



Lest We Forget

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Board of Management update:

We hope all have started the year well.

The Board of Management and the Entertainment group of Volunteers have Movie night plans almost finalized. We aim for this to become a permanent fixture in our calendar. We want to ensure that the Movie nights are held regularly and on a set evening in the month. Some of the delay has been around needing a good sound system to cater for an enjoyable film experience. If any members would like

to help with setup for the evenings, please make contact the RSL office (63822745) with your details if this is something you could help with at your Sub-Branch.

As mentioned last Newsletter plans for the upgrade of the Memorabilia display are completed. The project team has a timeline for achieving the goals of completion of the upgrade. Work will begin in March we the aim towards completion by mid-year.

We will need members to assist in a variety of ways. If you have skills that you feel will contribute to getting this project completed, we would appreciate your assistance, make contact with the RSL Office.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM is set for Sunday the 22nd March. Positions due for re-election are Secretary, Vice President and two Board members. Nomination forms can be obtained from the office and were sent out to Sub-Branch members in February. We encourage interested people to consider nominating for one of the positions to the Board of Management. A rollover of those on the Board of Management, of your RSL Sub-Branch, can be very positive. New people bring

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Board of Management Team:

Vince Davis -President

Audrey Evans - Vice President (Aff)

Robyn Moody - Secretary/Treasurer

Ven Grollmus - Board member

Barry Sherrin - Board member

Brian Bull - Board member

Greg Rush- Board member

new ideas and methods of practice. If you want a say in what is happening at your Sub-Branch please try to attend the AGM and vote for your Board of Management. Voting by members can only take place in attendance.

Nominations forms should be returned by the 8th March.

Rats of Tobruk Anniversary

Descendants of the Rats of Tobruk Association Qld are endeavoring to locate descendants of the Rats of Tobruk from around Australia. A tribute certificate is being designed to go to the descendants of every single Rat of Tobruk. They want this task completed in time for the 80th Anniversary of the Siege of Tobruk. The 80th Anniversary commemoration will be held in Brisbane on the 12 April 2021.

Kaye Ross, a member of our Sub-Branch and a descendant of 4 family members who were Rats of Tobruk, is aware that we have some descendants of the Rats of Tobruk in George Town and surrounding communities. Kaye would like to ensure that all local descendants receive a tribute certificate. The tribute will also be issued to R.A.N. who served in the Scrap Iron Flotilla. These Navy personnel had an important role in the siege and indeed kept the 'Rats' alive.

Tobruk Sunday 12th April 2020

One 'No Surrender' Rose created at Treavor Nursery Victoria commemorating the Rats, will be planted in each State and Territory on Tobruk Sunday. George Town is fortunate to receive the 'No Surrender' Rose allocated to Tasmania. George Town RSL will hold a small service to plant the 'No Surrender' Rose at Max Harris Memorial Reserve on Tobruk Sunday 12th April this year. If you are interested and would like to more information, please contact the RSL to make contact with Kaye Ross.

There will be a display created in the RSL of the Rats of Tobruk and the Scrap Iron Flotilla. If you have anything in your family that you might consider giving on loan for this temporary display, please bring it into the RSL before the 12th April.

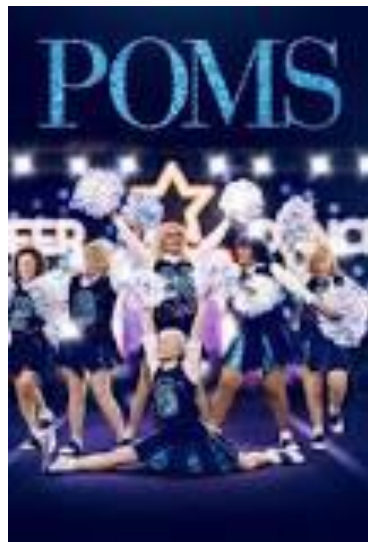
Max Harris Reserve

We are currently planning to apply for a grant through the Teddy Sheehan Memorial Grant Program. This Grant, if successful, will be to make an addition to the Max Harris Memorial Reserve with a further Commemorative Wall to recognize efforts of Australian Defence Services post WW11. We will keep you posted on progress.

We encourage all in the community to continue years of respectful care of the Memorial Reserve and report to the RSL anything unusual in this special area of our town. In recent times we have had to replace flags and ropes at the flagpoles and just this week a concerned citizen reported the breakage of the flood light. The light, in darkness, highlights the Battle Cross of the Memorial. The care everyone takes is evidence of respect for those who serve and who have lost their lives during conflicts and peacekeeping efforts.

George Town RSL Movie Night

The first George Town RSL Movie Night is set for Saturday March 28th from 6pm with Movie commencement from 7pm. Refreshments, tea, coffee and bar facilities will be open on Movie Nights. In line with Safe practices, Children attending will need to be accompanied by their parents or responsible adult.



The first film will be POMS.

It's never too late to chase a dream

*From this unlikely setting come the Sun City **Poms**, America's first cheerleading squad for women aged over 60. This is their story. **POMS** has all the tantrums, triumphs and mind-boggling dance moves you'd expect from an all-American cheerleading film.*

Cost: Members \$12, non-members \$15.

Payment when booking can be made by calling into the RSL during opening times Monday -Friday 10 am -2pm or by phoning the RSL Office 63822745

Fundraising

We've had a quick and busy start to the year with bookings for Bunnings Sausage sizzles set well into the latter part of the year. Barry Sherrin is leading the organization of volunteer teams to do a morning or afternoon shift one or two times a month. If you would like to help please contact Barry Sherrin at the Sub Branch, he is usually in on Tuesday.

Famers Market

Community Farmers Markets, held on Saturday morning from 9:30am -12PM, have been well supported by the community. The quality and variety of items has been exceptional. This Summer Market trial will finish at the end of March. If you haven't had the time yet to have a look at produce and items being sold, please take an opportunity to come along and support the stallholders.

Happy Hour and Mateship

Next happy Hour will March 6th and 20th from 4-6pm, all Welcome

Calendar

A Calendar of Events and meetings of the RSL Sub-Branch was put out in January. If you did not receive your copy, please let Robyn know.

11th Board of Management Meeting 3:15

10th & 19th March - Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

AGM Sunday 22nd March