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# Highett RSL Sub-Branch

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### **Address from our President**

Well what a busy last few months Our RSL Club has had.

ANZAC day dawn service and subsequent gun fire breakfast was very well attended. Our members, Veterans and their families and friends had a great environment to catch up and remember.

We have continued on with our Service member lunches and pushing ahead with our support to the Veterans and community welfare, see the welfare report for more details.

To assist with this we have refurbished our Little House at 5 Station street to be our Welfare centre and to house our Library and memorabilia.

Roger Hyde and Jim Dale, with the assistance of Mick Bennett and Kevin Tucker have done some fantastic work to get the Little house up to scratch.

So, feel free to drop in during the day and say hello, have a cup of tea and check out the memorabilia.

Daryl, our Club Manager, along with our team of Staff, have continued to provide excellent service over the last few months and I am sure this will continue into the future.

Please remember that manners and courtesy cost you nothing and ensure a family friendly Club atmosphere.

As you will know it is the Centennial of Armistice this year and the Club is making every effort to support our appeals team to raise as much funding as possible.

To assist this appeal we have booked the BBQ at Mentone Bunnings over 5-8 November and will need some assistance over that time. If you have a couple of hours to spare to help cook or serve a sausage or maybe even sell badges, please contact Roger or Jim in the Little House or let Christine in the Office know and she will pass on your details.

Regards,

**Jordie Burgess** 

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### **Highett RSL Managers Message**

Well it's that time of the year, what the year to date has delivered! What will our future bring? If only we knew.

As you would have witnessed your club is still trading extremely well and on track to exceed budgeted projections for 2018.

Our famous service members' lunch in August attracted over 120 members who experienced another memorable day of a great lunch and refreshments. If you were unable to make the last lunch it's on again Monday 12th November 2018 so keep this date free.

During the year of anticipation, the AFL season ended with a twist. Who would have thought West Coast and Collingwood in a 2018 Grand Final. Congratulation's West Coast Eagles, a disappointing result for the rest but there is always next year.

Yes, its Spring and we can turn our heads to our second opening of the 'Craft Beer Fridge'. On the 11th of October the Highett RSL will be holding a Craft Beer Tasting night just in time for the racing season.

Our Traditional Cup Eve 'Calcutta' night is just a warm up for the big day – the 2018 Melbourne Cup. Our TAB will open at 9am and Terry in the Bistro has Race day specials not to mention his famous grazing platters which need to be ordered by the 1st November. Just saying, what would Melbourne Cup be without Oaks Day Ladies Dress up where your fancy hat and our champagne specials will apply.

November brings with it a reminder of a major event for the RSL, Remembrance Day on the 11th. The 100th anniversary of Armistice. We will conduct our commemoration service at the club so for all those attending please be there by 10.45am sharp. Don't forget to buy a poppy.

As a timely reminder your membership is due early November. For those who took up on the 3 year option last year your still financial for another 2 years. Reminder letters will be sent in October and just remember you can pay with your points and we would encourage you to do just that.

Membership has continued to grow and welcome to the 195 new members over the last 3 months. It has been great to catch up with so many of you over the last few months hearing your positive feedback.

Don't forget On November 18<sup>th</sup> the band 'Yellow' is performing (same band as NYE) starting at 2pm and finishing at 5pm.

As we are coming into the silly season please be aware our bistro is booked out most nights so please book early, As of Monday the 1st October Christmas lunch bookings are now open if you wish to spend the day with us please book now.

Talking about Christmas, the Highett RSLs children's Christmas party at Turner Road Reserve will be held on the 9th of December, see page 9 For more details.

Now for the Highett RSL NYE Party. A night of celebration and dancing with Yellow farewelling 2018 and kick starting the New Year off in fine fashion with the songs of the 60's 70's and 80's and it's FREE.

Finally, I would like to thank you all our loyal members and families for your support over the year and of course our staff who do fantastic work and sometimes face difficult challenges. A big 'Thank You', it ensures the Highett RSL is the first-choice venue for our members.

Daryl Absalom

Highett RSL Manager

# **Highett RSL Veterans Welfare**

Highett RSL remains committed in supporting the welfare of our veterans and their families while continuing to support the wider community.

In 2018 the Highett RSL Sub Branch Veterans and Community Support Centre (Little House) was established two doors up from the RSL at 5 Station Street.

The Little House is also the Sub Branch library and displays our memorabilia.

The Little House will provide a place where service and ex-service members can engage with a welfare co-ordinator who will provide support and guidance relating to welfare issues. It is also where our military historian can provide information on a wide variety of military history.

The focus for 2019 is to reach out to our serving and ex-serving members and their dependants to ensure they have ready access to welfare pensions and appropriate health services. Our focus will also be to ensure that we promote and conduct appropriate commemorative activities. We will also set our sights on engaging younger veterans in order to welcome them in to the RSL community.

#### **Welfare Activities**

From the Pensions & Advocacy perspective, we rely on the expertise of trained welfare officers from other Sub Branches and RSLVIC. We have one volunteer welfare support officer currently undergoing the Advocacy and Development Training Programme (ADTP) who should be qualified in 2019 /2020.

The role of the welfare support officer is to support individuals and their families who are experiencing emotional, financial or social difficulties or be able to refer clients to other support agencies.

The Sub Branch conducts home and hospital visits and where eligible, provides home maintenance assistance, clothing, food, transport and mobility services.

The Little House is open Mondays and Thursdays as a 'drop-in-centre' to provide welfare support and a social outlet for veterans, members and the wider community. The Little House is open on Wednesday when the Friendly Club conducts information and social activities.

The Women's Auxiliary numbers have grown and continue to raise funds through raffles and other fund-raising activities. They provide charitable donations to the wider community as well as the Sub Branch community.

Regards,

Roger Hyde Welfare Co-Ordinator Ph: 0418 986 396 welfare@highettrsl.com.au

# **Highett RSL Golf Section Report**

We arrived at Howlong on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March for our annual trip away. We had a get together on the Friday night which was very enjoyable before the golf started on the Saturday. The A grade winner was Paul Housden and B grade was won by Colin Thornton. On Sunday the A grade winner was Terry O'Keefe and B grade was won by Steve Smith. The Jock Currie Cup was won by Steve Smith and the Colin Lomas Cup was won by Terry O'Keefe. All who attended had a great weekend away. We hope to see more attend next time, with some new members joining the golf section.

We then moved to the first round of the club and H/cap rounds at Mornington with the A grade winner Brad Dillon and B grade won by Ian Evans, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April we played at Churchill Park where the winners where A grade Phil Kelly and B grade Jeff Negri. On the 6<sup>th</sup> of May we went to Rosebud Country club for the start of the Bert Gay with the winners being A grade Roger Hyde and B grade Marie Cossey.

It was then on to Sandringham winners where A grade Paul Housden and B grade Jeff Negri. We then went to Flinders for the final of the Bert Gay which was won by Paul Housden with plus 9, who has had an excellent year of golf, and the runner up was Roger Hyde with plus 5. The A grade winner was Mick Stanton and B grade Ross Campbell (one of our new members). We then played at Beaconhills where the winners where A grade Peter Comino and B grade Peter Hibbert.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of July we played at Bayview's golf club in Rosebud where the winners were A grade Chris Draper and B grade Christin Porter. Great to see both our lady golfer have a win this season. We also played the semi-finals of the Captains trophy with Dean Waterson and Graham Thomson defeated Peter Comino and Ralph Stewart 4&5 in the other semi Peter Hibbert and Paul Housden defeated Brad Dillon and Jeff Negri 3&6.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> July we played Mornington where the winners are A grade Jim Campbell and B grade Kevin Reid, with the winners of the Captains being Dean Waterson and Graham Thomson who defeated Peter Hibbert and Paul Housden 2&1. We then went on to Mount Martha and the winners were Roger Hyde and B grade Christin Porter. It was also the first round of the chairman's trophy with the leaders Christin Porter, Ross Campbell and Graham Thomson. After this it was off to Lang Lang for the second round of the Chairman's with the leaders after 2 rounds John McKenzie, Christin Porter and Leo O'Keefe. The A grade winner was Paul Housden and B grade John McKenzie.

Our last event was off to Cheltenham for the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of the club and h/cap comps with the leaders. After 3 rounds club champion Dean Waterson was on 275, Brad Dillon 277 and Ralph Stewart 304. The h/cap leader board is Brad Dillon on 235, Dean Waterson 235 and Graham Thomson 236. The A grade winner for Cheltenham was John Heaton and B grade winner John Procter.

We have also been running an order of merit comp all year and the leaders are Paul Housden 55, Brad Dillon 39 and Christin Porter 38.

Regards,
Ralph Stewart
Secretary Highett RSL golf section.

# **Highett RSL Angling Section Report**

Hi Anglers,

We are approaching the fishing season fast, the Highett Angling Section has had fairly busy time, the boat has had the leg and the propeller reconditioned which has fixed the steering and also the boat cruises a lot better we also took the opportunity to clean and anti-foul the hull job well done to all involved.

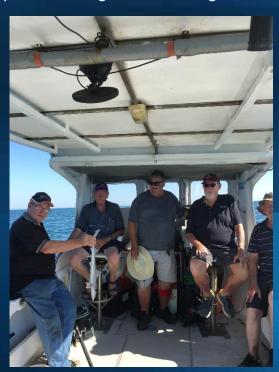
**Upcoming Angling Section dates:** 

#### Sunday 18th November 2018:

#### The Annual RSL Bayside Challenge Fishing Competition.

More details will be available after a briefing at the Rosebud RSL Angling Section in September. We are not expecting the rules or the costs to be different from last year. There has been additional interest within the Highett RSL Angling section for this year's challenge to bolster anglers and boats.





Anglers are advised to record your name with the section so as we can organize spots and fishing gear for all members and guest if required.

#### Sunday 21st of October:

#### Mates Day and Future Fish Foundation.

The Highett RSL Angling Section are proud to announce we will be Volunteering the use of our boat and crew for Mates Day.

Mates Day is a special event being organised to take disabled children fishing for the day and also

representing the interests of recreational anglers across Victoria - working to promote and enhance recreational fishing and maintain sustainable fisheries throughout the state.

**Regards and Tight Lines** 

Greg Warren
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#### **HIGHETT RSL MEMBERS FOOTY TIPPING RESULTS**

After 23 rounds the Highett RSL footy tipping has its winner. The 41 members that made up this year met on Brownlow night for the annual presentation. Many left happy with their prize money and everyone enjoyed a few free beers and finger food.

Congratulations to the following members for the excellent half season score:

Congratulations to the following members for the excellent full season score:

1st – Philip Alexander (78) 2<sup>nd</sup> – Meg Alexander (77) 3<sup>rd</sup> – Jared Costa (76) 1st – Philip Alexander (145) 2nd – Meg Alexander (144) 3rd- William Alexander (141)

Pick the Certainty Winner – Philip Alexander
Pick 9 Jackpot – Bob Miller

Thank you to everyone who entered and next year we hope to see a bigger turn out given the success of this year.

#### **Spring Carnival at the RSL**

Spring is in the air and for any punters reading this that means only one thing.... The spring racing carnival!

If you're heading to the races or just fancy a punt the RSL has you covered. With state of the art betting facilities, friendly staff that can help you put a bet on and as always chilled champagne is available at any hour.

Early opening hours on selected race days means you'll never miss the jump and with all the latest material on display you'll know of any scratching or changes well in advance. We look forward to seeing you in the club.

### Melbourne Cup 2018 Calcutta Sweep

By now you may have noticed the Calcutta tickets on all the tables in the bar, this annual occasion on cup eve is a fantastic event and usually one pencilled in most members diaries months in advance.

This year it lands on the 5th of November and will commence at 7pm. The bistro will be serving till 8.30pm as per usual and tables are being booked out fast.

How does it work? Tickets (\$2) are currently available in the bar, payments of cash made over the bar. On the evening 24 tickets are drawn, if your name is drawn you get a horse. Then the fun begins, starting with the first horse each one is auctioned off to anyone who wants to buy it. If you own it but want to buy it, you only have to pay half the auction price. Once the final price is set, half goes to the original owner and half to the prize pool. By the end of the night all 24 horses are auctioned and a total prize pool set then all we have to do is wait for the Melbourne Cup to be run.

If your horse should come first you get 5/8 (63.5%) of the prize pool, second 2/8 (25%) and third 1/8 (12.5%). Last year's prize pool was \$3,207!

#### **WOMENS' AUXILIARY REPORT**

It gives me great pleasure in providing you all with a report on the Women's Auxiliary for the second time this year. The Women's Auxiliary have continued to support the Sub Branch and the wider community by raising funds through raffles that you all have supported and we thank you for that.

It has been a busy six months and I am pleased to say we have three new members, Linda Manning, Catherine Haggart, Jennifer Marr which means our numbers have doubled since the start of this year. We also have welcomed Roger Hyde a committee member of the club who has been appointed to support us – Thank You Roger you have been great showing your enthusiasm and interest in our work.

However, as there is so much to do we are always seeking more members. So if you have one hour or many hours we welcome your contribution.

We attended the RSL Women's Council & Auxiliary 85<sup>th</sup> Conference which was held at the Box Hill RSL, in August, 2018 which had more than 100 women from all over the state. In attendance was the Victorian RSL President Dr. Robert Webster OAM and we were very pleased to hear his glowing report and his support regarding the Women's Auxiliary.

The Women's Auxiliary is strong and continues to grow across the state which can only benefit those in need. On that note, we provided significant funds to organization who provide direct support to the wider community such as Flying Doctor Service, Sandringham Hospital, The Florey Institute Neuroscience and many more. We also support the Sub Branch by providing funds to enable the up keep of our memorabilia and in particular our donated war medals.

As you would know our raffles are the main stay in generating our funds to support those in need. I congratulate those that won the raffles and those that assisted in putting the wonderful prizes together.

As we are marching in to Remembrance Day we will be heavily involved in the selling of poppies and assisting the BBQ stand at BUNNINGS (5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November) This will be a huge event and I know we are up to the challenge, with your support of course.

We look forward to seeing you all at the REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE.

'We Also Serve'

**Gladys Procter** – President Womens Auxiliary.

# MELBOURNE CUP DAY SPECIAL!!

Buy a glass or bottle of Barefoot wine and go into the draw to win a Barefoot hamper.

Drawn after the race.



# **Highett RSL Friendly Club**

The Highett RSL Friendly Club was established in 2016. The Highett RSL Friendly Club meets every Wednesday at the Highett RSL for lunch and a social catch up. The Friendly club was established as a social club for Highett RSL members and the wider Highett and Bayside community.

The Friendly club has regular excursions to various locations, the last one enjoyed by all was a trip to Phillip Island where we did some sightseeing and then visited the Phillip Island RSL for lunch. After lunch we then proceed to the the local chocolate factory before all returning back safetly to the Highet RSL.

The Friendly Club's next event is a Lunch and Show featuring the Retro Girls (Details Page 8). New members are always welcome. Contact Adele on 03 9583 7982 for further details.





# OAKS DAY 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

- Dress to Impress Best Hat & Dressed Competition
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Win a Dinner for 2 in the Highett RSL Bistro
    With a matching bottle of Josef Chromy NV Cuvee
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Win a \$50 KENO Voucher with a bottle of Clover Hill Cuvee
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Win a \$50 Free TAB Bet with a Barefoot Wine Pack
  - 4<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>

Win TAB Vouchers, Wine Magnums and Barefoot wine packs



- Lunch Specials in the Bistro
- \$5 Craigmoor 200ml Brut Bottles
- Oaks Day \$5 and \$10 Sweeps
- St Andrews Beach Craft Beer Varieties
  - o Race Day, 6 Furlongs, Box 54, The Strapper
  - \$5 Bottles ALL DAY



#### **Friday Night Raffles at the Highett RSL**

Every Friday night come down and join us at the club for the Big Wheel Raffle.

Tickets are available from 6:00pm.



Prizes include meat trays, wine, beer and vouchers. Each Friday two ticket holders will get a chance to spin the big wheel to win a number of major prizes donated by our corporate sponsors or the minor/major jackpot. The Current Jackpots are \$1200 Major Jackpot and \$2400 Minor Jackpot.

Come end of the month three raffle ticket holders will get a chance to spin the BIG wheel.

#### **Monday Night Members Draw**

7pm every Monday come down and join us at the club for the members' raffle.

The major prize which is drawn only once on the night, starts at \$500 and goes up by \$100 every week if unclaimed.

There is also a minor prize of \$200 that is drawn five times on the evening and jackpots to the next week by \$50 if unclaimed during those 5 draws. To win simply be on the premises each draw and if your membership number is drawn, you win!



# Exclusive Highett RSL Lunch and Rock'n'Roll Xmas Show

**Wednesday 28th November** 

#### THE RETRO GIRLS

Friendship Melodies
Rock and Roll Xmas Show
Wednesday 28th Nov 2018,
1pm @ Highett RSL
11.30am arrival - 12pm lunch
\$25 – lunch & show

The minute they hit the stage they're bustin with energized Pizzazz!

Call the Highett RSL to reserve your



table, see the bar or contact Christine on 9532 1357 for tickets!



\$31 \$38 \$65 \$149



#### **CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

With only a couple of months to Christmas its time to start thinking about the children's Christmas treat on Turner Rd Reserve.

The date for this years Christmas Party is Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> December. Children's rides, Fairy Floss, Popcorn, Drinks, Sausage Sizzle and a visit by Santa Claus.

Don't forget to register your (maximum 4) children or grandchildren over the bar this year before the 17<sup>th</sup> November. Additional children are \$10 each.

Phone registrations will not be accepted.

# HIGHETT RSL EXECUTIVE & COMMITTEE 2018/19

#### **Executive Committee**

President – Jordie Burgess

Snr Vice President – Jeff Walter

Vice President – Alan Tonks

Treasurer – Kevin Tucker

Secretary – Michael Bennett

#### **General Committee**

John Parsons, Mark Flahive, Mark Sutherland OAM, Roger Hyde OAM

#### Welfare Officer

Roger Hyde

#### **VALE**

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

Edward Schleiger	Affiliate	17 March 2018
Kathleen Brown	Affiliate	21 March 2018
Alan Salter	Affiliate	31 March 2018
Les Kincaid	Affiliate	14 May 2018
Betty Campbell	Affiliate	6 June 2018
David Kennedy	Service	1 June 2018
Edward Benham	Service	5 June 2018
Ronald Rutherford	Affiliate	24 June 2018
Audrey Breden	Affiliate	2 July 2018
Gwen Porter	Affiliate	15 July 2018
Norman Hill	Service	13 August 2018
Wyn Aston	Affiliate	14 August 2018
Enid Knorpp	Affiliate	22 August 2018
Bill Edwards	Service	22 August 2018
Ralph Ling	Affiliate	25 August 2018
Patrick Gawthorne	Service	13 Sept 2018
Keith Lucas	Service	14 Sept 2018
Ruth Eggleston	Service	1 Oct 2018





### Live Entertainment at the Highett RSL

After a energetic and well received past performance, we are pleased to announce 'Yellow' will return to the Highett RSL for 2 more shows.

Yellow will perform as a duo performing 50s rock 'n' roll, classic hits of 60s & 70s as well as retro 80s

Enjoy a performance on the 18<sup>th</sup> November from 2pm to 5pm, followed by a follow up performance at the Highett RSL NYE 2018 Party, December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH IN THE BISTRO**



Final menu preparations are completed as the Highett RSL once again hosts its Annual Christmas Lunch in the Bistro

This year again will feature a set menu catering to all your Christmas food requirements.

Christmas lunch bookings always fill up fast so make sure you reserve your table before they sell out. **Call 9532 1357** and book with the Bistro.

#### WHATS GOING ON: OCT-DEC 2018

October 11<sup>th</sup> - Craft Beer Tasting Night

October 20th - Caulfield Cup Day

November 5<sup>th</sup> - Calcutta Auction Night

November 6<sup>th</sup> - Melbourne Cup Day

November 8<sup>th</sup> - Oaks Day

November 11<sup>th</sup> - Remembrance Day

November 12<sup>th</sup> - Servicemen's Lunch

November 18<sup>th</sup> - 'Yellow' perform LIVE

November 28<sup>th</sup> - Lunch and LIVE Show -

Melody Girls @ 1pm

December 25<sup>th</sup> - Bistro Xmas Day Lunch

December 26<sup>th</sup> - Boxing Day Test Starts

December 31<sup>st</sup>- 'Yellow' NYE LIVE NYE



Highett RSL Manager Daryl Celebrates long time Service Member Frank's 98th birthday with a Pot of Beer



# **Craft Beer at the Highett RSL**

The 'Craft Beer Fridge' has now been open for a few months and is being very well received by members and guests alike.

Come down on the 11<sup>th</sup> October for a Beer Tasting Night and sample some of the brews the Highett RSL has to offer.

Every Wednesday all Craft Beer Bottles are \$5, All Day.

Every other day we have a rotating \$5 craft beer special. Keep an eye out on our Facebook Page and on the Highett RSL phone App to find out what the daily special is.

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