

REDLANDS SUB BRANCH

BUGLE

AUGUST 2024 EDITION

"Honouring The Fallen By Serving The Living!"



**VIETNAM
VETERANS DAY**

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REDLANDS RSL SUB BRANCH: 1925-2024
Information for all Veterans, Ex-Service
& Serving Men & Women in the Redlands



PRESIDENT'S *luncheon*

The President of Redlands RSL Sub Branch Inc.

Mr Rob Wilson

Invites all Service Members plus one partner or carer,
War Widows, Legacy Ladies and Women's Auxiliary to attend the

PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON

WHEN: Sunday, 15th September 2024
11.30am for 12 noon start

WHERE: Gallipoli Room, Redlands RSL

TICKETS: \$35pp for Service Members plus one partner or carer,
War Widows, Legacy Ladies and Women's Auxiliary

DRESS: Coats and Ties (no medals)

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

Menu

MAINS - served alternate drop

'Roaring Forties' Tasmanian Lamb Rack - served medium with anchovy rosemary mint and pine nut crust on a redcurrant jus; with crispy fondant potatoes, green pea mash, and baby carrots

Pan Seared Tasmanian Atlantic Salmon
served on mashed potato with braised leeks,
caramelised beetroot, and hollandaise sauce

DESSERT - served alternate drop

Sticky Date Pudding - served with cream,
ice cream, and caramel sauce

House-made Apple and Rhubarb Crumble -
served with vanilla bean ice-cream



President's Report

I hope this finds everyone in good health.

It was pleasing to see the attendance at the Redlands RSL Vietnam Veterans Day commemorative service on Sunday 18th August. It was conducted in ANZAC Memorial Park in perfect weather and attended by Veterans, cadets, family and community. The Guest speaker, RSL South Eastern District President Kerry Gallagher AM, provided a very moving address. He began by reminding us about Kevin Conway, a local soldier who was the first Australian killed in battle in the Vietnam War; and concluded with the story of Kevin 'Dasher' Wheatley who was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross, the first for an Australian in the Vietnam War, for his selfless act when he refused to leave a wounded mate.

Redlands RSL provided sponsorship for the recent Veterans Games held on the Gold Coast, an Australian-first annual team competition that puts military skills and training to the test. Redlands RSL also provided a marquee with refreshments for competitors, manned by younger Sub Branch members, providing a visual representation of the Redlands RSL's focus of attracting more younger members.

Some upcoming reminders...

- The President's Luncheon on the 15th September will replace the September League Gathering. Although numbers are limited, I hope to see many of you as possible there. Information is on page 2 of this Bugle. Please phone reception on 34881199 to book your seats with payment.
- Also, keep in mind Veterans Health Week, from 13-20 October, the theme is 'Keep Connected'.
- 2025 is the Centenary of Redlands RSL.

Take care.

Rob Wilson
PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Previous Minutes

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

LEAGUE GATHERING MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY 16TH JUNE 2024

MEETING OPENED: 10.30am by President Rob Wilson

ODE: Recited

REMEMBERING:

Raymond Hocking	20th May 2024	AIR FORCE
Rex Gumbrell	28th May 2024	AIR FORCE
Neil Woodhead	9th March 2024	ARMY
John Quilty 4th	June 2024	NAVY

ATTENDANCE: A total of 43 as per the attendance book – (32 League Members, 11 Visitors)

NEW MEMBERS: N/A

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES: Dennis Wellbelove turned 103 on 6th June and Bernie & Laraine Coleman's Wedding Anniversary today.

APOLOGIES: (8) As per the apologies list: M. Rabjohns, C. Ryan, D. Field, G. Olsen, Rev. C. Freese, B. Corrie, D. Palmer, A. Tillgren.

Moved: R. Khan

Seconded: B. Coleman

That the Attendance and Apologies be accepted

.....Motion 1...CARRIED

PRESIDENTS OPENING REMARKS:

- President Rob Wilson introduced guest speaker, Paul Oates, who gave a very interesting presentation of his rail trip to Japan in November 2023.
- Rob will be attending State Congress next Saturday 22nd June to vote on everyone's behalf. This will be discussed in General Business.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: League Gathering - Sunday 19th May 2024, as presented in the Bugle

Moved: I. Cuthbertson

Seconded: E. Shaw

That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted

..... Motion 2...CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil

PRESIDENTS REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: R. Wilson

Seconded: G. Hinson

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

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

Inwards:

- Information regarding D-Day.
- We have signed on with National Australia Events for Anzac Day next year.

Outwards: Nil

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: I. Cuthbertson

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

TREASURERS REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: G. Saunders

Seconded: R. Khan

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

WELLBEING REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: B. Coleman

Seconded: B. Reedman

That the Wellbeing Report be accepted Motion 6...CARRIED

DEPUTY PRESIDENT & CADETS REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: I. Gray

Seconded: B. Coleman

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

RSL SED MEETING REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: I. Gray

Seconded: G. Hinson

That the RSL SED Meeting Report be accepted . . Motion 8...CARRIED

LEAGUE SECRETARY REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

- Vietnam Veterans Day is Sunday 18th August, therefore the August League Gathering will be held on Sunday 25th August as noted in the Upcoming Events in the Bugle on page 7.

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: R. Khan

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

NATIONAL SERVICEMEN ASSOCIATION REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: E. Shaw

Seconded: F. Williams

That the National Servicemen Association report be accepted
.....Motion 10...CARRIED

NAVAL ASSOCIATION REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: I. Cuthbertson

Seconded: R. Khan

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

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

Moved: R. Wilson

Seconded: H. Fulton

That the R.A.A.F. Association report be accepted
.....Motion 12...CARRIED

WOMENS AUXILIARY: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: D. Lingard

Seconded: M. Taylor

That the Womens Auxiliary report be accepted.Motion 13...CARRIED

LIBRARY MUSEUM REPORT: As presented in the Bugle

Moved: A. Bailey

Seconded: I. Cuthbertson

That the Library Museum report be accepted . . Motion 14...CARRIED

VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSION INFORMATION:

As presented in the Bugle

Moved: G. Saunders

Seconded: E. Shaw

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

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Rob Wilson

State Congress for RSL Queensland will be held on Saturday 22nd
June.

- We are required to vote for 1 of the 2 nominees for the election of State President (Board Chair) – Stephen Day (current State President) or Bill Whitburn (current State Vice President). Details were sent in a link to league members and a hard copy displayed on the Notice board for both nominees for Sub Branch members to decide who Redlands RSL Sub Branch will vote for. Attending members voted by a show of hands with scrutineers counting votes for each nominee. **Rob declared that we will be voting for Stephen Day.**
- The following 2 Motions from State Branch, Districts and Sub Branches - Mudgeeraba-Robina RSL Sub Branch - are also

required to be voted for at the State Congress. This was also done by a show of hands by attending members with scrutineers counting 'for' and 'against' votes. Both Motions were displayed along with the Rationale for each motion. **Both motions were shown as 'in favour' by members.**

Motion 1: "RSL Queensland are to investigate the ability to add all qualified RSL volunteer compensation advocates to the RSL Queensland's Provider Digital Access (PRODA) as a volunteer member of RSL Queensland's organisation, if requested by the advocate."

Motion 2: "RSL Queensland are to investigate the ability to provide restricted access to the Wellbeing/Welfare database for qualified RSL volunteer wellbeing advocates. The access is to confirm if a veteran has been assigned a paid wellbeing advocate and if so the contact details of the RSL Queensland advocate. There is to be no access to notes or history."

Graham Hinson

- Thanked the RSL for the honour of receiving the 'Volunteer of the Year Award'. Rob responded that it was well deserved and thanked him for all the work he does as a volunteer.

RAFFLES: Drawn and Won

NEXT MEETING: Quarterly General Meeting - Sunday 21st July 2024 at 10.30am

MEETING CLOSED: 11.31 am

UPCOMING DATES:

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 15th - President's Luncheon

OCTOBER

Sunday 20th - Quarterly General Meeting

NOVEMBER

Sunday 17th - League Gathering

DECEMBER

No Meeting

Treasurer's Report

As we enter the second half of 2024, the trading pattern at Redlands RSL remains strong.

As at the end of July 2024 the Year to Date Net Profit Actual is \$358,425; Budget \$158,940 with a Variance of \$199,485.

Taking a quick look at some of the good performing areas as at the end of July 2024 are as follows: Sails Restaurant \$48,063 being a 279% increase on budget. Cove Café \$16,310 being a 292% increase on budget and Bar trading \$138,140 being a 40% increase on budget.

League and Wellbeing expenditure totalled \$134,197 for July. Here are just some of the areas as to where the funds are being allocated: Golden Oldies \$1,816; League and Welfare Members Amenities \$55,586 and Home Maintenance \$1,227.

Year to Date Overall Members Funds are \$31,405,177; Current Assets total is \$3,078,281. Current Liabilities total is \$3,012,953. Our Non-Current Liabilities Bank Business Loan is \$5,457,813. Our Cash Reserves remain resilient at \$1,504,516 and there is a further \$822,906 in Operational Funds.

The Veteran's Cuppa has proven to be a great initiative since its inception with strong numbers attending on a consistent basis.

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.

In summary, it is suffice to say the Redlands RSL is in a very good position moving into the second half of the year.

Until next month, take care.

Greg Saunders

TREASURER, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Wellbeing Report

Good morning, and welcome to the wellbeing report.

Our advocates and HQ staff had another busy month with many appointments each week with veterans, and arranging the Vietnam Veterans Day Service. Like all workplaces, Headquarters has seen its share of winter bugs in the past month, but all are healthy again.

There was a good attendance of veterans, school representatives and the community to commemorate Vietnam Veterans Day. Guest speaker Kerry Gallagher AM gave an inspiring and emotional address including the story of Kevin Conway a local who was the first soldier in the training team to be killed in Vietnam and was finally repatriated to Australia in 2016 and is buried in the Cleveland Cemetery.

Our sympathies go to those whose loved ones passed away in the past month. If we can be of any assistance please do not hesitate to ring us at headquarters. I would also like you to remember Tom Pritchard who passed away in early August. Tom was the last Rat of Tobruk. He was 102. Well done Tom, may you Rest In Peace.

Despite the weather, once again the vets cuppa on Wednesday 14th August attracted a good attendance.

Our bus trip to Imbil on 31st July was successful with Greg coming up with something very different. Details of next trip will be available at the August League meeting.

Our Golden Oldies group are still going strong every second Tuesday. This is a long standing group that have been meeting for many years to assist those who are socially isolated.

Our volunteers are assisting members by taking them shopping, or to appointments, or visiting them in their home.

Until the September report, I thank you for your support of your Sub Branch.

Linda Harcourt

WELLBEING/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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Deputy President & Cadets Report

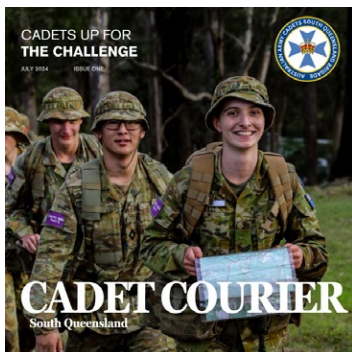
This month the Cadet Units prepared for Vietnam Veterans Day Service to be held in Anzac Park on 18th August. In addition, 136 Army Cadet Unit team began training for Catafalque Party duties in preparation for the event. TS Norfolk Navy Cadets and 217 Squadron will provide the honour guard on either side of the path leading up to the Cenotaph. In addition, the three Cadet Units will provide the flag party and their Commanders will lay wreaths for their respective Units.

Vietnam Veterans Day is a special day which honours the sacrifices made by Vietnam Veterans and once again this year Cleveland High School teacher Joni Edwards and students will lay a wreath to show their appreciation and recognition of Veterans.

During this reporting period I had the pleasure of attending 136 ACU (Army Cadet Unit) passing out parade of the new recruits at their depot at Alexandra Hills. LTCOL David Marshall reviewed the troops following the march on and LTCOL Marshall then addressed the parade. This was followed by the new recruits who were then asked to step forward to receive their certificate for completion of their recruit training. My role was to give each Cadet their colour patches, congratulate them on their achievement, and to also address the parade.



The Australian Army Cadets have established a newsletter called Torch and Sword that showcases the stories, competitions, and guidance on all things Cadets and Staff do for their Units and the community. To view their story, visit the news section on our Redlands RSL Sub Branch website (<https://redlandsrsl.com/sub-branch/news/>), or directly via this link: https://issuu.com/aacsqldbde/docs/cadet_courier_issue_1



217 SQUADRON, AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

The past three months have been a busy term for 217 Squadron.

In May, fifteen 217 Squadron cadets participated in a Cadet Air Experience or a Pilot Experience Flight at RAAF Base Amberley. A Cadet Air Experience is often the first time a cadet has flown in a light aircraft. A Pilot Experience allows cadets to take the aircraft controls and fly the aircraft under the supervision of a qualified flying instructor.

Also, in May, 217 Squadron staff and cadets supported the Capalaba Rotary Bookfest at Cleveland Scout Hall to raise money for Rotary's literacy projects.

The main event for the term was the Training Group Five bivouac, planned and hosted by 217 Squadron. Cadets from 203 Squadron (East Brisbane), 215 Squadron (Carindale), and 217 Squadron (Capalaba) participated in two field exercises aimed at different levels of their development. Exercise Fledgling Falcon trained first-year cadets in basic fieldcraft, radio telephone procedure, field signals, camouflage and concealment and team-building activities in a field environment. Exercise Wild Coyote challenged senior cadets in terms of their leadership, teamwork, and problem-solving ability in a field environment through various scenarios such as search and rescue, navigation, aid post resupply, and drone recovery.

2024 continues to present exciting opportunities for 217 Squadron cadets, with more bivouacs, firearms training, aviation activities, and leadership and personal development opportunities for cadets.

More information on the new curriculum can be found on the Australian Air Force Cadets 'Our Future' page at: <https://www.airforcecadets.gov.au/>.

— Provided by 217 (City of Redland) Squadron



TS NORFOLK AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADET UNIT

On the 25th of July I attended TS Norfolk Annual Inspection at their depot at Wellington Point, Lieutenant Adam Regnart OC of TS Norfolk advised that they conducted their annual inspection in the presence of new Flotilla Commander LCDR AJ Hughes ANC, as well as representatives from the Naval Association and the Unit Support Committee (parent committee of TS Norfolk). The cadets demonstrated their dress, drill and bearing before being inspected. During the course of the night, the cadets, thanks to the efforts of our Training Officer SBLT Ash Trehane ANC. The cadets simulated lowering a boat into the water, raising an anchor by using a capstan from Napoleonic times. The piece of resistance was the signal relay activity. Cadets started the chain by sending a message in morse code to a receiving station. This was then relayed between signal flag stations (semaphore) before being transmitted by radio. Cadets and staff received high praise from our visitors OC LEUT Adam Regnart said.

He went on to say that LCDR A.J. Hughes the new Flotilla Commander of Moreton Flotilla ANC reviewed the parade and inspected the events and the Unit.

The Cadets and Staff at TS Norfolk have had a packed schedule for the last 3 months.

During the June 2024 school holidays cadets from Moreton and the newly formed Gallipoli Flotilla took part in a combined flotillas promotion and electives course at Gallipoli Barracks. Through the week, cadets attended courses to achieve the rank of Petty Officer and Chief Petty Officer while others took part in the elective course of Robotics, Drumming and First Aid.

TS Norfolk cadets took part with their Tri-Service Comrades from NTS vengeance, 12 Army Cadet Unit, 208 and 216 Squadrons AAF in the Reserve Forces Day Ceremony in Anzac Square Brisbane. The day is to recognise past and present members of the Reserve Forces in all three services. Under the leadership of Air Vice Marshall Hugh Bartholomeusz RFD OAM (Ret) and the committee, the cadets from all three services performed beyond all expectations. In 2025, a parade is being planned to celebrate and commemorate Cadet and Reserve Forces in Brisbane.



On the first night back for Term 3, TS Norfolk hosted Captain Peter Alderson ANC, National Commander, Australian Navy Cadets and Commander Raelene Walczak ANC, Director – Flotillas. Captain Alderson and Commander Walczak took time to speak with staff and cadets, providing updated from National Headquarters and the cadet programme. Both Captain Alderson and Commander Walczak handed out elective badges to cadets, two of which earned the gold badge for Skill at Arms. This qualification enables these two cadets, along with their other three gold elective recipients, to train other cadets in their speciality.



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DEPUTY PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB
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League Secretary Report

We have had another Vietnam Veterans Day, and as it had landed on a Sunday and the weather was kind to us, we had very good attendance.

On the day we had a record number of veterans in attendance and laying wreaths. Well done everyone. Upon conclusion of the service, most wondered over to the club for camaraderie and even lunch if they felt inclined. Given that Vietnam Veterans are getting a little older each year it is very encouraging to see these veterans making the effort. However, we do soldier on where we can, checking on each other's welfare, even if it is over an ale or two.

This year is 58 years since the Battle of Long Tan, how time has past so quickly. Upon reflection, it is amazing as to the number of veterans that put their hand up to be involved in volunteering of some sort including Sub Branches throughout the community. These veterans are a special breed, maybe the training we endured has been of some benefit, not only for us but others as well. National Service anyone?

I would like to thank the volunteers that assisted me in putting the day together as well as setting up and tidying up afterwards, as there is a fair amount of preparation involved.

Thank you all.

Michael McDonnell

LEAGUE SECRETARY
REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Naval Association

BAYSIDE SUB SECTION

The Bayside August meeting was held at Redlands RSL in the Tobruk Room on 3rd August 2024 with 36 members in attendance.

LEGACY PRESENTATION

The meeting highlight was a very informative presentation by Brendan Cox from Legacy. Brendan spoke about Legacy history, its growth and highlighted the tremendous work the organisation does for Veterans and their families.

Following the presentation Bayside Vice President Chris McKay presented Brendan with a donation cheque to the value of \$1000 from Bayside Sub Section along with a NAA challenge coin.

GALLIPOLI MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (GMRF)

On Wednesday 7th August, twelve Bayside members joined the monthly GMRF guided laboratory tour at the Greenslopes Hospital. We heard about their research and clinical trials from their researchers, toured the various Labs and shared morning tea and cake with the GMRF team.

Thanks to Angela and your staff for a very informative morning. This tour is highly recommended, information online at GMRF.



JACK MEMORIAL SOUTH BANK - AUGUST

Bayside Members are invited to the Naval Memorial at South Bank, 1100 hours on Thursday 29th August 2024 to remember those that served during the Timor Conflict. Fellowship will be at the Ship Inn on completion.

TS NORFOLK

Bayside members attended the TS Norfolk annual inspection with the cadets in front of the Flotilla Commander. They are a credit not only to their Training Ship but also to the dedicated staff of TS Norfolk who have obviously put a lot of hard work into the Cadets. BZ to all from NAA Bayside.

The TS Norfolk USC thanked NAA Bayside for our support again with their successful annual pie drive.

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 popular with members. This is a good opportunity for members to reminisce about days gone by or sort out the latest government blunder. Members are also enjoying the monthly 'Veterans Cuppas' and Wellbeing bus trips organised by Redlands RSL Sub-Branch.

On Sunday 14th July, members of the Branch went to 'Straddie' for lunch at the Little Ships Club. With fine weather and light winds, we opted for a seafaring adventure on the Straddie Flyer to empathise with the Naval fraternity, rather than fly over. A good day was had by all.

On Wednesday 31st July, members attended the annual 'Winter Warmers' Dinner at the Courthouse Restaurant. The menu reverted to the traditional beef Wellington main and



was most enjoyable. We didn't know it at the time, but sadly this would be our last Winter Warmers dinner in the old Courthouse Restaurant which will close at the end of the year.

The next meeting of RAAFA Redlands Branch meeting will be a **General Meeting on Sunday 13th October 2024**, Redlands RSL at 10:30am. This will be followed by Lunch in Redlands RSL Sails Restaurant for those who can remain after the meeting.

Rob Wilson

PRESIDENT, RAAF ASSOC. REDLANDS BRANCH
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

Here we are already in the second half of 2024. The last excursion was certainly well received by all judging by the positive feedback. Myself personally, I thoroughly enjoyed the day and most importantly the company.

We intend to have two trips to finish up 2024. One being in October then the other will be in November.

As soon as both are confirmed I will let everyone know the details.

Till next time, take care.

GREG SAUNDERS

CONVENOR OF VETERANS AND WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

National Servicemen

REDLANDS BRANCH

No report.

Eric Shaw,

**PRESIDENT, NATIONAL SERVICEMEN
REDLANDS BRANCH**



Women's Auxiliary

No report.

Desley Lingard

PRESIDENT, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY



Library Museum

No report.

Marty Rabjohns

LIBRARY MUSEUM CURATOR



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Wednesday 9th October

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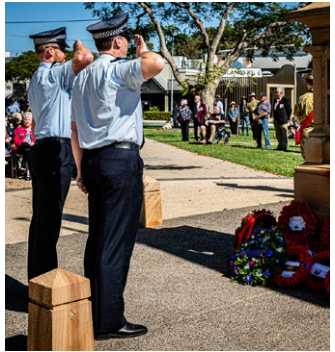
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VIETNAM VETERANS DAY

SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST 2024









History

AUGUST

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
2 Aug 1941	Last major action involving Australians at Tobruk	After its capture Tobruk was garrisoned by the 9th Division, elements of the 7th Division and other Allied units. The town was surrounded on three sides by the German Afrika Korps in April and remained besieged, but able to be re-supplied by sea, until December. Most Australians, however, left Tobruk between August and October.
2 Aug 1990	Iraq invades Kuwait	The invasion began the series of events that led to the Gulf War of 1991.
4 Aug 1900	Battle of Elands River	Bushmen from five Australian colonies and other British Empire troops became involved in the defence of a staging post in Western Transvaal against a force of between 2,000–3,000 Boers. The siege lasted two weeks before the Boers withdrew in the face of overwhelming British reinforcements.
4 Aug 1914	Great Britain declares war on Germany	Australia pledged a force of 20,000, to be placed at Britain's disposal, but by the end of the war over 400,000 Australians were in uniform.
5 Aug 1944	Mass breakout of Japanese prisoners at Cowra prisoner-of-war camp, NSW	This was the largest ever mass escape from a prisoner-of-war camp. Some 378 Japanese prisoners succeeded in escaping the camp; of these, 234 were killed and 108 were wounded. Three Australian guards died in the fighting immediately following the escape, and another was killed during attempts to round up escapees in the surrounding countryside.
6 Aug 1915	Battle for Lone Pine begins on Gallipoli	The Lone Pine operation was planned as a diversion to draw Turkish reserves away from a major British attack to be launched at the northern end of the Australian and New Zealand position on Gallipoli. The Australians suffered more than 2,200 casualties at Lone Pine and the Turks over 5,000. Seven Australians were awarded the Victoria Cross.

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
6 Aug 1945	First atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima	Hiroshima was chosen as the target for the dropping of the first atomic bomb as, to that point, it had not been subjected to US air raids. It was believed that attacking a hitherto untouched city would demonstrate the awesome power of atomic weapons. The bomb was dropped by a US B29 bomber nicknamed "Enola Gay"; it was estimated to have killed some 140,000 people by August 1946.
10 Aug 1914	Voluntary recruitment for the First AIF begins	The Australian Imperial Force remained a volunteer force throughout the war. Two conscription referenda, initiated by Prime Minister Billy Hughes, were defeated, in 1916 and again in 1917.
13 Aug 1914	Establishment of the Australian Red Cross	Establishment of the Australian Red Cross to raise funds to purchase comfort supplies for Australian service personnel overseas. The Australian Red Cross was established by Lady Helen Munro-Ferguson.
13 Aug 1941	Australian Women's Army Service formed	The Australian Women's Army Service was established to release men from certain military duties for service with fighting units. Members of the Australian Women's Army Service served in a variety of roles including clerks, typists, cooks and drivers. In 1945 a contingent was sent to Lae and another group was sent to Holland.
15 Aug 1945	VP (Victory in the Pacific) Day	On this day Emperor Hirohito announced Japan's unconditional surrender.
18 Aug 1966	Battle of Long Tan, South Vietnam	Amid a tropical downpour, 108 men of D Company, 6th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, supported by artillery and a timely resupply by the RAAF, fought off an attack by an enemy force of more than 2,000 in a rubber plantation near the abandoned village of Long Tan. The arrival of Armoured Personnel Carriers carrying reinforcements brought the action to an end. Seventeen Australians were killed, one died of wounds, and 24 were wounded. More than 245 enemy bodies were later counted, but many more had been taken away.
18 Aug 1971	Australian Government announces withdrawal from Vietnam	The Australian Government announced that the 1st Australian Task Force would be withdrawn before Christmas 1971, and the logistic support force shortly thereafter.

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Associated Groups

	<p>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</p>
	<p>NAVAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (BAYSIDE SUB SECTION) Meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 12 noon. Contact: Graham Hargreaves 0431 349 688</p>
	<p>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</p>
	<p>T&PI ASSOCIATION MORETON BAY SOUTH Meetings held on the last Wednesday of the month in the Veterans Community Centre. Contact: Neil Trapp</p>
	<p>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</p>
	<p>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</p>
	<p>REDLANDS LEGACY CARE GROUP Meets on the 1st Friday of each month in the RSL Club Gallipoli Room commencing at 10.00am. Contact: Shree Rogers, President on 0416 062 115</p>
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