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General Meeting Minutes Sunday 18th May 2014 11:30 am at the City of Sydney RSL

Meeting opened at 11.35 am

1. ATTENDENCE

Geoff Anderson, Ken Norris, Carol Wilson, Peter Hall, Peter Chedwiggan, Wally Whitfield, Tim Duchesne, Gary Payseno, Peter Smith, Peter Donzow, Paul Cripps, Tom McCammont, John Cornish, John Cross, Alan Mooney, Gus Gillis, Jim Dennis, Brad Mitchell, Roy Cross

2. APOLOGIES

Colin Ware, Michael Lynch, Tony Vine, Rick Steltenpool, Geoff Aldred, Bill O'Brien

3. WELCOME – GEOFF ANDERSON

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

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Accepted

PROPOSED: Peter Smith
SECONDED: Peter Donzow
CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Action 15 – Deregister SAA NSW for GST – ongoing

Action 9 - Design for Platypus Memorial. SHFT confirmed that the design of the Garden Area will include a memorial and the SAA NSW will be consulted. - ongoing

Action 21 - Letter to National re Memorabilia. Issue is being discussed with SAA President. – ongoing

6. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT – GEOFF ANDERSON**

I represented NSW SAA at the following:

- Holbrook – ANZAC Day.
- SHFT Meeting 13 May 14. Report to follow in Para 11.
- Carol Wilson represented me at the Dedication/Unveiling of AE2 Memorial at Kallangur, Brisbane – 30 Apr 2014

I hereby propose that this report be accepted.

PROPOSED: Gary Payseno
SECONDED: Peter Hall
CARRIED

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Opening Balance	\$ 8379.18
Income: Bank Interest	\$ 0.65
Spectacle Island BBQ	\$ 230.00
Anzac Days Raffle & Coin Sales	\$ 275.00
Total	\$ 8884.83
Outgoing: Newcastle Meeting Drinks	\$ 100.00
Anzac Day Food & Rum	\$ 500.00
Raffle Prizes	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 8254.83
Cash In Hand	\$ 238.30
Cash at Bank	\$ 7866.53
Anzac Coins (Asset)	\$ 150.00
Balance Carried Forward	\$ 8254.83

PROPOSED: Peter Chegwidden
SECONDED: Wally Whitfield
CARRIED

8. **SECRETARY'S REPORT – KEN NORRIS**

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- Apologies as listed above

- Invitation to AE1 & AE2 Plaque Dedication AWM Canberra 23/5/2014. *Peter Chegwidden volunteered and attended.*
- Invitation to Indigenous Veterans Ceremony Hyde Park South 30/5/2014
- Invitation to Stanthorpe & District Naval Sub Section, Annual Celebration Dinner of the Coral Sea Battle Stanthorpe Qld 31/5/2014
- Various Emails

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Various emails to Members.

PROPOSED: Paul Cripps
SECONDED: Wally Whitfield
CARRIED

9. WELFARE REPORT

Unfortunately we have a number of Members who are not travelling to well:-

- Ken Norris - undergoing further treatment
- Steve 'Polly' Farmer – Heart By-pass Operation
- Bob Bundy being helped by Bateman's Bay RSL
- Peter Hall – Home from Hospital and back looking after our \$\$.
- Jumbo Pearce – Visited by Roy Cross
- Colin Ware – Being treated in Westmead Hospital. *Now home*
- Michael Barnes - has been undergoing radiation treatment for prostate cancer.
- Rod fayle – has commenced treatment for prostate cancer.

Post Meeting:

David 'Pony' Moore lost his battle and went on Eternal Patrol on.

Doug Manners on Eternal Patrol 2/5/2014.

CMDR Peter Johnstone-Hall on Eternal Patrol on 14/5/2014

10. WEB MANAGER REPORT

Carol reported website being updated as required and again requested feedback from Members. Reminded Members that they can update their details on Contact Form on website.

Also she explained that the use of the Weebly software requires an annual fee (which was not mentioned by Weebly when upgrading) A fee of \$74.32 was charged to her Mastercard Account.

It was proposed Carol be given further funds (\$30.00) for the upkeep of the website.

PROPOSED: Peter Chegwidden
SECONDED: Peter Hall
CARRIED

Opening Balance		\$49.77
Incoming		
SAA NSW		<u>\$30.00</u>
		\$79.77
Outgoing		
Annual Fee for use of Software	<u>\$74.32</u>	<u>\$74.32</u>
Closing Balance		\$ 5.45

11. PLATYPUS UPDATE

- Overall scheduled delayed until late 2014.
- By end July 2014, enclosure and all equipment to be removed and all remediation work completed.
- Asbestos from window sashes then removed as well as Northern end of wharf. Complete late 2014.
- Open Day late 2014.
- The concept of a memorial to lost submariners is still intended as well as the history of the site to be presented.
- Concern expressed for additional funding to complete renovations, due to Budget constraints.
- Visit SHFT Website for further information.
<http://www.harbourtrust.gov.au/planning-projects/platypus-project>

President Geoff Anderson attended last meeting.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Holbrook Anzac Day – BZ to the organisers for a job well done.

The story on clean up and painting of Otway before Anzac Day is on Flood Q.
<http://www.submarinesaustralia.org/newsletter-flood-q.html>

- Sydney Anzac Day – There was a good turnout of members for the March. The organisation of the March was not good as we had to stand around in inclement weather for over an hour. Food and beverages at the Stratton Hotel were very welcome after the March. Thanks to Ray's sons for their help with the Raffle and also Warren's daughter and friend who carried the Banner for us. Tim Duchesne praised Ray McMinn for job well done. Thanks to Ken for coming and collecting the money and paying the bills. Tim Duchesne proposed that letter of appreciation be sent to Warren Goodall's daughter and friend for carrying the banner on Anzac Day.

Post Meeting: letter has been sent by the President, and acknowledged by the Rover Regional Commissioner.

- Submariners Walk Heritage Trail Brisbane Qld. We have received an email from the Qld President, Graeme Caesar requesting that Members who are

interested send letter to Brisbane City Council who are planning to turn the historic Engine Room at Teneriffe at the entrance to the Submariners Walk Historical Trail, into a Licenced Restaurant and Public Toilet.

As this building forms the core of Phase 2 of the development of the Submariners Walk Heritage Trail (Operation Stand & Deliver), we have lodged a notice with Council suggesting an alternative (better) use of this building and are seeking your support by asking you to also lodge a response to Council **in your own name** to express your desire to see Council reconsider it's Restaurant/Toilet plan in favour of a Submarine Museum and Community space. Ken to circulate email from Graeme for your perusal and response. Carol to include it on the website.

Post Meeting: Letter had to be submitted by 20 May 14, so President submitted a letter on behalf of NSW SAA. Response attached.

- Budget 2014 and its effect on Veterans and others. Please refer to Norm's Log of 18/5/2014 and Carol has placed the Defence Force Welfare Association report on the website.
- New Banner
Discussion took place re new banner. It was decided that Geoff and Peter contact their respective manufacturers for quotes. It was also mentioned that Paddy Thorpe's wife, Jo, may be able to help as she is involved with a banner manufacturing company.

Post Meeting: Northbridge closed on Saturday when Geoff and Carol visited.

- Centenary of Submarines Magazine.
2000 copies being sent to Geoff for distribution.
- Winepoint Fundraiser
Geoff spoke about having a fundraiser of port crocks for 100 years of Submarines. Winepoint is a company that would handle the distribution etc. Geoff to ring company for more information.

Post Meeting: SAA WA have advised that they will be promulgating centenary SM Wine shortly.

- Subcon 2015
It is planned that SAA NSW hold a dinner dance in Wollongong on long weekend in June 2015 open to all members of the SAA. Warren Goodall is undertaking arrangements. Further information should be available at our AGM in August.

Post Meeting: Geoff contacted Warren who agreed to arrange the weekend. Warren confirmed on 24 May that Dinner Dance with Group is available with possible tour on the Sunday. Details to be provided shortly.

It has also been suggested by Alex and Lorelle Paton that we should arrange a meeting at HMAS Creswell. The current Commander of the base is CAPT Steven Hussey ex skipper of HMAS Rankin.

It would be in the form of a Friday Meet & Greet, Chief's Mess, Saturday Dinner in Ward Room and Meeting on Sunday. Accommodation in Huskisson or Nowra with possible bus for transport to and from Creswell.

Post Meeting it was suggested that HMAS Creswell be our Xmas Meeting. Please put forward your thoughts via Feedback Form on Website.

13. EVENTS

- 17 Aug 14 - AGM to be held at the City of Sydney RSL at 1130
- 13 Sep 14 – AE1 Reception HMAS KUTTABUL (Details TBA)
- 14 Sep 14 – AE1 Memorial Church Service – GI Chapel (Details TBA).
- 9 Dec 14 - SAA NSW Branch Meeting

There being no further business the Meeting shut at 12.40p.m.

Geoff Anderson
President
NSW SAA

Ken Norris
Secretary
NSW SAA

Carol Wilson
Minute Secretary
NSW SAA

Actions

Item No	Action	Responsible	Date
9	Design for Platypus Memorial	Geoff	Ongoing
15	Deregister SAA NSW for GST	Ken	30 Jun 13
21	Letter to National re Memorabilia	Geoff	Ongoing
22	Investigate cost of replacing the Banner.	Geoff & Peter	Ongoing