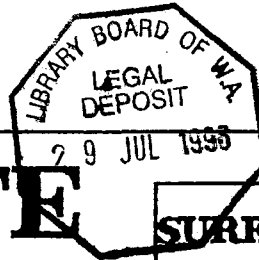


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MONTHLY LUNCHEON

MONDAY: 20th March 1995

VENUE: Gallipoli Room. Anzac House. St. Georges Tce. PERTH.
TIME: Fellowship 1130 Hours Luncheon 1240 hours.
SPEAKER: W H (John) Ross
SUBJECT: The "SYDNEY- COLLEONI- BANDE NERE" action in the
Mediterranean - 19 July, 1940.

"John" Ross was appointed a Cadet Midshipman (S) in the Royal Australian Navy on 1 May, 1934. He served in Australia until late 1935. Having seen service in Britain and the Mediterranean, was a member of "Sydney's" commissioning crew on 24 September, 1935. He continued his service in "Sydney" until 1 November, 1941, just 19 days before she was lost with all hands. He was then appointed to "Canberra" and was on board her until she was sunk in the Solomons campaign on 9 August, 1942. During the post-war period John served at Darwin and Manus Island. He resigned his commission as a Lieutenant-Commander in April, 1951.

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LAST MONTH'S SPEAKER: Paul Pearson, Area Sales Manager, Telecom provided us with a very informative and interesting talk on the future expectations of telecommunications into the 21st Century. Mobile phones, satellite dishes, optic fibres and "pay " television were just some of the topics covered. Once again Paul many thanks for a very worthwhile dissertation!!

ANZAC DAY 1995:

DAWN SERVICE:

Deputy Warden, Ron Stone again appeals for a good turnout of Sub Wardens to support the Dawn Service at the State War Memorial. Parade will be formed at 0525 hours with "march on" at 0545 hours. The Service commences at 0600 hours. This Service will be followed by a separate service at the Jewish memorial. Sub Wardens should be prepared for an alteration to the usual procedures prior to dismissal. These will be explained on the day.

ANZAC DAY BREAKFAST:

The Sub-Branch's Anzac Day Breakfast will be held following the above services at the W A Club. In this year of "Australia Remembers" let us make this an extra special event!! **Mess tins are not required and "Gunfire" is for medicinal purposes only!**

At last meeting a sheet was circulated for the recording of those who intended to attend the breakfast. This list will be circulated again at the March meeting but if it is more convenient for some they may 'phone Ray Mawson (389-3279) or Ron Stone (Bus.hours - 321-4421) to register. If for some reason you find, after registering, that you are unable to attend **PLEASE** let Ray or Ron know. While the club is fairly flexible accurate figures do help to prevent last minute confusion on the day.

The venue will be the W A Club, 9th Floor, 18 The Esplanade, Perth. Parking will be available at the rear of the building.

Breakfast commences at 0730 hours and the cost (\$20-00 per head) will be collected during the meal. Format will follow that of previous years, so if you have a "good " tale or story to tell please prime your memory and share them with your comrades!!

After the breakfast those who are participating in the "March" should join their respective groups at the appropriate assembly points. This is a wonderful opportunity to show the people of Perth (and those across the Nation per the magic of television) that although there may be "snow on the roof" the fire is still burning strongly below.

SUB WARDENS DUTIES:

Sunday, 26 March	1215 hours for	1230	Consulate of Greece
Tuesday 25 April	0525 hours for	0540	Anzac Day Service
Sunday 7 May	1345 hours for	1400	Bomber Command
Monday 8 May	1015 hours for	1030	Australia/America Assoc.
Sunday 18 May	1425 hours for	1430	Dunkirk Veterans' Assoc.

(On 12 April at 1100 hours there will be a special service for school children at the State War Memorial. As the arrangements for this service are being handled entirely by those involved Sub Wardens will NOT repeat NOT be required for that day. Nevertheless members who wish to attend are encouraged to do so to show our support for the younger generation and to observe what these youngsters can do.)

RSL WAR VETERANS' HOME ANNUAL FETE:

Will be held in the grounds of the War Veterans' Home, 51 Alexander Drive Mount Lawley, on Sunday 30 April. Our Sub-Branch has again offered to organize a "sausage sizzle" stall similar to that which we arranged last year which was eminently successful - enabling us to make a substantial donation to the Home's funds. Everyone is welcome to attend - and assistance by way of donations and/or help on the day will be greatly appreciated.

NEWS FROM AT HOME AND ABROAD:**NEW MEMBERS:**

The Sub-Branch welcomes as new members Roy Drabble RAN who served in Corvettes and Peter Gilkison who served with the Army. We hope that both of these gentlemen have a long and happy association with Highgate and also that we have the pleasure of their company at future luncheon meetings.

MALAY/BORNEO ASSOCIATION:

On 1 June a new association called the National Malay and Borneo Association was formed in the UK with world wide membership. An Australian branch has been formed and those interested can contact the Secretary, Richard H. Webber, 1/121 Coronation Ave., Golden Beach, Q. 4551. "Phone (074) 92-11697.

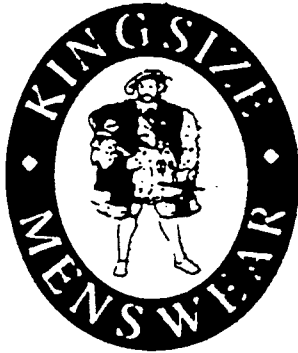
REUNION BRITISH PACIFIC & EAST INDIES FLEET:

An invitation has been received from the city of Portsmouth for those wishing to attend this reunion which will be held during the period 2/3 September, 1995. A very comprehensive programme has been arranged and anyone rich or lucky enough to be in the area may a copy of the programme from our erstwhile Secretary, John Hately, 14 Purley Street, Bayswater, 6053 ('phone 279- 8626).

BEAUFORT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA:

The bicentennial reunion of those who were in any way connected with Bristol Beaufort aircraft will be held in Perth during the period 24/30 April, 1995. While it is now too late to book for any of the reunion events it is anticipated that over three hundred (300) Beaufort bods from all over Australia will be marching on Anzac Day - assembly Irwin Street.

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Department of Veterans' Affairs - Information Update

At the invitation of the Highgate R.S.L. Sub-Branch, DVA's Carer and Volunteer Support Programmes will be providing the newsletter with a quarterly insert with information relating to community resources and Department news.

It is hoped by having access to community resources information, the veteran population with specific needs will have less problems locating a service to meet those needs.

The DVA Carer Education Project (WA) uses a Registered Nurse to visit the carer in the home and provide education and practical skills to assist with day to day caring tasks. The Community Nursing Advisor, Carol Burchell can be contacted on: (09) 366 8329 country callers: 008 113304.

Carer Support Programme

The Department of Veterans' Affairs has developed a Programme to provide support for Carers of Veterans and War Widows in the community.

The Carer Support Co-ordinator is based at the Perth Branch Office and is responsible for liaising with carers and for providing a comprehensive information service to those carers who require it.

An invitation is extended for carers to place their names on our new Veterans' Affairs Carers' Register. Carers will be provided with regular information regarding services and assistance available and will be encouraged to share their views on issues that are important to them.

*If you are a carer, or know of a carer who would like to place their name on the Register please contact the Co-ordinator: Lynne McHale
Telephone: (09) 3668348 or country callers 008 113304 (ext 348).*

VETERANS' ADVICE NETWORK (VAN)

The Veterans' Advice Network (VAN) is an information and advisory service for veterans, war widows and their family. To use VAN's services you do not need a DVA pension or health care entitlement. VAN staff will answer questions about benefits and services available through DVA. Van will also provide you with up to date information and advice about services available in your local community. You can contact VAN by telephoning the enquiry service on (09) 3668444 or by visiting the Department. DVA is now located in the AMP building on the corner of St George's Terrace and William Street. The VAN enquiry counter is on the 12th floor.

For people who either reside in the country or have contact with country residents, the information below may be of interest. It is often very difficult to locate suitable accommodation when coming to the city for medical attention or when supporting a hospital in-patient.

RYDER-CHESHIRE HOMES

Outreach of
Ryder-Cheshire Foundation
(Western Australia) Inc.



Barbara Seabrook House

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6 Selby Street
(inside Main Entrance of RP(R)H)
Shenton Park WA 6008

Phone 388 3467
(from 1-3-1991)

BARBARA SEABROOK HOUSE

The House is situated in the peaceful grounds of the Royal Perth (Rehabilitation) Hospital at Shenton Park, 7 kilometres from the City of Perth.

The House provides low-cost, home-like accommodation in Perth, where a person from the country may stay while having treatment that does not require hospitalisation or nursing care.

A carer may also stay with the person having treatment, or to support an inpatient.

THE HOUSE OFFERS:

- rooms with one, two or three bed accommodation according to availability and the needs of the family
- electric jug and toaster in each room
- bed linen (towels excluded)
- Telephone
- use of washing machine and dryer
- a small kitchenette where guests may cook their own meals.

A resident House-Mother offers support and resource information for guests.

TRANSPORT

Buses and rail services are close by. The House-Mother will advise on other transport available. A small amount of parking is available by arrangement.

Volunteer Support Programme

The Volunteer Support Programme has been established to offer support to volunteers in both Ex-Service Organisations and other groups in the community who provide volunteer services to veterans and war widows.

*Further information is available from the Co-ordinator Carole Gittens
Telephone: (09)366 8344 or country callers: 008113304 (ext 344).*

*If you have any requests for specific information to be included in the DVA News Update, please contact Mr John Hatley (Highgate RSL Sub-Branch). **THANK YOU***