

## Notes of the Monthly Meeting held at C.ex Coffs, Vernon St. Coffs Harbour Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019

President Pete opened the meeting at 11.00 am. The Guest Speaker, Russell Shelton was invited to give an account of the activities of the Marine Rescue Squad. Russell is the Commander of the Coffs Harbour Branch. He explained that "saving lives on the water, primarily to boating rescue" is the mission of the squad. If necessary, sea life will be assisted as well. This is a 24-hour self-funded operation which always needs volunteers who will be trained in whatever aspect of the search and rescue profile they are comfortable to undertake; Crew, Radio, Auxiliary fund raising, and Administration are some examples. Vessels log on in each port advising number of people on board and time due home. Russell explained that boats in transit, not just local, are often assisted. Sponsors are needed and new volunteers are always welcome. Russell was excited at the prospect of a number of our members joining the squad.

**Apologies:** Neville & Angela Fryer, Ron Kane, Maureen Orr, Stella & Tom Tegg, Anne & Eddie Walters.

**New Members:** Carol Vennard (returning member)

**Visiting Members:** None this time

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**Previous Notes:** Copies of the *Notes* of the March meeting were available from the Min. Sec. if required.

**Matters Arising:** Nil

**Correspondence:**

***Incoming:***

BCU Cheque book.

***Outgoing:***

Nil

**Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Brian Williams reported for the period to 31 March 2019:

**Balance Carried Forward: \$3,987.18**

- **Income:** Subs, Meeting Fees, Excursions, - **\$1,724.00**

- **Total Funds: - \$5,711.18**

- **Expenditure:** Subs, Meeting refreshments, Excursions, PO Box rental totalled - **\$1,761.50.**

- **Balance available = \$3,949.68, + unpresented cheques \$1,595.00** which accords with the bank statement printout of **\$5,544.68.**

**Petty Cash:** Balance carried-forward was **\$3.70.**

- **Expenditure:** No expenditure as no reimbursement. **Balance 3.70.** Reimbursement for lucky door and Shearwater vouchers to be made to Brian.

**Future Guest Speakers/Topics:**

<b>Today</b>	<b>Russell Shelton</b> , Marine Rescue Commander: <i>Saving Lives on the Water.</i>
<b>08 May 19</b>	<b>Elaine Ghali</b> , Life Coach: <i>Dementia, an unknown adventure.</i>
<b>14 August</b>	<b>Tanya Johnson</b> , Pink Silks Trust: <i>From Little Things to...</i>

**Future Activities:**

<b>24 April</b>	<b>Sealy Lookout Picnic.</b> 12 noon. BYO Everything and Car-pooling is an option.
<b>22 May</b>	<b>Mooney Beach Tavern</b> Lunch PAYG. Own transport / car pool.
<b>26 June</b>	<b>Coach Trip: <a href="#">Remember When Cottage Museum</a> – - Waterview Heights (via Grafton) and Lunch in Grafton</b> [Timings, cost etc <b>TBA</b> . Lunch own choice in Grafton or BYO.]
<b>24 July</b>	<b>Christmas-in-July @ Sawtell RSL</b> \$25pp in advance. 11.30 for 12 noon
<b>Aug 2019</b>	<b>The Blueberry Processing Plant</b>

**General Business:**

President Pete was wearing a new National Seniors Shirt and advised that members were able to purchase the same by logging on to the National Seniors site. He also mentioned that the Club has been given a number of NSA bags and pens which will be presented to Guest Speakers. President Pete had a couple of important requests of members:

1. Please be aware of the Committee Member who has arranged whatever outing is being attended. If at late notice anyone has to withdraw from an outing that has had to advise a venue of numbers for seating or costing, please advise the ORGANISER, whose phone number will be on the flyer relating to the outing, so that the venue can be advised that the number of members attending has changed.
2. If anyone is aware that a member is unwell please contact a Committee Member so contact can be made to check if anything helpful can be done.

**Lucky Door Prize:** **A64 - Maurie Orr**

**Next Meeting:** **8<sup>th</sup> May, 2019** at C.ex Coffs, 10.30 for 11.00am.  
**Admission: \$5.00pp.**

**Closure:** President Pete closed the meeting and invited members to dine in the Brasserie.

*Wendy Bennetts*

Minute Secretary  
15/04/2019