

**MINUTES OF THE RAASC VIETNAM SUPPLY PLATOONS ASSOCIATION HELD
PERTH HELD WED 4 MAY 2016**

AGENDA

Present/Apologies: as per list attached

Purpose

1. Confirm the business of previous meeting at Wollongong 30Oct14.
2. Update the members on any general business being undertaken in the name of the association including our Executive reports
3. To elect a committee and other sub committees as required to maintain and strengthen the association.

Previous meeting discussed:

- Our next Reunion-where it will be held, who will run it,
- Laying of Plaques at our reunions,
- VSPA Collared Polo Neck shirts,
- Name Tags,
- Appreciation letters, and
- Three year memberships.

4. Reports

Presented: Reports of President/Secretary/Treasurer/Membership-Welfare, as enclosed

5. Election of office bearers

By consent of all members present, all positions were declared vacant, and the following elected until the 2017 AGM:

- President-Graeme Sherriff
- Vice President-Denny Van Maanenberg
- Secretary-Russ Morison
- Treasurer-Dave Evans
- Membership-Welfare Officer-Christina Luff
- Newsletter Editor-Denny Van Maanenberg
- Committee member-Ray Brown
- Public Officer-still vacant
- Property Officer-Barry Mining

Regional Representatives

- North Queensland-Tony Simon (in absentia)
- South Queensland-nth of Brisbane River-Alan Windle (in absentia)
- South Queensland-sth of Brisbane River-Gold Coast-Don Noy (in absentia)
- NSW Country-Bob Denner (in absentia)
- NSW Metro-Barry Carroll
- Victoria-Tony Galea (in absentia)
- South Australia-Noel Schluter (in absentia)
- Tasmania-Glen Breden
- Western Australia-Graeme Sherriff

7. General Business

Next Reunion

Ideas received included Cairns-Townsville-Port Douglas, Adelaide or Launceston, Canberra, Murray and other river cruises, and Vietnam. No one offered to run the next reunion. Fred Friske offered to run one at Gympie after the 2017 Reunion.

The Secretary presented the concept of a cruise, either in Australian waters, New Zealand, or South Pacific islands. 25 members voted for a cruise.

The concept presented involved a cruise incorporating our regimental needs over Armistice Day 2017:

- A maximum (mostly all-inclusive) \$2000 per person twin share, window or balcony suite, which could also suit sharing by single members,
- A bulk booking of up to 15 cabins co-located on the same deck,
- Regular sitting times for breakfast, lunch, dinner and shows to ensure maximum togetherness,
- Possible combined attendance on shore tours,
- Vessels to offer space for a Commemorative activity (to be included in ship's program and permitting open attendance), a room for the AGM, and partly segregated Corps Dinner space in the Restaurant.
- We would aim to use Australian-based ships using Australian currency only.
- And based on the above, we would obtain quotes from three travel agents to achieve best price for our members.

Other issues raised included discussion on the possible costs of gratuities, members' drink and other ancillary expenses, cost of tours available ashore as opposed to that offered by the selected Ship.

Addendum to AGM

The following day, members informally advised a preference for a Reunion in Hobart. The 2016 Reunion achieved significant camaraderie due to our "exclusive" activities.

Secretary to run an informal "straw poll" by email offering alternatives to gauge level of interest from wider membership before making a decision to proceed further:

- Cruise as above, and
- Hobart tour possibilities.

Close meeting

Being no further business, the meeting was closed at 1605.

**2016 REUNION ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES LIST
ATTENDEES**

CHRISTIAN NAMES	SURNAMES	DEPLOYED UNIT	DATE
Ray &Val	Brown	21 Sup Pl	66-67
Warren	Pearson	HQ 1 Coy	66-67
Kempton	Allen	HQ AFV/Det 52 Sup Pl	67-68
Marty&Jessica	Ansen	25 Sup Pl	67-68
John&Kay	Barrett	Det 52 Sup Pl	67-68
William&Joan	Gallacher	25 Sup Pl	67-68
Ron&Bev	Anderson	Det 52 Sup Pl	68-69
Warick&Kim	Atkinson	25 Sup Pl	68-69
Glen Breaden&Lorraine	Baker	25 Sup Pl	68-69
Paul&Kathy	Griffiths	25 Sup Pl	68-69
Stewart&Deb	Mckay	25 Sup Pl	68-69
Barry	Mining	25 Sup Pl	68-69
Warren&Bev	South	25 Sup Pl	68-69
Nick &Gail	Brightman	25 Sup Pl	69-70
Barry&Bridget	Carroll	25 Sup Pl	69-70
David&Robyn	Evans	25 Sup Pl	69-70
Lynton and Lorraine + 1	Guy	25 Sup Pl	69-70
Mal and Lyn	Saxby	25 Sup Pl	69-70
Russ	Morison	25 Sup Pl	69-70
Peter&Ann	Kennedy	25 Sup Pl	70-71
John&Marg	Greenhalgh	Det 52 Sup Pl	71-71
Graeme&Maria	Sherriff	25 Sup Pl	71-71
Ken&Marilyn	Taylor	25 Sup Pl	71-71
Ivan & Anne	Friske	25 Sup Pl	71-72

APOLOGIES

Patron David and Mrs	McLachlan MAJGEN, AO, (RL)	Visit, HQ AFV	65, 68-69
David and Sara Ferguson	MAJGEN, AM,CSC (R),	Visit, 1 Coy RAASC	65, 66-67
Geoff and Leonie	Christopherson, BRIG AM jssc psc D Ed M Bus (RET)	HQ 26 Coy RAASC	67-68
Brian	Stevenson, MBE	85 Tpt Pl	67-68
Christina	Luff (Keith)	25 Sup Pl	67-68
Bob and Gwenneth	Denner	25 Sup Pl/Det 52 Sup Pl	67-68
Denis and Lenore	Cowling	HQ 1 ALSG/ Det 52 Sup Pl	67-68
Sue	Hartas (Mick)	25 Sup Pl	68-69
Janice	Morison (Russ)	25 Sup Pl	69-70
Don	Noy	25 Sup Pl	67-68
Reg	Dennehy	25 Sup Pl	70
Les and Deb	Katona	25 Sup Pl	70-71
Denny and Jenny	Van Maanenberg	Det 52 Sup Pl	69-70
Alan and Vicki	Windle	25 Sup Pl	67-68

