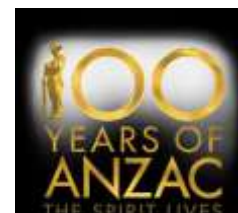


Mt Evelyn RSL News



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A Sub-Branch of the Returned and Services League of Australia



AVENUE OF HONOUR UNVEILED

2015 Meeting Dates

Sept 18th, 2015
Oct 16th, 2015
Nov 20th, 2015
Dec 18th, 2015

*The Mt Evelyn RSL
Meetings are held on
the third Friday of
each month at
7.30pm at the:*

Mt Evelyn RSL

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Above: Unveiling ceremony (photo courtesy of Greg Carrick)

On Sunday July 26th, 2015 a large crowd braved cold weather, and later rain, to watch the unveiling of the recreated Mt Evelyn Avenue of Honour. This was a centenary of Anzac project by the Mt Evelyn History Group who received funds from the Casey electorate Centenary of Anzac programme to have 19 plaques made.

The original Avenue of Honour was planted between 1918 and 1919 at the southern end of Wray Cres and had plaques and wooden guards. For many years local state school students held ceremonies here but by the 1940's the memorial became neglected, then forgotten about and in the end dangerous, requiring the Shire to take the trees down.

When the centenary came along there was a movement to recreate the avenue. A committee was put together with representatives from MEHG, RSL, METIC & MEIPPA to decide on the form of the new avenue. Everyone felt it was the names that should be honoured, that they didn't want trees again and that it should go in the war memorial park. In the end it was decided to do a plaque that detailed the history of the Avenue and then to create 18 plaques and plinths to go around the garden that detailed the service of the 18 Mt Evelyn veterans originally honoured at the Avenue. Roger Boness and Ted Fairweather did a great job creating the plinths and the Shire of Yarra Ranges Garden Team helped install them and the main memorial.

More on the ceremony inside.....

Important Dates

Coming Up:

Athenaeum Theatre, Lilydale

Members of the club
enjoy our quarterly
excursions to the ATC.

We will be doing the same
in 2015 so come along and
see:

• **The Mystery of Edwin Drood**

**Sunday Nov 5th
2.00pm**

***Tickets only \$10
for members
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Mt Evelyn Street FESTIVAL

**Saturday
October 24th, 2015**

See flyer inside.

Mt Evelyn RSL Xmas luncheon



**Tues Dec 8th
Wild Cattle
Creek Winery**



**Cost - \$20
(for members)**

Contact Roger on:
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We remember the recent passing of two of our RSL members; William Phillips (RSL Life Member) and Affiliate Member Luke Hollier.

Bill spent his last years at Mercy Health in Montrose where he was well respected by staff and popular amongst all the residents. Bill was a foundation member of the Mt Evelyn RSL and helped set up the RSL welfare account.

Luke was a popular member of the Mt Evelyn Community, RSL Sub-Branch, Mt Evelyn Football-Netball Club and the Yarra Valley Mountain District Football Netball League where he was an award winning boundary umpire.

The RSL acknowledges both Bill and Luke for their tireless contribution to the Mt Evelyn community. Rest in Peace.

On Sunday 26th July 2015 in blustery winter conditions Mt Evelyn community members, elected representatives, local school children, members of the 22nd Engineers Regiment and visitors met at the Mt Evelyn memorial garden to rededicate the names of those local World War One soldiers whose names were lost when the Mt Evelyn avenue of honour was removed due to public safety.

The Mt Evelyn Historical Society in conjunction with the RSL replaced the lost Avenue of Honour names with individual plaques set on concrete plinths in the memorial gardens. Sincere thanks to those who participated in this unique memorial service ie; 22nd Engineer catafalque party, Iain Townsley piper, Cr Maria McCarthy, Dr Bart Ziino, Combined Mt Evelyn Schools Choir, Jenny Barker, Trista Fry and Angela Glennie, Tony Smith MP, Tom Steele bugler, Rev Richard Schoenmaker and Paula Herlihy president Mt Evelyn History Group who made this bleak winters day tolerable and memorable.

Mt Evelyn RSL members and friends are reminded that the Mt Evelyn 2015 Street Party celebrating in 50's style with the theme will be held on Saturday 24th October 2015, a community event, not to be missed.

Similarly RSL members are reminded to add their names to the list for the RSL Christmas Lunch, cost \$20 to be held at "Wild Cattle Creek" Tuesday 8th December 2015.

On a Sour Note would the thief/thieves of our Australian National Flag from the memorial garden flag pole kindly return it to the RSL at 49 Birmingham Road Mt Evelyn. Should anyone have any information relating to the theft of the flag could you kindly pass it on to the Mt Evelyn Police.

Lest We Forget

Roger Boness

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BETTY'S JOKE PAGE



Q: Where are Kings and Queens usually crowned?

A: On their heads.

Q: What is the royal family's favourite drink?

A: Royal Tea (royalty)

A passenger in a taxi leaned over to ask the driver a question and tapped him on the shoulder. The driver screamed, lost control of the cab, nearly hit a bus, drove up over the curb, and stopped just inches from a large plate glass window. For a few moments everything was silent in the cab, and then the still shaking driver said, "I'm sorry but you scared the daylight out of me." The frightened passenger apologized to the driver and said he didn't realize a mere tap on the shoulder could frighten him so much. The driver replied, "No, no, I'm sorry, it's entirely my fault. Today is my first day driving a cab. For the last 25 years I've been driving a funeral car."

Jesus' dad

Jesus made his usual rounds in heaven when he noticed a wizened, white-haired old man sitting in a corner looking very disconsolate. The next week he was disturbed to come across him again, looking equally miserable, and a week later he stopped to talk to him.

"See here, old fellow," said Jesus kindly, "this is heaven. The sun is shining, you've got all you could want to eat, all the instruments you might want to play-- you're supposed to be blissfully happy! What's wrong?"

"Well," said the old man, "you see, I was a carpenter on earth, and lost my only, dearly beloved son at an early age. And here in heaven I was hoping more than anything to find him."

Tears sprang from Jesus' eyes. *"FATHER!"* he cried. The old man jumped to his feet, bursting into tears, and sobbed, *"PINOCCHIO!"*

We invited an elderly man who lived alone on a neighbouring farm to join us for the Sunday evening meal and were chatting afterwards when a fierce thunderstorm struck. We suggested to our guest that he stay at our house for the night, thinking we'd save him getting soaked riding his bike home. Obviously delighted, the old chap soon afterwards excused himself. We assumed he had gone to the bathroom, but quite some time later he appeared like the proverbial drowned rat with his pyjamas in a plastic bag under his arm.

A man went to visit his 90 year old Grandfather. His Grandfather lived in a very remote, secluded, rural area of the state. After spending the night at the house, his Grandfather prepared a breakfast of eggs and bacon. As the man was eating he noticed a film like substance on the plate, and he asked, *"Grandfather, are these plates clean?"* His Grandfather replied, *"They're as clean as cold water can get 'em, so go on and finish your meal."*

Later on that day, Grandfather prepared a lunch of hamburger steak and new potatoes. As the man was eating he noticed tiny specks around the edge of his plate, and a substance that looked like dried egg yolk. Concerned about his health, he asked again, *"Grandfather, are you sure that these plates are clean?"* Without looking up from his plate, his Grandfather replied, *"I told you before; those dishes are as clean as cold water can get 'em, now don't ask me about it anymore!"*

That evening, the man decided to go out to a restaurant for dinner in a nearby town. As he walked toward his car, his Grandfather's dog started to growl and would not let him pass. *"Grandfather,"* the man complained, *"your dog won't let me by."* Without diverting his attention from the footy game on television, Grandfather shouted- *"Coldwater! Get up and move out of the way and let the boy pass!"*

Angela Merkel has today announced that the new €50 note is to be printed on Greece proof paper.



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LAUNCH OF WWI COMMUNITY DATABASE



Recently President of the Mt Evelyn RSL, Roger Boness, and secretary, Anthony McAleer, attended the launch of the Eastern Region Libraries new community database at the Croydon Library.

The library received funding from a number of federal electorate's Centenary of Anzac funds to put the database together and project leader Kath Smalley and her team of volunteers have worked very hard over six years to get it all together.

The WWI database lists all the names on local war memorials or from the index of local military publications. These names are then put into a search engine that directs researchers back to the database for further information. A wonderful resource for family historians.

You can find it on:

<http://www.erl.vic.gov.au/local/local.php?code=ww1>

Top: Roger Boness with Tony Smith MP & Mayor Cr Maria McCarthy

Centre: MC Anthony McAleer

Below: Co-ordinator Kath Smalley (centre) with federal members Jason Wood MP, Alan Tudge MP, Tony Smith MP & Michael Sukkar MP



VALE BILL PHILLIPS

Bill Phillips grew up in Lilydale and enlisted in the Australian army on June 26th, 1942 at the age of only 15 years old! In order to do this he told the military authorities he was 19 and had his younger brother forge his parent's signature on the consent form. According to Bill, his Mum and Dad didn't know he'd done this. Dad was in the army himself and Mum had 10 other children to look after and thought he was working in the bush. Bill started off as a full time soldier in the CMF, training with the 31st Battalion at Yallourn where he was seconded for a time to undertake commando training around the hills of Mt Erica and Mt Baw Baw - all of this at 15! He was then transferred into the 28th Anti-Aircraft Battery and then a few months later moved to the 406 Heavy Anti-Aircraft Gun Station.

While stationed here, on May 19th, 1943, he transferred into the Second AIF and was eventually attached to the 472 Australian Heavy Anti-aircraft Troop. In September 1943 he left Sydney on a troopship bound for Townsville and the following month sailed on the SS Taroona in a convoy of 15 vessels, of which the Taroona was the flagship, to Milne Bay in New Guinea. Soon after he was moved to Oro Bay where he served until March 1944.

After this he was sent by Liberty Ship to Lae. However while here he contracted Dengue fever and dysentery and was very sick for a long time. It was during this period that the authorities discovered his real age and although 17 at the time they used his health situation to discharge him as medically unfit on June 13th, 1944.

Arriving back home to Lilydale Bill didn't slow up in the least – he decided to take up boxing. The following article appeared in the Lilydale Express in September 1944. *'Lilydale has broken into the fighting centre in the following manner as described by the 'Sporting Globe'. 'Patrons of the Melbourne Stadium on Saturday, seeing dark skinned, handsome Billy Phillips looking strange and nervous when he faced Bob Chapman in a novice bout, couldn't imagine him as a veteran of battle. Yes this 17 year old boy saw nearly two years' service with the army, more than 12 months of which he spent in New Guinea. However, after a couple of bouts of malaria someone found out his age, and he was discharged. Apparently when Billy acts his mind on anything he is hard to throw. Now it's boxing and he travels from Lilydale to Ascot Vale twice a week for training. On Saturday I heard him say he'd win or burst in the attempt. Well he won'.*

His military career certainly didn't end there though. He enlisted again on July 31st, 1945, by this time he was 18 and legally able to enlist. He became an infantry instructor serving for another three years after the war ended. He undertook recruit training until he was eventually discharged in 1948 under the points system.

When the Korean War flared up in 1950, the call went out to World War Two veterans to serve in this conflict in what was to be known as 'K Force'. Again Bill signed up once more in August 1950 and was sent to Japan. However while here he was again plagued with ill health as a result of the tropical diseases he had contracted in New Guinea and ended up having to be discharged and sent home in December 1950.

It should also be noted that his father Jim also served in WW2 and his son, Patrick, also went on to serve in the Vietnam War. An amazing military legacy from the Phillips family.

But an extraordinary and determined effort from a fifteen boy who showed great courage and bravery beyond his years to serve his nation in time of war and survive the horrific battlefields of New Guinea.

Bill was a foundation member of the Mt Evelyn RSL and was last year awarded a Life Membership of the RSL.

Over the years he has been a stalwart of the club.



UNVEILING OF AVENUE OF HONOUR





Photos courtesy – Greg Carrick, Kevin Phillips, Georgia McAleer & John Cass

UNVEILING OF RALPH PROCTOR PORTRAIT



Left: Tony Smith MP and Mayor Cr Maria McCarthy unveil Ralph's portrait (courtesy Greg Carrick)

Above: Artist, Annette McAleer, (seated left) with members of the Proctor family. (courtesy Kevin Phillips)

Below: The portrait of Ralph Proctor, Mt Evelyn RSL stalwart and former RAAF pilot in Europe in WWII.



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STUDENTS RAISE MONEY FOR RSL



President Roger Boness recently attended the 3/4 assembly at Mt Evelyn Primary School where two students, Justin & Nathan (pictured right), presented the RSL with \$48 that they had raised themselves. Their teacher, Amy McMahon, said the boys had raised the money through their Educational Research Project and wanted to donate it to the RSL. In accepting their kind offer Roger also presented the boys with copies of our Joe Clarke Book (left). Well done Justin & Nathan – a great effort!



DONATION OF SPECIAL FLAG

On July 26th our local Federal Member of Parliament, Tony Smith MP, kindly donated to the Mt Evelyn RSL a very special Australian National Flag and certificate (below right).

This flag was flown in the House of Representative Chamber in Federal Parliament Canberra the Day after Remembrance Day on November 12th, 2002.

The Mt Evelyn RSL has decided to fly this flag only on special occasions and as a result the first time it flew in Mt Evelyn was at the war memorial park for the service for the unveiling of the recreated Avenue of Honour.



WELL DONE TONY!

Congratulations to our local federal member Tony Smith MP who was recently elected by his parliamentary colleagues to become the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Tony has become the 30th Speaker since federation and the second member for Casey to undertake the role as Bob Halverson MP had previously performed this duty.



VALE – LUKE HOLLIER

Members of the Mt Evelyn RSL were deeply saddened by the passing of one of our popular affiliate members, Luke Hollier. Luke has been a familiar face around the club for over a decade and his friendly personality and wit always endeared him to those who knew him. Betty Crittenden best described him when she referred to him as 'one of nature's true gentlemen'.

Luke was also a stalwart at the Mt Evelyn Football Club where nearly every weekend during footy season he served as a boundary umpire. Only recently he clocked up 200 games as an umpire and a few years back was awarded the golden whistle award for his efforts.

Our thoughts go out to his parents Laurie and Judy and to his family.

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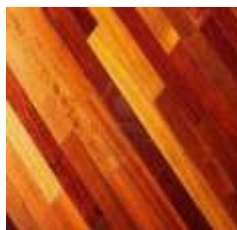
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1.30pm

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RALPH PROCTOR DISPLAY

Make sure you check out the Ralph Proctor RAAF display at the 'Mont de Lancey Museum' at Wandin. Ralph was a long time member at the Mt Evelyn RSL & served with the RAAF in Europe during World War Two. He donated his wartime memorabilia to the museum and it is a fascinating collection. Includes items to do with his experiences at D-Day & Arnhem.



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LEONARD LAWLOR

In commemoration of the centenary of World War One, the Mt Evelyn & Lilydale RSLs have divided the local war memorials between them and will be holding a service on the centenary date of those listed on these memorials who died while on active service. In connection with this will be publishing their biographies in each of our newsletters.....

Leonard Joseph Lawlor was born at Yering on April 6th, 1894, the second youngest son of seven children to William and Sarah Lawlor. He grew up on his family farm there, helping his family on the land, and attended the Yering State School. Not long before the war started his parents moved to 'The Oaks' at Buxton and he took up work as a labourer at 'Yarra View' in Lilydale.

On September 21st, 1914 he walked into the recruiting depot at the Melbourne Town Hall and enlisted to serve in the First World War, he was twenty-one years of age. His medical record shows he was 5 feet, 7 inches high, had black hair and brown eyes. He was also a Roman Catholic.

He was sent to Broadmeadows, the AIF's training camp, where he underwent his initial training and was allotted to the 6th Battalion, regimental number 2144. In October he was visited here by dignitaries from the Shire of Lilydale and presented with a certificate of appreciation for having enlisted.

He left Australia on the first convoy, sailing on the ship HMAT Wiltshire. His mother described his farewell as such: *'I was able to see him off, my son and I went to Port Melbourne and were privileged to walk alongside him as the men marched from the station to the pier, but we were only allowed to go as far as the barrier. We bade him goodbye but were again able to see him when on the boat, after waiting patiently for three hours until they allowed the crowds through the gates on to the pier, but was unable to speak to him as he was too high up on the boat, but was able to wave until the boat moved away'.*

Leonard spent a number of months garrisoned in Egypt, undergoing further training, and then they were shipped to Lemnos Island in preparation for the landing at Gallipoli.

On the morning of April 25th, 1915 Private Leonard Lawlor was with the 6th Battalion as they landed at Anzac Cove. He was killed in action soon after coming ashore and later that day was buried on the beach.

Because of the confusion of that morning the authorities informed his parents he was 'missing in action' rather than 'killed in action'. Not surprisingly his family lived in hope that he would turn up alive and it didn't help matters when a returned soldier, wounded on Gallipoli, claimed to have seen him in a hospital in Egypt.

In 1922 the war graves commission finally found his remains buried on the beach and informed his family, also sending back his identity disc. He was then interred in the Lone Pine Cemetery at Gallipoli. His brother Robert Lawlor was killed in action in the war also, in Belgium in 1917.

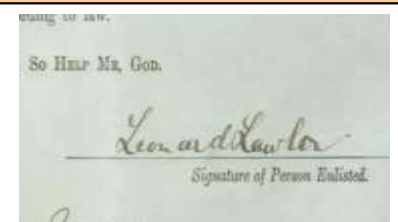
He is remembered on the Lilydale War Memorial, the Shire of Lilydale Honour Board and the Coldstream/Yering War Memorial.

His family later wrote the following tribute in The Argus:

*He never shunned his country's call,
But gave his young life, his best, his all.*

MT EVELYN FURPHYS

- Welcome to new member **Stuart Fraser and Gladys Allwood.**
- Well to the Mt Evelyn Football Club's Under 16 team who won their grand final.
- Best wishes to **Arch Carswell and Andy Franks** who have been unwell lately and **Peter Henskens** who we haven't seen in a while.
- Rumour has it that **Major Russell Kirby** is retiring from the army this year after 27 years in uniform.
- Designs for the Seville War Memorial are moving along well and looks fantastic.
- We see that the former David Mitchell Quarry will be closing down this year for good. Over the years many Mt Evelyn residents worked here.
- There will be a service to 100 years since the death of **J D Burns** at Lilydale War Memorial -
18/9/15@12.00pm
 - Should you require any assistance or advice -
Deanne Webb (the Sub-branch's Welfare Officer).
Ph: **0402 783 849**
Or the Rev Richard Schoenmaker
Ph: **9736 1087**



Above:

Leonard Lawlor's signature on his enlistment form.

If undeliverable return to:

The Mt Evelyn RSL Sub-Branch
PO Box 182
Mt Evelyn Vic 3796

The Digger's Café

The social club operates the club rooms
every

***Thursday afternoon
from 1.00pm to 4.30pm.***

If you're looking for something to do of a
Thursday afternoon in Mt Evelyn
why not call in for a chat or
a game of pool or indoor bowls.

Club Opening Hours

***Every Friday Night
7.00pm – 10.30pm***

Celebrate the end of the week with a visit to
the clubrooms.

We always have a well stocked fridge and
there is always someone on hand to make a
brew if you so desire.

Friday night football/cricket will be playing
on our big screen TV and don't forget we
also have a pool table.

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*Send me an email me if you want to receive the
newsletter faster via email – it also saves the club
on postage costs!*

RSL Hall Hire

As you would have seen from recent publicity, the
membership of the Mt Evelyn RSL have voted to no
longer hire out our hall to one-off users for functions,
mainly because of the issues we've had with them
have made them more trouble than it's worth.

However we will still hire the hall out to members
for functions and at a discounted rate.

Contact the Secretary at:
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