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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

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

Feb, April, June, Aug,

Oct, Dec

Footy Club dinner Dates

Mar-21

Apr-18

May-16

Jun-20

Jul-18

Aug-15

Sep-19

Oct-17

Nov-21






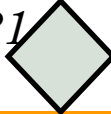



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

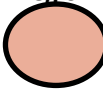


Around 20 members

Peter Free resigned and Tim took his place.

Dispatches March

March 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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 Wed. Arvo
 Footy club dinner
 Com. Of Manage
 General Meeting
 Region 7
 lunch
 All welcome Friday 5-7

From 2nd Friday- March onward and every month thereafter the

Sunbury RSL will be open from 1700 - 2100 hours

Drinks only

Children welcome

To encourage the younger service people to enjoy the camaraderie of our sub branch with older members

BYO nibbles

Order takeaway if you wish

Friday lunch

Ph Carol:0402 819 863

To allow her to make booking

March - 8 Oaks

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A few weeks ago I received an Email from the TPI association containing an advance notice for an upcoming Commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the official ending of Australia's involvement in the Viet Nam war, to be held at the QE II Park in the centre of Albury on Saturday the 11th February 2023.

This sounded like a good lurk, so I did all the necessary bits in order to attend the event.

A pleasant drive up lots of the old Hume Hwy saw me in Albury at about 1600hrs on Friday arvo at my accommodation at the Clifton Motel in Smollett st just opposite the Railway Station, The room was a bit small (but not cramped) but contained all the usual bits, including a toaster, kettle, microwave, iron & ironing board, heaps of hot water at a good pressure and a good old-fashioned shower head. (none of those new "water saving" useless ones). But for \$190 for two nights it'll do me!!

I went across to the Wodonga RSL for some dinner.

I was pleasantly surprised that this RSL (no pokies) was run by our Younger Vets (from Timor-Leste, Iraq, Afghanistan, and the recent Peacekeeping efforts in our region. What a bunch of great welcoming blokes and girls they are!!! There was no 'Ageism' evident there, just a great family atmosphere. Young mums and kids much in evidence and no one minded the kids racing around just being kids without the attendant noise.

The kitchen provides a limited but varied menu, and the lamb & veg I had was yummy.

Saturday morning at 0930 the arriving Vets gathered in the shade of the Albury Civic Centre for a 1000hrs start to the proceedings and as I wandered through the crowd I spied a familiar face.

Vilnius Metrovics!!!!!!

This bloke sure was a great fun guy back in the day when he was a regular at our Sunbury RSL, just ask Phil !!

He's now living the quiet life with his missus Adrienne in Corowa and is a member at the Albury RSL.



Anyway, after 3 passes overhead by a civilian UH 1B "Huey" (now That brought tears to the eyes!!) about 100 odd Vets formed up and marched to the beat of the Kapooka Military Band from Swift st into Kiewa st, where we were granted the

Freedom of the City in a brief ceremony, and then wheeled into Dean st (the main

drag) while all still managed to keep in step. (Amazing) Then into the Civic Square where we took the initiative to "Fall-Out on the March" to grab the best seats in the shade of the perimeter trees. The day was nearing its maximum temperature of 35 degrees by the time the Official Welcoming speech was given by the Mayor as the nearby clocktower rang in 1100hrs.

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There followed a display of weird marching and U.S. Marines style rifle twirling by a detachment of the Federal Guard. The event finished with two verses of the Australian National Anthem, The Ode, a lone Piper, and The Last Post.

The commemoration participants and onlookers quickly disbanded to find somewhere out of the sun, I headed back to the convivial atmosphere at the Wodonga RSL.

After a couple hours of refreshments there I took myself off to the Bandiana Military Museum at the Gaza Ridge barracks in Bandiana, just East of Wodonga where after upon completing the brief Gate entry requirements I attended the museum. It has a well set out display of cutaway examples of Infantry Weapons (ex armourers teaching aids) and the most extensive display of mannequined AWAS and Nursing Uniforms I've ever come across. I counted some 40 different uniform styles there. This museum also shows the various styles of field kitchen cooking equipment used from the Great War to modern day items. These mundane everyday items are unusual in a military display, but, in part they provided the essentials of existence for our troops, Ration packs are also laid out for all to see. Moving into the rear half of the WWII vehicle storage shed which houses the museum is an extensive display of Landrovers in their various guises, staff cars, ambulances, and other soft skinned vehicles including an amphibious DUKW as well as a LARK. Arriving at the armoured vehicle area that displays examples of Bren Gun Carriers, Ferrets, Staghound, and Saladin armoured cars. Then come examples of a Russian T34-85, Centurion, Leopard main battle tanks as well as an ASLAV, and a TLC.

Also displayed are artillery pieces like the 6 and 17 Pounder, L2A2 105mm howitzer, 5" and "Long Tom" field guns.

All this is complemented by additional displays involving the mechanical and electrical trade skills.

So its a very interesting Museum to visit and I highly recommend it.

The Dinner at the Wodonga RSL was a yummy 50/50 drop of Chicken or Pork and veg followed by desserts.

All in all it was a top return visit to the area of my misspent youth.

Dieter

Thanks Dieter it is really great to get real stories from members

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Friday lunch

The next Friday lunch will be March 24th at 8 Oaks (ST Mary's)



Lunch @ Kyedon

Tim receives his badge from the President

A gift from Bill

Thanks Bill



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John has kindly offered for us to again enjoy bare foot bowling

March 28th

Cost will be \$5 pp half the regular cost

Bowling will begin at 7pm,

If you wish come around 6pm enjoy a drink, food and chat

LAWN BOWLS

A social evening All welcome


Bowls available

Please wear flat-soled shoes

John will coach, maybe some other regular Friday bowlers might come along and join in

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Highly recommended by members



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Kim is local & very helpful for any trophy & badge needs

The RSL would love to hear from you with any updates to your phone numbers, email address, or postal address.

These details help us help you—by informing you of any news or events happening in the RSL also to inform you of any benefits you may be eligible to receive, among other things. Please in your spare time fill this in and return in person, via a friend or postal Thank you

Graeme Williams

President

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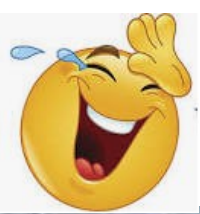
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Because we need to laugh



5 DEADLY TERMS USED BY A WOMAN

- 1) **FINE:** This is the word women use to end an argument when she knows she is right and you need to shut-up.
 - 2) **NOTHING:** means something & you need to be worried.
 - 3) **GO AHEAD:** this is a dare, not permission, do not do it.
 - 4) **WHATEVER:** A woman's way of saying screw you.
 - 5) **THAT'S OKAY:** She is thinking long and hard on how and when you will pay for your mistake.
- BONUS WORD: WOW!**
This is not a compliment. She's amazed that one person could be so stupid.



A woman is always right. Sometimes she may be confused, misinformed, crabby, stubborn, unchangeable and overly emotional, but she is never **WRONG!**



Never laugh at your wife's choices....
You are one of them...

