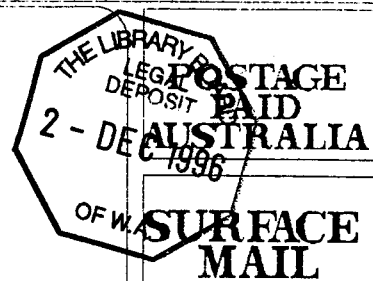




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## MONTHLY LUNCHEON

MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER, 1996.

VENUE: GALLIPOLI ROOM, ANZAC HOUSE, ST GEORGES TCE., PERTH.  
TIME: 1150 HOURS : LUNCHEON 1230 HOURS  
SPEAKER: THE HON. MR. A R A (Bob) WALLACE AO  
SUBJECT: ADULT AND JUVENILE PAROLE IN WA

Bob Wallace is well known ( and favourably too) to most of us as a legatee, member of this Sub-branch and a leading member of the local legal fraternity.

Having served (1942-1945) in the superior service as a Radar operator (RAAF) he attended Melbourne University emerging with an LLB in 1948. Admission to the Supreme Court of Victoria was followed by a similar admission in WA the next year.

After practice in a legal firm he was appointed a supreme Court Judge (1972-1991).

He was president of Perth Legacy (1959-60) and President of the Law Society of WA (1968-1970).

He has been Chairman of the Parole Board and Supervised Release Review Boards of Western Australia. He was appointed AO in 1992.

Born in 1924 he married Dorothy Helga Johnson in 1949 and they have four children.

If Bob doesn't draw some flak I'll be both disappointed and surprised!

**ASSISTANT MEAL CASHIER FOR THE DECEMBER LUNCHEON:-**

**John McKenzie.**

If unable to attend please 'phone Harry Fennel on 367 - 3324 asap so that he can arrange a replacement.

## LAST MONTH'S SPEAKER:

Our Governor, His Excellency Major General Michael Jeffrey AC MC gave us a most informative and interesting address centring around constitutional matters. Being Proclamation Day this was a most appropriate subject and I am sure that we all went away much better informed than we had been on matters of which we should be aware.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CHAIR:

As far as our Sub-branch is concerned November is the busiest time of the year (especially the 11th). As usual members are asked to come in numbers to the State War Memorial either to participate as Sub-Wardens or to shake a POPPY DAY tin. It has also been suggested that if our members are involved on the Memorial, their wives may like to help.

AND DON'T FORGET THAT JOHN JACKSON (PHONE 245 - 5015) CAN USE ALL THE HELP HE CAN GET TO MAN THE USUAL COLLECTING POINTS - THE BUS PORT AND THE BUS STATION!

Also members are reminded that the December luncheon will be the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. So come along in large numbers and have YOUR SAY on the running of OUR Sub-branch!!

Current member of Highgate Sub-branch, Bill Musson has been appointed Warden of the State War Memorial for 1997. Congratulations Bill and I'm sure that all your Sub-branch colleagues join me in wishing you a most successful term!

## WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT.

by Bob Smith

### HEALTH CONCESSIONS:-

If you are a veteran or war widow with a Repatriation card for all conditions (gold card) that card should always be used when accessing medical, hospital, dental, pharmaceutical and allied health services. The card entitles you to a wider range of health benefits than those listed below.

If you are veteran with a Repatriation Health card for specific conditions (white card) you should use this card to access the health services in respect of accepted disabilities. The card entitles you to a wider range of services than the concessions than those listed below in respect of accepted disabilities.

If you only hold a Pensioners' Concession card you should use it in conjunction with your Medicare card when accessing health services (as should white card holders in the case of non-accepted disabilities).

### AMBULANCE FEE CONCESSIONS:-

Pensioner Concession card holders are eligible for a 50% rebate on the cost of ambulance transport. No concession is offered on the Ambulance Benefit Fund membership.

CONTACT: ST JOHN AMBULANCE ON (09)334 - 1222

### DENTAL TREATMENT:-

Subsidised dental treatment is available to most Pensioner Concession card holders under the State Dental Scheme. Treatment can be obtained through any Perth hospital clinic, Perth Dental Hospital or, in cases where there are no clinics, through dental practitioners who participate in the Country Dental Subsidy Scheme. You may be asked to provide a statement of pension income. This may be obtained from DVA (phone (09) 366 - 8444.

For further information contact your nearest public dental clinic or Perth Dental Hospital on 220 -5777 (metro) or (09) 313 - 1622 (country)

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**SUB-WARDENS DUTIES.**

MONDAY 11 /11/96 1015 hours for 1030 hours

REMEMBRANCE DAY

**FROM THE SECRETARY'S MAIL BAG:-**

The following is a message from the State Secretary, Jock Geldart, in response to a condolence message from our Sub-branch:-

"As you are aware, my wife and I lost our youngest son a few days ago under very tragic circumstances. Since then we and our other children have been forced to endure the unendurable. This awful burden has been alleviated in no small degree for all of us by the wonderful sympathy and support provided by many Sub-Branches and individual members of the League.

On behalf of my wife and family, may I thank you for your kindness, sympathy and consideration during this very trying time. God bless you all."

**RSL VEHICLE NUMBER PLATES:**

National Headquarters has advised State Office that the authorisation to use the RSL logo on the proposed WA vehicle number plates will be discussed at the November, 1996 executive meeting. Would Sub-branch members, indicate their interest in purchasing a set of these number plates? Cost will be \$120-00 per set which includes \$20-00 for the State Branch.

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SERVICE NO. ....

NAME IN FULL (block letters please) .....

ADDRESS .....

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	30-00

DONATION .....

TOTAL \$ .....

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STATE OFFICE.

# HIGHGATE RSL LADIES' NIGHT.



THE MEMBERS OF HIGHGATE SUB-BRANCH TOGETHER WITH THEIR  
PARTNERS AND FRIENDS

ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE HIGHGATE RSL LADIES' NIGHT  
TO BE HELD ON

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER 1996

AT THE WA CLUB, 101 ST GEORGES TERRACE, PERTH (OPP. BOND TOWER)  
COMMENCING AT 1930 HOURS FOR 2000 HOURS.

(ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ACCOMMODATE A GROUP OF 100)  
ALLOCATION OF PLACES WILL BE ON 'A FIRST COME - FIRST SERVED BASIS'.

THE COST IS TO BE FORTYFIVE DOLLARS (\$45-00) PER PERSON  
AND THE PROGRAMME WILL BE SIMILAR TO THAT OF PREVIOUS YEARS  
WITH PRE-DINNER DRINKS AND WINES WITH DINNER

IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND SEND IT,  
TOGETHER WITH YOUR CHEQUE TO ALAN SAVILLE,  
TO REACH HIM NO LATER THAN 15 NOVEMBER, 1996.



DRESS: GENTLEMEN: BLACK TIE OR LOUNGE SUIT;  
LADIES: AFTER FIVE.  
(MINIATURES MAY BE WORN)

[N.B. PARKING FOR CARS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT: THE NEW ESPLANADE  
HOTEL, 18 THE ESPLANADE, PERTH (PREVIOUSLY THE ADDRESS OF THE WA  
CLUB). A CHARGE OF \$5-00 PER CAR MAY BE REQUIRED.]

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NAME.....(PLEASE PRINT)

I WISH TO ATTEND THE LADIES NIGHT ON 23 NOVEMBER, 1996.

I WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY.....  
(Names for 'name badges')

ENCLOSED IS MY CHEQUE FOR \$.....

(\$45-00 PER PERSON.)

IF POSSIBLE I WOULD LIKE TO BE SEATED WITH.....

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## WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT

### DOMICILIARY NURSING CARE BENEFIT:

The benefit provides financial support to carers of frail aged, or younger people with a disability, who have been assessed as requiring nursing home level of care. The benefit is tax free, not means tested and is indexed each January.

CONTACT:- Department of Human Resources & Health on (09) 426 - 6311.

### EYE CARE:-

Card holders are eligible for free examinations with optometrists who bulk bill Medicare. Free eye examinations are also provided through government eye care clinics at selected public hospitals.

CONTACT:- Your local optometrist or eye clinic.

### HEARING AIDS:

Hearing aids are available through Australian Hearing Services. You will be asked to pay an annual fee (currently \$25-00) to cover maintenance, repairs and the supply of batteries. Those who own hearing aids are entitled to batteries at the same annual fee.

CONTACT:- Australian Hearing Services on 1800 - 813 - 762.

### PATIENTS' ASSISTED TRAVEL SCHEME (PATS):-

The scheme provides financial help for travel and accommodation expenses to WA country residents who must travel more than 100 km one way to obtain essential specialist medical treatment which is not available locally or from a visiting specialist.

Financial help is provided for accommodation when the specialist specifies it is necessary for the patient to stay overnight for follow up treatment. Applications for assistance must be completed by a GP and lodged prior to departure at the nearest public hospital.

CONTACT:- your nearest public hospital.

### PHARMACEUTICALS:-

You are entitled to prescription medicines listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) at the concessions price of \$2-70 per prescribed medicine. You will pay more than the \$2-70 if the medicinal is not listed on the scheme or is only partially covered. There is a SAFETY NET. You should obtain a Prescription Record from a pharmacy or public hospital and ask your pharmacist to record your purchases of prescription medicines on it. When the total of your recorded spending exceeds \$140-40 in a calendar year you are entitled to most scheme medicines free of charge for the rest of the calendar year.

CONTACT:- 1800 - 020 - 613 or (09) 366 -8424.

### SPECTACLES SUBSIDY SCHEME:-

Under the scheme Pensioner Concession Card holders are entitled to claim a 50% subsidy on the cost of one set of spectacles every two years (to a maximum of \$50=00). If you are entitled to assistance for spectacles from DVA you are not entitled to a further subsidy under this scheme.

**FROM THE SECRETARY'S MAIL BAG:** (from p. 3)

**BLACKBOY HILL COMMEMORATIVE SITE:**

The Upper Swan Sub-branch is seeking donations towards the cost of a Memorabilia Museum planned for the above site. Donations can be sent to:-

Blackboy Hill Commemorative site  
C/- The Mundaring Shire Administrative Centre  
Great Eastern Highway  
MUNDARING WA 6073.

**COLLECTION DAY, MONDAY , 11 NOVEMBER, 1996:**

A reminder to all Metropolitan Sub-branches. Poppies can only be sold on REMEMBRANCE DAY, MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER, 1996.

This was by direction of State Congress 1994, Item No. 38.

**NAVY BEAT RETREAT.**

PLANNING HAS BEGUN FOR A "BEAT RETREAT" IN LATE NOVEMBER AT HMAS STERLING WHICH NAVY PROPOSES TO PUT ON FOR ALL EX-NAVY VETERANS AND THEIR WIVES. ARRANGEMENTS, SO FAR, ARE TENTATIVE AT THIS STAGE. EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST PLEASE TO:- BOB ELLIOT ON (09)310 - 1890.

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