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**Agenda for the 36th Annual General Meeting  
to be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2006 at the  
James Squire Brewhouse and Restaurant, 439 Docklands  
Drive, Waterfront City, Docklands**

- 1 Opening**
- 2 Apologies**
- 3 Minutes of the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**
- 4 Chairman's Report for 2005/2006**
- 5 Treasurer's Report**
- 6 Election to Fill Committee Vacancies**
- 7 Appointment of Auditor**
- 8 Other Business / Feedback welcome from members on Division activities**
- 9 Closure**



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### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2005/2006

Firstly, I would like to personally thank all the members of the Committee for their help throughout the year. Your Committee members are currently Jim Antonopoulos, Geoff Barnes, John Davy, Charles Don, Louis Fouvy, Michael Plumb, Andrew Rogers, Paul Tierney and Dianne Williams.. Louis has been our faithful treasurer for many years but has handed over to Dianne. We thank Louis for his considerable efforts over the years in keeping the books in order. We would welcome the addition of new and younger blood to the Committee so please come forward and offer your services.

The Division continues to try and organize a number of interesting technical meetings during the year. We have had quite a few good technical meetings this year but keeping up everyone's interest is a continuing challenge. We would certainly welcome any input from members. If you have any ideas for meetings, please let us know, or better still, please help us organise the visit. Just send me an Email with some thoughts and we will try and follow up.

I have said in the past that I would have liked to organise more Forums (or is it "Fora" ?) following on the successful "Wind Turbine Noise Forum" that we had some years ago. I still think this would be a good idea so if any members have issues that you think could be appropriate for "learned" discussions, please let me know and we will try and organise.

This year, the Victorian Division has again awarded the H. Vivian Taylor Award. The Award consists of a \$500 cash prize, a Certificate and free student membership of the Society for one year. This years Award went to Matthew Vance. Matthew was a double degree student at RMIT. He was the top student out of five who completed their major third year physics project in acoustics in 2005. Matthew studied the use of sound cards with National Instruments Labview Sound Analysis Package for the generation and analysis of acoustic signals. This award is for the purpose of promoting acoustics and in honour of Vivian who contributed so much during the founding years of our Society and profession.

Over the last years, I talked about the fact that the world is changing in many ways with the increasing use of modern technologies to spread information and with the internet, much information is available "instantaneously". Websites and Emails are now part of everyday communication and the Society needs to embrace these newly available methods of information transfer. I would like to again propose a quarterly Email "Newsletter" that would be sent out to all Members but this can only work if members provide the information that can go into such a newsletter. If any Members have any news, promotions, interesting acoustical tidbits re projects completed or are conducting some research that has some interesting results, or have any interesting tidbits to share with other members about acoustic experiences, either serious or funny, I would ask you to share these. Photos could also be included with captions etc. Please Email me and I will facilitate if there is a good response.

The Annual AGM is coming up and is proposed for October 17<sup>th</sup> following a technical visit to the Central City Studios which is booked for 6pm and which should be very interesting. I hope to see you all there and throughout the next year at our meetings and welcome your contributions. Cheers for now,

Norm Broner (Email:nbroner@skm.com.au)  
Chairman