



MINUTES OF DAVISTOWN RSL SUB-BRANCH

GENERAL MEETING

Sunday – 14 December 2025

1. **WELCOME** - The Chair opened the meeting at 1100 with the Ode.

*A minute silence was observed to honour the passing of
Peter 'Vic' Morrow (18 October 25)*

- The Chair advised that the meeting will be recorded -

Attendance: 23 / 0 (members/aux), 5 apologies, with 1 guest/visitor(s) as per attendance book.

2. **COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES** held 2 Dec 25 was made available to all in attendance.

BUSINESS ARISING – Nil

Moved: Steve Laing **Seconded:** Col Beveridge 'that the minutes be received and adopted'
CARRIED

3. **GENERAL MEETING MINUTES** held 11 Nov 25 was made available to all in attendance.

BUSINESS ARISING – Nil

Moved: Steph Pucek **Seconded:** John Ware 'that the minutes be received and adopted'
CARRIED

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

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

BUSINESS ARISING –

Advocacy Training – Steve L requested advice on training nomination request from Emily F. Secretary will make contact to discuss, although at this stage it is recommended that nomination be approved. Members agreed.

PicRights Fine – Secretary apologised for his error in incorrectly posting the monthly newsletters on our website which contained three (3) 'copyrighted' images. Paul O and John W spoke on behalf of the Secretary. The committee has been supportive and will cover the cost. Members agreed.

RSL Merchandise Orders – Please advise any orders for merchandise, ties in particular.

RSL Diaries for 2026 – Still have two (2) diaries left at a cost of \$5

Don Frohmuller Transfer – Pete G advised of late mail from Don which requested a transfer from us to Gosford (apparently, he has some friends there!). Don spoke of his time at Davo and thanked everyone for their camaraderie. Members wished Don well with a round of applause.

Moved: Ray Bale **Seconded:** Mick Allen 'that the correspondence be received'
CARRIED

5. **NEW MEMBER**

Paul O called on Paul Steel and presented his RSL badge and card. Paul was welcomed by the members with a round of applause.

6. **2026 BUDGET – TABLED FOR ENDORSEMENT**

The Secretary tabled the 2026 Annual Budget for discussion and endorsement. Steve L (Trustee) spoke briefly on its content and gave his endorsement to the members.

Moved: Chris Salakas **Seconded:** Steve Laing 'that the 2026 Davistown RSL sub-Branch
Annual Budget be approved and submitted.'
For: 23 **Against:** 0 **Abstain:** 0 **CARRIED**

7. REPORTS

- a. **TREASURER** – Mac M tabled a report on accounts for the period ending 30 Nov 25.
A copy of the Davistown sub-Branch Periodical Financial Report was tabled and is available on request to the Secretary.
Mac also spoke on our hope that Morgan Stanley continues to do well.
This month's collection for Display Maintenance was \$ N/A
- b. **WELFARE** – Paul O reported that Ken Graham is in hospital after a fall, and Pete G advised that Peter Darling has not had the best of weeks but wanted to pass on his best wishes to the members for a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year. Peter expects to be back again in the New Year.
- c. **CCDC** – Chris S provided a brief on the meeting held at The Entrance on 8 Dec:
- Vince Williams, the acting President of RSLNSW, attended and gave a great talk on the board issues and how he hopes to move forward.
 - Review of Trustees and their training will be a focus next year.
 - Craig Ball gave a presentation on his proposed 'Mental Health and resilience Workshop' he would like to run on the Central Coast.
 - Kristin Pitt from CCVFH at Wyong spoke on several issues, including the current lack of a face-to-face advocate, however, they can still assist veterans with submitting claims through their broader RSL LifeCare network.
 - Howard Bell (Ourimbah) spoke on the status of the proposed Vets Homelessness Bill, which is going to NSW Parliament.
 - FM93.3 EasyFM over the coming weeks at 1100, 1330, & 1500 will be advertising the differences between RSL/Diggers Clubs and RSL sub-Branches.
 - RSL LifeCare are making a donation to the victims of the Koolewong bushfires.
 - Next meeting is at Gosford RSL on Mon 9 Feb 26 at 1400
- d. **BOWLS** – Mike F had nothing more to add to the previous CM minutes. Chris S drew the attention of the members to a recent Inaugural Tri-Service Tournament held in Yamba, which was attended by Steve L, Mick A, Steph, was won by Army. This news was warmly accepted by at least one service.
- e. **DISPLAY** – Chris S had nothing further to add to the committee meeting minutes.
- f. **President** – Paul O thanked all the members for their work in 2025.

Moved: Mal Brian **Seconded:** Mick Allen 'that the reports be received & accounts paid.'
CARRIED

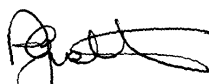
8. OTHER BUSINESS

- **Perpetual Wreaths** – Mick A sought an update on the procurement of some wreaths. Pete G outlined the background and reported that we will be procuring seven (7) perpetual wreaths prior to Anzac Day. This figure was based on the previous several years covering the wreaths that we procure at a direct cost to us. These will be used for Anzac Day, Vietnam Veterans Day/VP Day, and Remembrance Day by RSL sub-Branch, RSL Auxiliary, RSL Club Ltd, and up to four schools. Outlay will be approx. \$400, which will save us a min of \$720/yr.

Next meeting will be held on TUESDAY 13 JANUARY 2026 at 1100

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 1126


P. OSBORN
President
Chair


P. Grothen
Secretary