

NEWS TIME

Kilcoy RSL Sub Branch

Edition 11

Message from your President

As we rapidly approach ANZAC Day I would like all of our members to reflect on what they think the local RSL Sub Branch is about or there for.

As a refresher the RSL Sub Branch is primarily here to support Veterans and their families, and in Kilcoy/Districts the family network can be quite large, hence the spread of our membership. What I would like to think is that the reason behind your membership is that you do have some understanding of the sacrifices others have made before us, their sacrifice enabling us to live the very liberal life we enjoy today, the freedom of choice every day, the ability to live in a democratic society.

Who gave us this luxury – was it our grandparents, my Mum/Dad, my brother or sister, my Uncle/Auntie, my cousins, nephew/niece or somebody else we knew. Perhaps it could have been anyone of these people mentioned here. Most people think the RSL as being older WW2 service people, they may not be old enough to remember the Korean conflict, they certainly would remember someone that went to Vietnam. They may even personally know someone involved in a more modern conflict such as Iraq or Timor or Afghanistan or indeed a Peacekeeper.

Whatever it is that genuinely moved you to

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joining the RSL, remember those who have laid down their life or those who have been trained to lay down their life so that we can continue to live our wonderful life as we know it today. Please do not forget their sacrifices and take some time out to honour them, even if you may not have known them personally – attend the Commemorative days and "thank them for their service", as well as becoming more involved in your RSL Sub Branch in Kilcoy and giving a hand when you notice one might be needed or even better just offer your support. It was once said that "if you can read and write, thank a teacher - if you can read and write in English, thank a soldier".

"Lest WE Forget"



ANZAC DAY BADGES SELLING:

We have booked outside IGA on the following dates for sale of memorabilia:

 16^{th} , 17^{th} , 18^{th} April and the 23^{rd} April 2019.

We do two shifts on each day one 0800hrs to 1100hrs then 1100hrs to 1400hrs anybody can help please phone May on 0405 392 461,

Thank you.

For your information an Army Cadet Unit are in the process of starting up a Unit here in Kilcoy.

Jayne McKenzie has offered one of the rooms at the Gym for their use. Capt Tony Squire has placed a submission to Head Office for approval. They will also be looking for a current or ex-service female. When started it times would be 1800hrs to 2030hrs on a Friday evening.

We will keep you informed as to the progress of the

Unit.



I would like to thank the community members from Kilcoy and surrounding district who have generously allocated their IGA rewards points to the RSL Kilcoy Sub Branch. The cheque was received from Princes IGA yesterday and was a welcome and healthy addition to our fundraising efforts. The money that we raise is used to support Veterans and their families in times of need as well as providing support services to them. While we are categorized as a "Grass Roots Sub Branch" we have an enviable support base from, people like yourselves, both in our local community and those outside of our immediate township. Your continued support is very much appreciated – thank you so much.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Next Meeting: 9th March 2019 @ 1030hrs.

11th March 2019 Race Day

13th April 2019 Race Day

Our April meeting will be on the 20th of April due to the Easter Weekend, we will be having a clean up for ANZAC Day after this meeting and will do a BBQ and some drinks for the workers.

25th April 2019 ANZAC Day Dawn Service 0515hrs followed by gunfire breakfast.

Main Service march commences at 1030hrs service commences at 1100hrs.

Please keep the **19**th **October 2019** free as that is our Sub
Branch Centenary
Celebrations will advise more
details in the months to come.







These photos are from the opening of the Memorial Walk at Yowie Park.