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14 October 2022

Dear Member,

Notice of Annual General Meeting

As advised in my earlier letter, the 66th Annual General Meeting of the Puffing Billy Preservation Society is to be held on **Sunday 6 November 2022**. The meeting is to be held at the Belgrave Masonic Centre, 33 Bayview Road, Belgrave. Members unable to attend in person can register to attend the meeting using Zoom technology. The meeting will commence at **2.00pm** and we ask members to be seated before 2.00pm or connected online by 1.50pm.

Members who wish to attend online MUST register to attend by 10.00am on Sunday 6 November, so that connection details can be provided.

We encourage all members, whether attending or not, to use the Question Form to raise questions on notice to assist with smooth operation of the Annual General Meeting. All members not attending are encouraged to use the Proxy Form to indicate their vote on motions before the meeting. These documents need to be received by the Society by 2.00 pm on Friday 4 November 2022.

For members who are unable to attend the meeting, please send your apology to the Secretary by sending email to secretary@pbps.org.au by post to PO Box 515, Belgrave 3160 or by leaving a message on 03 9757 0767.

BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Attendance and Apologies
3. Minutes of 2021 Annual General Meeting
4. Annual Report of the Society for 2021-2022
5. Financial Report and Financial Statements for 2021-2022
6. Membership Subscriptions for 2022-2023
7. Appointment of Auditor
8. Election of Society Executive Committee
9. General Business

Members, present in person, are invited to partake of refreshments after the meeting.

MINUTES OF 2021 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting were circulated previously. Copies can be provided if required.

ANNUAL REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Society's Annual Report and Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2022 accompany this notice of meeting. If you require a printed copy of the Annual Report to be posted, please send email to membership@pbps.org.au or leave message on 03 9757 0767.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

It is proposed that there is no change in Membership subscriptions for 2022-2023.

The 2021-2022 fees are \$90.00 for Full members, \$60.00 for Full members with Concession, \$30.00 for Junior members and \$145.00 for Family members. The Life membership fee is \$2,700.00 and Senior Life membership fee is \$1,530.00.

ELECTION OF SOCIETY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Following the call for nominations in my letter of September 16, the following were received:

Committee Members: Jeff Gouldson
 Richard Main

The Society may struggle to exist after this AGM, if there are insufficient numbers to form an ongoing Executive Committee. As per the Constitution 2020, the minimum requirement is five persons. Vacant positions exist for Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President and up to six (6) committee positions.

This should be of major concern to all members as

'How much do you want to see the Society continue?'

Even if the minimum number of Executive members is reached, the Society will struggle to undertake new projects, hold fundraising and member events and work together to achieve the vision of the Society.

At the AGM, there will be a call for members to stand up to join the Executive Committee for a one-year term. All are welcome, however, under new ACNC requirements, there are due diligence checks required before confirmation of the position. Interested members should contact the Secretary for more information about these requirements.

Please contact the Society if you are interested in standing for a one-year term, by leaving a message on (03) 9757 0767 or sending an email to secretary@pbps.org.au . The Executive Committee and I look forward to seeing you on Sunday 6 November 2022.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Main, Secretary