



QUEENSLAND

# **SAA Queensland Incorporated General Meeting Minutes**

Location: Kedron-Wavell RSL Club  
Date: 31 July 2011  
Time: 1038

## **Welcome**

Presentation by National President SAA – Darren Thompson  
Life membership badge presented to Able Seaman Read

## **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Motion – That the minutes of the previous meeting be taken as read  
Moved – Graeme Caesar  
Seconded – Brian Earle

## **Business Arising from the Previous Meeting**

None

## **President's Report**

Motion – That the President's report as presented to the Annual  
General Meeting be accepted  
Moved – Don Currell  
Seconded – Jock Howes  
Vote – Carried

### **Treasurer's Report**

Motion – That the Treasurer's report as presented to the Annual General Meeting be accepted + over \$2000 raised at the Dinner Dance last night.

Moved – Dean Barr

Seconded – Barry McKeown

Vote – Carried

### **Welfare Report**

Motion – That the Welfare report as presented to the Annual General Meeting be accepted + anyone who wants to assist Ian and Irene with “sick visits”, etc. contact Ian

Moved – Ian Sinclair

Seconded – Daffy O'Donnell

Vote – Carried

### **Social Committee Report**

Rob Woolrych:

- Asked if members would like to attend a race day meeting at Caloundra later this year. There was overwhelming support from members.
- Away Meeting October 2012 – Consideration is being given to a number of options including a Railway Trip to Longreach or perhaps a Weekend at Ballina.
- Members reaffirmed last year's decision to continue with the Dinner Dance on odd years and Away Meeting on even years.
- ASM (Spec Ops) will continue to be the deciding factor for “qualifying service” and any members having difficulting getting their service recognized should contact their

Committee.

- Raised the need for a mechanism to attract retiring submariners.

Peter Finn:

- Reported that a pre-Christmas BBQ is being planned for mid December at the Queensland Maritime Museum – more details to follow

Motion – That the Social Committee report be accepted

Moved – Rob Woolrych

Seconded – John head

Vote – Carried

### **General Business**

- **Graeme Caesar** advised members of the AE1 Memorial Ceremony at Garden Island in Sydney on 14 September and asked that he be advised of those attending so that Security Passes can be arranged.
- **Loriel Williamson** raised the question of copies of photos/video from Dinner Dance
- **Rod Fayle** asked about the new Constitution and in particular whether non-Queenslanders could still be members of SAA Queensland. **Graeme Caesar** explained that membership of SAA is a national matter and that members are assigned to their “local” Branch unless they opt to join another Branch. In the case of those Members from Northern NSW or North Queensland who have or wish to belong to SAA Queensland Inc. they should apply in the normal manner and advise the National Secretary of their decision so that SAA records are

kept up to date.

- **Peter Hoskings** informed members about the Defence Alumni Network (DAN), a new social media forum for serving and former members of the ADF that can be found at [www.dan.gov.au](http://www.dan.gov.au) .
- **Loriel Williamson** advised of the broad coverage being given to Diving Stations in Australia and Overseas.
- **Rob Woolrych** asked for recognition for Don Currell's work on getting the Submariners Walk at Teneriffe recognized.
- **Robin Needham** (SAA North Queensland) thanked the Branch for last night and informed members about progress towards SUBCON 2013 in Townsville. The website is up and running and bookings at Jupiters can be made at discounted rates. Robin asked for any suggestions to help with fundraising and recommended that members attending think about staying in the region a little longer.
- **Darren Thompson** (National Secretary) reported that SUBCON 2012 (Tasmania) looks like it will be OK and members will be kept informed.

**Next Meeting** – 1100 Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2011 Coorparoo RSL Club

**Shut Off From Diving** - 1128