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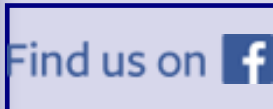
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Mt Barker RSL Sub-Branch—

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another month has been and gone and we are inching closer to Christmas. February & March have seen lots of maintenance being carried out around the building, the area where the old air conditioner was and the ceiling at the back of the dining room has been fixed and painted. The car park has had a tidy up and the rosemary has had a trim. (The top hasn't been trimmed as we will use those sprigs for ANZAC Day).

The Sub Branch applied for a Community grant through the Rotary Club of Mt Barker and were successful in winning \$1500 to go towards the improvement & repairs to the front of the building and so you would of noticed that the old paint work is in the process of being scrapped back in preparation to sealing it and then repainting it.

March, seen Members hold a sausage sizzle on the Sub Branch veranda to support Soldiers from 16th Regiment RAA, Woodside who will be travelling to Kokoda for ANZAC Day this year, several of these Members then visited the Club on Wednesday 22nd March for morning tea, where they were presented a cheque by Colin Wagener. These members will be coming back once they have returned to tell us how they went.

The 150th Mt Barker Show was held on Saturday the 25th March and even though it is a lot of work to organize **we sold out!**

The introduction of the new “Troopie” to the menu was a great success.

Thank you to Heather, Rebecca, June, Arnold, Mark, Michael, Rod, Fred, Chris, Mini Raj, Clinton and Niall.

Wednesday 29th March we had a visit & information session from DVA to explain the sort of help that is available to support our Veterans & their families.

The session was invaluable as many realized that there is a few more things that they need to do for their future planning. If you missed out on this we will be having another information session later in the year.

Friday 31st March saw the Sub Branch once again light up the BBQ for Mt Barker Primary School's Sports Day, this was another success with over 300 pre paid sausages cooked for the Students. When Rebecca & Clinton dropped off the sausages the immediate hush of 296 odd students eating was deafening.

Our next BBQ under the veranda is Saturday 22nd April

Our next activity is the big one, **ANZAC Day 2023**, at this stage there are No COVID restrictions or Requirements and so we will be holding the Dawn Service as normal with the Community of Mt Barker. The Service begins at 6am and Mann St, between the round about on Hutchinson St and Morphett St (closer to CFS Station) will be **CLOSED with NO PARKING** in that closed off area.

The Gunfire Breakfast is back this year at a cost of \$5 per person.

We will be setting up the Club rooms on the Saturday 22nd & Monday 24th April, if you are available to help on those days it would be most appreciated.

We will also require help with the serving of tea & coffee and then cleaning up afterwards.

The Mt Barker RSL would like to thank the following people/organisations for their continued support—



Bunnings Mt Barker

Fielke Accountants

Mt Barker District Concert Band

The Hills Football League

Rotary Club of Mt Barker



Forthcoming events

Coffee n Chat	Each Wednesday.	10-12 noon	Dining Room
Friday night dinners Bookings 8391 4845	Friday	6.00 for 6.30 pm	Dining Room \$22 Members \$25 Non Members
Next Committee meeting	Wednesday 19th April 2023	12noon	Dining Room
Next General Meeting	Wednesday 5th April 2023	7pm	Dining Room
BBQs	Saturday Fortnightly	8.00-2.00 pm	Veranda RSL

DATES TO REMEMBER

EASTER 2023

Friday 7th April– Monday 10th April
Good Friday, No Friday Dinner

ANZAC DAY

6am

Dawn Service

GUNFIRE Breakfast

Following the Service

Back at the Sub Branch

ANZAC Day,

Football Clash Match

Mt Barker V Hahndorf

At Mt Barker Oval

Presentation of the

Thomas Johannes De Vries Van Leeuwen

&

Lucy Compson Daw

ANZAC medals



***105 year old, WW2 Soldier, Colin Wagener presenting
16th Regiment RAA Soldier
CPL Lewis James with a cheque for their
Kokoda Journey***



Mt Barker RSL Sub-branch

The Club's opening hours are as follows:
WE ARE OPEN ON A LIMITED BASIS

Monday—Administration.

Wednesday—10-12 noon—Coffee and Chat

Friday nights—Dinner from 6.30 pm. Bookings essential for dinner on 8391.4845 \$22 for RSL Members \$25 for Non Members. Two courses.

Saturday BBQs—These run fortnightly. Please keep an eye on the notice board out the front. These are great fun days, with a huge amount of laughter and camaraderie. Please see our FACEBOOK page to keep up to date.

Useful numbers

Open Arms - Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Service: 1800 011 046

Vietnam Veterans Association—SA

Phone: 08 8232 9422

Fax: 08 8232 9899

Office hours: Mon to Friday: 09.30am-12.30pm

Email: vietvetsa@chariot.net.au

Website: www.vvaa-sa.asn.au

Officers at RSL SA Headquarters Assistance from any one of these practitioners may be obtained by calling RSL SA for an appointment on (08) 8100 7300 or email admin@rslsa.org.au.