

# Update on AEVA happenings since our last meeting 29/01/2020

## Treasurer's Report

### Treasurer's Report, 25/3/2020

Payments made since the last meeting:

• Rural Youth, Agfest site payment	\$1,310.00
• AEVA Laptop purchase	\$193.03
• RAST meeting room payment	\$75
• <b>Total payments</b>	<b>\$1,578.03</b>

The North West Eco-Fest site was booked and paid and then refunded when cancelled (\$70.00).

The Agfest site booking will be held by Rural Youth until next year. The RAST meeting room payment for the cancelled March meeting will be held as a credit against the next meeting at RAST premises.

Income was received of \$0.91 in bank interest.

The current balance is **\$4,412.55**

## Secretary's Report

No notable correspondence in or out.

Work on the new AEVA website and membership database is progressing, it is looking really good. Several Tasmanian members are contributing. It is not far away from going live, but I've said that before....

## Tasmanian Chargers

The Kings Meadows 350 kW charger is installed and working. So far free to use! Note the snazzy status lights at the top of the chargers – green for available and blue for in-use.



## Report from Clive of Electric Highway Tasmania

Progress continues in spite of the COVID-19 issues. Three sites are still awaiting development application approvals, another site needs a power supply upgrade. The constraint for the fifth site is delays in provision of switchboard cabinets due to some design detail issues. We should have sites opening before June 30, although they may be delayed if operational shutdowns are imposed for health protection reasons.

## Launceston Conversions Group

*This is a Launceston-based group of AEVA members and non-members interested in converting vehicles to electric. Please contact the secretary if you'd like to be involved, you'll be added to the email list.*

The 'mighty boy' conversion for Launceston College and AEVA continues to progress slowly. Much of the 12V DC and 240V AC wiring is in place. A new charger has been sourced, but with the world situation and the poor Australian dollar makes this very expensive. The potential closure of the College will also make further progress difficult in the short term. The batteries are being regularly checked but seem to be holding well despite the bms system drawing (a small) current. The College's STEAM NGN section have been invited to work on the perspex battery cover as they have expertise in working with perspex.

## Hobart Conversions Group

*This is a Hobart-based group of AEVA members and non-members interested in converting vehicles to electric. Please contact the secretary if you'd like to be involved, you'll be added to the email list.*

Please contact the secretary if you'd like to be the convener (arrange meetings, working bees etc.), as we currently don't have one.

## Reports on Events

### **Motorama 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March at Longford**

This event was well attended and we had significant interest. Friday was a little quiet, but Saturday and Sunday, with EV rides for those interested, was quite busy. Saturday we had on display a Tesla 3, Nissan Leaf and Paul's Toyota Echo conversion. Rides were in Tesla 3, Kona EV and Mitsubishi Outlander.

On Sunday we displayed a Tesla 3, Nissan Leaf and Mitsubishi Outlander. Rides were in Tesla 3, Kona EV, Ioniq, and Paul's conversion.

One slightly amusing point was a father and young son lining up for a test ride. Dad was eyeing off the Tesla but asked his son what he would like to go for a ride in. The boy pointed to the outlander. The look on dad's face was priceless. Anyway, after the ride in the outlander I said – you should have a ride in a Tesla. Dad was very happy. I think we had two happy customers.

## Planning for Upcoming Events

- 4<sup>th</sup> April [North West Ecofest](#) in Ulverstone - Cancelled
- 16<sup>th</sup> April Triabunna Car Show - Cancelled
- 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> May Agfest - Cancelled
- 26<sup>th</sup> September - 4<sup>th</sup> October – [National Drive Electric Week](#). It has been flagged nationally that it would be good to do something around this.
- Another Elektrikhana?

Elektrikhana is our test-drive day. It seems logical to hold one in the north-west, but it needs someone to drive it. Please contact the secretary if you think you could spare the time to coordinate an event like this (in any location, not just the north-west).

**Next meeting: 19:00 May 20<sup>th</sup> at Launceston College.** See our [website](#) for a full list of meeting dates.

### General information:

For more information on any of the topics covered, or for contact information of the people mentioned, contact the secretary Christopher Walkden at: [secretary@tas.aeva.asn.au](mailto:secretary@tas.aeva.asn.au)

Want to join the AEVA or join our mailing list? See our [website](#).

AEVA has informational brochures available. Get printed copies from the secretary, or electronic copies are available on the website here:

[Charging Options](#)

[Electric Vehicles and your Accommodation](#)

[Electric Vehicles and your Accommodation Details](#)

[Electric Vehicles and your Business](#)

[Electric Vehicles and your Business Details](#)

[Suppliers of Chargers](#)

[EV Fact Sheets](#)

### Members' discounts:

- 20% off **Tesla Limousines & Tours** <https://teslatours.limo/> (Statewide)
- Discounted EV chargers from **Gelco**: <http://www.gelcoservices.com.au/>
- Fonzarelli Electric Scooters are offering a 5% discount and a free charger pack to AEVA members: <http://www.fonzarelli.co/>
- 10% off tours by Segway Tasmania. <http://www.segwaytasmania.com/>

### EV News Deadlines (national newsletter)

- 1 June – articles, advertisements
- 15 June – branch reports, for sale / wanted