

Minutes of the Mountain District Cattlemen's Association held at Omeo on April 30, 1980.

Chairperson: Mr. J. Commins.

PRESENT: J. A. Commins, L. McCready, J. Treasure, Jim Treasure, C. McNamara, W. Ryder, W. Hicks, I. Roper, G. Fitzgerald.

APOLOGIES: Omeo- G. Connley, E. Gippsland, J. Mulligan, Gippsland - W. Cumming, G. Hodge and Central Secretary - Mrs. C. Aston.

Minutes of meeting held December 3, 1979 were read. J. Treasure moved the minutes be accepted. Seconded W. Hicks CARRIED

Minutes of Holmes Plain Meeting were read. W. Ryder moved the minutes be accepted. Seconded L. McCready CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT as at April 30, 1980.

	\$	\$
Balance as at February 9, 1980.		923.38

INCOME

Subscriptions	274.00	
Associate Members	190.00	
Advertising	50.00	
Voice of the Mountains	286.50	
Stickers	239.50	
Get-together	113.50	
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	1,153.50	<u>1,153.50</u>
		2,076.88

EXPENDITURE

Freight/Postage	20.00	
Copying/Duplicating	53.48	
Stickers and Stationery	559.97	
Secretary's Wage @ \$3.00 p.h.	35.25	
Typing	10.50	
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	679.20	679.20

Balance as at April 30th, 1980.	<u><u>\$1,397.68</u></u>
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W. Hicks moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Seconded W. Ryder. CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING: Jack Treasure brought up the matter of sales of Voice of the Mountains. It was agreed that the sales of the publication was not a great success and a good number of copies remain unsold. President didn't think that much milage was obtained in sending copies to M.P.'s and doubt if they were read. It was suggested that E. Gippsland Library Service (bookmobile) and the Nth. East Service be contacted as an outlet for V.of M. School Librarys also as a venue. L. McCready said car stickers were quite a good thing and a way of making mutual conversation with strangers.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Letters to and from Associate Members; queries answered by C. Aston.

Letter from Public Land Utilisation Council informing our Assoc. of their meeting in Melbourne on 5.5.80. As President and C. McNamara will be in Melb. on that date, they would go along to the meeting.

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Letter from United Landholders and Citizens Assoc. Letter answered by President. Dr. and Mrs. Gunter will attend meeting.

PRESEN'

Letter from W. V. Haughton re the use of 245T on roadsides and specified areas.

APOLOG

Letter from Peter Ross-Edwards, that the National Party will still support our Assoc.

PRESID  
ADDRES

W. Stephenson will help set up Voice of the Mountains.

L. McCready moved the correspondence be accepted.

Seconded I. Roper CARRIED

**GENERAL  
BUSINESS:**

Check up on Associate Members; are they paying and are we getting their support.

Articles published in Border Morning Mail on Cattle Grazing and Mustering on the Bogong High Plains was noted as very good copy by all who read them. Ian Roper made arrangements to have 125 copies printed and these would be passed on to Lou Lieberman, Liberal Member for Benambra to be circulated to other M.P.'s. Mr. Lieberman also said he would arrange a meeting with the Premier on the B.H.P. issue.

W. Hicks moved as Mr. McCready would be meeting L. Lieberman on May 5, would he make arrangements with L. Lieberman for the Premier to see privately, I. Roper, L. McCready and G. Fitzgerald at a date to suit Premier.

Seconded W. Ryder CARRIED

Our Assoc. enlist the support of any outside body to have independant studies done on the alpine and sub-alpine areas.

L. McCready moved a standard letter to all councils asking their support for an independant survey of the Alpine Area.

Seconded J. Treasure CARRIED

Public Land Utilisation Council ask for our support and membership. President would like to peruse their constitution before associating with them.

Disbandment of Vermin & Noxious Weeds Department. That branches be alerted to this move and to take appropriate action with M.P. and local District Advisory Councils. Moved L. McCready. Seconded W. Hicks.

CARRIED

Meeting closed at 3.45p.m.