



MINUTES OF DAVISTOWN RSL SUB-BRANCH

GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday – 10 September 2024

1. **WELCOME** - The Chair opened the meeting at 1105 with the Ode.

*A minute silence was observed to honour the passing of
Clive Burt (19 August 2024)*

- The Chair advised that the meeting will be recorded -

Attendance: 23 / 1 (members/aux) present, 6 apologies, with 0 guest/visitor(s) as per attendance book.

2. **MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING** held 3 Sep 24 made available to all in attendance.

BUSINESS ARISING – Nil

Moved: Mal Brian **Seconded:** Chris Salakas 'that minutes be received and adopted'
CARRIED

3. **MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING** held 11 Aug 24 made available to all in attendance.

BUSINESS ARISING –

Moved: John Shaw **Seconded:** Ray Bale 'that minutes be received and adopted'
CARRIED

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

A list of correspondence was tabled, and members invited to peruse and ask questions.

BUSINESS ARISING – Pete G reminded members of the Doylo Military Day being held on Sat 21 Sep, and encouraged members to attend.

Moved: Dave Targett **Seconded:** Mick Allen 'that correspondence be received'
CARRIED

5. **RSLNSW STATE CONGRESS MOTIONS**

Paul O opened the floor to discuss the list motions. Where there wasn't a consensus the members present would leave the voting up to the Executive or the delegate on the day of the AGM. After some discussion on many of the below motions, members agreed to vote as follows:

- 1 thru 4 MEAO Commemoration – Concept of this is supported, and our involvement as a sub-Branch will be revisited when a day/date is settled.
- 6 Support for Cadets – Vote Yes
- 8 An Act to Protect War Memorials – Vote Yes
- 9 Protection for Honour Boards – Vote Yes
- 11 Service Members - depending on the query result on the underlying meaning of "could be sensitive to some prospective members", the vote would be Yes
- 12 Use of the RSL Name and Brand for Registered Clubs – Vote No
- 13 Charter of Veterans Rights – Vote Yes
- 14 thru 16 Veteran Access to Legal Assistance – Vote Yes
- 17 DVA Review of Eligibility – Vote Yes
- 18 National Service – Vote Yes
- 19 Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal – Vote Yes
- 20 Constitution Amend Clause 8.6(b) – Vote Yes
- 21 Create Independent Chapters – Vote Yes
- 22 Board Disciplinary Powers – Vote Yes

- 23 Minimum Ratio of Service Members – Query terminology of “sub-Branch Members” within the context of the proposed clause. Vote Yes
- 25 Trustee and Executive Separation of Duties – Vote No
- 26 Trustee and Executive Conflict of Interest – Vote No
- 27 Sub-Branch Donations and Expenditure – Vote No
- 28 Sale Proceeds Trustee – Vote No
- 29 Membership Discretionary Criteria – Vote Yes

6. AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP

Paul O spoke on a proposal to offer Ben Bradley an Affiliate Membership to our sub-Branch. This is based on Ben’s long-standing assistance and support that has been provided to the sub-Branch during his tenure as the Club Ltd Manager. On acceptance of the offer, the Secretary to assist with the application to RSLNSW.

Moved: Mal Brian **Seconded:** Chris Salakas ‘that Ben Bradley be approached with an offer of Affiliate Membership to Davistown RSL sub-Branch’.

Result: For: 23, Against: 0, Abstain: 0

CARRIED

7. REPORTS

- TREASURER** – In Kerry H’s absence Pete G tabled a report on accounts for the period ending 31 Aug 24.
A copy of the Davistown sub-Branch Periodical Financial Report was tabled and is available on request to the Secretary.
This month’s collection (door donation) was \$25
- WELFARE** – Paul O reported:
 - Peter Morrow is in hospital undergoing treatment after a recent fall.
- CCDC** – Pete G provided the following.
 - Still waiting for the minutes of 12 Aug meeting, however, there was a presentation by RSL LifeCare on the opening of the Veterans’ and Family Hub at Wyong on Fri 13 Sep.
 - The next meeting is at the Veterans’ Hub Wyong on Mon 14 Oct commencing at 1400.
- BOWLS** – In the absence of our bowls delegates at the Dubbo Diggers’ Tourney, Paul O advised that the next RSL & Friends Day is at Munmorah on Mon 14 Oct, with a list on the noticeboard shortly.
- DISPLAY** – Chris S had nothing further to the previous minutes.
- President** – Paul O had nothing further to add, except to thank Steph for carrying recent secretarial duties (which received a round of clap). Paul also thanked the members for a good turnout today.

Moved: Mal Brian **Seconded:** Ray Bale ‘that reports be received & accounts paid.’

CARRIED

8. OTHER BUSINESS

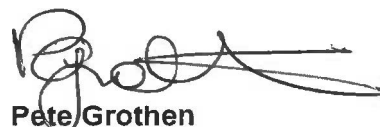
- **Certificate of Appreciation** – Proposed certificate application was approved. Further detail held by the Secretary.
- **Singleton Infantry Museum Bus Trip** – Still being organised with interested members to be advised of further detail shortly. **Late mail:** The trip will take place on Wed 2 Oct.
- **DVA White Card** – Pete G will resend info to those members who requested advice.

**Next meeting will be at 1100 on TUESDAY 8 OCTOBER 2024
and will include a presentation from the Manager of the Veterans and Family Hub Wyong!**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 1200.



P. Osborn
President
Chair



Pete Grothen
Secretary