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## Deb's words



My husband and I had 9 nights in Phuket ( it's all in the way you say it) with our son, his wife, and their 3 grown up children.

A little rain most days, but warm, hot beautiful.

I had a lovely time, we did some things we had not done before, went some places we had not been, and I am going back, next year, November. I hope.





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# Happening @ Your RSL

- Oct**
- 9 General Meeting 7:30pm
  - 11 C.O.M. 2:00pm
  - 17 RSL Dinner @ Footy Club 6:30pm
  - 20 Nibble Night 7:30pm
  - 28 Remembrance Day  
Sales commences
- Nov**
- 7 Melbourne cup
  - 10 Badge sales
  - 10 set up venue
  - 11 Remembrance day Service 10:45am
  - 13 General Meeting 7:30pm
  - 21 RSL Dinner @ Footy Club 6:30pm
  - 22 Region 7 forum Kangaroo Flat
  - TBA Nibble Night 7:30pm
- Dec**
- 10 RSL Christmas Break-up Footy Club
  - 11 General Meeting 7:30pm  
C O M  
Coach tour (lunch)





# Australia in time 1926

- FEB** Bushfires sweep through west Gippsland Vic causing 31 deaths and extensive damage to forests.
- MAY** Federal aid roads agreement regulates C'wealth assistance to the states for building & maintaining roads.
- JUNE** Beryl Mills of WA wins first "Miss Australia " competition.
- Nov** General Motors (A/Asia) P/L begins operations in Australia with assembly plants in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide & Perth. Bodies supplied by Holden's in Adelaide.

Yarralumba Canberra, renovated as the official residence of the Governor-General.

Pedal Radio transceiver developed by A.H. Traeger (introduced in Qld 1929).

Clarrie Brimmett takes 11 wickets for 82 in a test against England.

Spearfelt wins the Melbourne Cup



The **1926 VFL Grand Final** was an [Australian rules football](#) game contested between the [Melbourne Football Club](#) and [Collingwood Football Club](#), held at the [Melbourne Cricket Ground](#) in [Melbourne](#) on 9 October 1926. It was the 30th annual [Grand Final](#) of the [Victorian Football League](#), staged to determine the [premiers](#) for the [1926 VFL season](#). The match, attended by 59,632 spectators, was won by Melbourne by a margin of 57 points

Final score: Melbourne 17.17 (119)

Collingwood 9.8 (62)



That's



funny

Hi there! I'm GET-DOWN!-NO!  
What's your name?



"Honey, imma gonna  
name him  
Master of Disaster!"



...and you're a Disaster  
of a Master

CAN'T READ A CLOCK



Labradors 🐶

ALWAYS KNOWS WHEN  
IT'S DINNERTIME

I NOTICED YOU WERE SLEEPING IN THAT CHAIR



SO I HELPED YOU FINISH THE COOKIES

love is in the air



...wait, that's bacon

Gotta luv dogs



# What's on @ the Shrine

## Ceremony: Shrine Monthly Memorial Service - November 2017

Thursday 16 November 2017, 11:30am

Wreath Laying in the Sanctuary

Shrine Representatives:

Shrine Life Governor Lieutenant Colonel Adrian Lombardo

Shrine Life Governor Mr. Peter Whitelaw

Today we commemorate the following military occasions that occurred in November:

2 November 1942: Kokoda Airstrip Re-occupied

Australian troops forced their Japanese opponents out of Kokoda in early November 1942. The capture of Kokoda and its airfield made subsequent operations significantly easier due to its shortened lines of supply.

12 November 1943: Final Japanese Air Raid on Australia

This day saw a small Japanese force bomb Darwin. This raid, the 64th on the city, was the final aerial bombardment of Australia during the Second World War.



5 November 1950: Battle of Pakchon, Korea

The 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, part of the 27th Commonwealth Brigade, successfully assaulted and held crucial hill features overlooking Pakchon in the face of heavy North Korean and Chinese resistance. 3RAR were supported by British troops, New Zealand artillery and American armour in their actions on 5 November 1950.



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## THE LAWRENCE (LARRY) SHEPPARD

### MEMORIAL AWARD FOR SERVICE TO SPORT

**Named after LAWRENCE (or “Larry”) Sheppard who was born in 1046 and died 1968. It is a memorial award for ‘SERVICE TO SPORT’.**

Larry was a former student of the then-named Sunbury High School. In 2004 his brother approached the College to ask if he could sponsor an award as a tribute to Larry who was a keen sportsman during his time at the school. As a result his story was researched and this award instigated to commemorate his life.

Lawrence Rodney Sheppard was the adopted son of a Sunbury poultry farmer and in 1960 at the age of 13 he enrolled at Sunbury high School into Form 2 (year 8). He was part of the foundation intake of 37 students into the brand new school, which began in a local hall on the site of the current Coles Supermarket. In his three years at the school Larry was known as a lovable rogue who made his mark as a keen sportsman. In his first year he became the House Captain of Evans House; a position he held for the next three years. He represented Evans in football, cricket and athletics, and when he was in Form 4 (year 10) he became captain of the school football & cricket teams. Evans won the House championship that year and Larry was also the school’s open-age athletics champion, going on to compete at State level. He also played for the Sunbury Football Club and spent time with the Collingwood Under 19’s.

In 1967, like many of Australia’s young men in the latter 1960s, Larry, at the age of 21, was conscripted into the Army and in early 1968 he volunteered for service in Vietnam. On May 13th of that year, he was serving with the 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment at fire support base Coral when he incurred chest and head wounds during the heavy fire of a fierce six hour battle. A US helicopter pilot risked his life to fly Sheppard and other wounded soldiers to a nearby base hospital. Doctors worked valiantly to save him but Sheppard’s injuries were too severe and Larry died just two days after his 22nd birthday! Of the nearly 500 soldiers who were to lose their lives in the Vietnam War, Larry was the first from the Sunbury area and his death shocked the community.

His funeral service was held in Sunbury and the local paper at this time described his as *“a fine young Australian whose industry and enthusiasm for all that was worthwhile in life made3 him a valuable citizen.”* At his funeral he was described as *“a young man who was full of fun and enjoyed life to the full. He held strong convictions and, if he believed in something, he believed it to the very end, even in death.”* His funeral brought Sunbury to a standstill and, in an unusual tribute, all businesses in the town closed roe the day. Residents of the town, the Army and students of Sunbury High School lined the streets in a moving ceremony.

*This award has been inaugurated chiefly to honour Larry Sheppard whose life was tragically brief, but I have no doubt that Larry's family would also like it to symbolise the commitment and efforts of young people who not only play sport for their own enjoyment and success, but who are also prepared to give their time and energy to help maximise others enjoyment of sport.*





*It is for this reason that the Larry Sheppard Award will recognise a student's outstanding contribution to the College's sporting program in general.*

*The 2016 winner has been a wonderful ambassador for the College over the last 6 years. She has been consistent member of the Basketball and Football teams, reaching State level on multiple occasions. She has coached junior basketball at the College with her conduct, professionalism and attitude being commended by the Western Ranges Coordinator at a recent tournament., Thanks to her hard work and the many training sessions she ran, the teams she coached have won through to the 'Western Metro Finals the last 2 years. A very fitting winner of this year's Larry Sheppard Award.*



*You need only two tools in life  
WD-40 and Duct Tape*

*If it doesn't move and should,  
use WD-40*

*If it moves and shouldn't, use  
Duct Tape*

**2 old ladies sitting in church 1 leans over and whispers to the other "my butt is going to sleep" the other replies "I know I have heard it snore 3 times"**

The same dog would stop by her house every day and take a nap. When it woke up it would leave like nothing happened. He was well fed, healthy, had a collar, so he was clearly someone's dog. One day, she finally got so curious as to why he was doing it that she attached a note to his collar. The next day she saw a new note that revealed the truth!



He lives in a house with 6 children, 2 under the age of 3, he's trying to catch up on his sleep. Can I come with him tomorrow?





At a travel agency in Shanghai, I asked the Chinese girl behind the counter if she could escort me on a city tour, and asked her for her mobile number so I could call her to make arrangements. She gave me a big smile, nodded her head and said,

"Sex sex sex, wan free sex for tonight".

I replied, "Wow, you Chinese women are really hospitable!

A guy standing next to me overheard, tapped me on the shoulder and said, "What she really said was: **666 136 429!**"



Law of Mechanical Repairs:

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# FYI

Sunbury, on the Melbourne to Bendigo railway line, became a well-established regional centre in the 1860s, and because of the ease of getting to and from Melbourne, it seemed a sensible place to establish a mental hospital in 1879. Just over one hundred years later, the hospital became part of a campus of a university. Rapid suburban growth from the 1970s, spurred by blocks of land much cheaper than anything on offer in Melbourne's middle ring suburbs, saw its population rise dramatically.

Sunbury is a residential 'satellite' township 35 km north-west of Melbourne, east of the Calder Highway. It is situated on Jacksons Creek, which enters the Maribyrnong River at Sydenham. Two minor creeks enter Jacksons Creek in the Sunbury township.

## Sheep

The Sunbury area was settled within seven months of the first European settlement of Melbourne by Batman and Fawkner in September 1835. John Aitken, a Tasmanian like Batman and Fawkner, had inspected the Port Phillip district in August 1835, and in March 1836, he drove sheep from Mornington Peninsula to Mount Aitken, north-west of Sunbury. The settlement of Sunbury proper followed three months later in July 1836, when George Evans and William Jackson occupied small farm holdings. Both had travelled in Fawkner's 'Enterprize' which brought Melbourne's first European settlers in 1835. Jackson was joined by his brother Samuel, and they named the place Sunbury after a town on the Thames River in England.

George Evans settled at a place he called Emu Bottom. The sandstone homestead he built in 1836 is incorporated in a larger building which was restored in 1970 and again after a fire in 1980.

## 'Big' Clarke

By far the most influential ex-Tasmanian to settle in Sunbury was W.J.T. ('Big') Clarke (1805-74). Already a pastoralist in Tasmania, Clarke shipped ewes to Port Phillip in 1837. Within a few years he acquired pastoral licenses for 12,140 hectares. In 1880 he obtained a special survey purchase of 12,700 hectares extending from the foothills of the Macedon Ranges to south of Sunbury. He later obtained a similar sized area to the east. Clarke's son, also William, built Rupertswood in 1874, a 50 room mansion at the junction of Jackson Creek and the streams that flow through the Sunbury township. Its ballroom, lookout tower and magnificent gardens made it a centre of hospitality, at least while Clarke was not residing at his equally palatial town mansion, 'Clivedon', in East Melbourne. With farm outbuildings it is heritage listed and used as a functions venue.





# Library Word Scramble

All of the scrambled words below are library vocabulary words. Can you put the letters in the right order to spell the different words correctly? Careful! Two of the "words" are actually two words.

ENONIL	
IQTEU	
GOIRPYBAH	
LACTGAO	
DIRECAPOLI	
BRALNIRIA	
EATUDED	
YDIPCOLECENA	
TUOACCNLRII	
TUYSO	
ISCETON	
CRIMLFOM	
NAOL	
ECENRREEF	
EHCRESRA	
AKTSCS	
AMEBCRLNUL	
SAPS	
ECSAIRHV	
CIIFNOT	
EWREN	
BWRROO	



# Save the date



## Dinner @ the Footy Club

6:30pm for 7pm

October 17th

November 11th

# REMEMBRANCE DAY

The appeal is coming quickly, if you think you will be able to help, for even a short while , please speak with Phil, I'm sure he will be pleased to hear from you.



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# Library Word Scramble

## SOLUTION

ENONIL	ONLINE
IQTEU	QUIET
GOIRPYBAH	BIOGRAPHY
LACTGAO	CATALOG
DIRECAPOLI	PERIODICAL
BRALNIRIA	LIBRARIAN
EATUDED	DUE DATE
YDIPCOLECENA	ENCYCLOPEDIA
TUOACCNLRII	CIRCULATION
TUYSO	STUDY
ISCETON	SECTION
CRIMLFOM	MICROFILM
NAOL	LOAN
ECENRREEF	REFERENCE
EHCRESRA	RESEARCH
AKTSCS	STACKS
AMEBCRLNUL	CALL NUMBER
SAPS	PASS
ECSAIRHV	ARCHIVES
CIIFNOT	FICTION
EWREN	RENEW
BWRROO	BORROW



## RSL Sunbury

The RSL needs to keep the details of members up to date (securely retained).

There have been instances in the past when members are recouping from matters but not knowing their whereabouts, we the RSL are unable to contact them.

Please complete the following details and return to the Secretary

Thank you.

### MEMBER

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Suburb \_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode \_\_\_\_\_ Phome \_\_\_\_\_  
Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Type of membership (circle one)      Service      Affiliate      Associate      Social

Armed Forces (circle)      Army      Navy      Airforce

Theatre \_\_\_\_\_

Time Frame \_\_\_\_\_

Date Joined R.S.L.      \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

### NEXT OF KIN

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