

## **FRIENDS OF EAST GIPPSLAND RAIL TRAIL INC**

### **MEETING 9 /04 held at Wy Yung Hotel, Bairnsdale Oct 18th 2004**

1. **Attendance:** Alan Jones, Janice Preston, Clint Eastwood, Edwin Slatter, Vicki Everett, Michael Oxer, Andrew Sharpe, Roger Spencer, Clive Gaskill, Andrew Sharpe, John Websdale

**Apologies:** Jill Gaskill, Sue Peirce, Geoff Preston, Geoff Stevenson, Frank & Sheila Garden, Keith Law, Marlene Robb, Jim Douthat.

2. **Minutes** of previous meeting (Orbost, Sept 20, 2004) were accepted.

#### **3. Business arising**

3.1 ABN obtained from ATO 45969837646

3.2 Small equipment grant received and items purchased –thanks to Alan and Michael for organizing the purchases

3.3 Bicycle Victoria Rail Trails workshop – Michael Oxer, Bob Yeates and Peter Bomber attended.

#### **4. Membership:** Resolved:

- (a) the membership year be the financial year
- (b) current memberships run until 30/6/05-renewal notice to be sent at least 6 weeks before June 30<sup>th</sup>
- (c) membership applications made after March 1 2005 remain current until 30/6/06

#### **5. Treasurer's report:**

John Websdale tabled report

Income: membership \$840, grant \$2575.67

Expenses: Stationary \$170, hall hire \$15

Balance 3,232.81

#### **5. Committee of management** Andrew Sharpe reported the following:

5.1 \$600k promised by John Anderson for completion of trail and maintenance – still being decided how and when money will be available

- 5.2 start on Nowa Nowa to Orbost even while under DSE management
- 5.3 Vic Roads plans for Nowa Nowa intersection under review
- 5.4 new grazing licences at Nicholson
- 5.5 Section of decking on Nicholson Bridge replaced
- 5.6 Rabbits being poisoned at Nicholson
- 5.7 new appointment (Cr Peter Bomber) to Committee waiting action from Minister
- 5.8 Vehicle barriers at Colhoun Forest to be installed
- 5.9 Toilet installed at trestle bridge by DSE
- 5.10 Trestle bridge is too close to track, DSE to make bypass track to nth side with a possible viewing platform, bench seats etc
- 5.11 another committee member required, put ad in next newsletter.

## **6. Activities :**

- 6.1 Jobs update – Andrew revised list
- 6.2 Next ride 20.11.04 Bruthen to Nowa Nowa – details in newsletter
- 6.3 Bruthen working bee on September 3– 13 members cleared up around station ground and under tunnel
- 6.4 Weeds on sealed section to be sprayed. Clive and Frank volunteered to look into spray option and to contact Bill Storer
- 6.5 Evening working bee on xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx near Bruthen, where trail crosses highway west of Bruthen, where timber bridge has been removed.

## **7. Other business**

- 7.1 Newmerella locals complaining of truck traffic

## **8.Next meeting: Nov 22 at Nowa Nowa Pub**

- 7.30 to commence meeting,
- Janice thanked all for attendance.

## **AGENDA FOR MEETING 10/04 Nowa Nowa June 21 2004**

7.30

- 1. Attendance/apologies

2. Minutes of previous meeting
3. Business arising
4. Treasurer's report
5. East Gippland Railtrail COM report
6. Newsletter
7. Activities
8. Annual general meeting
9. Other items
10. Next meeting – need to schedule for next months

Volunteers hours meeting, minutes and follow up estimated 28 hours.