Mt Evelyn RSL News

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



2013 Meeting Dates

April 14th May 19th June 16th July 21st Aug 18th Sept 15th Oct 20th Nov 17th

The Mt Evelyn RSL Meetings are held on the third Sunday of each month at 2.00pm at the:

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NAME ADDED TO THE MT EVELYN HONOUR BOARD

At our AGM in February we were very honoured to have as our special guest Amat Binnoore BEM, Vice-President of the 'Outer-Eastern Vietnam Veterans Association'. Amat grew up in Mt Evelyn and left here in 1971 to serve in the Vietnam War with the Royal Australian Army Service Corps, he was later awarded the 'British Empire Medal'.

In recent conversations with Amat the RSL realised we had accidentally left his name off the Mt Evelyn Honour Board under residents who served in the Vietnam War. As a result we quickly organised to right this wrong and added Amat's name to the board and on February 17th 2013 we proudly invited him to officially unveil his name on the honour board.

Below: Amat Binnoore (left) with President, Roger Boness (Photo: D Webb)



ANZAC SERVICE

SUNDAY APRIL 21ST, 2013

Mt Evelyn War Memorial Park Top of Birmingham Rd

2.00pm – Service

2.45pm – March

3.00pm – Afternoon tea at RSL Hall

DAWN SERVICE

THURSDAY APRIL 25th, 2013

Mt Evelyn War Memorial Park Top of Birmingham Rd

6.00am - Service

6.45am – Free Community Breakfast at

RSL Hall

Important Dates Coming Up:

SUB-BRANCH EXCURSIONS

Athenaeum Theatre, Lilydale

Members of the club have enjoyed our quarterly excursions to the ATC this year. We will be doing the same in 2013 so come along and see:

- Laughter on the 23rd Floor

 June 2013
- The Light in the Piazza
 August 2013
- Are you Being Served Nov 2013

Community Centre, Mooroolbark

A special play put on in time for Anzac Day on Nurses during WWI

• THE GIRLS IN GREY

Friday April 12th 1.00pm

MT EVELYN HISTORY GROUP SPECIAL TALKS at Hardy House

• Saturday April

20th 1.30pm –

Launch of the

Book – 'The

Happy Hermits'

RSL Members

free to attend

LILYDALE LIBRARY TALK Tuesday 16th April at 6.30pm

• *Talk* – the Shire of Lillydale & it's Military Heritage – *Anthony McAleer*

Free event

Bookings 9294 3120

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The annual general meeting of the Mt Evelyn RSL Sub-branch was held on Sunday February 17th, 2013. The meeting was enhanced with two special guests in attendance; Councillor Maria McCarthy from the Shire of Yarra Ranges and Amat Binnoore, Vice-President of the 'Outer Eastern Vietnam Veterans Association'.

Cr McCarthy was invited to address the meeting and spoke positively about the role the Sub-branch played in the community, the relationships the RSL enjoyed with other community groups and their support and attendance at our commemorative services.

Amat Binnoore initially from Mt Evelyn, served in Vietnam, but his name had not been recorded on the Mt Evelyn honour board for those who had served their country from our township. The sub-branch rectified this oversight and were delighted when Amat accepted our invitation to unveil the amended honour board.

The new committee elected at the AGM are:

President – Roger Boness

Vice-Presidents – Jim Hurley, Iain Townsley

Secretary – Anthony McAleer

Treasurer – Sandra Fitzgerald

Welfare Officer – Deanne Webb

Appeals Officer – Dot Ervine

Membership Officer – Betty Crittenden

Chamber of Commerce Representative – Russell Kirby

As the centenary of ANZAC Day approaches (25th April 2015) the Sub-branch has started to consider what activities we should be planning for the community to assist in commemorating the landing in Gallipoli. Community groups and individuals are encouraged to assist in the planning of this memorable occasion by forwarding their views, ideas to the RSL email – mtevrsl@gmail.com

LEST WE FORGET

- Roger Boness

APPEALS OFFICER'S REPORT

We will be selling Anzac Tokens out front of the Mt Evelyn IGA every week day from Monday April 8th. We're not doing too bad as far as volunteers to help man the stall this time however if you would like to come down and help us out – pleased feel more than welcome to do so – just ring me before hand.

This year we are also hoping to sell tokens of a morning at Mooroolbark Station. The station has a high turnover of people going through it of a morning so if anyone out there can spare a morning or two to sell there — anytime between 6.30am & 9.00am - please contact me on: **9736 3638** Regards,

Dot Ervine – Mt Evelyn RSL Appeals Officer

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BETTY'S JOKE PAGE



A little boy got lost at the YMCA and found himself in the women's locker room. When he was spotted, the room burst into shrieks, with ladies grabbing towels and running for cover. The little boy watched in amazement and then asked, "What's the matter, haven't you ever seen a little boy before?"

While taking a routine vandalism report at an elementary school, I was interrupted by a little girl about 6 years old. Looking up and down at my uniform, she asked, "Are you a cop?" "Yes," I answered and continued writing the report. "My mother said if I ever needed help I should ask the police. Is that right?" "Yes, that's right," I told her. "Well, then,' she said as she extended her foot toward me, 'would you please tie my shoe?"

It was the end of the day when I parked my police van in front of the station. As I gathered my equipment, my K-9 partner, Jake, was barking, and I saw a little boy staring in at me. "Is that a dog you got back there?" he asked. "It sure is," I replied. Puzzled, the boy looked at me and then towards the back of the van. Finally he said, "What'd he do?"

While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, I used to take my 4-year-old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this!"

While walking along the sidewalk in front of his church, our minister heard the intoning of a prayer that nearly made his collar wilt. Apparently, his 5-year-old son and his playmates had found a dead robin. Feeling that proper burial should be performed, they had secured a small box and cotton batting, then dug a hole and made ready for the disposal of the deceased. The minister's son was chosen to say the appropriate prayers and with sonorous dignity intoned his version of what he thought his father always said: "Glory be unto the Faaather, and unto the Sonnn, and into the hole he goooes."

What is couple sex?

An 8-year-old girl went to her grandfather, who was working in the yard and asked him, "Grampa, what is couple sex?"

The grandfather was surprised that she would ask such a question, but decided that if she's old enough to ask the question, then she's old enough to get a straight answer. Steeling himself to leave nothing out, he proceeded to tell her all about human reproduction and the joys and responsibilities of intercourse.

When he finished explaining, the little girl was looking at him with her mouth hanging open, eyes wide in amazement. Seeing the look on her face, the grandfather asked her, "Why did you ask this question, honey?"

The little girl replied, "Grandma says that dinner will be ready in just a couple secs."

A chap was walking along the street when a passer-by noticed that he was dragging a cabbage along behind him, tied with a piece of string.

"Hey, what are you doing?"

"I'm walking my dog, replied the fellow holding the string.

"But that's no dog. That's a cabbage!"

"Hell", came the answer, "I thought it was a collie".

Did you hear about Pat the worker in a banana packing firm?

He got the sack for throwing the bent ones away.

A wife asks her husband, "Could you please go shopping for me and buy one carton of milk and if they have eggs, get 6!"

A short time later the husband comes back with 6 cartons of milk.

The wife asks him, "Why the hell did you buy 6 cartons of milk?"

He replied, "They had eggs."



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OUR NEWLY RENOVATED HALL

Over the past year members of the Mt Evelyn RSL, in conjunction with the 'RSL Hall Committee' that is made up of users of the hall, have worked very hard to rejuvenate our community facility. Because of the age and regular usage of the hall it is now at that time where it needs a bit of work done. Already we have cleared the walls, repainted and organised storage. Next will be the sanding and re-staining of the floors and the kitchen.

From This.....



To This.....











PRIMARY SCHOOL VISIT



Noah and Ryan were among 87 students at the Mount Evelyn RSL visit. 95059

Picture: JESSE GRAHAM

on war legacy

By JESSE GRAHAM

BIRMINGHAM Primary School students education about their community's services and the history of Mount Evelyn and its residents during an excursion last week.

About 87 students from grade one and two at Birming-ham Primary went around town on Thursday 28 February to the Station House and Mount Evelyn RSL.

The students received a talk from the historical society at the Station House about the history of Mount Evelyn before heading to the RSL to hear about the organisation and what it does.

Secretary for Mount Evelyn RSL Anthony McAleer opened the event at the RSL Club by discussing to the students why the Returned Services League had been formed.

"Some of them had been injured, some of them had been sick and some of them needed some help so they formed a club to help each other," he said.

The Returned and Services League of Australia has been operating since 1916, almost 100 years, and focuses on the wellbeing of current and former members of the Australian De-

Mr McAleer spoke about the Anzac campaign at Gallipoli as the children had juice boxes, ate Anzac biscuits and passed around the large RSL Badge

Club president Roger Bon-ess then told the children stories about his time serving in Viet-nam and showed them his maps from the war.

He told them stories about a near-miss as the engines on one of his planes failed mid-flight and another about being bitten by a snake in the jungle

The kids then sat enthralled as club member Ian Towns-ley strolled into the club's hall playing a tune on his bagpipes

Left:

Mt

March



Above: President, Roger Boness, entertains the kids with the story of being bitten by a snake while in Vietnam.

Right: Iain Townsley was a huge hit with his uniform and bagpipes and even played 'Happy Birthday' for one lucky student.

Evelvn Mail

5th 2013

Once again the Mt Evelyn RSL were proud to host grade one's and two's from 'Birmingham Primary School' on their bi-annual visit.

On the day the kids and their dedicated teachers visit Mt Evelyn to learn more about their community.

They go for a walk around the shops and then stop at the site of the old railway station where one of our members, Paula Herlihy (president of the Mt Evelyn History Group), gives them a talk on the history of Mt Evelyn.

They then visit the Mt Evelyn RSL where they enjoy a drink and an Anzac biscuit.

On the day our secretary Anthony McAleer, who is used to working with kids as he works at the museum, gave them a talk on what the RSL is about and the meaning of Anzac Day.

Our president, Roger Boness, then spoke to them about what it was like to leave home and serve your country overseas in Vietnam.

Their big thrill for the day was when our vice-president, Iain Townsley, burst through the door in uniform and playing bagpipes. The kids thought that was fantastic!

They then finished off their visit by having a look in the clubrooms and at all the photos and memorabilia on display.

As they headed off they were each presented with an Australia flag, courtesy of Tony Smith MP.



The following is an interesting story passed on by one of our members, Geoff Brown. It was written a few years back by a journalist Mark Pfiefer.

We hear a lot today about big splashy memorial services for people like Whitney Houston & Michael Jackson.

But one hero passed away recently without a nationwide memorial service - Darrell 'Shifty' Powers.

'Shifty' volunteered for the airborne in WWII and served with Easy Company of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, part of the 101st Airborne Infantry. If you've read the book or seen the HBO mini-series 'Band of Brothers', you know 'Shifty'. His character appears in all 10 episodes, and 'Shifty' himself is interviewed in several of them.

I met Shifty in the Philadelphia airport several years ago. I didn't know who he was at the time. I just saw an elderly gentleman having trouble reading his ticket. I offered to help, assured him that he was at the right gate, and noticed the "Screaming Eagle", the symbol of the 101st Airborne, on his hat.

Making conversation, I asked him if he'd been in the 101st Airborne or if his son was serving. He said quietly that he had been in the 101st. I thanked him for his service, and then asked him when he served, and how many jumps he made.

Quietly and humbly, he said "Well, I guess I signed up in 1941 or so, and was in until sometime in 1945. . . ." at which point my heart skipped.

At that point, again, very humbly, he said "I made the 5 training jumps at Toccoa, and then jumped into Normandy do you know where Normandy is?" At this point my heart stopped.

I told him yes, I know exactly where Normandy was, and I know what D-Day was. At that point he said "I also made a second jump into Holland, into Arnhem." I was standing with a genuine war hero and then I realized that it was June, just after the anniversary of D-Day.

I asked 'Shifty' if he was on his way back from France, and he said "Yes. And it's real sad because these days so few of the guys are left, and those that are, lots of them can't make the trip." My heart was in my throat and I didn't know what to say.

I helped 'Shifty' get onto the plane and then realized he was back in Coach, while I was in First Class. I sent the flight attendant back to get him and said that I wanted to switch seats. When 'Shifty' came forward, I got up out of the seat and told him I wanted him to have it, that I'd take his in coach.

He said "No, son, you enjoy that seat. Just knowing that there are still some who remember what we did and still care is enough to make an old man very happy."

His eyes were filling up as he said it. And mine are brimming up now as I write this.

'Shifty' died on June 17th, 2009 after fighting cancer. There was no parade.

No big event in Staples Centre.

No wall to wall back to back 24x7 news coverage.

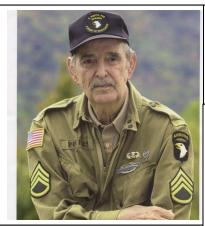
No weeping fans on television.

And that's not right.

As far as I'm concerned 'Shifty' deserves his own Memorial Service. Rest in peace, 'Shifty'.

"A nation without heroes is nothing."

- Roberto Clemente



Left:
Darrell 'Shifty'
Powers
101st US Airborne



Right: Roland Griffiths-Marsh MM 2/8th Battalion & 'Z' Special Forces

In similar circumstances we recently lost a genuine local war hero who, just like 'Shifty', barely rated a mention in the media.

Roland Griffiths-Marsh had an interesting childhood in Malaya & Indo-China before his family settled at Mooroolbark. In 1939, at the age of only 16, he put his age up and enlisted in the 2/8th Battalion. The first person from Mooroolbark to enlist. He served with them throughout their campaigns in Libya, Greece, Crete and Syria.

In 1943 he returned home to Australia and volunteered for service with 'Z' special forces. In 1945 he was dropped behind the lines in Borneo and worked with the local tribes attacking the Japanese in hit and run tactics in the months before and after the Australian forces landed there. For his efforts during this period he was awarded the Military Medal.

In the 1990's he decided to write his autobiography 'The Sixpenny Soldier' that talked about his time during World War Two. The book later went on to win the Premier's Literary Award for non-fiction and the 'Colin Roderick Award'. It was later republished under the title 'I Was Only Sixteen'.

Roland passed away in Queensland in December last year. Like 'Shifty' there were no events, memorials or news coverage. If you get a chance however do read his book, I can highly recommend it.

HELPING OUR FAMILIES



Above: Alannah & Caitlyn with a photo of their Dad and the pool table.

One of our members, who is a Lance-Corporal in the army, was recently deployed to the Solomon Islands with the Australian Defence Force as part of their peacekeeping mission in that area.

Before he left the Mt Evelyn RSL decided to donate a pool table, one we had excess to our needs, for his young daughters, Alannah & Caitlyn, to practise on while he was away.

Their mother, Megan, said that over Summer the family rented a beach house that had a pool table and the girls really enjoyed playing pool with their father. Since their father has been away they have been practising on the table so that when their Dad gets back in seven months time they can try and beat him. They have even been showing him how good they are getting via 'skype'.

President of the Mt Evelyn RSL, Roger Boness, said that the club was pleased to help the family out while our member was on active service overseas. We all know how hard it is while you're away overseas serving and anything that helps with the well-being of your family, helps with your well-being as well. Support for our troops and their dependants is a high priority for the RSL.



Above: Members enjoying lunch at the AGM Below: Roger Boness & Cr Maria McCarthy



THE LAST LIGHT OPSFMAN



A year and a half after his older brother had been killed in action during the Battle of Pozieres, 20 year old Joe Clark went against his father's wishes and left his job as a timber cutter in Tasmania to enlist in the Australian Light Horse.

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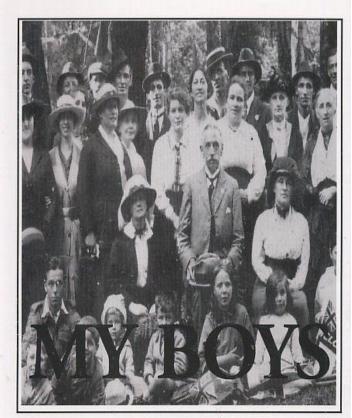


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The book is hard cover with a dust jacket, b/w images, 219 pages, all numbered from a limited edition of 1000.

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* Why am I here?

* Who am I?



* Is there more to life?

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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 has been a long time member at the Mt Evelyn RSL & served with the RAAF in Europe during World War Two. He has loaned 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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DOT FLENLEY'S STORY – pt 6

This is the story of one of our past members, Dot Flenley. Dot served with the AWAS during World War Two and was a member of the Mt Evelyn RSL. In 1992 Anthony McAleer sat down with her and interviewed her about her memories. What follows is Dot's story......

Last issue: Dot begins work as an AWAS ambulance driver

Did the patients ever talk about their experiences in the war?

Very few of them did. If they were in a group someone might start up about what had gone on in Tobruk or up in New Guinea but individually they didn't have a lot to say, not the ones I met. I don't think they liked to talk about the war. I think they saw such terrible things that they didn't want to bring it all back and talk about it. They wanted to talk about things that took their minds off it.

How did these men treat you?

All the men I was in contact with treated me terrific. They were good guys, there was none of this 'Oh she's a woman, she doesn't know how to do this or that'. They treated the women very well. I couldn't speak highly enough of the Aussie soldier, he was great and always treated you with respect. Nothing was too much trouble for them if you needed a helping hand along the line.

How did you come to leave the AWAS?

My nerves packed up in the end. At the same time Mum wanted me to come home to the block. Dad had died and although she had Keith on the property, it wasn't the same as a daughter. She requested for me to be discharged and I wanted to anyway. Mind you it was very hard for us when we went back to the block and not have Dad there. Anyway they were things you had to accept.

How do you feel about your time in the AWAS?

I look back on those days and I wished I could have gone right through to the end. It was a wonderful life, very happy days, lovely days. You were doing something that was essential and that was your part in the war and your way of helping.

What do you remember of the war ending?

That was a wonderful night! We all piled into the car and went into Mildura. Everybody was in there – every man, cat & dog was in there – it was a wonderful place. We went whooping around the streets, the town was full of people blasting their horns and dancing in the streets. There was noise of celebrating from the time we arrived until when we were out of earshot going home. It was wonderful to think it was all over, everybody rejoiced in that.

Post War

Dot worked on the family property and was foreman in the packing shed up until 1948. She then joined her sister in Melbourne and worked at the 'Ezywalkin' shoe store.

In 1950 she met and married Charles Flenley and they moved into a home in Balwyn and raised three daughters. For a time she worked as a driver with our Betty Crittenden. They later lived in Box Hill North until Charles died in 1983 and a few years later Dot moved into a unit in Lilydale.

While living here she became a member of the Mt Evelyn RSL and was a foundation member of the Women's Auxiliary. She passed away in 1992.

Next issue: I will be serialising stories from Iain Townsley's time in the British Forces including the years he spent in the SAS.

MT EVELYN FURPHYS

- Happy 98th Birthday to our WW2 veteran – Ralph Proctor
- Welcome to new members – Les Kennedy, Tony Sykes, Jodie Twidale, Jim Humphrey
- One of our members has a great new house cleaning business
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- Make sure you check out some of the new military items donated for our display case included two Light Cavalry sabre's donated by Glen Naismith
- One of our members, Kim Parry, is a registered 'Justice of the Peace' and has offered his services to any member who should require it. Contact Kim on: 0418334416
- Should you require any assistance or advice -Deanne Webb (the Subbranch's Welfare Officer).

Ph: **0402 783 849**Or the Rev Richard
Schoenmaker (the subbranch's Padre)
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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.

Andy has a well stocked fridge and Peter is always 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.

Editor: Anthony McAleer

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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!

Hall Hire

The RSL is a great facility for anyone who requires a place for clubs or social groups to gather. Most weekends this facility lies idle and the RSL could be making (albeit a small amount of) money from hiring it to interested parties. We would greatly appreciate your input if you know of anyone who might be interested in hiring the hall for a night or on an ongoing basis. However no Bucks/Hens or under 25's parties!

The Mt Evelyn Community Link is in charge of administrating hall bookings and can be contacted directly on 9736 1177.

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