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General Meeting Minutes Sunday 15th March 2015 11.00am at Bathurst RSL Sub-Branch

Meeting Opened 10.50am

1. ATTENDANCE

Carol Wilson, Kevin Hayton, Rick Steltenpool, Roy Cross, Maria Cross, Peter Donzow, Gus Gillis, Gary Payseno, Ken Norris, John Chambers, John Cornish, Geoff Anderson, Tony Wise, Gordon Mann, John Chambers, Jeff Stein, Chris Bacon, Jumbo Pearce, Greg Ray

2. APOLOGIES

Colin Ware, Mick Lynch, Paul Cripps, Warren French, Dale Turner, Peter Smith, Chris Whitworth, John Smithies, Ken Williams, Warren Goodall, Geoff Alfred, Greg Dootdson, Wally Whitfield, Bill O'Brien

3. WELCOME – GEOFF ANDERSON

Members observed 1 minutes silence and the President read a prayer for those Members on Eternal Patrol.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Accepted

Proposed : Peter Donzow
Seconded: Roy Cross
Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

John Chambers informed members of amendment of \$30.00 to the Treasurers Report. He also said he had reconciled the accounts back to January 2014 and the discrepancy was in the amount of Cash on Hand which he was unable to reconcile

ACTIONS

- Deregistration for GST - submitted. Ken will follow up to confirm it is being processed.

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

- Since the November 2014 meeting I have attended to the following:
- K13 Memorial Service which was well attended and supported by the SMMCC.
- Visited Colin “Knocker” White in the Nursing Home with Dutchy Holland.
- Spectacle island BBQ.
- Bradleys Head memorial which includes Plaques for AE1 and AE2. Followed by a visit to Middle Head where we toured the forts and had a BBQ Lunch with the National Parks. Mike Hickey and John Chambers also attended.
- Ordered the New SAA NSW Banner.
- Met with the Committee to review the “Big Bash in the Gong”

Proposed : Rick Steltenpool

Seconded: Ken Norris

Carried

7. TREASURERS REPORT

7th November 2014 to 6th March 2015

Opening Balances

Money in Bank	\$8188.58
¹ Cash In Hand	\$ 140.30
¹Total Opening Balance	\$8328.88

Branch Income

Christmas Function Receipts	\$ 275.00
Spectacle Island BBQ Receipts	\$ 665.00
Wollongong Bash June 2015 Receipts	\$3525.00
Member Donation (Warren Goodall)	\$ 500.00
Bank Interest	\$ 0.51
Total Branch Income	\$4965.51

Branch Expense

Association Compliance – Fair Trading	\$ 86.00
Christmas Function Expense	\$ 100.00
Spectacle Island BBQ Expense	\$ 50.00
Wollongong Bash June 2015 Deposit	\$4200.00
Total Branch Expense	\$4436.00

Closing Balances

Money in Bank	\$8203.09
Cash in Hand	\$ 655.30
Total Closing Balance	\$8858.39

Notes to Treasurers Report 7th November 2014 to 6th March 2015

¹Error in Minutes of Meeting 30 Nov 2014

Cash in Hand was \$50.60 should read \$140.30

Total Balance was \$8239.18 should read \$8328.88

²Clarification of Treasurer's report figures for the AGM held 31st August 2014.

Review and reconciliation of past reports against bank statements back to 07 Jan 2014 has not revealed an error in the Cash at Bank reporting.

Starting balance for Cash in Hand at 07 Jan 2014 has not been able to be reconciled.

Proposed : Kevin Hayton

Seconded: Gary Payseno

Carried

8. SECRETARYS REPORT

Apologies as per above.

Not much to report other than the sending out and receipt of numerous emails re upcoming events and information for website.

Invitation for President to attend the "Indigenous Veterans Ceremony 29 May 2015 at Hyde Park.

Proposed: Roy Cross
Seconded Rick Steltenpool
Carried

9. WELFARE REPORT

Geoff informed Members of the passing of Colin (Knocker) White.

Members to make Ken Williams aware of any problems they have if they need assistance.

10. PLATYPUS UPDATE

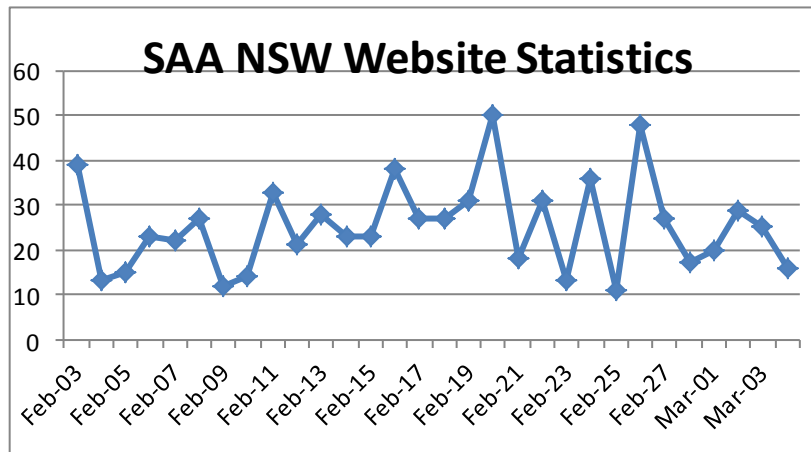
Geoff spoke on the refurbishment of site. Ken Williams sent Geoff some suggestions on design for Memorial. Geoff to send suggestions to Paul Cleary and Gordon Anderson who have CAD Programs and may be of assistance in the design of the memorial.

11. WEBSITE REPORT

SAA NSW WEBMANAGER REPORT March 2015

I am pleased to say the website is being visited on a regular basis as the graph below shows for the month of February. An average of 25 hits per day.

I update the site on a regular basis with information, news and photos of events etc. If you have anything of interest you would like me to add just email details to me, Geoff or Ken. The site is only as good as the information provided.



I have \$5.45 in hand for site upkeep. Fees due to be paid Pro Plan \$99.00US, 15th May 2015 and Domain Name \$67.90US, 10th January 2016. It was decided that Carol send account to John Chambers for payment when due.

If any of the members have any suggestions of what content you think we should have or change please use the feedback form on the website.

Carol Wilson
Webmanager

<http://www.saansw.com/index.html>

There then followed a robust discussion on why should NSW be paying for their own website when the SAA Site is already sponsored by Thales and Branches etc. should have the capability to enter and update their own information. Geoff undertook to raise the issue again with the National President.

Post meeting: Geoff has spoken to the National President who advised that he would discuss the issue with the Executive to plan a succession to Norm.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Walk for Kids with Cancer**

Bob's "Walk" is on again on 29th March, 2015. We have 375 walkers this year. To donate to Geoff or Carol please follow the links below.

<http://walkforkidswithcancer2015.gofundraise.com.au/page/walkforbob> (Carol)

<http://walkforkidswithcancer2015.gofundraise.com.au/page/SAANSWWalk> (Geoff)



Bob (Tug) Wilson's
Walk for Kids with Cancer

platinum partner 2014
Proudly donated over \$100,000
the children's hospital at Westmead

Post meeting: I would like to thank the members present at meeting who donated to the walk. The amount raised was \$159.00.

- **New Banner**

The Banner has been ordered and should be ready for Anzac Day.

- **Anzac Day 25th April 2015**

Form up 9.30am Corner Pitt & King Streets. 10.00am start.

SAA NSW will be leading Naval contingent. Members are urged to attend and support our place in future Anzac Day Marches.

After March reunion at Stratton's Hotel \$20.00 per person.

- **SAA NSW Big Bash in the Gong – 5TH-8TH June, 2015**

Friday – Meet & Greet TBA

Saturday – Novatel Hotel – Dinner Dance

Sunday – May Meeting moved to June. Venue TBA followed by BBQ Lunch and Barefoot Bowls.

Raffle to be held. Some prizes already donated. Warren Goodall to source others. Members are requested to donate prizes. Sale of tickets to begin on Anzac Day.

Currently there are approx. 30-40 booked or paid for the event and the break even number is 70 or more. Members are encouraged to spread the word and invite other members and friends.

Carol to send Big Bash details to all Branch Secretaries.

Post Meeting: Details have been sent to National Secretary.

- **FESR Association – Brisbane Matelot Statue**

Letter was received from FESR Association asking for donations towards a Statue of Matelot outside Maritime Museum at South Bank. It was decided that we would pass this onto National for consideration.

- **FNSA - Meeting**

Member required to attend meeting on Wednesday 18th March.

- **Bathurst RSL Sub-branch**

A letter of thanks to be sent to President of Sub-branch for use of room and the providing of tea and coffee. Geoff to action.

- **North Face 100 – Blue Mountains 16th May 2015**

Jacqui Clarke will be doing this event in memory of her father Peter (Arab) Clarke and to raise funds for Australian veterans.

<https://www.thenorthface100.com.au>

13. Meeting Shut 11.48am

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