

REDLANDS SUB BRANCH

BUGLE

OCTOBER 2025 EDITION

"Honouring The Fallen By Serving The Living!"



WE WILL
REMEMBER

11TH NOVEMBER

REDLANDS RSL SUB BRANCH: 1925-2025
Information for all Veterans, Ex-Service
& Serving Men & Women in the Redlands





REMEMBRANCE DAY

Commemorating Remembrance Day – 11 November

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, Australians pause to remember those who gave their lives in service to our country. Remembrance Day marks the anniversary of the Armistice that ended World War I in 1918, but today it also honours all Australians who have served and sacrificed in wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations.

Join us as we observe one minute's silence at 11am, reflecting on the courage, dedication, and selflessness of those who fought for our freedom. Together, let us remember their sacrifice and ensure their legacy lives on.

COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE:

WHEN: 10.30am, Tuesday 11th November

WHERE: Anzac Memorial Park
(located next to Redlands RSL HQ, Passage St, Cleveland).

Camaraderie will be held at Redlands RSL after the service.

NOTE: The Veterans Cuppa in November will be held on Remembrance Day at 9am in the Anzac Lounge, Redlands RSL (before the Commemorative Service).
Bookings are essential for catering purposes, phone 34881199.

President's Report

I hope this finds everyone in good health.

Those who attended the 'Baby Boomers' music and luncheon in the Gallipoli Room last month would agree, it was a very successful day. My thanks to our Excursions Officer, Greg Saunders, for taking the initiative to organise this event after he found a band that played great music from the 60's and 70's. This band had everyone applauding at the end of each song and the Club Catering Staff did the rest to make the day a success.

The next commemorative event to be observed by Redlands RSL on the 11th November is Remembrance Day. Observed to recall the end of First World War hostilities "at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month" of 1918, in accordance with the armistice signed. This day, more than any other commemorative day, follows the tradition of wearing a remembrance poppy. The service not only commemorates the end of the First World War, but also honours the many armed forces members who have died in the line of duty in this war and all wars since.

Many of our Volunteers will be heavily involved in the lead up to Remembrance Day, from planning the service, selling memorabilia, attending services in Schools and Nursing Homes to participating in the 'Honouring the Fallen' program. I urge all members of the Sub Branch and the community, to join us at Anzac Memorial Park, beginning at 10.30am to observe this important day on our commemorative calendar; or if you can't, take time at 11am to reflect on the sacrifices made by our service men and women.

Take care.

Rob Wilson

PRESIDENT,
REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Previous Minutes

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)

Redlands RSL Sub-Branch

QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

SUNDAY 27TH JULY 2025

MEETING OPENED: by Rob Wilson at 10.30am

ODE RECITED

REMEMBERING:

Thomas Davies	RAAF
Reg Watego	Army
Michael Hubert	RAAF
Kazimierz Kloda	RAAF
Arnie Tillgrin	Navy

Today, the 27th July is National Korean Veterans Day. We also pause and remember all those who served in this conflict, particularly those who paid the supreme sacrifice.

ATTENDANCE: A total of 62 as per the attendance book (50 League, 12 Visitors)

APOLOGIES: As per the apologies list in the attendance book.

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Attendance and Apologies be accepted . . Motion 1: Carried

NEW MEMBERS: Peter Grogan - Army

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES: Arthur Rob Khan

PRESIDENTS OPENING REMARKS:

At the last League Gathering Meeting in June you may recall you voted on five Motions put forward by Sub Branches to be presented at the State Congress. The details from these votes can be found in the State Congress Report on page 18 of the Bugle. Although the first motion to commemorate recent conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan was defeated because of the date that was put forward, it was very clear that Sub Branches are going ahead and including a separate date in their calendar to commemorate these more recent conflicts.

Our next Commemorative event is Vietnam Veterans Day on Monday 18th August. This is a commemorative event for all members, not just our Vietnam Veteran members, so it would be pleasing to see as many of you as possible in attendance. Michael McDonnell is well advanced in the planning and would like to see you if you want to lay a wreath.

I would also like to draw your attention to VP Day on Friday 15th August, see Page 17 of the Bugle.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: As presented in the Bugle - Pages 6-9 | Quarterly General Meeting & League Gathering Meeting – Sunday 19th January 2025

Moved: R. Khan *Seconded: I. Cuthbertson*
That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.
. Motion 2: Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: NIL

Moved: R. Wilson *Seconded: B. Griffieon*

PRESIDENTS REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Page 4 – President Rob Wilson

State Congress Report – Page 18 – Acknowledgement of the motions that have been moved at the State Congress.

SED Report – Page 19 - NIL

Moved: R. Khan *Seconded: I. Cuthbertson*
That the Presidents Report be accepted Motion 3: Carried

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Page 5 – Peter Harrison – General Manager

Half Yearly Report:

- An unaudited Half Yearly Report was provided in the Bugle by Peter Harrison. A satisfactory figure at \$744,400.95 which is +148% on 2024.
- The Grandview Hotel is scheduled to open in September. The General Manager has allowed for a 20% downturn for when they open. The Courthouse located in Cleveland has been bought out as well as The Lakeside in Victoria Point.

Renovations:

- 6 weeks from today, there are hopes the Keno and TAB wall will be knocked down, there will be no disruptions to the venue as the renovations will be completed between the hours of 6.00am-10.00am during two mornings in a row.
- The Cove Café will also be doubling in size, minor disruptions will be expected during this process.
- The Gaming Bar will also be renovated – changes to the back area will be done.

- All renovations are estimated to be completed by late August or early September 2025.
- The renovations will possibly be covered by cashflow, a total sum of \$424,000.00.

Moved: G. Hargreaves

Seconded: R. Kahn

That the General Managers Report be accepted . . . Motion 4: Carried

WELLBEING REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Pages 10-11

Wellbeing Support Officers:

- Shelagh Bell, Clare Foster, Douglas McDonald, Elizabeth McLeod and Stephen Riley to be added and authorized to act on behalf of the Redlands RSL Sub Branch until the next AGM Sunday 22nd March 2026.

Donations:

- A big thank you to the Naval Association for their donation of \$1,000.00 to wellbeing.

Moved: L. Harcourt

Seconded: J. Butler

That the Wellbeing Report be accepted Motion 6: Carried

DEPUTY PRESIDENTS REPORT, CADETS REPORT & RSL SED REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Pages 11-14

136 Army Cadet Unit:

- 136 Army Cadet Unit will be holding their Tri Service parade Sunday 3rd August at 2.00pm. Everyone is invited to come along – the parade is located at their training depot at Alexandra Hills State High School, enter through Gate 3 Windermere Road, Alexandra Hills.

VP80 Pacific:

- SED President Kerry Gallagher has invited Dennis Wellbelove to attend VP80 Pacific at the Officers Mess at the Headquarters of SED. Dennis has recently turned 104 in June.

Moved: I. Gray

Seconded: I. Cuthbertson

That the Deputy Presidents, Cadets & RSL SED Reports be accepted .

. Motion 7: Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Mr Greg Saunders has been re-instated on the Redlands RSL Board to fill a casual vacancy.

Graham Hinson:

- Through the local council and with Rotary clubs, Reflections on

VP Day – 'Victory in the Pacific' 80th Anniversary, will be held on Saturday 16th August 2025, with the event starting at 2.00pm located at Birkdale State School Assembly Hall, Agnes Street, Birkdale.

NEXT QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING: will be held on Sunday 26th October at 10.30am

MEETING CLOSED: by President Rob Wilson at 10.50am

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

LEAGUE GATHERING MEETING MINUTES **SUNDAY 27TH JULY 2025**

MEETING OPENED: by President Rob Wilson at 10.50am

CORRESPONDENCE: Presented by Michael McDonnell – League Secretary

Inwards:

Department of Defence:

- Josh, from the Department of Defence, has sent an email through – Josh is the contact regarding all assistance for Anzac Day, mainly the fly over along with listed items required for the day.
- Confirmation from Josh that Michael McDonnell's request for Defence Force personnel on Anzac Day has been received, the Department of Defence will now hold record of this.

Battle Tours:

- Battle tours have advised and advertised Anzac Day over in Gallipoli, as well as associated tours. The tours happen every year.

Sponsorship Grants:

- Sponsorship grants from Redlands City Council have opened up.

Emails:

- An email was sent through from a visiting customer of Redlands RSL, regarding the image of Ben Roberts Smith, VC. The situation has now been solved.

National Memorial Gardens Complex:

- A club in Victoria has put forward a request to have the National Memorial Gardens Complex built.
- There are concerns regarding this request as Canberra have already got a War Memorial.

Upcoming Events:

- Redlands City Band will be advertising their events over the course of the next few months.

Outwards:

Emails:

- Emails have been sent forward to the local MP's to attend Vietnam Veteran's Day.

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the correspondence outwards be accepted . . Motion 8: Carried

LEAGUE SECRETARY REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Page 15

Highlighting pages 16-17, referring to Vietnam Veteran's Day & VP Day, all requirements for Vietnam Veteran's Day have been noted in the Bugle, Vietnam Veteran's Day is running on a Monday and will be starting at 9.45am.

Moved: M. McDonnell

Seconded: B. Reedman

That the League Secretary Report be accepted. . . Motion 9: Carried

NAVAL ASSOCIATION REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Pages 20-21

Moved: G. Hargreaves

Seconded: T. Adams

That the Naval Association Report be accepted . . Motion 10: Carried

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Page 21

Moved: D. Lingard

Seconded: M. Rabjohns

That the Women's Auxiliary Report be accepted . . Motion 11: Carried

RAAF ASSOCIATION REPORT: As presented in the Bugle, Page 22 – President Rob Wilson

Moved: R. Wilson

Seconded: D. Palmer

That the RAAF Association Report be accepted . . Motion 12: Carried

VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSION: As presented in the Bugle, Page 23 – Greg Saunders

Mystery Tour:

- On Friday 15th August, we will be going on our Mystery Tour. The menu has a great range of choices, quite a few tickets have already been sold, with only 8 left. Departure time will be at 8.00am from Redlands RSL. Refer to parking rules as per the Mystery Tour Brochure, if you have disabilities, the minimum requirement is the first floor for parking.

Upcoming Event:

• On Friday 26th September, there will be a Back to the 60's Lunch. This event is currently in planning mode, so for the time being this is a Save the Date. Additionally, there will be a band coming called The Baby Boomers.

Moved: G. Saunders

Seconded: B. Griffieon

That the Veterans & Wellbeing Excursion Information be accepted .

..... Motion 16: Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Michael McDonnell:

- In reference to Vietnam Veteran's Day, all the details are in the Bugle with the timings. If you wish to lay a wreath, after the meeting, I can take your name down.
- There are new staff across the road who are not familiar with running of our commemorative days, so be patient as they're learning their way.
- If you have not registered to lay a wreath, please do so by today. If you come along on Vietnam Veteran's Day and say you have one every year, take into consideration that if you have not told Michael McDonnell directly, there is no one to know or prepare a wreath on the day.
- All attendance by 9.45am, Starting at 10.00am. After the ceremony, there will be a luncheon at Redlands RSL to commemorate VP day inclusive of Vietnam Veteran's Day.

President Rob Wilson:

- We introduced Paul Field at the last League Gathering Meeting as the new Treasurer. He has been accepted by the board for that position. Paul has got quite a few years' experience in the industry.
- The SED Veteran Wellbeing Support Centre at Greenslopes Hospital are looking for volunteers. These Volunteers provide support to Veterans who are in hospital. If anyone thinks they can assist, see President Rob Wilson after the meeting.
- Graham Hargreaves raised concerns regarding the Wellbeing Support Centre as issues arose in the past, themselves and 2 other volunteers raised their hands to assist at the centre, unfortunately no interest was shown.
- President Rob Wilson will raise the question regarding Graham's concerns at the next SED Meeting.

NEXT VETERANS CUPPA: Wednesday 13th August 2025 in the ANZAC Lounge at 9am.

RAFFLES: Drawn and Won

NEXT LEAGUE GATHERING: will be held on Sunday 28th September at 10.30am

MEETING CLOSED: by President Rob Wilson at 11.07am

SED REPORT

The last SED Meeting was held on Thursday 2nd October 2025.

This meeting commenced with a presentation from Jenna Passlow, Senior Manager – Education & Skills, RSL Qld. This presentation provided a wealth of information on the Education and Training initiatives provided by RSL QLD available for members and their families transitioning from the ADF to the civilian workforce.

Following the presentation, the meeting resumed with routine business. Towards the end of the meeting, I was scheduled to provide a presentation on Redlands Sub Branch. Being our centenary year, I was able to begin with some history of the sub branch and conclude with the vast range of programs we have.

Reprt provided by

Rob Wilson

QUEENSLAND RSL NEWS



Queensland RSL News is published four times each year. Each issue contains engaging articles about new programs and services, commemorative events around Queensland, and military history, as well as sections for members to share information about upcoming reunions and other events.

Visit: <https://rslqld.org/news/queensland-rsl-news>

General Managers Report

Bottle-Shop sales were \$166,173.32 which is +11.31% on the same period for 2024.

Bar sales were \$2,463,337.62 which is +11.77% on the same period for 2024.

Sails Bistro sales were \$2,868,169.63 which is +2.20% on the same period for 2024.

Function sales were \$256,420.03 which is -1.31% on the same period for on 2024.

Coffee-shop sales were \$766,200.99 which is +13.00% on the same period for 2024.

Keno sales were \$1,705,541.30 which is +7.14% on the same period for 2024.

Net Profit/Loss unaudited \$1,031,034.40 which is +45.26% on the same period for 2024.

All areas except functions still showing slight growth which is good to see. With the Grand View opening it will be interesting to see if we hold our own for the last quarter. We can only wait and see what impact this will have and in what areas. Fingers crossed not to severe, but I'm sure everyone will go for a look.

COMPARISON GAMING FIGURES 2025 V 2024 UP TO AND END OF THE 3RD QUARTER

Turnover:	+ 6.98%
Revenue:	+ 9.67%
Cancel Credits:	- 23.30%
Cash Clearance:	+ 7.36%
Banking:	+ 8.40%
ADT:	+ 1.33%
ADN:	- 9.57%
RTP:	0.01%

Gaming still going strong to the end of the 3rd quarter again will be interesting if the Grand View has any impact in this area going forward. Overall very pleasing to see continued growth.

Peter S Harrison
GENERAL MANAGER, REDLANDS RSL



Treasurer's Report

Redlands RSL continues to operate as a very professional organisation under the strong administration of General Manager Peter Harrison, his management crew and finally the various team who ensure the needs and requests of our members and visitors to the club are more than adequately catered for.

The steadily increasing monthly results achieved during 2025 are a clear testimony to the efficiency of a cohesive team that ensures such outcomes be accomplished on a continuing basis.

The utilisation of shrewd business skills enabled the renovations in the Cove Café to be undertaken without too much disruption to our patrons. The staff working in the Café displayed first-rate skills in their resilience to change during the operation from the temporary area.

It would be extremely remiss in my role as Treasurer, {on behalf of the Chairman and the RSL Board} if I failed to express our sincere appreciation to all the dedicated volunteers who work loyally, and so professionally, for Redlands RSL. The worth of those wonderful people can never be valued. Without volunteers so many functions provided by the RSL could not be delivered to our members, especially our veterans.

Volunteer hours year to date 7,782.15 hours

September 761.25 hours

Monthly average 864.68 hours

Estimated value (at \$33.49 per hour) \$260,619 for nine months or \$347,491 per annum

Membership has shown consistent growth in 2025, averaging around 828 new members per month. If this trend continues, we could finish the year with the strongest ever end of year figure. We have one of the highest levels of RSL League membership in the state with 1225 members.

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.

Following a systematic review of all aspects of Redlands RSL financial operating method with the Financial Controller over the last 2 months, I can confirm the organisation is in a strong trading position.

It's great working as part of a "TEAM" for the Veterans of the Redlands.

Paul Field

TREASURER, REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



Wellbeing Report

Good morning and welcome to the October 2025 Quarterly Meeting. One more meeting after this before Christmas.

Our Advocates are very busy seeing clients whose claims are in progress and also new clients enquiring if they qualify for DVA entitlements. If you are applying for DVA entitlements we suggest that you contact one of our Advocates. New Acts will be legislated next year with quite a few changes to occur. Our Advocates are meeting with SEDRSL Representative next month to learn about these changes and will be prepared for when they enacted.

Thank you to Bayside Naval Association for facilitating the presentation of "Things to Do Before You Go" at the Redlands RSL on 23rd October. We had over 40 in attendance. I know this is not a topic that some people want to talk about but hopefully all who attended are encouraged to begin a conversation with their families.

We are still progressing with our efforts to reach all our Service Members to see if they require any assistance. Our next Facebook post will be specific to Young Veterans to encourage them to talk with their local RSL.

Golden Oldies meet every second Tuesday in a safe and relaxed atmosphere for a cuppa and chat and most Tuesdays they have musical entertainment. The next meeting will be Tuesday 28th October and each fortnight after that.

Joint Venture have moved from the Catholic Church Hall to playing Indoor Bowls downstairs in the RSL each Wednesday from 9am – 11am. I am sure they would welcome new members and the RSL bus is available for transport if you are a member of the RSL.

Our Wellbeing Support Officers are meeting 1st Wednesday of each month to discuss ways we can better assist our Veterans and their families and to keep in touch with each other and share what they have been doing in the past month,

DVA have advised that Veterans Health Week will be held in a new format this year.

The Redlands RSL will be applying for a grant to facilitate a function sometime in the future as we now have a four month, instead of two week window to hold this. Service members will be notified when details are available.

Thank you for your assistance in many different ways in making our Service members and their dependents a little easier.

Warm Regards,

Linda Harcourt

WELLBEING CO-ORDINATOR

Email: linda.harcourt@redlandsrsl.com.au



Cadet Liaison Report

Apologies for the missing cadet reports for September/October; a new regime.

Farewell and a big vote of thanks to Ian Gray for his excellent and tireless work with the three cadet units over many years. As a result of Ian's retirement, I have been allocated the duties of Cadet Liaison Officer and will endeavour to have cadet reports from the three units in time for print in the Bugle.

There may be a few things RSL Club members do not know about in regard to cadets and to overcome that, the information below may fill in some gaps.

The Redlands based cadets is made up of Navy (TS Norfolk), Army (136 ACU) and Air Force (217 Sqn AAFC) as follows;

The **Navy cadets** belong to TS Norfolk (*Training Ship*), with current Commanding Officer Lieutenant Matthew Firth (ANC).

TS Norfolk, is part of Australian Navy Cadets, Australia's premier youth development, organisation. Open to school-aged youth, who can join in the year that they turn 13 up to the year they turn 18. Cadets participate in activities such as powerboating, sailing, drone flying, robotics, sealift experience, international exchanges, national activities & Anzac Day and other ceremonial parades. Cadets develop life skills, lifelong friendships, resilience, discipline and have fun. TS Norfolk parades every Thursday during the school term at Wellington Point State School between 5:30 pm & 8:30 pm. Come check us out, there is no obligation.

The **Army cadets** of 136 ACU (Army Cadet Unit) under Officer Commanding Captain Craig Buckingham (AAC) meets at Alexandra Hills State High School on Monday evening during school terms.

'136 ACU (Army Cadet Unit) is an Australian Army Cadets unit located in Alexandra Hills, Queensland, focused on developing leadership, resilience, and community skills in young people aged 12 to 18. The unit participates in activities like adventure training, leadership development, and STEM electives such as drones and robotics. A notable cadet from 136 ACU, Cadet Sergeant Aiden Foster, received a national Gold Commendation for developing a new training package for the bugle, which has been adopted by the national headquarters.'

The **Air Force cadets** from 217 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadet unit (AAFC) with Commanding Officer Squadron Leader Anthony McKeaten (AAFC) meet at Capalaba College on Monday evening during school terms.

'The aim of the Australian Defence Force Cadets, which includes the AAFC, is "By predominantly voluntary effort, to better equip young people for community life by fostering initiatives, leadership, discipline and loyalty through training programs which are also designed to stimulate an interest in a particular arm of the Defence Force.'

From this, the following specific aims have been developed:

- To give cadets a foundation of Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) knowledge and discipline
- To develop qualities of leadership, self-reliance and initiative
- To develop character and good citizenship in the widest sense
- To develop an interest in the RAAF and aviation generally
- To instil a knowledge of aviation history, and
- To encourage cadets to continue an active interest in aviation into their adult life.'

Cadet reports compiled by

David Field

VICE PRESIDENT, REDLANDS SUB
BRANCH, & CADET LIAISON OFFICER



League Secretary Report

Another month ticks by, is it just me or are we seeing the years racing along. Before we know it, Melbourne Cup and Christmas will be upon us.

November 11th is Remembrance Day, and I would like anyone that would like to lay a wreath on behalf of the unit that you served in, to let me know, so as we can have your wreath ready for you. I am aware that you may lay a wreath each year, however things change and you maybe away at that time, so please let me know your intentions to lay a wreath.

NOTE: Veterans Cuppa will be on Tuesday 11th at 9.00am, before the Remembrance Day service which begins at 10.30am - don't be late!

It is very sad to see Ian Gray, hand in his resignation to the board and to the League, after a commitment that spans some 23 years. His life revolved around Redlands RSL Sub Branch, his attention to Military detail is unmatched, we have a lot to learn. The Cadets were a big part of Ian's portfolio, and they in return looked up to Ian for advice and guidance. Few Sub Branches have three Cadet units attached to the club, of which this trebles' the work load. Ian, you will surely be missed, your health comes first.

As the year winds down, preparations towards next year's Anzac Day begin to take shape, if only we could control the weather. Looking forward to a clear skies and a good turnout.

Michael McDonnell

LEAGUE SECRETARY,
REDLANDS SUB BRANCH



REMEMBRANCE DAY

**TUESDAY,
11TH NOVEMBER**

**See page 2 for details on
the commemorative service**



RAAF Association

REDLANDS BRANCH

Redlands Branch of the RAAF Association continued with promoting the wellness and benefits of members and supporting the Australian Air Force Cadets.

Members who attended the Redlands RSL President's Luncheon on Sunday 24th August enjoyed good food and camaraderie that this event is designed to foster. This was followed on Sunday 14th September by Lunch in the RSL Sails Restaurant, following a cancellation of the Branch BBQ, due to forecast inclement weather. Then it was back to the Fiction Bar and Restaurant at Raby Bay for the Branch Dining Out night on Tuesday 23rd September. Then following the last General Meeting on the 12th October, members of the Branch enjoyed lunch together in Redlands RSL Sails Restaurant.

In other social news, the Branch Wednesday afternoon informal wellbeing gatherings in the ANZAC Lounge of Redlands RSL continue to provide a reason for members to socialise; and a platform for all sorts of issues to be discussed. Members have also enjoyed attending the RSL Veterans 'Cuppas' each month and the RSL Veterans and Wellbeing Excursions.

Members of the Branch attended the annual Associations Day hosted by 82 Wing at RAAF Base Amberley on Wednesday 15th October. A wreath was laid on behalf of the Branch at the Memorial Service and this was followed by a group photograph on the tarmac in front of a Canberra, F111, FA18 Super Hornet and EA18 Growler aircraft.

The next commemorative event will be the Redlands RSL Sub Branch Remembrance Day Commemoration Ceremony from 10.30am in Anzac Memorial Park on the 11th November.

The next meeting of RAAFA Redlands Branch will be a General Meeting on Saturday 13th December 2025 in Redlands RSL at 10:30am. This will be followed by the Branch Christmas Lunch in Redlands RSL Sails Restaurant.

Rob Wilson

**PRESIDENT, RAAF ASSOC.
REDLANDS BRANCH**



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

Naval Association

BAYSIDE SUB SECTION

The October Bayside Naval Association meeting was held at the Redlands RSL 4 October 2025 with 46 members in attendance. Whilst male members gathered in the Tobruk room for the formal meeting, our ladies enjoyed a fully subsidised lunch in Sails.

Following the meeting Male Members retired to the dining and lounge areas for meals and refreshments.

ANNUAL LADIES LUNCH

The Bayside Naval Association Annual Ladies Luncheon was attended and enjoyed by 20 of our female members. This lunch recognises and thanks our ladies for their involvement and support to our Association activities, functions, etc. BZ Ladies.



POSTRATE CANCER RESEARCH BASH

At the meeting John Boland presented the President with a certificate of appreciation from the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia for John and Margs participation and NAA Baysides support to the recent Bash fund raiser.

VETERANS CUPPA

Redlands RSL – Tuesday, 11th November 2025

Redlands RSL – Wednesday, 10th December 2025

JACK MEMORIAL SOUTH BANK -

As always Fellowship at the Ship Inn on Completion

October

The next ceremony at Jack will be held on Thursday 30th October 2025 starting at 1100. The theme for the next ceremony is HMAS Sydney (II) and a farewell to C.O. Moreton CMDR Rosemarie Apikotoa.

November

27th November 2025 starting at 1100 – theme for this ceremony is All Navy Women.

Yours Aye,

Colin Saxby

NAVAL ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA,
BAYSIDE SUB SECTION INC.



National Servicemen

REDLANDS BRANCH

No report this month.

Eric Shaw,

PRESIDENT, NATIONAL SERVICEMEN
REDLANDS BRANCH



Women's Auxiliary

No report this month.

Desley Lingard

PRESIDENT,
WOMEN'S AUXILIARY



VETERANS & WELLBEING EXCURSIONS

Baby Boomers was very successful with 90 people attending. The band was very well received which can be judged by the applause received after every song they played.

Everything, including the dress and décor revolved around the 60's. The meal in itself certainly reflected this with old favourites like rissoles and gravy, banana split, and prawn cocktails. Top marks to Alan Harcourt and Lorraine Perrin for taking out best dressed prizes.

Our next trip to Mooloolaba on the 30th October is also sold out. This will include lunch on board a two-story vessel whilst cruising the canals of Mooloolaba.

Our final trip for the year will be on Thursday 20th November. A Twilight one, including dinner at Brekkie Creek Hotel and a Cruise up the Brisbane River to West End from Hamilton, should be something else by night. Information was sent out to all Service members with a valid email address or mobile phone number in our membership database. If you did not receive it, please check your email junk folder, or that your details are up to date with our reception staff by phoning 3488 1199.

Till next time, take care.

Greg Saunders,

CONVENOR OF VETERANS &
WELLBEING EXCURSIONS



Library Museum

Opening Hours: Mondays through to Fridays from 10am to 2pm.

For any enquiries or group bookings, please contact Martin Rabjohns on 0438 229 763.



DOES YOUR MEMBERSHIP EXPIRE 2025? **RENEW TODAY!**

Did you know that Redlands RSL Sub Branch
SUBSIDISES 50% OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEES!
So be sure to renew directly through us to get the saving,
not through RSL Qld. You can do this by seeing our
staff at reception, or by phoning 34881199.

Service Members = \$10

Life Subscription also available.

Price is dependant on your age - Redlands RSL charge:

65years+ = \$50, 60-64yrs = \$60, 55-59yrs = \$70,
50-54yrs = \$90, 45-49yrs = \$110, 40-44yrs = \$130,
or 18-39yrs = \$150.



CHRISTMAS CLOSURES

Redlands RSL Sub Branch Headquarters:

Closed Friday 12th December,
re-opening Monday 12th January 2026.

Library Museum:

Closed Wednesday 17th December,
re-opening Monday 12th January 2026.



WHAT IS A POPPY SERVICE?

A Poppy Service is a simple addition to a Funeral Service and usually encompasses the persons military service record, the reciting of The Ode, the sounding of The Last Post and Rouse, along with the provision of poppies for family, friends and mourners to place on the coffin. The Poppy Service is conducted by a Member of an RSL Sub Branch and is part of a Funeral Service.

A Poppy Service allows us to support the person in a final act of bravery; it means that we are with them at one of the most significant parts of their life and that they are not alone during this time. It allows us to commemorate the significant sacrifice they made during their life by serving the Australian Defence Force. We honour them gallantly, and we acknowledge their service, their sacrifice, and their life in a way that respects their military life.

WHO CAN HAVE A POPPY SERVICE

A Poppy Service is available to any person who has served in the Australian Defence Force, this includes Citizen Military Forces (CMF) and Allied Forces. They do not have to be a member of the RSL currently or previously. Poppy Services are provided as part of a Funeral Service free of charge. They are one of the ways that the RSL honour servicemen and women for their contribution and support their family through this difficult time.

Every funeral is an honour for us, and serving our Veterans is something that we take very seriously and we respect the traditions that are in place to honour and commemorate their lives.

Poppy Services ensure that those who have given so much for us are remembered and honoured respectfully with a personalised Service honouring their life and recognising their contribution and support to Australia in times of conflict and peace.

This can be carried out at your loved one's Burial, Cremation or Memorial Services.

The RSL Ritual Segment of your loved ones Service is for its members that highlight the services of the deceased to their country. This will include your loved one's service record being read, laying of poppies, reading of The Ode, The Last Post, one minutes silence and Reveille/Rouse.

You may wish to have the Australian flag laid on your loved one's coffin along with their Service Medals displayed on a frame as well as other military items, such as hats, photos and awards. A bugler can also be arranged to play The Last Post and Reveille/Rouse or we can use a recording.

An RSL representative will take the formal part of the Poppy service as a last tribute to a beloved comrade who served in defence of our nation.

A Moment of Silence – A unique moment to honour the deceased in silent contemplation, reflection, meditation or prayer.

Guard of Honour – If your loved one is being carried as part of the service, you may wish to have a guard of honour. It is important that you let your Funeral Director know if this is happening so they can ensure it all goes smoothly.

When meeting with your Funeral Director they will need to gather information from you regarding the application to the ADF archive records in Canberra for your loved ones Defence Eulogy.

The following information will be required:

- Full name and date of birth
- Service Number Service – Navy / Army / Air Force Era served, eg. WW2, Vietnam, Korea, National service etc.

Information provided by,

GRAHAM HINSON

REDLANDS RSL SUB-BRANCH WELLBEING OFFICER

If you require further information regarding a
Poppy Service, please contact our
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Veterans Cuppa

**KEEPING OUR REDLANDS RSL SUB BRANCH MEMBERS
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Our Veterans Cuppa takes place on the 2nd Wednesday of every month and remains a popular morning tea gathering. Veterans enjoy exclusive early access to the Anzac Lounge before the club opens to the public, providing a relaxed social setting where they can connect with fellow Sub Branch members over a barista-crafted coffee and a freshly baked scone or muffin.

NEXT VETERANS CUPPA:

9AM, TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2025

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THIS MONTH IN AUSTRALIAN MILITARY

History

OCTOBER

DATE	TITLE	EVENT
3 Oct 1992	Dedication, Australian Vietnam Veterans' National Memorial	The Vietnam Veterans' National Memorial, Anzac Parade, Canberra, was opened by the Prime Minister, the Hon. Paul Keating, MP, and honours those Australians who served and died in the war in Vietnam.
5 Oct 1951	Second Australian battalion committed to Korea	From September 1950 the main Australian army unit in Korea had been the 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment. The Australian Government announced that the 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment would join it in March 1952.
13 Oct 1969	HMAS Brisbane returns to Sydney	This was the end of the Brisbane's first deployment to Vietnam. A turret from HMAS Brisbane is on display outside the Memorial.
16 Oct 1967	Royal Australian Navy Helicopters deploy to Vietnam	An RAN Helicopter Flight Vietnam (RANHVF '67) joins the US Army's 135th Aviation Company at Vung Tau, supporting American troops in South Vietnam.
19 Oct 1945	War Widow's Guild of Australia founded	The guild's first president was Mrs Jessie Vasey, widow of Major General G.A. Vasey. It is still an active organisation today. Major General Vasey was killed in an aircraft accident near Cairns while returning to operational service.
21 Oct 1944	HMAS Australia damaged by Kamikaze aircraft	The Japanese first used special air units (Tok-kō-tai) to undertake suicide attacks on warships in the Allied fleet supporting the American landings on Leyte in the Philippines.
23 Oct 1942	Battle of El Alamein begins	The battle of El Alamein, in Egypt, one of the turning point battles of the Second World War, began with a massive artillery bombardment preceding attacks by British and Australian divisions.
24 Oct 1942	Eora Creek, Kokoda Trail	The 16th Brigade, 7th Division, continued to drive the Japanese back along the Kokoda Trail but met heavy resistance at Eora Creek in late October.
27 Oct 1950	Chinese enter the Korean War	Having secretly moved at least 180,000 men into North Korea, Chinese forces began attacking south, surprising UN Command.
28 Oct 1916	First conscription referendum	Dismayed by heavy losses at Fromelles and Pozières on the Western Front, Prime Minister W.M. Hughes proposed that conscription be introduced for overseas service. The proposal was defeated.

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 0431 349 688
	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: Jeff Graham - 0438 584 376 Greg Hambridge - 0422 300 242
	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 Maritime Room of the club commencing at 10.30am. Contact: Lynne Martin, President on 0416 224 453
	REDLANDS LEGACY CARE GROUP Meets on the 1st Friday of each month in the RSL Club Maritime Room commencing at 10.30am. Contact: Shree Rogers, President on 0416 062 115
	YOUNG VETERANS REDLANDS Contact: Geoff Hooper on 0419 649 925. E: chev1950@bigpond.com Facebook: Young Veterans Redlands

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