

# DISPATCHES 2019



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### REMEMBRANCE DAY 2019

On the steps of the RSL waiting for the service to begin.

Proud, sad, but pleased to be able to remember.

Remembering to make sure the same thing does not happen again.

The students of Sunbury Downs gave talks about remembrance day, war and veterans. Good job people.

A great many wreaths were presented.

And a very pleasant gathering in the RSL room afterwards.

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## Christmas Lunch 2020



@ The Footy Club 8th December

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### GENERAL MEETING BITS

12 Nov 2019

- *Finances are looking good*
- *Remembrance Day Appeal \$26,140 Phil thanks everyone involved*
- *Centenary prep is going well-more RSVPs are needed.*

**Wednesday Arvos**  
**1-5pm**  
**Over 80..**  
**drinks are on**  
**us**  
**Sausage in bread?**

**Yes please**

**No charge**

## From the Editor

Hello, well it is nearly Christmas- hope you are prepared. My husband and I are going on a cruise late November getting ready for the holidays.

Trialing a new format. Paper and ink cost, and better for our planet so I am condensing. I'm sure I will be able to include all the bits you have grown accustomed to.

As always I will very much appreciate anything you have to offer for the paper.





# Preparations for the Centenary

A Committee was appointed

Chaired by Dieter

With Peter Free

Nola Williams &

Deb Williams.



After about 5 meetings everything was taking shape- we are at this moment in front with everything, and we are hoping you the members will be happy with the celebration /commemoration event we have planned.

You have received a invitation, and an order slip for the wine, glasses and extra books.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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## KILLARA REMEMBERS

Killara Primary School students and teachers gathered at their AN-ZAC memorial to pay respect on Remembrance Day. They were joined by parents, the ladies from the WRAAC and Harry Beckwith from Sunbury RSL.

Kelli Brogan organised and led the day, the choir sang, students read poems, with a great deal of reverence, and Sarah Round read the Ode.







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## Australia 1950

**JANUARY** The Tank Landing Ship HMAS Tarakan explodes at Garden Island in Sydney, killing 8 people.

**February** Petrol rationing ends, nearly ten years after it was introduced during World War II.

**MAY** A state election is held in Tasmania. The result is a hung parliament, but Robert Cosgrove's Labor Party remains in power with independent support.

Douglas DC-4 Amana crashes near Perth, WA, killing 28. One passenger survived the crash.

**JUNE** The Parliament of Australia passes the Communist Party Dissolution Bill, effectively banning operation of the Communist Party of Australia.

**OCTOBER** The Smith's Weekly newspaper, founded in 1919, is published for the last time.

### 1950 VFL Grand Final

				
	<b>Essendon</b>	<b>North Melbourne</b>		
	<b>13.14 (92)</b>	<b>7.12 (54)</b>		
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>ESS</b>	7.3 (45)	7.6 (48)	10.11 (71)	13.14 (92)
<b>NM</b>	4.0 (24)	5.5 (35)	7.9 (51)	7.12 (54)
<b>Date</b>	23 September 1950			
<b>Stadium</b>	Melbourne Cricket Ground			
<b>Attendance</b>	85,869			
	← 1949	<b>VFL Grand Final</b>	1951 →	



Essendon FC team, premiers

### Melbourne Cup 1950—COMIC COURT

Comic Court was trained by the great Bart Cummings' father, and Bart himself started his illustrious career as Comic Court's strapper. The 1950 Cup win for 5he course was an Australasian record, holding for 18 years. Comic Court later won the MVRC William Reid Stakes, setting new course record there also. An impressive racer, he won 28 races from 54 starts, sealing himself as one of the true turf greats.

## 1950 Images



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## Wartime Christmas



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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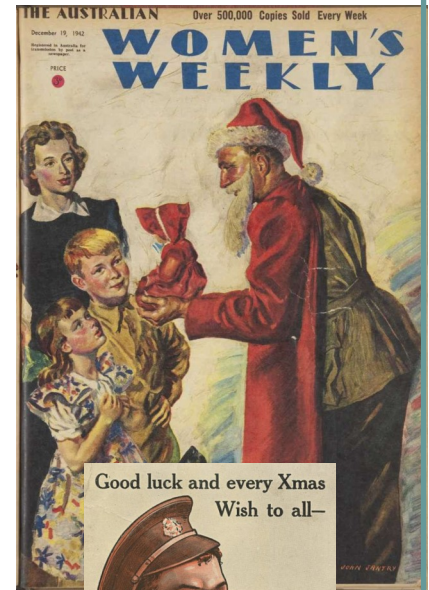
Sydney's 1942 Christmas parade included this proud display of Owen Machine Guns fresh out of the factory. Designed by 26-year-old Private Evelyn Ernest Owen of Wollongong, the 9mm caliber gun was a mainstay of the Australian army throughout World War II, the Korean and Vietnam Wars, favoured because it would keep shooting in the mud and moisture off the tropics

In Alice Springs patients of the Australian Service Hospital might have received a Red Cross Christmas Bundle of treats and comforts including some Mottram's biscuits, a fruitcake, a timed Christmas pudding, 6 packs of cigarettes, a bottle of Waltham barley sugars, playing cards, Brookes lime juice cordial, a packet of Jaffas, some drinking chocolate and red napkins.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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Good luck and every Xmas  
Wish to all—



EXCEPT THE KAISER

the  
power of  
humanity



Vera Deakin White worked with the Australian Red Cross Society for much of her adult life. She was made an honorary life member in 1945 and served as the National vice chairman between 1945 and 1959. The oil painting is by artist Robert Hofmann.

Vera Deakin was the third and youngest daughter of Alfred Deakin, who became Australia's second Prime Minister in 1903.

### ABOUT THE RED CROSS

The International Committee of the Red Cross. Formed in 1863, the committee is a neutral organization which uses international law to protect lives and dignity of victims of wars and conflicts.

Providing information and helping to connect people who have been separated by war. Today nearly 200 Red Cross societies exist across the globe; however, in many non-Christian countries these are named Red Crescent societies, and use a red crescent rather than a cross as the symbol.

50,00 Australian Red Cross Christmas boxes were distributed to patients in hospitals, casualty clearing stations and command depots in France and Great Britain in 1917





Special points of interest:



The ADF took centre stage in four shows of the largest ever Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo at ANZ Stadium in Sydney, October.



SM Australian Army Band WO1 Gary Cairra during the rehearsal.



Soldiers provide support to the Victorian Police.

Working together



A Victoria Police officer provides training to soldiers.

Sunbury Sub - Branch Centenary Celebrations

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Dec

10.30am..... Service at Memorial

Followed by unveiling of

Centenary Benches

11.00am.....Tea/Coffee + Historical Display

in Hall

12 noon....Members + Official Guests Lunch

+ Cutting of Centenary Cake

Centenary Badges, Port & glasses and Books will be distributed at this time.

Numbers Required **URGENTLY** for Catering Purposes!

Please contact Peter Free on 9744 1849 or [peter.free@outlook.com](mailto:peter.free@outlook.com) if you wish to attend the lunch.



Bruce's eggs are so fresh they still have the bum-fluff

## MOTOR CARS TO HAVE NUMBER PLATES

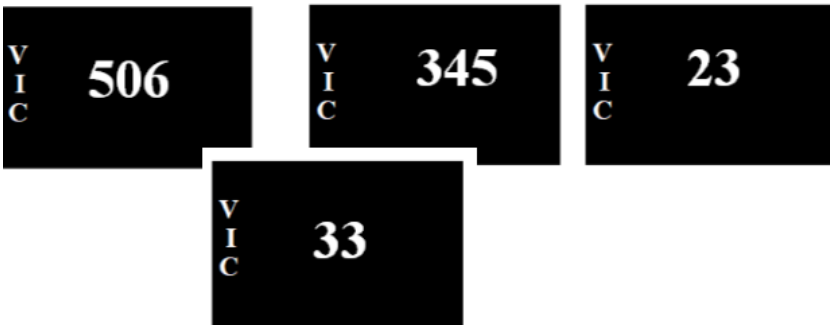
[ 1932 ]

Number plates for motor cars. When the proposal to issue standard number plates was made it was stated officially that the price to the motorist would be:

*“cost plus a small charge to cover administration.”*

The plates cost 1/8½ d. per pair and are to be charged out at 3/- a pair; the small charge has developed 75 : 6 per cent on cost. This is monstrous ! In a debate in the Assembly on the payment of registration fees by instalments, the Chief Secretary implied that the administration cost of the Motor Registration Branch was in the neighbourhood of 7½ per cent. He stated that the addition of such a percentage *“would barely made the cost of administration.”* Well, make it 10 per cent or over 15 per cent; but 75 . 6 per cent: Either Government departments have no idea of what their costs are, or else - what a profit. [ A report of the day ! ]

NUMBER PLATES were first issued in VICTORIA in 1932



Plates were to be issued during February 1932; from the Motor Registration Branch, at a fee of 3/- ..... [ three shillings - or 30 cents in today's fiscal terminology ]. Unfortunately a few delays saw the actual plates weren't issued until many months later.

These samples shown are just some of the lower numbers which were re - used from original 1910 numbers after they were cancelled for one reason or another; note also the VIC. designation on the left: whilst not specifically Feb. 1932 are rather from those times: searches are currently being done on early details and it is hoped will soon be available: if interest warrants same. [In 1910; numbers were issued & you had a plate made].

**Registration number** - along with date of issue.

Thousands of these records have Engine numbers or occasionally chassis numbers; a great lot of variations that can only be checked manually.

**Make of vehicle.** Many times the type is also shown, e.g. sedan, coupé or roadster; all surely areas of interest for collectors of number plates and / or owners / researchers.

Soon to be made available: please watch for details and cost. Most never seen before.

*In March 2016 “MSW 2” sold at auction for \$680,000*



May 2017 “NSW 29” sold for \$745,000











*Wednesday the 13th November was the actual date our RSL turned 100.*

*And what a great place it has grown into.*

*Welcoming*

*No judgement*

*Whoever you are with it is like family.*

