

Welcome to 4 new Members approved by RSLNSW on 20 July 2020. We welcome Jack Everett Able Seaman, Robyn Lewis, Lisa Maree Harris and Simon Andrew Harris Warrant Officer to our sub-branch. Hopefully we can introduce them to all on our next meeting.

Last Post Rob Oldman

Ross Gregson, Secretary of the Seymour RSL Sub Branch in Victoria.

I have the sad duty to inform you that Rob Oldman passed away last Friday, we believe he was a member of your Sub Branch in Sydney even though he lived in Seymour for several years.

He was well known to the Sub Branch members here who play golf, but did not join into activities with our Sub Branch.

If you could inform any of your members who knew him, I would be thankful.

He served in Vietnam in the early seventies with 2RAR.

Thank you

Ross Gregson,
Secretary,
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A cheerio to Richard Moore who is currently recovering from surgery and is now at home, Sub – Branch contact Richard on 4 August 2020 and Richard advises he is slowly moving ahead towards recovery but is black and blue, he also thanked the Sub – Branch for the phone call.

John D Lees also in hospital on 4 August 2020, we phoned John and spoke with his partner Barbara who advises us John is doing well and will be out of hospital tomorrow. John has probably got lots of woodworking to do on his return home.

Barbara Lees, President of our Women's Auxiliary is on the fund raising pathway again selling chocolates at \$5.00 a bar.

You can purchase from the Sub Branch office on Tuesdays from 10:00 to 15:30, my number 0490348844 or contact Barbara on [0402 247 890](tel:0402247890).

We have 25 bars of each type see picture below. Originally purchased for Anzac Day 2020.



Father Peter Caruana is finally hanging up his robes and retiring, we wish Father Peter our regards and wishes for a good well earned retirement.

Women's Auxiliary By-Laws posted on our Website

An application is also provided for anyone wishing to join the Women's Auxiliary.

Anzac House - Membership Queries Advice **New member cards**: The cards have been ordered and are currently under production. We anticipate they will be at your sub-Branch in July. Please note that the card is a permanent card and not an annual card. Once you have received the new card it will not be replaced until it is lost or destroyed. There still seems to be some confusion about this in the network and it would be helpful if sub-Branch secretaries could remind their members of this point.

RSLNSW Circular – C17/20 – 04 August 2020 Assurance on Membership Data

Over the past 12 months ANZAC House has issued membership data lists to all sub-Branches for the purposes of updating our database to process membership capitation fees and confirm member data for the coming Board election. As the end part of this process, paying the 2020 capitation fee invoice to ANZAC House will be considered an assurance of the data by the sub-Branch for the purposes of complying with the constitutional requirements to participate in the Board election. We thank sub-Branch Honorary Secretaries for supporting this process and helping us ensure that all eligible members are able to vote in this election.

As we now approach the election period, it is important that any changes to membership data that have occurred since the last membership list was issued, i.e. changes of address, new members or late renewals, be updated in the ANZAC House database before the close of the member roll on 31 August. If any Service Member needs to update their details please advise me via email ingleburnSB@rslnsw.org.au so I can then update Support RSLNSW. Do not leave it to the last minute.

RSLNSW Circular – C16/20 – 03 Aug 2020 2020 RSL NSW Election of Directors - Call for Nominations

This will be the first RSL NSW Board Election in which all Service Members are eligible to vote directly for a Board Member. We encourage you to get involved. All the information you will need for nominating in the 2020 RSL NSW Election of Directors will be available on the RSL NSW website at 12pm on Thursday, 6 August.

Key dates for your diaries in relation to the Board Election are as follows:

Pre-Election Period

- Candidate Nominations Open – 6 August 2020
- Candidate Nominations Close – 1 September 2020
- Member Register Close – 1 September 2020

Election Period

- Candidate Confirmation – 8 September 2020
- Member Voting Opens – 27 October 2020
- Member Voting Closes – 24 November 2020
- Election Results Declared – 27 November 2020
- RSL NSW Congress & AGM – 6-8 December 2020

You can [access the 2020 Election page on the RSL NSW website](#).

Board Communique for 29 July – B07/20 – 3 August 2020

On 29 July, the Board met by video conference because of the restrictions associated with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Due respects were made to the fallen.

Staff Return to Work

The Board acknowledged that ANZAC House staff would return to a five-day work week from 3 August and thanked all staff who were impacted by the budget saving measures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Awards and Recognition

The Board approved the recommendations from the selections committee for three life memberships.

To read more ingleburnSB@rslnsw.org.au

COMMEMORATIVE MEDALLION AND CERTIFICATE RECOGNISE

SECOND WORLD WAR VETERANS

A special commemorative medallion marking the 75th anniversary of the end of the Second World War is now available to every living Second World War veteran to say '*thank you for your service*'.

Minister for Veterans' Affairs The Hon. Darren Chester launched the medallion and certificate on Wednesday in the lead up to the end of the Second World War commemoration on 15 August.

"As we approach this special anniversary, we recognise that it will be one of the last opportunities we have as a nation to publicly acknowledge the remaining veterans of the Second World War, of which there are around 12,000 still with us today," Mr Chester said.

[Read more here](#)

ACNC Review completed for 2020

A big thankyou to our Vice President John D Lees for his valuable time off site at home in completing the ACNC Review, thanks John.

COVID Rent relief for Club Ltd

After many weeks of meetings and emails your sub branch supports the Rent Relief process, we emailed RSLNSW who has the final say.

Victory in the Pacific

What was the Victory in the Pacific?

On August 14, 1945, it was announced that Japan had surrendered unconditionally to the Allies, effectively ending World War II.

What does VP day mean to Australia? Victory in the Pacific **VP) Day**. **VP** (Victory in the Pacific) **Day**, also referred to as **VJ** (Victory over Japan Day) is celebrated on 15 August. This date commemorates Japan's acceptance of the Allied demand for unconditional surrender 14 August 1945. For Australians, it **meant** that the Second World War was finally over.

RSL NSW is also seeking further guidance from the NSW Government to specifically assist with the conduct of commemoration services in the lead-up to VP Day, Vietnam Veterans Day and Remembrance Day. I will circulate this information as soon as it is available.

National VP Day Service

DVA have been in contact with RSL NSW to seek interest from any WWII veteran who would be interested in travelling to the Australian War Memorial for the national VP Day Service and a couple of associated events. DVA will cover the cost of travel and accommodation for interested veterans. If any sub-Branch has a WWII member who they feel is fit enough to attend this event over a couple of days, please contact the Support Unit with their details and we will try and facilitate their attendance.

Awards and Recognition

The Board approved the recommendations from the selections committee for two Life Memberships and three Meritorious Service Medals.

If you wish to read more email me ingleburnSB@rslnsw.org.au I have additional resources I can send through.

Peter McFarlane send me a photo this reminded me of a old movie...



Peter may say “that’s not a tank” and “This is a Tank!!!!”



Another Masked singer is coming up on TV soon so I thought we may have a guessing competition for the Masked Veteran.

Who am I?

I lived in Ingleburn, I was a corporal in 3rd Battalion 26 Marines USMC.

My name is connected with a phone, things us older guys may have seen on the corner to call up people, in those days we were mobile not the phones.

Who am I?

Email your answers to ingleburnSB@rslnsw.org.au

That’s all Folks until the next Newsletter...

See ya

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