

## George Town Sub Branch Calendar July -August

| Date        | Day   | Function                 | Venue          | Time        |
|-------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| <b>July</b> |       |                          |                |             |
| 10th        | Wed   | Board of management      | RSL Sub Branch | 3.15pm      |
| 10th        |       | Veterans Research W'shop | Westbury       | 10am        |
| 11th        | Thurs | Ladies Morning tea       | RSL Sub Branch | 10.30am     |
| 12th        | Fri   | Happy Hour               | RSL Sub Branch | 4—6pm       |
| 16th        | Thurs | NE Forum                 | Beacons'd      | 10.00am     |
| 26th        | Fri   | Happy Hour               | RSL Sub Branch | 4—6pm       |
| <b>Aug</b>  |       |                          |                |             |
| 8th         | Thurs | Ladies Morning tea       | RSL Sub Branch | 10.30am     |
| 9th         | Fri   | Happy Hour               | RSL Sub Branch | 4—6pm       |
| 14th        | Thurs | Board Meeting            | RSL Sub Branch | 6.30pm      |
| 18th        | Mon   | Vietnam Veterans Day     | Beaconsfield   | Details TBC |
| 20th        | Wed   | Sub Branch meeting       | RSL Sub Branch | 6.30pm      |
| 23rd        | Fri   | Happy Hour               | RSL Sub Branch | 4—6pm       |

## Military Memorabilia display

### Library Collection

We have a Library that contains a variety of books, reference texts and DVD's that are available for loan to members and other interested persons.

We appreciate the work of our volunteer, Caz Simpson, for the many hours work she is putting into recording all our resources and collating an extensive catalogue with informative dialogue.

The end in mind is for current work, of shelving and recording items about WWs 1 & 2, for ease of access. Some frail items will be for reference for onsite research and reading only. Please call in and browse if you have an interest in a topic.

### Winter Operating Hours -

Monday—Friday 10.00am—2.00 pm (For Weekend Visits—Please Phone: Pres. Vince Davis—0414 316 527; Vice President (Affiliate) Audrey Evans 0437789980 Sec. Robyn Moody—0411 966 763)

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## RSL Sub Branch Newsletter



**June 2019—No 6.**

### Items this issue:

What's happening at No 44.

- ◆ New members
- ◆ Annual Luncheon
- ◆ Winter Operating times
- ◆ Calendar
- ◆ Veterans Research Project
- ◆ Samichon Day 2019 July 26th

### Upcoming Commemoration Days

26th July SAMICHON DAY  
18th August Vietnam Veterans Day

### New Members welcomed:

**Kaye Ross, Nathan Robertson, Gene Mawer, Winston Mason and James Soul**

At our last Happy Hour, Sub Branch President, Vince Davis presented some of our new members with an information pack and welcomed them to the RSL . We sincerely welcome them to the Sub Branch and look forward to seeing them at No 44 regularly.

## Sub Branch Activities

Happy Hour happens regularly fortnightly on Friday 4 –6:00 pm.

**We look forward to seeing you this Friday 28th for Happy Hour follow by 2 hours of country music from Jean Stafford. Tickets can be purchased at the door if not already done so on line.**

*For your Interest* The next Bunnings Fundraiser Sausage Sizzle will be on Saturday 29th at the Northern outlet store. It's great to have people call in and support and chat to the teams working there. Thanks to Faye, Vince, John, Phil, Robyn, Ros and Audrey for volunteering on that day.

We will have no bookings at Bunnings until September. If you can cook a sausage, serve and handle money and would like to give a morning or afternoon to helping from September please let us know. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

## The Tamar Valley Veteran Support Centre TVVSC

George Town each Tuesday

44 Macquarie St.

George Town TAS 7253

Ph: 0363822745

Email: [office@rslgeorgetown.com.au](mailto:office@rslgeorgetown.com.au)

## Naval Association News

The George Town Sub Section of The Naval Association of Australia meets every second Friday of the month at the TS York Naval Cadets building at 57-73 Friend Street starting at 1100. Our Sub Section maintains a close connection with the Cadet unit in

keeping with the four pillars that underpin our mission; Care, Commemoration, Cadets and Camaraderie.

If you are an Old Salt or have spent time with the Cadets why not come and visit us? Give our President, Chris Spalding, a call on 0448 455 611.

The Unit Support Committee for our local Naval Cadet Unit, TS York, needs help in getting the Committee up and running and is looking for people who can offer some of their time to assist. The AGM will be held on Friday 19 July starting at 7.00 PM at the cadet building at 57-73 Friend Street. Members of the Naval Association of Australia are helping with the Committee; if you are interested please give Chris Spalding a call on 0448 455 611.

## Annual Luncheon

On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June The George Town RSL Sub Branch held its annual Luncheon at 44 Macquarie Street. Close to 60 invited guests and members attended the function. Secretary and MC for the Function, Robyn Moody, welcomed invited guests Robert Dick, recently elected RSL State President, State Vice President, President of Launceston Legacy, Director of RSL Tasmania, Don Mackrill, Ivan Dean, GTC General Manager Shane Power, and Acting Mayor Tim Harris. Robyn also welcomed members and family along with representative and visitors from other Branches.

In response to the toast to the League made by Don Mackrill, State President Robert Dick, spoke of the direction the State RSL would be heading, including the journey to becoming Peak Body in Tasmania. Towards that end, he informed those in attendance, of the need for the RSL State Branch to move towards independent and non-independent directors coming into the RSL Leadership Group. These directors were needed to enable State Branch to have people on the board with skills and attributes that would guide and

assist the organization in the Peak body role. This was the first visit Mr Dick had had to George Town, since the move into 44 Macquarie Street. He praised the work of the George Town RSL Immediate Past Executive and was impressed with the Military display and the general set up of the facility.

MC called on President Vince Davis, who also spoke of the journey of the George Town Sub Branch in recent years. Mr Davis included a strong message of thanks to all those who participate in many and varied ways at the Sub Branch. He encouraged people to continue to be involved, encouraged those in the community who have renewed their membership and extended welcome to recent new Members.

President Vince was called upon to make a donation from the George Town RSL Sub Branch to Legacy. President of Launceston Legacy Mr Russell Hogarth spoke to the many and varied ways that Legacy help widows and dependents of service personnel in the state. He mentioned that the need was evident, for families to continue to seek Legacy support, as times were challenging for many families. He commented on the rise of the number of children that Legacy was supporting. He was surprised and appreciated the monies donated to Legacy from the George Town Community through the Sub Branch.

## 2RAR SAMICHON Day 2019

From the battalion

This year the CO, LTCol Judd Finger and myself WO1 Jason Stern would like to invite as many Korea Veterans of 2 RAR to return to the Battalion for an intimate reunion and commemoration of the 'Battle of the Hook' and the Korean War Armistice Day. The invitation is open as well to any former 2RAR and 2/4 RAR

members and their families as well as families of 2 RAR veterans (especially Korea War Veterans) that had since passed to attend and show support and participate in the commemorations.

We would like to extend a warm invitation and help to any original 2RAR Korea Veterans that would like to travel to the battalion for this special day. The battalion will make every effort to help Kore Veterans that return to be picked up when they arrive and taken to accommodation, to and from on the day and movement for their journey.

Schedule for the event can be obtained through the office at the George Town Sub Branch

Further information can be please contact paul.harrison3@defence.gov.au

### **Veterans and Sub branch Research Workshops**

In order to satisfy State government peak Body requirements, the state branch is conducting a veteran's research study in Tasmania in order to gain as much information as possible from Veterans and serving /exs ervice persons.

In order to commence the research, Workshops will be conducted in th three regions, North west, north and South in July 2019.

The Northern location is at the Westbury RSL on Wednesday 10th July 2019 10-2:30pm.

During the work shop the first session will be open to all veterans, serving and ex service persons regardless of whether they are an RSL member or not, and also to the Sub Branch representatives. It is intended that this session be a fact finding session to gain as much information as possible which will assist RSL

Tasmania of meeting its vision of putting Vetrans and their families first.

If further information is required Please contact Robyn Moody who can inform State branch of your attendance.

### **Military Memorabilia display**

**If you are interested in wartime Memorabilia and would like to be on a working group to assist with planning and direction, arranging exhibits, framing items that come in or if you would like to share any knowledge you have with visitors that come in to browse the display please let us know. We are looking for a small group of interested members or volunteers to give a couple of hours in intervals to contribute to this project.**

**Contact Robyn Moody or Vince davis through the office if you are interested.**