



**MINUTES OF MEETING
TERRIGAL WAMBERAL RSL SUB-BRANCH
HELD AT THE BREAKERS COUNTRY CLUB
SATURDAY 13 July 2019**

1. OPEN MEETING:

- 1.1. The meeting was opened by the President at 10:35am. He called for silence to be observed in memory of departed comrades. He then recited the Ode of Remembrance.

2. ATTENDANCE:

- 2.1. There were 25 members present with 4 apologies.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- 3.1. The Secretary emailed copies of the minutes of meeting of 8 June 2019 and made hard copies available to members before today's meeting. There were no questions or issues raised.

Motion 22/19: The Minutes as presented be accepted.

Moved: Terry Saxby **Seconded:** George Craven Motion Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- 4.1. The only business arising was the NSW RSL Draft Constitution which the President will address in his report

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1. Register of Correspondence was made available to members present. There being no questions, the A/Secretary asked that Register of Correspondence be accepted

Motion 23/19: The Register of Correspondence as presented be accepted.

Moved: Roger Wrightson **Seconded:** Terry Saxby Motion Carried

6. TREASURER REPORT

- 6.1. The Treasurer presented his report for the month ending June 2019 (copy attached). No questions were raised on his report.

Motion 24/19: The Treasurer's Report as presented be accepted and accounts in the Report be passed for payment.

Moved: Doug Lindsay **Seconded:** Jim Burke Motion Carried

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- 7.1. The President presented the following report:

- 7.1.1. Resignation of RSL NSW President James Brown. James commenced his volunteer service in 2017 during the Bergin Inquiry and

capably led RSL NSW through a period of unprecedented crisis. He intends to apply for the vacancy of the CEO which will be subject to a rigorous and competitive recruitment process. James has been succeeded by Senior Vice President and RSL NSW Board Member Ray James in an acting capacity.

- 7.1.2. Lunch with Dave Sabben. A group of our members had lunch with Dave Sabben who was a platoon commander with 6RAR and involved in the Battle of Long Tan.
- 7.1.3. Grants. We have now acquitted all the grants from 2018. We are still waiting for a response to a re-application for a grant for last year's bus trip.
- 7.1.4. Publication on Terrigal Dawn Service. A group of writers from the district is putting together short stories events on the Central Coast which will go into a compendium. One has prepared on this year's Dawn Service which captured the impact of the service on the writer. A very complementary piece.
- 7.1.5. Post Meeting Drinks. The reason for the change in arrangements for post meeting drinks is because of the change in our meeting time impacted on the bar staff roster. We continue to get utmost support and service from the Breakers Club.
- 7.1.6. Planned Absence. The President advised that he will be overseas for the next two months and will miss August and September meetings.
- 7.1.7. RSL Constitution Update. The president briefed the meeting on the changes in the latest draft Constitution. He also presented the comments the Sub Branch had submitted. All members were most welcomed to also make submissions. The Secretary has emailed a copy of the Draft Constitution and feedback form to members.

Motion 25/19: The President's Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: Peter White

Seconded: Michael Tabone

Motion Carried

8. OTHER REPORT:

- 8.1. **Pensions:** Nil Report
- 8.2. **Welfare:** The President advised that Paul Davis was now in isolation at Gosford Hospital and is expected to be transferred back Woy Woy Rehabilitation Centre once he recovers from his infection. Ian Glover is in North Gosford Private recovering from knee issue.
- 8.3. **Bowls:** Nil Report

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 9.1. **ANZAC Day Dawn Service 2020.** Henry Owczarek briefed the meeting on a proposal to have a Wirraway carry out a fly past at next year's Dawn Service. The Wirraway (an Aboriginal word meaning "challenge") was a training and general purpose military aircraft manufactured in Australia by the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation (CAC) between 1939 and 1946. It was an Australian development of the North American NA-16 training aircraft. The cost he has negotiated with Paul Bennet Air Shows is \$2,500 which will be funded from a

fundraiser Henry will be conducting.

- 9.2. **Fundraising.** The President outlined that running the Dawn Service was costing the Sub Branch approximately \$10,000, the majority of which was for the sound system. There was a need to seek sponsorship and fundraise to support the activity. The Committee will be addressing the issue in the near future.
- 9.3. **Crossed Rifles Monument.** The Secretary has followed up on a lead from Howard Fortis and CCMP Abrasive Blasting and Coatings in Charmhaven have donated their services to clean up, prime and coat the monument. It will then be mounted near the War Memorial and front entrance of Breakers encased in a Perspex box to protect it from the environment.
- 9.4. **Events Calendar.**
 - 9.4.1. **VP & Vietnam Veterans Day.** A combined Day will be commemorated at Breakers at 1100 on Friday 16th August, followed by refreshments for veterans attending.
 - 9.4.2. **ANZAC Memorial Hyde Park.** A group visit to the Memorial on 25 July. Transport will leave Breakers at 8:30 and cost \$30pp to the Treasurer.
 - 9.4.3. **Barbeque Lunch** at the Haven - 11 September
 - 9.4.4. **Veteran Health Week.** DVA's theme for this year's event is mental health. The Secretary has submitted a grant application, which includes cost for a mental health provider to address attendees. The event will be a Bike Ride/Walk along the Long Jetty foreshore followed by a BBQ lunch - 31 October
 - 9.4.5. **Remembrance Day** – 11 November

Next Meeting: The next Monthly Meeting will be held on 10 August 2019.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11:25am

Michael Tabone
Honorary Secretary

Peter White
President

Attachment: Treasurer's Report for June 2019