

BLUE MOUNTAINS VIETNAM VETERANS AND ASSOCIATED FORCES INC.  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
SUNDAY 19 MAY 2019 AT 1000 HRS AT  
The Blue Mountains Theatre & Community Hub, Macquarie Road Springwood

The President declared the meeting open at 1010 hours.

Attendees:

Peter Jones (PJ)	President
Chris McKay (CMcK)	Secretary
Craig Terrey (CT)	Treasurer
Darrell Carter (DC)	Member
Sydney Cole (SC)	Committee
Roger Lawlor (RL)	Committee
Will Hogue (WH)	Committee – Lawnmowing Coordinator
Malcolm Campbell (MC)	Member
John Haynes (JH)	Member
Les Hogan (LH)	Member
Stafford Lowe (SL)	Member – Returning Officer
John McKechnie (JM)	Member
John Woolley (JW)	Member

**1. Welcome by President**

The President PJ welcomed members in attendance.

**2. Silent reflection remembering those members who have departed this life since the 2018 Annual General Meeting.**

PJ read out the names of deceased members from the last AGM (20 May 2018) to 20 May 2019 as follows:  
Graham Baggaley, Kenneth Barnett OAM, John Cross, Dee Donovan OAM,  
Allan Hill, Alf Johnson, Ronald Murphy, Stephen Sak

The Ode of Remembrance was recited by JW.

*Lest We Forget*

**3. Apologies**

Glenn Daly, Terry Dinneen, John Fenton, Norman Fraser, John King, Jack Lake, Angus McDonald & Owen Wood.

Motion that the members' apologies be accepted

Moved: CMcK

Seconded: CT

MOTION CARRIED

**4. Confirmation of previous minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting held on 20 May 2018.**

Motion: that the minutes of the 20 May 2018 Annual General Meeting as presented are a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: CMcK

Seconded: PJ

MOTION CARRIED

## **5. Business arising from those minutes.**

PJ advised that our Memorial Day Guest of Honour, David Savage did an excellent job. Memorial Day BBQ done by The Old Bastards went very well and was hassle free.

Moved: CMcK

Seconded: SC

## **6. President's Report.**

PJ presented his President's Report as follows:

We are travelling reasonably well, we are not getting grants from DVA now. All our funds are from raffles and donations from our members.

Thank you to all our volunteers for raffles stall manning and on Memorial Day, setting up early in the morning. Thank you to all the members of the Committee – Craig is doing a great job as Treasurer, Chris for doing an excellent job as Secretary, Wendy for her administration in the office. He thanked Will Hogue for his good work as Lawnmowing Coordinator.

Moved: RL

Seconded: DC

## **7. Treasurer's Report received on the financial statement of the Association.**

CT presented his Treasurer's Report as follows:

Presented the Income and Expenditure Account Report for the year.  
He has received the Auditor's Report as at 31 December 2018.

He advised the income from our raffles are down about 10 percent.  
There has been no income from Grants. Expenses are increasing.  
Contact! newsletter printing may be done by Susan Templeman's office, if she is re-elected.  
He advised that we may need to use some of the Term Deposit funds for Memorial Day expenses.

CMcK advised that he has another contact for printing who we can approach.

Treasurer's Report is accepted.

Moved: WH

Seconded: JH

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **8. Receive other Sub-Committee Reports.**

### *a. Wellbeing Sub-Committee Report*

CMcK advised that John Fenton is assisting the association with Wellbeing and in the future he will assist with Grants e.g. Best Grants

CMcK highlighted that Angus McDonald is doing an excellent job as the Wellbeing Coordinator and that he and John Fenton are working well together.

For information: All members.

*b. Lawn Maintenance Sub Committee Report*

WH advised that it is a slow time for lawnmowing at the moment. They have about 16 clients. Norm Fraser will be going away in Canada soon.

CMcK & PJ spoke about the team deciding and letting the association know if they are now longer able to continue doing the lawns.

For information: All members

*c. Fund Raising Sub-Committee Report*

PJ mentioned that the first raffle will be on Sunday week at the Springwood HUB

CMcK gave details of the fundraising event of the screening of the Movie “The Odd Angry Shot” on Sunday 18 August 2019, Vietnam Veterans Day. It will be attended by Tom, (Director, Producer & Writer), Bryan Brown (Actor in the movie), David Stratton (Movie Critic). The Hub Management will administrate the ticketing and advertising for a cost price, with approximately 414 seat available. We will also let other local associations know about the event.

“Soldier On” will be involved as well. Romola Hollywood from Blue Mountains City Council and Susan Templeman, have been very supportive. The movie will be shown in the Hub with David introducing Bryan & Tom before the movie and then a Q & A with Bryan Brown and David Stratton after the movie. Ticket price will be \$20:00 each, drinks and snacks will also be on sale before the movie and at intermission. We will be taking donations with Soldier On on the day. Soldier On are trying to get funds to set up a facility at the old Concord Repatriation Hospital for young veterans, which will be a PDST clinic etc. He thanked Tim & Yvonne and the Blue Mountains City Council for their support. The Hub will start marketing on 1 June.

PJ thanked CMcK and hoped that the event is a great success.

For information: All members

*d. Publicity Sub-Committee Report*

None

For information: All members

*e. Membership Sub-Committee Report*

PJ advised the following membership statistics

<b>Active:</b> 442	<b>Inactive:</b> 92	<b>Total Active &amp; Inactive:</b> 534
<b>Financial:</b> 286	<b>Unfinancial:</b> 156	<b>New Members:</b> 3 (since last Committee Meeting) Russell Horgan, Geoffrey Norley & Owen Wood

**Deaths:** 2 (since last Committee Meeting)  
Stephen Sak (24/12/2018), Alf Johnson (22/01/2019)

**Resigned:** 1 (since last Committee Meeting)  
Robert Stickells

Items 8a – 8e be accepted

Moved: DC

Seconded: JH

CARRIED

## **9. Suspension of Standing Orders & Election of Returning Officer.**

Peter Jones announced the suspension of Standing Orders and nominated John Woolley as Returning Officer. JW requested that the Secretary record the minutes and that members need to be financial to vote. Nominations for Committee positions were taken from the floor.

Moved: PJ

Seconded: CMcK

CARRIED

## **10. Election of Officer Bearers and Ordinary Members of Committee in accordance with Part 4.15 of the Constitution.**

Elected Members are as follows:

President – Peter Jones

Nominated by DC                      Seconded by CT

Vice President – Angus McDonald

Nominated by CMcK                      Seconded by PJ

Secretary – Chris McKay

Nominated by PJ                      Seconded by SC

Treasurer – Craig Terrey

Nominated by CMcK                      Seconded by PJ

Committee – Sydney Cole

Nominated by PJ                      Seconded by CMcK

Committee – John Haynes

Nominated by SC                      Seconded by PJ

Committee – Roger Lawlor

Nominated by DC                      Seconded by PJ

Lawn mowing Coordinator– Will Hogue

Nominated by PJ                      Seconded by CMcK

Wellbeing Coordinator is Angus McDonald.

Wellbeing Advocate is John Fenton.

Jack Lake will continue as the Vietnamese Liaison Officer

### **11. Re-appointment of Honorary Auditor**

Mrs Jillian Williams, CPA, FFIN, FASFA, AACI, MRMIA, MIPA, agrees to continue with this appointment.

### **Re-appointment of Public Officer**

Mr Stafford Lowe has agreed to continue with this appointment.

### **Re-Appointment of Honorary Solicitor**

Mr Trevor Cork BA, LL.M, FTIA agrees to continue with this appointment.

PJ thanked JW for doing a good job as returning officer.

Moved: PJ

Seconded: CMcK

CARRIED

### **12. General Business**

CMcK spoke about an invitation from Anna for a Vietnamese function at the Crystal Palace in Cabramatta. MC & JH offered to attend on behalf of our association.

JW asked about our Guest of Honour for Memorial Day – CMcK detailed the different people he has approached, without success. He has spoken to our Padre Colin Aiken about a friend of his, who is a Brigadier, who has just been appointed Aide-de-Camp (ADC) to the Governor General, and is awaiting a response.

CMcK mentioned that some of the Blue Mountains NASHOS have joined our association, as their association has closed down & welcomed them into our association.

CMcK thanked PJ for his excellent job as President.

### **13. Close of Meeting**

The President thanked those in attendance and declared the meeting over at 1120 hours.

Peter Jones  
President  
Dated: 19 May 2019

Chris McKay  
Secretary  
Dated: 19 May 2019

#### Attachments

1. Treasurer's Financial Report.
2. Auditor's Report.