

# MORSE CODE

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# VALE

*April to July*



ANDERSON, IAN  
BURLEY, COLIN  
HAMMOND, NEIL  
KERNAGHAN, MICHAEL  
MCKENZIE, RODERICK  
RICE, JAMES PETER  
SMITH, JOSEPH  
WHITE, FRANCIS  
WOODS, ALAN WILLIAM

*Lest we forget*

## OUR MISSION

To support the welfare of veterans and their families.

To promote pride, respect and belonging within the veteran and broader community by maintaining a welcoming atmosphere and providing outstanding hospitality and entertainment.

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## RSL LIFE MEMBERS

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F ANDERSON\*  
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## Reception Hours

monday 9.00am-7.00pm

tuesday-thursday & saturday 9.00am-7.30pm

friday 9.00pm-8.00pm

sunday 10.00am-7.00pm

## Four Seasons Bistro

- end time denotes last meal order

lunch: 11.30am-2.00pm monday - friday

12.00pm-2.30pm saturday & sunday

dinner: 5.30pm-8.00pm monday & sunday

5.30pm-8.30pm tuesday-thursday

9.00pm friday & saturday

## Huey's Sports Bar

lunch: 11.30am-2.00pm monday - friday

12.00pm-2.30pm saturday & sunday

dinner: 5.30pm-8.00pm monday & sunday

5.30pm-8.30pm tuesday - thursday

5.30pm-9.00pm friday & saturday

## Nancy's Café - Open 7 Days

coffee, cake, & cabinet display: 9AM-LATE

lunch: 11.30am-2PM monday-friday

12.00PM-2.30PM saturday & sunday

## TRADING HOURS

Monday 9am-12am

Tuesday 9am-12am

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# 2025 COMMITTEE

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



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Julianne Casey  
GENERAL  
COMMITTEE

# President's Report

## Braving the cold and club updates!

Welcome to the latest issue of Morse Code, as we long for warmer days, while we brave a cold and dreary winter. Much has occurred over the last three months, across our wellbeing department and the overall business. The RSL is not just about Parmas, Pokies, and Pots, but much time is spent helping veterans and families in need.

Following our last issue of Morse Code, and regular updates on a Friday evening, we are happy to communicate that the new Veterans and Families Hub, a purposely built building located next to the pavilion in the club car park, is up and running and with advocates and our wellbeing coordinator operating from the new location. In the Wellbeing Report on pages 34-35, you will find details on how to make an appointment to see either compensation or wellbeing advocates. This office is staffed by RSL Victoria and our own Frankston RSL Wellbeing Team members.

Over the past three months I have had the pleasure of wishing three of our service members a happy one hundredth birthday. I think it must be the Peninsula air, as we have so many centenarians, or members in their late nineties as members of this club. The time between the two world wars seems to have been very productive. While birthdays are a pleasure, our condolences go out to the families of those we have lost during this period.

Part of our charter is to honour our deceased veterans. An RSL funeral service is a tribute to an individual who has served in the Australian Defence Force (ADF) or Commonwealth or Allied Forces. It incorporates military traditions and symbolic elements that reflect a veteran's service and sacrifice. While families can choose a traditional funeral service, an RSL funeral includes specific rituals conducted by RSL representatives. These may include the playing of "The Last Post", a recitation of the Ode of Remembrance, and the draping of an Australian flag over the casket which are incorporated into the service.

Unfortunately, and on too many occasions we are not afforded the opportunity to honour veteran members, as we are not advised of their passing until after the funeral service. If you are a veteran, please advise your family of this opportunity to assist in their grieving.

On a much brighter note the business was honoured to have won Best Metro Club Bistro-Restaurant Award, by Community Clubs Victoria, at their recent Gala Night held at the RACV Club Melbourne. Additionally, on the night Mr. John Barry was a finalist in the Club Member of the Year section, for his efforts as Vice President of our committee.

During this period, members of the Frankston RSL Committee have been very involved in 'Region 5', with the development of a new Customer Relationship Management System (CRM) which will be trialled in our region before being rolled out to other State Sub-Branches. We also attended the RSL VIC State Conference, also held at the RACV Club, where announcements were made regarding the future of RSL Victoria and Sub-Branches. We will be keeping you all well informed, as the State Executive put actions in motion.

Finally, I commend all veterans and families to make themselves known to the committee, and be informed of what the RSL has to offer - an information flyer is available as well as on our website [www.frankstonrsl.com.au/welfare-support](http://www.frankstonrsl.com.au/welfare-support). Services include advocacy in both the wellbeing and compensation spaces, along with the RSL end of life ritual provided on the passing of veterans. Part of this ritual is to let members know of deaths and funerals of mates and colleagues, by placing a notice on both our information screens at the club as well as the notice board opposite the Sports Bar. This board is headed by a bronze plaque which was dedicated on the original Frankston War memorial on Nepean Highway Frankston, in 1924.

Please keep safe and well, as we look forward to Spring.

Yours Aye,  
Kevin Hillier OAM

President  
Frankston RSL Sub Branch Inc.



# WHAT'S ON?

## MONDAYS

### *Bingo - Simpson Room*

11AM EYES DOWN  
NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

## TUESDAYS

### *Trivia Night Huey's Sports Bar*

7PM REGISTRATIONS FOR 7.30PM START. FREE EVENT

### *Kids Eat Free Deal - Dinner Only*

ONLY AVAILABLE AT THE BISTRO &  
NOT AVAILABLE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

### *Age Strong Fitness class \$5p/p*

8AM IN THE PAVILION. REGISTER (03) 8792 4400

## WEDNESDAYS

### *Wednesday Raffle Night & Member's Draw*

RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE FROM 5PM  
RAFFLE DRAWS FROM 6.30PM  
MEMBERS CAN WIN UP TO \$1000 JACKPOT IN  
SPIN-THE-WHEEL, IN HUEY'S SPORTS BAR.  
MEMBERS' JACKPOT SPINS: 6.00PM, 6.30PM, 6.45PM

### *Parma-Night - All Parmas \$21.90*

AVAILABLE WEDNESDAY DINNER  
ANYWHERE IN THE VENUE

### *Veterans & Partners Coffee Mornings*

10AM, TABLE 221, IN THE ATRIUM, FREE EVENT

## THURSDAYS

### *Thursday Community Rattles*

RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE FROM 5PM  
RAFFLE DRAWS FROM 6.40PM  
LIVE MUSIC 5-8PM @ HUEY'S SPORTS BAR

### *Bingo-Simpson Room*

7PM EYES DOWN  
NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

## FRIDAYS

### *Friday Night Rattles & Member's Draw*

MEMBERS CAN WIN UP TO \$2,000 JACKPOT PRIZE  
RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE FROM 4.30PM  
RAFFLE DRAWS FROM 6.30PM  
MEMBERS' JACKPOT DRAW TIMES: 5.30PM, 6.15PM, 7PM

### *Mega Rattles - Huey's Sports Bar*

1ST FRIDAY EVERY MONTH, FEBRUARY-DECEMBER  
RAFFLE DRAWS FROM 6.30PM  
MEMBERS' JACKPOT DRAW TIMES: 5.30PM, 6.15PM, 7PM

### *Free Live Music: Single Income-Simpson Room*

1ST FRIDAY EVERY MONTH, FEBRUARY-DECEMBER  
7PM DOORS OPEN, SHOW 7.15PM-10.15PM,  
FREE EVENT

### *Veterans Coffee Morning - Huey's Sports Bar*

ALL VETERANS WELCOME:  
ALL SERVICE TYPES, ERAS, AGE, & GENDER.  
10AM, FREE EVENT

### *Age Strong Fitness Class \$5p/p*

8AM IN THE PAVILION. REGISTER 8792 4400

## SATURDAYS

### *Super Saturdays - Huey's Sports Bar!*

AVAILABLE DURING FOOTY SEASON  
12-2PM BUY A CLASSIC PARMA & RECEIVE A FREE POT  
CARLTON DRAUGHT TANK BEER  
1.45PM (APPROX.) LIVE FOOTY ON OUR 6M MONSTER SCREEN.

## SUNDAYS

### *Sunday Lunch Carvery*

12PM - 2.30PM EVERY SUNDAY  
FROM MAY 18TH - 31ST AUGUST

### *Father's Day Carvery*

LUNCH & DINNER 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## CRIME NIGHT WITH VIKKI PETRAITIS RUSSELL ST BOMBING WEDNESDAY 27 AUGUST

TICKETS FROM \$22.50 | DOORS OPEN 7:30PM

In 1986, Constable Carl Donadio was just 19 years old when he was walking across Russell Street when the bomb went off outside police headquarters. Battling severe injuries, Carl fought his way back to health and his police career. Join Vikki Petraitis as she interviews Carl about the bombing, policing, and his current career as a security advisor. Carl is an entertaining speaker and his stories are beyond belief.



## RHIANNON THE SONGS & STORIES OF FLEETWOOD MAC SATURDAY 30 AUGUST

TICKETS FROM \$35 | DOORS OPEN 7:00PM

RHIANNON - THE SONGS AND STORIES OF FLEETWOOD MAC presents the music of legendary band Fleetwood Mac in a two-hour journey through four decades of timeless, classic songs. Performing all the songs from the Grammy award winning "Rumours" album. The show tells the story of Fleetwood Mac through the music. They play songs from all the Top 40 albums from 1975 to the mid-80s, as well as solo tracks by Stevie Nicks and Lindsey Buckingham



## MORNING MELODIES THE BEST OF BRITISH WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

TICKETS FROM \$27.50 | DOORS OPEN 11:00AM

Join us for The Best of The British, a nostalgic live music show celebrating the unforgettable hits of the 50s and 60s! Featuring classic British tunes that will have you tapping your feet and singing along, this performance brings the golden era of British music to life. Perfect for those who want to relive the magic of those iconic decades. Don't miss this musical journey through Britain's most beloved hits! This show is even better than the best cup o' tea!



## MORNING MELODIES ONE NIGHT IN VEGAS ROY ORBISON & ELVIS WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER

TICKETS FROM \$27.50 | DOORS OPEN 11:00AM

ONE NIGHT IN VEGAS is a sensational tribute to two of the greatest musical legends of our time . . . ELVIS PRESLEY & ROY ORBISON. Joe Piastrino is renowned for his authentic and unbelievable tributes to 'The Big O' & Elvis and absolutely embodies the heart and soul of these legendary performers of Las Vegas. Joe lives, breathes and brings back to life, both of these musical icons in character and voice. One Night in Vegas will transport you back to a time when music was in its purist form.



## OKTOBERFEST

### SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

TICKETS FROM \$55 | DOORS OPEN 1:00PM

Celebrate this world-renowned beer festival right here at the Frankston RSL! We've got German style dishes, German and locally produced Oktoberfest beer, plus a live Oompah Band 'The Schunkel' to entertain from 1.30pm!

Bookings & information - PH: 8792 4400 and [www.trybooking.com/DCXLK](http://www.trybooking.com/DCXLK)



## NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE HOT AUGUST NIGHT

### FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER

TICKETS FROM \$35 | DOORS OPEN 7:00PM

Hot August Night is a five-piece band that have been working together for over twenty years within Melbourne and around Australia. Matt Eldridge (lead singer) and the band have captured the sound and emotion of the Hot August Night era when Neil was a young, intense singer from Brooklyn New York, telling his story through music to the world.



## THE MAGIC OF MUSICALS - FRANKSTON LADIES CHOIR

### SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER

TICKETS \$38 | DOORS OPEN 1:30PM

The Frankston Ladies Choir proudly presents 'The Magic of Musicals' a matinee & afternoon tea event with Special Guest, Roy Best and featuring hit songs from well known musicals: Chicago, Boy from Oz, 42nd Street, Porgy and Bess, Showboat, Chess, Rent, Les Misérables, Carousel, Phantom of the Opera, Mamma Mia, Sweet Charity and many many more. Includes - Show & Afternoon Tea (Scones, Sandwiches, Tea & Coffee).



## CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL RAMBLE TAMBLE

### FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER

TICKETS FROM \$39 | DOORS OPEN 7:00PM

This world class five-piece Creedence Clearwater Revival tribute band are ready to set The Frankston RSL alight with their immaculate rendition of one of the greatest bands to ever live - Creedence Clearwater Revival! Creedence undoubtedly changed the landscape of rock and roll forever in both the late sixties and early seventies and cemented themselves into a commercial zenith whose legacy remains to this very day.



## SOS - ABBA TRIBUTE

### SATURDAY 6 DECEMBER

TICKETS FROM \$39 | DOORS OPEN 7:00PM

SOS The Australian ABBA Tribute Show takes you back in time when ABBA ruled the world stage. ABBA's music has left a sparkle in our eye and a beat in our hearts and this show presents their greatest hits of hot disco tracks like 'Gimmie Gimmie', pop classic 'Dancing Queen', and the heart clenching ballad of 'The Winner Takes It All'. This full production show, costumed, choreographed with a high-energy band, might make you believe you're seeing the real thing!



**BOX  
OFFICE**



**PHONE (03) 8792 4400  
RECEPTION - 7 DAYS  
[www.frankstonrsl.com.au/ticketed-shows](http://www.frankstonrsl.com.au/ticketed-shows)**

# What's New Around The Venue ?



New!  
Low Carb 3.5%  
Carlton Dry,  
now on Tap



We are always on the lookout  
for superstars to join the team.  
View jobs on page 46 or at  
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Buy 4 x Coopers Pale Ale  
Stubbies for \$26!  
Available  
Sports Bar & Bistro  
1st-31st August



## 1 WIN A \$500 NOMADIQ BBQ ON FATHER'S DAY

Win a NomadiQ BBQ this Father's Day! Receive an entry ticket (s) when you purchase a glass or a bottle of Pepperjack Shiraz Wine on Father's Day, during lunch or dinner in the Bistro. A winner will be drawn at 8PM during Father's Day dinner on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

The NomadiQ BBQ comes in a recyclable box complete with gas hose, pressure regulator, drip trays, shoulder strap and a manual. Only the gas bottle is needed for hours of grilling and fun!



## 2 FREE LIVE ROCK MUSIC - EVERY MONTH

Every first Friday of the month and straight after Mega Raffles nights in Huey's Sports Bar, Peninsula favourites 'Single Income' perform live at the Club in our Simpson Function Room. Single Income are a 6-piece band performing classic Australian Rock and international hits for over 25 years. Chenai Boucher (Australian Idol finalist 2023 & 2024) and Greg Flemming lead the vocals, and cover a wide repertoire from INXS, Deep Purple, AC/DC, Angels, Aussie Crawl to Bon Jovi, Tina Turner, Cold Chisel, Dragon, and Queen.

**Doors open:** 6.30pm. **Band performs:** 7.15pm-10.15pm.

**Function Room Bar:** 6.30pm-11pm. **Bookings:** Free Entry and Free Seating.



## 3 TURN YOUR POINTS INTO PREZZEE...

Heads up members! Did you know that you can convert your RSL Rewards points into Prezzy eGift Cards. Prezzy eGift Cards are a versatile digital gift cards that can be swapped for gift cards from hundreds of different retailers, including brands like Bunnings, Rebel, Kmart, and more. The value of the Prezzy Smart eGift Card can be used to purchase products or services from your chosen retailer. Plus, your digital card can be kept at your fingertips and on your phone, so no more plastic gift cards for landfill or misplacing the gift card. For more information contact our Reception Team or read more at:

[www.prezzy.com.au](http://www.prezzy.com.au)



## 4 CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH On sale Wednesday 1st October

Christmas is just around the corner and our Christmas Day Lunch will be as eventful as always with an enviable buffet, jaw-dropping room set-up and decorations, plus the jolly man in red will pay a special visit! Plan ahead and book your Christmas Day Lunch for 11.30am or 12.30pm session. On sale from Wednesday 1st of October.

\$149 (M), \$169 (G), \$49 (Kids U12), \$20 Kids Under 5, Under 2's Free

Bookings: [www.frankstonrsl.com.au/ticketed-shows](http://www.frankstonrsl.com.au/ticketed-shows), or contact Reception, 7 days a week, 9am-7.30pm & from 10am Sundays: (03) 8792 4400.



  
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## SPRING CARNIVAL 2025

SPRING COCKTAILS  
 SPORTSPICK PUNTING COMP  
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 OAKS DAY SPECIALS  
 ALL MAIN RACES ON  
 6M SCREEN

**SWEEPS** HUEY'S SPORTS BAR  
 27TH OCT - 4TH NOV  
 \$5, \$10 & \$20

### MELBOURNE CUP

TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER  
 Public Holiday Menu Available  
 All dining areas in the venue



# day FATHER'S

## Sunday 7th September

**Book Now!**  
**Sunday Carvery**  
**12.00PM-2.30PM & 5.30PM-8.30PM**  
**(03) 8792 4400**

*Plus*  
*Food & Beverage*  
*Special in Bistro*  
**+ Cocktail Specials**  
**Father's Day**  
**Weekend**

**& WIN a NomadiQ**  
**BBQ valued at**  
**\$500**

  
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# BOOK NOW

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 Enquiries: (03) 8792 4411

## Christmas Day Lunch on sale October 1st

**Book 11.30am or 12.30pm session**  
**On sale from Wednesday 1st October: (03) 8792 4400**  
**Book online: [www.frankstonrsl.com.au/ticketed-shows](http://www.frankstonrsl.com.au/ticketed-shows)**



- \$149**  
members
- \$49**  
Kids U12
- \$169**  
guests
- \$20**  
Kids U5
- Free**  
Under 2



**On sale 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

  
**LET THE NEW YEAR'S  
COUNTDOWN BEGIN!**

DECEMBER 31, 2025 | .7.00 PM  
 FRANKSTON RSL  
 DOORS OPEN 7.00 PM  
 DINNER SERVICE BEGINS @ 7.30PM SHARP  
**\$89 (M) \$99 (G)**

INCLUDES A COMPLIMENTARY GLASS OF SPARKLING  
 WINE ON ARRIVAL  
 PLUS A 3-COURSE MEAL (50/50 DROP)

LIVE MUSIC 9 PM  
**JOHN LAWRENCE BAND**

25
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**FREE BUBBLES  
ON ARRIVAL!**

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- Trivia host
- Trivia game consols

40-60 Guests \$75.00 per person	61-80 Guests \$70.00 per person	81-100 Guests \$65.00 per person	101-120 Guests \$60.00 per person
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**TALK TO US TODAY**  
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**CP's Room Only**  
Pricing based on after 5.00pm start  
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*Modern, Relaxed, State of the Art Features*

CP's offers a modern design and a welcoming 'Alfresco' style vibe. The function room is fitted with a private bar, heating and cooling to suit all year round, a kids' playground, in addition to a dance area ready for your guests to party the night away.

*Designer Finishings and Style*

CP's boasts sunken lounges, and multiple cabanas with couch seating and TV screens. Additionally, the mixed seating style, with long wooden tables as well as high bar style tables and stool seating, is ideal for guests to mingle and appealing to all age groups.

Contact our Functions Coordinator to organise a tour of the space and experience the difference first hand.

(03) 8792 4411 & [www.frankstonrsl.com.au/celebrations](http://www.frankstonrsl.com.au/celebrations)



**CP'S NOW available for private FUNCTIONS 40-150 Guests**

**CP's Function Room**

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**SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2025**  
**FROM 1PM & LIVE MUSIC 1.30PM-4.30PM**  
**GERMAN STYLE FOOD | BEER | LIVE MUSIC**

THIS SEPTEMBER WE ARE BRINGING THE OOM-PAH-PAH ON OKTOBERFEST WITH AN AUSSIE SLANT AND A LITTLE BIT OF MUNICH TO THE FRANKSTON RSL.  
**FEATURING GERMAN BEER & CULINARY FARE.**  
**PLUS A LIVE OOMPAH BAND PLAYING TRADITIONAL SCHUNKEL (SWAYING) MUSIC.**  
**DUST OFF THE LEDERHOSEN, PRACTISE A FEW BAVARIAN PHRASES, AND BRING YOUR THIRST TO THE FRANKSTON RSL.**



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PRE-PURCHASED BUNDLES AVAILABLE:  
**FOOD + 500ML BEER FILL + TAKE HOME STEIN**

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# OKTOBERFEST

## SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

Why travel to Europe to enjoy Oktoberfest when you can celebrate this world-renowned beer festival that's been going strong since 1810, right here at the Frankston RSL!

The event will be held in our most chilled space CPs - Restaurant & Function Space that will be decorated Bavarian style, with long beer hall tables if you feel like making new friends, or snag one of our cosy cabanas or sunken lounges to hang with your besties.

We've also got live German music with 'The Schunkel Oompah Band' to entertain from 1.30pm! Merrily rock side to side to the traditional German beats while you sip from your take home beer stein and practice your best pronunciation of 'Prost' - that's cheers in German.

Try our very own Oktoberfest Kolsch that we are brewing this year in conjunction with Mountain Goat Brewery. There will also be Weihenstephan Hefe German beer for you to enjoy, in addition to German style locally brewed Oktoberfest Marzen from Bridge Road Brewers.

Plus, our Chef will be whipping up traditional German beer hall culinary fare, available as discounted food and beverage bundles when pre-ordered before the event or will be sold separately on the day.

### OKTOBERFEST DISHES 1.00-3.30PM

Feast on a selection of three traditional German style dishes

**Pork Knuckel** with potato mash, Sauerkraut, and beer jus.  
**Veal Schnitzel** with potato mash, Sauerkraut, and beer jus on the side.  
**Traditional Bratwurst** served in a roll with Sauerkraut, mustard, a side of chips, and comes with a free pretzel.

### PLUS! PRETZELS, DESSERTS, KIDS' MEALS

Freshly baked **Bavarian Pretzels** to snack on and mouth watering slice of homemade **Apple Strudel** served with cream or **Black Forest Cake**.

**Kids' Meals:** Fish and Chips and Nuggets and Chips  
 All items available until stocks last

### SAVE ON A FOOD AND BEVERAGE BUNDLE!

Pre-Order a bundle and save. Bundles include an Oktoberfest main dish, a take home Oktoberfest beer stein + 500ml fill of Weihenstephan Hefe beer\*.  
**\$55 (Members) and \$59 (Guests)**

\*First fill must be Weihenstephan Hefe.

**TRY YOUR HAND AT SOME OF THESE PHRASES - WITH AN AUSSIE SLANT OF COURSE!**  
 - Noch ein Bier, bitte "Another beer, please"  
 - Guten Appetit "Bon appetit!"  
 - Nicht lange schnackeln, Kopf in Hacken.  
 "Stop talkin' and start drinkin'!"

### OKTOBERFEST



BEER - LIVE BAND - FOOD



WEIHENSTEPHAN BRANDED TAKE HOME 500ML BEER STEIN



T&C Apply

PRE-PURCHASE A BUNDLE AND SAVE!  
**OKTOBERFEST MAIN DISH + 500ML ALE + BEER STEIN. \$55 M \$59 G**

SAVOURY PRETZELS \$8M/\$9G OR 3 \$20M/\$22G  
 MAIN DISH PURCHASED ON THE DAY \$35M / \$37G  
 & APPLE STRUDEL SLICE WITH CREAM/BLACK FOREST CAKE \$12M/\$14G AVAILABLE.  
 BEER PADDLE (3 OKTOBERBEST BEERS 150ML) \$12M / \$14G  
**A CHANCE TO WIN 2 X \$75 VENUE VOUCHERS - BEST DRESSED FEMALE & MALE !!!**



# Oktoberfest

## LIVE OOMPAH BAND



**Saturday 20th,**  
**September**  
**1.30PM-4.30PM**



**FOOD & BEVERAGE PACKAGES AVAILABLE**

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 WWW.FRANKSTONRSL.COM.AU/TICKETED-SHOWS



**AUGUST CASH WIN AVALANCHE!**

# \$10K

**EVERY THURSDAY**

**SWIPE YOUR CARD TO ENTER!**

**PLUS!**  
Frankston RSL members can win \$250 cash each week, if the 10K isn't won by a member of this sub-branch.

**RSL REWARDS**  
More Rewards. More Often.

**T&C Apply.**  
Frankston RSL Member must be present to win & claim the \$250, at 7.05pm.

**SWIPE YOUR CARD BETWEEN 4PM-7PM EVERY THURSDAY IN AUGUST TO ENTER THE DRAW.**  
ONE 10K WINNER DRAWN WEEKLY FROM THE RSL REWARDS NETWORK.

**RSL Victoria**

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**KENO**

Your chance to **WIN!**

## OZPIG Woodfire BBQ / Stove

**SPEND \$10 OR MORE ON KENO TO ENTER**

**Valued at \$699**

**win ME!**

**sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August - Saturday 30 August**  
**See your Keno Operator to find out more**

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Must be 18 years or older. One entry per Keno ticket purchased. Available at a participating venue from Tuesday, August 5, 2025 to Saturday, August 30, 2025. Winner present in person at 10.00am on Monday, September 1, 2025 and may be published by the venue.

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**A MONEY CAN'T BUY PRIZE, THANKS TO THE FRANKSTON RSL & CUB**

**WINNERS OF 5 DOUBLE PASSES TO THE CUB CORPORATE HOSPITALITY BOX ESSENDON VS GEELONG JUNE 14TH MEMBERS PROMOTION**

**GEELONG** **ESSENDON**

**CARLTON DRAUGHT**

## A day in the box !

Being a member at the Frankston RSL comes with some amazing perks such as ample opportunities to enter members' only giveaways, and a chance to win an annual share of \$300,000 in cash and prizes.

Five lucky Members recently won our CUB sponsored 'money can't buy experience' at the MCG, and experienced the Geelong vs Essendon game on the 14th of June 2025 from the CUB Corporate Hospitality Box!

Members received an entry ticket each time they purchased a Carlton Draught, in Huey's Sports Bar, from March-June this year. If you missed out this time, don't despair as the Frankston RSL will be looking to run this promotion again in 2026. To avoid missing out, make sure you follow us on our socials and subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter to stay in the know.

Whilst the result of the game was very one sided, it didn't detract from the experience and participants were treated to some gourmet catering, in addition to the customary half time party pies, sausage rolls, and scones with jam and cream. CUB provided a great selection of drinks on the day, and they can proudly boast to be the only Corporate Box with Carlton Draught on tap!

If you are not a member yet, sign up today and speak to our team at Reception who can take you through all the benefits of becoming a member at the Frankston RSL, including receiving \$20 in points on your membership card and redeemable during your birthday month, as well as up to 10% Food and Beverages and 10% off function room hire fees.



# Whisky Tasting & Pairing Night!

Our Whisky Tasting and Food Pairing Event attracted seasoned Whisky enthusiasts to eager newcomers dabbling in a dram of Whisky. The tasting was spectacularly paired with a delicious menu concocted by our Chef and his team.

Celebrating the water of life - in this case Scotch Whiskies, was host Tracy Gardner from Diageo who took participants on a fascinating tasting journey of seven renowned whiskies, highlighting the different styles and their history, and providing tasting tips and background on each of them - from their origins to how best to enjoy them.

## Whiskies

### The Singleton

12-Year-Old Single Malt Scotch Whisky (Speyside)

### Talisker Skye

Single Malt Scotch Whisky (Isle of Skye)

10-Year-Old: Single Malt Scotch Whisky (Isle of Skye)

### Lagavulin

8-Year-Old: Single Malt Scotch Whisky (Islay)

16-Year-Old: Single Malt Scotch Whisky (Islay)

### Dalwhinnie

15-Year-Old: Single Malt Scotch Whisky (Highland).



## Go For Gold Gala Night

Our 'Go For Gold' Members Gala Night on the 8<sup>th</sup> June was yet another fantastic success and our winner, Marj K took home the one ounce gold Bar worth over \$4,000.

Members who swiped their members' card at the kiosk during the promotion period were automatically entered into the draw, and every night four winners were selected and received an invitation to attend our Gala Night. Twelve members in total were drawn on the Gala Night and one of the lucky 12 won the one ounce Gold Bar! .

Follow us on our socials or subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter for more details on upcoming promotions and giveaways. Every year the Frankston RSL gives away \$300K in prizes and cash to lucky members.



## Winning for a good cause

Congratulations to our four members who won a \$500 Eftpos Gift Card this July, in our Great Grocery Giveaway Promotion.

Winners swiped their membership cards at the kiosk and tills during the promotion period, between 5pm and 7pm every Sunday in July. A winner was drawn each Sunday at 7.15pm, and the winner had to be present to win and claim.

### GOOD CAUSE!

In conjunction with the giveaway, the Frankston RSL supported the Community Support Frankston (CSF) Food Bank to assist local residents facing financial hardship.

Staff donated non-perishable grocery items to fill a shopping trolley that will be donated to community members who are struggling with housing and cost of living pressures.



# CONGRATULATIONS GIVEAWAY Winners



WELL DONE



Secret WINNER



WINNERS WINNERS WINNERS



**AUGUST MEMBERS' PROMO!**  
**\$1500 IN PRIZES**

\$700 RYOBI GARDENING TOOLS  
\$800 IN BUNNINGS GIFT CARDS

**WIN  
WIN  
WIN**



**\$149**

18V & 4H CHARGER  
COMBO KIT

**\$119**

18V & 25CM CORDLESS  
LINE TRIMMER

PLUS \$200  
IN GIFT CARDS  
TO GIVEAWAY  
EACH WEEK



**\$279**  
18V CORDLESS  
VACUUM & SWEEPER

18V & 20MM CORDLESS  
PRUNING SECATEURS

**\$149**

18V & 20MM CORDLESS  
PRUNING SECATEURS

Swipe your members' card daily, at the members' kiosk, to enter the draw and win Ryobi Garden Tools valued at \$700 - drawn Friday 5th September & 2 x \$100 Bunnings gift cards drawn Friday 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th August

*Members' Giveaway*

**\$800**

**Bunnings**

**warehouse**

**gift**



**cards  
GIVE  
AWAY**

WIN 2 X \$100

BUNNINGS GIFT CARDS.

FRIDAYS 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th August

Swipe at members' kiosk to enter from

Monday 04.08.2025

Ts&Cs Apply

**NINJA**  
**SPRING MEMBERS' GIVEAWAY**



**WIN \$900 IN NINJA  
APPLIANCES**

TO ENTER: SWIPE YOUR CARD AT THE MEMBERS' KIOSK FROM MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER. MAJOR PRIZE DRAWN FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER

**PLUS WIN!** **\$600** BED BATH N' TABLE GIFT CARD GIVEAWAY  
WIN 2 X \$100 BED, BATH, TABLE GIFT CARDS.  
DRAWN FRIDAYS: 12TH, 19TH, 26TH SEPTEMBER  
SWIPE AT MEMBERS' KIOSK TO ENTER FROM MONDAY 08.09.2025  
T&C APPLY

*September Members' Giveaway*

**\$600**

*Bed Bath N' Table*

**gift**

**cards  
GIVE  
AWAY**

WIN 2 X \$100

BED BATH N' TABLE GIFT CARDS.

ON FRIDAYS 12th, 19th, 26th-September

Swipe at members' kiosk to enter from

Monday 08.09.2025

Ts&Cs Apply



# **OUR MISSION**

**To support the welfare of veterans and their families.  
To promote pride, respect and belonging within the  
veteran and broader community by maintaining a  
welcoming atmosphere and providing outstanding  
hospitality and entertainment.**

## **VISION**

**Connecting communities**

**Connecting the veteran community with services and camaraderie**

**Connecting the broader community with experiences through customer first hospitality**

**[www.frankstonrsl.com.au](http://www.frankstonrsl.com.au)**

# REMEMBRANCE DAY 2025 TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER



## COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE 107TH ANNIVERSARY OF ARMISTICE

MEMORIAL SERVICE  
10.30AM ALL WELCOME

FRANKSTON WAR MEMORIAL  
FRANKSTON, BEAUTY PARK

LIGHT LUNCH & REFRESHMENTS  
FROM 11.30AM

ALL WELCOME FOLLOWING  
COMPLETION OF THE SERVICE

FRANKSTON RSL  
183 CRANBOURNE ROAD, FRANKSTON  
CP'S FUNCTION ROOM



*LEST WE FORGET*



If you would like to lay a wreath  
during the service, please contact

President: Kevin Hillier OAM  
Email: [khillier@frankstonrsl.com.au](mailto:khillier@frankstonrsl.com.au)

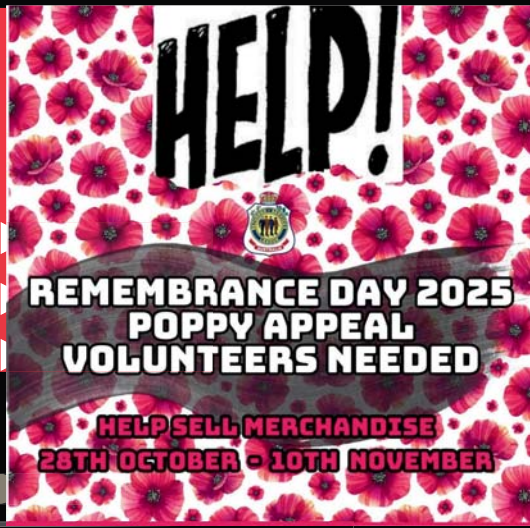


**General Information**  
Contact Frankston RSL Reception  
(03) 8792 4400



In the case of extreme weather  
conditions, the service will be held  
at the Frankston RSL.  
Follow us on our Facebook Page to  
stay updated.





On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, we commemorate.

*Volunteer for our Appeals*



*Volunteers' Registration Form  
Scan the QR Code*



The Frankston RSL Sub-Branch is pleased to announce that it raised another record sum of \$141,533.00 for this year's ANZAC Day Appeal. With the closure of Mornington RSL Sub-Branch, we now cover an extensive area including Frankston, Mt Eliza, Mt Martha, and Moorooduc. Our selling booths offer ANZAC Badges and merchandise through 14 Retail Outlets, 56 Schools and over 100 different kinds of businesses and workplaces. All monies raised go toward assisting veterans and their families, locally and throughout smaller RSL's in Victoria.

My heartfelt thanks go out to all our dedicated badge sellers who really enjoy volunteering their time in working our sites in all the major retail outlets such as Karingal, Bunnings, Mornington Central, Bentons Square, Karingal, and Gateway Plaza, and to the smaller teams and often singlehanded sellers in smaller outlets like the IGA supermarkets. Retail outlets also welcome our involvement and deserve our full appreciation. Local Airforce and Army Cadets in addition to the Girl Guides are also regular badge and poppy sellers.

Schools form a large part of our sales and these sales have the benefit of also educating our children as to Australia's Defence Force - Army, Navy, Airforce and Nursing involvement in events during two major world wars and other extensive conflicts in Korea, Vietnam, Malaysia together with peacekeeping assistance in many countries.

Small business operators from cafes, cake shops, golf clubs, bakeries, through to auto repairers, newsagents, and sporting clubs also help sell badges on their premises and do a great job. Frankston RSL Sub-Branch staff also get involved within the club and volunteer with badge selling at retail locations.

EFTPOS payments are a large factor in our Appeals' effort these days, particularly since COVID, and represents 40% of our payments. Future badge sellers need not be scared off, as our machines are easy to use and we offer training.

We are always VERY MUCH on the lookout for more volunteers across our entire RSL Membership base - Life, Service, Affiliate and Social Members. Badge sellers work alone or in pairs, for a 2-3 hour shift, at the designated retail selling point of their choice, generally at Frankston: 9am-12pm, 12pm-3pm, 3pm-5.30pm, and Mornington: 10am-1pm, 1-4pm.

Should sales not be your thing, a couple of months out from the Appeals dates there is packing and delivery of merchandise sales trays, then immediately after the end of the Poppy Appeal November 11th and the ANZAC Appeal April 25<sup>th</sup>, there are the scheduled pick up and return of trays from all sites and outlets. We critically require volunteering assistance, particularly in the Mornington Area.

I take this opportunity to introduce a new Appeals Officer, James Farquharson and his puppy mate "Peggy".

James was a member of Mornington RSL Sub-Branch and is a most welcome addition to our Appeals team and is responsible for coordinating the Volunteers in the Mornington Area.



## *How to Volunteer*

Our POPPY APPEAL runs from Tuesday October 28<sup>th</sup> till Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November. There are various volunteer roles available: tray filler, site manager, badge seller, stockist, or delivery person.

To volunteer, please register your interest in joining our Appeals Team, in any of the following ways:

**QR code:** scan the QR code above

**Website:** [www.frankstonrsl.com.au/appeals](http://www.frankstonrsl.com.au/appeals)

**Contact:** Appeals Coordinators Peter and James

**Peter:** 0450 568 138 (Frankston Area)

**James:** 0439 431 247 (Mornington Area)

**Email** [appeals@frankstonrsl.com.au](mailto:appeals@frankstonrsl.com.au)

*Thank you!*



Friendly reminder! Every \$ collected (100%) is used to assist veterans and their families in need, and volunteer activities and retailers are fully insured under RSL policies.

Peter Kerley,  
Committee Secretary, and Appeals Coordinator, Frankston RSL.

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# HELP!

**REMEMBRANCE DAY 2025  
POPPY APPEAL  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**HELP SELL MERCHANDISE  
28TH OCTOBER - 10TH NOVEMBER**

**CONTACT OUR APPEALS TEAM**  
**PETER (FRANKSTON AREA) 0450 568 138**  
**JAMES (MORNINGTON AREA) 0439 431 247**  
**EMAIL: APPEALS@FRANKSTONRSL.COM.AU**

**POPPY APPEAL 2025**  
**28TH OCTOBER - 10TH NOVEMBER**

Frankston RSL is looking for volunteers to help sell Poppy Appeal merchandise in the Frankston and Mornington Peninsula Area.

The valuable funds raised from our appeals go directly in support of veterans and their families who find themselves in necessitous circumstances, and the funds raised at the Frankston RSL also go toward helping prevent social isolation among the veteran community by subsidising regular veteran wellbeing activities organised through our "wellness and wellbeing" programs.

Help make the 2025 Poppy Day appeal great, and know that your time and assistance is immensely appreciated.

**WHAT DOES IT INVOLVE?**  
 Badge sellers work alone or in pairs, for a 2-3 hour shift, at the designated selling point of their choice:  
 Frankston: 9-12pm, 12-3pm, 3-5.30pm  
 Mornington: 10-1pm, 1-4pm

**BADGE STALLS EQUIPMENT & TRAINING**  
 EFTPOS machines or QR Code for electronic payments are both available.  
 Stall materials include: 'Training document', table, chairs, selling trays, back up stock, and POS materials.  
 Use of EFTPOS machine training can be provided.

**SERVICE MEMBERS**  
 "Service" member sellers are encouraged to wear their service paraphernalia:- medals, ribbons or unit ID / hat / shirt / jacket, as shoppers are always keen on hearing true accounts of service experiences and meeting veterans.

**ARE YOU A BUSINESS & WANT TO SELL BADGES & MERCHANDISE?**  
 Are you a business and want to sell badges?  
 The Appeals Officer will be pleased to hear from any school, workplace or business that is able to distribute and sale badges.  
 We have a variety of schools and approximately 120 businesses in the area helping sell badges. If you have a suggestion of a good place we have missed, please contact the Appeals Officer.

**DONATIONS**  
 Donations are also greatly appreciated and can be made via direct deposit to the following account. Please retain your bank transaction receipt for taxation purposes.  
 Frankston RSL as agent for:  
 RSL General Appeals PF B86  
 BSB 013 494  
 Account No. 2150-44465

**STALL LOCATIONS**

**Frankston Area - Coordinator: Peter**

1. Karingal Hub, Shopping Centre
2. Plaza Langwarrin, Shopping Centre
3. Gateway Langwarrin, Shopping Centre
4. Bayside\* Frankston, Shopping Centre

**Mornington Area - Coordinator: James**

5. Mornington Retail Outlets
- Mornington Central
- Bentons Square Shopping Centre
- Bunnings Mornington
6. Mt Eliza, Eliza Square Shopping Centre
7. Mt Martha Village Centre, Ritchies IGA

\* Validate your parking ticket at the information counter to receive free parking.

**HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?**  
 Your assistance is greatly appreciated and with your help we can all lend a helping hand to thousands of veterans and their families, including fellow Frankston RSL members.  
 If you, your partner, a family member, or a mate can assist, please get in touch and register with our Appeals Officer.  
**Contact: Appeals Officers**  
**Email: [appeals@frankstonrsl.com.au](mailto:appeals@frankstonrsl.com.au)**  
**Phone: Peter 0450 568 138**  
**Frankston Area James 0439 431 247**  
**Mornington Area**

**WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS  
AT THE FRANKSTON RSL**

*Veterans and Partners Coffee Morning.*

Enjoy a coffee and a chat, and the occasional Free Talk.  
 10AM every Wednesday.  
 Bookings not required.  
 Enquiries Reception or Tony Grice: 8792 4400



**Next Free Talk...**

**PCLC Street Law  
Free LEGAL  
Information Session**

Come and hear more about the FREE legal services that Peninsula Community Legal Centre offers to the community; with an emphasis on matters commonly experienced by the 50 years old and over community.

Frankston RSL  
183 Cranbourne Road, Frankston

Wednesday 27th August  
10.30am - 11.30am

Tel: 03 9783 3600  
[www.pclc.org.au](http://www.pclc.org.au)

**Presented by  
Peninsula Community  
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Fast-Dealing Property Trading Game

**MONOPOLY**  
FRANKSTON EDITION  
WITH FRANKSTON RSL  
LIMITED EDITION BOX COVER

**AVAILABLE NOW!**  
AT THE VENUE

The limited edition Frankston Board Game is available for purchase at the Club for \$69.99, and includes a limited edition Frankston RSL Box Cover. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to get your hands on this infamous board game and is an ideal birthday gift or Christmas present.

*Sales of the board-game at Frankston RSL, go towards  
Veteran Wellbeing and Support.*



The longest game of Monopoly lasted 70 days.

Monopoly was created during the great depression, it's available in 47 languages, and over 275m copies have sold.

A San Francisco based jeweler created the most valuable board valued at \$2million that contained a Scottie dog, thimble and a top hat made of 18-karat solid gold, a 23-karat gold plated playing board, and a pair of dice bespeckled with 42 diamonds studs to represent the pips.

**FREE LEGAL  
INFORMATION  
SESSION**

Free Session - Legal Services

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*James Joseph Curry  
Australian Army Ordnance Corps*

## Frankston RSL Memorabilia: ensuring no medal or memory is left behind.

While working on a kitchen renovation of her home in Langwarrin, a woman came across some medals lying in the back corner of one of the cupboards.

The medals were badly stained and rusted over. Given the condition of the medals, it was not clear if they belonged to the previous owner or someone from decades before.

Conscious the medals may have been of great significance to someone, she handed them in to reception at Frankston RSL Sub-Branch.

Graham Wilson heads up the Memorabilia Committee at Frankston, a team of about five volunteers. The Committee is regularly faced with small mysteries, like these abandoned medals which have no clear owner or history.

“The medals in themselves were not particular significant,” Graham Wilson said. “We recognised them as ordinary service medals from the Second World War, given to everyone who served in Australia.”

At their fortnightly meeting the task of finding the rightful owner of the medals was given to Bruce Buchan, a retired police officer who had only recently joined the group. Bruce is an affiliate member of the RSL with great uncles who had served in the 4th light horse and 39th battalions, the latter on the Kokoda track.

“It is really important for people bringing in medals to give us as much information as possible,” Bruce said.

“In this case all we had was the last name of the veteran and their service number, both of which were engraved on the edge of the medals. The service number started with VX which meant the veteran was from Victoria. The woman who had handed the medal in had not provided her address or any information, other than they had been found in a kitchen cupboard during renovations.”

“Sometimes there is really not enough to go on,” Graham said.

“But in this case Bruce was determined to find out who they belonged to.”

“If we wanted to find someone in the police force, we had databases which made it easy to find someone when we needed to,” Bruce said. “But being a civilian now, I needed to rely on things like ancestry.com and even things as basic as a Google Search.”

From the service number, Bruce was able to find and download the veteran’s service file from the National Archives of Australia website.

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The soldier was James Joseph Curry, born in Melbourne in October 1917, who had enlisted in the military in February of 1940 in the Australian Army Ordnance Corps. A fitter and turner by trade he worked in the 107th Brigade Infantry Workshop until transferring to the Australian Infantry in 1943 who sent him to Darwin where he worked testing weapons.

Bruce then went to the Supreme Court website and looked through applications for probate, in the hope that someone with the last name Curry, perhaps a son or daughter, might be on their lists.

“An application for probate was listed with someone with the same name and I was fortunate that it mentioned the address of the deceased, not in Langwarrin but in Carrum Downs. Unfortunately, it did not list the name of the executor.”

It wasn’t much to go on, but Bruce looked up the property address on real estate websites and found it had been sold in December 2024.

“I called the real estate agent who had listed the property and told him that I worked for the RSL and was looking to locate the owner of rightful owner of medals that had been handed in to our Sub-Branch.”

The Real Estate agent provided Bruce with the contact details of the executor. Bruce called the executor who told him she was the best friend of the deceased. Through her he was able to confirm the deceased had previously owned a property in Langwarrin and was the son of the man who had been awarded the medals. The executor was not aware of the existence of the medals and did not know why they had been left behind in the Langwarrin property.

The medals were technically not part of the estate and were not listed under probate as items for the executor to distribute because they had not been in the possession of the deceased when he died.

“Our policy is that the medals should go to the closest living relative of the deceased,” said Frankston Sub-Branch President Kevin Hillier OAM. “So, in this situation they would not be given to the executor. It is up to us to either find the closest living relative or donate them to Shrine of Remembrance or Australian War Memorial.”



Graham Wilson and Bruce Buchan, Frankston RSL Memorabilia Team, and Club President Kevin Hillier OAM of Frankston RSL Sub-Branch.

The executor came to the RSL in person asking that the medals be given to her. When the reception said this was not possible, lawyers for the executor sent a letter to the Sub-Branch asking for the medals to be delivered to the executor.

Kevin Hillier contacted the executor by email and explained that the medals would only be provided to the family of the deceased. "Once the executor understood our position, and why we had to be satisfied that the medals would go to the right person, she passed on the contact details of the next of kin, who was living in Brisbane," said Bruce. "Her name is Merrill Curry."

Merrill Curry is the granddaughter of James Curry. She had known James well before he passed away in 1993, when she was twelve years old.

"My father and I would visit my Pop regularly. He was living in the northern suburbs of Melbourne, in Hadfield."

Since her father passed away in December 2024 she had been thinking a lot about her grandfather. On ANZAC Day her four-year-old son went to the local Dawn Service for the first time.

"My son's first ANZAC Day made me think about when I was a child at my grandfather's house. I remembered how I used to sit on the floor and play with the medals. So, to be contacted by the RSL and be told they had been found was incredible."

Merrill did not know much about her grandfather's time in the army during the Second World War.

"My auntie told me that he had been posted to Darwin about the time when she was born. All I knew was that he had been very good at what he did and had worked testing guns and other weapons. It wasn't something he talked about a lot."

Merrill does not know why the medals were left behind in the Langwarrin house but is thankful for the work of Bruce Buchan and the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch in tracking her down.

"It means we have something tangible to remember Pop by," she said. "There is a direct connection between these medals and him. He is part of our family story and it is a story that I can tell my son about, so he has a sense of our history and so can his kids one day." Merrill plans to have the medals cleaned and restored and then framed with a photo of her Pop.

To Bruce Buchan, the fact that they are standard issue medals given to all Second World War veterans is beside the point.

For him, and the other members of the Memorabilia team at Frankston RSL Sub-Branch, the important thing is that the medals are important to someone.

Their work in tracking down the people who remember the veteran, and who want to ensure that the veteran is never forgotten.



Story Credit: Steven Baras-Miller RSL Victoria  
[www.rslvic.com.au/news/how-rsl-volunteers-ensure-no-medal-or-memory-is-left-behind/](http://www.rslvic.com.au/news/how-rsl-volunteers-ensure-no-medal-or-memory-is-left-behind/)



JOIN OUR MEMORABILIA TEAM!

# VOLUNTEERS *Needed*



The Team regularly curate a wonderful display at the Frankston RSL throughout the year and display military related memorabilia reflecting aspects of Australian military history.

The team is on the lookout for memorabilia enthusiasts and welcome those who are in a position to offer their time, experience, and enthusiasm to help with behind the scenes activities. Those suited, will have an interest in Australian military history and be familiar with computer data entry or digital photography.

Interested in joining? Please provide your contact details to the Reception Desk for follow up by the Memorabilia Team.

Come along to a meeting, and learn more about this wonderful group of volunteers and the amazing work they do at preserving our precious military history.

## MEET UP'S:

Every 2nd and 4th Friday each month  
Time: 9.30AM-3PM  
Where: Frankston RSL, Pavilion



## CONTACT

Reception Team Frankston RSL PH: (03) 8792 4400



Meet a few of the Memorabilia Team, Graham, Pat, John, and Ross - who painstakingly and meticulously curate our memorabilia display at the venue. The collections are updated throughout the year and display military history which is a wonderful way we can "honour the service" of those who have enlisted in the Australian Defence Forces since Federation. The display of memorabilia is an important way for the Sub Branch, and our members, to respect and commemorate

the service and sacrifices of those who have served, or, who are currently serving in our Defence Forces - ensuring that our community remember the fallen. The displays are 'themed' to commemorate a significant event in our military history and changed periodically.

The displays are curated by our Memorabilia Group, volunteers who work with the collection of memorabilia items accumulated the past 100 years since the Frankston RSL Sub Branch first formed.



Front of House Team

Bar Team

## APRIL STAFF AWARDS GOING ABOVE & BEYOND



Front of House Team

Bar Team

## MAY STAFF AWARDS GOING ABOVE & BEYOND



Admin Team

BOH & Kitchen Team



Admin Team

BOH & Kitchen Team



Front of House Team

Bar Team

## JUNE STAFF AWARDS GOING ABOVE & BEYOND



Admin Team

BOH & Kitchen Team



# ABOVE & BEYOND

IN RECOGNITION OF THE STAFF WHO HAVE GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND  
THEIR 'CALL OF DUTY'  
AND WOWED US WITH THEIR EXTRAORDINARY EFFORTS  
AND AWESOME CAN-DO ATTITUDE!



# BEST BISTRO/RESTAURANT AWARD 2024-25

COMMUNITY CLUBS VICTORIA STATE AWARDS



# CCV AWARDS 2024-2025



Nominated as finalist in two categories  
- Community Collaboration Award  
- Metro Best Club Bistro - Restaurant

Frankston RSL has been recognised as one of Victoria’s top-performing venues, taking home the coveted Best Metro Club Bistro-Restaurant at the 2025 Community Clubs Victoria (CCV) Gala Dinner and Awards Night, held on Saturday, 05 July.

The prestigious awards night, which honours excellence across more than 1,000 licensed clubs throughout Victoria, awarded our venue the accolade for our standout achievement in the Hospitality industry.

This accomplishment would not have been possible without the tireless efforts and unwavering commitment of everyone involved at the Frankston RSL, where staff are known for their professionalism, friendliness, and personalised attention—welcoming guests by name and ensuring every visit feels special.

This award is a testament to the dedication and hard work of all our staff for their invaluable dedication and hard work, and particularly the Front-Of-House and Back-Of-House Teams, who deliver a warm, community-focused dining experience, offering a diverse menu crafted with fresh, locally sourced ingredients by our Executive Chef Dean Webster and his Team - from signature favourites like lamb shanks, premium steaks, house-made desserts, and the popular ‘Parma’s Parmageddon Night’, that are complemented by seasonal specials and innovative additions like a monthly food and wine pairing special, offering guests a fresh and exciting experience every visit.

Last but not least, we couldn't do any of this without your continued patronage. Thank you to our members and guests for your ongoing support.



This award is a celebration of our teams’ unwavering efforts to consistently provide our members and guests, culinary innovation and service excellence within our dining experience.



**THANK YOU!**

.. from the Frankston RSL  
Committee,  
Management, & Staff

We'd be lost  
without you!

**CELEBRATING NATIONAL  
VOLUNTEER WEEK 2025**  
Connecting Communities

## CELEBRATING NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 2025

Volunteering transcends all borders, and volunteers come from all walks of life, but no matter the background they all share the same traits and qualities - kindness, selflessness, and unwavering commitment.

If not for the dedication and countless hours devoted by our volunteers, the Frankston RSL would not be what it is today and would find it hard to do the work that it does in the areas of Veteran Wellbeing Advocacy, Home & Hospital Visitations, Mobility Aids & Furniture Program, Appeals, and the Memorabilia Collection, to list a few.

This is why we love hosting our yearly Volunteer Lunch to celebrate National Volunteer Week, because we get to say thank you to some of the most amazing people we know!

This year, 114 very special volunteers joined us for lunch and enjoyed being looked after for a change. Our MC for the event was Frankston RSL Club President Kevin Hillier OAM, and the lucky door prize winner took home a \$50 Venue Voucher and a warm scarf.

Our volunteers make a difference to the lives of veterans and their families by committing to give up their time, which is their most precious of resources. In 2024, our volunteers travelled over 59,000 kilometres and spent over 18,000 hours assisting, visiting, and supporting our veteran community. This would be the equivalent in value of almost \$908,000.

*Volunteers are not paid. Not because they are worthless. But because they are priceless. Volunteers make the place a better world. True Kindness is helping someone without expecting anything in return. Volunteers do not necessarily have the time —they have the heart. Elizabeth Andrew*

The national week-long event recognises the vital support that the millions of volunteers in our country provide to their communities and encourages people to consider volunteering.

The theme this year was 'Connecting Communities', recognising the spirit of connection and the incredible power volunteers have in contributing to thriving and inclusive communities.

The Frankston RSL Volunteers include many from our sub-groups as well as general volunteers including Anzac & Poppy Appeals volunteers, Women's Auxiliary, Billiards & Snooker, Bingo, Frankston RSL Committee, Golf Sub-section, Home & Hospital Team, Memorabilia Team, Mobility Aids & Furniture Program Team, PARC Age Strong Exercise Group, Pipes & Drums, Wellbeing Team, and the RSL Funeral Representatives.

### THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

*ANZAC & Poppy Appeals volunteers  
Women's Auxiliary  
Billiards & Snooker  
Bingo  
Frankston RSL Committee  
Golf Sub-section  
Home & Hospital Team,  
Memorabilia Team  
Mobility Aids & Furniture Program Team,  
Parc Agestrong Exercise Group  
Pipes & Drums  
Sewing Group  
Frankston RSL Wellbeing Team  
RSL Funeral Representatives  
and general volunteers.*

# AHEAD OF HER TIME MEMORIAL TO JESSIE VASEY, OBE CBE



Jessie Mary Vasey OBE CBE  
19 October 1897 - 22 September 1966

On their last day together, George told Jessie, "Stick to the war widows and when I come back you shall have every atom of help I can give you."

In a cruel twist of fate, George was killed in a plane crash near Cairns in March 1945. The war widows' cause became her crusade.

Mrs Vasey set up the War Widows' Craft Guild in every state and the ACT. Her goal was to enable widows to learn craft skills to earn money to supplement their pensions, which were well below that of a serviceman.



compensation for the life of a serviceman.

In 1950, Mrs Vasey set up Vasey Housing to assist war widows who were unable to find adequate accommodation.

Mrs Vasey was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in 1950 and a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in 1963 for her service to war widows. She died on her way back from visiting Guild members in NSW and is buried in Lyndale cemetery, Melbourne.

Photo: Left: Mrs Vasey works with others to support the war effort. Above: Mrs Vasey attends an investment ceremony to receive the OBE, CBE and Bar to the DSD awarded to her husband. She is talking with Governor of Victoria, Her Royal Highness the Duchess.

"It is no mean destiny to be called upon to go on for a man who has laid down his life."

Jessie Mary Vasey was born in 1897 in Roma, Queensland, the eldest of three daughters of Joseph and Jessie Halbert, farmers and graziers.

The family moved to Melbourne in 1911 and in 1921, she married George Alan Vasey, an army officer. They had two sons, George and Robert.

George's service entailed frequent moves and they were based in India from 1928-29 and from 1934-37, returning to Melbourne in 1938.

1938, with the arrival of World War II, George sailed for the Middle East in December 1939.



Mrs Vasey put all her energy into supporting the war effort and became heavily aware of the financial and emotional burdens of war widows.

Photo: Left: The Vasey family in 1942. Above: Mrs Vasey (second from left) holding her award to George (George King Strohman), with George on board, with other Vasey children (L: Betty, Hugh) standing from right and sister-in-law Rosemary Vasey (R).



The Frankston RSL Sub-Branch has had a long and valued relationship with Vasey RSL Care in Frankston South - an aged care home and rental units that provides year round services and accommodation to approximately 900 veterans, as well as their widows/widowers. The centre is proud to 'Serve Those Who Served' and is highly appreciative of the support they receive from Frankston RSL Sub-Branch and its staff.

In April this year, the centre installed a memorial dedicated to Mrs Jessie Mary Vasey OBE CBE (1897-1966), who founded Vasey Housing after the death of her husband, Major General George Alan Vasey, during World War II. Jessie Vasey is highly deserving of this memorial in recognition of her tireless advocacy for war widows, and the creation of the War Widows' Guild in 1945 that lobbied for the creation of government pensions for widows. Additionally, she offered essential and practical support to war widows and brought them together to support one another and learn crafts to supplement their meagre pensions. The memorial provides a summary of her life and works, and was officially unveiled in the presence of residents and staff by Chair Mike O'Meara OAM, and CEO Janna Voloshin.

## Thanks to Ted's idea!

The idea for the memorial came from Ted, a resident and a Vietnam Veteran. Ted noted the importance of Mrs. Vasey in caring for veterans' families and suggested a memorial to ensure her contribution was known to all those living and working at the centre.

Pictured: (from left) resident and veteran, Ted, Peter Holz - President/Welfare Officer of TPI Victoria Inc and his wife Kaye, and Vasey RSL Care Board Chair, Mike O'Meara OAM.

Reference: [www.vaseyrslcare.org.au/news-and-events/memorial-to-mrs-vasey](http://www.vaseyrslcare.org.au/news-and-events/memorial-to-mrs-vasey)



After the passing of her husband, and with the memory of his promise to help her upon his return in the quest to provide adequate housing for war widows, Jessie was tenacious in advocating and achieving improved housing and other benefits for war widows. She was well known for taking delegations of women to see politicians and journalists alike to put their case for increased pensions. In the 1950s, and as President of the guild, "she worked with a national housing scheme to construct flats for elderly widows. She also started a small craft guild so that the like-minded widows could come together and not just sit around and pat each other on the back, but be creative and constructive with weaving and looming, and selling their wares for funds to support themselves".

*'So Jessie started the housing with \$1,000 they did from a raffle. They bought the house in Brisbane somewhere, and now it's a \$100 million enterprise'.*

Grand-daughter Liz Koschitzke



Read More: [www.slq.qld.gov.au/blog/inspiring-leader-jessie-vasey-cbe-obe-founder-war-widows-guild-australia](http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/blog/inspiring-leader-jessie-vasey-cbe-obe-founder-war-widows-guild-australia)

# SPOTLIGHT ON Margaret Graham

# volunteers



Let's shine the spotlight on our volunteer Margaret Graham.

Affectionately known as 'Marg', she lives by her motto 'It's what you do', and ends most of her sentences with this credo. She's been a member of the Frankston RSL for 51 years and has served as a member on the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch General Committee for two years, as well as a member of the Women's Auxiliary since 2000. The Frankston RSL gone through many changes since Marg joined the club in 1974, and so too has Marg in her lifelong quest to always help where she can, remain busy and social, and stay connected to her community – because 'it's what you do'.

Her connection with the armed forces stems from when she was married at 21 years of age to an Army Medic, Keith Buddle, in Liverpool NSW. Two years later Buddle was transferred to the Royal Australian Navy, and they relocated to the HMAS Cerberus Naval Base in Cribb Point. As a medic, he would be off for two-three-month patrols around Australia aboard the Melbourne, Torrents, or the Hobart while Marg reared her two children and continued her philanthropic work. In time, Buddle became Chief Medic and served for seven months from 1990 to 1991 in the Persian Gulf, during the Gulf War, on the US hospital ship The Comfort, along with 30 other medics. During the early years as a Navy wife, Marg remembers in 1978 being invited to Hawaii for nine days, with 70 other Navy wives, while their husbands were involved in friendly training exercises in Hawaii. She chuckles as she retells that while visiting the vessels at Waikiki beach, the original 'Hawaii-Five-O' film crew asked if they wouldn't mind being extras, and so it was that they all appeared in the backdrop of an episode.

Never one to remain idle, Marg busily worked two jobs and raised two children, while also 'making' the time to join and volunteer with the Frankston RSL Women's Auxiliary. As part of the Auxiliary, Marg actively helped in any way she could with fund raising efforts and selling Women's Auxiliary raffle tickets on Friday nights at the club, as well as driving volunteers and group members to events or excursions. In fact, she is still the designated mini-bus driver these days taking groups to day trips or the monthly Navy Soundwaves Concert Series at HMAS Cerberus, or the Frankston RSL Pipes and Drums troupe to ANZAC Day performances! When asked where she gets the motivation and will power to volunteer her time rather than enjoy her retirement and stay comfortably at home, she responds, "I could stay home and sit around and stare at the four walls, or I could be out socialising and enjoying life in good company". It's a no brainer for Marg, and it's what fuels her sense of being and purpose in life, - "It's what you do", she says, when questioned about any of her volunteering activities and community work.

the British Empire Medal, and received the National Police Medal, as well as the King's Medal Award for bravery - demonstrated in a shootout in Cooma, and the Police long service and good conduct medal. She fondly recalls that her father would always say to her, "Be nice to people, and people will be nice back, be a mongrel and nobody will be nice to you".

Marg was four when the family transferred to Gunning, NSW, and her father was Gunning Police Sergeant. She remembers living in the police accommodation, that was at the rear of the police station along with the lock up cells, and she would help hose and tidy up the cells by the time she was nine, in preparation for the next detainee - "It's what you did back then" she says.

Marg attended night school at TAFE in Kogara NSW, and laughs remembering that she was the only female in the woodwork course. When a friend came to Gunning and asked her if she wanted a job, she jumped at the chance to do something else and head to the city, and went on to work the next four years as an office junior at the Standard Waygood Transformer in Villawood, Western Sydney.



This sense of community and strong work ethic was unequivocally ingrained in her from when she was a young girl and the eldest of nine siblings. Growing up in Cooma NSW, she saw some of the rough side of life and experienced the rural ethic of helping the community.

Additionally, both her parents were significant role models that paved the way for how she has lived her life. Marg's mother Gladys cared for nine children under the age of ten and worked full time at the Fielders Bakery in Glenfield NSW, while also running the household. Her father, William Alexander, a decorated police officer was also a significant influence in her life, if not the greatest. With an illustrious career in the Police Force, rising to Sergeant First Class, his achievements certainly drove her sense of duty and community spirit. He was awarded



Marg could never just 'sit on her hands', even at a young age. Backed by her strong ethics, she joined the girl guides at seven years of age – "it's what you did back then", says Marg, and received the Guides Duke of Edinburgh Award at 21 years of age, which was the highest Girl Guides Youth Achievement Award. The Duke, now King Charles, bestowed the award himself! Marg has been a Girl Guide Leader for 50 years, right up to 2020, regularly taking Guides out camping, and participating in Girl Guides Jamborees in VIC, QLD, and NSW. Her son and daughter naturally followed in her footsteps, and both were in the Scouts and Girl Guides, respectively.



Marg was awarded 2003 Frankston Citizen Of The Year

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Marg has been a Girl Guide Leader for 50 years, and right up to 2020 - leading the Girl Guides at Jamborees in VIC, QLD, and NSW



Marg proudly boasts her family is a fourth-generation emergency services worker. As a police officer, her father worked on the aftermath of the Granville Train Disaster of 1977, her son is a firefighter, her grandson is a volunteer fire fighter, and Marg has been an active SES Volunteer since she joined SES Liverpool NSW in 1971— that’s a whopping 54 years as an SES volunteer. After volunteering 38 years, she proudly received the SES Life Membership Medal in 2003, and this month was recognised for her 40 year’s of service. Needless to say, she has dutifully, and without fail, marched at 54 Frankston SES ANZAC Day marches.

To this day she still volunteers with the SES and regularly works in the office filtering calls and managing call outs, as well as visiting schools or local festivals, educating curious minds on what the SES does. In her ‘spare time’ she rolls up her sleeves and prepares meals for SES volunteers training on boats at weekend courses at Patterson Lakes, Victoria.

Marg has also completed courses through the SES, and holds a Chainsaw and a Jaws-Of-Life license that she’s used during many rescues, in addition to being licensed to drive 43-seater buses and medium body riggers, that she put to good use when she worked for Avis - regularly returning rental trucks from Frankston to Mildura, - it’s what you do!

The story doesn’t end there! Marg worked two days a week as a First Aider at Karingal Heights, from 2001-2002 while bringing up her two children, in addition to a part-time job with Frankston City Council for 23 years - driving buses and ferrying kids around during school holiday programs.

When funding was pulled for the Frankston school bus routes, she worked as a bus driver for nine years at Flinders College, until 2024.

It was while working at Karingal Heights that the kids and the school chose a Local Volunteer to honour in the community, and so it came to be that she was nominated. The children made a 6ft tall cut out of her, that travelled to Canberra as part of the 100 year’s of Federation celebrations in 2001.



We found Mrs Graham, standing tall and surviving all the elements

While she may not wince at the sight of blood at road trauma, she’s squeamish being in the spotlight and receiving accolades, including being awarded 2003 Frankston Citizen Of The Year and having a ‘Star’ at Karingal Hub named after her for her contribution to Community Work. As if that’s not enough, she also had her name recently added to the Frankston Boardwalk along with other Frankston Volunteers!

In 2022 Marg was also awarded Dunkley Pandemic Hero by the Principal at Flinders College, for her assistance during COVID lock down and managing the 60 children of essential workers who attended school. Marg helped in any way she could, including conducting rapid antigen testing, coordinating the children during breaks, and wiping down doors and tables, among other duties to keep the children safe at the school - ‘it’s what you do’, she says.



Dunkley Pandemic Hero 2022

When she wasn’t camping with the guides she was attending car accidents, participating in rescues, helping animals out of trees, and meeting lots of people. “You do it because you like it. It’s the satisfaction you get out of helping”.

Margaret has also been on an advisory board for Vic Roads, and as a result has been instrumental in making our roads safer.

And with such a busy schedule, Marg makes time for her two children, seven grandchildren, and five great grandchildren, who are proud as punch of her!



2003 Citizen Of The Year, Frankston City Council.



2001 Frankston Local Hero Award. 100 year’s of Federation Celebration, Canberra



35 year Certificate of Service with SES



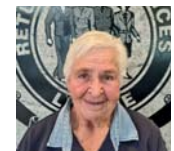
Emergency & Recovery Response 2007 Medal, Hunter & Central Coast Storms



Karingal Local Hero Award 2010, and Walk of Fame Star in her honour, for her contribution to Community Work



Receiving the 15 year SES National Medal



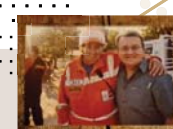
Marg has marched at 54 ANZAC Day marches.



The Frankston RSL gratefully acknowledges the hard work and dedication that Marg has contributed to the RSL community and the broader local communities over her time.

Her passion, dedication, and exemplary performance in supporting veterans and the greater community, reflects great credit on her and the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch.

It is volunteers like Marg that form the backbone of the Frankston RSL



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POINTS!**

### POINTS

Swipe your member card at the Kiosk to check your balance

Points conversion rate is  
\$1.00 spent = 2 Points  
2000 points = \$20

Accrue points as long as your membership is financial!





# COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND

The Frankston RSL is committed to supporting the local community and currently provides funding to a vast array of local sporting groups, charities, not-for-profit and community organisations.

## Overport Park Tennis Club



inclusive club, with strong participation across junior and open competitions, a thriving social tennis scene, and a well-regarded coaching program.

The club has a fantastic atmosphere and is proud to regularly host tournaments and Association grand finals.

“The support partnership with Frankston RSL means a lot to us, as both the Club and the RSL provide an important community function. We certainly believe we can be a better Club with the support of the Frankston RSL, and we thank them for their continued support. Their contribution helps us grow as a community club and deliver high-quality tennis experiences for all”. Club President, Bruce Weatherley

**Read more at:**  
[www.play.tennis.com.au/OverportParkTennisClub](http://www.play.tennis.com.au/OverportParkTennisClub)

Overport Park Tennis Club recently upgraded the fencing on Court 4 to a quarter fence, made possible through generous funding from the Frankston RSL.

This improvement allows for significantly better viewing across Courts 4, 5 and 6—something that added to the professional atmosphere during the recent International Tennis Federation Junior Tournament. The tournament attracted talented young players from across the country and the enhanced viewing set-up was well received by spectators, players, and officials alike.

Overport Park is a vibrant and



In the first half of 2025 the Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula (CFMP) have held a Federal Candidates forum for Dunkley and Flinders, a School Leaders Breakfast Presentation, and continued to advocate for vital projects and funding from government for Frankston and the Mornington Peninsula.



This work is crucial to empowering our next generation of regional leaders, holding our politicians accountable, and collaborating with local government to ensure Canberra is listening.

*“We wouldn’t be able to influence government decisions in Frankston without the support of key members like Frankston RSL.” Frankston RSL support the community in so many ways, and putting it back into direct advocacy efforts with all levels of government has a tangible impact on the Frankston community.”*

*Joshua Sinclair, Chief Executive Officer, CFMP*

**Read more at:** [www.cfmp.org.au](http://www.cfmp.org.au)

## Langwarrin Men's Shed



The start of the year has been a busy one, with several community projects being completed and the shed a buzz with the sound of machinery in the workshop and plenty of banter in the brew room. The Tech Team have been busy training members on the use of CNC machines, and utilising both the Laser cutter and CNC router to complete projects including a customised display of iconography for a local group. Giant bird feeders, an arbour for the community garden and a mud kitchen for a local preschool have kept the woodworkers occupied. The Men’s shed is always glad to be able to give back to the community and are looking forward to a Christmas in

July celebration hosted at the Frankston RSL.

The Shed has also run annual Women in Workshops Program since 2022, where women learn skills to complete home maintenance, pursue woodworking hobbies or gain confidence in using tools.

Treasurer, Ken Ferdinands said, “We are always grateful for the support from local organisations such as the Frankston RSL where donations from the last few years have been applied towards a new band saw and a laser cutter, both in regular use at the shed.”

[www.langwarrinmensshed.org.au](http://www.langwarrinmensshed.org.au)

## Langwarrin Soccer Club



[www.langwarrinssc.com.au](http://www.langwarrinssc.com.au)



At Langwarrin Soccer Club, they believe the magic of football doesn’t just happen on the pitch, but behind the goals, and it’s here, in the heart of a club, that a mark can be made as supporters of community sport. The club offers men’s and women’s junior to senior teams, and this year they will be bringing two major end-of-season events to the Frankston RSL; the JBNPL Presentation Day, and the combined Senior Men’s, Women’s, and Bayside Presentation Night. The club is also thrilled to announce the return of the Senior Women's Program for 2025, and creating an exciting pathway for female players, from juniors to seniors. With over 100 junior girls already thriving at the club, the revival of the Senior

Women's team, marks a significant milestone in shaping the future of women's football in our community.

Robert Vickery, Club President says, “The support we receive from the Frankston RSL has helped launch a new club website, introduced digital membership cards, refreshed our branding, and rolled out Majestri - a club-wide software system that makes it easier to manage events, registrations, and sponsor promotion. With the help of our sponsors, we’re able to run events that bring our club community together, like Trivia Nights, Sideline Sundays, and our Mid-Season Gala. It’s thanks to quiet champions of local sport like the Frankston RSL who make a lasting difference.”



# VETERAN AND COMMUNITY WELFARE

Since 2012, The Mobility Aids, Whitegoods and Furniture Program has collected and redistributed household essentials and mobility aids to the value of \$256,000 to veterans and their families, who may not otherwise be able to afford them.

Volunteers work tirelessly behind the scenes and across weekends, and their actions directly improve the quality of life of many veterans and their families. Thank you to club members and patrons who donate, and the amazing community of people in our network who are happy to help on weekends with collection and drop-off of donated items. In 13 years, this team has certainly made a difference to so many veterans.



## VETERAN WELLBEING RESCUED FROM HOMELESSNESS

The Mobility Aids, Whitegoods and Furniture Program has collected and redistributed \$256,120 worth of donated items to veterans and their families since 2012.



IF YOU HAVE MOBILITY AIDS, FURNITURE, OR WHITE GOODS TO DONATE, PLEASE CONTACT (03) 8792 4400

#FrankstonRSLVeteranWellbeing



In June, the team helped a veteran, pictured left, move into a Residential Aged Care Unit at Vasey RSL Care, Frankston South with repurposed donated household items to provide the basic comforts anybody deserves to furnish a home, including a bed, washing machine, TV, fridge, vacuum cleaner, toaster, kettle, microwave, kitchen items, and much more, to make life a little better going forward for the veteran.

Donations welcomed: mobility aids, white goods, electrical goods, furniture  
Contact : 8792 4400 Monday-Friday 9am-4pm



Each year the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch donates circa \$500,000 in function room hire, lunches, and veteran wellbeing, welfare, and support services.

Plus, in 2024, more than \$250,000 was donated in community support.

Additionally, the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch offers monthly lunches to residents of local Aged Care Facilities and Community Groups looking to spend a few hours in a social setting and in great company.

In 2024, \$17,500 was contributed to these lunches, and some of the facilities include:

- Meracare Carrum Downs Nursing Home
- Regis Frankston - Shelton Manor
- Skye Lodge (Autumn Aged Care)
- Greenways Retirement Village
- TLC Forest Lodge Residential Aged Care
- Vasey RSL Care
- Meracare Frankston Nursing Home
- Langwarrin Community Aged Care
- Benetas St. Paul's Terrace
- The Village Baxter
- Somerville Gardens Care Community (Opal)
- Baptcare Peninsula View Community
- Brotherhood of St Laurence
- Westernport Bay Care Community Opal



## OPEN ARMS

Veterans & Families Counselling

'OPEN ARMS' provide veterans, and their families with individual, couple, and family counselling to help improve your resilience, as well as enhance your mental health and wellbeing. Available 24/7.

Scan the QR code to view the range of Open Arms Veterans and Families Activities & Programs.

Call us 24Hr 1800 011 046



A service founded by Vietnam Veterans, now for all veterans and families



## PENINSULA EX-SERVICE WOMEN GROUP

Looking to join a social group with like-minded ex-service women?



This group of amazing women have all served in the Army, Navy or Airforce and make up part of the Peninsula Ex-Service Women's Group that has been in existence for over 30 years. The group is looking to round up new recruits to join a no fuss, full of laughter, and happy go lucky social group with like-minded ex-service women.

### Meet Up's:

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month for lunch, laughs, and chatter at Nancy's Café Frankston RSL, from 11.45am.

If you, or somebody you know, would like to try the group, come along to the next meet-up, and see if the ladies are a fit for you. The group includes a wide range of ages and service backgrounds.

We'd love to hear from women who served in the Army, Navy or Air Force.

Contact the group coordinator for more information or with any queries you may have.

Coordinator: Rhonda Stevenson PH: 0417 521 724



The Frankston RSL Sub-Branch Wellbeing Team regularly organises day trips and activities for veterans and their families, that are a wonderful opportunity to socialise. The aim is to eradicate social isolation - encouraging individuals, and groups, to get out and about in a social environment.

The team also runs the occasional free talk that educate on interesting topics such as organising a power of attorney.

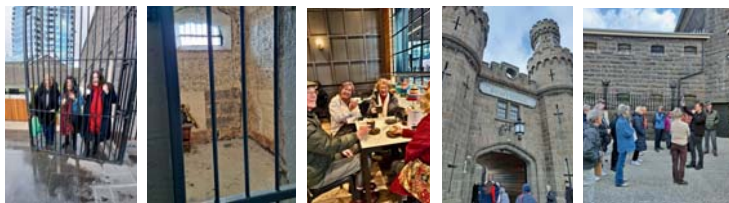
## Torvill & Dean Ice-Show



25 Veterans and Partners had the incredible opportunity to see 'Torvill & Dean' at the Rod Laver Arena for their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary "Our Last Dance" Tour in June. It was a truly unforgettable experience seeing these Legendary skaters perform alongside a team of amazing professional ice skaters that was nothing short of breath taking. Many new social connections were made throughout the day – especially on the bus trip home, which was so alive with chatter about the show.

## Pentridge Prison Precinct

Visiting the infamous Pentridge Prison Precinct made for an intriguing day trip for 44 eager attendees in July. Participants enjoyed a very informative guided tour from National Trust of H(ell) Division, and heard about the grim historic prisoner conditions.



## Werribee Zoo Tour

What's there not to love about spending the day at Werribee Zoo. In May, 48 veterans and families spent the day getting close to African animals on various Safari Tours. The baby elephants were obviously a highlight in the newly purpose built enclosure!



Are you a veteran and or family member and interested in coming to the next excursion or workshop? Get in touch with our Wellbeing Department and find out what's on for 2025.

**Contact Jo:** 0493 889 029 **Email:** wellbeing@frankstonrsl.com.au



## NAVY BAND Soundwaves Concert Series



The final two Soundwaves Concert of the year at H.M.A.S Cerberus will be in October and November. Wellbeing Advocate Tony Davis whisks participants off in a small mini bus for some musical entertainment, and the best part yet is that it's free for veterans and their families.

The Matinee performance is performed by the Royal Australian Navy Band.

**Dates:** 1<sup>st</sup> October and 26<sup>th</sup> November.

**Time:** 1PM departure from the Frankston RSL by mini bus for a 2pm matinee performance and a 4pm return to the venue.

**Reservations:** Call or SMS Jo via PH: 0493 889 029 or

**Email:** wellbeing@frankstonrsl.com.au

## Deciphering My Aged Care

### Wednesday Coffee Mornings at the Frankston RSL

Veterans and Partners Coffee Morning.

Enjoy a coffee and a chat and the occasional Free Talk.

10AM every Wednesday in the Atrium  
Bookings not required.

Enquiries: 8792 4400



In June, participants enjoyed a Free Talk on the upcoming changes to My Aged Care services.

Over 40 participants attended a veterans and their partners coffee group session and enjoyed a free talk from SAI Homecare, who broke down the complexities of the changes to the My Aged Care Services being introduced this year. Information on SAI support at home: Phone 8785 0999.

## Veterans families & kids



They say the joy is in the giving, and we recently gifted tickets to the Charlie Silly-Pants Show, to veterans and their families. The kids clearly outnumbered the adults at this event -15 to 13!

Afterwards, lunch was enjoyed in the Alfresco dining area, where many a chicken nugget was consumed.



# WELFARE UPDATE

**April -  
June  
2025**

## WELFARE at a GLANCE

*Contact Us ... If you are a veteran or family member requiring support or assistance, if you want to have a chat about upcoming social and wellbeing activities, or keen on volunteering, call or make an appointment today!*

*Wellbeing Coordinator  
Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 4:30pm.  
Email: [welfare@frankstonrsl.com.au](mailto:welfare@frankstonrsl.com.au)  
0492 820 743*

WELLBEING CASES: number of cases	24
PASTORAL CARE: number of cases	127
DECEASED SERVICE MEMBERS FRSL	11
RSL FUNERAL REPRESENTATION Required	2
WEDNESDAY COFFEE GROUP: FRIDAY COFFEE GROUP: Cost of catering & coffees	\$4,943 \$3,533
WEDNESDAY GROUP PARTICIPANTS: FRIDAY COFFEE GROUP PARTICIPANTS:	376 Not collated
HELLO PROGRAM PHONE-CALLS: Volunteer & Staff Hours	40 8.5
HOME & HOSPITAL TEAM: Monthly Visitation Hours	125.50
HOME & HOSPITAL TEAM: # people visited	291
MONTHLY LUNCHESES: Aged Care Facilities # facilities attended # lunches provided Cost	33 303 \$7,543
HOME MAINTENANCE: LAWNS # people assisted Cost	93 \$6,813
MOBILITY AIDS PROGRAM: value of goods re-distributed #veterans and their families assisted	\$7,320 9
PARC EXERCISE GROUP PARTICIPANTS: Tuesday Sessions x 2 Friday Sessions x 2	148 120
WELLBEING BUS: number of people assisted	76
WELLBEING BUS: number of Trips:	8
WELLBEING CAR: number of Client Visits and Transport:	23
WELLBEING CAR: errands, Client Visits and Transport KM's:	961
WELLBEING SUPPORT OFFICERS: # inducted # retired	1 1

### Support & Assistance for Veterans and Dependants

The Wellbeing Team actively assists and supports veterans and their families with:

- wellbeing advocacy and support
- food vouchers
- applying for Medals entitlements
- support to complete applications for Financial Assistance
- assistance exploring transport options
- providing information and referrals to local services and organisations
- completing housing applications

**In this period, there were 163 requests for wellbeing support and assistance from veterans or their families: 74 health, 39 social support, 28 recognition & respect, 21 income & finance, 8 justice & safety, 2 housing, and 1 employment.**

### Wellbeing Social Connection Activities

Our Wellbeing Assistant, Jo, has been very busy organising our special lunches and large coach outings.

**April:** complimentary tickets to the Charlie Silly-Pants show were offered to veterans and their families. The kids outnumbered the adults at this event, 15 to 13! Afterwards, they enjoyed lunch in the Alfresco dining area, where many a chicken nugget was consumed.

**May:** we celebrated National Volunteers Week. The theme this year was 'Connecting Communities'. All our amazing and awesome volunteers were invited for a complimentary 2-course lunch. Thank you to all our volunteers for their generous spirit.

Also in May, 48 veterans and families spent the day at Werribee Zoo getting close to the animals on a Safari Tour. The baby elephants were a highlight! Fortunately, the rain held out until we boarded the coach at the end of the day.

**June:** we filled up a 24-seater bus to see the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour of world-famous ice-skating champs, 'Torvill & Dean'. 'Our Last Dance' weaved together the story of Torvill and Dean through interviews and dance. Their skills were amazing, and they were joined by up-and-coming ice-skating professionals whose moves also drew gasps from the crowd.

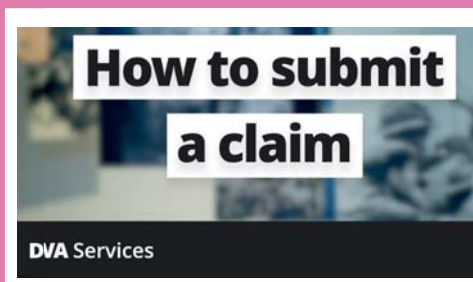
**April & June:** our young veteran volunteer Sarah, resumed our bi-monthly complimentary Saturday Veterans & Families Lunches. Veterans and families can attend a relaxed lunch in CP's, and bring the kids along. Stay tuned for upcoming dates.

**July:** 44 people attended the Pentridge Prison Precinct, and enjoyed a guided tour from National Trust of H(ell) Division and heard about the grim conditions prisoners used to deal with.

### Next Events...

Upcoming bus-trip will be a visit to the Fox Classic Car Collection Museum on Thursday 21st August. Tickets available now. Contact the Wellbeing team to book your tickets. Call or SMS Jo PH: 0493 889 029

**Email:** [wellbeing@frankstonrsl.com.au](mailto:wellbeing@frankstonrsl.com.au)



## Age Strong Exercise Classes - PARC

A whopping 268 participants attend our Tuesday and Friday 8am exercise classes, run by an instructor from the Peninsula Aquatic and Recreation Centre (PARC). New participants are always welcome to join the classes.

**Location:** Frankston RSL Sub-Branch Pavilion.

**Classes:** 8am (1hr) Tuesdays & Fridays. Except Public Holidays.

**Cost:** \$5 p/p.

**Register:** Reception (03) 8792 4400 or Wellbeing Coordinator 0492 820 743

**Requirements:** A doctor's clearance certificate validating current health.

## Veterans & Partners Coffee Groups

Veterans of all service types and eras and their partners are most welcome at our Coffee Mornings for hot drinks and light refreshments supplied by the club. The club holds a Wednesday Coffee Group Session, for veterans and their partners, at 10am on Table #221. The occasional informative presentation is organised by our Wellbeing Officer, Anthony Grice. The Wednesday session tallied 376 attendances for a cuppa and great socialisation during the period April-June 2025. The Friday Coffee Group Session, for veterans of all eras, regularly has between 15-20 participants meeting up. Meet-up is in the Sports Bar. Just turn up from 10am.

## Home & Hospital Visitation Team

In April-June 2025, our Home & Hospital Visitation Team spent 126 hours and visiting 291 veterans and their partners at local residential aged care facilities. These visits provide veterans and their families the positive benefits of social connection. The team continues to grow, bringing much-needed social contact to those in care. Additionally, complimentary monthly lunches are offered to 14 residential aged care facilities at the Club, so that their residents can look forward to, and enjoy a social outing.

## Veterans and Partners Outings

During this period, the Wellbeing Team hired small buses for groups such as Legacy, Partners of Veterans Association, Vietnam Veterans, and Ex-Service Women's Association. In total, 76 people attended across eight bus-trips. Contact the Wellbeing Coordinator if you'd like to hear about outings.

## Helpers needed - Volunteer with us!

Your kindness can contribute a lot to the veteran community and new helpers are always welcomed. Get in touch with the Wellbeing Coordinator to find out about the volunteering roles available.

## Mobility Aids, Furniture, & White Goods Program

Tony Grice and a very hard-working team of volunteers collected donations of mobility aids, furniture, and white-goods and \$7,320 of items were distributed to nine veterans and families in need. Thank you to all who donated to this worthy program. To donate items, please contact the Reception Team.

**Donations:** (03) 8792 4400 **Email:** reception@frankstonrsl.com.au

## The Akeroyd Veterans & Families Hub

If you are needing assistance with Department of Veterans Affairs Claims and Compensation, please contact Veteran Central through the online form below. The Veteran Central Team will be able to connect you with the Compensation Advocates that operate out of the Veterans and Families Wellbeing Hub, which is located at Frankston RSL.

**Online contact form:**

[www.rslvic.com.au/veteran-support/veteran-central](http://www.rslvic.com.au/veteran-support/veteran-central)

**PH:** 1300 645 838, Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm.

## Funeral Rites for Veterans

RSL Funeral Representatives are available to carry out a Funeral Ritual for veterans. This free ritual follows the celebrant's main ceremony and is our final way of providing recognition for the sacrifices made by veterans in their service to their country. For ex-ADF veterans, please allow a few days to order the Eulogy/Statement of Service which forms part of the service.

# UNPLUGGED

ACOUSTIC SESSIONS

LIVE

HUEYS  
SPORTS BAR

THURSDAYS  
5PM-8PM

HUEY'S SPORTS BAR  
IAN DUCHESNE  
COVER SONGS - SINGER - GUITARIST



Ian Duchesne plays a repertoire of popular songs covering seven decades and well known hits you can't not help singing to! Such as These Days - Powderfinger, Take It Easy - The Eagles, Stone Me - Van Morrison, Wish You Were Here - Pink Floyd, Who'll Stop The Rain - Creedence, Set Fire To The Rain - Adele, To Her Door - Paul Kelly, Layla - Eric Clapton, Is This Love - Bob Marley, Message In A Bottle - The Police ...

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PLAYING CLASSIC  
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## FREE LIVE CLASSIC ROCK

7.15PM - 10.15PM  
EVERY FIRST FRIDAY  
OF THE MONTH!  
FREE ENTRY - NO BOOKINGS  
STRICTLY 18+

## BISTRO

# OPEN 7 DAYS DAILY SPECIALS

### KIDS EAT FREE DEAL TUESDAYS

### SENIORS' MENU

### MONDAY-FRIDAY LUNCH

### COCKTAILS

*Four Seasons Bistro*  
- end time denotes last meal order

lunch: 11.30AM-2.00PM monday to friday  
12NOON-2.30PM saturday & sunday  
dinner: 5.30PM-8.30PM tuesday to thursday  
5.30PM-9.00PM friday & saturday  
5.30PM-8.00PM sunday & monday

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BARISTA MADE COFFEE  
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HOT DRINKS  
CAFE LUNCH MENU

... a great place  
to catch up!

# SUB-SECTIONS

## Frankston Legacy, Laurel Club



Winter has certainly arrived and hopefully everyone is keeping well and of course warm. As with most groups, once the cold weather arrives, we tend to go into a bit of hibernation. We have managed to keep enjoying ourselves and still enjoy coming together for our meetings.

Scones, jam and cream saw us celebrating Mother's Day, and on a lovely sunny day we enjoyed a visit to Sages Cottage Farm and Cafe, in Baxter. We were warmly welcomed and enjoyed morning tea and a walk in the surrounding grounds.

We have also joined the Partners of Veterans Group on a couple of outings, including a bargain shopping trip to the Bayswater shop and a Farm Gate tour of the Mornington Peninsula, as well as a trip to DFO, Moorabbin for a bit of retail therapy.

Some of our ladies attended the Annual Volunteers Lunch at the Frankston RSL and enjoyed being acknowledged and a delicious lunch in great company.

At our June meeting we had a guest speaker and presentation from two Occupational Therapists who demonstrated aids/gadgets to assist us in the home. This was followed up with some lovely warming soup which was enjoyed by all in attendance.

As the weather warms up, we look forward to the return of some of our regular ladies, who take advantage of family and friends who live in warmer climates and escape to the sun, back to our meetings and outings. In the Spring we have a trip to Werribee Zoo planned, and hopefully the weather will encourage lots of members to join in the fun.

### Contact & Meet-Up

If you are the widow of a Veteran or the wife of a Veteran who has given his health, we would warmly welcome you to our group.

**Frankston Legacy Coordinator**

Lyn Smith

**PH:** 0423626973

**Email:** lynsmith51@gmail.com

**Meet-Up:** 2nd Thursday of the month at 10.30AM  
Frankston RSL Simpson Room 2



## Vietnam Veterans Association

It's halfway through the year, and incredibly the association is still getting new members signing up for 2025!

Over the last few months, the V.V.A has had some interesting speakers as well as participation in some great outings. We will keep this up as we can see high member participation in the varied trips and talks being organised.

One of the most interesting speakers we heard from, was Stephanie from John Alison Funerals, who gave a very interesting talk about what was involved in planning a funeral, in addition to answering all those questions you always wanted to ask but were afraid to.

In May we joined the Frankston ladies from P.V.A. and went to the Wonthaggi Coal mines, where we all had a wander around and then savoured a well deserved BBQ in the gardens.



Everybody enjoyed a wonderful morning tea at the Dandenong Ranges in June, and then over to the Montmorency RSL where we viewed a wooden cross of a soldier from WWI that had been found by a tradesperson while doing some work under the house. The cross was handed in to the State V.V.A who decided to have it treated so that it could be displayed and enjoyed by everybody.



We had a good turn up of Veterans for the ANZAC Day march and Commemorative service, and I thank the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch for their work in making sure it was a great day.

On another outing, we joined up with the ladies from Legacy, P.E.S.W and P.V.A for a farmgate tour around the Mornington Peninsula. This trip was a great day out for the ladies.

We will going on a day trip to Woodend RSL later this year and visiting their Military Museum. Once a date has been set for this outing, we will communicate details about the trip. Social outings will continue to be organised, as they have been a great success this year, with many members attending.

We are trying to be more active, and looking after the welfare and wellbeing of our members and their families during the colder weather.

### Contact & Meet-Up

The Frankston Sub-Branch meets on the first Monday of the month at 1.30pm at the Frankston RSL in Simpson Room 2. Any Veteran, partner, or family member is more than welcome to come along to a meeting.

**President:** Cheryl Myers OAM **PH:** 0409 962 545

**Secretary:** Jo **PH:** 0417540864

**Email:** secretary.frankston@vvaavic.org.au



ROYAL AUSTRALIAN  
**NAVY BAND**  
MELBOURNE



**SOUNDWAVES 2025  
CONCERT SERIES**

FRANKSTON RSL WELLBEING  
TEAM INVITE  
VETERANS & PARTNERS

**FREE**

**Includes:**

Bus trip to HMAS Cerberus  
2PM Matinee Performance -  
Royal Australian Navy Band

1 PM SHARP Bus leaves the  
Frankston RSL  
After 4 PM Bus returns to  
Frankston RSL

Must carry Photo ID



**2025 DATES:**

**WEDNESDAYS**

**01 OCT**

**26 NOV**

**RSVP**

Call or SMS Jo  
PH: 0493 889 029  
wellbeing@frankstonrsl.com.au



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**KEEP FIT  
CONNECT  
GET STRONGER**

DATE & TIME:  
TUESDAY 8AM  
FRIDAY 8AM  
WHERE:  
FRANKSTON RSL PAVILION  
COST : \$5P/P  
REGISTER: 8792 4400  
SPEAK TO RECEPTION OR  
WELLBEING COORDINATOR



*Wednesdays 10 AM*  
Veterans\* and Partners  
Frankston RSL Alfresco Table 221

*Fridays 10 AM*  
All Veterans\*  
Frankston RSL Huey's Sports Bar

**VETERANS & PARTNERS**

**Coffee  
Mornings**

staying connected & caffeinated

\*Veterans: all service types, eras, ages, and genders.  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT RECEPTION: 8792 4400



**FRANKSTON RSL WELLBEING TEAM  
INVITES VETERANS & THEIR PARTNERS,  
INCLUDING WIDOWS/WIDOWERS**



**FOX COLLECTION  
CLASSIC CAR MUSEUM  
& CAULFIELD RSL  
LUNCH**

**Thursday 21st  
August 2025**



**TIME:**  
09:15am Meet-Up Frankston RSL  
09:30am Bus Departs Frankston RSL  
4:00pm Approx. Arrive Frankston RSL

**COST: \$15 PP**

-Bookings essential.  
-Please advise if you have any dietary requirements.

Includes:  
Bus trip, entry to museum and lunch.  
We recommend bringing a water bottle and a mobile phone.

**RSVP:**  
**BY THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**  
Call or SMS Jo PH: 0493 889 029  
E: wellbeing@frankstonrsl.com.au

## SUB-SECTIONS

# The Women's Auxiliary

## FRIENDSHIP GROUP

*Our monthly meetings have been very well attended and it's lovely to see the ladies and catch up with them. These informal and friendly meetings help our group stay in touch and have some fun over a cuppa.*



Winter has well and truly arrived, but nothing deters our ladies from turning up on a Friday night to coordinate the sale of raffle tickets for the Sub-Branch, in addition to selling our own \$1 raffle tickets. A big thank you to all who have braved the cold and dark nights to come out and help.

The newly established fortnightly Morning Tea at Vasey RSL Care Frankston is progressing well and we have a nice group of regulars turning up for a chat and company, although attendance numbers have been lower due to people fearing venturing out in the cold. The good news is that the hall is heated and one of the residents has been supplying hot pies and pasties, so hopefully word will spread and it should help to increase numbers and entice residents to come out for a warm beverage and some socialisation.

The annual Volunteers Week lunch at the club in May was a huge success, with a great attendance by our group enjoying the delicious food, great company, and interesting speakers.

In June, 20 of our ladies attended a Combined Groups lunch at Rosebud RSL, and everybody enjoyed the bus trip down the Peninsula for a change. Our driver, and fellow member, Margaret Graham did a fantastic job of driving everybody and was thrilled to have won not one, but two raffle prizes! Well done Joan Morrison on winning the door prize.



Some of our ladies have been on a few bus trips organised by the Wellbeing Team. These excursions have been very successful, and have included visiting Werribee Zoo, the Torvill & Dean Ice Show, and a tour of Pentridge Prison.

Yet to be confirmed, but on the radar will be a Fashion Parade outing and another bus trip. For more information contact Carol.

### Membership & Contact

The Women's Auxiliary meets at 10.30AM on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Frankston RSL. The Auxiliary helps raise funds for Veterans and Community groups and is a pleasant way to be social and meet new people. We happily welcome all new members to the group.



**Coordinator:** Carol Macfarlane **PH:** 0410 134 599

## FUNDRAISING & COMMUNITY DONATIONS



The Women's Auxiliary fund raising activities are under the guidance of Frankston RSL Sub-Branch Committee and the group runs multiple fundraisers throughout the year such as Easter and Christmas Raffles, in addition to the Friday Night \$1 Raffle fundraiser to win a themed Gift Card that helped raise \$10,485 in 2024. All funds raised go toward helping veterans in need, as well as charities and community organisations. Thank you to all who continue to purchase tickets.

### Volunteer Drive

The Women's Auxiliary is always looking for new members to help with fundraising activities. If you want to make a difference and would like to get involved, pick up a flyer at Reception and get in touch.

If you are already part of the group, please help in promoting the auxiliary to your contacts. Volunteer Drive Flyers are located at Reception- pick up a few and keep them handy to give out.

**THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY - FRANKSTON RSL**  
**VOLUNTEERS**  
*Needed*

The Women's Auxiliary is a friendly social group that helps raise much needed funds for veterans, community groups, and charities.

**MONTHLY MEET UPS:**  
Date: 3rd Wednesday of the month  
Time: 10:30AM  
Where: Frankston RSL, Simpson Room

Make a difference today!  
Come along to a meeting, and learn more about this wonderful group of volunteers and the amazing work they do.

**CONTACT**  
Carol MacFarlane, Wellbeing Advocate  
PH: 0410 134 599 EMAIL: cmacfarlane@frankstonrsl.com.au

**ACTIVITIES:**  
FUND RAISING  
FUND SESSIONS & VOLUNTEER DRIVE  
OFFICIAL EVENTS  
SOCIAL OUTINGS  
GROUP LUNCHEONS

## Veterans' Friday Coffee Group

Veterans from all ages, eras, genders, and service type welcome.

Join us for coffee and light refreshments from 10am.



**HUEYS**  
SPORTS BAR

# gelato van

made. fresh. always.

\$6.50  
\$8.90

regular and large size gelato in a cup



now available  
savour the experience  
long after the last scoop...



Purchase a high quality gelato made from 100% Italian Ingredients.

Available for purchase during service hours at the bistro. Nancy's cafe, and Huey's Sports bar.

Take your ticket to the gelato van located in the Bistro and choose a flavour!

# Kids Menu

## KIDS

Menu for children 12 years and under  
Dishes subject to change

**All kids meals \$12.90**

**Add Activity Pack + Regular Gelato Bundle \$7.50**

### Cheeseburger

with lettuce, tomato, chips and tomato sauce

### Chicken Parmigiana

with chips and tomato sauce

### Kids Fish & Chips

with chips and tomato sauce  
gluten friendly on request

### Crumbed Chicken Nuggets

with chips and tomato sauce

### Lemon Pepper Calamari

with chips and tomato sauce  
gluten friendly on request

### Kids Penne Napoli V

penne pasta with Napoli sauce  
& parmesan cheese

### Drinks

Slushies  
Soft Drink  
Juices



# Activity Pack + gelato cup Bundle

\$7.50



ON TUESDAYS

# KIDS EAT FREE

5:30PM - 8:30PM

Purchase One Main Meal in the Bistro & Receive One Free Kids Meal - 12 years Old & Under  
Dinner Service Only | Not Available Public Holidays



# Partners of Veterans Australia

## Supporting Partners and Families of Veterans

**Friendship - Support - Information**

**Understanding to all Partners of Veterans and their Families.**

Partners of Veterans from the Frankston Branch, have been very busy during the first half of this year.

The group has enjoyed meeting on the second Monday of each month at the Frankston RSL, with fun competitions and lunches at the Club Bistro. Morning Tea with cakes was enjoyed by members at our Mother's Day meeting, as well as a surprise gift for all who attended on the day.

Members enjoyed a day out to the Werribee Zoo to see the new elephant enclosure, organised by the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch Wellbeing Team. The three-day trip to Lakes Entrance in March was a wonderful success, and members enjoyed a cruise to Metung Hotel for lunch and lots of walking and wine along the way.

Organisation is under way for several guest speakers at our next few meetings, which will include Stellar from the RSL Wellbeing Team, and Karen CAIN from DVA, as well as an upcoming talk on Elder Abuse amongst the list. There are also trips planned to Mt. Evelyn and DFO Moorabbin.



During August, P.V.A. will be represented at the Vietnam Veterans Service at Beauty Park in Frankston where we will lay a wreath. On Remembrance Day we will also be in attendance and again showing our support to all our veteran community. At our November meeting we have invited a veteran to be our guest speaker and share a talk on his experiences.

Frankston Branch is this year supporting Mother's Supporting Families in Need, (MSFIN) a local charitable organisation based in Seaford. We collect clothing and food items to be donated to them for distribution to families in crisis.

On ANZAC Day, Club President Kevin Hillier OAM laid a wreath on behalf of the Sub-Branch and many of our members attended and marched on the day.



## Get Involved

If you are a partner or spouse of a veteran and find yourself in need of some friendship or just a time out for a few hours, come along to one of our meetings. You may just make a few new friends along the way!

We meet every second Monday for lunch and catch up at the Frankston RSL and we also meet the last Monday of the month at different venues in the area, and have a lunch or a coffee while also catching up for a great social session - some of these venues include the Seaford RSL, Baxter Tavern, Langwarrin Hotel, and Somerville Hotel. During the year we organise day trips and an overnight, or three day, bus trip. Contact us if you are interested in coming along to our outings.

### Membership & Contact

\$35 for first year & \$25 for renewals

Partners of Veterans Association welcomes all partners, ex-partners, or widows/ers of all current and former Australian Defence Force (ADF) members.

### Meet-Up & Lunch:

- Every second Monday of the month at the Frankston RSL Simpson Room 2, at 11.00am (except January).
- The last Monday of the month at different venues in the area.

**President:** Lyn Westhead PH: 0408 122 802

**Secretary:** Rhonda Tempest PH: 0410 566 709

[www.facebook.com/pvavic](http://www.facebook.com/pvavic)  
[www.pva.org.au](http://www.pva.org.au)



## Sunday Lunch

**CARVERY**  
 Every Sunday  
 until Father's Day  
 7th September  
 12PM-2.30PM

Served with your favourite trimmings  
 Two succulent slow cooked roast meats.  
 Honey carrots, peas, roast potatoes, pumpkin, cauliflower cheese, Yorkshire pudding, and various sauces.



**\$30 Members**  
**\$32 Guests**  
**\$16.00 Children**  
**-12 yr & under**

**Available in all Dining Areas at the venue**



# MEGA RAFFLES



20 X \$70 MEAT TRAYS



3 X \$500 MASTERCARD GIFT CARDS

OVER \$3,800 WORTH OF PRIZES TO BE WON EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

TICKETS \$2 EACH ON SALE FROM 4.30PM

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5 X \$75 VENUE VOUCHERS



2 X SLABS BEER  
3 X 4 WINE PACKS

**EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH**

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT RAFFLES

TICKETS \$2 EACH ON SALE 4:30PM  
Over \$1000 worth of prizes to be won!



15 X \$50 MEAT TRAYS



4 X \$50 VENUE VOUCHERS



2 X 1/2 SLAB BEER  
2 X 3 WINE PACKS



# THURSDAY RAFFLES

TICKETS \$2 EACH ON SALE 4:30PM  
OVER \$500 WORTH OF PRIZES TO BE WON



2 x \$50 Venue Vouchers



3 x \$70 Meat Trays



3 x \$60 Roast Trays - Pork, Lamb, Beef



2 x 1/2 Slabs Beer



# FRIDAY NIGHT RAFFLES

TICKETS \$2 EACH ON SALE 4:30PM  
Over \$2000 worth of prizes to be won!



20 X \$70 MEAT TRAYS



9 X \$60 VENUE VOUCHERS



2 X 1/2 SLABS BEER  
2 X 4 WINE PACKS



## SUB-SECTIONS

# Billiards & Snooker

### PENNANT COMPETITION RESULTS UP TO 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025:

#### VBSA Billiards & Snooker, Monday night.

- Paul Portelli's B Grade scratch snooker team was beaten in the semi-finals. The team acquitted itself very well in this strong grade.
- Ron Batrouney's Premier handicap billiards team struggled with a very different team from last season's runners up and unfortunately finished bottom.

#### Over 55's Billiards & Snooker, Tuesday Daytime, and after 17 of 33 rounds.

- Arthur Holmes's Gold team sits mid table after dropping a few places recently. Plenty of time to fix that!!
- Ian Gilbee's Green team has made a stunning resurgence, now sitting atop the ladder.

#### Metro Handicap Snooker/Tuesday night.

- Bill Lindsay & Mike Poda's FRSL team went with a heart-breaking whisker of another flag after storming into the Grand Final. Well done boys.
- Bill Morgan's FRSL 147 team finished in 10<sup>th</sup> position.

#### Thursday Night RSL handicap snooker

- Gareth Griffith's Eagles had a terrific season, just going down in the Preliminary final. New lads, Vasu & Will, had great 1<sup>st</sup> seasons.
- Shabbir Badshah's Hawks finished 6<sup>th</sup>.

**SEASON TWO:** We kicked off in late June with the RSL Billiards comp and are fielding two teams in all four competitions this half of year.

#### CLUB SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIP:

- Our Club Snooker Championship & Handicap competitions have been run & won. David Heath took off the John van Zanden Club Championship with a strong 3/0 performance against Marty Cleasby-Jones. Left image below.
- And Ronnie George took out back to back Henry Merrett handicap tournament, also against Marty, 124/103 in a close contest. Right image below.



#### MEMBERSHIP & CONTACT

Weekly comps are played at the Frankston RSL, Pavilion. Please get in touch if you are interested in joining billiards or snooker. All are welcome, including juniors and ladies. Coaching can be provided free of charge

**CONTACT:** Mark Dunn, Treasurer

E: bill\_snooker@frankstonrsl.com.au PH: 0422 304 052

# Pipes & Drums



## APRIL-JUNE

On ANZAC Day, the Band participated in three Marches at Chelsea, Frankston and Rye. An excellent performance was put on by all members. The Band also played a selection of tunes inside the Rye RSL Sub-Branch after the march, which was applauded by the patrons.

Over the last couple of months, we have welcomed new members to our ranks. Some of our new pipers have previous experience, but from quite a few years ago, and are enjoying brushing up on their skills and learning new tunes. The beginners are keen to learn, and we are currently looking for a tutor to assist. It's great to see the enthusiasm from all members of the band.

Once again, the Mornington Welsh Ladies Choir has invited us to be a part of their annual concert to be held in September. Last year, the band played outdoors while guests arrived and then performed a selection of tunes on the indoor stage.

At the end of June, we provided two pipers to be a part of the 406Sqn Australian Air Force Cadets 'Dining In Night', held in the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch Simpson Room. It was a very ceremonial occasion where our pipers played for the entrance of the Colour Party to begin proceedings, and later to pipe in the port, prior to the toast to the King. The Band then played for the exit of the Colour Party at the end of the night. Our pipers were presented with a Certificate of Appreciation at the end of the evening.



**LOOKING FOR PIPES & DRUMS PLAYERS.. GET IN TOUCH TODAY!**

## Contact

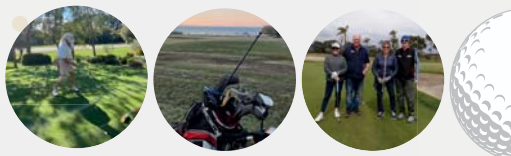
**Secretary:** Sean Sullivan

**Practice:** Wednesdays 7PM, Frankston RSL

**PH:** 0413 176 832 **E:** frankstonrslpad@gmail.com



# Golf



What a great three months we had at the golf section from March to June 2025.

It's not too late to come and join us at one of the remaining games of the season, on some great courses and some would say probably the cream of the crop of magnificent Peninsula courses, including Flinders, Eagle Ridge and Moonah Links. That said, both Devil Bend and Centenary Park were both in excellent condition when we played there earlier in the year.

Our fourth game in the calendar was in April and at Eagle Ridge. We were again lucky with the sun shining and hardly any wind. We played our first doubles competition of the season with some great scores being carded. The winners scoring an eye-watering 48 points. Well done Shane and Geoff.

Next, it was to Centenary Park with both a singles Stableford game and the next round of the doubles knockout. The weather and course were great, and congrats to Anne, the overall winner of the day, with a healthy 38 points, closely followed by Geoff, Robin, and Tony on 37 points. Also well done to Tony, Brett, Robin, Brian, and Eric, who all won their singles competition and move on to the quarterfinals.

The June game was on the open course at Moonah Links. A particularly hard course with unforgiving rough. The decision to play a four person Ambrose game again this year was just the job. Well done to our Captain, Grant. The number of lost balls can't be recorded here, for the want of showing ourselves up! It was a humbling experience, as we thought we could play ok golf! That said, the day was again lovely and sunny, with the wind being kind to us yet again. This was a close game once again, and won by the foursome of Geoff, Brian, Heidi and Paul.

In between these games, the section also helped sell badges and other memorabilia for the ANZAC Day Appeals, thanks to all who gave their time.

We were also lucky to be asked to represent the Frankston RSL Sub-Branch, at the 'Challenge Supporting Kids with Cancer and their families golf day'. Thank you Committee Executives Peter Kerley and Brian Hill CSC, General Manager Brett Rowlands, and Martin Stone, for making time to represent us.

The trip away to Howlong Golf Course in NSW and held at the end of February this year was a roaring success. We had 24 members enjoy a fantastic weekend away, and golfing in great weather conditions across three brilliant days of golf, including a playoff between Rob and Tony in the mens' group to establish the winner. Both the Mens and Ladies winners were presented with the Blue Blazer, and many congrats go to Rob Witting and Kath Ferry.

## Fees

Joining fee is \$60 & all games are \$60, regardless of green fees.

## Lunch & Presentations

After each round of golf, we gather at the Frankston RSL Pavilion for a BBQ and presentation. The cost is included in the green fees, and drinks are available at a nominal price.



# SUB-SECTIONS

## 2025 CALENDAR

FRANKSTON RSL

**GOLF**  
SUB-SECTION  
- Est 1983 -

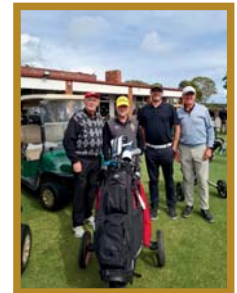
- 03.08 FLINDERS GOLF CLUB**
- 14.09 EAGLE RIDGE GOLF CLUB**
- 12.10 DEVIL BEND GOLF CLUB**
- 02.11 MOONAH LINKS (LEGENDS COURSE)**
- 07.12 CENTENARY PARK GOLF CLUB**



Shane & Geoff



Geoff, Brian, Heidi, Paul



Peter, Brian, Brett, Martin



Dean, Deb, Dave, Anne



John & Debra



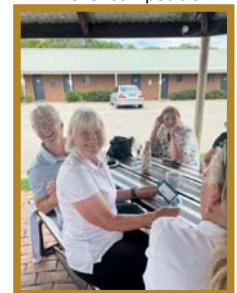
Rob & Tony prior to play off in mens' competition



Rob & Kath in their Blue Winners' Blazers, Howlong Golf Course



Kath on her way to Victory in the Howlong Ladies competition



Enjoying a drink after the game at Howlong

## New Members



The Golf Section are a lively bunch of male and female players of mixed abilities with a wide range of handicaps that are divided into 3 grades (A, B, C). Of course there are those who are good and then some of us who try to hit a good shot now and then, but all enjoy the fun and banter. We welcome new members, from beginners to pros, and we we play once a month on a Sunday, at many courses on the Peninsula. Each year we get away on a 3 day golfing trip and you'd be hard pressed to find better golfing company. The joining fee contributes to subsidising games and an end of year presentation. All members must also hold a current RSL Membership.

## Contact

**Club Captain:** Grant Goodall **PH:** 0414 868 164  
**Secretary:** Tony Harris **PH:** 0435 240 342

# Bingo!



## JOIN THE FUN AT FRANKSTON RSL BINGO!

If you're wondering what to do on a Monday morning or a Thursday night why not come along to a great social activity. FREE tea and coffee is available and Bingo Books are just \$6 for 30 games - same price for the last eight years!



## BIG BUCKS BINGO! \$17M WON IN THE HISTORY OF

Have you heard about Big Bucks Bingo? It's Bingo as you've always played. This is another exciting opportunity to win extra cash through various jackpots, and add to the fun of your day or evening. Purchase a \$2 ticket to enter for your chance to win! Available on both Mondays and Thursdays every week.

It's easy to play, just watch and listen for the unique numbers corresponding to the bonus symbols, and the first player to win the FULL HOUSE wins the in-house venue jackpot. As the in-house winner if you have marked off 5 matching symbols on your winning Full House ticket you also win the feature Jackpot.

## PLAY & WIN

### In-House Venue Jackpot

Win 50% of the day's tickets sales.

### Weekly \$250 Feature Jackpot

### Weekly State wide Mini Jackpot \$1K/\$5K

Four \$1K Frankston RSL winners in May-June, 2025.

### State-wide Big Bucks Jackpot

Jackpot goes up by \$500 each week until \$100,000.



Congratulations to our four Frankston RSL Big Bucks Bingo Winners who won \$1,000, throughout the 12 week Cosmic Cash Bingo Promotion.

BINGO your way to the Frankston RSL.

You've got to be in it to win it!

Eyes down at 11AM for Monday Bingo

Eyes down at 7PM for Thursday Bingo.

Books of 30 games, \$6 each. Simpson Function Room. No bookings required.



## VETERANS & FAMILIES Support Services

FRANKSTON RSL SUB-BRANCH PRIDES ITSELF IN PROVIDING SUPPORT TO VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES/DEPENDANTS.

VETERANS INCLUDE THOSE WHO SERVE OR SERVED IN AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCES (ADF), NATIONAL SERVICE, RESERVISTS, ALLIED, AND COMMONWEALTH FORCES, AND WITH OR WITHOUT OVERSEAS SERVICE. VETERANS DO NOT HAVE TO BE MEMBERS OF FRANKSTON RSL SUB-BRANCH TO RECEIVE SUPPORT.

### THIS SUPPORT MIGHT INCLUDE:

- Wellbeing Advocacy & Support
- Referral to the Compensation Advocacy Team at the Frankston Veterans & Families Hub
- Information & Referral to local community services and organisations
  - Applications for Financial Assistance
  - Wednesday Coffee (Veteran's & Partners) 10am Table #221 Alfresco area
  - Friday Coffee (Veterans) 10am, Huey's Bar
- Support navigating My Aged Care & Veterans Home Care
  - Home & Hospital Visitation Team
- Hello Program phone-calls to Senior Service Members
  - Social Activities, Bus-trips, BBQ's & lunches
- PARC Agestrong Exercise Classes Tues & Friday 8am
  - RSL Funeral Representatives
- Mobility Aids, Furniture & Whitegoods Program

All Wellbeing and Compensation Advocacy Services are **free, private, and confidential.**

### CONTACT

Frankston RSL Wellbeing Team: Monday to Friday, 9AM to 4:30PM.  
 Contact: Stellar Phone 0492 820 743, Email: [welfare@frankstonrsl.com.au](mailto:welfare@frankstonrsl.com.au)  
 Compensation Advocacy (Veteran Central): Mon to Fri, 9AM to 5PM  
 Contact: 1300 645 838  
 Website: [www.rslvic.com.au/veteran-support/veteran-central](http://www.rslvic.com.au/veteran-support/veteran-central)



## VETERANS CARD - VICTORIA

The Veterans Card is available to all past and present ADF members residing in Victoria, including those on active duty, veterans and Reservists.

More Information:  
[www.service.vic.gov.au/services/veterans-card-victoria](http://www.service.vic.gov.au/services/veterans-card-victoria)

## Defence and Veteran Carers Network

Providing support for carers of current and former ADF members, and for ADF members & veterans who provide unpaid care.

[WWW.CARERSAUSTRALIA.COM.AU](http://WWW.CARERSAUSTRALIA.COM.AU)



Support, resources, and an advocacy platform for carers of veterans.

Do you provide care for a friend or family member who is a veteran or is in the Australian Defence Force (ADF)? Or are you a current or former ADF member who cares for a friend or family member?

Read more: [www.carersaustralia.com.au/programs-projects/defence-carers-network](http://www.carersaustralia.com.au/programs-projects/defence-carers-network)

The new Defence and Veteran Carers Network is funded by the Department of Defence and is run by Carers Australia (@carers\_au), who provide support, resources and an advocacy platform for carers of current and former ADF member(s).

Carers Australia is also collecting stories of Defence and veteran carers to help raise awareness of their important role and unique challenges. Your story could help other people better identify as a carer and how to access support and services to help navigate the role of carers.

Find out more about the program & hear others share their experience as a defence partner or carer: [www.bit.ly/43F0Rva](http://www.bit.ly/43F0Rva)

**VALUED  
AT \$500**

# WIN NOMADIQ BBQ

## 07/09/2025

Win a NomadiQ BBQ this Father's Day!

Receive an entry ticket (s) when you purchase a glass or a bottle of Pepperjack Shiraz Wine on Father's Day, during lunch or dinner in the Bistro.

A winner will be drawn at 8PM during Father's Day dinner.

The NomadiQ BBQ comes in a recyclable box complete with gas hose, pressure regulator, drip trays, shoulder strap and a manual. Only the gas bottle is needed for hours of grilling and fun!



# WE ARE... HIRING!!

## JOB POSITIONS

- Line Chef- Full Time
- Bistro Food & Beverage Attendants - Casual
- Gaming & TAB Attendant - Casual

HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE FOR FURTHER DETAILS -  
[WWW.FRANKSTONRSL.COM.AU/CURRENT-VACANCIES](http://WWW.FRANKSTONRSL.COM.AU/CURRENT-VACANCIES)

Positions available at time of publishing

## BE PART OF OUR FAMILY !

### CAN WE INSPIRE YOU?

AS ONE OF THE LEADING RSL CLUBS IN VICTORIA WE HAVE 125 STAFF AND OVER 14,000 MEMBERS -OF WHICH 4,000 ARE SERVICE AND AFFILIATE MEMBERS. THE VENUE WAS NEWLY RENOVATED IN 2020, AND OFFERS 3,000M2 OF SPACE, 500 SPACE CAR PARK, 2 RESTAURANTS AND 3 CHILDREN PLAY AREAS, AS WELL AS A CAFÉ, A SPORTS BAR WITH A 6M SCREEN, ALFRESCO DINING, KENO, TAB FACILITIES, & A 350M2 FUNCTION ROOM WITH 250 SEAT CAPACITY.

### AWARDS

THE FRANKSTON RSL WAS AWARDED BY COMMUNITY CLUBS VICTORIA, AND SELECTED FROM OVER 1,000 CLUBS IN METRO & REGIONAL MELBOURNE  
BEST METRO BISTRO/RESTAURANT 2024 -2025  
BEST METRO MENTAL & SOCIAL WELLBEING 2023 -2024  
BEST COMMUNITY CLUB OF THE YEAR 2022-23

### EMPLOYER OF CHOICE

WE ARE ALWAYS ON THE LOOKOUT FOR GREAT TALENT. WE OFFER AN INCLUSIVE & TEAM ORIENTATED WORK ENVIRONMENT WITH A FOCUS ON WORK LIFE BALANCE.  
SEND YOUR RESUME TODAY!

JOB ADS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.FRANKSTONRSL.COM.AU/JOBS](http://WWW.FRANKSTONRSL.COM.AU/JOBS)

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(03) 8792 4400

# Sub Sections & Groups Contacts



Contact & Meet Up Times	Frankston RSL meet-up
<b>billiards &amp; snooker</b> secretary: Mark Dunn 0422 304 052 email: bill_snooker@frankstonrsl.com.au	mon, tue, thu 6.30PM & tue 10.00AM
<b>golf</b> secretary: Tony Harris 0435 240 342 email: harrisl1978@gmail.com	selected sundays BBQ 12PM
<b>pipes &amp; drums</b> secretary: Sean Sullivan 0413 176 832 email: frankstonrslpad@gmail.com	wednesdays 7PM
<b>home &amp; hospital visitation team</b> contact: Carol Macfarlane 0410 134 599 email: cmacfarlane@frankstonrsl.com.au	last friday of the month 10AM
<b>bingo</b> reception: 8792 4400 email: reception@frankstonrsl.com.au	monday eyes down 11AM thursday eyes down 7PM
<b>frankston probus</b> secretary: Annie Stahmer 0418 822 744 email: ann.stahmer@bigpond.com	1st wednesday of the month 9AM Pavilion
<b>vietnam veterans australia</b> president: Cheryl Myers OAM 0409 962 545 email: secretary.frankston@vvaavic.org.au	1st monday of the month simpson II function room 1.30PM non-daylight savings 7.30PM daylight savings
<b>women's auxiliary</b> coordinator: Carol 0410 134 599 email: cmacfarlane@frankstonrsl.com.au	3rd wednesday of the month 10.30AM (call for location)
<b>wellbeing &amp; welfare</b> coordinator: Stellar 0492 820 743 email: welfare@frankstonrsl.com.au	monday-friday 9AM-4.30PM
<b>Frankston Hub - Compensation Team</b> wellbeing navigators: 1300 645 838	monday-friday 9AM-5PM
<b>partners of veterans australia</b> secretary: Rhonda Tempest 0410 566 709 email: r.tempest@bigpond.com	2nd monday of the month 10.30AM -4.30PM simpson II function room
<b>legacy Frankston</b> coordinator: Lyn Smith 0423 626 973 email: lynsmith51@gmail.com	2nd thursday of the month 10.30AM (call for location)
<b>probus club frankston heights inc</b> email: fhprobus@gmail.com	3rd tuesday of the month 9.30AM for 10AM
<b>frankston prostate cancer support</b> contact: Kevin 0419 133 826 email: smko@bigpond.com	last wednesday of the month 10.30AM pavilion
<b>memorabilia team</b> contact: Reception 8792 4400 email: reception@frankstonrsl.com.au	every 2nd & 4th Friday of the month, 9.30AM pavilion
<b>4th/19th Prince of Wales's Light Horse Regiment Old Boys</b> contact: Jeff (Tex) Heuston 0412 500 609 email: jeff.heuston@bigpond.com	Last Friday of each month 11.30AM for 12.30PM

## FRANKSTON RSL MANAGEMENT TEAM

General Manager  
**Brett Rowlands**

Operations  
**Colin Ross**

People & Culture  
**Jodi Millar**

Governance  
**Rose VanVelzen**

Finance  
**Jarrold Broben**

Bar & Gaming  
**Tracy Vrana**

Marketing & Promotions  
**Patricia Russo**

Executive Chef  
**Dean Webster**

Front of House  
**Mata Harawira-Tai**

Administration  
**Anja Lepoigneur**





*The Ultimate*  
**NEIL DIAMOND** *Experience*  
**HOT AUGUST NIGHT**

**DINNER & SHOW**

**\$65.00 FRANKSTON RSL MEMBERS**

**\$69.50 GUESTS**

**SHOW ONLY**

**\$35.00 FRANKSTON RSL MEMBERS**

**\$39.00 GUESTS**

**DOORS OPEN 7PM FOR DINNER  
DOORS OPEN 8.30PM FOR SHOW**



**FRIDAY**  
**24TH OCTOBER**

**BOOK TICKETS: CONTACT RECEPTION 8792 4400**

**WWW.FRANKSTONRSL.COM.AU/TICKETED-SHOWS**