

**TPI Association WA**  
**General Monthly Meeting**  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

1. **Meeting Opened:** 1032hrs
2. **Departed Comrades:** Kevin Buchanan, Michael Allen, Terence Brown, Brian Lennon & Brian Mahoney  
  
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3. **Attendance:** As per register
4. **Apologies:** Charlie Carter, Ray Pearce, Ian Bourne, Graeme Purkiss & Kevin Clifton
5. **Welcome to New Members:** Thomas Kenny, Greg Crannage & Damian Casey
6. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**  
**Motion:** That the Minutes of the meeting held at the General Meeting dated the 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019 be accepted as a true and accurate record.  
**Moved: Gary Fernihough                      Seconded: Les Anderson                      CARRIED**  
  
**Motion:** To suspend standing orders.  
**Moved: Neil Patrucco                      Seconded: Bob Poole                      CARRIED**  
  
*Fiona Watts from DVA addressed the members*  
  
**Motion:** To resume standing orders.  
**Moved: Colin Benporath                      Seconded: Doug Williams                      CARRIED**
7. **Business Arising from Minutes:** Nil
8. **Presidents Report:**  
Even though we didn't get what we wanted prior to the election there is still some hope yet. Ben Morton is now the Prime Minister's right hand man. I'll be catching up with Ben Morton soon. Pat McCabe is still going hard over in Canberra. She has spoken to the Prime Minister in regards to the Productivity Commission. They are going to be doing another review into this. I'm still contacting as many politicians as possible. Some have been very receptive to what we're asking for and to what we want to do.
9. **Correspondence:**  
**IN:**  
DVA Support Advisor                      VETS Health Week info session 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019  
DVA Fiona Watts                      Confirmation to attend June General Meeting  
**OUT:**  
WAMSA                      Invitation to attend a General Meeting as guest speaker  
Morgans                      Re: Financial Advisor Scott Fraser  
  
**Motion:** That the Correspondence be accepted.  
**Moved: Kevin Fowler                      Seconded: Joe Kuzmanich                      CARRIED**
10. **Business Arising from Correspondence:**
11. **Financial Statement and Treasurers Report:**  
**Motion:** That the Financial Statement and Treasurers Report be accepted.  
**Moved: Bill Sturgess                      Seconded: Ivan Leach                      CARRIED**
12. **Federal Business:**  
**John Kelly** – Colin and I are attending Congress in September.  
**Neil Patrucco** – The problems we are having in regards with the compensation we're seeking, who's blocking that? Are we being blocked as an Association or is the Government blocking it?

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**John Kelly** – The Government. Even though they all say we deserve it, they're balking at the \$1B over 4 years. However, it doesn't matter how many times we tell them it's \$240M per year, reducing.

**13. General Business:**

- **Physiotherapist – Graeme Winter** – I have a physiotherapist visit me at home twice a week. I've been told that it's been changed to 12 sessions only.

**John Kelly** – As of the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2019 you will only get 12 sessions per ailment or they will look at it on a case by case basis, if you require more they'll give you one referral which will last 12 months. TPI's are exempt for Physio Therapists and Exercise Physiologists. You need to speak to your Doctor and let him know that you are a TPI Gold Card holder and that you have chronic conditions exemption from the 12 weeks.

**Colin Benporath** – It may be best to get your Physiotherapist to contact DVA to clarify for you.

**Les Verco** – One of the biggest problems is that the Providers have not been given this information. We've been given the information but they haven't.

- **Assistant Secretary Vacancy – John Kelly** – We still have this position vacant. Does anyone wish to nominate?

**Motion:** To accept Colin Benporath as Assistant Secretary.

**Moved: Graeme Winter                      Seconded: Barry Anyang-Burling                      CARRIED**

**John Kelly** – We now have a vacancy for a Committee Member to attend the office on a Friday morning. Is anyone interested in nominating? No. If anyone changes their mind, let us know.

- **Parking Permits – Mal Kinnaird** – We've been cut out of a few of the free parking areas. I think it's been a while since we have sent letters out to various Councils to ask for free parking.

**John Kelly** – We have sent out numerous letters and we are now in the process of following up with the replies. We are currently in meetings with Melville City Council, Bethesda Hospital and SJOG Hospital Midland. We will keep you informed of the outcomes.

**Mal Kinnaird** – Also with Hillary's Boat Ramp wouldn't it be better to have the boat trailer registration instead of the vehicle?

**John Kelly** – We'll look into that.

- **Battle of Binh Ba – Terry Priest** – I was watching ABC and to my amazement, there was a program on about the Battle of Binh Bah. It was the celebration about the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Binh Ba happened 6<sup>th</sup> June 1969 to 8<sup>th</sup> June. It was a brilliant show and I just wanted to make you aware of this.
- **Mens Shed – Damien Casey** – I have a large shed on my property which I am currently setting up as a workshop. It will be open to Veterans', once I have it all set up, if they want to drop in.

**14. Motions on Notice:**

**15. Raffles:**

<b>Door Prize</b>	Terry Priest
<b>Meat Hamper</b>	Joe Kuzmanich
<b>Cash Raffle</b>	
1) \$50.00	Les Anderson
2) \$30.00	Joe Kuzmanich
3) \$20.00	Bob Poole

**16. Next Meeting:                      General Meeting Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 @ 1030hrs**

**17. Meeting Closed:                      1122hrs**

**Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 2019**

**John Kelly  
Chairperson**