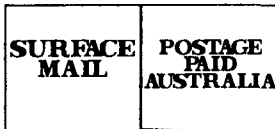
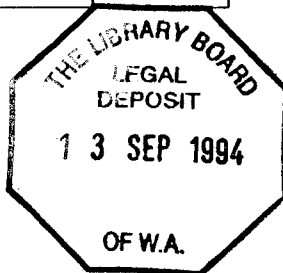


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## MONTHLY LUNCHEON MONDAY 19th September 1994

**His excellency the Governor of Western Australia has indicated he  
will be attending this meeting.**

**VENUE: Gallipoli Room Anzac House Perth**

**TIME: Fellowship 1150 Hours  
Luncheon 1240 Hours**

**SPEAKER: John Flower**

**SUBJECT: Sailing in Western Australia**

John Flower is Commodore of Royal Perth Yacht Club, Chairman of the Western Australian Yachting Foundation and Chairman of the Australia Cup Committee. The Australia Cup is one of ten match race sailing events conducted around the world. John has been a member of RPYC for 25 years and remains an active sailor after a lifetime involvement with the sport.

Educated at Scotch College, John is 55 years of age, married with three children and has conducted his own architectural practice for the past 30 years. Like most young architects commencing practice, residential design provided the start but his office now specialises in institutional work for clients like the University of Western Australia, Wesley College and Scotch College. He was recently involved as architect-in-association for the new Ansett Terminal at Perth Airport.

**LAST MONTH'S GUEST SPEAKER:**

Air Commodore Neil Smith had a very receptive audience. Neil told us of the very speedy setting up of additional facilities needed at RAAF Base Pearce to house the Singapore Air Force component and some of the achievements and difficulties encountered at various levels which were experienced by our new found tenants and their host along the way. Neil's talk left little doubt that the benefits of having the Singaporeans at Pearce are well worth while to both countries and his light hearted delivery was well received by all. To quote a little "Banjo", "he was a humorist of note and keen at repartee" Bags of applause Neil-certainly no "raspberries", at least not from this end.

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**SUB WARDENS DUTIES:**

Sunday 4th September: 1445 for 1500hrs-"Thirtyniners" Assoc.  
Sunday 11th September: 1145 for 1200hrs-Macedonian Council of W.A.  
Sunday 18 September: 1345 for 1400 hrs-RAF Assoc.  
Tuesday 4 October: 1730 for 1745 hrs-Naval Assoc of Australia..

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**LADIES NIGHT:**

One more reminder that the Ladies' Night dinner will be held at the WA Club on the evening of Friday 25 November. Application slip in the October News Letter.

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**ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

In the past many members may have been deterred from encouraging others to join the League in the latter half of the year as full membership payment was required when only maybe a month or two later another account was required for the coming year. At the last State Congress, Murray Sub Branch raised an Agenda item in which it was proposed that new members wishing to join the League after half way through the year would pay on a pro rata basis of \$2.00 a month for the remaining months: ie July \$12.00 reducing \$2.00 a month to December. The resolution was carried intact and the new scale of pro rata fees commences immediately.

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**REUNION:**

The inaugural Royal Australian Navy Vietnam Veterans reunion will be held at Coffs Harbour on the 1994 October long weekend.(September 30-Oct 3). Enquiries to John Martin 066 524131(H) 066 522932 (W) or Len Brown 02 9133896(H) 02 997220 (W).

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**THANKYOU:**

To Leslie Lee and Alf Pearson who after many years of dedicated service as committee members and various other positions within the Sub Branch have decided the time has come for a break. Both have indicated that if their services are still required in any way they will be available. For 12 years at least Alf has sat patiently at the table collecting the luncheon payments. Well-patiently most of the time though on occasions the air has been rather blue, when members arrive with a hundred dollar note for a twelve dollar payment.

**VALE:**  
**LEON VERDI GOLDSWORTHY G.C. D.S.C.**  
**G.M. 19.1.1909-7.8.1994**

Was born at Broken Hill, NSW, educated at the Adelaide School of Mines and Adelaide University, graduating as an engineer. Goldie volunteered for service with the Navy, Army and Air Force at the outbreak of War but was rejected by all three services as not being tall enough. In 1940 he reapplied and was commissioned as acting Sub Lieutenant in the RANVR.



He was sent to the UK and appointed to the Rendering Mines Safe section of the Admiralty. He soon demonstrated extraordinary skill in the delousing of explosive devices both on land and underwater. This skill enable him to expose the secrets on many diabolical weapons invented by the enemy. He was awarded the George Medal in April 44; in August of the same year he was M.I.D. and a month later received the George Cross. His last award was the Distinguished Service Cross, award in January 45. In addition he received a letter of appreciation from Winston Churchill and was presented to F/M Montgomery, Dwight Eisenhower and Lord Louis Mountbatten (services rendered to the Allies).

**Lieutenant Commander Goldsworthy was Australia's most highly decorated  
 Naval Officer  
 LEST WE FORGET**

**HONOR AVENUE:**

On August 3 to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the opening of Honor Avenue in 1919 RSL Certificates of Appreciations were presented by State President Mr Len Keynes to the Director of Kings Park Board, Dr Hopper, in the presence of Chairman "Bish" Kwiecinski, Secretary Max Brice of the Honour Avenue Sub Committee, and Bob Elliot, President Highgate Sub Branch. These certificates were to acknowledge the co-operation and willingness by the board and staff of Kings Park in the maintenance of the Honour Avenue over these years.

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