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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 9th December 2025

Present were Grahame Dignam, Ged Carroll, Ernest Newbold, Gordon Malcolm, and Ian Amos.

Zoomed members were Kevin Browning, Bert Blink, Allen Morley
 Merv Nairn and Brian Campbell.

Apologies were received from George Lane, Terry Erbs, Jim Fitzgerald, Nick Proskurin, Bob Billiards ,
 Steve Wynn, Paul Dickson, Warwick Brooker and other State Reps

Comrades, Brothers in arms remembered.

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Field, Edwin Alfred	T/Sgt	242577	W/Shop-RAEME	1966	08/06/34	20/07/96
Fountain, Barry Edward	Gnr	3798485	Det 131 12 Fld Regt.	03/03/71 - 20/08/71 21/08/71 - 30/10/71	12/10/49	12/05/22
Frost, Leslie David	WO1	215230	RSM	1966 - 1967	24/08/45	26/03/14
Gault, Peter "Pappy"	Gnr	2783644	LP	1967	19/12/45	24/05/14
Gibson, Robert Martin	Gnr	2787361	Alpha Radar	1968-69	03/03/47	02/03/21
Gordon, Colin Barry 'Bones'	Bdr	16975	Radar	1968 – 1969	31/01/45	28/03/10
Goss, Pierre Ramon	BQMS	213990	Det HQ	1969 – 1970	17/08/36	06/08/11
Gough, Alasdair	L/Bdr	210130	A & B LP's	1970 – 1971	13/07/47	03/12/23
Gowans, Patrick Thomas Francis	Brig	57036	131 AATV	1965 1971	28/02/33	22/06/22
Greenland, Graham	GNR	2792441		1970	03/08/48	17/11/14
Gunn, Gordon Campbell	WO2	16915	1Fd Regt/Svy/SRG	66-67 & 69-70	24/09/44	26/09/13

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Item 1	President Allen Morley deferred to Sec/Treas G Dignam for this meeting and who welcomed those attending and those joining via Zoom.																																											
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 Correspondence (uncirculated) will also be discussed in General Business. Moved G Dignam Seconded Ged Carroll Against Nil Accepted																																											
Item 4	Financial Report. The Treasurer advised the current Bank balance from a Statement dated today. • The donation of \$500.00 to assist the cost of extending the Mount Pleasant memorial as voted on in October meeting was confirmed. Financial Membership is currently 118 plus Associates 2 plus Affiliates 15 Total 145 Plus Lapsed as of 1st December 2025 38 members <table><tr><th>Item</th><th>Stock</th><th>cost</th><th>Sold</th><th></th><th>ROI</th></tr><tr><td>Car Decals (gifted)</td><td>158</td><td>\$759</td><td>283</td><td>\$1,405</td><td>\$645</td></tr><tr><td>Nasho UCG ribbons</td><td>112</td><td>\$905</td><td>185</td><td>\$925</td><td>\$45</td></tr><tr><td>Caps/Hats (13 gifts)</td><td>28/23</td><td>\$3,340</td><td>219</td><td>\$4,400</td><td>\$900</td></tr><tr><td>Polo’s (3 gift)</td><td>27</td><td>\$3,793</td><td>129</td><td>\$3,500</td><td>\$750</td></tr><tr><td>Tee Shirt (2 gift)</td><td>8</td><td>\$1,310</td><td>60</td><td>\$1,500</td><td>\$190</td></tr><tr><td>Action! Action! Action!</td><td>22</td><td>300</td><td>8</td><td>120</td><td>180</td></tr></table> Merchandise on 1st December 2025 Moved G Dignam Seconded Ged Carrol Against Nil Accepted	Item	Stock	cost	Sold		ROI	Car Decals (gifted)	158	\$759	283	\$1,405	\$645	Nasho UCG ribbons	112	\$905	185	\$925	\$45	Caps/Hats (13 gifts)	28/23	\$3,340	219	\$4,400	\$900	Polo’s (3 gift)	27	\$3,793	129	\$3,500	\$750	Tee Shirt (2 gift)	8	\$1,310	60	\$1,500	\$190	Action! Action! Action!	22	300	8	120	180	
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Item 5	President’s report. Allen referenced he is unwell with a dose of influenza and.. • The DVA has been ranked as the lowest performer of the Federal Public Service organizations. • The Anzac Day Sydney lunch venue for 131 has closed its doors, and a fresh site will need to be chosen for those who attend the Anzac Day March 2026 . • The government bill to restrict service recognition of Defense personnel to a shorter time period had been dropped by the federal government.																																											

<i>Item 6</i>	Public Officer Report. Gordon confirmed the lodgement of the Fair-Trading forms A12 yearly and A9 outlining the correct address of the Public Officer. Acknowledgement has also been received from Tair-Trading	
<i>Item 7</i>	Webmaster Update. In Roberts absence, Grahame Dignam advised that Facebook members are 533.	
<i>Item 8</i>	Health. In the goods news department..... - Allen Morley has a chit for Influenza. - Bert Blink has been given a free pass for good behavior in his Prostate Cancer progress. - Nick called to say he was recovering well, felt good and just needed a checkup and hoped to be driving again shortly.	
<i>Item 9</i>	General Business and around the grounds. Discussions ensued on the following: - Preparations required to wind up our Association with member fees now a maximum of 3 years X \$15.00 to maintain website hosting costs. - Final destination of remaining funds on wind up COULD BE – Cutler research Centre: National Vietnam Vets Museum: RAA Regimental Funds and/or LSTAA. - Including a general notice to all members regarding the planning process involved - Moving meeting to every 2 months beginning Feb 2026. This would allow the major Military dates to be covered (ANZAC Day: VV Day in Aug: Oct prior to Remembrance Day: Dec to round out the year) - As recognition of the part “Eyes & Ears” newsletter has played in fostering communication over the whole Locator population, we will ask if there is anyone who may be interested in putting together a bi-monthly “bulletin” containing contributions as the custom is now. The “Bulletin” would not be the same format but would have most features. Watch for the email in your inbox soon.	
<i>Item 10</i>	Next General meeting will be on: 10 th February 2026 at 11.00 AM Venue and format to be advised. Sec/Treas 0437 361 602	
<i>Item 11</i>	Meeting Closed 11.59 AM	
	Signed Grahame Dignam Acting Meeting Chairman	

Addendum A

131Locators Meeting Action Items November 2025 Prior Action Items

Active Items

1. Foster the 131 RAA Battery Face Book sites
2. Continue working on the Photo Album Project (selection process has commenced).
3. Review the progress of the relocation of Vietnam Veterans Museum

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items