The Returned & Services League of Australia's Meritorious Service Medal is the highest award that the national executive may confer to the national congress for awarding to a member, as an honour over and above that of a life membership.

Qualifying members are initially nominated by their respective sub-branches, before being reviewed by the state branch executive committee for prioritising and forwarding, to the national executive as deemed appropriate.

The allocation of awards is on a pro-rata membership basis with an annual allocation of two (2) for WA, however this year due to the high level of submissions, the branch has been approved to draw one from our 2004 allocation and present three (3).

This award is presented to those life members who have continually demonstrated outstanding, meritorious service and leadership to the Returned & Services League, the minimum qualifying requirements for the award are:

- Members are to be nominated as life members of the league;  
- Have had 30 years continuous membership of the league;  
- Who, having been in the opinion of the national executive, provided a minimum of 25 years outstanding service to the league, the veteran community and the wider community.

This award requires the member to be dedicated, loyal and practice the ideal of the charter of the Returned & Services League of Australia.

**ROBERT ALBERT MARTAIN**

Sub-Branch: Boulder  
Jointed League: 1918  
Life Membership: 1999

Mr. Bob Martain served for 50 years continuously as the Boulder Bll Sub-Branch President. A position that he undertook with enthusiasm and dedication, to ensure that the needs and interests of the veteran and Ex-Service community were met. During that period Mr. Martain also served as a Country Regional Vice President and more recently a member of the State Executive. A role representing Esperance and the Goldfields, his role was important to ensure that the country regions had equal and more importantly a voice at the branch level on Veterans and RSL issues. Bob was highly respected member of the committee with a positive approach to appropriate issues of the Returned & Services League at all levels.

Mr. Martain (BOC) has also served on a number of community groups and boards of the region, these have included;  
- Chairman Eastern Goldfields Backforce, a local welfare organisation with particular interests in welfare for the aged and frail of the region;  
- Kalgoorlie Boulder City Council;  
- Eastern Goldfields Charitable Trust; and  
- Boulder Services Club.

In his term as President of the Sub-Branch and his community volunteer service, Mr. Martain (BOC) has delivered outstanding leadership and commitment to the.ex-service community and the greater Boulder community.

Mr. Martain was awarded the Meritorious Medal, the RSL's most prestigious award given to a member of the League over and above the Life Membership for outstanding service to the RSL, Veterans and the wider veteran community. Bob received his Meritorious Service Medal for his loyalty and dedication to the principles of the RSL, to its members and the wider community at the 87th Annual State Congress of the Returned and Services League of Australia WA Branch on Saturday 12th July 2003.

Sadly, Bob passed away recently. An esteemed member of the Returned and Services League of Australia WA Branch Inc Executive Committee, Bob has served the Returned veteran community and the wider Boulder community with honour, a highly respected Veteran who always looked to the benefit of others.

Bob will be sadly missed by those with whom he served and those whom he served in both the Army and the Veteran community.

The RSL State Branch wishes to express its deepest sympathy to his family.

**WILLIAM FRANCIS SMITH**

Sub-Branch: Albany  
Jointed League: 1945  
Life Membership: 1994

Mr. Smith is still serving on three committees within the Albany Sub-Branch. Mr. Smith has been the flag/banner bearer for the Sub-Branch on ceremonial occasions for 67 years. He has represented the Albany Sub-Branch and read the ‘ODE’ at 112 funerals, maintaining a role of honour of all who had passed away during his service.

Mr. Smith assisted in the establishment of the Desert Corps Memorial and Apex Drive and the upkeep of the precinct.

He is the organiser of Poppy Day events and the Meritorious Cup Sub-branch fund raiser, two of the largest fundraisers for the Sub-Branch and the Salvation, Soldiers and Airmen’s Relief Trust Fund at State, Federal and International levels.

Mr. William Francis Smith has admirably demonstrated the qualities and the service to the League and the community for the Award of Meritorious Medal of the Returned and Services League of Australia.

Mr. Harrod has received the OBE at 112 funerals, maintaining a role of honour of all who had passed away during his service.

Mr. William Francis Smith has admirably demonstrated the qualities and the service to the League and the community for the Award of Meritorious Medal of the Returned and Services League of Australia.

The following people received Life Memberships:

**MRS OLGA ANNE GREIG**

Sub-Branch: Belmont  
Jointed League: 1967

Three of the Life Membership recipients were unable to attend the presentation, they were:

**MR KEVIN RICHARD TRENT**

Sub-Branch: City of South Perth  
Jointed League: 1980

**MR ALBERT LESLIE NEAVE**

Sub-Branch: Yanchep-Two Rocks  
Jointed League: 1984

**MR KEVIN FRANCIS GREY**

Sub-Branch: Geraldton City  
Jointed League: 1988

The award of Life Membership is now presented to recipients at the West Australian branch of the Annual State Congress, where members are duly recognised by their peers and friends of the league of their award.

This year’s nominations are from the Busselton, Balcatta Palmyra, Vet Vets and East Vic Park, Osborne Park, Eastern Metropolitan, City of South Perth, Nollamara, Yanchep-Two Rocks, and Geraldton City RSL sub-branches, and the nominees are most worthy recipients of the high praise as Life Members to the Returned & Services League of Australia.

They were presented by the National President of the Returned & Services League of Australia, Major General Peter Phillips, AO, MC, (TRD). The following people received Life Memberships:

**MR JOHN BERNARD COX OAM JP**

Sub-Branch: Eastern Regional  
Jointed League: 1981

**MR JOHN BRIGDEN**

Sub-Branch: Nollamara  
Jointed League: 1988

**MR BARRY DAVID BURLING**

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**MR ALAN GEORGE MEYER AM**

Sub-Branch: Balcatta-Palmyra  
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Thirty-five years ago I reported to you that the WA Branch was mandated by the national office to implement a new system to account for the membership. At that time the WA Branch was challenged to devise a system that would support the many veteran, social and community issues in which the Legislative Assembly was showing a growing interest and impact.

In achieving these goals it is appropriate to acknowledge the work of our many leaders, not only at the headquarters but throughout our Sub-Branch network. We are all part of that progress and it is imperative we recognise the many achievements and see the current progress and implement of the proposed system.

In conclusion, I am pleased to report that we have achieved all our 2002 objectives and the 2003 target of 12,000. This has been entirely due to the efforts of Sub Branch Leaders. Our achievements and the financial assets are strong with the roll given some careful thought and work carried out by our Branch leaders to effectively manage and utilise this financial resource available.

I have been delighted to receive a copy of the new edition of the Legislative Assembly Review and would like to congratulate Mr Brian Lord, the Editor, on a most welcome addition to our Branch papers. I am sure you will enjoy reading the new review as I look forward to our next report to you in September 2003.

Thank you for your support and hard work in bringing this report to you.

Yours sincerely

Rosie Lane

President
**State Congress**

acknowledge the swift moves by the government to direct West Australian schools to support the ANZAC Day commemorations are observed. This move provides the RSL the opportunity to be pro-active with schools to make certain that younger generations value the heritage their forefathers gave them on the many battlefields of the world. It is important we take this challenge seriously.

Lack of respect for the values of our society is of concern to the RSL. To see our national symbols desecrated and our flag burned in protest is abhorrent and can not be tolerated. Our leaders must address this issue and act swiftly to stamp out this irrevocent means of protest.

Remembrance Day is also highlighted as we specifically remember our World War Veterans.

This is associated with our Annual Poppy Day Appeal and through the generosity of the West Australian public, and the collective endeavours of our members, we are able to swell our welfare fund base to service the ever increasing demands on resources to look after our veterans in distress circumstances.

The strength of our organisation is in our sub-branch communities and sub-branches do magnify a decent job, not only in servicing the needs of the Veteran Community, but also in presenting the public face of the RSL to their local communities.

If we have our communities working with us then we have a strong voice on civil, social issues.

In my visits to sub-branches I would like to make special mention of several initiatives that have projected the RSL into the public arena. The Donnybrook Sub-Branch 'Men in Sheds' and Mentor program has seen Veterans working hand in hand with the general public in the community to build self esteem in kids at risk. The Cockburn and Port Kennedy sub-branches for providing new structures for both sub-branch and community use, and the many others who have worked with schools to ensure the Legend of 'The Spirit of ANZAC' is kept alive.

I also acknowledge the members of our Unit and Kindred Organisations. While the RSL is responsible to its membership through the sub-branch network, the impact or communal and policy matters is valued and enabled by the RSL to help meet the specific needs of members of various associations. The RSL is keen to assist all veterans and where possible will work in unison to achieve good outcomes.

Working side by side with sub-branches are the ladies of the Women's Auxillary.

For years they have supported the RSL in social activities, fund raising and community work visiting our elderly and sick veterans. Their work is valued and to their President, Mrs Jean Spencer and their Executive, we are very thankful to the many members throughout the State, we wish you well and ask that you continue your wonderful work.

Our parent body, The Returned and Services League of Australia limited, has been active in Canberra.

This branch is represented by myself and 'the State Secretary. Matters relating to Veteran's Affairs issues as well as Policy are discussed. They are fairly clear and in satisfying the needs of the veteran community. While we would all wish for instant resolution of our needs and problems, the course required is often paved with administrative inhibitors. The time and effort given by our National Executive is often not appreciated, however many of the benefits enjoyed today are a direct result of their endeavours.

This morning we have our National President, Major-General Peter Phillips AO with us for the last time in his role as National President. Peter, we thank you for your five years as our National President and commend you for the manner in which you have attended to the duties of your office.

Likewise we have Major-General Paul Stevens, AO Repatriation Commissioner with us today, Paul, is retiring from this position and his work for veterans is also duly noted.

His dedication to the welfare of the Veteran Community will be long remembered.

Now, on the home front, I refer to those three members who have been at all times closely focussed Life Membership sincere congratulations from all members of the League.

Their service is unselfish and amongst peers is now recognised.

Similarly we also welcome those members who have been honoured with Life Membership. Their collective endeavours have made the League the great organisation it is today.

Finally, to the State Executive, my thanks for your commitment to the League. We are in a transitional stage but I believe that our new structure allows for greater representation of our country members, and a more effective response to the needs of all our members.

We still have some teething problems and I am confident your elected representatives will forge a bright future for the League.

Our Congress today is the result of an initiative to hold a meeting in a prestigious and comfortable venue. It is a trial that is cost effective and I look forward to your impressions to its suitability. Having all aspects of Congress at the one venue is seen as great benefit to delegates and visitors. Today our opening ceremony has just over 250 members and guests in attendance and we have over 140 registered for the working sessions.

I look forward to a congress that is clearly focussed on securing good outcomes for veterans and the development of a sound future for this great organisation.

Thank you, one and all - I wish you well.

**William GAYNOR OAM RFD**

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**ANZAC HOUSE OFFICE STAFF**

This is the second of our articles where we highlight our ‘ANZAC House’ staff. In this article we look at our Front Office staff.

Usually the ‘Front Office’ is the first point of contact that the members and public have with the RSL, so provides a face to the service of the RSL and our front office is well equipped in dealing with RSL members and the public.

**Lea Ferraloro**

Lea is the Office Co-Ordinator while Judy Jarvis is on maternity leave. Lea moved to the Front Office from ‘Service Employment’ and Training Agency where she was receptionist/office co-ordinator.

As well as being the Office Co-Ordinator, Lea is responsible for Office Administration with the additional responsibility of Financial Assistant to the State President and State Secretary.

When Lea is not working at the RSL she has a 3-and-a-half year old, very active son who keeps her busy; Lea enjoys reading and visiting family and friends.

E-mail: Lea: nlwhq@inet.net.au
To contact our Front Office Staff phone: (08) 9325 9799 or for country callers: 1800 259 799.

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**Kristy Greco**

Kristy is the other Front Office Receptionist, whose duties include keeping an up-to-date register of all Unit & Kindred associations’ office bearers and addresses etc as well as all general office duties.

Kristy was also a sales assistant before working for the RSL, so she’s well equipped to deal with RSL members and the public.

Kristy enjoys movies, bike riding, seeing family and friends and reading James Patterson novels.

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Just a few "house-keeping" matters this time:

Keeping files/Limited RSL
storage space

Due to restricted space, when coming to get these things (primary level cases have been despatched) and in addition to a maximum level of pension), the (often-bulky) files have to be removed from the filing cabinets I have in my small office and stored in an office filing cupboard. I try to keep these for as long as possible, or eventually, if unclaimed, we have no option but to dispose of them by shredding or burning. A contracted, secure method is used by the RSL for the latter.

I know some advocates return files to their clients on the day of a VBA Hearing - but I usually prefer to hold them over, in the event that they might be needed again later (eg for AAT purposes or a further claim for a new pension or increased rate of support).

Returning to the office, I often find myself with a large number of files ready to be handled. At such times, I will mark them at the top with the name of the recipient, ring the RSL and ask for it to be put aside, to be collected.

Due to volume expansion, I shall hereby do what a clean out - so please notify us as soon as possible if you know that information is about to leave my name, and I will ensure that I will see that I get the message.

Seeking changes to the SUS for "Lambert spoonfulisis" and "Vet Helplines" in Spinalostitis?

I've put in separate submissions to the RMA's Rehabilitation and Medical Authority - the one that draws up and "gazettes" the claim forms for many of both these - and pointing out the obvious: namely that both held the backing of a number of orthopaedic specialists, who genuinely gave their time to provide letters of support for many of these men - as only this sort of thing can give them the "clout" to exert any influence whatever. I hope that the report helped to clear any "uncertainty" (ie that they were in doubt!) in the minds of these men - as only this sort of thing can help to show that they are just as capable as the other man.

NOTE: For ex-WW2 infantrymen - please do not feel that you are being discredited. I included the next bit just for the sake of showing how things are in the latter. It is a terrific thing that I would support men in their fields, cared enough to ensure that they can appreciate the matter and took the trouble to support these RSL.

To date, 2003 has been a particularly busy year for the VAC, what with the Clarke Report and then the DRAFT MRCS Bill being pushed through. We had to do that very little time to do this. Along with all the work on the VAC's Pensions Office, we have had to address Veterans Issues and try to press on with the VAC's Pensions Office. We have had to work on the VAC's Pensions Office, and we have been kept busy with the research, the VAC's Pensions Office taking up the reports, papers and opinions that the VAC's Pensions Office has been considering in the past few years. We have had to address Veterans Issues and try to press on with our work in this area.

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Insight into war hero’s life

Vetemn access to Hollywood

The Federal Government announced in May that it is moving to increase the number of private hospitals in the metropolitan area where veterans can be treated. This means that following due process, private hospitals outside a 20 kilometre radius from the Perth CBD can receive Tier 1 status under the Repatriation Private Patient Scheme.

These hospitals will then be able to offer treatment for veterans for treatment without prior approval from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Hollywood has strong connection with the veteran community, dating back to 1942 when the hospital opened as the 500-bed Australian General Hospital (also known as 110 Military Hospital) to care for service men and women.

“As a sign of respect for our heritage, we have named all the hospital’s wards and units after West Australian recipients of the Victoria Cross or George Cross medals of honour and we recently opened Percival Gratwick ward,” he said.

In preparing the display, Mr Gratwick received considerable assistance from Captain Wayne Gardiner, Curator of the Army Museum of Western Australia, Mr Kevin Cass-Ryall who is the Executive Director of Hollywood Private Hospital.

Hollywood are still able to do so under this arrangement and continue to receive free transport organised by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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If you have any queries or concerns regarding veteran access to Hollywood, please contact Executive Director Kevin Cass-Ryall on (08) 9346 6267.

Planning for peace of mind

The benefits of a Pre-paid Funeral Plan

Bruce Wallace, an Esperance friend and Mr Jean Murray, a daughter of the late Mr Rob Luka, a previous owner of White Springs Station in Port Hedland.

The display on Percival Gratwick’s life can be viewed in Hollywood’s main foyer until late August.

The Hollywood Clinic

The Hollywood Clinic, which is located on the hospital grounds next to the specialist centre, offers a range of inpatient and day patient services.

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- Cosmetic surgery
- Day Procedure Unit
- Dermatology
- Diabetic/Endocrinology
- ENT wards
- Functional Rehabilitation Clinic
- Gastroenterology
- General medicine
- Geriatric medicine
- Gynaecology
- Immunology
- Intensive Care Unit
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30 visits and counting...

Hollywood really is like a second home for veteran patient Mr Frank Hardingham.

Over the last two years, Mr Hardingham, 81, has been a day patient in the hospital’s Gastroenterology Unit no less than 30 times. Mr Hardingham suffers from ulcers on his oesophagus which require regular gastroscopy (inspection of the interior of the stomach through an endoscope) and dilatation.

When asked about his many visits to Hollywood, Mr Hardingham said he couldn’t speak highly enough about the staff.

“Everyone here does a marvellous job and they know me really well now,” he said.

“The staff treat you like a person rather than just another patient.”

“When I first came into the unit, I used to be quite nervous, but now I look forward to it, it is like my second home.”

Gastroenterology Unit (GDU) Manager Leah Hans commented that Mr Hardingham certainly was the unit’s most popular patient.

“Mr Hardingham has set a record for the number of visits to the unit and he is now one of the GIU family,” she said.

With a few more visits to the unit still needed, Mr Hardingham is set to remain a familiar face at Hollywood.

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The Ted McGlathlin ANZAC Memorial Tour

25TH APRIL 2003

This year the commemoration of the Ted McGlathlin ANZAC Memorial Tour to Borneo achieved new levels of interest, with two groups of teachers joining the tour from Australia on the 18th April, 2003. One party from PNG and the other from Perth. The Perth group travelled from the City of Perth to the historic site of the Borneo POW Relative Group, WA, went via Kuching to commence the formal dedications.

This tour was also very special as it was in honour of longstanding Byron Bay resident Ted McGlathlin. (Deceased Nov 2000). He too was a POW of the Borneo Railway, who gave twenty years of his life getting accreditation and honour for the WA soldiers killed in Sandakan. The first memorial at Baram Bridge dedicated to 1941. Last January a scholarship plan was established. The first of the young students, Carmel McLean, from Byron Bay District High School, who won the inaugural Ted McGlathlin Scholarship, accompanied the tour group with her mother Bridget. Carmel was an excellent choice and a dedicated ambassador for her town, school, and family. The students were very proud to have her presence and come forward with their dedicated service. She will be the student presenter at this year's Sandakan Day Service in King Park Perth. Two years left.

The dedications started in Kuching at the Heroes Grave, to pay homage to all the local and visiting POWs, especially those from overseas and activists who assisted the Allies and the people of Borneo. They were also made privy to the massive War History development being planned for this fast growing Teachers Training College (formerly a British Punjabi Regiment group). The teachers are holding camp during the Japanese occupation for over 50 years. The main civilian internment and Alliedicionarial camps were Sandakan, Beaufort, and Jesselton. The College Administration, with the support of the Sarawak Tourism Authority are on track for maintaining the old barracks Japanese POWs, Army Barracks and Chapels. They also intend to establish a museum within the complex and not just for the locals but for the community, local and abroad. It is hoped that the UK based Sarawak ANZAC Association will be the major sponsors. Due to the strong relationship between the old Borneo and the new Borneo based Borneo POW Group the opportunity was seized to ask them for whatever assistance they can give on information and articles worthy of admission to their museum.

The pilgrims continued to Labuan Island, from where in the Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery, the remains to POWs, killed and died, who have no known next of kin, were exposed. They were also well known and unknown by rest.

The project got underway. It is hoped that the teachers from primary, secondary or regional schools would want to become involved during the process of the Schools Educational Program. for the students to participate in the Borneo Group via IWA and miscellaneous RSL Branches. The exchange or participation with the Sandakan College would be extremely beneficial for young Australians to share in the development of this worthy program. The College intends to mark all the names of the soldiers who died in Borneo on a Memorial, to be held on their Monument, in honor of their 70th Anniversary, April, 2003. The Group took the short flight over the mountains, looking at the 4000 mnt peaks of Mt Kinabalu reaching out from its cloudy halo. A short while later they arrived in the former capital of Sarawak, Sandakan. This bustling port city of Borneo was where the Japanese occupation between 1942-1945, held the east coast and inflicted the horror that was to be known as the death marches. The specific reason for this location was to start the journey from Sandakan to Sandakan, and 6 miles out of the town.

As all Dawn Services are of an extremely moving service, the Sandakan Memorial Park was no exception. The service was held at the cairn not far from the spool where over 3000 POWs were found in a mass grave. It was very satisfying to once again see the numbers of local school children lost their ground one during the teenage occupation, after the sad news of the support of the RAAF Service men's group from Australia. The Sarawak and Sabah during WWII with their sons and grandchildren. Young back packers who "found" also on this special occasion, a local group to pay homage. One of them lost his grandfather there.

The solemn candlelight service paid tribute to all those suffering souls at the camp, Kuching, other places of imprisonment and during those monstrous marches to Ranau. The "Last Post" creating a tense driver through all the congregations. Many of those present sensed the watchful gaze of the "ghosts of the trees". They too knew the horror of the "hut life". Once again this event released more souls from their eternal wait.

This is what the Spirit of the ANZAC is about.

Later that evening both groups travelled along the path, as close to the mode of their personal spot, to complete their clouses along the way where POWs had struggled until life was snatched from them. The "digger's hat" always close by to comfort during the gruqiers to maintain their strength. The last symbol of respect to the POWs, the high elevation through the Crocker Ranges put everyone into their "bitter" journey. The POWs did not even know their route or final destinations. Imagine the sight they would have seen of the mighty mtns of Mt Kinabalu, 4000 mnt high. No food of supply of food, medicne, proper clothing, rest stops, duty of care.

Just the stretch of death of those fallen before them just the continual beating, deputation and murder of those who fell behind, just the agonising wait for their turn for the blessed relief on their God's order.

These human beings were just expendable pack mules to carry supplies, equipment and 20lb rice bags to feed their Japanese captors having to succumb to forgoing for the sake of survival on fungi, roots, berries, snails, anything for sustenance. The reduced, final skeletal beings final campage was of POWs that were already weakened from Sandakan, they did not even have buildings to take refuge. During the war millions of POWs were left behind without food and during the fright right freezing cold. What an awesome experience going over the Crocker Ranges. What agony for those 2,000 homeless souls on that journey nearly 60 years ago.

The THOSE POWS ESCAPED...

The Japanese Emporer's command, KILL THE PRISONER, had all but been fulfilled.

At the Evangelical Girls College, Sarawak, in the site of the camp, the weary travellers were joined by teachers and students, first out of curiosity then empathy in the knowledge of this sacred spot. The final dedication being held at the spot where young Gurner Alber Claury was tortured and beaten for 12 days until life was extinguished from him.

Undoubtedly the worst event ever recorded at Sandakan, however sadly the least known to the general public. The war, information on the War Crimes Trial or the UNTOULd Story about Sandakan and the Marches never appeased the families who had to the burden of grief and untruths committed to them. Only in the last ten years more and more has been uncovered, the research of documents and journals and personal accounts for publication. A sad indictment that it has taken so long to admit to the atrocities that were committed so long ago.

The journey this year was filled with incredible discovery, memorable experiences and feelings of pure relief. Another chapter shut for many families. A beginning of new chapters for others not satisfied, but tenaciously wishing to continue their search. Truly a journey to be shared and encouraged for all to achieve at some time.

Meanwhile back in Perth the Borneo Relative Group are formalising their own public awareness program.

They encourage new membership.

They invite everyone to the forthcoming inaugural public exhibition on Sandakan. The Story that Must Be Told, at the Perth Alexander Library, during 31st August, 2003.

They also invite all families and friends to pay them on the 21st August to the annual Sandakan Day Service, Sandakan, Sabah, Malaysia. They will pay homage to all the soldiers and POWs who died, especially all those from WA.

What then you might say...

They already have the model for future presentations into all the metropolitan schools based on the IWA, Saluting Their Service, Heritage Program, which has already been well received at the Byron Bay District High School, commencing last year with the Ted McGlathlin Scholarship Program.

It is hoped your readers will be challenged to acquire, experience the pilgrimage, support in any way the future of the Group's efforts. All donations are most welcome at the Memorial Days each year.

They ask you to maintain the Spirit of the ANZAC, to make sure the history of The Sandakan Death Marches never happens again, and all those who gave with that eternal sacrifice be...

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The tour group outside the Museum Pavilion, after Dawn Service at Sandakan Memorial Park.
Hail to the brave Byoki, the sickest ship afloat

The little Byoki Maru began life proudly as the cargo ship Canadian Princess. There she became the Potosina and, finally, battered and unruly, the Rulian Maru. As the Potosina, she sailed in her last ever voyage from Singapore to Med in Japan; she will always be the Byoki Maru, the ‘sick ship’. She was one of us.

Displacing between 3000 and 4000 tonnes, she had been bombed and burned in Singapore in February. She had been patched up to carry cargo to London, but then took in the form of 1200 POWs who had worked on the Burma Railway and were now to be slave labour in Japan.

The Byoki was not a comforting sight. There was only a gaping hole where the bridge had been and the deck had dropped out 15 inches. The Japanese skipper was to Anderson a mere small-box-like cabin built over the stern.

Two great steel girders welded to the deck were all that was to keep her together. There were no hatch covers for the two forward holds with 400 POWs in each exposed alternatively to rain and the tropical sun.

The toilets were wooden boxes lashed to the ship’s side with a gap in the centre of the door to allow us to squat high above the ocean.

Definitely ‘Not wanted on Voyage’ were the lice and bugs that abound in ships in Singapore. We didn’t like the heat and sweat in the holds. They did: They bred as only lice and bugs can.

Our convoy moved to Bombay and followed the coast north, hugging a chain of islands until we reached the Philippine Islands. We waited for three weeks with only an occasional deck from the sticking holds. There we waited talked about the mission: an occasional break on deck from the sticking holds. On 9 August we went ashore and it seemed only a few hours before the waiting American subs struck. A large freighter before us was blown clean out of the water. A Japanese couple determined the same fate. The last ship in the convoy also went down.

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Following is a short article about Claude.

Doctor Claude I. Anderson

Medical Officer 24 Machine Gun Battalion

Burma Thailand Railway

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Interestingly, Claude says that Albert Coates probably did every bit as much as Weary Dunlop did in Thailand. Claude had this to say about Coates:

“A few words about tropical ulcers and Co. Catoes. He realized that they were all progressive, and as we did not have any effective treatment, all would lead to death. He thought lower third thigh amputations might be useful. A Dutch chemist Capt van Bentel from Java, had a bottle of iodine and a large number of cocaine ampoules. He was able to make a solution which worked as a surgical anesthetic. Amazingly, Co. Catoes has a needle for spinal insertions. When I arrived at the hospital they were ready to start the amputations, and Co. Catoes asked me to assist him. In the next six weeks, before I went back to my job on the railway line, he amputated about 60 legs. The scheme worked fairly well (although many still died). Occasionally the Japs killed a yak for the POWs, Co. Catoes arranged to be notified of the yak killings, and he removed strips from the cuts. Once, there were some large strips, about the diameter of a thin pencil, which were used for lice. These were cut into pieces and used for lice. These were cut into pieces and used for lice.

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The Royal Australian Corps of Transport (RACT) and The Royal Corps of Transport

The RACT evolved from the British Army version, (the RCT) the acknowledged predecessor of which were the Royal Waggoners formed in 1794 who did service in the American Revolutionary War. The RCT took orders from the Commissioner of Transport, the responsible organisation for rations and supplies.

Five years later the Royal Waggon Corps was formed and had its own officers and soldiers. Later it was known as the Royal Waggon Trains which was disbanded in 1853, vicariously to the Army's mounting costs.

During the Crimean War (1854-56) a Waggon Train was formed which a year later was redesignated The Military Train.

From that the Army Service Corps was formed in 1859 which once again did not have its own officers, being directed by the Commissioner of Transport and the Transport Department.

Various changes took place until 1888 when a fully staffed ASC was established by the officers of high calibre.

Until World War I the ASC saw action in several areas. During the 1914-18 War the strength of the Corps grew to 566,000 men and 49,000 motor vehicles.

During WWII activities increased to include tank transporters, amphibian, air despatch and movement control services.

In 1965 the RASC was redesignated The Royal Corps of Transport, issued with an appropriate formation and movement control service of the Royal Army Active Service Corps (RACT).

So much for the British Army Corps on which the Australian ASC is based.

To quote from a publication "A Brief History of the RCT", supply is of prime importance to an Army in the field.

Military transport corps in Australia paralleled the British Army corps, except that one was based on State militias until Federation. The RACT was raised in January 1901.

The soldiers of the ASC are known by the colours and Regimental March "Illingworth".

The forerunner of the RCT was the Australian Army Service Corps which had been formed prior to Federation on the Royal Australian Naval Reserve (RANVR) of Victoria since 1891. The ASC was formed under Royal Ordinance No. 15 of 1891. It was established under the command of the Commissioner of Transport and the Transport Department.

The history of the Corps began in Australia with the appointment of a number of officers to form a Service Corps to administer the construction of railway lines across New South Wales. The ASC was formed at Sydney on 13 May 1891 and the ASC was formed under Royal Ordinance No. 15 of 1891. It was established under the command of the Commissioner of Transport and the Transport Department.

The ASC units possessed few vehicles, most of which were out of date and unsuitable. No depots were available for supplies, only dirty box wagons and makeshift sheds. Personnel were few and poorly trained and there were no specialist units to meet the demands of the Corps and cater to the needs of an army. Air supply and ammunition units had not been established.

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Welcome Home Parade 2003
An Australian family's pilgrimage

Ken McKay is in front of his father's grave at the Knightsbridge Cemetery at Armara.

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We planned the trip a few weeks ago, September 13, a cancer scare, the Bali bombings and the coming war with Iraq were events that kept casting a shadow over our plans. However, we're not getting any younger and our money was running out so we booked the flights and headed for Malta on October 20.

There was Ken and myself, her daughter Melissa, her husband John and six year old Sonya. The main purpose of the visit was to see Ken's father's grave at Knightsbridge Cemetery Armara 20's west of Tobruk. However, while in Libya, we decided to have a good look around and plan an itinerary with a tour company in Tripoli for 25 days. This was all done over the internet. Because Australia does not have cordial relations with Libya and one cannot drive the necessary visas here we chose Malta for that purpose and had set aside four days there for the arrangements to be made. Malta is a very interesting and historical place and so we had some great times visiting here and there although the weather was pretty bad to start with but did fine up toward the end. The visas took three days to finalize and cost more than we had anticipated but we were very glad to see the page in the newspapers that allowed us to make the 65 minute flight from Valetta to Tripoli 20th Nov. We knew from the Malta papers that war was pending and had also regarded the four days in Malta as a space in which to see our plans and perhaps cancel if we got worried enough. The SANS virus attacks were here in Malta too, only in the small print but I cut the article out and kept it just in case it proved to be a problem. But it wasn't and the day we arrived in Tripoli was day 1 of the war.

The airport was rather bleak with mixed feelings. However we were identified and ushered through the lines and greeted by the first people out. We were taken to a hotel, the 'Joker' and met with our Tourism Company Manager and handed over the large amount of $255 we had been carrying close to our persons for several days. The next morning early we set off in a southerly direction for our first leg of the journey. Tripoli to Cyrene.

Cyrene is an ancient town with little farms, museum and some lovely traditional houses. In Libya gone by was a major slave trading port. After a night in the motel there we travelled on to Sebha, a large town in the southern part. From Sebha we would leave for the desert stage of our holiday. A journey of eight hours into turned into fourteen due to a sandstorm. Luckily the guide had never seen before.

After our night in Sebha we made our way to the ancient town of Cyrene and the Acazus Mountains. Luckily the sandstorm was abating and we had the most wonderful seven days wandering the Sahara, camping at a different spot every night. The black monoliths rising out of the pink coloured sand dunes were spectacular. We visited ancient caves with many styles of rock art and rock paintings, showing how life was lived here many thousands of years ago. Beautiful carvings of long gone animals decorated the walls of cliffs and caves. We saw little wild animals, lizards, goats and camels. We heard the desert jackals and other strange night creatures. The nights were cool and the days were just right.

We went on to the sand seas and camped across several oases. Each oasis was framed with date palms. We went on to the oasis of Ain Bolina, and then on to La的过程中 that was on the east side of the oasis. Between the oasis was framed with desert vegetation. We heard the desert jackals and other strange night creatures. The nights were cool and the days were just right.

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How strange it felt to be picking up the threads of a distant war with another raging not too far away.

We gathered at the Tobruk Hotel on the morning of the 6th April and set out in four wheels drive vehicles driven by a new driver who knew the area well. This desert was hard, flat and rocky. The country was rocky and the road led down through rocky hills in the area of the ancient Greek and Roman ruins of Cyrene and Apollonia. The ancient city of Cyrene was founded by the ancient Greeks and Romans in the 7th century BC. The city was later destroyed by an earthquake in the 7th century AD. In the 9th century the city was re-founded by the Byzantines and the city continued to be a major centre of trade and commerce. The city was later destroyed by an earthquake in the 11th century AD. In the 13th century the city was re-founded by the Genoese and the city continued to be a major centre of trade and commerce.

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We had no trouble locating the grave of Ken's dad. He has the same name. Private Kenneth McKay WX 3766, "Loving wife, Son and Mother". We took many photos, denoting our flag across and also placing some flowers we had taken. Dried and pressed kangaroo paw, everlasting, lichenithlia and so on. A gentle breeze was blowing. We also had other graves to visit - Eddie Seggen, Gordon Creeke and Don Reid. The four graves were in four consecutive rows - one soldier in each! In total there are 3,649 graves at Knightsbridge Cemetery. Of these 98 are known unto God.

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Zelden and Melissa (front).
Between 1942 and 1945 over 22,000 of these serving members of Australian and British Allied Forces were captured and confined in Changi Prison, Singapore.

From April 1942 these POWs were systematically culled out by the Japanese Imperial Forces as slave laborers for road projects and construction projects in South East Asia.

The first group of B-Force 1945 Aussies from various Battalions were sent to Borneo. They suffered atrociously whilst being transported on the decrepit Japanese freighter. Ubi Maru going to Sandakan via Martin ariving at site Capital of Sabah State, Sandakan approximately 8 days later. Most of them already were suffering from lack of proper nourishment and the onset of dysentery and dehydration. They soon realized their estimation of a blissful tropical isle, away from the congestion and increasing starvation in Changi Prison, was now looking more like being on Devils Island.

On arrival late afternoon into the Hasarrab point of landing, they were mustered then binned into the large enclosed building of the Catholic Convent. At least it was relieved from the heat, with the cool concrete floor a salve to their sore bodies sustained from the cramped conditions of the sea journey.

At about 4.30am they were woken to set off on the 12km journey to the Federal Capital to the No1 POW Camp. This first group soon settled into prison regime; however they also quickly commenced intermittent industrial gathering to produce the made investigations of the Japanese weaknesses. Rations and meagre supplies of medicines were available.

The second group of 500 Australians who were drenched on Berau Island, a short distance off the mainland harbour area of Sandakan. This island was originally mainly occupied by a leper colony of about 40-50 sufferers and their caretakers at the Southern extremity of the rocky outcrop. However the Japanese invaders who now had entrenched themselves from as far away as Tandakan to Sandakan had decided to also use the island for an interned holding camp to house those few who were captured and could be subversive to the good order of the Japanese rule on the local population. Some buildings existed for them to utilize, however it was apparent that the Japanese Guards were apparently not too alert as prisoners were soon making contact with the civilian internees and information was also passed between them and the mainland through a North Borneo Policeman, Corporal Kuran. Kuran was employed by the Japanese to spy on their captives; however it was soon apparent he was pro allies and helped the prisoners in any way he could. It was he who assisted the plans for two groups to make daring escapes from Berau. Six men made good their escape.

After assessment the POWs were also sent to the No1 Camp. Not far away was the airfield that was being constructed for the use of the Japanese air force. When established the 8 mile camp, most prisoners settled into fairly stable routines and from evidence given, even well fed and no major mistreatment. However it feeling soon changed as the war and those civilians who changed in the favour of the Allies. When more Formosan guards arrived harsher treatment was served out on a regular basis.

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The establishment of a permanent group of POWs to disrupt the Japanese. Soon evolved through the likes of posthumously awarded Captain Marone and his loyal network of guerrilla operatives in aiding the information to the Allies. He was ably assisted by Lt Rod Wells, who ingeniously managed to pass radio receiver/ transmitter for access to the outside world. There was also the assistance of Ted Keating, Snowy Jones, and Don Marshall who had also determined that it was not to be all the Japanese Way.

The local Chinese and Filipinos community had also been very pro-Allies in aiding and abetting the prisoners. They continually supplied provisions and essential drugs. They too paid dearly when the Japanese uncovered the activities of the POWs. Many of those people paid with their lives. Their families were hunted down and driven into the jungle to live like animals on tapioca and handfuls from sympathetic villagers. They lost all their personal property because of their involvement. Unlike our welfare system, there was only a token one off, or gratis payment given for their services to the Allies. They were left with nothing or very little because of their involvement. Unlike our welfare system, there was only a token one off, or gratis payment given for their services to the Allies. They were left with nothing or very little because of their involvement.

Unusual and the worst of all was the children and grandchildren were slowly coming to terms with their loss and joining our families in paying homage as a 'family group' to the Anzac Day Services.

They gave testimony of the brutal treatment when called to the War Crimes Trials on Labuan Island, in November 1945.

Only 66 were found guilty. Only ten given the death penalty. The others 56 were found guilty of crimes which carried jail terms commencing between 4-10 yrs.

The Senior Commander of all POW Camps in Borneo committed suicide before coming to trial.

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Only four victims of this tragedy still survive.

Some families in Australia are still trying to come to terms with their loss and the unknown details of exactly how or where their kin died.

Certainly over the past ten years, more and more detail and exposure of the deceit or lack of information from the appropriate authorities is filtering out.

Over 120 West Australian soldiers died and are buried in Borneo. A majority of their families are still in WA. In recent years there has been more interest shared by these families to question or research the records for their family history.

Four years ago the Borneo POW Relatives Group was formed in WA.

As part of the Anzac Legend Tours conducted by the RSL Travel Co-Ordinators, Ryan Rowland, pilgrimage were started to Borneo to pay homage to all those heroes who died there. Ryan is also searching for information to a family connection who died in the Sandakan Camp in 1944 with the British services.

The Borneo POW Group has also been very active with their support of the first Memorial Site at Beup Brook.

Local resident Ted McLoughlin, deceased in Nov, 2000, himself a POW of the Thai Burma Rail, spent over 20 years' accomplishing accreditation for all his mates and all those from WA who died in Borneo.

There has also been the development of the Ted McLoughlin Park with the Lions Club and the Department of Tourism.

There are now five Memorial sites throughout Australia, each catering out their individual Sandakan Day Services.

In 2001 the WA Group achieved the formalising of their Memorial Tree in Kings Park, for all the soldiers who died on the Death Marches.

Each year on the last Sunday in August there is a Sandakan Day Service in honour to their memory.

For further information contact President Bob Bradley
Secretary Ken Jones or
Promotions Officer Ryan Rowland.
Address by the RSL National President Major-General P.R Phillips AO MC (ret'd)  
West Australian Branch Conference 2003

Farewell

I will be stepping down from the position of National President in August. It has been an exciting and challenging 3 years ago, I never envisaged that I'd be the National President. The last six years of my life have been full ones and it seemed that every day brought a new challenge, a new opportunity to lead.

The biggest issue of the year has been the matter of fees for LEOs. The Department of Defence has pressed hard last year with more than 6000 members/walkers. They have pressed hard last year with more than 6000 members/walkers. Their main aim is to have the money to continue to provide the service to members. You should meet with the DOD
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NO. 1. VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE
Moved: City of Perth
Seconded: North Beach
THAT THIS COUNCIL PASS A VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN MR. HUGHIN AND MR. B STANDING COMMITTEE IN INITIATING THE LOSS OF THE MONTHLY UNDERTAKEN BY HOSPITAL BOARD, TO THE DEMISE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE WALLA BRANCH.
LOST

NO. 2. BY-LAW 8
Moved: City of Perth
Seconded: North Beach
THAT BY-LAW 8 BE REMOVED FROM THE STATE BY-LAWS IN ITS PRESENT VERSION IN THE STATE RULE.
LOST

NO. 3 AMENDMENT TO RULE 3.4
Moved: Joanne B.B. Rice
Seconded: Darling Downs and Victoria Park
THAT THIS CONGRESS RESOLVES TO CHANGE THE LAST SENTENCE OF RULE 3.4 TO READ:
"IN THE ABSENCE OF VICE-PRESIDENTS WILLING AND ABLE TO ACT, THE PRESIDENT MAY APPOINT AN ELECTOR TO DISCUSS AND DISMISS A BOARD MEETING.
ONE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING.
CARRIED

NO. 4. RULE 3.14
Moved: Osborne Park
Seconded: South Mundaburra
THAT THIS CONGRESS RESOLVES TO CHANGE THE LAST SENTENCE OF RULE 3.14 TO READ:
"IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE INEQUITY AND UNRESOLVED DISPUTES, STATE, VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS SHALL BE REVISED TO TIME TO TIME IN ITS DISCRETION.
CARRIED

NO. 5. RULE 4.3.2
Moved: Upper Swan
Seconded: South Mundaburra
THAT THIS CONGRESS RESOLVES TO DELETE THE FIRST SENTENCE OF RULE 4.3.2 TO READ:
"THE STATE TRUSTEES SHALL BE ENTITLED TO NOTICE OF A STATE CONGRESS AND NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
CARRIED

NO. 6. GRAMMATICAL ERRORS
Moved: Coober Pedy
Seconded: Outback
THAT THIS STATE CONGRESS APPROVES THE CONSTITUTION AND AMENDMENTS TO AMEND THE RSL WA BRANCH CONSTITUTION RULES AND BYLAWS WITH CORRECT STAFF DUTIES.
CARRIED

NO. 7. RULE 10.9 INDEX
Seconded: Moorabinda
THAT THIS CONGRESS RESOLVES TO CHANGE RULE 10.9 TO READ:
"THE RSL MEMBERSHIP.RENT TO THE RSL MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL AND STATE OFFICES.
CARRIED

NO. 8. AFFILIATE MEMBERS
Moved: South Mundaburra
THAT THIS BRANCH STRONGLY OBJECTS TO THE RSL NATIONAL AND STATE OFFICES AND EACH BRANCH RETAIN THIS CAPTIVE STATUS THAT THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO ISSUE THE AFFILIATE CARD AT THE END OF THE CATEGORY THEY ARE AFFILIATED TO.
CARRIED

NO. 9. AFFILIATE MEMBERS
Moved: City of Perth
Seconded: South Mundaburra
THAT THIS AFFILIATE MEMBERS BE REFERRED TO AS THE RSL IN THIS RULE.
25.2 THE MEMBERS OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE RSL.
25.3 THE CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE RSL ARE APPLICABLE TO EACH BRANCH IN ORDER THAT THEY CAN FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS TO WHICH THIS CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP WAS CREATED.
CARRIED

NO. 10. HEALTH STUDY
Moved: Riverton
Seconded: Highgate
THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONDUCT A HEALTH STUDY ON THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL CONDITION OF VETERANS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE STATUS OF THE VETERANS IS IN A HIGHER RATE OF INCARCERATION AND IMPRISONMENT.
CARRIED

NO. 11. REAPPRaisal ADMINISTRATION
Moved: Beaudesert B.C. South Mundaburra
THAT THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE VETERANS ENTITLEMENT ACT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE VETERANS ENTITLEMENT ACT IS JUST.
CARRIED

NO. 12. VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS
Moved: City of Mundaburra
Seconded: Nambour
THAT IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE INEQUITY AND UNRESOLVED DISPUTES, STATE, VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS SHALL BE REVISED TO time TO TIME IN ITS DISCRETION.
CARRIED

NO. 13. REAPPRaisal ADMINISTRATION
Moved: Beaudesert B.C. South Mundaburra
THAT THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE VETERANS ENTITLEMENT ACT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE VETERANS ENTITLEMENT ACT IS JUST.
CARRIED

NO. 14. VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS
Moved: City of Mundaburra
Seconded: Nambour
THAT IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE INEQUITY AND UNRESOLVED DISPUTES, STATE, VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS SHALL BE REVISED TO time TO TIME IN ITS DISCRETION.
CARRIED

NO. 15. AFFILIATE MEMBERS
Moved: City of Perth
Seconded: South Mundaburra
THAT THIS AFFILIATE MEMBERS BE REFERRED TO AS THE RSL IN THIS RULE.
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CARRIED

NO. 16. VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS
Moved: Elerbrook
Seconded: Riverton
THAT THIS STATE CONGRESS RESOLVES TO DELETE THE LAST SENTENCE OF RULE 4.3.2 TO READ:
"THE STATE TRUSTEES SHALL BE ENTITLED TO NOTICE OF A STATE CONGRESS AND NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
CARRIED

NO. 17. REAPPRaisal ADMINISTRATION
Moved: Cambridge
Seconded: South Mundaburra
THAT THE RSL LOYAL ROAD (MORRIS) MEMBERSHIP RULES FOR AFFILIATE ASSOCIATION BE AMENDED TO ELIMINATE THE LOSS OF VETERANS FROM THE NATIONAL AND STATE OFFICES.
CARRIED

NO. 18. AFFILIATE MEMBERS
Moved: South Mundaburra
Seconded: Darlington
THAT THIS BRANCH STRONGLY OBJECTS TO THE RSL NATIONAL AND STATE OFFICES AND EACH BRANCH RETAIN THIS CAPTIVE STATUS THAT THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO ISSUE THE AFFILIATE CARD AT THE END OF THE CATEGORY THEY ARE AFFILIATED TO.
CARRIED

NO. 19. REAPPRaisal ADMINISTRATION
Moved: Warrnambool/Joondalup
Seconded: North Beach
THAT THIS COUNCIL PASS A VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN MR. HUGHIN AND MR. B STANDING COMMITTEE IN INITIATING THE LOSS OF THE MONTHLY UNDERTAKEN BY HOSPITAL BOARD, TO THE DEMISE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE WALLA BRANCH.
LOST

NO. 20. AFFILIATE MEMBERS
Moved: City of Rockingham
Seconded: Scarborough
THAT THE RSL LOYAL ROAD (MORRIS) MEMBERSHIP RULES FOR AFFILIATE ASSOCIATION BE AMENDED TO ELIMINATE THE LOSS OF VETERANS FROM THE NATIONAL AND STATE OFFICES.
CARRIED

NO. 21. REAPPRaisal ADMINISTRATION
Moved: City of Mundaburra
Seconded: Nambour
THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONDUCT A HEALTH STUDY ON THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL CONDITION OF VETERANS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE STATUS OF THE VETERANS IS IN A HIGHER RATE OF INCARCERATION AND IMPRISONMENT.
CARRIED

NO. 22. VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS
Moved: Bulleen
Seconded: South Mundaburra
THAT IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE INEQUITY AND UNRESOLVED DISPUTES, STATE, VETERANS TRAVEL CARDS SHALL BE REVISED TO time TO TIME IN ITS DISCRETION.
CARRIED

NO. 23. REAPPRaisal ADMINISTRATION
Moved: Toowoomba
Seconded: townsville
THAT THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE VETERANS ENTITLEMENT ACT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE VETERANS ENTITLEMENT ACT IS JUST.
CARRIED

NO. 24. REAPPRaisal ADMINISTRATION
Moved: City of Rockingham
Seconded: Bridgewater
THAT THE RSL ACADEMY REAPPRaisal MANDATE THAT THE GOLD CARD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL THOSE, MALE OR FEMALE, WHO ENLISTED UNDER THE WAR AUSLUS THE AUSTRALIAN FORCES SERVING IN WORLD WAR II.
CARRIED

NO. 25. DENTAL ALLOWANCE
Moved: Highgate
Seconded: Narrang
THAT THE LEAGUE LODGE THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL DENTAL ALLOWANCE
CARRIED

NO. 26. PHARMACEUTICAL ALLOWANCE
Moved: Applecross
Seconded: East Victoria
THAT THE RSL REQUEST THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT TO INCREASE THE VALUE OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL ALLOWANCE PAID TO VETERANS ENROTTLED TO THE SAME AMOUNT AS THE ALLOWANCE PAID TO DRUGS AND MEDICINES AND THAT FUTURE BE MADE AUTOMATICALY TO INCREASED TWO TIMES THE PRICE INCREASE.
CARRIED

NO. 27. JOINT APPLICATION TO VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR CHARGABLE STATUS
Moved: City of Mundaburra
Seconded: Rockhampton
THAT THIS STATE BRANCH SUBMIT A JOINT APPLICATION TO THE AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE ON THE BASIS THAT THEIR AIRMS TO BE CLASSIFIED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHARGABLE STATUS.
CARRIED

NO. 28. SCHOOL CHILDREN ATTENDING PROTEST MEETINGS
Moved: City of Rockingham
Seconded: South Mundaburra
THAT THIS BRANCH ACKNOWLEDGE THE RIGHT OF SCHOOLCHILDREN TO PROTEST.
CARRIED

NO. 29. NATIONAL FLAG
Moved: East Victoria Park and Vietnam Veterans
Seconded: Belmont
THAT THIS BRANCH ACKNOWLEDGE THE RIGHT OF SCHOOLCHILDREN TO PROTEST.
CARRIED

NO. 30. DEFEATING THE NATIONAL FLAG
Moved: Highgate
Seconded: Narrang
THAT BOTH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE WA GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE REQUESTED TO DEFEAT THE NATIONAL FLAG AND TO URGE THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO AMEND THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENTARY TARRIFs TO EXCLUDE THE NATIONAL FLAG FROM USE FILTERED FOR ANYONE WHO DEATHS OF OR OFFICE OF THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLAG OR ANY CONTRACTS WITH THE GOVERNMENT FOR ANY PURPOSE.
CARRIED

NO. 31. DEFEATING THE NATIONAL FLAG
Moved: Highgate
Seconded: Narrang
THAT THIS STATE BRANCH SUBMIT A JOINT APPLICATION TO THE AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE ON THE BASIS THAT THEIR AIRMS TO BE CLASSIFIED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHARGABLE STATUS.
Resolutions

What it's really like in Iraq — a U.S. soldier's perspective

Following is a letter written to the First Lutheran Church of Richmond Beach by Major Eric Sydenham of the 4th Infantry Division, who is currently serving in Iraq.

It has been a while since I have written, but considering the recent events of the Lutheran Church what's really going on here in Iraq. The news you watch on TV is exaggerated and not at all selective. Good news doesn't sell.

The stuff you don't hear about on CNN.

Let's start with Electrical Power production in Iraq. The day after the war was declared over, there was nearly power being generated in Iraq. 45 days later, in a partnership between the Army, the Iraqi people and some private companies, we are able to provide 2000 megawatts (Mw) of power being produced daily, 1/3 of the total national potential of 8000 Mw.

Downed power lines (big stuff, 400 Kilo Volt and 150 Kilo Volt) are being repaired and are about 70% complete.

Then there is water purification. In central Iraq between Baghdad and Tikrit, the 4th Infantry Division, water treatment was spotless at the start.

The facilities, but the controls were never implemented. Simple chemicals like Alum and Aluminum Sulfate for sedimentation are not in stock or not used at all. When chlorine was used, it was used at the wrong time and in the scientific method of gunning.

So some people got pool water to drink, some people got water with lots of little things swimming in it around us. We are slowly learning that the Army is not as efficient at repairing facilities as it is at building them. A complete overhaul of the Wastewater System is still to come.

If the result of such an operation is a negative nature then we can assure you that future management of the Wastewater System will not be cut short.

The more efficient, the more complete, the more efficient, the more complete.

We have some problems with the electrical grid, the gas grid, the telephone grid. This is considered to be an operational problem solved yet, but again, it’s only been 45 days.

How about oil and fuel? Well the war was all about oil wasn’t it? You have to look no further than the effects it has for the Iraq people! They have no other source. They are running out of fuel. There is no other thing. Oil is 95% of the Iraq economy. For their nation to survive, it MUST sell oil.

The refinery at Basra is at 75% of output and 65% of gasoline. The pipeline between Kirkuk (Iraq Central) and Basra will be 100% soon. The Middle East, the United States, the European Union. LPG, what all Iraqis use to cook with, and all of the things produced normally and petroleum, the US Army Air Force, there are 2000 Mw of planned power out at the short end of the stick.

The most amazing thing to me is that they caused that if they didn’t stop shooting at us, we would focus on finding more things, more quickly and then leave back to the land of the Big PX. The more you shoot at us at the longer we will have to stay.

Lastly, all of you please realize that 95% of the damage you see on TV was caused by Iraqis, NOT the Coalition Forces. We took out a few bridges from military operations, we hit a few power lines and a few power and phone lines to disrupt communications, so we did a few things and people lost power for a little while.

We have been to every town we have been in. We have many stories to tell. From the people who have lived in Iraq their whole lives to the people who have just moved to town.

We have been to every town we have been in. We have heard many stories to tell. From the people who have lived in Iraq their whole lives to the people who have just moved to town.

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Asbestos related diseases

Advice has been received from the Defence Safety Remediation Task Force (DSRTF) in Canberra that any person who served at: ESQ, DSQ Det Dubbo, 1ICAMD, 130QN in the early 1960s and 380QN after 1980QV vacated that hangar, are advised to register with the Defence Asbestos Registration Service (DARS) by telephoning them on 1800 800 659. As more research is being done into the issue of asbestos, the more they are becoming aware of other possible exposure to ADF personnel over the years that have gone undetected. It is imperative that each member review their service history and consider registration if appropriate.

WA RSL Bowls section

Our bowling season 2002-2003 has concluded after another year of great support from members. Some of our winners include:


Antony Long Memorial Trophy: Sponsored by Yolande B/C and Yolande-Joondanna RSL. Won by Ron Sambell, Ian Wiltshire, Ian Tempest, Neville Gammon and Greg Young, Max Pfeister, Arch Shaw, Cilla Jukes.

City of Perth RSL/Bishop Riley Trophy Mixed: Sponsored by City of Perth RSL & WA RSL State Branch, Won by Doug Lint, Dennis Irving, Muriel Nipperus and Phil Liddon from Ron Lester. Bill Dickson 2nd and Martin Hellard 3rd.

Jill McDonald Memorial Trophy: Sponsored by RSL Sub-Branch 10, Kalamunda, Won by Trevor Skeaping, Christmas Eve 2002.

Annual General Meeting: Held 19th May 2003 at the RSL Sub-Branch 464, Whiteman Park Bowling Club.

2002 Committee members, rear row from the left: Les Copley, State Executive, ex Army, Bill Colling ex RAN, Army, Denis Connelly ex RAAF, front row from left: Max Reynolds ex RAN, Secretary of Committee, Gordon Norton, Chairperson, ex Royal Army, Mary Nolan, State Executive, Ken Morrison, ex Army.
The SPIRIT OF THE DIGGERS
THEN & NOW
by Patrick Lindsay

The Digger is a key piece of the complex jigsaw puzzle which makes up The Australian. Australian soldiers have had a long and impactful history in world conflict far in excess of their numbers. Yet regardless of the circumstances, our Diggers’ essential characteristics have remained constant. They’ve won acclaim for their fighting prowess and bravery, while retaining their larrikin spirit, their compassion and their strong sense of mateship. Those who fought in the trenches of Gallipoli, the Somme and the Ypres have an immediate kinship with the Diggers who followed, romantic as their footprints in North Africa and New Guinea, and later in Korea, Vietnam, East Timor, Afghanistan and Iraq. We are justifiably proud of the heritage which our diggers have bequeathed us.

In many ways the Digger is a study in contradictions: he doesn’t crave war yet he still fight with unwavering ferocity; he loathes war yet he still hold his discipline under the most trying conditions; he is tough yet compassionate; he hates his enemy until he surrender, then he is generous in victory; he despises hierarchies but still cry unlamented at the loss of a mate.

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THE SPIRIT OF THE DIGGER
THEN & NOW

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THE THIRD FORCE
ANGAU’s New Guinea War, 1942-46
By Alan Powell

The Australian New Guinea Administrative Unit (ANGAU), an Allied command and, as such, the civilian government of Papua New Guinea, was established in 1942 and administered the area until mid-1946. This book traces all major aspects of ANGAU’s war.

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The book is based almost entirely on new research from Australian, American and New Guinea archives, and on extensive oral history interviews by the author and other historians.

The Third Force highlights in a new light, a new way, and with new authority of the people of the Territory, the history of the Northern Territory and World War II.

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TOGETHER UP THERE
by Vic Posse

This new book details the history of the little known 549 RAAF/RAAF Fighter Squadron, led by the legendary Ronald Posse (the authors cousin) and his tragic death in a Spitfire during the Battle of Britain. The new book draws its name from William Wordsworth’s character of the Happy Warrior. To obtain a copy look for the advertisements in this issue of The Listening Post.

Can you help?

I am searching for my Uncle and hope you can help.

6430 Robert McKenzie

DOB: 20/07/22

Enlisted in Perth 17/11/41.

Service RAAF

Rank: Leading Aircraftman

Discharged: 11/09/45

Posting at Discharge: HQ Pearce

I believe he was in the Transport Division in Darwin at some stage of the war.

If anyone knows of him or his whereabouts they could please contact:

Margeur Blair Blake (niece)

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H.M.A.S. BARCOO ASSOCIATION

The next reunion will be held at Greenmount in Cooloogong, Queensland on March 19th, 20th and 21st 2004.

All those who have served in the Barcoo will be invited to join us for what will be our 60th anniversary reunion. We are still hoping to have more past war crew members - a warm welcome awaits you.

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SUB-BRANCH NEWS

BAUSSELTON

I would like to introduce the Busselton Sub-Branch contribution to The Listening Post with the following speech presented on behalf of our President, Bob Wood.

"Good morning ladies and gentlemen of all ages. I wonder if this is a gathering of this size, particularly so many ladies, is a strange one for ANZAC Day? It is generally regarded by Australians as a very important and unifying day. It is an occasion for us to remember the lives and sacrifices of Australians who have served our nation in war. The last time was first recognised in the appalling carnage of 1914-18 and the more recent sacrifice of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps in Gallipoli 88 years ago. None of those gallant men are now alive, but before that time and, up to and the present day, Australian service men and women have put themselves in harm's way and sacrificed themselves in a very similar way in the Territorial Army. It is a day to remember and to celebrate the contribution of those men and women who have lost their lives in the service of our country. We should not forget the sacrifices which have been made.

"I believe that ANZAC Day has always been used as a time for us to celebrate our history and culture and to acknowledge the sacrifice of our ancestors, and it is important that this day is observed and that we remember the sacrifices of all those who have served in our armed forces."

AFRICA, the middle and far east, the Indian subcontinent, Asia and the Pacific are involved and we want to be associated with the day.

Busselton Sub-Branch.

BAUSSELTON NEWS

ANZAC Day was commemorated by laying a wreath at the Busselton Desert Corps Memorial atop of Mt Camel, which was dedicated on 27th April, 1934.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have been involved in the preparations for ANZAC Day.

Local Municipal Council, Busselton Shire Council, the Police Station and the Shire's Crude Bush and Social Services Manager, Mr. Peter Watson.

The presentation of the Wreath was made by the Mayor of Busselton, Mr. Bruce Cain, who was accompanied by Mrs. Sue Stirrup, Busselton Shire Council's Manager of Community Services.

The service was attended by a large crowd of local residents and visitors, including many members of the armed forces who have served in various conflicts.

The service concluded with a two-minute silence, followed by the laying of wreaths on the memorial by members of the Busselton Returned Services League and other organisations.

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ANZAC Day is a day to remember those who have served and sacrificed for our country, and it is a day to reflect on the importance of democracy and freedom. It is a day to celebrate the strength and resilience of the Australian people, and it is a day to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

On this ANZAC Day, we should take a moment to reflect on the sacrifices made by our veterans, and to remember those who have lost their lives in the service of our country. It is a day to honour their memory, and to remember the importance of their contribution to our nation.
This Veterans infrastructure is ours work! now have the task in started 580,000 now without their help we giving deserving of conviction them that sou.'t'&S trying to with state and local way, 2003 Ended meetings (including fundraising events. not and leader of the organization. We almost had our official opening was held on ANZAC Day, 1995 and unveiled by the State President Mr Bill Baxter, who generously donated the money to purchase the materials to build the wall.

The winners on the day were: Closest to the Pins - William guest and President of the Mi- Cumber RSL, Peter Brown, Phil McCutcheon of NAGA McCutcheon and Bill (no friends). The overall winners were Kookaburra Jacks and Bill Roberts 61/2.

If anyone is game enough to come and play with us you are most welcome.

The club is valued by Mr Dennis Cumming and the wonderful and dedicated staff of the complex and they are to be congratulated on a job well done, and now the residents can look forward to next year.

At the conclusion of the service, led by Mr Cumming everyone was treated to a musical interlude by the Peel Region Youth Band, under the Batons of Mr John Parker and the offerings of this very talented group of young musicians was greatly appreciated by all, and the rendition of the Last Post and Reveille by Miss Annyl Bred on the Bugle was equal to the best of Military Tradition.

In keeping with tradition, at the conclusion of the days event, the Pennies appeared along with some of the 'Anthem Panel' and I'm sure that this will be a day that the residents will savour and remember.

Lost We Forget

State President Bill Baxter cuts the ribbon at the official opening...
The Challenge Brass Band is looking for new members!

The Challenge Brass Band was created in 1987 by Mr Peter Tack. OAM CIT WA. It is a brass band consisting of all brass instruments for personnel of age between 7 and 100 and all abilities. The band’s name was the band was chosen by Mr Peter Tack and it truly represents a challenge to play a musical instrument. Instruments, uniforms, music and tuition are all provided free of charge for band purposes only. The cost to you is only that you are there for practice, rehearsals and performances.

We rehearse every Tuesday night from 7:30pm to 9:30pm at the Wanneroo Recreation Centre. Come along and see the impact of Sonic Drive and Church Street Wanneroo.

Why not come along for a play.

"Take Up the Challenge!"

Contact President Fred Beadle
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Or email mary@beadle@iinet.com.au

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