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*I have to get
me some of this*

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MEETINGS 2021

GENERAL MEETINGS

FEB 8th AGM

MAR 9th (Tuesday Labor Day)

APR 12th

MAY 10th

JUNE 15th (Tuesday Queens Birthday)

JULY 12th

AUG 9th

SEP 13th

OCT 11th

NOC 8th

DEC 13th

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FEB 10th

APR 14th

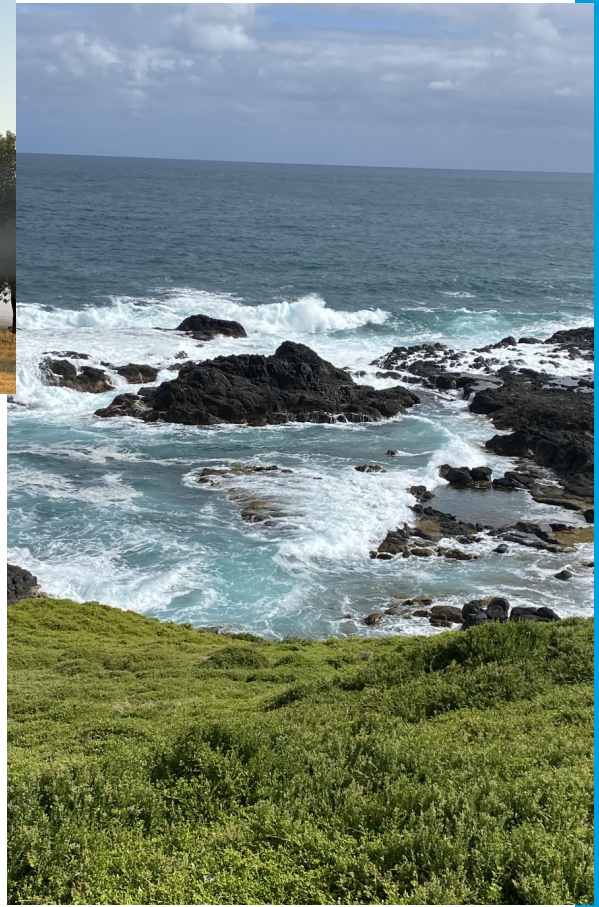
JUNE 16th

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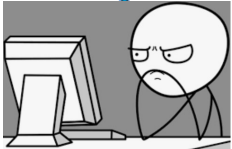
OCT 13th

DEC 13th

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From the editor



Hello everybody, well no sooner were we back at the RSL having a great time— then we were locked up for 5 days, I won't write here the things I said, but we are back.



My husband and I had a week at Phillip Island, weather was terrible wet cold guess it was karma for all the bad stuff I have said about O'l mate Andrews

However heartthrob Sutton has confidence in the system so I guess I have to accept that.



RSL Sunbury

We need to up-date our register, this task has fallen behind over the last year. We really need your help. If you could fill in the form below, and return it to the RSL we would appreciate it. We are not getting any younger, and it is important we know where everyone is living so we are able to contact everyone should the need arise.

Please fill in the form below (Print it, fill it in and return if you receive the newsletter by e-mail)

There will be some of the forms at the RSL if that is more suitable to you.

Please help

Graeme Williams
President

MEMBER

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Type of membership (circle one) Service Affiliate Associate Social

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Time Frame _____

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Boys night away

GOORNONG GET_AWAY

Roy Vincent, George Cias, Geoff Rose, Gary Fisher, Benny and I, met at the Drovers Arms pub at midday on Thursday 28th January for a yummy lunch.

Then at about 1230hrs we headed for Peter McLellan's bush block only some 5 minutes from the pub. It only took a few minutes to open up the shed before we all relaxed under the shed's verandah to watch the rain that began shortly after we'd arrived.

The light rain didn't stop us from getting an outside fire going, in fact it eliminated the chance of embers setting the scrub alight.

Peter Mac arrived mid afternoon and brought out his "truck rim" fire-place, and got it going.

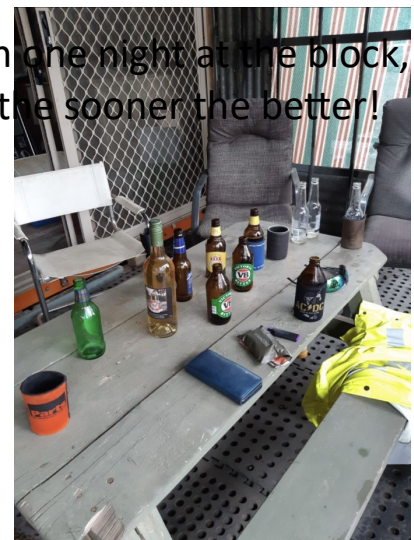
Gary kept bringing in firewood from around the block for 'processing' in the fireplace.

We spent the arvo yarning about life and all the other subjects usually spoken about while relaxing with mates. We managed to solve the world's problems that afternoon, and still had time for a laugh at the simplicity of it all.

It was just soooo good to get away with a bunch of mates.

No one misbehaved.

Unfortunately we weren't able to spend more than one night at the block, but we all agreed that a return visit is a must, and the sooner the better!

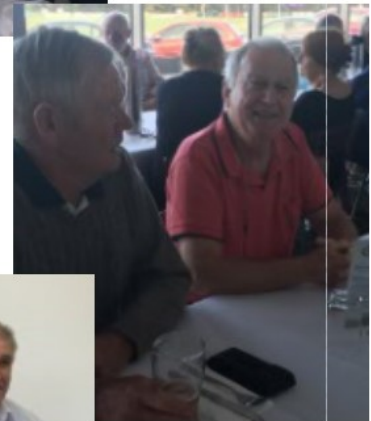


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dinner @ the footy club

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| January | 19th |
| February | 16th |
| March | 16th |
| April | 20th |
| May | 18th |
| June | 15th |
| July | 20th |
| August | 17th |
| September | 21st |
| October | 19th |
| November | 16th |
| December | 21st |



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- Never sing in the shower! Singing leads to dancing, dancing leads to slipping, and slipping leads to paramedics seeing you naked. So, remember...Don't sing!

good getting my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.

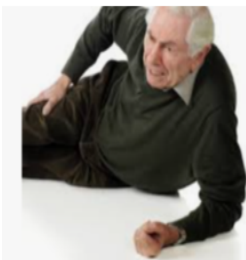
- I see people about my age mountain climbing; I feel



- Coronacoaster: noun; the ups and downs of a pandemic. One day you're loving your bubble, doing work outs, baking banana bread and going for long walks and the next you're crying, drinking gin for breakfast and missing people you don't even like.

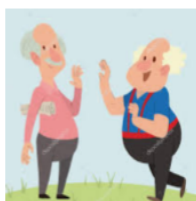
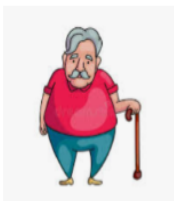


- I'm at that age where my mind still thinks I'm 29, my humour suggests I'm 12, while my body mostly keeps asking if I'm sure I'm not dead yet.



You don't realize how old you are until you sit on the floor and then try to get back up.

- We all get heavier as we get older, because there's a lot more information in our heads. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.





As you would imagine, I am having some difficulty finding articles of interest.

Not very much is happening still. And because you choose not to send anything, you must tolerate what I find.

What Australia has



Under LAND 400 Phase 2 the ASLAV is slated to be replaced by a new Armoured Reconnaissance



The Army has ordered a total of 1,052 Bushmaster Protected Mobility Vehicles to date, with deliveries commencing in mid-2005.



The Army has ordered 1,100 Hawkei Protected Mobility Vehicles – Light (PMV-L) to partially replace the Land Rover Perentie. It is smaller and around half the weight of the Bushmaster. It is able to be carried underslung by the CH-47F Chinook helicopter.



5,000+ Land Rovers were originally acquired as a fleet of light duty vehicles for transporting stores, equipment and personnel. As of 2017 fewer than 1,500 remain in service



A derivative of the Austrian Steyr AUG STG-77 assault rifle. It is the ADF's standard individual weapon, which replaced the L1A1 SLR and the M16A1 rifle from front-line service in the late 1980s. The weapon is manufactured under licence in Australia by Thales Australia (formerly Australian Defence Industries Ltd). Enhanced F88 (EF88), The Latest variant to improve modularity featuring extended accessories rail, a fixed barrel and bolt catch release. 1RAR will begin to re-equip with the EF88 from June 2015 with a wider roll out from 2016.[50] The ADF has ordered 30,000 of these rifles an August 2015,[51] 8,500 on 13 July 2020.



Standard issue to Australian special forces units. Its official designation in Australia is the M4A5



Used by various Australian special forces units



Used by the Australian Federation Guard with a bayonet attached for ceremonial purposes



Manufactured by Thales Australia. It has a lethal range of 6 m (20 ft) and has a fuse time of 4.5 to 5.5 seconds.



The Army's primary combat knife used by all personnel and can be attached on the F88 Austeyr and the M4 carbine



Soldier with F88A2 rifle wearing Australian Multicam Pattern Operational Combat Uniform

If you didn't enjoy this page, please feel free to contribute something else

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Australia 1964

- 29 January - The Royal Australian Air Force takes delivery of its first two Mirage fighter jets
- 4 February - Cyclone Dora strikes north west Queensland
- 10 February - Melbourne-Voyager collision: The aircraft carrier HMAS Melbourne and the destroyer HMAS Voyager collide, with the loss of 82 lives
- March - There is a split in the Communist Partu of Australia and the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist) is formed
- 8 April - The Jackson-Moon-Brisbane oil pipeline opens
- 24 April - Melbourne woman Judy Hanrahan becomes the first female teller appointed by the Bank of NSW since World War II
- June - Macquarie University is founded
- June - The Beatles' 1964 world tour of Australia and New Zealand
- 6 July - Warrant Officer Class 2, Kevin Conway of the Australian Army Training Team died; he was Australia's first Vietnam War battle casualty.
- 15 July - The first edition of The Australian is published in Canberra. It is Australia's first national daily newspaper, published by Rupert Murdoch's News Limited.
- 17 July - Donald Campbell sets new land speed record of 429 miles per hour in his jet-propelled car "Bluebird" at Lake Eyre
- August - The Tasman Bridge across the Derwent River opens in Hobart.
- 10 Nov. - Prime Minister Robert Menzies announces the reintroduction of National Service.
- 31 Dec - Donald Campbell sets new water speed record of 276 Miles per hour at Dumbleyung Lake, Western Australia

Swimmer Dawn Fraser is named Australian of the Year.



Melbourne Football Club wins the Victorian Football League Grand Final

Polo Prince wins the Melbourne Cup

Australian films 1964

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| The Dancing Class | | AFI winner Best Film |
| Forgotten Loneliness | | AFI winner Best Film |
| I The Aboriginal | Cecil Holmes | AFI winner Best Film |

March in Time

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| 1788 | 2 | Phillip set out to explore Broken Bay. On this trip he visited and named Pittwater. |
| | 6 | Lt King took possession of Norfolk Island. British settlement founded |
| | 10 | Two French ships left Botany Bay, and were later wrecked near Santa Cruz (Solomon Islands) |
| | | Phillip issued the first government conservation order: that no trees be cut down within 50 feet of the stream that ran into Sydney Cove |
| 1804 | 4-5 | Castle Hill convict rebellion |
| 1831 | 7 | Administration of King George Sound passes to Swan River Colony |
| 1887 | 15-19 | The first Test match is played between Australia and England at the Melbourne Cricket Ground |
| 1913 | 20 | Canberra is officially named as the Capital of Australia |
| 1921 | 12 | Edith Cowen becomes the first woman elected to an Australian parliament |
| | | The Smith Family charity is founded in Sydney |
| 1932 | 19 | The Sydney Harbour Bridge opens |
| 1943 | 4 | Australia wins its first Oscar, with cinematographer Damien Parer honoured for Kokoda Front Line? documentary |
| 1959 | 1 | Construction begins on the Sydney Opera House. It will eventually cost \$102 Million |
| 1962 | | Robert Menzies' Commonwealth Electoral Act provides that all Indigenous Australians should have the right to enroll and vote at federal elections, removing remaining restrictions applying QLD, WA and NT |
| 1971 | 10 | The 1971 Springbok tour sparks protest all throughout Australia. Premier of Queensland Joh Bjelke-Petersen declares a state of emergency in QLD in response to escalating protest |
| | | Daylight saving is introduced to New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and the Australian Capitol Territory |
| | | Greens Bans deign in Hunters Hill, Sydney and spread across New South Wales |
| 1982 | 5 | Bob Hawke defeats Fraser and leads Labor back to government |
| 1986 | 27 | Russell Street Bombing in Melbourne |
| | | Crocodile Dundee is released in Australia |
| 1993 | 13 | The Ausralian Greens stand candidates for the first time |
| 1996 | 2 | John Howard becomes Prime Minister, defeating Paul Keating after a record 13 years of Labor government |
| 2006 | 15-26 | The Commonwealth Games are held in Melbourne |



Australian Holiday Quiz. Test your knowledge. Answers below.

1. At what sport did Bob Skilton excel during the 1950s and 1960s?
 2. What river begins southeast of Cloncurry and terminates in Lake Eyre?
 3. If you were by a billabong where would you be?
 4. If you heard someone calling Cooee what would it mean?
 5. Who was the first Aboriginal person to win an Olympic gold medal?
 6. What are the two animals on the Australian Coat of Arms?
 7. What Australian state or Territory does not feature the Union Jack?
 8. The first what, was opened at Blanchetown SA in 1922?
 9. The first telephone directory in Australia was issued in Melbourne in 1880. How many subscribers were there? (a) 44 (b) 440 (c) 4400
 10. What year was the construction of the Overland Telegraph line from Adelaide to Darwin commenced?
 11. In 1975 commercial phone books became the yellow pages. What color were they before this?
 12. On the 27th November 1948, what mass produced Australian icon was first released?
 13. What was invented by Melbourne pharmacist George Nicholas in 1917 when German supplies ran out?
 14. On November the 10th, 1964 PM Robert Menzies announced what in support of the American Army?
 15. In what Victorian town was singer Colleen Hewitt born?
 16. Where would you find...
 17. a)-The Big Banana
 18. b)-The Big Orange
 19. c)-The Big Rainbow Trout
 20. Where is Australia's only memorial to the draught horse situated?
 21. Who gave 'Coopers Creek' its name?
 22. What was the name of Matthew Flinders ship in which he mapped the coastline of Australia?
 23. What is the longest place name in Australia?
 24. What was mined at Leigh Creek?
 25. Where is the largest lead smelter in the world?
 26. What special kind of opal is mined at Mintabie?
 27. "It was the Man from Ironbark who struck Sydney town," Who wrote what poem?
 28. What is a baby koala called?
 29. What is the only town in Australia to have a dinosaur named after it?
 30. What is a brigalow
 31. What species of trees and shrubs are also known as paper-barks?
 32. Where am I? I am on the road from Goroke to Natimuk. Approx. 25 kms from Natimuk. North side of the road.
 33. Where am I? I am the oldest town in southeast SA. Mary McKillop lived here. The Coonawarra is 10 kms north.
- ?a

Answers to Australian Quiz

1. Australian Rules Football
2. The Diamantina
3. By a blind branch or flood pool of a river
4. They are wanting to attract your attention. Aborigines used this call to signal a gathering.
5. Nova Peris (at the time Peris- Knee bone). 1996 at Atlanta as part of the Australian Women's Hockey team.
6. Kangaroo and Emu
7. Northern Territory
8. The first loch on the Murray River.
9. (a) 44
10. 1871
11. Pink.
12. The first Holden car.
13. Aspro
14. A Military conscription to Vietnam.
15. Bendigo
16. a. Coffs Harbour
17. b Berri
18. c Aaminaby
19. Nhill.
20. Charles Sturt
21. 'The Investigator'
22. Lake Caddibarrawirracanna
23. Coal
24. Port Pirie
25. Black Opal
26. Banjo Patterson.
27. A joey
28. Muttaborra.
29. A small silvery tree that forms impenetrable scrub. Acacia harpophylla.
30. Melaleuca
31. Jane Duff Memorial
32. Penola

THE WRITING'S ON THE WALL

Where is this wall we talk about, the one with all the names
By a lake, in a park not far from Ballarat town
Flags are flying, troops are standing
With their heads bowed down

Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen, their names upon this Wall
Forced to work endlessly in a place of living hell
Many did not make it, they died just where they fell

Those names are on the Wall for all of us to see
Memories of loved ones captured, so we can now be free
They were ordinary people, some heard the final bell
Never to return from that distant living hell

The torture and the hardship endured surviving death and pain
No woman or man should ever have to face internment ever like this again
No living human should endure those places of living hell
Hoping they would never hear the tolling of that bell

Every year I visit to remind me of those taken Their names are on the wall
Those eight thousand six hundred men and women who answered to their
countries call

The ultimate sacrifice paid by many but remembered by us all
So please take note and remember
“The writing is on The Wall”

John McCosker 2020

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THE THEORY OF INTELLIGENCE

“Well you see, Norm, it’s like this.....a herd of buffalo can only move as fast as the slowest buffalo;

And when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first. This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members. In much the same way, rhee human brain can on-ly operate as Fast as the slowest brain cells. Now, as we know, excessive intake of alcohol kills brain cells. But naturally, it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, making the brain a fast-er and more efficient machine. And that, Norm, is why you always feel smarter after a few beers.’



Try



me

Lemon Slice

INGREDIENTS

1/2 cup Nestle sweetened condensed milk

100g butter

200g granite biscuits

1 cup desiccated coconut

2tsp grated lemon rind

LEMON ICING

2 cups pure icing sugar

20g butter, softened

2 1/2 tablespoonslemon juice

METHOD

Step 1 Grease a 33cm deep, 15.5cm x25cm slab tin. Line base and sides with paper extending 2cm above edges of pan

Step 2 Place condensed milk and butter in a small saucepan over medium heat. Cook, stiring, 5 minutes or until smooth and combined. Remove from heat.

Step 3 Using a food processor, process biscuits until fine crumbs. Transfer to a bowl. Add coconut and lemon rind. Stir to combine. Add hot butter mixture. Mix well to combine,. Press mixture over the base of prepared pan. Cover. Refrigerate for 1 1/2 hours or until firm.

Step 4 Make lemon icing: Sift icing sugar into a bowl. Add butter and lemon juice. Beat with a wooden spoon until smooth and combined. Spread icing over slice. Stand at room temperature for 30 minutes or until icing has set.

Cut into pieces Enjoy

What will I do during March?



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