

# RSL WODEN VALLEY SUB-BRANCH



Current Items of Interest

25 March 22

## Veterans' march to return this Anzac Day

The Australian War Memorial announced on Monday the 107th anniversary of the landings at Gallipoli will be commemorated with a full veterans' march during the national ceremony.

It marks the first return of the march since 2019 after COVID restrictions on numbers stopped the ACT RSL branch from holding a full march.

All veterans in the ACT and surrounding districts are invited join the marching contingent, ACT RSL president John King says.



Memorial director Matt Anderson says the march is a chance to reflect on the sacrifices of people who have served in the defence forces.

"We owe an enormous debt to all who have served our nation, and those who have given their lives in defence of Australia," he said.

"The march provides a moment to pause and reflect on how our defence force personnel have upheld the values and the legacy created on April 25, 1915."



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ANZAC APPEAL WEEK

19 - 24 April

Please contact us on 62851931

if you can help staff a

booth for the ANZAC Appeal.



**WODEN VALLEY RSL  
SUB-BRANCH ANZAC  
EVE DINNER  
24 APRIL 2022**

**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 **Sunday 24 April at 6pm**

Our guest Speaker is the **RSL National President Greg Melick AO RFD FANZCN SC**



The son of a WWII veteran, Major General Melick, a former Australian Army commando, was elected as National President in 2019. Greg Melick enjoyed a stellar career in the Australian Defence Force (ADF) rising through the ranks to Major General. He was the ADF's senior Reserve Officer, a role responsible for Reserves and Cadets before retiring in December 2018 after 52 years' service. He is Colonel Commandant, 1st Commando Regiment and is a member on the Council of the Australian War Memorial Commission.

**Please book and pay by cob Thursday 14 April.**

**Cost is \$42 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](mailto:admin@rslwoden.org.au) to make sure we cater for you and your dietary requirements.

**Menu**

**Mains: alternate serve**

Roasted Riverine lamb rump, crispy Kipfler potato, grilled broccolini, salsa verde (GF)  
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.

# MEETING NEWS

## OGM

An OGM will be held at 1400 hours on Tuesday 29 March 2022 in the Sub-Branch Office. Light refreshments will be provided following the OGM.

## ANZAC and Peace Ceremony

The Sub-Branch Board has also decided not to hold the annual ANZAC and Peace Ceremony in 2022. That decision is based on the current and likely COVID-19 health advice and restrictions, and the ACT Education Directorate's position. However, we will be conducting the ANZAC Essay Competition this year.

## ANZAC Eve Dinner

We look forward to catching up with members at the ANZAC Eve Dinner on 24 April 2022.





Australian Government  
Department of Veterans' Affairs

**DVA pensions were increased from yesterday as part of the biannual indexation process. Veterans and their families receiving a pension from us will see an increase to their payment beginning on your next pay date.**

**There is no need for you to do anything, the increase will automatically occur.**

**For more information on the rates that have increased, visit the DVA website**

**<https://www.dva.gov.au/.../summary-pension-rates-limits...>**





## RSL VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

### CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

The RSL Veterans' Employment Program connects veterans with employers all over Australia.

Veterans, their partners and immediate family members can take advantage of free career support services and gain access to our extensive employer network.

This program is free to access and you do not need to be a member of the RSL

For more click link below:

<https://www.rslaustralia.org/current-opportunities?fbclid=IwAR1q2tuxYKnNqyS5PlfGx9uNCDqTzv3XyU4bYC7fcSoX28JfqMCXvVw5Lu4>

*Rewarding work for every veteran and their immediate family.*

Looking for work? Changing careers? Or maybe you want help to find your passion and purpose?

We help veterans, their partners, and immediate family members find a rewarding job. It doesn't matter how long ago you served, what stage you are at in your work journey, or how old you are.

Take advantage of our free career support services, specialist coaches and gain access to our extensive employer network.

The RSL Veterans' Employment Program has received grant funding from the Australian Government and is free to access. You do not need to be a member of the RSL for us to help you.



**Australian Government**

**Department of Veterans' Affairs**

## **PERSONAL BRAND STRATEGY AND LANDING THE JOB YOU WANT**

When it comes to your job application, you have around 10 seconds to get an employer's attention before they flip to the next candidate's application. Having a strong personal brand strategy can help you to stand out from the crowd and make an employer want to know more about you.

### ***Quality over quantity when job hunting***

When it comes to finding meaningful work, it's better to take a quality over quantity approach. Before applying for a job, ask yourself if this role will suit you, based on your personal brand. Research the company. What's its mission, vision and values? Do these align with your personal brand?

Putting together a strong application takes time and consideration. Don't waste your time applying for jobs that simply aren't suited to you.

### ***Convey your personal brand in your cover letter***

Write a strong cover letter, and always target it to the specific job you're applying for. Use your cover letter to toot your own horn, as relevant to the role. If you got outstanding grades in a particular aspect of training, include it in your cover letter. It could be the difference between your application and the next one.

Adopt an appropriate tone of voice for the industry you're applying to work in. If it's a creative industry like graphic design or copywriting, your tone might be more relaxed. If you're applying for a role in the technology or science sector, include technical language. Use your cover letter to promote yourself not just by what you're saying, but how you're saying it.

### ***Wear your personal brand on the outside***

Great, you've got an interview for a job that aligns with your personal brand. Be sure to look the part. This can be challenging for veterans, who are accustomed to wearing a uniform and not having to think too much about what their clothes say about them. But how you present yourself is an important part of your personal brand strategy, so it's worth giving it some thought.

Always dress in step with the culture of the organization you're applying for. If you're interviewing for a corporate role, dress neatly in corporate attire. If it's a creative industry, your clothing could be a little more relaxed and individualistic. If you're applying for a role at a mechanic workshop, don't wear your best suit to the interview. If you want to get the part, look the part.

## **NEED A HAND BUILDING YOUR PERSONAL BRAND? WE'RE HERE TO HELP.**

Creating a personal brand after potentially years of service in the military can be overwhelming. You've spent your career fitting in, and now you've got to stand out. That can be scary. The RSL Veterans' Employment Program is here to help, and our services are free.

If you need a helping hand with any aspect of developing your personal brand, our expert career coaches are ready to lend their assistance. We understand the unique challenges faced by veterans, and we know the strategies to help overcome them.

**Find out more about the RSL Veterans' Employment Program.**

**19 MARCH 2022**



Tuesday 12 April 2022

12pm

The Royal Military College Band is one of Australia's premier military bands, performing at historic occasions including the Centenary of Federation celebration in London in 2000 and ceremonial duties at Gallipoli on ANZAC Day.

All attendees will be required to register their details prior to the performance with the Canberra Theatre Centre Box Office for COVID contact tracing. Registration is FREE and is now open for this performance.

On the day of the performance entry is by a gold coin donation with all the proceeds raised going to The Calvary Hospital Auxiliary.

**BUY TICKET:**

<https://canberratheatrecentre.com.au/show/music-midday/>

## **Expressions of interest are now open for the RSL Remembrance Ride**

**Taking place 30 April - 15 May 2022**

Ride the Mawson trail from Blinman to Adelaide to raise funds for the upkeep of war memorials in the Southern Flinders Ranges.

The trail is 1000km long and you can choose to ride it in sections of 4 or 8 days or complete the full ride of 14 days.

You'll stay in local campgrounds and make a difference in the local communities that you visit along the way.

You will need to have experience in off road and multi day riding with your own eMTB or Off-Road Bike and suitable sleeping gear.

Your ride will be partially supported (with transfers of personal and camping items) and the \$200 entrance fee will go towards our fundraising efforts.

[Download the Expression of Interest form](#), complete it and email it to

[invictus@unisa.edu.au](mailto:invictus@unisa.edu.au)

Spaces are limited so get in quick!







**COFFEE CATCH UP  
ACTIVE AGAIN FROM FRIDAY  
25 FEBRUARY 2022!!!**

**Our Coffee Catch Up is open again from 10-12 every Friday in The Corey Room, Level 2A, of the Grant Cameron Community Centre, 27 Mulley Street, Holder.**

**Please note that the Eddison Day Club is currently meeting on only a very casual basis for lunch at midday Fridays.**



### **Contact Us**

Give us a call for more information or access to our services

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