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Fellow P&DARCS Members

The P&DARCS committee met on Wednesday night to follow up with discussions we had at the last general meeting. Moving forward, all general meetings will now revert to the online ZOOM Webinar format, including the upcoming Annual General Meeting. This was decided based on the figures of past attendance which showed an overwhelming preference for online meetings. AGM records for "in person" events show a maximum of 30 attendees, whereas the AGM held online recorded 76 members present. A similar trend for numbers exists with general meetings, typically an uptake of some 50% or more.

Further to this, we will also be scheduling our general meetings to run bi-monthly. We feel that this is adequate for reporting to our membership. As in the past, should an additional meeting be required, we will give members seven (7) days' notice prior to the meeting. Communication via email and social media will continue.

As in the past, the process of online registrations for our meetings will come in the form of an email from Daniel. Should you require any form of assistance with setting up your phone or computer for ZOOM, Daniel will be glad to help you out.

Our long time Newsletter Editor and all-round nice guy, Frank McPherson has tendered his resignation from his role and the committee effective from May 17th 2023. I thank Frank on behalf of the current committee and the entire membership for his dedicated work to not only the newsletter, but to the many other roles that he has taken on selflessly for our club over many years.

If you have some talent in the world of words and photos and would like to take on the role of Newsletter Editor, please contact me to discuss.

In the absence of a newsletter, we will be producing Newsletter Bulletins to our members as required. These bulletins will contain any relevant information that needs to go to members including notification of meetings, working bees or any new member applications. The bulletins will also contain a link to the P&DARCS website for minutes from general meetings.

In an effort to cure my insomnia, I will be attending the MAAA Annual Conference this weekend. Over the course of the conference, the final insurance premiums will be decided, and we can then proceed with confirming our club membership costs for the 2023/2023 financial year.

That's it for now and if you have any questions, comments or suggestions please feel free to contact me anytime.

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