



AEVA (SA Branch)
- Minutes -
of General Meeting
held in the Function Room
Vogue Theatre
25 Belair Rd, Kingswood, SA 5062

Date: August 15, 2018 - 7:30pm

- Chair: Paul Koch welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- All mobile devices to be turned off or made silent.
- Apologies: Lance Librandi, Steve Rhodes

Minutes of the last meeting were published on the website for all to read. Motion to accept minutes: Moved: Edward Booth
Seconded: Fe Schigulski

- Ask for numbers (Eric to count number present)
 - Number present: 41
 - Arrived in Plug-in Vehicle: 15 Hybrid: 4
 - New members since last meeting: Senator Tim Storer
 - Visitors: 3
- Paul mentioned the visitors' \$4.00 donation.

Chairman's report:

Please see this at the bottom of this document.

Roger Keyes moved that this report be accepted. Edward seconded this, all in favour.

Paul also thanked all those that helped with Science Alive!

August (2nd), 3rd, 4th & 5th

Treasurer's report:

\$2693.31 in the bank.

Secretary's Report:

- Thanks to all those people who help to setup and pack up this hall each month.
- Toilets, Tea & Coffee available. Paper/foam cups.

- “Email list”. Please print clearly.
- New member name tags, plus more
- Library books - videos - Members to fill in sheet - See Blake Spearman.
- Memberships - On-line or here at the meeting - forms...
- ACC - Survey - email to all members. Paper copy for David...

Tonight’s Speaker:

Guest Speaker: **Phil Gell** from GELCOservices
(AEVA Corporate member)
"Looking after EV batteries"

Member EV Conversion reports: *[8:30pm - 8:45pm]*

Question Time: *[8:45pm - 8:50pm]*

EV’s in the news *[8:50pm - 9:00pm]*

- Eric has videos/photos - as time allows.
No videos tonight

Other business:

The next general meeting of AEVA (SA)
Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 7:30pm

Guest Speakers: **Peter Nattrass** and **Tanya Roe** from ACC
also **Tim Washington** from Chargefox

Meeting closed : 8:50pm

Supper: *[... ~10pm]*

Eric Rodda (Secretary)

Chairperson report August 2018

Since our last meeting there have been two big events the Branch has been involved in.

The Senate inquiry into Electric Vehicles and Science Alive.

Electric vehicles (EVs) have been getting a lot of coverage lately, with the Senate inquiry currently underway and Chaired by SA Senator, Tim Storer. This has drawn out many submissions across the country with AVEA nationally providing a submission as well as from our Branch and other Branches.

As well as written submissions the Inquiry is hosting public hearings, with the first held in Adelaide last Friday. A number of us attended this hearing and witnessed a full day of very interesting and insightful presentations, and some very probing questioning from the panel members.

Overall there were two main thrusts. How to improve the marketing of electric vehicles to lift the rate of adoption and how to build up industry around electric vehicles.

To build up the adoption of EVs there was a view that there needed to be leadership provided by Governments to set EV adoption targets, providing a variety of short term benefits (registration fees etc), ensuring charging infrastructure is in place, having a procurement policy around EVs etc. All of which would provide the confidence required by OEMs to import vehicles and for the public to be confident there will be ongoing support etc.

For building industry around EV, there were submissions around Australia being a world leader in the manufacture of batteries, motors and electronic componentry.

One presenter also talked about the real feasibility of manufacturing EVs in Australia.

It was noted, that these would be the jobs of the future and Australia should take hold of this opportunity.

Also as an aside, our Branch's submission was referenced in the Advertiser on the same day, picking up on the push to secure a round of Formula E in Adelaide. The article made the link between major events like this increasing community awareness, and also fostering industry and development. All good.

Again, our branch hosted another successful stand at the annual Science Alive event.

We had five vehicles on display so thanks to:

Denis with his Daewoo Matiz electric conversion

Blake and his Mitsubishi iMiEV

Eric's and his two vehicles, his Barina conversion and his Plug-in Prius conversion

Jan's Plug-in Prius conversion, which is in progress.

It was great these vehicles could be on display, especially as they are tied up on site for at least three days.

As usual, there was a lot of interest and thanks to those that helped on the stand.

There was in particular one very interesting conversation with a lady who is importing a second hand 2014 Nissan LEAF through an agent. The agent sources the vehicles from overseas, but it can only be a model that has not been sold in Australia. By doing this you are not 'undercutting' an existing dealer. The agent does all the

paperwork, including the compliance with ADRs. Interestingly the lady said she has never been in a LEAF to try one, she just wants to go electric. How exciting is that. Interestingly one of the presenters at the Senate Inquiry, who was mostly likely the agent that is importing the vehicle, was calling for the opening up of the parallel importing regulation, as a short term solution to filling the demand for EVs. It was also noted that many of the EVs in NZ are imported into their country via this mechanism, and they are well in front of us when it comes to EV adoption. It looks like a good possibility to access a greater variety of vehicles.

Cheers
Paul Koch
Chairperson
AEVA SA.
15th August 2018