

Bondi Junction-Waverley RSL SUB-BRANCH



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RSL SUB-BRANCH QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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PLEASE NOTE - NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING:

The next Quarterly Meeting of our Sub-Branch will be held at the **Club Bondi Junction: Function Room - 1st floor,** commencing at 11am SHARP on **SUNDAY 15TH JUNE 2025.**

You **MUST** advise of your intention to attend by either:

phone: (02) 9387 4891 OR email: subbranch@clubbondijunction.com.au

RSVP BY: Friday 6th June 2025 - This is essential for catering purposes.

If you do not reply you will not be allowed admittance into meeting as numbers are limited.

SUB-BRANCH PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Greg Goodieson



Hello members, it's been a busy few months since our last meeting. As always, the lead up to ANZAC Day is always busy for us on the Sub Branch Committee. This year for the first time in about 20 years Bill Harrigan was not MC for the ANZAC Day Ceremony in Waverley Park. Bill and Joy were off on a well deserved overseas holiday.

This year we had Army Cadets from Waverley College attending with their ruffles and Air Force Cadets from 306 Squadron who attended for the first time carrying the National/State/RSL flags. If you have been going to the ANZAC Day ceremonies at Waverley Park for several years, this year you would have noticed a couple of things done slightly different. Marching is something I particularly like, so I introduced more marching into our ceremony this year, because it adds meaning to the occasion, music, colourful flags, uniforms, pride and discipline were put on full display showing off the cadets marching abilities. Which I can say was an outstanding by both cadet units.

Many of your Sub Branch committee participated in the day, and I would like to thank them all. Lisa Cinicola our SB Office Manager for purchasing the wreaths and Sue Welman for helping on the day handing out the wreaths. The Custodians this year were Captain John Metzl and WO Troy Nicoll, both in uniform and were kept very busy accepting the many wreaths that were placed around the Cenotaph.

Thanks to Jeanette Kearney who attended all the meetings with Waverley Council and helped me with my MC notes. It was Father Mirko's first appearance at this ANZAC Day ceremony, and I think the showstopper performance for me was the way he sang "Abide with Me" with the Bondi Brass Band. Cassy Bartolemi who sang the New Zealand and Australian national anthems sang them both incredibly well.

I was informed by Waverley Council after the ceremony that the numbers that attended this year's ANZAC Day ceremony were the biggest crowd in years. The council's goal in the years ahead, is to make this ANZAC Day event a major event on the Waverley calendar.

Photos from the ANZAC Day Commemoration Service at Waverley Park 2025 (more over page)





HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT - Bill Harrigan

Hello Members, another Quarterly meeting is fast approaching so it is Newsletter time again. The photos with this Newsletter indicate a very successful ANZAC Day service. This is about the second ANZAC Day service I have missed out on since 1989. The reason for this was my wife and I were on a SilverSea cruise from Tokyo to Singapore returning home on the 6th May.

This was just in time for the Victory in Europe (VE Day) Service which is conducted each year by the local Waverley Russian Community. I represented our sub-Branch and the Mayor represented the Waverley Council. Most of the Service was conducted in Russian however, I was fortunate enough to have the man sitting next to me translate the proceeding for me.

The Eastern Metropolitan District Council held its first regular monthly meeting here on Wednesday 14th May in our function room. It is hoped we will now be included in their roster for regular meetings here. About 25 delegates were in attendance.

The sub-Branch finalised its Annual donations policy for the financial year ending the 30th June. Lisa and our Accountant Ken Wright have now finalised SBA accounts for the year which checked and they were signed off and forwarded to State Branch. Financially, it has been a successful year for us with good occupations of our Laurieton District units, but not much coming from the Patonga units which we will be soon be selling when we get a firm valuation and RSL State Branch approval.

David Jeffrey continues to do a sterling job visiting our sick and elderly members, while Lisa and Sue keep the office going so all is well in our sub-Branch.

The next meeting will be held in the Club Function rooms on Sunday 15th June commencing at 11.00 am but please commence entering the area from 10.45am. Please attend if at all possible.

Finally some of our members are yet to renew their membership, this may be due to the fact there are no fees present. But it is important to renew by calling the office or emailing your response. This is most important if you wish to remain a member.

See you at the meeting or in our Club.



War Memorial Hospital - ANZAC Day Commemoration Service 24th April 2025



JUNE 2025 QUARTERLY MEETING

SUNDAY 15TH JUNE
1100HRS
EASTS LEAGUES CLUB

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Previous Meetings:
 - 1) March Quarterly Meeting
 - 2) April Committee Meeting
 - 3) May Committee Meeting
 - 4) June Committee Meeting
- a) Reception
- b) Business Arising
- c) Confirmation
3. Welcome New Members.
4. Correspondence
5. Notice of Motion
6. Reports:
 - a) President
 - b) Treasurer
 - c) Secretary
7. a) Welfare
- b) EMDC
- c) SEMCWAC
- d) Sport & Rec.

General Business.

W.T. Harrigan
Sub-Branch Honorary Secretary

..... More Photos from ANZAC Day

