

REDLANDS SUB BRANCH

# BUGLE

APRIL 2021 EDITION

**"Honouring The Fallen By Serving The Living!"**

LEST WE  
FORGET

APRIL 25th

REDLANDS RSL SUB BRANCH: 1925-2021  
Information for all Veterans, Ex-Service  
& Serving Men & Women in the Redlands



## NORTH STRADBROKE ISLAND ANZAC DAY SERVICES

### DAWN SERVICE

- 5.10am Assemble at the Butcher Shop on Welsby Street, Dunwich and march to the Cenotaph
- 5.30am Dawn Service Commences
- 6am-7am Breakfast at Stradbroke RSL.  
\$5.00 for savoury mince on toast.

### MAIN MARCH

- 10.30am Assemble at the bottom end of Dunwich School on Welsby St, Dunwich (not at the ship club)
- 10.45am Main March Commences

### MAIN COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

- 11am Main Commemorative Service Commences - Welsby Street, Dunwich
- Stradbroke RSL will re-open on completion of the Main Commemorative Service.

**For any further information regarding the Services or Wreath Laying, contact John Hague 3409 9142 | 0428 191 134.**

## COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND ANZAC DAY SERVICE

### DAWN SERVICE

- 5.30am Dawn Service on Main Beach  
(Ferry leaves VP at 4.45am)
- Sausage sizzle & Gunfire breakfast to follow -  
Cost = gold coin donation.  
Thank you to Oasis on Coochie.
- There will be no mid-morning service.

- SUNDAY -  
**25<sup>th</sup> APRIL**  
**ANZAC DAY**



- **REDLANDS RSL -**  
**ANZAC DAY SCHEDULE**

**4.30am: Traditional Gunfire Breakfast - Coffee/Tea/Toast**

ANZAC Lounge, Redlands RSL.

*NB: Restricted access for League Members, Veterans, Serving Personnel, Partners & Carers ONLY will be permitted in the club before the Dawn Service.*

**5.20am: Dawn Service Parade**

Redlands RSL to ANZAC Centenary Park

**NOTE: UNFORTUNATELY REDLANDS RSL WILL NOT BE OPEN  
TO THE PUBLIC FOR BREAKFAST DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS**

**5.30am: Dawn Service Commemorations**

**6am - 8.30am: Service Member Camaraderie**

ANZAC Lounge, Redlands RSL.

*NB: Restricted access for League Members, Veterans, Serving Personnel, Partners & Carers ONLY will be permitted in the club during this time.*

*Facilities available at the Veterans Community Centre between 9am & 10am.*

**9.45am: Main Parade Assembly**

Shore St West (behind Cleveland Sharks Bowls Club)

**10.20am: Main Parade Commences**

Shore St West into ANZAC Centenary Park

**11am: Main Commemorative Service**

ANZAC Centenary Park, Shore St West

**1pm: Two Up:**

The downstairs car park will be closed for the traditional game of 'Two Up'. Can Bar open from 12noon. Two Up from 1pm.

**For further information on the Services or Wreath Laying,  
please phone 3488 1108.**



# ANZAC DAY

LEST WE FORGET

## *Lunch special*

Commemorating all those who have served  
and continue to serve our country.

### **2 COURSE LUNCH SPECIAL - SAILS RESTAURANT -**

Available Monday 19th to Saturday 24th April 2021

**\$13.90 - SPECIAL PRICE FOR  
REDLANDS RSL SERVICE MEMBERS**

(Members: \$16.90 | NM: \$19.90)

### **YOUR CHOICE OF ENTRÉE & MAIN, OR MAIN & DESSERT...**

#### **ENTREE:**

Petite Soup of the Day with a crusty bread roll.

#### **MAIN:**

Your choice of Petite Roast of the Day,  
Crumbed Fish, or Aromatic Dish of the Day.

#### **DESSERT:**

Pavlova topped with cream and fresh fruit salad

*\* To receive the Service Member discount, you must be a  
financial Redlands RSL Service, Service ADF, Service LS,  
Service LM, or Club Honorary member.  
Members card must be presented.*



# President's Report

Fellow members, April is upon us with all of its assortment of breaks and holidays. It started off with a three day COVID lockdown right on the end of schools shutting down for their holidays. Then we had to rev up for the Easter break. Good Friday has never been a working day at the Redlands RSL, not like some. It was decided some 15 years or more ago that we would not open for Christmas Day or Good Friday. This is, I feel, of great joy to our staff to be able in most cases to celebrate the day with family.

April is also the month of our biggest commemoration - ANZAC DAY. Planning is in its final stages. With only one week to go the nerves get going and you go over the days plans over and over and check if that speech is right or not. Usually every thing goes to plan, but you never know ,especially with technology. There can always be that glitch.

Thinking positively we are hoping everything in regards to COVID stays the same, and we have a good turn up to all of our events at Coochie, Straddie and here in Cleveland. You can find the times and places in this Bugle. Don't forget about our Two Up going on in the lower, rear car park from 1.00pm with a can bar and BBQ all on hand.

We have had a rocky couple of weeks but we have still managed to support our service people with any help they may require and our volunteers are still racking up the hours with some good work.

To finish off I would like to just brush over our AGM results. On a business side the Redlands RSL Sub-Branch Inc. came through with flying colours.

The Management Committee report states that the operational result for 2020 financial year was a surplus of \$1,454,523. Which after a very rough year is an excellent result and all praise goes to those that enabled it to come about. This result will go well in supporting our welfare section along with a few improvements for our members in 2021.

Also the elections were once again without contention with President Alan Harcourt and Linda Harcourt our Wellbeing Officer elected unopposed. Les Warner stepping down as Vice President. A big thank you to Les and his wife Audrey who continue to work as a team in the Library / Museum. David Field was appointed to the management committee and Rob Wilson went in as Vice President.

Stay well and take care.

*Alan Harcourt* LM  
PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



# Previous Minutes

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)  
Redlands RSL Sub-Branch

## LEAGUE GATHERING MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2021

**MEETING OPENED:** 10.00am by President A. Harcourt

**ODE:** Recited

**REMEMBERING:**

**ATTENDANCE:** A total of 62 as per the attendance book

**APOLOGIES:** (9) As per the apologies list: A. Moulton, G. Dunstan, P. Field, M. Taylor, J. Hargreaves, D. Beer.

*Moved: M. McDonnell*

*Seconded: B. Ramsay*

That the Attendance and Apologies be accepted Motion 1...CARRIED

### PRESIDENTS OPENING REMARKS:

- Congratulation to Ian Gray on his Life Membership and Gold Badge – Well deserved.

### JOHN BUTLER'S PRESENTATION ON DEMENTIA

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Sunday 22nd November 2020

*Moved: R. Kahn*

*Seconded: R. Wilson*

As presented in the Bugle ..... Motion 2...CARRIED

**PRESIDENTS REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

*Moved: A. Harcourt*

*Seconded: G. Hargreaves*

That the Presidents report be accepted ..... Motion 3...CARRIED

### CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Inwards: (M. McDonnell)

- Qld's 3 day lock down commenced.
- Message from Qld RSL President, restrictions eased slow returning to some normality
- 2021 Commonwealth Day Multicultural Service at St John's Cathedral Monday 8th March
- RSL News for February
- DVA Community Grants Program are now open
- Next Open Arms are Understanding Anxiety Program 2nd and 3rd March at Spring Hill
- Brisbane Lord Mayors Senior Citizen of the Year 2021 – Alex Garlin

Qld National Services President

- SED motion of support to be put to the Royal Commission into Veterans Suicides
- Guide lines to hold Anzac Day
- Received email from Qld RSL re: requirements for Anzac Day 2021
- RSL Victoria in financial and total disarray
- Received confirmation from Australian National Events all contractors are booked for Anzac Day

Outwards: (M. McDonnell)

- Forward details to SED of our plans for Anzac Day

*Moved: M. McDonnell*

*Seconded: D. Rogers*

That the Inwards and Outwards Correspondence be accepted  
Motion ..... 4...CARRIED

**TREASURERS REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

- The club has had a very good start to 2021 even taking into consideration the 3 day Covid closure
- The club is in a very buoyant and resilient position
- Due to the mine closure and the catering issues Stradbroke Island RSL figures are down

*Moved: G. Saunders*

*Seconded: J. Jones*

That the Treasurers Report be accepted ..... Motion 5...CARRIED

**WELL BEING REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

*Moved L. Harcourt*

*Seconded: G. Hargreaves*

That the well-being report be accepted ..... Motion 6...CARRIED

**DEPUTY PRESIDENT, CADETS & SED MEETING REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

- Firstly congratulated and thanked John Butler for his Dementia presentation and shared information.
- Thanked President Alan Harcourt and the Board for his Life Membership award.
- The privilege to meet Eric Straight and present him with his RSL Queensland framed document in recognition of his 100 years.
- All Cadets in full preparation mode for Anzac Day

*Moved: I. Gray*

*Seconded: G. Hargreaves*

That the Deputy President, Cadets & SED Meeting Report be accepted ..... Motion 7...CARRIED

**LIBRARY MUSEUM REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

- Welcome Don Williams our new library/museum Volunteer

*Moved L. Warner*

*Seconded: F. Williams*

That the Library Museum report be accepted . . . Motion 8...CARRIED

**LEAGUE SECRETARY REPORT:**

- Confirmed Anzac Day Schedule on page 23 of the Bugle

*Moved: M McDonnell*

*Seconded: R. Wilson*

That the League Secretary Report be accepted . . Motion 9...CARRIED

**NATIONAL SERVICEMEN ASSOCIATION REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

*Moved: E. Shaw*

*Seconded: B. Reedman*

That the National Servicemen Association report be accepted . . . . .

..... Motion 10...CARRIED

**NAVAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

*Moved: G. Hargreaves*

*Seconded: R. Kahn*

That the Naval Association report be accepted . Motion 11...CARRIED

**WOMEN'S AUXILIARY:** As presented in the Bugle

*Moved: D. Lingard*

*Seconded: D. Whitby*

As presented in the Bugle ..... Motion 12...CARRIED

**R.A.A.F ASSOCIATION REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

- Centenary of the RAAF – 31st March 2021

*Moved: R. Wilson*

*Seconded: G. Olsen*

That the R.A.A.F. Association report be accepted . . . . .

..... Motion 13...CARRIED

**YOUNG VETERANS REDLANDS REPORT:** As presented in the Bugle

*Moved: R. Wilson*

*Seconded: R. Kahn*

That the Young Veterans Redlands report be accepted . . . . .

..... Motion 14...CARRIED

**VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSION INFORMATION:**

- Mooloolabah Waterways Sea Cruise – Thursday 18th March - On Sale Now at Club Reception
- Tenterfield 3 day get away tour 12th – 14th May 2021
- Maleny on the road less travelled day trip on the 10th June 2021

*Moved: G. Saunders*

*Seconded: R. Wilson*

That the Veterans & Wellbeing Excursion Report be accepted . . . . .

..... Motion 15...CARRIED



## GENERAL BUSINESS

- Welcome to David Field – he has been appointed to the Redlands RSL Management Committee
- Anzac Day everything has been pre-booked and secured
- Gun Fire Breakfast is on Veterans and their carers only
- See Suzie McDonnell re: Wreaths for both dawn or main service
- 16 Golf Carts have been secured we now need drivers and passengers
- Restricted Disabled Parking + 11 spots in Passage Street – see Suzie McDonnell about a getting a specific parking ticket to put on your dashboard and get through the road block.
- Anzac Day Schedule on page 23 of the February Bugle
- Anzac Day promotion in the local paper will be looked into
- From now on our League Gathering Meetings will start from 10:30am
- Volunteers required for school visits and badge selling for Anzac Day
- Thank you letter from the Australian Air Force Cadets (217 Squadron) for the grant they received to upgrade their flight simulator computers
- Letter forwarded from Mr. Tony Ferris Qld RSL State President re: words of support to our service people regarding the release of the Afghanistan War Crimes Report

Raffles Drawn and Won

Next Meeting: AGM 28th March 2021

Meeting Closed: 11:00am

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**LEAGUE GATHERING**  
**SUNDAY 23rd MAY 2021,**  
**10.30am, GALLIPOLI ROOM**

# Treasurer's Report

The Redlands RSL continues to trade well whilst North Stradbroke has hit a few head winds but the overall financial picture reads well from a financial perspective. On a more positive note, a caterer has been found for North Stradbroke Island, this will be implemented on a trial basis for now.

Net profit for both venue's actual came in at \$167,730.88 against a budget of \$35,190.00 which is an increase of 377%

Net profit on a to date basis is \$490,931.81 which speaks for itself on how the RSL is operating from a financial perspective that in itself reflects an increase of 191% of budget.

Overall members funds are \$27,533,769.76 our bank business loan is currently sitting at \$2,740,000.00. Cash reserves remain resilient at \$3,887,557.35 and a further \$1,547,068.10 in operational funds. League and wellbeing expenses totalled \$94,512.24.

*Greg Saunders*  
TREASURER, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



# Wellbeing Report

Good morning everyone and welcome to our April meeting held today because Anzac Day is the 4th Sunday. As it has only been three weeks since our last meeting there is not a lot to report.

Headquarters have had plenty of visitors with veterans of all ages seeking assistance with lodging claims with the Department of Veteran Affairs.

We have had quite a number of enquiries regarding medal mounting. The two we recommend are Margaret Warner - phone 3824 2599 and Bayside Picture Framing - mobile 0468 444 904.

With COVID restrictions in place Golden Oldies have missed two meetings, the Easter Bunny will be calling on them really late this year. Hopefully they can return on 27th April.

A note for your diary; our Volunteers Thank You will be held on Monday 17th May. We missed 2020 so will be great for all the volunteers to get together. More info to follow.

Our Veterans Cuppa is still on the second Wednesday in the month and transport is available if you ring me on the number below.

We often get enquiries from veterans in relation to legal matters and Bayside Law in Birkdale has kindly agreed to see any clients we recommend to them or you may call them direct. If you are incapacitated, they will call at your home.

Don't forget our three-day bus trip to Tenterfield is on 12th, 13th and 14th May. Cost \$675 per person with nearly all meals included (see Page 22-23).

Sub Branch representatives have been invited to attend Anzac Day Services at schools and care facilities in the week before Anzac Day. Badge selling is on 22nd, 23rd and 24th in Woolworths Stockland from 08.30 - 16.00.

There has been talk about what services will be held at Redland Bay this year. For many years this was the responsibility of Redlands RSL but when a new Sub Branch was formed out there, they took over the running of their own Commemorations Services.

The Department of Veteran Affairs has an excellent publication entitled Planning Ahead, a guide to putting your affairs in order covering subjects such as legal and financial issues, Power of Attorney, assistance around your home and pension information. I have a copy here at the meeting for you to have a look at. If you would like a copy, I can do one for you at HQ.

Thank you to all HQ staff and volunteers who contributed 965 hours including 344 hours processing compensation claims and administration officer Natalie 69 hours. Considering we were in lockdown during the last week of March this is a good result.

*Linda Harcourt*

**WELLBEING/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR**

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# Deputy President & Cadets Report

At the end of last month, we had our AGM and election of officers. As a result, the board was re-elected for another term. Following the election President Alan Harcourt called the Cadet Commanders from Army, Navy, and Air Force to come forward for the annual presentation of funding cheques in order that the units can continue to fund activities. Following the presentation each Commander was asked to give a brief to our members on their respective Units activities and planning moving forward.

The month also started with preparations for Anzac Day by again engaging the Cadet Units in preparation for Catafalque party training in order to be ready to mount the guard at the cenotaph at Dawn and main Service.

This month was a busy one as we prepared to host the RSL SED annual conference. One of the tasks was to contact organisations for materials and merchandise to place into sample bags that would be provided to the thirty-two delegates from the respective Sub Branches in our district. The other task for us was to move four uniformed mannequins and place them in front of the flags for a military display. In addition, we arranged for Army, Navy, Air Force Cadets and a piper to march in the colours at the start of the conference.

Following the cheque presentation the OC of 217 Sqn. AAFC FLTOFF Matt Firth presented the new shoulder patch for the Air Force Cadets to the President of Redlands RAAF Association.

The Cadets assisted during the day by providing assistance by passing the microphone to delegates on the floor as delegates stood to speak.

At the end of the conference the executive of SED



presented a donation of \$100 to each Cadet Commander for their support and attendance.

Towards the end of this month we were asked if we would give a presentation on the three Cadets Units in the Redlands to the Women's Auxiliary, explaining our involvement and how the Sub Branch interacts with the Cadet Units. As a result the ladies now have a better understanding of the operations of the Cadets and our involvement with the Units.



## AUSTRALIAN ARMY 136 CADET UNIT

Finally we got to do a field activity – 18 months since our last, and it was great.

Because this was predominantly about getting the 2020 and 2021 recruits through the bushcraft part of their recruit training we made it a 'long day' biv which started at 0700 and went through until 2200. Covid restrictions meant an overnight biv was going to be difficult with new cadets and social distancing. It was a big day, but we achieved everything we needed too so we are on a solid foundation again with everyone in the unit.

The weather forecast was terrible, and we nearly called it off, despite the forecast we got less than 20 mins rain all day and that was just after everyone had cooked their dinner, so we were very lucky.

Whilst the training was happening some of the senior cadets checked equipment and re furbished and restocked the platoon equipment boxes for our future bivs.

Earlier in the month we had our recruit uniform issue day and got the new recruits kitted out with uniform and equipment, we have only had a few recruits drop out so far, so if we have another intake around the 30 mark, we shall be back up to nearly our maximum number by midyear. This is something that we did expect to happen until mid-next year.

We have cadets going on the rescheduled SGTs course in April, and we have a CPL's course starting at the end of April and going over the long weekend, all these cadets have now started on the classroom part of the course. The SGT's course was rescheduled from last year to January, which was cancelled due to the snap lock down, so we were certainly worried about the lock down that happened in mid-March, but it looks like it will be ok for April as planned.

Once these 2 courses happen there will be a number of promotions which will enable us to plug gaps in the rank structure, the unit should then have all rank positions filled.

The last 2 weeks of March are all about training for ANZAC day so the training in drill, dress and bearing is being done with a full-dress rehearsal the first week back after the holidays.

— Report provided by CO of ACU CAPT. Wendy Kemp.



## 217 SQN AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADET UNIT

Throughout March of 2021, all Cadets including Recruits have been vigorously practising drill every Monday night for the upcoming annual ANZAC Day. It has been almost 2 years since the Squadron participated in the dawn service due to COVID-19. All Cadets in the Squadron can't wait to get that special feeling again of an ANZAC Day, and for those who have not experienced it yet are eagerly waiting for their chance.

On the 27th of March, the Cadets and Recruits got to experience a weekend full of action-packed simulated Bivouac games, drill and navigational exercises. In the morning of the 27th, Recruits finished up their training with an exam and are now on their way to becoming Australian Air Force Cadets. After that the Cadets set off on an adventure throughout the school to navigate from checkpoint to checkpoint with allocated images to radio in if found. There were 5 teams of 10 and each had a role to fulfil, it was good day to practise our skills and most importantly have FUN!

On the 28th, Cadets underwent bivouac games and drill practises. It started off with 5 rotations, each team allocated to a different station, for example Station 1 was a pack march and CNC (Cam and Concealment) game with cadets using their evade and conceal skills. Station 2 was the Flight Simulator where Cadets tested if they were aviator material. Station 3 was Drill with the CUO where Cadets marched proudly around the playground practising for the upcoming ANZAC Day. Station 4 was an 11B tent set up challenge where Cadets used teamwork and commitment to construct their bush tent that would be used on a Bivouac. Finally, Station 5 was a demonstration of setting up a hoochie also competitive small tent building where teams of two raced against each other. Then to end

things off with a mighty tugger war that had been declared with all cadets jumping into the conflict.

We as a Squadron are looking forward to the rest of 2021 with activities coming back into full swing.

— *Report provided by CCPL Zane Field.*



## TS NORFOLK AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADET UNIT

Since the last Bugle Report, TS Norfolk has continued to grow from strength to strength with three new cadets joining the ship, bringing the total to 13 new cadets in 8 months. The cadets have been practising drill on the march and catafalque training in preparation for Anzac Day. The cadets have also been working on their tasks books towards promotion to the next rank.

The cadets are also working towards their Personal Efficiency Badge. Cadets complete tasks such as taking part in flotilla events such as promotions courses and sailing days, as well as maintaining the compulsory compliances and attendance. Our two volunteers have provided an incentive to the cadets towards the completion of their badges. Invoking the name of Nelson, the first two cadets who obtain their Personal Efficiency Badge, will get to name the two ship's cannons at TS Norfolk.

On the 28th March 2021, TS Norfolk's Executive Officer, SBLT Chloe Hutton, accepted on behalf of the ship's company the annual funding cheque presented by Redlands RSL. We would like to thank the Redlands RSL for their continued support and generosity and we look forward to taking part with the RSL community throughout the year.

— *Report provided by PO Adam Regnart, Whole Ship's Coordinator.*

Cadet reports compiled by

*Van Gray* LM

DEPUTY PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB  
BRANCH, & CADET LIAISON OFFICER



# Library Museum Report

Unfortunately, we have not had a lot of visitors to the Museum lately due to the pandemic restrictions. This picture was taken prior to COVID and we are looking forward to the schools returning as their visits are most interesting.



It was very disappointing to hear that the extensive gathering in remembrance of the 80th anniversary of the battle of Tobruk had to be cancelled – COVID strikes again. On Sunday 11th April, we opened the Museum as some of the Descendants still visited and one of the groups who had heard the event advertised on the radio called in. Sisters Leith Hembury and Narelle Moss told us about their uncle, Len Hansen, from Mackay who was one of the Rats of Tobruk. They are pictured here with Leith's husband Perry.



The Treasurer of the Descendants of Rats of Tobruk Association, Sarah, very kindly donated to the Museum a collection of the memorabilia that had been produced for the remembrance.



## DONATIONS

- The book *Strike Swiftly – 40 Years of 2 Commando Company 1955-1995* donated by John Butler
- *Soldier's Pay Book of Robert Diggles* donated by Wendy Polkinghorne
- A collection of Bryant & May safety matches from the WW2 era donated by Betty White.

Thanks to these people for thinking of the Redlands RSL Library/Museum.

*Les Warner*  
MUSEUM CURATOR





# National Servicemen's Assoc.

Once again, COVID precautions resulted in the cancellation of our regular meeting. Arrangements had already been made to provide the opportunity for our members to enjoy fellowship without breaching the regulations. Unfortunately, the situation became impossible, and another cancellation just had to be made.

That is not to say that we are not staying active. And last week 38 members enjoyed an excellent lunch and good company at Elysium Restaurant at Victoria Point.

Members are planning for Anzac Day although advancing age is making it more difficult for our members to know what they will be able to do on the day, e.g. to march or not.

COVID vaccinations are also influencing members activities with some suffering worse side effects than others.

I know an optimistic GP with a sense of humour who said "well, if you suffer side effects at least you know the vaccine is working."

Thanks to the members who are rallying to help with fund raising associated with Anzac Day.

*Eric Shaw*

**PRESIDENT, NATIONAL SERVICEMEN'S  
ASSOC.**



# League Secretary Report

We have one week to go for this year's Anzac Day.

Firstly, if you have not notified Suzie that you intend to lay a wreath or ride in a golf buggy, or have a reserved seat in the marque, today is the last opportunity to notify her.

This year's Anzac Day is promising to be a little bigger than previous years as some RSLs have decided to cancel their celebrations and if the number of enquiries we have received is any indication, we will have a very successful day.

Let us make the effort to attend this Anzac Day service, Dawn or Main, due to the non event last year, and show the Veterans of Redlands RSL and those that have passed, that we appreciate the sacrifices that they made and for some who still carry reminders of their service. You will come away from this Anzac Day feeling good within yourself, and proud that you attended.

*Michael McDonnell*  
LEAGUE SECRETARY, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



## **'CHECK IN QLD' app NO LONGER REQUIRED ON ANZAC DAY!**

Queensland Premier Anastasia Palache eased COVID restrictions on Thursday 15th April 2021. Part of this included the following relating to ANZAC Day...

**"Outdoor events: Anzac Day parades, fun runs and other outdoor only events do no need a COVID Safe Event Checklist or Event Plan."**

Therefore, we have been advised that we no longer need our attendees to check-in via the 'Check In Qld' app.

# RAAF Association

## REDLANDS BRANCH

The RAAF Centenary year is here and Redlands Branch is continuing the core business of promoting the wellness and benefits of members and supporting No. 217 Squadron, Australian Air Force Cadets.

On the social and wellbeing scene, the Branch Wednesday afternoon informal gatherings in Redlands RSL have continued with good attendances.

To commemorate the RAAF centenary, RAAFA Redlands Branch held a Service Dining-In night in Redlands RSL, Gallipoli Room on Wednesday 24th March 2021, with the theme '100 years of the RAAF'. This was attended by 45 members and guests and from the positive feedback received, everyone enjoyed the evening. A special thanks to David Field for his organisation of the night, including the Guest Speaker, Col Sutcliffe, who did such a magnificent job at such short notice. Congratulations also to the RSL catering staff in attendance who rose to the occasion to make night so successful.



The Australian Air Force was formed on 31st March 1921 and 'Royal' was added on 13th August 1921 to complete the formation of the RAAF. Commemorations for the RAAF Centenary on Wednesday 31st March 2021 focused on Canberra, where a parade for the presentation of the new RAAF Colour was held followed by a massed flypast of current and historic aircraft over Lake Burley Griffin. These events were telecast by ABC TV.

*Rob Wilson*

PRESIDENT, RAAF ASSOC. REDLANDS BRANCH

VICE PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Anyone interested in joining the Royal Australian Air Force Association (Redlands Branch), please phone the secretary, David Field on 0439 855 894.



## Veterans Cuppa

- KEEPING OUR REDLANDS RSL SERVICE MEMBERS SOCIALLY CONNECTED -



**RSL**  
Redlands Sub Branch

## Veterans Cuppa

**KEEPING OUR REDLANDS RSL SERVICE MEMBERS  
SOCIALLY CONNECTED**

Held at 9.30am on the 2nd Wednesday of each month  
in the ANZAC Lounge, Redlands RSL.

### UPCOMING DATES:

Wednesday 12th May at 9.30am

Wednesday 9th June at 9.30am.

Enjoy a social coffee break with fellow veterans over a barista made  
Hot Beverage and a Scone or Muffin for only \$5.00!

Phone 3488 1199 to pre-register your attendance.

**Anyone requiring transport please phone  
Linda on 0417 604 729.**

*\*Price available for Redlands service members and one partner only.*

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## VETERANS CUPPA - APRIL 2021

We had 43 members in attendance at our Veterans Cuppa on  
Wednesday 14th April, which was fantastic! A lovely social morning  
was enjoyed by members of our Sub Branch enjoying a cuppa and  
scone (or muffin) for only \$5. — *Photos on adjacent page provided  
by member John Butler*





# VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

Well Hello fellow travellers our next excursion is to Peter Allen's home town of Tenterfield NSW, where we will visit many land marks, eg Tenterfield Saddler. This trip departs Redlands RSL, Passage St Cleveland on Wednesday the 12/5/2021 @ 8.00am and returns on Friday the 14/5/2021. The trip is pretty well all-inclusive with the only out-of-pocket expense being one lunch. Please refer to Brochure that details the trip on pages 22 & 23 of this bugle. Pricing is \$675 per person (twin share) or \$795 per person (single room). Bookings close 30th April.

Our trip for June is the deferred boat trip to Mooloolaba. This trip will now happen on the 10/6/21 departing Redlands RSL, Passage Street Cleveland, at 8.00am. Tickets \$69.00 . See page 21 of this bugle for details. Brochures will also be available at the April league gathering, and emailed to all service members with a valid email address on our membership database. A detailed list of trips for the remainder of the year will be available shortly, just waiting on final confirmation and pricing.

Looking forward to seeing you on board for the Tenterfield excursion. Don't forget to bring your Winter Woollies.

*Greg Saunders*

CONVENOR OF VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

## DISCOUNT FOR MEMBERS

Freedom Fuels has provided Redlands RSL with discount cards for our members! With this card you will receive a minimum of 4c/litre off your fuel. They often run promotions where you can even receive 13c/L off, plus discounts from shop purchases. Ask our reception staff for one next time you are in! (Limited to one card per member).





## VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSION MOOLOOLABA

### SCONES & TEA AT SEA CRUISE

**WHEN:** Thursday 10th June 2021.

Meeting at 7.30am for a 8am sharp departure from Redlands RSL (Passage St entrance).

**Cost:** \$69.00 per person.

*Available for Redlands RSL Service members and one partner only.*

Note: This is the deffered trip from the one that was cancelled in March 2021 due to bad weather.

We will be travelling to Mooloolaba to board our vessel for a morning cruise that will include a delicious morning tea of fresh scones with jam and cream. This will be a wonderful way to see the local Mooloolaba waterways, on a large open deck vessel which gives you a true feeling of being out on the water. At the conclusion of trip we will have lunch, followed by a scenic trip through Buderim and surrounding towns as we make our way back to Cleveland.

Pre-bookings with payment are essential at Redlands RSL reception or phone 3488 1199.

Limited spaces available so get in quick!





## VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSION

# TENTERFIELD

**12th to 14th May 2021**  
2 NIGHTS | 3 DAYS

### ITINERARY:

#### **Day 1: Wednesday 12-5-21**

This morning we will depart Redlands RSL at 8:00am to start our 3 day getaway Tour. Our first stop is Lake Wyaralong where we will enjoy some morning tea. We then make our way to Warwick. We will have a tour of the Abbey of the Roses and also enjoy our lunch in this beautiful building that has been lovingly restored. After lunch we will visit Aloomba Lavender Farm where we can visit the gift shop. We will arrive at the Sir Henry Parkes Motor Inn, Tenterfield where we will stay for 2 nights. Dinner in the Motel restaurant.

#### **Day 2: Thursday 13-5-21**

This morning we will enjoy a cooked breakfast before we meet our guide who will take us for a tour of Tenterfield. We will then have morning tea before visiting the Sir Henry Parkes Museum and the Tenterfield Saddlery. We have time to purchase our lunch before heading off to Ballandean Estate Wines for a tour and some tasting. We then return to our motel for dinner tonight.







### **Day 3: Friday 14-5-21**

This morning we leave Tenterfield and make our way to Stanthorpe and visit the Museum. We then make our way to Bestbrook Mountain Resort where we will have time to look at the huge collection of memorabilia and have our lunch overlooking the valley. A stop at Aratula before heading back to Redlands RSL.

#### **COST:**

\$675 per person (twin share room)

\$795 per person (single room)

Available for Redlands RSL Service members and one partner only.

#### **BOOKINGS:**

Phone 3488 1199 or see reception staff. Pre-bookings with deposit is essential to secure a spot. Payment can be made in full, or in 3 instalments.

Instalment payments:

- \$300 deposit due upon booking.
- 2nd payment of \$250 due no later than 16th April.
- 3rd payment: remainder due no later than 30th April.

Note: Failure to pay on time may result in your booking being cancelled.

For any further information, please see Greg Saunders.

Must  
book before  
30th April



# CADET CHEQUE PRESENTATIONS

After the AGM on Sunday 28th March 2020, Cadet Commanders from Army, Navy, and Air Force were called forward for the annual presentation of funding cheques in order that the units can continue to fund activities.

*Pictured: CO of 136 ACU CAPT. Wendy Kemp (right), OC of 217 Sqn. AAFC FLTOFF Matt Firth (bottom left), and XO SBLT Chloe Hutton from TS Norfolk Cadet Unit (bottom right).*



**Australian Government**

**Department of Veterans' Affairs**

**The following information was sourced from the  
DVA website: [dva.gov.au](http://dva.gov.au)**

## **YOUR GUIDE TO OUR HEALTH AND HOME CARE SERVICES**

### **Domestic Assistance**

Phone: Veterans' Home Care Assessment Agency on 1300 550 450

- Internal house cleaning (dishwashing, vacuuming and mopping)
- Bed making and linen changing
- Clothes washing and/or ironing
- Assistance with meal preparation (not total preparation of meals)
- Bill paying
- Shopping (unaccompanied only)

## Personal Care

Phone: Veterans' Home Care Assessment Agency on 1300 550 450

- Showering, bathing and toileting
- Dressing, grooming
- Application of non-medical skin creams and lotions
- Eating
- Putting on compression stockings, preventative bandaging, splints and callipers
- Moving about the house
- Getting in and out of bed

## Safety-related home and garden maintenance

Phone: Veterans' Home Care Assessment Agency on 1300 550 450

- Cupboard adjustment
- Replacing light bulbs
- Changing batteries in smoke/security alarms
- Cleaning of gutters
- Internal and external window cleaning
- Cleaning ceiling and exhaust fans, air conditioning and split system units
- Safety-related garden tasks such as pruning

## Community Nursing

Phone: 1800 VETERAN (1800 838 372) to find your local Community Nursing provider

- Medication
- Wound care
- Personal hygiene
- Assistance with showering or dressing
- Other personal care support if health or medical recovery is negatively impacted

## On the DVA website there is also information for:

- Rehabilitation Appliances Program
- Coordinated Veterans' Care Program
- Respite Care
- Convalescent Care

# History

## APRIL

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
1 April 1921	First AIF disbanded	During the four years of the First World War the First AIF gained a reputation for military prowess that remains very much in the consciousness of Australians to the present day.
3 April 1885	Tamai	Tamai was the largest and most significant engagement in which the 770-man New South Wales contingent to the Sudan were involved. In comparison with the British units involved in the battle, Australian involvement was minimal.
4 April 1918	First action at Villers-Bretonneux	Villers-Bretonneux, overlooking the Somme and within artillery range of Amiens, was a principal objective when the German Spring Offensive was in its dying stages in early April. They were repulsed by the 9th Brigade from the 3rd Australian Division and some British units.
6 April 1942	US 41st Division arrives in Australia	Between December 1941 and August 1945 some one million Americans were stationed in Australia.
6 April 1952	1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, arrives in Korea	The battalion remained in Korea until September 1953.
7 April 1916	Australians reach the Western Front	First Australian units of the 2nd Division arrived on Western Front and were introduced to fighting on the Western Front in what was called the 'nursery sector' in the relatively quiet area around Armentieres, France.
8 April 1918	Repatriation Department established	Once soldiers were demobilised all tasks aimed at their rehabilitation and return to civilian life became the responsibility of the Repatriation Department.
9 April 1942	HMAS Vampire sunk	The destroyer HMAS Vampire and the aircraft carrier HMS Hermes were sunk by Japanese bombers off Colombo in the Bay of Bengal.
9 April 1968	HMAS Sydney arrived at Vung Tau	The 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, disembarked and the 7th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, embarked. Sydney made 24 voyages to Vietnam during the war.
10 April 1941	Siege of Tobruk, Libya, begins	Tobruk was surrounded on three sides by the German Afrika Korps in April and remained besieged, but able to be re-supplied by sea, until December. Most Australians, however, left Tobruk between August and October.

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
11 April 1970	HMAS Vendetta returns to Sydney	HMAS Vendetta was the only one of three Australian Daring class destroyers to serve on the gunline in Vietnamese waters. The ship served one tour.
13 April 1983	Dedication of the Rats of Tobruk memorial	The memorial, on Anzac Parade, was dedicated by the Governor-General of Australia, the Right Hon Sir Ninian Stephen. The memorial commemorates the Australian and Allied servicemen who died during the siege of Tobruk in 1941.
19 April 1968	Dedication of the Desert Mounted Corps memorial	The memorial, on Anzac Parade, was dedicated by Prime Minister John Gorton. The memorial is based on the original unveiled at Port Said, Egypt, by former Prime Minister William Morris Hughes in 1932. It was destroyed during the Suez Crisis of 1956.
21 April 1917	Foundation of the Imperial War Graves Commission	The Imperial War Graves Commission was later renamed the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. It is responsible for erecting and maintaining war memorials and cemeteries.
23 April 1918	Ostend and Zeebrugge, Belgium, raided	Eleven volunteers from HMAS Australia took part in a raid that aimed to prevent the Germans using these Belgian ports as a bases for their submarines.
25 April 1916	First commemoration of Anzac Day	The first anniversary of the Gallipoli landings was widely observed in Australia. Large crowds attended church services and public ceremonies . The day was also commemorated by Australian and New Zealand servicemen in Egypt and London.
28 April 1952	Australia ratifies peace treaty with Japan and official ending of the British Commonwealth Occupation Force (BCOF)	From the end of 1948 Australia had taken on the largest role in BCOF. When the state of occupation ended the Commonwealth organisation in Japan was redesignated British Commonwealth Forces Korea and continued supplying and administering Commonwealth forces then fighting in Korea.
29 April 1915	HMA Submarine AE2 sunk in the Sea of Marmara	AE2 was the first submarine to penetrate the Dardanelles. For five days the AE2 carried out orders to disrupt Turkish shipping. When her torpedoes were exhausted and she was attacked by Turkish gunboats the submarine was scuttled and her crew captured.

*Without History,  
There Would Be  
No Future!*

# Associated Groups

	<b>AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION (RAAFA) REDLANDS BRANCH</b> Meetings held 2nd Sunday every second month at 10.30am in the Gallipoli Room. Social get-togethers held Wednesdays at 3pm in the Anzac Lounge. Contact: President Rob Wilson 0419 688 014
	<b>NAVAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (BAYSIDE SUB SECTION)</b> Meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 12 noon. Contact: Graham Hargreaves 0427 432 293
	<b>T&amp;PI ASSOCIATION MORETON BAY SOUTH</b> Meetings held on the last Wednesday of the month in the Veterans Community Centre. Contact: Ken Logue 0402 028 806
	<b>REDLANDS RSL SUB BRANCH WOMEN'S AUXILIARY</b> Meetings held the 1st Monday of the month at 10am in the Meeting Room. Contact: Desley Lingard 0409 060 267
	<b>REDLANDS SUB BRANCH AUSTRALIAN WAR WIDOWS (QUEENSLAND)</b> Meetings are held the last Friday of the month in the Gallipoli Room of the club commencing at 10.00am. Contact: Lynne Martin, President on 0416 224 453
	<b>REDLANDS LEGACY CARE GROUP</b> Meets on the 1st Friday of each month in the RSL Club Gallipoli Room commencing at 10.00am. Contact: Lynne Martin, President on 0416 224 453
	<b>YOUNG VETERANS REDLANDS</b> Contact: Adrain Aiple on 0421 206 963. Find the group on Facebook.

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Next meeting: League Gathering on Sunday 23rd May 2021.



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