



131 Locators Association Inc.



Minutes for the General Meeting of the 131 Locators Association Inc.
held at Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club
at 11.05AM on Tuesday 16th February 2016

Attendees were: Allen Morley, Grahame Dignam, Ernest Newbold, George Lane, Ian Amos,
Bert Blink, Nick Proskurin, Terry Westerway, Ged Carroll, Des McGuiggan.

Apologies: Paul Dickson, and Jim Fitzgerald, Vic Danko, Bob Billiards, Merv Nairn

Welcome	Chairman, Allen Morley opened the meeting at 11.05 AM	
Item 1	Minutes of the previous General meeting and Correspondence were circulated with the Agenda and deemed to be read and correct except as mentioned in Issues arising below.	
Item 2	Recent Correspondence (uncirculated) included NIL	
Item 3	Issues arising from All Correspondence and the previous minutes were : Move George Lane Second Ern Newbold Against Nil Accepted	
Item 4	Financial Report. Current Balance at the Bank is \$11,972.66 Financial Membership is currently137 Associates 2 Affiliates 8 Total 152 Lapsed 12 members	

	<p>Major expenditure due shortly include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of the NAMES plaque \$2733 • Refurbishment of 131 sign previously approved est. \$580 • Assistance to cost of BBQ on 24th after Dedications \$200? • Room hire Kedron-Wavell RSL \$450 <p>Merchandise.</p> <p>Assn Car Decals - stock: 284 – Cost \$759. ROI is \$942 – Surplus \$183</p> <p>Nasho ribbons - stock 80 -Cost \$300 ROI is \$80 – Short \$220</p> <p>Caps/Hats - stock: 26 caps/26 hats/5 surf. Cost @ \$1654 - ROI is \$2083 Surplus \$429</p> <p>Moved G Dignam Second Ged Carroll Against Nil Accepted</p>	
Item 5	<p>Presidents report.</p> <p>Allen reviewed the Enoggera Recce trip. He and Grahame, accompanied by tour guide Terry Erbs made visits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kedron-Wavell RSL to inspect and discuss our needs to host the 50th Anniversary Re-union Dinner on Sat 23rd April – most impressive. • Met up with Keith Ayliffe preceding our visit with 20STA Exec Officers Mjrs. Hamsey and Meekin and RSM WO1 Sean Voss to settle on details covering the formal handover of the restored Radar to 20STA, the Dedication of a unit plaque in Remembrance of 131 Div Loc Bty personnel who served in SVN 1966-1971, and also a plaque listing the Names of those involved in the conflict. • Shared a meal with the same gentlemen plus Lt Col Peter Grant OC 20STA at Graythorne RSL • Contact with the Polo and Tee shirt provider has resumed and delivery is expected shortly. 	
Item 6	<p>Public Officer Report.</p> <p>Vic apologised for his non attendance due to medical appointment.</p> <p>He has made an offer which will provide some assistance that will allow a vet who may not attend this years 50th anniversary SVN events to actually attend.</p> <p>Due to the short notice for the Anzac day March and Plaque dedications at Enoggera, the committee has undertaken to investigate if we can make it happen for the 50th Anniversary of Long Tan Day activities in Canberra in August. More to come.</p>	
Item 7	<p>Webmaster Update.</p> <p>Bob sent apologies for his absence.</p>	
Item 8	<p>3D model of Radar. (Bert Blink)</p> <p>If the original radar is accepted by the NVVM Philip Island, it will be transported to the museum at our cost after an undertaking to meet the RAAHC conditions for display. Failing that, the proposal is for a 125mm 3D computer-produced model of the Radar. This would fill the void for the NVVM. It would be placed in the Det 131 DLB display case and could be a very good reproduction at the appropriate cost (unknown at this stage).</p> <p>After the Assn pays for the production of the computer file, the model could then be reproduced in volume for interested parties as mementos with a cost in the vicinity of \$400 each (to be confirmed and dependant on level of interest). More information to come.</p>	

Item 9	<p>Next General meeting will be on</p> <p>March 15 2016 at 11.00 AM Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club 26 Humphries Rd Wakeley NSW 2176</p> <p>PHONE [02] 9604 9975 or Sec/Treas 0437 361 602</p>	
Item 10	Meeting Closed 12.19PM	
	Signed Allen Morley	Chairman

Addendum A

131Locators Meeting Action Items February 2016 Prior Action Items

1. Due to new planned expenditure in the short term the following projects have been deferred.
2. Projects worthy of Support of 131Locator Association Members. **Ongoing** - details of proposed & current projects and their status to be identified. Suggestions - George Lane suggested 2 x \$500 scholarships be offered to a Locator's family annually.

Current Meeting Topics

1. Ongoing: Arrange 2016 Enoggera event including sourcing Plaque and Personnel list item.
2. Ongoing: Arrange the Canberra 2016 Vietnam Veteran's Day 50th Anniversary programme (including Commemorative Dinner.
3. 131 Bty flag project
4. North Head Flagstone paver dedication date

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items

1. OCs recollections project has been completed and all are available on the website.
2. Meeting Minutes are now on the website in Members Only area requiring password access.
3. Refurbishment of the 131Battery sign has been completed. Planned handover of the invoice for payment has been delayed.