



Australasian College of Road Safety - Victorian Chapter
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, May 2, 2023
City Of Melbourne Bowls Club, Flagstaff Gardens, Dudley Street, Melbourne
And Zoom

Meeting start: 11 am

1. Welcome: Victorian Chapter Chair - Chris Harrison

We begin today by acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of the land on which each of us are on. We recognise their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the first people communities and their cultures; and to Elders both past and present.

2. Presentation: Craig Hoey – Eliminating road trauma

Craig is a passionate road safety advocate who is recognised locally and nationally for championing improved road safety outcomes.

As Manager Road Safety within the Department of State Growth (Tasmania) since 2014, Craig leads strategy, policy, and programs with a 'Vision Zero' end goal for deaths and seriously injured on Tasmania's roads.

Craig led the development of Tasmania's current *Towards Zero Road Safety Strategy 2017-2026*, is a member of

Austroroads National Road Safety Taskforce and contributes to many national road safety committees and working groups. Craig is also an active member of the Australasian College of Road Safety.

In 2020, Craig was awarded a prestigious Churchill Fellowship to investigate road safety leadership - Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and the Netherlands.



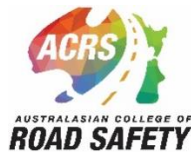
Presentation: Eliminating Road Trauma

In 2020, Craig was awarded a Churchill Fellowship to investigate road safety leadership in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and the Netherlands. Churchill Fellowships offer a diverse range of people from all walks of life an opportunity to travel overseas for up to eight weeks to explore a topic or issue that they are passionate about.

Tragically, every year around 1,200 people are killed and a further 40,000 or so are seriously injured on Australian roads. Australia's road safety performance trails leading European nations. Serious road crashes are life changing for those involved and the effects reverberate throughout our community.

In 1997, Sweden adopted a 'Vision Zero' goal for road safety; a vision that, long term, no one would be killed or seriously injured on Swedish roads. Vision Zero underpins a strategy of building and operating a safe road transport system, not just relying on improving individual road user behaviour. Australia has long accepted the principles of 'Vision Zero' but has not succeeded in implementing such a strategy.

Craig's presentation explored his findings on why the political and policy-making process in relation to road safety has succeeded in parts of Europe and how we could adapt the lessons to Australia, with a particular focus on Tasmania.



3. **Attendees:** Chris Harrison (chair), Wendy Taylor (minutes), Kenn Beer, Max Cameron, Craig Hoey, Lisa Bagnati, Kathryn Collier, Margaret Stewart, Michael Nieuwesteeg, Neville Taylor, Tia Gaffney (and via Zoom) Sjaan Koppel, Julie Downey, Ross Gregory, Sam Buckis, Chris Jurewicz, Lisa Steinmetz
Apologies: Jeff Potter, Ashim Debnath, Chris Boron, Bernadette Jordon

4. Minutes from ACRS Victoria Chapter AGM, April 7, 2022

2022 AGM minutes accepted.
Business arising: Actions completed.

5. Victoria Chapter Chair report - Chris Harrison

The committee introduced guest speakers to our committee meetings. In 2022 we heard from Emily Maclean, ARRB Portfolio Leader - Infrastructure Safety Management, Australian Road Research Board (ARRB/NTRO) about Netrisk2, an infrastructure risk assessment resource, and at our July meeting, we listened to Hugo Burt-Morris, General Manager of Lime Australia & New Zealand, for a Lime overview and Melbourne scooter trial update.

In May, as part of National Road Safety Week, the Victoria Chapter held a Motorcycle Safety Forum in which forty-eight people interested in motorcycle safety gathered to workshop issues and to discuss solutions and innovation, with the aim to help to improve motorcycle safety. All comments were collated into a report that was widely distributed and is available on the ACRS Victorian Chapter webpage.

In July we held we held an Understanding and Managing Driving and Fatigue hybrid event and were privileged to hear from A/Prof. Michael Fitzharris (MUARC), A/Prof Clare Anderson (Monash University) and Helen Redden (TAC). The post-event survey showed it was a good event and a style we can work on for future events.

In October the Chapter held a hybrid event combining a recap of the 2022 ARSC in New Zealand, followed by a workshop, and for those attending in person an excellent dinner with time and ambience to socialise, connect, or network. Eight speakers who attended the conference personally and virtually were each given 5 minutes with 3 slides and 3 minutes for questions to provide a high-level summary from their perspective. Speakers covered a diversity of topics ranging from climate change, 22 2022 ACRS Annual Report infrastructure, data, technology, speed, local government perspective, child safety and cycling. The recap event served to whet the appetite for the 2023 ARSC.

The Victorian Chapter of ACRS held a planning session in February 2023 to discuss road safety across Victoria. The committee heard from guest speakers and reviewed a survey of members, identifying the main reasons people join the organization and what they want to see in events. The committee then discussed how to work with members to support efforts to eliminate serious road trauma. They identified priorities for 2023, such as professional development, networking, advocacy, and knowledge sharing, and considered who was missing from their membership. The committee thanked its members for their input and hopes that they feel heard and involved in the chapter's plans. Common themes for events were: More road safety advocacy, vulnerable road users, infrastructure/design, education/awareness. Shortlist: Cycle Safety Forum, Regional Symposium with Local Government, 2023 Post Conference Re-Cap, and Lunchtime sessions.

Sadly, long time ACRS member, Fellow and, VIC committee member, David Healy died on November 24, 2022. David had re-joined the committee in 2022 after some years of ill-health. David kept us on our toes with his knowledge of road safety ranging from the past to his



ability to think and speak about future strategy, policy, and actions to improve road safety. David was a remarkable person, and we miss him.
 Thank you to the Victorian Chapter Committee for your commitment, and to the committee executive, Kathryn, Wendy and Elle
 Thank you for attending today's AGM, and thank you to Craig Hoey for his presentation, and also special thanks to Kenn Beer who helps us often as our event facilitator.
 Refer to appendix for Chair's PPT.
 Report accepted.

6. Treasurer's report

Table 1. ACRS VC financial summary – January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022

VC Bank Accounts	Opening balance 1/1/22	Incoming	Outgoing	Closing balance 31/12/22
Day to day	\$22,555.73	\$417.51	\$11,093.55	\$11,879.69
Term investment	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Total	\$22,555.73	\$5,417.51	\$11,093.55	\$16,879.69

Incoming: Bank interest \$2.06, GST reimbursement \$81.25, event receipts \$334.20

Outgoing: Admin \$808.70, MSF \$2,196.55, Fatigue sem/webinar \$603.34, 2022 Conference Recap \$2,484.96 and:

Term investment: transfer \$5000 from day-to-day a/c into 1 year term investment.

Report accepted.

7. Committee elections:

CH declared all VC committee positions vacant, and handed over to Kenn Beer as returning officer for the election.

Nominations were sought and seconded for all Executive positions. In all cases, there being only a single nomination, all those nominated were declared elected

Exec – Chair: Chris Harrison (nominated: C. Harrison, seconded: W. Taylor)

Exec - Deputy chair: Kathryn Collier (nominated: K. Collier, seconded C. Harrison)

Exec - Secretary/treasurer: Wendy Taylor (nominated: K. Collier, seconded M. Cameron)

Exec - social media/comms: Lisa Bagnati (nominated L. Bagnati, seconded K. Collier)

The following attendees nominated to serve as VC committee members and were seconded by Kenn Beer and were declared elected: Mac Cameron, Craig Hoey, Sam Buckis, Sjaan Koppel, Julie Downey, Chris Jurewicz. Ross Gregory.

Note: Kathryn Collier nominated Kenn Beer as committee member. Kenn accepted this nomination, seconded by Wendy Taylor.

Chris Harrison thanked Kenn for his electoral officer duties, and re-assumed the chair role.

Chris welcomed the incoming committee, and again thanked the outgoing committee members for their commitment and efforts over the previous 12 months.

8. Other business

8.1 National Road Safety Week – Sunday May 14 to Sunday May 21, 2023

<https://roadsafetyweek.com.au/>

8.2 Shine a Light on Road Safety – 10th walk - Sunday 7 May 2023, starting at 10am

8.3 ARSC 2023 Cairns September 19 to 21. Registrations are open! Applications for regional and rural scholarships now open.

Meeting close 1.05 pm