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ANZAC DAY Token Appeal 2001

THE 3RD Annual ANZAC Day Token Street Appeal has been authorised for collection on Wednesday, 25 April 2001.

Please note that on the 25th collections can be made in public locations, these primarily are:
- Streets/roads etc;
- Railways;
- Bus stops; and
- Taxi ranks.

Shopping Centres, pubs, clubs, markets and the like are NOT classed as public places and therefore with approval of management of these premises, collections can occur prior to ANZAC Day.

The rules and regulations for collecting are the same as for Remembrance Day, Poppy Day Appeal.

Congress 2000 resolved that all proceeds from the ANZAC Day Street Appeal would be divided equally, that is 50/50 between the Sub-Branch and State Branch after costs.

Sub-Branches are requested to give the ANZAC Day Appeal the same support given to Poppy Day, funds raised pay for ceremonial and commemorative activities such as ANZAC Day/Remembrance Day and Wreath Laying Services.

Order form for tokens are available from ANZAC House.
What does Australia Day mean to Australians?

SEVERAL young Australians in their early 20s with whom I spoke recently said that to them Australia Day meant another public holiday and fireworks. One said it was to commemorate Confederation in 1901; another told me it was to celebrate Australia becoming a nation in its own right. Overall, the answers were not what I had expected! I immediately thought of a recent press report from the UK, which indicated that only 20% of school children questioned had had any idea of who Sir Winston Churchill was. Indeed some were reported to have said that they thought Adolf Hitler had been Britain’s wartime leader! Although we can say that the ANZAC Day message and its meaning is probably better well known and understood by most young Australians now, more than ever before, we certainly cannot be as confident with the meaning of Australia Day.

There are those (according to media reports) who think that ANZAC Day should be Australia’s National Day and that Australia Day ought to be abolished entirely; some consider that commemorating 26 January is indeed discriminatory to Australia’s Aboriginal population. Over the past two years, during the RSL Cadet of the Year selection process, I made a point of asking the finalists whether ANZAC Day and Australia Day should be combined. With rare exceptions these finalists were adamant that each should remain separate – for different historical reasons.

Subject to approval in principle by the Prime Minister, Major General Michael Jeffery AC AO(MIL) CVO MC may soon head up a select team of prominent citizens to widely consult with Australians from different stratas in each State. The idea will be to provide recommendations to help rationalise the medium term future of ANZAC Day, nationally, and also consider Australia Day. In the meantime I’ve searched my own soul on the meaning of Australia Day – what does it mean to me?

• I am proud to be an Australian and lucky to be alive to reside in this great continent (albeit girt by sea!) as a citizen it’s great to share the heritage, which we all take so much for granted. The heritage of freedom, justice and human rights handed to us by Great Britain; unlike the USA, we didn’t have to fight for our freedom!

• To remember with great pride those 100,000 young Australians who loved their country enough (their families, friends and way of life) to put their lives on the line, like we did, ourselves, and to make the supreme sacrifice if necessary.

• To ponder our overall stability of government in Australia. I believe the existing system of checks and balances in our Constitutional Monarchy has made this possible. Australia is one of the six (6) oldest democracies in the world.

• Australia is a land of infinite resources, great beauty and vast contrasts. In only 213 years we have achieved a remarkable degree of development throughout the land – made possible by stability of government.

• Our multicultural society has added a uniqueness to the fabric of Australian society; this diversity has broadened and enriched us.

I am personally glad that Australia’s Olympics were so successful. Australians proudly sang Advance Australia Fair with gusto and meaning. To many, the Australian Flag became more endeared particularly to our young people who, quite rightly, now identify it with success and as our greatest national symbol uniquely Australian.

It is up to each one of us as serving or ex-serving members to keep emphasising one important thing whenever we can. Unless Australians remain vigilant the freedom we take for granted may be taken from us. We will not be allowed, with only 1/100 of the worlds population, to continue to occupy 1/10 of the worlds land unless we remain strong! If our young people get no other message we’ve got to keep telling them till they believe it – THE PRICE OF LIBERTY IS ETERNAL VIGILANCE.

Fremantle Barracks

ON Sunday 14 January 2001, Premier Richard Court announced that WA had been successful in having the Federal Government transfer ownership of the Fremantle Barracks to Western Australia as a Centenary of Federation initiative.

This is indeed a great victory for the ex-service community in Western Australia, the volunteers, the City of Fremantle and all those in the community who supported the fight to save the Barracks. The League in this State, fully backed by National RSL, can now be proud that our combined efforts and contribution were, in the end, successful. The retention of the Barracks and the Museum were won by People Power as a Team Effort, over a long period. Well done everybody. Thank you for what you did and congratulations.

I understand that while ownership of the site will be vested in the State Government, the City of Fremantle is to handle the administration on the Government’s behalf. The Museum will be charged a peppercorn rental and remain in situ. Personally I am overjoyed and delighted with the outcome.

There are some who would say that the fate of the Barracks was a foregone conclusion on the basis of a State and then a Federal election combined with the Centenary of Federation.
year; I do not share this view. In any event I would like to mention certain persons who, in particular, should get a special mention for their personal efforts in helping to retain the Barracks: - Senator Ross Lightfoot; Graham Edwards MP; Member for Cowan; Carmen Lawrence MP; Member for Fremantle; Ms Dale Olsen; Messrs Paul Bridges; John Pick; Jim Dalton; Wayne Gardiner RFD and John Deaykin.

ANZAC Day Albany 2001

FEDERAL Leader of the Opposition Mr Kim Beazley recently indicated that he would be in Albany on ANZAC Day 2001. The indications are that a number of RSL Sub-Branches also propose to be represented so that the Centenary of Federation Albany event now promises to be a unique and successful historical occasion in the calendar of this State. The Bishop of Bunbury, the Right Reverend David McCull DD, has kindly offered to officiate both at the Dawn Service on Mt Clarence and the City March and Parade.

I understand that the Bishop will conduct an Evensong at St John’s the night before ANZAC Day and that he also proposes to have a Eucharist at the same venue between Gunfire Breakfast and the Parade at a time to be advised. The Eucharist would be similar to the original Dawn Service conducted by the Reverend Arthur White all those years ago.

On behalf of the WA State Branch I am grateful to ANZAC Day Albany 2001 Committee Chairman Don Meredith JP and the members of his Team who have put much effort into this activity to ensure its success: - Messrs Mike Ruffin OAM; Wayne Gardiner RFD; Percy White DCM SS and Digger Cleak.

Full details of this unique Albany ANZAC Day 2001 event have been promulgated to all RSL sub-branches via Sub-Branch Circular. Should there still be questions they should be directed in the first instance to ANZAC House on 9325 9799 and/or Digger Cleak, President of the Albany RSL Sub-Branch on phone/fax (08) 9851 4385.

ANZAC Day Perth 2001

As His Excellency, Lieutenant General John Sanderson AC, Governor of Western Australia, will be in Albany for ANZAC Day, His Honour Mr Justice David Malcolm AC, the Lieutenant Governor, has kindly accepted an invitation to be the Reviewing Officer in Perth and to give the ANZAC Day Address. Mr Bill Gaynor OAM RFD, Senior Vice President, will ably accompany Mr Justice Malcolm. The Principal VIP at the Kings Park Dawn Service 2001 will be Brigadier Duncan Warren AM. Full details of the Perth ANZAC Day activities should be included in this issue of The Listening Post.

GST Update 2001

INEVITABLY, there is some not unexpected confusion in the community over the Government’s new Tax system; the RSL is no exception. It would be helpful, however if certain members of one or two sub-branches who will remain anonymous elected to co-operate with the State Branch Headquarters and allowed them to handle the details, rather than try to hinder the on-going process of administration. Dealing with the Australian Tax Office (ATO) is an exacting task and the process must be done meticulously and professionally. Our State Secretary Shane Seeks OAM JP, is the CEO and he is dealing with the ATO on the whole question of Public Benevolent Institution (PBI) Status on behalf of the League in a very professional manner. Moreover, until we obtain GST exemption (which is currently predicated on achieving PBI Status), we are bound to conform to the law and pay the GST due on membership fees. May I therefore respectfully request that, where applicable, the members of certain sub-branches co-operate and assist in this matter rather than continue to be obstructive and unco-operative? I respectfully suggest it is useless being a dog owner and then barking yourself at every opportunity!

National Constitution

I AM sure you’ve all heard before, the old saying: ‘the well laid plans of mice and men’. As previously indicated in the Summer Edition of The Listening Post it was anticipated that, at an Extraordinary Meeting of National Congress to be held in November 2000, the League’s Constitution would be approved. In the event, the matter was deferred until the National Congress 2001.

RSL War Veterans’ Homes (WVH)

THE Development Application (DA) has been submitted to local Council and following approval to proceed will cost the League some $50,000. Preparation and submission of the DA and payment of this fee is apparently mandatory; there being no way that redevelopment can occur without an approved DA. Under the capable Chairmanship of Rod Willox JP the overall redevelopment is proceeding, albeit slowly. However, I anticipate that some demolition of the WVH site may have started before ANZAC Day this year. The RSL WVH Board takes the view, which I share, that it is far better to proceed slowly and get it right than to rush in and get it wrong.

Editor of The Listening Post

AS some young girls used to say, we are still waiting for ‘Mr Right’. We need an Editor to take over The Listening Post from Chris Brooks who has made a wonderful contribution over the past two years. If you have the skills, the motivation and some time we would be delighted to talk with you.

Trustees of the League

FOLLOWING the recent resignation for reasons of ill health from League Trustee Commodore David Orr RAN (Rtd), I am pleased to announce that David’s replacement is to be Brigadier Duncan Warren AM RFD. We look forward to working with Duncan in the near future and wish him well in his new appointment. We also wish David Orr a speedy recovery and return to good health.

Remembrance Day Luncheon 2001

THE Returned & Services League of Australia WA Branch Inc. will be hosting the Millennium Remembrance Day Luncheon at the Langley Hotel on Sunday, 11 November 2000. Please note in your diaries for this special event. Bookings can be made through Joan Dowson on Ph: 9384 6712.
STATE SECRETARY’S MESSAGE

THERE are several key issues I would like to address that are particularly relevant to you the membership.

Membership Renewals

2000 saw the review of the annual membership system and the introduction of a number of processes and procedures to improve this service and ultimately the cost to the League.

The State Branch adopted a “Bar Coding” system that was adequate to meet our needs and improve the method of renewal. We were advised that the program and equipment were standard and because no RSL special requirements existed it would only take one week to procure and install. This took six weeks. Then we had numerous problems with the equipment, all of these beyond our control.

Initially we were not overly concerned as we were also waiting on advice from the ATO on the GST impost on membership renewal. This I will cover later.

The staff commenced in-house printing and preparation of the membership renewals, which would reduce operating costs. This was going as planned until it was realised the bar coding was in a position unacceptable to Australia Post.

After a great deal of angst and effort renewals were finally released immediately prior to Christmas.

We are still having some problems with the technology and are working to address this as a priority; I hope this explains the delay in responding to renewals. Please be assured they are being actioned.

The GST impost and membership

THIS single issue is by far and away the most controversial one that has arisen in the past two and half years.

This particular issue is prominent in the League in WA because it affects every member of the Branch, with no exceptions.

The State Branch commenced negotiations with the ATO in April 2000 for recognition as a Public Benevolent Institution (PBI) and to have our membership GST exempt. This has been previously explained to Congress Delegates as one of the reasons for the re-write of the Rules.

Since April 2000 a further four documents with a financial report have been provided to the ATO to prove our eligibility for PBI status. I have recently received a further 24 questions from the ATO requiring detailed advice on League functions and administration.

In the text of the ATO’s letter two very pertinent observations were made:

1. The “public perception in that (in WA) the primary function of the League is ANZAC Day and other military remembrances”.

One observation is that the RSL is highly visible and recognised for its role on ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day.

It could also be said that the professional manner, empathy and confidentiality given in advocacy and welfare is prevalent, as it well should be.

“Statistics” are now being prepared for submission to the ATO.

2. You (the RSL) “will appreciate that a decision to give PBI status to the WA Branch will have Australia wide implications”.

The WA submission and justification is just that, it details the operations of the RSL in WA.

It could also be said that if all States perform the same operations there are no implications, but justifications.

It has also been noted that some State Branches in the East have GST exemption on subscriptions, how did they get it on similar submissions as WA’s? The ATO advised that the decision was made prior to receipt of all States submissions.

More importantly the RSL WA Branch has been “granted” GST exemption on Ordinary Membership Fees as members of the State Branch.
With a proviso—PLEASE NOTE:

Until such time as the RSL (WA Branch) is endorsed as an income tax charity (PBI) all membership will be subject to GST.

Whilst the GST on membership is the most important issue to members, it is as equally important that the WA Branch be endorsed for PBI status. PBI status will assist the League financially in most of its operations, particularly in our homes and hostels.

Whilst I have endeavoured to provide a brief overview of processes and procedures with the ATO and GST, I still remain optimistic that we will achieve our goal by remaining “ever vigilant” and be endorsed with PBI status.

2001 - WA Branch

THE STATE Branch has and will continue to receive advice on results of sub-branch elections and annual reports up to and including March.

A number of sub-branches have advised of difficulties filling office bearers positions. This problem is one that will continue to grow in certain locations due to the natural attrition of membership. In most cases there is little if anything that can be done to alleviate the immediate problem.

Those sub-branches that are having these problems may consider amalgamation as one option. This, however, is dependent on the membership of that particular sub-branch.

It is something that members need to be aware of and consider their sub-branches position for the future.

It is very pleasing to note, however, that in 2000/2001 two new sub-branches have been approved by the State Executive Committee: South Mandurah and Ellenbrook

To both previous and those new members of the RSL, congratulations on your achievements.

There have also been enquiries from some northern country regions enquiring about raising a new sub-branch; we will await the outcome and their advice on their future sub-branch endorsement.

The Listening Post magazine

THIS is the third edition of the “new” Listening Post and feedback from members, other States and purchasers of the magazine indicates it is an improvement on past issues in quality and content.

There is no doubt that the quality has improved markedly; but the cost of production and distribution has increased alarmingly.

The Listening Post has been redesigned, redeveloped, reworked and reviewed to reduce the escalating costs, ($50,000.00 subsidy in 2000). The League cannot sustain the costs of the magazine at its current level without some major changes. These could be:

- User pays – that is all submissions for inclusion are costed, as is the case with advertisers and charged to providers.

- That The Listening Post is distributed three times annually at relevant times i.e.
  * preceding ANZAC Day;
  * post State Congress;
  * post National Congress and Remembrance Day.

This would provide relevant and specific detail for each event as well as League issues at State and Federal level.

I must stress these are suggestions only and have not been fully researched at this time. It is mainly to highlight financial concern with production.

GST - RSL where are we at?

THE RSL WA Branch Inc has recently received a complaint from the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) that the State Branch may have misled or deceived consumers (the members) regarding the full cash price of a membership subscription.

A response to the complaint has been forwarded to the ACCC addressing the complaint, they acknowledge the RSL has endeavoured to advise members through the sub-branches Annual Membership Renewal.

Previous advice had detailed that GST was payable and that a cost of $3.00 was the GST amount to be paid, however we did not add the $30.00 plus $3.00 giving a TOTAL of $33.00 (GST inclusive).

The ACCC advised that the RSL WA branch should again advise the membership of the cost of membership for 2001 at a total cost of $33.00 (GST inclusive).

Please be assured that it has not been the intention to mislead or deceive members at any time. The $3.00 increase was approved at Congress to be used for RSL WA Branch operational requirements and the GST was always intended to be conditional.

Please refer to the Membership Renewal Reminder in this edition.

SHANE SEERS OAM JP
ANZAC DAY 2001
Procedure Changes

THE planning, preparation and the co-ordination for ANZAC Day 2001 has commenced in earnest.

As a direct result of recommendations from Unit and Kindred Associations, support elements and members—a number of minor improvements have been introduced for ANZAC Day 2001.

Dawn Service

COMMENCING with the Dawn Service, we are continuing to review this Service and facilities to ensure that those attending are adequately catered for, improvements this year include:

1. Additional seating – to provide assistance to aged and frail Veterans, one hundred seats are to be provided on the upper level at the Court of Contemplation. This initiative was introduced in 2000 and proved to be successful with comments received from Veterans.

2. Narration - It is common knowledge within the Veteran and Defence Communities as to those procedures adopted for the conduct of the Dawn Service, however that is not always the case with the wider community.

To assist those members of the community who attend the Dawn Service, this year will see the introduction of the explanation of customs, traditions, key actions and protocols.

The protocols of the Dawn Service, being a Silent Service will be paramount when any explanation will be given, it is proposed to provide detail:

a. As the Official Party enters the Court of Contemplation;

b. On the commencement of the Official Wreath Laying, this will be limited to VIP Wreath Layers;


At the conclusion of the Service the principal VIP may be requested to address those in attendance.

March/Service Perth

THE ANZAC Day March and Service underwent significant change in 2000 to conduct a rehearsal for future ANZAC Days to assist with proposed redevelopments in Perth CBD. The March and Service were relatively successful, however did require some fine-tuning in a number of key areas.

As a result of information received from Unit and Kindred Associations and in particular the ANZAC Day Debrief, a number of improvements will be introduced in 2001.

Consideration was therefore given to those key areas detailed below, they are:

Distance – with our ageing veterans, the distance of the march has caused some concern. In 2000 some Units and Associations were relocated to shorten the distances, this was successful, however the march on the grass caused concern.

This has been addressed for 2001 with a Saluting Dais to be located in St Georges Terrace opposite Howard Street. This will have of Official Salute given as an “Eyes-Right”.

As contingents enter The Esplanade (Alf Curlewis Gardens), Parade Marshals will direct them to their appointed positions via the shortest route. Marchers will not march past the VIP Dais, as they will have previously provided a “Salute” in St Georges Terrace.

Please Note: Hospital/Military Vehicles will form up on Langley Park and follow the ADF Contingent and Services through St Georges Terrace. This has been introduced for those veterans in vehicles to be able to be participative within the veteran’s contingents and be more involved with the March by parading through the Veteran’s Units on the southern side of St Georges Terrace.

All changes are to provide equal opportunity for all participants in the march and service and improve the organisation in the interest of participants.

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ANZAC DAY 2001

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UNIT POSITIONS MAYBE SUBJECT TO MINOR ALTERATIONS DUE TO CHANGES IN NUMBERS OF VETERANS/FAMILIES MARCHING


PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE CHANGES FROM 2000 FORMING UP AREAS
ANZAC DAY ALBANY
2001

ANZAC Day will commence with the Dawn Service, followed by a Gunfire Breakfast for serving members of the ADF and RSL members. I understand that the Bishop of Bunbury will be conducting a Eucharist at St John’s, similar to that held by the Reverend Arthur White at his original Dawn Service. The timing of this is yet to be confirmed.

The mid-morning march will be timed to be ready for a Royal Australian Air Force fly past at 11.00 am. It is planned to have a “Beating the Retreat” ceremony at 5.00 pm. on 25 April conducted by the Army Band and 11/28th Battalion, The Royal Western Australian Regiment.

The Governor of Western Australia, His Excellency Lieutenant General John Sanderson AC, will take the salute for the ANZAC Day march in Albany.

To give the best possible assistance to those planning the march in Albany, it is essential to advise Digger Cleak (President of the Albany RSL Sub-Branch) on phone/fax (08) 9851 4385 with the numbers from your sub-branch who intend marching.

Albany’s Link to ANZAC

THE FIRST CONVOY: War was declared by the British Government on 4 August 1914, three days after Germany declared war on Russia. Australia’s cabinet, however had met on the 3rd and resolved to provide military support to the Mother Country as required. Following those declarations, plans were put in place that saw the largest Commonwealth convoy assembled in King George Sound in November 1914 bound for the Middle East, and its troops for Gallipoli.

29,779 personnel, 7,477 horses, and 70 guns were embarked on 38 transport ships, 28 Australian and 10 New Zealand. They were accompanied and protected by six warships, one British and (remarkably) one Japanese cruiser, two Australian cruisers and two light cruisers of the New Zealand Squadron. The convoy sailed from Albany on Sunday, 1 November 1914 at 5.45am. Albany was the last sight of Australia for thousands of young soldiers and sailors.

OTHER CONVOYS: Albany was the obvious place for the final rendezvous before leaving for the Middle East and Europe. The port had been the major trade link to WA and therefore had the resources to bunker and support such fleets and it was big enough to hold them. As a result, a second convoy was assembled in Albany within months.

Subsequently, necessities of war required other arrangements but Albany continued to play a role in support of the war effort.

ARMY CENTENARY: Prior to Federation, military forces were employed by each colony. In October 1899, parts of the Victorian, Tasmanian, South Australian and Western Australian colonial forces were embarked for Cape Town to assist the British Government forces against the Boers. These detachments, later converted from infantry to mounted infantry, were initially combined as ‘The Australian Regiment’. The colonials were at last together, for active service abroad.

On 9 July 1900, Royal Assent was given to the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act. On 17 September of that same year, an Order in Council approved a proclamation which declared that the union of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, Tasmania and Western Australia should take effect from 1 January 1901.

On 1 March 1901, 28,923 colonial soldiers, comprised of 1,457 permanent, 18,603 militia and 8,863 unpaid volunteers, were transferred to the new Australian Army. Major General Sir Edward Hutton took command of the Commonwealth Forces from 26 December 1901.

ANZAC Day Units

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

HMAS ADELAIDE: This FFG holds the distinction of being the first guided missile frigate to be home ported at HMAS Stirling, Fleet Base West. She has been based in WA since 30 October 1992. For anti-submarine work, the FFG is equipped with flight deck hangars for two S-70B-2 Seahawk helicopters. To satisfy close defence, the ship is fitted with two sets of Mk 32 triple torpedo tubes. The ship’s sensor package includes long range radars for air and surface surveillance, electronic warfare surveillance sensors and a medium range sonar for the detection of submarines. A computer based command and control system processes information as well as target data received by data link from other ships and aircraft.

HMAS CANBERRA: The proud tradition of the first Canberra was revived by the commissioning of the present ship in 1982. Today’s Canberra is a guided missile frigate. She is less than half the size of the previous Canberra and has only a third of the crew. Despite this she has extensive capabilities against all threats and has modern missiles and
radars. Some of her missiles have a range of over 100 km, more than four times the range of the first Canberra's guns. She has seen service in the Red Sea helping to enforce United Nations sanctions against Iraq. In early 1996 Canberra moved her home port to the Royal Australian Navy's new base at HMAS Stirling in WA.

**HMAS DARWIN:** A long-range escort with roles including area air defence, anti-submarine warfare, surveillance, reconnaissance and interdiction. She can counter simultaneous threats from the air, surface and sub-surface. The principle weapons of Darwin are the Standard medium range anti-aircraft missile and the Harpoon anti-surface missile, both of which are launched from the Mk 13 launcher on the forecastle. A 76mm gun to counter both aircraft and surface threats is fitted forward of the funnel and one 20mm Phalanx Close-in-Weapons System for anti-missile defence is located above the helicopter hangers.

**ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARMY**

**11/28 BATTALION ROYAL WEST AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT:** The 11/28 Battalion RWAR, a major part of 13 Brigade, has its HQ in Perth but also defends vital assets in the Pilbara region. It has sub-units in Albany, Bunbury and Collie. Its normal strength is 500 soldiers, mostly riflemen, but with various specialists. Soldiers from 11/28 Bn have been successful in national military competitions. A section from Bunbury won on 2nd Division Military Skills competition in 1998. A team of paddlers also contested the annual Avon Descent white water river race. 11/28 Bn has Freedom of the City of Albany enabling it to bear arms within the City precincts.

**7 FIELD BATTERY, ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY:** The Battery provides artillery fire support for Brigade units in the battlefield. Jobs include loading and firing guns, calculating bearings and elevations for guns, transporting guns and ammunition and providing radio communications. The unit also has its own cooks, medical assistants, clerks and mechanics. There are currently vacancies within the unit across a wide spectrum of jobs. The origins of the 7 Field Battery (7 FD BTY) in WA can be traced back to 19 July 1870. It was on that day that the Union Troop of Western Australian Volunteers was formed. On 1 July 1872, the Western Australian Troop of Volunteer Horse Artillery was formed. Under yet another name, the battery was among the first to see action in Gallipoli and went on to take part in significant campaigns on the Western Front.

**A SQUADRON, 10 LIGHT HORSE:** Is made up of a Squadron Headquarters, a Technical Support Troop and a Reconnaissance Troop. Essentially, the role of reconnaissance is to go out in the field to gather useful military information and intelligence. Among the many jobs are light armoured fighting vehicle drivers, mechanics and communication systems operators. The Squadron is equipped with the M-113 family of armoured fighting vehicles. Mounted units in WA go back as far as 1862. In 1901, the Volunteer Cavalry Regiment was formed and this is where A Squadron has its origins. The Regiment first saw action at Gallipoli, where Second Lieutenant Hugo Throssell gained a Victoria Cross, being the only Lighthorseman in WWI to do so.

**ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE**

**NO 2 FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL:** Is located at RAAF Base Pearce, about 50 km north of Perth. All the pilots for the RAAF and the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) undergo their basic flying training here and obtain their 'Wings' before continuing to operational conversion units where they learn to fly operational aircraft. No 1 Advanced Flying Training School was established at Pearce in May 1958. The course at 2FTS now provides training in ab initio and advanced general, instrument, night and formation flying and navigation. A graduate pilot in the RAAF must be capable of flying the PC9/A with the skill and confidence necessary to allow ready transition to operational aircraft.

**NO 25 SQUADRON:** Also based at Pearce, this squadron provides jet conversion and operated Macchi jets until the change over began in late 2000 to the new Hawk trainer.

DON MEREDITH
CHAIRMAN
RSL ALBANY ANZAC DAY 2001 COMMITTEE

**UNIT AND KINDRED ASSOCIATION MEETING**

THE next Unit and Kindred Association meeting will be held in the Gallipoli Room, ANZAC House on Tuesday, 3 April 2001 commencing at 2.00pm. Your Association representative would be most welcome to attend. As changes continue to occur to the ANZAC Day March and Parade, it is important that your Association is represented to discuss those proposed changes.
Brigadier Francis Richard Edwards, CSC

FRANK Edwards entered the Royal Military College in January 1969, graduating as an Infantry Lieutenant in December 1972 with a Bachelor of Arts (Military Studies).

He was posted as a Platoon Commander to the First Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment and then to the Sixth Battalion.

He was promoted to Captain in December 1974 and took up an appointment as a Staff Officer Grade 3 at HQ 1 Cadet Brigade in Brisbane until December 1975.

His next appointment was as a Staff Officer Grade 3 at the School of Infantry from December 1975 to December 1977; Captain instructor at the Land Warfare Centre December 1977 to December 1979; promoted to Major as a Company Commander in 2/4 RAR from January 1980 to December 1981 and Operations Officer and Officer Commanding Support Company 2/4 RAR December 1981 to December 1982.

He was the Senior Instructor Field Training at the Officer Cadet School, Portsea from January 1983 to December 1984. During 1985 he attended the Army Command and Staff College, Fort Queenscliff.

From December 1985 to December 1987 he was an Australian Army Tactics Exchange Instructor at the US Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia. For this service he was awarded the United States Meritorious Service Medal.

He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in January 1988 and posted as Joint Operations Staff Officer (Land) HQ ADF from January 1988 to January 1990. He attended Joint Services Staff College from January 1990 to June 1990 and received a Graduate Diploma in Strategic Studies.

From July 1990 to November 1992 he was Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor of the Corps of Staff Cadets at the Royal Military College Duntroon.

He was promoted to Colonel in November 1992 and posted as Head of Australia Defence Staff, Papua New Guinea until December 1995. His next posting was Director, Operational Support from January 1996 to June 1996. He was awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross in the Australia Day Honours List in 1996 for service in PNG.

He resigned from full-time service in June 1996, entering part-time service in January 1998. As a Reservist he was Commander 5 Training Group and then Commandant Regional Training Centre WA when its title was changed.

Brigadier Edwards was born in South Africa. His primary school education was in England and he attended WA’s Guildford Grammar School from 1964 to 1968. Brigadier Edwards has two adult children. His hobbies include golf and motorcycle riding. In his civilian employment Brigadier Edwards is the Chief Executive Officer of the Town of Kwinana, a local government authority.

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ANZAC DAY/ REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES

1. Hold the Service in the proximity of a War Memorial or a flagpole.
2. If you are conducting the Service on 25 April, you may care to hold it at 11.00 am to coincide with the ceremony in Perth.
3. All stand and face the memorial/flag pole. The flags should be furled or held prior to raising.
4. Speech/Prayers.
5. Wreaths are laid.
6. The Bugler (or recorded music) sounds the Last Post and the flags are raised slowly to the masthead and then lowered to the half-mast position.
   a. The Ode is to be delivered by the designated person.
   "They shall grow not old,
   As we that are left grow old,
   Age shall not weary them,
   Nor the years condemn,
   At the going down of the sun,
   And in the morning,
   We will remember them'.
   The gathering repeats ‘We will remember them’.
   b. A period of one minute silence is then observed.
   c. The designated person says ‘Lest We Forget’ and the gathering repeats ‘Lest We Forget’.
   d. ‘Rouse’ or ‘Reveille’ is then played. The flag is raised to the masthead and lowered to half-mast, where it should remain until midday when it is raised to the masthead until sunset.
7. Service ends.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLAG

EVERY sovereign nation on earth flies its own National Flag, the symbol of the country, of the people and of the ideals and beliefs that those people live by and proclaim.

Our flag evolved from an open, world-wide competition in 1901. It attracted 32,823 entries and five equal winners were declared. The first-named winner was Western Australia's own Annie Dorrington, who was born in England in 1866 and died in Perth in 1926. In 1998 her unmarked grave at Karrakatta was discovered by the Australian National Flag Association and is now adorned with a befiting memorial. This grave has been included as part of the Karrakatta Cemetery Historical Walk Trail I.

For the Australian people, the Australian National Flag is profoundly symbolic - it is their Chief National Symbol. The beautiful blue flag was officially flown for the first time "aloft and free", at the Royal Exhibition Building in Melbourne on 3 September 1901. The unfurling was performed by the Countess of Hopetoun, the wife of our first Governor General, The Earl of Hopetoun, in the presence of our first Prime Minister The Hon. Edmund Barton.

In 1966 the Governor General, Sir William Patrick Deane, acting on the advice of the Federal Executive Council, declared 3 September to be designated Australian National Flag Day.

Third of September 2001 is the 100th anniversary of the first time the flag was officially flown.

The Australian National Flag Association was formed in 1983 with the strong backing of the RSL. The Association exists in all states and is primarily focused on retaining the Nation's chief symbol in its present form, and protecting it from the constant barrage of threats to change it. It is the belief of the Association that, whether or not, this country becomes a Republic, our proud 100 year old flag should never change.

Readers of this article may be aware that some of the so-called rich and famous in our society are working very hard to have our flag changed - for some inexplicable disrespectful or unpatriotic reason. In most cases, the hidden agenda is purely for monetary gains for themselves. However, we at the Australian National Flag Association are working very hard on behalf of loyal and decent Australians to counter future threats against the flag of our glorious free country.

The "Change the Flag" lobby, as part of the propaganda campaign, will try to tell you that Australia never had a flag until 1953. Well, when you look at the flag you are indeed looking at 100 years of Australian history in war and peace.

- This is the flag which King Edward VII and the then Governor-General, The Earl of Hopetoun, proclaimed in 1903 as The Flag of the Commonwealth of Australia.
- This is the flag that was gazetted again in 1909 as the Flag of the Commonwealth of Australia.
- This is the flag that was gazetted again in 1934 as the Flag of the Commonwealth of Australia.
- This is the flag legislated in the Flags Act 1953 as the Flag of the Commonwealth of Australia.
- This is the flag that was carried on the battlefields of WWI despite what some others may say.
- This is the flag that was carried by Chaplain Merrington of Emmanuel College and raised above his tent in Gallipoli and France in WWI and which is now carefully preserved in College archives.
- This is the flag that was raised at the Battle of Polygon Wood 20 September 1917 by Lt. A.V. L. Hull of the 18th Bn after the capture of a German pill-box. Subsequently Sgt B. Bateson of the 26th Bn placed a second flag thereon.
- This is the flag which is now raised every morning at the little school in Villers-Bretonneux in France in memory of the thousands of Australians who were casualties when freeing the village from the Germans in 1917.
- This is the flag carried by Sir John Monash's lance bearer in the historic march of 5000 Australian troops through London on ANZAC Day 1919 - the flag that now resides in the Australian War Memorial.
- This is the flag that was flown over our first Parliament House in Melbourne, then in Canberra in 1927; and now over our new Parliament House in Canberra on its striking flagpole.
- This is the flag that covered the coffin of The Unknown Soldier as he was laid to rest in old Parliament House and now lays at the Australian War Memorial.
- This is the flag which drapes the coffin of all ex-servicemen as they are borne to their last resting place.
- This is the flag that was flying at the Residency in Darwin when it was bombed by the Japanese on 19 February 1942. It was riddled with bullets, the first flag damaged by enemy action on Australian soil. It was taken south for safety, but brought back for the peace ceremony in 1946, flanked on one side by the flag that flew at Villers-Bretonneux in 1917 and on the other side by the flag flown by HMAS Sydney when it destroyed the Italian Cruiser Bartolomeo Colleoni in the Mediterranean in 1940.
- This is the flag that was raised by Sgt Derrick on a shell-
torn tree at Sattelberg in 1945 Sgt Derrick was later awarded the VC.

- This is the flag that was raised over Kokoda, Lae, Buna, Gona and other towns in New Guinea as they were re-taken from the Japanese in WWII.

- This is the flag commemorated on a special plaque at Lae which reads “Here on 16th September 1943 the Australian National Flag was raised by the Commander 25th Australian Inf. Btn to mark the capture of this important base from the Japanese”.

- This is the flag that was paraded at the Japanese surrender ceremonies and in victory marches.

- This is the Australian National Flag that hung in Amiens Cathedral in France for 46 years and now rests in the Australian War Memorial – having been replaced by the 19th Battalion Association – during the unveiling of the Mont St Quentin Memorial 29 August 1971.

YET THERE ARE THOSE WHO SAY WE NEVER HAD A FLAG UNTIL 1953!

- This is the flag that featured dramatically and with great reverence in the Sydney City March by Vietnam Veterans – when 508 national flags were paraded, one for each Australian who lost his life in that campaign.

- This is the flag that was raised by the released POWs at Changi in 1945.

- This is the flag that was raised by the Signallers of 3 RAR on Hill 323 on Long Hoi in Operation Pinnaroo 19 March 1968. The original now rests in the Australian War Memorial.

- This is the flag being flown to this day by our Peacekeeping Contingents on duty in various trouble spots in our neighbouring area.

As we look at the Australian National Flag today, we should all remember that we are honouring a priceless piece of this country’s history and heritage. Loyal and patriotic Australians have the task ahead of them to protect our national flag against all ‘would be vandals’ who threaten to replace it with a nondescript piece of rag unrelated to anything of the past 100 years.

As previously stated, The Australian National Flag Association will fight on behalf of patriotic Australians to retain our beautifully recognisable flag in its present form. Our strength can, however only be in numbers, because the unpatriotic people who wish to change our flag apparently have unlimited financial resources and can be very persuasive to the ill informed in our community.

Should you wish to join us in our struggle to retain this wonderful national icon, please contact the Australian National Flag Association WA (Inc), PO Box 7603 Cloisters Square, Perth 6850. Telephone (08) 9321 7406 or Fax 9321 7007. We welcome your support.

BERT LANE
President
Chief of Army Lt-Gen Peter Cosgrove takes delivery of a limited edition artwork depicting the Centenary of the Army and one hundred years of soldiering.

CHIEF OF ARMY recently received a montage depicting the army’s one hundred years and seven campaigns worth of heritage.

Lt-Gen Peter Cosgrove took delivery of the artwork from Market Link Solutions Managing Director, Stephen Davie at a presentation at Army HQ.

Two military artists were commissioned to portray the Australian soldier of yesteryear alongside those of today, and the historical bonds that connect them all.

The mixed media piece combines the skills of the nationally renowned Monty Wedd and Jeff Isaacs.

The artwork blends photographic, painted and sketched imagery, as well as words and physical objects to convey the diversity of the Army’s service throughout the century.

An embroidered map of the world depicting seven operational campaigns highlights the significant role the Australian soldier has played in shaping our country.

Featured in the lower-right corner is an icon of bush-soldiering, a ration-pack spoon, better known as a FRED and placed diagonally across is a snippet of barbed wire.

The central figure is a modern-day soldier, surrounded by a procession of ghosts which represent his fallen brothers and sisters.

Lt-Gen Cosgrove accepted limited edition print number 1901 on behalf of the army and further editions will be presented to the Governor General and Prime Minister at the Army Centenary Dinner.
Tyrrell’s continue to serve

AS the first wave of Australian soldiers scrambled up the beach at Gallipoli Peninsular on April 25th 1918, there among them was a young wine maker from the Hunter Valley. Avery Tyrrell had put on hold his ambitions as a winemaker to serve his nation and protect the Empire.

Like his older brother in the Boer War, and his two sons in WWII, Avery was continuing the Tyrrell family tradition of service to Australia.

Today, as a part of the Australian Army’s 100th anniversary celebrations, the Tyrrell family has again rallied to the cause. As one of Australia’s oldest winemakers, and one with a continued link to the Army, Tyrrell’s is proudly producing the official range of Army 1901-2001 commemorative wines.

Managing Director of Tyrrell’s Wines, Avery’s grandson Bruce Tyrrell, says his family is proud of its long history and association with the Australian Army. The Tyrrell’s winery, located next to Singleton Military area, continues to welcome the generations of soldiers posted to the region.

“To be able to help the Army celebrate its 100th anniversary is a great pleasure to the whole family. Our association with the Army goes back to the Boer War and is something we are very proud of,” he said.

“The Army has formed a very important part of the Australian culture and psyche with Gallipoli and the World War Two soldiers in the Pacific. That is very much part of who Australians are, I think it is a very important part of this country.”

The selection of 1901-2001 wines from the 143-year-old winery is designed to cater for a wide range of drinking preferences as well as for fine wine collectors. All bottles carry the distinctive Centenary of the Army logo, which proclaims teamwork, courage and initiative and a special 2001 message from the Army.

The “Army’s anniversary is great cause for celebration and our range of wines will help certainly help a lot of those celebrations along,” Bruce said. “I believe that these wines will be the pride of the table at messes and functions across the country.”

While Bruce’s father was in New Guinea during WWII and his uncle flew transport for the Air Force, Bruce says the Tyrrell’s association with the Army has had some lighter moments.

“Back in the Vietnam days there was an exercise called Contact, which was held in the area over a couple of days. There were supposed to be only eight posts in the exercise. The soldiers on the exercise dubbed Tyrrell’s Winery as Post Nine and spent a lot of time on maneuvers here.”

The Tyrrell’s 1901-2001 wines are part of the Official Army 1901-2001 product range available by calling 1800 99 88 72 or www.markettlinksolutions.com.au
**Tyrell's Glenhaven Estate**
Boots adorned with Official Army 2001 crest in gold foil. Message from Army on back label.

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**Tyrell's Private Bin**

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**Val 9 Hunter Shiraz**
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This blend of sweet red fortified wines is aged for a minimum of five years in small oak. This guarantees a traditional, rich tawny style that is ready for immediate drinking.

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**Discovery Bay Tawny**
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Australian Military History

March 1902 First contingents of Australian Commonwealth Horse arrive in South Africa to fight in the Boer War. This unit is the first to wear the Rising Sun style badge.

16 March 1943 Flight Lieutenant W.E. Newton awarded posthumously the Victoria Cross. Newton was the only member of the RAAF to win the Victoria Cross in the Pacific War.

31 March 1921 Formation of Australian Air Force, which becomes the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) on 31 August 1921.

8 April 1918 Establishment of the Repatriation Department.

10 April 1941 Start of siege of Tobruk, Libya, which lasts until 7 December 1941.

11 April 1917 First Battle of Bullecourt, France.

23-25 April 1951 Battle of Kapyong, Korea.

25 April 1915 Australian troops land on the beaches of Gallipoli, Turkey.

25 April 1918 Australians drive Germans from Villers-Bretonneux, France.

May 1915 Acronym ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) used to describe Australian positions in Gallipoli.

May 1965 First Australian combat force of 1,100 soldiers, sent to Vietnam.

1 May 1945 Australia’s 26th Brigade troops invade Tarakan on Borneo’s east coast.

7 May 1942 Coral Sea battle begins.

8 May 1945 Victory in Europe Day (VE Day).

14 May 1943 Australian Hospital Ship Centaur sunk by a Japanese submarine off the south Queensland coast. The ship was crewed by members of the Australian merchant navy and only 64 of the 333 on board survived.

14 May 1956 2 RAR attacks communist terrorists near Sungai Siput, Malaya.


19-20 May 1915 Lance Corporal Albert Jacka, 14th Battalion, AIF, becomes the first Australian to win a Victoria Cross in WWI for his action at Gallipoli, Turkey.

27 May 1941 German battleship Bismarck sunk by Royal Navy.

30 May 1942 First RAF “1000 bomber” raid on Cologne, Germany.

31 May – 1 June 1942 Japanese midget submarines raid Sydney Harbour.
BOOK REVIEWS

MEDICOS AND MEMORIES
by Dr Jim Dixon and Dr Bob Goodwin

Both authors served as artillerymen with the 2/10 Field Regiment, but took up medical studies after the war. They wrote this book in an attempt to redress the situation of so many Australians being unaware of the sacrifice and dedication of many ex-POW doctors other than Sir Edward "Weary" Dunlop.

Told in general terms, the story is aimed at the general reader and is about the Australian POWs and medical staff, particularly those belonging to the 2/10 Field Regiment.

A brief account of the events leading to the capture of over 15,000 Australians is given, after which the authors focus on medical matters. They provide an insight into the difficulties faced by patients and doctors in the remote jungle camps where the medical staff saved many lives.

Many photographs and drawings illustrate this book, which concentrates on the Burma-Thai Railway experience. Also included is a first-hand account of the capture of 32 Australian Army nurses following the sinking of the Vyner Brooke off Banka Island.

The main body of the book includes several nominal roles, followed by biographical sketches of 15 medical personnel, selected as being worthy of special mention.

Medics and Memories is produced and printed at cost by the 2/10 Field Regiment Association and all proceeds will be directed towards the maintenance of war memorials conveying the message of the Malayan Campaign.

Available from selected military bookstores, RRP $20.00 or $25.00 posted direct from the Association, 16 Albert St, Victoria Point, QLD 4165.

BILL TATE

BEYOND THE CALL
An Account of Dedication and Bravery by Australian Nurses in WWI
by L.A. (Bill) Deacon

I am an ex-RAAF nursing sister who served in Vietnam and found this book most interesting.

These brave young women were volunteers and were not accorded military status. They had to abide by the rules as if they were officers and couldn’t mix with the other ranks, even though they could be or were fathers, brothers and boyfriends, and were not allowed to dance whilst on active service.

A total of 2,692 nurses served, 384 received decorations and 21 died on active service. Four nurses were awarded the Military Medal for bravery under fire, which became the equivalent to the soldiers’ Victoria Cross. The report from the CO didn’t even mention the nurses’ bravery.

The sisters served at Gallipoli and then in France, which had the coldest winter for many decades. They worked 12 or more hours straight and would come back in their off-duty time to write letters “home” for the wounded.

After their discharge many were so physically and mentally drained they suffered ill health for the rest of their lives.

They were given a meagre pension but not granted access to Repatriation Hospitals. Many were in dire financial circumstances and unable to work full-time.

“We shall also remember them”.

Available from Bill Deacon, 13 Wigram St, Scamander, TAS 7215
Price $19.50 - free postage.

JOY TATE

A VERY DIFFERENT TYPE
by Loreley A Morling

The local author took more than 10 years to construct this biography of controversial journalist, and some may say traitor, John J. Holland, known as “Bill”.

Born at Kanowna, WA, on 5 July 1907, Holland moved to Katanning with his family in 1910 and to Perth four years later. He attended several schools, being moved because of bad behaviour.

After several jobs in WA and Sydney, where he was imprisoned for six months for forgery, he left Sydney and worked in Brisbane and Melbourne. Five years later, in 1937, he worked his way on a ship to China where he had a friend who was a journalist.

Working as a freelance journalist in Shanghai when the city fell to the Japanese, Holland arranged for a Japanese newsagency to use a local radio station. From there he broadcast news commentaries and after Pearl Harbour from Tokyo. After falling out with his Japanese employers he was incarcerated in a Hokkaido jail until the end of the war when he was arrested by the Allies with the notorious Tokyo Rose.

Eventually he was returned to Australia but managed to leave Fremantle as a crew member of a freighter. A comic opera chase over three continents followed in an attempt to charge him with collaboration.

He resettled in Japan in the 1950s and married a Japanese woman, who finally left him. John Holland died in 1972, aged 65 years and 5 days.

Available from Loreley A Morling, 37 Weston Drive, Swan View 6056. Price $25.00, plus postage $3.00 within Australia.

BILL TATE

NAVY REUNION

A REUNION of ex-Navy men and women will be held at the Busselton RSL Hall on Saturday, 5 May 2001 commencing at 1100 hours.

Contact phone numbers:
Peter Grant 9582 3474
Ron Peach 9756 3255
Bill McCarthy 9752 2112
Gary McGrath 9752 4361
IN the heat of battle few soldiers would have allowed their thoughts to stray long enough to consider how or where their ammunition was manufactured. It was something that you just took for granted, you never questioned, you knew it would work. You secretly prayed it would work, and in the end it always did the job asked of it.

Few soldiers would have known at the time that six factories around Australia were busy working day and night to keep up the supply of .303 ammunition for the Allied Forces. Fewer still would have known that one of these munitions factories was located at Welshpool where, with the help of more than 3,500 men and women, over 256 million rounds of .303 ammunition were produced between 1942 and 1945.

Known to few outside the factory and located adjacent to the .303 factory building was the Fuse Shop.

Here under the watchful eye of Arnold 'Skip' Foley, Engineer in Charge, some 200 men, mostly returned servicemen, worked on the production of the No. 12 Tracer-Igniter *. Originally the shop was to be staffed with female operators (as was the main factory). However, as the number of returned soldiers was increasing by 1942, the factory management decided to put on diggers. For some it was an opportunity to put the war behind them and take up a new career, for others it provided the chance for them to use their former skills in a way that directly helped out their mates still in the thick of it.

With the assistance of many tools and gauges supplied by the Midland Railway Workshops Toolroom production increased to 12,000 Tracer-Igniters per week in two shifts and by war's end more than 433,000 units had been turned out by the Fuse Shop diggers.

Now, more than 50 years on, little is known of these old diggers who worked in the Fuse Shop apart from a small mention in the factory's Wrangler magazine. The article reported that amongst the first dozen men who started were three who held the Distinguished Conduct Medal: (former Kiwi) Bill Barker, Jim McCarthy (formerly of Northam) and Ken Stewart (formerly of Victoria). As they were all born between 1893 and 1895, it is most unlikely that they are still with us. But what about their mates and their families? What recollections and stories about working in the Fuse Shop remain?

* No. 12 Tracer-Igniter is a small-machined unit fitted into the rear of the 40mm Bofors A.A. Shell.

Should any members know of anyone who worked in the Fuse Shop (or in the Welshpool Ammunition Factory) I would love to hear from them or their families. I am also interested in any example of factory production, machinery or memorabilia for display purposes.

I can be contacted on 9379 1935 or PO Box 154 Midland 6936.

MARK COSTELLO
A REVOLUTIONARY treatment for chronic back pain is now available at Hollywood Private Hospital in Nedlands. Known as Intradiscal Electothermal Therapy (IDET), the treatment involves a special metal coil being inserted into the affected disc. The coil is then heated to approximately 90 degrees celsius which alters the structure of the disc and increases its strength.

The treatment is performed by pain specialists and is primarily suitable for patients who have demonstrated disc pain that has not responded to conventional treatments. Results to date have indicated a high success rate with patients requiring a single treatment session.

"Patients may experience a transitory increase in pain immediately following the treatment, though trials show this will lessen in ensuing weeks", said Dr Paul Grazioti. The key advantage of IDET is that there are relatively few side effects. The procedure usually takes half an hour to perform, and patients are not required to stay overnight. The technique is new to Perth, but has been widely used with significant success in the United States and Europe.

"Individual assessment by a physician is necessary to determine a patients suitability".

Dr Grazioti is available for interview by appointment.

Special Patient at Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD Private Hospital admitted a special patient recently: Miss Sylvia Perry who was commandant of the Voluntary Assistant Detachment unit and served in Darwin with the Australian Army Medical Women’s Services during the WWII.

After the war Miss Perry returned to the position of Hospital Assistant Supervisor for the Repatriation General Hospital. She retired from that position in 1966.

An active member of the community with two terms as the Commissioner for the Girl Guides in WA and as a lifetime member of the RSL, twice served as President of the Returned Ex-Service Women’s Sub-Branch of the RSL. She has been awarded a certificate in recognition of her service to the RSL, as well as an MBE for her contribution to the community.

Miss Perry holds a special place in Hollywood’s heart and was invited back to the hospital in 1998 to unveil a plaque to commemorate the contribution of women in war.

More Wards Planned for Hollywood

TWO new wards have been approved for construction in the latest phase of Hollywood Private Hospital’s redevelopment. Work is scheduled to be completed by February 2002. The wards will have a capacity of 30 beds each - 95% will be single room accommodation.

These extra beds will increase the flexibility of bed utilisation and relieve the intense pressure on the beds particularly over the winter months.

The standard of accommodation will be similar to that of the Bullwinkel Wing.

Hollywood’s Executive Director Kevin Cass-Ryall said “This current expansion and building program supports Ramsay Health Care’s strategic vision. The intention is to consolidate the existing Ramsay businesses and Hollywood is set to feel the benefits from this approach”.

Kevin also indicated that the redevelopment program will not stop with the new wards. Also planned are two new operating theatres, a new Intensive Care Unit, the fit-out of the second Cardiac Catheter Laboratory and the Hollywood Clinic is earmarked for further expansion.

For further information, contact:
TRISH MILLER
Community Relations Manager
Hollywood Private Hospital
Monash Avenue
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Email: millertr@ramsayhealth.com.au
2000 Legacy Christmas Puddings

Sincere thanks to all members and sub-branches who enthusiastically supported the sale and distribution of our Christmas Puddings. Congratulations to all concerned on the excellent results your efforts produced.

Wear Australia's Pride on Friday, April 20

Help keep the Legacy torch burning

Have you ever thought of making a bequest in your Will to help Legacy? By remembering Legacy in your Will, you will be leaving an enduring gift that will help provide vital support for the widows and children of deceased veterans and those killed on hazardous service or training for war.

Legacy in Western Australia provides support to more than 9000 widows and 140 children, students and disabled dependants, with an average of 15 enrolments in WA each week. For more information on this worthy cause and how you can make a bequest, contact Terry Healy, Fundraising Manager on (08) 9367-5799 or the address below.

Buy a badge and help Legacy keep the promise it made more than 70 years ago to look after the widows and children of deceased war veterans. Since then, Legacy has expanded its charter to include peacekeeping operations (East Timor, Rwanda, Somalia, Bosnia) and all service personnel killed while on hazardous service or training for war, such as those who died in the Blackhawk helicopter (1996) and RFAF Westralia and F-111 accidents and tragedies and the RAAF Westralia (1998).

Legacy is a voluntary, not-for-profit, organisation that receives no direct government assistance. This year, more than $570,000 needs to be raised so Legacy can continue to provide the best quality care and support.

Volunteers are also needed in the Perth and Fremantle central areas, as well as shopping centres and throughout the metropolitan and country areas to sell Legacy badges during Legacy's Badge Day Appeal on Friday April 20. If you can help then fill in the slip below or e-mail torchbearers@perthlegacy.com.au.

BADGE DAY APPEAL REPLY SLIP

YES, I would be pleased to help Legacy on Badge Day, Friday 20 April 2001.

TIME: From _______ LOCATION: □ Perth CBD □ Fremantle CBD
To _______

□ Suburb: ____________________________ □ Town: ____________________________

□ Suburb/Town: ____________________________ Post Code: ____________________________

Name: ____________________________ Telephone: ____________________________

Address: ____________________________

Post to: Torchbearers for Legacy, PO Box 249, South Perth WA 6951
I WISH to thank you sincerely for the beautiful article on Gordon Bernard Jamieson Murphy, MM and Bar, in The Listening Post, Spring Edition.

CARMEL (KATH) MURPHY
(Gordon’s widow)

COLOURS – ISANDHLWANA:
THE FINAL WORD

IN RESPONSE to your call, the following may be helpful in regard to the 24th of Foot:

In July 1751, a royal warrant was issued regarding the clothing for the Army. This warrant fixed the Regiment’s facing as ‘willow’ green and the lace white, with one green stripe and one red stripe (Welsh colours) and numbers began coming into more general use; after 1753 young officers found themselves gazetted to ‘The 24th (Cornwallis’s) - Colonel The Hon. Edward Cornwallis - Regiment of Foot’.

On 31 August 1782 a royal warrant was issued conferring county titles on all regiments not already having a special designation, such as ‘The Queen’s or The King’s county titles on all regiments not already having a special significance (Tordon’s)

D. Gledhill of Floreat is quite correct. The Anglo-Zulu War Isandhlwana Battle took place before the name change and that is all that it was!

In the White Paper published by Mr Wilson’s Government in July 1967, drastic cuts in the armed forces were proposed. The Welsh Brigade (motto ‘lch Dien’ – I serve) was to reduce by one battalion, the 1st Welch Regiment, and to amalgamate with the South Wales Borderers to form a new regiment.

On 11 June, 1969, in the shadow of the tower of Cardiff Castle, the South Wales Borderers and the Welch Regiment died, to be reborn as the Royal Regiment of Wales, a regiment which its Colonel-in-Chief, Prince Charles, affirmed would become ‘the Pride of Wales’.

The Lieutenants mentioned by Brigadier Warren and reported in The Listening Post, Spring 2000 – T. Melvill and N. Boghill – were awarded the Victoria Cross posthumously. Very posthumously; in fact it was 1907 some 28 years after their brave attempt to save the 1/24th colours!

ANTENNT ALL GUNNERS AND ATTACHED PERSONNEL
IF YOU serviced overseas on operations or in a peacekeeping capacity with a Royal Australian Artillery unit, from the BCOF 1946 to the present day, your details are needed for an upcoming book entitled End of Mission which is an A-Z biographical listing of those who served. Please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the following address to obtain a detailed handout:

If you have any questions or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact: WO1 DARRYL KELLY OAM, Tel: (02) 6265 4091 (bh) or (02) 6255 7538 (ah).

WANTED – A VOLUNTEER
THE RAA Historical Society seeks the services of a volunteer (male or female) to assist in the Photo Archives Section at Hobbs Artillery Park Karrakatta. The task involves the sorting and archival filing of a large collection of photographs and requires attendance each Wednesday from 9.30am – 3.30pm. A person with a service background would be preferred. Please contact:

DUDLEY MACKIE any Wednesday at Karrakatta, Tel: 9383 6544.

MYSTERY BADGE
A badge has been located in the personal effects of an aged deceased relative. We have been unable to find the owner of this badge. If you can help could you please advise me. If not, perhaps someone may be able to help with the origin and significance of the badge. Please write to:

GEORGE HARRISON, 32 Pensioner Road, Kojonup 6395.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES FIELD BOOK
RECENTLY an Australian Military Forces Field Book was handed to me by a member of the public. It contains 22 pages of very fine handwritten notes. The owner was WX31878 Sgt A.H. Bosch. I am trying to find a relative. If you can help please contact:

WALLY HOLDING, Membership Officer, Mandurah Sub-Branch, Tel: 9535 4593.

AN OLD TUNE
I ENJOYED some fine times in Korea with Aussie sailors. One favourite drinking song has now slipped from my memory and I hope that someone can recall it. I think the name was “The Sergeant Major”. Not “Kiss me goodnight Sergeant Major”. Any help would be much appreciated.

Contact via email: OldRedFrog@aol.com.
MEMBERS and partners enjoyed the reunion at the Raffles Motor Hotel on Sunday 3 December. We were pleased to welcome the State President and Mrs Bladen, who took the opportunity to review State Branch activities and to present Life Membership to our esteemed member, Wally Holtam. Wally joined the RSL in 1946, with active involvement at Kununoppin for five years and then at Applecross. He has been on the committee ever since he was elected in 1963, serving six years as President and 23 years as Vice-President. He is currently a Warden and still a very active member.

MAX REYNOLDS

BELMONT

THE YEAR 2000 was another successful year at the Sub-Branch. With the formation of a Social Committee more events were organised. Friday night socials with a meal and entertainment were very popular as was the New Year’s Eve Cabaret.

Mike Hall, who recently retired from the State Executive, was our Liaison Officer for over 40 years, during which time the sub-branch benefited from his experience and expertise as regards the RSL. Thank you Mike for your contribution throughout the years and we are sure that you and Dorothy will visit us often in the future. Enjoy your retirement – you definitely deserve it after the many years you served with the RSL.

Over 140 members and friends enjoyed a delicious Australia Day meal prepared by the male members of the sub-branch (affectionately known as ‘Dad’s Army’) and friends under the leadership of chief cook Brian Wake. This band of merry men also cleaned and washed up after the meal. Everyone enjoyed and danced to music supplied by the ‘Stoney Broke’ band.

Our congratulations to our member and Patron Fred McKenzie who was awarded the Order of Australia Medal in the Australia Day Awards. Well done Fred - a richly deserved award.

The ANZAC Commemorative Service will be held at the Belmont War Memorial, Faulkner Park, Belmont, on Sunday 22 April 2001, commencing at 2.00pm. Those participating in the parade are to fall in at 1.45pm near the administration building. If the weather is inclement the service will be held in the Oasis Centre.

DOT BALCOMBE

BICTON-PALMYRA (Inc NE FREMANTLE)

THE SUB-BRANCH continues to grow and prosper. This is the result of a hard working committee, led by two committed people: President Stan Webb and Secretary Alan Meyer, both of whom are commencing their 10th year in their respective positions. Stan first joined the sub-branch in 1986, serving one year as a committee member, two years as Vice-President and 10 years as President. He joined the RAN as a National Serviceman in 1957. He served his country for six years aboard such ships and depots as Swan, Cerberus, Quickmatch, Leeuwin and Yarra, attaining the rank of Leading Mechanical Engineer. After completing his service he remained active in the RANR and RANER for a further five years.

A brief resume of Alan Meyer will be in the next The Listening Post.

ANZAC Day services are as follows: Dawn Service 5.30am at the Sub-Branch, followed by a service at Pt Walter at 7.00am. A service also at North Fremantle at 9.00am and the Rose Garden at East Fremantle at 9.20am.

We will again be hosting seven primary school students from Bixton, Our Lady Fatima and Palmyra, with a hands-on approach to the significance and meaning of ANZAC Day. Members who can volunteer their time to help will be very much appreciated.

We also need items of memorabilia that can be collected for the day.

It is with great pleasure that we congratulate George and Irene Robertson on their 64th and Bob and Pearl Hubbard on their 62nd wedding anniversaries. Well done. You belong to a very special group of people – we don’t often see the stayers any more.

TREVOR PESCUD

BUNBURY

DURING the Christmas break the office was closed between 20 December and 15 January 2001. Pressing social and welfare issues were handled as contact numbers were posted on the office door.

The Committee was disappointed that members did not take up the welcome extended to younger family members to join them at this year’s Christmas BBQ. Please don’t disappoint Santa again this year.

Members were surprised to find the $3.00 GST attached to their membership renewals. For service pensioners, who wouldn’t be getting any income tax relief this is one of the ‘hidden’ charges that will bring home the full impact of the GST.

Vascular surgeon Dr Kishore Sieunarine will again be at the sub-branch hall on Saturday and Sunday 21 and 22 April 2001 to test members and their immediate families for aneurisms. Dr Sieunarine’s continued interest in the Bunbury veteran community’s health is greatly appreciated.

The sub-branch will take the opportunity to be part of the Men’s Peer Education Healthy Living Program, which is due to start soon. Following the visit to Bunbury by the project co-ordinator Helen Westbury, members of the veteran community in the South West are encouraged to support the programme. More information is available from Stan Crombie, at DVA on 1800 113 304, or Bill Adams at our Sub-Branch on 9721 3277.

Bunbury Welfare Chief Tom Kèough is keen to remind local...
service personnel that the Bunbury office has equal
capacity to handle all types of claims. “Certainly no need for
anyone to chase up to
other cadet units in the Bunbury
area looking forward to another busy and successful year.
The Sub-Branch is the official sponsor for the newly
formed Bunbury Army Cadet Unit. We also sponsor several
other cadet units in the Bunbury area.

Calling all Korean veterans in the South West. On 24
April this year we will remember the 50th anniversary of the
Battle of Kapyong. We hope to make a special occasion of
this event and ask all Korean War Veterans in the South West
to contact us so that an invitation can be sent for you to attend
a special Bunbury City Reception on the evening of 23 April
and for you to meet on ANZAC Day in Bunbury to lead the
ANZAC Day march. You should call 9721 3277 between
9:00 am and 12 noon Monday to Friday, write to the Bunbury
RSL, PO Box 125, Bunbury 6231, or fax 9791 4060. We
look forward to meeting you in April!

The Bunbury Army Reserve Military Memorabilia
collection received a real boost with the recent completion of
the restoration of a 1950 model MkII Ferret Scout Car.
Amateur Military Historian and keen collector of all items of
military memorabilia, Gerry Tyrell says the restoration has
taken several years to complete. “The Ferret now stands at
the front gate of the Army depot in Bunbury” Gerry said.
The museum is still looking for a WWII Armourer’s Wooden
Tool Box, or the loan of one to use to make a replica.
Contact us on 08 9721 3277 if you can help.

Sub-Branch President Chris Mills, the Committee and rank
and file on the lower deck and the OR’s Mess wish their
colleagues throughout WA a happy and prosperous 2001,
with a satisfactory outcome to outstanding issues of benefit to
members, and a further levelling of a still very uneven
playing field.

BILL ADAMS, PRO

CANNING DISTRICTS-VICTORIA PARK

IT IS WITH REGRET that I am writing this report as we
have lost our very capable PRO to Victoria. Wendy and
Doug left for Melbourne on 15 January to be with family. On
behalf of our members I would like to thank both for their
excellent support to the sub-branch over the years and wish
them every success in their new home.

The Wednesday ‘Old Diggers’ club will also miss them, as
they provided many good meals to those who attended the
luncheons each Wednesday. Well done and good luck from
us all.

The club had a very sad ending to last year and to the
beginning of this year. First we lost Ernie Back, followed by
the double loss of Jean and Jack Reid who died within four
days of each other, two weeks before Christmas. In the
middle of January we lost a very good member, Doreen
Smith. All were full supporters of the Wednesday ‘Old
Diggers’ and the sub-branch as a whole. They will be sadly
missed.

Our Immediate Past President, Bill Day, is in Hollywood
Hospital recovering from two rather serious operations. All
the best Bill and Adelaide – see you back very soon.

BRIAN MACAULEY

CITY OF ROCKINGHAM

THE LAST quarter of any year is a busy time at all sub-
branches, no less at Rockingham. But was a very rewarding
period for us.

Members enjoyed a visit to Northam Sub-Branch, veterans
were guests of the Kwinana High School (a good opportunity
to look back on their past and to educate our young hosts on
that era) and visit to the Junior Sailors’ Mess at HMAS
Stirling was one of the highlights of the year.

The Activities Committee, guided by our ladies arranged
various functions and outings, including a Melbourne Cup
Luncheon, Christmas break-up, New Year’s Eve Dance and a
bus trip to Araluen.

The sub-branch was honoured to support and be involved
with the local Christmas break-up of the Catherine McAuley
Care Services, which was attended, by about 60 disabled
citizens and carers. Our members provided $2000.00 to
Rockingham Home Support to help facilitate an additional
bus, funded by the Lotteries Commission, to service local
disabled and aged and their partners.

Mark Stevens is our new Liaison Officer to service the
various cadet units in the district. Mark’s wife, Heather, is
our new Membership Officer.

A new president, Bob Gilmour, with some fresh committee
members, plus the old stalwarts still around, give promise of
a very positive year to come.

ALAN BENTLEY

CITY OF SOUTH PERTH

THE THREE SUB-BRANCHES within the City of South
Perth, Como, Manning and the City of South Perth Sub-
Branch, combined to arrange the Remembrance Day Service
at the Memorial in the memorial gardens in South Perth.

Members of each sub-branch, the Mayor and Councillors of
the City of South Perth, Parliamentarians representing the
District and members of the public joined to pay their
respects to the 20 men from the district who gave their lives
for King and Country in WWI. Their names were read out
during the service by the Marshall, Kevin Trent, President of
the City of South Perth Sub-Branch.

Local scouts and guides assisted during the service and
Nick Barnes of Wesley College played the Last Post and
Reveille. The wreath from the RSL was laid by Merv
Flanders of Como – representing the State President and State
Executive and Reg Axford of Manning and Jack Rigden from
the City of South Perth Sub-Branches.

An article in the local paper featured the memorial plaque
placed near a tree on 21 October in the Honour Avenue, Kings Park, for Arthur W. Wilkins. The plaque was positioned by Barry Long (AATTV), who, along with his daughter, Tracy and other relatives, were remembering Arthur of 11 Battalion who was killed at Pozieres on 25 July 1916. Aged 28, he was Tracy Long's great, great uncle.

The three sub-branches have resolved to conduct a service each year from now on.

KEVIN TREN'T

DARLING RANGE

PRESIDENT Phill Quartermaine presented a certificate to Teagan Read, on 9 December 2000. Teagan, from the Belmont Emergency Service Cadet Corps, was Cadet of the Year 2000. (See photograph). The sub-branch also presented a shield to the unit to record the names of future Cadets of the Year.

The sub-branch and the Belmont Emergency Cadet Corps are always looking for new people to join them!

PHILL QUARTERMAINE

GERALDTON CITY

THE SYDNEY MEMORIAL Project Committee at Geraldton has sought $200,000.00 from each of the Federal and WA Governments. WA Transport Minister Murray Criddle presented a cheque for $75,000.00 at the memorial site on 14 December. On behalf of Regional Development Minister Hendy Cowan.

We were delighted to receive the news that the new Patron of the WA Branch of the RSL, Geraldton-born Lieutenant General John Sanderson, AC, had accepted patronage of the HMAS Sydney II Memorial Project at Geraldton. We would like to share with other sub-branches the contents of a letter that Memorial Project Secretary and long-time Sydney researcher Glenys McDonald received from Madeline Blyth of Queensland. It read:

"My adored brother, Alexander Eager, was one of the crew and I have never given up wishing and praying that one day we would see, if not a search, at least a memorial of national significance."

"Time is running out for those with personal contacts and I am sure it will be 19th November 2001, or never."

"May I say that I consider your memorial design outstanding and the entire concept inspirational. There is such a great need to say Goodbye."

Madeline Blyth will not be disappointed as the sterling work of the memorial committee means that her wish has been granted – she will be among those attending the dedication of the memorial on Mt Scott on 19 November 2001 – the 60th anniversary of the loss of the cruiser and its 645 crew.

President Charlie Britt described as ‘excellent’ all aspects of Remembrance Day and associated activities including the Remembrance Day Ceremony, memorabilia inspections, a record $4619.00 Poppy Day collection, a Diggers’ Dinner hosted by the Women’s Auxiliary and the pilgrimage to the war and general cemeteries.

Treasurer Graeme Perham’s announcement at the December meeting that the highly dedicated small band of the Women’s Auxiliary had donated $300.00 towards the comprehensive memorabilia displays at Birdwood House was received with acclaim.

The Sub-Branch will give $100.00 towards the 2001 ‘Spirit of ANZAC Tour’, by four WA cadets and two chaperons, to WWI battlefields in France and Turkey. They will be present at Gallipoli on ANZAC Day.

Northern Wheatbelt Vice-President Frank Sharp and wife Gillian took part in a tour of Thailand where they placed Remembrance Poppies on some of the graves of the thousands of Australians who suffered at the hands of the Japanese in WWII. Frank said that it was a very emotional visit, but one they would highly recommend.

PETER BARDEN

NOLLAMARA-NORTH PERTH

THE AGM in December was once again well attended and the office bearers for 2001 are: President – Keith Boxshall (for the 11th year); Vice-Presidents – Ken Hawke and Barry Fotheringham; Secretary/Treasurer – Wendy Dann; Wardens – Don Graham and Ray Axton; Membership Officer – Keith Boxshall; Auditor – John Brigid and Committee Members – Graham Worth, John Southern, Ross Jones, Geoff Wilkie, Phil McClure, John Lewis, Roger Pace, Ted Ogden, Roger Randall, Dave Fluellen, Allan Ray, Jim Crocker, Murray McCollough, Roger Lambourne and Bill Agate.

Through the excellent efforts of Lieutenants David and Marie Fluellen, the No. 51 Army Cadet Unit at Girrawheen has achieved high standards of which the sub-branch is very proud. On 16 December at the unit’s Presentation Dinner,
awards were given to: Best First-Year Cadet — Cadet J. Newsome; Most Proficient Cadet — Cadet K. Eaton; Best Junior NCO — Corporal W. Still and Best Senior NCO — Sergeant T. Fluellen.

Co-coordinator Ken Hawke for the Nollamara Friendship Day Club, under the umbrella of DVA, announced that the club had another successful year — its fifth — and is looking forward to many more. New members are welcome.

ROSCO JONES

PORT KENNEDY

GLAD TO SEE both old and new faces ready for the new year. Fund raising for our building is in full swing and we remain persistent and hopeful after a few setbacks.

Our AGM in January saw some new faces on the committee but the president and secretary remain the same.

Our meetings and BBQ at the Waikiki Hotel are proving popular again with more members enjoying the social gathering after meetings while our Saturday raffles (2.00pm) are steady.

ANZAC Day will see a thinning of the Executive Committee with members travelling to Albany, Queensland, NSW and New Zealand where they will attend services.

Our children’s Christmas party saw Santa Derek Langley arrive on the back of a Harley Davidson bike, complete with a trailer full of presents, much to the delight of the children.

We joined the Navy Club for the adults’ Christmas party and some members joined the Rockingham RSL for the New Year’s Eve party. In February we plan to join Narrogin RSL for a BBQ.

We are keen to see more unity between service clubs. Our social club is arranging its calendar for the next 12 months.

Don’t forget meetings at the Waikiki Hotel function room and the BBQ that follows on the last Sunday of each month. Be there to win the members’ draw which jackpots by $25.00 each time it is not claimed. At present it is worth $100.00 but you must be a financial member to win.

For any information contact the Secretary on 9592 1496.

(MRS) S. MONCRIEFF

RETURNED EX-SERVICEWOMEN

THEY WELCOME the year 2001 with great joy and wish all ex-service members happiness for the coming year. Since our last report we have had a profitable Poppy Day appeal, raising over $4000.00. — well done members.

An Armistice Day Service was held at the Wall of Remembrance at the Doubleview Bowling Club. Not a lot of people attended but those who did will remember this solemn occasion.

The election of offices has seen the re-election of the president, Malcolm Till. He has done a great deal for our sub-branch even though he had health problems during his term of office. Well done.

Sadly, in January, we lost a great member and worker for the sub-branch. VALE Dorothy de Vaney. Dorothy was a life member of the RSL, a committee member over a number of years, our Welfare Office of great distinction for visiting (home and hospital) and sending ‘Get Well’ cards and birthday greetings. She was generous to a fault with her assistance.
to all until sickness prevented her further good works. Each year at our ANZAC Day ceremonies she recited a prayer to ‘The Queen’s Majesty’ and the ‘Prayer of Remembrance’ with much dignity.

Dorothy was held in high esteem by all who knew her because of her friendly nature, her generosity and her ongoing willingness to encourage anyone seeking assistance. We salute you Dorothy and many thanks for your labours.

GORDON F HARVEY

Scarborough RSL Annual Dinner and Presentation Night

(Left to right: Norm Sanders, Immediate Past President, Dorothy Devaney, Life Member, Doug Piggott, Secretary (Australia Day Medallion) Ken Bladen, State President, Mal Till, Sub-Branch President)

AT OUR Y2000 guests were State President Ken Bladen and Mrs Bladen, Deputy Commissioner Veterans’ Affairs Russell McLauglan and Mrs McLaughlan and Councillors Joe Camilleri and Brian Ham with their wives, Marg and Bev. Presentations were made to Norm Sanders, Past Presidents Certificate, 50 Year Certificate to Noel Whyte, Australia Day Medallion to Doug Piggott and Life Membership Certificate to Dorothy de Vaney. A donation of $1,000 was presented to the State President for the RSL WVH bus.

On the brighter side we are organising 4 one day bus tours for Wednesday 30 May, Thursday 19 July, Wednesday 19 Sept and Wednesday 17 Oct, keep these days open, we will be sending you a newsletter in the mail and it will contain all the details about the tours and other items of interest, including the reason why our subs seem to high and what the State Branch RSL is doing about it.

Don’t forget we meet on the second Monday of each month at 1400 hours in the Doubleview Bowling Club, Shearn Cres, Doubleview.

If you have any queries do not hesitate to phone Doug Piggott 9446 1331.

ON BEHALF OF SUB-BRANCH PRESIDENT MAL TILL.
NEW MEMBERS

The State President and members of the State Executive extend a welcome to new members, 're-enlistments' and transferees to the League in WA. Their names are listed by Sub-Branch.

Albany
  Spring, Brian Navy
  Barnsley, Allan Army
  Elverd, Donald Army
  Homes, Cecil Army
  Stone, Alan Air Force

Applegross
  Hunter, Gregor Navy
  Beaumaris Beach
  Angel, Karen Navy
  Nguyen, Dzoanb Army
  Sturgess, William Army
  Bencubbin
  Crook, William Army
  Beckingham, Dawn Air Force

Beverley
  Deverell, Alan Army
  Randall, Frederick Army
  Willey, Arthur Army
  Bicot-Palmyra
  Eckhardt, William Navy
  Brown, George Air Force
  Bridgetown
  Beredford, Alwyne Navy

Broome
  Long, Brian Navy
  Trevor, Noel Army
  Bullsbrook & Districts
  Wright, Vincent Air Force

Canning District & Victoria Park
  Clark, Kevin Navy
  Sheppard, Maurice Navy
  Stewart, Ian Navy
  Allen, Ronald Army
  Farnham, John Army
  Doody, Peter Air Force

Central
  Edwards, Norman Army
  Johnson, Malcolm Air Force
  Whitehurst, James Air Force

City of Cockburn
  Robinson, Cyril Navy
  Newton, Allan Air Force

City of Perth
  Francis, Joseph Navy
  Howell-Price, Owen Navy
  Bayliss, Keith Army
  Douglas, Wayne Army
  Mathie, Allan Army
  McInnes, Andrew Army
  Menner, David Army
  Murray, Russell Army
  Rodgers, John Army
  Schuman, Peter Army
  Harmon, John Air Force
  Mayne, Barry Air Force
  Murray, William Air Force
  Robertson, Vera Air Force

Claremont
  Abbott, Anne Air Force
  Od lum, Pauline Air Force

Cottesloe
  Paramor, Ralph Army

Darling Range
  De Blanken, Jan Air Force

Dowerin
  Ellson, Damian Army

East Victoria Park & Vietnam Veterans
  Smith, Frederick Army
  Nairn, Robert Army

Eastern Regional
  Cooper, Brian Army

Exmouth
  Hankin, Michael Navy
  Forbes, Scott Army
  Paton, Ronald Army
  Anders, William Air Force
  Slisik, James Air Force

Geraldton City
  Kotua, Timothy Army

Highgate
  Lovell, Lyannette Army
  Fairfield, Lenore Air Force

Kalgoorlie
  Joyce, Murray Army

Katanning
  O'Donnell, Martin Army

Kelmscott-Roleystone
  Rogers, Thomas Army

Mandurab
  Denovan, Albert Navy
  Goodwin, Kevin Navy
  Head, Peter Navy
  Helfers, Frederick Navy
  Holding, Walter Navy
  Marshall, Neil Navy
  Van Trigt, John Navy
  Armstrong, Thomas
  Merchant Navy
  Cleasby, Ronald Army
  Cock, Philip Army
  Hayward, Rodney Army
  Leaman, Kaye Army
  Longstaff, Thomas Army
  Owen, Hugh Army
  Reed, Edward Army
  Wells, Sydney Army
  Stewart, Kristopher Air Force

Williamson, Lindsay Air Force

Nedlands
  Moyle, Gavin Army
  Pollett, Colin Army

Nollamara-North Perth
  Whyte, David Navy
  Bootham, William Army
  Callaghan, Jimbo Army
  Nicholson, Matthew Army
  Schipp, Paul Army
  Steedman, Kenneth Army
  Sweeney, Barry Army

North Beach
  Abbott, Brian Unknown
  Campbell, Brian Army

Northampton
  Cripps, Joyce Army

Osborne Park
  Logan, William Navy

Pemberton
  Baird-Orr, Nigel Navy

Port Kennedy
  Nest, Harry Navy
  Rose, Raymond Navy
  Gathercole-Smith, Russell Army

Quinns Rocks
  Hodgins, George Army
  Leslie, Peter Army

Riverton
  Harman, Allan Navy
  Allen, Kevin Army
  Cousins, Keith Army
  Dewar, Barry Army
  Leask, John Army
  Maton, John Army
  Peel, Stephen Army
  Price, Raymond Army
  Wellard, Terrence Army

Rivervale-Carlisle
  McCall, Archibald Army

South Mandurah
  Coombes, Eric Navy
  Munro, Leslie Navy
  Gray, Edward Army
  High, Arthur Air Force

Vietnamese Services
  Tran, Nhi Army
  Huynh, Van Army

Wanneroo-Joondalup
  Lafferty, Robert Army

York
  Sykes, Frank Army
UNIT ASSOCIATIONS

The Editor of The Listening Post reminds all Unit Associations that it is the responsibility of each to keep its information for this section up to date at State Headquarters. Changes to the Office Bearers must be in writing.

AIRCREW ASSOC
Chairman: George Oliver; Ph: 9337 7163.
Correspondence/Secretary: Basil Lothhouse, 81/177 Dampier Ave, Kallaroo 6025; Ph: 9402 0962. Meetings: bi-monthly as arranged.

ALLIED CHINESE SHIPS ASSOC
Correspondence/President: Neville Philp, 14 Hamilton Too, Greenmount 6056; Ph: 9294 1798. Secretary: Beatrice Philp. Meetings/Luncheon: 1st Thu and 3rd Fri bi-monthly (from Feb). ANZAC House.

ALLIED MERCHANT SEAMEN ASSOC (WA BRANCH)
President: Maurice O'Rourke, Ph: 9317 2453. Correspondence/Secretary: Jack Edards, 1 Cromer Rd, Brentwood 6153; Ph: 9364 6793. Meetings: 1st Tue monthly, ANZAC House. AGM Jun.

ARCTIC CONVOYS VETERANS' ASSOC WA INC
President: Geoff Taylor; Ph: 9399 2314. Correspondence/Secretary: Ted Slinger, 34 Unwin Ave, Wembley Downs 6019; Ph/Fax: 9446 4540; Email: eslinger@smartchat.net.au. Meetings: 6-8th tue/monthly.

ASSOC OF WRENS WA BRANCH
President: Audrey Mantle; Ph: 9300 4749. Correspondence/Secretary: Eunice Thompson JP, 20 Criterium Pl, Middle Swan 6056; Ph/Fax: 9274 8677, Mob: 0407 355 244; Email: jehom@inet.net.au. Meetings: 10:30am 4th Thu monthly, ANZAC House.

AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM VIETNAM (WA BRANCH)

AUSTRALIAN EX-SERVICE ATOMIC SURVIVORS' ASSOC INC
President: Max Kimber OAM; Ph: 9409 7241; Fax: 9409 1766. Correspondence/Secretary: Len Hollingsworth, PO Box 405, Greenwood 6024; Ph: 9349 1714. Meetings: 11am 3rd Mon bi-monthly (from Feb), Belmont RSL Hall, Leake St. AGM Apr. Bus 306 ex Perth bus station.

AUSTRALIAN GULF WAR VETERANS' AND PEACE KEEPERS' ASSOC INC
President: Graham Bertolini; Ph: 9205 4165. Correspondence/Secretary: David Wallington, 13 Tallacker Way, Forrestfield; Ph: (w) 9334 3639 (h) 9453 9755; Email: abdowally@bigpond.com. AGM: 1st Sat Dec.

AUSTRALIAN INTELLIGENCE ASSOC (WA) INC
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AUSTRALIAN LEGION OF EX-SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN
President: Lionel Hutchings. Correspondence/Secretary: Vera Hutchings, 17 St Johns Crt, Kingsley 6025; Ph: 9309 9675. Meetings: 2nd Mon monthy, Arawmore Hall, Leederville, 1:30pm 2nd Tue bi-monthly, Navy Club, Fremantle. State Council Meetings 3rd Thu monthly, 13th Bde HQ, Irwin Barracks, Karrakatta.

AUSTRALIAN NAVY IN VIETNAM VETERANS' WELFARE ASSOC OF WA (INC)
Correspondence/President: China Hammad, PO Box 69, North Fremantle 6159; Ph: 9434 6247, Fax: 9434 6248. Secretary: Ronald Rowe; Ph: 9490 3625. Meetings: 6:30pm 3rd Tue bi-monthly (from Feb), Hickey's Cinecentre Tavern, cnr Murray Bakkys Sts, Perth.

AUSTRALIAN SPECIAL AIR SERVICE ASSOC WA BRANCH (INC)
President: Edwin (Bart) Mavrick; Ph: 9534 4018. Correspondence/Secretary: Reg Davies JP, The House, 6 Battery Rd, Campbell Barracks, Swanbourne 6010; Ph: 9247 2480. Meetings: 6pm 3rd Tue bi-monthly (from Feb), 12th Floor AMP Building, 140 St Georges Tce, Perth.

AUSTRALIAN WATER TRANSPORT RAOE AIF ASSOC (WA BRANCH)
Chairman: Alan Singler; Ph/Fax: 9409 0142. Correspondence/Secretary: Brian Coopper OAM JP, PO Box 14, Hillarys 6293; Ph/Fax: 9409 6577. Meetings: 10am 1st Wed bi-monthly (from Feb), 12th Floor AMP Building, 140 St Geoges Tce, Perth.

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S ARMY SERVICE ASSOC WA (INC)
President: Elisabeth Allen; Ph: 9272 3734. Correspondence/Secretary: Joy Tuftall, 1A Swan Rd, Attadale 6156; Ph: 9330 3945. Meetings: 10am 1st Thu bi-monthly (from Feb), Gallipoli Room, ANZAC House. AGM 1st Thu Feb.

BCOF ASSOC OF PERTH
President: Joy Whiting; Ph: 9457 0368. Correspondence/Secretary: Mick Buckley, 12 Croydon Ave, Yokine 6060; Ph: 9349 6529. Meetings: 11am 4th Mon (if holiday, Tue) monthly (Feb to Nov), Belmont RSL Hall, Leake St.

BLINDED SOLDIERS OF ST DUNSTANS WA
President: Warwick Wallers; Ph: 9535 3602. Correspondence/Secretary: Patricia Dean, 31 Lamond St, Melville 6152; Ph: 9330 5459. Meetings: As necessary, Red Cross House, 110 Goderich St, East Perth. AGM 1:45pm 2nd Tue Aug.

BRITISH EX-SERVICES ASSOC INC
President: Dave Clarke; Ph: 9309 1046. Correspondence/Secretary: Jean Harris, 20 Roydon Way, Girrawheen 6064; Ph: 9247 1009. Meetings: 1:30pm 3rd Tue monthly, ANZAC House. AGM 17 Nov.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA POLICE REGIMENTAL ASSOC (AUSTRALIAN BRANCH)
Chairman: Robert Gates; Ph: 9446 1569.

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BULL CREEK BRANCH RAFA
Correspondence/President: Ken Stewart, AFME, Bull Creek Dve; Bull Creek 6155; Ph: 9360 2246. Meetings: 2nd Mon monthly, Meg Olive Room, Air Force Memorial Estate.

BURMA STAR ASSOC INC
President: John Barton; Ph: 9527 3955. Correspondence/Secretary: Harmonie Holmes, 11 Doonan Rd, Nedlands 6009; Ph: 9385 1495. Meetings: 10:30am 3rd Wed monthly, ANZAC Club. AGM: Jun.

BURMA STAR ASSOC – WA BRANCH
President: BRIG Tony Mandela (Rtd); Ph: 9569 1191. Correspondence/Secretary: Rupert Plate, 1/49 Banksia St, Joondanna 6060; Ph: 9444 4914. Meetings: 2nd Wed monthy, 1/49 Banksia St, Joondanna.

CATALINA CLUB OF WA
President: Fred Robins; Ph: 9384 6212. Correspondence/Secretary: Harvey Hodgekiss, PO Box 865, Canning Bridge 6153; Ph: 9330 4267. Meetings: 10:30am 2nd Thu quarterly (from Mar), ANZAC House. AGM Jun.

DEFENCE RESERVES ASSOC (VA BRANCH)
President: LTCOL Petar Winstenley RFD (Rtd); Ph: 9341 6883. Correspondence/Secretary: MAJ Marie Fenton, 4 Harbour Crt, Safety Bay 6169; Ph: 9528 6860. Meetings: 7:30pm 2nd Mon, 13 In Bde Conference Room. AGM 1st Mon Apr.

DIGGERS CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC
President: Alex Swanson. Correspondence/Secretary: Ken Hughes, PO Box 2264, Bunbury 6231. Phone enquiries to 9777 1747.

EX-AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S LAND ARMY
President: Phyl Plomley; Ph: 9279 2797. Correspondence/Secretary: Hilda Grey, 21B Elvira St, Palmyra 6157; Ph: 9339 6931. Meetings 10am 4th Thu monthly, ANZAC House.

EX-FORTRESS ENGINEERS ASSOC
President: Fred Logue; Ph: 9349 7495. Correspondence/Secretary: Reg Kidd, 257 Holmes Rd, Forrestfield 6058; Ph: 9453 2393; Fax: 9453 2093. Meetings: AGM mid Apr. Christmas last Sun Nov.

EX-POW ASSOC OF WA
President: Arthur Leggett; Ph: 9279 9340. Correspondence/Secretary: Ruth James, 7b Wenden Pl, Willetton 6155; Ph: 9457 8727. Meetings: 1pm 1st Wed monthly, ANZAC Club. AGM 1pm 1st Wed Mar.

EXTREMELY DISABLED WAR VETERANS' ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA
President: John Wade; Ph: 9410 2934. Correspondence/Secretary: Alan Balcombe, PO Box 2399, Malaga 6944; Ph: 9375 3709. Committee Meetings: 10am 4th Wed monthly, ANZAC House. All welcome - new memberships invited.

EX-WRANS ASSOC OF WA
President: Mary Brerity; Ph: 9417 5342. Correspondence/Secretary: Patricia McNab, 57
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FLEET AIR ARM ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA WA DIVISION

President: Jack Sittino.

Meetings: 11:30am 2nd Sun bi-monthly (from Feb), 71 West Pde, East Perth.

GUARDS ASSOC OF WA

President: Gordon Schuffield; Ph: 9447 4565.

Correspondence/Secretary: Peter Mulrennan, JP, PO Box 370, Tuart Hill 6935; Ph: 9443 8081.

Meetings: 7:30pm 1st Mon monthly, ANZAC House. AGM Sep.

HEAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ASSOC (WA)

President: Len De Grussa; Ph: 9276 7253.

Correspondence/Secretary: Mrs Ronnie Roache, 90 Herdsman Pde, Wembley 6014; Ph: 9387 1843.

HMAS AUSTRALIA VETERANS’ CLUB

President: Don Cooksey; Ph: 9385 7061.

Correspondence/Secretary: Harry Townsend, Unit 9/1-3 Leslie St, Mandurah 6210; Ph: 9586 3828.

Meetings: 11am 1st Tue quarterly (from Mar), Naval Association HQ, 71 West Pde, East Perth.

HMAS BATAAN VETERANS’ ASSOC

President: Jack Le Cras; Ph: 9409 1014.

Correspondence/Secretary: Colin Hepburn, 39a Fallow Cress, Spearwood 6163; Ph: 9434 4556.

HMAS CANBERRA-SHROPSHIRE ASSOC (WA DIVISION)

President: Bill Kynaston, Ph: 9307 8029.

Meetings: 3rd Wed bi-monthly.

Correspondence/Secretary: Arthur Carter, 93 Meetings: 11am 4th Tue ‘monthly, 71 West Coral Rd, East Perth.

HMAS NEANDER VETERANS’ ASSOC (WA)

President: Colin Williams; Ph: 9279 2735.

Correspondence/Secretary: Wilfred Caporn, Gwambygine RMB 4033, York 6302; Ph: 9641 4038.

NAVAL ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA, CITY OF FREMANTLE SUB-SECTION

President: Ken Needham, 16 Warragoo Cres, Attadale 6165; Ph: 9330 3411.

Meetings: 11:30am last Mon monthly, Naval Club, 64 High St, Fremantle.

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President: Ben Haseldine; Ph: 9444 3762.

Correspondence/Secretary: John Ross, 1 Benwee Rd, Floreat 6014; Ph: 9387 6560.


NAVAL ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA, ROCKINGHAM CITY SUB-SECTION

President: Ken Needham.

Correspondence/Secretary: Paul Nicholson, PO Box 791, Rockingham 6168; Ph: 0417 939 627.

Meetings: 1st Wed bi-monthly, Rockingham Naval Club, Lot 2804 Point Peron Rd, Rockingham. Club Manager: Mike Hoar; Ph: 9592 7997, 0409 592 797.

NAVAL ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA, WA SECTION INC

President: CDRE Bob Trotter (Rtd); Ph: 9365 2667.

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“N” CLASS DESTROYER ASSOC

President: Jim Cumming; Ph: 9409 1134.

Correspondence/Secretary: Bill Morris, 457 Lisle Street, Mount Claremont 6010; Ph: 9384 7253.

Meetings: Committee 10:30am 1st Mon bi-monthly. General 10am 3rd Mon Apr & Sep. AGM 10:30am last Mon Jul.

NORMANDY VETERANS’ ASSOC

President: Jim Mayers; Ph: 9478 2071.

Correspondence/Secretary: Robert Bruce, 2159 Fitzroy Rd, Rivervale 6103; Ph: 9362 3587. Meetings: 11am 1st Tue monthly, ANZAC House.

NORTH AMERICAN VETERANS’ UNIT

Correspondence/Secretary: Joan Gravelle, 12 Binburra Way, Mt Nairne 6112; Ph: 9497 4524. Meetings: as requested. AGM end of Sep, RAFA Memorial Estate.

PARTIALLY BLINDED SOLDIERS’ ASSOC WA BRANCH

President: Tom Hampton; Ph: 9364 2336.

Correspondence/Secretary: Tom Park, 6 Derrill Ave, Dianella 6059; Ph: 9349 1681. Meetings: 1pm 1st Tue bi-monthly (from Feb), ANZAC House.

PEGASUS (AIRBORNE FORCES) ASSOC OF WA INC

President: Patrick Ward; Ph: 9490 8954.

Correspondence/Secretary: Mick Lee, 20/115 Epsom Ave, Redcliffe 6104; Ph: 9479 6387.

Email: leeesy@ca.com.au. Meetings: 12noon 1st Wed monthly, ANZAC Club.

PERTH LEGACY INC

President: Mick Michael AM. Secretary: Gerald Haddon. Contact: Legacy House, 64 Mill Point Rd, South Perth 6151; Ph: 9367 5799. AGM 6:30pm 3rd Wed Nov.

RAAF ASSOC AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION SQUADRONS BRANCH

President: Phil Rowles, 5-34 Cunningham Tce, Daglish 6008; Ph: 9382 1275.

Email: phrowles@bigpond.com.

Secretary: Eric Graham; Ph: 9401 8808. Email: scotspiper@elastria.easymail.com.au. Meetings: Quarterly, RAAF Assn Clubrooms; Ph: 9582 5000; Fax: 9582 5266.

RAAF ASSOC MANDURAH BRANCH

President: John McMahon.

Correspondence/Secretary: Jack Flanagan, PO Box 1015, Mandurah 6210. Meetings: Committee 1:30pm 2nd Fri monthly.

RAAF ASSOC WA DIVISION

President: Allan Stewart; Ph: 9311 4444.

Correspondence/Secretary: Robert Bunney, Bull Creek Dve, Bull Creek 6149; Ph: 9311 4444; Fax: 9311 4455. Meetings: 3rd Tue, Air Force Memorial Estate.

RAAF VETERANS’ ASSOC (WA BRANCH)

President: Chris Rampion; Ph: 9343 0898.

Correspondence/Secretary: Peter Robinson, 2 Calbourne Way, Kingsley 6026; Ph/Fax: 9409 7299. Email: rob7299@ois.net.au. Meetings: Contact Secretary.

RAAF 467-468 LANCASTER SQUADRONS ASSOC WA

President: Kevin McGrath; Ph: 9245 5615.

Correspondence/Secretary: Jim Quinn, 9 Redcourt Rd, Attadale 6165; Ph: 9330 4151. Meetings: Quarterly, RAAF Assn Clubrooms.

RAC/TRASAC/RAE(Tn) ASSOC OF WA

President: M Campbell JP.

Correspondence/Secretary: Ray Doust, PO Box 236, North Perth 6906; Ph: 9446 1622. Meetings: 5:30pm last Wed bi-monthly (from Jan), Seaview Golf Club, Cottesloe. AGM 6pm 1st Fri Aug.

RAE ASSOC OF WA

President: Michael Ryan OAM; Ph: 9307 2385.
RAE ME ASSOC OF WA
President: John Klein; Ph: 9279 3080.
Correspondence/Secretary: John Curtis, PO Box 136, Bayswater 6035; Ph: 9271 4520. Email: curtijs@bigpond.com. Meetings: 1pm 2nd Tue monthly, ANZAC House. AGM and Mar.

RATS OF TOBRUK ASSOC (WA BRANCH)
INC
President: Ron Hatch; Ph: 9384 7573. Correspondence/Secretary: Betty Rumble, 13/19 Byron Rd, Kalamunda 6076; Ph: 9293 2723. Meetings: 1pm 2nd Tue monthly, ANZAC Club.

REGULAR DEFENCE FORCES WELFARE ASSOC (WA BRANCH)
President: Chris Rampant; Ph/Fax: 9343 0898. Correspondence/Secretary: Brian Cooper OAM JP; PO Box 14, Hillarys 6025; Ph/Fax: 9409 6377. Meetings: 2pm 1st Wed monthly, Victoria League, Onslow Rd, Shenton Park.

ROYAL AIR FORCE ASSOC, 1210 BRANCH WA (INC)
Correspondence/President: Robin Trewin, 18 Rushman Place, Morley 6062; Ph: 9375 8250. Secretary: Jim Naylor; Ph: 9294 1262. Meetings: 7:30pm last Tue monthly, Sportsmen’s Club, Stanceliffe St, Mt Lawley.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARMOURED CORPS ASSOC WA BRANCH
President: John Allen RFD ED (Rtd); Ph/Fax: 9298 9510. Correspondence/Treasurer: Robert Norris, PO Box 587, North Perth 6006; Ph: 9316 9949. Meetings: General 7:30pm Jan, Mar, Jun, Aug, Oct, 10 Light Horse Throssell Club, Irwin Barracks, Karakatta. AGM 8pm Feb.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARMY NURSING CORPS ASSOC WA BRANCH
President: Olga Greig; Ph: 9276 3493. Correspondence/Secretary: Norma Jones, 10 Ashstead St, Morley 6062; Ph: 9276 4252. Meetings: Quarterly.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS ASSOC WA (INC)
President: COL Warren Evans; Ph/Fax: 9310 3618. Correspondence/Secretary: Robert Campbell, 108 West Rd, Bassendean 6054; Ph: 9279 3502. AGM after ANZAC Day March and Service.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY ASSOC (WA)
Correspondence/President: John Hobbs, 10 Edgar Way, Mt Pleasant 6153; Ph: 9364 3568. Secretary: Walter Stenhouse; Ph: 9627 8594. Meetings: 10am 3rd Mon monthly, ANZAC House. Open to members and members of affiliated Associations.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY CORVETTES ASSOC (WA)
President: Bert Reed; Ph: 9330 0139. Correspondence/Secretary: Jack Shephard, Unit 45/60 Kalinda Ave, City Beach 6015; Ph: 9385 8400. Meetings: 3rd Mon quarterly (from Feb).

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT ASSOC (WA BRANCH)
President: Ken Barrington; Ph: 9446 4227.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN SIGNALS ASSOC WA (INC)
President: Peter Lofsdahl; Ph: 9305 1303. Correspondence/Secretary: Brian Macauley, 173 Hardey Rd, Belmont 6104; Ph: 9277 1406. Meetings: 7pm 4th Thu monthly (except Jan), ANZAC House. AGM 7pm 1st Thu Jun. All Signallers welcome.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN SURVEY CORPS ASSOC
President: Ray Sargeant; Ph: 9448 5787. Correspondence/Secretary: Philip Bray, 33 Nalpa Way, Duncraig 6025. Meetings: 8pm last Tue monthly, Navy Club, High St, Fremantle. AGM 5pm Feb.

ROYAL NAVAL ASSOC FREMANTLE BRANCH
President: David Wiseman; Ph: 9522 1458. Correspondence/Secretary: Frank Cooke-Williams, 14/88 Solon St, Palmyra 6157; Ph: 9339 5573. Meetings: 2pm 2nd Thu monthly (except Jan), Navy Club Inc, 64 High St, Fremantle.

ROYAL NAVAL ASSOC, MARMION BRANCH, NORTHERN SUBURBS
Chairman: A Hobhab; Ph: 9402 4748. Correspondence/Secretary: Harry Walsmsley, 217 Gibson Ave, Padbury 6025; Ph: 9304 7017. Meetings: 7:30pm 2nd Tue monthly, Whitfords Sea Sports Club, Ocean Reef Boat Harbour. AGM 7:30pm 2nd Tue Feb.

ROYAL NAVAL ASSOC PERTH (WA BRANCH)
Chairman: Ivan Hunter; Ph: (h) 9524 7506 (w) 9436 1635. Correspondence/Secretary: Geoffrely Palce, 105 Lansdowne St, Kensington 6151; Ph: 9367 1945. Meetings: 10am 3rd Wed morning (May – Oct), 7:30pm (Nov – Apr), RSL, Hall, Leake St, Belmont. AGM 7:30pm 3rd Wed Mar. Visitors welcome.

ROYAL NAVAL ASSOC (ROCKINGHAM & DISTRICTS BRANCH)
Chairman: Ted Haines; Ph: 9592 9506. Correspondence/Secretary: Dorothy Rawe, 62B Frederick St, Shoalwater 6169; Ph: 9592 6148. Meetings: 7pm 1st Tue (Feb-Dec), The Naval Assoc of Australia Clubroom, Pt Peron Rd, Rockingham.

SERVICES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
President: Greg Young; Ph: 9221 7010 or 9221 7090; Fax: 9221 1117; 28 St George’s Tce, Perth 6000. Includes Services Joblink, Cypress Cottage, Pension Assistance.

SPITFIRE GROUP
Correspondence/Organiser: Erich Carpenter, 21 Keenmore Dve, Balga 6061; Ph: 9342 2779. Luncheon meetings: 12noon 4th Thu bi-monthly (from Jan), ANZAC House. All ex-Spitfire Sqn members are welcome.

SUBMARINERS’ ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA
President: Alan Jameson; Ph: 9457 1715. Correspondence/Secretary: Mike Pearson, Unit 19/196 St Kilda Rd, Rivervale 6103; Ph: 9277 3741. Meetings: 7:30pm 2nd Wed monthly (except Dec), Leederville Bowling Club.

THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION OF TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED EX-SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN WA BRANCH INC.
President: Eric True; Ph: 9450 1921. Correspondence/Secretary: Arthur Greaves, Private Bag 12, Bentley Delivery Centre, Bentley 6653; Ph: 9450 1921, Fax: 9450 1900. Meetings: 10:30am 2nd Tue monthly (except Jan). Lunchees: Weekdays by booking day prior.

THIRTYNINERS’ ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA
President: Jim Hall; Ph: 9384 7776. Correspondence/Secretary: Florence Johnson OAM, 38 Ranwick St, South Perth 6151; Ph: 9367 5949. Meetings: 12noon 4th Wed bi-monthly (from Mar), ANZAC House.

TOTTLY & PARTIALLY DISABLED VETERANS OF WA
President: Peter Douglas; Ph: 9592 6608. Correspondence/Secretary: Pam Perkins; PO Box 352, Rockingham 6966, Ph/Fax: 9439 3163. Meetings: 10:30am 1st Tue monthly. Social get-togethers 3rd Tue monthly. (Summer) contact Secretary for venue. (Winter) Naval Assoc: Building, Pt Peron Rd, PT Peron.

TRIBAL CLASS DESTROYERS ASSOC (WA)
President: Bryan Brenmer; Ph: 9595 9202. Correspondence/Secretary: Jack Le Cras, 10 Kenton Ct, Kingsley 6026; Ph: 9409 1014.

UNITED KINGDOM COMBINED SERVICES ASSOCIATION
President: Gordon Norton; Ph: 9418 8284. Correspondence/Secretary: Mike Pearson, 19/196 St Kilda Rd, Rivervale 6103; Ph: 9277 3741. Meetings: Quarterly.

VA & AAMWS ASSOC
President: Glynn Cody; Ph: 9341 3323. Correspondence/Secretary: Ena McGinn, 9 Castle St, Wembley Downs 6019; Ph: 9445 3742. Meetings: Monthly at members’ homes – contact Secretary for information.

VETERANS’ LEGION OF AUSTRALIA
President: Jim de Turt, PO Box 770, Hillarys 6923; Ph: 9401 9088; Fax: 9402 9886. Meetings: Monthly, Whitfords Tavern, $349. AGM Sep. Calendar of meetings from President.

VIETNAM LOGISTICAL SUPPORT VETERANS’ ASSOC (WA)
President: China Hammonds; Ph: 9434 8247. Correspondence/Secretary: Ronald Rowe, 20 Nethercott St, Huntingdale 5110; Ph: 9490 3625, email: rower@tnet.com.au. Meetings: 3rd Tue bi-monthly (from Feb), Hickey’s Cinecentre Tavern, cnr. Murray & Barracks Sts, Perth.

VIETNAM VETERANS’ ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA (WA BRANCH)
President: Rob Cox. Correspondence/Secretary: Les Crowe, PO Box 486, Mt Hawthorn 6016; Ph/Fax: 9527 7187. Office: 38 Kalgoorlie St, Mt Hawthorn 6016. Meetings: Quarterly.

VIETNAM VETERANS’ MOTOR CYCLE CLUB (WA) INC
President: John Lewis. Correspondence/Secretary: Christopher Bruce, PO Box 1442, Wangara 6065; Ph/Fax: 9440 5353. Meetings: 7:30pm 2nd Mon monthly, VVMC Clubhouse, Nollamara, AGM Oct.

WA DIVISION WILD GEESE INTERNATIONAL (INC)
Correspondence/CO: Doug Withrow, 5 Penelope Pl, Innaloo 6016; Ph: 9446 2611. 33
RAAF
President: Ross Davidson; Ph: 9383 7654.
Chairman: Jack Manners; Ph: 9364 5649.
President: Bill Rose; Ph: 9444 6858.

Meetings: 12noon 2nd Thu mon. 2080 Club, Croydon.

2/3rd MACHINE GUN BATTALION ASSOC
President: George Parkinson; Ph: 9459 1566.
Correspondence/Secretary: Banjo Binstead, 101 Star St, Carlisle 6101; Ph: 9361 8762.

2/4th MACHINE GUN BATTALION AIF EX-MEMBERS' ASSOC
President: J Elliot; Ph: 9444 2651.
Correspondence/Secretary: Jack Kyros, 11 Alderbury St, Floreat 6014; Ph: 9445 8286.
Meetings: 10am 3rd Tue monthly, ANZAC House.

27th AUSTRALIAN FIELD REGIMENT (WA) EX-MEMBERS ASSOC
President: Bill Hepton; Ph: 9447 4473.
Correspondence/Secretary: Alf Richards, 3 Daysford Rd, Bassendean 6045; Ph: 9379 1438.
Meetings: 11am 2nd Thu monthly (except Jan), Pure Steel Room, Gloucester Park. AGM 11am 2nd Tue Aug.

27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION ASSOC WA SECT
President: Keith Funin; Ph: 9364 7160.
Correspondence/Secretary: Leo Duffy, 6862. Meetings: 10am 3rd Tue monthly, ANZAC House. AGM 10am 3rd Tue Mar.

21/3rd FIELD AMBULANCE
Correspondence/Secretary/President: Hal Finkelstein, 15 Jukes Way, Glendale 6016; Ph: 9444 0328. Reunion: Sep annually.

2/11th AIF BN ASSOC
President: Ivan Walter; Ph: 9364 3270.
Correspondence/Secretary: John Watson, 886 Canning Hwy, Bull Creek 6149; Ph: 9311 4382.
Meetings: 7.30pm 1st Tue monthly, Meg Olive Room, RAAF Assc Bull Creek.

Z SPECIAL UNIT ASSOC OF WA INC
President: Bob Long; Ph: 9271 5766.
Correspondence/Secretary: LTCOL Ted Dubberlin, ED RL JP, 28A Austin Ave, Dianella 6062; Ph: 9275 1348. Meetings: As required.

Z SPECIAL UNIT INTERNATIONAL (INC)
Chairman: Jack Sue; Ph: 9257 1620. Vice Chairman: Ross Davidson; Ph: 9338 3750.
Correspondence/Secretary: Lou Pola, PO Box 7, Innaloo 6918; Ph: 9446 2784.

1st AUSTRALIAN PARACHUTE BATTALION, WA BRANCH
President: Bill Rose; Ph: 9444 6858.
Correspondence/Secretary: Ron Waters, 25 Clay Way, Kallaroo 6025; Ph: 9307 7079.

2/2 COMMANDO ASSOC OF AUSTRALIA
President: Richard Darrington; Ph: 9342 8032.
Correspondence/Secretary: Jack Carey, PO Box T1646, GPO Perth 6001; Ph: 9322 7050.
Meetings: 10am 2nd Thu monthly, ANZAC House.

2/3 COMPOSITE ANTI- AIRCRAFT REGIMENT, SEARCHLIGHT BATTERY ASSOC (WA BRANCH)
President: Jack Manners; Ph: 9364 6649.
Correspondence/Secretary: Merv Smith, 3/7 Luffingham St, Melville 6156; Ph: 9317 1530.
Meetings: bi-monthly (from Feb).

2/3rd FIELD REGIMENT ASSOC
Correspondence/President/Secretary: Bill Stacy, 3 Jul Crt, Kardinya 6163; Ph: 9337 6227. Meetings: 10:30am 2nd Wed monthly, ANZAC House. AGM 11am May.

3 TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNIT ASSOC (RAAF)
President: Barry Mayne; Ph: 9349 0953.
Correspondence/Secretary: Gay De Fraune, 10 Cordova Crt, Carlisle 6025; Ph: 9401 3293.
Meetings: Monthly lunch muster: 11am-1pm 2nd Thu, ANZAC Club. Committee meetings/social events as arranged.

7 ARMY TROOPS COY RAE ASSOC
President: Jack Berrett; Ph: 9450 3876.
Correspondence/Secretary: Colin Wilson, 41 Herald Ave, Willetton 6155; Ph: 9457 2852.
Reunion: Last Fri Sep.

7th BN THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT (PIG BN)
President: Don Cruden; Ph: 9374 0014.
Correspondence/Secretary: Doug Fieldhouse, 509 The Strand, Dianella 6059; Ph: 9275 8598.
Meetings: As arranged.

11th BATTALION AIF 13th BDE WWII
President: Roy Walsh MM; Ph: 9271 5769.
Correspondence/Treasurer: Phyl Hansen-Thilm, 3 Bathurst St, Dianella 6059; Ph: 9276 3342.
Meetings: As arranged.

11th DIVISION SIGNALS
President: Bill Gill; Ph: 9332 8536.
Correspondence/Secretary: Norm Deakin, 20 Canterbury Ave, Willetton 6155; Ph: 9457 1163.
Meetings: As required.

16th BATTALION, THE CAMERON HIGHLANDERS OF WA ASSOC
President: Tom Shields; Ph: 9349 2644.
Correspondence/Secretary: Jim Richardson, 6 Isaac St, Melville 6156; Ph: 9330 5405.
Meetings: As required.

22nd CONSTRUCTION SQUADRON RAE EX-MEMBERS' ASSOC
President: Ron Dupuy; Ph: 9344 5841.
Correspondence/Secretary: Neville Clarke, 26 Linhome Way, Balga 6081; Ph: 9342 9800.
Annual Reunion: early Apr.

25 SQUADRON
President: Denny Hains; Ph: 9417 9707.
Correspondence/Secretary: Suzanne Van Daeurn, RAFAA, Bull Creek Dve, Bull Creek 6149; Ph: 9379 0472.
Meetings: 10:30am 2nd Tue monthly, RAFAA Conference Room.

28th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION (AIF) 1939-45 ASSOC
Correspondence/CEO: Cliff Tamblyn, Unit 38 Ocean Gardens, 60 Kalinda Dve, City Beach 6015; Ph: 9285 0951. Annual reunion early Jan. Functions as arranged.

44th BATTALION (AIF) ASSOC
Correspondence/President: David Atherden, Unit 75, Air Force Estate, Bull Creek Dve, Bull Creek 6149; Ph: 9379 0472. Meetings: ANZAC Day. AGM pre-reunion meeting held 1st and 2nd Fri Nov.

48th & 2/48th BATTALION ASSOC
President: Don Spencer; Ph: 9309 6704.
Correspondence/Secretary: Brian Corby, 11A Ventnor Ave, Mt Pleasant 6153; Ph: 9364 7829.
Meetings: 11:30am 3rd Mon, Carlton Hotel, 248 Hay St East.

490 SQUADRON RAAF ASSOC
President: Gery Bateman DFC; Ph: 9332 5051.
Correspondence/Secretary: Neville Johnson, 63 Kirwin St, Floreat Park 6014; Ph: 9367 4229.
Meetings: Quarterly.
They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them. Lest We Forget.

The deaths of the following RSL members (WA Branch) were recorded at ANZAC House between 1 November 2000 and 31 January 2001.

Aisbett, Norman W., Yokine-Joondanna, WX25089, 25 Aust Line Sec
Anderson, Victor C., Osborne Park, WX34374, Army
Angwin, D.A., Central, WX27859, 11 Aust AIF Bn
Atkinson, Harry L., Wubin-Dalwallinu, WX12834, 2/32 Bn
Ball, M.J., Kojonup, WX12627, 16 Aust Inf Bn
Barratt, T.R., Mandurah, 5714816, 2 Bn
Boland, Gary, Claremont, 5716571, 5 RAR
Britten, L.J., Belmont, WX39601, 2/2
Brown, Stanley G., Kartatha & Districts, R45119, Fleet Air Arm
Burgess, Godfrey G., Bicton-Palmyra, NX505415, AASC
Clark, Charles P., Fremantle City, 38881, 77 Sqn
Collins, C.L., City of Rockingham, WX10282 2/4 MG Bn
Colquhoun, Austin B., Belmont, BC3859, RlBAOC
Coumbe, Maxwell R., City of Perth, 17373, RAAF
Crackel, Frank, Mandurah, WX26332, 7 Aust Mach Equip
Cutmore, Roy, Wembley-Floreat, F2302, RAN
Dalglish, Edward G., Wanneroo-Joondalup, F2711, RANR
Daw, C.W., Yokine-Joondanna, WX14239, 2/4 LAA Regt
Day, Maxwell T., Mandurah, 45242, RAAF
Dixon, Gerald E., Highgate, WX529, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn & 2/32 Bn
Downie, Frank L., City of Rockingham, F3685, RAN
Duff, Ronald F., Bedford-Morley, 3/5495, SAS
Eckermann, K.E., Kelmscott-Roleystone, WX2809, 2/3 MG Bn
Fletcher, Arthur B., Katanning, WX40913, 6 Bn
Frost, Roy V., Dumbleyung, 83076, 35 Sqn
Glazner, Robert C., Riverton, A314725, RAAF
Graham, G.W., Mt Lawley-inglewood, WX5531, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn
Hallett, Thomas H., Bridgetown, WX13534, 2/33 9th Div
Hamilton, Robert E., Bellevue, 14328185, North Hants
Hanson, Harvey D., Kwinana, 23231, RAN
Heath, Annie G., Returned Sisters, WFX 3366, 3/4 AGH
Henderson James H., Highgate, 7531, 5th Royal Gurkha Rifle
Henderson, James K., Geraldton City, V364001, PTD-VDC
Hill, Frank, Mandurah, F5165, RAN
Howells, Sydney E., Mandurah, WX27097, 6 Aust Care
Hughan, Peter W., City of Perth, W30556, HQ North Sect (Camp 3)
Hughes, Colin C., Bunbury, WX23209, Army
Hunt, Arthur W., Three Springs-Arrino, W20243, 18th AAOD
Hunt, John A., Mandurah, 16443, RAAF
John, Richard G., City of Rockingham, 2739063, Welsh Guards
Johnston, E.E.D., City of Perth, WX35228, 28 Aust Inf Bn
Kelynack, N.H., Osborne Park, WAC/474, WAC 1 Burma CMD
Lance, D.H., Claremont, WX37500, 2/7 IA AMB
Lane, Roderick S., Broome, WX83965, 2 Beach Grp
Lawson, Melvina E., Shenton Park, WF45723, DRO
Leader, Ashley, Darling Range, 530960, 10 Tpt Coy
Le Breton, Reginald T., Central, NX42340, 2/1 Fld Regt
Leckie, A.M., Central, **C1700034, RN Reserve
Letchford, William R., Fremantle City, WX30479, Heavy Artillery
Liddell, Peter F., City of Perth, 2432, RAN
Lind, Ronald V., Broome, 29807, RAAF
Lindley, John B., Bicton-Palmyra, 84884, RAAF
Loader, George R., North Beach, 7905441, 3rd Sharpshooter CI
Lukin, Robert B., City of Rockingham, WX26224, 2/32 Bn
Marshall, Ronald E., Upper Swan, **U1 00017, 13 Fld AMB
Martin, L.M., Esperance, WX20297, 2/28 Aust Inf Bn
May, George, Eastern Regional, WX12791, 2/32 Bn
McAlpine, R., Mandurah, WX16381, 2/51 Coy
McBreachy, John F., Albany, WX41572, AACC
McDiarmid, Ronald E., Bunbury, WX137146, AACS
McMahon, W. T., Gosnells, WX4241, 2/16 Aust Inf Bn
Middleton, Charles H., Bellevue, WX501096, RAE
Minorgan, Colin P., Mt Lawley-inglewood, F2274, Comms
Moody, Everett G., City of Rockingham, 332434, 3 Bn 1st Marine Div
Morrison, Douglas R., Mandurah, WX235, 48 Bn
Munro, D.C., Central, WX33363, Army
Murray, Noel G., Mandurah, WX1077, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn
Noon, Les, Eastern Regional, WX28126, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn
O'Connor, Frederick M., Bunbury, 81761, RAAF
O'Sullivan, Jim, City of Cockburn, WX18755, 11 Aust Inf Bn
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★ Hall of Remembrance opens on the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II.

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★ Bullwinkle Wing, comprising 122 in-patient beds (75 per cent of which are single rooms), admissions area and foyer.

★ New Hollywood Specialist Centre, comprising 39 medical specialist suites.

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