



RFSA

DIVISION 6 MEETING MINUTES

Meeting: General Meeting

Chaired by: **Lance Hartley**

Attendees: Michael Lane (Malua Bay and EVOS), Lance Hartley (Tathra), Jason Lewington (Tathra), Vern Dunning (Cooma), Tralee Snape (Central Tilba), Rita Smith (South Durras), Peter van Bracht (Tarraganda), Ray Smith (South Durras)

Apologies: John Parker, Peter Law, Margaret Fletcher, Trevor Fletcher

Location: Tathra Rural Fire Station

Date and time: **03/11/2018; 1100 hrs**

Minutes by: Michael Lane

1. Minutes

At 1100 hours, Chairperson, Lance Hartley, opened the meeting, welcoming members and thanking them for their attendance.

Motion: That the apologies as listed be accepted – **Moved:** Lane / **Seconded:** Lewington – Carried.

Acceptance of Minutes of last General Meeting 24 July 2018. Moved Jason seconded Rita. Adopted Unanimously

Table 1: Action items

Ref.	Item description	Owner	Due date	Status
1	Business Arising from the last meeting:			
1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Due to the ongoing illness of the Secretary, John Parker, minutes from the previous Division 6 meeting held on 23 June 2018 at Batemans Bay Rural Fire Brigade Station were not compiled.			
1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Michael Lane will write to John Parker to thank him for his dedication to the Division 6 secretarial work, and express our best wishes to him regaining his good health.	Michael Lane		Pending

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3	Correspondence:			
3.1	• None	N / A	N / A	N / A
4	General Business			
4.1	Appointment of Acting Secretary position for 2019. Motion: That Michael Lane be appointed to the position of Acting Secretary for Division 6 Moved: van Bracht / Seconded: Snape – Carried.	N / A	N / A	N / A
4.2	Appointment of Alternate Delegate for the State Council meeting on 16 December 2018 to substitute for Lance Hartley. Motion: That Jason Lewington be appointed as Alternate Delegate for Division 6 for the State Council meeting on 16 December 2018 – Moved: Lane / Seconded: Smith – Carried.	N / A	N / A	N / A
4.3	Due to a change in the RFSA Constitution, the current holders of Office Bearers will remain until the first AGM to be held in 2020.			
4.4	Members had high praise for the RFSA Annual Conference held in July. The location was excellent as were all the guest speakers and presenters. It is appreciated that the presentations are available on YouTube, by searching for <i>RFSA Conference 2018</i> , as a follow-up for further study and digestion of the gems offered by the well-qualified speakers.			
4.5	Lance will enquire about a video (DVD or USB) outlining the function of the RFSA and its importance to RFS volunteers. This video can be used at BF training sessions to promote the RFSA.	Lance Hartley	Jan 2019	Pending

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5	Branch Reports			
5.1	<p>BEGA VALLEY BRANCH</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Members greatly appreciated the assistance offered by the RFSFA during the 44-day Yankees Gap fire in the form of refreshments at Maccas in Bega. This was gratefully received. A Grant Application for a Hose Quick Reel from Wallumla Brigade was returned to the Brigade to receive engineering approval for it to be installed. A Grant Application for a computer, TV and DVD player from the Bermagui Brigade was approved by the RFSFA. Thanks. The RFSFA Volunteer Family Day at Bega was well attended, and much appreciated. Members have expressed their gratitude to the RFSFA for providing the funding for such valuable events as this Family Day. 	Jason Lewington		
5.2	<p>EUROBODALLA BRANCH</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Mogo Training Centre received an RFSFA grant to purchase a Ride-on Mower. Thank you, RFSFA. The Mogendoura Brigade received an RFSFA grant to purchase a Ride-on Mower, a Brush Cutter and a Leaf Blower. Thank you, RFSFA. The Belowra Brigade has submitted a Grant Application to the RFSFA for purchasing a Ride-on Mower, PV Panels for Solar Electricity, and a BBQ. Belowra Brigade is located in a remote rural area that does not have electricity connected. The status of this Grant Application has not yet been received by the Division Chairperson. The retrofitted windscreen blinds have caused a partial obstruction for the driver's vision because they came down too low. It has been suggested that a successful solution is to unroll and roll them back up again many times. This will soften them up to allow them to be rolled up more tightly. Long Beach Brigade and Bingie Brigade had asked about accessing the RFS developed DVD for driving the new Cat 1 tankers with automatic transmission. They have been informed that this is available on YouTube, searching Operating NSW RFS Category One Fire Tanker with Automatic Transmission. 	John Parker?		

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5.3	<p>COOMA MONARO BRANCH</p> <p>1. One meeting was held since the last Division 6 meeting. Concern was expressed about the risk of highway rear-end collisions occurring due to the sudden slowing down to 40kph when passing a stopped emergency vehicle display flashing red and blue lights. It is suggested that drivers will get used to this practice over the year-long trial period.</p>	Vern Dunning	N/A	N/A

Table 2: Documents referred to in the meeting

Document title	Author	Version	Date

Table 3: Next meeting

Date	Start time	Finish time	Location
02/02/2019	1100 hrs		Berridale Brigade Station Bolton Street Berridale, NSW