



131 Locators Association Inc.



Minutes for the General Meeting of the 131 Locators Association Inc.
held at Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club
following the AGM on Tuesday 15th November 2016

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

Apologies: Paul Dickson, Jim Fitzgerald, Ron Evans, Warwick Hamilton, Ged Carroll, Merv
Nairn, Bob Billiards and Regional Reps.

Welcome	Chairman, Allen Morley opened the meeting at 11.05 AM. and thanked those who travelled long distances to be present.	
Item 1	Minutes of the previous General meeting and Correspondence were circulated with the Agenda and are deemed to be read and correct except as mentioned in Issues arising Item 3 below. Moved Bert Blink Seconded Nick Proskurin Against Nil Accepted	
Item 2	Recent Correspondence (uncirculated) included: Nil Moved Bert Blink Seconded Nick Proskurin Against Nil Accepted	
Item 3	Issues arising from the previous minutes and circulated Correspondence were: RAAHC item available for relocation. Expressions of interest will be made for the 3 item identified with a view to placement at suitable sites. Move George Lane Second Bert Blink Against Nil Accepted	

Item 4	<p>Financial Report. Current Balance at the Bank was provided to the meeting.</p> <p>Financial Membership is currently 140 plus Associates 2 plus Affiliates 7 Total 149</p> <p>Plus Lapsed 12 members No major expenditure is in prospect at this time.</p> <p>Merchandise.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Assn Car Decals</td> <td>- stock: 282 – Cost \$759.</td> <td>ROI is \$952</td> <td>– Surplus \$193</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nasho ribbons</td> <td>- stock 74 -Cost \$300</td> <td>ROI is \$130</td> <td>– Short \$170</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Caps/Hats</td> <td>- stock: 19 caps/23 hats/5 surf. Cost @ \$1654 -</td> <td>ROI is \$2341</td> <td>Surplus \$687</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Polos</td> <td>cost 50 x \$1165 sold 15x \$30</td> <td>ROI is \$450</td> <td>– Short \$715</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tee Shirt</td> <td>cost 50 x \$ 890 sold 12x \$25</td> <td>ROI is \$300</td> <td>– Short \$590</td> </tr> </table> <p>Moved G Dignam Second George Lane Against Nil Accepted</p>	Assn Car Decals	- stock: 282 – Cost \$759.	ROI is \$952	– Surplus \$193	Nasho ribbons	- stock 74 -Cost \$300	ROI is \$130	– Short \$170	Caps/Hats	- stock: 19 caps/23 hats/5 surf. Cost @ \$1654 -	ROI is \$2341	Surplus \$687	Polos	cost 50 x \$1165 sold 15x \$30	ROI is \$450	– Short \$715	Tee Shirt	cost 50 x \$ 890 sold 12x \$25	ROI is \$300	– Short \$590	
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Item 5	<p>Presidents report. In addition to the report in the AGM ,Allen advised that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Along with Bob Billiards, he attended the 1/83rd Reunion in Washington DC. And was well looked after by their hosts • He was disappointed in the actions of the RSL Senior executives in accepting remuneration that was clearly not appropriate to their positions. • He favoured developing the 2017 reunion in Adelaide as an ANZAC DAY event with numbers to be sought by end of Feb 2017. 																					
Item 6	<p>Public Officer Report.</p> <p>Vic has been overseas and so not a lot to report at this time.</p>																					
Item 7	<p>Webmaster Update.</p> <p>Unfortunately Bob is an absentee but has supplied stats separately and the website is still attracting the normal amount of traffic. It is being maintained with the assistance of Bert and P Dickson.</p>																					
Item 8	<p>Photo Album Project. This project is being re-visited and renewed efforts will be made to move it forward. An appeal will be made through Eyes & Ears for relevant photos showing equipment and personnel, operational situations, and text detailing who, what, where and when. This will be a chronicle of the Detachments’ full tour in SVN from first to last involvement 1966-1971. It will require the help of soldiers providing the best version of their photographs for publication (better than those used for the newsletter which has to be reduced in size for publication). We would like soldiers from the 68/669 and 69/70 tours to assist identify the people who will be shown. A finished copy will be offered to the Australian War Memorial.</p>																					

Item 9	Adelaide reunion 2017 As mentioned above in the Presidents' report we will target ANZAC DAY 2017 for the Adelaide reunion. We will be asking for FIRM expressions of interest shortly to gauge the level of support for this event and then publish a likely Agenda and timings.	
Item 10	General Business Birthdays are approaching for our President, Allen Morley and 1967/68 Detachment Commander Warwick Hamilton. We extend our best wishes for their long and continuing involvement.	
	Next General meeting will be earlier than usual due to Xmas and will be on: December 13 th 2016 at 11.00 AM Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club 26 Humphries Rd Wakeley NSW 2176 PHONE <u>[02] 9604 9975</u> or Sec/Treas 0437 361 602	
Item 11	Meeting Closed 12.10 PM due to arrival of Pizzas.	
Item 12	Signed Allen Morley Chairman	

Addendum A

131 Locators Meeting Action Items December 2016 Prior Action Items

1. 50th anniversary reunion of 1st reo party May 1967 Adelaide 2017
2. A discussion on our community involvement project resulted in 2 suggestions
 - i) Ern Newbold suggested that we donate an amount to allow the 20STA soldiers to benefit from an amenity provided by 20STA Regiment in our Association Name. The amenity would be an award or reward generally available to all Ors. This will be investigated.
 - ii) Gordon Malcolm suggested that our Association sponsor an award named "The Jim Menz Book prize "to students attending the local school where Jim grew up and the family still lives.

Both suggestions will be developed and a report will be made to the Association.

3. North Head Flagstone paver dedication date
4. Photo Album Project.
5. Origin of 131 Bty flag project.

Ongoing Suggestions - George Lane suggested 2 x \$500 scholarships be offered to a Locator's family annually.

Current Meeting Topics

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items

N/A