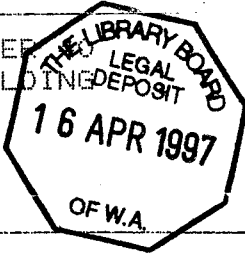




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ANZAC DAY BREAKFAST - 1997

(IN LIEU OF MONTHLY LUNCHEON MEETING

- THERE WILL BE NO LUNCHEON MEETING IN APRIL -)

VENUE: WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CLUB, 101 ST GEORGES TCE, PERTH WA
TIME: 0730 HOURS (FOLLOWING THE DAWN SERVICE)
COST: TWENTY DOLLARS (20-00) PER HEAD

PARKING: WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE FORMER CLUB PREMISES, 18 THE ESPLANADE AT THE VERY REASONABLE COST OF TWO DOLLARS FIFTY (\$2-50) PER CAR.

THE BREAKFAST FORMAT WILL BE SIMILAR TO THAT ADOPTED IN PREVIOUS YEARS AND SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT (TOM HORTON) WILL BE IN CHARGE OF THE ENTERTAINMENT. SO - GET YOUR MEMORY WORKING AND SHARE YOUR BEST STORIES WITH YOUR COMRADES. PLEASE NOTE THAT MAY BE SUBTLE BUT NOT CRUDE. AFTER, ALL THE LAST THING WE WANT TO DO IS TO OFFEND ANYONE, AND THERE MAY BE FEMALE STAFF ABOUT.

FOR THOSE WHO WERE NOT AT THE MARCH MEETING AND/OR HAVE FAILED TO ADVISE THE SECRETARY WHETHER OR NOT THEY WISH TO ATTEND THE BREAKFAST PLEASE GIVE STAN CHASE A CALL ON 561 - 5510 AND LET HIM KNOW YOUR INTENTIONS

BEFORE FRIDAY, 18 APRIL, 1997.

(NB OUR VERY SPECIAL GUEST WILL BE:- REAR ADMIRAL W G (JERRY) ELLIS OFFICER COMMANDING SUBMARINES US PACIFIC FLEET.)

FORTHCOMING MEETING

COMMITTE: 1215 HOURS - MONDAY, 7 APRIL, 1997 AT ANZAC HOUSE

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Thanks chaps for a very good roll up for the March luncheon. It was a good talk by a new member, Brian Gray - thanks Brian and was accompanied by a good meal - thanks Ian.

April brings our Anzac Breakfast, arguably the most important event on our calendar. Please let Stan Chase (561 - 5510) if you are coming as indications are that it will be very well attended and we want to have enough breakfast !

Many of you are possibly unaware of the excellent being performed by Bob Smith and John Jackson in the Pensions and Welfare areas. They attend on roster at the Department of Veterans Affairs and are there primarily to help members of the Highgate Sub-branch. They are enthusiastic, helpful chaps who are very effective I speak from experience. If you need help in this area ring Bob on 448 - 5023.

It is heartening to see that membership is on the increase despite some of our older members no longer being with us. If you have any friends that are eligible or join us please encourage them. With the greater majority of us now over 75, "younger blood" will be more than welcome, particularly in the active areas such as Sub - warden duties and Honour Avenue working parties.

As a result of discussions started in 1996, a visit to the Naval Base at Stirling has just been confirmed for Tuesday, 3 June, 1997. A 'bus to carry 40 (husbands and wives) will leave in time to reach the base at 1030 hours. A two hour (approx) guided tour will be followed by a light lunch, prior to return. Costs, time and place of departure etc will be announced later. Meanwhile note the date and indicate your interest to the Secretary as the visit will be restricted to twenty couples.

(Don Meredith)

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HELP !!

Collectors are **urgently needed** for Legacy Badge Day on **FRIDAY 18 APRIL, 1997** at the two (2) 'Bus Stations from 0900 hours to 1300 hours. **CAN YOU SPARE AN HOUR??**

DON'T LET LEGACY DOWN- CONTACT ERNIE BAINTS ON 271 - 1524 !!

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ANZAC DAY PARADE

Motorcade - any person unable to march can be picked up and participate in the motorcade by phoning Lois Portelli on 339 - 4807.

(Doug Dargie)

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DEDICATION TO DUTY.

For the past thirteen Anzac days I have co-ordinated Rovers, Rangers, Guides and Rangers for the RSL "Location Esplanade": Duties comprise:-

- (a) all distribution of programmes for the total parade;
- (b) opening dignities" car doors at the dais;
- (c) attending to VIP seating arrangements;
- (d) manning the flags at 1100hours, Honour Guard, two minutes silence and flypast; and
- (e) responsible for the maintaining halyards at the War Memorial.

All of these duties are carried out without charge to the RSL.

Especial mention should be made of the Duncraig Ranger guide unit for their immaculate turn out each year. His Excellency the Governor invariably comments favourably on this particular unit.

(Stan Chase)

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SUB-WARDENS DUTIES.

Friday	25 April	0515 hours for	0530 hours	Dawn Service
Friday	25 April	1700 hours for	1715 hours	Combined Services Lodge

WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT:

MEDICATION REVIEW PROGRAMME This initiative will improve medication management and compliance for all veterans, particularly those with complex medication needs, in a scientifically valid and cost effective manner as well as increasing awareness amongst health care professionals and the general community of the nature and extent of drug related problems.

The review will reduce the overall cost to the Department of inappropriate prescriptions and improve the quality of life and health outcomes of veterans by optimising prescription in high risk situations such as veterans receiving multiple medications in the community, as residents of nursing homes and veterans in public and private hospitals.

The review will also develop scientifically valid evaluation programmes for each of the intervention elements and liaise with other government funded bodies working in the area of quality medication management to ensure veterans' needs are met.

BACKGROUND:

A number of statistics, both in Australia and overseas, have indicated that prescription in a variety of circumstances could be improved. Apart from a significant reduction in quality of life, inappropriate prescription results in considerable waste of nursing time and unnecessary and avoidable hospitalisation.

D V A EXPENDITURE: for private and public hospitals is approximately nine hundred million dollars (\$900,000,000) annually of which half is for admission to medical units. It has been estimated that admissions to hospital for avoidable drug misadventures amount to approximately 8% of all medical unit admissions. The cost to the Department of these admissions is of the order of fifty six million dollars (\$56,000,000) annually.

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: 1 July, 1996.

(Bob Smith)

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NEW DEEMING RATES APPLYING TO VETERAN PENSIONS.

From pension day 30 January, 1997, the deeming rates used to assess income from financial investments have been reduced to 4% on the first \$30,000 (\$50,000 for a couple) and 6% on the balance these amounts. The change in deeming rates was the result of falls in official interest rates over the preceding few months.

The deeming rates apply to financial assets such as investments in banks, building societies and credit unions, managed investments and shares held by those receiving a pension or income support supplement from the Department of Veterans' Affairs. As currently, those pensioners who have financial investments earn more than the deeming will not be disadvantaged because extra income money earned will not count as income for pension assessments.

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Single pensioners with no other source of income and who not effected under the assets test can have up to \$52,500 in financial assets and still receive the full pension. For couples the amount is \$91,200.

The next review will probably be in September, 1997

Further information on the above matter can be obtained from the Veterans' Affairs Financial Information Service by calling Sandy Vidot on 366 - 8362.

(Supplied by the Department of Veterans' Affairs).

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INVITATION: ANZAC DAY, 25 APRIL, 1997.

**From: The Great Aussie Bobby Dazzlers Bar and Restaurant.
cnr. William & Murray Streets.**

**Perth's only true blue Aussie bar honours the Anzacs.
Old time sing-along with Sue Dalzeil from mid-day 'til midnight.
(Stan Chase).**

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JUST A MEMORY:

It was a mid August night at East Sale, Victoria. I looked up and saw a sky full of stars and looked forward in anticipation to participating in owe first "night" flight as a crew. Because of the number of aircraft and crews who had lost their lives on this particular training exercise it had become known among the trainees as "Foo's" night trip but we like most teenagers considered ourselves indestructible. After all we were the best Beaufort crew, if not in the world, then certainly in the RAAF.

So, just after 2000 hours we trundled down the runway and, without incident became airborne. The detail was to comprise a navigational exercise to seaward of the south eastern tip of Australia and was scheduled to last two to two and a half hours. Almost without warning we found ourselves between two dense layers of cloud with neither a star above nor a patch of mother earth below.

Having tried to break the murk above us to find a guiding star to navigate by the pilot descended as low as possible to see if we could see anything below - without success !! We were lost.

But hang on just a moment. Didn't we have this new fangled gizmo called, RADAR which would "see" in the dark for us?? And hadn't a special beacon recently been erected on Wilson's Promontory for just such an emergency??

With the approval of the skipper I turned on the RADAR set stuck my face closely to the "mask" and tuned in. Their, sure enough, emanating from the vertical green line was a "blip" showing the beacon (in the form of a triangle) to the left. To "home in" on the target it was necessary to turn until the triangle became a diamond. So with all the confidence of youth I directed the pilot to turn ten degrees to port. This seemed to make little or no difference to the position of the "blip" Again and again I called for another ten degrees to port until the pilot came up on the intercom with the brusque comment

"I've already turned three hundred and sixty degrees to port how much further do you want me to go"?

Thanks to the expertise of our observer, who had plotted our various manoeuvres, giving us a course we eventually, at his direction, broke cloud over the coast exactly where he had predicted, saw the lights of a small coastal town and headed for home. Needless to say, although we later flew many miles with a night maritime squadron, we never again placed our faith on RADAR.

(Tom Scully)



TO CELEBRATE OUR 50th ANNIVERSARY IN AUGUST A COMMEMORATIVE HISTORY OF OUR SUB-BRANCH IS BEING Compiled AND PUBLISHED.

- THE HISTORY WILL INCLUDE A NOMINAL ROLL OF MEMBERS BOTH PAST AND PRESENT WHO HAVE SUPPLIED A PHOTO WITH CV. A LIST OF MEMBERS IS SHOWN ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAGE
- THE COST OF THE PUBLICATION WILL BE \$25=00 WITH DELIVERY FROM THE JULY LUNCHEON ONWARD. THOSE MEMBERS WISHING TO PURCHASE COPIES SHOULD COMPLETE THE ORDER FORM BELOW AND FORWARD IT TOGETHER WITH YOUR CHEQUE MADE OUT TO HIGHGATE SUB-BRANCH TO OUR SPECIAL PROJECTS TREASURER:-

BOB ELLIOT !

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IF YOUR NAME OR A FRIENDS NAME IS NOT INCLUDED ON THIS LIST AND SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY PUBLICATION ... PLEASE SUBMIT THE CV AND PHOTO NOW !

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THIS IS YOUR OR YOUR FRIENDS LAST OPPORTUNITY

HIGHGATE LADIES' LUNCHEON

The members of Highgate Sub-branch together with their partners and friends
are invited

to attend the Highgate RSL Ladies Luncheon
to be held on

Wednesday 25 June, 1997

at the graduate Restaurant, Carine TAFE Campus, Almandine Drive, Carine WA
commencing at 1130 hours for 1200 hours.

(N.B. Seating has been arranged for sixty (60) and will be allocated on a "first come
first served" basis. The cost is to be fifteen dollars (\$15-00) per person and will
include a three course meal and pre-luncheon drinks of beer, wine and soft drinks.
Spirits may be purchased separately).

If you wish to attend complete the form below and send it together with your
cheque to Stan Chase no later than Monday 16 June, 1997

S C CHASE

NAME..... (PLEASE PRINT) I WISH
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I WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY.....

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VISIT TO HMAS "STIRLING"

Arrangements have been made for the members of the Sub-branch to visit HMAS
"Stirling" on Tuesday, 3 June, 1997. A 'bus will leave the rear of the Concert Hall at
1030 hours and numbers are restricted to forty (40) persons due to 'bus capacity,
ie 20 couples. The programme includes a guided tour of the base followed by a light
lunch and the inclusive cost will be approximately twenty dollars (\$20-00). If you
are interested please complete the form below and send or hand it to the Secretary,
Stan Chase to reach him no later than 23 May, 1997.

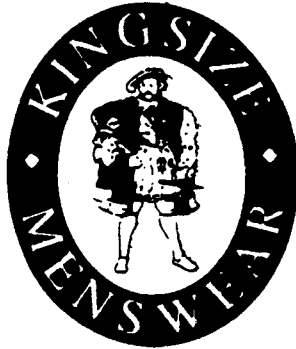
(N.B. Due to security requirements NO private cars will be allowed on the base
and only those people travelling on the 'bus will be admitted.)

S.S.CHASE

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