

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 12th March 2024

Present were Grahame Dignam, Gordon Malcolm, Ernest Newbold Ged Carroll, Bob Billiards,

Zoomed members were: Ron Mason, Paul Dickson, Bert Blink, Brian Campbell, Ian Campbell, Warwick Brooker, Rieny Nieuwenhof,

Apologies were received from Allen Morley, Terry Erbs, Steve Wynn, Ian Amos, George Lane, Jim Fitzgerald Merv Nairn, Nick Proskurin and other State Reps

Comrades, Brothers in arms remembered.

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| Szarbo, Peter | L/Bdr | 38752 | | 26/03/69 - 25/03/70 | 18/01/47 | 07/12/07 |
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| Szypulski, Mark | Gnr | 313270 | - | 1971 | 22/04/1951 | 03/11/16 |
| Taylor, Kevin James | Gnr | 2791357 | | 1969 - 197070 | 15/08/45 | 03/08/23 |
| Telford, Stuart John | Gnr | 2791930 | | 20/01/70 - 03/12/70 | 21/05/48 | 28/03/72 |
| Thomas, Ean David | Gnr | - | 130 Gun Lock Bty | N/A | 04/11/45 | 24/04/03 |
| Thomson, Alan James "Big Al" | Bdr | 42308 | - | 20/5/66 - 22/6/67 | 12/08/37 | 07/10/15 |
| Todd, Geoffrey Thomas | Bdr | 54254 | - | 1967-68 | 18/12/47 | 23/04/16 |
| Townley, James Harold | Brigadier | 17072 | Det OC | 22/4/66 - 18/8/66 | 02/03/39 | 22/10/19 |
| Travers, Paul Brendon | Maj | 47027 | 131 RAEME | 25/02/67 - 04/04/67 | 11/01/49 | 18/02/90 |
| Troedel, David John | WO2 | 326409 | 132 Div loc Bty | Malaya 1967 | 10/08/39 | 13/05/21 |
| Uniacke, John | Sgt | | 130 Gun Loc/133 DLB | N/A | 26/08/37 | 27/09/21 |
| Uren, Barry Thomas | Bdr | 214715 | | 1966 - 67 | 10/11/40 | 24/20/23 |

| Item 1 | Stand in Chair Grahame Dignam w Zoom. | velcomed tho | se attendi | ng and the | ose joining | via | | | | |
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| 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 | Matters arising and Recent Corres General Business. | spondence (u | ncirculated | d) will also | be discuss | sed in | | | | |
| | Moved G Dignam Seconded | Bob Billiards | Against | Nil | Accepted | | | | | |
| Item 4 | Financial Report. The Treasurer advised the current Bank balance from a Statement dated to-day. | | | | | | | | | |
| | Financial Membership is currently plus plus Total Plus Lapsed as at 1/03/2024 | Associates Affiliates | 2 16 144 | nembers | | | | | | |
| | Merchandise on 1 st Mar 24 Item St | ock now | Cost | sold | ROI | | | | | |
| | Car Decals (gifted) | 173 | \$759 | 269 | \$1,340 | \$585 | | | | |
| | Nasho UCG ribbons | 125 | \$905 | 172 | \$860 | \$20 | | | | |
| | Caps/Hats (12 gifts) | 32/23 | \$3,340 | 215 | \$4,320 | \$800 | | | | |
| | Polo's (3 gift) | 31 | \$2,750 | 125 | \$3,360 | \$610 | | | | |
| | Tee Shirt (2 gift) | 11 | \$1,310 | 57 | \$1,425 | \$115 | | | | |
| | Moved G Dignam Seconded Bob Billiards Against Nil Accepted | | | | | | | | | |
| Item 5 | President's report. Allen advised items for mention: Anzac Day Marchers are asked to congregate as normal on the Corner Bent/Phillip Sts. Chifley Square. Then follow on to a by Luncheon at BARRACKS restaurant in Barrack St at 12.30PM -booking arranged. DVA has completed a draft proposal to merge the 3 separate ACTs covering Veterans welfare issues. The Issue re the placement of plaques at the re-modelled Land Warfare Centre (old CANUNGRA JTC) needs investigation (see general Business). Early report to-day (Tuesday) of vandal attack on the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial in Canberra by prop Palestine activists. | | | | | | | | | |
| Item 6 | Public Officer Report. Gordon advised he has no issues t | o report. | | | | | | | | |

| Item 7 | Robert advised Facebook members are now 417. We are attracting some who want to market non sponsored merchandise to our members- these are being barred. We are also learning of posters connection of our veteran members (wider family members). | |
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| Item 8 | Health. Allen reported that he is undergoing heart related tests. To date he is waiting for the results of an angiogram. Most attendees are in good health although some have family matters to deal with. Both Ern Newbold and Gordon Malcolm reported that cataract removal has been very beneficial for them. | |
| Item 9 | General Business and around the grounds. Discussions ensued on the following: Photo Album advances – 40 odd sample pictures have been loaded onto the website to show what we need. Links to the website and gallery will be added to the Minutes and email appeal. See link below. A discussion regarding a plaque suitable for placement at the Land Warfare Centre (old Canungra Jungle training Centre) agreed that we approach the trustees for the size of plaques acceptable. We have used varying sizes so should be able to replicate an appropriate plaque on behalf of the Detachment. Open link here https://rslqld.org/-/media/rslqld/stock-images/news/article_canungra-vietnam_1.jpg The next Veterans HUB will be in Geelong opening 2025. The Hub will feature paid Advocates for the first time. The Riverboat Cruise has been re-scheduled for 7th May with all conditions to be re-advertised. | |
| Item 10 | Next General meeting will be on: 9 th April 2024 at 11.00 AM Canley Heights RSL & Sporting Club 26 Humphries Rd, Wakeley NSW 2176 and via Zoom internet Sec/Treas 0437 361 602 | |
| Item 11 | Meeting Closed 11.55AM | |
| | Signed Grahame Dignam Meeting Chairman (acting) | |

131Locators Meeting Action Items February 2024 Prior Action Items

Active Items

- 1. Foster the 131 RAA Battery Face Book sites
- 2. The Photo Album Project samples are available on our website
 - Go to . http://www.131locators.org.au
 - Select Galleries Association -click on Photo album Project icon.

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items