria Medcraft, Neville & Maxine Cullenane, Willie Siroen, Trevor Harrison - life members
Martin and Debbie Paine - Founding members of the VAA

VAA Office Bearers - 2021



* Denotes committee of management

POSITION	MEMBER	PHONE	
President	Tony Warner	0417 555 073	*
Vice President	Jason Ferris	0447 647 354	*
Acting Secretary / Registrar	Jason Ferris	0477 647 353	*
Treasurer	Rhonda Barton	0409 880 378	*
Assistant Treasurer	Val Smith	9309 4837	
Scrutineer	Graeme Barton	0409 880 378	*
Assistant Scrutineers	Keith Agar	0417 966 862	*
Assistant Scrutineers	Brett Roberts	0402 233 487	
Assistant Scrutineers	Ray Roberts	0438 911 387	
Building manager	Graham Hough	0408 905 226	*
Caretaker	Mark McKenzie	0400 701 142	
Librarian	Martin Paine	9247 1729	
Club Historian	Ron Perry	9295 3420	
Workshop Manager	Bob D'Jong	0400 064 937	
Magazine Editor	Frank Ferrari	0419 421 087	
Events Coordinator	Pauline Velden	0405 144 919	*
Dating Officer	Trevor Harrison	9398 1272	
Kitchen Manager	Shirley Everett	0424 422 270	
Swap Meet organiser	Vacant		
Raffle coordinator	Domenic Paoliello	0407 446 682	*
Raffle assistants	Elijah, Isabella, Jackson, Macey, Lani & Tyler		
Social media	Vacant		
CMC Delegate	Bob Hyde	0418 917 133	
Committee of management	Ray Smith	0416 018 119	*
Committee of management	Kevin Lockyer	0407 355 245	*

**The Saturday Men's Shed is open for members
please check with the committee.**

Tony



From the VP

Hello all. The president asked if I could write something to introduce myself so here goes.

Well as Army would say "I'm back". For those who don't know I was the VP a couple of years ago. Like the last time I was asked if I would go on the committee and as always, I just responded "whatever I can do to help the club". Simple for me. It's about continuing to make the club better for all, and if I can in any small way, then I will.

The club has been good for me, and I feel good to put something back.

Thanks to Bill for his efforts during the past year. Well done mate for standing up and taking on the VP position. I have also volunteered to take on the Secretary/Registrar position. So, with some guidance from Tony and Dave hopefully I won't stuff it up too much. Dave has done such a brilliant job; it will be big shoes to fill.

So, most of you know me already. I drive a very sexy grey 63 "S" Series Valiant and my lovely Ranga wife Sian, helped put together an awesome calendar last year. I would love to see another one made. It was fun to do and got some good laughs. So as of the 17th December, I became unemployed by choice. It goes against everything I have done since I started working from the age of 15. My world until now has been about, as they say "working for the man", working for the mighty dollar. It was a terrifying decision to have to purposely: Ask my wife if I can stop and; have no income for a while.

So why am I telling you this?

I realized after many years of struggle and unhappiness with working, that there must be something more to life. When I pushed all the bullshit aside, I realised that being happy is the most important thing because it affects so much of the other parts of your life.

Your relationship with your loved ones and others, your own mental health, how you perceive the world. With so much "doom and gloom," pushing through all that, to see a ray of light, has become so important to me. This club is important to me, because it gives me two of the most wonderful experiences that I treasure most. Playing and learning on so many different vehicles, whilst having a good laugh with good people.

The club is looking spectacular and I hope in some small way I can help to continue to make this club, the club of choice for all likeminded enthusiasts. As the new VP what I really want is the club to be a happy place for all.

So please come and have a laugh, have a fresh baked scone and get involved and I really do sincerely hope to see you there so we can have a chat and more importantly, a laugh. Please wear your name badge, I am hopeless with names. Take care and love to you and your family and I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

Jason Ferris



VAA Swap Meet November 2020

This year was different. Being forced to cancel the usual March / April Swapmeet at the last minute because of Covid 19 we had to put everything on hold until a new opportunity presented itself when things looked reasonably safe.

We considered October at the Perth Polo Club but found that the ground was pre-booked then. It was decided to book the Swan Athletics ground as it was available on the 22nd November.

With a new ground, new location, new time of the year, warmer weather and Covid to contend with we were somewhat flying a little blind this year. Still with a concentrated effort by a relatively few number of VAA troopers it all came together on the day. To the helpers,

both in the lead up to the swap meet and on the day, I would like to offer my thanks.

Like I said in my opening paragraph, this year was different. Where were all the usual helpers on the day? We were very short handed which meant that many of those in the kitchen and those on traffic control were not able to be relieved all morning. Nice to see the cars and wander around looking for a bargain but your offer to help for an hour or so would have meant so much. Hopefully next time we will be inundated with offers to assist and the day will be easier for everyone.

Ray Smith

Swap Meet Coordinator



Alan Shuttleworth - Medical Officer



MINUTES OF THE V.A.A.W.A. GENERAL MEETING

RSL CLUB ROOMS, Bellevue, 8 December 2020

Meeting Opened at	8:00pm
Attendees	54 - As per attendance Book
Apologies	Alan & Linda Warner, Owen & Catherine Taylor, Warren Hutchings, Peter Egan, Brett Roberts, Lester D' Souza, Ross and Laurin Lange
Visitors	Nil
New members	Wayne Thompson
Previous Minutes	Meeting of Tuesday 10 November 2020. Approved Keith Agar, seconded Bill Redeckis
Business Arising	Noted that the People's Choice at the Swap Meet was awarded to Peter Egan for his caravan 'Gertie' and EH holden combo.
Correspondence in	Invite from Jehovah Witness, Various correspondence from Bunnings regarding Sausage Sizzle scheduled for Sunday 13 December.
Correspondence out	Various emails concerning memberships and CMC 1's
Business arising	Nil
Treasurers report	Current Bank balance: \$34,635.54
Business arising	\$7,138.55 made from Swap Meet, expecting a Net profit of possibly \$4,200
Accounts for payment	Presented for payments: \$5,149.75 payment moved by Pauline Velden, seconded by Brian Tucker
Events	Pauline Velden reminded everyone that the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle is on Sun 13 Dec, still a number of volunteers required to fill shifts, anyone able to assist to speak to Keith Agar. The Cub's Annual Breakfast will be at Whiteman Park on the 10th Jan, 2021. Tony called for a volunteer to tow the Club's BBQ trailer on the day. No volunteers came forth.
Swap Meet	Ray Smith not present at meeting. Presentation of prize to Peter Egan for People's Choice was collected by Terry Egan.
Editor	Frank Ferrari was not present to give report.
Publisher	Position no longer required as magazines being collated for postage by Workshop boys.
Vehicle examiner	Graham Barton - NTR
Registrar/New Member approvals	No new Members.
Building report	Mark McKenzie - NTR
CMC	Rob Hyde - NTR
Library	Martin Paine - NTR
Workshop Report	Bob DeJong – The Riley is coming along nicely, hopefully ready March.
Committee report	Tony gave a brief committee report.
General business	A debrief of the Swap Meet event will be arranged for another time. Pauline thanked everyone that came along to Club's Xmas Party. Ideas for monthly club events required. Domenic Paoliello presented small gifts to Lani, Macy and Jackson for the assistance they have given to the club with raffles over the past year.
Raffle winners	\$196 raised from raffle. 1 st prize Lance Glew, 2 nd prize Neville Everett, 3 rd prize Gretar Jonsson, 4 th prize Kath Fanetti, 5 th Bob DeJong. Winner of the Moore River Weekend away is Rob Popiel.
Display car	Nil
General Meeting closed	8.21pm
Open AGM and Election of Office Bearers and Committee	8.22pm



VAA BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE – 13 December, 2020

Hi to everyone who helped directly or indirectly.
WHAT A GREAT RESULT.

Thank you to the 20 or so members that helped raise approximately \$1500.00 profit over the day.

Special thanks go to Loris and Shirley. These 2 ladies worked all week getting things ready.

Special thanks to Shirley and Neville for organising all the shopping and picking up of the meat, buns and onions.

The day would not have been such a success without your efforts.

There were 1000 buns prepared in advance and packed ready for use. As well there were 1000 sausages and 40kgs of onions collected at various times during the day to ensure proper temperature control.

There was also all the drinks that had to be loaded into eskies on the back of Rob Hyde's ute, as well as all the other bits and pieces needed for the day, so thank you to the boys from the workshop. I personally thank you for all the help before and on the day thanks also to Domenic, Tony and Neville, if I have failed to heap praise on any one, do not shoot the messenger [JOKING].

The crowds came, and came, as did the rain occasionally, but nothing stopped the team. It proved a bit daunting at times as there were only 4 people allowed at any one time in the two tents. The teams of 4 certainly had their work cut out. However, there were three shifts throughout the day, allowing everyone to get a break.

The same 20 or so turn up nearly every time to assist at the club events, work bees, club runs etc, but ALL CLUB MEMBERS benefit from the revenue gained, for the club rooms improvements and the free functions the club puts on....we need more helpers at EVENTS to spread the load and keep this Fantastic club Viable.

So members, new and old, your help will be appreciated in the future.

Regards

Keith Agar



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well a very happy new year to you all, lets hope that this year will be calmer than last year, fires, floods, Covid 19 lock downs & toilet paper shortages..... hopefully will be a distant memory for 2021.

We had a very busy end to 2020 with the Swapmeet, Christmas lunch the AGM and the Bunnings Sausage sizzle all falling one after the other. I think we pushed our core of active members to the limit, so I hope they have recovered.

While the Swapmeet was undoubtedly a huge success, we have learnt some lessons for the future. We certainly need to have a roster for the gate and the kitchen, to take some pressure off those who always seem to jump in early. A good example of this was the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, where we had a good roster and at times too many members waiting to work. We made around \$1,600 for the day, which was pleasing, but after cooking 960 sausages excuse us if we do not want to see another sausage for a while.....

The Christmas lunch at The Swans in Henley Brook was very well attended with some 80 members including their partners in attendance. I was so pleased to see Ian and Maria Medcraft, Neville and Maxine Cullenane, Willie Siroen, Trevor Harrison - Life Members as well as Martin and Debbie Paine - Founding members of the club.

I saw many smiling faces as people were leaving, but I did get some feedback on the noise levels. It seems that the Swans management removed the carpet in lieu of a hard surface, which did make the place unpleasant at times. There were also some concerns about the food, but I have to say mine was lovely.

The other thing that I heard was the time it took to serve between courses, I have to say that - I gave them the timing, which I clearly got that wrong. Apart from a few hiccups, I think the day was a success and we could not have handled 80 people in our own club house.

The AGM was held on the 8th of December with most positions being filled. I am happy to report that Frank Ferrari has agreed to carry on as our editor, our new Vice President Jason Ferris has agreed to step into the role of Secretary / Registrar until we can find a more permanent one, so thank you Jason.

A big welcome and congratulations to Ray Smith and Graham Hough on their appointment to your Committee of Management. We will try and focus on gaining funding and support from all Government Agencies in this new year, so your committee has a challenging year ahead, or rather 6 months as we will have our AGM return to July this year.

I must acknowledge the work of the previous committee, in particular Dave Currell, who brought to the club a great deal of enthusiasm and IT skills that are going to be hard to replace.

With our borders opening up it is vital that all of us sign in when attending the club. Please DO NOT come to the club if you are feeling unwell, no matter how minor. Our demographics include some of the most vulnerable people in the community so it is vital that we look after ourselves and our fellow members.

Until next time happy classic motoring.

Kind regards,

Tony Warner

President - Vintage Automobile association of WA Inc.
0417 555 073

Hello Members,

The club has been sent a Scheme ID so we can recycle the cans and bottles at the club.

Our Scheme ID - in case you would like to donate the proceeds of your cans etc to the club.

You just provide the number to the workers at the recycle depot and the proceeds will go directly into our bank.

*Any donations will be greatly appreciated. **SCHEME ID C10352523***

Best regards

RHONDA BARTON

TREASURER
VINTAGE AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION OF WA
0409 880 378



It's the Quiet Ones You Have to Worry About ...

As Christmas hurtles towards us (at least as I write this), I know that work is at fever pitch in the workshop. What with long planning sessions happily coinciding with morning tea and the annual workshop business luncheon at 7th Avenue, intentions are almost getting close to becoming a reality.

The one fly in the ointment to all this talk, is Jim. As an example (but not the only time) Jim has tired of all the yak and just got on with it Building the lean to.

It starts with Jim cruising past a demo site (house with a carport), stop, reverse up, chat with a guy through the fence, negotiate a price for the carport (beer currency). Time is **very** short ...grabbed his trailer and tools, remove carport (by himself), transport to workshop, start measuring up, cuts, welds, Until the big day when the footings are to be poured. P.S. I've never seen Jim so nervous as he was waiting for the (late) cement truck.

It's worth noting at this point that Jim wears many hats. Design Engineer, Procurement Officer, Site Manager, Leading Hand and Navvy.

With some help from the Mark's and Trev, the frame is up and Jim is looking forward to an early New Year completion date.

I look forward to seeing a big grin on his face as we take a picture of Jim in front of his finished lean to.

And speaking of people that just 'get on with it', I would particularly like to thank the club Ladies who spoil the boys with impressive morning teas, that without their efforts would consist of a stale packet of Granitas.

Hutch

Riley Progress.

We are making steady progress with the Riley. Most of the bodywork has been blasted and a lot have been repaired and primed, many thanks to those that have helped especially Kevin who has sandblasted all of the hanging panels. Hopefully by the end of December we will have the car completely primed with a view of having it in top coat during January. The brake parts finally arrived and Bob and his merry men have had the shoes relined and have started fitting the brakes back together. This has caused some issues but The maestro worked out the problem on Saturday and he is off and running. So all is good at present. I would like to take this moment to thank the many members who have assisted to date including our Saturday and Wednesday visitors who show interest and offer encouragement.

FUND RAISING

In the last Newsletter I suggested we should collect our old batteries with a view of raising some funds for the club. I am pleased to report that this is progressing well and we should soon have enough to get a scrappy to call by and collect them. There is still time to have a clean up and donate your dead batteries to the club so please give it some thought and help us out.

WEEKENDER

Just wondering if there would be any interest in a weekender in the Bunbury area. My idea being to travel down to Bunbury on Saturday and visit the new car museum there. Maybe a communal gathering somewhere in the evening for a meal and a chat. On the Sunday head out to Dardanup to visit the Heritage Park before taking a leisurely drive home in the afternoon. If there is any interest please let either myself or one of the Committee members know and I will check out accommodation etc.

Alan

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**MINUTES OF THE V.A.A.W.A. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
RSL CLUB ROOMS, Bellevue, Tuesday 8 December 2020**

Open AGM 8.22pm

Previous Minutes It was moved by Keith Agar that the minutes of the previous AGM were passed as true and accurate record. Seconded by Pauline Velden. Voted in favour unanimous

Business arising

Advised that the Clubs Books have been audited.

Tony Warner advised that a budget is to be prepared to optimise surplus to generate more income.

Constitution

Moved: Dave Currell

I move that the Constitution and Rules of the Vintage Automobile Association of W.A. (Inc.) be amended as follows to: [Strengthen the mental health objectives.](#)

Amend objective e) from:

To maintain and conduct a Club for the accommodation, entertainment and comfort of the members and their guests and to provide a clubhouse with amenities and to afford to members and their guests all the usual privileges, advantages and accommodation of a social club.

to

To provide a venue for members to get together for the benefit of the community and themselves.

Amend objective f) from:

To promote good fellowship.

to

To enhance the health and wellbeing of members by supporting and helping one another.

[Include Events Coordinator on Management Committee](#)

Amend Section 26.1 to

The committee members consist of —

the office holders of the Association (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer).

the Events Co-ordinator; and

at least one ordinary committee member.

[Clarify Section 8 \(Classes of membership\) rules to clarify membership particularly honorary life membership numbers.](#)

Amend rules to:

The Association consists of ordinary members and any associate members provided for under sub rule (2).

The Association may have any class of associate membership approved by resolution at a general meeting, including junior membership, senior membership, honorary membership, and life membership.

An individual who has not reached the age of 15 years is only eligible to be an associate member.

A person can only be an ordinary member or belong to one class of associate membership.

An ordinary member has full voting rights and any other rights conferred on members by these rules or approved by resolution at a general meeting or determined by the committee.

An associate member has the rights referred to in sub rule (5) other than full voting rights.

The number of members of any class is not limited unless otherwise approved by resolution at a general meeting.

The spouse or partner of an Ordinary Member shall be entitled to the full rights and privileges of an Ordinary Member and shall not be liable for payment of additional fees.

The spouse or partner of a member who dies shall be entitled to assume the membership at the same class and without payment of a nomination fee.

Any Ordinary Member of the Association may be nominated as an Honorary Life Member of the Association by an Ordinary Member, such nomination being accepted or rejected by the Committee in line with the by-laws. The nomination shall also require a three-fourths majority of the member at the meeting of the Association,

An Honorary Life Member shall be registered by the Secretary, such member not being required to pay any of the Association's fees and being entitled to the full status and rights of an Ordinary Member.

[Fix incorrect references](#)

Fix by correcting format and adding back a Proxies Section that clearly states the club does not support proxies along with references to proxy votes in associated rules:

The Association does not provide for a member to appoint a proxy to speak or vote on their behalf.

Seconded: Keith Agar

Changes are required to be approved by various State Government Departments, and once approved they become ratified.

Events Coordinator to be on Committee of Management.

Changes unanimously accepted

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Election of Office Bearers and Committee of Management - continued from Pg 9

Tony Warner then handed the meeting over to Martin Paine, as Returning Officer to start the election of Office Bearers and Committee of Management.

They were as follows:

President	*	Tony Warner
Vice President		* Jason Ferris
Secretary/Registrar		* A/Jason Ferris
Treasurer	*	Rhonda Barton
Assistant Treasurer		Val Smith
Events Co-ordinator	*	Pauline Velden
Magazine Editor		VACANT
Scrutineer		Graeme Barton
Assistant Scrutineer		Keith Agar
Assistant Scrutineer		Ray Roberts
Assistant Scrutineer		Brett Roberts
Librarian		Martin Paine
Club Historian		Ron Perry
Publisher		Not required
Dating Officer		Trevor Harrison
Building Manager		Mark McKenzie
Raffle Co-ordinator		Domenic Paoliello
Kitchen Manager		Shirley Everett
Swap Meet Co-ordinator		VACANT
Merchandising Manager		VACANT
Workshop Manager		Bob De Jong
Webmaster		VACANT
CMC Delegate		Rob Hyde
Committee Member # 1	*	Kevin Lockyer
Committee Member # 2	*	Keith Agar
Committee Member # 3	*	Graeme Barton
Committee Member # 4	*	Domenic Paoliello
Committee Member # 5	*	Ray Smith
Committee Member # 6	*	Graham Hough

*Denotes Member of Committee of Management

There being no further business Tony thanked everyone and declared the AGM closed at 9:10pm.

Tony Warner

President

Jason Ferris

Acting Secretary / Registrar

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List of Past Times Magazines missing from VAA library
Can you help?

Also

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VAA CHRISTMAS LUNCH – SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER 2020

What an amazing turn out for our Annual Christmas Lunch. This year was a little different to past years, it was held away from the club rooms at The Swans Restaurant and Function Centre, it is just as well as 80 members booked in. We did try something else a little different in that we had everyone pay in advance, this actually worked well and we were able to advise definite numbers to the Restaurant and pay up front, as well as lock in individual menu requirements, which helped the Restaurant.

We were able to dress the tables ourselves with balloons and bon bons, The Restaurant looked great.

Thank you, Pauline and Adele for your assistance in setting things up.

It was lovely to have most of our Life Members in attendance. There were: Ian and Maria Medcraft, Willy Siroen, Neville and Maxine Cullinane, Maitland and Trevor Harrison, privilege to have all there.

Graham Hough provided us with some great music which resulted in a few surprises.....

We were all surprised to see our Kath and Keith Agar, Rhonda and Graham Barton, and Dan and Kathy Fanetti all get up and did the rock and roll. Kath even tried to 'break dance'. Not only did they all put on a great show, but we also found out that Thelma at 94, is a true 'dancing queen' ...Thelma just loves to dance.

Thelma said, "let's just dance, forget about the food".

In all it was a great day, maybe next year we can try much the same, maybe a different but similar venue so that we can have as many members as possible come.

Merry Christmas to you all.

Loris Cooper



More Photos on pg 13

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