

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE AGM OF THE QLD BRANCH INC
ON TUESDAY 24 NOV 22

It is with great pleasure that I am able to present this financial report to members showing that the Branch is solvent and fully audited for the FY 2021/2022. This report follows on from the successful financial years of 2016/2017 to 2021/2022.

The state of the Branch's finances for the FY is shown below:

BOQ Account 20454340:

Bank Balance as at 01 Jul 21	\$ 107,217.84
Bank Balance as at 30 Jun 22	\$ 129,615.27
Bank Balance as at 24 Nov 22 (For AGM Info)	\$ 296,998.98

BOQ Account 22693861 (Saying Thank You Acc):

This account has been closed and the funds transferred to 20454340.

Petty Cash on Hand: \$ 25.40

Outstanding Invoices: Nil

Outstanding Liabilities: Nil except contracted costs e.g. telephone, rates, etc.

Donations:

Donations for the FY Totalled \$ 21,845.35

Some donations require some explanation:

Anonymous	\$ 10,000.00
Geoff Dunn (Truck Driver)	\$ 1,800.00
Lindsay Collins	\$ 1,470.00
Aloysius Butler	\$ 5,640.00
David Jupp	\$ 370.00
½ Share of Sale of Donated Surplus Items	\$ 3,962.23

Additionally, we received many smaller donations with amounts up to \$ 300.00 and we sincerely thank all donors for their generosity.

Advocates:

Our Senior Advocate, Flavia and her three volunteer Advocates (Michelle, Kerrie & Brad), continued to produce excellent outcomes as a result of their dedication to assisting veterans with their disability claims. Our 2021/2022 FY BEST grant allocated was \$ 138,362.61 against \$ 135,506.15 the previous FY. Thus, to keep Flavia working the same 50 hours per fortnight at the same rate, the Committee elected to cover the difference between the BEST salary vote and her current salary by utilising our cash reserves.

Flavia accessed paid Parental Leave from 19 Feb 22 to 20 May 22 when her salary was supplemented by Services Australia (the old Centrelink) to the tune of \$ \$ 1,545.10 pf. The Executive topped up her salary so that she received her normal gross amount each fortnight.

Our Senior Advocate and three volunteers continued dedication and professionalism over the period was admirable.

Flavia's last superannuation payment was for the period 23 May 22 to 24 Jun 22 as she was not entitled to superannuation while on Paternal Leave.

Grants During FY 2021/2022:

DVA	BEST Grant	\$ 138,362.61
ANZAC DTF	On going Operational Costs	\$ 5,263.00
GCBF	8 Aircon Heads, Awnings, Coffee Machine	\$ 32,179.18
City of GC Council Division 8 Grant (Bob La Castra)		\$ 6,500.00

Grants Pending:

ANZAC DTF	On going Operational Costs	\$????	(Pending)
GCCC	Mayoral & Division 8 Grant Program	\$????	(Pending)
DVA	BEST Grant 2020/2022	\$????	(Pending)
GCBF	Termite Wall Damage Repairs	\$????	(Pending)

Some Other Sources of Income 2021/2022:

Bunning's BBQs
Community Requests to Conduct BBQs
Donations to the Vietnam Veterans

Numerous items are donated regularly to the 'Vietnam Veterans' by members and companies in the Gold Coast community. At the VVF Brisbane/Gold Coast Regional Sub Branch Inc Committee Meeting held on 05 Jun 18, a motion was passed unanimously that all profits derived from the sale of donated items be divided equally between the two Branches located at the Nerang site. The Qld Branch benefits substantially from this decision.

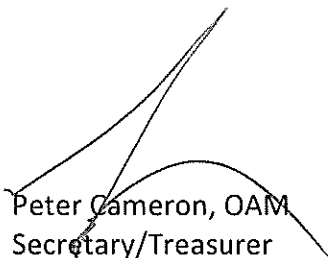
Insurance: The VVF Qld Branch holds adequate public liability and building/contents insurance. In addition this year again, the Committee approved the Executive's decision to take out Director's Insurance. This action was taken on the strong advice of our honorary legal counsel as well as our Auditor and covers the Branch for any infidelity committed by any of the Committee Members. The total annual fee for this insurance was \$ 6,250.27 and Workcover cost \$ 919.09.

Director's ID. By law, all Committee Members are required to register on the MyGovID website and obtain a personal ID number. This is being actioned as the closing date is 30 Nov 22.

Summary:

The Qld Branch is in a very satisfactory financial situation. The executive has initiated several financial policies and procedures which will minimise the risk of fraud in the future. I thank our President, Peter Handy, our Vice President, Ken Bridges, our Senior Advocate, Trainee Advocates and office volunteers for their valuable assistance during the year.

I present this report together with the 2021/22 Audit to members for approval.



Peter Cameron, OAM
Secretary/Treasurer

22 November 2022