## "The Thirties"

There is evidence that a car club or motoring club existed at Melbourne University in the late 1930's. No further details are available at the time of writing.

## **Foundation**

## MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING UNIVERSITY CAR CLUB

History Lecture Theatre, Tue. 11-10-55

Present: The organizers, Messrs Fleming and Nekrasov;

in the Chair, Mr. Endacott, Science Rep. 50th S.R.C.

Approximately 70 staff and students.

I. The meeting opened at 1.10 pm. Mr. Fleming was appointed Minute Sec.

The Organizers spoke briefly as to their reasons for forming the Club. Both had long felt the need for such a body in the University, and in view of the proximity of the exams, and the fact that Sydney has recently formed a car club, they felt that Melbourne should delay no longer.

- II. The Chairman then read the Draft Constitution, copies of which were circulated.
- III. In discussion of this draft, Mr. Eccles raised the point that it would be desirable for Committee members to actually own a car of some sort; but this was ruled by the Chair to be unacceptable to the S.R.C. under the terms of Regulation III, Clause 6 of the S.R.C. Constitution. Further discussion concerned:
  - i) The desirability of affiliation with the S.R.C.
  - ii) Whether the Club intended to affiliate with C.A.M.S.
  - iii) The location of future meeting places.

These were answered by Mr. Fleming:

- i) Financial aid from the Union, and advertisement in the Fresher's Handbook
- ii) Under the terms of the Constitution as dictated by the SRC, it is inadvisable to do so. However, when sufficient Registered Members are listed, these will form a subsidiary Club for this express
- iii) Meetings will be held in whatever lecture theatres or rooms in the Union are available.
- IV. Moved that the Constitution as read be adopted. (G.Nekrasov/J.Fryer) Carried unanimously.
- V. The Chairman then called for nominations for President of an interim Committee; the entire Committee to be elected by show of hands.

Nominations:

John Phillips

Dennis Corr

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George Nekrasov

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Mr. Nekrasov was declared elected.

Mr Endacott then vacated the Chair in favour of the President.

VI. The President then called for nominations for the remaining positions in order:

Treasurer:

Nicholas de la Vatine elected unopposed

Secretary:

Brian Fleming

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Dennis Corr

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Mr. Cassidy

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Mr. Fleming was declared elected.

Committee members

Duke

Cassidy

Martin Shea

Miss S Bentley

Miss Bentley, Messrs Martin and Shea were declared elected

## VII. General Business:

- a) Post Exam Run it was agreed that this should be to the day of car racing at the Opening Meeting of PIARC, be it the Saturday or Sunday, Nov. 26 or 27. details to be posted on the Upstairs Notice Board when finalized.
- b) The design of a suitable radiator badge was left in the hands of the Committee, to be presented to a General Meeting at a later date.