

# CALIFORNIAN CRUISIN INCORPORATED General Meeting held at Club Catalina, Rathmines Sunday 14th July 2024

**OPEN** 11.15 am

**PRESENT** Brian Staples, Ilona Staples, Neil Andrews, Diane and Danny Franks, Carole and Peter Oleson, Greg Nott, Greg Minor, Peggy Sue, Mel Taylor, Karen Hartup, Sunny and Paul Fulton, Ray and Helen Bellamy, John McNamara, Patrick Staples, Mark Johnson (19)

**APOLOGIES** Jeff and Janet Holmesby, Phil Duvollet, Christine Minor, Daniel Penfold, Peter and Karen Smith, Janis Treacy, Robert Wenning, Ben Jenkinson.(8)

**NEW MEMBERS** Peter and Karen Smith who own a 1956 Chev.

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** The minutes of the June meeting were read.

Moved: Helen Bellamy Seconded: Mark Johnson

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES** Nil.

**CORRESPONDENCE** Inwards: 10 emails, 1 snail mail. Outwards: 10 various club related items.

Phone calls/texts: 25 out and inwards.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Today I welcome you all to our general and AGM here at Rathmines Memorial Bowling Club. I thank them also for the use of their facilities of which they do not charge us.

Also, I would like to thank you, the members who have been active throughout the year helping us keep our social club alive. As it states in the constitution that we provide social interaction for people with a common interest while promoting the use of American motor vehicles.

On a sadder note, we lost our good member Paul Schofield in November 2023. Paul was a great guy and member who loved organizing events throughout his membership of the club. For those who attended his funeral we heard stories of his life that were illuminating cementing the good feelings to all of us who knew him Rest In Peace, Paul.

Speaking of runs, over the year we have had some great ones. Pelican Foreshore on a blowy sunny day, Anglers Rest in Brookland on a rainy day, Broke Village Fair on a beautiful day, Fast & Loud Speers Point another beautiful sunny day, Gwandalan Christmas Run, Rathmines Barefoot Bowls day with CCACC, Hawks Nest Motorama,

Nineteen at Pokolbin lunch then Ice Cream at Cider House and Murrays Brewery followed by Ice cream in Shoal Bay.

I would like to thank the Executive and committee members for their help throughout the year. Their help makes running the club a lot easier.

At this point our financial position is very solid due to the diligence of our executive and those preceding it. I am looking forward to the next 12 months of motoring enjoyment. Keep your eye on the Events page of the website.

**Brian Staples** 



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**TREASURER'S REPORT** Karen presented her report which showed that the club now had 23 financial members to date and one new membership, Peter and Karen Smith. The opening balance for the month of June was still \$1720.35 with no outgoing expenses. There was one new membership of \$50 which bought the balance for June to \$1770.35 Also, Karen reminded the meeting that \$13,000 was still in the Term Investment account held at the Greater Bank.

**PLATE REGISTRAR'S REPORT** Greg Nott presented his report which detailed that the Registrars performed 21 registrations this year. Of those 16 cars were on Historic plates and 5 on classic plates. According to the members' list there are 34 cars in the club of which 6 on classic rego, 18 on Historic rego, 7 on full rego and 4 unregistered. Also, there is one caravan.

There are 10 Fords of which 3 are Mustangs, 23 GM vehicles of which there are 15 Chevrolets, which include 2 camaros, 6 Corvettes, 2 Cadillacs, 1 Pontiac, 2 Buicks and 3 Holdens. There is 4 project cars that will hit the road sooner or later.

I would like to thank Ross Forbes and Greg Minor for their assistance in navigating cars through the process as it can be difficult at times. Regards, Greg Nott, Cal Cruisin Plate Registrar.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 1. **ATO**. Re: Annual self review reporting obligation. Brian and Karen are following this up.
  - 2. Christmas party. Greg and Karen did some investigating into Nineteen as a venue. As the club usually has 30 attending this function, Nineteen only caters a set menu. After looking through the menu it was deemed to be unsuitable for the club member's requirements. Other venue suggestions were the Junction Hotel at Raymond Terrace, Nelson Bay Diggers. Greg indicated that he was prepared to go an check out some more venues
  - **3. Bi-monthly meetings** It was moved by Brian and seconded by Greg when Brian presented a motion "to have bi-monthly meetings instead of monthly meetings". Discussion was held and Brian called for a vote. The motion was passed unanimously. Consequently the next meeting will be 2nd September 2024.

#### **RUN REPORT AND COMING EVENTS**

16<sup>th</sup> June 2024-Murrays Brewery

What a beautiful day after some waterlogged periods. Sun was shining and next to no wind. A perfect weather for a club run. Meeting at BP Beresfield for coffee and cake for some, 16 members and friends chewed the fat before setting off to Murrays Brewery on the road to Nelsons Bay, for lunch. A great drive seeing things I hadn't seen for quite a while down Tomago Road to Williamstown turning up past the RAAF Base and onwards.

Brian & Illy (66 GT Mustang) led the way followed by Greg & Karen (65 Mustang), Paul & Sonny (Chev Impala Conv), Helen & Ray (84 Ford Fairlane), Mark & Sharon (XR6), Greg & Christine (Pontiac Sandman), and friends Jeff and Lesslie in their lovely little 72 LJ GTR Torana and Jeff and Lee in Gregs Maloo out of the garage for a long overdue run.

Meeting us at Murrays were Lewis and Lauren friends of Mark and Sharon who were up from Sydney for the weekend. So it was 18 for lunch.



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And then the fun started......you can only view the menu on their app on the phone and then order off the QR code on the table and pay by phone and then you receive a text when your food is ready and then you have to go to the server to pick your meal up. Well, talk about confusion.... Some of us were not tech savy enough and so Illy ended up ordering for some, receiving their cash payments handed over to her. Eventually everybody got their meals so it ended up ok. We had 3 tables in the sun and shade turning out that it was well located within the venue. The male singer giving music to dine with I thought was a little mono but that's only me. Others seemed to enjoy his dulcet tones.

After our meal it was decided to carry on driving up to Shoal Bay to the 60s Diner for ice creams and slices for some and then finally it was off to home, around 200 km trip for the day, enough to blow the cobwebs away.

A great day enjoyed by all. Cheers Brian















NEXT RUN: 'CARS FOR CORINNA' SUNDAY 11TH AUGUST 2024 MORRISET SHOWGROUND

Meeting at Morriset McDonalds at 8.30 and then go in a group leaving at 9 am

**CLOSE 11.40 AM** 

DATE OF NEXT GENERAL MEETING: MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER AT TORONTO DIGGERS