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STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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FOREIGN OWNERSHIP OF LAND

At its meeting in the National Congress held in Canberra from 10-21 September 1989 I urged the Western Australian delegation to the Government to support the moves taken by the Government to expand the scope of the Foreign Investment Review Board into the State hospital systems.

Not only in Western Australia having problems with State hospital systems, we are all in other States. Let me tell you, the veteran community, that it would not be in the best interest of any veteran or woman veteran to be considered for the State system.

Among other items discussed was the foreign ownership of land. As far as the RSL was concerned, the Government has failed to carry through with land industry, it has not been pursued, nor has it demonstrated the internationality of that foreign investment it has identified. Yet the Government (and all Australia) needs to know:

- the extent of past and present foreign ownership and what foreign interests have been involved;
- the magnitude and composition of foreign investment so that we can forecast potential competitive threats;
- the trend of Australian ownership, and by whom, in time of war.

The RSL acknowledges the constitutional restrictions under which the Commonwealth Government operated on this question. Nonetheless, the League calls on the Government to harden up to politics and procedures for the control of land ownership by foreign powers of necessity, to maintain the fabric of society.

Specifically, the League recommends that:
- the Foreign Investment Review Board be given the responsibility for maintaining a register of all land and business which is foreign owned;
- "Australia" interests be defined.
- In future, foreign investment regardless of time or place is to be subjected to minority equity, to be carried on in a transparent and open way.

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SEPTEMBER 1989
BY THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

The Federal Budget

The Federal Government passed down its Annual Budget for fiscal year 1989 on 15 August 1988. Unlike previous years, when Budgets included a sting in the tail for the veteran and kindred community, Budget 1989 was fairly benign so far as veterans, ex-servicemen and their dependants were concerned. The greatest disappointments were the omissions.

It was a hope that widows would be able to draw a single rate of service pension through the Department of Veterans Affairs rather than having to transfer to the Department of Social Security to be eligible to draw the pension at the single rate. Similarly, with the provision of additional benefits to service and old age pensioners, particularly the increase to the basic pension, it was hoped that the Government would reinstate war widows drawing aged/service pensions to a full pension rather than retaining the pegged level of $60.05 per week as has been the case for the last few years, or at the very least index this figure. That nothing was done in these two areas is to the shame of the Government and they ought to be reprimanded for their lack of compassion towards these deserving women.

The decision to give automatic entitlement to ex-prisoners of war of the Japanese when the illnesses ulcers, hepatitis B, anxiety state, psychiatric depression and strongyloidiasis are claimed, is to be lauded. However, to restrict this automatic acceptance to those who were prisoners of the Japanese and to neglect those who suffered similar privations at the hands of their captors by excluding from this automatic acceptance category those who were prisoners of the Korean and Chinese during the Korean War is a terrible mistake on the part of Government. There are, after all, only a handful that fall into this category and the extra cost likely to be generated from including them would be negligible.

Other items of the Budget which have flowed onto the veteran and kindred community for which we can congratulate the Government include:

a. the reform of the income test and tax overlap
b. the continuation of disability pension to the widow or dependants of a deceased veteran for 12 weeks after the death of the veteran
c. the telephone rental concessions to World War I veterans
d. the disregarding of imputed value of free board and lodgings

Repayment Hospitals

Negotiations still continue between the Department and the Government on the one hand and the ex-service community on the other in respect of the handing over of Repatriation hospitals to the State and health systems. There is still no clear indication of how the Government intends to ensure that eligible members of the Veteran community are to be guaranteed access to State Hospital systems after the proposed handover, and I keep saying to both the Minister and to the Secretary of the Department that until such time as that point is clarified by an unequivocal statement by the Government, then there can be no meaningful negotiations. There is still a hush from the Government and the Department in relation to this fundamental point.

It was pleasing to note however, that expenditure was provided in the 1989 Budget for some major new works and some medium and minor works at the Repatriation hospitals. The pressure to establish a geriatric rehabilitation ward at RGH Hobart before funds will be spent for refurbishment at that hospital does however provide something of a sting in the tail in respect of new major works at this hospital.

Mustard Gas Trials During World War II

In recent weeks some newspapers have carried a “beat-up” on the trials carried out by the Australian Army on the use and effects of mustard gas in tropical areas. It is unfortunate that some uninformed comment has been made by members of the ex-service community on this much discussed, fully examined incident. The matter was first raised in the post World War II years during the period when Lance Barnard was the Defence Minister in the early 1970s and again by the media during the early 1980s. To the best of my knowledge compensation, including medical assistance, has been available and still is being provided to those who served in this instrumented war.
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**Dedication of Army Memorial**

The memorial being built to the Australian Army in Anzac Parade, Canberra will be dedicated and officially opened at 10.00 hours on 1 November 1989. This date has been chosen because of its historical significance to not only the Australian Army but also to the nation. November 1, 1989 will be the 75th Anniversary of the departure of the convoy of ships containing the first contingent of the Australian Imperial Force, from King George Sound, Albany, Western Australia, in World War I. A New Zealand Army contingent also sailed in company with their Australian brothers from Albany on Wednesday in 1914.

**Appreciation**

During 1988-89, my wife Barbara and I travelled to most parts of Australia and overseas where we have been warmly welcomed and entertained by members of the League and the community. I wish to place on record my appreciation to the individual members of the RSL and the public, and to sub-branches, districts and branches of the League for the support that has been made my task as the National President so very pleasant and worthwhile.

Your attitude towards me and my wife, and ready acceptance of us, has made my task as the National President of the RSL that much easier than it might have been. I should also like to have recorded my appreciation for the support given to me by the Deputy National President and the other members of the National Executive, particularly for that friendship and encouragement which has been given to me during the more difficult periods of the last twelve months. That friendship, support and encouragement has been much appreciated. I am equally grateful to all those unpaid members of the League who have contributed to the operation of the National Headquarters and to all the staff of the National Headquarters who have worked so hard to keep the League in its very able and efficient condition.

ALF GARLAND, National President.

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**Commander (Designate) 5th Military District**

Brigadier Robert Waiter Fisher was born in Sydney in November 1939. He graduated from the Royal Military College in 1960 and was commissioned into the Royal Australian Engineers. He received a Bachelor of Engineering Civil from the University of Sydney in 1962 and is a member of the Institution of Engineers, Australia.

Brigadier Fisher has been a trooper in Papua New Guinea, a troop commander in Korea, a company commander in Vietnam, and a staff officer in South Korea. He has been posted to Singapore, in command of an engineer construction squadron. He has been in command of an engineer construction squadron. He has been in command of an engineer construction squadron. He has been in command of an engineer construction squadron. He has been in command of an engineer construction squadron. He has been in command of an engineer construction squadron. He has been in command of an engineer construction squadron. He has been in command of an engineer construction squadron.

On promotion to Colonel he served as Colonel Development Headquarters Training Command at Army Office as the Deputy Director of Accommodation and Works. He was made a member of the General Staff in 1983 for service in the Army in the area of training development.

On promotion to Brigadier in 1984 he assumed the role of Director General Logistics and in 1987 assumed the position of Director General Logistics and Works. He is a member of the General Staff and the Defence Force Institute of Technology.

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## Item Actions

1. Carried and implemented (Upper Swan).
2. Lost at State Congress (City of Perth).
3. Carried and implemented. All Sub­branches are asked to remind their members that the 1990 membership subscription will be $18.00 (State Executive).
4. Carried as amended and being actioned by National HQ (Mandurah).
5. Lost at National Congress because members of the Women's Land Army were never members of the Defence Forces and therefore not eligible for membership of the League (Returned Ex-Servicewomen).
6. Lost at National Congress on cost considerations and because they had less priority than other requirements involving DVA expenditure (Bedford-Morley/Mandurah).
7. Carried and being actioned by National HQ (Bunbury/Cottesloe/Margaret River).
8. Lost at State Congress (Mt Hawthorn).
9. Lost at National Congress because not all the recipients of Star or Defence medals were involved in hostile action, and also on cost/priority considerations (Fremantle).
10. Carried at State Congress and awaiting a response from the Deputy Commissioner DVA Perth (Millen).
11. Carried and being actioned by National HQ (Bunbury/Margaret River/Scarborough).
12. Lost at State Congress (Margaret River).
13. Lost at National Congress because the bill from the State Premier (Darling Range/Appleton).
14. Carried and awaiting a response from the Deputy Commissioner for Veterans' Affairs in WA (Bunbury).
15. Carried and awaiting a response from the State Minister for Education (Wanneroo).
16. Carried and awaiting a response from the Minister of Local Government and Parliamentary Reform (Darling Range).
17. Lost at National Congress (Belmont).
18. Carried and being acted upon by National HQ and also awaiting a response from the State Minister for Housing (Bunbury).
19. Carried and being acted upon by National HQ and also awaiting a response from the Minister of Local Government and Parliamentary Reform (Margaret River).
20. Carried and being acted upon by the WA ANZAC Day Committee (Millen).

### NOTICES OF MOTION

1. Carried and action is being taken to support the Porter family to retain ownership of the ANZAC Cottage (Wanneroo).
2. Carried and awaiting response from the Deputy Commissioner for Veterans' Affairs in WA (Bunbury).

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Professor John Passmore, the eminent professor of philosophy at ANU made a profound and significant statement when commenting on the truyền on the committee in Australia he noted:

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To illustrate the qualities of leadership I have selected six great Commanders of the first and second AIFs.

From the First World War are Generals Sir Cyril Brudenell White, Sir John Monash and Sir Harry Chauvel.

These three and their fellow men set the extraordinarily high reputation of the Australian military tradition.

White, Monash and Chauvel were three outstanding commanders in arguably the finest and most successful fighting army ever sent overseas.

The level of leadership throughout the AIF was astonishingly high compared to the more British standards. The British and Australian armies had been accustomed to the British educational code and expected for the reason why they had been retained for their military experience and known men and not for theoretical education and general education.

From the Second World War are Field Marshal Sir Thomas Blarney, Lieutenant General Sir Leslie Morshead and Major General George Vasey.

This is the introduction to Peter Firkins' Blarney Oration. Further parts of his address will appear in future issues of the Listening Post.

EDITOR.

The Aussie firebrand

It was an Aussie Firebrand who stole the show at the NZRSA annual conference.

He was special guest Bruce Ruxton: speaks to the State president of Victorian RSL and National vice-president for Australia, who in 1987 likened Bishop Tutu of South Africa to a witchdoctor.

Bruce Ruxton certainly livened the conference and staked his claim as a table-thumping firebrand by caustically deflating such sacred cows as security, defence, social welfare, morality, dole, and law and order. Australian politicians were also clobbered by Bruce Ruxton's special brand of trenchant wit and reduced to "goons" and "ratbags."

He told colleagues that New Zealand's thinking was not the same as Australia's when it comes to war pensions. He said that for the past four years Australian veterans have "copped it" from Treasurer Paul Keating with changes to regulations and legislation "and this is something you should be wary of."

The eligibility for the totally or permanently incapacitated pension had changed. For instance, to be eligible one now had to be forced out of the workforce by war disability alone and be under 65.

Bruce Ruxton said the Government was smart: "Most veterans were now 68: I call that change an obscenity."

Not content with clobbering the politicians, Bruce Ruxton had plenty to say about atheists and agnostics who on Palm Sunday in Australia turned out to "push their cause for peace" but it was really just a "vak bashin'."

Mr Ruxton said it was a pity they did not visit the graves of those who had fallen in France and Belgium. He said every politician should visit the area: "It is the politician who make the wars and the people in the streets who have to fight them."

COURTESY: N.Z. RSA Review.

A message for Ex Air Force members

Those of you who spent time in Stalag Luft I, III or Stalag 357 will be sad to learn that our revered Captain J.A.G. (Dixie) Deans, MBE, died earlier this year at the age of 75.

Capt. Deans suffered for most of his post-war life from multiple sclerosis, but, as President of the Royal Air Forces Association, continued to care for his fellow ex-Kriegies and, though in a wheelchair, attended meetings and reunions around the world.

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Dedication of the Vietnam Memorial Pavilion

Perth — 1 October 1989

By Illegible (IL) 8905

Last Thursday I came to this place with some of the Trustees and, while talking to two ex-SAS soldiers who were laying paving-stones, a woman tentatively asked if she could look at the memorial as she thought her brother was one of those killed in action. After a few moments she broke the silence saying “Isn’t it wonderful? My only regret is that Mum is not alive to see his name here. She would have come in these moments, body and soul.”

Distinguished guests, and there are many including present and past members of State and Federal Parliaments, Leaders of the City, Armed Forces Representatives of NZ, US, Police, RSL, Legacy and the most distinguished guests of all — relatives of the 61 servicemen named on this memorial, Vietnam Veterans, ladies and gentlemen.

On behalf of the Trustees I welcome you all to this memorable occasion. We all should be aware of the outstanding efforts of the Trustees in achieving such an incredible result in the completion of a West Australian Vietnam Memorial in just two years. Your ambitions and efforts have truly been fulfilled and rewarded.

In Washington, there is a National memorial to the 50,000 US Vietnam Veterans killed in the war and whose names are engraved on the black marble walls. People, friends and relatives in particular can be seen touching the names of their loved ones in an apparent attempt to make contact, to understand the ethos of the Vietnam War, to bridge the unbridgeable gap.

Share with me a few moments as I try to bridge the gap between those who, like the 61 named here, experienced the ‘brotherhood of battle’ and the supreme trial of fire in Vietnam, with those who have not.

In August 1962, 29 soldiers of the now-famous Australian Army Training Team Vietnam left Sydney commencing an involvement for Australia in war in South Vietnam, a war that was to be unerringly and predictably the same as all previous wars in the contrasts that war seems to throw into the starkest of relief:

- Cruelty but at the same time unbounded compassion and love.
- Fear yet unheralded courage.
- The realization of the fragility and impermanence of life, at the same time, an enhanced desire to preserve one’s own.
- Aggression and roughness yet the development of unashamed tenderness and understanding expressed in mateship.
- The comparisons of other ways of life with our own and demands our imperfection.
- The realization that Australia really is God’s own country.

Perhaps above all, the war was to teach us that we, like most all other soldiers ever to leave our shore, were fighting for those loved ones we left behind — because correctly or otherwise we felt there was some threat to them, now, or in the future.

While those largely intangible aspects have been felt in all wars, in Vietnam there were some unique features which tended to single out this war, and those who fought in it, from other conflicts:

- Internationally it was an undeclared war and hence there was no great national bonding, purpose or apparent need for overall acceptance.
- All our troops who fought there were volunteers despite the initial conscription for many.
- An emerging political and community dissension towards the war.
- The succour that was given by some in Australia there was some support, and that is understandable when one considers the immense level of pain and suffering endured by those who suffered in that war, and the support of those who did in Vietnam with those who did.
- The general lack of understanding or even care by the majority of the population who had no contact with those involved with the war. For this war, unlike WWI and WWII, involved very few of us as a population.

In August 1969, the welcome home march through Sydney was greeted by the majority of the population who had no contact with those marchers with the war. For this war, unlike WWI and WWII, involved very few of us as a population, and many of those who actually fought it did so on a conscientious basis, and the only war allowed us our adult, self-made identities, or actors on our own stages of life, not just heroes but also villains when they became caught up in it.

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VIETNAM PAVILION (CONT)

There are 839 names on it — one building was dedicated with everyone attending. At last one year's presentation and our equipment was passed to us and we had an unproductive, combat-ready unit. NCOs and junior NCOs were the members of a unit who had had all their own weapons and equipment, but not the proper one. We also completed a training program to ensure we were ready. The training program was followed by the AATTV, as the last to leave Vietnam and arrived. The AATTV, as the last to leave Vietnam and arrive, the AATTV, as the last to leave Vietnam and arrive., the AATTV, as the last to leave Vietnam and arrive., the AATTV, as the last to leave Vietnam and arrive.

The war was unique in other ways — our training operations. We think of two WA sailors in particular operations in June 1966 with light machines and the US 7th Fleet on the gun line providing gunfire support to Australian and South Vietnamese troops in the South and US Marines near Quangtri.

At the dedication of the Vietnam Memorial in Kings Park. And in those 15 years we saw 50,000 Australian men and women in Vietnam. The last was killed in action, and 2,500 Australians were wounded.

We also had the RAN, with ships such as HMAS Perth and HMAS Hobart, and the RAAF with 9 Squadron starting operations in June 1965 with light machines and providing close fire support and protected movement and fighting in terrain, covered in mines.

Ten years after this war started, we saw, in December 1972, members of the same unit that first saw, in December 1972, members of the same unit that first ... Battalion after battalion earned the praise of our battalions and the SAS Regiment.

And in those 15 years we saw 35 Sqn Caribous resupplying isolated outposts all over Vietnam and 2 Sqn Canberra bombers thinking in enemy air space and along the supply routes.

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And the Engineers of whom there are three, were equally tough, often working on the enemy's infrastructure, and when we were wounded they got us out.

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Rental assistance for each eligible pensioner renting in the private market will be increased by $3.30 a week (combined) - $2.50 for rent assistance and $0.80 for pension indexation increase.

For pensions and rent assistance increases for single and married pensioners:

- November 1989 - increase weekly rent assistance for eligible pensioners renting in the private market.
- April 1990 - single pensioners to get an additional $2.50 a week in rent assistance.
- June 1990 - further weekly rent assistance.
- September 1990 - Pension indexation increase.

Further information can be obtained from the Department of Veterans Affairs, Senate Security Section.

LENNIE KEYNES, Chairman, Veterans Affairs Committee.

RSL War Veterans' Home

Accommodation is available for Ex-Servicemen. Applications for entry are available by writing to the Secretary of the Home at the above address. The Home is situated at 377 Miller Road, West Perth. New residents are required to be in contact with the Home before their entry date to arrange their personal belongings. There is no visiting once a week and residents can only stay at the Home on weekdays and weekends.

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MY WAR

During the summer of 1944, my brother and I were living with our mother in a flat close to the old town of brighton, on the south coast of England.

Brighton has always been a very popular holiday resort. It's situated near the mouth of the Medway, and is a popular weekend resort. Of course, in the days before the war, activities such as the Racecourse, the Palace and the West Pier were closed, but they are now re-opened. The beaches were closed, and my memories of them are of barbed wire and fireworks. We would often see large sections removed, but they were also heavily armed and protected by四周的水体和海滩。

When we were young we would often go to the beach by bus, and our mother would not allow us out on the coast from our viewpoint, especially at night. We could see it all: searchlights, tracers, and the noise that these nasty missiles made, then it would be a race to see who could find the first. We would often hear the buzz of lawnmowers, which we thought were dodgy. But in reality, they were just dodgy lawnmowers. Some people were even more adventurous, and used to climb on top of the cliffs to watch the planes go by.

About this time strange apparitions appeared in the sky. We would sometimes see them by looking through binoculars, but we never knew for sure what they were. It was hard to ascertain what they were at first. They looked like aeroplanes but not like any others we had seen. Of course, we would often go to the beach to see if we could spot them, but they were always too far away.

About that time we were sent to a holiday camp in the woods, which was an old two-storey manor house. We were experts all right, but these new apparitions had us stumped. Not only were they new, but they were also very noisy. We soon got a name though - buzz bombs, later called doodlebugs. Why did the English persist in giving silly names to instruments of death? For me it was to show how little we knew.

So the air raid sirens would go off, and the drones, you would hear the high-pitched noise that these ugly machines made. They would come in waves, and would often go by the window. There was one time when we were walking in the woods, and we heard the sirens going off. We didn't know what to do, but we knew something was going to happen. We ran back to the house, and there were other people there too. We were experts all right, but these new apparitions had us stumped. Not only were they new, but they were also very noisy. We soon got a name though - buzz bombs, later called doodlebugs. Why did the English persist in giving silly names to instruments of death? For me it was to show how little we knew.

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To allay any doubts that members may have about our proper role, and to correct any incorrect and oversimplified view they may have about our involvement in so-called political matters, it should be emphasised that:

1. The Welfare and Repatriation needs of members and their dependants are paramount and will never be adversely affected by other necessary responsibilities imposed on the RSL.

2. With a deep concern for the Australian way of life and its freedoms the RSL monitors developments in terms of the RSL Charter, which provides that it is not only a right but a responsibility to speak out on matters that impinge on Security; defence; capacity of the Nation to defend itself. This involves fundamental issues such as Economic Welfare, Fiscal Policy, Social Welfare, Standards of Morality, National Demography, Resources Management (uranium etc), Land Rights, Heritage (Flag, traditions, migration and racial composition etc.), Law and Order.

3. RSL policy on those so-called political matters that rightfully are of great concern is determined democratically at State and National Conferences, and statements made should merely reflect that policy.

4. Statements are never party-political. All governments of whatever complexion come in for equal criticism if they transgress. Moreover, it is essential to understand that Sub-branches have an important role to play, through properly appointed Public Affairs officers or other competent members, to project RSL policy into the community. We need to be seen as a responsible, thinking, credible community organisation.

Because we are national in scope, with a large membership, we should be able to exert a tremendous force for good, throughout the Nation.

BRUCE RUXTON
"Multi" Victorian Branch

STATE CONGRESS 1990

"Don't wait to be asked"

Every year the Agenda Committee has a difficult time preparing the agenda to print in the State Congress Agenda and the quantity of resolutions or debate is so great that few can before the deadline.

This year appears to be no different, and we need your assistance in sending these other items through Congress.

We ask that your names on the Agenda Committee are the only ones that are brought forward for discussion, and that you keep or send any matters you wish to be brought forward at Congress 1990.

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JOHN SURIDGE, Agenda Committee

MY WAR (Continued)

in bed, but not asleep, when we heard a noise. Not a summer noise, or a holiday camp noise, but a well-remembered braat-braat-braat-braat and then silence. They had always gone on their way before, but we were further inland now. Everybody heard it and heard it stop. That meant only one thing. It was coming down! But down where? There was a collective holding of breath and then another noise intruded itself into our room. You could hear the damn thing coming. There was a mad scramble to get under the beds, but surprisingly no crying. On it came with a sort of whooshing, swishing sound and must have cleared the roof by only feet. You could clearly hear twanging noises and for years afterwards I always thought that they had wires attached, but I discovered this was not so. Then a few moments later a huge explosion occurred about a mile down the road. With no doubt childish optimism about these events, we climbed back into bed and were soon asleep.

Looking back now I can see and hear it all clearly again, 45 years later. I often wonder at the fate that allowed us to live by the barest of margins. A puff of wind, a pint less fuel, ten feet less altitude and it would have been as if we never were.

P.M. HADLEY, 48 Dempster Road, Karrinyup W.A. 6018.

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Report on Japanese Flag Incident

On Thursday February 23, at approximately 10.00 to 10.30am, an ABC TV camera crew with permission, filming at the Australian War Memorial in relation to news coverage of the issue of the flying of flags on the day of Emperor Hirohito's funeral.

The camera crew had not sought to film in the galleries and were informed to film exteriorly. For this reason it was not accompanied by Memorial Public Relations staff.

There were no crews from any other networks at the Memorial at the time.

As far as we can ascertain, the camera crew was just completing taking footage at the entrance to the commemorative courtyard when a person believed to be a Japanese tourist, descended the steps from the Hall of Memory at the far end of the courtyard and, apparently seeing the crew filming, pulled a Japanese flag from his small shoulder bag, displayed it to the camera, returned the flag to his bag and then walked off.

The crew filmed the incident, which lasted only about 15 seconds, but the man was not interviewed.

There was no ABC reporter with the crew.

Because the ABC had a news scoop, the footage was shown to the Parliamentary Press Gallery in the afternoon at approximately 3.00 to 3.30pm. That was the first time Australian War Memorial staff became aware of the incident because following the Press Gallery screening, other networks directed questions to the Public Relations Officer.

No Australian War Memorial security officer saw the incident.

As is normal, the officer on duty at the entrance to the Memorial had his back turned to the courtyard and was directing visitors.

Because there are no relics or works of art in the courtyard, it is not patrolled to the same extent as are the galleries.

Security officers on duty that day in fact were not aware of the incident until they saw the report on television.

As it happens however, the man (later recognised on television) was seen in the galleries by some of our conservation staff undertaking routine maintenance.

He apparently asked them (although, they had great difficulty in understanding and communicating with him) where and whether Japanese swords were on display.

He also tried to remove the barrier and enter the South West Pacific gallery, which is under reconstruction, but was ushered away, without protest, by the conservators.

Although there was at least one busload of Japanese tourists in the Memorial at the time, the Japanese man concerned was not with a group when he sought information about the swords or when he displayed the flag.

As far as tourist buses are concerned, many companies run tours to the Memorial and there is no reason to believe particular interest in the number of buses or the companies involved.

There are a number of reasons, though they do not shed any light on the incident.

Firstly, the flag appears to be a homemade "national" flag.

Last but not least, music and film is one of the main events the Japanese Maritime Self-Defence Force and would be readily obtained in Japan.

Secondly, the flag may have been homemade.

From the television picture it appears that the rising sun was on one side only—the reverse was plain white.

All captured Japanese flags which the Memorial holds are double sided as are current Japanese Maritime flags.

Thirdly, the tourist was certainly not a young man—he could have been a veteran.

He may have been venturing to seek information about the operation of Japanese military as the Japanese search suggests a nationalist interest or an interest in organisational matters, but not necessarily in war.

So far as we know, there has never been an incident like this before at the Australian War Memorial.

PHOTO: This picture of Japan's late Emperor Hirohito was taken by the Japanese Empire on the day of his death.

K.W. PEARS ON, Director, Australian War Memorial.

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This lack of preparedness on the brink of war was the consequence of a political philosophy, prevalent in Britain in the 1920s and 30s, that the League of Nations and the example of disarmament were all the protection the nation needed. That attitude has its echoes today.

You probably know that by 1942, the War Cabinet was considering abandoning the bomber offensive and dismembering Bomber Command. Bomber crews could only find and destroy targets deep inside German territory if visibility was good enough for map-reading from 15,000 to 20,000 feet. Those are conditions that are comparatively infrequent in Europe, and when they do occur they favour night-fighters too.

I think many of you would not have emerged from air-crew training until this demoralising phase had passed. We have Lord Beaverbrook and many brilliant boffins to thank for the design and production of better aircraft and airborne radar in time to bring about a re-birth of Bomber Command in 1942, which coincided with the introduction of night-fighters. In short, the war opened.

Ten years from its creation, Bomber Command had played a vital role in the war. Ten years after Bomber Command had played a vital role in the war, it was a brand new Command that had just come into being. At the time when the Command was formed, it was a brand new Command that had just come into being. At the time when the Command was formed, it was a brand new Command that had just come into being. At the time when the Command was formed, it was a brand new Command that had just come into being.

The year of 1949 saw the formation of No. 29 Squadron in the Command, in addition to the existing squadrons. The Command had been formed in 1938, and in addition to the existing squadrons, it had also introduced the Whitley Mk III, which had been produced by the Handley Page Company. The new aircraft had no gun-turrets or guns, and no bomb-racks or bomb-sight; these had not come off the production line in phase with the airframes.

At our 1990 Annual State Congress it was agreed that the membership fee for next year would be increased by $2.00. Therefore the 1990 subscription will be $18.00. This increase, $10.00 will be shared by the State Branch, and the State Branch will receive $10.00 from which we will provide $1.00 to our National Headquarters. There will also be a proportional increase in the State membership subscription.

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Christmas Greetings from the Editor

The Listening Post Committee sends Season's Greetings to all readers and special thanks for the assistance we have received from contributors, ANZAC House office staff and members of Darling Range Sub-Branch who help the committee with proof-reading.

We have had many problems due to printers and other firms we deal with changing ownership. However, we have managed to increase the size of the Listening Post from 68 to 80 pages, to have the cover in full colour and to have a plastic envelope for postal delivery instead of the previous rolled up system.

Despite increasing difficulties, we have managed to maintain the Listening Post as a popular source of information for all our members. We remain committed to providing accurate and timely information to our readers.

Best Wishes
PAT BALFE
Chairman, Listening Post Committee.

WUNDOWIE ANZAC MEMORIAL GARDENS

During the 1989 Anzac Day Service at Wundowie, the Anzac Memorial Gardens were dedicated to Servicemen and Women who served in the Australian armed forces during past wars.

The official opening was conducted by Lord Gemmell, O.F., President of the barbecue, and the ribbon was cut by The President, T.J. Tero. The dedication was attended by Lord Gemmell and Lori McClean, President of the Northam Community Council, and Mr. Clark, the Mayor of Northam.

The official opening was followed by a stirring poem recited by Losa Beinhauer and Kelly Mclane. The Reverend Ray Neave offered a moving prayer for the Anzacs and Greg Clark played the Last Post and Reveille.

Some three years ago this project was the brainchild of the Wundowie Progress Association under the leadership of its President Benjamin Seabrook, who decided the Memorial Gardens should be established around the Wundowie Town Hall.

Committee members - Shirley Hyde (Secretary), Jill and Beany Beinhauer and Mr. Seabrook obtained assistance from the Northam Council and many other organisations and people to support the Project and a donation came from the Northam Centennial Fund.

Support for the plaque was much appreciated, and the RSL congratulates the Progress Association, the Northam Council and the residents of Wundowie for the diligence in keeping memories of Anzacs alive.
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The attack came at a very critical period of the war when the Axis fighting machine had come close to overwhelming Europe and was on the verge of invading Britain, and Japan had taken Singapore, and was on the brink of military success with Australia as its goal.

On Thursday, early on the morning of 19 February 1942, the Japanese bombers attacked Darwin. In the harbour were a hospital ship, a few small naval ships, corvettes, boom vessels and a couple of vintage United States destroyers. The big carrier was undetected, as well as teaching basic survival skills and further organizing skills. Many boys, whose secret wish was to go into the army or air force, it is so much better than seeing people on the dole.

In the next two hours, seven ships were sunk, the Naval Field Station, as well as much of the town destroyed, and more than 1000 homes and military personnel were killed. Men and women who thought they believed there should be a national Day of Remembrance Day. This was the very first time that the whole of Australia should remember those who died on 19 February 1942. The death toll was higher than any other country per head of population. In World War I, Australia lost 30,000 soldiers, and the averageAustralian soldier was killed in action, and Australia free from war. Thank you for your attention and the honour of having me here.

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Accompanied by the Minister for Defence Mr Kim Beazley, 39 members of the Belmont and A1verval/Ca rhsle sub-branches of the RSL visited the HMAS Stirling fleet support facility on August 3. During their visit, they were given a briefing, toured the patrol boat HMAS Bunbury and HMAS Stirling and were given an inspection of the facility.

The group is pictured with Mr Beazley (third from right), Naval Officer Commanding West Australia Commander Graham Bubington (sixth from left) and Captain Geoff Earley, Commanding Officer of HMAS Stirling (far right) outside the WA Naval Command Headquarters which is located within the grounds of HMAS Stirling.

Review of Defence Force Superannuation Scheme

The Minister for Defence Science and Personnel, Mr David Simmons, has announced a review of Defence Force superannuation that will ensure a fair deal for all Service personnel.

Mr Simmons said it was a weakness in the current Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefit Scheme (DFRDB) that contributed to the scheme's intractable nature.

"While the scheme provides good benefits for members who retire after 20 years service, its provisions for members who served for less than 20 years were less satisfactory," he said.

"The Government has accepted the advice of the Chiefs of Staff Committee that the scheme needs a full review.

Unlike most Australian superannuation schemes, members' contributions are not invested. As a result, about 6,000 men and women leave the Defence Forces each year with only a refund of their compulsory contributions.

"All public sector superannuation schemes, including DFRDB, are required to conform to the Government's Occupational Superannuation Standards." Mr Simmons said.

The Minister said that with regard to the DFRDB Scheme the only significant change which may affect benefits relates to the reasonable benefit limits which are set by the Insurance and Superannuation Commissioner.

"These limits are in place to prevent unreasonable pension demands." Mr Simmons said.

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Mr Simmons stressed that no serving member of the Defence Force would be disadvantaged as a result of the DFRDB review.

"I know Service members and women become nervous when they hear suggestions that their superannuation arrangements may be changed. However there is absolutely no reason for concern," Mr Simmons said.

"The Government has given an iron-clad guarantee that the benefits for which members are presently contributing will continue to be available to them when they leave the Defence Force." Mr Simmons said.

Mr Simmons said members of the Defence Force and other interested people will have the opportunity to make submissions to the review body.

The review body will include a representative of the Defence Force. Mr Simmons said he expects to be able to announce the composition and terms of reference of the review body shortly.

The Government has been assured by the Defence Force that the new arrangements will be fully implemented and in place within a year of the release of the DFRDB review.

Mr Simmons said members of the Defence Force and other interested people will have the opportunity to make submissions to the review board.

The Defence Force will be able to demonstrate to members that the new arrangements will be fully implemented and in place within a year of the release of the review.

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Dear Editor,

In the Listening Post—Winter 1989, I was interested to read the poem about war graves on Tarakan, and the letter to renew them with the 20/48 Bn, and a letter referring to the poem by Mr. Allwright, in which he mentions the great pleasure it was to see a copy of the poem.

It is mentioned how much pleasure it is to read the poem, and how much it is enjoyed, and the copy is given to the War Museum, Perth. Our thanks to Mr. Allwright for his kind thought.

Yours sincerely,

C.F. Allwright

Geraldton Hostel Vacancy

Dear Editor,

The Geraldton War Veterans' Hostel have a vacancy for a married couple at their hostel in Gregory Street. We offer full accommodation, double ensuite quarters with a lounge area. The hostel is set in pleasant surroundings and is close to the hospital, shopping, and beach.

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Yours faithfully,

Hon. Secretary,

ALLAN F. ELLIS

Anzac Day Recognised

Dear Editor,

Today, Air Flashers are placed, the corner stones are laid for the Corner Stones Anzac Day ceremony at the Geraldton War Memorial in the listening Post—Winter 1989. The ceremony at the Geraldton War Memorial was attended by Mr. Allwright, from the War Museum, and a large number of the Geraldton community.

The poem, "Anzac Day Recognised," reflects on past experiences and the importance of keeping Australia as a free and truly democratic nation.

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Would ex-members of 2/4 Australian Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment AIF please contact Charles Mort, Tallawangra, Mudgeree, NSW, 2850, telephone (063) 73 3501, regarding the Regimental history.

39th, 51st, and 54th Battalions

I would suggest that an article or story covering the 39th, 51st, and 54th Military Infantry Battalions which first met the Japanese advance on the Kokoda Trail in 1942, in a letter written on 25 November 1942 from the Middle East to Australia, to the 54th Battalion in early 1946.

I was a young soldier at this time, and have been told that these units were the only units to wear their original military patches on top of their AIF patches. If this is correct, they were the 39th, 51st, and 54th Battalions (Military or 'Chinese').

From the various stories I have heard, the officers of the battalions were young and inexperienced, left in a hurry or deserted from the action on the trail to a safer location at Moresby. This left the core of the soldiers (aged 18 to 20) to resist the onslaught of the advancing enemy.

If there is some way of obtaining the exact details of the history of these military battalions, that is, how or why they were stationed on the trail (after limited jungle training), their approximate age, how they were equipped, how they adjusted to jungle warfare and any other interesting information, it would make good history reading.

I realise that some controversial information could come out of the stories of these military battalions. Unfortunately, in the course of time, many of the original soldiers in these battalions would be slowly fading away, without many Australians (new and old) knowing what actually occurred in this part of Australia's history before the arrival of an AIF Division (77th) and American Infantry Division, and the final defeat of the enemy at Buna and Gona.

Yours sincerely,

Jeff Sewell
22 Ray Street
Kewdale 6105
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Gold Locket

Found at Sea Ripple Caravans Park, Karratha on 17 June 1989, a gold heart-shaped locket with a Digger's picture inside, with a date and the initials KAB. Owner can contact finder at the following address:

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39 Malcolm Street
North Beach 6020
Tel. 448 4626

Lost Spectacles

Spectacles for long sight with metal frames and plastic lenses, purchased in Singapore. Lost at Defence Service Homes several weeks ago. Please call Lesley on 425 8310.

Light Horse Information

Dave Tyson, 135 Towerhill Road, Arthur's Seat, Vic 3936, (059) 87 2519, is seeking information, particularly personal accounts, of ex-light Horsemen from any service period, for inclusion in his proposed book, "Kangaroo Feathers: Personal glimpses from Australian Light Horsemen."

A family man of limited means, Dave is seeking for some of his collection, mainly in the form of original material and colour photographs of Australian Light Horsemen.

Should any one have any items that are of no further interest to them, or information that may be of use, he would be pleased to hear from them.

Bishop C.L. (Tom) Riley

I am preparing a paper on the life of Bishop Tom Riley and would be grateful if some of your readers would pass on memories they may have of the man who was described as "the soldier's Bishop" and "the Bishop with the common touch" on his death in 1971. He served in two wars - for 15 months as Chaplain in the Great War in Egypt and Palestine, and in World War II as Chaplain General in the Middle East and South Pacific.

In Major John Devine's book "Rats of Tobruk," there is a description of him working as an orderly by day and living in a drain when off duty. When someone asked who was the bloke working in the theatre he was told "That's the Bishop of Bendigo." Which, of course, he was.

Whether grave or on the lighter side, I would appreciate recollections of this kindly man who, in his retirement years, was deeply involved with community affairs, as well as his pastoral work at North Beach Church in the last 25 years of his life. He was the Bishop of Ningaloo, Wannanup, and the Bishop of Thrern." Yours, of course, are welcome. The letter should be addressed to the Editor, "The Listening Post."
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Lost Trails cont.

2nd or 3rd Royal Australian Regiment

While on holiday in the UK recently we met an elderly man who was a corporal serving as a signallman with the 2nd Battalion of the 3rd Australian Infantry in Korea during the war. (Does that make us all of the 3rd Australian Regiments?)

This man was very interested in contacting anyone who was in Korea and whom he might have met. We understand that he would like to swap war tales and compare experiences. He also collects Australian Forces hat badges.

He now lives in a remote part of Northumberland, near the Scottish border, and we believe that a letter or two from sunny Australia might cheer the long winter coming up for him.

We would appreciate any help you could give in tracing anyone from the regiment mentioned, probably an Eastern States one, or anyone else who served in Korea and who would be willing to write to him.

Mr J. Davidson (that's J we got)
Byrness Hotel
Otterburn
Northumberland, NE 191 TR
England

Many thanks,
Fran & Bob Fisher
12 Sundew Road
Gooseberry Hill

Simpson and His Donkey

Dr Peter Cochrane, of the Australian National University, is researching various aspects of the Gallipoli campaign - in particular the role of John Simpson Kirkpatrick, the Gallipoli hero, and his West Australian compatriots. One of these was his friend Andy Davidson, who served in C Section of the 3rd Field Ambulance, AIF.

Any records - letters, diaries, newspaper articles, etc. - in which friends of Simpson recounted their association with him would be greatly appreciated by Dr Cochrane, who would be happy to make a special trip to Perth to follow up any possibilities.

If you are able to assist, please write to:
Dr P. Cochrane
Department of History RSSS
Australian National University
GPO Box 4
Canberra ACT 2601

Maritime Royal Artillery Association

We were Maritime Royal Artillery gunners who served on merchant ships during World War II. Founded by Sir William Church, we are known as Churchill's sharpshooters (among other things). We were considered to be the best of the best. We manned all types of merchant ships, including supply ships, transport ships and even troop ships. We were trained to man any type of gun, but the most common was the 5.5-inch deck gun. We also had to be able to man the guns to work the guns.

We apparently were considered by the selection committee - not unlike the select committee - to be the best of the best. The method was new and unusual and we were trained to operate the guns on a vessel moving at 15 knots. We were not trained to operate the guns on a stationary vessel.

We have now formed our own association affiliated to the Royal Artillery Association. We continue to maintain our association with the Royal Artillery, but we feel that our association is different.

We have had a great response to past requests for help, but we think that more is still needed.

2/4 Machine Gun Battalion

Researcher compiling unit history seeks information, diaries, photographs, personal stories and newspaper clippings.

Even brief letters are most welcome.

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The trip to Araluen coincided with the 90th birthday of Mr Alf Parker, our oldest member.

Alf joined the AIF at the age of 17 and was in France during some of the heaviest fighting in the mud and blood of the Occupation Forces and was on his way back to the front line, after having been out of the line for a spell, when the Armistice was declared on 11 November 1918. In 1953 he received the Queen’s Coronation Medal from Buckingham Palace. A retired Police Sergeant, Alf served in the Force for 35 years and is planning to take the next trip to Goldfield, Edwa. During his years he includes them from Police Commissioner Bill and cricketer John Hancox and more.

Araluen Christmas in July trip was thoroughly enjoyed by more than 100 members and wives who were somewhat puzzled by a guest speaker from the US Navy, Commander John Gorman, who spoke about Australia-USA relations. He gave an interesting and clear account on several matters which was appreciated by an audience of more than 60 members.

Mrs Joy Reed, of the Welfare Committee, usually sends cards and visits members who are ill, has recently been in hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery and better health.

Ron Elms reported on a trip to South Australia where he attended the reunion of Numbers 10 and 11 Squadrons. The former was in England in 1939 when war broke out, and remained there keeping an eye on U-boats in the Atlantic in its Sunderland Flying-boats and destroying three. 11 Squadron was at Port Moresby in 1939 with its Sea Gulls and Catalinas and took part in the Coral Sea battle in 1942.

A tentative plan to move our War Memorial has been submitted to the City of Stirling. The original Memorial was erected in 1922, and has been restored on several occasions. The exercise was quite a success and was followed by a small celebration.

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VIETNAM TRIBUTE

Members of Geraldton's Naval Reserve, Captains Bill Moore, Capt. Bob Gillett and Midshipman Mark Short, and friends and families.

They attended a memorial service at the Geraldton Memorial on March 24, 1966.

The service was led by Father Brian Murray and the theme was "In Memory of Those Who Lost Their Lives When Fighting in Vietnam and Other Wars".

The service was followed by a Dawn Service during which the President welcomed the attendees and expressed gratitude for those who served.

MAYOR'S TRIBUTE AT REUNION DINNER

Geraldton Mayor Mrs. Faye Simpson offered a glowing tribute to the RSL, expressing the community's support for their continued efforts.

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On 20 September, 50 members and guests enjoyed a good time in the sunshine, a tour of the
Annual Summer Meet-Over, held at the Sub-Branch, and a delicious buffet lunch.
The membership has been boosted for the year, and members can rest assured that
the position is in good hands. A World War veteran, Ken helps to maintain
which has kept us on an even keel for the past few
months and are indeed fortunate to experience in this area. Not many would refute the
have someone who has outstanding skills and
would be central to our aid and the
however, another good year for
Christmas function.
activities, has enhanced another good year for
Geraldton.
week.
that a number of students would welcome National
that our young people feel the same about our great
for the front if needed. It was refreshing to hear
in our youth and that they would
country as we

We welcomed our new Secretary, Ken Littlejohn,
plus 34 members
in the hall to listen to a speech from Tracey
R.A. (BUD) WARREK
Greetngs to all.

Furthemore it was realised and
was a great success and enjoyed by all. Geraldton
life, our appreciation to the Women 's
members and answered questrons.
was excellently presented and acclaimed by all as proof
was honoured to have Ozzie Osborne as our guest. He is
Highgate Hon et light Avenue Committee
was due to Bungo and the Ladies' Auxiliary.

However it was not the only expense, but also
an accurate fare paid to the, some town areas part of the
in need of some assistance.
A recent feature has been Memory Garden, which
with a successful Sub-Branch members and answer questions.
A new feature of a system has been established in
movement to the Women's Auxiliary's members as members.

The special feature on the North Terrace of
over time and becoming more popular. They are
to all members, even the

It is hoped that the number of our Sub-Branch
special feature will be an extra treat for all.

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Twenty years ago we introduced the idea of Youth Awards to recognise what young people do in the community of Bayswater.

We began the Junior Youth of the Year Awards for children from the age of 7 to 15 years, and the Youth of the Year Awards for those between 16 and 21. The Awards are not competitions, and entrants are sponsored by schools, church groups, Shirley Youth Club and sporting bodies. The Junior Award is for personal achievement and the Youth Award for those who continue to give knowledge and training within their chosen field.

The Bayswater Council was approached in the early 80s and asked to assist with the cost of the venture; it is now a joint administrator.

Secretary Jack Wagland has been connected with the Awards since they began, and President Alan Kepplewhite, who is also very interested in youth promotion, assists him, as do the other members.

This year's event held on 3 November at the Bayswater Council Reception Centre was attended by Mayor John D'Orazio and the Town Clerk. They and two other councillors assisted in choosing the winners.

This year's Junior award went to Joanne Somers, and the Youth Award to David Taylor, a member of the 57th Regional Cadet Unit, which is also one of RSL Sub-Branches sponsored youth groups. David is 18 years old and an apprentice carpenter.

ROCKINGHAM

1989 has been a good year with our membership growing steadily and attendances at our first Sunday of the month meetings around 40 to 50. Since December last year... a bar licence on Fridays from 3.00 to 7.00pm; this has been a good fund raiser and provides a pleasant atmosphere for members and guests to get together.

ANZAC Day was attended by a record number of people, with a large contingent of returned servicemen and veterans from HMAS Stirling, Swansea, Bunbury and Rockingham. The Naval Association, scouts, guides and State Emergency Service and the Salvation Army Band.

Our wreath-laying service to commemorate the battle of Long Tan was attended by approximately 60 people; the Mayor of Rockingham and the Commanding Officer of HMAS Stirling were official guests.

Our social committee has been hard at work, with a successful Arabian Night in September and our always-popular monthly raffles.

A. CROWTH

Hon. Secretary

RETURNED SISTERS

On October 25 President Ella Bone, Vice President Anne Leach, Peg Murdoch, Florence Welch and Molly Clarke drove down to Augusta. It was a journey tinged with sadness as we were to present copies of the book "Our War Nurses - The History of the Royal Australian Army Nursing Corps 1902-1988" by Or Roperta Gobland, to the Augusta Historical Museum and to the Wilson family as a Memorial to the late Mrs Pauline Wilson.

Prior to making the presentations, Anne Leach told how the Sub-Branch first came to know and admire Mrs Pauline Wilson. In 1977 she wrote stating that the Kamdale-Augusta Sub-Branch was planning to erect a Memorial to the Nurses of World War I. Mrs Wilson was a dedicated worker for this project and the Memorial was unveiled in 1978; the lieutenant-colonel of the Nurses of the World War I Memorial was presented with a gold brooch on behalf of his family, and Mrs Wilson was presented with a silver brooch on behalf of the Returned and Services League.

Kematal are reminded that we meet at 7.30pm, the first Thursday of each month, except June and November. The AGM for 1990 is on 1 February at 2.00pm. See you there.

MOLLY CLARKE

Hon. Secretary

MANDURAH ARMY CADETS

A meeting was held on 27 July to discuss the formation of a high school Army Cadet Unit, chaired by our president, Keith Ross. The meeting was attended by Roger Nichols, MLA, Brian Carpenter and his son, Wayne, who belongs to the Kwinana High School Unit, and six members of this Sub-Branch. After much discussion, Roger Nichols declared his wholehearted support for the formation of a unit in the Mandurah area, and members offered their support in any way with the exception of financial assistance.

Several meetings have since been held and the principal and staff of the Mandurah High School have expressed their interest in the project. The Department of Veterans' Affairs has expressed its interest in the number of cadets who would be involved.

INCREASED VISITS BY VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Perhaps the greatest tribute to Keith's work is the enthusiasm and energy he has brought to the new Australian Hall and Social Centre and to the Centenary Village project. As a direct result, the committee has particularly enjoyed the way he has been able to open the door to the community.

Former secretary Ted O'Boyle has been a fill-in for our energetic chair, Keith. His invaluable work has been greatly appreciated.

MEMBERSHIP

Our Spring Luncheon in September was well attended and very successful. Regular members appreciated the attention to detail on the menu and the care taken in ensuring that the catering was of the highest standard.

A local band, Jack Hi, now plays at the monthly Social events. Our last meeting was held on the 27th of the month and was a great success.

GET WELL

Keith has undergone major surgery in hospital, and we wish him a full and speedy recovery. He has played a major role in our activities and we are all grateful for his contribution to the Sub-Branch.

SECRETARY

Keith has been a dedicated secretary, and we wish him well in his recovery. He has played a major role in our activities and we are all grateful for his contribution to the Sub-Branch.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

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We are proud to say that we still have a WWI veteran as member Bill Bevis, who served with the 11th Battalion at Gallipoli where he was badly wounded and repatriated after being wounded and repatriated home. Bill hopes he will be selected to attend the commemoration service at Gallipoli next year which will mark the 75th anniversary of this heroic but unfortunately ill-fated landing. We wish him all the best and hope he will be successful.

The Local Group, the group that meets at the Sub-Branch, has decided to continue the tradition of monthly Social events. Although the weather was not too kind, 116 members and partners and invited guests thoroughly enjoyed the day when we were able to visit our Local Group, the Royal Australian Air Force Association, Osborne Branch, and the RSL in Osborne. The day provided an excellent opportunity to meet many of our long-serving members and guests.

COCKBURN

Our 75th Birthday, held in the Memorial Hall, Hamilton Hill, on August 19, was a very successful event. We had a distinguished group of speakers, including the Mayor of Cockburn, the Nike and RSL Vice President, Doug Bruce.

After the welcome by President Jack Bavich, the Mayor thanked the Branch for its continued participation in community affairs and expressed his appreciation for the Branch's contributions.

The day proceeded with a series of speakers who provided insights into their experiences. The Branch's contribution to the community was acknowledged, and the new time of 7.30 pm for meetings was agreed upon.

We hope the new time will suit the needs of our members and guests.
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ARMA DALL

On October 31st the Committee of this Sub Branch met for its annual general meeting and a special session on the 20th anniversary and special annual dinner-dance.

Dr. George Haggis, the Secretary of the Sub Branch, introduced Mr. Norm Healy, our RSL President, who addressed the gathering on the significance of the RSL, the veterans today and the future. Mr. Healy thanked the Sub Branch for their support and invited all members to the annual dinner-dance.

At the dinner-dance, the Secretary, Mr. Norm Healy, presented an award to the Volunteer of the Year, Mr. John Smith. The Volunteer of the Year award was established to recognize the contributions made by volunteers to the Sub Branch.

The Sub Branch also celebrated its 20th anniversary with a special annual dinner-dance. The event was held at the club-rooms and was attended by over 100 members. The evening was filled with speeches, entertainment, and a dance.

The Sub Branch is currently healthy with over 300 members. The Sub Branch has been active in community service and has made significant contributions to the local community.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are now approaching one of the busiest periods of our year and dates are fixed for the packing and delivery of our Christmas cheer parcels, while invitations are coming in for us to join friends for another kind of Christmas cheer.

On 8 August Mrs Hamel, Mrs Pye, and I were guests of the Beverley Auxiliary for a most enjoyable luncheon and meeting when many questions were asked and answered about the work of the Auxiliaries. Some members indicated that they would also work for Mrs Rowland to distribute at Christmas time. Thank you all for a lovely day.

Mrs Taylor and her husband attended Kojonup's 70th anniversary luncheon on August 18, and members of the state executive and I visited Rivervale-Carlisle Auxiliary's fundraising day and luncheon. Congratulations to the husbands who not only cooked the meal but also served the guests, (most appreciated by the ladies). The Auxiliary's guest was Mrs Runickels (who is 97) from Howes Wing of the War Veterans' Home.

The Belmont Auxiliary's birthday luncheon on 11 September was most enjoyable, and it was pleasing to see so many husbands present. Certificates of Service were presented to Mrs Norma Clapton and Mrs Joy Smith, and Life-Memberships to Mrs Ema Brindley and Mrs Agnes Lapsley. Congratulations to these ladies.

In October Mrs Sullivan and I visited Victoria Park Auxiliary's birthday afternoon, and I was also a guest of the Murray Districts 70th reunion dinner where I had the pleasure of presenting Mrs Rita Tatham with her Life-Membership. The Sub-Branch honored Mrs Tatham by asking that her award be given at the dinner as she has been such a wonderful worker for the Sub-Branch as well as the Auxiliary. Congratulations Mrs Tatham.

Mrs Rolfe and I were guests at the Rivervale-Carlisle dinner, and with Mrs Hains, attended Armadale's dinner when Certificates of Service were presented to Mrs Iris Goodall and Mrs Judy Le Fevre.

On 27 October the Murray Districts Auxiliary held its 65th birthday luncheon, when State Executive members with their husbands travelled down by train. During the luncheon Mrs Taylor, the Service President, presented Mrs Perham with a Certificate of Service in recognition of her many years of service. In the evening Mrs Holder and her husband were guests at the War Veterans Home where Mr Holder became the Auxiliary Bowling Treasurer.

The Beverley Auxiliary's afternoon was attended by Mrs Hamel, Mrs Pye, and Mrs Hains.

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ALLISON CALEY
State President.

This last term has been a sad one for our Auxiliary with the passing of two of our Life Members and dear friends, Mrs Nellie Savage and Mrs Joyce Board. Nellie joined our Auxiliary in 1955, was Assistant Secretary for four months in 1960, and President February 1961 to July 1961 and again from February 1962 to December 1973. She then became Senior President in 1975 and remained in that position for many years. Nellie was presented with her Life Membership in December 1972.

Joyce joined our Auxiliary in 1960 after being a member of the Denmark Sub-Branch for 15 years. She was President from 1976 to 1986, and revived our Auxiliary when it was down to as few as five members. Joyce received her Life Membership on 3 May 1989.

These two great ladies will be missed by us all, and it is hoped that we can all achieve in the future at least a little of what they have achieved in the past.

Our Long Tan Day celebrations were once again a great success, with about 130 attending. The ladies excelled themselves with a magnificent luncheon and everyone had a good time.

Congratulations to these two great Auxiliary members who have given so much to our Auxiliary.

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About the Author

Dr. John Barrett is a reader in history at La Trobe University in Melbourne. He has written two other books: “The Beloved Country” and “Full Circle”. On the eve of both in January 1947, he joined the RAAF. He now lives in a small town in Victoria, his wife, who is a retired nurse, and his two children. His book, “Our Life is Ours”, is a collection of essays and documents written and compiled by four distinguished historians, is an essential source book for anyone seeking to understand the causes, character, and consequences of American involvement in Vietnam. If you are interested in tracing the background of the conflict from 1776 to 1945 prior to World War II attitudes and proceeded through the development of the Domino Theory, this is your book. The authors have combined to give a complete background which eventually led to America becoming involved in a no-win situation in the Vietnam conflict. Five US Presidents became involved, each one adding to an escalation of the conflict. Whether each President really understood the background to their involvement or not, they all contributed to the fall of South Vietnam. The media and public opinion undermined America's ability to win the war. Why this book was written will probably never be answered: to satisfy the general public or the men who fought there? This book is ideal for military historians and for those people who would like to know how the Vietnam War really started.

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