

**Sandgroper Caravanners Inc.**  
**Minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**  
**held at Golden Ponds**  
**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 10:30am**



**PRESIDENT TO OPEN THE MEETING**

The President, Helen Bizzill, opened the meeting at 10:30am and welcomed everyone to the 24<sup>th</sup> AGM.

**ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND PROXIES**

There were 35 full members and 2 associate members in attendance and apologies from 10 full members and 3 associate members with Attendance List filed.

Helen advised that she had received proxies from Chris and Linda Back.

**MINUTES OF 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Though not identified on the agenda, the minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting held at Bindoon Oval on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021 were distributed to all members on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and again on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Helen Bizzill asked if all members had received and read the minutes, they had, it was not necessary to read them out. They were approved as correct.

Helen asked if there were any matters arising. There were none.

Moved Roy Lundy, seconded, Brian Bizzill that the 2021 AGM Minutes be accepted as a true record. Carried

**REPORTS**

**President's Report**

The President's Report prepared by Helen Bizzill had previously been distributed to all Members on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

Helen asked if there were any matters arising. There were none.

Moved Ron Mitchell, seconded, Beth Moore, that the President's Report be accepted. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report including Financial Review Report**

The Treasurer's Report prepared by Sharon Burge had previously been distributed to all Members on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

Helen then asked if there any matters arising. There were none.

Moved Glenda Olesen, seconded, Jerry Curchin, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Carried.

**Rally Coordinator's Report**

The Rally Coordinator's Report prepared by Brian Bizzill had previously been distributed to all Members on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

Helen then asked if there any matters arising. There were none.

Moved Linda Haig, seconded Sue Moriarty, that the Rally Coordinator's Report be accepted. Carried.

### **Membership Secretary's Report**

The Membership Secretary's Report prepared by Ian Moore had previously been distributed to all members on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

Helen then asked if there were any further matters arising. There were none.

Ian Moore advised that we currently have 24 vans in our membership and 45 people in total. We have 3 vans currently on leave of absence this includes, Alan and Lynne Kirby, Rod and Sharon Burge and Peter and Cheryl Fatti.

We have one couple on our wait list, Jack and Deanne Muir. Mark and Cheryl Norris and Bob and Marni Davis are no longer on the waitlist.

Moved Beth Moore, seconded Glenda Olesen that the Membership Secretary's report be accepted. Carried.

## **ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

### **President**

A formal nomination has been received from Graham Kent proposing that **Helen Bizzill** be elected as President. There being no further nominations, **Helen Bizzill** was duly elected.

### **Vice President**

A formal nomination has been received from Brian Bizzill proposing that **Cheryl Kent** be elected as Vice President. There being no further nominations, **Cheryl Kent** was duly elected.

### **Club Secretary**

A formal nomination has been received from Helen Bizzill proposing that **Lyn Mitchell** be elected as Club Secretary. There being no further nominations, **Lyn Mitchell** was duly elected.

### **Treasurer**

A formal nomination has been received from Helen Bizzill proposing that **Dianne Young** be elected as Treasurer. There being no further nominations, **Dianne Young** was duly elected.

### **Membership Secretary**

A formal nomination has been received from Beth Moore proposing that **Ian Moore** be elected as Membership Secretary. There being no further nominations, **Ian Moore** was duly elected.

### **Committee positions**

Helen Bizzill advised that the following had submitted nominations for committee positions:

**Chris Back** proposed by Dianne Young

**Jacque Adams** proposed by Helen Bizzill

### **Rally Coordinator**

This is a non-committee position and Brian Bizzill has agreed to continue in this role.

Helen Bizzill asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There being no further nominations, the above members were all duly elected.

Graham Kent thanked the committee for their excellent work over the past year and a big thank you to Helen Bizzill for doing a fantastic job as our Club President and thank you to Dianne Young for doing a great job as our Club Secretary for the past 5 years.

Helen Bizzill thanked Sharon Burge for her work as the Treasurer for the past 3 years and thanked John Allen for nominating to be the Treasurer. John later decided that he was unable to undertake the role and withdrew his nomination.

Helen Bizzill invited the new members of the Committee to join the Committee members that were staying on.

### **Club Membership Fees 2022/2023**

Annual subscription - \$75 plus a \$10 voluntary donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service

Nomination fee - \$50

Special purpose fees – Nil

Associate Member fee - \$10 per person

Moved Roy Lundy, seconded Cindy Jordan that the Club Membership Fees be accepted. Carried.

### **Consideration of proposed amendments to Model Rules under which proper notice has been given.**

Nil

### **Any other business for which notice of motion has been given**

A notice of motion has been received from Chris Young; motion attached Page 4.

Chris Young and several members spoke for his motion to lower the membership number from 30 to 24 vans and outlined that the club could get too big if more members were allowed to join and that larger numbers of members are harder to manage at venues etc. Chris said larger numbers can cause segregation and cliques to form. He felt a small, intimate club was better for socializing together. He would like the membership numbers to remain at 24 and outlined that the club has the option to change this number later at a General Meeting.

Several members spoke against the motion, saying that the current maximum is 30 members, which was only set last year at the previous AGM when the number was brought down from 40 to 30 members; that five members resigned from the club last year so numbers are falling through natural attrition; that without new members, it limits new ideas and people to fill committee positions; that any new members coming in have to attend 4 rallies to be offered membership and that it will take them most of next year to achieve that; that many people are now choosing to travel overseas and interstate, and that several members choose to travel north for the winter, therefore reducing the demand on caravan parks and numbers attending rallies.

Several members spoke about raising the van numbers from 24 to 27 as a compromise.

Several members suggested that the committee remove the suspension of membership which was put on during COVID-19 and felt that the committee could reintroduce a temporary suspension of membership at any time.

Peter and Mary Neale were appointed scrutineers. The motion that 24 vans becomes the club's accepted cap on membership was voted on by a show of hands.

For –	8
Against –	28 (includes 2 proxies)
Abstain –	1
Total votes	37

Motion failed.

At this point, Colin and Linda Haig and possibly a few others left the meeting.

As the motion failed, the status quo remains, e.g. 30 vans. Therefore Syd Adams proposed that a further vote be taken on the motion that the membership number remain at 30 vans.

For –	19 (includes 2 proxies)
Against –	14
Abstain –	0
Total votes	33

Moved Syd Adams, seconded Ron Mitchell that the Club Membership remain at 30 vans.  
Motion carried.

As the motion to remain at 30 vans was carried, there was no requirement to vote on changing the membership number to 27.

### **Confirmation of Bank Signatories**

It was confirmed that any two of the President, Helen Bizzill, Vice President, Cheryl Kent, Secretary, Lyn Mitchell and Treasurer, Dianne Young be the authorised signatories on the Club's bank accounts.

### **General Business**

There was no general business.

### **Closure**

There being no further business the President closed the meeting at 11.27am.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting:

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President

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Secretary

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Date

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Date

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attendance List, President's Report, Treasurer's Financial Statements for Year Ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022, Treasurer's Report, Membership Secretary's Report, Rally Coordinator's Report, Proposed Motion from Chris Young, 2022 AGM Asset List, Proxy Forms and Nomination Forms.