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“The Price of Liberty is Eternal Vigilance”

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The Day War Came to Australian Shores

This year marks 80 years since the bombing of Darwin by aircraft of the Imperial Japanese Navy.

Often called 'Australia's Pearl Harbour', the attacks killed 252 Allied service personnel and civilians as well as destroying ships, buildings and infrastructure.

Bombed in more than 50 air raids during the Second World War, Darwin is a city shaped by war.

As the largest population centre in northern Australia, Darwin was considered a vital asset in Australia's defences against an increasingly aggressive Japanese Empire in the 1930s. Its port and airfield facilities were developed, coastal defence batteries constructed and its garrison steadily enlarged.

The outbreak of war in the Pacific resulted in the rapid enlargement of the military presence in Darwin and it was used as a base from which to deploy forces for the defence of the Dutch East Indies.

In January and February 1942 these forces were overwhelmed by Japanese landings, usually preceded by heavy air attacks.

On 19 February, Japanese fighters and bombers attacked the township of Darwin, its port and shipping in the harbour, twice during the day.

The Japanese air raids on Darwin on 19 February involved, collectively, over 260 enemy aircraft. Subsequent raids in April, June, July and November 1942, and March 1943 were carried out with forces of 30 to 40 fighters and bombers.

Between the large raids there were smaller operations by groups of under a dozen Japanese aircraft. Most of the raids occurred in daylight but there were some small scale night attacks.

The 64th, and last, air raid on Darwin occurred on 12 November 1943. In total there were 97 air attacks on northern Australia and enemy air reconnaissance over the region continued through much of 1944.

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Visit our Facebook page for the latest news and RSL related issues: www.facebook.com/morphettvalersl
or the RSL web site for pictures and information about Sub-Branch activities: www.rslmorphettvale.com.au

From the President's Desk

Hi All.

We are back into the swing of things here at the Sub-Branch. The year so far has been reasonably well attended with numbers steadily getting better. However, your support of more of the Sub-Branch activities is really encouraged. There is nothing harder to take than when we arrange an activity or function for you, the members, and we end up with more visitors than members attending. If we aren't providing events etc. that you like to attend, please feel free to let us know what you would like to have us, the Committee, arrange for you. OR you could volunteer your time and effort to arrange an activity for the members to attend. All help is greatly appreciated.



Fundraising BBQs

We have held two Bunnings Sausage Sizzles so far this year and have raised a total of \$1,446.00 for the Sub-Branch. The next sausage sizzle at Bunnings Noarlunga will be on Saturday 5th March 2022. Volunteers are still needed so please contact our Secretary, Jarrad, to book your spot.

ANZAC Commemorations

A very big program is developing for our ANZAC Day commemorations, with various activities out in the community as well as our normal Commemorative services. Your attendance at as many of these events as possible is encouraged. Jarrad will have a complete list of ANZAC Day activities in this newsletter.

In a new fundraising initiative, we are conducting a huge Cash Raffle, that will be drawn on ANZAC Day, 25 April 2022 at 12:00 noon in the Sub-Branch. Winners will be notified on the day. Tickets cost \$5.00 each and a book of 10 is \$50.00. Please contact Jarrad to arrange for your book/books to buy or sell. This raffle is very important as the funds raised will go to support the costs for staging this year's ANZAC Day commemorations. All monies and tickets must be returned to Jarrad no later than Friday 22 April 2022.

We will need to do a big clean-up of the Sub-Branch before ANZAC Day, so be on the lookout for Working Bee notices. I would also like to see our top fence project completed this year.

Open Mic Days

Our "Open Mic Day" is going from strength to strength with a good number of performers putting their hands up to provide entertainment. The attendances have been OK but once again there are far more visitors than members. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT to make this an ongoing and viable event. The next Open Mic Day will be held on Sunday 20th March 2022 commencing at 2.00pm. Please come along with a friend or two and enjoy the afternoon. You can get up and do an item as well. Give it a try. See you there!!!

Friday Nights

The Friday night dinners are progressing well, we are working closely with the caterers to find a good menu that will be pleasing to all. It is a work in progress and Trent is doing his best to provide some seasonal variation to the menu as well.

We have a State election on 19 March this year and a Federal election to follow not long afterwards, please ensure that you are fully enrolled on the State and Federal electoral rolls.

We as a Committee have committed ourselves to the improvement of our Sub-Branch and the quality of services that we can provide to you, our members.

Your help, support and feedback are equally important to us.

Well, that's all from me for now, I look forward to seeing you all during the year.

Yours in Service,

Ron

President, RSL Morphett Vale & District Sub-Branch

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HUGE CASH RAFFLE

<u>1st Prize</u> - \$500 Cold Hard Cash	Value	\$500.00
<u>2nd Prize</u> - \$250 Cold Hard Cash	Value	\$250.00
<u>3rd Prize</u> - \$150 Cold Hard Cash	Value	\$150.00
<u>4th Prize</u> - \$80.00 Bunnings Hardware Voucher	Value	\$80.00
<u>5th Prize</u> - Chocolate Indulgence Box (Kindly donated by Addicted to Chocolate)	Value	\$49.95

Tickets \$5 each or \$50 for a book of Ten tickets

Tickets from Morphett Vale RSL Sub-Branch, 8 Robertson Avenue, Morphett Vale SA 5162

Or contact the Secretary on 0433 793 347 or at MorphettVale@rslsa.org.au

**Raffle drawn at Sub-Branch on 25th April 2022 at 12.00pm.
Winners will be notified on the day.**

‘Home of the Soldier’ Marks 70th Anniversary

On 12 November 2021 Kapooka, the ‘home of the soldier’, celebrated 70 years of training Australian soldiers to be among the best in the world. Around 350,000 Australians have now passed through the iconic Army Recruit Training Centre (ARTC), located at Blamey Barracks in Kapooka, near Wagga Wagga in New South Wales.

Minister for Veterans’ Affairs and Defence Personnel, Andrew Gee, says the quality of our soldiers and the international regard in which they are held was testament to the training received at Kapooka.

“The ‘home of the soldier’ is a uniquely Australian asset that contributes to both our national security and our national character, through the standards and loyalty instilled into every recruit.”

Every Australian soldier begins their career at Kapooka, to learn the basic skills and the foundations to grow into capable, confident military leaders.

We should admire and respect the achievements of this base over the past 70 years, and also recognise its previous service as the training base for Australian Army engineers in World War II.

Originally commencing operations in 1951 as the 1st Recruit Training Battalion, much of the base’s existing structures can be traced back to 1966, when the Governor of New South Wales Sir Roden Cutler, VC, KCMG, CBE, opened the new facilities for both National Service and Regular Army recruits as the Vietnam conflict escalated.

Between 1965 and 1972 alone, in excess of ten thousand National Servicemen trained at Kapooka, and in 1985 Kapooka became responsible for the training of female recruits.

Soldier training at Kapooka includes fitness, weapons handling, combat skills, first aid, teamwork and self-organisation skills.

ADF Reserve Civilian Employers Recognised

The annual Defence Employer Support Awards has recognised leading employers across Australia for their contribution and support to Australian Defence Force (ADF) reservists.

Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Minister for Defence Personnel Andrew Gee said the awards showcase employers that have demonstrated outstanding support to their staff who conduct ADF service.

"The Australian Government recognises and values the contribution made by ADF reservists and their employers to Defence capability," Minister Gee said

"Across Australia, we have more than 28,000 active ADF reservists who contribute vital skills and capability to the Defence of our nation.

"Having workplaces that support reservists ensures that they can perform a variety of roles to help the ADF respond quickly and effectively in a time of crisis.

"Our reservists are a highly skilled, dynamic and disciplined workforce, whose service to our country during the unprecedented circumstances of COVID-19 pandemic was made possible by the support of employers.

"I commend the award-winning organisations and all the nominees for their continued support of our ADF reservists and their communities across Australia."

The winners of the 2021 National Employer Support Awards are:

- BHP, Western Australia—large private sector organisation
- CSR Cemintel, New South Wales—medium private sector organisation
- MV2, South Australia—small private sector organisation
- Westmead Hospital, Emergency Department, New South Wales—public sector organisation, and
- Careflight Limited, New South Wales—not-for-profit organisation.

Honourable mentions also went to:

- INLOC International, Queensland— a medium private sector organisation, and
- WA Association for Mental Health, Western Australia—a not-for-profit organisation.

Defence provides direct support to reservist civilian employers through the Employer Support Payment Scheme and a range of engagement programs and activities.

Find out more at www.defencereservessupport.gov.au

Over previous months the **RSL Facebook** page <http://facebook.com/morphettvalers/> has been introducing members of our RSL Sub-Branch committee and Women's Auxiliary, giving readers an opportunity to get to know them better. Thanks to Kerrie some of those profiles have now been included in this newsletter.

Sub-Branch Personality Profile

Name - Rosemary Sherlock.

Position - one of the newest Women's Auxiliary members.

3 words that describe you - Honest, Reliable, Generous.

Why you volunteer - to give back to the community.

Your hero - My parents. Both of whom worked tirelessly in the local community.

Favourite singer - Big Bands - Glenn Miller/Tommy Dorsey.

Proudest accomplishments - my three beautiful children.

Most favourite meal - I'm a food-aholic ... no particular favourites.

Something people don't know about you - I'm pretty much an open book ...

Welcome to the Angels Rosemary.



ANZAC Day Activities for 2022

- **Sunday Commemorative Service**

Scheduled for Sunday April 24th at the Sub-Branch, this annual service has been held for over 90 years, with the support of the Glenelg Brass Band. This year the service will start at **1300Hrs (1:00pm)** with a march-in of Service Members. On conclusion of the service, a light luncheon will be served by the members of the Women's Auxiliary.

- **ANZAC Preparations 2022.**

With planning well underway, it is hoped that a normal Dawn Service will be held this year at the Memorial Gardens. Given we have a busy weekend, support from members to assist with setting up the Hall after the Sunday Commemorative Service ready for Gunfire Breakfast will be appreciated. Also required are members to assist in transporting equipment and chairs from the RSL to the Memorial Gardens in preparation for the Youth Vigil. Please liaise with Rob Winter if you can assist.

- **Youth Vigil**

The ANZAC Youth Vigil in the South will be back as normal at the Memorial Gardens. This is the 20th year that the Vigil has been held.

Members of cadet and community youth groups with their leaders gather at the Morphett Vale Football Clubrooms and a BBQ dinner is served by the Kiwanis Club around 6.00pm.

The first group of young people, who stand guard throughout the night at the memorial set up around the Contemplation Garden, take their positions shortly after dinner and various groups change places, until the commencement of the ANZAC Dawn Service.

At 8.15pm on ANZAC Eve a ceremony commences that includes tributes to the fallen, an address by the Onkaparinga Youth of the Year and tokens laid by representatives of the youth groups and local schools.



- **Dawn Service**

Dawn Service will be back at the Memorial Gardens this year with SA Health (currently) advising that no restrictions will be in place being an outdoor event. It is asked that all attending try to maintain social distancing requirements, masks should be worn if you feel concerned and if you are feeling unwell please stay at home. The service will be live streamed should you be unable to attend.

The service will commence at 6am with any veteran who wishes to march to the memorial, stepping off from the oval gates at 5:45am.

At the conclusion of the service all members and friends are invited back to the RSL for a Gunfire Breakfast kindly cooked by Rotary. The bar will be open for as long as is required and the RSL Mega Cash Raffle will be drawn at 12noon.

- **Digger Day SA 2022.**

The Digger Day commemorations and football match are scheduled to take place at Flagstaff Hill football ground on Saturday 23rd April. RSL representatives and politicians will conduct a small ANZAC ceremony prior to the main game, which will be a replay of the Southern Football League 2021 Grand Final Flagstaff Hill Falcons V Morphett Vale Emus.

The Friday night RSL dinner prior to the event is usually attended by a few of the Digger Day guests.

DFISA Talking Points

Background

- In December 2021, legislation was passed which results in an increase in social security payments, removing the need for the Defence Force Income Support Allowance (DFISA) and increasing Rent Assistance to some disabled veterans receiving income support.
- These changes took effect on 1 January 2022.
- It implemented the recommendations of the review by Mr David Tune into the adequacy of the Totally and Permanently Incapacitated (TPI) payment. It:
 - exempts Disability Compensation Payment (formerly known as Disability Pension) as income under the Social Security Act. These changes simplify the support system for veterans and dependants and negates the need for the DFISA.
 - removes a means test imposed on Rent Assistance for certain veterans and dependants. These veterans and dependants are now eligible for Rent Assistance, or an increased rate of Rent Assistance.
 - clarifies that the Disability Compensation Payment is a compensation payment, and that it should not be confused with other income support payments such as Centrelink's Disability Support Pension.
- No veteran will receive lower total payments as a result of this measure. Many will receive more due to now being eligible for Rent Assistance, either for the first time or at a higher rate.

Why don't I have my Defence Force Income Support Allowance in my bank account?

- The Defence Force Income Support Allowance is no longer needed because your underlying income support payment has increased by the same amount. This is because your Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) Disability Compensation Payment (formerly known as Disability Pension) is no longer taken into account in the income test for your social security payment (Centrelink payment or Age Pension paid by DVA).
- You should have received a letter from DVA explaining this, however, some letters have been delayed.
- Please see the DVA website DFISA page under "What's New" for further information.
- Please check your payments online with Centrelink, and DVA's MyService.

Are veterans receiving less money because of these changes?

- No, you will receive the same total amount, or perhaps more if you are privately renting.
- Please check your online Centrelink account for information about your payment (or your MyService account if you receive Age Pension from DVA), which should have increased by the same amount as your previous Defence Force Income Support Allowance.
- If your payment has not increased, please consider other circumstances that might have changed such as an increase in your income or assets, a change in relationship e.g. single to couple status, a move in residence.
- If your circumstances have not changed, then please ring on 1800 VETERAN (1800 838 372) or email DVA (GeneralEnquiries@dva.gov.au) with your veteran file number and DVA will investigate.
- You may have never received your social security payment before and only received Disability Compensation Payment (formerly known as Disability Pension) and the Defence Force Income Support Allowance from DVA.
- If this is the case, please access your online Centrelink account and check that you are receiving it now.
- Please note that the change is staggered over two paydays because the change took effect on 1 January 2022, which is in the middle of two pay periods.
- The pay day of 27 January will show no DFISA and the full amount of your social security payment.
- Note also that pay days at Centrelink are different for different customers, unlike DVA which has the same pay day for all veterans and their families. Thus, the Centrelink payday may not align with the DVA payday.

Will veterans need to apply for rent assistance?

- No. DVA has contacted those income support recipients who may be eligible and sought up-to-date rent information from them. This information was used to undertake the assessment of Rent Assistance with payments commencing on the first payday of 13 January 2022.
- If a veteran thinks they have missed out, they may be able to update their rental details on MyService or ring DVA.
- Those eligible would be in receipt of the Disability Compensation Payment *and* Service Pension, Income Support Supplement or Veteran Payment.
- They will also need to provide proof of private rent paid above \$127.60 per fortnight for singles and \$206.40 combined for couples.
- The maximum amount of Rent Assistance paid is \$142.80 per fortnight for singles and \$134.60 per fortnight for couples combined.

Sub-Branch Personality Profile

Name - Sandy Wheaton.

Position - Sub-Branch Treasurer and Secretary for the Women's Auxiliary.

3 words that describe you - Loyal, trustworthy, generous.

Why you volunteer - My voluntary contribution to organisations over many years has been very rewarding and gratifying to give back to the community.

Your hero - definitely my Dad, who was a great inspiration to me through my younger years.

Favourite singer - Neil Diamond.

Proudest accomplishments - bringing two great daughters into this world, when doctors told me I would never have any children because of a medical issue from birth.

Most favourite meal - definitely lamb roasts.

Bucket list - to hitch up the caravan and travel with my husband Mark around our great country to areas we have not been to before.

Something people don't know about you - There is not really anything to say, because I am an open book.



The Day War Came to Australian Shores (Continued from Page 1)

On 3 March 1942, Broome, in Western Australia, was strafed. In succeeding months air attacks were made on many towns in northern Australia including Wyndham, Port Hedland and Derby in Western Australia, Darwin and Katherine in the Northern Territory, Townsville and Mossman in Queensland, and Horn Island in the Torres Strait. Despite popular fears these raids were not the precursor to an invasion but they did serve to interrupt the use of Darwin's port facilities. The raids also tied up anti-aircraft defences and air force units that would have otherwise been sent to more forward areas.

<https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/E84294>

Children in Church

"How many women can a man marry?"

"Sixteen," the boy responded.

His cousin was amazed that he had an answer so quickly. "How do you know that?"

"Easy," the little boy said. "All you have to do is add it up, like the pastor said, 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."



Sub-Branch AGM

On Monday 13 December 2021 the following were elected to the Sub-Branch Committee for 2022:

President - Mr Ron Payne

Vice Presidents - Mr Mark Wheaton & Mrs Elaine Winter

Secretary - Mr Jarrad Kay

Treasurer - Mrs Sandy Wheaton

Committee Members:

Mrs Dierdre Owen, Mr Lance Reeves, Mr Hugh Mortimer, Mr Wayne Herreen, Mr Stephen Dobson, Fr. Jonathon Jackson and Mr Lindsay Martin

ANZAC Badge Sales

The week leading up to ANZAC Day is traditionally a time that RSLs raise funds for veteran care through the sale of badges. Members of the community also look forward to donating to this cause each year.

In order to conduct this activity volunteers are required to sell badges at various locations.

All the equipment used and badge stocks are delivered and set-up by Sub-Branch members. If you are able to assist with this task please contact Dierdre Owen on 0438 384 729 or at deewen1@bigpond.com

'Open Mic' at Morphett Vale RSL

Sunday March 20 is set to be a great day of entertainment and relaxation. The bar will be open and 'nibble platters' are available, only if pre-ordered. Entry is by gold coin Donation.

Play an instrument or love to sing? Come along. A backing band will be there to support you on stage.

Singing not your thing? That's OK we need an audience too, so grab your friends and book your seats.

To keep things COVID friendly bookings are essential. So call Steve on 0409 710 214 to secure your spot.

Pre-order your 'nibbles platter' by contacting Dierdre (0438 384 729) or Sandy (0417 220 349).

Sub-Branch Personality Profile

Name - Kerrie Doudle (pronounced Dow-dell not doodle ??).

Position - President of the Women's Auxiliary and self-appointed social media director.

3 words that describe you - Stubborn, strong and generous.

Why you volunteer - I feel that it's the least we can do to say thank you and show respect for those who served. It's also a lot of fun.

Your hero - My hero is all the strong women who paved the way for future generations. Those who fought for equality and to give women a voice.

Favourite singer - I love a huge range of music from Abba to Foo Fighters, Garbage to Pink, Queen to ZZ Top.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

ME!! I am proud of what I have, who I am and what I have achieved.

If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be?

Anything Asian followed by Ben & Jerry's Ice cream !!

What's one thing on your bucket list? Volunteer at an elephant sanctuary in South Africa.



Please forward contributions for RSL Newsletters and Dispatches to thewinters@optusnet.com.au

Happy Birthday 'Blue'

Brian Jacobs 90th Birthday will be celebrated at the RSL Sub-Branch on Saturday 19th March.

Members of the RSL have been invited to attend. The ladies of the Women's Auxiliary will be doing the catering. To assist with catering and room numbers please contact Brian's son-in-law Brenton on 0418 820 233 to let him know if you'd like to come along. (Or let Dierdre Owen know.)



A Chance to Give Back to Your Sub-Branch

The Morphett Vale RSL is like any other community group, trying to operate under continuing increases in operating expenses. One way to keep some of these costs down is to ask for volunteers to assist with tasks that have previously been conducted by business contractors.

Although professional cleaners are employed on a periodic basis to service the kitchen equipment and do major cleaning of windows, floor coverings and the like, each week a number of member couples have been attending the Sub-Branch over the weekend to vacuum, dust, sanitise and tidy the venue for use during the coming week.

It is not hard work and takes about one hour to complete the tasks required, with all cleaning supplies, equipment, access to the premises and an outline of what is to be done provided.

Currently there are only 3 teams involved. It would be nice to recruit other cleaning volunteers in order to reduce the work load and rostered shifts to once every 5 to 6 weeks.

If you could spare a little time to help with the cleaning of the Sub-Branch premises please contact Sandy Wheaton on 0417 220 349 or at sandmarkw@icloud.com

Thank You.

Change of Address or Personal Information

If you have not already advised the Membership Officer, Dierdre Owen, of any change to your personal contact details please update them on the slip below and either post to, RSL Morphett Vale Sub-Branch, PO Box 239, Morphett Vale 5162 or email the information to deeowen1@bigpond.com

This is the only way we can be sure that you receive the Sub-Branch Newsletters and other communications.

Surname	
Given Names (in full)	
Current (or new) Address (Street, Suburb and Postcode)	
PO Box Address (if applicable)	
Telephone Number	
Mobile Phone Number	
Email Address	

Please also ensure that your membership fees are paid annually.

Sub-Branch Supporters

There are a number of businesses in our area that provide on-going support to our Sub-Branch and have done so over a long period of time. We are grateful for this support and would urge our members in return to support these local businesses.

Allbiz Supplies Pty. Ltd. - 125O'SullivanBeachRoad, LONSDALE SA 5160

Phone - 8326 2899 Email - stat@allbizsupplies.biz



Allbiz have been one of our long-standing supporters providing our stationery and printing needs. The staff at Allbiz, headed by Di Bellamy, are always friendly and most helpful. The next time that you require anything in the way of stationery, printing, or even office furniture, then call in and see Di and her team. You won't be sorry.

Terry White Chemmart, Woodcroft Town Centre, Panalatinga Rd, Woodcroft SA 5162

Phone - 8325 1166



Terry White Chemmart has 450 pharmacies across the country that provide high-quality, accessible and cost-effective community-based health care services, ensuring every Australian has easier access to pharmacists, expert health advice, cosmetics, medicines and giftware, every day.

Foodland Hackham - 77A Collins Parade, Hackham SA 5162

Phone - 8326 1155



Foodland Hackham take pride in the quality of the fresh produce offered. They only source from reputable suppliers and take every step possible to provide a top quality product, as well as offer the best possible prices throughout the store.

They take pride in looking after Hackham and Southern Adelaide customers and supply the RSL with meat trays for our raffles. When in the area please pay them a visit.

Delights Lighting Store - 196 Main South Road, MORPHETT VALE SA 5162

Phone - 8382 3159



Smarten-up your home with new technology or update your lighting décor.

DeLights provide the largest range of lighting and ceiling fans on display in Australia.

This includes; living, kitchen, dining, garden, wall, vanity, table, floor or children's lighting.

We also wish to thank them for donating items for our annual raffle.

Sub-Branch Supporters

Horndale Distillery & Wine Cellars, 41-45 Fraser Avenue, HAPPY VALLEY SA 5159

Phone - 8387 0033 Email - oldhorndale@hotmail.com (also on Facebook)



Horndale Distillery and Wine Cellars were first established in 1896. The current owners, the Albrecht Family, purchased the business in 1984. Horndale has a fine selection of red, white, sparkling and fortified wines, many MEDAL WINNERS. To find the right wine for that special occasion come in and speak to the wine maker, Phil Albrecht, taste a few from their range and ask his advice.

RSL Members, upon production of their membership card, will receive a special discount.

Crown Inn Hotel, Old South Road, OLD REYNELLA SA 5161

Phone - 8381 1319 Email - info.crown@gmhotels.com.au



Situated on Old South Road, Old Reynella, boasting an atmospheric bistro and outdoor dining area, private function area, spacious gaming room, main bar & convenient Cellarbrations drive through bottle shop, the Crown is a characteristic venue in tune with the community. Monday night is community schnitzel night with \$5 from each one served being donated to organisations like the RSL.

Dates for these are announced regularly on Friday nights at the Sub-Branch.

Visit The Crown Inn and you'll have a great meal and support the RSL.

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ABN 96 463 721601



Dave Oakley has been a trusted supplier of computer hardware, IT support and advice to the Sub-Branch for many years. He has also arranged for new and replacement equipment along with donating equipment and providing video conferencing services.

Bunnings Hardware, Corner Goldsmith Drive & Beach Road, Noarlunga SA 5168

Phone - 8329 1000



Bunnings are the leading retailer of home improvement and outdoor living products in Australia and a major supplier to project builders, commercial tradespeople and the housing industry.

Their ambition is to provide their customers with the widest range of home improvement products in accordance with a lowest prices policy, backed with the best service.

They support the RSL by donating items to the annual raffles and offering fundraising opportunities at their store.

Sub-Branch Supporter

Debbie Glastonbury, 52 Hillier Rd, MORPHETT VALE SA 5162

Phone - 0432 209 355 Email - debbie@magain.com.au

Many years in sales lead has given Debbie a successful career in real estate with Magain Real Estate.

“Connecting with people and helping them achieve their success is such a pleasure.” From first home buyers to those wanting to downsize, Debbie and Magain Real Estate can assist you every step of the way.

A donation is made to the Morphett Vale RSL for any sales referred by members.

Unknown HMAS Sydney II Sailor Named After 80 Years

Eighty years after the Australian warship HMAS Sydney (II) sunk off the West Australian coast, the only body recovered from the tragedy has now been identified.

New DNA evidence has confirmed Able Seaman (AB) Thomas Welsby Clark from New Farm in Brisbane as the previously unidentified sailor.

The Sydney sank on 19 November 1941 following an intense battle with the disguised German merchant raider HSK Kormoran, about 120 nautical miles (222 km) west of Steep Point, WA.

AB Clark is believed to be the only sailor to have made it to a life raft after the ship went down.

Despite surviving the battle and the sinking, he tragically died at sea in the life raft. His remains were found near Rocky Point on Christmas Island nearly three months later.

Of Sydney's total complement of 645 men no one survived. This included six Royal Australian Air Force members, eight Royal Navy personnel and four civilian canteen staff.

Eighty-two officers and sailors from the Kormoran died.

Minister for Veterans Affairs and Minister for Defence Personnel, Andrew Gee, said the formal identification was a significant development in Sydney's story and an historic moment for Australia.

Thing to Ponder

Why are a "wise man" and a "wise guy" opposites?

Why do you press harder on the buttons of a remote control when you know the batteries are dead?

Why do we wash bath towels? Aren't we clean when we use them?

Why do "overlook" and "oversee" mean opposite things?

Why is "phonics" not spelled the way it sounds?

If all the world is a stage, where is the audience sitting?

If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?

Why is bra singular and panties plural?

How come 'abbreviated' is such a long word?

Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?

Why do they call it a TV set when you only have one?





Dates for your Calendar

March 2022

Thursday 3rd.	7.00pm Women's Auxiliary Committee Meeting
Friday 4th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Saturday 5th.	Sausage Sizzle - Bunnings NOARLUNGA
Monday 7th.	7.30pm Sub-Branch General Meeting
Friday 11th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 18th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Sunday 20th.	2-5pm 'Open Mic' Day with entertainment
Friday 25th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship

April 2022

Friday 1st.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Sunday 3rd.	Bunnings BBQ - Noarlunga Store,
Monday 4th.	6.00pm Sub-Branch Committee Meeting - 7.30pm Sub-Branch General Meeting
Thursday 7th.	7.00pm Women's Auxiliary Committee Meeting
Friday 8th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 15th.	Good Friday (Sub-Branch closed)
Saturday 16th.	Bunnings BBQ - Noarlunga Store,
Friday 22nd.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Saturday 23rd.	Digger Day SA Football match - Flagstaff Hill Football Club,
Sunday 24th.	1.00pm ANZAC Sunday Commemorative Service 8.00pm Youth Vigil in the South - Onkaparinga Memorial Gardens
Monday 25th.	6.00am ANZAC Day Dawn Service - Onkaparinga Memorial Gardens Gunfire Breakfast (after Dawn Service), RSL Sub-Branch
Friday 29th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship

May 2022

Sunday 1st.	Bunnings BBQ - Noarlunga Store
Monday 2nd.	6.00pm Sub-Branch Committee Meeting - 7.30pm Sub-Branch General Meeting
Thursday 5th.	7.00pm Women's Auxiliary Committee Meeting
Friday 6th.	Mothers/Grandmothers Day theme night
Friday 13th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Sunday 15th.	2-5pm 'Open Mic' Day with entertainment
Friday 20th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 27th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship

June 2022

Thursday 2nd.	7.00pm Women's Auxiliary Committee Meeting
Friday 3rd.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Saturday 4th.	Bunnings BBQ - Noarlunga Store
Monday 6th.	7.30pm Sub-Branch General Meeting
Friday 10th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 17th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Saturday 18th.	7.00pm Sub-Branch Quiz Night
Friday 24th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship

July 2022

Friday 1st.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Sunday 3rd.	Bunnings BBQ - Noarlunga Store
Monday 4th.	7.30pm Sub-Branch General Meeting
Thursday 7th.	7.00pm Women's Auxiliary Committee Meeting
Friday 8th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 15th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Sunday 17th.	2-5pm 'Open Mic' Day with entertainment
Friday 22nd.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 29th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship

August 2022

Monday 1st.	6.00pm Sub-Branch Committee Meeting - 7.30pm Sub-Branch General Meeting
Thursday 4th.	7.00pm Women's Auxiliary Committee Meeting
Friday 5th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Saturday 6th.	Bunnings BBQ - Noarlunga Store
Friday 12th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Sunday 15th.	Veterans Day activity at Sub-Branch To Be Confirmed
Friday 19th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Saturday 20th.	6.00pm Sub-Branch Annual Dinner
Friday 26th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship

September 2022

Thursday 1st.	7.00pm Women's Auxiliary Committee Meeting
Friday 2nd.	Father's Day theme night
Saturday 4th.	Bunnings BBQ - Noarlunga Store
Monday 5th.	7.30pm Sub-Branch General Meeting
Friday 9th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 16th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Sunday 18th.	2-5pm 'Open Mic' Day with entertainment
Friday 23rd.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship
Friday 30th.	6.00pm Friday night meals and fellowship