



# NEWS TIME

Kilcoy RSL Sub Branch

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Following is an article from an RSL Handbook from 1965 the ANZAC Jubilee Issue:

## HORSES OF WAR

It is estimated that 958,600 horses and mules were killed in the Great War.

Of the British horses, 51,308 were killed by gunshot and 67,532 wounded.

One hundred and seventy-eight were killed by gas and 1,868 rendered unfit from the same cause.

The most famous war horse was David, of the 107<sup>th</sup> Battery, R.F.A. He served throughout the South African War, 1899-1902, and as a wheeler in a gun team went to France in August, 1914. He served for the duration. He qualified for the Queen's Medal with four clasps, King's Medal with two clasps, the 1914 Star with bar, War, Victory and Long Service Medals, and had 4 wound stripes.

The Duchess of Portland took David to her Home of Rest for Old Horses and he died in his sleep in 1921.

Of the 169,000 horses which left Australia for war service only one came back. He was "Sandy", the favorite charger of General Bridges who died from wounds received at Anzac and who is buried at Duntroon, near the Royal Military College which he founded.

Sandy's head is preserved in the Australian War Memorial Museum at Canberra.



## Kedron State High School

### Needs Your Help

Do you know of any past or current Kedron State High School students or staff (cleaners, groundmen, office workers, teachers, principals etc.), who have served as part of the Australian Defence Force

Message from your  
President • • •

On behalf of the Kilcoy RSL Sub Branch Members I would like to thank you all for your support through the year and look forward to continuing it into the New Year.....

Also, I will take this opportunity to wish you and yours a Very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year

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during military campaigns? If so we need your help.

This year, the Kedron State High School RSL Liaison Prefects are working towards acquiring an Honour Board for Kedron State High School.

However, we need the community's help to track down the names of Australian Defence Force servicemen and women from Kedron High who have served in military campaigns to ensure their names are included on the Honour Board.

If you know of any Kedron High staff or student who should be added to the Honour Board, please contact Kedron Park High School.

Address: 34 Park Rd Wooloowin QLD 4030

Phone: (07) 3630 3333

Email: [info@kedronshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:info@kedronshs.eq.edu.au)

Please spread the word so that we may honour those who served.

Thank you Ryan Malone and Claudia Watson RSL Liaison Prefects



## DATES TO REMEMBER

1. 9<sup>th</sup> December 2017  
General Meeting at Sub Branch rooms @ 1030hrs (Last one for the year)
2. 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017 our Christmas party anytime from 1600hrs all welcome.
3. Notice that the RSL Sub Branch will be closed from the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017 to reopen on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

**Any urgent matters  
please phone:**

**0457 635 964**

## WELFARE

Jim Cassidy will be out of hospital next week and will hopefully be attending our Christmas Party

Also John Robinson due to personal reasons has to slow down on his work load and will not be doing the maintenance side of Welfare, we had a few willing people put up their hands to help with this at the meeting but if we can get extra help it will not be a full load on the few.

We thank John for a job well done, over a long period of time.



