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MONTHLY LUNCHEON

MONDAY, 20 AUGUST, 1990

VENUE:

Gallipoli Room, Anzac House, Perth.

TIME:

Fellowship

1200 hours

Luncheon

1250 hours

SPEAKER:

Mr David J. Robertson, New Zealand Consul and Trade

Commissioner

SUBJECT:

Australia/New Zealand relations

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Mr Robertson is 42 years old, married with two children and has a BA degree. He joined the Department of Trade & Industry in 1969 and has worked in the Industries & Industrial Development Divisions and as an Export Liaison Officer in the Christchurch regional office. He has served overseas as follows:

Assistant Trade Commissioner Brisbane 1972
Trade Commissioner Port Moresby 1976
Consul (Commercial) New York 1980

His position prior to coming to Perth was Executive Officer, Industries.

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<u>SPEAKER IN JULY</u> - It was most interesting to hear of the events in Europe from a person who really appreciates what has gone on over the years and can make informed precis of the current situation. Even though he does not agree with James Mitchener's treatise on Polish history as expounded by Ferrero and denied by Bish, we accept his version and thank him for an informative and interesting talk.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT - COCKTAIL PARTY, 31 July, 1990

Johnnie Walker, French brandy, S.A. wines, beers small to strong, champagne and a variety of interesting cocktail fare provided the ingredients for a convivial party on 31 July, at the comfortable premises of the Victoria League in Onslow Road, Shenton Park, for a happy group of Highgate Members, partners and guests.

To those who had indicated you would have gone, but didn't, we missed you - and you missed a good evening.

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UNFINANCIAL MEMBERS - More than half way through the year, and there are still a considerable number who have not yet paid subscriptions for 1990, and indeed a few from 1989. No doubt in a lot of cases this is merely oversight, but don't risk becoming unfinancial completely and having to apply to rejoin, and losing continuity of service. Please remember all subscriptions to the Treasurer and NOT direct to Anzac House.

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WELCOME - To new Members Alan Jones and Gordon Stacey.

Alan served with the R.A.F. and Gordon with the R.A.N. Many thanks also to Ted Thomas for volunteering his services as Treasurer. A very difficult position to fill, especially when circumstances prevented any form of handover.

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COMMITTEE MEETING - Owing to a clash of dates with the National Congress, the Committee Meeting for September is cancelled. Our President and Vice Presidents, Senior & Junior, will be available to deal with any emergencies.

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SUB WARDENS - Now do their duties at the State War Memorial, looking very resplendent in their Air Force Blue Berets, with R.S.L. cap badges. Does this new military appearance mean Sub Wardens will have to have a more military bearing to go with it? Ron Stone has already been seen, notebook and pencil in hand, casting an eagle eye around. Will we soon be hearing the cry echoing around Kings Park - "Take his name Sa'rnt Major"?

Ron Stone also mentioned at a recent meeting how many of us give any thought to how we would like to be farewelled when the time comes. We all make wills, but how many of us bother to tell a relation, or close friend, that we would like to have the respect due to us as ex-servicemen, that is, a flag on the coffin, Last Post and Reveille, the Ode and poppies cast? These details are not automatic, and are easily overlooked unless prior arrangements have been made.

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