



Brig Brett Chaloner CSC – Patron

**Minutes of the Harbord RSL sub-Branch general meeting.
Tuesday 28th June - Face to Face and Zoom (Z).**

- 1. Meeting opened:** At 6pm by President Sean Rout and advised the meeting was via “Zoom” (Z) and that the meeting is now **being recorded**.
Attendees: Sean Rout, John Platt CSC, John Oliver, Pam Hansen, Peter Harley OAM, Ken Covey, Merri Mack, Scott West, Peter Rawlings, Lt. Col. Jacqueline Costello, Lt. Col. Geoff Costello, Frances Chaloner, Karl Delaney, Alex Trimcevski, Greg Kennelly, Wendy Machon, Don Williams, Lloyd Keen, Robert Low, Barry Artup (Z), Alan Stewart (Z) and Denis Lynch (Z).
Quorum: achieved.
- 2. Apologies:** – BRIG Brett Chaloner CSC, Anne Trimble, Lt Col Nick Misko, Tom Gleeson, John Wackett, Jordan Thornicroft, Chris Frith, Chris Strang, Michael Covey, Joan Tucker, Victoria & Brodie Felsman
 - 2.1.1** Sean asked Hon Sect., if there were any new members present. President presented our new service member, Lt Col Geoff Costello with his badge. Geoff addressed the meeting and was warmly welcomed.
- 3. Declare any Conflict of Interest.** None declared.
- 4. Minutes of the previous meeting: Hon Secretary – Pam Hansen**
Hon. Secretary advised that she had circulated the minutes to the membership.
 - 4.1 Business arising:** Nil.
Adoption of the Minutes
Moved by: Ken Covey Seconded: Peter Rawling
Resolved: That the minutes of the May meeting as circulated, be accepted, and signed as a true and accurate record.
 - 5. Correspondence: Hon Secretary.**
 - 5.1 Correspondence Inwards:** Was tabled and read by Hon Secretary – Note: all correspondence will be posted on the website and RSL NOTICES are on the RSL NSW website.
 - 5.1.1 Business arising:** Nil
 - 5.2 Outgoing Correspondence:** President thanks you letter to Jay McPhee
 - 5.3 Adoption of the Correspondence**
Moved by: Don Williams and Seconded: Merri Mack
 - 6. Treasurers Report – John Oliver,** tabled his report.
 - 6.1 Main Points:**

Income received from 12 May to 23 June 2022 ...	\$10,101.
Expenditure for this period	... \$1,788
Total cash at bank as of 9 May	...\$85,840

Note: Donation from McPhee Group \$10,100
 - 6.2 Business arising:** Nil
 - 6.3 Adoption of Treasurers Report:** Moved by: Ken Covey Seconded: Greg Kennelly
 - 7. Day Care Club – Pam Hansen**
Pam advised that the Day Care lunch for this year was held last Wednesday and again tomorrow. The number have grown and the elderly guest are enjoying getting back together.

8. **Northern Beaches RSL District Council Meeting (NBDC) report:** Sean advised NBDC no meeting with the next meeting to be on 19th July at Pittwater, Sean will be away and Vice President John Platt CSC to attend as delegate:

8.1 RSL Tribute Training at Forestville on Monday 1st August from 2pm to 4pm – Peter Rawling and Ken Covey volunteered

9. Presidents Report:

9.1 Jacka Park Project - Sean advised the meeting of the progress of the project and commented on the outstanding support from NB Council. Ken Covey (Jacka Park Custodian) and Sean has met with senior council staff on 4 occasions now. Council have advised that they conducted a letterbox drop of a **Council information notice about the pending Jacka Park Project upgrade in late May.** Council advised a new flagpole was installed was installed 22 June and works to start on 4th July.

Ken Covey showed the members a draft design of the memorial bench depicting in the middle and image of a Lone Pine tree and on one side of the tree a nurse and on the other side soldier. Which will also show the Soldiers Ave of Honour logo on the right-side upper corner and on the left, Harbord sub-Branch RSL logo. Discussions ensued: Sean and the members thanked Ken on his ongoing work. Sean advised that the **“Warrnambool Lone Pine”** had arrived and is now in the hands of Council’s parks manager.

Sean also advised that the Jacka Park project team are planning a major event on Remembrance Day and all members invited to the unveiling of the project. Letters of invitation have gone out to the mayor, minister James Griffin MP and federal member for Warringah Zali Steggall MP. Starting at 1015am and a reception to be held back at the Diggers from 1130am, for VIP’s and only members who attend the service in Jacka Park.

9.2 The president advised that a **Certificates of Appreciation** with accompanying thank you letter was sent to **Jay McPhee of McPhee Distribution Services in recognition of the generous donation of \$10,100 for the sub-Branches Veterans Wellbeing Program.** Sean thanked sub-Branch member **Victoria Felsman who produced the certificate.**

10. **Veterans Wellbeing Program:** Sean advised Veterans weekly gym session for sub-Branch service members, will start on Thursday 7th July at 11.15am in G-Fitness gym and run by a Rebound Health instructor following a set program. 14 veterans have registered with 8 from Harbord 2 from Dee Why, 2 from Balgowlah and 2 from Forestville, sub-Branches.

11. Membership – Hon Secretary - Pam Hansen. Pam updated the meeting on the membership with 2 new members approved and waiting on the RSL NSW badges to arrive.

12. General Business.

12.1 The president advised that the following motion was approved at the May meeting:

“That the sub-Branch formally applies to RSL NSW to award Harbord RSL sub-Branch secretary Mrs. Pam Hansen, the RSL Certificate of Merit & Gold Medal”.

And advised that a secret ballot needs to be held & requested that the ballot be handed out.

Outcome: Vice President John Platt CSC advised the ballot result was **unanimous in the affirmative.**

12.2 Peter Harley OAM addressed the members and informed the meeting of the grant funding of \$20k was received by the Friends of Freshwater, for the planting of trees in upper Soldiers Ave., for Queen Elizabeth’s Platinum Jubilee of 2022.

Any other general business - Nil

**Due the winter break the Next meeting is to be held on
27th September at 6pm.**

Being no further general business.

The President recited the ODE. Meeting closed at 1912hrs.