

AUSTRALIAN ELECTRIC VEHICLE ASSOCIATION, SYDNEY BRANCH MEETING  
14 August 2019, 7:33pm  
Baulkham Hills Sports Club

1. Welcome by Greg Partridge (chairman).
2. Attendance Book circulated.
3. Apologies from Geoff O'Tool and David Hiley.
4. Minutes from previous branch meeting on 12 June 2019, were posted on the AEVA Sydney branch website, and the AEVA Sydney facebook page. No amendments suggested. Minutes accepted.
5. Chairman's report: Mainly focused on NRMA's charging network which is up to 18 sites with 6 more under construction. With 43 sites by June 2020, and a possible second stage. They are Olypic Park, Jindabyne, Hunter Valley Gardens, Mittagong, Young, Wallsend, West Wyalong, Berry, Narrandera, Bathurst, Dubbo, Batemans Bay, Parkes, Tamworth, Nabiack, Orange, Grafton, and Glen Innes. Under construction is Ewingsdale, Gunnedah, Jugiong, Bega, Holbrook, Lithgow. Planned for the Goulburn Visitors, Center, Cooma, Mudgee, Picton, Port Macquarie, Coffs Harbour, Byran Bay. Also, the Jaguar dealer at Concord has installed a Fastcharger, and Newcastle council have installed a Fastcharge station recently.
6. David Hiley was not able to be present so we don't have a Vice-Chairman's report.
7. Treasurers report: At the end of the Financial year we had \$8,123.26. That's since gone down substantially because of the Expo. Expenses over the last year were Administration, Events, Charge station hardware, Meetup, Sponsorship, Travel, and the venue hire The big expenses was events such as Newcastle - \$1300. This was how we invested our sponsorship from Sally.
8. Chargers have now been installed at this venue. The 3-phase didn't go ahead because of insufficient power supply.
9. Secretaries Report: I took over Secretaryship just over a year ago, and we have had meetups most weeks.
10. Spill. Chairman declared all positions are vacant.  
Chairman: Greg Partridge was nominated, seconded, no other nominations, and Greg accepted.  
Vice-Chairman: No Nominations, so this position is vacant.  
Tresurer: Michael Day nominated, no other nomination, seconded, Michael accepted.  
Secretary: Mark Roberts nominated, no other nomination, seconded, Mark accepted.  
Infrastructure, and media liaison officer are unfilled.
11. Event Reports:  
  
Nissan Leaf try-drive meetup was very well attended by 13 AEVA members, and 3 people from Nissan at Suttons Artarmon. The Nissan guy Clive and they are keen to present at events like the Anondale day coming up. Greg and Michael Symons were given a test drive of the new Leaf at Castle Hill Nissan on Wednesday last week, and were very impressed. Sandy McDonald was the contact.  
  
Grey imports are starting to arrive from UK and Japan now.  
  
Coming up are Anondale on the 25<sup>th</sup> August, Randwick ON 22<sup>th</sup> September, volunteers are sort.  
  
Our EV Expo and AGM, at Olympic park, 26-27 October. This is our big event, we

have 5000 square Meters. We are expecting to have: As many OEMs as we can get, club cars, EV vendors, the boat guy, possibly trucks, and motor bikes or bikes. Try-drives will be a big part of the event. We want as many club cars as we can get, and we have a trailer to move cars around as we need to.

On Friday night there will be an informal dinner for people involved in setting up, a formal dinner on Saturday night, and the National AGM will be on the Sunday Morning.

Flyers and charger tags were handed out to members, to advertise the event.

RichardS proposed a visit to the museum of Applied Arts and Science at there Castle Hill storage facility in, to see the Silent power Van and other vintage conversions and a Detroit Electric. Richard has contacted the curators, and the cost is \$20 per head for the full tour, they need about 8-15 people. We need to work out a date. Could be a Weekend or after-hours. Interested parties should contact the secretary.

Jason's suggestion of a trip to a winery was discussed but still mostly talk. JohnA agreed to help organise this.

12. Projects: Michael described the fire he had while working on his scooters battery pack. The takeaway was that importance of having proper fire fighting equipment.

Michael has gotten the motor to turn on his Lotus is now ready for a meetup next week at his place.

Greg's Enfield plans were gone over. Also he intends to respay it and display it at the Expo.

Aldo has now received his Citron.

JohnA discussed his progress repairing his BMW i3. Currently he is at the point of challenging the assessment that it is irreparable. He still needs to develop the argument and ensure that the carbon-fibre shell and structural integrity is also un-compromised.

13. Other business: PeterY discussed the problems he has had with his Zoe. He has had a battery failure which, after a considerable drama sorting it out, and 10 weeks off the road, was replaced under warranty.

Greg described a project to interview/film our life members, Greg agreed to do the interviews, and Jason agreed to do the videoing and uploading to our youtube channel.

Jeff Smit introduced himself. He is an Auto-electrician with a workshop at Brookvale. He is doing a conversion of a Toyota Starlet. He also publishes a publication, The-Automotive-Technition (TAT) with 3 other partners. He is the technical editor. This was started 12-13 years ago and has grown into a network of technicians with ~3500 members across the world now. He will be coming to the Expo and is hoping to bring the conversion.

Lubo informed the group of the availability of good value 18650 battery packs at Aldi stores. Each pack has 10 cells, costs \$20, is 4Ah, and uses Samsung cells.

Will informed that all new Tesla wall chargers are locked to Tesla only. This is seen as a step backward, and received broad disapproval from the membership.

14. EVs in Carpark.

Meeting closed 9:00pm. Next Meetings 9 October, and 11 December 2019.