



**Minutes of the Bi-Monthly meeting of the New Zealand Branch of the RMA
Held at Point Chevalier RSA, 11th February 2017**

Attendees

Mick McMahon	Rob Morrice	Vince & Beryl Harris	Ted Palmer
Ticker Ayling	Steve Hall		

Apologies

Peter & Gill Collins	Phil & Jackie Turner	Peter Coombe	David & Heather Bailey
Cuong Huynh	Phil Ayling	Jacqui Mellamphy	Bob Garrett
Nathan Jones	Martin James	Pip Townsend	Gordon & Gloria Moore

New Members: NTR

Visitors: NTR

The Loyal Toast was proposed and drunk to Her Majesty the Queen.

The Royal Marines Prayer was recited by Steve Hall.

A moment's silence was observed in respect of Fallen Comrades.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the December meeting. It was proposed by Ticker Ayling and seconded by Ted that the previous minutes be accepted as a true record. Carried unanimously.

New Business

President's Report: Apologies

Waitangi Day Reception – Update from Cuong – email read out to the members.

Steve Campbell has paid our RMA Domain website annual renewal fee £35.97. Peter asked for his bank details to reimburse him but he (Steve) said he would like to make it a donation.

It was mentioned that Stonehouse Barracks and Norton Manor Camp are both to close down.

Inward Correspondence: NTR

Outward Correspondence: Corps Birthday letters to XO HMNZ PHILOMEL, Chaplains and Senior Rates President

New Members: Possibility of John Barker Ex RN / RNZN who has a son in the Corps

Vice President's Report: Corps Birthday date confirmed as of 28th October at Devonport Naval Base

Our Vice President will be away from the end of February until May / possibly July.



Treasurer's Report:

Current Statement as of the 11th of February/2017

Current Account	\$2,648.31
Current Debit Acct	\$0.00
Ready Saver	\$802.43
Term Deposit	\$7,193.39
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Other notes:

Currently we have 10 Lions v Blues tickets not paid by members (Brendon 6, Pusser 4) and 2 x tickets not sold. Rob is not concerned at this stage, however it will need chasing for the next meeting.

Secretary's Report: Apologies

Standard Bearer's Report: Apologies. Next outing will be ANZAC Day.

Entertainment Member's Report: NTR Apologies.

A Tongariro Crossing was discussed at the last meeting for the beginning of April. Naval accommodation had been booked but Mick will now be away and unable to organize. Mick will have to cancel the accommodation unless another uniformed member is able to attend.

Sick Visitor's Report: Joe Simms is unwell and is back in North Shore Hospital. Vince and Beryl were going to visit on Sunday. Jackie Turner had kindly arranged for flowers to be delivered.

Globe & Laurel Report Our Branch submission was made on the 28th of December and was sent out by way of an APB. Our next submission will be sent at the end of February.

David Bailey had a letter published in the November/December edition re Operation Musketeer at Suez in 1956

Webmaster's Report – NTR

Any Other Committee Member's Report - none

General Information Rob mentioned that the Naval Women's Association were having a get together early in October and if we should / could include them in our Corps Birthday celebrations. Perhaps this is something to discuss between the committee and with them dependant on the outcome. Mick believes the mess would be able to cater for the numbers, it would be a question of costs, for us and to them. For further debate

Corps Birthday Bookings have been made for Devonport Naval Base on Saturday the 28th of October but we could change if required. The 28th falls on a Saturday this year and is the weekend after Labour weekend which is perfect. Seems good to me, the weekend after Labour weekend.

Date of Next Meeting - Saturday the 8th of April commencing at 1200 at the Point Chevalier RSA