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Greetings Members, well our first meeting for 2016 is behind us, must say to start with I thought we would be down on members but, that was not too be, the year started off with a committee meeting where a number of ideas were tabled, just which way our sub branch is going to go in the future, a ongoing problem that all sub branches will have in the next 5yrs or so including Head Quarters.

Apologies -: Wally Thamm, Graham Sargent and Jock Whitehead, Garry and Rosemary Ford. Nick Gogilis.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. **Moved -:** Wally Smith **Seconded -:** Mal Simms.

Business arising from the minutes -: No notification form Para District Sub Branch regarding proposed trip to the Military Museum Bublacowie Y. P.

Correspondence Sent -: E-mail sent to Mr. Glen Woodward re him attending our meeting and to be guest speaker.

Correspondence received -: Conformation from Mr. Glen Woodward that he is will be willing to be a guest speaker (February Meeting). Fleurieu Sub Branch News Letter, Para District Sub Branch News Letter, HQ-Discussion Paper on Meeting the Needs of the Future "Recognising When The Change is Necessary".

Moved inwards and outwards correspondence is accepted -: Wally Smith, **Seconded -:** Tom Camplin.

Financial Report -: Keith gave a detailed report of our finances which are all in order, also reported that at the moment there are 26 paid up members, please make sure you are financial by the AGM 27th March 2016, because, if there is an item to be discussed and voted on at the AGM or any other matters during the financial year, you will not be eligible to vote.

Coffee Break and Natter.

General Business -: Again the question was raised regarding guest speakers, members! Please give it some serious thought regarding a speaker, I don't care if he/she was the local school yard yoyo champ from years gone by it would be something, just please give it some thought regarding guest speakers. Vice President Tom Camplin has got permission to have a meeting out at the, **Parafield Airport Classic Fighter Aviation Museum**, a date has been set for the -: **26th June 2016** following the meeting a tour of the museum and a BBQ Lunch or lunch at a nearby hotel or club (please mark this outing on your calendar).

General Meeting and AGM 27th March 2016 -: Nomination forms are available from the secretary's desk, please give it some thought if you would like to be on the committee for the 2016/17 financial year all positions will become vacant. At our December meeting I mentioned that 2016 would be the 12th anniversary of this sub branch and how it would be nice to celebrate it in some way, various ideas were

mentioned, nibbles, hotel or club luncheon, but at the January meeting it was decided to have a BBQ lunch at the RSL, still have to seek permission from the RSL to be allowed to have use of their BBQ, will keep you informed at our next meeting. BBQ and refreshments supplied too those members attending.

General Business continued -: As discussed at the January 016 meeting.

WAY FORWARD NORTHERN CENTRAL AREA SUB BRANCH

1. Thoughts to which way our sub branch wants to go in the next 5yrs. If we do happen to close thought must be given to the monies we have in the bank, our memorabilia, just how are we going to disperse, of it all, will the monies have to be passed onto National Service HQ SA, or do we pass it on to a worthwhile and recognisable charity of our choice. Memorabilia just where all that will go especially the photos on the wall they would have to be handed back to families, if they can be traced. A lot of thought must be given towards our future, and which way is this path going to lead. It must be noted and written for future reference.
2. The **'Burble News Letter'** with the cost of postage rising to, \$1 per letter, posting out the 'Burble' each month will cease in the future, I will continue to write up the 'Burble' and post it out to members that do not attend meetings, last 'Burble to be posted will be March after the AGM, after that only those who attend a meeting or are on the e-mail system will receive theirs and members attending a meeting. There is one solution, that could overcome the cost of posting and that is, if those members still want a news letter posted, would each like to forward me enough pensioners stamps to cover the mailing (12) each, then I will gladly send them a news letter. I will not use my allocated pensioner stamps in the future.
3. Birthday Cards, Get Well Cards and Condolence Cards will be sent as before, I will not stop that tradition, an ongoing perk for members since the conception of our sub branch.
4. Annual Sub Branch Luncheons and Christmas Lunch, must be resurrected in the future as long as we are viable, in the past and in the beginning we have had some lovely and memorable luncheons and dinners and always been able to fill a couple of tables at HQ functions and with other National Service Sub Branches, now it seems that it is only the committee show any interest in attending a function.
5. Positions becoming vacant at the AGM, again it is the same few members that show any interest of being a committee member, the rest of you just want to sit on your hands. Let's get this sub branch back on line and support the committee on their ideas on what and where we can go every now and then. I know there are places we can visit during the week, but there again not everybody has the time to visit these places of interest during the week.

Please read these few short notes and let us (committee) know your thoughts on the matter.

Grinners and winners of the monthly raffle -: 1st & 2nd Donald Campbell.

Welfare -: I have been on a regular contact basis with Garry Ford or his wife Rosemary regarding his health and how he is progressing. We all wish you well Garry, from the members of your Sub Branch.

Birthday Wishes -: Padre Norm Carter 14th February 2016. Happy Birthday Norm.

Malcolm Kruss

President

**DON'T FORGET YOUR SUBS ARE NOW DUE \$20
SUBS TOO BE PAID DIRECT TO SUB BRANCH TREASURER KEITH FITZGERALD
DO NOT PAY EITHER AT THE ENFIELD RSL OR TO NATIONAL SERVICE SA HQ**

The History of the Golliwog

The origins of the 'Golliwog' began with the British Soldiers who occupied Egypt at the turn of the 19th century.

Egyptian labourers working for the British bore the letters W.O.G.S on their armbands indicating that they were, **Working on Government Service**.

The labourers were spoken of as 'Ghouls' Arabic for desert ghosts, by British Troops.

The children of the Egyptians played with black stuffed material dolls; the dolls in turn were given as gifts or purchased by the soldiers on returning to England.

The dolls became known as 'Golliwogs' a name which would eventually become the 'Golliwog' we know today.

Thanks Chris.

From -: Para Districts Sub Branch An Invitation to Join In On an All Inclusive Bus Trip to Bublacowie YP Military Museum

Friday 6th May – Bublacowie Bus Trip – includes Morning Tea, Roast Lunch, Entrance Fee, Guided Tour of the Museum plus return Bus Trip.

Cost \$55.00pp

Para District need to know just how many of us members are interested in this excursion; there is, a cut off of 40 persons only. I have not received any information as yet as just when the final date of paying up and the actual cut of date are, or what time the bus is leaving presumably from the Salisbury RSL.

Please give this trip you upmost consideration, and come along and enjoy the day. Will I let you know more as soon as I get more information?

Bus departs -: Salisbury RSL 07.30am, Return back to the RSL approximately 05.00pm.

Payment in full by, Sunday April 3rd 2016.

After some consideration, I have decide to hold our Remembrance Service at 10.00am prior to the General Meeting and AGM, it will give us more time to set up for a BBQ etc.

