Minutes of REOA Meeting held at Air Forces Club on the 15 September 2004

Attendees: K. Leslie

P. Jupp

G. Gould

J. Pluck

B. Pollett

N. Hadfield

R. Orr

T. Douglas

R. Ledingham

Apologies: B.Belton

Correspondence: Nil.

<u>Financial Report</u>: Richard Orr advised our funds were of the order of \$747, after allowing for postage on recent mail out.

Annual Dinner: Scheduled for 30 September 2004.

Noel reported all arrangements in hand. He indicated that he sent out 88 email invitations and 52 letter invitations, which represented a considerable cost savings. To date he had received 23 acceptances, which was quite normal at this stage.

Also, at the Dinner Ted Bushell will be launching a book, which he and Bob Grantham produced on the Wagga apprentice scheme.

<u>Donation- Cancer Appeal</u>: Richard Orr proposed in remembrance of all cancer deaths involving RAAF Engineering Officers, which was highlighted by the recent passing of one of our Committee members, John Allen, that we make a donation to the appeal/fund. Bernie Pollett proposed that \$50 be made payable on behalf of the members of REOA. All agreed.

<u>Future – REOA:</u> Kevin Leslie outlined the future of RAAFA at the Cromwell Road location, and indicated that REOA should now investigate a future meeting place for its functions, beyond January 2005.

KL also informed the meeting that after seven years as the Chairman of the REOA Group he sought to relinquish the position after the Annual Dinner on the 30 September 2005. After much discussion Tom Douglas has accepted the Chairman's role.

Jack Pluck spoke appreciatively of KL's efforts over the past seven years in his role of Chairman, and asked the group to show their gratitude.

KL thanked the Committee for their support in making the task an enjoyable experience.

<u>Web Page Development:</u> Glen Gould produced a draft web page, which he is currently developing. Ron Ledingham offered to assist with cost minimisation of the project and will discuss its implementation with Glen.

<u>Next Meeting</u>: 1200hrs, 10 November 2004 at RAAFA, Cromwell Road, South Yarra.

Kevin Leslie (Chairman)