# MORSE CODE

CHRISTMAS NEW YEARS EVE AUSTRALIA DAY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL LITTLE DIGGERS KIDS' CLUB

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# win a share of \$23,000 CASH GIVE AWAY

# THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

CASH DRAWS EVERY 15 MINUTES FROM 5PM MAJOR DRAWS AT 6:10PM, 6:50PM & 7:00PM SWIPE BETWEEN 4PM-7PM (MEMBERS ONLY)

PLUS, EVERYONE HAS A CHANCE TO PURCHASE A \$2 RAFFLE TICKET FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN MORE CASH!





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# **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**



Welcome to the Spring edition of Morse code, as the cool months fade away and the warmer months begin to appear.

The winter months have seen many activities occurring within the many groups and subsections that meet within the club. Some are social activities with tours organised by our own tour guide Cheryl Myers, others are competitions between Victoria and New South Wales in the Billiards and Snooker section, who competed and dined at different clubs around Melbourne, including our own.

Our Welfare Department have been kept busy with the usual gamut of funerals to commemorate the lives of our fallen comrades and caring for the families. We also have assisted veterans in need, whether it be lawn mowing for the elderly still living at home, or the homeless, or struggling veterans with financial assistance. We are fortunate that we are able to give pension and advocacy advice at the local level as well. It is unfortunate that for all the good work we do in Victoria for our Veterans, the newspapers publish the goings on in New South Wales and Queensland. The RSL in Victoria has been audited and administered successfully for many years, which unfortunately the other states have not.

At this time as we approach Remembrance Day Poppy Appeals, I am sure many will ask the question of the use of the funds. Can I assure you that the funds raised through our club go to the welfare of our Service Members.

I look forward to seeing you all at one of the upcoming Remembrance Day Services held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

In closing, can I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and prosperous and healthy New Year.

Kevin Hillier OAM President Frankston RSL

# SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING



Notice is hereby given of a Special General Meeting to be held at the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch at 5:30pm on Friday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> in the Prendergast Room at the RSL.

The object of the meeting is for members to vote on an 'Omnibus Motion" in regard to Amendment(s) to Branch By-Law 10A and consequent Amendment to the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch Rules.

The meeting is open to all Life Members and financial Service Members and Affiliates only.

Details of the proposed amendment(s) will be available from Reception from Friday 1st December 2017, or by request to the Secretary via secretary@frankstonrsl.com.au

### WARTIME SNAPSHOTS

### Commemorating 70 years of Australian Peacekeeping

Australia's first peacekeepers deployed in 1947, just two years after the end of the Second World War. Since then, tens of thousands of Australians have served on more than fifty peacekeeping operations around the world. Some deployments have involved small numbers of individuals, while others have been large tri-service operations, sometimes also involving police officers and civilians. This poster, with its collage of images from Australian peacekeeping operations, hints at the range of missions on which Australians have served, from ceasefire monitoring in the Middle East to humanitarian work in northern Iraq. Above all, the poster emphasises the role of peacekeepers in helping individuals and countries overcome the terrible effects of war and violence around the world. Over seven decades, Australian peacekeepers have established a proud reputation for professionalism and reliability, sometimes in the most hazardous of circumstances.



Remembrance

# REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES

### SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

Frankston Cemetery @ 10:45am

### FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER Frankston War Memorial @ 11am (student service)

### SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER Frankston RSL Memorial Garden @ 10:45am

(more info can be found on our website)

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Winner of Coffee machine announced		12 days of Christmas Promo Winner of Delonghi twin set announced	Christmas Bingo Super giveaways	12 days of Xmas Final winner Little Diggers Christmas wishes granted		Christmas Family Night with Santa from 5:30pm (see back page)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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18	19	Members Draw \$1000 giveaway <b>20</b>	21	Members Draw \$1000 giveaway	23	24
CHRISTMAS LUNCH Tickets on sale	BOXING DAY Open from 10am - 11pm					NEW YEARS EVE John Lawrence from 6:30pm Ticketed show
25	26	27	28	29	30	Rene Diaz Cracked Pepper Free entry

# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY

Frankston RSL prides itself on supporting our local community as an organisation, but it's our members and staff that continue to get in on the action each and every year, being hands-on in fundraising and supporting local organisations.



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VERY SPECIAL KIDS

The Frankston RSL showed their support for the Very Special Kids (VSK) Piggy Bank Appeal again this year. VSK helps more than 900 families across Victoria who have a child with a life-threatening condition, with ongoing support from diagnosis all the way through to recovery or bereavement. Sadly, many of the children they care for will not reach adulthood.

As this is a free-of-charge family support service, the Piggy Bank Appeal is a vital fundraiser to assist with the operating costs for the support services, as well as the children's hospice which offers families access to planned and emergency respite, as well as end-of-life care.

The Frankston RSL staff and members showed tremendous support again this year throughout the month of September. Many purchased merchandise that was on sale in the venue, and many more made a \$1 donation when purchasing a meal. We held a major fundraising night on Friday 15th September, where many of our members, guests and staff dressed in pink to show their support.

We were pleased to announce that at the end of September, we were able to donate \$5,500 to VSK, thanks to the support and generosity of our members and guests.

We look forward to next year when we can again make a difference, in supporting such a vital service for children and families in need.

For more information on the great work that VSK does, or to make a donation, visit www.vsk.org.au.



MAIN PICTURE: Courtesy of VSK FAR LEFT: Staff members Linda & Kay MIDDLE LEFT: VSK volunteer Vic Jackson LEFT: Staff member Judi (aka The Pink Fundraising Pig) ABOVE: Pepi the VSK Pig Trailer







# WALLARA COOKING DAY

The third SENSING OF THE SEASONS took place on 13th September at Sages Cottage.

The Sensing of the Seasons was set up by Wallara to help encourage its clients, who all have various levels of abilities, to learn new skills and develop interaction with others in the community.

As a dedicated supporter of Wallara, the Frankston RSL Head Chef, Nathan Tracy offered guidance on the day, along with three of the Frankston RSL staff Kath, Lucie and Jess, who volunteered their time to attend.

The Wallara clients worked hard over the weeks leading up to the day, producing their own 2-course menus and decorative placemats for all of the guests to enjoy (see below).

It was another successful day enjoyed by all. The next event will be in December, and will feature a new seasonal menu of delicious foods.

For more information on Wallara, visit http://www.wallara.com.au



# **COMMITTEE FOR GREATER FRANKSTON**

The Frankston RSL is a major supporter of the new Committee For Greater Frankston (C4GF) and was the venue for the recent Business Lunch with special guest, Jeff Kennett on the 5th September, 2017.

The recently-launched C4GF is a visionary apolitical think-tank that advocates to all levels of government for a better deal for the Frankston region. The Committee brings together prominent local business and community leaders to drive strategic change.

At the recent event, the focus was on fast links to work, more advanced design and manufacturing, leading in health research and ensuring a vibrant city economy.



Key infrastructure investments were also discussed, that are being sought in the lead up to the next State election. These included Latham Road's duplication, Frankston Rail extension, plus a specialist teaching hospital.

The C4GF aims to deliver outcomes for the people of this region and, in so doing, help our area - and the community it - achieve the progress that it deserves.



TOP: Hand-made placemats and menus ABOVE: Frankston RSL staff Jess & Nathan, with Wallara clients in the kitchen LEFT: Wallara clients preparing dessert



Frankston YCW successfully backed up to win the 2017 Seniors Premiership, making it four years in a row 2014 - 2017. This follows up their three-peat in 2010 - 2012. Led by new coach Wayne Capp and skipper Jie Coughlan, they comfortably defeated Bonbeach by 102 points with Byron Barry awarded Best on Ground. The club were also successful in the U19's, but just fell short in the Reserves, losing to Mt Eliza.

The Frankston RSL has been a proud major sponsor of YCW for many years and congratulate the club on their continued on field success, but also congratulate them on their professionalism off the field.

PICTURED ABOVE (from left): John Coburn, Frankston RSL GM Rob Morrison, Wayne Capp & Gerard Whittle



# SUNDAY DECEMBER 31, 2017 NEWYERRARS EVE PARTA BARANA

# FEATURING THE JOHN LAWERENCE BAND

- including a 2-course meal

Tickets \$50 for members (\$55 for guests)

Purchase online at frankstonrsl.com.au/entertainment or in person at Reception.

PLUS - Rene Diaz will be playing in Cracked Pepper from 8:30pm. Free entry. Bookings advised.

# TICKETS JUST \$2 EACH ON SALE 4:30PM | DRAWS AT 6:30PM

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Christmas

FRIDAY IST DEC Mega Meat Trays Ham Halves Slabs Beer Wine

FRIDAY 15TH DEC Mega Meat Trays Ham Halves Christmas Packs Slabs Beer Wine Mega Meat Trays Legs of Pork Ham Halves Slabs Beer Wine

FRIDAY 8TH DEC

WEDNESDAY 20TH DEC Super Meat Trays Prawns 1/2 Slabs Beer Wine PLUS \$1,000 MEMBERS DRAW WEDNESDAY 13TH DEC Super Meat Trays Ham Halves 1/2 Slabs Beer Wine

FRIDAY 22ND DEC Mega Meat Trays Crays Prawns Slabs Beer Wine PLUS \$1,000 MEMBERS DRAW

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PLUS...3 x \$1,000 WEEKEND PACKAGES TO WIN ON 8th, 15th & 22nd

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A FEW CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS? ...



# PROMOTIONS

# **DINNER CRUISE for 4**

Swipe your membership card at Reception between 15th Dec & 12th Jan for your chance to win!

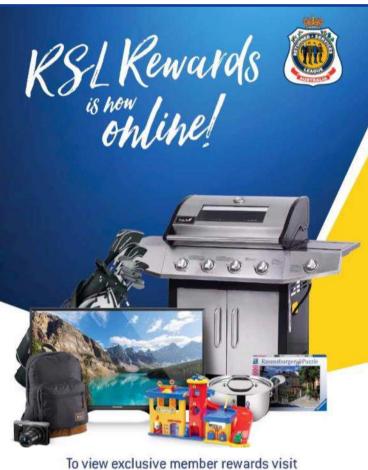
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# Swing into Summer

We want to help you get into the summer spirit, with the chance to win 1 of 8 Summer hampers. Swipe at Reception to enter.



Promo runs 12 Jan - 9 Feb



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**BUY A PINT OR SCHOONER** TO ENTER THE DRAW.



PROMO RUNS BETWEEN 1ST & 28TH JAN 2018

\$3000 WORTH OF PRIZES TO BE WON

DAYS of Christmas

> DAILY DRAWS AT 7PM BETWEEN 4TH - 15TH DEC

# DIRECT FROM THE UK BEE GEEZ



# SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER

DINNER & SHOW \$55.80 MEMBERS \$62.00 GUESTS Book online or at Reception

### SIMPSON ROOM DOORS OPEN **6:30PM** SHOWTIME **8:30PM**

It's Saturday Night Fever every night with The UK Bee Geez Show – A Tribute to the Bee Gees. One of the most successful and adored acts in musical history is recreated by this outstanding act.

The guys guarantee to take you on a trip down memory lane in this fabulous 2 hour show, performing all the classic Bee Gees hits over their 4 decades at the top of the pop charts from 1967 till 1999.





# FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY

DINNER & SHOW \$64.00 MEMBERS \$60.30 GUESTS Book online or at Reception

### SIMPSON ROOM DOORS OPEN **7:00PM** SHOWTIME **9:00PM**

Formed in Melbourne in 1984 by Joe Camilleri, The Black Sorrows continue to be one of Australia's most enduring touring bands, earning the reputation as a dynamic live act and festival favourite. Their musicianship and energy appeals to music fans everywhere. On stage, Joe steers the band through an infectious interplay of solid grooves that mixes blues, soul, old school R&B and gospel, with flashes of jazz, country and Brill Building pop.



# A TRIBUTE TO ABBA

# CELEBRATING 21 YEARS!

# SATURDAY 16 DECEMBER

TICKETS FROM \$30 Book online or at Reception SIMPSON ROOM DOORS OPEN 6:30PM SHOWTIME 8:30PM

# LIVE Entertainment

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SAT 11TH	YELLOW   CRACKED PEPPER	TR	SUN 19TH	SEAN HARVEY   CRACKED PEPPER
SAT 25th	TERRY HART   CRACKED PEPPER		SUN 26TH	JOHN LAWRENCE   SIMPSON ROOM
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SAT 9th	RON KINGSTON   CRACKED PEPPER		SUN 17th	SEAN HARVEY   CRACKED PEPPER
SAT 23rd	TIM HANEGAN   CRACKED PEPPER		SUN 31st	RENE DIAZ (NYE)   CRACKED PEPPER
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SAT 13TH	IAN DUCHESNE   CRACKED PEPPER		SUN 28TH	SINGLE INCOME   CRACKED PEPPER
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SATURDAY ENTERTAINMENT FROM 7:30PM | SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT FROM 2:30PM BAND LISTINGS ARE CURRENT AT TIME OF PUBLICATION. CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE GIG GUIDE

WEEKEND AUSTRALIA DAY SUPER RAFFLES ON THU 25TH JAN ...PLUS SWIPE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD TO WIN A WHEELBARROW OF ALCOHOL AND ESKY FULL OF DRINKS!

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PLUS FOOD SPECIALS THU - SUN NIGHT, & DRINKS SPECIALS ALL WEEKEND!

# **MEMBERS SAVE**

As a Frankston RSL member, you will gain access to many exclusive benefits, and become part of one of the largest RSLs in Victoria.

We encourage you to become part of our family, and enjoy all that we have taking place within our walls, knowing that your membership dollars also assist in supporting our local Frankston Community.





### FOOD & BEVERAGE

Each and every time you visit the club, you can receive our special members prices for your food and beverage items, across all areas of the venue. frankstonrsl.com.au/dining



### ENTERTAINMENT

Enjoy one of our big shows, with or without inclusion of a 2-course dinner, for a discounted price. With around 10 shows per year, there is sure to be something for everyone. frankstonrsl.com.au/ticketed shows



**MEMBER EXCLUSIVE PROMOTIONS** As a member, you will have access to the RSL Rewards program, as well as our exclusive club weekly and monthly promotions. frankstonrsl.com.au/whats-on/promotions



### - BIRTHDAY GIFT

To help you celebrate your birthday, we will give you 2,000 RSL Rewards points (equivalent to \$20) to use within the club, or purchase a gift online rslrewards.com.au

Other exclusive member benefits include: 20% off function room hire, eligibility to join sporting groups & access to our Veterans Centre & Welfare services.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

# HOW CAN I RENEW?

### ONLINE

Visit www.rslrewards.com.au to renew online (if you have a current pension card, please present it to Reception after you renew, to reclaim your \$5 discount)

### PHONE

Call us on 9783 2288 and pay by credit card over the phone

IN PERSON Come into the club and see one of our Receptionists (between 10am - 8pm)

### RENEW & GRAB A GREAT WINE DEAL

Available from 1st December, from the Members Bar



DE BORTOLI SACRED HILL Semillon Sauvignon & Cabernet Merlot

> WINDY PEAK Chardonnay & Shiraz



YELLOWTAIL Sparkling White, Chardonnay & Shiraz



Renew your membership before 22nd December for your chance to win a Hyundai i30





### **NEW LOOK BIRTHDAY REWARD!**

We will have a new way of saying HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU in 2018!

Instead of receiving a birthday voucher in the mail, you will be able to claim your \$20 in RSL Rewards points. All you need to do is swipe your membership card when you visit the club in the month of your birthday, and you will instantly be rewarded with 2,000 points, (which is equivalent to \$20). This will allow you to use the FULL value of the \$20, and can be used to purchase food & drinks, put towards your membership renewal, or even purchase something via rslrewards.com.au.

We will send you an email to remind you (just in case you forgot it's your birthday), to come in to claim your birthday gift from us!



# LITTLE DIGGERS KID'S GLUB

We have recently launched a new Kid's Club as we want to offer your children and grandchildren the opportunity to be part of our club too!

The Little Diggers Kid's Club is open to any child aged between 2 years and 12 years, who has a parent, grandparent or guardian who is a current financial member of the Frankston RSL.

Little Diggers receive a range of benefits including:

### **EXCLUSIVE** benefits:

- Little Diggers Membership Card and Welcome Pack
- Exclusive access to special Little Digger activities and events
- Free kids' meal in the month of their birthday
- Access to free kids' meals in Cracked Pepper on Fridays ٠
- (when purchasing an adult main) Free activity pack at each visit when purchasing a kids meal ٠ (introductory offer)

Children can also receive the following non-exclusive benefits:

- Access to free kids' meals in Four Seasons Bistro on Fridays (when purchasing an adult main)
- Free entry into our colouring competitions for major festivities
  - (Easter, Anzac Day, etc)

We hope they will have a lot of fun with us, plus learn how the RSL supports our community.

To join, pick up a registration form from one of the following locations: Reception, Bistro food till, Cracked pepper food till, or online at frankstonrsl.com.au/littlediggers



# COLOURING MPETITION



### **REMEMBRANCE DAY** COLOURING COMPETITION

SUNDAY 29th OCT - SUNDAY 10th NOV

Collect one of our Remembrance Day themed colouring sheets from the Bistro or Cracked Pepper, a few pencils, and show us your best colouring.

All entries will be displayed at our Reception area.

Return to Reception by the end date for your chance to win a \$30 Toys R Us voucher.

### CHRISTMAS WISH

See page 19 for more details on how we would like to help make your Little Diggers' Christmas Wish come true!

### SANTA FAMILY NIGHT

See our back page for more details on our annual family night - includes face painting, magician and a chance to have your photo taken with Santa.

> PLUS...stay tuned for more info on our Summer School Holiday activities!

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# LITTLE DIGGERS Christmas wish

Do you know a Frankston RSL LITTLE DIGGER that has done something worthy of us granting them their Christmas wish?

We would like to reward three of our Little Diggers who have done something outstanding to help a member of their family or community.

Application forms can be found at Reception, or online on our Little Diggers page: (frankstonrslcom.au/littlediggers)

Completed forms can be returned to 'Santa's Letterbox', located at Reception.

T's & C's apply & can be found on our website.



Entries close on Sunday 10th December, with the winners presented with their Christmas Wish on Friday 15th December at the Frankston RSL.

# FOUR SEASONS BISTRO





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Summer COCKTAILS

> Prices from \$10.80. Available daily at the Bistro bar

# MEET OUR NEW 'PIZZA DOCTOR'

Celebrate Spring & Summer with our new Taste of Italian Thursdays.

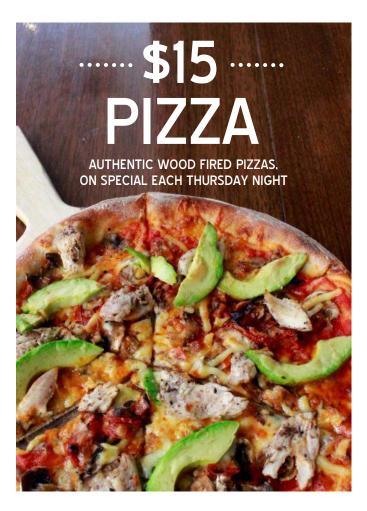
As we celebrate the end of Spring and the soon to be Summer, Cracked Pepper is introducing a new food concept for Thursday nights, featuring our new 'Pizza Doctor' Jay Jafari.

Originally from Iran, Jay has worked all over the world, with his main stay being eight years in Montreal, Canada. In Montreal, he worked in a top Italian restaurant called Le Viieux Four Laval, as Pizza Pasta chef making his own pizzas and pasta.

Jay then moved to Australia, working for four years in reputable Melbourne Italian Restaurants. He has spent the last two years working in New Zealand as Head Pizza Chef. Jay's philosophy is to make the best pizzas for our customers to enjoy, and makes his own bases on site, giving you the freshest pizzas possible.

To help celebrate the arrival of our 'Pizza Doctor', we have launched a new **Taste of Italian Thursdays**, which begins on the 9th November, 2017. We will feature both savoury and sweet pizzas, along with some great pasta dishes, for just \$15 each!

Plus, grab a gelato or two with our two-for-one offer on Thursdays, or perhaps a \$5 schooner between 7pm-9pm.



# **BUY 1 GET 1 FREE**

ENJOY ONE OF OUR MANY FLAVOURS OF GELATO, AND GET 1 FREE, EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT

> 2 scoops \$5.50

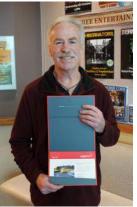


# **OUR WINNERS & GRINNERS**











TOP TO BOTTOM: Angela Bennell, Friday night members draw \$850; Christopher Marshall Where's Wally \$1000 winner John Brandon, **Reception promotion** \$1,000 VISA gift card winner; Geoff Price, winner of Father's Day Facebook promotion - Hot Laps around Sandown Racecourse; End of season Footy Tipping; Grand Final Day celebrations as Richmond win; Cracked Pepper on our Spanish Night.

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# **OUR SHINING STARS!**

Congratulations to the following staff who achieved great things over the past quarter...



MANAGEMENT AWARD Dianne Yallop

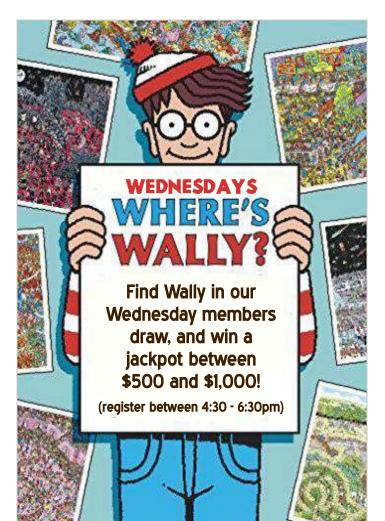


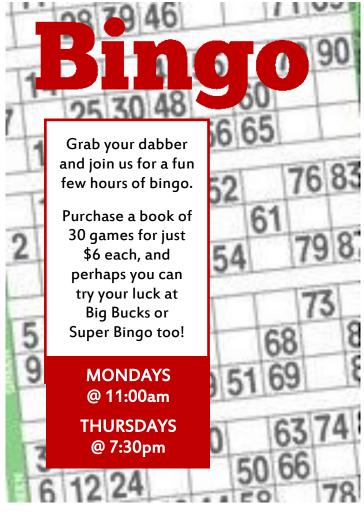
**5 YEARS OF SERVICE** Hannah, Brooke, Sharon, Tracy, Dianne



**10 YEARS OF SERVICE** Mata, Jess & Daniel









### FRIDAY NIGHT MEAT RAFFLES IN THE MEMBERS BAR

20 X MEAT TRAYS

6 X 1/2 SLAB BEER

4 X 4 WINE PACK

TICKETS ON SALE FROM 4:30PM DRAW STARTS AT 6:30PM

**\$2 PER TICKET** Random number generator to pick the winners

# **OUR SPORTING CLUBS**

Sub-sections of the Frankston RSL have been in existence for many years and offer members a chance to be part of a great sporting club. Each section is busy with their own activities and welcome new members at any time of the year. Here is what they have been up to over the past three months.



**BILLIARDS & SNOOKER** IAN GILBEE WINS THE DOUBLE CROWN Master Billiard player and coach, lan Gilbee, has won both the 2017 Snooker Championship and Billiards Championship. The snooker final was played between lan and Bill Lindsay and was contested over five frames. The two combatants played tight, uncompromising snooker and the audience could sense a tactical battle was brewing. The first two frames were shared and each was a black ball frame. Ian won the third frame comfortably and Bill came back after the interval and pinched the fourth frame. So it was 2-2 and a deciding frame was played where tension was high and both players were making mistakes. lan showed grit to pot the last few colours and win the RSL Club Championship. Thanks to John van Zanden and Mark Dunn for sharing the referee duties.

Ian Gilbee and Bruce McPhee contested the final of the Billiards Championship. Bruce showed some good touch early in the final, but once Ian found his rhythm he scored heavily and ran out a convincing winner. The Henry Merrett Handicap Snooker final was won by Jim Murphy, who beat John Walters in a very close final.

In October, Frankston RSL hosted the annual Billiards and Snooker Challenge between Victorian RSL and NSW RSL. Frankston RSL provided a magnificent dinner for players and officials. Frankston RSL President Kevin Hillier welcomed the visitors and acknowledged the value of this competition in this, the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the challenge. Competition continued after dinner and Frankston result was Victoria 2 matches to NSW 2 matches. The overall result after a fantastic week of Billiards and Snooker saw NSW and Victoria tie 20-all in snooker. But NSW won billiards 21 to 19.

### PIPES & DRUMS

We our now entering our busy time of the year. Our commitments include Remembrance Day services involving the Band and also solo pipers. We also have involvement with community events, a band camp and the start of the competition season on the horizon. The first competition of the season is at Daylesford Highland Gathering on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Two of our young learner pipers, Jasmine Hofen and Zeb Lyons, had a successful season over winter playing in solo piping competition. Jasmine won the aggregate Novice Learner section with a number of first placings with Zeb not far behind. More learners will still be very welcome and we do provide expert tuition in both bagpipes and drums for young learners and will welcome experienced players into our ranks.

The Pipes & Drums CD is still available at Reception for \$20 per CD. This CD, entitled "TRIBUTE" as it is our Tribute to all those who served Australia, and her Allies, in War, Armed Conflict and Peacekeeping duties. It is also intended to be entertaining to the general public and not just to those who are pipe band enthusiasts. This is a fund raising enterprise by your pipe band so your support will be very much appreciated. Contact Tom on 0430 471 431 or frslpad@hotmail.com.

### **INDOOR BOWLS**

Pennant news. Frankston RSL were Southern Divisioin minors runners up. Southern Division singles competition was won by our own Chris Cook and in the pairs Lisa and Chris reached the semi finals. Congratulations to both. The Summer pennant began on 10th October.

The bus trip and lunch at Talangi Tavern was enjoyed by all who attended looking forward to the next.

The Christmas break up lunch will be held at Benitos Restaurant on Saturday 16th December. The last social bowls will be on 19th December, returning 15th January All new members most welcome.

### DARTS

Our darts team are doing well and hoping to get to the finals. We will be holding Social Darts on 22nd & 29th December. All dart players are welcome and any other members who would like to join a team.

Our Christmas break up will be held on 6th December from 6:30pm. This will be a fun evening with lots of food and darts. Please contact Mary on 9770 1510 or Jeanette on 0413 586 090 if you would like to attend.

The darts section would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

### GOLF

As the 2017 golf season draws to end, the Section can reflect on what has been an enjoyable season both on and off the golf course. To date the Section has played 12 games, enjoyed a successful trip away to Tocumwal earlier in the year and there are three games remaining. In the most recent game played a Bay Views in Rosebud (previously known as Carrington Park), the final of the Rob Keevers Match Play Cup was played. It was a close came with Nigel McKee being successful over Gary McCall. In the Stableford competition played on the same day Karen Hinckley was the overall winner with an incredible 46 points. Congratulations to both Nigel and Karen on their success on the day. The last round of the Club Championship was also played on the same day and, after a very close season, the top four players from each grade were determined.

The semi-final and final of the Club Championship will be played in November at Flinders Golf Club and Cape Schanck Resort in November. Congratulations to all those members that have made the finals. As the season draws to a close, the focus is on the Section's Presentation Ceremony which is to be held in the RSL Sports Pavilion after the last game of the season on 3rd December. Also planning has be finalised for the 2018 syllabus with 14 games being programmed and a weekend away to Corowa on 13 – 15 April 2018.

As we look forward to the 2018 season, we encourage any RSL member that is interested in enjoying some social and competitive golf to join us for a game. Information about the Section can be found at www.frankstonrslgolf.com and enquiries about membership can be made through the RSL Reception. In closing, I would like to thank the Committee and all the staff of the Frankston RSL for their on-going support which enables us our golf and other social activities at the Frankston RSL.

# **Veteran Welfare**

As we count down to Christmas, our Welfare and Visitation Team have been hard at work packing up some goodies for those in Aged Care and also at home, by packing our traditional RSL Christmas parcels.

This year over 500 lucky ones will receive a specially prepared RSL parcel, which contains a major item and a few added extras to make the season more festive.

Once again, we have teamed up with the Belvedere Nova Pharmacy who have supplied us with soap, tissues, bottled water, moisturiser and a few more helping to fill the sack.

Volunteers have been helping out our Welfare Administrator Dick Neil with the huge task of getting all parcels ready for distribution.

### SOMETHING DIFFERENT

What seems like ages ago, Frankston was approached by Rae Higman, President of the Langwarrin Township Committee, for advice and assistance in obtaining a Grant for a flag pole for their Community Centre.

The concept was that in addition to simply flying the flag, the site would be used for Commemoration days such and ANZAC and Remembrance Days for the Centre's clients and friends as it is always a very busy place.

Few may remember that during World War 1, Langwarrin was the site of a significant Army base and hospital, and today some of the original buildings are still on site and form part of the local Church. But in 1916 Langwarrin was still a horse and cart journey from Frankston station and sparsely populated.

On Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup>, the Township Committee were pleased to both fly the first flag and along with help from Minister James Connor, dedicate the site. The crowd was presented with a recital of "I Am Australian" performed by Langwarrin Primary School Choir and some words from Mayor Brian Cunial.

The RSL was on site to help out and even down to the gifting of an Australian National Flag and some protocols assistance *(photo right).* 

### **UP TO HIS OLD TRICKS**

Some say that it is hard to keep a good man down and Frankston's Welfare Advocate is one that continues to take the cake. If winning the prestigious 'Volunteer of the Year' award was not enough, Tony Grice has now joined our Memorabilia Working Group and even helps out our Women's Auxiliary. Known to many as 'Steptoe Tony', he is still active both acquiring and then giving away much needed mobility aids for those unable to access those from DVA. The last few months has not slowed down his resolve with a trailer load off to the Fish Creek RSL, an electric disability bed to Rosebud RSL and an electric assist chair to Vasey RSL Care.

In addition, Tony has assisted students with their 'War Heritage Project' and supervised a Men's Health Prostate awareness breakfast in conjunction with our neighbour, the Seaford RSL.

As part of an oral history unit, the 'Stories from my Life' project, Veterans volunteered a few hours of their time to share their stories to these students. The final presentation by students was on the 14<sup>th</sup> September with each veteran handed a hard copy of their time in service.

### **NOT ONLY FOR THE BLOKES**

September was Prostate Cancer Awareness Month and the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia are asking Australia to get involved and help create awareness. Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in men in Australia with 20,000 diagnoses and close to 3,300 deaths each year. Our guest speaker, from the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia was Bob Digance, a Vietnam Veteran. As well as raising funds for fighting Prostate Cancer it was a good morning for men to get together and support others who have been through this journey. Military Pension Advocate Bruce Dunlop was also engaged to assist with the function and helping out our Coordinator Kerry.

### **VETERANS HEALTH WEEK**

Many of our members are clients of or have dealings with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, DVA to most. In addition to their great work and support, DVA also run an education and Commemoration area and one maybe not as well known is that which supports veterans' Health and each year they provide assistance to enable as many as possible to participate in this far too often overlooked 'life component'.

This year's theme of physical fitness, a range of activities were on offer and we partnered with Vasey RSL Care to provide a full day of activities. From early warm up exercises with Tony Kearney PACE exercise physiologist, to ten pin bowling. This was

followed by a nutritious and delicious lunch, with guest speaker Brendan Stroud who spoke about overcoming life challenges and the importance of road safety. After lunch, participants enjoyed yoga with teacher Roman Kouzmenko.

Among the many highlights of the day was the participation of younger ADF members from HMAS Cerberus who added to the fun and energy and our 90 year old plus Veterans who showed you can't beat experience.

Well done to Hector who got two consecutive strikes and Ross who showed what yoga was all about.



TOP: Delivering an electric chair to Vasey RSL Care MIDDLE: Rev James Connor (St Thomas Anglican Church Langwarrin), Brent Clyne (Frankston RSL Secretary), Cr Brian Cunial (Mayor Frankston City) and Chris Bywater (Committee member, Langwarrin Township Committee). ABOVE: Ten Pin Bowling participants

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# VIETNAM VETERANS



Over the past few months Frankston District Vietnam Veterans have been quite busy. We have had a couple of sausage sizzles at Bunnings, and in June we were invited to Footscray RSL to attend the 'Armed Forces Day' which is the Vietnamese equivalent to our Anzac Day. In July many of our members went to the Vietnam Museum down at Philip Island.

August was a very busy month for us. As well as badge selling, we held our service at the Cenotaph in Frankston and this was attended by 60 Vietnamese members from Footscray RSL. Their President, Mr Long Viet Nguyen, was one of our guest speakers, as well as the State Vice President of the Vietnam Veterans Association. We were lucky to have them all come back to the RSL for refreshments after the service (*pictured above*).

We are enjoying some social outings such as lunch at various venues, and have started playing darts once a month as a fun night out.



Our weekly coffee mornings are going very strongly with around 24 turning up each Tuesday at the Power Centre Cafe.

In October, we went to Wangaratta for a few days, taking over one of the local caravan parks (they may never be the same again). After this, I guess like the rest of the groups in the RSL, we will be starting to think of Christmas and taking some time off.

The Frankston Sub-Branch meets on the first Monday of the month at 7:30pm at the Frankston RSL in Simpson II. Any Veteran or partner is more than welcome to come along to a meeting.

Cheryl Myers.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Chery Myers who has recently been appointed as the State Vice President of the Partners of Veterans Association (PVA).

Cheryl looks forward to the challenge and was thrown in the deep end with her first official duties beginning with being Acting President in October. In addition to this honour, Cheryl was also been appointed to the National PVA. She was flown to Canberra in October where she was officially signed in by the Governor-general Sir Peter Cosgrove.

Anyone who knows Cheryl will know that these honours are extremely well deserved and we sincerely congratulate her and wish her all the best for the exciting and challenging times she has ahead.

# WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

As always, our ladies have been busy with their fundraising and soon will be shopping for our Christmas hampers. It's hard to believe its creeping up on us.

Our secretary Catherine Bernhardyt has just become State Secretary of Partners of Veterans Association of Australia - congratulations Catherine. We know you will do a great job and we are all proud of you.

Catherine, Margaret Davis and myself were invited to the official opening of the new Frankston Private Hospital. It's a credit to all who made it possible as it is a truly lovely hospital with all the up-to-date equipment.

August was the time for the State Conference held at Dandenong RSL. Members travel from as far as Yarrawonga, Lakes Entrance and everywhere in between, to be there for this two-day Conference.

In August, we also attended the Vietnam Remembrance service, with the laying of a wreath. This service seems to get bigger every year, with the hard work from Cheryl Myers. We donated \$500 to Vietnam Veterans which was gratefully accepted by Cheryl.

In September we went to Dromana for our Area meeting, which we have twice a year, with the six Auxiliers in our area. As usual, our State President Yvonne Dent and State Secretary Lynese Goldie attended.

Also, in September we had a day trip to Williamstown on the Tramboat along the Yarra, with 47 ladies from the auxiliary, other RSLs, and some visitors. Thank you all who helped make it a great day.

We have packed 25 care packages to send our troops overseas. Lyn Tate has organised the Grade 5 students from Kingsley Park Primary School to write letters to be put in the packages to be sent over for Christmas.

I am very pleased to say we have had six new members join us this year. We have no limit on our membership, so anyone else interested in joining, you will be most welcome. I would now like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and Happy and safe New Year.

Kay Ruitenbeek



Margot SHEARER William WEBSTER Leslie GARDNER Stanley DAY Mervyn BOX

Stephen CLARE William SMITH Isabel WELKER John LAMBERT





### COMMITTEE (from left to right)

Bernie Connelly, COMMITTEE Peter Bromley, TREASURER John Barry, VICE PRESIDENT Kevin Hillier, PRESIDENT Brent Clyne JP, SECRETARY Lyn Lynch, COMMITTEE



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#### **INDOOR BOWLS**

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### **TRADING HOURS**

#### **Club Trading** Monday

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

### Reception

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

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### Frankston Veterans Centre

Monday

By appt only 9am - 4pm 9am - 4pm 9am - 4pm By appt only Closed Closed



### AFFILIATED GROUPS

#### WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

President: Kaye Ruitenbeek, 5979 2325 Secretary: Catherine Bernhardt, 9789 8897 Meetings: 3rd Monday of month at 1:30pm

VIETNAM VETERANS President: Kelvin Park, 0432 473 039 Secretary: Cheryl Myers, 9776 6600, secretary.frankston@vvaavic.org.au Meetings: 1st Monday of month at 7:30pm

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#### DRESS CODE

All patrons must be dressed in a clean and tidy manner whilst in this club. The following items are NOT permitted to be worn:

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- Offensive material on clothing
- Singlets and muscle shirts
- Torn or dirty clothing
- The final decision on acceptable attire is made by the Manager on Duty.



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