

### **Beaumaris RSL Sub Branch**

Temporarily located at Beaumaris Sports Club 68 Oak Street Beaumaris VIC 3193

# May 2018 MEMBERS NEWS

#### Dear Member

What a month April was! I hope you were able to participate in one of the events that took place. Our ANZAC March and Service this year was one of the best ever with a huge turn out from the public and a very large contingent marching. We thank our State Secretary Brigadier, Michael Annett, CSC who was our reviewing officer and key note speaker on the day.

The Beaumaris Football Club put on a great day for our inaugural ANZAC round on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> of April which we hope will become a permanent fixture. The Sub-Branch was also invited on the Sunday night to provide a short speech and Ode during the traditional Juniors Shark of the Month. On ANZAC Day we held a special 'Stand To' at the club at 6-30pm.

We of course also held our AGM providing the Sub-Branch's audited financial reports and holding our elections. We provided a presentation regarding our proposed business plan which has now been sent through to State Branch for consideration.

If you have any time and would like to volunteer to assist please get in touch!

#### The Beaumaris March and Service Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Our incredible organising team were blessed with perfect weather for the 2018 Beaumaris RSL Community ANZAC Commemorative March and Service. Our Reviewing Officer and Guest Speaker Brigadier Michael Annett, CSC, provided a very moving and informative address. Yet again, the March had a fly over, led by one of our members and there was a strong contingent of local community groups and schools who laid wreaths.



Members of Charlie Company 5/6 Royal Victoria Regiment Labuan Barracks, Royal Avenue Sandringham Catafalque Party



## Inaugural Beaumaris RSL ANZAC Lunch -

The event went very well and we thank our guest speaker WO Mick Cooper from HMAS Cerberus for attending and officiating the pre-game ANZAC ceremony on the ground.



WO Mick Cooper presenting the inaugural Beaumaris RSL ANZAC Round player of the day to Ethan Oliver from the Under 19's An award was presented to the nominated player by both the home and away coaches.

Each of the two games played on the day began with the ANZAC ceremony and the playing of the National Anthem.

The Navy piped the still using a traditional Bosun's Call

#### **New Members**

We have been processing many new members and updating the details of previous and existing members over the past 6 months. It is very pleasing that we have now passed 200 financial members all through word of mouth. Once we get further direction from ANZAC House we intend to conduct a membership drive. In the meantime please encourage all those that you know who may of once been a member or who may be interested to get in touch Jane Lapa our membership officer using the details below.



Frank Antolos and Pete McCoy receives their membership badge and card.

#### **ANZAC Appeal**

A huge thank-you to all those that helped with this year's ANZAC Appeal. Our sub-branch was active at the local shops, train stations and at the various events we hosted during the month of April. A full report of the funds raised will be placed in the next edition of our newsletter. A big thank-you to Andrea McCoy our new Appeals Officer who did an amazing job for her first appeal.

## The 2018 AGM 30th of April 2018

Our meeting was very well attended with the key business of providing the financial reports and conducting the elections completed on the night. The following members were elected unopposed:

President Clarke Martin
Vice President John Douglas
Treasurer Timothy Holden
Committee Jane Lapa

Steve Gage

Shayne Benedict

Since the AGM the committee has elected Shayne Benedict as Secretary and seconded Gina Scott as a general committee member.

On conclusion of the AGM a presentation was provided that detailed the Sub-Branches proposed business plan that has now been submitted to the State Branch for consideration. The key elements to the plan included an investment into the Beaumaris Sports Club to become an equal partner as the 4<sup>th</sup> club, an extension to the current building to provide appropriate accommodation for our members and to purchase a near-by house with the aim of providing crisis accommodation in partnership with the RSL movement to assist homeless veterans.

We expect ANZAC House to respond during June and will keep you updated on next steps.

#### The Women's Auxiliary

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Black Rock Sports Club in Fern Street, Black Rock is when the Beaumaris RSL Women's Auxiliary meet to organize activities and social gatherings for members of the community and to enjoy the friendship and support of others over afternoon tea. Transport is available on request.

The Auxiliary also provides considerable support to the RSL on **ANZAC DAY and REMEMBRANCE DAY**. They assist with the organization and provide the refreshments for up to 600 attendees.

As a new initiative, the Auxiliary has a "Secret Afternoon Coffee Club" that meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month. Its purpose is to provide an opportunity for members to get together and chat and enjoy the company of others. A phone call on the Monday prior enables us to co-ordinate transport and to reveal the location booked for afternoon tea, at a different café each month.

The Women's Auxiliary also organizes a **Community Christmas in July (see below flyer) and December** with an open invitation to anyone or groups who wish to attend. These luncheons are well patronized and are a perfect opportunity to get together with members of RSL and the wider community. Local schools support our luncheon with the entertainment.

**The Heathland Day Club** meets every Thursday at the Black Rock Sports Club in Fern Street, Black Rock. They begin with a cuppa and enjoy an exercise program, overseen by a qualified exercise physiologist. After a workout they relax with a quiz and may stay for lunch provided by the Women's Auxiliary, followed by board games.

If you would like to be a part of any of these activities or need further information please give us a call. The Women's Auxiliary and the Heathland Day Club both welcome new members. Transport is available on request for those who would like to participate but are restricted by lack of mobility.

#### **Auxiliary Contact details**

President Mairi McIntosh 0419 882 501 Secretary Reg Black 0408 324 866

**Heathland Day Club** 

Coordinator Mairi McIntosh 0419 882 501

**Bayside Legacy Widow's Club** is a social group that gathers every 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at the Beaumaris Community Centre for a meeting and they organize a guest speaker to attend. They also have an outing every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. They hire a bus and go to lunch in the Dandenongs or similar. In May they are off to the Creswick Woollen Mills, no doubt for shopping and lunch. They are also booked into the RACV Club in Healesville for their Christmas in July celebrations on the 16<sup>th</sup> July.

Secretary Paula Paul 9589 3853

I hope you have enjoyed the newsletter and please do not hesitate to call me if you need.

Clarke Martin President Beaumaris RSL Sub Branch 0412 259 631 Please contact Jane Lapa our membership officer with any enquiries. Phone 0415 935 513 or email jane.lapa@icloud.com

If you have any feedback or an item you would like to include in the newsletter please email it through to <a href="mailto:beaumarisrsl@gmail.com">beaumarisrsl@gmail.com</a>

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## BEAUMARIS RSL AND COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS IN JULY LUNCH

Bring along family and friends.

Cheltenham Golf Club 35 Victor Ave

Cheltenham 3192

Thursday 26th July 2017

12 noon for 12.30 pm

Cost: \$35 for a two-course lunch by "Scotty"

Bookings and Payment: Mairi McIntosh

Table Bookings encouraged.

Please inform Mairi of special dietary requirements at the time of your booking.

Email: mandr@ozemail.com.au

Mobile: 0419 882 501 By: 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Payment: Beaumaris RSL Women's Auxiliary 339A Beach Road, Black Rock, Vic 3193