

Casterton Motor Enthusiasts' Club CASTERNOTES JULY 2026



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Casterton Motor Enthusiasts' Club

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Foundation Life Members

2. Jim Kent (dec)

11. Keith Beauglehall (dec)

6. Garry and Jenny Thompson

14. Arnold and Irene Hornibrook

10. Jeoff and Jill Hortle

16. Greg and Julie Lindsay

FROM THE EDITOR

It`s good to see all positions filled again, and so we look forward to enjoying another year of friendships and outings.

As Gavin asked in his report, it would be good to see some photos and happenings of where our members are travelling.

I`m sure it`s not that I`m getting older, but I have felt this winter the coldest I can remember. Others have said the same thing. But usually this time of the year Arnold and I are enjoying warmer weather in Darwin, so maybe I`m having a problem adjusting my thermostat.

You will have noticed that our club will be in recess over the next two months and our next meeting will be on the **20th September** with a B.B.Q. lunch prior to the meeting at the shed. Reminders will be sent out a few days before.

Irene Hornibrook

Take note that our next meeting is once again at the club shed at 12.00 p.m.. on Sunday 20th September. Join in for a B.B.Q. lunch before the meeting

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Payments by Electronic Bank Transfer

NAME. Casterton Motor Enthusiasts Club

BSB 633 000

A/C. 207 281 064

Reference – Please use your Surname as Reference

Cash.

Cash payment only accepted at Meetings.

Please Note. Change of Bank Details as from 1st July 2026

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Here we are in the depths of winter. I hope everyone is keeping warm, and free from colds and flu's. Our annual meeting last month was once again well attended, we had a scrumptious lunch at the club shed, and the weather was kind to us. Thanks to those who helped with the lunch preparations, and those that brought along the special extras, those little treats certainly make the meetings special.

Thanks again to those that took up positions on the committee. It's good to have a stable committee, I always think it makes for a steady ship going forward. Most of our business discussed was straight forward, so that makes the job easy. The report on having a reverse cycle air conditioner installed in the shed is being looked at, and checking the capacity of the wiring to see how we go. We are hoping to be updated soon.

Thank you to Margaret McArlein for chairing the meeting for election of office bearers. I was getting a bit worried; she did such a good job I thought I may have not got the chair back again. Seriously Margaret, thank you for doing that job for us.

The meeting decided we would not meet over the next couple of winter months. Same as we did last year. So keep warm everyone. If you're out and about take some photos for the next newsletter, everyone likes to see what you have been up to. That's it from me for the moment .

Gavin Lowe C. M. E. C.

President



CMEC General Meeting

June 28th 2026 at Club shed.

B.B.Q. held prior to meeting

Meeting Opened:	1.10 p.m. by President Gavin who welcomed all and new members Jamie Baugh, Pete & Jeanette Crosbie, and Marc Bluel.
Members Present :	Jeoff & Jill Hortle. I.Hornibrook. G,Lowe, B.& P.Johnston. G.Baker.P.Jones. S.Gregory. P.O`Connell. J.Baugh. J.Johnston. M.McArlein. S.& J.Colquhoun. B.Pettingill. P. & J.Crosbie. M.Bluel.
Apologies:	A.Hornibrook.B.O`Connell.G.&DiArthur.W.Eldridge.E.Humphries. B.Burgess. K.Robins. N.Guthrie. R.Sanders. P.Murphy. John Dixon. .
Minutes:	As published in current newsletter were accepted on motion of Gerard Baker Seconded by Bruce Johnston. Carried.
Business Arising:	Shed Power. Secretary in contact with electrician
Correspondence In:	Various Club newsletters. Bank statements. Advice that Naracoorte will be hosting the 2027 Around the Garages. Date to be advised.
Correspondence Out:	Glenelg Shire rental account paid.
Treasurers Report:	Credit balance reported and accounts passed for payment on motion of Irene Hornibrook seconded by Phyllis Johnston. Carried.
.Soup Spoon.	Steve Gregory is arranging a replacement item.
Tractor Trek –	Nov 27/28/29 -2026 Gerard-. Work in progress. About 100ks
Tour 2027	Irene- General consensus that our small tour be to the Junction on 5.6.7.March 2027
General Business:	Members advised that a recess of 2 months {July and August} be conducted again this year. Our next meeting will be B.B.Q. at the shed at 12.00p.m. on the 20 th September .
Reports :	Paul Jones- Wentworth Tractor event. Good weekend approx. 125 tractors on display. Kelpie Parade- Good turnout of vehicles & bike. Gavin told the club the history of his Dutch Pushbike, about 100 years old
For Sale:	Nil
Wanted:	Nil.
Door Raffle:	Mark Bluel / Gerard Baker

Meeting closed 1.48 p.m.

Next meeting A.G.M.Sunday 20th Sept. 2026 B.B.Q. Lunch supplied at Shed . 12 p.m.

CLUB MEETINGS

- **4th Tuesday of each month at Senior Citizens Clubrooms Clarke Street Casterton**
- **Meeting times April to September 7.30 p.m**
- **Meeting times October to March 8.00 p.m**
- Articles and photos for inclusion into the club newsletter are due by the **9th day of each month**
- Committee meetings are held as required, min 4 per year
- The AGM is held each year at the Senior Citizens Clubrooms on the 4th Tuesday in June at 7:30pm
- Tractor Trek is held last weekend in November
 - Gerard Baker 0427327779
 - Trucks, tractors, cars, stationary engines are eligible to enter
 - Camp sites and full catering available on-site

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PRESIDENTS ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2025/2026

I would like to start by thanking my executive members who have diligently supported me and served our club so well through the past year. Especially Jeoff as Secretary, a person that always seems to be on top of the workload. Also Irene, who does a power of work for us as Treasurer, as well as doing the newsletter, and reminding everyone about the meetings. Thanks Irene for your service to the Club. Then Brian my Vice President, who is always ready to step in if I`m unavailable. Thank you Brian. This is not forgetting all those who pitch in for the club in other ways. This is what makes the club tick, well done.

During the last 12 months our Tractor trek led by Gerard and Brian was a huge success. You boys do a fantastic job putting all this together, thank you.

Our Christmas show at Digby, although not a huge gathering, but a great time, {except for losing the soup spoon} another good day.

Then our social get together long weekend in March. We had a wonderful time in Coleraine. The company was great. Thanks to all for putting the weekend together.

It has been sad to lose a few of our senior members during the year, but our club is bouncing back. It is pleasing to see a few new members joining the club. Our member numbers on the books have increased of late, pleasing to see.

With the advent of using the club shed for more meetings, especially barby lunches, we are looking into getting a reverse cycle aircon in the shed. Also putting a verandah on the entrance door side of the shed to give us some shelter, but still waiting on quotes and pricing from installers.

No don` t forget to all our members who are holidaying or just travelling, take some photos for our newsletter and let people see what is out there. We love to hear the stories of where you have been.

So thank you to the club for allowing me to hold this very important job, and thanks to those who support the club.

Gavin Lowe
President.

C.M.E.C. ANNUAL MEETING HELD 28TH JUNE 2026 AT CLUB SHED

Meeting opened 2.05 p.m. by President Gavin.

Members Present : as per June 28th 2026 General Meeting minutes.

Apologies : as per June 28th 2026 General Meeting minutes.

Minutes of the June 24th 2025 A.G.M. were read to members present and were accepted on the motion of Paul Burgess seconded by Gerard Baker. Carried.

Business Arising : Nil

Treasurers Report : Irene gave a report of our club operations for the previous year resulting in a small profit of \$160 . The books have been audited by Carmen Gorman. A balance sheet was tabled and accepted on the motion of Gerard Baker seconded by Phyllis Johnston. Carried.

Club Captain/ Co-ordinator. Nil

Presidents Report. Gavin gave a comprehensive report on our activities for the year thanking all members for their input for the year. A full report will be published in our newsletter.

Gavin declared all offices vacant and asked Margaret McArlein to chair the A.G.M. elections for the 26/27 year.

2026/27 ELECCTIONS [A] ACCEPETED [D] DECLINED

President - Jeoff Hortle nominated Gavin Lowe {A}

Secretary – Bruce Johnston nominated Jeoff Hortle {A}

Vice President – Gavin Lowe nominated Brian O`Connell {A}

Treasurer- Bruce Johnston nominated Irene Hornibrook [A]

Assis. Treasurer – Gerard Baker nominated Phyllis Johnston. {A}

Club Captain – Co-ordinated by Committee.

Librarian/ Property Officer -Gerard Baker nominated Janine Johnston {A}

Editor/ Publicity Officer – Paul Jones nominated Irene Hornibrook {A}

Committee -Jeoff Hortle nominated by Phyllis & Bruce Johnston {A}

Bruce Johnston nominated Spencer & Jill Colquhoun {A}

Paul Burgess nominated Gerard Baker & Kerrie Robins {A}

Tour Co-ordinator – Committee

November Weekend / Tractor Trek – Gerard Baker & helpers – elected at February meeting

Federation & A.O.M.C. reps. Any 2 of President-Secretary- Vice President- Treasurer.

C.P.S. Signatories – Jeoff Hortle [A] Gavin Lowe {A}

Federation /A.O.M.C. delegates reimbursement moved Spencer Colquhoun seconded Paul Jones that delegates attending meetings be full y reimbursed for cost incurred. Carried.

Membership – Moved Jill Colquhoun seconded Paul Burgess that our membership remains at \$60 Family \$50 Single Joining Fee \$20. Carried

Financial – Moved Gavin Lowe seconded Gerard Baker that our Bendigo Bank accounts continue as is. Carried.

Moved Gavin Lowe seconded Jill Hortle that our auditing services be West Currie / Carmen Gorman. Carried

Signatories – moved Irene Hornibrook seconded Phyllis Johnston that any 2 of President - Secretary-Vice President- Treasurer- Assis. Treasurer. Carried.

President Gavin thanked all for accepting positions for the ensuing year.

Meeting closed 2.42 p.m.

