



131 Locators Association Inc.



Minutes for the General Meeting of the 131 Locators Association Inc.
held at Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club
at 11.05AM on Tuesday 15th August 2017

Attendees were: Grahame Dignam, Ernest Newbold, George Lane, GED Carroll, Des McGuiggan, Merv Nairn, Ian Amos, and Bob Billiards

Apologies: Allen Morley, Bert Blink, Paul Dickson, Jim Fitzgerald, Nick Proskurin, Vic Danko, Gordon Malcolm, State Reps.

Welcome	In the absence of the senior executive Allen and Bert, the Chair was taken by Sec Treas G Dignam. The meeting was opened at 11.05 A.M.	
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 below.	
Item 2	Recent Correspondence (uncirculated) included: an item concerning the Radar move which will be covered below. Moved George Lane Seconded Ern Newbold Against Nil Accepted	
Item 3	Issues arising from the previous minutes and circulated Correspondence again concerned the Radar see above. Moved George Lane Seconded Des McGuiggan Against Nil Accepted	
Item 4	Financial Report. The Treasurer circulated the Current Bank Statement showing the balance at the bank. The association does not have any outstanding commitments in the short term. A re-supply of caps has been received at a cost of \$558.25 Financial Membership is currently 129 plus Associates 2 plus Affiliates 7 Total 138 Plus Lapsed 24 members	

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Item 5	<p>Presidents report. As Allen is absent his report has been deferred</p>																			
Item 6	<p>Public Officer Report. As Vic is absent his report has been deferred. However he did indicated via email that an issue had arisen which need s to be discussed. This also has been deferred until his return.</p>																			
Item 7	<p>Webmaster Update. Bob has supplied stats bi-monthly via email to each of the committee members. He gave a pen picture of the activity which indicates the Association is particularly popular in Europe and the Baltic States. Mexico and the USA are also heavily represented in the stats.</p>																			
Item 8	<p>Radar Moves..</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update...refer correspondence attached to these meetings' Agenda between NVVM Phillip Island and Sec/Treas for the current position of Radar ANKPQ1... • Radar has been received by the Museum and the hard work is about to commence. • Technical manuals and photographs from a number of sources have been supplied to the Museum. • Radar ops have been canvassed for assistance in advising on the restoration of the Radar for display. • This Assn will look to acquire a CURTA mechanical calculator for inclusion in the general Det 131 DLB display. Also check out a revolving photo display showing the radar in various FSB positions. 																			
Item 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photo Album project. A trawl through the website member's albums continues. 																			
Item 10	<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The change made to the Bank signatories adding VPRES. Bert Blink is progressing. 																			
Item 11	<p>Next General meeting will be on:</p> <p>September 19th 2017 at 11.00 AM Canley Heights RSL and Sporting Club 26 Humphries Rd Wakeley NSW 2176</p> <p>PHONE [02] 9604 9975 or Sec/Treas 0437 361 602</p>																			
Item 12	<p>Meeting Closed 12.00 PM. Pizzas are due at 12.01PM</p>																			
	<p>Signed G Dignam</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Meeting Chairman</p>																			

Addendum A

131 Locators Meeting Action Items July 2017 Prior Action Items

1. The Association is open to new suggestions for projects that would benefit other Association member individually or collectively.

Active Items

1. North Head Flagstone paver dedication date
 2. 131 Bty flag project
 3. Photo Album Project
- **Photo Album project.** This major undertaking will represent all Locators who served in SVN and to achieve its aim we require the help of all vets. Unlike the photos that appear in Eyes & Ears which are reduced in size, we will require BEST POSSIBLE QUALITY photos that will make the final cut. This project will represent the entire period of 131's involvement in the SVN conflict and will be a heritage item so each photo will need a full description.
 - The committee is requesting the BEST pictures you have of Orderly Rm, Tpt Office. Raeme and Radar and LP sites (showing different modifications over time): Equipment used- Bearing Boards, Sound Ranging, Sensors etc. incl. details of how, when, where and why. (Radar. Starlight scopes, firearms, Transport modes {vehicular, airlift by chopper}: Aircraft used for deployments to FSBs and in close support roles bird dogs, etc
 - Pics of the US Arty guns in support units 1/83rd and 2/35th: pics of liaison with ARVN personnel and positions.
 - We will be looking for help from Personnel from each year/Corp to help with names and position identifications to ensure accuracy.
 - We need YOUR INPUT!

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items

Photo album steps TO DO

- Write to vip radar contacts –# 1 Yes x1 : # 2 x more to go
- Review web albums contact vets for approval.
- Eye & ears item reminder