

REDLANDS SUB BRANCH

BUGLE

MARCH 2022 EDITION

"Honouring The Fallen By Serving The Living!"

ANZAC DAY
Monday 25th April 2022



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



Veterans Cuppa

**KEEPING OUR REDLANDS RSL SERVICE MEMBERS
SOCIAALLY CONNECTED!**

UPCOMING DATES:

Wednesday 13th APRIL at 9.30am
Wednesday 11th MAY 2022 at 9.30am

Only
\$5.00

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 FOR CATERING PURPOSES**

Anyone requiring transport please phone Linda on 0417 604 729.

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



President's Report

Welcome to this my March report. After a shaky January with up and down attendances by both patrons and staff. Things began sorting itself out and February saw a strong comeback of our patrons which saw most of our sections improve out of sight and exceeding budget which is pleasing.

We are still under staffed and finding it hard to fill some of our positions around the club. We are still trying to bring our number of chefs up to strength, when you lose a couple of chefs it puts a strain on all of the other chefs. They are still expected to keep a high standard and presentation while working excessive hours to cover the gaps and still put out quality meals at a respectable rate.

There are still a couple of key positions to fill and I know the management team are doing their best to fill them and train the people they can find. We aren't on our own with this problem of staffing. It seems to be rife throughout the hospitality industry.

In March we can see the first work being carried out to set up for our extensions. There is already a delay of about a fortnight with some of the demolition work required. I think we will probably get a few delays as we go deeper into the works.

We are still carrying out our welfare work to our many veterans and their families and we now have all of our welfare programs in operation again, like our Joint Venture club, which if you like to have a go at indoor bowls, bingo or cards, it is a great way to get to meet people. It is on a Wednesday morning at the Star of the sea catholic hall. Lorraine and her gang have got the golden oldies back on the go again which is very much appreciated by the oldies.

Well we are back to going without masks again and I for one am very thankful for that.

With that said I will sign off now.

Stay well and take care.

Alan Harcourt LM

**PRESIDENT,
REDLANDS SUB BRANCH**



Treasurer's Report

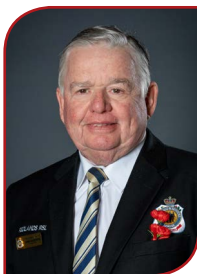
Normal trading appears to be back at Redlands RSL. February was a solid month with a very good net profit result Actual \$254,344.05 Budget \$122,892.00 Variance \$131,452.05 – 107% Increase on budget. To date Actual \$373,397.59 Budget \$222,542.00 Variance \$150,855.59 – 68% Increase on budget.

With the Redlands RSL about to enter its final stage of extensions all financials read well. Overall Members Funds \$29,532,476.83; Current Assets Total \$7,398,388.49; Non-current Assets \$25,843,726.42; Current Liabilities \$2,328,113.27; Bank Business Loan \$1,320,000.00; Investment Account Balance \$4,387,932.67 and Operational Funds \$2,084,843.70.

Normality is really settling back in at the Redlands RSL. After a two-year suspension due to COVID, the Community Grants Programme will return later in 2022.

With the final stage of extensions at the Redlands RSL, we will see the culmination of strategic planning, vision, team work all come together to get the desired outcome.

Greg Saunders
TREASURER, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Wellbeing Report

Good morning, welcome to Autumn and Queensland's crazy weather. I hope yourselves, family and friends were not too badly affected by the flood disaster. I personally am aware of some of our Service members helping out in the disaster relief who have travelled long distances to assist. Well done, I am sure your efforts are appreciated.

We have had another busy month at Headquarters. On a sad note, our Headquarters Administration Assistant, Natalie Cunningham, has resigned to take some personal time. Maybe she will return in the future, take care Nat, all at Headquarters will miss you.

Our bus trip to the dam's in March is full. Please see in the Bugle details of our next trip which is to Bundaberg on 11th, 12th and 13th May.

Our mail out to the over 80 service members is still in progress and we are receiving some lovely replies or having chats with those who have rung to thank us for their letter.

With over 400 letters still to be sent to all our over 80 years' service members, they will get a letter in due course.

The photographer who was in Redlands RSL after the Dawn Service last year will again be in attendance to take photos after the Dawn Service. I have just been looking through last year's photos and there are some great shots.

Schools have already requested a veteran to visit their school for their Commemoration Services so please let me know if you are willing to attend a school. We do not ask for anyone to attend on Anzac Day itself as this is your special day. Please contact me on the below number if you can assist your Sub Branch.

Unfortunately, a number of our Service members passed away in the past month with 4 Poppy Services conducted at the family's request. Our sympathy is extended to their families.

It is lovely to see our Golden Oldies back at the Redlands RSL every fortnight with a varied program set up for them by our wonderful volunteers.

Joint Venture are also back meeting at the Star of the Sea Catholic Church Hall in Passage Street to each week play indoor bowls, bingo and cards.

Other Ex Service organisations, as listed in the Bugle, are back having monthly meetings and let's hope this continues.

Our veteran's cuppa on 8th March attracted over 50 guests with a number of new faces coming along. This has been a great addition to our wellbeing program each month and we thank you for your support.

Thank you to our volunteers who each month help to make the lives of our veterans and their families a little easier each month.

Linda Harcourt

WELLBEING/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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Deputy President & Cadets Report

The month started with preparations for Annual reports from all departments due later this month in preparation for our AGM. The three Cadets Units have provided their reports in a timely manner for the pending AGM.

Meetings held this month with the three Cadet Unit Commanders with regards to Anzac Day arrangements due to construction impacting on some locations of the Club.

The 11th February was our annual charity golf day held at Carbrook and it was once again most successful and funds raised will go to a worthy charity in the Redlands.

The 24th February is War Animal Day and President Alan Harcourt and other team members laid a wreath at the War Animal Memorial at Anzac Park cenotaph.



Catafalque party training will take place at the Centenary Park Cenotaph on Saturday morning 0900 hrs till 1100 hrs prior to Anzac Day in order to make sure the three Cadets Units have the drill procedures down pat.

Schools in the Redlands continue to support us for the Honour Our Fallen program. Letters have been sent out to the three high schools and one primary school for their preparation for Honour Our Fallen Project prior to Anzac Day this year.

On the 10th March our HQ team travelled to Stradbroke Island RSL to pack down memorabilia and return them to the mainland. Some memorabilia that belonged to people on the Island will stay on the Island and will be housed for display at the Island Sporting Club. The weapons on display have been given to John Hague as they belong

to people on the Island and are no longer our responsibility. John Hague will continue to have an Anzac Day service on the Island and we thank him for his support.



TS NORFOLK AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADET UNIT

TS Norfolk welcomed three new cadets to the unit this month, with one cadet joining through our Open Day. On the same day, one cadet received early promotion from CDT Able Seaman to CDT Leading Seaman for their consistent performance and reflecting the values of the Australian Navy Cadets.

Senior Cadets attended a cadet forum with cadets from other units in Moreton Flotilla. Cadets were given the opportunity to meet Chief of the Defence Force General Angus Campbell, who took the time to have a photo with cadets, but took time to speak with them, including a number from TS Norfolk.

The Cadets are preparing for Anzac Day services with Redlands RSL and within their school communities. This includes catafalque training, flag raising and wreath laying ceremonies.

Our Two Midshipmen Staff Officers, as part of their ongoing training, will be taking part in the Instructor Leadership Management Course, which is part of their ongoing compliance training, but the stepping stone for promotion to Sub Lieutenant.



On the week of the 17th March 2022, we welcomed one new recruit, with another cadet earning promotion from Cadet Seaman to Cadet Able Seaman.

TS Norfolk parades Thursday nights during the school term from 1730 to 2030 hours.

Enquiries can be directed to TSNorfolk@cadetnet.gov.au

— Report provided by PO ANC Adam Regnart (Acting) Whole Ships Coordinator TS Norfolk



AUSTRALIAN ARMY 136 CADET UNIT

Due to Covid we started 2 weeks late this year, which will mean our training program will be put under a little bit of pressure as we have to get some compulsory units in prior to our camp in March.

Our recruits finally Marched in, the numbers are a little lower this year probably because we were unable to have our Open Day.

During February we held a one day Lance Corporal course, I was very pleased with the results as the cadets that did the course have had so much of their training over the last 18 months interrupted due to Covid so it was pleasing to see how well they did as despite all the hurdles the cadets have completed and understood the training they have been given. Obviously our training team is doing a fabulous job through a very difficult times.

Our cadets going on Corporal's course in May have started their online workbooks. I am eagerly awaiting the results of the modules as these cadets had all of 2020 and 2021 disrupted by Covid and they are the group we are most concerned about as next year they will be the senior leaders at the unit.

We are getting prepared for a very busy March, with the Annual Blues Festival/ Recruit Uniform issue and our first Biv so it will be a busy month.

We have started our Marching drill with the unit including the recruits to be ready for ANZAC Day and hopefully submit a team to the SQLD drill competition in May.

— *Report provided by CAPT. Wendy Kemp OC 136 ACU*





217 SQUADRON, AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Over the Christmas period the planned AAFC Promotion Courses had to be abandoned due to the unacceptable risk of COVID infection. This meant the planned on base course would revert back to the 2020/21 plan of Promotion via Zoom Video meeting and a 1 weekend later in 2022 to complete the Promotional requirements.

Australian Air Force Cadets 217 Squadron started off 2022 with a good turnout of 22 recruits attending the Squadron. With the first parade night of the year we had great success with returning cadets, as well as the great uniform standards we uphold. Then we started getting straight back into parading, however the not so nice weather did stop this due to the ground being too wet to parade and many Schools flooding, including Capalaba State College. With the 6 of our Leading Cadets and 4 of our Cadets Corporals, being promoted to Acting positions until the practical component can be completed. These will be the new leaders of 217 squadron. In some day soon, some of the new recruits will be able to obtain the same rank.

One of the biggest changes towards the end of 2021 was the long-awaited change to General Purpose Uniform (GPU) for the whole of the AAFC, this change aligns the AAFC with the dress standards of the RAAF that we aspire to teach in classroom activities, now the AAFC looks good.

— Report provided by A/CCPL Zane Bush



Cadet reports compiled by

Van Gray LM

DEPUTY PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB
BRANCH, & CADET LIAISON OFFICER



League Secretary Report

Anzac Day will be upon us before we can gather ourselves after the last month of disasters as we prepare for the most important date in our RSL calendar.

Planning and submission of the forms required, such as Police Reports, Road Closure and many more have all been sent. A meeting with the Redlands City Council staff was held last Tuesday to finalise all the above requirements. All other planning has been confirmed. We are now into the final stages for a smooth lead into Anzac Day.

If you are wanting to lay a wreath for your Unit or Squadron at either the Dawn or Main service, please inform Suzie before Monday 11th April 2022.

The passengers for the golf carts are just about full. There are only 3 places left for passengers with one meeting to go we will fill all the carts. We require those in the golf carts to be in HQ carpark for assembly by 9.00am.

Parking for those that are informed has been explained that 20 spaces have been reserved on the ground floor of the car park. However, you must see Suzie for your vehicle pass and have your name ticked off.

For all timings on Anzac Day please refer to the advertisement within this Bugle.

Michael McDonnell

LEAGUE SECRETARY,
REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Women's Auxiliary

As our February meeting was cancelled due to COVID, our first meeting for the year was in March and was also the Annual General Meeting.

The office bearers were returned again for another year. We would like to thank President Alan Harcourt for chairing the meeting.

This group of wonderful knitted toys was done by Audrey Warner and will be donated to children of domestic violence through Maybanke. Thank you Audrey.

Desley Lingard

PRESIDENT, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY



Library Museum Report

This will be my last report as Curator of the Library/Museum. Because of failing health and old age I find I am not able to fulfil the duties to the level I would expect. The Board has found a much younger replacement in one of our young Vets, Martin Rabjohns who is looking forward to the challenge. I will still be here as a volunteer to help Martin out where possible. It is great at the moment that we do have a full complement of volunteers to help Martin do the job.

On Saturday 12th March, both Martin and I welcomed a group from the Annerley/Stephens RSL for a visit to our Museum and were rewarded by their interest and enthusiasm. They spent two hours looking through the Museum and then went to the RSL for lunch. It is good to have groups returning following two years of shut-downs.



Items donated this month included memorabilia from Ian Skinner which belonged to his great grandfather who served in the Boer War. This included his ceremonial sword, his Mark 2 Webley revolver, and newspapers from 1899 about the Boer War, from 1916 about the Battle of Jutland and 1938 about Prime Minister Chamberlain's Peace in our Time talk with Hitler. Also there were copies from the Mackay Herald regarding the contingent leaving Mackay for the Boer War in 1899, a map of the Burma Railway and the Japanese surrender document on board the Missouri. From World War 2 there are a Japanese sword and scabbard and a German Medical leather field pouch.

From Rohan Woodhouse we received a 1914 Princess Mary Gift Fund Box and from Mr. Roy Kilner a Women of Australia medal with bar and star.

Les Warner
MUSEUM CURATOR



National Servicemen

We are gradually getting back to our usual activities, in spite of the fact that COVID continues to exist all around us. Our Committee has a strong desire to organize more outings and will pursue this aim while endeavouring to keep our members as safe as possible.

We have held a well-attended meeting in the Gallipoli Room which was followed by our members gathering for a pleasant lunch in the RSL Restaurant.

Our next meeting will be followed by the AGM which will be very important. The need for involvement from the floor is crucial and I urge all members to think about the possibility of giving some assistance. Even if taking an elected position seems too difficult, a little assistance somewhere can be a big help. We all share the same situation in that we are getting older, and it is becoming more difficult to invest as much of our energy into the organization.

However, it is for these same reasons that it is so important that we continue to provide for our members the opportunity to get out and enjoy good company.

I believe there are a few of our members who are interested in supporting the trip to Bundaberg which Greg is organizing. We will encourage and assist our members to take part. Members should register at the RSL Reception in the normal way.

There is still great interest among our members in ANZAC Day. Unfortunately, the desire to march is not matched by our physical ability to do so. In spite of this I am still anticipating a good roll up of our members.

Eric Shaw,

PRESIDENT, NATIONAL SERVICEMEN
REDLANDS BRANCH



Naval Association

BAYSIDE SUB SECTION

Yours Aye,

Graham Hargreaves

PRESIDENT, NAVAL ASSOCIATION,
BAYSIDE SUB SECTION



RAAF Association



REDLANDS BRANCH

Redlands Branch of the RAAF Association promotes the wellness and benefits of members and supports No. 217 Squadron, Australian Air Force Cadets.

The Wednesday afternoon informal wellbeing gatherings in the ANZAC Lounge of Redlands RSL have been well supported. These gathering are a great opportunity for members to get out and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow members; and 'solve' the problems of the world. Members of the Branch have also enjoyed attending the monthly 'Veterans Cuppa' organised by Redlands RSL Sub-Branch.



On Sunday 13th March, members of the Branch travelled overseas when they took the ferry to Macleay Island for lunch at the Macleay Island Bowls Club. The Courtesy Bust met us at the Ferry Terminal and took us all to the club for lunch overlooking the bay. After a great lunch, the bus returned us to the Ferry Terminal. The next social function for Branch Members will be a Restaurant Dinner on Wednesday 23rd March at Redlands RSL Sails Restaurant.

The next meeting of RAAFA Redlands Branch will be a General Meeting on Sunday 10th April 2022 at 10:30am in Redlands RSL.

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 & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

This year is well underway. By the time we have our meeting, we would have had our second trip for the year (Tuesday 22nd March 2022) on our trip around South East Qld Dams that is a sell-out.

The next trip we are embarking on is a 3 day trip to Bundaberg. See pages 20 & 21 for itinerary. This trip will take place on the 11th, 12th & 13th May 2022.

Day 1 includes a visit to the famous Bundaberg Rum Distillery with sampling included in the price.

Day 2 is a trip on a luxury catamaran to Lady Musgrave Island. This is a full day that includes snorkelling, checking out the reef in a glass bottom boat looking at the marine life, plus a walk on the island. A magnificent lunch is inclusive on board the boat.

Day 3 we visit the magnificent Botanical Gardens and the Bert Hinkler Aviation Museum, then make our way back home.

The cost of this trip is \$795 per person twin share (+\$110 single supplement). This cost is dependant on 36 passengers bookings and paying in full by Thursday 28th April 2022, otherwise there will be an incremental increase depending on the amount of passengers who book. This trip represents exceptional value!

The Bundaberg trip can be paid over three instalments:

- \$350pp (twin share) or \$460 (if single) deposit required at the time of booking
- \$250pp by Wednesday 23rd March 2022
- \$195pp by Thursday 28th April 2022 - final payment.

Or, the full amount can be paid at time of booking.

Please note that this trip is available for Redlands RSL Service members and one partner only.

Again, this price is dependant on 36 passengers.

Tickets are selling well, so get in touch with Redlands RSL reception and secure your spot! See reception staff, or phone 3488 1199.

Greg Saunders,

CONVENOR OF VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

Below are a couple of photos taken on our Veterans & Wellbeing Excursion on Tuesday 22nd March 2022. A great day was had by all.

Photo credit: John Butler



MONDAY

25th

APRIL

ANZAC DAY

Their Glory will never die,
Their epitaphs are written
in the hearts of mankind.

And wherever there is talk on noble deeds,
Their names will be held
in grateful remembrance.

They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun
and in the morning,
We will remember them.

lest we forget



Official Anzac Day **SCHEDULE**

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

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
League members, Veterans, and Serving Personnel permitted to partake.

5.30am: Dawn Service Commemorations

6am to 8.30am: Breakfast

Sails on Shore Restaurant at Redlands RSL.
See page 12 for further information

6am to 8.30am: Service Member Camaraderie in Gallipoli Function Room

NB: Restricted access for League Members, Veterans, Serving Personnel, Partners & Carers ONLY during these times. 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

12 noon to 1pm: Service Member Camaraderie in Gallipoli Function Room

NB: Restricted access for League Members, Veterans, Serving Personnel, Partners & Carers ONLY during this hour.

Redlands RSL Trading Hours:

6am to 8.30am for Breakfast only.
Re-opening for lunch on conclusion of the Main Service

Sails Restaurant Trading Times:

Lunch: On conclusion of Main Service to 5pm.
Dinner: 5pm to 8pm

Cove Café Trading Times:

On conclusion of the Main Service until 5pm.

Traditional Two Up:

Held in the car park across the road
from Redlands RSL on Passage Street
(between the HQ & Library Museum buildings).
Can Bar open from 12 noon. Two Up from 1pm.

**NEW
LOCATION**



- Anzac Day -

BREAKFAST

6am to 8.30am - Sails Restaurant

Enjoy a plated breakfast of bacon, scrambled eggs, hash browns, tomatoes, and baked beans, with tea and coffee.

Adults: \$10.00 | Children 12yrs & under: \$7.50

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOS

6.30am to 7.30am - Gallipoli Room

Following the Dawn Service, Redlands RSL Sub Branch has once again arranged for a professional photographer to take portrait photos of our Service members, veterans, and serving personnel. This is a great opportunity to have a very special photo taken with your medals worn proudly.

This is complimentary, no bookings required.

ENTERTAINMENT

1pm to 4pm - Anzac Lounge

Cory Hargreaves will be performing live on main stage.





TWO UP

Can Bar open from 12 noon

Two Up from 1pm to 5pm

Large crowds are expected to gather over a game of two-up, celebrating true Aussie spirit and mateship.

This traditional game was played extensively by Australian soldiers during WW1.

NEW LOCATION: In the car park located between our RSL HQ and Library Museum buildings, directly across the road from Redlands RSL on Passage Street.



FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information on the Dawn Service, Main Commemorative Service, or Wreath Laying please phone our League Secretary on 3488 1108.

Any covid restrictions still placed upon our industry by the Qld Government will be enforced, including using the Check-In Qld app and showing proof of vaccination upon entering the Redlands RSL venue. At time of print, no restrictions apply to our commemorative services.



Veterans and W



**BUNDABERG &
LADY MUSGRAVE ISLAND**

2 NIGHTS | 3 DAYS

**WEDNESDAY 11TH MAY
TO FRIDAY 13TH MAY 2022**



Despite elements of modern city life, the vibrant country charm of Bundaberg remains. Lose yourself in the lush botanic gardens, wander the gorgeous main street, taste award winning rum and uncover the adventurous life of aviation expert, Bert Hinkler.

Day 1 - Wednesday 11th May 2022 Home To Bundaberg

Departing Redlands RSL at 8 am.

Welcome to our tour to Bundaberg. After our morning pick up, we make our way north, stopping for convenience breaks and to purchase lunch. On arrival we visit the famous Bundaberg Rum Distillery. Explore the museum and distillery on a guided tour and enjoy samples of the internationally award-winning rum. After checking in, freshen up for our welcome dinner in our motel.

Econo Lodge Park Lane Motel | Ph: 07 4151 2341
Lunch at own expense | Dinner at the hotel





Wellbeing Excursions

Day 2 - Thursday 12th May 2022 Lady Musgrave Island

An underwater oasis is waiting to be discovered as we travel on a luxury catamaran to Lady Musgrave Island. We have the day to discover this truly unspoilt island. Pop on your snorkel and mask to reveal one of the Great Barrier Reefs protected coral lagoons. We also discover the pristine reef habitat many marine and land animals call home by glass bottom boat or an island walk. The tour will also include a wonderful lunch. What a day on the glorious reef!

Breakfast and dinner at the hotel | Lunch included

Day 3 - Friday 13th May 2022 Bundaberg to Home

This morning we're off to the Botanic Gardens to be amazed by the dynamic Hinkler Hall of Aviation. Bring to life the adventures and achievements of Australia's famous pioneer solo aviator Bert Hinkler by becoming a part of the story through interactive displays and glide simulators. After being enthralled by Bert's life accomplishments, enjoy morning tea within the gardens at Café 1928. We continue home arriving late afternoon from a fantastic trip to Bundaberg.

Breakfast at the hotel | Lunch at own expense

Pre-bookings with payment essential!
See reception, or phone: 3488 1199.
Payment plan available - see page 18.

\$795pp

TWIN SHARE
(+ \$110 single
supplement)

ADF OUT IN FORCE FOR FLOOD CLEANUP

More than 7000 Australian Defence Force personnel are currently assigned to Operation Flood Assist 2022 across NSW and Queensland.

Australian and Fijian soldiers are working side by side in northern New South Wales to rebuild a community access road as part of Operation Flood Assist 2022. Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF) personnel had intended to spend their three months in Australia this year on Exercise Coral Warrior, but the significant flooding and devastation has seen our Pacific neighbours volunteering their time to help Australian communities clean up.



Soldiers support in Sackville: Trudging through still-muddy grounds, Sydney-based soldiers worked with NSW Fire and Rescue to assist in the clean-up of Sackville Ski Gardens holiday park during Operation Flood Assist 2022. The caravan park had endured its second flood in 12 months, with flood-levels peaking over a metre higher than floods experienced in the summer of 2021. With his caravans up-turned, broken and filled with mud, resident Grant Moynihan said it was hard to know where to start the clean-up, although appreciative of the support provided by personnel from the Australian Army.

Hay is on its way: An award-winning cattle farm in Casino can start recovering its herd after receiving the Australian Army's first hay delivery to the region on March 12. Soldiers from 5th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (5RAR), delivered 50 bales to Mogul Brahman Stud Farm at Yorklea, just outside Casino, after strong floods inundated the property.

Northern Australian reservists answer the call: A contingent from 51st Battalion, Far North Queensland Regiment, deployed from across Cape York and the Torres Strait to support Operation Flood Assist 2022. Deploying to Gallipoli Barracks in Brisbane for tasking, the soldiers are all reservists who were able to organise their civilian lives and work schedules to make them available to help with the clean-up. Since arriving in Brisbane, they have been hard at work cleaning up at a number of flood ravaged locations and working with a variety of other units.

US Navy crew helps with Brisbane clean up: USS Frank Cable recently arrived in Brisbane, and some of the ship's company stepped ashore to help Australian Defence Force personnel deployed on Operation Flood Assist with clean-up tasks. The ship, attached to the US Seventh Fleet and based in Guam, is visiting Brisbane as part of its current deployment.

Air Force helped clean up Goodna Services Club: Floodwater seeped from the carpet under the weight of Flying Officer Aleksandr Yashin's boots as he helped heartbroken staff salvage what they could from the flood-ravaged Goodna Services Club in Queensland. Floodwater seeped from the carpet under the weight of Flying Officer Aleksandr Yashin's boots as he helped heartbroken staff salvage what they could from the flood-ravaged Goodna Services Club in Queensland.

ADF helping Brisbane 'get back on its feet': The recent floods left a large part of the Brisbane Markets underwater, stopping all transport and operations, and causing millions of dollars of damage and loss of produce. The Australian Defence Force was asked to assist the markets, home to about 5000 employees and hundreds of family businesses, to help rapidly remove rotting produce, damaged infrastructure, and clear mud and debris.



★CONGRATULATIONS★



**30 YEAR
CUMULATIVE
SERVICE AS
A MEMBER**

Congratulations to 9 of our Sub Branch members who in the coming weeks will receive their 30 year Membership Certificate from State RSL in recognition of their 30 years' cumulative service as a member of the League. These members are: Thomas Meaker, Colin Hatch, Barry Budge, John Reister, Anthony Murphy, John Hague, Andrew Bailey, Viv Smith, and Keith Noud.

LIFE ON THE LINE

OUR VETERANS, THEIR STORIES

Life on the Line is a podcast that talks to Australian military veterans and records their stories in their own words. From World War II to the 21st Century, these are the stories of Australian men and women, each of whom put their life on the line for their country.

<https://www.contactairlandandsea.com/our-veterans-their-stories/>

History

MARCH

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
1 Mar 1942	HMAS Perth sunk in Sunda Strait	Having survived the battle of the Java Sea HMAS Perth and the United States Cruiser Houston were sunk in a battle against overwhelming Japanese forces off the western tip of Java. 353 of Perth's 680 crew were killed in the battle.
3 Mar 1942	Broome and Wyndham bombed	The Japanese air raid on Broome came when the port was crowded with refugees fleeing the Japanese invasion of the Netherlands East Indies. About 70 people, including many civilians are thought to have been killed in the raid. Japanese Attacks on Wyndham focused on the town's aerodrome.
5 Mar 1970	HMAS Sydney arrives at Fremantle, en route to Sydney	On board was 5th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, which had completed a tour in Vietnam. HMAS Sydney made 21 voyages to Vietnam during the war.
11 Mar 1845	First Maori War	British troops based in Australia were sent to suppress an uprising by Maoris who were unhappy at the continuing expansion of European settlement in New Zealand's North Island.
13 Mar 1943	Japanese reconnaissance flight over Darwin	In addition to the 64 air raids on Darwin the Japanese made numerous reconnaissance flights over northern Australia.
15 Mar 1940	First two women from the Voluntary Aid Detachments organisation enlist in the AIF	Most Voluntary Aids transferred after August 1942 into the new Australian Army Women's Medical Service. Over 200 Voluntary Aids served in the Middle East and Ceylon during the Second World War.
20 Mar 1917	Lieutenant F.H. McNamara, VC	Lieutenant F.H. McNamara, originally from Rushworth, Victoria, becomes the first Australian airman to win a Victoria Cross for rescuing a downed comrade in Palestine.
20 Mar 2003	Iraq War	Australian military forces, as part of the US-led coalition, commence operations as part of the invasion of Iraq.
21 Mar 1942	Air battle for Port Moresby begins	The Japanese had hoped to occupy Port Moresby as a base from which to cut off shipping to Eastern Australia. Their defeat in the Battle of the Coral Sea thwarted the planned naval attack and invasion against Port Moresby.
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Associated Groups

	AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION (RAAFA) REDLANDS BRANCH 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
	NAVAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (BAYSIDE SUB SECTION) Meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 12 noon. Contact: Graham Hargreaves 0427 432 293
	NATIONAL SERVICEMEN REDLANDS BRANCH Meetings are held on the 1st Sunday of the month at 10.30am in the Gallipoli Room. Contact: Eric Shaw, President on 0407 158 886
	T&PI ASSOCIATION MORETON BAY SOUTH Meetings held on the last Wednesday of the month in the Veterans Community Centre. Contact: Neil Trapp
	REDLANDS RSL SUB BRANCH WOMEN'S AUXILIARY Meetings held the 1st Monday of the month at 10am in the Meeting Room. Contact: Desley Lingard 0409 060 267
	REDLANDS SUB BRANCH AUSTRALIAN WAR WIDOWS (QUEENSLAND) 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
	REDLANDS LEGACY CARE GROUP 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
	YOUNG VETERANS REDLANDS Contact: Adrain Aiple on 0421 206 963. Find the group on Facebook.

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