

MEETING OF PAST PRESIDENTS' COMMITTEE CONVENED 23RD NOVEMBER, 1965 TO DISCUSS THE INCREASING DUTIES OF MELBOURNE LEGACY PRESIDENT WITH A VIEW TO LIGHTENING HIS LOAD IN FUTURE YEARS.

PRESENT: President - A.N. Dore, President Elect. - R. Isherwood, Ian W. Anderson, F.J. Reeve, J.D. Lobb, W.C. Radford, JE. McKeddie.

1. RATIONALISATION OF PRESIDENTS DUTIES -

During the year 1965/66 the Presidents engagements were as follow -

	<u>Actual</u> <u>Between 9/3/65</u> <u>and 17/11/65</u>	<u>Estimated</u> <u>Additional</u> <u>from 18/11/65</u> <u>to end of year</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Attended</u>			
Legacy in Melbourne area	75	19	94
Legacy in Country areas	23	3	26
Outside Legacy Circles	<u>45</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>59</u>
	143	36	179
<u>Delegated</u>	23	6	29
<u>Declined</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>
	172	43	215
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It is recommended that -

- (a) A calendar be drawn up projecting visits to Clubs and Groups on a 3 year Cycle.
Immediate Past President draws up or revises calendar from year to year, with his recommendations.
- (b) The Status of Vice Presidents be built up by calling on them to play a more active part in representing the President where appropriate.
In the case of functions outside Legacy, the Vice-Presidents representing the President be invited in the following order -

1. Presidents Nominee
2. Vice President Administration
3. Senior Vice President
4. A Selected Older Legatee.

For engagement inside Legacy the order of preference be reversed that is -

1. Senior Vice President
 2. Vice President Administration
 3. Presidents Nominee.
- (c) The Incoming President informs his Selected Vice Presidents of these recommendations and discusses with them his policy for the forthcoming year and the part they must play in sharing the load.
- (d) The President should not be called on to present certificates at Boys and Girls Classes. His duty could well be taken over by -
1. Vice President
 2. Chairman Boy Activities Committee and Girls Classes.

It is more important that President be in attendance at combined Boys and Girls Activities such as Sports Days etc. He could at his discretion visit Boys and Girls Class, Judo, Swimming, etc. on ordinary Class nights during the year.

2. As is the custom at present, the President should not be called on to sign cheques and the Vice President Administration be so advised. It is suggested that Elected Members be added to the list of Signing Officers.
3. It is also suggested that there should be such an additional Elected Member from Country Groups. Such Legatee be selected from Past Chairmen of the Groups. If this is agreed to the Club Rules will need to be altered.
4. With the view of saving embarrassment of any future President it is an obligation of the President to claim expenses during his year of office.

5. It has been suggested that Melbourne Legacy is expected to provide hospitality after Federal Conference. This is not an obligation but the matter is left in the hands of the President.
6. It is the wish of Melbourne Legacy, that the President at his discretion pay an official visit to -

The Governor
The Premier
Lord Mayor.

7. Country Clubs and Groups at Conference be informed of our concern at the increasing load being born by Successive Presidents and our proposals to decrease it. The subject to be introduced by a Legatee other than the President.
8. These minutes be included on the Presidents File and amended in the light of future developments for guidance of Successive Presidents.
9. Meetings of this nature become a permanent fixture and that it be convened under the Chairmanship of the retiring member of the Presidents Past Committee.
10. Melbourne Legacy be reported to on this matter by the President now in office.