

TPI Association WA
General Monthly Meeting
Tuesday 9th July 2019

1. **Meeting Opened:** 1033hrs
2. **Departed Comrades:** John Atkinson & Ronald Wall
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3. **Attendance:** As per register
4. **Apologies:** Colin Benporath, Ian Bourne, Dennis Gilmore, Ivan Leach, Paul Livermore, Laurie Sibson, Alan McNulty, Dave Hahn, Kevin Foley, John Carreras & Mike Nettleton
5. **Welcome to New Members:** Barry Lloyd & Steven Valeriani
6. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Motion: That the Minutes of the meeting held at the General Meeting dated the 11th June 2019 be accepted as a true and accurate record.
Moved: Bill Sturgess **Seconded:** Doug Williams **CARRIED**

Motion: To suspend standing orders.
Moved: Bill Sturgess **Seconded:** Neil Patrucco **CARRIED**

Cameron & Christian from Activate Life Rehabilitation addressed the members

John Macleod won the \$100 Bunnings Voucher donated by Activate Life Rehabilitation

Motion: To resume standing orders.
Moved: Bob Saunders **Seconded:** Graeme Winter **CARRIED**
7. **Business Arising from Minutes:**
 - **Productivity Commission – Neil Patrucco** – I can't seem to view this on a mobile phone. They have stated in the overview that this is now outdated. I'm fully supported of what they have said.
John Kelly – In regards to the Productivity Commission, this is why I'm against a Royal Commission against DVA because they won't find anything different that the Productivity Commission hasn't found. With the Productivity Commission, the Government can pick and choose what they change and what they don't change and they liaise with all ESO's, including us in regards to what we believe is fair and just in the changes and what we believe is discriminative against Veterans in the changes. If a Royal Commissions comes into it then we could all end up under the NDIS and DVA being part of the defence budget. The Veterans will be the first ones to miss out.
 - **Referrals – Arthur Greaves** – You mentioned about the 12 sessions for exercise physiology, physio's etc. Physiotherapists have now renamed Pilates to FUMO so you can still claim for it.
Charlie Carter – If you're with Activate Life Rehabilitation in Riverton, I'm sure you can do Pilates as part of the package they offer us.
8. **Presidents Report:**

John Kelly – Pat McCabe and John Reeves met with the Prime Minister in regards to our quest for a fairer compensation. The PM and his cohorts did have Harmer down as the repatriation bloke, however there was a bit of a kick up about that, they now have another bloke that has stepped into his shoes. I can't remember his name but he is pro-Veteran without seeming to be pro-Veteran. Things may look up in regards to our fairer compensation. Don't hold your breath though because it will need to go through the financial gurus who will balk because it's going to be \$1bn over 4 years. What they don't look at is that it's \$240M per year reducing rapidly. I would like everyone to submit anything you would like for us to bring up at Congress in September. Medications is a subject I'll be bringing up. DVA will not approve certain scripts even though they've been issued by a specialist. They state it's not on the list because there could be side effects to some people. If anyone else has any dramas with their medications let me know what they are and why you're no longer allowed to have them.

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Denis O'Brien – Is there a limit for hearing aids that DVA will allow? I paid an extra \$1200 last time.

John Kelly – Realistically we should never have to put our hands in our pockets. So long as your Audiologist is willing to put in paperwork the specific reasons why you need a certain hearing aid above what is on the script list.

9. Correspondence:

IN:

RAR Association

Invite to Korean Armistice

William Sneddon

Re: Gold Card Value

Aust Defence Force Retirees Association

Re: DFRB 90+ pages Update

OUT:

Nil

Motion: That the Correspondence be accepted.

Moved: Bill Sturgess

Seconded: Ross Fisher

CARRIED

10. Business Arising from Correspondence:

Nil

11. Financial Statement and Treasurers Report:

Motion: That the Financial Statement and Treasurers Report be accepted.

Moved: Peter Knight

Seconded: Brian Morton

CARRIED

12. Federal Business:

13. General Business:

- **Motion:** To accept Damien Casey as Committee Member.

Moved: Neil Patrucco

Seconded: Graeme Winter

CARRIED

- **TPI Vehicle – John Kelly** – We're replacing the VW with a Kia Carnival at a changeover cost of \$15,000.00. We will be purchasing this through John Hughes after getting 3 quotes.

14. Motions on Notice:

15. Raffles:

Door Prize John Kelly

Meat Hamper Bill Sturgess

Cash Raffle

1) \$50.00 Bevin Trouchet

2) \$30.00 Ron Bennett

3) \$20.00 Arthur Faulks

16. Next Meeting: General Meeting Tuesday 13th August 2019 @ 1030hrs

17. Meeting Closed: 1147hrs

Dated this thirteenth day of August 2019

John Kelly
Chairperson