



Wangaratta RSL Sub-Branch Inc.

MINUTES

Committee Meeting

Held on: **Thu 21st Oct 2021**

Time: **1500hrs**

Held: **In the Admin Complex.**

1.0 Welcome:

The President welcomed all present and declared the meeting open.

2.0 Vales:

3.0 Silent Tribute/ODE:

The President invited all present to stand for the recitation of the ODE.

4.0 In attendance:

Ash Power AO CSC (President), John Bailey JP (Treasurer), Greg Larkins JP (Secretary), Colleen Davis (Committee), Liz Rouse Salmon (Committee), David Lawson JP (Committee), Narelle Power (Women's Auxiliary, co-opted member), Chris Simsen (General Manager).



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5.0 Apologies:

Andrew Kay (Snr Vice President), Ron Sneddon (Vice President), Craig Iskov (Committee).

MOTION: That the apologies listed be accepted.

MOVED: J Bailey
SECONDED: D Lawson
CARRIED

6.0 Conflicts of Interest:

In accordance with section 191 of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth), the act states that a director who has material personal interest must give other directors notice of any matter that relates to the affairs of the organisation.

Disclosure must occur immediately before the matter is considered or discussed.

7.0 Acceptance of New Members:

DATE	NAME	CATEGORY
29 September	Mark Beattie	Service
20 October	Scott Newman	Service
20 October	Imogen Akers	Affiliate

MOTION: That the 3 new members listed be accepted.

MOVED: L Rouse Salmon
SECONDED: D Lawson
CARRIED

8.0 Confirmation of Previous Minutes:

MOTION: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd September 2021 as circulated be taken as a true and correct record.

MOVED: D Lawson
SECONDED: J Bailey
CARRIED

9.0 Business arising from Previous Minutes:

9.1 Recent Conflicts Memorial

Secretary has met with Wright Memorials who supplied and installed the ANZAC Centenary memorial and discussed our needs for a similar memorial that we are applying for a DVA grant that will honour our veterans from recent conflicts.

We are now waiting for a quotation from them to form part of our grant application.



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10 Correspondence Inwards / Outwards:

INWARDS

28 Sep	RSL Vic	Health & Well Being online workshop 26 th Oct
1 Oct	RSL Vic	Last Post ceremony donation. Referred to Finance Committee.
1 Oct	RSL Vic	New Corporate Governance training module.
6 Oct	Everymans Welfare Service	Requesting donation. Referred to Finance Committee.
8 Oct	R White	Art space proposal. Referred to Executive Committee.
17 Sep	DVA	Remembrance Day Posters.
23 Sep	RSL Vic	Centenary of Poppy Appeal.
7 Oct	Salvation Army	Copy of Book "Cuppa tea digger". Copy to Librarian.

MOTION: That the inwards correspondence is received.

MOVED: J Bailey

SECONDED: L Rouse Salmon

CARRIED

OUTWARDS

Nil		

11 President's Report:

No report.

12 Finance Committee:

Minutes for the meeting held on Tuesday 19th October were circulated prior to the meeting.

MOTION: That the Minutes of the Finance committee meeting held on Tuesday 19th October be confirmed and recommendations adopted.

MOVED: J Bailey

SECONDED: L Rouse Salmon

CARRIED

13 Executive Committee:

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MOTION: That the Minutes of the Executive committee meeting held on Tuesday 19th October be confirmed and recommendations adopted.

MOVED: D Lawson
SECONDED: C Davis
CARRIED

14 Charitable Activities Report:

Report is attached.

MOTION: That the Charitable Activities report be accepted, and recommendations approved.

MOVED: J Bailey
SECONDED: L Rouse Salmon
CARRIED

15 Volunteer Hours Report: (C Iskov)

For the months of September Sub-Branch volunteers logged 241hours of their time. Using the standard Australian volunteer rate of \$39.35 per hour, this equates to a value of \$9,483 that was contributed.

16 Other Reports:

17.1 Women's Auxiliary. (N Power)

New Quilt now on display at the Club.

History Boards

The boards now have permanent wire hangers fitted by Acme framers, and are ready for hanging in November for the conference.

Diggers Day Golf

The ladies will once again man the BBQ.

Next meeting

The next Auxiliary meeting will be held on Thursday 28 October 2021 at 10.00am in the 2/24 Battalion function room.

17.2 Membership. (D Lawson)

Member Type	2020	2021	Variation
Life Member	1	1	
Service member	354	334	-21
Affiliate member	789	688	-101
Social member	2385	2326	-59
Community member	23	14	-9
TOTAL	3552	3363	-189



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This is a decrease over the same time as last year of 5.32%.

On the 1st November, we will be commencing our 2022 membership renewal period. RSL Vic is again offering a car as an incentive to renew.

17.3 Memorabilia Committee. (D Lawson)

David James has suggested that the uniformed model he has put together be placed in the foyer a couple of days prior to Remembrance Day.

Remembrance Day – Michele is working on a wall hanging display of 4 items relating to servicemen killed in action during WW1, WW2 and Afghan campaigns. We have had enquiries in relation to the whereabouts of two of these items and will inform them of their upcoming display.

Request below received from Steve Parker for return of an Australian Soldier's Pocket Book which were gifted to soldiers by the Australian Comfort Fund (AFC)

At the time of cataloguing, Michele was unable to conclusively confirm the identity of the soldier from the item and donor was unknown.

Having conversed with Steve she was able to confirm the item belonged to his father George Parker and was, most likely, donated at the same time as another item by George's sister, now deceased.

The pocket book is not a rare item and is one of five in our current collection so it would not be unreasonable, for sentimental reasons, to return the item to his son.

Request submitted for consideration by the Committee for approval at local rather than state level as per our policy. **(Committee approval given)**

17.4 Library. (Fay Steadman)

No Report.

17.5 Region 9 meeting report (President)

Next scheduled meeting is for Monday 6th December.

17.6 Community Grants (R Sneddon)

The Executive met with Ruth Kneebone & Sarah Thompson from the Into Our Hands Community Foundation on Tuesday 19th October.

A media launch for our 2022 Community Grants will be arranged at the end of this month.

17.7 Volunteers (C Iskov)

No report.



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17.8 Bob Iskov Memorial Kokoda Scholarships (President)

A brochure has been finalised and sent to Tim McCurdy for distribution.

17.9 Commemorative Brick Facings (C Davis)

Waiting on 2 to be returned and paid.

New person to deal with at Signature Engraving. Currently seeking a contractor to lay the brick facings.

17.10 2/24th Mural

Secretary waiting to hear back from Council.

18 General Business:

18.1 Diggers Golf Day

Sunday 28th November at Jubilee Golf Club. Wangaratta Motor Group putting up a Hyundai i30 for a hole in prize along with a \$10K prize sponsored by Claytons Joinery & Garry Nash Real Estate will be supplying some cash prizes for nearest to the pin and longest drive. Bunnings will also be supplying some vouchers as prizes.

18.2 Committee Christmas Function

Saturday 11th December has been set aside for the annual Committee get together. Secretary working on a venue.

19.0 From the floor:

C Davis - Appeal roster is in need of some extra volunteers to put their name down. The Poppy Appeal will run from 27th Oct to 10th Nov.

Turf Club Melbourne Cup Day is now closed to the public but we might have an option to sell Poppies on Oaks Day (4th Nov). Secretary to follow up.

20.0 Confirmation of next Committee Meeting date:

The next scheduled meeting of Management Committee is Thursday 18th November 2021.



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21.0 Meeting Close:

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 1640hrs.

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY