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Unfortunately the quality of sound on the tape wasn't good.

Attending: As listed in Attendance book. 31 members signed A/book.

The President, Peter Flockhart, opened the meeting at 1115 and proposed a toast to "Absent friends".

The V.Pres then recited "The ODE".

The Pres. welcomed members and called for Apologies. These were registered in A/book.

The Pres. welcomed new members and visitors. Norm Whitburn Frank Brown...(tape indistinct)...

The Pres. called for a motion to suspend Standing Orders for the confirmation of Mr Ron Tuckwell as Secretary.

Moved Alan Myers Sec. Len Yagmich CARRIED

Pres call for a motion "That Mr Ron Tuckwell be confirmed as SECRETARY of VLSVA

Moved George Donachie. Sec. Patrick Peard CARRIED

The Pres then welcomed Ron Tuckwell as SECRETARY of VLSVA to which Ron replied. Standing Orders were then resumed on a Motion from (Butch..?...). Sec Len Yagmich... CARRIED

Secretary read MINUTES of GENERAL Meeting held 19 Aug 2003, for the benefit of new members.

Prior to confirming Minutes, the Pres explained his statement of "no big deal" as to membership.

He apologized for any member who may have taken offence.

The Pres read a letter written to the Committee of the Australian Navy in Vietnam Welfare Assoc. regarding an outstanding account of \$400. The letter, it seems, was ignored in that there has been no payment or reply. The Committee decision is that the matter should be resolved amicably. V.Pres Toby Quinn put a motion to the floor that as the VLSVA is going from strength to strength, the matter be completely ignored and the debt written off. Sec Vic Boreham. George Dunnachie asked for confirmation that the letter would be received. The Pres informed the meeting that the letter would be sent to ALL Committee members of the Welfare Assoc by registered mail. Motion was carried unanimously.

Len Yagmich on a point of order asked that the minutes as read be accepted.

That the Minutes be accepted as read. Proposed Len Yagmich Sec. Arthur Faulkes. CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING: The Pres has sent Email to the Chairman of the Welfare Assoc to say the books that he had control over were ready for AUDIT, but the expense of \$500 for accountant to go through them was way too heavy and suggested two members from each Assoc should check books. No reply has yet been received.

The VLSVA was represented at the recent MALAY BORNEO fixture and 'Woody' Woodford expressed a 'thank you' for support.

FAL card: The Pres explained that no action had been taken as

yet. However, he would take the matter in hand before the next meeting. The Treasurer informed the meeting that the FAL card was pursued at a previous time but no action was taken because "it was not his idea". FAL required a letter from the President of VLSVA at that time and believed that all members would be eligible. The Treasurer gave the opinion that it was not really any cheaper. Only if buying in bulk. The Pres informed members that to satisfy all members, we would go thru the exercise again and report at the next meeting exactly how the land lies.

LAPEL BADGES: A Life member of the Victorian Assoc Mr. Tom Fischer showed members his "Life Membership" badge. Vic Boreham informed the meeting he had a badge and believed it originated in Victoria. The Pres indicated that members would be fully informed of further developments.

SECRETARY REPORT: No report due to absence.

CORRESPONDENCE: Listed on back of Agenda. There were no matters arising. The Pres would report in Gen Business on matters deemed necessary.

TREASURER REPORT: As submitted. Treasurer reported 94 fully paid up members. A target of 100 by Christmas. 27 have opted for Gold Card, 30 have paid for a 2-year subscription and remainder have gone for a 1-year sub. Expense categories: Postage-mail out re "logsup" was explained by Treasurer with Hollywood Hospital undertaking to sponsor us for all

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LOGSUP EDITORS REPORT: Colin Trickett reported that 110 copies of LOGSUP were printed costing \$314 with postage \$61. The Website is up and running. OLD copies of Logsup are wanted in order that a 'library' may be started. Members are asked to 'look' at their back files. Darby Munro commended Colin on his production of the last Logsup. "That the Logsup editors report be

received" Moved Darby Munro Sec West Reynolds CARRIED.

CHAPLIN and Sick Bay Report. The Pres reported that, to date, there has not been any progress re obtaining the services of a Chaplain for the VLSVA. However, the Salvation Army was to be approached. He asked the meeting for ideas regarding approachable people for duties as our Chaplin. The Chaplin at "Stirling" was mentioned. All suggestions would be investigated.

"That the report be accepted" Moved Woody Woodforde .Sec Patrick Peard CARRIED

SOCIAL FUNCTION Coordinators REPORT: Tom McLaren introduced himself and gave a report on the positive position re the running of our Dinner Dance. He outlined the format of the Dinner Dance. A Christmas function is being formulated for a gathering at Chittering on 23rd Nov. Tom's report, in full, will appear in the next Logsup. Possible future functions/events in the planning stages include a Quiz afternoon in Jan and Jun 2004.

"That the Social Function Co coordinators report be accepted" Moved Woody Woodford Sec Len Yagmich

A Letter From Our Patron

Dear Peter,

A week has passed since the Grand Dinner Dance at which we were your guests - but our memories of it remain the happiest! Judith and I send profound thanks to you all - but especially the Committee, Planners and those who did that little bit extra. In short the company, music, wine and food were all "top notch". Congratulations.

When next you put out a newsletter could you please convey our sincere gratitude to all.

Best wishes - many thanks.

Yours Aye,

Phil Kennedy.

WEBSITE

The Vietnam Logistic Support Veterans Association of Western Australia has established a presence on the internet

Our website address is as follows:-

<http://www.angelfire.com/theforce/vlsvawa/>

This is only a temporary address and as it is a free site we unfortunately have to put up with adverts that feature on it.

We are in the process of getting a permanent address and will have a domain name that is more in line with the name of our association. Input and comments are welcome from all members. Contact the webmaster direct or make your suggestions via the guestbook on the site.

Remember - This is your website.

A teacher asked her class "What be"?
do you want out of life"?

A little girl in the back raised her hand and said "All I want out of life is four animals".

The teacher asked "Really, and what four animals would that

The little girl said "A mink on my back, a jaguar in the garage, a tiger in my bed, and a jackass to pay for it.

The teacher fainted.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well what a wonderful night we had for our dinner dance. To see so many happy faces was an absolute delight. Many have commented that they have never seen our Patron Admiral and Judith Kennedy in such fine form on or off the dance floor. The venue, food, wine and music were all first class. Everybody is talking about next year already. Congratulations to the raffle prize winners in particular "Dutchy" Holland. A special thankyou to all those involved with the organisation of the evening. There is a whisper around that a few didn't want to go home and paid for their frivolity the next day.

It would appear that we have hit on a great venue for our monthly meetings in the Naval Association in East Perth. The facilities are top class and all the memorabilia makes for a very good atmosphere. Our thanks to the Naval Association for the use of there facilities. We will, on the odd occasion, select a different venue by way a change.

Our Wanneroo Offices are open for business. This was supported by a press release sponsored by the City of Wanneroo. Significant interest has been created and Greg is pleased with the rate of enquiries. Our only outlay in the office has been a new secure filing cabinet. There is a computer, photocopier and phone, which we will share with the Senior Citizens Club.

Our website is up and running thanks to the efforts of Colin Trickett. It has already drawn some positive feedback from members and from the Eastern States. Colin

is looking for input so if you have any stories, photographs, yarns etc he would be only to pleased to hear from you. You don't have to do the editing, Colin will do that.

Your Association was represented at Bruce Rock. A contingent led By Ron Tuckwell was very warmly received. They are a very active progressive group out there and we are pleased to be able to support them. Please mark your calendars for next year and look forward to a good fun weekend supporting our fellow country veterans. The new date will be published as soon as known.

We have been fortunate in that a solicitor and member, Steven Ellis, has stepped forward and offered to assist with the changes to the constitution. We have had a lot feedback from members and this will all be handed to Steven in the near future. The results will be published as soon as they are available.

A visit was made to the City of Cockburn RSL at the invitation of Vic Boreham. The members have done a lot of work refurbishing some of it major construction work and the Club rooms are looking a treat. they have a first rate bar and excellent dining/function facilities. Well done to members at the club.

The Association was well represented at remembrance day services this year. We had a presence at the High School Service at the State Memorial Kings Park on Friday the 7th of November which was very well run. We were also represented at the State Memorial Kings Park

and the service at Monument Hill in Fremantle on the 11th November. Our presence at all services was well received.

The cross-country navigation exercise to Chittering was very well supported and everyone had a great time. Special thanks to Ken and Marjory for allowing us to use their excellent facilities. Again many thanks to those who organised the day and for the excellent food. The day was a very positive one for all. Father Christmas graced us with his presence, which delighted the children and adults alike. Congratulations to Marjorie Trickett on winning the raffle.

Unfortunately we have one of our members on the sick list at the moment in Derek Phillips. Everyone wishes you a speedy and full recovery Derek.

As this will be the last opportunity for this year please allow me to express my personal thanks to all our members and committee who have supported the Association. If the social committee programme is anything to go by we will have an even better time next year. The Association continues to grow steadily. It is particularly pleasing to see old members returning and of course a very warm welcome to our new members.

Finally Janet and I extend to you all very warm best wishes for the festive season. A very merry Christmas and a wonderful prosperous new year.

Peter Flockhart CD
President.