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Newsletter

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Fr Alan Kelb, OAM

**Your Sub-Branch meetings for 2022/23
Commencing at 11am**

Light lunch follows the meeting at a cost of \$5

Meeting dates:

16th October 2022

20th November 2022

Christmas party

11th December 2022

2023

Annual General Meeting

19th February 2023

19th March 2023

16th April 2023

21st May 2023

17th September 2023

19th October 2023

17th November 2023

10th December 2023 Christmas Party

SUB-BRANCH OFFICE HOURS

TUE. WED. THU. 10am to 3.30pm

**These times may vary according to availability of
volunteers.**

Thank you

To all the volunteers who have helped:
Fundraising
Manning the Reception desk,
Looking after Pensions and Welfare,
Assisting in the kitchen,
Catering,
Cleaning up,
Setting up the meeting room,
Cooking on the BBQ,
Gardening and lawn care,
Setting up chairs at outside events
and the committee
for their ongoing dedication and
compassion for their fellow members.



You can view your copy of the
newsletters in colour on our website
www.alburyrsl.org.au

Or

if you give us your email address,
it will be sent directly to your inbox.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY
SERVICE**



11th November 2022

Remembrance Day Memorial Service
will be held at

**ST MATTHEWS
ANGLICAN CHURCH**

Kiewa Street 10.30 am

Guest Speaker

Colonel Clare Kellaway

At the conclusion of the service members
and guests are invited to enjoy
nibbles and a cuppa on the lawns of
ANZAC House

**** Full size medals to be worn ****

VIETNAM VETERANS DAY 2022



A good roll up to commemorate Vietnam Veterans Day and the unveiling and dedication of our new plaque. 10 Veterans in attendance.

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



Australian Government

Department of Veterans' Affairs



VETERANS' HEALTH WEEK

The City of Albury RSL sub-Branch invites members of the Veteran Community to enjoy a fun social bowls morning at the Commercial Club Albury.

When:

Thursday the 20th of October 2022 commencing at 9.30am with bowls and instruction provided free.

Prizes will be available for novelty events.

No previous experience necessary, just come along with a hat, water, flat soled shoes and ready for some fun.

After bowls a free lunch will be provided at

ANZAC House 527 Wilson Street Albury at 12.45pm.

Graham Docksey, OAM, JP - President 0429655815



VETERANS HEALTH WEEK ACTIVITY

****FUN IN THE SUN****

THURSDAY THE 20TH OF OCTOBER 2022

COMMERCIAL CLUB BOWLING GREENS

*******THIS IS A FREE ACTIVITY WITH PRIZES*******

9.30am meet on the bowling greens,

9.45am Introductions and briefing,

Bowls instruction,

Novelty bowls events.

11.45am Debrief and retire to ANZAC House for lunch.

No previous experience necessary, just come along with a hat, water, flat soled shoes and be ready for some fun in a relaxed and safe environment.

Come along and enjoy the company of others.



VETERANS HEALTH WEEK ACTIVITY

****HEALTHY EATING****

THURSDAY THE 20TH OF OCTOBER 2022

ANZAC HOUSE

527 WILSON STREET ALBURY

******THIS IS A FREE ACTIVITY******

12.15pm Assemble at ANZAC House for a cuppa and chat,

12.30pm Presentation on healthy eating,

12.45pm A healthy lunch will be provided.

1.30pm Presentation of prizes from the mornings lawn bowls.

Tea, coffee, milk, biscuits, sandwiches and water provided.

Come along and enjoy the company of others in a safe environment.

POPPY SALES DAY

Thursday 10th November

There are numerous sites though out the Albury and district area where sales of poppies and badges can be sold and as usual we are looking for your support to become sellers at these sites.

If you can spare an hour or so on this day your time would be much appreciated. The sites are mainly indoors and comfortable.

We have a large range of badges and poppies and they almost sell themselves. If you can spare some time please contact Pauline at ANZAC house (Tuesdays).

There is also an opportunity to help with the setting up of the sellers boxes. If you feel that you would prefer this activity please contact Jan at ANZAC house (Thursdays)



**Annual Albury RSL cards for 2023 are
now available.**

**Administration fee of \$15 is due for
payment before 1st January 2023.**

**Your NSW RSL Membership card is a
perpetual card and should be kept safe.**

**The only reason for it to be replaced is
if lost or damaged.**

Ex Service Women's Association - Albury Wodonga

Welcome and a reminder that we would still very much like to welcome any ladies interested in joining us as a member.

Meetings are held second Tuesday each month at 11.30am at ANZAC House 527 Wilson Street Albury.

We have lunches arranged - day trips to enjoy.

We have our own Welfare Officer for anyone needing help or advice.

Please ring Marj 6025 8197 or 0409038953 if you would like to enquire about coming along. Love to see you - join us and meet some old and new friends.

PRESIDENTS CORNER – OCTOBER 2022

Great to feel the warmer weather again touching our skin and reaching across the gardens with the birds chirping Just a gentle reminder about the Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP). The schedule of items, the guidelines and forms are available on www.dva.gov.au. (RAP program). I strongly encourage you to look at the schedule and then discuss this with your GP or health professional. You could also consider the Household Help Services: like domestic cleaning, lawn mowing and window and gutter cleaning. If your fans are too high to safely clean you can have this sorted for you if you have an entitlement. Your continued health is important to us and not only you but your family.

This is your sub-Branch so please get involved whether it be doing a few hours on the reception desk or assisting on Remembrance or ANZAC Days sales of badges or poppies. If you are interested, please talk to the Secretary. I have now sorted Remembrance Day so please attend if you can. Look for further information in this newsletter. Thanks Jan.

I continue to look over my shoulder for a younger veteran to step-up and take my place as President, do you know anyone looking for the position which comes with training. The position comes with no pay, no superannuation or annual leave entitlements but the great satisfaction of serving the veteran community.

Our interest now continues on the refurbishment of the nearly 70-year-old World War Two Bowl. Plans have been completed and the plans had been out for community consultation and were warmly welcomed. The funding has been approved in the upcoming Albury City budgets. We look forward to this plan being implemented over the next couple years. Stay tuned for further updates from council.

Recently, I was made aware of two unmarked graves of veterans. I put a case to the Office of War Graves, and I am pleased to report that the first grave has been refurbished and the second is under way. After both are completed, I will arranged for suitable media, and we will conduct a simple service at both graves to acknowledge their service. We are most grateful for the support of DVA and the office of War Graves.

Monthly meetings continue to be very well attended and most productive with many members remaining for the luncheon afterwards and a friendly chat. So come along you are most welcome. Often, we have a guest speaker on a subject of interest to our members. The Sub-Branch continues to support DVA sponsored activities such as Veterans Health Week. See details elsewhere in this newsletter for the October 20 activity.

Do not forget about the NSW Government Seniors Travel Card.

Your sub-Branch is in a sound financial position and is being well managed. I continue to remain grateful for the support and loyalty of my committee. Best wishes to you all and stay safe.

Graham,



On Grahams travels he met a Korean War US Marine veteran in Alaska. A Medal of Honour recipient.



Christmas Raffle

Drawn at

Christmas Party

11th December 2022

First prize: Chess Set (donated by Rose Brigden)

Second prize: Ltd. edition Sands of Galipoli Medallion set

Third Prize: Soldier Bear

Fourth Prize: Miniature Reversed Arms Digger Figurine

Tickets just \$2 each and can be purchased at ANZAC House.

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‘Link RSL Day Club’

Are you interested in getting out of the house and having some fun? If so, then why not join us. We meet each Thursday at ANZAC house 527 Wilson Street from 10am - 2pm and is open to senior members of the Albury community.

Entry only \$10.00

This is for morning tea, lunch and tickets in a raffle

Our Programme includes:

Gentle exercises, quizzes, games, social activities, guest speakers, entertainment and occasional bus trips .

Morning tea & Lunch

Door to door transport may be provided if eligible.

For information about becoming a member

Please contact:

The Link RSL Day Club Coordinator

Danny - PH: 0477 224 751

A joint venture between the RSL New South Wales and the Australian Government Department of Veterans’ Affairs (NSW Office)



Guest speaker Shakara Rose.
Most enjoyable and fun.



Visiting Choir from Arts Crafts and Activities Group who meet at Mirambeena Community Centre weekly.



CHRISTMAS PARTY

At

ANZAC House

Sunday

11th December 2022

commencing at

11.30 am for 12 noon.

BBQ lunch.

Ladies bring a dessert plate please.

Lucky door prizes

Christmas raffle

will be drawn at 1pm

Tickets on sale on the day.



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