WESTSIDE CRUISERS

Hot Rod & Custom Car Club Inc.

inclusive of Rockabilly Cruisers Car Club

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held 10th November 2026, Laverton Bowls Club

ATTENDEES:	Alby & Lynne Agius Charlie & Debbie Agius Sam Albergo John Azzopardi Noelene & Mick Brown Doug Cooper Carmel & John Damiano Edith Corbett & Frank Falla Anne & Jimmy Formosa Sam Garretto Roland Geilen Joe & Sue Grech Joe & Sylvia Grioli Jenny Kromek	George Mallia Frank McBride Damien & Kara McDonald Des & Maureen McDonald David & Teresa Mez Jean-Claude Mikhail Nick & Rosy Pantelis Barry Roper Sandra & Charlie Schembri Eddie Simoni Jimmy Stocks Ray & Angie Vella Kerry & Gary Ward Darren Williams
APOLOGIES:	Domenic Artusa Jane & Jim Cassar Rose Geilen Donna Henderson Cecellia Gibbens & Darren Lacey Colin Levy Martin Livori Lorraine Macdonald Faith Mallia Sharon Martin Ken & Chris Morgan Neil & Sallyanne Pepe	Frank Pirritano Graeme Reid Karen Roper Michelle Simoni Lucy Sammut Angelo & Sally Scanu Krystina Valente Brandon & Veronika Vella Jarred & Judy Vella Bill & Janet Weir Leoni Williams

WELCOME

The meeting was opened by Ray at 7:15pm with a welcome to all members & guests. Formal acknowledgment and thanks were extended to the volunteer barbecue cooks, Doug for operating the bar, and our Raffle organisers.

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

- **Club Meeting Schedule:**
  - Clarification made regarding upcoming meetings; the final official club meeting for the year is scheduled for **Tuesday, 1st December**.
  - Our first meeting for 2027 will be on Tuesday, 2nd February.
- **Membership Dues and Status:**
  - Most members have finalised payment, seven members have outstanding fees.
    - Outstanding fees need to be settled immediately as they impact your status for the CPS Registration and so payment can be remitted to the bowls club for our membership in a single lump sum rather than instalment's.

NOTE: Financial membership is mandatory for members operating vehicles under the Club Permit Scheme (CPS); unfinancial members render their vehicle registrations legally invalid.

Membership payment can be made by direct deposit to;

Westside Cruisers HotRod & Custom Car Club Inc
Bank of Melbourne - BSB: **193879** Account: **424543367**

FUN DAY ON A SUNDAY – ANNUAL CAR SHOW

- **Event Planning and Approvals:**
  - The event is confirmed for **Sunday February 28th 2027**; Barry met with Natalie (Hoppers Sports Club) and received approval to proceed.
  - Upcoming milestones include designing and printing flyers, as well as formalising sponsorship packages.
- **Sponsorship Drive:**
  - A committee meeting was held on the 26th of October addressing sponsorships and updated last year's list.
  - Members are urged to approach local businesses, service providers, and trade contacts (e.g., steel suppliers, plaster suppliers, retail shops).
  - Werribee/Hoppers Crossing-based businesses are preferred to ensure local advertising exposure, though sponsors from outside the area are also accepted.
  - Please provide details of any sponsorship opportunities to Roland to be added to the list for tracking.
  - Roland will draft formal sponsorship approach letters once members provide business details.
  - Sponsorship contributions can include funding for trophies or donated goods (e.g., bottled water previously sourced from IGA).

WESTSIDE CHRISTMAS RUN

- **Venue and Catering Arrangements:**
  - Scheduled for **Sunday, December 6th**, hosted at Wayne's property.
  - Exact headcount is strictly required for catering coordination; members must confirm attendance and guest numbers directly with Roland after the meeting. The online pol did not provide for actual numbers so please let Roland know if you are attending.
- **Convoy and Route Logistics:**
  - We will meet at the McDonalds outbound on the Western Ring Road (M80).
  - Printed route sheets will be distributed to every participant prior to departure.
  - Attendees may choose between travelling within the organised convoy or navigating independently to minimise separation caused by traffic and traffic light sequences.
  - A Facebook Event will be published to our Facebook Group with all the details shortly.

WYNDHAM RETRO MOTOR SHOW

- **Event Details:**
  - This **Sunday, 15th November** – starts at 9am with a finish of 1pm.
  - Venue has relocated from the racecourse to the car park behind the Target building at Williams Landing.
  - Entry fee is $20 per vehicle, functioning as a charitable donation toward mental health initiatives.
    - Payments can be completed online via pre-registration or via cash at the gate.
  - We will meet in Chatsworth Way (**https://maps.app.goo.gl/nqKAWQqQ86MeKjYt5**) just off Palmers Rd at 8:30am and then head into the venue as a group.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

- **Ticket Sales and Capacity:**
  - Bookings can be made via - https://www.trybooking.com/DQRBZ
  - Five tables remain unbooked; so get in quick.
  - Event features include live music, dancing, and scheduled raffle prize draws.

CLUB PERMIT SCHEME (CPS)

- **VicRoads Compliance:**
  - Updated committee registers and authorised scrutineer lists following the Annual General Meeting have been submitted to VicRoads and are pending formal written acknowledgment.
- **Annual Vehicle Photographic Verification:**
  - Members must supply updated photographs of their CPS Registered vehicles (via media@westsidecruisers.org.au) prior to bringing their registration renewals for sign-off.
  - **No photos - no sign-off**.

It is recommended that members should provide renewal paperwork and submit current photographs prior to our monthly club meeting. Please leave getting sign-off till after the meeting has concluded.

  - **NOTE FOR SIGNATORIES**: After you sign the paperwork, please take a photo of the signed form and send it to media@westsidecruisers.org.au to update database registration expiration dates and forecast peak renewal periods.

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRY

- **Registry Updating:**
  - All members must complete a Membership form to ensure that we have up to date information for every member.
  - Up-to-date registry records are legally required to validate club insurance cover for members acting as event volunteers.
  - Thanks to everyone who has already provided their forms, Roland will follow up with the outstanding members.

CLUB MERCHANDISE (JACKETS)

- **Order Status and Production:**
  - The production run has been fully submitted, individual sizes recorded, and total payment issued to the manufacturer.
  - Estimated delivery is scheduled for late January – early February.
  - Jacket Specifications include black sleeves, orange accents, embroidered front logo, member's name embroidered on the front chest, large rear embroidery, and an interior pocket.
  - Sizing and spelling checks were officially reconciled and approved with the vendor.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- **Account Balances:**
  - The general club bank account balance stands at $15,305, accounting for cleared deductions including merchandise production and band deposits.
- **Musical Act Remuneration Policy Changes:**
  - Regulatory changes impose an 18% reduction on booked performers going through standard invoicing channels (comprising a 3% government tax and a mandatory 15% booking agent deduction).
  - Performers have expressed demands for cash payment to avoid reductions.
  - Agreed financial procedure: The club will retain an unbanked cash float of $3,000 sourced from event and raffle proceeds in a secure cash tin.
  - The float will be utilised exclusively to cover cash payments for bands and DJs at events and subsequently replenished.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Meeting Acknowledgments:**
  - Thanks extended to the barbecue operators and raffle ticket organizers.
  - Official meeting apologies noted, including Ken and Chris Morgan.
- **Club Cruises:**
  - A potential mid-week cruise tailored for retired members or an early December cruise is under review.
- **Bowls Club Participation:**
  - Members are encouraged to support the host bowls club by participating in weekly social bowls; new players are needed to support the longevity of the venue.
- **Member Birthdays (November):**
  - Birthdays acknowledged for Pam Taylor, Mick Brown, Bill Weir, Janet Weir, John Azzopardi, and Leonie Williams.

MEETING CLOSE & ACTION ITEMS

The meeting closed at 8:25pm. Next meeting will be held on **1st December**.