



Lest We Forget

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News of the month that was June 2020

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Board of Management update:

The last Board of Management was held on June 10th there was much discussed. The last North East Forum which was to be held in Scottsdale on the 12th March was cancelled but plans are afoot to hold the next soon. As with most business and happenings in the community, the Pandemic has impacted most organizational meetings similarly with Forums.

Whilst we were closed to members, we had a minor roof leak during the first hard rains of the season. There was no major damage caused and pleased that Secretary Robyn, had noticed the leak whilst popping into The Sub-Branch. This has since been sorted.

With the closure of Bank of Heritage Isle in the North, the Sub-Branch have changed business dealings to Bendigo Bank. We extend thanks to Launceston Branch Client Officer, Allison Latham, for her generosity of time and helpful guidance during the change, which has gone relatively smoothly.

We are pleased and appreciative of the government COVID 19 Support Grant process. We have been successful in our application for assistance to recover loss of income during the Pandemic. The funds will be used for small projects to assist us to prepare for reopening in a manner to keep everyone safe and healthy when visiting the premises. We have all signage reminders in place.

We have Phase 2 of the Memorabilia Display planning underway. The vision is for enclosed display cabinets, to hold up to six mannequins in Military uniform from a variety of eras and services. We look forward to sharing progress as it gets underway.

President Vince is currently looking into obtaining a Defibrillator and training. This will be located at the RSL George Town Sub-Branch in the Wellness Area. It will be a welcome addition for public use and will compliment other machines around the community in the event of an emergency.

Vet views

Please see the [attached media release containing the following](#)

Thursday, 25 June 2020 Federal Minister for Veterans' Affairs Darren Chester and Tasmanian Minister for Veterans' Affairs Guy Barnett today announced the joint initiative,

SUPPORTING THE TASMANIAN EX-SERVICE COMMUNITY

VETERANS and their families in Tasmania will be able to have their say in how to access support with the Federal and Tasmanian governments jointly investing \$120,000 to undertake a feasibility study to look at an integrated, nationally connected service for the state. Federal Minister for Veterans' Affairs Darren Chester and Tasmanian Minister for Veterans' Affairs Guy Barnett today announced the joint initiative, which will see the veteran community in Tasmania consulted and asked about how they can be better supported across the state..... See attached media release.

COVID19 Roadmap to Recovery for your Sub Branch:

This week we received notification of date of Stage 3 restrictions lifting. Given that we are in winter and movement into the community is usually slower, we will maintain opening hours to 3 mornings a week Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 until 12pm. With the option of a call to one of the Board members if anyone visiting the area would like to view the Display. Contact information will be listed on the front door.

The Social Distancing rule of 1.5 metres will remain and the facilities at the Sub Branch and Memorabilia display will reflect continuation of the Health guidelines.

We will notify veterans and members when Happy Hour times begin again.

Get well soon:

We want to extend a speedy recovery to Sue Mackrill who has spent a lengthy stay in hospital and is making progress. Her husband Don has also been unwell and was in hospital recently as well. Don is out and about again, and we wish the same for Sue. We are sure Sue is keen to get home. Best wishes for continued healing for them both from all of us.

AGM

The Annual General Meeting was postponed due to COVID19, we have set the date for the AGM as 23rd August 2020. This allows plenty of time to get nominations in and organize all necessary notifications of the process for the elections. Advise and nomination forms will be posted out shortly.

We encourage community minded individuals, who would like to give some time to the RSL Sub-Branch by contributing on the Board of Management, to consider nominating. We are looking for diversity and would also hope to see recent Returned Service personnel consider nominating as well, as a voice for more recent veterans. Some positions are up for re-election which will take place at the AGM on the 23rd August. There would be plenty of opportunity to contribute in a manner that suits your skills and interests. Membership or renewal of Membership is needed if considering.

What is required of those on the Board of Management? Our Sub-Branch is highly valued in the region and is in a very good position moving forward. This is an opportunity to make contributions and help consolidate the support we offer to our Veterans and families well into the future.

If in need of 'food for thought' please contact one of the current Board Executive through the RSL office. 63822745. President - Vince Davis, Vice Pres (Aff)-Audrey Evans, or Secretary/Treasurer Robyn Moody.

Annual Luncheon

This year, due to COVID restrictions, we will combine our Annual Luncheon and Christmas functions. A date is yet to be determined but will most likely be held in December. We will give plenty of warning, as planning around this event will still depend on the health situation of the state and guidelines provided by the Government.

Happenings:

Prior to the Closure we had activities that were set to become part of our regularly occurrences at No 44.

The **Movie Nights** were set to begin, as restrictions are lifted, these will be rescheduled with dates and Movie information to be announced. We had also budgeted for **Bus Trips** for members and guests and intend to go ahead with those plans. We are currently seeking the guidelines around bus travel restrictions that may be in place.

We will be offering discounts for activities to members so please keep an eye out for details. We look forward to these activities being offered and underway soon.

Calendar:

Date	Activity	Time
Wk June 22 nd 24 th	Sub Branch open Memorabilia Display open (restrictions apply)	10-12pm
Wk June 29 th -1 st July	Sub Branch open Memorabilia Display open (restrictions apply)	10-12pm
Wk July 6 th - 8 th	Sub Branch open Memorabilia Display open (restrictions apply)	10-12pm

July 8 th	B of Management Meeting	3:30pm
Wk July 13 th - 15 th	Sub Branch open Memorabilia Display open (restrictions apply)	10-12pm
Wk July 20 th - 22 nd	Sub Branch open Memorabilia Display open (restrictions apply)	10-12pm
Wk July 27 th - 29 th	Sub Branch open Memorabilia Display open (restrictions apply)	10-12pm

From all the Board, remember when moving about the community please be mindful of Social distance, wash hands regularly and know that your role helps us all to keep well.

❖ Keep in good health everyone.