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DISPATCHES

Sunbury RSL Sub Branch







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March calendar April

Australia 1931

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Next tour May

@ the AGM

@ the footy Club

Thank you

Nibble night

Bombing Darwin

Word search

That's funny

I love my country

Words from Sub-Editor

Daylesford

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The End

Deb's words

Do you know.... This is the hardest part of part of this job.

So here I sit, with all my friends, they don't say much, but they do make the silence fun, until tomorrow.

I do hope everyone is getting a copy of newsletter, if not, come see me, ill see what I can do, no guarantees, but we'll give it a crack.

Have a great month. Love & be loved deb











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General Meeting 7:30pm

Committee of Management 2pm

Dinner at the Footy Club 6:30pm

Nibbles at the RSL 7:30 bring a share plate

Chat, drinks & free sausage from 1pm

Coach Tour Leaving from RSL 9:30am sharp

Region 7



APRIL 2	Easter Monday	
9	general Meeting	7:30pm
11	с.о.м.	2pm
Ва	dge Sales commence	
17	' Dinner @ Footy Club	6:30pm
20	Nibble Night	7:30pm
24	Prep venue	

25 ANZAC Service







Australia in time 1931

- JAN The Beef Riot takes place in Adelaide. Seventeen people are injured when unemployed men clash with police while protesting the decision to remove beef from the dole ration.
- FEB Cyclones cause flooding from Innisfail to Brisbane, where more than 1,00 houses inundated & 2 men drowned
 Royal Military College moved from Duntroon to Victoria barracks in Sydney as an economic measure returned to Duntroon 1937
- MAR Holden's Motor Body Builders merges with the US firm General Motors to form General Motors Holden Ltd
 The first Apex Club is formed in Geelong, Victoria.
- APR First experimental Aust-England airmail leaves MelbourneCoinage of sovereigns ceases

National War Memorial Adelaide unveiled 25 April



F.W. Thring's (senior) Diggers (Australia's first commercially successful talking film)

White Nose wins the Melbourne Cup



Lock in these dates Now

DINNER @ The Footy Club **

- 16 Jan
- 20 Feb
- 20 March (please note change)
- 17 April
- 15 May
- 19 June
- 17 July
- 21 August
- 18 Sept
- **16 Oct**
- 20 November

6:30 for 7pm

**Senior meals are available

Much fun and laughter usually



9th December 2018

Christmas Lunch



Bring a share plate & enjoy

Nibble Nights for 2018

- 26 Jan
- 23 Feb
- 30 March
- 20 April
- 25 May note change
- 29 June
- 27 July
- **31** August
- 28 Sept
- 19 Oct
- 30 November

Wednesday Afternoons @ the RSL



FREE sausages

FREE drinks for the over 80's

All this and great company

Some laughs

And so much more.....

Come

Give it a look

Every Wednesday from 1pm







ting Leg ends

















The appeal is closer than you might think

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Ken Farrow is the Appeals Co-ordinator, and I'm sure Ken will appreciate any assistance you can offer.

The badges are sold for two weeks prior to Anzac Day from 9:30 am—-2:30pm any time in there would be great.

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Thank you

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On 19 February 1942 mainland Australia came under attack for the first time when Japanese forces mounted two air raids on Darwin. The two attacks, which were planned and led by the commander responsible for the attack on Pearl Harbor ten weeks earlier, involved 188 attack aircraft which were launched from four Japanese aircraft-carriers in the Timor Sea, and a second raid of 54 land-based bombers. The carrier battle group consisted additionally of two heavy cruisers, one light cruiser, seven destroyers, three submarines, and two other heavy cruisers on distant cover.

The air attacks across northern Australia, centring on the Territory, continued until November 1943, by which time the Japanese had raided the Top End over 200 times. The last enemy aircraft was shot down over the Territory in June 1944. During the war other towns in northern Australia were also the target of Japanese air attack, with bombs dropped on Townsville, Katherine, Wyndham, Derby, Broome and Port Hedland.

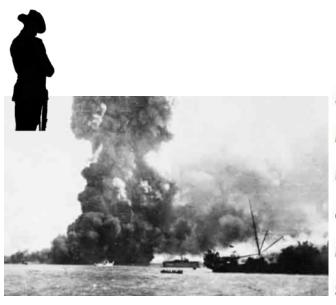
In the hours following the air raids of 19 February, believing that an invasion was imminent, some of Darwin's civilian population began to stream southwards. Approximately half of Darwin's civilian population



ultimately fled. The panic in the town was paralleled by confusion at the RAAF base, where personnel were directed in difficult circumstances to other areas in great numbers. Looting and disorder, and impact of the first raids, subsequently led the government to hurriedly appoint a Commission of Inquiry led by Mr Justice Lowe, which issued two reports, one on 27 March and the other on 9 April 1942.

However, within a few months, Darwin was mounting an even more

credible defence, which grew to a coordinated response involving fighters, radar, and searchlights. The response grew steadily to involve counterstrike from bombers, largely manned by US forces. Other squadrons involved Dutch and British aircraft joining the Australian effort, and naval units continued to operate against the enemy. By the end of 1942 the tide was beginning to turn and the Japanese started to be pushed back from the lands they had taken in what is now Indonesia and Timor.



Scene during the first Japanese air raid on Darwin Harbour. The Neptunia, loaded with ammunition, has blown up at the wharf. In front of the explosion the tiny HMAS Vigilant carries out rescue work whilst in the centre background a floating dock holds Katoomba which escaped damage. In the right forground is Zealandia, another ammunition ship, which was set afire and subsequently sank. Darwin, NT. 19th February, 1942 Image Source: AWM (134955)

Easter Word Search

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Can you find these words?

EASTER I BUNNY I FUN (HE IS RISEN (

EGG HUNT BASKET CANDY N CHOCOLATE JELLYBEANS SPRING GRASS GAMES

RESURRECTION SUNDAY MARCH







AND THAT'S HOW EASTER EGGS ARE MADE

If you see a rabbit laying

Tommy was so excited about Easter he laid his own chocolate egg.

> I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU GOT PLASTIC SURGERY!!!



little brown eggs,

Don't eat them,

lt's not chocolate!

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION: Phineas Dlamini

- 1 Phineas Dlamini, my assistant programmer, can always be found
- 2 hard at work in his cubicle. Phineas works independently, without
- 3 wasting company time talking to colleagues. Phineas never
- 4 thinks twice about assisting fellow employees, and he always
- 5 finishes given assignments on time. Often he takes extended
- 6 measures to complete his work, sometimes skipping coffee
- 7 breaks. Phineas is an individual who has absolutely no
- 8 vanity in spite of his high accomplishments and profound
- 9 knowledge in his field. I firmly believe that Phineas can be
- 10 classed as a high-calibre employee, the type that cannot be
- 11 dispensed with. Consequently, I truly recommend that Phineas be
- 12 promoted to executive management, and a proposal will be
- 13 executed as soon as possible.

Addendum

The idiot was standing over my shoulder while I wrote this report. Kindly Re-read only the odd numbered lines.

Okay.

A test to see if your brain is still worki Which one do you think is the blonde





Amazing, I did not see it before.



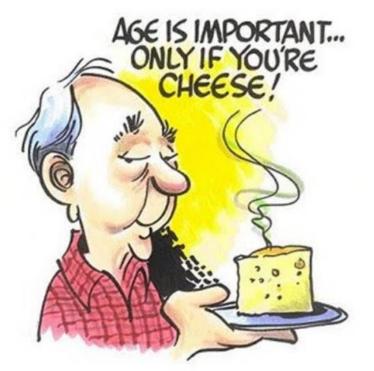
The Blonde is the one with the wrong leg up.

That's OK, I did not Pass the test EITHER!

YOU KNOW YOU'RE GETTING OLD WHEN YOUR BANK SENDS YOU THEIR FREE CALENDAR...



ONE MONTH ATATIME!





I once loved my country (before television and mobile phones... PRIVATISATION

COUPLED WITH COEPORATE GREED

Gary. J. Matthews

I remember back in 1968 living in Adelaide that the 3 major cities then were Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide.

South Australia was the Industrial State. It was where you went to work in the Iron Ore Industry, or where you could get a job making railway tracks for B.H.P.

You could get a job building ships, cars - particularly Holden cars, washing machines, fridges; TV's, Hills hoists, Victa Lawn Mowers, or make tyres at Bridgestone Tyres.

The Lightburn Washing Machine Company even made a small car called a Zeta. It was not much of a car, but at least it was South Australian and WE built it.

I worked at Port Stanvac where we made our own Petrol, Diesel, Kerosene and Oil.

We had Oil Rigs in Bass Straight, North West Shelf and the Timor Sea.

We even had Australian owned Service Stations like (H.C. Sleigh) Golden Fleece and many of us young wannabe mechanics back then worked as a driveway attendant.

I remember catching a train from the city to Gawler and then on to Freeling, Hamley Bridge, Stockport, Riverton, up to Clare, Gladstone, Laura etc.

And all these towns were bustling with activity and on the weekends they were all open for business. Our shops were filled on every shelf with food and products, all proudly made or grown in Australia.

Our fridge was full of Lamb Chops and Steaks. Meat was cheap as we were a huge Lamb and Beef growing nation.

And once a month, Mum would make us all a delicacy. It was Sunday Roast Chicken.

I remember when we had trade skills and high quality tools that would last and last. (Sidchrome)

But most of all, we had Mates. We as Australians watched each other's backs even if we had not met yet and we all said G'Day to everyone, with a smile.

Our kids could go anywhere they liked on their bikes, just as long as they were home before dark.

Australia was pretty safe back then.

Yes Australia was once a self-supporting nation that had it ALL.

It had Farms that produced our dairy, fruit & vegies and meats etc. It also had Factories that produced clothing, shoes, cars and white-goods.

And Politicians back then were known as statesmen and they were voted by the people, for the people, on behalf of the people, they did what the people wanted.



We had public utilities owned by us, the people, which guaranteed our Electricity, Water and Sewage. No one knew how much the Snowy Mountain Scheme cost, we just built it.

No one knew how much the Sydney Harbour Bridge or the Indian-Pacific railway cost, we just built it! Then came PRIVATISATION, coupled with CORPORATE GREED

Now, just about everything above has GONE!Now we don't watch each other's backs anymore, but watch each other through security bars, burglar alarms, and security screensNow we import poor quality processed foodNow we import cheap tools that break just taking them out of their packet.Now we rely on ships to bring in our fuels. Now we can't afford our own Lamb or Beef anymore Now we eat steroid pumped chicken just about every day.Now we import trade skill workers on 457 Visa'sNow we have high unemployment as nearly all of our Industry and Manufacturing has gone offshore. Now we have that many Laws that we have just about outlawed ourselves. I quess we will have Sharia Law as well. We now pay for water that falls out of the sky at \$3.80 a litre. Now we have taxes for everything. Taxes upon taxes. They often call them Levy's. (There will be no Carbon Tax under a Government I lead. \sim JG)And don't forget the newest tax is the ISLAMIC TAX, via Halal Certification. Despite our high taxes, our national debt has sky rocketed and we pay \$ billions every year in interest payments to foreign lenders. Here in South Australia, in our towns we have Railway Stations and railway tracks, but no trains. We have Public Bus Stops in our Towns, but few buses. We have Hospitals and Clinics, but few Doctors or Nurses. We all have Mobile Phones but we have poor reception. We have Digital TV's with stuff all Signal. And the worst of all, our once great nation is being sold off piece by piece to every other country on earth.

Yes, I once loved my country !





My friend, and now sub-editor has added some of his memories and feelings about the changes we have lived through. Thank you Malcolm

How true Gary in 1954 on the corner of High Street and Wilcox Street Preston there was a

Golden Fleece service station owned by Mr. King who was a motor mechanic and he had three people working for

him. He advertised for a person to work on Saturday morning selling petrol from 7.30am to 1.00pm, the wage

was a tank full of petrol and 10 shillings (\$1.00). My car was an Austin A40 1952 model Devon. this was my 2nd car. Before starting the job

I went to school over 4 weeks, one night a week for 2 hours, to Golden Fleece Head Office, Cnr. of

Bourke Street & Queen Street to learn about motor cars and how to approach the public. I was successful and I

worked there for a long time on a Saturday morning.

Electric Pump Bowsers were just coming in to service, before that it was hand-operated pump which was still working

on kerosene as people had kerosene heaters in their homes and it was sold in 4 gallon drums which the customer

brought with them and had it filled.

While filling the tank with petrol which came out of the pump very slowly we checked the water in the radiator, checked he oil,

we washed the front and back windows finished filling up the tank with petrol then checked the battery which

was sulphuric acid, poured boiling water over the terminals if sulphuric acid had built up on the terminals and checked

the hose on the vacuum tank for the windscreen wipers and the petrol pump, washed our hands before we served the next customer.

At this time electric motors for cars was just coming in. In 1961 I bought a Holden EK and that was the first Holden that

had an electric windscreen wiper.

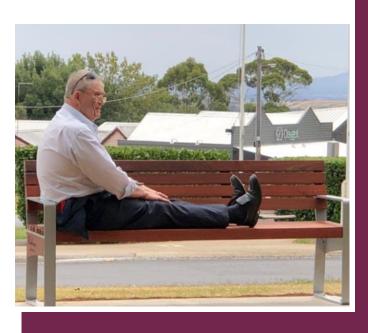
Golden Fleece was the petrol to use and you could depend on the service on the drive-way and in the garage. Apprentices and training was what it was all about. Good Memories Gary.







As you can see, Harry loves a good bitch.....



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28 RSL members, spouses and Legacy Ladies had a terrific day in Daylesford. What a very interesting place. Harry and I had a very much appreciated Beveridge at the Royal Hotel, had a chat with a

local, who, 40 years ago moved to Daylesford from Sunbury. He had some fun stories about todays Daylesford.

Graeme needed some "feet up time"

-and-

And how is the Morrie?

From Malcolm: I don't know what Harry's looking at but I have a few shops that I go into at Daylesford.



I go into Harry & Me every time we are in Daylesford because of my interest of what they stock. I have been trying to work out for many years if Harry & Me is the same person? I think I know?





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

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