



Volunteer Ambulance Officers Association of Tasmania Incorporated

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Our aim: To enhance pre-hospital patient care, by providing representation and support for the well being of Volunteer Ambulance Officers in Tasmania.

MINUTES of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, held at Iluka, Coles Bay on Sunday 21st November 2010

Welcome by Vice President, Cheryl Wilson, Acting Chair person

PRESENT

Attendees at Coles Bay Gathering – refer Eventbrite

APOLOGIES

Jack Spinks, Sue Kuter, Susie Smith

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at
Gum Leaves, Swansea on Sunday 15th November 2009

Moved Mary Knowles: That these minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Seconded: Helen Reynolds **Carried**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Cheryl Wilson presented the report of President, Pam Fanning. This will be available on the website.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Moved Margaret Dennis: That the draft Auditors Report and draft audited accounts for the financial year to 30 September 2010 be received. Finalised audited reports will be posted on the VAOAT Inc website. **Seconded** Shirley Squires **Carried**

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS.

All positions were declared vacant. Chairperson Cheryl Wilson stood down and handed the chair to Paul Templar of Ambulance Tasmania. Paul informed the meeting that nominations were called for in writing/direct email to members and posted on our website. At the date of the close of nominations, the following nominations were received:

Executive

President: One nomination received that of Pam Fanning. Therefore Pam was duly elected President.

Vice President One nomination received that of Cheryl Wilson. Therefore Cheryl was duly elected Vice President.

Secretary - One nomination received that of Dianne Coon. Therefore Dianne was duly elected Secretary.

Treasurer - One nomination received that of Lesley Green. Therefore Lesley was duly elected Treasurer.

Committee Members – 6 positions.

Six nominations received, therefore

Margaret Dennis

Wayne Doran

George Hudson

Sonya Kok

Keitha Munro

Jack van Tatenhove

Were declared duly elected.

Cheryl Wilson resumed the Chair.

Cheryl sought the meeting's approval to re-appoint the following roles

Public Officer – Dianne Coon

Publicity/Media officer – Dianne Coon

AT Committee representatives: Fleet – George Hudson

Equipment – George Hudson

Uniform – George Hudson

Special Resolution – To consider changes to the Constitution.

That changes to the Constitution and Rules of Association, as detailed in the document dated 18th November 2010, be accepted and forwarded to the Department of Justice for ratification. Moved Dianne Coon, **Seconded:** Jack van Tatenhove
Carried.

End of Annual General Meeting 1115

GENERAL MEETING held at Iluka, Coles Bay on Sunday 21st November 2010

1) Participation in the online forums:

Coordinator, Volunteer Strategy (CVS), David Godfrey Smith gave a demonstration of the forums available: First Response Units, Coordinators, general members, and encouraged members to use the forums to communicate with one another, with the VAOAT Board, and with him as CVS. Prizes will be awarded on a monthly basis for the most frequent and substantive nominations.

2) Use of VAOAT letterhead in soliciting or thanking for donations.

Dianne clarified that the VAOAT letterhead cannot be used except for official VAOAT activities, sanctioned by the Board.

A robust discussion, led by Wayne Doran and David Godfrey Smith, was held regarding groups soliciting and holding funds, and purchasing equipment. We all agreed that AT needed to provide a clearer direction to groups than was currently the case, and David stated that resolving this was high on his priority list.

3) Procedures for gaining VAOAT support for funding applications.

Keitha reminded members of the procedures to be followed if a unit wishes to use the VAOAT incorporated status as a 'sponsor' in applying for grants. This information is also on the VAOAT website.

4) Non attendance at Gatherings.

Motion: Moved: George de Grassi - That registered participants who fail to attend the Gathering without notification within the nominated time frame and who fail to provide a reasonable excuse – as determined by the Board – will be required to reimburse the association for costs expended. Seconded Toni King. Carried unanimously

