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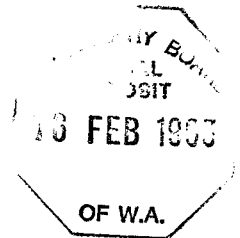
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MONTHLY LUNCHEON.

MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY 1993

VENUE: Gallipoli Room, Anzac House Perth.

TIME : Fellowship 1200 hours
Luncheon 1250 hours

SPEAKER: AIR COMMODORE: Neil Smith RAAF

SUBJECT: "THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE. WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN,
WHERE ARE YOU GOING".

At the time of writing Air Commodore Smith's CV is not available. Sufficient to say he is Officer Commanding RAAF Base Pearce.

The December luncheon was also the sub branch's AGM with the election of office bearers for 1993 taking place. The thanks of all of us should be given to the retiring President, Leslie Lee for a job well done. The presentation to him of a Presidents Certificate was a small reward for his efforts over the past year. The incoming President John Low, will I am sure have the full support of all members to ensure the sub branch continues to progress and expand. Both Geoff Russell and Bert Pollock decided to stand down, but fortunately Tom Scully nominated as a replacement. Without too much arm twisting Bob Elliot has taken over the task of finding and entertaining the guest speakers. Additionally Bob (Sooty) Smith has offered his services to the sub branch in the capacity of Welfare Officer. Bob brings considerable experience with him in this field, specialising in assisting veterans with disability pensions through the DVA. His address and phone number if required are at the end of the Newsletter. During the meeting a member asked "Why was the annual financial report not available?". Good question. Unfortunately the timing of our AGM as it stands prevents this happening, but no doubt at the next committee meeting to be held this will be given attention, and hopefully a compromise can be reached. The accounts have now been audited and Treasurer Ted will have copies available for perusal by the members at the February luncheon. In addition a copy will be placed on the notice board. The Executive of the committee is detailed on the front cover and the following members were elected/re-elected.

A M Brice	T W Horton	T L Scully
E B Courtney	P Loffman	L A Stewart
S W Dallywater	A C Person	R M Stone
T T Ferrero	L L Ikin	W J Surridge

Please remember our committee meetings are, and have been, open ended so please if you wish, come along and join in particularly if you feel you have anything to offer.

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WELCOME: To new members Barrie Rymer, Ken Wood, and William Kynaston. Barrie served with 2/17 Inf Bn. and had a spell post war with the RAAF, Ken with 2/3 MG Bn and Bill with the RAN (HMAS Shopshire).

FOR SALE OR TO BORROW: A few copies of Dr Laden's book are still available fore sale. If you have not already done so, you can purchase one at the next luncheon. Not only is it amusing reading but donations made by the author help our funds considerably. Also for sale (although not by us) "Australia's Navy 1992-1993. Available from AGPS 1st Floor, Albert Facey House 469 Wellington Street PERTH. Cost \$14.95. TO BORROW The sub branch

possesses a video "The RSL's First 75 Years". To join the queue contact the sub branch Secretary. First in best dressed.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Mrs Vivian Statham MBE who became a Member of the General Division of the Order of Australia, in the Australia Day Honours List. A well deserved recognition.

Most Members will be aware that Vivian was the Warden of the State War Memorial three years or so ago, and a carried out her duties in an exemplary manners. Thankfully she is now out of hospital and resting at home, and we all wish her a speedy return to good health.

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Jan Talaska sends his apologies for non attendance, but a motor vehicle accident and a trip to Europe, is now followed by a spell in hospital. Again good wishes Jan.

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The extra page in the Newsletter contains the diary for 1993. It is correct as of now but there is a possibility the June luncheon may have to be postponed for one week due to the State Congress. Another subscription slip is also attached. Subscriptions are coming in steadily but please do not delay. It is far easier for all concerned, particularly the Treasurer, if we have a 100% financial membership as quickly as possible. If you do not require the newsletter please say so. On the other hand if you are already financial, many thanks for being so prompt, and please disregard the notice.

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A very much delayed Christmas Card has been received from Hazel and Roy Mawson, wishing all members and their families a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Both have just finished the 1st year of a 3 year voluntary duty with the United Mission to Nepal.

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DIARY FOR 1993

	<u>COMMITTEE MEETING</u>	<u>LUNCHEON</u>
FEBRUARY	8	15
MARCH	8	15
APRIL	5	--
MAY	3	17
JUNE	14	21*
JULY	5	19
AUGUST	2	16
SEPTEMBER	6	20
OCTOBER	11	18
NOVEMBER	1	15
DECEMBER	6	20

PLEASE NOTE: *Subject to a changed Date
 There will be no Luncheon in APRIL
 instead ANZAC DAY BREAKFAST.