



Dispatches

A new years begins—these are the dates for your diary



Meetings for the coming year

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General Meetings

Feb—13

Mar— 13

Apr— 10

May— 08

Jun— 12

Jul— 10

Aug— 14

Sep— 11

Oct— 09

Nov— 13

Dec-

Committee of Management meetings will be 6:30pm even months

An Invitation

The RSL Wednesday Ladies are going to trial a lunch each month. The last Friday each month looks like the Winner. All welcome Details will be sent by email the week before

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Region 7 Meetings 2023

January 25th Cohuna

March 22nd Dunolly

May 24th Romsey—Lancefield

July 26th Maldon

Sep 27th Charlton

Nov 22nd Woodend

Footy Club dinner Dates

Feb-21

Mar-21

Apr-18

May-16

Jun-20

Jul-18

Aug-15

Sep-19

Oct-17 1879

Nov-21





From: Dieter Jankovic Vice President Sunbury Sub-Branch RSL

Our RSL will open on Friday afternoons from 1700 - 1900hrs at the request of our younger vets, so maybe we'll play some pool or chuck a few darts or whatever.

So it should be a good way to wind down from a week of hard yakka while still getting home at a reasonable hour for dinner.

We'll see how it all pans out over the next coupla months or so.

See ya, Dieter.

Upcoming Events 2023 Melton and District RSL Sub-branch

Memberships were due on 1st January. Please check you are a paid-up member.

AGM Thursday 9th February 2023, 11 a.m. at the House

Mulwala Trip 20th March-23rd March 2023.

Moama Trip 3rd-6th March 2023.

Anzac Day Tuesday 25th April 2023.

We will be conducting a service for Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Day on Friday the 18th August 2023 at 10 a.m. at the Memorial Precinct on High Street.

Long Tan Dinner Dance Saturday 19th August 2023 at the Melton Country Club.

Melbourne Cup Day 7th November 2023 at the Vietnam Veterans House. \$5 entry fee.

Remembrance Day Saturday

11th November 2023 10.30 a.m. at the Memorial precinct High Street Melton.

Children's Xmas party Sunday 26th November 2023.

Xmas Dinner Dance Friday 8th December 2023 at the Melton County Club.

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



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And a good time was had by all



Footy Dinner

Guess who made 60 years ?



CHEERS
TO
60
YEARS



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Elsie Lange

Neil and Marianne Williams have spent a decade helping feed those who need a hot meal.

The pair's service to the community of Sunbury, through the Sunbury Neighbourhood Kitchen, has earned them each a medal of the Order of Australia (OAM).

They have no idea who might have nominated them, but having touched so many lives tackling local food insecurity, it's no wonder they made the prestigious list.

"We've never had this sort of recognition in our whole life," Ms Williams said, while her husband described receiving the news as "humbling".

"It's a great honour, we don't do anything to get recognition, we just do it for our great community," he said.

Ms Williams said through their business, N&M Catering and Event Party Hire, they had done what they could to support local initiatives, such as SunFest, the Sunbury RSL and the Rotary Club of Sunbury, but wanted to do more.

"Neil and I had come to have an idea with our leftover food items from our catering business to help the homeless and the people who were in need," she said.

"September 2013, 10 years ago, was when Neil and I, with the support of the Rotary club of Sunbury, commenced a community kitchen."

From there, they began cooking and providing hot meals to those who were less fortunate.

And then it continued to grow.

Neil and Marianne are members of the Sunbury RSL and we would like to take this opportunity to congratulate them and to thank them for all they contribute to our RSL community and to the wider Sunbury community.





Lunch at the Gatehouse

That plate of food looks amazing

Adventure from Noel Knapstein

Thank you so much

Dawn December 1951

Target—Enemy trenches & cannons: at front line.

Armed with rockets and cannons (20mm) every fourth shell—is a tracer.

Nothing more frightening than seeing a trace (ball of fire) heading for you.

The attack was successful—headed back to carrier: noticed a couple of holes in left wing, outer. I was last to land on carrier.

Landed on deck—hooked an arrestor wire 0 then aircraft curved left: Nearly stopped: But went over side and lodged in a gun sponson. Reason for accident—left hand tyre—flat—had a couple of bullets penetrate the tyre.



Petrol - what a shocking price in some suburbs !

Over the last 6 months I have watched with increasing despair the high price of petrol in our local suburb. Some days its 15 cents dearer than in nearby suburbs I drive thru and for the life of me I cannot fathom why.

So - I started looking around at the various 'price comparison' websites for fuel and this only confirmed that it looks like local price gouging. A few weeks ago Deb and I spent a week at Phillip Island to find that petrol - Regular Unleaded for the Mustang - was 15 cents a litre cheaper than Melbourne CBD (which we drove thru on the way) and 20 cents cheaper than home in Sunbury when we left for the trip.

Surely the transport costs are much higher to Phillip Island than Sunbury or Gisborne - especially given that Phillip Island is not on the way to anywhere else - so it's a dead trip home after the trucks unload which to my mind equates to more cost

Some time back I saw ads for the 7-Eleven stores that provided a 'Best Price' fuel option - whereby you use their app to find the cheapest petrol (regular, E10, Diesel etc) at the 5 closest 7-Eleven retailers to where you are when you check.

Then you can lock that price in on the app - and then you can buy at that price at ANY 7-Eleven station for the next 7 days. So just now as I write this - the app shows Taylors Lakes to be selling Special Unleaded at \$169.9 whereas the Sunbury Store is at 185.9 - that's 16 cents a litre - or on a fill of 50 Litres that's \$8 saved. And its Mobil fuel not some random low grade mix.

In the old days my dad would drive between suburbs to buy from the cheapest Servo regardless of what that cost him - but not any more.

For me the important thing is that there is no cost to join, the app is free and only runs when you open it, there is no compulsion to use it if there is a sudden price drop and cost saving is immediate at the cash register. Additionally if you are a Virgin Australia Velocity member you get points in that membership and ever so occasionally 7-11 will give you a discount on a chocolate bar

The down side is you do get some email ads as you have to register with an email - but its pretty low key

So all in all - it looks one of those rare things where you do get something for free.

Take a look.

Graham Williams

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Sunbury Sub-Branch RSL

The President and Committee of the Sunbury RSL

Cordially invites all Service and ex Service men and women,
Who are working and cannot attend our Social Afternoons

To an Open Evening from 4:30pm to 7:30 pm

FRIDAY 3rd February

We have some younger members and would love to see more come along
and have a chat, play some billiards or darts or just look around and find
out what we do. Partners are most welcome.

Nibbles supplied. Hot and cold drinks available.

This is a 'one off' that could see us holding regular evenings
if enough interest is shown.

We also welcome members from other RSL clubs, so please drop in and say "Hello"



WE ARE A GENERATION THAT WILL NEVER COME BACK

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A generation that walked to school and then walked back.

A generation that did their homework alone to get out asap to play in the street.

A generation that spent all their free time in the street with their friends.

A generation that played hide and seek when dark.

A generation that made mud cakes.

A generation that collected sports cards.

A generation that found, collected, washed & returned empty coke bottles to the local grocery store for 5 cents each, then bought a Mountain Dew and a candy bar.

A generation that made paper toys with their bare hands.

A generation that bought vinyl albums to play on record players.

A generation that collected photos and albums of clippings of their life experiences as a kid.

A generation that played board games and cards on rainy days.

A generation whose TV went off at midnight after playing the National Anthem.

A generation that had parents who were there.

A generation that laughed under the covers in bed, so parents didn't know we were still awake.

A generation that is passing and unfortunately it will never return no matter how hard we try.

I loved growing up when I did. It was the best of times.



Bowlers please note

RSL Subscriptions

RSL subscriptions are now due for 2023; head office usually sends a reminder if you need to renew your subscription. One year is \$30 or \$75 for three years.

Sunbury RSL prefer that we don't renew on-line, but that we make the payments to Sunbury RSL. I can facilitate this by either paying me cash or by direct bank-bank transfer, details below, and I will transfer the payments to Sunbury RSL. If you use the bank-bank transfer please let me know when you have made the payment.

Account Name: Mr J I Welsh, BSB 192-993, Account No. 151 461 576 (Bank of Melbourne).



The fact that there is a highway to hell and only a stairway to heaven says a lot about the anticipated traffic numbers

**In my mind, I am 29,
But my back is 54, my knee is 63,
And my right hip turns 76 next week!**

The Research Council of Norway is spending over \$1.2 million USD on a project that is dedicated to discovering how the country has contributed to the spread of "whiteness" globally, through colonialism and through paint.

Wife: Shall we try a different position tonight?

Husband: Excellent idea,

Wife: Ok, you stand at the sink, wash dishes and and I will lie on the couch and watch TV.



Too crazy not to share

No-cook watermelon freezer pie



- 400g chopped watermelon
- 250g Arnott's Granita biscuits
- 100g butter, melted
- 250g cream cheese, softened
- 2 tbsp caster sugar
- 1L vanilla ice cream, softened
- 2 tbsp lime juice
- 2 tbsp raspberries, crushed
- Watermelon, extra, to serve
- Rockmelon, to serve
- Mixed berries, to serve

Place the chopped watermelon on a lined baking tray. Place in the freezer for 2 hours or until frozen.

Step 2

Meanwhile, process biscuits in a food processor until finely crushed. Add the butter and process until well combined. Spoon into a 24cm (base measurement) fluted tart tin with removable base. Use a straight-sided glass to spread and press biscuit mixture over base and side of tin. Place in freezer for 30 mins to set.

Step 3

Blend frozen chopped watermelon in a blender until smooth. Strain through a sieve into a bowl.

Step 4

Use an electric mixer to beat the cream cheese and sugar in a bowl until smooth. Add ice cream. Beat until well combined and smooth. Add watermelon puree and lime juice and beat until just combined. Use a metal spoon to spoon into the biscuit case in the tin. Freeze for 4 hours or until firm.

Step 5

Strain the raspberry through a fine sieve. Discard solids. Use a melon baller to scoop balls from extra watermelon and rockmelon. Place the pie on a serving plate. Drizzle with raspberry juice. Top with the watermelon balls, rockmelon balls and mixed berries. Cut into wedges. Serve immediately.

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Just imagine ...If you had purchased \$1,000 of shares in Qantas one year ago, you would have ~~9.00~~ \$9.00 today. If you had purchased \$1,000 of shares in AIG one year ago, you would have \$33.00 today. If you had purchased \$1,000 shares in Lehman Brothers one year ago, you would have \$0.00 today. But, if you had purchased \$1,000 worth of beer one year ago, drank all the beer, then turned in the aluminum cans for recycling, you would have received a return on investment of \$214.00.

Based on the above, the best current investment plan is to drink heavily & recycle. A recent study found that the average Aussie walks about 900 miles a year. Another study found that Aussies drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year. That means that, on average, Aussies get about 41 miles to the gallon. Makes you damned proud to be an Aussie



How many dog do you see?

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February 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1 	2	3	4	5
6	7 	8 	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 	16	17	18	19
20	21 	22 	23	24	25	26 
27	28					



Wed. Arvo

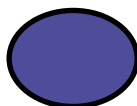


Footy club dinner



Monthly lunch

General Meeting



Com. Of Manage



Region 7



PLEASE No me we have no room we are from now on only accepting non-fiction books of wars.