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Information for all Veterans, Ex-Service
& Serving Men & Women in the Redlands





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President's Report

Welcome to this July's presidents report. The club has been cruising along pretty well, in fact quite well, which is a bit of a blessing as our internal renovations will be starting 27th July and having that little bit of a buffer will help.

The internal works commencing the 15th July will be the hoarding up of the area level with the inside wall of the TAB room right through from the kids room down to the far eastern wall. This will effectively cut out about 100 dining room seats. This makes it even more imperative for you to book if you wish to dine in. When the kitchen undergoes its renovation we will be using a hired mobile kitchen that will be attached to the Shore Street wall, and the servery will be out of that side. The current kitchen will be expanded.

So we have some big moves coming up in August and September we ask that you have patience with us, we will try to make your stay as pleasant as possible.

We have had some losses in our membership over the last 2 months. We have had 18 service members pass, which is a great loss to their family and friends, the majority are over 80. The Redlands RSL Sub-Branch league membership is 1160 strong, the largest membership in the South East District. Of that, we have 134 service members over 85 years of age which is quite a number.

Needless to say we have had some calls to perform Poppy services for some of our members.

Our wellbeing section has been working well assisting our service members and their dependants in all sorts of ways, and our compensation advocates are keeping up with the claims to be made. There is still a big delay with the DVA replies.

With that I will call it quits.

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

QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY 23RD JANUARY 2022

MEETING OPENED: 10.30am by President A. Harcourt

ODE: Recited

REMEMBERING:

Dudley Orchard	Unknown	ARMY
John Alder	13th May 2021	NAVY
Tony Goninan	15th November 2021	ARMY
Bernard Jeffrey	1st December 2021	NAVY
Ronald Fiedler	5th December 2021	AIR FORCE
Norah Young	Unknown	WRAAF

ATTENDANCE: A total of 45 as per the attendance book

APOLOGIES: (6) As per the apologies list: D.Lingard, A.Tillgren, G.Robertson, J.Robertson, J.Hagreaves, K.Cullum.

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: R. Khan

That the Attendance and Apologies be accepted

.....Motion 1...CARRIED

President Alan Harcourt read a letter from Stephen Day DSC, AM Major General - New RSL Qld State President.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Quarterly Meeting Sunday 24th October, 2021

Moved: I. Cuthbertson

Seconded: G. Hargreaves

That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted

.....Motion 2...CARRIED

PRESIDENTS REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: A. Harcourt

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Presidents report be acceptedMotion 3...CARRIED

TREASURERS REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: G. Saunders

Seconded: M. Taylor

That the Treasurers Report be acceptedMotion 4...CARRIED

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT:

- Only 4 weeks into 2022 and Covid has turned budgets and planning

upside down once again, as food, staffing and numbers are down 50%+ and most of the issues are out of our control.

- Final plans for the club and land on Stradbroke Island are in review.

Moved: R. Wilson

Seconded: B. Ramsay

That the General Managers Report be accepted .Motion 5...CARRIED

WELLBEING REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved L. Harcourt

Seconded: R. Wilson

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

COMPENSATION WELLBEING ADVOCATES & WELLBEING SUPPORT OFFICERS AUTHORISED TO ACT: Copy of the above mention document is attached herewith

Moved L. Harcourt

Seconded: G. Hargreaves

That the Compensation/Wellbeing Advocates Authority to Act be accepted Motion 7...CARRIED

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

Moved: I. Gray

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Deputy President, Cadets & SED Meeting Report be accepted Motion 8...CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS: Nil

Next Annual General Meeting: 27th March 2022

Meeting Closed: 11:00am

LEAGUE GATHERING MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY 23RD JANUARY 2022

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT: Inwards & Outwards: (M. McDonnell)

Outward:

- Email to Australian National Events to submit costings for Anzac Day 2022.
- Confirmation from RAAF 95 Wing of support for 2022.

Inwards:

- Received email from B. Moore WO Class One, RSM from ADF Ceremonial support for Anzac Day 2022.
- Notification from Veteran Support Force that the Royal Commission into Veterans Suicide has commenced in Brisbane.
- Many emails from concerned veterans prior to voting at RSL QLD AGM on the 9th December 2021.

- Vanessa Schneider RAAF 95 Wing HQ re: support for next year.
- Email from Everyman's Welfare Service.
- Official letter from Hon Andrew Gee MP, 80th Anniversary of the siege of Tobruk.
- Message to members from new QLD RSL President Major General Stephen Day DSCAM
- New regulations from State Government re: Covid 19.
- DVA have closed MyAccount and transferred records over to MyService.
- Message from Australian PM National Cabinet agreed that Free RAT kits available through chemists for those holding Gold, White or Orange DVA cards or have a Concession or Health Card.

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Inwards and Outwards Correspondence be accepted

.....Motion 9...CARRIED

LEAGUE SECRETARY REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: M McDonnell

Seconded: R. Khan

That the League Secretary Report be accepted .Motion 10...CARRIED

LIBRARY MUSEUM REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved L. Warner

Seconded: E. Shaw

That the Library Museum report be accepted . . Motion 11...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 12...CARRIED

NAVAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA: As presented in the Bugle

Moved G. Hargreaves

Seconded: I. Cuthbertson

That the Naval Association information be accepted

.....Motion 13...CARRIED

WOMENS AUXILIARY: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: D. Whitby

Seconded: D. Hay

That the Women's Auxiliary report be accepted

.....Motion 14...CARRIED

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

Moved: R. Wilson

Seconded: G. Olsen

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

.....Motion 15...CARRIED

VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSION INFORMATION: As presented in the Bugle

- Tuesday 22nd March 2022 our first trip leaves RSL 8:30am travel to Mt Mee, onto North Pine Dam for morning tea, scenic trip to Kilcoy for lunch on to Wivenhoe Dam a stop off at Fernvale Pie Shop on the way back to the Redlands RSL approx.. 5pm @ \$48.00per head – Proof of Vaccination to be shown before boarding the bus and at this point in time masks on the bus would be mandatory.

Moved: G. Saunders

Seconded: L. Harcourt

That the Veterans and Wellbeing Excursion Information be acceptedMotion 16...CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- No League Gathering in the month of April 2022 due to it falling between Anzac Day and Easter, so please let us know at your earliest convenience if you are laying wreaths, reserving seats, drivers and passengers in golf buggies.
- A survey by UGov shows the Anzac Day Service could be 69% down as they most likely not go to a service in 2022.

Raffles Drawn and Won

Next Meeting: 27th February @ 10:30am.

Meeting Closed: 11:15am

COMPENSATION WELLBEING ADVOCATES WELLBEING SUPPORT OFFICERS

The above are historically appointed at the Annual General Meeting held in March. Due to the current COVID climate it has been decided to have Authority to Act passed at the Quarterly General meeting to be held on Sunday 23rd January 2022 in case we cannot hold our Annual General Meeting in March.

That the following Compensation/Wellbeing Advocates and Wellbeing Support Officers be Authorised to Act on behalf of the Redlands RSL Sub Branch Inc until 26th March 2023 with the understanding that the Authorisation can be withdrawn at any time without explanation.

Senior Compensation/
Wellbeing Advocate

Peter Beauchamp LM

Compensation/Wellbeing
Advocate Level 2

Graham Hargreaves

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Compensation/Wellbeing Advocate Level 2	Debra Lake
Compensation/Wellbeing Advocate Level 1	Edmund (Dave) Cusack
Compensation/Wellbeing Advocate Level 1	Douglas Stockwell
Compensation/Wellbeing Advocate	Joe Schinella (in training)
Compensation/Wellbeing Advocate	Michael Barbeler (in training)
Wellbeing Advocate	Bruce Reedman
Wellbeing Advocate	Graham Hinson
Wellbeing Advocate	Phillip Whitlock
Wellbeing Support Officer	Pam Griffioen
Wellbeing Support Officer	Cornelius (Blue) Griffioen
Wellbeing Support Officer	Gregory Saunders
Wellbeing Support Officer	Gordon Smith
Wellbeing Support Officer	Megan Paki
Wellbeing Support Officer	Jamie Wallace
Wellbeing Support Officer	Bernie Coleman
Wellbeing Support Officer	Laraine Coleman
Wellbeing Support Officer	Lenore Olsen
Wellbeing Support Officer	Alan Harcourt
Wellbeing Support Officer	Linda Harcourt
Wellbeing Support Officer	John Butler
Wellbeing Support Officer	Ian Gray
Wellbeing Support Officer	Desley Lingard
Wellbeing Support Officer	Sally Triggell
Wellbeing Support Officer	Denise Partis

All Compensation and Wellbeing Advocates must be accredited with the Advocacy Training and Development Program (ATDP)



VIETNAM

VETERANS DAY

THURSDAY

18TH AUGUST 2022

- COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE -

10am - Anzac Memorial Park

Please join us at Anzac Memorial Park, (located next to Redlands RSL Headquarters) for a commemorative service.

All are then invited back for camaraderie in the Anzac Lounge after the service.

VIETNAM VETERAN BUMPER STICKER - \$5.00
(Nasho & Regular colours available)

**VIETNAM VETERAN
SCARF - \$27.50**



Treasurer's Report

We have now reached the halfway point of 2022 and from a financial perspective; Redlands RSL is in a very strong position. Our net profit for June 2022 Actual \$128,855.00, Budget \$83,254.00, Variance \$45,601.73. To date for 2022 Actual \$1,016,119.00, Budget \$507,290.00, Variance \$508,829.00. Depreciation figure is \$233,818.00 over last year on a to-date basis, so suffice to say we are in a very strong position.

Overall Members Funds are \$30,175,198.00, Current Asset total \$9,942,234.00, Current Liabilities \$3,293,040.00, Non-Current Liabilities \$1,824,206.00 against Non-Current Liabilities (Bank Business Loan) \$1,760,000.00. Cash Reserves remain resilient at \$4,215,266.00 and a further \$945,158 in Operational Funds.

League and Wellbeing totalled \$75,510.00 for June 2022.

Thank you to the dedicated band of volunteers who have contributed 5292 hours to June towards home visits, pension applications/reviews, poppy services, commemorative days, golden oldies, library/museum, charitable and wellbeing.

As at 30/06/2022, our Cash in Kind Donations totalled \$511,640.66.

Finally, as we really start to get into the refurbishment, I encourage all Veterans and members to book if you are going to be dining at the RSL to avoid disappointment. However, the benefits that will be gained are really going to benefit all with a state of the art Redlands RSL on the horizon.

Greg Saunders

TREASURER, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Wellbeing Report

Good morning and welcome to the July Quarterly Meeting in the Sails Restaurant. The renos are going well, but we will be meeting here until further notice, access from 9am, starting approx. 9.15am.

There have been thirty visitors to HQ this month to see an Advocate plus numerous phone calls and visits enquiring about many and varied topics. We have also had a number of enquiries from relatives regarding history of service in their family and where they can obtain medals, get them repaired or obtain replicas. Volunteers hours from January to 30th June 2022 are 5292 hours. The volunteers have freely given in various ways to this Sub Branch.

Sadly, we have been requested to conduct poppy services for five ex servicemen/women this month. Two of these were Redlands RSL Sub Branch members. Our Sub Branch conducts a Poppy Service for any Allied Veteran upon request. Please advise your next of kin to contact the RSL or Funeral Director if you would like a Poppy Service.

On Thursday 14th an in-house training morning was held for our volunteers who have joined us post COVID restrictions. There were 14 volunteers in attendance and thank you to Ian Gray for facilitating this training. To our volunteers who have not been well, hope you are back with us soon, we miss you.

The three day bus trip to Bundaberg was successful. Unfortunately there were some last minute cancellations due to health issues but those who attended enjoyed the break from everyday routine. The bus trip to Toowoomba is full and plans for the remainder of our 2022 bus trips will be advised in August.

If you are the holder of the Gold Card please ask one of our Advocates or ring the Department of Veterans Affairs if you are not sure of your entitlements as just because you have a gold card it does not necessarily mean that your spouse is entitled to a War Widows Pension when you pass away.

Thank you to our volunteers and staff for the professional way that you take care of our veterans and support each other.

Linda Harcourt

WELLBEING/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Phone: 3488 1102 | Mobile: 0417 604 729

Email: linda.harcourt@redlandsrsl.com.au



Deputy President & Cadets Report

During this reporting month our President Alan Harcourt and myself attended RSL Qld Congress late in June. A full report on the Congress will be tabled at our monthly meeting for your information as the report is too large to be printed in the Bugle. Both Alan and I attended the RSL SED Delegates meeting held on the 7th of July at SED HQ at New Farm. See highlights of that meeting in this months Bugle.

The main highlight, apart from the normal meeting was a presentation from The General Manager of 'Service Delivery' Graeme Alley from RSL Qld who outlined how the new Wellbeing Services Program has been rolled out and implemented. This full package is now fully operational to Veterans and Sub Branches. For all wellbeing programs assistance and advocacy services, they encourage Veterans to have a chat with RSL Queensland's Veteran Services team to see what their options are. Veterans can Phone 134RSL or email vsrslqld.org for assistance.

The second presentation was from Hugh Poulson from Sunnybank Sub Branch who presented a suggested upgrade of RSL "Recognition of Service" program as the one in place from National and State is not fit for purpose, is out of date and doesn't suit our members in todays RSL. His proposal will now go to the State Board for consideration. In our perspective his proposal has merit.

On the 14th July we conducted a 4 hour Volunteer induction program that was held in the Veterans Centre for thirteen Volunteers in order to comply with section 28 of the Work Place Health and Safety Act, duty of worker.

Cadets will be starting preparations for Vietnam Veterans Day Service to be held on the 18th August at Anzac Park at 01000 hrs.



AUSTRALIAN ARMY 136 CADET UNIT

Our new recruits Marched In and their training is progressing nicely, after the holidays we will get into the more exciting training and of course their training biv in August. The number of new recruits is down but with Covid still hanging around we are aware of some potential new

recruits choosing to wait until next year.

We held a very successful LCPL course at the unit and the test results were very encouraging and a great sign for the future. During the course we had a visitor from our National HQ in Canberra – Our National RSM was visiting Brisbane for an Army WO1 conference, and he wanted to see a local Cadet Unit before he went back down south – our unit was selected so he along with our Bde RSM arrived for quick visit and a tour of our facilities – while he was there he was pleased to answer numerous questions from the cadets and staff across many topics.

Our postponed biv went ahead at Purga in the middle of June and yes it was very cold, we recorded just under freezing at 0600 on Saturday morning and just over 0 degrees on Sunday morning. Due to all the rain we had had in the previous month there was water courses at Purga we had never seen before, so our Nav course had to be quickly redrawn to avoid the some very wet and boggy areas.

It was great to be out in the bush again and once the day warmed up it was actually very nice. The cadets were split into 2 platoons and had to navigate to a certain point to get their lunch, one platoon did very well and arrived exactly on time, the other platoon did not arrive until for almost an hour, by this time the first platoon had cooked their lunch cleaned up and were on the move again. The cadets navigated back to our CP for Dinner and then went out again on a 'lantern stalk' until it was time for lights out, they were exhausted and within 30 mins of lights out there was total silence in the lines. On Sunday morning we did a reverse navigation where the cadets had to find several items and the platoon that finished first the day before were well and truly beaten, so overall I can see that there is good nav knowledge within the unit across all cadet levels.

During the school holidays there will be a SGT's course, and we will have some cadets attend a course run by the Army Drone racing team. — *Report provided by CAPT. Wendy Kemp OC 136 ACU*



Day 1 cooking hot meal



Navigation In the field



Hot Cuppa and Cake



TS NORFOLK AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADET UNIT

TS Norfolk cadets and staff had a very busy month training and preparing for our annual inspection. This is a valuable opportunity to showcase the abilities and amazing work of our unit not just to our senior officers and Flotilla support staff, fellow cadet organisations, parents and the wonderful people of the Redlands RSL and the Naval Association. The day started off with a march past and 'Advance and review order' followed quickly by 2 team building activities.

These activities were navigation golf (hitting a ball to a designated marker which contained letters which the cadets would later decode). This was followed by the "rigging of a ship" where we rigged a jack stay from wooden beams before sending a test dummy for a 'zip line ride'. The final activity had the cadets participating in the Flotilla Commander's Activity which was the classic 'egg drop'. Cadets were formed into small groups where they had to design a system where the cadets had to protect an egg being dropped from a range of heights and remain intact.

Cadets and staff of TS Norfolk attended a joint training parade with the 217 AAFC. This involved a range of training opportunities for both units involving ANC & AAFC ranks, dress and drill with Norfolk cadets assembling a tent as part of a team building and leadership exercise. After a busy 8 weeks two of Norfolk's wonderful staff SBLT Ashley Trehane ANC and SBLT Madonna Trehane ANC organised an amazing bowling night to celebrate an epic term well and celebrate the passing of the annual inspection. The night was attended by the cadets and staff of TS Norfolk and TS Diamantina as well as FOPSOs (Flotilla support officers) and our FLOTCOM (Flotilla Commander).

TS Norfolk is recruiting cadets aged 13 to 17 of all genders and parades every Thursday night during the school term between 1730 & 2030 hours.

TS Norfolk are recruiting: Learn about what opportunities are available for people to get involved with the Australian Navy Cadets. Enquiries can be made at TSNorfolk@cadetnet.gov.au.

— *Report written by Cadet Leading Seaman Riley Morton, ANC Assistant and Writer to the Executive Officer TS Norfolk*



217 SQUADRON, AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Australian Air Force Cadets 217 (City of Redlands) Squadron has been involved with many activities over the June July school holidays. These activities include but not limited to General Service Training exercise at Air Force Base Amberley and a upcoming Brisbane Air show. These Activities will help cadets with experiencing what its like to be in the armed forces and in the aviation business with these activities. It will help see if any of the cadets would want to continue their careers in the defence force or in aviation.

On the 2nd of July cadets from the following squadrons of 203, 215, 217, 214, 218, 219, 220, 202, 222, 213, 221, 232, arrived at Australian Air Force Base Amberley. On the first day the cadets arrived and unpacked their bags for their 5 nights stay at the base. During their time on the base the cadets will see what base life is like, the different jobs on the base, the different aircraft located at the base, more advanced drill movements and procedures, more cadet skills, some more survival and so on. The cadets will be able to experience life going to the mess, waking up early in the morning, always washing their clothes, making their beds and marching around the base. The cadets General service training will conclude on the 7th of July.



On the 9th of July Cadets from Training Group 5, which is comprised of 215, 217 and 203 squadrons will participate in the Brisbane air show. They will walk around viewing all the different training and aircraft that will be on display during the show. Some of the displays are, escaping a sinking helicopter, helicopter simulate which is one

of only 2 in Australia to its standards, a flight attendant training centre, a aeronautical mechanical school and so much more. Cadets will have the opportunity to look at different careers that aren't just being a pilot of a fighter jet.

So overall Cadets June – July holiday was packed with exciting activities that the wing and Training group has organised, all the cadets are very thankful for all the work the staff put it to help us enjoy our holidays. And a big thanks to the RSL and all other associations, corporations and parties for helping cadets run. We hope everyone has a safe and secure holiday.

— Report provided by CCPL Zane Bush

Cadet reports compiled by

Van Gray LM

DEPUTY PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB
BRANCH, & CADET LIAISON OFFICER



League Secretary Report

The year is racing ahead and Vietnam Veterans Day is fast approaching. This year it falls on Thursday 18th August and we are holding the service in the Anzac Memorial Park in Passage Street, alongside of the Sub Branch HQ building at 10.00am. As the number of Vietnam Veterans are declining we would encourage many to attend to keep this day special. The Vietnam war is one of the most significant theatres of war that Australians and National Servicemen has been involved.

On the 18th August it will be 56 years since the battle of Long Tan of which we lost so many, including National Servicemen, but the Australians fought on to overpower the opposition with assistance from Australian and New Zealand artillery.

Australia is very much involved in the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, as we are sending 20 Bushmasters and 14 Armoured Personnel Carriers, along with equipment and medical supplies, to assist in the defence of the country and the citizens of Ukraine. Nigel Allsop has arranged for animal food supplies to be freighted over, and he will follow up to ensure correct disputation. Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Ukraine.

Michael McDonnell

LEAGUE SECRETARY, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Library Museum Report

Good morning everyone. Firstly I would like to welcome Carmel McKay and Dennis Scanlan to the Library Museum team. Carmel will be looking after the admin side of thoe house (items in and out). Dennis is at present still a serving member of the Australian Army, he will be discharging within the next 6 weeks. We look forward to working with them both.

Just to make members aware we welcome all donations. If we already have the item or can't present it in a suitable fashion we will pass it on to other like-minded organisations (other RSL or community groups) so they can display.

From Monday 25th July, the Library Museum will be open from 10am to 2pm Monday to Friday. Outside of these hours an appointment can be made for a private viewing.

Martin Rabjohns
LIBRARY MUSEUM CURATOR



National Servicemen

Our last meeting was the first to be held under the conditions imposed by the renovations currently underway in the Club. With the assistance and cooperation of the RSL staff, all went very well. So much so that we have invited a guest speaker to our next meeting. At the same time, we are well aware that the work being undertaken at the club may result in last minute changes to the location. We have welcomed two new members to our ranks.

Our members enjoyed a Xmas in July luncheon at the Club on the 11 July and another lunch is planned to be held at Victoria Point next month.

Many of our members have participated in the trips organised by Greg and enjoyed the events enormously.

Increasing numbers of our members are falling victim to Covid. In the past we have assisted our members by providing good quality masks at our meetings and it may be time to introduce this again.

Eric Shaw,
PRESIDENT, NATIONAL SERVICEMEN,
REDLANDS BRANCH



Naval Association

BAYSIDE SUB SECTION

June and early July have been busy for our association and members. June activities commenced with our monthly meeting on 4th June held in the Gallipoli Room. We are using the Gallipoli Room for our meeting when available as our meeting numbers continue to increase which is pleasing to all. As such we are outgrowing the RSL Library meeting room and this is especially relevant during COVID.

We undertook two successful Bunnings Sausage sizzles during the month with good support from our members. These were the initial ones at Victoria Point Bunnings since COVID restrictions in early 2020.

Several Sub-Section members attended a ceremony at the Jacks Memorial at South Bank to honour those RAN personnel that served on Ships during the Vietnam conflict. These monthly ceremonies commemorating a different aspect of Naval history at each event.

Business for the July meeting was conducted by male members whilst our lady members enjoyed their annual ladies' lunch in the RSL Sails Restaurant. This lunch is fully subsidised in appreciation of the ladies' contributions to our Sub-Section activities.

Our Sub-Section continues to support the Redlands two Naval Cadet units and the Acting CO TS Diamantina/XO TS Norfolk Adam Regnart has recently become a Sub-Section member and attending our meetings.

Yours Aye,

Colin Saxby
NAVAL ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA,
BAYSIDE SUB SECTION INC.



Women's Auxiliary

Apologies but there is no report for this July Bugle.

Desley Lingard
PRESIDENT, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY



RAAF Association



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Redlands Branch of the RAAF Association promotes the wellness and benefits of members and supports No. 217 Squadron, Australian Air Force Cadets. During the school holidays, the cadets attended camps at RAAF Base Amberley, the flight simulators a popular attraction.



The Wednesday afternoon informal wellbeing gatherings in the ANZAC Lounge of Redlands RSL continue to be well attended. Members of the Branch have also enjoyed attending the monthly 'Veterans Cuppa' days and the Veterans and Wellbeing excursions organised by Redlands RSL Sub-Branch.

In other social news, the Branch BBQ scheduled for Sunday 10th July was cancelled due to the unusually cold weather, so Members enjoyed Lunch in the Sails Restaurant of Redlands RSL instead. On Wednesday 20th July members attended the Branch annual Winter Warmers dinner at the Courthouse Restaurant. Members enjoyed the camaraderie and fine dining at both these events.

Members are reminded that the Vietnam Veterans Day Commemorative Service organised by Redlands RSL is on Thursday 18th August.

The next meeting of RAAFA Redlands Branch will be a General Meeting on Sunday 14th August 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.

Young Veterans Redlands

Another quiet month. This month saw us have more of the wiring done which is tantalisingly close to being completed.

We had a drive shaft custom made to handle the stress of what the car will be put through.

The fabricator we had lined up to carry out the intake and exhaust work didn't come through. We will hopefully have someone else soon. Please contact me if you are or know someone who could help us out with fabrication work.

I will put an invite out shortly for starting up the coffee catch ups again and we can share some ideas on what we would like to do moving forward.

A big thanks To Rob Wilson for putting together our application to the Charitable Organisation Fund.

This money will go towards safety equipment such as helmets, race suits, flame retardant underwear, racing harnesses and parachute.

Regards,

Geoff Hooper
45TH CLASS ARMY APPRENTICE



VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

Where has the year gone, our last trip was to Bundaberg/Lady Musgrave Island. It was quite eventful to say the least.

After leaving Redlands RSL on the 29/06/2022 we travelled via Childers where we had lunch and then it was onto the Bundaberg Rum Distillery. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the tour of the distillery and the samples on completion. Suffice to say they did extremely well when everyone visited the Bundaberg Rum Liquor Store with a good array of different products being purchased.

Next morning it was up early at 6.15am for our ocean voyage out to the Barrier Reef and Lady Musgrave Island. Not a great day weather wise, plus the trip out was a little rough with some of our passengers getting sea sick.

Our motel in Bundaberg looked after us well with country service and great old style cooking.

Our bus had technical problems which meant a bus had to be brought up from Brisbane and a local bus used to finish the tour off in Bundaberg.

Friday morning we visited the Bert Hinkler Museum then onto the Botanical Gardens for morning tea.

When we got back to the motel, our replacement bus from Brisbane had arrived, so we finally started our journey home in very wet conditions. All in all everyone had a great trip, let's say it was very eventful. Photo credit: John Butler.

Our next trip to Toowoomba Downs Steam is sold out.

Future trips are in the planning.

Greg Saunders,
CONVENOR OF VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS







MILITARY SPECTACULAR HONOURS OUR YOUNGER VETERANS

THIS IS YOUR INVITATION

The inaugural Australian Military History Spectacular will shine the spotlight on one of the most demanding periods in our nation's defence history. **In a vibrant three-day extravaganza on Queensland's Sunshine Coast the Caloundra RSL's Function Centre and Memorial Gardens will showcase this first-time event from 14th to 16th October.** Not seen like this before, untold stories of our military activities since the Vietnam War will honour and commemorate our veterans, past and still serving. You will not have heard these stories before. And there is much more.

Eighteen astounding speakers; military police attack dogs; engineer explosive detection dogs; military band of 1st Regiment Royal Australian Artillery entertaining with pop, rock and military music; big guns, small guns and specialist vehicles; the Shadow 200 mega-drone; 155mm artillery gun; defence contractor exhibits; books authored by those who did the job; dinners with keynote speakers; photos and videos of the actions.

A concentrated program of activities and events will bring our recent living history to light to commemorate our service men and women's courage, professionalism, resilience, innovation and pride. From the Function Centre indoors to the Memorial Gardens, personal story presentations of those who served, demonstrations of military equipment and performances will showcase how the Australian Defence Force (ADF) has lived the past and is preparing for the future. It will trace the key changes that have shaped our society and show how Australia's national security has evolved in the period between distinctly different wars. These are real stories, not media selectivity. More expansive than a Military Tattoo.

From peacekeeping in the Africas, Europe, the Middle East and Pacific, to conflict in Iraq and Afghanistan, nursing officers, doctors, infantry and special forces, naval and submarine officers, dog handlers and airmen will step forward painting a colourful picture and adding vital knowledge about our military heritage. The real-world experiences of veterans who have shaped our

recent history will be captured through professional audio-visual recordings ensuring their service and stories are preserved for future generations with dignity.

The fascinating line-up includes the first female Executive Officer of a submarine; the female General who commanded a mixed force of 600 UN police and military in Cyprus; the Captain of HMAS Darwin in the Persian Gulf; the infantry force commander and female doctor awarded the Medal of Gallantry in Rwanda; the Bush Tucker Man; a Commando officer; the RAAF officer supervising the extraction from Afghanistan who was 'last man out'; the war dog and handler who found the largest intelligence cache of the Afghan war; and many more.

Their stories have rarely – if ever – been told in public but are crucial to our military heritage.

The Military Spectacular is expected to attract hundreds of visitors to Queensland's Sunshine Coast region, giving locals and visitors alike a real understanding of Australia's modern wartime heritage through the eyes of those who lived and created our history. This is an ambitious event being organised by the Military Historical Society of Australia's Qld Division, a not-for-profit association. *All proceeds will be donated to a variety of Veteran welfare and assistance groups.*

PLEASE now go to www.militaryspectacular.events where you can 'register your interest' without obligation, to receive updates and early bird specials. Enquiries can be directed to the Convenor, Neil Dearberg at neil.dearberg034@gmail.com. Trade and exhibitor enquiries are welcome.





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Be part of RDCOTA's inspiring Compassionate Community project as we discover a whole-of-community approach to improving how we address death, dying, grief and loss. Hear feedback on local experiences and what needs to be done to build and sustain a Compassionate Community in Victoria Point and on Coochiemudlo Island.

Tuesday 23rd August - We will provide details of the key organisations and services that can support you or someone you care about, at the end of life, and if grieving.

To register for the event contact RDCOTA on 3488 0680.

Community Forums:

- Tuesday, 5 July & 23 August - 6.30 to 8.00 pm
Online - Zoom
- Wednesday 24 August - 10.00 to 11.30 am
Coochiemudlo Island Community Hall
- Death Cafe by the Bay
Thursday, 28 July & 25 August - 10.30 am to 12 noon
In and open, relaxed way discuss the reality of our mortality
Victoria Point Library, High Street, Lakeside Meeting Room



We would like to firstly thank you and all of your members for supporting us over the past few years.

We have been the owners of Columboola Country for near 18 years.

It was only toward the end of 2019 that we asked for help in promoting Columboola Country toward the Veteran community.

It is with great pleasure to advise you that, with your help, Columboola Country has been very well received by veterans as well as RSL Sub Branch's and fellow nomads and full time travellers.

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THIS MONTH IN AUSTRALIAN MILITARY

History

JULY

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
1 July 1945	7th Division landed at Balikpapan, Borneo	The landing at Balikpapan was the largest and final Australian amphibious landing of the Second World War.
2 July 1950	No. 77 Squadron flies first combat mission in Korea	First combat mission flown by No. 77 Squadron, RAAF, in Korea. No. 77 Squadron was the first Australian unit committed to the war in Korea.
6 July 1943	Darwin bombed	Darwin was bombed 64 times during the Second World War.
10 July 1940	Beginning of the Battle of Britain	The Battle of Britain was an aerial battle between the Royal Air Force and the German Luftwaffe for control of the skies over southern Britain, a necessary prerequisite for the planned German invasion of the island. After some three months of intensive aerial operations both sides had lost heavily but the Germans were forced to abandon their plans for a cross-channel invasion of England.
13 July 1953	HMAS Tobruk begins a two-week patrol of the northern part of Korea's east coast	This was the Tobruk's last patrol before the war in Korea ended in late July 1953.
15 July 1940	Volunteer Defence Force formed	The Volunteer Defence Force (VDC), composed mainly of First World War veterans, was formed for home defence by the Returned and Services League (RSL).
19 July 1916	Battle of Fromelles	A total of 5,533 Australians were killed or wounded in this battle, most on the night of 19–20 July. Fromelles was the first battle for the Australians on the Western Front.
20 July 1943	HMAS Hobart torpedoed	HMAS Hobart torpedoed off San Cristobal, Solomon Islands. Seven officers and six ratings were killed in the attack. Though badly damaged the Hobart was able to reach Espiritu Santo the next day.
22 July 1917	Four members of the Australian Army Nursing Service win the Military Medal	Four members of the Australian Army Nursing Service, Sisters Cawood, Deacon and Ross-King and Staff Nurse Derrer, won Military Medals for rescuing patients trapped in a burning Casualty Clearing Station at Trois Arbes, France. These were the first bravery awards won by Australian nurses in action.

**WITHOUT HISTORY,
THERE WOULD BE NO FUTURE!**

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: Geoff Hooper on 0419 649 925. E: chev1950@bigpond.com Facebook: Young Veterans Redlands

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