



BOXHILLRSL

BOX HILL NEWS



COVID-19 RSL Update

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

COVID-19 has presented a difficult period for all of us, however I do hope that our members at Box Hill RSL are well and working their way through this very trying time.

Although we have been closed for over six months, with the exception of a two-week partial opening, your Committee has still been holding regular meetings via Zoom. As you may be aware, even though we are closed, bills still keep coming in and need to be paid. A skeleton staff are carrying out these duties.

Faye Clark, our Welfare Co-ordinator, is still working from home on a range of issues including Box Hill RSL News which is being sent out every two months.

As to when the RSL will open, we are still in the hands of the State Government.

Having said that, our General Manager, Denis Fernando, is hoping it may be early November.

When we do open, we will most likely be trading with some restrictions for some time.

Financially, Box Hill RSL is still in a strong position with no bank debt and most of our staff on the Federal Government's Job Keeper.

In conclusion, thank you for your patience and I am looking forward to seeing you all back at our Club for a beer, coffee and a meal.

John Haward
President



Welfare Report.

For all welfare matters telephone: Faye Clark on 9897 6780



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Stories by Members for Members



STAFF AT HOME

Even though we can't be together physically, the staff were able to get together for a fun night of zoom trivia. The competition for general knowledge master was fierce! It was great to see everyone's smiling faces again after such a long time.

The teams were:

- **Quads of Fury** Quads of Fury won the night. The team members were **Lee, Tara, Meraya and Chantelle.**
- **Quack**
- **Taking care of Quizness**
- **Team Orca**
- **I've done Brighton now I'm here for trivia we're just guessing**

VALE *lest we forget*



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| Doreen Knop
97090 WAAAF | Jack Philp
04905 RAAF | Gwen Horder
AFFILIATE |
| Bryan Davis
AFFILIATE | Bob Howden
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N.S. | Sue Davis
AFFILIATE |
| Pauline Kook
AFFILIATE | | |



LEFT TO RIGHT: Chantelle, Rachael, Leanne, Maddie, Meraya, Chelsea, Claudia, Etham, Vanessa, Nicola, Tara, Michelle Mark, Jourdan, Tess, Holly and Sally

Members in Aged Care

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| GEORGE AGIUS, Blue Cross, Livingstone Gardens, 39 Livingstone Rd., Vermont South | MOLLIE CLOUGH, Kew Gardens, 22-24 Gellibrand St, Kew | KEN HAZELWOOD, Regis Lake Park 40 Central Rd, Blackburn | BERYL MAINON, Arcare Surrey Hills, 18 Florence St, Surrey Hills | MYRA SPENCER, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury |
| BEULAH ANDERSON, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth | ARTHUR COLLISON, Uniting Aged Care, 75 Thames Street, Box Hill | PAULINE HIRONS, Blue Willows, 74 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood | NOEL MCMAHEN, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury | BARBARA STRUDWICK, Nellie Melba ACF, 2 Collegium Ave, Wheelers Hill |
| COLIN BARRACLOUGH, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth | ALMA & JAMES D'ARCY, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill | KATHRYN HOLMES, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth | BORIS MATHERS, Grand Cedar 61-63 High Street Road, Ashwood | EDNA TANDY, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth |
| RON BATTEN, Heritage Gardens, 325-329 Canterbury Rd, Bayswater Nth | JOHN DONALDSON, ESTIA Health, 879 Plenty Road, South Morang | NORMA IRELAND, Eva Tilley, 110 Burke Road, Balwyn North | ROBERT MATTHEWS, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking road, Box Hill | DAVID TAYLOR, Blue Cross, 250 Waterdale Rd, Ivanhoe |
| ERICA CAMPBELL, Opal Salford Park, 100 Harold St, Wantirna | NOEL & LOIS DUNN, BUPA, 296-304 Springvale Road, Donvale | NORMAN JARMAN, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill | MARGERY MAXWELL, Newman's on the Park, 33 Newman's Road, Templestowe | JOHN VALENTINE, Emerald Hill, 215 Napier Street, South Melbourne |
| MYRA CAMPBELL, Dorothy Henderson Lodge, 157 Balaclava Rd, Marsfield | ALMA GEORGE, Broughton Lea, 9-17 Broughton Road, Surrey Hills | CARMEL JOHANSEN, Opal Gracedale, 205 Warrandyte Rd, Ringwood Nth | NOEL OUTHRED, BUPA Donvale, 296-304 Springvale Road, Donvale | PHIL WALTER, Regis Lake Park, 40 Central Road, Blackburn |
| MARGARET CAVILL, Highwood Court, 359 Warrigal Rd, Burwood | RHODA GORDON, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury | WILLIE KLOMP, Dutchcare, 736 Mt Dandenong Rd, Kilsyth | FRED PIKE, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Avenue, Canterbury | LANCE WARD, Arcare, 75 King Street, Templestowe |
| ALWYN CHARLESWORTH, Uniting AgeWell, 75 Thames St, Box Hill | GORDON HANG GONG, Alexandra Gardens, 42 Old Warrandyte Road, Donvale | IVY JEAN KUTHER, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury | LOIS PRICHARD, Arcare Surrey Hills, 18 Florence St, Surrey Hills | HARRY WESTBURY, Aveo Domaine, 31-43 Victoria Street, Doncaster |
| BRIAN & THERESA CLANCY, ESTIA Lodge, 211-217 Wantirna Road, Ringwood | SUSIE HALL, Rathdowne Place Aged Care, 497 Rathdowne St, Carlton | GARRY LEVEY, Broughton Lea, 9-17 Broughton Road, Surrey Hills | GEORGE REDFERN, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill | |
| | NORMA HARVEY, Sherbrook, 14-18 Tarana Avenue, Ferntree Gully | BETTY MADDOCK, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury | AVRIL SCHOLEFIELD, Lynbrook Park, 42 Olive Road, Lynbrook | |

The Tall Ship

Some years ago, our member Ray Jones painted the WW1 portrait on the wall of Level B2 as you go into the Upton Room. Well, now Ray has something special to donate to our RSL and our Memorabilia. He recently presented me with a scale model that he has painstakingly built of the Ship "HMS SUPPLY". Everything works on this model from the cannons to the anchor on her bow. There is a great story about this ship, her keel was laid down on the 1st May 1759, her length was 24.2 metres and her hold depth was 3.51 metres. She weighed 174 tons, had two masts and her armament was increased in 1786 with an additional four 12 pounder carronades.

Her initial complement was 14 men, rising to 55 when converted to an armed tender for the First Fleet voyage in 1788.

"SUPPLY" was the first ship to sail into Port Jackson after the original Botany Bay landing was found unsuitable for settlement

"SUPPLY" was the link between the colony and Norfolk Island making 10 trips. Following the loss of Sirius at

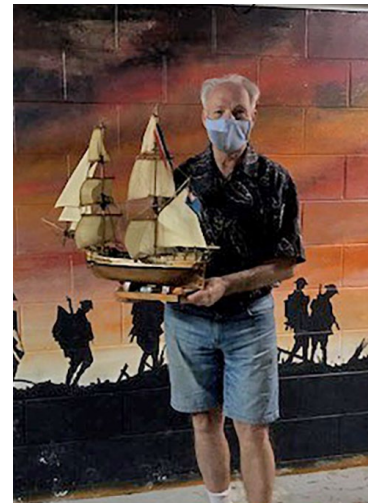
Norfolk Island in 1790, Supply became the colony's only contact with the outside world.

"SUPPLY" was an outstanding carrier in the seventeen hundreds and it is a tribute to her that Ray has seen fit to reproduce her in this working scale model.

The model will go on show for everyone to see and enjoy after we all get back to normality in the months ahead.

Can I also take this opportunity to thank Ray Jones for this wonderful contribution to Memorabilia and the Box Hill RSL.

Brian Tateson
Memorabilia



VALE — GWEN HORDER

Gwen was a valued member of Box Hill RSL. She was a very much respected Secretary of the Women's Auxiliary, her willingness to help the RSL Committee was really appreciated. The President John and Committee, the General Manager Denis and Staff, Faye and her welfare volunteers and members send their condolences to Kim and Family.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Hello Ladies,

On the 2nd September we lost a dear friend Gwen Horder. Gwen has been secretary to the Women's Auxiliary for about 20 years, my secretary for the past 14 years. She has always been there supporting and guiding me in my President's duties, Gwen knew so many people and did so much for the RSL over many years. "She was the wind beneath my wings", you will be sadly missed by all.

Condolences to Rose Howden on the loss of her husband Bob who put up a brave battle against MND - now at peace.

Well ladies not much to tell you as we are all in the same boat, nothing to do and all day to do it. Some of us are decluttering, gardening, knitting. So don't forget ladies to now and again ring some of our fellow members just for a chat and to see how they are going.

So for now take care, stay as healthy as you can in this mad world and hope to see you all sooner than later.

Joan Clarke
Honorary President

Vietnam Veterans Day – Just Not The Same

August the 18th is a day all Vietnam Veterans remember and commemorate. The day is commonly known as "Long Tan" day because of the battle that occurred on this date in South Vietnam. But this year, like Anzac Day, because of COVID-19, people were unable to participate in the service.

The President of the Vietnam Veterans, Brian Tateson, the Box Hill RSL President and immediate past President of the Vietnam Veterans, John Haward, were the only ones, (as the picture shows), who laid a wreath on behalf of all members of the Vietnam Veterans Box Hill Sub-Branch, at the Cenotaph to commemorate this special day.

Usually, like Anzac Day, the Vietnam Veterans have a "Gun Fire" breakfast followed by many of the Veterans lining up and marching to the Shrine for this service. After the service, they usually have a lunch or go to St Kilda RSL for the day.

Not on this day 18th August 2020 as we have been

restricted because of the Corona virus, but all being well, next year, 2021, will be different, and all Vets will have the opportunity to mingle and enjoy themselves as in the past.

"Honour The Dead and Fight Like Hell for The Living" has been the motto for the Vietnam Veterans for a long time, and can I tell you, All Vietnam Vets live by this motto – Lest We Forget.



CANCELLATIONS DUE TO COVID-19

Please note the due to the COVID19 lockdown, we regret to advise that the **President's Afternoon** and the **Children's Christmas Party** will not take place this year.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

An AGM will be held on **Sunday 1st November at 11am via Zoom**. Please see the enclosed flyer for information on how you can participate.



Remembrance Day is a day on which we think of those veterans who have made the ultimate sacrifice that we may enjoy our democratic way of life. It is a day where, by the sale of Remembrance Day tokens, we can help support the welfare of the many Veterans, their Wives and Families who still suffer and who are in need. **Your donation to this worthy cause is appreciated!**

(Please return below section with your donation)



2020 REMEMBRANCE DAY APPEAL

Enclosed is a \$10.00 Poppy Badge. Please forward your donation to:

The Secretary, Ray Wall, Box Hill RSL - PO Box 1318, Box Hill 3128

Please find enclosed \$ Being my donation towards the 2020 Remembrance Day Appeal.

Name: Membership No:

Money Orders and Cheques to be made payable to "Box Hill RSL".

Alternatively you can go to our website www.boxhillrsl.com.au and follow the link to donate.