



# City of Albury

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# Newsletter

## June Edition 2017

# City of Albury Sub-Branch 2017 Committee

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**Assistant Treasurer:** Scott Threlfall

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**Pensions Officer:**  
Harry Hacking, JP

**Welfare Officer/s:**  
Harry Hacking JP, Barry Howard & Dani Jourdain

**Hospital/visitation:**  
Peter Jansen



**Your Sub-Branch meets the third Sunday  
of each month at ANZAC House  
Commencing at 11am**

Light lunch follows the meeting at a minimal cost.

**Meeting dates:**

18h June 2017

23<sup>th</sup> July 2017

20<sup>st</sup> August 2017

17<sup>th</sup> September 2017

15<sup>h</sup> October 2016

19<sup>th</sup> November 2017

**SUB-BRANCH OFFICE HOURS  
TUESDAY- THURSDAY  
10am to 3.30pm**



**Poppy Day 10<sup>th</sup> of November**

Volunteers are needed to sell poppies.

Please call in to ANZAC House to register  
your availability.

New volunteers are always welcome.

School student Poppy sellers 9th of November

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## Vale



On ANZAC Day we lost our favourite Kitchen Manager  
and committee member Don Denis.

A long time member of our branch, he is sadly missed.

Following is the poem read at his funeral.

### “AFTERGLOW”

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one  
I'd like to leave and afterglow of smiles when life is done  
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways  
Of happy times and laughing times and bright, sunny days  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun  
Of happy memories that I leave now my life is done.

# **Ex Service Women's Association**

## **Albury - Wodonga**

Welcome to our news again and a reminder that we would still very much like to welcome any ladies interested in joining us as a member. Meetings every second Tuesday 1.30pm with a cuppa together at ANZAC House.

We have lunches arranged - day trips to enjoy and now Xmas coming up, lots to look forward to, finishing the year with our Xmas lunch at ANZAC House.

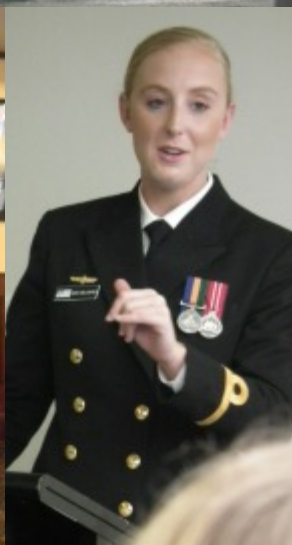
We have our own Welfare Officer for anyone needing help or advice. Please ring Barbara (6021 3858) if you would like to enquire about coming along. Love to see you - join us and meet some old and new friends.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped 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 on the BBQ, setting up chairs at outside events and the committee for their ongoing dedication and compassion for their fellow members.

**Would you like your newsletter emailed in glorious colour then please send an email to [treasurer@alburyrsl.org.au](mailto:treasurer@alburyrsl.org.au)**

# ANZAC DAY 2017





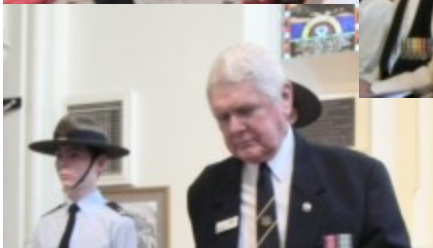
## ANZAC Field of Remembrance

This fitting tribute came from an idea originated by the late Mrs C J Pope, widow of Rear Admiral Pope. While visiting London she was impressed by a Field of Remembrance Day held each year in the old churchyard at St Margaret's alongside Westminster Abbey. The Royal British Legion Poppy Factory initiated the Field of Remembrance – a day on which small wooden crosses were planted in memory of the fallen.

The Field of Remembrance is open from the service until the late afternoon on Anzac Day for war widows and members of the public to place small wooden crosses in personal remembrance of their husbands, relatives and friends who died during or following war service.

### Field of Remembrance Ceremony at St Matthews Church





## **BE AWARE – TECHNOLOGY CAN WORK AGAINST US!**

### **DO YOU USE LONG - TERM CAR PARKING?**

When leaving your vehicle in the Long Term Parking at an airport it indicates that you are away for a while. A car was broken into and using info on papers and documents found in the car, the thieves drove to the address, used the remote for the garage door and robbed the home, knowing that they had plenty of time.

### **IN CAR GPS**

While parked at the football some fan's car was stolen. The thieves, knowing how long the football game went for, used the GPS to guide them to "Home" and again used a garage remote left in the car to enter the home. Suggestion – don't put "Home" in your GPS; put a close address or service station.

### **LISTINGS IN YOUR MOBILE PHONES**

I never thought of this! A lady's handbag was stolen with a mobile phone, purse, credit cards etc. The lady had to find a phone and then rang her hubby. When she reached "hubby" he tells her "I received your text asking for our Pin number and I replied to you". You guessed it; their Bank account had been emptied. The thief had actually used the stolen cell phone to text "hubby" in the contact list and got hold of the pin number. Suggestion: Don't list relationships in your contact list e.g. Home, Hubby, Dad, Mum etc. If you are asked for sensitive information by text, firstly ring to ensure it has come from the owner.

### **TEXT MESSAGES FROM 'FRIENDS OR FAMILY'**

So, from the other side of the equation – if you **receive** a text message from a family member or friend to meet somewhere, call back first to ensure it is bona fide. If you cannot get on to them, be aware. It may be that their mobile was stolen and the thief is waiting for **you** to leave so they can break in.

### **PURSE IN THE GROCERY CART SCAM:**

A lady went grocery-shopping at a local shop and left her purse sitting in the children's seat of the cart while she reached for something off a shelf. Wait till you read the **WHOLE** story! Her wallet was stolen, and she reported it to the store personnel. After returning home, she received a phone call from the Store Security to say that they had her wallet and that although there was no money in it, it did still hold her personal papers. She immediately went to pick up her wallet, only to be told by Store Security that they had not called her at all. By the time she returned home again, her house had been broken into and burglarized. The thieves knew that by calling and saying they were Store Security, they could lure her out of her house long enough for them to burglarize it.

While technology can work so well **FOR** us, it can also be used **AGAINST** us. Just be aware and pass these types of incidents on to others.

# RSL NSW STATE CONGRESS 2017



Congress  
Raffle is  
Drawn



## LINK RSL DAY CLUB

Every Thursday over 30 members and volunteers meet at the Link RSL Day Club at ANZAC House to enjoy social interaction, a tasty meal, quizzes, games and lots of fun. Throughout the year special theme days are held such as Movie Day when members enjoy hot popcorn while watching a movie projected on the 'big screen'. Easter and St Patricks Day see the Leprechaun pictured above.

Ask members what they like best about Link Club and you will hear:

*The friendly, happy, cheeky people.*

*Lunch with friends.*

*The variety of activities.*

*The volunteers do so much for us.*

*Meeting different people and making new friends.*

*The great Christmas party.*

Among Link Club members there is over 2400 years of collective wisdom. What a wonderfully rich, diverse, wise and happy group of people.

For information about volunteering or becoming a member at the Link RSL Day Club please contact the coordinator, Judith Fenton, on **6059 1890**.



Spotted at last months RSL NSW State Congress.

## **President's Report 21 May 2017**

It has been a very busy month with ANZAC Day and all of the preparation with a lot of effort put in by both Committee members and volunteers. I particularly want to thank those of you who participated and the old adage of "many hands make light work" certainly applies at these busy times.

Harry Hacking was the MC at the Field of Remembrance and represented us and the War Widows in a very professional manner.

The Bunnings BBQ was again a good money raiser and thanks to those who put in the time. All organised by Barry Howard who never ceases to amaze me with his energy.

We laid a wreath at the service for the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea which was for me quite moving as my father was on a ship which participated in that battle.

The funeral for Don Dennis was very sad and there was a great number present which he would have been embarrassed about. Graham Docksey and I did the RSL Tribute with Mark Lunnon and Harry Hacking handing out the poppies. The standing joke I had with Don whenever he assisted me with funerals was that he had to pay for any poppies that weren't returned! When I suggested the same to Mark, his response was that he had best bring some money. His response was much more polite than Dons which was "Oh be like the Christmas turkey".

Yesterday the ALTC exercised the "Right of Entry" to the cities of Albury and Wodonga which was conducted in a very professional manner and was the first time for 10 years.

The roof on the older part of the building needs replacing and I am waiting for quotes before putting it formally to a meeting. We have found that there are a number of leaks and one particularly dangerous one which enables water to run down near the power board.

*Mark Dando*

# Veteran Support Albury Wodonga

City of Albury RSL Sub- Branch welcomes the Veteran Support Albury Wodonga as a Subsidiary. This is a group of new veterans who have come together in self support. They hold Coffee Catch ups once a month and recently hosted a successful Young Veterans Forum at Albury's ANZAC House.

They have been actively holding fundraiser's with a Bar B Q at Mount Beauty markets

Held a Class in couples cooking at Michael's Patisserie

a couple of their members are also on the Committee of Albury RSL Sub Branch namely Brett Newman and Scott Threlfall

We welcome any new members with fresh ideas as to how we can progress both organizations.



## **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  
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