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131 Locators Association Inc.

Minutes for the General Meeting of the 131 Locators Association Inc.

Held via Zoom internet

At 11.00 AM on Tuesday 12th October 2021

Attendees were all Zoomers due to Sydney Lockdown.

Zoomers: Paul Dickson, Allen Morley, Grahame Dignam, Ian Campbell, Ron Mason, Ian Amos, Gordon Malcolm, Kevin Browning, Terry Erbs, Warwick Brooker, Bob Billiards, Vic Danko, Ern Newbold, And Terry Erbs

Apologies: Jim Fitzgerald, Steve Wynn, Merv Nairn, Rieny Niewenhof, Barry Guzder, Bert Blink, Nick Proskurin, Ged Carroll, George Lane and State Reps.

Comrades, Brothers in arms remembered

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Lest we forget

O'Mara, Anthony Joseph	Sgt	38334	Radar-RAEME	1968 – 1969	07/12/40	01/01/85
Palmer, Stephen Edward	Cpl	18820	W/Shop-RAEME	1968 – 1969	31/08/46	03/12/72
Pearce, Ralph	Gnr	214806	-	1966 – 1967	16/06/45	Unknown
Peisley, Kenneth John "Bluey"	L/Bdr	2787174		1967 – 1968	17/08/46	31/08/16
Pepper, Francis Gordon	Bdr	216683	B Radar	1967 – 1968	16/09/48	27/12/89
Perry, Frantz (Frank) John	WO2	36026	-	22/04/66 - 5/9/66	19/11/22	17/10/16
Prenter, William Douglas	L/Col	64258	-	1966 – 1967	23/06/33	01/10/97
Reid, Jeffrey Leonard	L/Bdr	3790495	-	1967-68	29/03/46	Unknown
Roberts, John "Beau" Leslie	Gnr	3787005	Survey/LP/Radar	1966-67	08/05/45	20/11/18
Robinson, Edward "Ted"	-	-	-	N/A	-	Unknown
Royal, Ronald Vincent 'Chalky'	WOII	23552	Det HQ	1967 – 1968	19/04/29	01/05/02

Item 1	Chairman Allen Morley welcomed all who moved to a quiet area of their homes to join us.	
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) were nominations for committee members.. Moved G Dignam Seconded G Malcolm Against Nil Accepted	

Item 4	<p>Financial Report.</p> <p>The Treasurer advised the current Bank balance from a Statement dated to-day. The Term deposit due on 15 9/2021 was renewed. The amount due for payment for the re-order of 50 lapel pins at \$565.45 was paid on delivery of the order.</p> <p>Financial Membership is currently 125 plus Associates 2 plus Affiliates 15 Total 142 Plus Lapsed as at 1/10/2021 36 members</p> <p>Merchandise as at 1st Oct 2021</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="327 604 1444 1041"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>In Stock</th> <th>Cost</th> <th>sold</th> <th>ROI</th> <th>Result</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Car Decals</td> <td>193</td> <td>\$759</td> <td>250</td> <td>\$1127</td> <td>+\$388</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nasho UCG ribbons</td> <td>159</td> <td>\$905</td> <td>141</td> <td>\$582</td> <td>-\$323</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Caps/Hats</td> <td>26/13</td> <td>\$2212</td> <td>171</td> <td>\$3200</td> <td>+\$1188</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Polo's (1 gift)</td> <td>31</td> <td>\$2752</td> <td>79</td> <td>\$2370</td> <td>-\$420</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tee Shirt</td> <td>31</td> <td>\$1307</td> <td>39</td> <td>\$975</td> <td>-\$325</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Moved G Dignam Seconded G Malcolm Against Nil Accepted</p>		In Stock	Cost	sold	ROI	Result	Car Decals	193	\$759	250	\$1127	+\$388	Nasho UCG ribbons	159	\$905	141	\$582	-\$323	Caps/Hats	26/13	\$2212	171	\$3200	+\$1188	Polo's (1 gift)	31	\$2752	79	\$2370	-\$420	Tee Shirt	31	\$1307	39	\$975	-\$325	
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Item 5	<p>Presidents report.</p> <p>Allen Reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He noted that 1/83rd USA arty association have a group “Locating a vet” mentioned in their latest newsletter. • The DVA was allocated \$98 million to align their computer systems to provide a faster more efficient service to veterans. Hope springs eternal! • The Reunion at Enoggera in 2022 will be a gathering of vets from many theatres of action and might be an opportune time to add to our merchandise sales. • The December meeting might be held at Canley Heights RSL following the success of our vaccination rate and the falling infection rate. 																																					
Item 6	<p>Public Officer Report.</p> <p>No item of current interest to report.</p> <p>However the subject of proper access to records was raised. A process where “Dropbox” might be utilised is being investigated.</p>																																					
Item 7	<p>Webmaster Update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob advised the number of face book members was now 246. Access to the Eyes & Ears newsletter has shown a 10% increase with the Face book link being the influencing factor. 																																					

Item 8	<p>Health.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Wynn mentioned in an email that he was back under the Dr's care having some more nasties removed. • Everyone agreed that Lockdown will be soon forgotten as States move to open up borders and allow wider travel. 	
Item 9	<p>General Business and around the grounds. Discussions ensued on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ron Mason reported he was at the centre of the Victorian Earthquake. He was shaken but not stirred! and no damage was incurred. • Paul Dickson mentioned the retraction of the Vale item for Geoff Carthew. It was unfortunate that the timing of the notification fell at the same time as the Newsletter was being published. Efforts to confirm the information were in train but contact was made after the newsletter was published. Contact with Geoff and Judy was made and the true situation was confirmed with the family. • Kevin Browning advised that the "12 Pounder" gun which was the subject of an Association donation to aid the restoration had been completed. The ceremonial unveiling will take place in Werribee Vic and the plaque will note the involvement of the "131 Locators Association". • Terry Erbs advised that new buildings are being added to 20 Regiments' footprint to accommodate the new UAV arriving. 	
Item 10	<p>Next General meeting will follow the AGM on:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">9th November 2021 at 11.00 AM at Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway Street Address: Killoola St, Rhodes Park, Concord Postal Address: PO Box 127, Concord 2137</p> <p>And available via Zoom link to be advised.</p> <p>Sec/Treas 0437 361 602</p>	
Item 11	Meeting Closed 12.20PM	
	Signed Allen Morley	Meeting Chairman

Addendum A

131Locators Meeting Action Items September 2021 Prior Action Items

Active Items

1. Revise Det 131 Display at NVVM pending build of new premises.
2. Foster the 131 Battery Face Book sites
3. Continue working on the Photo Album Project

Updates **Completed** on Prior Action Items