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ANZAC DAY

TUESDAY 25 APRIL 2017

Lest We Forget



ANZAC DAY 2017

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 we encourage members and their family/friends to join the commemorative march to remember those who served in the defence of Australia, especially remembering those who paid the supreme sacrifice or otherwise suffered as a result of their service.



The light hue of dawn can be seen over the crowd as the Rouse sounds on Anzac day 2016. President Kevin Tucker and General Manager Daryl Absalom can be seen in the centre of the photo.

Sequence of Events

5:45am – The March

Form at the corner of Station Street and Highett Road then proceed to the entrance of the RSL. All members and guests are encouraged to join.

6am – Dawn Service Ceremony

- Welcome and Address from Highett RSL President & State VP Mr. George Logan
- Rev Roger Featherstone leads us in prayer
- Laying of the wreaths
- Ode to the Fallen
- Last Post sounds
- One Minute's Silence
- Lest We Forget
- Rouse sounded
- Australian National Anthem
- New Zealand National Anthem

6:30am – Gunfire breakfast

Join us in the venue for a fully cooked breakfast prepared by Head Chef Terry and his team in the kitchen. We will also be serving coffee with complementary rum ration nip.

8am – Bar Opens

Enjoy a cold beer with friends or check the odds on the AFL through the TAB facilities.

10am – 2UP

2up is a straight forward game held under the oculus in the main bar during the course of ANZAC day. 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.

"...rarely seen something so impressive in the world of sport. As they play the Last Post and the national anthem, the 100,000-strong crowd utters not a peep, whisper not a murmur. The atmosphere is electric and the general mood in the air one of reverence for the diggers..."

- Peter FitzSimons (2008 AFL ANZAC Day Match Sydney Morning Herald)



Volunteers Needed

Only 2hrs of your time

Wednesday 19th April

to Monday 24th April

9532 1357

12pm – Bistro Opens

Enjoy a lunch of house favourites from Head Chef Terry and his team in the kitchen.

3:20pm – AFL ANZAC Day Clash

The Anzac day blockbuster between Collingwood and Essendon has been an ANZAC day tradition since 1995 and is one of our biggest national sporting events. The Anzac day match pays tribute to the sacrifice of the servicemen and women of Australia and celebrates the Anzac spirit of courage, sacrifice, endurance and mateship.

The match will be shown in the venue on all available TV's plus TAB betting facilities are available from 10am.

5:30pm – Bistro opens

Enjoy a dinner of house favourites from Head Chef Terry and his team in the kitchen.

12am – Venue Closes

All good things must come to an end and if you've been here since the Dawn Service you should probably go home.

2 Up Origin & Rules

Thought to have originated in the 18th century, the Australian tradition was born during WW1 when two-up – which evolved from the English game of “pitch and toss” – was played in troop ships and the trenches. But considering we only play it once a year, we understand you might be a bit rusty on the details. In light of this here's a simplified how-to guide on playing 2up:

- 1) A person is selected as the “spinner” (generally greeted to loud calls of “Come in spinner!” by the rest of the players).
- 2) The “Spinner”, who tosses the pennies on the “kip”, is required to place a bet before their first throw, which must be covered equally by another player.
- 3) Side bets are also placed amongst the spectators on the outcome of each toss; irrespective of the spinner losing.
- 4) The spinner will then toss the coins in the air using the “kip” until they win or lose. Two heads means the spinner wins, two tails means the spinner loses and odds means the spinner throws again.
- 5) Celebrate your win. Commiserate your loss. Gamble responsibly.

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 1 in 1000.
- The chance of winning five hands in a row is 3.125%. For eight it's 0.39%, for 10 it's 0.1% & 20 it's 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.



Members look on as the first toss of the kip on Anzac day 2015 is thrown by Kevin Tucker (former President) officiated by Daryl Absalom (General Manager) and Paul Gamble (Helpful Volunteer).

“...It is a story of great valour under fire, unity of purpose and a willingness to fight against the odds that has helped to define what it means to be an Australian...”

- Prime Minister John Howard (2002 on death of last Anzac Sydney Morning Herald)

PRESIDENTS REPORT

1st Quarter 2017

It is a great honour that I address you now as president of this magnificent sub branch. I must thank you, the Service, Affiliate, Social and Community members, for your continuing support for all we do. It is due entirely to you that this sub branch even exists. That it works so well however, is not just by chance. It is all thanks to certain special people that it works so well and continues to improve over the years.

Earlier this year I took the reins from Kevin Tucker who has worked assiduously for years for the sub branch. Kevin, who also served our nation as a digger for many years, has brought to us the knowledge and skills acquired during those times to make the Highett RSL great. Sadly, due to his health Kevin stood down earlier this year. Kevin thinks it is largely due to his medical condition, but Bev, his wife, who has beautifully cared for him over the years, mentioned quietly that maybe he's been doing too much jitterbugging.

In doing the work, Kevin, has been supported by his committee. You only need to see the way they conduct the raffles every week to get an idea of what they can do, and that's only the part that you, the members, see them do. Their work as a committee in camera, has much greater impact on every aspect of this sub branch.

The driving force supervising everyday aspects of the sub branch is Daryl Absalom, our manager. On a daily basis Daryl ensures that our staff, who, I might add, are also a first class group of women and men provide a great standard of service to you, our members.

I would write a novel on all the aspects that make this RSL great and why I choose it above all other but you have heard more than enough from me.

Once again thank you for giving me this honour.

George Logan
President

MANAGERS MESSAGE

Once again we are reaching April, a most significant time for the RSL. This year as we have done forever, we will be conducting our Dawn Service followed by a Gun Fire breakfast. 2016 saw a record crowd with over 350 breakfasts served, followed by our Two UP Circle in the ANZAC spirit. Be here to witness this once a year event.

At the recent held AGM it was announced that we have two new members to the committee. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome Jeff Negri and Mark Flahive; we look forward to working with you both. Kevin Tucker is now our immediate past President following his stepping down after years of service and dedication both in our armed forces and as president. I would like to thank him for his support and commitment in guiding the club to a place we all as members enjoy. We have the pleasure in welcoming George Logan as new President – after last year on our general committee. George is a well decorated returned soldier serving in 2 Battalion Royal Australian Regiment, 3 Battalion Royal Australian Regiment, 7 Royal Australian Regiment and AATTV.

I am happy to report membership has continued to grow at an unprecedented rate, now at over 5,235 members. This is reflected in our net profit for the year and something that we should all be very proud of; an outstanding result.

Phase three of the renovations has now commenced with the installation of a lift and toilets, creating greater appeal and improving access to the function room.

I would like to acknowledge our vale members that have passed, in particular Angela Docherty. She was a tireless and ever helpful Treasurer/Secretary of the Women's Auxiliary. Angela was a good friend to management and all the staff, and she will be missed very much.

Finally I would like to thank all the staff that have contributed to our success of your RSL. I look forward to seeing you all at the Dawn Service and breakfast on ANZAC Day.

Daryl Absalom
Manager

Women's Auxiliary Report

2017

I regret having to start the 1st report for the year on a very sad note regarding the sudden death of our Secretary/Treasurer, Angela Docherty, who passed away suddenly on the 11th January, 2017. She had been an active member of our Women's Auxiliary for over 12 years and did her work with distinction, her absence will really be felt and she will be sorely missed by all. Vale Angela. Our sincere sympathy to Peter and the families.

The number of ladies in our Auxiliary are down compared with the time when it was formed almost 70 years ago in June 1947 shortly after the formation of our Sub-Branch. We need more ladies to join us to be able to continue supporting our Sub Branch.

Anyone interested please contact me on 0418 304 455 for further information.

Our oldest member for over 50 years, Dorothea Griffiths, whom many of you may remember, will be 100 years old this year on 14th April, 2017, Congratulations Dot on this amazing milestone.

We thank everyone who supported our Christmas raffle the winners were - Joyce Box, Robyn Blonk, Helen Hender, and Hoedan.

We will be putting an Easter raffle together in the coming weeks so be on the lookout when you next visit the RSL.

In closing we offer our congratulations to the new club President George Logan and his new committee.

'We Also Serve'

Gladys Procter
President



Angela Docherty was farewelled on January the 25th at St. Patricks Church surrounded by family and friends.

VALE

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

Watch this Net Space

Every week 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.highbetttrsl.com.au with all the latest updates.

Committee Results 2017

At 3pm on Saturday the 25th of February the polls closed for the 2017 Highbett RSL General Committee. The position of President, held by Kevin Tucker, was vacated earlier this year with the position being filled by George Logan. The rest of the executive level carried over from 2016 as each position stood unopposed.

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

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| 1) Michael Bennett | 2) John Parsons |
| 3) Mark Flahive | 4) Jeffrey Negri |

Thank you to all Service and Affiliate members who voted in the 2017 election



K. Long	14-Oct-16	C. Martin	13-Dec-16
R. Short	19-Oct-16	A. Docherty	11-Jan-17
L. Kilpatrick	14-Nov-16	D. Smith	25-Jan-17
R. Mungean	24-Nov-16	P. Heffernan	25-Jan-17
B. Luckett	25-Nov-16		

Executive Committee

President	George Logan
Snr Vice President	Jordie Burgess
Jnr Vice President	Alan Tonks
Treasurer	Jeff Walters
Secretary	Ron Thornton

Christmas & NYE 2016

The silly season was considerably sensible this year at the RSL. With Christmas falling on a Sunday most businesses traded right up until the Friday which meant the bar was seeing work Christmas break up nearly every night. Everyone was well behaved and a thanks must go out to the committee with special mention to John Parsons who collected glasses during the busier hours and put all the Christmas decorations up.

We had a record turnout at the children's Christmas treat on Turner Rd Reserve. The committee all turned out to help with setup, barbequing, helping Santa and even having enough energy to pack up at the end. Thank you to all members, friends and families that turned up on the day and made it one to remember.

NYE was a hit! The band was fantastic, the dance floor was full and no one realised it was 2017 for the first fifteen minutes of New Year. Thank you to everyone that made NYE and 2016 such a great year.



Committee member Wayne showing off his "skills" at the fairy floss machine during the Children's Christmas Treat

GOLF SECTION REPORT

We have started the new golf year with the first game at Royal Brighton and then a great day was had at Robyn Lomas home where we had a BBQ and a few drinks. Thanks as always to Robyn for her kind hospitality in opening up her home every year to the golf section.

The winners at Brighton for A grade was Rob Tinsley and B grade Colin Thornton. Then we moved onto Pakenham for our first 4 ball Ambrose event and the winning team was Phil Kelly, Steve Smith, Albert Armour and Rob Tinsley.

We then went to Lang Lang for the qualifying round of the McKendry trophy where the winner of A grade was Mark Flahive and B grade was Jeff (Pip) Negri. Then we went to Werribee for the semi-final of the McKendry which was won by Phil Kelly in the first semi and the second won by Steve Smith. The A grade winner was Ralph Stewart and B grade was won by Dennis Sabau. On Sunday the 5th of March we are off to Centenary Park for the final of the McKendry and then in a few weeks, we are off to Howlong for our annual weekend away.

Congratulations to all the winners so far this year.

Regards & good golfing

Ralph Stewart

Secretary Highett RSL Golf Section

1st Quarter Games 2017

March 18-19th - Howlong
April 2nd - Kingston Links
April 9th - Mornington

Golf Facts

- An American, Ab Smith, coined the term 'birdie' in 1899. Thrilled with his performance, he said it was a "bird of a shot".
- Golf is the only professional played sport in which the lowest score wins (with the exception of time-based racing sports)
- The longest ever pro golf drive was made in 1974 by Mike Austin. It travelled a massive 470 metres!
- Similarly, the longest putt ever was an enormous 114 metres. Fergus Muir sank that one on the Eden Course in Scotland in 2001.
- A regulation golf ball has 336 dimples.

Golf Section Raffle

Every Monday night the golf section will be running a weekly raffle. Tickets go on sale from 5:30pm and are available in the sports bar at \$2 per ticket. The winning numbers will be drawn once all tickets are sold.

Prizes are drawn in the following order and are to the value of:

- 1st - \$75
- 2nd - \$25
- 3rd - Bottle of wine

ANGLING SECTION

The Highett RSL angling section have been busy over the last couple of months, whilst the weather has been a bit erratic, we have taken advantage of the down time to install a new depth sounder and electric anchor winch as well as doing general maintenance on the club boat. We have also secured a new mooring on the bay side of the bridge right in front of Doyle's pub. The boat can handle 8 anglers or 12 passengers but we prefer to limit it to 6 anglers. If you are interested in fishing the membership is only \$50 per year and \$20 per trip for members and \$30 for guests.

Members are generally contacted via text of when we are going out.

For all enquiries please contact
Chairman Greg Warren 0418128202 or
Julian Tagell 0433102265

WHATS GOING ON: 2017

Save the Date

March 13 th –	Labour Day (Victoria)
March 17 th –	St. Patricks Day
March 23 rd –	Footy Tipping Commences
April 2 nd –	Day Lights Saving Ends
April 14 th –	Good Friday (Venue Closed)
April 16 th –	Easter Day
April 17 th –	Easter Monday
April 25 th –	ANZAC Day (Dawn Service)
May 14 th –	Mother's Day



The Angling Sections pride and joy back in the water after a fresh coat of paint

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.



Another satisfied customer, J. Negri receives his winnings from our Secretary Ron Thornton after his, now lucky; membership number was drawn on the 9th of January. Remember to win you simply need to be in the venue on any Monday night.

Main Draw in 2016/2017

10 Oct	\$3,400	R. Rogers	Unclaimed
17 Oct	\$3,500	L. Bridford	Unclaimed
24 Oct	\$3,600	B. Menderson	Unclaimed
31 Oct	\$3,700	N. Kostadinova	Unclaimed
7 Nov	\$3,800	B. Bilitho	Unclaimed
14 Nov	\$3,900	L. Creaney	Won
21 Nov	\$500	G. Pendrey	Won
28 Nov	\$500	J. Humphris	Unclaimed
5 Dec	\$600	T. Payne	Unclaimed
12 Dec	\$700	J. Henz	Unclaimed
19 Dec	\$800	I. Jelfs	Unclaimed
26 Dec	\$900	A. Rees	Unclaimed

END OF 2016 MEMBERSHIP RAFFLE

2 Jan	\$1,000	N. Thomson	Unclaimed
9 Jan	\$1,100	J. Negri	Won!
16 Jan	\$500	G. Morgan	Unclaimed
23 Jan	\$600	D. Duffett	Unclaimed
30 Jan	\$700	D. Waterston	Unclaimed
6 Feb	\$800	N. Krieger	Unclaimed
13 Feb	\$900	J. Jordan	Unclaimed
20 Feb	\$1000	A. Adams	Unclaimed
27 Feb	\$1100	V. Rose	Unclaimed

Calendar Vouchers

March – Celebrate St. Patrick's Day (17/03/2017) at the Highett RSL and receive a free can of Guinness when you redeem this voucher that the bar. Only one per person. T&C's & RSA apply.

April - Present your voucher at the bar with any purchase and go into the draw to win 1 of 3 Easter hampers. Drawn on 13/04/2017. T&C's apply.

Footy Tipping in 2017

The AFL season is just around the corner and after a great year of tipping in 2016 the Highett RSL footy tipping competition is on again! We have made a few adjustments to this year's competition:

- Only \$30 per entrant with all money going into the prize pool.
- You are given a yearly fixture to tip with (opposed to placing your handwritten tips in a box each week)
- Weekly scores will be available on the RSL website
- Brownlow presentation night will be an optional extra with a dinner and drinks served in the function room for the low cost of \$20.
- The old favourite competitions such as mini margin and certainty pick are still on.
- Plus a few surprise prizes/comps will be held at random during the season.

The Friendly Club

Do you like mind games, quizzes, cards, board games, bingo, guest speakers and outings? If so, then join the Friendly Club every Wednesday between 11am-2.30pm at the RSL. For further enquiries please contact Adele on 9583 7982.

Live Music is Back!

Be entertained by two of music's most enjoyed local entertainers; Howie & Neil between them having thrilled audiences for other 30 years. Playing to capacity crowds of over 90,000 people.

With a substantial and diverse repertoire including classic dance tunes, swing favourites and the very best of music from the 60's to today...guaranteed to get you on the dance floor.

Check us out on facebook.com/emotional resilience and witness us live in the function room on Saturday, 8th of April (8pm-late) with free admission.

When: 8/04/2017 @ 8pm

Where: Highett RSL Function room

How Much: FREE

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

Bristot Coffee

1300 790 710

Buxton Real estate

Hampton East
0417 347 489

Grand Villa

Mentone
9585 0733

Highett Florist

9553 5489

Green Care

9585 3856
greencarefunerals.com.au

CLH

Waste & Site Service
0487 887 997

Saxbys Hair

95552921
Saxbyshair.com.au

Robert Oatley Wines

Wattle Security Doors

0490 069 984

Kenny's Tree & Stump Removal

0419 370 423
9553 2970

Able Hearing

Hearing Specialists
ablehearing.com.au

Highett Village Meats

9555 4172

FOOTY TIPPING

✂ Present this voucher when you sign up for the footy tipping at the bar and receive a free pot of tap beer or glass of Barefoot wine. Valid until 23/03/2017. Only one per customer.

