

MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY APPRENTICE ASSOCIATION
HELD AT RMC CANBERRA ON DEC 3RD 2011

Meeting opened at 12.30 pm by President Lucas McGann.

Attendees

Lucas McGann, Neil Bennett, Owen Reynolds, Frank Maloney, Frank Poole,
Craig Malcolm, Jeff Heron, Ian Morris

Apologies

Jim Hislop, Jock McWhinney, Gary Byard, Glen Jones, Bill Merton

Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting.

Minutes taken as read.

Moved ; Frank Maloney Second: Owen Reynolds

Correspondence In:

From David Young re Bob Ludlow's Apprentice Poem being available on website.

From Harry Cole a copy his email to some of his mates re the AGM with special mention of 23 musicians listed on the 7th Intake Graduation list. It appears that he has corresponded with Barry Teal about this matter prior to the AGM and also had discussions with Lucas McGann re this matter.

From Ken Leckenby via Frank Maloney re the passing of Tony Kruck 11th VM on the 4th November 2011.

From Major Mathew Cain re the passing of his uncle Max Pederson 2/42594 4TH Intake Vehicle Mechanic on the 30th October 2011.

From Frank Benfield re Vale Notice for Ed Haidley 18th VM. Barry Teal, Lucas McGann and Ian Morris are rectifying this problem.

Correspondence Out

Nil

Correspondence is accepted.

Moved: Jeff Heron Second: Ian Morris

Treasurers Report

As per attached Treasurer's Monthly Statement and Appendix.

Moved: Frank Maloney Second: Frank Poole

The Treasurer presented a basic Chart of Accounts to the Committee for acceptance. Following a general discussion it was moved that it be accepted.

Moved: Owen Reynolds Second: Frank Poole

Membership Secretary's Report

As per attached report

Current membership as at 25 Nov 2011 is 611 financial members. This is an increase of 45 members from the last meeting with 39 new members signing up as a result of the reunion.

Craig has asked Frank Poole to contact 21 Reunion participants, who are not currently members of the Association to see if they will join as Frank has the contact details,

At this stage 19 members whose membership renewals were due in Sept 2011 has not been received which is the highest non renewals to date.

The next renewal batch is due in March 2012 (175).

Craig proposed that we should set an annual membership growth target with 1000 members by the next AGM.

Moved: Craig Malcolm Second: Jeff Heron

Heritage Officer-Balcombe sub committee Report

Due to time restraints the decision has been taken to defer the re-dedication event for the Balcombe Gates until 2013.

Lucas McGann to contact Peter Muir re taking over the duties as project manager for this project from Barry Teal due to Barry's ill health.

Events Manager Report

As per attached report

Frank Maloney expressed his personal thanks to Frank Poole and his Canberra group of helpers for their assistance in the staging and running of the APPRENTICES TOGETHER 2011 which from reports was a great event.

Frank also suggested that a suitable presentation should be made to Mrs. Jodie Luhrs for her presentation, at very short notice, to the partner's session. Decision pending.

Welfare Officer Report:-Nil

Public Officer Report:-Nil

SPAASSM Report

Test site available for committee review soon.

Webmaster Report

Discussed in general business

Memorial Sub Committee Report

Frank Poole reported that the gates have been removed and are currently under going treatment for rust removal and repainting.

Craig queried the costing for the brick wall and requested that this be reviewed prior to proceeding with project. (\$7500.00)

The Intake plaques and rocks currently located at Lavarack Barracks, Bonegilla, to be transferred to Memorial site as well as KIA plaques.

General Business

- a) Website upgrading. Discussions on whether the current configuration can enable direct payment of subscriptions and or payments for memorabilia/merchandise items as well as the roll out of SPAASSM material and access to this material.
- b) Regional Reps. With Paul Martyn-Jones stepping down from this position in NSW due his personal situation and Brian Cooper indicating that he would continue carrying out these duties in WA should no one else volunteer their services, Lucas is to contact several proposed Appy's in view of them becoming Regional Reps. Those proposed were Norm Wells (WA), Michael Farrar (NSW), and Trevor Parrot (SA) as there has not been a rep for SA in recent times.
- c) Memorabilia/Merchandise
- d) Frank Maloney volunteered his services to look after this area. A stock take of what is currently held by the Association and were. Lucas to check with Jack Westernhagen to ascertain what he has in stock.
- e) Events Manager

At the AGM Frank Maloney stood down from this position and the position was declared vacant. Since then Frank has reconsidered his situation and inform the meeting that he was prepared to continue with the duties of Event management. As there were no objections, Frank was re-instated as Events Manager.

Confirmation of next meeting and venue.

TBA

Meeting Closed: 1430hrs.