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# Forestville sub-Branch



Serving veterans and their families in the Forest Area

## NEWSLETTER

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4<sup>th</sup> July, 2018

The Hon Secretary  
Forestville RSL sub-Branch

Dear Sir,

### Presidential Duties

Following recent and now recurrent health issues, I find myself no longer able to expend the time and energy required to properly perform my Presidential duties.

Accordingly after careful consideration, I advise that I will be standing down as President of the Forestville RSL sub-Branch at the conclusion of our General Meeting on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> of August, 2018.

Concurrent with my colleagues I shall continue to serve as a Committee member covering schools (including AMC) Cadet Units and Youth Groups, plus general duties.

May I take this opportunity to thank our Committee and Members for allowing me the privilege of leading our sub-Branch over the last eighteen months, at a time of major changes within RSL NSW.

My best wishes to all.

Yours faithfully,

John Scifleet  
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is a great honour to take over from John Scifleet as President of our sub-Branch. I thank our members for entrusting me with this privilege at our August General Meeting. Our sub-Branch leadership is in very good hands with Robin Tapp as Vice President, along with Sandy Howard who was elected as our second Vice President.

We enjoyed a very successful VP Day Luncheon on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August, with many turning up to enjoy the festivities in their smart Hawaiian casual dress (see photos elsewhere).

My wife Barbara and I will be in the USA 19 September to 19 October inclusive. Robin Tapp will lead our sub-Branch during my absence, including taking care of our Committee meeting in September and the General Meeting in October. Thanks, Robin.

Spring has sprung, the grass is ris, I wonder where the birdies is? Enjoy our Spring weather, and call if you need assistance.

Best Regards,  
**Bob Lunn**

## What's On

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### General Meeting

7.30pm

Wednesday 5th September

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### General Meeting

7.30pm

Wednesday 3rd October

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### Central Coast Coach Trip

8.00am

Thursday 25th October



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## Membership

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

LEWIS Noel Basil	ARMY
CAMPBELL Alan Malcolm	RAAF
DAVIES Leslie Roy	RAAF
MCEVOY Ronald John Stanley	ARMY
TULLOCH Joy Ethel	ARMY

Our sincere condolences are passed onto family and friends.  
We have pleasure in welcoming new sub-Branch member:

Ginnette Anne SIMPSON Affiliate

Current membership totals **425**

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

### Changes to your Membership Details

Your advices of ANY change to personal details eg new address, phone number, email address or next of kin would be appreciated.

## Our Cenotaph and Memorial Walkway

We need rain for our area and especially for our farmers and country NSW. The FOREST rainfall for July was only 5.0mm.



### Prepaid Pavers

Orders are now being taken for Remembrance Day in November and orders close on Friday 21st September. 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

*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](mailto:membership@forestvillersl.org.au)*

## GUEST SPEAKER — General Meeting 5th September

### **Northern Beaches Hospital – Nicola Pellegrini**

Opening in late 2018, the Northern Beaches Hospital is a joint public/private initiative with Healthscope, an Australian company which operates private hospitals, medical centres and international pathology services. The company is headquartered on St Kilda Road, Melbourne. As their representative, Nicola will be updating us on the project.

Please note that this is about the Northern Beaches Hospital itself, **NOT** the road structure or future plans for other hospitals in the area!



## RSL Auxiliary

The RSL Auxiliary would like to inform you that John Scifleet stood down as President of the sub-Branch at their General Meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> August. John will be staying on as a Committee member, continuing on with his good community work. We would like to thank John for all the help and support he gave us while he was President. Nothing was ever a trouble for John from me personally, I would like to thank him for all his helpful advice. We would also like to thank Jill for being our Patron. Jill has done the job with such style and grace. She will be staying on a bit longer until Barbara Lunnon is available to take her place.

We welcome Bob Lunnon as President of the sub-Branch and congratulate him. Bob has been doing a wonderful job with the Newsletter, so I have gotten to know him well. He is very easy going and great to work with. The RSL Auxiliary look forward to working with Bob and his Committee. We know we can count on them for any help we may need as well as having some fun along the way.

Our next meeting we will on Monday 3rd September at 12.30pm, followed by our Birthday Luncheon at 1pm sponsored by the sub-Branch. I am sure some of the sub-Branch Committee will join us for a few laughs. If you would like to attend our Birthday Luncheon please give Rae a ring on 99727385, no later than **Wednesday 29th August**, also for some reason if you need to cancel, just so we can let the caterers know. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Our October Meeting is on Monday 8th at 1pm, followed by a **SURPRISE FUN AFTERNOON**.

New Members are always very welcome, just give me a call on 94020882. Our ladies on the sick list, we wish you a speedy recovery.

Regards  
**Annie Betts**  
President



## CENTRAL COAST COACH TRIP FLOWERS, FOOD & FANCY CARS

THURSDAY 25<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2018



We travel north to the beautiful Mt Penang Gardens at Kariang, a contemporary Australian garden showcasing both wet and dry climate gardens. Devonshire Morning Tea on arrival in the Waterfall Café overlooking the garden with magnificent water cascades. Then to the Chocolate and Nougat Shop, before we travel to the Central Coast Leagues Club for a scrumptious buffet lunch.

After lunch we visit the **Gosford Classic Car Museum** (the largest in the Southern Hemisphere) which is home to exotic and rare vehicles in pristine condition and born out of a passion for the artistry of automobiles. Then we travel back to Forestville.

**Departure:** from the lower car park 8am returning around 4.30pm (please park in the lower car park as we will be on tour all day).

**Cost:** subsidised cost for sub-Branch members is \$40 per person

**Includes:** Five Star luxury air conditioned coach travel, full commentary by an experienced guide, morning tea, buffet lunch, and Museum entry.

**Tickets on a cash-only basis will be on sale on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September from the sub-Branch office, afterwards from Club Reception, on a first-come first-served basis.**

## VP Day Luncheon

12th August 2018

*A good time was had by all!*



# Dates to Remember in 2018

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
Thursday 25th October 2018	**	Central Coast Coach Trip
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

## GENERAL MEETING TRANSPORT UPDATE

Forestville RSL Club has outsourced its Club bus operation, which is now time-based and can become expensive if not managed appropriately. This has necessitated a change in transport arrangements for sub-Branch members attending monthly General Meetings and events/functions such as VP Day and Christmas Dinner etc.

For attendance at General Meetings, the bus has been organised for pickups commencing from 6PM, and returns completed by 10PM.

All bookings within these times are to be made through Club Reception.

## 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:

Many thanks for your cooperation!

[www.rslnsw.org.au/update-member-details](http://www.rslnsw.org.au/update-member-details)

## 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.

Please advise your email address details to us at:

[membership@forestvillersl.org.au](mailto:membership@forestvillersl.org.au)

## 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.

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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:**

[forestvillerssubbranch](#)

### **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:**

<http://www.rslnsw.org.au/update-member-details>

### **Sub-Branch Resources and Presentations:**

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