

SUBMARINES ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA QUEENSLAND INC



President: Don Currell

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General Meeting Minutes 1003 Sunday 10 January 2010

Venue: Coorparoo RSL Club

Attendees: As per the Attendance Book (35 + 18 apologies)

Chairman: Don (Duck Run) Currell
Declared a quorum present and opened the meeting at 1003

Welcomed all to the meeting, particularly new members joining us for the first time:

Ian Haw
Alex Seizovic
Graham Harvison
Kerry Thompson
Jerry Lewis

Submariners Prayer was read by Barry McKeown and a minutes silence was held to remember shipmates who had left on their final patrol – “Budgie” Hibbert & Ray Silvester.

Secretary's Report: Graeme Caesar

Previous Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting have been posted on the website, emailed to all members with email addresses and additional copies were available prior to the meeting

- **Moved:** Graeme Caesar “that the minutes of the previous meeting be taken as read”
- **Seconded:** Barry McKeown
- **Vote:** Carried

Correspondence • **Moved:** Graeme Caesar “*that the incoming correspondence be accepted and the outgoing*”

correspondence endorsed"

- **Seconded:** Billy Clayton
- **Vote:** Carried

Treasurers Report:

Paul Mansell presented the Statement of Receipts & Expenditure and a Balance Sheet

- **Moved:** Paul Mansell "*that the Treasures Report be accepted*"
- **Seconded:** Billy Clayton
- **Vote:** Carried

Welfare Report:

Anyone with claims or problems should get in touch with Ian Sinclair
Rob Woolrych commented and the President agreed, that Ian Sinclair was doing a very good job.

DFRDB/DFRB Report:

Ian Roberts reported that:

- More MPs are getting on side but nothing finalised yet
- He is hopeful that there may be some change over the next few months

Rob Woolrych commented that the RSL is also getting involved

AASM Report:

Rob Woolrych reported that:

- Other ex-service organisations and senior public servants were now on side
- Approved by the Repatriation Commission but Defence got the numbers wrong by saying that there were 800 eligible submariners whereas there are only 200-300 who have not otherwise had their Active Service recognised. The Director General of Defence People told Defence to "do their homework" and it is hoped that this will be finalised within a couple of months after which it goes to Cabinet.

Social Report:

Huck Finn

- Reflected on last year's events and said that there had only been possible through good support and prize donations.
- More information will come by email and the website about ANZAC Day arrangements
- Consideration is being given an appropriate location for our October "away" meeting and at this stage it look like Toowoomba is the most likely.
- Preliminary costings are being obtained for possible

venues for our Christmas Picnic and it looks like it may be at the Maritime Museum at South Bank.

General Business:

Memorabilia

- A display cabinet has been obtained to show some of our memorabilia in the Galaxy Room.
- A photo and story of AE1 has been donated.
- A newspaper report of our XE Craft ceremony has been received

National Office Nomination

- Rob Woolrych was nominated for National Secretary.
- Ian Roberts was nominated for National President.
(Subsequent events have seen both of these nominations withdrawn)

Guest Speaker

- It was decided that it would be appropriate to invite guest speakers to one or two meetings each year to speak on topics of general interest to members.

Next Meeting:

1000 10 April 2010 at Coorparoo RSL Club

Meeting Shut:

1227

Don Currell
President SAA QLD Inc.

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Secretary SAA QLD Inc.
