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Letter from the editor

Together with Stuart Payne from the Defence Bank, we will be hosting a free information seminar to discuss securing your retirement, the economic environment and the different

options with the Defence Bank. It will be held at our Sub branch on 27th November. All details are on page 3 of this issue. I encourage you to at least come along for a listen, absolutely no obligation to commit with them.

Also, Membership renewal is fast approaching and invoices will be sent in the mail throughout November. The expiry of points will also occur on December 31st. Between now and then, it is your responsibility to use up your loyalty points on the purchases of food, beverage, membership and different entertainment options throughout the venue beforehand, more information will be available through the Membership renewal period...

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

On the agenda going forward, is the **painting of the Members Lounge**. There has been discussion by many Members that we should move our memorabilia and swap with the library. I am seeking some Members who are 'tradies' to do this on a voluntary basis. It would be great if we could get several volunteers and do this before we do the painting. If someone would like to manage such a project, please contact Jeff Mawkes or Matt Guest.

The Remembrance Day Poppy Appeal is fast approaching. Could I ask Members who have not assisted before as a volunteer, please give some thought in to putting a few hours aside to assist, instead of the continual few? We begin putting the trays together on Wednesday 8 October 2013. A couple of volunteers for this day would be a great help, but also volunteers to sell poppies at various locations for a couple of hours per day. If you can help please contact Mick Dimech, John Ward or Jeff Mawkes at the RSL on 9435 4233.



CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT



The Sub branch ran a luncheon to thank all volunteers who assist throughout the year be it Hospital visits, Day Club, Appeals or any other work for veterans and their families. Mr Peter Smith OAM from Anzac House Appeals area attended the luncheon and presented certificates of achievement to Betty Skals, Gary Higgs and Lindsay Greaves for their long term commitment to the area of appeals.



Paraprosdokians (Winston Churchill loved them) are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected; frequently humorous.

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up; we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right; only who is left.
7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. They begin the evening news with 'Good Evening,' then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
9. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
10. Buses stop in bus stations. Trains stop in train stations. On my desk is a work station.
11. I thought I wanted a career. Turns out I just wanted pay checks.
12. In filling out an application, where it says, 'In case of emergency, notify:' I put 'DOCTOR.'
13. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
14. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
15. Behind every successful man is his woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.
16. A clear conscience is the sign of a fuzzy memory.
17. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
18. Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
19. There's a fine line between cuddling and holding someone down so they can't get away.
20. I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.
21. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
22. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
23. Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.
24. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
25. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car. And mine is... I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

**WATSONIA RSL
COURTESY BUS
NOW IN SERVICE
7 DAYS A WEEK**



HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday 11am - 9pm
Tues/Wed/Thurs 11am - 10pm
Fri/Sat 11am - 12 midnight
Sunday 12pm - 8pm

**TEL:
9435
4233**



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.

www.watsoniarsl.com.au

WE HAVE WINNERS!!!

It pays to swipe your Membership card every time you enter the club!

Simply swipe your card not only in the kiosk near the TAB on arrival, but at the bar with any purchase to enter into all competitions and prize giveaways, receive discounts etc. If you're an existing RSL Member, you're already apart of the program, if you're not, why not join today and ensure that you get rewarded too!!!

AUGUST 'FREE FUEL FRIDAY' WINNERS

02 nd August	Gavin Taylor & Rhonda Smith
09 th August	Thomas Lewis & Terry Dimitriou
16 th August	Colin Langman & Ron Brown
23 rd August	John Gigliotti & Mick Dimech
30 th August	Carl Davies & Robert Park



SEPTEMBER

**Trip for two
people to
New York**

**Conditions Apply*

TO BE WON!!!

OCTOBER

**\$500.00
Coles / Myer
Shopping
Spree**

**Conditions Apply*

TO BE WON!!!

NOVEMBER

**\$4000.00
Every Friday**

**Conditions Apply*

TO BE WON!!!

DECEMBER

**\$10000.00
Christmas Eve
Winner**

**Conditions Apply*

TO BE WON!!!

HEALTHY EATING

ZUCCHINI SLICE

Ingredients

375g zucchini, grated	3 rashers bacon, diced
1 cup cheese, grated	1 onion, diced
½ cup veg. oil	1 cup SR flour
4 eggs	Salt & pepper

Method

Mix together zucchini, bacon, cheese, onion and oil; add eggs, then flour, salt and pepper.

Grease casserole dish, pour in mixture; bake in hot oven 30-35 minutes. Can be eaten hot or cold.

DEFENCE BANK SEMINAR

DATE: Wednesday 27/11/2013 at 6.00pm

LOCATION: Watsonia RSL

In times of economic uncertainty, many who are retired, or are looking to retire, are focussed on the security of their money. We at Defence Bank offer a completely fee-free, capital protected Retirement Savings Account (RSA), which offers term deposits within a superannuation environment and access to tax-free and Centrelink/Veteran Affairs friendly pensions.

Everyone is eligible to join Defence Bank and we have the added benefit of being covered under the Financial Claims Scheme (formerly the Government Guarantee).

**RSVP: by 15/11/2013 to Kim Dower
8481 7226**

Sporting Bodies

JUNE / JULY / AUGUST RESULTS

SUNDAY GOLF

Venue Kilmore 21/07/2013

Game	Stableford	
Weather	Wet and cold	
A Grade Winner	W. Monohan	36
B Grade Winner	G. Bassiere	35
Monthly Medal	W. Monohan	36

Venue Whittlesea 18/08/2013

Game	Stroke	
Weather	Wild and windy	
A Grade Winner	K. Littler	74
B Grade Winner	E. Reynolds	77
Monthly Medal	E. Reynolds	77

SNOOKER

19-20 August	A1	6 – 2
	A2	3 – 5
	B1	4 – 4 (Draw)

26-27 August	A2	5 – 3
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GOLDEN OLDIES

Dates	June / July	
06/06/2013	Jim Bowden	-4
13/06/2013	Washout	
20/06/2013	Bob Knight	34 points
27/06/2013	Koene Littler	net 76
04/07/2013	Ken Eastwood	36 points
11/07/2013	Ken Eastwood	net 72
18/07/2013	John Inglis	36 points
25/07/2013	Bob Knight	net 74

DARTS

Home and away for the winter season, up until 14/08/2013

Reds (A grade)	2 wins from 7 games	6th
Blues (C grade)	4 wins from 7 games	3rd
Purples (C grade)	4 wins from 7 games	4th
Warriors (D grade)	2 wins from 7 games	7th
Whites (D Grade)	Folded due to lack of numbers	

ANGLERS: Weekend to Eildon on the 9th to 11th of August did not proceed due to lack of numbers and weather conditions.

**ON
SALE
NOW**



Saturday 7th December 2013
Dinner & Show
\$60 mem./\$65 non mem.
\$30 Show only

**SAVE
THE DATE**

**Annual Christmas
Family Fun Day**

**Sunday
December 8th 2013**

11am – 3pm

@Bundoora RSL

Health & Fitness



Keeping your mind active

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

NUMBER BLOCK

A number block is a group of numbers formed in a block. The numbers in each row add up to the totals to the right.

Try to fill in the missing numbers.

The missing numbers are integers (no negative numbers or fractions) between 1 and 20.

The numbers in each row add up to totals to the right.

The numbers in each column add up to the totals along the bottom.

The diagonal lines also add up the totals to the right.

						67
	7			13	10	47
	6	10		18	1	60
14	9			9	5	63
15	16		6		14	78
7	1			13		55
13		8			15	55
62	41	59	60	74	62	57

WHAT WORD?

Can you guess what ONE word is being described from the clues?

Example:

Clue: Display the animal hair

"Literal" Answer: Show Fur

End Answer: Chauffeur

Get it??

Clues:

1. Bake the 5th letters
 2. Your "ticker", nation
 3. Golf ball holder, mug
 4. Off opposite, bird home
 5. Ruined, 360°
 6. Above neck, musical group
 7. House, nauseous
 8. Startle the 5th letter
 9. 18th letter, I
 10. Turn round and round, what you scratch
- Source: <http://www.wuzzlesandpuzzles.com>

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Veterans Page



Private Henry Dalziel VC

Date of Birth: 18 February 1893

Place of Birth: Irvinebank, QLD

Unit: 15th Battalion

Date of Action: 4 July 1918

Harry Dalziel, from Queensland, received the second of two Victoria Crosses awarded for the battle of Hamel. During the action on 4 July 1918 he advanced with a Lewis gun section before making a single-handed attack on a strong enemy machine-gun post, capturing the gun and its entire crew. Then, ignoring heavy enemy fire, he collected ammunition and reloaded magazines until he was severely wounded. After the war, although troubled by his injuries, he served in the militia and was also a songwriter.



Date of Death: 24 July 1965

Place of Death: The Repatriation Hospital, Greenslopes, Brisbane QLD

Private Thomas Cooke VC

Date of Birth: 5 July 1881

Place of Birth: Kaikoura, NZ. He migrated to Australia in 1912

Unit: 8th Battalion

Date of Action: 24-25 July 1916

During an attack Cooke was ordered, with his Lewis gun team, to a dangerous part of the line. Heavy enemy fire killed all his companions, but Cooke remained at his post firing his Lewis gun. When assistance finally reached this post Cooke was found dead beside his gun. He was one of eighty-one members of the battalion killed during this action.



Date of Death: 25 July 1916

Place of Death: Australian National Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, France

KEEPING YOUR MIND ACTIVE: ANSWERS

NUMBER BLOCK

2	7	9	6	13	10	47
11	6	10	14	18	1	60
14	9	15	11	9	5	63
15	16	14	6	13	14	78
7	1	3	14	13	17	55
13	2	8	9	8	15	55
62	41	59	60	74	62	57

WHAT WORD?

1. Cookie
2. Heartland
3. Teacup
4. Honest
5. Rectangle
6. Headband
7. Homesick
8. Scary
9. Army
10. Spinach

VALE

Vincent Pollock
Alan Treacy
Phyllis Wilkes
Myrtle Shaw
Allan Dunn
Roy Pilkington

Keith Gibson
Val Fenton
William Haack
Patrick Keen
Margaret Catmull





Veterans



Airline Lunches...

I put my carry-on in the luggage compartment, and sat down in my assigned seat. It was going to be a long flight from Perth. 'I'm glad I have a good book to read perhaps I will get a short sleep,' I thought.

Just before take-off, a line of diggers came down the aisle and filled all the vacant seats, totally surrounding me. I decided to start a conversation. 'Where are you blokes headed?' I asked the Digger seated nearest to me. 'Puckapunyal. We'll be there for two weeks for special training, and then we're being deployed to Afghanistan.' After flying for about an hour, an announcement was made that lunches were available for five dollars. It would be several hours before we reached Melbourne, and I quickly decided a lunch would help pass the time.

As I reached for my wallet, I overheard a soldier ask his mate if he planned to buy lunch. 'No, that seems like a lot of money for just an airline lunch. Probably wouldn't be worth five bucks, I'll wait till we get to Pucka.' His mate agreed.

I looked around at the other soldiers. None were buying lunch. I walked to the back of the plane and handed the flight attendant a fifty dollar note. 'Take a lunch to all those soldiers.' She grabbed my arms and squeezed tightly. Her eyes wet with tears, she thanked me. 'My young bloke was a digger in Iraq, it's almost like you are doing it for him.'

Picking up ten lunchboxes, she headed up the aisle to where the diggers were seated. She stopped at my seat and asked, 'Which do you like best; beef or chicken?' 'Chicken,' I replied, wondering why she asked. She turned and went to the front of the plane, returning a minute later with a dinner plate from first class, 'this is your thanks.'

After we finished eating, I went again to the back of the plane, heading for the rest room. An old bloke stopped me. 'I saw what you did. I want to be part of it. Here, take this.' He handed me twenty-five dollars.

Soon after I returned to my seat, I saw the Captain coming down the aisle, looking at the aisle numbers as he walked, I hoped he wasn't looking for me, but noticed he was looking at the numbers only on my side of the plane. When he got to my row he stopped, smiled, held out his hand, and said, 'I want to shake your hand.'

Quickly unfastening my seat-belt I stood and took the Captain's hand. With a booming voice he said, 'I was an army pilot a long time back. Once someone bought me lunch, it was an act of kindness I never forgot.' I was embarrassed when applause was heard from all of the passengers.

Later I walked to the front of the plane so I could stretch my legs. A kid who looked about 18 was sitting about six rows in front of me reached out his hand, wanting to shake mine. He left another twenty-five dollar in my palm.

When we landed I gathered my belongings and started to depart. Waiting just inside the aeroplane door was a man who stopped me, put something in my shirt pocket, turned, and walked away without saying a word, another twenty-five dollars!

Upon entering the terminal, I saw the soldiers gathering for their trip to up to Puckapunyal. I walked over to them and handed them seventy-five dollars. 'It will take you some time to reach Pucka. It will be about time for a sandwich. God Bless you blokes.' Ten young blokes left that flight feeling the love and respect of their fellow Aussies.

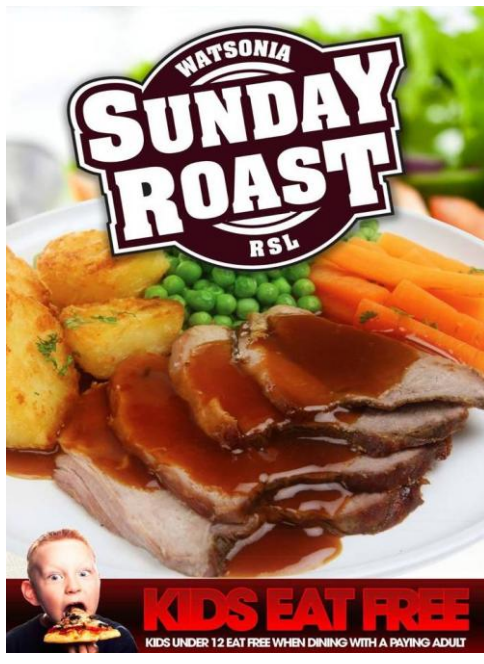
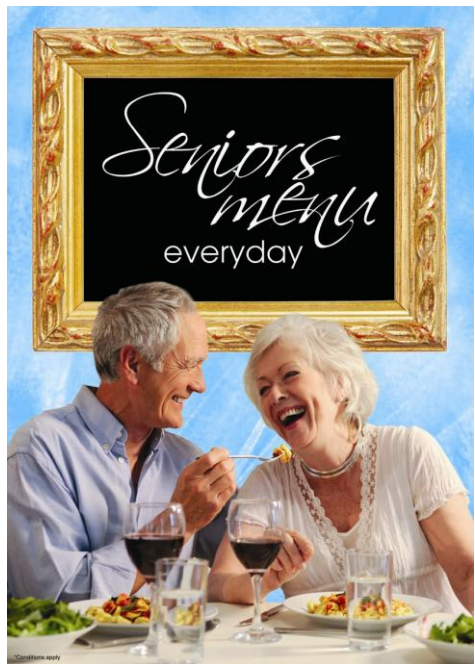
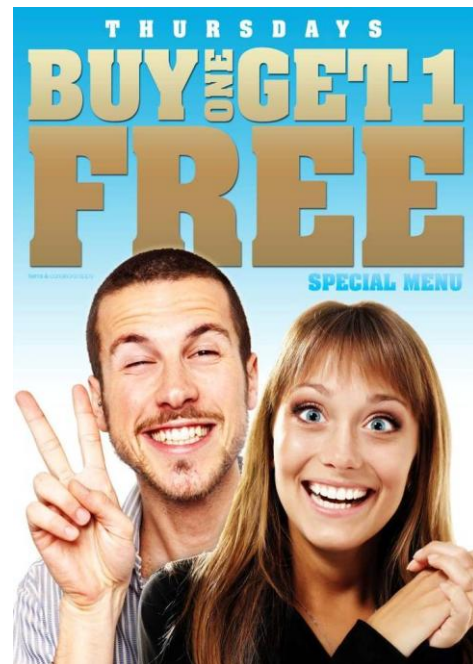
As I walked briskly to my car, I whispered a prayer for their safe return. These soldiers were giving their all for our country. I could only give them a couple of meals. It seemed so little.....

A digger is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank cheque made payable to 'AUSTRALIA' for an amount of 'up to and including my life.'

The Australian soldier returned, he made it home to me;
Beyond the joy, the twinkling in his eyes I could not see.
His eyes were full of darkness, twinkling there was no more;
The man I loved had not returned, it was only the soldier that I saw.
So confident and so brave, but something had gone wrong;
He left himself behind in that battlefield all alone.
Where is the man that I adore, for it is he I need?
Silent prayers have gone unanswered, please return to me.
I hold my breath and make a wish, for I know that he is trying;
Trying to leave his battlefield, a battlefield for the dying.
Waiting is what I will do, for eternity if need be;
Waiting for my love to return, return once more to me.



What's On...



LIVE BANDS
Every Saturday Night from 8.30pm

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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!