



Mazda MX-5 Club of NSW Inc
ABN 82 599 208 521

NOTICE OF 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 2021 Annual General Meeting of Members of the Mazda MX-5 Club of NSW Incorporated will be held on **Friday 22nd October 2021** commencing at 7:30pm. The meeting will take the form of an online virtual meeting using Zoom.

Registrations and apologies to be recorded on an online Form to be made available on the Club's website.

Please note that our Zoom licence is limited to 100 participants, so the first 100 registrations will be able to participate live in the AGM. We shall be recording the AGM and a link can be provided post event to other Club members not able to join the AGM live.

BUSINESS

- Members in attendance (as per registrations) and apologies received. (Note actual attendance to be determined by reconciliation of registrations to list of Zoom attendees).
- To confirm the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting held on 23rd October 2020.

Moved:

Seconded:

Carried.

- To receive the following Committee Reports:
(Note these reports are listed in the AGM notice on the club website)

- President's Report
- Captain's Report
- Competition Secretary's Report.

That all reports be accepted.

Moved:

Seconded:

Carried.

- To receive and consider the Treasurer's Report, Income & Expenditure Statement, Balance Sheet and the Auditor's Report for the financial year ended 30th June 2021.
(Note these reports are listed in the AGM notice on the club website)

That Treasurer's Reports and Auditor's Report be accepted.

Moved:

Seconded:

Carried.

- To consider a proposal to amend Appendix A of the Club Constitution:
(Note this proposal is listed in the AGM notice on the club website)

Moved:

Seconded:

Carried.



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To elect four Office Bearers and seven Ordinary Committee Members in accordance with Rule 14.2 of the Club's Constitution.

The following Office Bearers are retiring and not offering to be re-elected:

- President – Keith Monaghan (after 10 years on the Committee)
- Vice President – Lesa Bunn (after 11 years on the Committee)
- Treasurer – Julie Sando (after 7 years on the Committee)
- Secretary – Wesley Hill (after 7 years on the Committee)

The following Committee Member is retiring and not offering to be re-elected:

- BreakFast Club Coordinator - G Peter Battisson

The following Office Bearers were appointed as 1st July 2021, term expires 22nd October 2021:

- Treasurer – Louis Serret
- Secretary – Phillip Donnelly

The following Committee Member was appointed as 1st August 2021, term expires 22nd October 2021:

- Publications Officer – Warren Lewington

Title and Position changes as per Appendix A amendments:

- Membership Database Secretary – Bryan Shedden
(Position titles change to Membership Secretary)
- Membership Secretary – Ken and Maggie Liston
(Moving to Ex-Officio Representative)
- Website Coordinator – Gus Elias
(Moving to Ex-Officio Representative)

The following Office Bearer Position nominations to be decided by this Meeting.

- President – Nomination received from G Peter Battisson.
- Vice President – Nomination received from Kerri Langworthy-Ward.
- Treasurer – Nomination received from Louis Serret.
- Secretary – Nomination received from Phillip Donnelly.

The following Committee Position nominations to be decided by this Meeting.

- Membership Secretary – Nomination received from Bryan Shedden.
- Publications Officer – Nomination received from Warren Lewington.
- Motorsport Assistant – Nomination received from Joe Kovacic.
- General Committee Member – Nomination received from Tammie Hotz.
- BreakFast Club Coordinator (shared) – Nomination received from Brett Hardey

The following Committee Members are retiring from their positions and offer themselves for re-election:

- Club Captain – Michael Soulos
- Motorsport Secretary – Ian Combes
- Regalia Officer – Christine Cameron
- BreakFast Club Coordinator – Andrew Lord



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That all nominees be approved. *Moved:* *Seconded:* *Carried.*

In Remembrance.

Meeting noted with sadness the passing of the following Club members:

Thankfully, none advised to Secretary as of 17th September 2021.

Appointment of Auditor.

Stewart Temesvary is proposed as Club Auditor for the next financial year.

Moved: *Seconded:* *Carried.*

Other Business.

To transact any other business that may lawfully be brought before the meeting.

Awards Recipients.

- Membership Tenure Awards
- MXV Awards
- President's Award

Phillip Donnelley
Secretary/Public Officer
Mazda MX5 Club of NSW Inc.
17th September 2021



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Minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting held 23 October 2020 - Virtual Online using Zoom

1. PRESENT

A register of attendees was collected with **33** members attending.

2. APOLOGIES

Total **4** apologies had been received.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18 October 2019 were taken as read
Moved: Julie Sando, Seconded: Barry Luttrell – Carried.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports were presented:

4.1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President:

- Talked about the significant impact that COVID-19 has had on the Club's activities over the past 6-months with the postponement of a number of key events including the Club's 30th Anniversary celebrations and the 2020 NatMeet due to be hosted by the Club. The Club has had to totally restructure how events are run developing a set of procedures and guidelines and constantly updating these (currently on 10th iteration) as NSW health regulations and guideline change. Despite the recent relaxing of some of the procedures, it is very important that all members abide by the Club's procedures and regulations relating to COVID-19.
- At this time NatMeet 2020 is to be postponed until 2022. The Club is currently working towards moving this event to a suitable date and as information comes to hand, we will be letting all registrants know about the current status and future arrangements.
- The Historical and Classic registration which was launched in October 2019 and several members and new members have taken up this registration system within the Club.



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- The Club's magazine Club Torque has gone through a difficult period but with a new production team of Kim Jacobs and Peter Barnwell is now back on track and delivering a high-quality magazine to Club members. Kim and Peter bring a vast amount of experience to this position so thank you to both of them for taking this on.
- This year a number of Chapter Convenors retire and I would like to thank them for their support in running the chapters and at the same time welcome the new Chapter Convenors – in the Hunter John Purcell and Christine Cameron have taken over from Brian Thomson and Rob Emmett; in Canberra Peter and Annemie Wilson have taken over from James and Giulia Schiemer; and in the Illawarra James Mate has taken over from Jeff and Pam Rowe.
- Thanked the Committee for all their work in difficult and challenging times to keep the Club active and develop events to meet the COVID-19 requirements. Without the volunteers the Club would not be what it is today, and we would not be able to provide members with such a vast variety of events.

4.2 OTHER REPORTS PRESENTED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Competition Secretary's Report
- Club Captain's Report

Acceptance of **all** reports: *Moved: Jean Cook Seconded: Pam Estreich – Carried.*

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer:

- Thanked all members and Club sponsors who have continued to support the Club over the past 12 months under very trying circumstances.
- Presented the Draft Profit & Loss Report and Draft Balance Sheet for the 2019-2020 financial year using Sage Accounting Package. The Club's auditor will be independently checking the accounts and submit his report to the Committee in due course.
- The Club is projected to finish the financial year with a surplus of \$15,137 which represents an increase of 30% over the previous financial year.
- A deposit of \$2000 has already been made for the postponed 30th Anniversary event now held over to 2021. The Club is also holding an amount of \$7,139 for the postponed NatMeet having paid back over \$36,000 in refunds to those withdrawing from the event.
- Some notable differences this financial year versus the previous financial year include – lower interest received due to current lower interest rates; printing and postage costs are lower due to fewer editions of Club Torque; higher social events costs due to 100 more members attending subsidised events like the Presidents



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Picnic, 30th Anniversary event and the launch of South Coast Chapter. Also noted that under liabilities in the Balance Sheet, The Club has made an advance deposit for track events which were subsequently cancelled because of COVID-19 with these funds being carried-over into the current financial year.

- In December 2019, \$20,000 was transferred into the Club's term deposit account and reinvested. At the end of June 2020, this account had accrued to \$87,623. The committee continues to keep these funds invested for 5/6-monthly periods in order to obtain the most advantageous interest rate.
- Monies collected for NatMeet 2020 is being held in a trust account by VMS Conference Logistics who are providing the Club with NatMeet Registration services.

Acceptance **Treasurer's Report:** *Moved:* Lesa Bunn, *Seconded:* Pam Estreich – *Carried.*

6. ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE

To elect two Office Bearers and four Ordinary Committee Members in accordance with Rule 14.2 of the Club's Constitution.

The following Committee Members are retiring from their positions and offer themselves for re-election:

- President (Office Bearer) – Keith Monaghan
- Vice President (Office Bearer) – Lesa Bunn
- Club Captain – Michael Soulos
- Membership Database Secretary – Bryan Shedden
- Competition Secretary – Ian Combes
- Regalia Officer – Christine Cameron

Proposed that all the above nominations be approved.

Moved: Ray Estreich, *Seconded:* Brian Thomson – *Carried.*

7. IN REMEMBRANCE

Meeting noted with sadness the passing of the following members:

- Lance McGrath – associate member of the Club and Canberra Chapter from 2005-2014.
- Liz Burr – active member of the Canberra Chapter who passed 9 November 2019.
- Joyce Woods – also a member of the Canberra Chapter who passed 16 May 2020.
- David Henderson – member of the Illawarra Chapter who passed in early 2020 after a long illness.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all these families.



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8. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Stewart Temesvary was proposed as Club Auditor for the next financial year.

Moved: Kim Jacobs Seconded : Jean Cook Carried.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

To transact any other business that may lawfully be brought before the meeting.

Questions/matters raised from the floor:

Q – Annette Coulter: *Has Covid-19 reduced membership numbers?*

A – Bryan Shedden: *Currently there has been a small drop in financial membership of 2-3% but we are yet to see the full impact as 200-250 renewals will be posted 31 October.*

Q – Rob Emmett: *Would it be possible for the President to attend one social event/function per year for each chapter so members can meet him?*

A – Keith Monaghan: *Yes - I will endeavour to get-around the different chapters to meet more members in the future.*

Q – Adele Weatherall: *What are the plans for Australia Day in 2021?*

A – Keith Monaghan: *Yes, we hope to celebrate Australia Day ensuring that we adhere to Covid-19 regulations and requirements of NSW Health at that time.*

Q – Annie Taylor: *I live in Wagga and would like to know if any more Zoom meetings have been planned?*

A – Keith Monaghan: *This is something I will defer to the Chapter Convenors can think about and execute.*

John Purcell and Christine Cameron (joint Hunter Convenors) proposed a vote to thanks to Keith Monaghan (President) for all his work in developing and revising Club rules during Covid-19. This was unanimously supported.

Rob Emmett congratulated Ian Combes on receiving the President's award and proposed that an expression of thanks be given to Barry and Jenny Luttrell and the rest of the Motorsport team who support Ian. This was unanimously supported.

Lesia Bunn (Vice President) advised all Chapter Convenors that she was in the process of creating a Facebook page as part of the preparations for a virtual online Convenors Conference.



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10. CLUB AWARDS

Tenure Awards:

A record number of tenure awards have been awarded. Of the 144 awards, 5-Year (84 recipients); 10-Year (34 recipients); 15-Year (16 recipients); 20-Year (3 recipients); 25-Year (4 recipients); and 30-Year (3 recipients). Due to Covid-19 award badges will be mailed to all recipients.

MXV Award:

This is a new award to supplement MOTY awards and membership tenure awards and is awarded to any member who achieves the milestone of 1015 (MXV in roman numerals) MOTY points during a continuous period of membership. Tally to commence from the 2013 MOTY year. This award aims to give formal recognition to all Club members (including Committee members) who are highly active over several years whether it be organising events, officiating, and contributing stories and photos. Four members receive the inaugural MXV award in 2020 – Barry Luttrell (1066); Bryan Hicks (1099); Rob Wilco (1338) and Bryan Shedden (1059).

President's Award:

The President's Award this year has been awarded to Ian Combes. Ian joined the Club in 2011 and became an active member in the motor sport area. For several years he supported David Lawler in running motor sport events taking over in 2016 the role of Competition Secretary. In this role he carried out a number of tasks including the restructuring of the class system, setting up the annual motorsport calendar and the day-to-day running of the motor sport section of the Club.

The activities that the motor sports section of the Club run include track days, motorkhana's, driver training and a round of the NSW Super sprint championship. These add up to over 14 track events per year. On top of this the Ian runs his car in the MX5 Cup series. Part of the role in organising the motor sport events is the need to organise the volunteers, paperwork, and services to run these great events. Ian has continued to build on the great reputation that the Club's motor sports events have.

2020 became a very difficult year with COVID-19 becoming a major complication to the programme. As the restrictions were lifted, we were able to start running motor sport events with the necessary approved guidelines and procedures. Ian developed these procedures which allowed us to re-commence our motor sport activities a lot earlier than most organisations. We were the first organisation to run a NSW State Championship motor sport round successfully. This highlights the standard of the work and procedures that were developed by Ian and put in place by the team.



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I present this award to Ian as recognition of the work and dedication he has not only put into motor sport, but the whole Club. Congratulations Ian.

Keith Monaghan
President

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Wesley Hill

Secretary

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23 October 2020