

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
TERRIGAL WAMBERAL RSL SUB-BRANCH  
HELD AT THE BREAKERS COUNTRY CLUB  
SATURDAY 14 OCTOBER 2023**

**1. OPEN MEETING**

1.1. The meeting was opened by the President commencing 10.30 and recited the Ode of Remembrance. He welcomed visitor Brian Brown to be a future member.

**2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

2.1 The Chair asked if anyone had any conflict of Interest regarding the agenda or in general, to declare. None was declared.

**3. ATTENDANCE**

3.1 There were 23 members present, 5 apologies and 1 guest

**4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

4.1 The acting Secretary (Terry Saxby) emailed copies of the minutes of the 12 August 2023 meeting and made hard copies available to the members at today's meeting. They were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**Motion 24/23:** That the minutes, as presented, be accepted.

**Moved:** Doug Lindsay                      **Seconded:** David Ferry      **Motion:** Carried

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

5.1 There was no business arising from the minutes.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE:**

6.1 There was no correspondence to report since our last meeting

**7. TREASURER REPORT**

7.1 The Treasurer presented his report for the month ending September 2023. A copy of the Report is attached.

**Motion 25/23:** That the Treasurer's report, as presented be accepted and accounts in the Report be passed for payment.

**Moved:** Howie Fortis                      **Seconded:** Peter Bates      **Motion:** Carried

**8. PRESIDENTS REPORT**

8.1. The President thanked members for attending.

8.2. The President provided a brief update on the following:

- a. **Central Coast Veterans and Families Hub.** Application was submitted and awaiting possible announcement on 3 Nov at the Central Coast Veterans forum here at Breakers.
- b. **Invictus Games in Germany.** Karl Woodward from Germany after the Invictus Games Dusseldorf 2023 with 4 medals including a gold in the 4 x 50 m freestyle relay.
- c. **RSL NSW Director Nominations.** Members will have received an email from RSL NSW with the results of RSL NSW Election of Directors We have a new President and a number of new Directors.
- d. **Potential Sub Branch Activities:**
  - **Veteran Ocean Swims:** We are now aiming to expand to provide a meeting point for more members to get down to Terrigal Beach for a walk, bike ride or exercise routine. Meet at the TWRSLS Sub-Branch Marquee every Thursday at 6:30 am.
  - **Frontline Yoga:** Reminder to members about the Frontline Yoga Trauma informed Yoga class every Monday at Copacabana Surf Life Saving Club at 6 am. Free for Veterans and a family member. Suitable for all ages and fitness levels.
  - **Saltwater Veterans:** Still working with David Ferry to see if we can get a sailing program and relationship with Gosford Sailing Club. The Sailing Club had its AGM in August, and we are still trying to establish a contact within the Sailing Club to progress the initiative.
  - **Scuba Gym:** I attended one of the Scuba Warrior program days with Bronte Pollard recently, which includes waterways clean up from the water. Bronte Pollard has arranged with Scuba Gym an introduction to diving experience at Woy Woy Leisure Centre on 5 Nov 23. Open to all veterans and their families. Limited numbers but Bronte Pollard will have more details shortly.
  - **Association of Veteran Surfers:** I have met, and I have been talking with Phil Overton the President of the Hunter and Central Coast Chapter. AVS is offering free surf lessons with the Nora Head Surf School on Saturday 28 Oct as part of Veterans Health Week. Come see me if you or family members would be interested as there are limited spots.
  - **Deep Sea Fishing Day:** I still need an indication of members if they would be interested in participating in this activity. Plan would also be to offer it to all veterans as a potential way of attracting new members. We would seek funding from RSL NSW and/ or Mounties.

**Motion 26/23:** That the President's Report, as presented, be accepted.

**Moved:** David Ferry      **Seconded:** Terry Saxby      **Motion:** Carried

## 9. WELFARE REPORT

9.1 There was no Welfare Report.

- 9.2 Vice President Peter White suggested Member Partnering for members in need of Support in lieu of individual Welfare Officer. He will prepare a proposal for the next meeting.

## 10. PENSIONS REPORT

- 10.1 Bill Forsbey presented his report. Bill reported that his recent AAT case was lost.

## 11. OTHER REPORTS

- 11.1 **Central District Council (CCDC).** David Ferry briefed the meeting on recent District and NSW Council activities. This included increased membership numbers, executive position vacancies, moving away from traditional meetings and rationalization of Sub- Branches to possibly including new “Chapters”. He reported the changes of Executive at State level and progress on the strategic plan. He also updated information on the Veterans Royal Commission.
- 11.2 Bronte Pollard gave an update on RSL Life Care.

## 12. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 12.1 **RSL NSW State Congress.** President Scott Warr and Peter White to attend on behalf of the sub-branch. Members approved motion that delegates be responsible for decisions at the Congress including how to vote on the motions being presented.
- 12.2 **Remembrance Day.** There will be two services, Terrigal Waterfront War Memorial and Breakers Club Memorial. President Scott Warr and V/P Peter White to officiate at each Respectively, followed by a function at Breakers.
- 12.3 **Fund Raising. Badge sales** will be at Breakers Club Thursday 9 Nov and Friday 10 Nov prior during the times 12pm to 6pm. Volunteers requested to assist.
- 12.4 **Schools Initiative.** Executive Members to attend School “Remembrance Day – Draw to Remember - Chalk Mural” Activities.
- 12.5 **November Family Day.** November monthly meeting to be replaced by Family Day at Terrigal Haven on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>. Veterans and family welcome light lunch and other Activities.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:09am

Terry Saxby

Acting Secretary

**Attachment:**

Scott Warr

President

1. Treasurer’s Report for September 2023.