

MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA Minutes for the meeting held at Harrierville on Friday, April 30th, 1982.

Meeting commenced at 11.30a.m.

PRESENT: J. Commins, G. Connley, B. Fitzgerald, C. Aston, D. Kneebone, H. Ryder, W. Hicks, L. McCready, J. Hall.

APOLOGIES: R. Treasure, J. Mulligan, C. Hodge, I. Roper, W. Cumming, F. Ryan.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meetings September 18, 1981 and February 5, 1982 were read.
B. Fitzgerald moved minutes be accepted, seconded D. Kneebone.
CARRIED.

CORRES-

PONDENCE: Mr. C. Hutchinson voicing his opinion on cattle grazing.
23/3/82 Mr. P. Osmond praising organizers of Get-together and order for Voice of the Mountains.
28/3/82 R. Rennick wanting to become Associate Member.
27/4/82 P. Osmond wanting to do a story on The Association its aims, troubles for a paper called "Learning Exchange".

B. Fitzgerald moved correspondence be accepted, seconded H. Ryder.
CARRIED.

BUSINESS: B. Fitzgerald moved John Holmes be sent a letter offering the donation of one (1) calf towards the research being carried out. Seconded H. Ryder.
CARRIED.

TREASURERS REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT for the period 31.1.82 to 30.4.82.

RECEIPTS

	\$	\$
Balance as at 1.7.81		2,943.57
Subscriptions (Members)		494.00
Associate Subscriptions		546.00
Donations		5.00
Advertising		627.50
Sales of Voice of the Mountains		2,479.60
" " Stickers		79.70
Miscellaneous		61.15
Bank		102.65
		<u>\$7,339.17</u>

EXPENDITURE

Bank Fees	6.90	
Freight/Postage	237.44	
Copying & Duplicating	75.22	
Catering & Room Hire	160.00	
Professional Advice	100.00	
Secretary's Allowance	286.60	
Stationary	89.00	
Cost of Voice of the Mountains	4,077.25	
Miscellaneous	435.50	
	<u>5,467.91</u>	5,467.91
LESS unrepresented cheque		<u>1,871.26</u> 82.09
Balance as per Bank Statement at 23.4.82.		<u>\$ 1,953.35</u>

TREASURER'S

REPORT: H. Ryder moved report be accepted, seconded B. Fitzgerald.
CARRIED

BUSINESS

ARISING: L. McCready moved that all funds be returned to Central Secretary for banking in ANZ, Bairnsdale to be put on fixed deposit and that the cheque account be maintained at \$1,000 and branches be given the sum of \$200 for expenses. Seconded W. Hicks. CARRIED

MEETING CLOSED FOR LUNCH AT 12.30p.m.

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Meeting commenced at 1.50p.m.

GENERAL

BUSINESS: List provided to Central Secretary for Voice of the Mountains to be sent to V.I.P.'s.

L. McCready moved that we prepare a submission to Government and a committee receive rates for summer grazing. The data for the submission be organized by a committee of three representatives, grazing high plains, forest commission leases and bush runs. As Statistical information other than that collected from cattlemen, will be required, it is suggested we employ McGowan & Assoc or some other firm to make the final preparation. Mr. Philpott of this company has given a rough estimation of between \$300-\$500. As the Minister of Conservation expects to have his conservation policies drafted in eight weeks, our submission should be required in five weeks. Seconded W. Hicks. CARRIED

Suggested that L. McCready, J. Commins, B. Fitzgerald, W. Hicks, G. Stoney and C. Hodge to compile information and get together on it.

OMEIO BRANCH: Discussion on wild pigs running around the high plains in Benambra, Black Mountain, Nunniong areas L. McCready moved the Secretary write to the Minister for Lands and Forests regarding the concern on the increased problem of numbers and of wild life.

Seconded J. Hall CARRIED

W. Hicks spoke of some information that has come to his notice regarding a run holder whose run came up for release and at the same time run holders were being put off their runs. D. Richards of Cobungra admitted that he had the run. W. Hicks moved that the MDCAV will certainly uphold the rights of the run holders who have been displaced. Seconded L. McCready CARRIED

J. Hall moved we pay United Landholders & Citizens Assoc. subscription of \$5. Seconded B. Fitzgerald CARRIED

L. McCready voiced his feelings that the meetings are getting less numbers each time and may be we should include Associate Members from the country in meetings. More emphasis on branches being represented at these meetings.

Meeting closed 4.30p.m.

John Bonnum . 24/11/82