



RAAF Association (NSW Division) - RADAR BRANCH
MINUTES OF THE RADAR BRANCH COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at Gallipoli Legion Club, Hamilton, on 6th March 2014

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Present:			
Ray O'Donoghue	President		Chair
Bill Forsbey	Secretary		
Tony Rogers	Treasurer & WELFO		
Bobby McFerran	RAAFLO		
Jim Stewart	Committee Member		
John King	Committee Member		
Howie Campbell	WELFO		
Apologies:			
Terry Delahunty	Vice President		
Bruce Carpenter	Committee Member		
Alex Culvenor	Victorian Representative		
ITEM 1 – Meeting Open and Introduction			
The Chair opened the meeting at 11:28 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 ANZAC Memorial, Hyde Park, Sydney, on 14 th January 2014 were tabled.			
Motion:	That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.		
Moved:	Ray O'Donoghue	Seconded:	John King
			Carried
Action:		By:	
ITEM 3 – Business Arising from Minutes			
<p>a. Connecting Up. The secretary advised that the Radar Branch has now qualified for donations from the Connecting Up Group. This group provides heavily discounted software and hardware to Not for Profit organisations. For example, Microsoft Office 2013 Professional is normally around \$800 to \$900, but is available through Connecting Up for \$34.00. This software and hardware is available for organisations to carry out their work i.e. committee members.</p> <p>b. Banner Grant Update. The grant application for the new Banner is with the Grants Committee. There is no news at present and it may be some time before we have any advice.</p>			



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ITEM 4 - Correspondence

The Secretary presented the Correspondence report for the preceding quarter.

The following matters were noted:

- a. Connecting Up Application.** The Secretary advised the meeting the Connecting Up group has advised that the RAAF Radar Branch has qualified for donations through the group.
- b. RAAF Ensign at Funerals.** An email from John King regarding the use of RAAF Ensign at funerals.
- c. Membership Enquiry Regarding H. Hackworthy.** An email was received from RAAFA Executive Officer stating the membership renewal of Harold Hackworthy had been returned not at this address. An email to Harold confirmed he was still at his Kambah address and did wish to renew his membership. This was passed on to RAAFA NSW.
- d. Image/Layout for New Banner.** Various emails between the committee regarding the Radar Image to use on the new Banner and the layout of the banner.
- e. New Banner.** Advice from Ray O'Donoghue that the new banner is ready.
- f. Multiple Member Renewals.** Two multiple membership renewals were received from R Mainon and Air Vice-Marshal R.B. Treloar AO who also made a donation of \$100.00.
- g. 41WG/3CRU ANZAC Day Support.** Various emails regarding 41WG/3CRU support for ANZAC Day / ANZAC Day march which has been confirmed.
- h. Radar Station at Ingelburn.** Request for formation from Alex Culvenor regarding Radar Station at Ingelburn, NSW.
- i. Annual Proficiency Awards.** Query from Bobby McFerran regarding 41WG Annual Proficiency Awards.
- j. Tanah Merah & DNG Gazette.** The March 2014 edition of the gazette was received.
- k. State Council Meeting February 2014.** Received the minutes and reports for the February 2014 State Council meeting.
- l. DF Station Garbutt.** Mr Peter Dunn requested information on the DF Station Garbutt, Townsville. Response by Howie Campbell.

Action:

By:

ITEM 5 – President's Report

The President presented his report.

- a. ANZAC Day.** The president advised he has met with the OC of 41 Wing who advised him that they will be supporting the branch on ANZAC Day 2014 and into the future whilst he is the OC. He also advised the number of attendees required for the ANZAC Day lunch (50 to 75) and that the cost would be \$50.00 per head. He proposed a discussion with Jim Stewart regarding a spiel for the TV about the new banner. The format of the ANZAC Day March would be discussed further in general business.

Action:

By:



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ITEM 6 – Vice President’s Report				
NIL				
ITEM 7 – Treasurer Report				
The Treasurer presented a written report. Cheques were issued for the ANZAC Day awards \$165.00 and the new banner \$517.39. There was \$500.00 transferred from the Reserve Account to the cheque account. The treasurer advised office expenses of \$28.15 going back to April 2013. Total funds available at 28 February 2014 were \$5,115.68 being \$1,047.83 in the cheque account and \$4,067.85 in the Cash Reserve Account.				
Motion:	That the Treasurer’s report be accepted.			
Moved:	Tony Rogers	Seconded:	Jim Stewart	Carried
ITEM 8 – Welfare Officer’s Report				
Howie Campbell presented a written report.				
ITEM 9 – General Business				
<p>a. New Banner. The new banner was presented to the meeting. The meeting agreed that the new banner was excellent and the President thanked Jim Stewart for his efforts.</p> <p>b. ANZAC Day 2014. The President reiterated his comments from his early report. The secretary presented a letter from Ron Glew that outlined the details of the ANZAC Day March 2014. A copy of this letter was distributed to all committee members. This outlines the full details of the RAAF contingent for the Sydney March. The President will review this document and discuss with Mr Ron Glew as required. Howie Campbell advised that he will be unable to attend the ANZAC Day 2014 ceremony in Sydney due to other commitments at Tumut in relation to his father who was a WW1 hero. Bobby McFerran advised that RAAF buses may be able to pick up Radar Branch people on the way to Sydney.</p> <p>c. RAAFA Annual General Meeting. The secretary advised that nomination forms for office bearers on the State Council had been received as well as the Appointment of Delegates form for the RAAFA AGM. As advised in his report, Howie Campbell has resigned as State Councillor. There were no other nominations for officer bearer on the State Council. The meeting agreed that Mr Tony Rogers and Mr Bill Forsbey would represent the Radar Branch at the RAAFA AGM to be held on 19 & 20 June 2014.</p> <p>d. Kandahar Painting. Bobby McFerran advised that the people looking after the painting project has decided not to pursue further attempts to obtain funding from RAAFA NSW. They are awaiting advice regarding the outcome of the Saluting Their Service grant application. They are looking at funding themselves. He expressed disappointment in the attitude of RAAFA NSW regarding the funding issue. The results of a survey to members regarding the painting have not yet been received. Bobby McFerran will provide a further update at the next meeting.</p> <p>e. Transfer of Members from Canterbury Bankstown. Jim Stewart advised that there may be some members of Canterbury Bankstown transferring to the Radar Branch. He will provide further advice at the next meeting.</p> <p>f. Radar Branch Bulletin. Tony Rogers stated that Terry Delahunty advised him that the</p>				



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<p>Radar Bulletin would be sent out shortly.</p> <p>g. 75th Rathmines Anniversary. Howie Campbell advised that the 75th Anniversary event was coming up on 27th to 28th September 2014. He would provide further information when it becomes available.</p> <p>h. Future Location of Radar Branch Meetings. There was discussion regarding whether the Branch should continue holding meetings at the ANZAC Memorial Hyde Park. It was agreed that future meetings of the Radar Branch would be held in the Hunter region either at the Gallipoli Legion Club or some other agreed venue.</p>	
Item 11 –Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting will be held as follows: Venue: Gallipoli Legion Club, Hamilton Date: 9th May 2014 Time: 11:00 am</p>
Item 10 - Meeting Closure.	<p>The President closed the meeting at: 12:50 pm</p>

Ray O'Donoghue
President

William Forsbey
Secretary