

## 131 Locators Association Inc.

Minutes for the Ordinary Meeting of the 131 Locators Association Inc. held at Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club at 11.00AM on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2013

Attendees were: Grahame Dignam, Allen Morley, Ernest Newbold, George Lane, Ian Amos, Bob Billiard, Bert Blink, Nick Proskurin, and Vic Danko

Item 1	The Club ode is recited at 11.00AM	
	Welcome from Chair President Allen Morley at 11.10 AM.	
Item 2	Apologies: Paul Dickson, Ged Carroll, Rieny Neuwenhof	
Item 3	Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated with the Agenda and as previously adopted are deemed to be read and correct except as mentioned in Issues arising below.	
Item 4	Recent Correspondence (uncirculated) NIL	
Item 5	Issues arising from All Correspondence and the previous minutes (not mentioned below).	
	Bert Suggested that the pertinent part of the "Report regarding the use if insecticides and other chemicals used in SVN" be published in the next copy of Eyes & Ears to warn and to advise veterans potentially affected of their rights. The article is also reported to appear in the November issue of the VVAA magazine.	
	Moved George Lane Second Vic Danko Accepted	
Item 6	Financial Report Current Bank balance is \$10957.34 New members: Randall Jones Affiliate Murray Poustie and Denis Smith both x 5 years Membership is currently 139 (2 x 1 yr renewals o/s).	
	Decals- no action this month . \$58.00 in the black	
	Moved Ern Newbold Second Bert Blink Accepted	

Item 7	Presidents Report.	
	<ul> <li>Allen attended the State Funeral of the Late Rusty Priest at St Marys' Cathedral on 2/10 which was a great send off for the ex Locatorand Patron of the LSTAA.</li> <li>Mentioned that he, accompanied by George Lane and Ged Carroll, visited Don Simmons at the Wahroonga Nursing Home. Don appreciated the visit and while not a well man, spent a good time reminiscing. Allen discussed the use of the E Reader and Don confirmed that he had little interest in reading the media or novels.</li> <li>Latest Locrep under the signature of President Joe Kaplun issued and mentioned the celebration of the life of Rusty Priest. The 2013 Sydney re-union was also mentioned and will be held at the conclusion of November 24 meeting at the Paddington RSL.</li> <li>Allen confirmed none of the committee supported the NRL premiers Eastern Suburbs and that only one supported the Hawthorn Hawks.</li> </ul>	
Item 8	Public Officers' Report.  Preparations for the AGM are in place and advices have been issued and are also on the website. Unfortunately he will be travelling on that day and has submitted his apologies for his absence and Proxy in favour of Allen Morley.	
Item 9	WebMaster Update. Monthly activity data will be circulated shortly.	
Item 10	Project/Research Officers' Report and Presentation on Unit Identity.  Ern Newbold reported that he had acquired  • 50 premium quality navy blue brushed cotton caps with sandwich peak with the Association emblem embroidered on the front and the Lung Dragon and "131" on the rear. Cost per item was \$9.79 with a selling price of \$20 - \$25 including postage (one size fits all).  • 50 Soft wash bucket hat with the same design –navy blue with red edge piping. Cost per item was \$10.89 with a selling price of \$20 -\$25 including postage (Sizes are SM-MED and MED_ LGE).  • The supplier can also produce a larger brim "surf hat" in the same colours if required and these are available in 4 sizes. These will be accessed if a demand is shown.  A subdued "three cheers" and a "well done that man!" for Ernest followed.  The items will be placed on the website and orders will be encouraged.	
Item 11	<ul> <li>Other Matters.</li> <li>Nick Proskurin has produced a paper mock up of the proposed paver design for placement in the Seymour Viet Vets Memorial Walk. Using the design of the Canberra plaque he modified the sizing to fit the 400 mm x 400 mm size required for Seymour. The appeal to assist the production and placement of the Plaque now stands at \$260.00. The meeting confirmed that we should proceed with this project.</li> </ul>	
	Moved Nick Proskurin Seconded Bert Blink Accepted.	

	Meeting closed at 12 .30 pm AEST	
Item 12	Next meeting is the AGM set for 11.00 AM on 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2013 at Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club to be followed by an ordinary meeting.	
	<ul> <li>Other Matters cont.</li> <li>Bert Blink advised that the definative list of soldiers who are listed as serving with "131 Div Loc Bty" in South Vietnam for DVA purposes is near the end. He will be then persuing the Member list as it appears on our website.</li> <li>The sister of Ernest Newbold who visited the Seymour Memorial reported that her family were most impressed with its presentation but that there were no seats to sit and contemplate the events. Also that there was no signage on the Highways to direct visitors to the Memorial.</li> </ul>	

### Addendum A

# 131Locators Meeting Action Items Sept 2013 Prior Action Items

1. Projects worthy of Support of 131Locator Association Members. **Ongoing** - details of proposed & current projects and their status. To be identified.

#### **Current Meeting Topics**

- For mention AGM Changes to the 131Locators Constitution Para 2.
   Object and Functions. Changes to Para 16 e Committee. Agreed to and to be voted on at 2013 AGM.
- 2. For mention plan and co-ordinate Paver for Det 131 DLB service in SVN at Seymour Vietnam Memorial Walk
- 3. For Mention DVA Pension Questionnaire and Survey Monkey.
- 4. . For mention
- Further to the community assistance projects other ideas are required. George Lane suggested 2 x \$500 scholarships be offered annually.

#### Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items

1. Visit to Don Simmons and gift of eReader

#### **Current Action Items**

To be updated after meeting.