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131 Locators Association Inc.

Minutes for the General Meeting of the 131 Locators Association Inc.

Held via Zoom facility

At 11.05 AM on Tuesday 9th June 2020

Attendees were: Allen Morley, Bert Blink, Grahame Dignam, Ernest Newbold, Bob Billiards, Ian Amos, Terry Erbs, Paul Dickson, Merv Nairn and Ron Mason.

Apologies: Jim Fitzgerald, George Lane, Nick Proskurin, Ged Carroll and state reps from WA, VIC and SA.

Comrades, Brothers in arms remembered

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Name	Rank	Regt No	Section	SVN	DoB	DoD
Greenland, Graham	GNR	2792441		1970	03/08/48	17/11/14
Griffith, Derek "Dirk" Williams	Sgt	310867	Transport	13/8/70 - 12/8/71	1927	02/04/05
Gunn, Gordon Campbell	WO2	16915	1Fd Regt/Svy/SRG	66-67 & 69-70	24/09/44	26/9/13
Hamilton, Warwick Ronald "Blue Leader"	Lt Col	215190	Det OC	67/68	17/11/39	26/08/2019
Hayes, Terence "Lofty" James	Bdr	214973	Alpha Radar	66/67 & 68/69	17/11/39	14/12/11
Hemming, Leigh Graham	Gnr	1732039		1967	04/10/45	02/03/18
Holmes, William John	SSgt	61040	RAEME	1969	09/02/37	Unknown
Jeffrey, Wayne	LBdr	2794772	Sensor/Sound ranging	1970-1971	13/10/48	2/3/2016
Johnson, Brian	Pvt	4720991	AACC	29/05/70 - 05/05/71	12/01/49	31/01/12
Jones, Paul William	Gnr	216324	Radar	1966 – 1967	11/10/46	09/09/68
Keech, David Derek	Bdr	311588	-	1970	13/05/47	08/12/99

Item 1 Welcome	Acting Chairman Grahame Dignam opened the meeting and thanked those who had logged in to join us. We welcomed Terry Erbs from Qld, Ron Mason from Northern Vic And last but not least "Ed" Paul Dickson from Central Mexico.	
Item 2	Minutes of the previous General meeting and Correspondence were circulated with the Agenda and are deemed to be read and correct except for items to be covered in General Business below.	
Item 3	Recent Correspondence (uncirculated) was: Nil. Moved Bert Blink Seconded Bob Billiards Against Nil Accepted	
Item 4	Issues arising from the previous minutes and circulated Correspondence were nil. Moved Bert Blink Seconded Bob Billiards Against Nil Accepted	

Item 5	<p>Financial Report.</p> <p>The Treasurer advised the current Bank balance from a statement dated to-day. There are no outstanding amount due. The last item was payment of our ½ share of the new 131 Battery sign for Enoggera Qld barracks.</p> <p>Financial Membership is currently 123 plus Associates 2 plus Affiliates 11 Total 132 Plus Lapsed as at 1/6/2020 33 members</p> <p>Merchandise as at 1st June 2020.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="375 504 1396 683"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>In Stock</th> <th>Cost</th> <th>sold</th> <th>ROI</th> <th>Result</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Car Decals</td> <td>210</td> <td>\$759</td> <td>233</td> <td>\$1077</td> <td>+ \$318</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nasho UCG ribbons</td> <td>170</td> <td>\$905</td> <td>130</td> <td>\$526</td> <td>-\$379</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Caps/Hats</td> <td>37/15</td> <td>\$2212</td> <td>158</td> <td>\$3160</td> <td>+\$948</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Polo's (1 gift)</td> <td>40</td> <td>\$2752</td> <td>73</td> <td>\$2200</td> <td>-\$592</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tee Shirt</td> <td>31</td> <td>\$1307</td> <td>34</td> <td>\$850</td> <td>-\$457</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Moved Grahame Dignam Second Bert Blink Against Nil Accepted</p>		In Stock	Cost	sold	ROI	Result	Car Decals	210	\$759	233	\$1077	+ \$318	Nasho UCG ribbons	170	\$905	130	\$526	-\$379	Caps/Hats	37/15	\$2212	158	\$3160	+\$948	Polo's (1 gift)	40	\$2752	73	\$2200	-\$592	Tee Shirt	31	\$1307	34	\$850	-\$457	
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Item 6	<p>Presidents report. Allen advised that</p> <p>For tomorrow's meeting via zoom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My apologies -meeting at Granville re my ongoing battle with DVA • LSTAA reunion in October if Queensland opens the borders • 50% sign payment for 131 Bty. I will get a pic once it is installed • Facebook – is 'Collins Creek Hall Events' (twice) a ring in to the 131 group? I cannot see a connection and maybe it needs to be deleted • Perhaps our July meeting can return to Canley Heights or some other venue? • George is still able to cross into Queensland for his early morning coffee and later shopping. He complained to me about the 'cold' mornings, and said he thought he had left that behind <p>Thanks Bert Am</p>																																					
Item 7	<p>Public Officer Report. Gordon has apologised hence no report. Nothing has come to the notice of Sec/Treas.</p>																																					
Item 8	<p>Webmaster Update. Bob will produce web stats prior to the next meeting. Mention was made of our Face book page and thanks to a large push from Joe Fabri from "the 131 oldies" and Rieny Nieuwenhof (131 locators) our membership now stands at 141.</p>																																					
Item 9	<p>Health. We reported the passing of Kevin Maker during the past month. No other dire problems have been reported at this time.</p>																																					
Item 10	<p>General Business. Bob Billiards has crossed paths with Gnr Mick Young by accident. We will chase contact details. Grahame Williams has located a RAEME Mech. Brian Colin Jones and we are attempting to make contact. 133 Bty is going to be raised and personnel are being positioned to bring the Bty to full strength. The reunion in Qld in October will go ahead this year if the border is opened. Worst case scenario is it will be deferred until the Caloundra function in 2021. Dicko is chasing up schematic drawings of SVN 131 locations & related sleeping qrts of personnel. Allowance will need to be made for changing/evolving roles during the period e.g. Tpt compound before Sound ranging CP between Huts tropical, moved Radar sites, changed LP positions etc.</p>																																					

Item 11	<p>Next General meeting will be on:</p> <p>July 14th 2020 at 11.00 AM Via Zoom facility with a proposed move around August back to</p> <p>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 12	Meeting Closed 12.25PM	
	Signed Grahame Dignam	Acting Meeting Chairman

Addendum A

**131Locators Meeting Action Items May 2020
Prior Action Items**

Active Items

1. Revise Det 131 Display at NVVM I to consolidate any additional display items
2. Foster the 131 Battery Face Book site
3. Continue working on the Photo Album Project

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items