



Minutes of Exec meeting June 2

10:00pm NZ time Present: Helen, Mick, Kim, Jenine, Lachlan Apologies: Alan

Minutes from April and May meetings: Helen moves to accept. Lachlan seconds. Accepted.

1. Actions Arising from last meeting

a. ABOTMA memberships: Jenine - follow up with Greg on Premise, get membership database and figure out how we're going to handle this later.

b. Website: Lachlan to approach his friend who is doing the site and get a design up for us to look at.

Jenine working on both of these with Greg. We can still use Premise, but Jenine needs to learn how to use it. Kim says she can help to figure out the nuts and bolts of Premise. New look and feel for the sites is easy, should be done soon.

Actions arising from May meeting:

a. Lachie to talk to John Gallagher about Laurie Lewis and a gig in Sydney Lachlan has been in touch, and put Laurie in touch with John. Kim is working on gigs for Supertones around Melbourne, and offers to help with gigs for Laurie too.

b. Helen to call Sue at The Avalon re the use of the back room there on the Thursday night. Done. Sue agrees. Need a little band for that.

c. Mick to remind Alan to add his details to the Bendigo bank account Done

2. President's report ·

- **Bendigo Bank account.** Done. Need to transfer all money from NAB account into new account and then close old account all at once. Lachlan to liaise with Karita and make that happen.
- **DL flyer for Mountaingrass**
- **Location of marquee at Feathertop.**

3. Treasurer's report – Alan Abraham 2015 budget First expenditure: \$150 for DL flyers.

Helen to talk to Alpine Shire Council about promoting Harrietville a bit more.

Programming committee report

- 59 Applications received.
- We need to have an artist contract to send to performers with acceptances and tell them when they need to have the contract sent back.
- Realistically looking at end of July for artist announcement.

Website redevelopment - progress: Lachlan

Marketing for Mountaingrass



PRESENTING:



DL flyer – need to distribute them Saturday night country program host Felicity has asked Lachlan to do a regular bluegrass update for her. He'll pass on all our updates

7. Ticketing

a. Ticket prices for 2015 (see below for 2014 prices) Helen moves to keep ticket prices at the same level as last year. Seconded by Lachlan. Objections: none.

b. Ticket price for Exec members and family of Exec members. In the past the Executive committee have not paid for tickets. Jenine moves we offer half price tickets to family of Exec, same as partners of artists. Seconded by Mick. Carried.

c. Online ticketing service for website.

Proposed: iwannaticket. Used by NFF with good success. Need to set up an eway account: <https://www.eway.com.au/plans-pricing#allPlansSection> (ALAN: ACTION). Helen to call Nathan at iwannaticket and get that set up. Jenine follow up with her to get information to install on website. Kim moves we use eway payment gateway for tickets and ABOTMA memberships, Helen seconded. Carried. Question: how does iwannaticket know people are members so they get the discount code? Helen to find out.

8. Policies

Alan Abraham has drafted the following policies for us to consider adopting for ABOTMA:

a. Conflict of Interest

b. Ticketing Policy

We cannot approve these at any time other than the AGM so we will work on these and have them finalised in time for 2015 AGM. Jenine will upload the first drafts to ABOTMA slack channel *abotma-policies*

9. AOB

Ticket prices for Mountaingrass 2014 Season:

- Online price: Full Price 3-Day Pass \$115
- Members 3-Day Pass \$85 Internet sales cease at Midnight Wed 12th November, 2014.
- At door: Full price: 3-Day Pass \$130
- Members: 3-Day Pass \$100
- Friday night: \$30 Saturday Day: \$60 Evening: \$30 Sunday Day: \$50 After midday: \$25.

Venue discussion

We need more blackboard concerts. Mountain View Hall is to be used for concerts on Saturday and the blackboard concert on Sunday. Suggestions: Bella's Café? Other dining area behind Feathertop? Feathertop conference room? (Mick doesn't like it. Poor arrangement, bleed thru from main marquee). Feathertop Basketball court (possible place for instrument makers in case of wet weather). Avalon backroom?



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Volunteers

Do 6 hours minimum service in return for free ticket.

Artists Visas

Lachlan has been in touch with US consulate about getting some help on the Visas. Suggestion is to ask Donal Baylor to help. A quick peruse of AU immigration website looks like we need to pay \$420 to become Sponsors, then the individual visas are FREE because we are non-profit! <https://www.immi.gov.au/Visas/Pages/420.aspx>

Meeting closed 11:25pm NZDT Next meeting: 7 July (first Tuesday of the month)