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General Meeting Minutes Sunday 30th November 2014 11.00am at Woy Woy Leagues Club

Meeting Opened 11.05am

1. ATTENDANCE

Carol Wilson, Kevin Hayton, Steven Farmer, Ken Williams, Paul Fogarty, Peter Hall, Wayne Logan, Rick Steltenpool, Jimmy Durante, Tim Bass, Brad Mitchell, Peter Smith, Roy Cross, Maria Cross, Peter Donzow, Gus Gillis, Gary Payseno, Ken Norris, John Chambers, Frank Scheibel, Wally Whitfield, Bill Hyde, Ray McMinn, Alan Gibbs, W. O'Brien, C.J. Hobson, John Cornish, Gordon Anderson, Geoff Anderson.

2. APOLOGIES

Colin Ware, Mick Lynch, Darryl Madden, Leslie Birch, Dale Turner, Darryl Cross, Chris Whitworth, Rod Spackman, Steve (Taffy) Jones, Bob O'Grady, Warren French, Tony Vine, Nigel Irvine, Gregory Read, Angad Singh, Geoff Stein, Adam Williams, Les Handicott, Michael Barnes, Ian Appleby, Ian Haw, Jim Dennis, Barry Atkinson, John Cross, Tony Wise, Tex O'Grady, Jumbo Pearce, Jeff Aldred.

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 Smith
Seconded: Alan Gibbs
Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Kevin Hayton made mention of wrong heading on Minutes – Carol to amend.
Kevin Hayton made mention of \$30 discrepancy in Financial Report –
John Chambers to investigate and report back to next meeting.

ACTIONS

- Deregistration for GST - in hand with Ken Norris
- Memorabilia – National Committee to take up with Norm Williams
- Anne Bax Proposal – To be overseen by National Welfare Rep. Ray Kemp
Kevin Hayton reminded members that Ray Kemp needs to know of any illnesses that members suffer to be able to keep a statistical list for future reference.

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

The major activity since the last meeting has been SUBCON2014 which was very well organised by WA. At the meet and Greet I met many Russian and Ukrainian submariners as well as American. Over 600 hundred attended the dinner dance with very good speeches by CDRE Sammut and VADM McDougal.

At the AGM a new committee was elected consisting of:

President: CDR B Trotter

V President: D Stangward

Secretary: D Bryant

Treasurer: J Rana

Welfare: R Kemp

Unfortunately I have had to send 3 Condolence letters and visited Knocker White.

I have received 125 boxes of "Centenary of Submarines" and am distributing them to the sponsors and submariners in all states. I have a number of boxes for members here today and others who you know.

Proposed : Peter Smith

Seconded: Peter Hall

Carried

7. TREASURERS REPORT

31st August 2014 to 5th November 2014

Opening Balance		\$8438.64
Money's in		
	Bank Interest	\$ 0.54
	Raffle 31 st Aug	\$ 100.00
	Total	\$8539.18
Money out		
	The Children's Hospital at Westmead.	\$ 200.00
	Xmas Function Raffle Expenses	\$ 100.00
	Total	\$8239.18
Money in Bank		\$8188.58
Cash in Hand		\$ 140.30
	Total	\$8328.88

Proposed : Rick Steltenpool
Seconded: Peter Hall
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.

Proposed: Alan Gibbs
Seconded Steven Farmer
Carried

9. WELFARE REPORT

Geoff visited Colin (Knocker) White and found he was not well. Ken Williams to visit.

Colin Ware still undergoing treatment.

Ian Appleby recuperating after Kidney donation to brother.

Michael Barnes in hospital after a fall.

Mike Bowden - Post meeting – Undergoing trial treatment.

A number of Submarines Association (Australia Branch) members have passed over the bar.

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

10. PLATYPUS UPDATE

Pre-landscaping work being carried out. There is no funding beyond making the site safe. SAA has ongoing representation at CAC meetings and support for a memorial has been given. Memorial site be 4 square metres at most.

Kevin Hayton moved:

“That a proposal of plan for the SAA memorial at Platypus using General Grant’s Anchor and a rock, with costings (if possible) be prepared and presented to March meeting.”

Ken Williams to action.

Seconded: Ray McMinn
Carried

It was mentioned that two members, Paul Cleary has a design company and Gordon Anderson has CAD programme that can used for design purposes.

11. WEBSITE REPORT

Carol reported that the Website is ongoing and requested members to submit content for the site. It was suggested that she go on Facebook to gain content. Carol informed members she didn’t use Facebook and didn’t intend to start. The Website is only as good as what the members want. So please send your stories.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Subcon100 W.A**

Kevin Hayton spoke on Subcon100 in W.A. saying in his opinion it was not as good as may have been reported. He made mention of it being held over 1 week instead of a long weekend of 4 days and that members were split between 3 or 4 events on the Monday.
SAA NSW is scheduled to hold Subcon in 2018 and it should be held on the June long weekend as per Constitution.

- **New Banner**

Numerous designs were presented to members present and accepted the design put forward by Carol Wilson with amendments to be made. Remove Waratah and reduce Dolphins and “We Come Unseen” ribbon and place the words “New South Wales Branch” at the bottom.
We were presented with a donation of \$500.00 from Warren Goodall to be used for the new banner. This was met with much acclamation.
Geoff Anderson sought permission to spend up \$1000 as per quotes tabled less the \$500 from Warren Goodall. Motion Carried

- **2015 Programme of Events**

18th January 2015 - K13 Memorial, 11.00am, unveiling of Submarine Outline which has been placed on top of Memorial. Lunch to follow.

Spectacle Island – 15th February 2015. Arrangements to be advised.

March Meeting – Bathurst 14-15 March 2015.

Saturday Meet & Greet Dinner – The Victoria Hotel. Attendees to Roy Cross no later than 27th February. Meeting to be held at Bathurst RSL.

Geoff may be interviewed by Local Radio on Friday 13th.

For accommodation information please visit www.visitbathurst.com.au
Accommodation and travel information will be placed on Website.

Anzac Day 25th April 2015.

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

After March reunion at Stratton’s Hotel.

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.

16th August 2015 – AGM – City of Sydney RSL

General Meeting 28th- 29th November 2015 to be held in Mudgee.

- **Holbrook Museum**

Geoff spoke on AE2 Project that Holbrook Museum are undertaking and are requesting that State Branches might like to contribute to make up shortfall of \$5,000 after receipt of anticipated Government Grant of \$30,000. Any State contributions would be subject to Holbrook receiving grant.

Kevin Hayton spoke against this request by saying that SAA NSW needs to concentrate on own Memorial at Platypus.

Kevin moved that NSW vote against provision of a grant. This was carried.

- **SAA NSW Letterhead**

Peter Hall questioned the use of Banner on letterhead. He was informed that it is just the same as the NSW Banner that is used on Anzac Day.

- **Major Raffle**

Ken Williams moved that "SAA NSW hold a major raffle over 12months to support the National Welfare Fund."

Seconded Ray McMinn

Kevin Hayton spoke to the motion and asked for Ken Williams to provide more information and submit a proposal for consideration at the next meeting.

Carried

- **Peter Hall**

Geoff gave thanks to Peter for all his efforts in his tenure as Treasurer. This was supported by acclamation.

- **Ray McMinn**

Geoff gave thanks to Ray for the arrangements for this weekend at Woy Woy. This was support by acclamation.

- Geoff welcomed Wayne Logan who was attending his first meeting.

- Gordon Anderson informed members that a Grant has been made available to bring Otama ashore and placed on blocks.

13. Meeting Shut 12.15pm

Geoff Anderson

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