***31st Inf. Bn Association (Brisbane Branch)***

***Lunch/Annual General Meeting – Thursday 20th AUG. 2020***

***Sherwood Services Club***

***This is the Re scheduled AGM Meeting originally planned on 27thMarch but cancelled due to Covid-19 - Govt. Social Distancing/Meeting Restrictions.***

***Minutes of Meeting***

***Welcome:- Members, Guests, & Visitors by Ray Fogg***

***Roll Call & Apologies:- Refer Attendance List***

 ***Vale:- COL Hugh Gaffney AM RFD ED***

 ***Don Page***

* ***President Ray Fogg Called for:- ONE MINUTES SILENCE***

***COMMENCE AGM:-***

* ***Minutes of Previous AGM held – Wed 13th Mar. 2019 – Secretary Tony Wadeson***

***Copies of these Minutes had been previously distributed & extra Copies are tabled***

***MOTION:- That the Minutes of the previous AGM held Wed 13th March 2019 be accepted as a true record.***

***MOVED:- Tony Wadeson SECONDED – Martin O’Sullivan***

***MOTION. - Carried***

* ***Presidents Report:- President Ray Fogg – Highlighted Points.***

 ***(Copies of Presidents Report were previously distributed) – Extra Copies Tabled***

***MOTION:- That the Presidents Report for 2019 be received & held on Record.***

***MOVED:- Ray Fogg SECONDED:- Frank Bontoft***

***MOTION:- - Carried***

* ***Financial Statement:- Presented by Secretary :–***

***(Copies of the Financial Statement had been previously Distributed & extra Copies Tabled)***

***MOTION:- That the Financial Statement 1/1/19 to 31/12/19 be accepted as a true Record***

***MOVED:- Tony Wadeson SECONDED:- Doug Hastie***

***MOTION - Carried***

* ***Election of Office Bearers***

***-(Pres. Ray Vacated the Chair & handed over the meeting to member - Doug Angus)***

***Doug Angus, advised:- The following Nominations for the positions listed were received in writing by the advertised date. As there were no further Nominations received those Nominees are declared Duly Elected as follows:-***

* ***President - Ray Fogg***
* ***D/ President - Colin Jackson***
* ***Secretary - Tony Wadeson***
* ***Treasurer - Eugene Farrell***
* ***Committee Member - George Stanger***
* ***Committee Member - Mick James***

***MOTION:- Moved by Doug Angus: That all Nominations for the Committee Positions received in writing by the required Date – Declared Duly Elected be Accepted.***

***SECONDED:- Doug Hastie. MOTION – Carried.***

***President Ray Fogg resumed as Chairman of the Meeting.***

***President Ray advised:-***

***Apart from the Elected Committee. -***

***Tim Lewis will be the Liaison Officer for 2nd/31st Bn***

***Martin O’Sullivan – WEB Page - 31st Inf. Bn Assoc. – Whispering Boomerang***

***Mick James & Merv Hazell:- Battle for Australia Committee.***

***Tony Wadeson – Reserve Forces Day Committee.***

***Ray Fogg & Tony Wadeson:- Anzac Day Parade Committee***

***General Business:-***

* ***BANK - Proposal to Change the Brisbane Branch Bank A/C from – “ Queensland Country Credit Union” previously “The Queenslander” to – The National Australia Bank Ltd. (Community Fee Saver Account) for the Following reasons:-***
* ***31st Bn Assoc. Townsville use the NAB***
* ***Easy access to NAB - Branches in every Suburb for Banking. Vs 1 Only Branch in the City & ackward to get to, for Q’ld Country Credit Union.***
* ***No annual Fee. Same as existing***
* ***Payments/ Subs. Can be made by Direct Deposit – V’s No Direct Deposit Facilities with our current Bank.***

***MOTION:- That the President, Secretary, & the Treasurer be permitted to Investigate & Change the Banking Facilities providing they think fit, - from The Queensland Country Credit Union to the National Australia Bank Limited – (Community Fee Saver A/C) At a Branch to be Determined.***

***MOVED:- TONY WADESON. SECONDED:- Mick James. MOTION:- Carried***

***RE SIGNATORIES required for all Cheques. To be the same as present arrangements***

***MOTION:- That the Signatories required for any Payments:- Cheques/Withdrawals to be Any Two Signatures of the Following Three:***

1. ***The President – Ray Fogg***
2. ***The Secretary – Anthony Wadeson (Tony)***
3. ***The Treasurer – Eugene Farrell***

***MOVED by:- Mick James SECONDED:- Mick Byrne MOTION:- Carried***

 ***Anzac Day March 2021 - Tony Wadeson advised this Years 2020 March was cancelled. He will***

 ***be attending the first scheduled Meeting of the Brisbane Anzac Day***

 ***March Committee. We hope to have three Groups Marching (1) Our***

 ***own Banner with 31st Bn Assoc Members. (2) The 2/31st Bn Banner***

 ***with Relatives. (3) The 31/51st Bn Banner with Relatives.***

***Reserve Forces Day Activities 2021 – TONY WADESON advised that the Brisbane***

 ***Commemoration should be held on the first Sunday after***

 ***1st July. Wondai - 49Bn Assoc. Date - TBA***

***Battle of Fromelles Ceremony Monday 19th July – Fromelles France:-***

 ***Tony Wadeson, advised that Pierre Sellier, laid a Wreath on behalf***

 ***of the 31st Bn. It was a closed Ceremony, by invitation only from the***

 ***Aust. Embassy & DVA. We arranged for Pierre to represent us.***

#  Pierre Purchased a Floral Wreath for 50 Euro.

 ***- Ipswich:- Mick James advised, 20 attended, numbers down due to***

 ***Covid-19, but a successful day. 31/42Bn RQR CO - LTCOL Damien Green***

 ***accompanied by RSM John Stafford attended. Guest Speaker was Supt.***

 ***Mark Plath – Descendant of LTCOL Fred Toll. We all adjourned to the CSI***

 ***Club for Lunch after the Service. We will be looking at expanding the***

 ***service next year.***

 ***Battle for Australia Ceremony 2020 - Mick James (Report for 2019 Distributed) this***

 ***years will be held on Wed 2nd Sept. at the Battle for Aust. Memorial, at***

 ***the Chermside Historical Precinct. We will again adjourn to the Kedron***

 ***Wavell Services Club for Lunch. Notice to be forwarded.***

***“31st Bn Assoc. – Whispering Boomerang” Web Site:- Martin O’Sullivan advised he had***

 ***been away for about 6 weeks & will be heading off again shortly. He***

 ***would like more input from members & Office Bearers. He needs to***

 ***discuss a few problems with Col Jackson.***

***2/31st Bn Administration & Information – Tim Lewis is following up on WW2 Medallions***

 ***for our living Veterans. He had already registered their names with***

 ***relevant authority.***

***Pte Paddy Bugden VC – Tony Wadeson advised that there was no ceremony planned this year. As***

 ***the Border is closed we would not be able to attend anyway. T.W. to***

 ***advise member Murray Bullpitt, who lives in Ballina, to keep in contact***

 ***with Alstonville RSL Sub Branch re next year.***

***Other Business:-***

***No Further Business.***

***Meeting Closed @ 3.00PM***

 ***Ray Fogg. Tony Wadeson***

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 ***PRESIDENT SECRETARY***

 ***DATE:- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***