

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MOUNTAIN CATTLEMENS
ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC. HELD AT THE NATIONAL PARTY BOARD
ROOM, 24 COLLINS STREET MELBOURNE ON WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
1986 AT 11.a.m.

PRESENT: David Treasure, H. Ryder, S. Ryder, B. Buckley
D. Rogers, G. Connley, G. Stoney, S. Silvers,
A. Whittam, K. Whittam, B. Jameson, J. Commins,
C. Aston, J. Cook, B. Sandman, V. Phelan,
G. Sandman, R. Buckley, M. Prince, A. Drash,
R.M. Treasure, L. McCready, J. Lovick, Doug.
Treasure, W. Cumming, S. Clay, R. Clay, R.

Brown, C. Hodge.

APOLOGIES: D. Perrin, B. McGregor, L. Lieberman, A. Watson
I. & J. McIntosh, R. Smith, C.W. Lyons,
K. Terry, D. Kneebone, K. Heywood, T. Barker,
W. Hicks, J. Gough, W. Roper, C. Stoney,
K. Rule, C. Mitchell, L. Cole, M. Jordan.

MINUTES: Moved D. Treasure, seconded L. McCready the
Minutes be received. J. Lovick moved, seconded
G. Connley the Minutes be confirmed.

PRESIDENT'S
REPORT:

Mr. J. Commins thanked the Executive Committee
for their support over the past 12 months.
The President congratulated Mr. J. Cook and
Mr. K. Whittam who were appointed as Associate
member representatives to be invited to attend
future Committee meetings. He also thanked
the Associate members for their support and
mentioned the work being done at the Royal
Melbourne Show. The President urged the
Association to make positive proposals and
to bring them to all the levels of advisory
groups and administration. The President
congratulated the North East Branch on their
success with the Get Together at Catherine
Station. He also congratulated Bryan Jameson
on the production of the manuscript for the
Book written by Mr. Jameson. The President
announced the retirement of Secretary Mrs.
Coral Aston, and thanked her for 7 years
valued and conscientious work. Mr. Commins
stated the Association looked forward to
increased and consolidated success in the
forthcoming year.

FIXING OF
HONORARIUMS:

L. McCready moved the honorarium for the
President be \$5,000 plus 5% for the year
1986/87. Seconded C. Hodge. Doug Treasure
moved an amendment that the honorarium be
\$3,000 plus expenses to be paid by the M.C.A.V.
Seconded J. Lovick. Carried. H. Ryder moved
that the honorarium for the Executive Officer
for the year 1986/87 be \$3,000 plus expenses
to be paid by the M.C.A.V. Seconded G. Connley.
Carried. G. Stoney moved the honorarium for
the Marketing Officer for the year 1986/87
be \$750 plus expenses to be paid by the
M.C.A.V. Seconded Doug Treasure. Carried.

FINANCIAL
STATEMENT:

After discussion J. Lovick requested that clearer
headings be used as it was difficult to understand
at present. Financial Statement be received
moved C. Hodge seconded D. Rogers.

ELECTION OF

OFFICE BEARERS:

Sue Ryder took the Chair for the Election of Office Bearers.

President Mr. J. Commins nominated by J. Lovick.

Senior Vice President Mr. David Treasure nominated by H. Ryder.
H. Ryder nominated by C. Hodge. Mr. Ryder declined the nomination.

2nd Vice President Mr. C. Hodge nominated by G. Connley.

3rd Vice President Mr. H. Ryder nominated by Miss R. Treasure.

Executive Officer Mr. G. Stoney nominated by Mr. R. Brown.

Marketing Officer Mr. R. Brown nominated by Mr. G. Stoney.

Special Projects Officer Mr. L. McCready nominated by Mr. J. Commins.

Secretary/Treasurer Mrs. S. Silvers nominated by Mr. H. Ryder. Mrs. Silvers accepted the

nomination on the condition that it be for a 12 month period only.

Moved G. Stoney that a Committee comprising J. Commins, David Treasure and G. Stoney be formed to set a fee for secretarial services. Seconded C. Hodge.

AUDITOR:

G. Stoney moved that Coopers & Lybrand be appointed Auditors for the M.C.A.V. for the year 1986/87. Seconded Doug Treasure.

FEES:

Moved G. Stoney, seconded W. Cumming that fees for the year 1987/8 be set at the next Annual General Meeting.

VISITOR:

Mr. J. Commins welcomed Mr. David McKittrick of the Department of Conservation Forests and Lands who explained the formation of the Pricing Panel which has been formed to look into all fees charged for Crown Land leases/licences. Following Mr. McKittrick's discussion the following Resolutions were passed:

Resolved: That the M.C.A.V. approach the Victorian Farmers Federation regarding the formation of the Government's Pricing Panel and the need for a V.F.F. representative on the Panel; and advising that the M.C.A.V. believes that the representative should be either a V.F.F. staff member, or
(a) a V.F.F. member (not necessarily a V.F.F. executive member), and
(b) a large holding licence holder (i.e.

person holding a grazing block/licence); and
(c) preferably be a resident of eastern Victoria (because the majority of grazing blocks/licences are in the east of the State).
Moved H. Ryder, seconded Doug Treasure.

Resolved

"That the M.C.A.V. write to the Pricing Panel through David McKittrick, requesting a meeting between them and a M.C.A.V. delegation to explain particular problems associated with Mountain grazing before any consideration is given to the pricing of Mountain leases. Moved G. Stoney, seconded Clive Hodge.

Resolved:

"That the M.C.A.V. write to Barmah Cattlemen and any other interested farming groups suggesting a joint meeting with the V.F.F. to discuss pricing of public land leases under the proposed pricing panel system". Moved G. Stoney seconded L. McCready.

CLOSURE:

The meeting closed at 1. p.m.

Confirmed. *David Stoney*
Chairman.