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Lest We Forget**



131 Locators Association Inc.

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

Canley Heights RSL & Sporting Club  
26 Humphries Rd, Wakeley NSW 2176  
and via Zoom internet  
on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Present were Allen Morley, Grahame Dignam, Gordon Malcolm, Bob Billiards, Ernest Newbold  
Ged Carroll, Merv Nairn, Ian Amos.

Zoomed members were:  
Ron Mason, Terry Erbs, Bert Blink, Brian Campbell  
Rieny Nieuwenhof, Barry Guzder.

Apologies were received from George Lane, Paul Dickson, Iain Kennedy, K Browning, Nick Proskurin, Steve Wynn,  
Warwick Brooker other State Reps and Jim Fitzgerald

**Comrades, Brothers in arms remembered.**

**VALE**

Heyes, John "Jack" Vernon	Gnr	3791085	Survey	1967-68	13/03/45	009/09/21
Holmes, William John	SSgt	61040	RAEME	1969	09/02/37	08/06/19
T'Anson, John Paul	Gnr	2787424	Radar	1968-69	06/06/45	18/01/23
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
King, Thomas	T/Bdr	1411018	B Radar	1966 - 1967	14/12/37	25/04/11
Knight, Quenton James	Gnr	2412578	-	1968 - 1969	25/04/49	18/01/20
Kryntjes, Martin	Gnr	5715291	Radar	1968-1969	23/03/47	27/12/2017

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<i>Item 1</i>	President Allen Morley welcomed those attending and those joining via via Zoom.	
<i>Item 2</i>	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	<p>Matters arising and Recent Correspondence (uncirculated) will also be discussed in General Business.</p> <p>Moved G Dignam      Seconded Alen Morley      Against Nil      Accepted</p>																															
Item 4	<p><b>Financial Report.</b></p> <p>The Treasurer advised the current Bank balance from a Statement dated to-day. The Association has no outstanding amounts due. The fixed deposit was renewed at the rate and term disclosed to the meeting.</p> <p>Financial Membership is currently ..... 128</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">plus Associates      2</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">plus Affiliates      16</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Total      146</p> <p>Plus Lapsed as at 1/09/2023      36 members</p> <p>Merchandise on 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 23</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="284 667 1406 931"> <thead> <tr> <th>Item</th> <th>Stock now</th> <th>Cost</th> <th>sold</th> <th>ROI</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Car Decals (gifted)</td> <td>180</td> <td>\$759</td> <td>259</td> <td>\$1,295      \$545</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nasho UCG ribbons</td> <td>128</td> <td>\$905</td> <td>169</td> <td>\$845      <b>\$35</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Caps/Hats (13 gifts)</td> <td>35/24</td> <td>\$3,340</td> <td>211</td> <td>\$4,240      \$740</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Polo's (3 gift)</td> <td>32</td> <td>\$3,793</td> <td>125</td> <td>\$3,360      <b>\$20</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tee Shirt (2 gift)</td> <td>13</td> <td>\$1,310</td> <td>55</td> <td>\$1,375      <b>\$65</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Moved G Dignam      Seconded Allen Morley      Against Nil      Accepted</p>	Item	Stock now	Cost	sold	ROI	Car Decals (gifted)	180	\$759	259	\$1,295      \$545	Nasho UCG ribbons	128	\$905	169	\$845 <b>\$35</b>	Caps/Hats (13 gifts)	35/24	\$3,340	211	\$4,240      \$740	Polo's (3 gift)	32	\$3,793	125	\$3,360 <b>\$20</b>	Tee Shirt (2 gift)	13	\$1,310	55	\$1,375 <b>\$65</b>	
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Item 5	<p><b>President's report.</b></p> <p>Allen advised.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He and the Grahame Dignam had attended a Vietnam Vets day at Canterbury Hurlstone Park RSL on Sunday 13 August. The focus of the event was Our Gunner Ernest Newbold who featured in a Presentation and reflection on his war service in SVN.</li> <li>• that as he is moving to a new location the postal address for the Association needs to be changed. This will be addressed at the AGM.</li> <li>• Allen advised he had issues when he notified the DVA that he was travelling overseas. Consequently, he was provided with a list of his pertinent pension details. On inspection, all the details were incorrect. He advised caution if anyone takes the same course of action.</li> </ul>																															
Item 6	<p><b>Public Officer Report.</b></p> <p>Gordon had a quiet period with no issues to report.</p>																															
Item 7	<p><b>Webmaster Update.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bob advised Facebook members are stable around 370 and that the Newsletter has again been the main feature. A couple of members have been managed out due to inappropriate postings and another couple have been barred due to attempts to sell merchandise to our membership.</li> </ul>																															
Item 8	<p><b>Health.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Merv reported that he his operation went well and will have a yearly follow up. The surgeon removed 1 of 4 glands in his throat causing the problem but the others are functioning OK.</li> <li>• Terry Erbs was advised by Jesse Owen that Russell Jackson and Michael Quinlan were not so well and could do with a cheerio call from mates</li> <li>• Most other members are in manageable health with no serious on-going concerns.</li> </ul>																															

<i>Item 9</i>	<p><b>General Business and around the grounds.</b> Discussions ensued on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Canberra reunion event discussed-. The sec/treas was embarrassed by the positive comments which were noted and appreciated.</li> <li>• Terry Erbs advised a local QLD reunion is being proposed by G Williams for 131 guys at the Gold Coast “Greenmount” over 10/11 November2023.</li> <li>• Grahame advised that Dave Doyle had gifted a number of Printed photos depicting equipment used by the Battery over time. We have some 27 unique photos suitable for inclusion in the Album that need to be identified and described. More to come on this subject.</li> </ul>	
<i>Item 10</i>	<p><b>Next General meeting</b> will be on: 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023 at 11.00 AM Venue to be advised (Club preferred) And available via Zoom link to be advised.</p> <p>Sec/Treas 0437 361 602</p>	
<i>Item 11</i>	Meeting Closed 11.55AM	
	Signed Allen Morley	Meeting Chairman

## Addendum A

### 131Locators Meeting Action Items August 2023 Prior Action Items

#### Active Items

1. Foster the 131 Battery Face Book sites
2. Continue working on the Photo Album Project (selection process has commenced).
3. review ACT reunion event scenarios.

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items