

To: Michael Annett
Subject:

Dear Mr Annett,

Sir, we had some serious developments last Monday 09-07-07.

The meeting on Saturday 07-07-07 was postponed because, as far as we know, Mr. K. Swincer was instructed by ANZAC House to do so (I had advised Ken not to send the notice of the meeting out to members, as it was unconstitutional. He rejected my advice and sent the unconstitutional notice out. Some members did not receive the meeting notice by Wednesday night 04-07-07). On the day of the meeting, approximately 30 members turned up as they were not notified of the cancellation of the meeting and were upset and very disappointed with the person who sent the letter out. Ken spoke to them and blamed the cancellation on myself and Peter Low. Some members even came to my house and abused me.

I believe you know the rest from the state president and our committee meeting minute dated 09-07-07 (a copy was provided to ANZAC House).

Legal and constitutional ruling states that the position of Mr. Ken Swincer, as Senior Vice President, is unconstitutional and illegal based on the following legal advice:

1. Mr. K. Swincer was not elected by members at the last AGM dated 18-03-07. He was seconded later on the committee.
2. Seconded members can not proceed to a committee position over elected members, when it comes to the committee voting to create a committee position.
3. At the last AGM on 04-03-07, nominations were called for the following positions: President 1, Vice President 1, Secretary 1, Treasurer 1, committee members 4 and Social Committee Member 1. All those positions were filled by the AGM.
4. Therefore, the position created for the seconded member Mr K. Swincer as the Senior Vice President/ Acting President (with Mr. John Wells advice) is unconstitutional. We have now a workable committee, Mr K. Swincer is considered just a seconded member on the committee. Mr. Craig Sarre is currently the only elected Vice President on our committee. We do sincerely ask ANZAC House Executives to leave us alone to run our own affairs. Many of our members are concerned that Healesville RSL Sub-Branch is going to face the same fate as Mitcham. The members including myself reject the state president's and his delegates' interference. We also reject the letter addressed to Mr K Swincer, Acting President (a position which is unconstitutional), which he wrote when he was at Healesville RSL on Monday 09-07-07. Currently, I am the elected president of an elected committee. We ask ANZAC House to respect the constitution and decision of the majority of Healesville RSL Sub-Branch members.
5. Request confirmation of this constitutional ruling as soon as possible.
6. If the need arises for a Senior Vice President, Mr Morten Sorensen is the only service member on the committee eligible to fill the position (Mr A. Ford was suspended by the committee and Mr. David McKenzie is seconded to the committee). Please see our Committee Meeting Minute dated 09-07-07. That meeting was chaired by myself, as I was asked by many members to choose to return to my chair as president because of the serious situation Healesville RSL is facing, and I have accepted to do so.
7. National RSL is aware of the developments and situation. A copy of the Minutes for the state executive meeting dated 17-05-07 indicates that ANZAC House were aware that Mitcham RSL was trading while insolvent with Mr. Peter McPhee's involvement. This minute has made us more determined to involve National RSL, Fraud Squad, Gaming Commission and other relevant authorities. Those authorities have asked us to provide them with all the relevant documents and evidence of allegations and concerns including those against some ANZAC House executives. This e-mail will be faxed to the Secretary- National RSL and other authorities investigating Healesville and Mitcham RSL allegations of fraud, etc.
8. I assure you Sir, we have followed and tried and will keep on trying to do our best to follow the constitution/charter of RSL, ethics and abide by the law. Unfortunately, we believe that some members on the state executive have not followed the correct constitutional procedures, as they have other plans in mind for Healesville RSL Sub-Branch, which in our opinion is destroying our RSL as well as Mitcham.
8. We have asked National RSL to intervene/mediate to save our RSL, the constitution and charter.
9. On behalf of all members who voted me in (twice) as the president, I thank you for your integrity, honesty,

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ethics and professionalism in dealing with us and our issues. Members will always be willing to deal with you.

Yours sincerely,
Sam Halim
President
Healesville RSL Sub-Branch

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