



DRYSDALE RSL SUB BRANCH

Monthly Meeting
10 February 2022

Open

The monthly meeting of the Drysdale Sub Branch RSL was called to order at 1400 hrs on 10 February 2022 by President Geoff Zanker. The Ode was recited, and the President reminded members of the passing of the previous President, Geoff Wisbey. He introduced a new member Tony Holton.

Attendance

Tony Bright, John Brown, George Browney, David Clark, Des Connor, Kevin Davis, Pam Davis, Maurice Dean, Margaret Everett, Gary Holt, Tony Holton, Trevor Joseph, Ron Kingsbury, Colleen Lincoln, Harry Paterson, Len Reed, Bruce Richards, Fran Rowell, Dick Safstrom, Graham Sewart, Geoffrey Strachan, Tony and Maria Toll, Peter Wood, Geoff Zanker.

Apologies

Roger Atkinson, Lance Barlow, Ross Brown, Doug Cameron, Andrew Cook, Gary Dean, Darren Davis, Gregory Davis, Geoff Fifer, Bernice Goodwin, William Hatty, Denis Hyland, John Milton, Greg Moore, Andrea Nisbet, Robert Partridge, John Poole, Paul and Janis Taylor, Geoff and Pearl Webster.

October Committee Meeting Minutes

The November minutes having been circulated on-line and handed out in hard copy, Harry moved, seconded Graham Sewart that the previous minutes be accepted. **Carried unanimously**

Business Arising from October Committee Meeting Minutes

- The President informed the applicant who wanted to use our building for band practice that his application has been denied.
- Christmas hampers had been assembled and distributed by the Davis family, and were well received.

Correspondence

- The Secretary presented the Incoming Correspondence report (last page). Items of interest were emailed to committee members.
 - There was nothing else that needed action. All items are available in hard copy for perusal.
- Moved Gary Dean, seconded Tony Bright that the correspondence be accepted.

Carried unanimously

Treasurer's Report

George Browney advised that he would present his report during the Annual General Meeting to follow this meeting.

Welfare and Appeals Report

Pam Davis advised that she would present her report during the Annual General Meeting to follow.

General Business

- The Bowls Day scheduled for 30 January was delayed by mutual agreement between the bowls club and the RSL Sub-branch. Further details to come.
- Geoff Fifer will provide advice on Golf Day/Days in 2022 at a later date.

ANZAC Day 2022

Planning for Anzac Day 2022 is under way. Key points are:

- No activity in the Drysdale Primary School hall as in previous years
- A march from Eversley St to the Drysdale Cenotaph, assembling from 1030
- The usual activity at the Cenotaph with speeches, Australian and New Zealand anthems, flag raising and lowering, and wreath laying
- Secretary to engage a guest speaker (about 5-10 minute limit on speech time)
- Secretary to advise our usual supporters regarding marching and wreath laying, and prepare lists
- President to engage Rev Peter Hobbs for prayer and maybe playing Reveille on bugle
- There are presently no restrictions on attendance numbers for an outdoor event. Indoor activities are restricted to 1 person to 2 square meters, limiting our building to about 50 people
- Secretary to use the Springdale Messenger, social media and our own website to post information
- Secretary said he has requested a RAAF flypast around 11 am. To be confirmed.

The President asked for further discussion from the floor regarding the number of wreaths and the inclusion of children in the activities. As Leopold and Portarlington conduct their own Anzac Day observance, we only need to advise Drysdale Schools. In 2019 we had more than 40 wreaths, but this number was cut down in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid restrictions. The feeling was that we should not try to stop organisations who want to lay wreaths, but maybe we could ask individuals to lay personal wreaths after the main ceremony.

Defence Sporting Apparel

The Secretary said that the Defence Sporting Apparel (DSA) company last year offered five RSL Sub-branches a gift of \$250 worth of clothing items as an advertising campaign, and we were successful in being awarded one of those. DSA is run by Defence veterans as a commercial concern, but they do make contributions to various Defence-related charities. Harry was able to display four shirts of various sizes and designs, and a cap. He added that he was not affiliated with DSA in any way, but agreed to talk about the company in exchange for the gift.

If any members are interested in the range of clothing articles and designs, please follow this link to their on-line website. <https://www.defencesportingapparel.com>



Close

There being no further business, the President closed the meeting at 1420 hours for the Annual General Meeting.

The next monthly meeting for all members is planned for 10 March 2022, starting at 2pm.

Incoming Correspondence 2021

99	Post	4 Oct 21	Anzac House	Remembrance Day posters	
100	Email	12 Oct 21	Anzac House	State Pres report: Annual Conf	
101	Email	14 Oct 21	Anzac House	Vaccination of workers	
102	Email	18 Oct 21	City of Gr Geelong	Remembrance Day wreath?	
103	Email	19 Oct 21	Anzac House	Remembrance Day	
104	Email	20 Oct 21	Anzac House	Membership information	
105	Email	21 Oct 21	Geelong Legacy	Thank you for donation	
106	Post	27 Oct 21	Anzac House	Professional development veteran suicide	
107	Email	28 Oct 21	Vic Gambling Comm	Newsletter	
108	Post	1 Nov 21	Vet Affairs	Remembrance Day posters	