



RAAF Association (NSW Division) - RADAR BRANCH
MINUTES OF THE RADAR BRANCH COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at ANZAC Memorial, Sydney, on 14th January 2014

Present:			
Ray O'Donoghue	President	Chair	
Bill Forsbey	Secretary		
Tony Rogers	Treasurer & WELFO		
Bobby McFerran	RAAFLO		
Stan Burge	Visitor		
John King	Committee Member		
Apologies:			
Terry Delahunty	Vice President		
Jim Stewart	RAAFLO		
Howie Campbell	WELFO		
Alex Culvenor	Victorian Representative		
ITEM 1 – Meeting open and Introduction			
The Chair opened the meeting at 11:05 AM. The meeting was advised that a recording device was being utilised.			
ITEM 2 – Minutes of the Previous Meeting			
The Minutes of the previous meeting held at Hamilton, on 7 th November 2013 were tabled.			
Motion:	That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.		
Moved:	Tony Rogers	Seconded:	Ray O'Donoghue
			Carried
Action:		By:	
ITEM 3 – Business Arising from Minutes			
<p>a. Item 9(f) – RAAF Ensign for Funerals. Mr John King advised that he had obtained information and documentation for obtaining permission to the RAAF Ensign at funerals and he would email copies to the secretary.</p> <p>b. Other matters arising will be addressed in General Business.</p>			
ITEM 4 - Correspondence			
The Secretary presented the Correspondence report for the preceding quarter.			
The following matters were noted:			
<p>a. Connecting Up Application. The Secretary advised the meeting the Connecting Up group was seeking more information about the Radar Branch to confirm our acceptance as a Not-For-Profit organisation. The treasurer and president have signed a Tax Form indicating that we do not pay tax and are a not for profit organisation. This will be forwarded to the Connecting Up group.</p>			



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- b. The Passing of Thomas Cousins.** An email was received from Josephine Motbey advising the passing of Thomas Cousins.
- c. The Passing of John Linley.** An email was received from Elizabeth Mulcahy advising the passing of John Linley.
- d. New Banner Grant Application.** The Saluting their Service grant application has been received by the committee and is being considered.
- e. Image for New Banner.** There were numerous emails regarding the Radar image for the new banner. This will be discuss further in General Business.
- f. The Passing of Dorothy Grace Chapman BURTON.** An email was received from a Funeral Director in Victoria regarding Dorothy's passing. Dorothy was not a member of the Radar Branch; however, enquiries by the secretary to RAAFA Vic revealed that she was a member of RAAFA Vic.
- g. Membership Renewals.** Mr Ray Standing advised that he will not be renewing his membership.
- h. Multiple Membership Renewals.** Three multiple membership renewals were received from PJ Hocking, Alex Culvenor, and D.K. Baenisch.

Action:	Verification documents to be forwarded to the Connecting Up Group	By:	Secretary
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ITEM 5 – President's Report

The President presented his report.

- a. OC 41 Wing.** He is still awaiting to here from the OC 41 Wing and their commitment to ANZAC Day 2014. He will be striving to make contact before the next meeting
- b. Christmas Function.** He stated that the Christmas Function held at the City Tattersalls club was a success. Ray advised he will forward pictures to the secretary for inclusion on the Website.
- c. New Banner.** He had forwarded proposed Radar images for the new banner to committee members. This would be discussed further in General Business

Action:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contact OC 41 Wing 2. Forward pictures of Xmas Function 	By:	President
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ITEM 6 – Vice President's Report

NIL

ITEM 7 – Treasurer Report

The Treasurer presented a written current Report (Copy attached).

The Branch cheque account balance on 31 December 2013 was \$970.22.

The Branch Cash Reserve Account balance on 29 November 2013 was \$4,550.96

- a.** The Treasurer advised that the December Interest amount was not available for the Cash Reserve Account prior to the meeting.
- b.** He advised that Stan Burge has presented him with a cheque for \$100.00 being a donation



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towards the new banner.				
Motion:	That the Treasurer's report be accepted.			
Moved:	Tony Rogers	Seconded:	John King	Carried
ITEM 8 – Welfare Officer's Report				
In the absence of Howie Campbell, Tony Rogers presented the Welfare Report. He advised that he spoken with Paul Ogden who is going OK but still having problems with his legs. He is able to see his wife in the Nursing Home a couple of times a week. DVA have been looking after him very well. Cess Blumenthal was not travelling very well with dementia but he was still with us.				
ITEM 9 – General Business				
<p>a. New Banner. The remaining for the new banner to proceed is the choice of Radar image to use. It was decided that an image shown by Bobby McFerran on his iPad was the most suitable to use and that he would forward a copy to the secretary to include in the art work. The type of material would need to be confirmed with Photolabs. Once received the secretary would instruct Photolabs to proceed with Banner.</p> <p>b. ANZ Day 2014. There was a great deal discussion concerning whether the Branch would be marching in Sydney on ANZAC Day 2014. The consensus was that if 41 Wing/3CRU can support the march in Sydney then the Branch will march in Sydney. If not, then it was proposed to march at Newcastle. There was discussion that if the Branch did not go to Sydney, would there be a lunch as normally held in Sydney. It was agreed that it was a matter of urgency to confirm whether 41 Wing/3CRU can attend the Sydney march. Ray O'Donoghue will be doing this as discussed in the president's report.</p> <p>c. Kandahar Painting. Bobby McFerran advised that the RAAFA NSW has declined to fund the painting as previously advised. There has been a community grant application made that can provided up to \$3,000.00 but this is still some \$5,000.00 short of the required amount of \$8,000.00. Mr John Staal has been re-approached to see if the RAAFA NSW can fund the gap. Bobby McFerran advise that a survey is under way to identify the number of people who would purchase a print to establish if the short fall can be made from sales. The Radar Branch has been listed as the applicant on the grant. There is some documentation required from the artist and once received the grant will be submitted. It was felt that RAAFA NSW with some \$1,000,000.00 in the bank could easily afford \$5,000.00 toward the painting given that it would produce a profit or at worst break even.</p> <p>d. Annual General Meeting. The Annual General Meeting will be held prior to the next general meeting at the Gallipoli Legion Club, Hamilton.</p> <p>e. Membership Inquiry. The secretary advised that he received a membership query from Peter Atkins in Queensland stating that he was not sure if he renewed is membership. As he was not a Radar Branch member the secretary passed on his details to the RAAFA NSW executive officer. She advised she would contact Mr Atkins. She then advised that following a conversation with John Staal they would not be contacting Mr Atkins. I forwarded his details to RAAFA Queensland.</p> <p>f. Meeting with Alex Culvenor. The secretary gave details of his meeting with Alex Culvenor, Ian McKellar and Chris Harnath from the Victorian RAAF Radar Association in Melbourne on the 6th December 2013. He made copies of Alex Culvenor and Ian McKellar</p>				



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books available to committee members.	
Item 11 –Next Meeting	The next meeting will be held as follows: Venue: Gallipoli Legion Club, Hamilton Date: 6th March 2014 Time: 11:00 am AGM followed by the general meeting.
Item 10 - Meeting Closure.	The President closed the meeting at: 12:15 pm

Terry Delahunty
President

Ray O'Donoghue
Secretary