# **DISPATCHES 2020**

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### Reduce your risk of coronavirus

- WASH your hands often with soap and running water, for at least 20 seconds. Dry with paper towel or hand dryer.
- TRY not to touch your eyes, nose or mouth.
- COVER your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you don't have a tissue cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow.
- STAY at home if you feel sick. If you take medication make sure you have enough.
- PHONE your doctor or the hotline 1800 675 398 –
  if you need medical attention. They will tell you
  what to do.
- CONTINUE healthy habits: exercise, drink water, get plenty of sleep.
- WEARING a face mask is not necessary if you are well.
- BUY an alcohol-based hand sanitiser with over 60% alcohol.

#### Find out more

www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

If you are concerned, call the

Coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 (24 hours)

Please keep Triple Zero (000) for emergencies only





Well, here we are still in iso—we have been gathering on zoom Wednesday evenings, it is a hard place most of us are in, and I'm sure so much worse for anyone living alone.

We have had a core group each week, some laughs etc, and we really need a good laugh at the moment. If you would like to join us, we send a meeting invite each week.'

If you would just like to have a chat on the phone, the committee's numbers are in the newsletter, and I am sure we would all have a chat if you ring,

Please take care of yourself and each other.

Deb



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# 2020



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#### **Meetings for 2020**

Ollie will continue to maintain lawns, but no extras eg: pruning, weeding.

Im sure you understand we have limited funds and no income from Anzac Day badge sales this year, which normally pays for that.

Thank you for your understanding, be well.





#### Australia 1958

January Qantas Airways introduces a round-the-world air service from Australia to

London.

The Royal Australian Naval College is moved back to Jervis Bay Territory

from Flinders Naval Depot in Victoria.

Harold Macmillan visits Australia, the first Prime Minister of the United King

dom to do so while in office.

February Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visits Australia for the second time.

March John McEwen replaces Arthur Fadden as federal leader of the Country Party.

The Cahill Expressway in Sydney open, the first true freeway in Australia.

April A cyclone destroys most of the town of Bowen in Queensland.

Monash University is founded in Melbourne.

May Construction of Australia's largest man-made lake, Lake Eucumbene on the

Eucumbene River in the Snowy Mountains, is completed.

Henry Bolte's Liberal government is re-elected in Victoria.

July The last tram service runs in Perth.

August Robert Cosgrove retires as Premier of Tasmania, and is replaced by Eric

Reece.

September The ANZAC Day act 1958 receives Royal Assent, making ANZAC Day (25

April) a national public holiday in Australia.

October The wreckage of the Australian National Airways Avro 10 aircraft, VH-UMF

Southern Cloud, is found. The aircraft had been missing since 1931.

November A federal election is held. The Liberal-Country coalition led by Robert Men

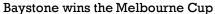
zies defeats H.V. Evatt's Australian Labor Party with 74 seats to 45 in the House of Representatives, a mojorlity unprecedented since federation,

gained from preferences from the Democratic Labor Party.

Victorian Football League premiership: Collingwood defeated Melbourne 82-64

The Australian Grand Prix was held at Bathurst and won by Lex Davison driving a Ferrari

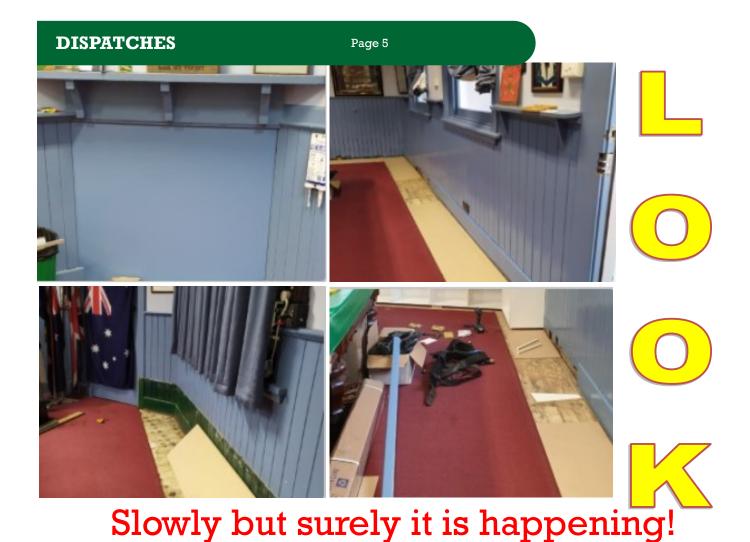






# August in time

1788	20	Lt. Williams Bligh in HMS Bounty, en route to Tahiti, anchored at Adventure Bay, Van Diemen's Land.
1835	30	John Batman and John Pascoe Fawkner established a settlement at Port Phillip, now the city of Melbourne.
1903	25	The High Court of Australia is established with Samuel Griffith as the first Chief Justice.
		The Defence Act gives the federal government full control over the Australian Army.
1904	18	George Reid became the 4th Prime Minister of Australia.
1908	27	Birth of Donald Bradman in Cootamundra, New South Wales.
1942		Aug-Nov Battle of Kokoda Trail: Australian soldiers hold Japanese march on Port Moresby.
		Aug-Sep Australian forces inflict the first defeat on the Imperial Japanese Army in the Battle of Miln Bay.
1044	5	Cowra breakout, mass escape of Japanese prisoners of war occurs in NSW
		Japanese inflict Sandakan Death March on 2,000 Australian and Britlish prisoners of war—only 6 survive. The single worst war crime perpetrated against Australians.
		Australian forces battle Japanese garrisons from Borneo to Bougainville.
		The Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme is introduced, providing subsidized medicine to all Australians
1945	14	Japan surrenders
		Australia becomes a founding member of the United Nations.
1987	9	Hoddle Street massacre kills 8 victims and injures 5.
1991	21	The Coode Island chemical storage facility in Melbourne explodes, leaving a toxic cloud hanging over the city for days
1999	26	Both houses of the federal parliament pass a Motion of Reconciliation signifying both recognition of and regret at past mistreatment of indigenous Australians.
2010	21	Election results in hung Parliament and narrow victory by Julia Gillard over Tony Abbott.
		Liberal Ken Wyatt becomes the first Aboriginal elected to the Australian House of Representatives
2018	24	Scott Morrison succeeds Malcolm Turnbull as Australian prime minister of Australia in surprise win election



### COMMEMORATIVE MEDALLION AND CERTIFICATE RECOGNISE SECOND WORLD WAR VETERANS

World War commemoration on 15 August.

DVA WW2 Medallion Full Set - Dark Tile 1200x1200

A special commemorative medallion marking the 75th anniversary of the end of the Second World War is now available to every living Second World War veteran to say 'thank you for your service'.

Minister for Veterans' Affairs The Hon. Darren Chester launched the medallion and certificate on Wednesday in the lead up to the end of the Second "As we approach this special anniversary, we recognise that it will be one of the last opportunities we have as a nation to publicly acknowledge the remaining veterans of the Second World War, of which there are around 12,000 still with us today,"



# VIETNAM VETERANS ASSOCIATION VICTORIAN BRANCH

## Tuesday 18th August 2020

### Melbourne Shrine of Remembrance

54th Anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan.

50th Anniversary of Operation Hammersley.
50th anniversary of the beginning of Australian Forces withdrawal from Vietnam.

### MELBOURNE SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE INNER SANCTUARY LIVE STREAMED COMEMORATION SERVICE

(Go to Shrine website > Remembrance Services > VV Day 2020 )

1100 Hrs Service commences.

#### ENQUIRIES:

VVAA Vic State Office Maurie Benson Commemorations Manager Mob: 0417 588 886 Em: office@vvaavic.org.au



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**UPCOMING EVENTS** 2020

Lunch @ Galli Restaurant Thursday 15th October 2020.

Melbourne Cup Day 3rd November 2020 @ th Vietnam Veterans House. \$5 entry fee.

Remembrance Day Monday 11th November 2020 10:30am @ the Memorial Precinct High Street Melton.

Children's Christmas Party Sunday 29th November 2020.

Christmas Dinner Dance Friday 4th December 2020 @ the Melton Country Club.

Please contact your Secretary or Treasurer to make a booking to attend any of these events.

**Contact your representative** to find out what is happening with these dates please

10th July 2020

To all members

For obvious reasons the Long Tan dinner to be held in August has been cancelled. We have had to cancel the Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Day service on the 18th August as well. The President and committee will be laying a wreath at 10 a.m. on that day.

The Thursday BBQ is still in lockdown due to social distancing laws and we will let you know when it can recommence.

Take care everybody.

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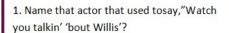
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#### (1) Gary Coleman

- (2) Philip Drummond
- (30 Todd Bridges
- 2. In which year was Live Aid?

(1)1982

#### (2)1985

(3)1987

3. In which decade of the 20th century was the first Sydney to Hobart Yacht race?

#### (1) 1940s

- (2) 1950s
- (3) 1960S
- 4.HOW MANY PEOPLE PERISHED IN THE SINKING OF THE Titanic?

(1) 1,700

(2)1,223

#### (3) 1,512

- 5. Which 1960 musical is based on the legend of King Arthur?
  - (1) The King and I
  - (2) Taming of the shrew
  - (3) Camelot





What is the name of the official home of the reigning British Monarch?

- (1) Windsor Castle
- (2) Balmoral Castle
- (3) Buckingham Palace
- What cartoon ocker was created as part of TV's Life Be In It campaign?
  - (1) Jack
  - (2) Norm
  - (3) Blue
- What four legged animal, according to a well known expression, do you smell when something seems strange?
  - (1) a cat
  - (2) a mouse
  - (3) a rat
- What salad dressing ingredient is considered the best treatment for bluebottle stings?
  - (1)Cream
  - (2) Vinegar
  - (3) condensed milk
- 5 What film were the hills alive in?
  - (1) The Beverly Hill Billies
  - (2)The Sound of Music
  - (3) Frozen







#### **DESPATCHES**

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#### **Directions**

#### Step 1

In a shallow container, blend soy sauce, honey, vegetable oil, lime juice, and garlic. Place chicken breast halves into the mixture, and turn to coat. Cover, and marinate in the refrigerator at least 30 minutes.

#### Step 2

Preheat an outdoor grill for high heat.

Step 3



Aaron Mitchell November 1, 2019 ·

Powerful.. Joshua Dyer (aged 14) was tasked at school to write a poem for Remembrance Day.

An hour later (without any help) he produced this..

#### ONE THOUSAND MEN ARE WALKING

One thousand men are walking

Walking side by side

Singing songs from home

The spirit as their guide

they walk toward the light milord

they walk towards the sun

they smoke and laugh and smile together

no foes to outrun

these men live on forever

in the hearts of those they saved

a nation truly grateful

for the path of peace they paved

they march as friends and comrades

but they do not march for war

step closer to salvation

a tranquil steady corps

the meadows lit with golden beams

a beacon for the brave

the emerald grass untrampled

a reward for what they gave

they dream of those they left behind

and know they dream of them

forever in those poppy fields

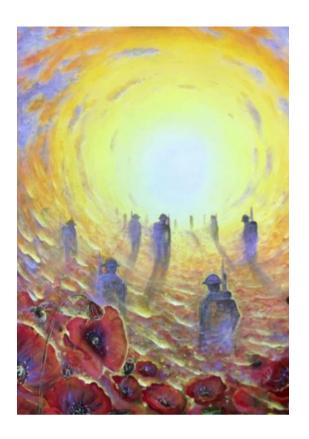
there walks one thousand men

Joshua Dyer 2019 (aged 14)

Lest we forget

This has to be shared. An incredible poem from 14 year old Joshua Dyer

Artist of the poignant painting: https://www.facebook.com/danwoollardArt/



#### Sunbury Fire Brigade

In December 1910 a fire destroyed a house at the southern end of Evans Street. Although a number of residents attended the fire there was little they could do for they did not have any fire equipment to fight the fire. After this fire a number of

influential residents met and organised a public meeting to discuss the formation of a fire service in Sunbury. This meeting took place in February 1911. The Sunbury Fire Brigade was registered with The Country Fire Brigades' Board on January 1st 1911.





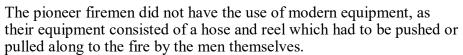
The first officers to be elected to the Sunbury Urban Fire Brigade were, Captain J F Mounsey, Lieutenant S E Bailey and Secretary A F Boardman.

Back from left: Lindsay Bride, R Carlson, W Williams, F Mounsey, C Mortimer

Front from left: Captain J Mounsey, Lieutenant E Bailey, Forman W H Bowman and

Secretary Arthur Boardman

It was not until 1914 that the first Fire Station was built in Evans Street at a cost of 178 pounds. Over the years the station has been used by a number of public functions and by sporting clubs. The Sunbury Football Club once used the station as their change rooms



On Saturday September 11th 1915 the Sunbury Fire Station received an important piece of fire brigade equipment, a fire bell. After the erection of the bell the local Post-mistress Miss Gilchrist, who was the niece of Chief Officer Marshall was to ring the bell, but unfortunately the hour was too late and the ceremony was performed at the fortnightly meeting of the brigade on Thursday 16th September 1915.

This was the beginning of the Sunbury Urban Fire Brigade. Today with modern fire station and equipment the men and women of the brigade like brigades early pioneering firemen show their willingness to serve the community of Sunbury in such an important service.

From "The Platypus Press" June 2020 Thanks to Peter Free





# 7-so not happy





# MELBOURNE CUP 2020















# Frustration in produce section as no one dares to lick their fingers





So let me get this straight, there's no straight, there's that cure for a virus that can be KILLED by sanitizer and hand soap?

People start coughing and worry they have the coronavirus, I cough and just pray I don't pee myself...

Just wait a second so what you're telling
me is that my chance
of surviving all this,
the Common Sense
of others?

When this virus thing is some of you to stay

When this virus thing is some of you to stay

people are scared of getting fined for congregating in crowds. As if catching a deadly disease and dying a horrible death wasn't enough of a deterrent.

If you believe all this will end and we will get back to normal once we reopen everything... Raise Your Hand. Now slap yourself with it.

Remember when you underwear had all your Those would be helpful

If these last few weeks have taught us anything - it's that stupidity travels faster than any virus on the planet.

Another Saturday night in the house and I just realized, even the trash goes out more than me.

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Whoever decided a
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Liquor Store is man a
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Alcoholic.
Salon is obviously a
bald headed Alcoholic.

Remember all those times when you wished the weekend would last forever. Well, Wish Granted. Happy Now? The Spread of COVID-19 Is Based On Two Factors:

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- 2. How Dense The Population is

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