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**Minutes of the Annual General meeting held at the Naval and Military Club
27 Little Collins St Melbourne at 11.45 am on 24th April 2007.**

President The President welcomed the 20 members, and also a Guest Ron Berry, and two lady carers, Rosemary Weatherly and Alison Shields, Alan Read 9th from interstate, and Hugh Forbes son of the late Dr John Forbes of 8th battery. All were warmly welcomed by the President.

Apologies Apologies were received from John Hepworth[overseas], J. Hilliard, T. McGill, H. Goodwin,. The Secretary advised that he had received many apologies from members unable to travel the distance owing to age or illness.
Moved Grif Weatherly sec by Les Harris that all apologies be accepted.

Carried

Minutes The President having scanned the previous minutes and finding no business arising, moved that they be received as a true record. Sec. B Tulloch

Carried

Correspondence There were two inward letters—
1. Letter of Resignation from Les Harris as Deputy President
2 From Alex Barnett re "The Younger Generation Group"

Moved Frank Hands, sec. Jack Berkley that the correspondence be received. The President spoke of the many years that Les had held office on the Committee, and wished Les well.

The letter from Alex Barnett [re The Younger Generation"] was discussed later in the meeting.

All agreed.

Treasurers' Report The Treasurer being overseas, the Secretary was called to present the report.
The report prepared by the Treasurer showed a surplus for the year ending on the 31st December 2006, of \$359.00

The Association funds at that date were—

Term Deposit at Commonwealth Bank \$8000.00

Cheque Account \$2313.00

Total \$10313.00

There were no questions

Moved by Les Shields Sec. by Grif Weatherly that the financial statement be received and adopted.

Carried.

Presidents Report.

The President presented a brief report in view of his wish to allow time for discussion on a proposal to set up a Younger Generations Group. Thanks were extended to Members, Guests, Carers, Executive and Committee. Appreciation of Ron Berry's assistance with the computer listed addresses, and the generosity of donors to our funds was noted.

Election of Officers.

The President stated there was only one nomination for the position of Deputy Chairman, that of John Campbell
It was moved by F. Hands sec by D. Thomson that John Campbell be Elected to the position of Deputy Chairman.
Carried.

All other members of the committee agreed to continue on the committee, the President declared them elected.

Constitution
Notice of Motion

The President requested the Deputy Chairman to take the Chair.

The President then spoke of the quickly declining membership and the need to make changes to the constitution, as the matter of quorums needed to be addressed.

President Ron then presented these following 5 Notices of Motion

1. To reduce the number of members required by clause 10 of the Constitution to constitute a quorum for a General meeting, from 15 to 5 members.
2. To reduce the number of members required by clause 12 of the Constitution to constitute a quorum for a Committee Meeting, from 6 to 3 members.
3. To reduce the required Notice for Nominations for Office, or membership of the Committee, from 14 days to 7 days.
4. To allow a Member to vote by proxy at any meeting, or to appoint another person [whether a member or not] to attend to vote instead of the member, at any meeting.
5. This Constitution is intended to be regarded as a "gentleman's agreement", interpreted according to the spirit as well as the letter of it's provisions.

The above five "Notices of Motion" to alter the Constitution were moved by the President, seconded John Marshall.

Carried

The President resumed the Chair

The Younger Generation

The President outlined a proposal to see if a "Younger Generation Group" could be formed, to perpetuate the memory of the 2/3rd Light Anti -Aircraft Regiment in the years ahead, 17 from the Younger Generation having already indicated an interest in so Doing, consultation with this group will be the next step. A letter from Alex Barnett 8th Bty carrying a strong recommendation for support to the forming a Younger Generation Group, was read.

It was moved by President Ron Seconded John Marshall
that the proposal be approved *CARRIED.*

The President resumed the Chair There being no further business the meeting was declared closed.