



**MINUTES OF MEETING  
TERRIGAL WAMBERAL RSL SUB-BRANCH  
HELD AT THE BREAKERS COUNTRY CLUB  
SATURDAY 9 MARCH 2024**

**1. OPEN MEETING:**

1.1. The President opened the meeting at 10:31 am. He acknowledged the passing of Barry Smith's brother and then called for silence to be observed in memory of departed comrades. He then recited the Ode of Remembrance.

**2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

2.1. Chair asked members present to declare any conflict of interest. None was declared.

**3. ATTENDANCE:**

3.1. There were 32 members present, with 4 apologies.

**4. SUSPENDED MEETING:**

4.1. The President suspended the meeting to conduct the Annual General Meeting at 10:35 am.

**5. OPENING REMARKS.**

5.1. The President reopened the general meeting.

**6. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

6.1. President emailed copies of the meeting minutes of 10 February 2024 and made hard copies available to members before today's meeting. There were no questions or issues raised.

**Motion 5/24:** The Minutes as presented be accepted.

**Moved:** Mick Leayr      **Seconded:** John Wilton      Motion Carried

**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

7.1. There were no matters arising from last month's meeting.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

8.1. Letter received from Terrigal Primary School concerning ANZAC Day. There being no questions, the President asked that the Register of Correspondence be accepted

**Motion 6/24:** The Register of Correspondence as presented be accepted.

**Moved:** Terry Saxby      **Seconded:** Doug Lindsay      Motion Carried

**9. TREASURER REPORT**

9.1. The Treasurer presented his Report for the month ending February 2024. Report attached. There were no questions on the Report.

**Motion 7/24:** The Treasurer's Report as presented be accepted, accounts in the Report be passed for payment

**Moved:** Doug Lindsay    **Seconded:** Peter Thompson    Motion Carried

## 10 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

10.1 **Welcome.** I trust everyone who attended the Veteran Family Day at Bulwarra enjoyed themselves. The next key activity is ANZAC Day and plans are well underway with Peter White as the lead. As normal we will be visiting schools and if you want to be help out as a speaker or even just to come along please let me or David Ferry know ASAP.

10.2 **Passing of George Craven & Tom McCammont.** Sad news in the recent passing of George and Tom. The RSL was well represented at both George & Tony's funerals.

10.3 **Veterans Family Day at Bulwarra – 18 Feb 24.** Very successful day with about 50 people attending including about a dozen children. Thanks to Greg, Barry & Roger for organising the food and to Kate at Bulwarra for allowing us to use the facilities.

10.4 **NSW Government – Review of ClubGrants.** Strongly worded submission opposing any change to a more centralised approach to the administration of the ClubGrants Scheme. Submission from the sub Branch lodged 8 Mar 24. Submission to be emailed to members.

### 10.5 **Veteran Compensation Simplification Draft Exposure Bill**

- Draft exposure Bill was released last week.
- Consultation period is short – until 28 Apr 24.

Key points:

- Phasing out of DRCA and SRCA and the grandfather of VEA
- Upgrading MRCA – “Super MRCA” with all claims dealt with under MRCA from 1 Jul 26.
- VEA recipients will be no worse off. Revised or upgraded existing claims will be dealt with under the new MRCA from 1 Jul 26.

### 10.6 **Central Coast Veterans and Families Hub**

- Federal Government funding approved for \$1.7m.
- Location Wyong.

### 10.7 **RSL NSW**

- RSL NSW involved in the final Block of the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide in Sydney.
- Final Report is due to Government in Sep 24

10.8 **Ongoing Governance Training – Executive & Trustees of our Sub-Branch.**

### 10.9 . **Potential Sub-Branch Activities:**

- [Veteran Ocean Swimming group](#) continues each Thursday at Terrigal Beach at 06:30 am. All swimmers and non- swimmers' welcome.
- [Saltwater Veterans](#) First event at Gosford Sailing Club is now being scheduled to take place on Saturday 11 May. Any members and family members interested in taking part please contact me or the office ASAP.

- Deep Sea Fishing Day: We are still looking into in this activity later in 2024. Plan would also be to offer it to all veterans as a potential way of attracting new members. We would seek funding from RSL NSW and/ or Mounties.

**Motion 8/24:** The President Report as presented be accepted.

**Moved:** Scott Warr    **Seconded:** David Ferry    Motion Carried

## 11. PENSIONS REPORT

11.1. Nothing to report

## 12. WELFARE REPORT

12.1. Nothing to report

## 13. CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL (CCDC).

13.1. David Ferry gave an update on CCDC/DPC matters, including

- SOP 1
- Rationalisation of NSW District Councils
- Membership concerns
- Veterans Support Fund and the proposed formation of an oversight committee

**Motion 11/23:** That CCDC Report as presented be accepted

**Moved:** Doug Lindsay **Seconded:** Tony Blissett    Motion Carried

## 14. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 14.1. **Anzac Day.** General update by Peter White including the need for volunteers to assist with crowd control (Dawn Service, school visits and poppy sales).
- 14.2. **De-Brief on family veteran's day.**
- 14.3. **Update on Salt Water Veterans** – Gosford Sailing Club 11 May. For details, contact President Scott or the sub-Branch.

## 15. COMING EVENT.

- a. Sub-Branch General Meeting 13 April 2024
- b. ANZAC Day 25 April 2023

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.19 am

Terry Saxby  
Acting Secretary

Scott Warr  
President

**Attachment:** Treasurer's Report for February 2024