

REDLANDS SUB BRANCH

BUGLE

NOVEMBER 2022 EDITION

"Honouring The Fallen By Serving The Living!"

WISHING YOU A

*Merry
Christmas*

**AND A SAFE,
HAPPY, & HEALTHY**

New Year!

**THIS IS OUR LAST
BUGLE FOR 2022**

REDLANDS RSL SUB BRANCH: 1925-2022
Information for all Veterans, Ex-Service
& Serving Men & Women in the Redlands





Merry Christmas

Wishing all of our members a very
Merry Christmas and a safe,
happy, and healthy 2023!

Christmas Closures:

Please note that our Redlands Sub
Branch Headquarters and Library
Museum will be **CLOSED from
12.30pm Tuesday 13th December
2022, and will RE-OPEN on
Monday 16th January 2023.**

Should you need assistance during
this time, please phone Redlands RSL
reception on 3488 1199.

President's Report

November is all but finished and our renovations are still underway, but when you look at what is being done, we are nearly there. Hand overs will begin over the next fortnight or so. I am looking forward to the completed works, there will be a few items that will be late arrivals which is unavoidable. I think we have been very lucky with our workers and supplies given the times we are in.

I would like to again thank those of you that have continuously supported us through the renovations, it has helped us keep our head above water through those tough times.

We are still short of staff, we had a bit of an increase after the \$750 Economic Support Payment was stopped. Over the renovations, our management and staff have had to work around and over the building works, planning and changing plans constantly so that our patrons are the least inconvenienced as possible.

Away from the renovations our compensation wellbeing sub-branch side has been hard at work again with 3 poppy services and more veterans coming through the door seeking assistance with pensions and wellbeing.

As you no doubt know our October meeting was cancelled and replaced by the Presidents Luncheon which went very well. People were very impressed with the new look Gallipoli room, the food was good, and we had a duo of musicians that were excellent. They kept the music just loud enough to be heard over the people talking, many commented on them.

The Sub-Branch held a Remembrance Day service on the 11th Nov with a good crowd in attendance. The passing parade (those members that have passed since the last Remembrance Day) was read out, this is a custom we have had for some years now.

As this will be the last Bugle for the year I would, on behalf of myself and the entire Management Committee, wish each and every one of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

And remember most of our renovations will be completed before Christmas, COME AND CHECK US OUT.

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 24TH JULY 2022

MEETING OPENED: 9.30am by President A. Harcourt

ODE: Recited

REMEMBERING: Bill Black 30th June 2022 ARMY

ATTENDANCE: A total of 48 as per the attendance book (46 League members, 2 visitors)

APOLOGIES: (4) As per the apologies list: K. Cullum, B. Ramsay, I. Gray, B. Radley

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Attendance and Apologies be accepted

.....Motion 1...CARRIED

President Alan Harcourt noted that we are all suffering by the loss of now 19 members in the last month. Also as a matter of interest a big number (134) of our Service members are now over 85 years of age. Also our total club membership is 25,492. We are proud of being the largest Sub Branch in the South East District.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Quarterly Meeting Sunday 23rd January, 2022

Moved: G. Robertson

Seconded: E. Shaw

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: G. Robertson

That the Treasurers Report be acceptedMotion 4...CARRIED

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT:

- Only reporting on the first 6 months of year and extremely happy to present trading figures over \$1million.

- Club renovations well and truly underway – kids club closed and kitchen closes 9th August for 12 weeks and temporary kitchen will be used with a reduced menu. Happy we are in the position we are as we can afford to take a hit due to reduced seating. Now on track with renovations and hand over should be 29th November.
- Staff shortages continue due to sickness/Covid. Hospitality positions can't be filled and we have been advertising some positions over 12 months. In Qld alone, 10,000 jobs are being advertised in the hospitality industry. Hopefully we can fill positions and get through.
- As far as financial figures go, Peter thanked the Board and the whole team. There will be price increases when new menu comes out but we don't have a choice with the cost factors.
- We are still trading and making money with the first 6 months being pretty good but the next 6 months won't be, so we can't expect a brilliant end of year result. If we can hold our own for the next 6 months it should still be a great result.

Moved: P. Barnes

Seconded: G. Hargreaves

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

WELLBEING REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: L. Harcourt

Seconded: B. Reedman

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

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

- Vice President Rob Wilson spoke on behalf of Deputy President Ian Gray noting that all in attendance received a copy of the RSL State Congress Report provided by Ian and hopefully everyone gets a chance to read it.

Moved: R. Wilson

Seconded: G. Hargreaves

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

GENERAL BUSINESS

- The Constitution was passed at the State Congress AGM. There are 4 Director Positions on the Board of State RSL available and they are looking for nominations from Service members.
- Question raised and discussion on Director Position skills required

according to Constitutional change at Congress. This query will be raised and sent through to SED.

- On the Wellbeing side, our Volunteers are working hard putting in over 5000 hours in the past 6 months assisting our Veterans. If anyone knows any Veterans requiring help in anyway, please ask them to contact us.

Next Quarterly General Meeting: Sunday 23rd October 2022 – 9.30am

Meeting Closed: 9.50am

LEAGUE GATHERING MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY 24TH JULY 2022

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT: Inwards & Outwards: (League Secretary - M. McDonnell)

Outwards:

- Emails sent to all local and State Members of Parliament to attend Vietnam Veterans Day.

Inwards:

- Copies of Branch Bulletin from QLD RSL forwarded to all.
- Sunnybank RSL holding their Community Remembrance Day on Saturday 16th July at 3.30pm.
- Upcoming grants opportunities from QLD RSL.
- Minister for DVA Hon. Matt Keogh MP, report into Veterans processing claims are now public.
- Call for nominations for QLD RSL board directors.
- Newsletter from Australian American Association held 30th June.
- Request from Josh to forward Anzac Day request forms by 28th October.
- Received approval from Redlands Council to hold Vietnam Veterans service in Anzac Memorial Park.

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: S. McDonnell

That the Inwards and Outwards Correspondence be accepted

.....Motion 10...CARRIED

LEAGUE SECRETARY REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: P. Barnes

That the League Secretary Report be accepted . . Motion 8...CARRIED

LIBRARY MUSEUM REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

- Mention of change of hours for Library Museum will now be 10am to 2pm Monday to Friday

Moved: M. Rabjohns

Seconded: P. Barnes

That the Library Museum report be accepted . . . Motion 9...CARRIED

NATIONAL SERVICEMEN ASSOCIATION REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

- National Servicemen have gone with a Fitness & Mobility Scheme for white or gold cardholders. In addition to this there are health group sessions for other members to be able to attend.

Moved: E. Shaw

Seconded: F. Williams

That the National Servicemen Association report be accepted

..... Motion 12...CARRIED

NAVAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA:

- Bunnings at Victoria Point have asked the Naval Association to run the sausage sizzle on the Monday Show holiday.

Moved G. Hargreaves

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Naval Association information be accepted

..... Motion 13...CARRIED

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

Moved: R. Wilson

Seconded: E. Shaw

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

..... Motion 11...CARRIED

YOUNG VETERANS REDLANDS: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: G. Hooper

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Young Veterans Redlands information be accepted

..... Motion 14...CARRIED

VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSION INFORMATION:

As presented in the Bugle

- Next bus trip will be on Tuesday 27th September leaving at 8.30am to Boonah for the cost of \$55 per person which includes morning tea and lunch. This also includes a visit to Bunjuren Winery at Mt. Alfred and lunch at Flavours Café in Boonah which was the original butter factory.

Moved: G. Saunders

Seconded: G. Hargreaves

That the Veterans and Wellbeing Excursion Information be acceptedMotion 15...CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Vietnam Veterans Day Thursday 18th August with commemorative service held at 10am in Anzac Memorial Park next to Redlands RSL Headquarters building.
- Please notify us if you wish to lay a wreath on the day. Suzie McDonnell available today to take names etc.
- Question asked as to why only one RSL in Australia celebrates/commemorates the Victory of the Pacific and discussion on if we can in the future.

Raffles: Drawn and Won

Next League Gathering Meeting: Sunday 28th August 2022 at 9:30am.

Meeting Closed: 10.12am

A graphic with a light blue background and a subtle grid pattern. In the top left, there is a blue circle containing two white right-pointing chevrons. In the top right, there are three horizontal blue lines. In the bottom right, there is a blue circle containing two white left-pointing chevrons. In the bottom left, there are three vertical blue lines. The text 'Save the date' is written in a large, black, cursive script in the center. Below it, the text 'NEXT MEETING:' is written in bold, red, sans-serif capital letters. Underneath that, the text 'Quarterly General Meeting - 9.30am', 'Sunday 22nd January', and 'Gallipoli Function Room' is written in black, sans-serif capital letters.

Save the date

NEXT MEETING:
Quarterly General Meeting - 9.30am
Sunday 22nd January
Gallipoli Function Room

Treasurer's Report

With the Redlands RSL Sub Branch well into its current refurbishment and extension program, the financials as at the end of October are still quite solid. From a Net Profit perspective for October, our Actual was \$111,000, Budget \$20,504 and Variance \$90,408. On a to-date basis the Actual is \$1,579,159, Budget \$749,985 and Variance \$829,174.

Major impacts on performance are being felt in Sails Restaurant and Cove Café. This is due to a major reduction in seating and bearing in mind that our chefs are still operating the kitchen from containers.

Gaming once again performed well with impacts also being felt in bar trading.

The newly refurbished Gallipoli Room is certainly being well received by clients. Having the kitchen on the same level has worked wonders from an efficiency, service and quality of food perspective. The Gallipoli Room is already proving to be a very good source of revenue. The design is such that it can also be divided into three separate function areas with privacy according to the size of each function.

Overall Member Funds are \$30,738,238. Current Asset Total is \$14,221,218. Current Liabilities are \$3,928,352 against Current Non Liabilities Bank Business Loan of \$4,718,502. Cash Reserves remain resilient at \$3,345,501 and a further \$595,735 in Operational Funds.

Please ensure Commissioners letter sent on 13th October 2022 is read.

I have confirmed with the Financial Controller that all statutory payments including Employee Entitlements are up to date and no statutory payments are under any repayment scheme.

Summary - in light of the current head winds that the Redlands RSL Sub Branch has so far endured, to be showing a bottom line of \$1,579,159 is more than commendable.

May I also take this opportunity to wish one and all the very best for the festive season and a great 2023.

Greg Saunders

TREASURER, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Wellbeing Report

Good morning with the end of 2022 fast approaching this is the final Wellbeing Report for 2022.

The office will be closed from 12.30pm on 13th December but there will always be a way to contact an Advocate or wellbeing officer in an emergency by ringing Redlands RSL reception on 3488 1199.

We have had a busy year with Advocates seeing up to six clients a day to assist veterans with their DVA entitlements.

Unfortunately, quite a number of veterans have passed away in the past twelve months and we have conducted a Poppy Service on request from a veteran's family whether they are a Redlands RSL Service member or not.

The Golden Oldies have had their monthly November luncheon and will have their Christmas luncheon in early December, but in the New Year they will return to meeting fortnightly which they are looking forward to.

The Veterans Cuppa on 9th November was well attended with 46 in attendance, numbers were down a little as some members were attending to Remembrance Day duties.

Thank you to the volunteers who sold badges near Woolworths prior to Remembrance Day your time is much appreciated.

Thank you to Deputy President Ian Gray and his team who through Honouring the Fallen and the assistance of students from Faith Lutheran College, Victoria Point High School and Cleveland High School placed an Australian Flag on the grave of each deceased veteran in the Redlands. Thank you to John Hague who carried out this task on North Stradbroke Island.

Our next Wellbeing Support Officers meeting will be held on 1st December when we will be joined by our Advocates to welcome our Guest Speaker Dr Susan Kellett Senior Wellbeing Officer for State RSL. She will address what Wellbeing programs State has in place especially Homelessness in the veteran community.

Our bus excursions have been well supported throughout the year. These trips have been a great way for our Service members to get to know each other especially the overnight trips. We have our regular travellers but each time we go there are new people to meet. Thank

you, Greg and Glenys, for your meticulous planning to make these trips happen.

I would like to thank our volunteers for all they do year in year out. We welcomed new volunteers this year and we thank them for their time.

To the Advocates whose job is one of the most important in assisting our Veterans to obtain their entitlements from DVA, I know that each client is different and they are always treated with respect by you and you have to live with frustration of the delays in getting outcomes from DVA and it is not getting any better our veterans thank you for your patience and hope going into the future things may improve.

To the Headquarters staff Nat and Glenys thank you for your assistance it takes pressure off the volunteers especially with the mountains of paperwork that needs to be done now.

Once again thank you to the volunteers as you are the backbone of the Services we provide to our veteran community and none of the services we provide would happen without you.

Merry Christmas to everyone and here's hoping 2023 will be a good one for you and your families.

Linda Harcourt

WELLBEING/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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Merry Christmas from all of our Volunteers

Deputy President & Cadets Report

On 28th October, I had the task of chairing the Redlands Sub Branch War Widows 75th Anniversary Luncheon when I paid tribute to the founder of Australian War Widow's Organisation, Jessie Vasey OBE CBE. The venue was held at the Star of the Sea Catholic School hall off Passage Street, and 80 people attended.

Local politicians were present and local artists from U3A entertained us all.

On 8th, 9th, and 10th of this month, we attended Schools in our region to Honour Our Fallen. Greg Saunders assisted me at Great Southern Memorial Gardens Cemetery at Carbrook with Students from Faith Lutheran College. Michael McDonnell, Martin Rabjohns and John Butler also assisted with 50 Students from Cleveland State High School at Cleveland Cemetery. Victoria Point High School with 7 students and teacher, Martin Rabjohns, John Butler and myself attended the Redlands Cemetery, from all prior to Remembrance Day.

This Remembrance Day we had the pleasure of the company of the Founder and President of Honour Our Fallen Project, Rick McCarthy OAM from NSW, for a quick meeting and later, he joined us for our Remembrance Day Service and lunch. He was very impressed in the way we manage the Honour Our Fallen program in the Redlands.



Faith Lutheran College at Great Southern Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Carbrook



Cleveland State High School and Honour Our Fallen paying tribute to WO2 Kevin Conway first Australian KIA Nan Dong, Thien Province South Vietnam 6 July 1964



Victoria Point State High School at Redlands Cemetery

Remembrance Day evening, I attended the 136 Army Cadet Unit dining-in night. My role as RSL Cadet Liaison Officer was to present the RSL Community Award for outstanding service to Cadet Company Commander, Claudia Cutajar, who has aged out. Once Claudia has finished her Nursing Degree will be joining the Army Medical Corps.



AUSTRALIAN ARMY 136 CADET UNIT

We have just completed our first Annual Camp since 2019.

This year Annual Camp was split into two to reduce the overall numbers each group had around 500 cadets. Each camp was to be 5 days.

Our unit was on rotation, so we departed for Greenbank on Sunday, 136ACU where all assigned to Bravo Company. Our harbour was set up with Hoochies and a CP. Our meals on day one were in the Greenbank Mess.

The days were going to be long as each night everyone would return to Greenbank to sleep.

On Monday Bravo Company was 'going-field' which resulted in leaving the harbour area at 0600 and walking to the field training area; almost 5 kms from our harbour area. Once in the field position the cadets were issued with a ration packs and then had breakfast. After Breakfast the cadets had a lesson on Navigation and proceeded on a Nav course, during the course. During the of the day the Cadets participated in all the different navigation and ratel roles, and stopped to cook a meal from their ration packs for lunch. The nav course eventually brought them back to the field HQ where, in the dark, they cooked their main ration pack meal and then navigated back to the main Greenbank area arriving about 1930. It was a huge day and everyone came back showered and went to bed.

On Tuesday it was also a long day – Bravo Company was going to Enoggera for the day. They were up again at 0500, eating a Breakfast wrap on the parade ground by 0600 and departed by 0630 on buses to Enoggera. Once at Enoggera, they were split into four groups and did weapons safety, shooting at the WTTS, the obstacle course and a visit to a unit; they rotated through each activity. Lunch of sandwiches was delivered to each group where they were. At the end of the day, they all met up and had Dinner in the Enogerra mess before boarding the buses and returning to Greenbank. There were some very tired cadets coming off the bus at Greenbank about 1900, it had certainly been two huge days for everyone.

On Wednesday, Bravo Company were staying in the Greenbank camp area, again they were up early but went to the mess for a hot breakfast. Wednesday's tasks involved being split into smaller

groups and doing a series of bull ring type activities. First Aid, surveillance techniques, patrolling and tracking techniques and drone flying/racing, again lunch was sandwiches and they were delivered to each group as they went between stands. After lunch, the rain which had been forecast arrived, and at times was very heavy. Activities continued in the rain and luckily the rain had stopped before it was time to walk to the mess for our final dinner.



After dinner the rain set in, so night activities were limited as it had also got very cold.

It rained all night and on Thursday morning it was time to pack up. Breakfast was Bacon and Egg wraps so, although it was raining, it was nice to have something warm and hearty to eat. Our bus was due at 10am so we had a lot of packing up to do in the rain and we were all very wet by the time we got onto the bus.

It was almost a silent trip home as most cadets were asleep before we even left the Greenbank complex.

It was a wonderful experience for everyone especially our recruits who only marched out four days before attending Annual Camp. 136 performed magnificently and it was a fantastic experience for the cadets to be mixing with cadets from units out as far as St George, learning all about how things are done at different units.

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



TS NORFOLK AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADET UNIT

TS Norfolk cadets have had an action packed few weeks with multiple 'On the water' days which involved everything from kayaks to RHIBs and volleyball on the beaches of Wellington Point. TS Norfolk also had the pleasure of hosting cadets from TS Diamantina while they have building renovations, allowing these cadets to continue weekly activities and work towards promotions.



Cadets and staff of TS Norfolk have also been hard working in preparation for the Tri-service held at the 217 AAFC which gives cadets and other members an opportunity to talk with, and create a bond with, AAFC and AAC cadets.

There is also some very exciting news out of TS Norfolk - Cadet Petty Officer Adam Jordinson was awarded the rank of Chief Petty Officer for his constant display of exceptional leadership and service to the ANC. Another great accomplishment was a Certificate of Commendation awarded to the well deserving Sub Lieutenant, Adam Regnant, who left Norfolk to temporarily lead TS Diamantina as officer in charge, allowing the unit to stay open and operational for cadets of the Victoria Point area. Both are very well deserved, and we thank them for their service, Bravo Zulu!

TS Norfolk is recruiting! We are looking for people between the ages of 13 and 17. If you're interested, TS Norfolk parades every Thursday night during the school term between 1730 hours & 2030 hours. Enquiries can be made at TSNorfolk@navycades.gov.au ..

— Report provided by Cadet Leading Seaman Riley Morton Assistant to the executive officer XO TS Norfolk & Temporary OIC TS Diamantina



217 SQUADRON, AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

This month, 217 (City of Redlands) Squadron has participated in multiple interesting and community-oriented activities which, is but not limited to; Rotary BookFest and a happy Halloween Parade.

Rotary Bookfest was held on 29th and 30th October from 08:00 to 16:00 weekend at the Cleveland Scout Hall, this activity allowed our cadets get more interaction with the public while still showing the Australian Air Force Cadet values and attitudes throughout the day. During the time the cadets helped by moving boxes, caring bags and other essential task to help the day run smoothly. Thank you to all the staff, Rotary Members and cadets for making this a great experience for our cadets to have; they all learnt a lot and can't wait for next time.



The spooky night of Halloween was supposed to be a normal parade night with a few tricks up its sleeve. The cadets arrived all dressed up, there were some ghost, zombies and ghillie suits lurking around in the dark of night. The cadets got to go through an obstacle course with a cave crawl, roll the dices for your life, walk the planks and jump in the hoops. This activity brought all cadets closer with their peers and leaders. This night was one of the great nights for cadets to experience during their time in the Australian Air Force Cadets.

A big thanks for everyone who helped the cadets run and maintain the normal parade night and the fun activities; everyone enjoyed themselves and loved. Kind regards 217 (City of Redlands) Squadron.

— Report provided by CUO Jack A Reid Cadet
Executive Officer

Cadet reports compiled by

Van Gray LM

DEPUTY PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB
BRANCH, & CADET LIAISON OFFICER



RSL SED REPORT

- NOVEMBER 2022 -

President Alan Harcourt and myself attended RSL South Eastern District monthly meeting on 3rd November held at the Limbless Soldiers Building at New Farm. Chaired by Kerry Gallagher, South East District President.

THE FOLLOWING IS HIGHLIGHTS OF THAT MEETING:

New RSL Queensland Board has been elected and selected and the new board will take effect this month, and the Council of District Presidents will work with local Sub-Branches at state level.

The new directors are:

Director 1-Tony Orchard (Financial Management)

Director 2- Chris Hamilton (Stakeholder Engagement and Advocacy)

Director 3- Ash Naughton (Strategy Development and Execution)

Director 4- Nic Gould (Legal, Governance and Risk Management)

NATIONAL AGM:

Following the AGM recently President Greg Melick AO RFD FANZCN SC, was re-elected as National President of the Returned & Services League of Australia on 12 October 2022. Greg Melick returned to the Presidential position.

RSL SED Positions still available on the District Board nominations to be submitted to the District Secretary.

An urgent request that needs to be addressed was tabled regarding a DVA internal dispute regarding payment to the physiology/fitness providers, the confusion over cancelation of the DVA Well-being Physiology/Fitness Program – A unanimous vote of notice of motion was put to RSL Qld to address the above-mentioned issue as rectification must be issued before any more damage can be done.

SUB-BRANCH PRESENTATIONS:

City New Farm Sub-Branch – A short history was given and where they are at today.

Coorparoo & District Sub-Branch voting has started re: moving to Greenslopes Bowl's Club

Dr. Susan Kellett, RN – Senior Wellbeing Officer with RSL Qld. Spoke about State run Veteran's Homelessness Program who currently have 58 people in temporary accommodation and we accommodate and assisting to find safe and sustainable rental accommodation for all our Veterans. After the debate regarding a shortfall in assistance and that RSL Qld aren't meeting the need after lights out, Susan spoke regarding the agency referred to Open Arms which has an agreement with RSL Qld to put a Veteran into accommodation in hotels, motels and cabins etc and pass the file then to RSL Qld and we manage them from there. 10's of thousands of dollars a month are spent by RSL Qld to house Veterans and their families, so if there is problem get in touch with Susan so she can get it fixed.

Susan will also come to sub-branches to help with wellbeing related issues or matters. Susan will be coming to our next well-being meeting on the 1st December.

Report provided by

Ian Gray

DEPUTY PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH

League Secretary Report

Another year comes to conclusion, we ask ourselves where has it gone? We all have our thoughts as to where it went so quickly. From the Leagues Secretary's desk, apart from the obvious COVID restrictions, we managed to put together Vietnam Veterans Day, Queen Elizabeth 11 Memorial Service, and Remembrance Day.

Remembrance Day on Friday 11th November was very well attended approximately 200 in attendance under sunny skies, seats were set out under the cover of the very large trees in the Anzac Memorial Park.

Deputy President Ian Gray read out the Passing Parade for 2022 which was 45 in total. We had Veteran Trevor Hatch carry a Hat on the Pillow who passed the hat to a student from Cleveland High School, to pass the tradition to the youth of tomorrow for them to carry on and uphold the reverence of Remembrance Day into the future.

We were lucky to have members of RAAF Base Amberly attend and be the Catafalque Party on the Day, as the Cadets formed an honour guard.

Preparations for Anzac Day 2023 have begun so as we can secure the services of all involved for next year.

From the secretary's secretary Suzie and myself we would like to thank all those involved in helping put together all the Commemorative Days, and we would like to wish you a very happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Michael McDonnell

LEAGUE SECRETARY,
REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Library Museum Report

Good morning everyone, hope you are well.

On the 12th November Michael McDonnell and myself were invited to attend a ceremony at the 6th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment at Enoggera. At the ceremony conducted in their museum we were presented with a painting of the Cross from Long Tan. The Commanding Officer and 2IC were also in attendance. We assured the Commanding Officer that the painting was in good hands and will take pride within the Redlands RSL.



On Remembrance Day, Henry Pike visited the museum. He took a great interest in all of our displays and we thank him for taking time out of his busy day to pay us a visit.

On a personal note I would like to thank all of the volunteers for all of their hard work and dedication during the year.

Have a great Christmas and a Safe New Years.
I will see you all in the New Year.

Martin Rabjohns
LIBRARY MUSEUM CURATOR



LIBRARY MUSEUM

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Tuesday 13th December 2022,
and will re-open on
Monday 16th January 2023
at 10am.

National Servicemen

REDLANDS BRANCH

The Nashos continue to enjoy a very active existence. 55 people attended our meeting which was held in the then somewhat restricted dining area of the Club. All went well and the event was enjoyed by all present.

We had an unexpected visit from Colonel Paul Landford who accepted our invitation to address the meeting about his 40 yearlong Army career.

We also had an interesting report from the Rev John Mavor who attended the recent State National Conference at Hervey Bay as our delegate. Unfortunately, as he reported, there is on-going discussion as to when the advancing average age of our members will force the closure of our organization.

The Redlands Branch is not planning a closure date but rather is attempting to plan the continuation of our service to members. Hopefully this should last a few more years.

Members rallied to attend the Remembrance Day Service and also came forward with associated finance raising activities.

We recently enjoyed an excellent lunch at Samsons Seafood Restaurant. This was attended by 40 people who all enjoyed the good food and company.

Eric Shaw,
PRESIDENT,
NATIONAL SERVICEMEN,
REDLANDS BRANCH



Naval Association

BAYSIDE SUB SECTION



It has been a busy October/November for the Bayside Naval Association. First up during the weekend 30 Sep-2 Oct a National WRANS reunion was held in Brisbane with several of our ex WRANS attending, total numbers were around 380.

The October Bayside meeting was held at the Manly Bowls Club where our members enjoyed several games of Bowls and a nutritional lunch utilising the DVA grant for Veterans Health Week.

The annual Ladies Dine in Night was conducted 22nd October in the Gallipoli Room with around 80 members and guests attending. The theme was "Royal Navy" with Trafalgar Day (21st Oct) and 40-year anniversary of the Falklands War the focus. Long term Bayside NAA member and survivor of the HMS Sheffield sinking in the Falklands Jim Kearns provided an informative presentation on the war focusing on Sheffield's action involvement, battle damage and sinking. Excellent feedback was received from our members for the meal and the RSL catering staff service, Bravo Zulu (that's Navy talk for Well Done).

The November meeting was held in the Tobruk Room Redlands RSL, 5th November 2022 with 35 members in attendance.

Our President and Secretary laid wreaths 11 November for the Remembrance Day Commemorative Service held in the Anzac Memorial Park.

A successful Bunnings Sausage Sizzle was conducted on the 15 November and several members will be attending the HMAS Sydney November Jacks (adjacent to the Ship inn) commemoration. The subsection continues to provide ongoing support to both Redlands Naval Cadet units.

Our Bayside Xmas Party will be 3rd December at the Thorneside Community Hall following the formal meeting. Best wishes to you and yours for a joyous and safe Christmas from Bayside members.

Yours Aye,

Colin Saxby

NAVAL ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA, BAYSIDE SUB SECTION INC.

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 Branch 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, members of the Branch enjoyed a Restaurant Dinner on Wednesday 28th September at OPA Greek Restaurant, Victoria Point. This was followed by Italian cuisine at Noci Restaurant at Raby Bay Harbour on Wednesday 16th November. Members also attended the Redlands RSL President's Lunch in the newly renovated Function Room on Sunday 23rd October.



Members of the Branch attended the Remembrance Day Commemorations organised by Redlands RSL at ANZAC Memorial Park on the 11th November where Gary Olsen laid a wreath on behalf of the Branch. The perfect weather was welcome change to conditions experienced on ANZAC Day. Following the service, members enjoyed fellowship and lunch in Redlands RSL.

The next meeting of RAAFA Redlands Branch will be a General Meeting on Saturday 10th December 2022 at 10:30am in Redlands RSL followed by Christmas Lunch in Sails Restaurant.

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.

Women's Auxiliary

At the end of September Elaine Jones, Ann King, Del Whitby and myself attended the high tea/fashion show at Greenbank with their Auxiliary.



I also attended the Brisbane North Council of Auxiliaries luncheon in October and made connections with Laidley, Caloundra and Bribie Auxiliaries, as well as renewing friendships with Greenbank and Banyo Auxiliaries. It was a lovely day.

I attended the Maybank AGM and met the wonderful ladies that work for this organisation and another collection was handed over.



(Pictured right: Another collection of toys from Audrey Warner to go to Maybank, together with a small collection).



Several members attended the President's Luncheon in the new renovated Gallipoli Room.

At the November meeting the ladies put together Christmas sweet bags which were donated to the War Widows Christmas function. We also put together Christmas chocolate boxes and these were donated to the Redlands RSL for the final Quarterly meeting / Christmas party.

Christmas gifts for the Veterans, War Widows and Legacy in aged care facilities in the Redlands were collected and will be wrapped by the ladies at their December meeting and then distributed in mid-December.

A donation of \$300 was made to Redlands RSL for their Kids in Redland Hospital project.

As I will be away the first week of December, I would like to wish all the ladies on the Auxiliary and the Redlands RSL a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Desley Lingard
PRESIDENT, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY



Young Veterans Redlands

Since the last Board meeting Report, Chairman Geoff Hooper has been proactive with Veterans Gaming and assisting Adrian with the assembly of the Car.

He attended a family camp with other veterans at Emu Gully facilitated by Toowoomba RSL Sub-Branch.



Project Perana:

Essential Safety Equipment purchased from the COF grant has been delivered including the tyres on back order.

The Young Veterans are working to complete the car and are planning to participate in the Spirit of ANZAC car rally in April next year from Canberra to Iluka. They plan to have the car registerable for street use.



It is not going to be the most comfortable car to drive on the road, so for the rally they are planning to take it down on a car carrier truck, drive the car in and out of the towns and then put it back on the truck for the in between towns part.

Rob Wilson

VICE PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

The 22nd November 2022 will mark our last trip for the year. This particular trip is pretty well booked out. From all reports this should be a great day. We will be starting at 9.30am at the RSL with morning tea consisting of a choice of a muffin or scone plus tea or coffee at a more than reasonable price of \$5.00. At approximately 11.15am we will board our coach to Southport where we will then board our boat for a two-hour cruise of the Broadwater and canals of the Gold Coast. Whilst we are cruising through the picturesque landscape, we will be served a seafood smorgasbord that has received glowing reports. We should return to Redlands RSL at approximately 5pm after what is promising to be a great day.

May I take this opportunity to thank the following people for their efforts throughout 2022 for making these trips so successful, Alan and Linda Harcourt, Natalie Cunningham, Glenys Barry, John Butler, Ros Francis, Peter Harrison and Karleigh Little.

Our program for 2023 will start in March and we hope to be able to give a full itinerary for the year by early February 2023.

May I also take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a prosperous 2023.

Kind regards,

Greg Saunders

CONVENOR OF VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

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VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSION
- TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2022 -





VETERANS' HEALTH WEEK

WITH THE KEY FOCUS ON EAT WELL (NUTRITION)

Supporting the health and wellbeing of veterans, Eat Well (Nutrition) was the key focus for this year's Veterans' Health Week. Members of our Redlands Sub Branch attended IndigiScapes on Thursday 20th October for a lovely morning tea and tour.



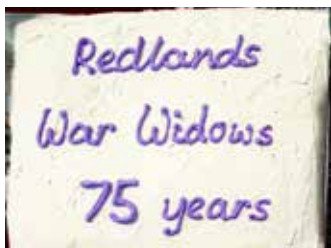
GOLDEN OLDIES LUNCHEON

- TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2022 -



WAR WIDOWS 75 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

- FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2022 -







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Presidents



Luncheon Cont...



REMEMBRANCE DAY



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COMMUNITY LINK PROGRAM

- TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2022 -

On the 18th October we placed Coolnwynpin State School into our Redlands RSL Community Link Program.

The staff member in the photo is related to Gant, Kenneth Howard, 1730941 Pte. 6RAR who was KIA in the Battle of Long Tan, South Vietnam 18th August 1966.

As a goodwill gesture I gave her his Veteran's Memorial Plaque to wear when presenting the program. I also downloaded his service certificate from the nominal roll, laminated it and gave it to her.

Now we have 10 schools on the main land representing the 35 deceased War Veteran's who's names are on our Cenotaph at Cleveland.

We also have Dunwich State School representing the 27 Queensland Indigenous Soldiers Who Died in WW1.

September 2023 we are looking at placing another school into our Redlands RSL Community Link Program.

*Graham
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COMMUNITY LINK
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CEO RSL

Dear Sir,

Again post mission I wish to thank you for your amazing donation in helping the displaced animals in Ukraine. In this case the airfare to get me there in the first place. By now I hope you have read my full report of our activities there.

Our shipment of food initially was held up in Polish Customs, but thanks to your donation we were able to use funds otherwise lost in an airfare to immediately assist animals.

One example of what we where able to do within a day of arrival was we were informed of an urgent need for 80 odd cats trapped up north that had not been fed for a week. We used some funds we had to buy 1000 Euros worth of cat food and it was shipped up there as we watched. The next day we got some great images of the food arriving and the cats enjoying a meal.

Once again thankyou.

Kind regards,

Nigel Barry Allsopp

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History

NOVEMBER

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
1 Nov 1914	First AIF sails	The first Australian and New Zealand contingent sails from Albany, Western Australia, bound for Egypt. Only one in three of those who sailed in the first convoy would return physically unscathed at the end of the First World War.
1 Nov 1989	National Army Memorial dedicated	Dedication of the National Army Memorial in Anzac Parade, Canberra, by the Governor General, The Hon. Bill Hayden. The memorial commemorates the service of Australians as members of the Australian Army in all wars.
8 Nov 1944	"G for George" arrives at Amberley	This Lancaster bomber survived 89 operations with No. 460 Squadron RAAF. After touring to support war loan campaigns, it was presented to the Memorial. "George" is now on display at the Memorial in Anzac Hall.
10 Nov 1964	Selective conscription introduced	Australian government introduces selective conscription of 20-year-old males by ballot under the National Service Act. The National Service Scheme saw 15,381 young men serve in Vietnam.
11 Nov 1918	Germany signs armistice	Germany signs an armistice ending the fighting on the Western Front. The First World War ended at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.
11 Nov 1941	Opening of the Australian War Memorial	By the time a memorial to the dead of the First World War was ready to open, Australia had been involved in the Second World War for over two years.
12 Nov 1943	Last Japanese air raid on Darwin	This, the 64th raid since February 1942, was the last air raid made on Australia during the war.
15 Nov 1944	Australian government approves sending of Australian Women's Army Service members overseas	Australian Women's Army Service went to Lae, New Guinea, and served in the forward area for the first time. Members of the Australian Army Nursing Service and the Australian Army Medical Women's Service were already serving in New Guinea.
19 Nov 1941	HMAS Sydney [II] sunk	Sydney was lost with its entire crew of 645 men in a sudden and disastrous encounter with the German raider, Kormoran, off the Western Australian coast. The circumstances surrounding its loss remain controversial to this day.
23 Nov 1948	Formation of the Australian Regiment	Formation of the Australian Regiment, which became the Royal Australian Regiment (RAR) in March 1949. The Royal Australian Regiment has taken a prominent role in Australia's wars and peacekeeping operations since its formation.

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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NAME	DECEASED DATE	SERVICE
Edward Diggins	29th August 2022	Allied Forces
Rolf Bruce	18th October 2022	ARMY

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