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PRESIDENT RAMBLINGS

Late last month, I attended the Queensland RSL State Congress where a number of items were discussed and here are a few details -

- Bill Whiteburn OAM has been re-elected as Vice President (Vice Chair)
- New Constitution Passed.

You can view the draft copy here - https://rslqld.org/whats-on/2022-state-congress/ important-documents

Under the new constitution, the main change is the creation of four new Board Positions for members who are nominated and voted on by Delegates of RSL Queensland Sub Branches and Districts.

Each of the four positions requires specific skills which have been identified by independent assessment and are supported by the current RSL Queensland Board.

Nominees for the roles must meet the following criteria:

Must be a Veteran

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- Must have the required skills outlined in the position description for the role
- Must have a history of living the values of trust, integrity and mateship
- Must be a Member of RSL Queensland

Those position descriptions, and all the

information you need to nominate, are available online from 1 July at rslqld.org/ election2022. Nominations will close on Thursday 25 August, with a Review of Candidates between Friday 26 August - Thursday 15 September.

Cheers, Martin Corbett

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STATE COUNCIL CHAIR

VICE PRESIDENT

ADVOCATE NEWS

On Tuesday 12 July, I enjoyed lunch with a few residents from the Churches of Christ Aged Care facility. As always, an outing such as this lifts their spirits and is enjoyed by all who attend.

I will be absent from the Sub Branch from Mid July until Tuesday 09 August however I am always contactable via email or on my mobile. Keep warm!

Martin Corbett Advocate

SUB BRANCH DIRECTOR CHANGES

Firstly, we welcome Peter Beacroft to the Board as a casual vacancy until our AGM in 2023. He has been a member of the Stanthorpe RSL Sub Branch for a number of years and in 2020 he became our Membership Officer.

At our June Board Meeting, Norm Steele resigned from the Stanthorpe RSL Sub Branch board after servicing as a Director and Deputy President. We thank-you Norm for your service, time and effort to the Sub Branch. Norm will continue organising Friday Bingo and Poppy Services plus you will see his smiling face for Friday Night Raffles.

Due to Norm's resignation as Deputy President, the Stanthorpe RSL Sub Branch board has appointed Glen Gibson into this role of Vice President. We thank Glen for stepping up into this position. Glen has been on the board for a number of years and brings much experience to this new role.

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FLECTED BY MEMBERS

FOUR SKILLS-BASED VETERAN DIRECTORS DISTRICT

DEPUTY STATE PRESIDENT PRESIDENT

NEW RSL QUEENSLAND BOARD STRUCTURE

JULY 2022

JULY 2022 NEWSLETTER

AMBERLEY AIR TATTOO

RAAF Base Amberley, will open its gates to the public for the first time since 2008 over the weekend of 29th - 30th October, 2022.

We will be purchasing tickets for Sunday 30th October and we ask that you register your interest no later than 29 July, 2022.

Please contact Connie at the Sub Branch by calling 4681 0047 or via email

admin@stanthorperslsubbranch.org

** DATE CLAIMER ** END OF YEAR LUNCHEON SATURDAY 29th OCTOBER

Over the past 2.5 years COVID has disrupted many plans for us to gather together. As restrictions have eased we are excited to announce...

Our End of Year Luncheon will be held at the Stanthorpe RSL Services Club on Saturday 29th October.

More details will follow in our next newsletter.

FRIDAY NIGHT RAFFLES

Since our May Newsletter, the Joker increased to \$500 and was won by a local gent. Congratulations!

We are needing some volunteers to assist our team so if you are free and able to assist, please contact the Sub Branch on 4681 0047.

Look forward to seeing you soon!



Caravan Sites: \$10/ person per night Camping Sites: \$10/ person per night Powered Sites: \$5/ night extra ** Every 3rd night is free ** Cottages: \$100/ per night ** Every 3rd night is free **



HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY!



In early June, Paul Petter our Sub Branch Secretary, visited one of our members Mr Charles Roger Wilson who celebrated his 100th birthday on 06th June 2022. Still complying with COVID protocols, Paul was asked to wear a face shield, mask and a PPE suit. Pictured (left) is Paul presenting Roger with his 100th Birthday Certificate from RSL Queensland.

"Roger enlisted in the Australian Army on 11 May 1942 and served with the 2/124 Australian Brigade Workshop, Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, 6th

Division. He served in Australia, including at the Port of Brisbane and Ipswich, and overseas, including at the Borneo landings and campaign. Roger was discharged on 14 June 1946 with the rank of Craftsman.

Roger says the best thing about his service was being highly trained in specialised technology (which was very leading edge for the time) and being able to apply that technology and training on active service.

After the war, Roger returned home to Texas. He worked in various jobs including as a projectionist at a local picture theatre, in electronics with Temple Chauvel, and he owned his own business called Dumaresq Traders for about 50 years. He also owned and ran a picture theatre and a paper shop in Yelarbon in the Texas/ Goondiwindi district.

Roger married Melva in January, 1952 and together they raised four children. This year Roger and Melva celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. They also have 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Roger attributes his longevity to genetics. His mother lived to 106 years of age."

Extract from Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs Facebook page.

VIETNAM VETERANS' DAY

The day of this service, 18 August, is to commemorate all service personnel and civilians who were involved in the Vietnam conflicts.

We have always commemorated this day at 4.00pm however here in Stanthorpe, as the sun sets, Weeroona Park becomes a little fresh. The Stanthorpe RSL Sub Branch board have decided to change the commencement of this service to **11.00am**. All Sub Branch members are welcome to attend. Following this service, light refreshments will be available at the RSL Services Club.

A NOTE FROM OUR WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The RSL Sub Branch Women's Auxiliary recently held a Lamington Drive on the 22nd June. Our thanks is extended on behalf of the members to all those who supported and placed orders. Special thanks to those who contributed to the selling of trays, Debbie Wilmot at Gracious Giving; Louise Bentley Stanthorpe News Agency and Kerry Ryan who topped our orders with over 40 trays. Kerry further delivered all his orders on the Wednesday afternoon. Thank-you!

A cheque for \$1000 will be donated to the Royal Flying Doctors Service from the funds raised at the Anzac Day Breakfast.

We continue to support our veterans and members with our social outings and visits to their homes. In June, our members met at Lily's for morning tea and July for lunch at the Thai Restaurant.

New members are always welcome and this month we welcome two new members -Pat and Jenny. Welcome! We meet on the third Monday of each month at 11.30am at the Sub Branch Drop-In Centre, followed by lunch at 12.30pm at the RSL Services Club.

RESIDENT JP

Have you been in the need of a Justice of the Peace (JP) and haven't been able to locate a person? Look no further than our Sub Branch. One of our Directors, Greg Williams, is fully qualified to assist you.

Appointments with Greg will be made for either Tuesday or Friday when the Sub Branch is open. Please email Connie - admin@stanthorperslsubbranch.org with your details, preferred date and time. Page 2