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Letter from the editor

When publishing Snippets all care is taken to ensure the accuracy of articles. However there are times when despite what is intended some inaccuracy may occur.

I would like to clarify the following from the February Snippets.

In the advertisement for Fitness Classes it stated they were free for everyone. Unfortunately that is not the case. It is free only to DVA Gold Card holders. Other members must pay \$5.00.

We are again building a strong relationship with the defence personnel from Simpson Barracks. It is pretty easy to identify these young people so please Members, say giddyay' and make them welcome. We need these young people to ensure the survival of the RSL. A couple of minutes of your time may make a big difference to how they feel about the RSL embracing them for what they do.

I'd also like to mention the Members suggestion box in the Members Lounge near the notice board. I encourage any member with any suggestions, feedback etc in which could be constructively used within the Sub-branch to further develop our services and facilities to note it down, and place it in the box for the Committee to discuss. These suggestions and/or feedback can remain anonymous.

PENSIONER HEALTH ASSISTANCE

Pensioners can get health assistance for a \$15.00 fee at RMIT Health Clinic in Bundoora for Chinese Medicine, Chiropractic and Osteopathic care. They are situated at Building 231, McKimmies Road Bundoora. Phone 9925 7666 or Fax 9467 5829 for enquiries.

Jeff Mawkes



ANZAC APPEAL 2013

Total Amount Raised
\$116,997.50

Thank-you to all
those Volunteers who
assisted this year!





LIPSTICK IN SCHOOL...

According to a news report, a certain private school in Washington was recently faced with a unique problem.

A number of 12-year-old girls were beginning to use lipstick and would put it on in the bathroom. That was fine, but after they put on their lipstick, they would press their lips to the mirror leaving dozens of little lip prints.

Every night the maintenance man would remove them, and the next day the girls would put them back. Finally the principal decided that something had to be done.

She called all the girls to the bathroom and met them there with the maintenance man. She explained that all these lip prints were causing a major problem for the custodian who had to clean the mirrors every night (you can just imagine the yawns from the little princesses).

To demonstrate how difficult it had been to clean the mirrors, she asked the maintenance man to show the girls how much effort was required. He took out a long-handled squeegee, dipped it in the toilet, and cleaned the mirror with it.

Since then, there have been no lip prints on the mirror. There are teachers ... and then there are educators.

FOR SENSITIVE MEN ONLY...

The room was full of pregnant women and their husbands.

The instructor said, "Ladies, remember that exercise is good for you, walking is especially beneficial. It strengthens the pelvic muscles and will make delivery that much easier. Just pace yourself, make plenty of stops and try to stay on a soft surface like grass or a path."

"Gentlemen, remember you're in this together, it wouldn't hurt you to go walking with her. In fact, that shared experience would be good for you both."

The room suddenly became very quiet as the men absorbed this information. After a few moments a man, name unknown, at the back of the room, slowly raised his hand. "Yes?" said the instructor. "I was just wondering if it would be all right if she carries a golf bag while we walk?"

Brings a tear to your eye doesn't it? This kind of sensitivity just can't be taught.

OLD IS GREAT

An old woman was asked, "At your ripe age, what would you prefer to get Parkinson's or Alzheimer's?"

The wise one answered, "Definitely Parkinson's, better to spill half my wine than to forget where I keep the bottle."

And so say all of us!!!

AMAZING HOME REMEDIES

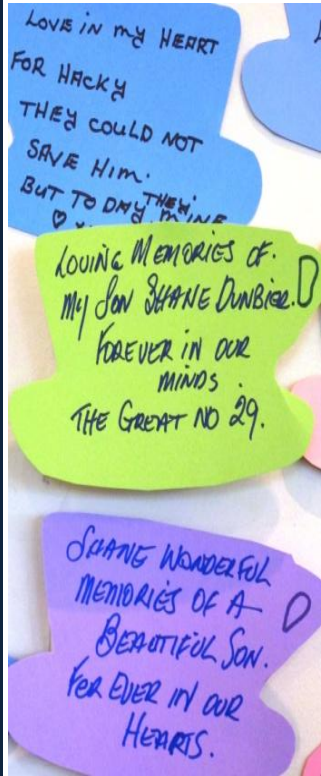
For high blood pressure sufferers, simply cut yourself and bleed for a few minutes, thus reducing the pressure on your veins. Remember to use a timer.

A mouse trap placed on top of your alarm clock will prevent you from rolling over and going back to sleep after you hit the snooze button.

You need only two tools in life, wd-40 and duct tape. If it doesn't move and should, use the wd-40. If it shouldn't move and does, use the duct tape.

If you can't fix it with a hammer, you've got an electrical problem.

Watsonia RSLs Biggest Morning Tea



Watsonia RSL once again hosted a Biggest Morning Tea to raise much needed funds for the Cancer Council.

164 guests attended the morning tea with a total amount of \$1750.00 being donated to the Cancer Council. This amount exceeded last years' total by over three hundred dollars.

The morning was a great success and included a delicious morning tea, live entertainment, a silent auction, raffles, lucky dips etc. with all prizes (and entertainment) very generously donated by local businesses, members and non-members.

This year I introduced a "Memory Wall of Hope" whereby guests could purchase a paper cup and saucer cut-out for \$1.00 each and write a personal message in memory of, or in support of someone special, or just write words of encouragement to place on the memory wall. This idea was well accepted by the Cancer Council and as such they have requested photos of it.

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported and assisted in this event. Next year, I aim to do it all again BIGGER and BETTER!!!

Hope to see you there,
Jan Gallacher



Fitness Classes

Every Thursday morning we have \$5.00 FITNESS CLASSES available for everyone (DVA Card Holders are FREE of charge)! Come along and join in the fun...

Due to popularity, we now run two sessions 10am-10.45am and 10.45am-11.30am.

Sporting Bodies

APRIL / MAY RESULTS

GOLDEN OLDIES

April 4	Koene Littler	33 points
April 11	Koene Littler	net 75
April 18	Ross Rennie	33 points
April 25/4	Anzac day no game	
May 2	Ron McGregor	45 points
May 9	Ross Rennie	net 71
May 16	Ron Fyffe	37 points
May 23	Ross Rennie	net 73
May 30	Ron McGregor	37

SUNDAY GOLF

Venue	Whittlesea 26/05/2013	
Game	Stroke	
Weather	Fine	
A Grade Winner	L Reid	net 70
B Grade Winner	F Favaro	net 64
C Grade Winner		
Golden Putter	B Porter	net 28
Monthly Medal	F Favaro	net 64

DARTS SUMMER SEASON

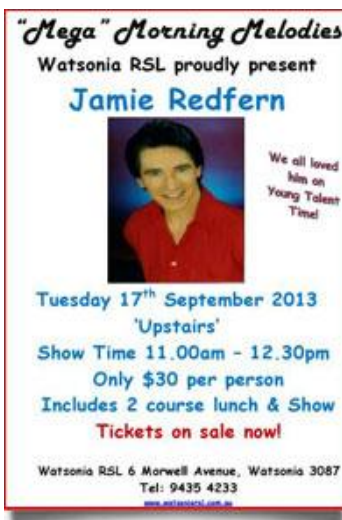
A Grade	Reds	5th
C Grade	Blues	2nd
	Purples	5th
D Grade	Warriors	Premiers
	Whites	7th

Venue	Tullamarine 05/05/2013	
Game	Stroke	
Weather	Fine	
A Grade Winner	R Allport	net 70
B Grade Winner	F Favaro	net 65
C Grade Winner	T Oliver	net 70
Golden Putter	J Walsh	net 26
Monthly Medal	F Favaro	net 65

DARTS: Congratulations to "D" Grade Premiers Barry McClymont, Marie McGrath, Andy Miller, Rodney O'Brien, Bill Johnson, Karen Elliott, Kevin Elliot, Anthony Joly and Kay Baker who captained the side before injury retirement.

Also a good effort in their first year in "C" Grade to be runners up, Peter Suszcynski, Peter Biochi, Jeff Mawkes, Brian Alco, Mick Walker, Brendan Ellis and Simon Lambert.

**ON
SALE
NOW**



Health & Fitness



KEEPING YOUR MIND ACTIVE

Challenging your brain with puzzles and games can keep your brain active and improve its physiological functioning.

WORD CHANGE

Can you morph one word into another by just changing one letter at a time?

TREE	CAPE	FIRE
FLED	MORE	PARK

HINK PINKS

Hink Pinks are fun rhyming word riddles. The answer to the riddle is a pair of words that rhyme with each other. For example: **LARGE FELINE** would be **FAT CAT**.

- MOVE, FEMALE DEER**
- 24 HOURS WITH TOYS**
- 50% GIGGLE**
- A TOTALLY COOL DAD**
- A BIRDS FOOT DEFECT**
- A BLUE-GREEN MORAY**
- A BORING CHOO-CHOO**
- A BOY SLUG WITH A SHELL**
- A CAP THAT GOT SAT ON**
- A CLOUDY 24 HOURS**

MATHS CHALLENGE

Try to fill in the missing numbers. Use the numbers 1 through 9 to complete the equations.

Each number is only used once. Each row is a maths equation. Each column is a maths equation. Remember that multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction.

	+		-	4	1
-		+		+	
	x	7	-		29
-		x		-	
8	x		-		-1
-10		9		1	

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Veterans



Lieutenant Arthur Roden Cutler VC

Date of Birth: 24 May 1916

Place of Birth: Manly, NSW

Date of Death: 21 February 2002

Place of Death: NSW

Arthur Roden Cutler, Victoria Cross winner, diplomat and later Governor of New South Wales, was born at Manly on 24 May 1916. Growing up he was a keen sportsman who enjoyed swimming, sailing, cycling and cricket. Cutler began his education at the Manly public school and gained admission to Sydney Boys High School at the age of 15. After school he worked for the Texas Company Australasia (later to become Texaco). He studied economics at Sydney University at night and later joined the public service. In March 1936, seeking extra money, he joined the Sydney University Regiment. On 10 November 1939, he was commissioned as a lieutenant in the militia.

Cutler joined the AIF on 1 May 1940 and was posted to the 2/5th Field Regiment of the 7th Divisional Artillery. His unit left Australia on 20 October 1940 for the Middle East. Cutler's first experience of combat came against the Vichy French in Syria in June 1941.



At Merdjayoun, Cutler proved himself to be a courageous soldier and for his actions over 18 days of fighting that culminated in his wounding and the subsequent amputation of his leg, he was awarded the Victoria Cross. He was invalided home and was invested with the Victoria Cross, while standing on crutches, by the Governor General of Australia, Lord Gowrie, on 11 June 1942.

Having been discharged, Cutler became secretary of the New South Wales branch of the RSL before being employed with the National Security Service; this was followed with a position in the Repatriation Department. After the war he was appointed as High Commissioner to New Zealand. He married Helen Morris on 28 May 1946. While in New Zealand they had two sons, Roden and Anthony.

Cutler then became ambassador to Ceylon where a third son, Richard, was born. When the Ceylon posting finished, Cutler was appointed head of Australia's legation to Egypt where he and Helen had another son, Mark. He was appointed secretary-general of the SEATO Council of Foreign Ministers, held in Canberra in January 1957.

Cutler's next diplomatic posting was as Australia's high commissioner to Pakistan. In 1961 he became Australia's Consul-General in New York, and in 1965 became ambassador to the Netherlands but returned early to take up the Governorship of New South Wales. He was then knighted by Queen Elizabeth.

Cutler retired from the governorship in 1981, during his career he had been created a Knight of the Order of St John of Jerusalem, a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order and a Knight in the Order of Australia as well as being the recipient of many honorary degrees and holding positions on numerous boards. His wife died in November 1990 and he remarried in April 1993.

Cutler was regarded with affection by many Australians and in 2000 he was honored as one of three Australian living Victoria Cross winners to be commemorated on a stamp and coin issue. He died in February 2002.



Veterans



Disclaimer: In the November 2012 edition of Snippets I downloaded an article on VC winner Walter Peeler. The article was a direct lift from the Australian War Memorial website.

I have since been informed by Ms Faye Milliken from Batemans Bay in NSW that the photo attachment is not in fact a photo of Walter Peeler but it was in fact Faye's husbands' cousin/uncle named George Milliken.

I apologise for any inconvenience caused to the family, the issue is being dealt with on the Australian War Memorial website... though there sure is a resemblance!



George Milliken



Walter Peeler VC

Grand Rank Honours...



Congratulations to WBro Ron Jones and WBro Ray Lay who each have been conferred with the Rank of Past Grand Standard Bearer.

These ranks became official on the night of the March Quarterly Communication and Grand Reinstallation – Friday March 22nd. Ron's conferral was through his Mother Lodge the Fairfield Lodge No 254 and Ray's through the Richmond Lodge No 89.

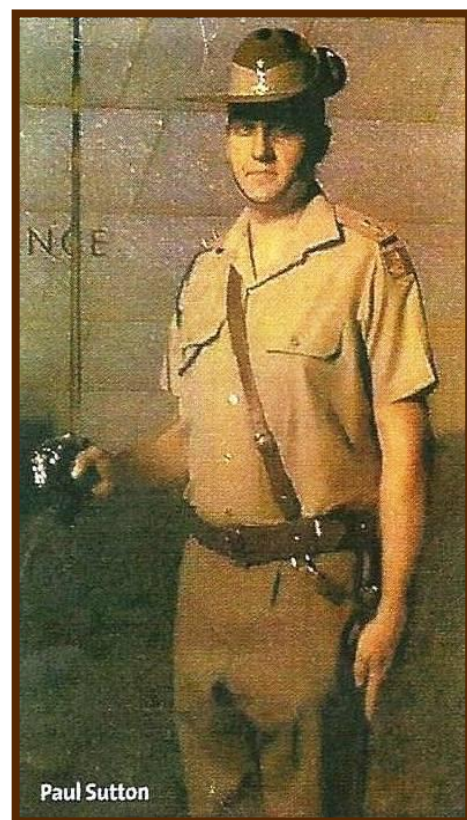
Congratulations to both these brethren is certainly most appropriate.

Watsonia RSL's High Achievers

Member Ron Jones has been an active volunteer at Watsonia RSL for many years. Ron believes his many years assisting Watsonia RSL with appeals, as well as Legacy and other charity work helped him gain grand rank in freemasonry.

To the left is a photo and story of Ron receiving Lodge Achievement.

Ron's grandson Paul Sutton (right) who is also a full member of Watsonia RSL, graduated from Royal Military College Duntroon as a Lieutenant into the Royal Australian Corps of Signals. As an Army Reserve General Service Officer, Lieutenant Sutton has been posted to the 22nd Construction Regiment at Oakleigh.



Paul Sutton

VALE

Raymond Trembath

John Griffiths

Robert Florance

Robert Irvine

Patricia Sampson

Jim Blackwood

Ronald Ferguson



KEEPING YOUR MIND ACTIVE ANSWERS

HINK PINKS

1. Go Doe
2. Play Day
3. Half Laugh
4. Rad Dad
5. Claw Flaw
6. Teal Eel
7. Plain Train
8. Male Snail
9. Flat Hat
10. Gray Day

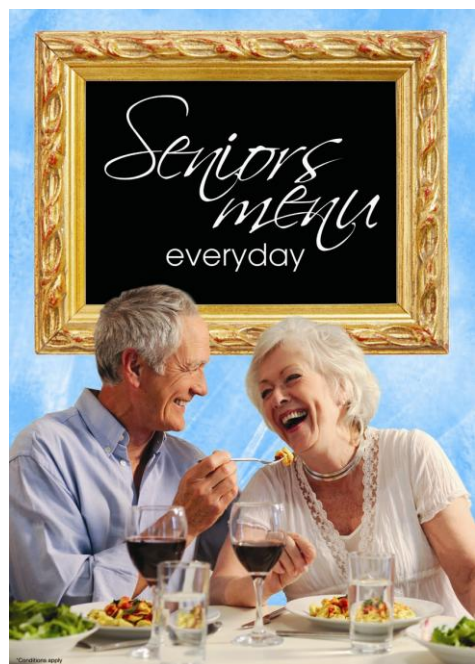
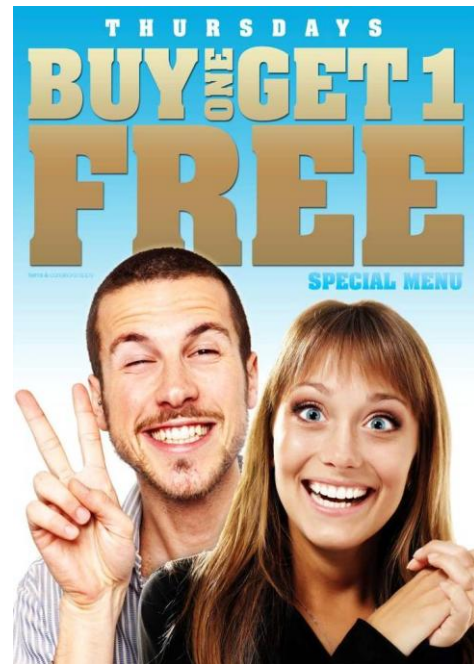
WORD CHANGE

Tree	Cape	Fire
Free	Cope	Dire
Flee	Core	Dare
Fled	More	Dark

MATHS CHALLENGE

3	+	2	-	4	1
-		+		+	
5	x	7	-	6	29
-		x		-	
8	x	1	-	9	-1
-10		9		1	

What's On...



LIVE BANDS
Every Saturday Night from 8.30pm

facebook

Did you know... 'Watsonia RSL' has an up to date Facebook page to keep you informed of what is going on in your club. Send a friend request today and keep up to date with what is happening at your local RSL!