

The Returned & Services League of Australia

Forestville sub-Branch



Serving veterans and their families in the Forest Area

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2018

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President's Report

At the time of writing this report, we are already into mid-March with our AGM behind us and very busy times ahead.

AMC entries will be collected from schools in the week ending Thursday 29th March, then entered into our database for marking on Saturday 21st April. So all you wonderful judges please keep this day free of other obligations.

Our General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th April, with our ANZAC Sunday March and Dawn services dates as noted below.

On the social scene, some of our members attended a night at the Pymble Players production of "The Blonde, The Brunette and the Vengeful Redhead". The mind boggles at the thought!

Thursday 12th April will see our Coach Trip and Harbour Cruise come up. This very special event sold out rapidly and we have two coaches carrying ninety participants. Well done everyone!

From RSL NSW we have no specific information at this stage to pass on, but we will keep you advised. Locally we can report that our Committee member Vince Williams, attended a meeting of the Warringah Australia Remembers Committee at Manly on Friday 16th March. This is an active group under the auspices of Tony Abbott, Federal Member for Warringah. Vince will now be representing us at these meetings on a regular basis as part of our commitment to community affairs.

We also hosted the AGM of the Northern Beaches District Council on Tuesday 20th March, which is an increasingly important part of our overall operations.

Best wishes to all and as usual, call if you need assistance.

John Scifleet

What's On

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General Meeting

7.30pm

Wednesday 4th April

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Coach Trip & Harbour Cruise

9.00 am

Thursday 12th April



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ANZAC SERVICES 2018



Anzac Sunday 22nd April Street March and Service

* March: 2.40pm Forestville Memorial Hall

* Service: 3.00pm Forestville RSL Club Cenotaph

ANZAC Day 25th April

Dawn Service & Breakfast

Service: 5.30am Forestville RSL Club Cenotaph

Breakfast: Forestville RSL Club

Membership

Sadly, we report the passing of the following dear members:

ADDISON, Robert Warren ... NAVY
WAKE, Keith Dennis ... ROYAL NAVY

Our sincere condolences are passed onto families and friends.

We have the pleasure in welcoming one new sub-Branch member:

Kerrie Anne O'HAGEN ... NAVY

Current membership totals 432

Introductions from our members, family and mates for new membership are always welcome.

***For all Membership enquiries: Please get in touch with
Geoff Brown,
Membership Officer and Cenotaph and Memorial Walkway
Co-ordinator
Email: membership@forestvillersl.org.au***

Our Cenotaph and Memorial Walkway

Thanks to our volunteers all is looking good in preparation for our ANZAC services.



Memorial Pavers

Orders for the next engraving have now closed and pavers will be laid prior to ANZAC Day.

Prepaid Pavers:

Members are reminded that you can order and prepay your own paver at any time you wish.
Cost for pavers for sub-Branch members is \$35.

REMINDER ... COACH TRIP AND HARBOUR CRUISE THURSDAY 12th APRIL 2018



Our coach trip and harbour cruise, celebrating NSW Seniors Festival, will depart at 9AM on Thursday 12th April 2018 **from the lower car park, so please park there as we will be on tour all day.** Your coach trip includes sightseeing and morning tea. Your Captain Cook Cruise on Sydney Harbour includes a delicious buffet lunch featuring seafood and a full range of non-seafood and vegetarian.

The Women's Auxiliary

Our AGM was held on Monday 5th March with 41 ladies in attendance. Your Committee is as follows: President Annie Betts, Vice Presidents Rae Stoddard & Caryl Flint, Secretary Barbara Norton, Treasurer Carol Anstiss, Social Secretary Jan Taylor, Committee Caroline Finlay & Shirley Mashman, with our Patron Jill Scifleet. I am so lucky to have such a great group of ladies on the Committee who worked so hard to make 2017 a success, and it is made so much easier when you are with friends and having fun along the way.

We followed our AGM with our BBQ and a big Thank You to our Chefs - Brian Flint, John Finlay and Tony Betts - for a great lunch.

We would like to thank our Women's Auxiliary members for your continued support. We are all looking forward to this coming year where we can catch up at our monthly meetings, where we have some very interesting guest speakers.

We would like to congratulate sub-Branch President John Scifleet and his Committee on the work they are doing and to thank them for all the help they gave us in 2017. We are looking forward to working with them in 2018.

It was also lovely to have some of the sub-Branch members and Committee members attend our meetings with some of our interesting guest speakers.

Our next Meeting is on **Monday 9th April at 1.00 pm.** Our Guest Speaker will be Natalie Dickson who is from the Ferrovial York road upgrade team on behalf of Roads & Maritime Services. She will be talking about what is happening with the road upgrades around our new Northern Beaches Hospital. This should be of interest to us, and all are welcome.

We will not be selling Anzac Badges this year. The ANZAC Sunday March will be held on 22nd April starting 2.30 pm. The ANZAC Day Dawn Service will be on Wednesday 25th April starting at 5.30 am.

The Women's Auxiliary will be serving Tea & Coffee at both of these functions, looking forward to seeing you there.

Any ladies wishing to join our Women's Auxiliary just give me a call on 94020882.

Those on the sick list we hope you get better soon.

**Regards
President Annie Betts**

Forestville RSL

ANZAC Events 2018

ANZAC Sunday Street March & Service Sunday 22nd April

2.40pm - March - Forestville Memorial Hall
3.00pm - Service at the Forestville RSL Club Cenotaph

ANZAC Day Dawn Service Wednesday 25th April

0530 - Arrive at the Forest Club
0540 - Dawn Service followed by breakfast

COME AND JOIN OUR 2018 ANZAC SERVICES

Sunday 22nd April

ANZAC Sunday Street March and Service

2.40pm March—Forestville Memorial Hall

3.00pm Service—the Forestville RSL Club Cenotaph

Wednesday 25th April

ANZAC Day Dawn Service

5.30am—arrive at the Forestville RSL Club Cenotaph

5.40am—Dawn Service followed by breakfast

FOR YOUR DIARIES

WINTER YULEFEST DAY TRIP

The Waterview Restaurant

Berowra Waters
Tuesday 3rd July, 2018

The subsidised cost for sub-Branch members is \$40 per person including a three meal with wine/soft drinks and live entertainment, as well as sightseeing.

Tickets on a cash-only basis will be on sale from Monday 7th May from the sub-Branch office, afterwards from Club Reception,



course

Notice to Members – RSL Club

Please check your Forestville RSL Club membership card to ensure that it shows 2018 (or later) and **RSL**, not **Club Only**. If your Club card shows **Club Only**, please visit Club Reception with your RSL NSW membership card in order to have your Club card updated to show **RSL**.
Your cooperation is appreciated!

Special Notice to Members RSL NSW Mailing List - Contact Details

To subscribe to the RSL NSW mailing list, or to update your contact details directly with RSL NSW, please use this link: [👉](#)

[Click here to update details with RSL NSW](#)

Many thanks for your cooperation!

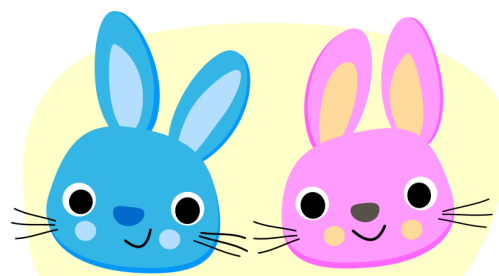
Volunteer Library Staff Opportunity

Positions and various days are available to work within a small team in a modern and beautifully located centre at the **Cutler Artillery Research Centre - North Head**. Assistance is needed to:

- Digitise
- Organise and File
- Search for information

Basic computing competency is necessary. Knowledge of artillery is not needed.

We are The Royal Australian Artillery Historical Company which is a volunteer, not for profit organisation established in 1996 that provides history information to the public. **If interested, please contact John Cox on 0409 394 497**



Happy Easter!

Dates to Remember in 2018

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| Wednesday 04 April 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Thursday 12 April 2018 | ** Coach Trip & Harbour Cruise |
| Saturday 21st April 2018 | ** 0900 AMC Judging |
| Sunday 22 April 2018 | ** 1440 ANZAC Sunday Service & Street March |
| Wednesday 25 April 2018 | ** 0530 ANZAC Dawn Service |
| Wednesday 02 May 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Wednesday 06 June 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Tuesday 03 July 2018 | ** Winter Yulefest Day Trip |
| Wednesday 04 July 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Wednesday 01 August 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Sunday 12 August 2018 | ** 1200 VP Day Luncheon |
| Wednesday 05 September 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Wednesday 03 October 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Monday 22 October 2018 | ** 1200 RSL sub-Branch Widows Luncheon |
| Wednesday 07 November 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |
| Sunday 11 November 2018 | ** 1030 Remembrance Day |
| Wednesday 14 November 2018 | ** 1200 Narrabeen War Veterans Luncheon |
| Sunday 02 December 2018 | ** 1800 sub-Branch Christmas Dinner |
| Wednesday 05 December 2018 | ** 1930 Monthly General Meeting |

Changes To Your Membership Details

Your advices of any change to personal details eg new address, phone number, email address, next of kin would be appreciated.
Contact us if you wish to check any of your information.

Special Request to Members

We can send each *monthly newsletter* to you electronically by email. This will help us to be more sustainable, save time in the preparation and filling of envelopes and reduce our mailing costs etc.

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*"And the world is a little poorer, for a soldier died today"
...Lest We Forget...*

Useful Links

Visit the following sites for more information:

Forestville RSL sub-Branch website:

<http://www.forestvillersl.org.au>

Forestville RSL sub-Branch Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ForestvilleRSLSubBranch/>

Forestville RSL sub-Branch Instagram page:

[forestvillersubbranch](#)

The Forest Club website:

<http://www.forestvillersl.com.au>

RSL NSW website:

<http://www.rslnsw.org.au>

RSL Membership Advantage website:

<http://www.memberadvantage.com.au/rslnsw>

The Veterans Centre Sydney Northern Beaches website:

<http://www.vcsnb.org.au>

The Australian War Memorial website:

<http://www.awm.gov.au>

RSL NSW Mailing List Contact Details:

[Click here to update details with RSL NSW](#)