

2/3 Australian Light Anti- Aircraft Association.
Minutes of Committee meeting held at the R.A.A.F.
Association Centre, 4 Cromwell Road South Yarra at 1 pm.
on Thursday 12th February 1998.

Present.

Cec Rae Chairman, John Hepworth Treasurer, Les Harris, Ron Bryant, Jack Crittenden, Bruce Tulloch, Dave Thomson, Roy Thomson, Mal Webster, John Campbell Secretary. Also in attendance Frank Washbourne and Ian Rutter, both nominated to the committee.

Apologies.

Mr Bert Baglin, Patron.

Welcome.

The President welcomed the two newly nominated members who were duly elected.

Minutes.

Moved Bruce Tulloch, Sec. Jack Crittenden, that the minutes as read be received.

Business Arising.

The Secretary reported that the Dedication and Unveiling of a beautifully restored Bofors Gun and plaque on 21 st Feb 1997 by Brig. Keith Rossi and Monseigneur Gerry Cudmore, was a moving experience. The hospitality of the North Balwyn R.S.L. Club members was gearly enjoyed by all attending.

Correspondence.

Resignation. Moved Roy Thomson, Sec. Mal Webster, that Cec Rae's resignation as President be accepted with regret. Unanimous acclaim was given in appreciation of many years of great work ^{he} has done as Secretary, and more recently as President of this Association. carried.

Nomination. Moved John Campbell, Sec. John Hepworth, that the nomination of Jack Crittenden as President be forwarded to the next Annual Meeting. carried.

Shrine Tree. The President and Secretary opened the discussion and each member asked his opinion as to whether we should arrange a function at the tree this year. The majority were in favour. The Secretary advised that the 17th May was available he was then authorised to confirm the date and time, so that a function could be arranged and advertised to the members.

Milne Bay Day. The President advised that he had attended this day and was very impressed with the arrangements. He had written a letter to the organisers, the RAAF Association, on behalf of our Association, expressing his appreciation.

Treasurers Report. The Treasurer tabled the Balance Sheet as at 31st December 1997, and also the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the twelve months ended 31st December 1997. The Statement showed a deficit of \$666.00. caused by the "one off" expenses at the Shrine. The current account shows a balance of \$2109.00 Term Deposit of \$8000.00. a total of \$10109.00.

Anzac Day. As last year our Unit will march off from the East side of Flinders St. mid way between Swanston Street and Russell Street, at approximately 9.40 am. It is suggested that we should be assembled by 9.30 am. A vehicle has been requested for those members not able to march the distance.

REUNION LUNCH.

The Secretary reported meeting with President Cec Rae, Jack Crittenden, and the new catering manager Mary Mc Cracken, and the following arrangements made---A roast dinner with choice of either beef or lamb, roast potato, roast pumpkin and steamed vegetables, followed with a choice of two deserts, Apple Strudel with cream, and fresh fruit salad in a brandy snap cup with cream. Tea , coffee and mints to conclude. the quoted cost \$20.

The meal will be full table service..Drinks to be charged seperately.

Twelve tables of eight will be provided so that

there will be six more places than the estimated ninety in attendance being catered for. On the tables will be Red and Blue serviettes, jugs of iced water, and fruit juice also two bottles of beer, a bread roll and butter will be provided for each setting. Jugs of beer will be provided as needed during the dinner, as will carafes of red and white wine, as required. Whisky provided by some members of the Association, will be available at the bar as usual.

Two registration tables with three chairs outside the room, one table inside for badges and change of address. Lectern, microphone, small table and tape player available in the dining room.

Moved Ron Bryant , Sec John Hepworth, that the cost to mmembers be \$25.00. carried.

Timetable. 11.30. Doors open
 11.45 Annual meeting.
 12.15 Stand To.
 12.25. Dinner served.

Collection of Subs. John Hepworth and Bruce Tulloch. Change of address. Roy Thomson.

Stationery . John Hepworth. Tape Deck Cec Rae.

All committee members were asked to assist in keeping silence during announcements.

Membership

The Secretary reported that membership is as follows- Unit members 252

Widows and others 116 Total 367.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 2.15 p.m.

Chairman.

