**Division Patron: Commander Philip Orchard AM AFNI RAN Ret.**

**General Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday 25th May 2023**

**Fremantle Navy Club**

**Attending:** James & Cathy Sharkey, Ian Critchley, Bill Kent, Alex McKinnon, Peter Godfrey, Mary Anthony, Gary Foley, Les Simmons, Tony & Jan Smith

**Apology:** Brian Thompson, Barry Morgan, Jack Warner, Alex Kent.

**1. Welcome and Opening by Chairman (James Sharkey)**

* Up spirits
* A Minutes Silence was observed to commemorate Jim Goad

**2. Lamp Swinger**

* Peter Godfrey was to present but had forgotten his paper. Peter will swing at a later date, it was noted President Barry had volunteered as well.

**3. Acceptance of the March Minutes (23/03/23)**

**Moved:** Bill Kent **Seconded:** Gary Foley ‘That the minutes of the General Meeting held on Thursday 23/03/23 be accepted as a true and correct record’. **Carried**

**3.1 Business Arising**

* Future even month social get togethers: It was agreed that we should continue with the practice of meeting on the 3rd Sunday. Next social would be on 18th June with venue TBC.
* Paul Chapmans memorial plaque: Ongoing dialogue between President Barry and Bob Grant was discussed and the Divisions preference for the plaque agreed as.

IN MEMORY

PAUL CREASEY-CHAPMAN

04/11/1941 – 15/09/21

ROYAL NAVY 1957 – 1968

HMS GANGES

HMS BAROSSA

HMS BROCKLESBY

HMS JAGUAR

HMS KENT

HMS BRIGHTON

Well respected member of HMS Ganges Association, City of Rockingham Naval Association,

Royal Naval Association.

Rest in Peace with a bowl of trifle and cream

**4. Chairman’s Report (James Sharkey)**

* James asked Cathy Sharkey to report on progress to date of IOR23. Cathy reported on progress and pointed out that IOR23 can be followed on Google IOR23 and Facebook (IndiRow23).

**5. Secretary’s Report (Stand in Ian Critchley)**

**5.1 Correspondence:**

**Moved:** Cathy Sharkey **Seconded:** Bill Kent **“**That the inwards correspondence be received, and the outward endorsed”. **Carried**

**6. Treasurer’ Report (Peter Godfrey)**

**6.1 Financial Report.**

* Cash at bank: $4956.09: Petty Cash: $60.70
* The Black Tot Day Lunch cost will be subsidised from Paul Chapman Legacy.

**Moved:** Cathy Sharkey **Seconded**: Mary Anthony” That the Treasurer’s Financial Report be accepted” **Carried**

**7. Membership Secretary’s Report (Peter Godfrey)**

* Graeme Cassell was reconfirmed a new member.

**8. Almoner’s Report (Les Simmons)**

* Les has contacted Brenda Chitty who was in good spirits despite recent knee surgery.
* When asked, Les reported his own health is improving and he is again able to drive.

**9. Other Business**

**10. Raffle Draw (Cathy Sharkey)**

* The raffle raised $60, once again there were lots of re-draws.
* Cathy requested donated perishable prizes must be within the use-by date.

**11. Next Gatherings.**

* Social Sausage Sizzle: Sunday 19th June 1200 at venue to be confirmed.
* Committee Meeting: Thursday 20th July – 1200 at Rockingham Village Chinese
* General Meeting: Thursday 27th July` – 1200 at FNC
* Black Tot Day Lunch: Monday 31st July - 1130 for 1200 at FNC