

RSL WODEN VALLEY SUB-BRANCH



Current Items of Interest

14 April 2023



WODEN VALLEY RSL
SUB-BRANCH ANZAC
EVE DINNER
24 APRIL 2023

ANZAC DAY

The President and Board of the Woden Valley RSL Sub-Branch have pleasure in inviting you and your guests to the annual ANZAC Eve Dinner and Rededication Ceremony at the Canberra Southern Cross Club in Woden on **Monday 24 April at 6pm**



Our Guest Speaker is Major General Roger Noble, AO DSC CSC, former Deputy Coalition Land Force Commander, Iraq; Deputy Commanding General (North) United States Army Pacific; and Australian Ambassador for Counter-Terrorism.

Please book and pay by cob Tuesday, 18 April.

Cost is \$46 per person, drinks at own expense.

Phone us on 6285 1931 with your credit card details; or call in person for cash, cheque or credit/debit card payment at the Sub-Branch Office, Level 2A, 27 Mulley Street HOLDER ACT 2611.

By direct credit (EFT) to: **BSB 062 908 Account number 1084 1897 A/C name: Woden Valley RSL Sub-Branch** include your name and advise the office of your booking by e-mail to admin@rslwoden.org.au to make sure we cater for you and your dietary requirements.

Menu

Mains: alternate serve

Black Angus sirloin, Parisian mash, braised eschalot and béarnaise sauce.

Grilled chicken breast, sour cream and chive mash, honey roasted carrot, creamy mushroom sauce.

Dessert: alternate serve

Passionfruit tart, fresh passionfruit, mint, crème chantilly (NF)

Warm sticky date pudding, salted caramel sauce and vanilla bean icecream

Complimentary Basket of sourdough rolls with cultured butter

Freshly brewed Lonsdale Street Roasters coffee and selection of teas.

Dress: Jacket and tie + medals/miniatures

ANZAC APPEAL 2023

Dear Members

The 2023 ANZAC Appeal will be conducted between Thursday, 20 April 2023 and Monday, 24 April 2023, generally between 9am and 5pm.

At this stage, we will only be at Coleman Court, Weston, as the space allotted to Charities at Westfield Woden has proved to be less than helpful.

Once again, Please contact me or Alex if you could spare some time to help at the stand.

Jan Properjohn

Treasurer

RSL Woden Valley Sub-Branch

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RSL WV Sub-Branch Annual General Meeting

Dear members,

An early notice of the Sub-Branch Annual General Meeting (AGM) which will be held at 1400 hours on Tuesday 30 May 2023 in the Sub-Branch office in Holder. The AGM will be followed by the monthly Ordinary General Meeting (OGM). Note that there will not be an OGM in April due to ANZAC Day.

I look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

Kind regards,

Greg



Woden Valley Sub-Branch

Greg Kennett

Secretary

Woden Valley Sub-Branch

Australian Capital Territory



WODEN VALLEY SUB-BRANCH ANZAC MORNING REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY 2023



Join us at Eddison Park, Phillip

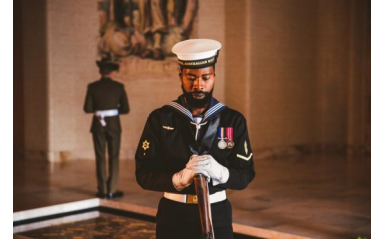
Tuesday 25 April 2023

Commencing at 08:00am



Anzac Day 2023

from AWM website



Anzac Day is our day of national commemoration.

On Tuesday 25 April, the Australian War Memorial will mark the 108th anniversary of the Gallipoli landings in 1915, as well as commemorating all Australians who have served and died in military operations. The 2023 Anzac Day commemorative program includes:

- Dawn Service **at 5.30am**
- The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans Association Commemorative Ceremony

ACT RSL Veteran's March at 9.30am

For more information contact admin@actrsl.org.au or call (02) 9161 7690

- Last Post Ceremony **at 4.45pm**

Overview

The 2023 Anzac Day Dawn Service and RSL Veterans' March will be held in the Captain Reg Saunders Courtyard and Sculpture Garden, with large viewing screens available on the grounds of the Memorial and on Reid Oval for public viewing.

Tickets are not required to attend the Dawn Service and Veterans' March, but tickets are required to enter the galleries and attend the Last Post Ceremony.

For those unable to attend commemorations in person, the events will be shown on ABC TV and online. Broadcast details will be advised closer to the day.

Click on the drop-down menus below for more information.

Information regarding Anzac Day will be updated on the website nearer the date. For further enquiries please email ceremony@awm.gov.au or call (02) 6206 9813

More details – click link below:

<https://www.awm.gov.au/commemoration/anzac-day>



Midnight2Dawn Trek

ANZAC DAY - 25th April, 2023

Sacrifice a night's sleep as a way of truly remembering, honouring and supporting all those who have served.



FURTHER INFO / REGISTER NOW:
www.trek4vets.com.au  [@trek4vets](https://www.instagram.com/trek4vets)



Planned Vietnam Veterans Vigil 3 August 2023

Dear All,

One of the events being planned in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the end of Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War is a Vigil to be held at gravesites and memorials throughout Australia and overseas on 3 August 2023. This would be a great opportunity for Scheyvillians to pay their respects to our graduates who were Killed in Action and also perhaps to those classmates who have passed since.

Our KIA and their gravesites are;

2LT J. Fraser- Nerang QLD

2LT A.D. Jellie- Pasadena SA

2LT T.E. Langlands- Beresfield NSW

2LT I.G. Mathers- Holland Park QLD

2LT D. Paterson- Pasadena SA

2LT K.P. Rinkin- Taree NSW

2LT G.C.Sharp- Tamworth NSW

2LT L.A.Taylor- Box Hill VIC

In addition, we all know of others who have since passed.

We have several months to prepare. Give some thought to how we might be able to pay due homage to our fallen classmates on 3 Aug.

A Vigil at the gravesites of the above would be the least we could do. Perhaps a commemorative gathering locally afterwards.

More can be found on <http://www.vvv.org.au>

A worthwhile endeavour.

Regards

Brian Cooper

National Deputy Chair and Commemoration Liaison

Comments and ideas welcome please

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Commemorative medallion to mark 50 years since the end of Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War

Good afternoon colleagues,

Yesterday, the Prime Minister, the Hon Anthony Albanese MP, and the Minister for Veterans' Affairs, the Hon Matt Keogh MP, launched a commemorative medallion to honour those who served in the Vietnam War.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the end of Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War. Some 60,000 Australians served in the Vietnam War, more than 3,000 were wounded and 523 tragically lost their lives. The medallion is a small but meaningful way to honour the service of Vietnam veterans and to recognise the sacrifice of those who never returned home and that of their families.

The medallions are available for every veteran, and can be applied for by Vietnam War veterans, widows of veterans and other family members of veterans. The launch of the medallions continues the Australian Government's recognition of this significant anniversary throughout 2023, culminating in a national commemorative service on Vietnam Veterans' Day, 18 August 2023.

For more details on the commemorative medallion, including how to apply, or for more information about the other commemorative events planned, visit the DVA website: www.dva.gov.au/vietnam50.

Please circulate this to your members and community to encourage those eligible to request a medallion.

Regards,

Victoria

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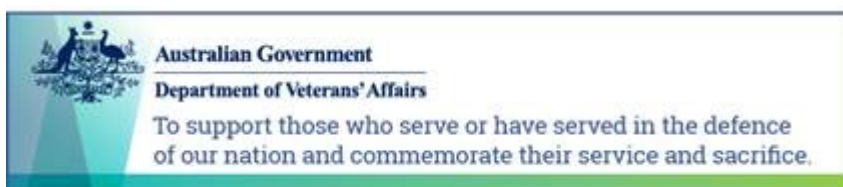
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Dear Valued Veteran and Family Support Organisation,

DVA Mental Health and Wellbeing Service Experience Survey

DVA is conducting a survey of veteran and family experiences with mental health and wellbeing support services provided by the Mental Health and Wellbeing Services Division (including Open Arms – Veterans & Families Counselling).

The survey will not ask for any identifying information, and individual respondents will not be recognisable. Data provided will help inform the co-design of a future model of mental health and wellbeing service delivery to guide how we provide support to Australian veterans and families.

We welcome contributions from current and former Australian Defence Force members, as well as families of living and deceased veterans.

We would appreciate you sharing the following survey link to members of your organisation and your broader networks:

[Have your say on DVA's mental health and wellbeing services | Department of Veterans' Affairs](#)

If members of your organisation haven't used the specific services listed in the survey, they are still welcome to complete the last question in the survey, which asks for ideas for improving overall mental health and wellbeing support services and experiences for veterans and families.

There is also the option for service users to register for a one-on-one interview at the end of the survey. This is completely voluntary, but respondents will need to identify themselves and their contact details. This information will be collected on a separate site and cannot be linked to survey responses.

If members would like to provide feedback on the survey and/or interview registration process they can either do so within the survey itself, or by emailing mhwsd.strategic.development@dva.gov.au

Members are welcome to share the survey link with friends, family members and networks who might also be interested in participating.

Your ongoing support of the Division's Service Review and Transformation Program is very much appreciated.

Leanne Cameron

First Assistant Secretary

Mental Health and Wellbeing Services

Department of Veterans' Affairs

Department of Veterans' Affairs – MHWS Strategic Development GPO Box 9998 Brisbane QLD 4001 1800 838 372

2023

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR



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PRINCIPAL



CRAIG PHILLIPS
SNR FINANCIAL PLANNER, ACCREDITED AGED CARE PROFESSIONAL



KERSTIN GLOMB
SPECIAL COUNSEL IN ESTATE PLANNING



LUISA CAPEZIO
ACCREDITED AGED CARE PROFESSIONAL

RETIREMENT VILLAGES & SUPPORTIVE CARE: LEGAL, FINANCIAL & ESTATE CONSIDERATIONS

Hellenic Club of Canberra
Matilda Street, Phillip
10:00 am to 12:30 pm



PHILLIPS
WEALTH PARTNERS

**10
May,
2023**
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10:00 am



JOIN US FOR A SEMINAR ON



RETIREMENT VILLAGES & SUPPORTIVE CARE: LEGAL, FINANCIAL & ESTATE CONSIDERATIONS

HEAR FROM LOCAL EXPERTS ON MATTERS CONCERNING LEGAL, ESTATE,
FINANCIAL AND RETIREMENT PLANNING

Wednesday
10 May 2023
10 AM to 12:30 PM

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Phillip ACT

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President's Newsletter

[The Returned & Services League of Australia - RSL Australia](#)

Dear Subscriber

2023 has started well with the Federal Government's announcement of its intention to simplify the legislation governing Veterans' compensation and rehabilitation.

The RSL has been calling for the consolidation of [the three Acts](#) covering veterans' entitlements into a single piece of legislation to simplify claims for veterans and their families for many years. This would reduce the backlog of DVA claims to ensure veterans and their families are not left waiting for entitlements.

We repeated this call in our [Pre-Budget Submission to the Treasury](#). We also called for the Government to make provisions in the 2023-24 Budget for:

- Implementing the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide, including funding for establishing an independent body to oversee this, led by a National Commissioner for Defence and Veteran Wellbeing.
- The immediate extension of non-liability healthcare for mental health treatment to ADF reservists on completion of the enlistment process.
- Funding to enable DVA to enhance its Advocacy Training and Development Program for volunteer and paid advocates to help veterans navigate the DVA claims process.
- The removal of significant barriers currently faced by veterans when accessing timely and appropriate healthcare, particularly by reviewing and increasing the DVA fee schedule to better align it to the actual cost of healthcare.
- A tangible reduction in the administrative burden placed on healthcare providers in accessing DVA remuneration.
- Provisions that enable harmonisation of the funeral benefits payable by DVA under the VEA, MRCA and DRCA so that all payments are aligned at the current highest maximum rate.

Read more: [Representation & Advocacy — RSL Australia](#)

Anzac Day 2023



There's no greater way to honour our ANZACs – and all who followed in their footsteps – than by attending an ANZAC Day service and keeping the ANZAC spirit alive.

The RSL is committed to leading the nation in commemorative services and events will take place across the country. Visit our website to find a local service and commemorate with us on 25 April.

Find a Service: [ANZAC Day 2023 — RSL Australia](#)

Changes to the RSL National Board

- Bryan Slattery has replaced Ray James as NSW Director
- Catherine McGregor has replaced Jamie Whitehead as QLD Director
- Jacqueline Pascarl has been appointed as a Non-Member Director replacing Madeline Dermatossian.

Learn more: [RSL Australia Board — RSL Australia](#)



**COFFEE CATCH UP
EVERY FRIDAY 10-12**



Members and guests are welcome to join us for a chat and enjoy freshly brewed coffee & cake with former service mates. Every Friday from 10 to 12 in The Corey Room, Level 2A, of the Grant Cameron Community Centre, 27 Mulley Street, Holder.

The Eddison Day Club will continue to meet for a lunch each Friday at noon until we can once again meet at a reinvigorated Day Club.

Come and join us for lunch.



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