



The Arms & Militaria Collectors' Association of NSW Inc.

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MINUTES of August 10th

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

venue: **Malabar NSW National**

**Rifle Range meeting rooms,
Franklin St Malabar. NSW**

Meeting Opened at 1.pm: The
Chairman Mr. Norm Tyrrell
welcomed all persons present and
declared the meeting open at the
Meeting Room, National NSW Rifle
Association, Franklin Street,
Malabar

Apologies:

Bryan W Lingen
Colin & Michael Hornshaw
Lindey Cheal
Phil Patterson
Mario Malandrino
John Pozza
Stephen Gorton
Lachlan Liao
Benjamin Petremont

Visitors:

Tom Smith
Jeffrey Hawkins
Liam Hungerford

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The chairman said that the Minutes
of the previous ordinary meeting
held on 8th July 2025 and the
previous AGM held on 11th August
2024 had been circulated to
members and asked for two
members to move their acceptance
as a true record of those meetings.
The motion was moved: Todd Vail
and seconded: George Cochrane.
CARRIED on the voices that the
minutes as circulated be accepted.

Business arising from the Minutes (both)

None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There has been substantial
correspondence with members
regards membership renewal.
Several newsletters have been
received from other clubs.
The Hunter Valley Arms Fair at
Maitland is scheduled for 27 & 28th
September and the association has
booked display tables for this event.
The HVAF operators have been very
helpful in assisting the association.
FAR provided club on-line training to
club committees for use of the
Gunsafe portal between 23 and 29
July. Dan Brown attended for the
association.

The Chairman asked for two
members to move that the
correspondence as tabled be
accepted.

This was moved: Paul Martin and
seconded by Richard Knowles.
The motion was CARRIED on the
voices.

NEW MEMBERS:

The Chairman advised that
applications for membership had been
received during the past month from
the following person(s)

Mr Lachlan Stevens and
Mr Trent Stevens

The Chairman asked if any member
knew any reason why these persons
should not be admitted to membership
of the Association. There being no
objections the Chairman declared the
above listed person(s) be admitted as
member(s) of the Association. The
Chairman after declaring them duly
admitted into membership added that
a copy of the Association Constitution
& Rules be provided to them and that
they be reminded that if they collected
firearms that they must attend one
meeting during the financial

membership year before 1st July. As
these gentlemen were present at this
meeting their attendance obligation for
the club year 2025-2026 is satisfied.

The acceptance of these new
members was moved by Paul Martin
and seconded by Peter Higgs. The
motion was CARRIED on the voices.

REPORTS:

The President Norm Tyrrell addressed
the meeting and tabled the Presidents
report.

The secretary Ross Torrington
addressed the meeting and gave a
verbal report.

The Treasurer Dan Brown tabled the
financial auditors 's Report for the
2025 financial year.

There was general discussion of the
reports.

A motion that the reports be accepted
was moved by: Peter Higgs and
seconded by: Todd Vail. The motion
was CARRIED on the voices.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Motion/Report

The use of cheques by banks.
The Australian banking system is
progressing towards the elimination of
the use of personal/business cheques,
by terminating accounts, charging
additional transaction fees and some
branches no longer processing
cheques. This has been progressing
for several years and has been
discussed at previous club meetings.

In anticipation of this impacting club
operations, the motion is that the club
move to electronic banking with the
President, Treasurer and Secretary
being issued electronic banking cards,
but maintaining the existing
arrangement of at least two committee
members communicating and
approving any transfer or withdrawal
of club funds.

Moved, Damien Allan and Seconded
Todd Vail and CARRIED on the
voices.

2. That members wishing to receive hardcopy newsletters by postal mail be charged an additional fee (\$36 proposed) to the annual membership. Many comparable clubs, involved in collecting weapons, militaria, vehicles as well as non-military related collecting activities have either discontinued distributing paper copies of newsletters or charging additional fees to recover the costs of printing and postage.

Over two thirds of our membership have now switched to receiving electronic newsletters. This has been a substantial financial saving to the club. The downside is that postage and printing costs are continuing to rise at a substantial rate (13% postage increase last month with Australia Post advising additional cost increases will occur this financial year and that the fee structure may change to make the cost of sending our newsletters even higher.

The merits of the motion were discussed in detail. The motion was Moved by Margaret Jarosz. Seconded R Lenis. At the vote by a show of hands, the motion was rejected although it did have significant support.

3. The sad announcement of the death of a longstanding member of the association

Ray Williams

Ray had been a member since 1998 and regularly attended the Ingleburn meetings. We pass our condolences to his family.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:

All positions were declared vacant

Damien Allan took the chair and called for nominations for President.

Mr. Norman Tyrrell

Was nominated by:

Todd Vail and Seconded by:
Richard Knowles.

There being no other nominations, and CARRIED on the voices.

Mr. Tyrrell was declared to be president and returned to the Chair.

The 2024-2025 committee members;

Dan Brown – **Treasurer**

Ross Torrington – **Secretary**

Richard Knowles – **Newsletter editor**

Peter Higgs – **Electronic media coordinator.**

General committee members

Todd Vail

David Jarosz

Nick Black

Were nominated for their former positions by;

Damien Allan and seconded by
Ron Hawkins.

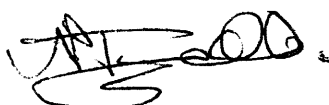
(There being no other nominations) CARRIED on the voices.

these individuals were declared as elected to their previous positions.

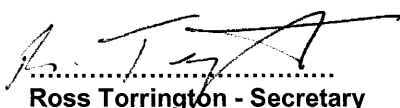
There being no further business and members ready to commence the program of lectures regarding historical collectable items and the swap sale & trade of items.

The AGM Meeting was declared closed at 2.01pm

Approval/confirmation of Minutes



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Chairman of this Meeting
Norm Tyrrell
President



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Ross Torrington - Secretary



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Daniel Brown - Treasurer

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