



City of Albury RSL Sub-Branch

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Newsletter

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Trustees: Barry Howard, Marlene Sullivan, John Gunton

Pensions Officer:

Harry Hacking, JP

Welfare Officer:

Des Bailey (not photographed)

Hospital/visitation:

Peter Jansen

**The Sub- Branch
meets
the third Sunday
of every month.
(except April)
Commencing at
11 am.**

Light lunch follows
the meeting .

**Sub-Branch meeting dates
for 2014**

16th March

13th April

18th May

15th June

20th July

17th August

21st September

19th October

16th November

PENSION AND WELFARE HELP??

Don't forget that if you require a pension review or
welfare assistance please phone

ANZAC House (Albury)

02 6021 1241

for an appointment.

If you would like a home visit, please leave your details
at:

ANZAC House 527 Wilson Street Albury NSW 2640

Or email: information@alburyrsl.org.au

Token Days 2014

The normal token day (the last Friday before ANZAC Day) falls at Easter this year so there are 3 token days.

School students token day 10th April

Shopping centres etc 23rd and 24th April

Volunteers are always required to assist with the selling of ANZAC tokens.

If you can help please contact
ANZAC House at (02) 6021 1341.



Dyson's **NEED A BUS?**

- Social Club Events
- Fundraisers
- Football/Netball Trips
- Weddings/Parties
- Special Occasions
- School Tours/Camps

Low floor
Air conditioned

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18-20 Moloney Drive Wodonga Phone: (02) 6056 3100
Email: wodonga@dysongroup.com.au
Web: www.dysongroup.com.au

ANZAC DAY PROGRAMME

- 5.30am Dawn Service at the Albury War Memorial on Monument Hill.
- 8am Service at SS & A Club Memorial Wall.
- 8.15am Waugh Road Memorial:
Service conducted by National Servicemen's Association.
- 8.30am Assemble for Dean Street March
Eastern end of Dean Street.
- 9am March commences down Dean Street and will terminate in either Townsend or Elizabeth Streets, as directed.
- 10am Service at the Albury War Memorial on Monument Hill
- Guest Speaker: Colonel Todd Ashurst,
Commander Joint Logistics Unit (Vic.)

Host High School this year:
Border Christian College

LINK RSL DAY CLUB

The Link RSL Day Club meets each Thursday at Legacy House, from 10am to 2.30pm.

The Club provides a range of activities such as gentle exercises, quizzes, games, entertainment, guest speakers and special events.

Lunch and morning tea are provided and transport may be arranged, to and from the Club. The Club is a financially independent and not-for-profit organisation. A fee of \$5.00 usually applies: \$10 if you use the transport.

Don't forget membership is open to all older people, both veterans and non-veterans.

Phone Judith Fenton on 02 6059 1890 for details.

There is only one thing left for you to do - round up your friends and come along and spend an enjoyable day at your RSL Day Club.

Martin's 
TRAVEL GROUP ALBURY

Presidents Page

Welcome to the first ANZAC House Newsletter for 2014, for those of you that have visited ANZAC House recently you will have seen that the front of the building has been cleaned and repainted with new signs installed. This looks a million dollars. Your Committee has worked very hard to make all the refurbishments happen with minimal disruption to the functioning of the Sub-Branch. This year will see a continuation of the refurbishment program to bring ANZAC House up to a high standard making it safe, attractive and friendly.

As I said in my letter to all members last year, we need your support to keep the Sub-Branch bubbling along. I received several letters and calls from members in their late 80's and early 90's apologising for not being able to support the Sub-Branch other than by simply paying their fees. What about the members that are 20 years younger helping out. There is plenty to be done from painting, cleaning up the storage shed and gardening. The Reception Desk needs more volunteers.

This is not time consuming, it is therapeutic. It will give you a purpose.

We are at present being inundated with requests for RSL Eulogy's from non-RSL member's families, providing guest speakers and organising small services. This is not an easy task to meet with a small group of volunteers and accordingly this will need to be reviewed and possibly cut back if volunteers do not come forward shortly. Become part of the solution and become involved in the functioning of your Sub-Branch. The annual Badge Day collection is coming up in April and we are always after volunteers so check your diary.

In October we conducted a very successful Younger Veterans' Forum and intend to hold another in the second half of the year so watch out for that please. Veterans' Health Week will again be held in the second half of the year.

Please remember that our Pensions Officer is available to assist as is our Welfare Officer so please make contact if you need assistance.

Please enjoy reading of your newsletter.

Christmas Party 2013



And the winner is?



Meeee!!





REMEMBRANCE DAY 2013

Due to inclement weather predictions it was decided to go indoors and with the help of Father Peter McLoud-Miller a very comfortable and solemn ceremony was held in St Matthews Church.



YOUR SUB-BRANCH

Volunteers are the mainstay of operations, without them your Sub-Branch would not continue to exist.

Volunteers include trained Pension & Welfare Officers, who work closely with all ex-service organizations and the Department of Veteran's Affairs.

We also need volunteers to look after the reception desk.

***We are always looking for volunteers.
If you have some spare time on your hands,
please give us a ring***

The Sub-Branch relies on generosity of donations to off-set our running costs.

Thank You

Thank you to all the volunteers who help in manning the Reception desk, looking after Pensions and Welfare, assisting in the kitchen with catering and cleaning up, setting up the meeting room, cooking the BBQs, setting up chairs at outside events and the committee for their ongoing dedication and compassion for their fellow members.

TEEN DRIVER

A teenage boy had just gotten his driver's licence and asked his father when they could discuss his use of the car. His father said he'd make a deal with his son: "You bring your grades up from a C to a B average, study your Bible a little, and get your hair cut. Then we'll talk about the car..." The boy thought about that for a moment, decided he'd settle for the offer, and they agreed on it. After about six weeks his father said, "son, you've brought your grades up and I've observed that you have been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed you haven't had your hair cut." The boy said, "You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that, and I've noticed in my studies of the Bible that Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair...and there's even strong evidence that Jesus had long hair." To this his father replied, "Did you also notice they all walked everywhere they went?"

A Paddy Joke

On Monday, Paddy the Irishman, was hired as a labourer for the day. The foreman told the men to go and get their tools for the job. On arrival at the work-shed, while he was looking among the shovels, he was told to "take-ya-pick" - so he left without anything.

Its a Paradox

The paradox of our time in history is that we spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy it less. We have bigger houses and smaller families; more conveniences, but less time; we have more degrees, but less sense; more knowledge, but less judgment; more experts, but less solutions; more medicine, but less wellness. We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We've learned how to make a living, but not a life; we've added years to life, not life to years.



Our very own Albury Souvenir Remembrance badge will be available and on sale in reception at ANZAC House soon.

Volunteers required

Bunnings BBQ

Our dates for this year are
19th July and 8th November.

If you are able to assist on those days please contact the office at ANZAC House Albury.



Hi everyone- from the **Ex-Servicewomen's Association** – Albury Wodonga District

Our meetings are friendship based get togethers for ladies that were in any Service covering all the years of WW11 and thereafter. Australian, British or others are welcome to join us.

We meet twice a month - have afternoon tea and catch up with friends. We have planned outings and the Commercial Club hosts us for Dining Room luncheons twice a year.

Our Club would like to see some new members and if you are interested and can come along please ring Barbara on 6021 3858 for any information.

Our meetings are held at ANZAC HOUSE Wilson Street on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 1.30pm and then a Cuppa day on the 4th Tuesday, also at 1.30pm for just a Cuppa and a chat and to keep in touch.

Love to see you- come along and meet some old and new friends.



Albury Sub-Branch welcomes the addition of Affiliate Members.

At State Congress in May 2012 it was resolved that RSL NSW establish a new membership type. This membership is open to people who do not qualify for Service Membership of the League but meet set criteria and will be referred to as Affiliate Members.

For more details call at the Office at Wilson Street for an application to join form.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2014

Members renewal was due on 1 January 2014

Absolute deadline 1st April

If you miss this deadline you will be un-financial.

Put this reminder on your fridge for payment with cash or send a cheque along with completed form now.

If you have already paid there is a * on your mailing label.

Membership fees are \$30 per year.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

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