## RSL WODEN VALLEY SUB-BRANCH ENEWS



October 2019



On Friday 13 of September Minister Gordon Ramsay visited our office. Top picture: President Jim Gilchrist, Minister Gordon Ramsay, Brooke Thorpe and Mick O`Donnell.

Bottom picture: Minister Gordon Ramsay in the Advocates office with Andrew Properjohn and Lynnda Livesey.



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Big thank you to Anthony John and Dave Jenkins for organising the private screening of Danger Close on Friday 6 September in Manuka Cinema, an estimated 120 guests attended in this event.



**OPEN ARMS** - Mental Health Fist Aid Workshop 3-4 September 2019 at the RSL WV Sub-Branch.



## **SPEAKING OF VOLUNTEERS...**

Our hardworking Treasurer, Jan Properjohn, is again calling for volunteers for Remembrance Day poppy selling at Cooleman Court and Westfield Woden.

She needs to fill rosters for the week of 4 -10 November. If you able to help please contact:

02 6285 1931 or treasurer@rslwoden.org.au



# SYMPHONY LEST We Forget

ANBERRA

AN EVOCATIVE MUSICAL DEDICATION TO ALL WHO HAVE SERVED IN UNIFORM



Conducted by Geoff Grey, CSM

The Warriors' Chapel, Church of St Andrew, Forrest Monday 11th November 2019 7:30pm

> Angels of the Apocalypse: David R. Gillingham Third Symphony "The Tragic": James Barnes Amazing Grace: Frank Ticheli Silence Overwhelmed: Brian Balmages Abide With Me: William H. Monk Includes LIVE READINGS by Contemporary Veterans

Tickets Standard \$50 / Concession \$40 / Group 4+ \$40 / Student \$25 / U12 \$10 BOOKINGS CanberraWindSymphony.com.au

#### Aussie research to find Vietnam war dead



UNSW researcher Bob Hall has been researching the locations of dead Vietnamese soldiers

They're known as the "wandering souls", having died in in fierce Vietnam War battles, but now those souls may get to find peace.

Data from Australian military operations has been analysed to tell the Vietnamese government where their fallen soldiers lay, so they can be given a proper burial.

This is particularly important in Vietnamese culture as many believe the spirits of those who died violently, or whose fate is unknown, will wander forever unless the appropriate ceremony is held for them. University of NSW Canberra lecturer Dr Bob Hall says the analysis of Australian battles and mementos has revealed the location of many Vietnamese soldiers.

"This is the best chance so far since the war ended in 1975 to repatriate the remains of the fallen," he said.

The research will be handed to a Vietnamese delegation at Parliament House on Tuesday, to help the Asian nation find its 300,000 missing war dead.

Operating Wandering Souls began after the Vietnamese government helped return the bodies of six Australians who were listed as missing in action at the end of the Vietnam War.

Since 2012, the project has provided information on more than 450 of those who died in combat with Australian and New Zealand forces and linked their names to specific burial sites.

Researchers have used items such as photographs, diaries and letters taken from Vietnamese soldiers as mementos of war to provide clues to where their owners were buried. 5

Australian Associated Press

### **ANU Tax Clinic in Woden**

Woden Community Service and ANU have partnered to provide free tax education and information to unrepresented taxpayers.

The ANU Tax Clinic has been established to provide accessible services to members of the community seeking information to meet their tax obligations.

The ANU Tax Clinic is a friendly, student-run clinic where clients will receive information from ANU accounting students, under the supervision of experienced tax practitioners, on the following matters:

• providing information on applying for a Tax File Number; and

providing information on using MyGov and lodging tax returns.

The ANU Tax Clinic will also provide workshops on tax matters of interest, from time to time.

Bookings for Woden are available on Wednesday between the 12 August to 23 October 2019 at 26 Corinna Street, Phillip 2606.

Application process for one-on-one consultations:

Access to the ANU Tax Clinic will be reserved for people who meet all the following eligibility criteria:

- 1. Currently unrepresented (do not have a tax agent);
- 2. Are an individual and not operating a business;
- 3. Have a pre-tax combined family income below the threshold of \$60,000; and
- 4. Reside in the ACT area

Bookings are essential.

Any information we obtain of a personal nature (for example your name and contact details) will be dealt with in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

To book your appointment please contact <a href="mailto:taxclinic@anu.edu.au">taxclinic@anu.edu.au</a>

Regards,

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#### **FREE DHS Financial Information Seminars**

The Financial Information Service (FIS) is an education and information service available to everyone in the community. We help people to make informed decisions about investment and financial issues. We are independent, free and confidential and provide services through seminars, and by phone and appointment. To speak to a FIS Officer via phone service please phone 132 300.

Details of some upcoming seminars can be found at humanservices.gov.au/fis

Families, friends and groups are welcome at all seminars, but booking is essential and can be made by calling 136 357 or emailing <u>fis.seminar.bookings@humanservices.gov.au</u>

Understanding your pension – 2pm 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 @ Hellenic Club, Phillip ( Topics include choices and consequences, making the most of your pension,

Centrelink assessment issues, rights and obligations)

Aged Care Fees and Charges – 2pm 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019 @ Hellenic Club, Phillip (Topics include entry into different levels of care, fees and charges, options for your former home, pension issues)

**Belinda Allen** 

**Financial Information Service** 

**Southern New South Wales** 

**Department of Human Services** 

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR L/CPL MARTIN BINK - 5 NOVEMBER 2019

Event – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary memorial Service for L/Cpl Martin Bink, Spt Coy, 9RAR KIA SVN 05 Nov 1969.

Venue – Armed Services Section, Woden Cemetery, ACT.

Date – Tue 05 Nov 19.

Time – 1100h.

Dress – Tie and medals, as appropriate.

Afters – Canberra Southern Cross Club, 92 Corinna St, Woden starting 1145h. (lunch & drinks at own cost)

Attendance – Please advise if you will be attending.

Contact – Brian Daly – <u>bidaly45@bigpond.com</u>, 0402098717



## Burrangiri

Social and recreation support.

Next RSL Woden Valley Sub-Branch

day visit and lunch

takes place 17 OCTOBER 2019 - 10.30 am

Call Rani on 02 62851931 to book.

#### **RSL WODEN VALLEY SUB-BRANCH**

Next Carers Friendship Group 28 October 9.30 am

Call Rani on 02 62851931 to book.





#### Did you know?

E-News and The Serviceman are also readily available to read on our website www.rslwoden.org.au



#### **Contact Us**

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

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Visit us on the web at www.rslwoden.org.au

Or drop in for a coffee Fridays at 10.30am

> Our office hours are 9am-3pm Mon-Fri



## SAVE THESE DATES FOR OUR NEXT

## **DINNER/LUNCH MEETINGS:**

**29 October-** Woden Valley Sub-Branch OGM Dinner meeting, 18.30 for 19.00 Southern Cross Club, Pat Cullinan after Dinner speaker.

04 December - Woden Valley Sub-Branch Christmas Lunch



Above: Sub-Branch celebrates our treasurer Jan Properjohn`s birthday with cake.

## **REUNION NEWS**

The Bi-Annual Re-union of Headquarters 1st Australian Task Force / D & E Platoon (Nui Dat, South Vietnam 1966-1972) will be held at the Capital Country Holiday Park, Canberra: 29 October – 2 November 2020.

The Commemorative Dinner will be held on Saturday 31 October 2020 at the Old Parliament House (Museum of Australian Democracy). The dinner will be preceded by a Memorial Service at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Anzac Ave, Canberra.

For details contact: John Verhelst: 0437212121 or jeverhelst@gmail.com

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