



MINUTES OF DAVISTOWN RSL SUB-BRANCH

GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday – 8 September 2026

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

- *The Chair advised that the meeting will be recorded* -

Attendance: 21 / 0 (members/aux), 7 apologies, with 0 guest/visitor(s) as per attendance book.

2. **COMMITTEE MEETING** was held 8 Sep 26 with nothing to report that will not be further discussed in this meeting, other than the approval of a motion for up to 4 Auxiliary members and partners to attend a Cardiff RSL sub-Branch Auxiliary Xmas Luncheon on 14 Nov.
3. **GENERAL MEETING MINUTES** held 9 Aug 26 was made available to all in attendance.

BUSINESS ARISING – Nil

Moved: Peter Darling **Seconded:** Don Molloy '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 –

- Copa War Memorial is on track to be completed for use at their Remembrance Day service. It is hoped that a couple of our members will be able to attend the service. David Harris has attended previously, and it is hoped that he will be able to do so this year depending on his health. The service is to be conducted by Frank Delbello (a Copa resident and member of Terrigal sub-Branch). Frank is being helped thru the process by David Ferry.

Moved: Mike Fletcher **Seconded:** Steph Pucek 'that the correspondence be received'
CARRIED

5. **REMEMBRANCE DAY POPPY APPEAL**

Remembrance Poppy Appeal (Fri 6 Nov) was discussed as follows:

- Venues still need to be booked/confirmed
- Seller roster needs to be confirmed
- Badges have been ordered and should be delivered mid to late Oct

6. **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Remembrance Day (Wed 11 Nov) plans were discussed as follows:

- MC – Ray Bale
- Paul O to arrange attendance of Brisbania PS students, names and poem details
- Richard T and John 'the Piper' confirmed they accept the padre and piping duties respectively
- Flag marshals to be confirmed NLT the morning of
- Lunch on completion at a cost of \$15pp

7. **CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

Plans for the Christmas Luncheon were discussed as follows:

- Raffle to be organised, and it will be just a straight raffle. Prizes to be discussed, and there have already been offers from members to provide items. Paul O will discuss with Joan B to see what assistance she can provide.
- Entertainment is booked, 'Kimberly Sings' from the last couple of years
- Lunch was discussed with a quote of \$35 for a two-meat (ham & turkey) roast and veg, plus duff (sticky date pudding). This was agreed, with possible acceptance of people with specific 'dietary requirements'

- Table decorations to be investigated
- Guests to be invited, The Davo President, Ian Roberts, Sandra Shearim, Rohan Robinson Dave Parrington, Jill & Belinda, Dave Everton, and possibly Bendigo Bank Manager (to be investigated by Dave H)

8. REPORTS

- a. **TREASURER** – Dave H tabled a report on accounts for the period ending 31 August 26

The only notable transaction was the transfer of \$100K from a term deposit into the Morgan Stanley account

A copy of the Davistown sub-Branch Periodical Financial Report was tabled and is available on request to the Secretary

This month's collection for Display Maintenance was \$39

- b. **WELFARE** – Paul O reported at the Committee meeting that:

- Dave Targett had experienced a heart event and is now out of hospital and is awaiting further cardio work
- David Harris is undergoing more treatment

- c. **CCDC** – Chris S in his absence provided the following:

- Both Mick and I attended last meeting that was held at Ourimbah RSL club. Bob Dokter stood down as acting secretary, with Wayne Hodge from Doyalson SB appointed as new CCDC secretary/treasurer.
- New NSW President Vince Williams was in attendance and spoke on matters of RSL NSW, which focused on the 2027/2029 strategic plan and stated that all questions would be answered and addressed at the NSW State Congress next month at Tamworth. Mick A expanded on the above, stating that he was very hesitant on answering some questions directly and believes that the congress is set to be very interesting.
- RSL mission was stated to be 'Connect, Commemorate and Advocate'
- Congress is likely to be attended by Steve L and Chris S virtually, as the cost to attend in Tamworth is astronomical.
- Motions need to be reviewed with a plan to table these at the Oct meeting for member input

- d. **BOWLS** – Mike F provided the following:

- Zone 4 vs Zone 5 RSL Visitation is at Ourimbah on 14 Sep. Teams are on the notice board. If listed players are unavailable, please notify Mike F ASAP
- Next RSL & Friends Day is at Terrigal on 12 Oct, nomination form is on the notice board

- e. **DISPLAY** – Chris S in his absence provided the following:

- Some good news – I have identified a possible purchase of an L1A1 SLR from Queensland. The process will commence with running all the info thru the Gosford Police license section. In the coming weeks Don and I will be checking on any issues that may arise. Don M explained some of the features of the rifle as it is a 'replica'. Mick A advised that this procurement was made possible by 'Mac' McLarty providing the funding thru his will. Thank you 'Mac'!
- Still looking for help to set up a new display window – date yet to be determined. Please let me know if you can help.
- I would like to thank the members that have contacted me during my last illness.

- f. **President** – Mick A thanked those who helped with the Long Tan Day, especially Ray Bale. He also thanked those who assisted with the stocktaking and subsequent order for Remembrance Day badges, being Joan B and Chris S.

Moved: Ray Bale

Seconded: John Ware

'that the reports be received & accounts paid.'

CARRIED

9. OTHER BUSINESS

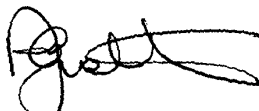
- **Land Claims** – Peter Darling queried if there was any knowledge on whether The Davo is involved/affected by the 40,000+ land grant claims under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983. It is unknown whether there are any affecting us, but we can approach the Club Ltd for advice.
- **DVA Assistance** – Staff from the CCVFH Wyong will attend the next meeting to aid our members. As previously advised, we have also invited ex-service members from Everglades Country Club to come along to the presentation.

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

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 1131



M. ALLEN
President
Chair



P. GROTHEN
Secretary