



FAAAA

Fleet Air Arm Association of Australia

NSW Division PO Box 28 Nowra NSW 2541

Minutes for the Committee Meeting @ the White Ensign Club

Wednesday 21st September 2022 @ 1205EST

1. COMMITTEE:

President: Phil Carey (PC)- admin@shoalegal.com.au

Vice President & MLO: Keith Boundy (KB)- keithb@fastrac.net.au

Secretary: Jeff Dalglish (JWD)- jeffd.secnsw@yahoo.com

Treasurer: Ron Batchelor (RB)- ronbatch1@gmail.com

General Committee:

Dick Martin (DM)- pincher@iprimus.com.au

Division Members and Visitors Present:

Terence Hetherington (TH)- skytrain@optusnet.com.au National Secretary.

Apologies:

John Balazic (JB) and Howard McCallum (HMc)

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

President acknowledged the passing of Queen Elizabeth II and the Proclamation of King Charles III as King of Australia.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING:

Moved: Ron Batchelor

Seconded: Dick Martin

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM August COMMITTEE MEETING:

- a. RB & JWD were to attend Greater Bank 21st September to delete DM and add JWD to Signature list. Visit cancelled until Banking requirement to Incorporate sorted.

*NSW Division will Bank with St George in future (have a current account) with Signatories changes required. Membership and Raffles for 2023 will be banked through Greater Bank to avoid confusion with Members.

- b. HMc reported that the FAA Billboard on Moss Vale Road- just short of the Princes Highway needed repair/refurbishment or removal.

ACTION: HMc to find out who owns the Billboard & how to fix the problem. Pending as HMc was Apology for this meeting.

- c. JWD suggested that the Nowra City Gate Guard Iroquois UH 1B 894 needed some "Love". Discussion agreed and indicated that the Museum was ultimately Responsible. JWD raised the issue with Mr Stewart Hardwood Curator of the FAA Museum who agrees and believes 894 is owned by Shoalhaven City Council. TH & KB both gave some historical advice concerning the possible ownership of 894 but neither can recall the Aircraft being gifted to the Council and it may still be on the Navy Register. Pending while more information on ownership is sought.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

IN:

- a. Numerous emails and letters in relation to new Members and Membership. Qld Life Membership Nomination.
- a. Bank Statement from Greater Bank
- b. Updated List of NSW Members.
- c. Funds request from HARS for Insurance via Terry Hetherington.
- d. FAAAA National Secretary's Bulletin September 2022.
- e. email in relation to Nomination of a Member for the General Committee

OUT:

- a. Secretary email to Mr Stewart Harwood re Iroquois 894.
- b. Numerous emails and letters in relation to new Members and Membership
- c. Letters to New Members welcoming them to the Division- Paul Norris/Dick Martin.

Acceptance of Correspondence In & Out

Moved: Dick Martin

Seconded: Keith Boundy

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Slipstream

Ron Batchelor has kindly offered to continue as editor of Slipstream for the next two editions. It will then become necessary to have installed a new editor or editorial team not later than February/March 2023.

Slipstream has been in operation as that publication from Volume I in 2006 and is and remains an integral part of the association and the loss of the publication would be fairly serious.

The time may fast be approaching when a review of Slipstream will be necessary. It is my view that a wide-ranging review of Slipstream is well overdue and such a review should include but not be limited to:

- Format: ie the type and style of the publication and the capacity for other folk to pick up the reins of editorship at short or reasonably short notice.
- Editorial integrity: lay out; firm and fast guidelines for the editor.
- Content: what is or is not acceptable and what is preferred.
- Costs; engage a publisher rather than a printer.
- Inter-relationships with other existing publications of the FAAA;

I am open to suggestions on the makeup of any such review panel. But first a proposal from NSW to the Feds should be the order of business.

Secretary

I am pleased to see Jeff Dalglish is here today and thank Jeff for accepting the position.

National meeting October

We are to determine today the delegates for the meeting. It will be necessary for those delegates to be available to appear and the delegates do not necessarily have to be committee members.

The Nowra Veteran Wellbeing Centre

Since our August meeting I have had two meetings with the some of the folk at the Centre and one of those was lunch at a local cafe. The bottom line is that I am still sure how they operate. That is the process is ad hoc but that is not of itself an issue. Access seems to be initially for a veteran to contact them and meet and discuss the issue if any the veteran may have. So far I have meet a couple of ex members who have been there and one in particular is very happy with the organization. I will be meeting with them again in the next two weeks.

Moved: Jeff Dalgliesh
Ron Batchelor

Seconded:

7. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Months of August/September have been relatively quiet for the recently appointed NSW Division Secretary - handover continues with past Secretary Dick Martin. As Jeff Dalgliesh does not have direct access to the NSW Division Mailbox Pincher has graciously volunteered to continue monitoring Memberships and Mail. The Secretary reiterated the need to keep Lines of Communications open.

JWD and RB cancelled proposed visit to the Greater Bank in Nowra to substitute DM as signatory on the Cheque Account with JWD until the Greater Bank stated requirements to Incorporate are investigated.

Membership for NSW Division is 375. This can be further broken down to show: 9 Life Members, 10 Associates, 9 Lifetime (Perpetual) and 1 Honorary Member. New Member Evan Burton sent welcome letter by Paul Norris 07/09/2022. Member Todd Glynn has nominated for a position on the General Committee.

Preparations are continuing for the postponed FAA 75th Anniversary weekend on 21st & 22nd October. Also, on this weekend there will be a Naval Institute Seminar "The Future of the Fleet Air Arm" with keynote speaker CDRE David Frost followed by a Book launch of the new volume to the classic 'Flying Stations'. If there is enough support

indicated NSW Division is planning on hosting a “Informal Evening” function on Friday 21st October after the FAA Friday activities. The FAAAA Federal Council AGM is scheduled for Saturday after further FAA 75th activities.

Terry Hetherington attended Vietnam Veteran’s Day Service in the Shoalhaven as National Secretary on Thursday 18th August 2022 and has laid a Wreath on the behalf of the NSW Division of the FAAAA.

Note that the Minutes for the 20th of January 2021 indicate that Committee Meetings are to be bi-monthly? To be discussed in General Business.

Moved: Phil Carey
Dick Martin

Seconded:

8. TREASURER’S REPORT:

President Phil Carey & Secretary Jeff Dalgliesh to visit St George Bank Nowra with Treasurer Ron Batchelor prior to the next Committee meeting and become Signatories on the FAAA NSW Division account. Former Signatories Greg Wise and Terry Hetherington to be removed.

Ron Batchelor to organise time with St George Bank on morning of 16th November 2022 prior to the NSW Committee Meeting to add Phil Carey and Jeff Dalgliesh as signatories and remove signatories Greg Wise and Terry Hetherington.

Note by Webmaster.

The Treasurer’s Report is appended below but the dollar amounts have been redacted in this on-line version for security. A copy of the full report can be obtained by authorised persons on request to the Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES FLEET AIR ARM ASSOCIATION

TREASURE'S REPORT AUGUST 2022

OPENING BALANCE
INCOME	
	MEMBERSHIP Direct Deposit
	Membership Banked

	WALL OF SERVICE
TOTAL INCOME
EXPENDITURE	
	John Downton Paintings

	Secretary Expences

	Postage Paintings

	Joining fees
TOTAL EXPENDITURE
ENDING BALANCE
FIXED ACCOUNT

Moved: Jeff Dalgliesh

Seconded: Ken Batchelor

9. WALL OF SERVICE REPORT:

The Wall of Service Administrator is Overseas - nil report.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. Membership Issues: Nomination for General Committee by Todd Glynn. New Member Evan Burton. Recommendation re Queensland Member for Life Membership.

- Todd Glynn's nomination for NSW General Committee accepted. Proposed by PC and Seconded by DM. JWD to notify Todd Glynn of acceptance.
 - DM to send welcome letter to Evan Burton on joining FAAA NSW Division.
 - Recommendation for Qld Member re Life Membership. After some discussion agreed by all present not to ratify this nomination as the Document supporting this Application do not meet the Criteria outlined in the Constitution.
- b. Request from HARS to FAAA from Professor Hough requesting funding to assist in Insurance for Navy Aircraft operated by HARS.
- Moved by PC to donate \$1000.00 for Insurance particularly for the Iroquois and Tracker aircraft. RB passed a Cheque to TH for this purpose.
- c. Greater Banks requirement for NSW Division to Incorporate. Why? Can they Insist?
- After some discussion it was agreed to re use the NSW Divisions St George's Account and change signatories as required.
- d. President Phil Carey & Secretary Jeff Dalgliesh to visit St George Bank Nowra with Treasurer Ron Batchelor prior to the next Committee meeting and become Signatories on the FAAA NSW Division account. Former Signatories Greg Wise and Terry Hetherington to be removed.
- Ron Batchelor to organise for 16th November 2022.
- e. Access to FAAA NSW Bank statements.
- Paul Norris to be added as Read Only. JWD to be added as NSW Secretary. Marcus Peake to be asked by PC if still requires Read Only access.
- f. FAAA NSW Draft Constitution status.
- PC working on the Draft- confirmed that NSW Division is Incorporated.
- g. DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS FOR NATIONAL EXECUTIVE POSITIONS The cut-off date for these nominations is

22nd September. At this stage all existing members other than the President have indicated that they will re-nominate.

- Nomination for President Pending.
- h. NOTIFICATION OF THE AGENDA The FCM Agenda is due for distribution to Divisions on 22nd September.
- To be announced by National Secretary shortly- JWD to Distribute to NSW Members via Paul Norris.
- i. FAA 75TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS 21 & 22 OCTOBER
Concurrent with the FCM, the Fleet Air Arm are staging a series of events to mark their 75th Anniversary. Please log on to <https://www.faaaa.asn.au/expression-of-interest/> for event details and registration.
- Programme still firming up and Members need to refer to Slipstream and Flyby for updates and nomination for events.
- j. PRE-FCM SOCIAL DINNER FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER The dinner will be held at the Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemen's Club restaurant on completion of the FAA Freedom of Entry and Ceremonial Sunset. Please register at the link above to attend.
- The Friday night dinner has now been confirmed and will be at the Shoalhaven Ex Serviceman's Club with no subsidy and will occur after the Freedom of Entry to the City. Nomination of attendance requested to define the amount of space required.
- k. Frequency of NSW Committee Meetings.
- JWD spoke to this issue trying to understand why NSW needs to meet 12 times a year with Modern Communications systems available to the Committee in the case of an emergency requirement. Input was received from all Committee Members and TH regarding National - he informed the Committee that National meet on an as required basis. After much discussion it was decided that seeing the October meeting would be two days before the scheduled National AGM that next committee Meeting would be scheduled for 16th November. NSW Division will then meet in January 2023 and for the AGM in March 2023. The bimonthly meeting issue will be on the Agenda for the AGM and Members are invited to make input as necessary.

- The motion that will be on the table will be for the NSW Committee to meet 6 times a year with the facility for any Member of the Committee to be able to call for an Extraordinary Meeting of the Committee in case of an emergency. The Meeting Months would be January, March AGM, May, July, September, and November.


11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- a. PC asked about items of FAAA Memorabilia and the WEC and if a List existed. Under Investigation.
- b. PC mentioned Membership Cards- program being worked on – Cards will be available for Delegates at the National AGM.
- c. PC suggested Hyams Florist deserved a Certificate of Appreciation after providing free Wreaths for the FAAA – DM to organise.
- d. NSW required to nominate two delegates for the National AGM- Dick Martin and Jeff Dalgliesh nominated.
- e. PC noted that while RB would edit the next two Slipstream publications that the FAAA requires an Editor for 2023 forward.

12. MEETING CLOSED: At 1315 EST.

13. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday 16ththNovember 2022 commencing at 1200EST



Phil Carey

President:



Jeff Dalgliesh

Secretary