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Anzac Day 2023 Sunbury





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Photos from the football event organized by Jeb at the East Sunbury football grounds, 22nd April, 2023.



Jeb started the 'Save our Soldiers' group

The photos are of young returned service people who have suicided.



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Region 7 Meetings 2023

May 24th	Romsey—Lancefield
July 26th	Maldon
Sep 27th	Charlton
Nov 22nd	Woodend

General Meetings

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

dinner Dates

May-16

Jun-20

Jul-18

Aug-15

Sep-19

Oct-17

Nov-21



Not the Minutes 10/04/23

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15 members attended.

Finance all good

The monthly dinner will be at different venue—just to trial

169 members

PETER Mundy was in hospital WOW you should see him now I need what he’s had

Noel Knappstein are in hospital—No new info

Deb is happy to receive articles for newsletter

Harry won the first monthly raffle

The Ode at 3pm has been really well received by members—thank you Graeme .

Meeting closed at 8:20 next meeting 8/5/23

Many hands make light work, please consider helping with the BBQ 2 hour blocks

Wed Arvo	Monthly lunch	Welcome Friday	General Meeting	Monthly Dinner	COM	Reg 7
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May 2023

BBQ

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
29	30	31				

2023 Anzac Appeal Wrap-up



Greetings everyone and welcome to the 2023 Anzac Appeal wrap-up.

The 2023 Anzac Appeal has concluded and despite a cold and cloudy start we did not see much rain and finished with some great autumn sun. Once again everyone made it safely to the end despite Dieter again fighting with the flu throughout.

As usual, the roster was firmly in place at the start and then the whistle blew. Many thanks to those that answered my late night/early morning calls and texts; closing and opening tables and redirecting them to new locations; lots of new acquaintances were made as a result. I must make special mention of Jan, Tim and Dennis for their assistance here.

Reality verses Plan – reality wins every time

2023 ANZAC Appeal Roster								
venue/date	18-Apr-23 Tue	19-Apr-23 Wed	20-Apr-23 Thu	21-Apr-23 Fri	22-Apr-23 Sat	23-Apr-23 Sun	24-Apr-23 Mon	25-Apr-23 Tue
Geyers	Graeme / Harry	Graeme / Harry	Graeme / Harry	Graeme / Harry	Graeme / Harry		Graeme / Harry	
Sunbury Square	Nola / Geoff	Nola / Geoff	Terry / Sylvia	Nola / Geoff	Terry / Sylvia		Terry / Sylvia	
Old Woolies	SH	GC / SH	GC / SH	Tim / PB	Tim / PB		Tim / PB	
Big W	Wife / Geoff	Pmaz /	Pmaz / GB	Pmaz / GB	Pmaz / GB		Pmaz /	
Target	DC Berron / Cui	DC Berron / Cui	DC Berron / Cui	DC Berron / Cui	DC Berron / Cui		DC Berron / Cui	
Evans St		TIM	Dennis / TIM	Tim / BARRY	Dennis / BARRY		Dennis / BARRY	
Rosenthal	Gwen / Andy	Gwen / Andy	Gwen / Andy	Gwen / Andy	Gwen / Andy		Gwen / Andy	
Bunnings	Max / Tony	Max / Tony	Max / Tony	Max / Tony	Max / Tony		Max / Tony	
Emerg Res	/	/	/	/	/		/	
Roving	Phil / Gary	Phil / Gary	Phil / Gary	Phil / Gary	Phil / Gary		Phil / Gary	

A new twist this time was being evicted from Rosenthal on day 2 due to not having the correct Lease Agreement in place. This caught us by surprise as we had followed the same process as usual. With a bit of crisis management we were able to get things sorted and were back in place with our paperwork in hand (with a loss of 5 days trading). Andy pledged to read the Lease thoroughly to ensure we were complying but couldn't get past page 1 of legaleeze.



Nurse Vivian Bullwinkle

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The \$20 Nurse Bullwinkle badge would have to be one of the most popular badges we have ever sold. We sold all 200 of our badges within 3 days and despite a continued demand we could not get any more during the appeal. **(sorry, obviously I did not order enough)** Most of us met someone who knew her or worked with her, as well as many who did not know of her previously but were moved by the story of her service/experiences.

Whilst returning the EFTPOS machines to the warehouse we discussed the badge with the staff. RSL Vic purchased 35,000 nurse badges and allocated them by ratio to the sub-branches that asked for them as well as to special events (eg: MCG Anzac match). We saw a box with a bag of nurse badges that they identified as leftovers from the MCG. Ty agreed to give them to us (before I had to twist his arm) so we had an **extra 50** to sell immediately. Deb quickly put the word out and we had sold 7 before we got home.

If they run another batch next year, we will increase our order significantly.



STATS (because everyone loves stats)

When allocating available sellers, safety and support was always the first priority.

We had eight tables for the planned 12 days of sales; plus 2 extra Sundays at Bunnings: **98 table days**

We had nine instances (incl the 5 at Rosenthal) when tables did not sell at various locations due to lack of sellers/eviction: **-9 table days**

We had one instance of sellers working on a Sun: **+1 table day**

We had 15 instances where we had only one seller at a location (last time it was 30): **15**

We had one day when all eight tables had 2 sellers - **yahoo**

EFTPOS Machines

As a result of feedback from previous appeals, EFTPOS machines were located at all tables for this appeal. This proved to be very beneficial, although battery issues required one to be pulled out of service after a week and others required additional charging. We will now consider requesting spare machines to cover this issue and have them available for other sites/special events.

We discussed our issues with warehouse staff and we will provide written feedback for them to discuss with ANZ (machine providers).

EFTPOS machines accounted for **36% of sales**, with the largest individual transaction being \$255

2023 Anzac Appeal Wrap-up



Result

Sellers were busy throughout the appeal and generally confident of a good result, with many setting best daily figures for their sites. The current total (**TBC by RSL HQ**) raised during the appeal was: **\$60,954.33**

This is still climbing due to the extra nurse badges.

This is a record amount by a large margin.

Once again, an example of how generous the people of Sunbury and local area are in supporting the RSL, our veterans and their families. Much of the total raised was because of straight **donations (5%)** from the public.

Thank you to everyone who assisted with sales, both sellers and their support teams; it cannot happen without you. A special thanks to **Josh** who took a tray to his workplace and **raised over \$1500**. Be proud of your efforts in ensuring Sunbury RSL can continue to provide support to our local veterans and their families.

For now, put your feet up and take a well-earned rest. *(Planning has already started for the 2023 Poppy Appeal [28 Oct – 11 Nov TBC])*

See you all again soon.

Regards

Phil and Gary



Anzac Day School Events

I recently attended an Anzac Day Service at Killara Primary School and represented both the RSL and the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps . The WRAAC involvement has been going on for many years, thanks to Margaret Jager from the WRAAC Vic Association. The service was held at the site of the Memorial Garden and the children did an excellent job, as usual, and laid some beautifully made wreaths



Also represented both bodies again at Goonawarra Primary School at their first ever Anzac Day Service and was very impressed by the professionalism shown on the day. I was also joined by Harry Beckwith and Margaret and we were the special guests for the day.



A big thank you to both Schools, for inviting us to be part of their special event.

Nola



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Local lads with medals Anzac 2023

Thanks Nola for pics

Position Vacant

The position of Secretary will become vacant at the 2024 AGM

We are looking for a member to take on the role

It is advised that the person should work beside Harry for the rest of the year, that they become familiar with all areas of the roll.

Short list of what is involved:

To support the President .

To collect & distribute mail

To liaise with newspaper/council as required.

All correspondence for ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day

To open up RSL and close as roster requires.

Take minutes at COM and general meetings and keep records.

Any other tasks as required



Bowling Evening

The night started well, with Leanne, Gary, Terri and Andrew having a meal in the dining room before the bowling started. It was steak night \$25 The food was nice. We all said we would do it again, but you must book as it is extremely busy.

Then we proceeded to the bowling green where those who wanted to try bowling were put into two teams with experienced bowlers. Leanne and Terri were the cheer squad and Max was the commentator. Gary liked the gutter end of the green, Andrew and Sandra tried their best. John & Veronica played also.

Was a great night—enjoyed by all

Happy to do it again

Wednesday Arvo



MELTON RSL SUB-BRANCH
INVITES YOU TO

THE PRESIDENTS & VETERANS

Ball

3 COURSE DINNER DANCE

Saturday, 17th of June 2023 at 6.30pm

Melton Country Club
Clements Room
Drinks at Bar Prices

TICKETS ON SALE NOW
\$50PP

Attire:
Formal/Black Tie - Veterans encouraged to wear their Medals

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A trial @ Langama Park



A happy bunch of vegimites

25 members enjoyed a meal and great company at Langama Park—a change is always good.

Was great to see some new faces and some we have not seen for a while.

One long table is not the best for communication—When I phoned to book I don't think they knew what they were in for—our very long table was right beside the bar so it mad moving around for staff and other guests a little difficult but “such is life”

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Welcome Friday

So good to see the RSL open more— new faces

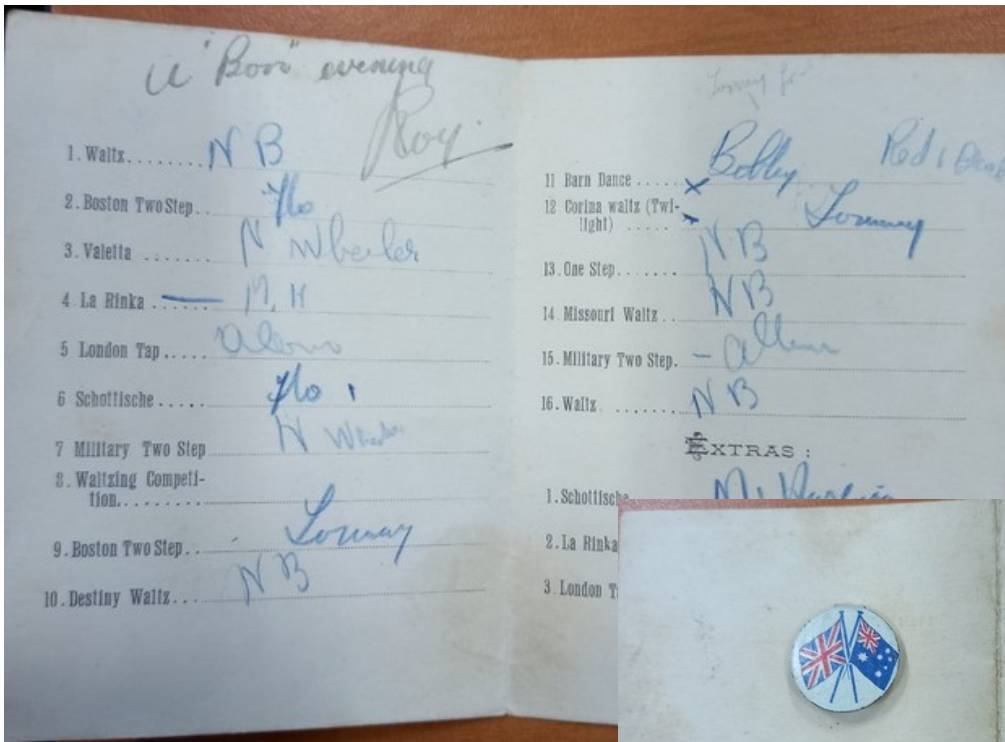
Wherever this idea came from—it's great.

BYO food & fun

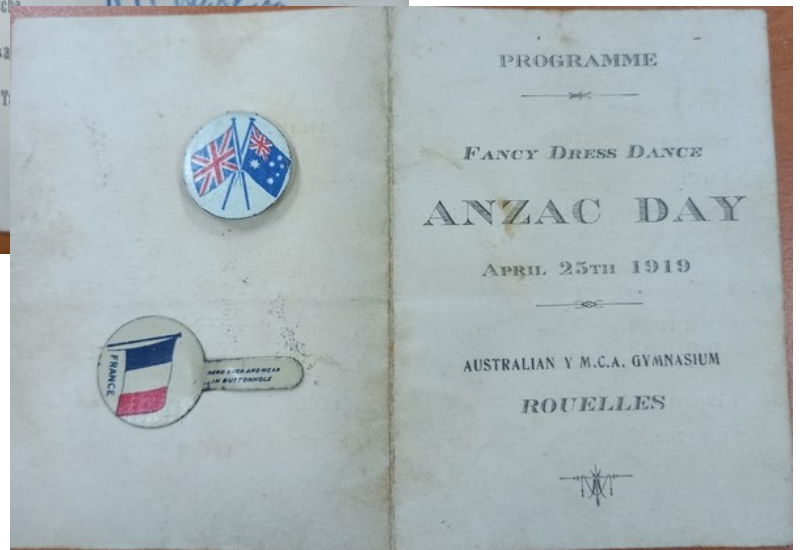
Old member/new member/maybe want to be a member

All welcome come check it out 2nd Friday





FYI



Some interesting pieces from the, memorabilia cabinet

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Pot Roast Chicken

with Garlic and Thyme



14 Ingredients

- ⊕ 1.4kg chicken pieces on the bone
- ⊕ 2 tbsp plain flour
- ⊕ 2 tbsp olive oil
- ⊕ 2 leeks, pale section only, thinly sliced
- ⊕ 300g cup mushrooms
- ⊕ 1 cup (250ml) dry white wine
- ⊕ 2 tsp Continental Superb Stock – **Chicken** Powder
- ⊕ 2 cups (500ml) boiling water
- ⊕ 1 tbsp tomato paste
- ⊕ 1 tbsp wholegrain mustard
- ⊕ 12 garlic cloves, unpeeled
- ⊕ 12 thyme sprigs
- ⊕ Mashed potato, to serve
- ⊕ Green beans, to serve
- ⊕ **Select all ingredients**

3 Method Steps

Step 1

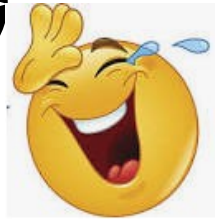
Preheat oven to 160°C. Place the **chicken** and **flour** in a bowl. Toss to coat. Heat half the **oil** in a heavy-based casserole pan over medium heat. Add half the chicken. Cook for 2-3 mins each side or until golden. Transfer to a plate. Repeat with the remaining chicken.

Step 2

Heat the remaining oil in the pan. Add the **leek** and **mushrooms**. Cook, stirring, for 2 mins or until leek softens. Add the **wine** and cook, scraping the base of the pan, for 1 min. Add the **stock powder**, boiling water, **tomato paste**, **mustard**, **garlic** and half the **thyme**. Stir to combine. Return the chicken to the pan. Cover and bake for 1 1/4 hours or until the chicken is cooked through. Uncover and bake for a further 15 mins or until the sauce thickens. Season with a little extra stock powder, if necessary.

Step 3

Serve the chicken mixture with **mashed potato**, **green beans** and remaining thyme.



Lonely hearts?

A lonely 70-year-old widow decided it was time to marry again. She put an ad in the local newspaper that read: "Husband wanted! Must be in my age group, must not beat me, must not run around on me and must still be good in bed. All applicants please apply in person."

The following day, she heard the doorbell. She opened the door and much to her dismay saw a grey-haired gentleman sitting in a wheelchair. He had no arms or legs.

"You're not really asking me to consider you, are you?" the widow asked. "Just look at you, you have no legs!"

The old gent smiled: "Therefore, I cannot run around on you!"

"You don't have any arms either!" she snorted.

Again, the old man smiled: "Therefore, I can never beat you!"


She raised an eyebrow and asked intently: "Are you still good in bed?"

The old man leaned back, beamed a big smile and said: "I rang the doorbell, didn't I?"



Relationship tip for men:
Tighten the lids on all jars in the house.
She'll have to speak to you eventually.

FINALLY! BLONDE MEN JOKES:



A blonde man is in the bathroom and his wife shouts "did you find the shampoo?" He answers "Yes but I'm not sure what to do ... it's for dry hair and I just wet mine."

A blonde man spots a letter on his doormat. It says on the envelope "DO NOT BEND". He spends the next 2 hours trying to figure out how to pick it up.

A blonde man shouts frantically into the phone "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only 2 minutes apart!" Is this her first child?" asks the doctor. "No!" he shouts, "this is her husband!"





Great Grand dad with great grand son who is wearing great Great grand dad's



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