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Greetings members, well our April meeting was reasonably well attended considering it was held the 17th April a week earlier than normal, due to the fact Anzac day was the following Saturday and our meeting would have fallen on the Sunday, and I don't think many of us would have wanted to front up to a Nasho meeting the next day. **Apologies** were received from the following -: John Rathman, Wally Thamm, Allan and Beth Mugford. **Minutes** of the previous meeting were read and accepted. **Moved** that the minutes be accepted -: Mal Simms, **Seconded** -: Trevor Cabot. **Business arising from the minutes** -:

1. Visit to the Classic Jets Museum Parafield Airport – 27th June, a final decision must be made at the May meeting, regarding we go ahead and have a meeting at the museum or not, there is interest from Para District to join in on this meeting and have a tour of the museum even though it has been down sized to a certain extent.
2. Visit to Bublacowie Museum 6th May 016, report in news letter.

Correspondence Sent -:

1. No correspondence sent since last meeting.

Correspondence Received -:

1. Letter from Senator Cory Bernardi accepting the position of Patron for the coming year.
2. Sub Branch news letter received from Fleurieu Sub Branch.

Moved that the, Business Arising, Correspondence Sent and Correspondence Received be accepted.

Moved -: Raelene Cabot. **Seconded -:** Tom Camplin.

Financial Report -: Treasurer Keith tabled his report and he spoke on membership and at the present moment we are down 4 members compared at this time last year.

Moved that the financial report be accepted -: Mal Simms. **Seconded -:** Tom Camplin.

Coffee Break.

Welfare Report:- Past Vice President Garry Ford is progressing as well as possible under the circumstances, I called into see him the other week and had a chat to him, as poorly as Garry is he still has our Sub Branch at heart and likes to know the happenings of the sub branch, since I last spoke to Garry he has been hospitalized through an unfortunate fall, from all us members we wish you well Garry .

General Business: - Again the question was raised regarding guest speakers for meetings, I did make contact with a gentleman who works for, Spring Gully Pickles, via e-mail and phone but had no response as yet. Suggestion was made that we contact the "Cheer-up Hut Society" who functioned during WW1 & WW2. They have not reformed by any means but, there are now a group of ladies who have had mothers,

aunties during the war years worked at the Cheer-up Hut, that use to be behind the old Adelaide City Baths. The Cheer-up Hut held its farewell concert on the 25th April 1946 and officially closed its doors on Saturday 27th April 1946. A couple of interesting facts you might be of interest, regarding the amount of meals that were served, noting that no complete records of the meals served were kept until the beginning of 1943.

Meals supplied in 1943 --- 411,245

Meals Supplied in 1944 --- 482,006

Meals supplied in 1945 --- 473,765

For 2 months only 1946 --- 54,756

Hopefully we might be able to get a speaker from the Cheer-up Society, Secretary to follow this up and inquire. Another suggestion was to contact the secretary of the Bore War association and possibly they might be able to help out with a speaker on a Sunday morning meeting.

Raffle Draw: - 1st Nick G, 2nd Malcolm K, 3rd Barb C.

Birthday greetings for May: - Wally Thamm.

Next Meeting: - 26th June 2016:- 10.00am Classic Jet Fighter Museum Parafield Airport, this will be most likely the last chance you will have to visit the museum, as it is closing its doors.

Malcolm Kruss

President.

From the, Minutes of the General Meeting State Branch May 1st 2016

Membership:- Secretary Marlene Blackmore reported the following, that in November there were 918 financial members. Currently there are 743 financial members, of these, re-joined 15, new members 14, 32 are Life Members/Padres. Since November; Last Post = 8, 6 resignations, un-financial members 198 – (80 State Branch Members, 118 Sub Branch Members).

Memorial Garden – excerpts as reported by, VP Barry Presgrave

- All plans are moving along nicely.
- Information received from Kate Ellis MP office re ex-service organization grants.
- 320 pavers have been sold to members and the project has been well supported by RSL Sub Branches, Vietnam Veterans and families, and other ex-service organisations. If the grant is successful – over 500 pavers but working on a final total of about 750 pavers.
- 212 pavers for those National Servicemen killed in action in Borneo and Vietnam to form a centre piece in front of the memorial stone.
- Orders will close on the 30th June – and it is hoped that the dedication will be held in early 2017, if you intend to get a paver with your name, number and rank please do so before the closing date.

Face Book:- Members please note that our sub branch Northern Central Area, is now on the, Enfield RSL Sub Branch Face Book, just log onto their face book page, and up comes our board with all your Platoon photos from those enjoyable days at Woodside Army Training Camp. I know some members are not into computers, but you members that receive the 'Burble' as an e-mail check it out, thanks to secretary Andrea for putting the photo up onto their Face Book page, very much appreciated.

Anzac Day 2016:- I would like to thank you members (and you know who you are) who gave up their time and assisted in the setting up on the Sunday prior to Anzac Day, the RSL is really grateful for your help.

Thank You. **Dawn Service:** - Once again there was a good roll up of Nasho's for the Dawn Service, and came in afterwards for the traditional 'Gun Fire Breakfast' before going onto the march. Padre Norm once again conducted the Dawn Service for the Prospect RSL, thanks Norm.

