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PRESIDENTS REPORT

1st Quarter 2016

“ADVANCE”

It is hard to believe that almost a quarter of the year has already slipped by. Two of the most important events on the club calendar have been and gone almost unnoticed. These were the election and AGM. We had 60 people voted in the election with approx. 40 attending the AGM. It was disappointing to see such low attendance numbers when we have a membership of over 2000.

The committee realise that a follow up to the original AGM notification would be beneficial and will ensure this is in place for next year.

The club returns an excellent profit for the year thanks to all the hard work of the members and staff. Well done!

Daryl is still on leave but should be back and into the swing of things soon.

The Bistro is kicking goals thanks to Terry and his excellent staff.

Just a reminder, ANZAC Day and with it the ANZAC Appeal will soon be upon us, so if you can spare some time our Appeals Officer Arthur is always looking for volunteers. Plus don't forget the Dawn Service. All are very welcome.

Kevin Tucker
President

MANAGERS MESSAGE

1st Quarter 2016

Once again we have reached April, a most significant time in the RSL world. This year as we have done forever, we will be conducting our Dawn Service followed by a Gun Fire breakfast. 2015 saw a record crowd with over 350 breakfasts served, followed by our first ever Two Up Circle in true ANZAC spirit. This year being the RSL centenary it would be fantastic to see even more of you attending making the event an unforgettable one.

At the recently held AGM it was announced that we have two new members to the committee. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome John Parsons and George Logan and we look forward to working with you both.

I am happy to report membership continues to grow at unprecedented volume. This is reflected in our net profit for the year and something that we should all be very proud of.

As you will have noticed, phase two of the renovations have now been completed with phase three the revamp of our function room facilities to commence shortly. It is anticipated that the room will be available in the second half of the year.

Also I would like to acknowledge our vale members that have passed in particular our good friend for over 20 years, to management and all the staff, Leonard Clarke, you will be missed.

Finally I would like to thank all the staff that have contributed to the success of your RSL, in particular Gavin who in my absence ensured the Clubs operations did not miss a beat during this time. I would also like to congratulate Richard (the doting father) and his wife on the arrival of their daughter, Hannah.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Dawn Service and breakfast on ANZAC Day.

Daryl Absalom
Manager

DART SECTION REPORT

Hi everyone,

Well another season of darts is underway. We have the Bears sitting second in division 2, and Vipers sitting in first place undefeated in division 3.

We've had a bit of interest in new players wanting to join our section and with this we might be able to start a third team next season. Make sure you let us know if you are keen!

I would also like to thank John Parsons & Ray Jackson for selling raffle tickets at the club. As a result we've been able to purchase two brand new dartboards for the new season. A big thank you to everyone for buying tickets and let's hope both teams make the finals!

Regards,
Marcus Commerford
Highett Bears

GOLF SECTION REPORT

Hi,

After dusting off the clubs following the quiet Christmas period the golf section was in full swing, excuse the pun, at Royal Brighton on the 17th of January, with fair weather we saw a fantastic turnout. By our fourth meeting on the 21st of February at Lang Lang golf club the cob webs were clearly dusted away and some masterful strokes and some pin seeking shots were played by many of our members. A few noteworthy members are D Sabau who defeated A Wilkinson to win the McKendry Trophy, A Grade winner was M Ballard, B Grade winner was S Smith and birdies were achieved by M Stanton, A Ballard, M Flahive, R Stewart and nearest the pin was R Stewart and A Ballard.

On March the 6th we commenced the first round of the Bert Gay Trophy at Devils Bend Golf Course. After the first round the A Grade winner was J Heaton and B Grade winner was J Negie. J Heaton stood out as the clear leader at the conclusion of the first round with nearest to the pins P Smith, S Smith, L Stewart and L Abdilla all having fantastic rounds.

It is also with great sadness that we announce the passing of one of our dedicated members, Leonard Clarke. Our thought are with his family during this time.

Regards & good golfing

Ralph Stewart

Secretary Highett RSL Golf Section

2nd Quarter Games 2016

April 3 rd	-	Werribee Park
April 17 th	-	Mornington
May 1 st	-	Centenary Park
May 15 th	-	Rosebud Park
May 29 th	-	Growling Frog
June 5 th	-	Drouin
June 19 th	-	Pakenham
July 3 rd	-	Centenary Park
July 17 th	-	Eastern Sward

Golf Facts:

- Golf was invented in Scotland over 500 years ago, however the Chinese claim to have developed a similar game as far back as 943 AD.
- Golf was banned by the Scottish parliament of James II. Golf was prohibited on Sunday's because it interfered with military training for the war against the English.
- Golf is the only sport to be played on the moon. On February 6th, 1971, Alan Shepard hit two golf balls whilst on the lunar surface.
- Not all golf balls have the same number of dimples. Golf balls have anywhere from 330 to 500 dimples depending on which company designs the ball. The ideal ball will usually have between 380 and 432 dimples.
- Americans spend \$600 million on golf balls every year.
- The word caddy comes from French word for student, cadets, which is pronounced cad-DAY.

WHATS GOING ON: 2016

Products for Points

Still on offer to all RSL members (not just Highett) is Pot of Points every Tuesday. Simple order your pot of any tap beer over the bar, tell us you want to use your points and we'll only deduct 300 points from your card. Not a beer drinker then order a glass of wine from the Chain of Fire Series for 400 points.

Save the Date

March 24th – AFL Season Commences

March 25th – Good Friday (Venue Closed)

March 26th – Easter Saturday

March 27th – Easter Sunday

March 28th – Easter Monday

April 7th – US Master (Golf) Commences

April 25th – ANZAC Day (5:45am dawn service at the club)

May 8th – Mother's Day (Book in advance)

June 13th – Queen's Birthday (Victoria Only)

June 27th – Wimbledon Commences

Committee Elections

At 3pm of Saturday the 27th of February the polls closed for the 2016 Highett RSL General Committee. The executive level carried over from 2015 as each position stood unopposed and remain as such:

President – Kevin Tucker

Senior Vice President – Jordie Burgess

Junior Vice President – Alan Tonks

Treasurer – Jeff Walters

Secretary – Ron Thornton

Six members applied for the four positions available in the general committee. Once the votes were tallied the following members were selected for the general committee:

John Parsons

Michael Bennett

George Logan

Wayne McDonnell

Thank you to all Service and Affiliate members who voted in the 2016 election.

Membership

- Pay up front; no waiting time
- Be part of history
- Show your support
- Instant Discounts

FACTS ABOUT AUSTRALIA

- Victoria is the state with the highest ratio with females to males (98 males to every 100 females), with 58,399 more women than men.
- The year the queen came to the throne (1952), just 40 Australians turned 100. Last year, more than 2600 Australians turned 100.
- The most widely said 'Australianisms' are 'no worries' (74% of Australians have used this phrase), 'arvo' (73%), and G'day (71%).
- The average Australian car drives 14,000 kilometres per year which means Australians, in their more than 13 million vehicles drive a combined 182 billion kilometres annually – that's to Pluto and back 20 times per year!
- If you lived on an average sized street in Australia comprised of 100 households, on that street there would be a marriage every 9 months, a death every 7 months and a birth every 14 weeks.

Punters Club

With the 2015 spring racing carnival a distant memory and the 2016 carnival only a blip on the horizon why not get some practice in and join the RSL punters club. Running for 9 weeks from April to June, pick a runner in each of the last 5 races in Melbourne on the dates listed below, pick either win, place or each way and your score is tallied against the tote odds. After the 9 weeks the top three entrants with the highest scores win!

April 30th – Caulfield

May 7th – Flemington

May 14th – Caulfield

May 21st – Flemington

May 28th – Sandown Park

June 4th – Moonee Valley

June 11th – Flemington

June 18th – Moonee Valley

June 25th – Flemington

Friday Night Raffle

- New Start Time
- Tickets on sale @ 6.00pm
- Raffle Starts @ 7.00pm
- New Bigger Jackpots

Women's Auxiliary Report

2016

Third edition of our fancy new newsletter and everyone seems very happy with the 2 so far, so let's hope this continues. Richard is proving to be a hard task-master... 'Submissions were due in yesterday – what's going on?' No mucking about with Richard at the helm.

By the time this is published, Easter will have passed. Even in the first couple of days selling tickets for our Easter Egg raffle, members and casual guests have proven to be as generous as usual and we are looking forward to making a fine contribution to our various charities. This would not be possible without your long-suffering generosity and good humour.

ANZAC Day will be upon us soon and as usual, we will be having the Dawn Service, followed by breakfast and as always, any assistance is welcome. Just show up and you will be given a job.

In the meantime, keep enjoying the conviviality of the Highett RSL

Angela Docherty
Secretary/Treasurer

'We Also Serve'

Gladys Proctor
President

A Submariner's tale

During WWII it was standard procedure for Submarines heading off On Patrol to be escorted to their 'Diving Area' by a Destroyer or Frigate. A Destroyer Captain, knowing the, fairly low, top speed of a Submarine decided to have a 'Bit of Fun!'

'Hello Submarine' said the Escort Captain, 'We are increasing speed to 15 knots, would you care to join us?' A short time later, with the Submarine struggling to keep-up, He sent another message of his intention to increase speed to 18 knots and, again, asked the Submarine, 'Would you care to join us?'

On reaching the designated Diving Area, the Submarine Captain sent a message to the Escort. 'Hello Escort' said the Submarine Captain, 'We are increasing our depth to 150 feet! Would you care to join us?'

Provided by Pat Heffernan
Former Submariner, Highett RSL member.

Veteran Affairs

As part of our continued support for all veterans the Highett RSL and Kenny's Tree and Stump Removal would like to offer a complementary garden maintenance service to all veterans. For all enquiries please contact the Highett RSL directly on:
T 9532 1357
E admin@highettrsl.com.au

**KENNYS TREE & STUMP
REMOVAL**

- Complete Tree Removal
- Stump Removal
- No Job Too Small
- Small Access Stump Machine
- Free Quote
- Fully Insured

Watch this Net Space

Every day we receive tons of articles from members for the Advance but with limited space there just isn't enough room for everything. With that in mind check out our website today @ www.highettrsl.com.au with all the latest updates of raffles, footy tipping and more.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY

Present this voucher over the bar and receive a free glass of champagne on Mother's Day 2016.

Only valid on 8th of May, 2016



* T-SERIES WINE GLASS

Present this voucher at the bar and receive a free glass of T-Series wine (Shiraz or Sav Blanc)

Valid throughout April 2016.
Whilst stock lasts.



Monday Members Raffle

Come down and join us every Monday night for the members draw for your chance to win big bucks. Every financial member is in the draw but you have to be here to win.

Main Draw Big Winners in 2016

\$2300 – 14th of March to Mr M. Armstrong

2016 Calendar Vouchers

March – Enjoy a free can of Guinness on St. Patrick's Day (17/03/2016) when you present your voucher at the bar. Only one per customer.

April – Present voucher at the bar on mother's day (8/05/2016) and go into the draw to win a mother's day pamper pack.

May – Throughout May, when you spend over \$10 at the bar go into the running to win a \$500 Flight Centre Voucher.

June – Enjoy a free bottle of the Circa 1858 series wine when you book a table of 4 or more in the bistro. Collect voucher from waiting staff on being seated.

Mother Day

Spoil mum this year with a lavish feast on mother's day (May 8th)

Enjoy a set course menu for lunch with complimentary champagne on arrival, a rich variety of meal options and chocolates and coffee to top it off.

For dinner choose from our extensive à la carte menu with all mums receiving a glass of bubbles on arrival.

Every mum will also receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win a mother's day hamper drawn at lunch and dinner.

Bookings are essential, so book now to avoid disappointment. Call 9532 1357

FRIDAY RAFFLE

The Highett RSL would like to acknowledge the generosity of the following contributors to the Friday big wheel prizes:

Stuart Hunter Motors

9555 9791

stuarthuntermotors.com.au

Green Care

9585 3856

greencarefunerals.com.au

Robert Oatley Wines

Bristot Coffee

1300 790 710

CLH

Waste & Site Service

0487 887 997

Wattle Security Doors

0490 069 984

Buxton Real estate

Hampton East

0417 347 489

Saxbys Hair

95552921

Saxbyshair.com.au

Kenny's Tree & Stump Removal

0419 370 423

9553 2970

Grand Villa

Mentone

9585 0733

Highett Florist

9553 5489

Able Hearing

Hearing Specialists

ablehearing.com.au

Highett Village Meats

9555 4172



OPEN 7 DAYS
12 to 2.30 FOR LUNCH AND DINNER 5:30 to 8:30

MONDAY: MEMBERS DRAW	Pie Night Pie & Chips Lunch Special Select Menu	\$12 \$10
TUESDAY:	Parma Night Choice of Toppings & Sides Lunch Special Select Menu	\$14 \$10
WEDNESDAY:	Meal Deal Soup & Main or Main & Dessert	\$15
THURSDAY:	Steak Night 300g Porterhouse With Pepper, Garlic, Mushroom Sauce Choice of Sides	\$18
FRIDAY:	Early Bird Dinners Order between 5:30 & 6:30pm	RAFFLE NIGHT
SATURDAY:	Curry Night Choose from 3 curries	\$15
SUNDAY: Lunch Only	Carvery Choose from 3 fresh Roasts Free soup or dessert	\$16

SENIORS MEALS ONLY \$13.00

**SUNDAY NIGHT
FAMILY DINNER
2 Adults & 2 Kids
ONLY \$41**

ANZAC DAY

ANZAC Day goes beyond the anniversary of the landing on Gallipoli in 1915. It is a day on which we remember all Australians who served and died in war and on operational service. The spirit of Anzac, with its qualities of courage, mateship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity.

On the 25th of April at 5:45am we encourage members and their family/friends to join the commemorative march to remember those who served in the armed forces at home and abroad.

The march commences from the corner of Henry Street & Highett Road then makes its way to the RSL which is followed by the dawn service. A complementary gun fire breakfast is served in the venue after the service.



First toss of the kip by Kevin Tucker (President) officiated by Paul Gamble & Daryl Absalom (Manager) on ANZAC day 2015.

Call for Volunteers

Volunteers are the backbone of the ANZAC Appeal. Without them, much of what we do would not be possible. Each year, members of the RSL, their friends and families give their time and energy to help raise funds. Through the donations from individuals, groups and businesses within our community, we work towards achieving our mission and hope to give back to those who sacrificed their lives for our country.

Should you or anyone you know wish to volunteer in the ANZAC Appeal please contact Arthur Lund on 0450 394 808



From left to right: Daryl Absalom (Manager), Kevin Tucker (President) and Frank after ANZAC Day dawn service 2015.

2 Up

The RSL has once again procured a licence to hold 2 Up on the premises on ANZAC Day 2016. Held under the oculus in the main bar, 2up is a straight forward game. The spinner (person who tosses the coins) places two pennies on the kip (the wooded paddle) and tosses them. The pennies must spin at least two metres over the spinners' head and not come into contact with an object or a person. It must also land in the boundary of the ring. Players bet on either two heads or two tails. The ringkeeper selects the spinner and controls the conduct of the game.

2 Up Fast Facts

- Mathematically 2up offers the best odds because the house doesn't take a cut.
- There is the same likelihood of ten heads in a row as there is of H,T,H, T,H,T,H,T,H,T- about on in 1000.
- The chance of winning five hands in a row is 3.125%. For eight its 0.39%, for 10 its 0.1% & 20 its 0.0001%.
- The chance of five splits in a row is 3.125%
- The odds of having exactly 500 heads and 500 tails after 1000 throws are 1 in 40.
- Three heads or three tails – 1 in 8.

VALE

It is with regret that we record the passing of the following service & Affiliate members since our last Advance *LEST WE FORGET*



G. Stebbing	8-January-16
T.J. Temple	16-January-16
B. Harber	19-January-16
L. Clarke	23-March-16



Rewards Points Redemption

We would like to offer all our members a Reward for their Rewards points! Order any of the following items below and pay for them using your RSL Rewards Points. T&C's apply.



Russell Hobbs
York Breakfast Pack
4-Slice Toaster
Stainless Steel Kettle
11,000 Points
Code 0002



Sunbeam Café
200 watt Grill
2 Slice Capacity
4,500 Points
Code 0003



Sony
Bluetooth Speaker
1 of 5 colours
11,000 Points
Code 0009



Sodastream
Drink Maker
3 drink settings
10,500 Points
Code 0008



FitBit Charge
Black Only
Large or Small
17,000 Points
Code 0014



TEFAL
4L Deep Fryer
3200 watts
11,000 Points
Code 0017



Sunbeam Slow Cooker
5.5L Capacity
Stainless Steel
6,500 Points
Code 0011



BUSH
Digital Radio
LCD Display
7,700 Points
Code 0016



Apple TV
Online Media
Player
11,000 Points
Code 0010



GVA Portable
DVD Player
7" Screen
9,500 Points
Code 0015



GOOGLE
Chromecast
Media Streaming
6,000 Points
Code 0001



Nespresso Breville
U Milk Capsule
Machine with Milk
Frother
26,000 Points
Code 0006



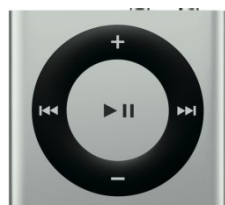
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Dash Camera
HD Quality
Auto Record Sensors
7,500 Points
Code 0012



Apple iPod
16GB Silver
25,000 Points
Code 0018



GVA 7" DVD Player
Twin Screen In-Car
Light & Compact
15,000 Points
Code 0013



iPod Shuffle
2GB Silver
8,000 Points
Code 0007



Black & Decker 18V Dustbuster
Handheld Vacuum
15,000 Points
Code 0005

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Order Slip:

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

RSL Card No: _____ Stock Code: _____ Specification* (if available): _____

Only available to all financial RSL members. Orders must be in by 29/04/2016 for pick up any time after 16/05/2016. Financial RSL card must be presented on collection. All orders are final and cannot be altered after order date. If item is not collected by 31/01/2016 it will become property of the Hightett RSL. *Specifications include size/colour. If no specification is made a default selection will be made.