

Hawkesbury
Model & Hobby
Show Inc.



2009
Annual Report

3rd March 2009 to 31st July 2009

Hawkesbury Model & Hobby Show Inc.

Sydney's Premier Hobby Exhibition

No: INC9890910

HM&HS (Inc.) is an association incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1984 - Regulation 1999.

Donations

This year we made donations to

Cystic Fibrosis NSW (\$100)

St John Ambulance Hawkesbury (\$100)

Rural Fire Service Hawkesbury (\$50)

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A NEW ASSOCIATION IS BORN

The Hawkesbury Model & Hobby Show has been a successful event for the four years it has run. It was originally conceived as a promotional tool and fund raiser for Tourist Railway Association Kurrajong. Late in 2008 there was some discussion among TRAK members on the future of the Hobby Show. The TRAK committee indicated it would support the show becoming a separate event outside the direct control of TRAK.

To this end a proposal was prepared by members of the organising group. The proposal was to establish a separate incorporated association to run the Hobby Show with all profits being donated to the community.

The work of setting up an association began at this point. The appropriate documents were prepared, rules of association written and the basics of association organisation agreed to. When the TRAK committee voted to support the proposal the application for incorporation was lodged with the Office of Fair Trading and the association came into being on 3rd March 2009.

This was exactly 4 months before the 2009 event. As well as the usual organisation of the event, much of which was delayed while the association was established, the committee had to arrange insurance, set up banking facilities and myriad other tasks. Fortunately TRAK agreed to make a loan to cover the costs of the event. Without this it would not have been possible to run the event.



HM&HS COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Position	Name
President	Paul McDonald
Vice President	Kevin Smith
Secretary	Jim Dean
Treasurer	Jeanette Hill
Committee Member	Alan White
Committee Member	Graham Clayton

As set out in the Act after the incorporation of the Association the founding members formed the committee. This interim committee will hold office until the Annual General Meeting. At the AGM all committee positions will be vacated and a new committee elected. There are 7 positions on the committee.

Committee members are elected for a period of 2 years. At each AGM one half of the positions are declared vacant and elections held for those positions. The office bearers are elected by the committee at its first meeting after the AGM.

The HM&HS committee has met regularly at various members homes. The committee would like to thank the families who have allowed us to intrude in this way.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Paul McDonald

The 2009 Show was held on 4th and 5th July 2009 at the usual venue, the Hawkesbury Showground Clarendon in what can only be described as glorious sunny weather. This was a change from the minus 4 that we have experienced in the past. This is my fourth report and first as coordinator for the new organisation. Whilst the numbers were marginally down on 2008 figures this was anticipated due to the present economic climate.

Exhibitor Non Attendance

I was however disappointed by the non attendance of exhibitors who had made commitments to be there. There is always someone who can't make it for various reasons but the number was much higher this year.

Catering

As usual the Lions Club Of Richmond did a sterling job feeding exhibitors, workers and visitors and we hope it was financially beneficial to them.

Australasian Telephone Collectors

This year we saw a major exhibit along the north wall of the pavilion as the Australasian Telephone Collectors Society made our show the site of their Annual Telephone Show. Our thanks are extended to John Cooper and members of the Society for their involvement and trust that they will continue to be part of our show in future years.

Rides

The double deck bus rides were very popular this year with full loads on both decks on some trips. We thank Edward and Sarah Parker for providing the rides and to Phil and James for bringing the buses for display.

Outside Exhibits

A surprise display was the Sydney Antique Machinery Club as we had been advised at Blokes' Day that no one was available. Other exhibits included The Riley Car Club on Sunday, Hawkesbury Classic cars, several individual vintage / veteran cars and a display of restored buses presented by the Parker family

Saturday Night Dinner

Again this year the dinner was held at Richmond Golf Club with an attendance of over 30 people. 2 round tables enjoyed Banquet number one whilst those enjoying their own selection used two long tables. During the evening John Cooper spoke on behalf of ATCS who made up a large proportion of attendees and encouraged them to continue in their support of the Show. He also thanked Gar, our chef for an excellent meal. On behalf of HM&HS Inc., I thanked all present for their involvement over the weekend. After the formalities we ate the Club out of "Fried Ice-cream". As in previous years we were provided with a bus from the Showground to the Club and back by Edward and Sarah Parker.

Sponsorship

Letters seeking sponsorship were forwarded to 83 sources resulting in 5 responses 4 of which were rejections. Richmond Raceway provided 25 free passes to Greyhound races which were distributed to exhibitors and volunteers.

It is felt that if we are to seek sponsorship it will be necessary to make personal approach to the various sources of possible sponsorship. To do this we need the services of someone with an outgoing and persuasive nature. If you are or know of such person please let the committee know.

As coordinator I would like to express appreciation to all the persons, businesses, organisations who helped over the weekend, in the lead up and in the area of publicity.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ASSOCIATION FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

Operating Statement 01/03/2009 to 31/07/2009

2008/2009

Revenue

Joining Fees	\$42.00
Membership Fees	\$42.00
Donations	\$235.60
Fund Raising Activities	\$
Site fees	\$1,360.40
Table hire	\$276.00
Advertising	\$143.00
Gate Entry	\$9,150.00

TOTAL REVENUE

\$11,249.00

Expenses

Advertising & Promotion	\$597.94
Bank Fees & Govt.Charges	1.05
Charitable donations	\$250.00
Fund Raising	\$1,187.23
Meeting expenses	\$10.50
Hall Hire & Site fees	\$2,392.00
Incorporation	\$105.00
Insurances	\$980.10
Postage	\$172.92
Stationery & Printing	\$1,185.49
Exhibitors fees	\$1,600.00

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$8482.23

OPERATING Surplus

\$2766.77

Balance Sheet as at 31/07/2009

2008/2009

Assets

Cash at Bank \$2,566.77
Petty Cash Float \$200.00

TOTAL ASSETS **\$2766.77**

Liabilities

Loan from TRAK \$4,790.00
(\$5000 less \$210.00)
Repaid 27/7/09 **-\$4,790.00**

TOTAL LIABILITIES **\$0.00**

NET ASSETS **\$2766.77**

Members' Funds

Operating Surplus B/fwd @
Accumulated Operating Surplus \$2766.77
\$2766.77

TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS **\$2766.77**

Bank Reconciliation as at 31/07/2009

Balance B/fwd as at 30/06/2009	\$3,068.26
Plus Receipts	\$10,678.00
Less Payments	\$11,179.49

Balance as per Balance Sheet **\$2566.77**

Add unpresented cheques

32	\$100.00
33	\$50.00
34	\$100.00

Less outstanding Deposits

Balance as per bank statement **\$2816.77**

SECRETARY'S REPORT

by Jim Dean

This has been an exciting and interesting year for the Hobby Show. We started the year as part of an existing association with the financial and logistical support that provides. We end it as an independent group without that protection. As a result it has been a difficult and busy time.

With the formation of the association earlier in the year we were left with a shorter than usual time to organise the event. This resulted in some tasks not being completed to our satisfaction.

Overall the results for the year were disappointing. I don't think this is due to one particular factor but the result of a number of issues. I have already mentioned the shorter than normal period leading up to the weekend. There is also the current worldwide financial crisis which must have had some impact. This is the first year we did not hold the event during the school holidays and this may have had some effect.

That said we always knew we would not produce a great profit this year as we needed to put funds aside for future years. We have been able to do this and still make small donations to the community.

One area we did look into was sponsorship. We contacted many local businesses and organisations without success. This is an area that needs more attention in future.

The committee has met since the show and discussed areas we would like to see improvement. We have identified a number of things we can do to make future years more successful.

I would like to say "thank you" to the Members of the Committee who have been a pleasure to work with and to the members who have given of their time to assist at the show.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As at 31st July 2009 the total financial membership of HM&HS was 21. The committee was pleased with the interest shown by those who joined our new association. We would like to welcome everyone.

Membership Year

The membership year runs from 1st August to 31st July. The committee decided that all members who joined prior to 1st August would be considered financial members until 31st July 2010.

Newsletter

Our newsletter is circulated to all members. The current issue is available on our Internet site for members of the public to download.

Members Events

A small number of events are planned to be held during the year to allow our members to meet in an informal social environment.

Membership List

There are 21 financial members. The membership list as at 31st July 2009 is -

Stephen Attard
Phillip Badger
Graham Clayton
Jessie Cuff
Jim Dean
James Downey
Andrew Krzyszton
Viviane Maquire
Ron Painter
David Ranger
Alan White

Catherine Attard
John Christie
Dave Cuff
Juliette Curl
John Donohoe
Jeanette Hill
William Maquire
Paul McDonald
Jennifer Piggott
Kevin Smith

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

There are several people who should be acknowledged for their assistance in setting up the association and in organising the Hobby Show.

Tourist Railway Association Kurrajong Inc. - support in creating the association and the transfer of archives and assets and for the loan to cover set up expenses.

John Christie JP – preparing the Incorporation paperwork

Carolynne Cooper – design of logo

Lyn Hudson (Tourist Centre) - publicity through tourist industry
Too many exhibitors and friends to list who distributed flyers at various events and locations all over Sydney and as far away as the Hunter Valley

Various newspapers and radio stations for free promotion

Various businesses who allowed flyers to be displayed and distributed at the premises.

Mary Aveyard and staff of Hawkesbury District Agricultural Association – support on the weekend.

Epping Model Railway Club - Crowd control barriers

Paul McDonald – organising exhibitors

Stephen Attard - Hall layout plan

Coral Nash and Jim Dean – the guide booklet

All members and friends who worked so hard over the four days of the weekend.

