



**MINUTES OF MEETING
TERRIGAL WAMBERAL RSL SUB-BRANCH
HELD AT THE BREAKERS COUNTRY CLUB
SATURDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2024**

1. OPEN MEETING:

- 1.1. The meeting was opened at 10:30am. The Chair asked for silence to be observed in memory of departed comrades and recited the Ode of Remembrance.

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

- 2.1. Chair asked members present to declare any conflict of interest with items on the Agenda. None was declared.

3. ATTENDANCE:

- 3.1 There were 24 members present, with 8 apologies.

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- 4.1 The Secretary emailed copies of the meeting minutes of 9 November 2024 and made hard copies available to members before today's meeting. There were no questions or issues raised.

Motion 1/25: The Minutes as presented be accepted.

Moved: Michael Tabone

Seconded: David Ferry Motion Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- 5.1 There was no business arising from the minutes of 9 November.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.1 There was no correspondence received over the Christmas/New Year period break.

7. TREASURER REPORT

- 7.1 The Treasurer presented his Report for the month ending January 2025. Report attached. There were no questions on the Report.

Motion 2/25: The Treasurer's Report as presented be accepted, accounts in the Report be passed for payment

Moved: Graham Hogden **Seconded:** Tony Blisset Motion Carried

- 7.2 The Treasurer briefed the meeting on the content of the sub Branches Budget for 2025. There were no questions on the Budget

Motion 3/25: The Treasurer's Budget Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: Doug Linsay

Seconded: Tony Morton Motion Carried

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

8.1 The President presented the following report:

- Welcome:
 - Welcome back from our Xmas New Year Break. I hope all members enjoyed the festive period with family and friends.
 - The first meeting for the year which is shaping as a busy one for us with particular interest in the fact that it is our 80 Anniversary, and we are looking for a fitting way to celebrate the milestone. More later in the agenda.
 - Acknowledge our new member , Chris Donovan.
 - Thank members for attending. Please spread the word and encourage other members to attend and if you meet other veterans in the area please encourage them to join, its simple and free.
 - One key focus for this year will be to start to identify potential new Committee Members and volunteers to better share the work load that the sub-Branch has. If we get more people doing little bits it helps to lighten the load for all.
- Sad News – Passing of Paul Davis. Peter White (Vice President) represented the sub-Branch at the Funeral Service a week ago.
- Central Coast Veterans and Families Hub. I just wanted to make a quick mention of how well the HUB is going under the leadership of Kristin Pitt. I know our Well Being Officer has been out there a couple of times last year. A great resource for supporting our veterans and families on the Coast.
- Invictus Games in Canada – Vancouver (Whistler) 2025, 8-16 February 2025.
- Sub Branch Activities:
 - Veteran Ocean Swims: expanded to provide a meeting point for more members to get down to Terrigal Beach for a walk, bike ride or exercise routine. Meet at the TWRSL Sub-Branch Marquee next to the War Memorial.
 - Frontline Yoga: Reminder to members about the Frontline Yoga Trauma Informed Yoga class every Monday at Copacabana Surf Life Saving Club at 6 am. Free for Veterans and a family member. Suitable for all ages and fitness levels.
 - Looking for suggestions for other Sport & Recreation activities ideas for 2025
- ANZAC Day 2025. I know it is only March, but we will be hitting the ground running as we plan for ANZAC Day 2025. More in the later agenda item. Be great to get as many members as possible involved in helping with the planning and administration in the lead up to the event.

Motion 4/25: The President's Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: Scott Warr

Seconded: Doug Lindsay Motion Carried

9. WELLBEING REPORT (Graham Hodgen). Graham provided the meeting with an update

on the beneficial work being done by the Wyong Veterans and Family Hub:

- Weekly events or just drop in for a cuppa and a chat.
- Equanimity Psychologists visit every second Friday afternoon 12-3pm from. Available free for vets and family members to just chat or arrange for one on one. Next session Fri 21 Feb.
- Mental First Aid 2 day course 10-11 Mar planned if they get 16 participants.
- Wyong Hub contact 0408 735 935.

Motion 5/25: The Wellbeing Officer's Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: Graham Hogden

Seconded: Duncan McCubbin

Motion Carried

10. CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL (CCDC).

10.1 Peter White advised that the next CCDC meeting will be 10 February. Two matters of note are the retirement of the current President of the CCDC, Greg Mawson, and this year's Doyalson Military Display.

Motion 6/25: The CCDC Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: Peter White

Seconded: Bruce Grant

Motion Carried

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 **Annual General Meeting (AGM).** The AGM will be held in conjunction with our next Monthly General Meeting, 8 March 2025. A Notice and Agenda will be issued shortly.

11.2 **Anzac Day.** Peter White advised the meeting that planning of the event is well underway and a number of key activities are already locked in. The President advised the meeting that Peter has been running the event for a number of years and will be standing down. He asked that members consider volunteering to take on the role and understudy Peter during this year's activity.

11.3 **Sub Branch Excursion.** Terry Saxby briefed the meeting on a Blue Mountains excursion proposal for consideration of members and asked the meeting to indicate their preference for either a 1 overnight or 2 night options. Rough costings were provided.

11.4 **2025 Events Calendar.** The President stressed the need for a Social Member on our Committee to help plan and coordinate our busy Calander and sought a volunteer. The following events and dates are proposed;

- Anzac Day – 25 April (Friday)
- Middle East Area of Operation – 11 July (TBC)
- Sub- Branch 80th Anniversary – 8 August. As this will be a significant activity a volunteer is needed to plan and execute the activity. A Club In Kind funding will be sought from Mounties
- Vietnam Vets Day – 18 August
- State Congress Tamworth – 24-26 October
- Remembrance Day – 11 November
- Christmas Party – 9 December

12.OTHER BUSINESS.

12.1 **Credit Card Payment Capability.** The Secretary advised that the Committee considered options for an Electronic Funds Point of Sale (EFTPOS) capability to enable members to use credits cards. The preferred solution is a Tyro 'tap & go' device and proceeding with a trial. Tyro provides devices at no cost to NFP organisations with no fees or lock in contracts and discounted merchant fee of 1.2%.

12.2 **Feedback on Christmas Party 2024.** While the event was a success the support for it was less than desirable. Attendance was disappointing and we struggled to make the event worthwhile. Feedback of members was sought but nothing offered at the meeting. If we are run the event again this year, members are urged to complete acceptance before the published end date, as Mounties require 14 days' notice on the numbers attending.

13.COMING EVENT.

13.1 AGM and next Monthly General Meeting, 8 March 2025

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.13 am.

Michael Tabone
Honorary Secretary

Scott Warr
President

Attachment: Treasurer's Report for January 2025