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BOX HILL NEWS



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EVENTS ARE BACK ON THE CALENDAR!

After a long and quiet six months, Box Hill RSL Functions & Events is set to explode with celebrations roaring back to life.

We truly have the best job in the world – being able to work with families and business' on some of their most important milestones.

Whether it's the 100-year anniversary of your company or the 80th birthday celebration of your parents, we can help deliver an unforgettable experience.

Should you wish to speak with our Functions Manager, Chantelle Casse please contact her directly on **9897 6791** in planning your next event in a COVID Safe way.



Pizza on the Deck

Thursday, Friday, Saturday
4pm - 9pm



Enjoy Breakfast at your Club

Reservations are essential. Mon - Sat 9am - 11am

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Box Hill RSL Sub-Branch Inc will be held on:

**SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021
(UPTON ROOM) 11.00AM**

Agenda items must be received by the Secretary, Ray Wall, by close of business on Thursday, March 25, 2021.

Committee Elections

Nominations are requested for the positions of: Vice President, Treasurer and two Service/Affiliate members for two years.

Nominations for the above positions will open on Thursday February 4, 2021 and close on Thursday February 18, 2021 at 5.00 pm. Application forms are held by our Secretary.

Please note: to nominate for the position of Vice President or Treasurer the applicant must have served on the committee for a minimum of 12 months.

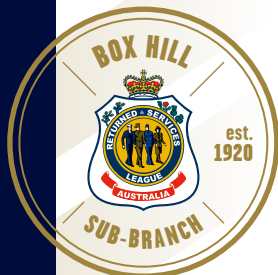
Welfare Report.

For all welfare matters telephone: Faye Clark on 9897 6780



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Stories by Members for Members



VALE

lest we forget



Margaret Cousins
Affiliate

Irma McKirdy
Affiliate

Betty Eastham
Affiliate

Shirley Fitzsimons
Affiliate

George Redfern
VX70087 2/208 AGT

Desmond Mourney
A27728 – RAAF

Brian Murphy
123580 – RAAF

Joan Gale
110982 – RAAF

Ray Rees
35021 – RAAF

Our best wishes are with those members who are, or have been in hospital since the last issue.

Thalia Kinsman, Carmel Thompson

WELFARE & GROUPS FOR 2021

Hair Cuts: Resumes on 2nd February – Please note that the day has been changed to a Tuesday each week not a Wednesday.

Gardening: Welfare provides a gardening service for veteran members and widows who are no longer able to manage their gardening.

Genealogy Groups: Beginners Class is on 1st Tuesday of the Month at 1pm – Advanced Class is on the 1st Monday of the month at 2pm

Tai Chi: Resumes 3rd February – Classes will be held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 1pm

Friday Raffle: Resumes 12th February. Be there at 6.30pm for the draw

Prostate Support Group: Resumes 19th January, this group meets every third Tuesday of the month at 9:30am in Upton 2.

Senior Men's Discussion Group: Resumes 11th February, this group meets the second Thursday of the month at 2pm in the Library.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE ABOVE – PLEASE RING FAYE ON 9897 6780

Members in Aged Care

GEORGE AGIUS, Blue Cross, Livingstone Gardens, 39 Livingstone Rd., Vermont South

BEULAH ANDERSON, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth

COLIN BARRACLOUGH, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth

ERICA CAMPBELL, Opal Salford Park, 100 Harold St, Wantirna

MYRA CAMPBELL, Dorothy Henderson Lodge, 157 Balaclava Rd, Marsfield

ALWYN CHARLESWORTH, Uniting AgeWell, 75 Thames St, Box Hill

BRIAN & THERESA CLANCY, ESTIA Lodge, 211-217 Wantirna Road, Ringwood

MOLLIE CLOUGH, Kew Gardens, 22-24 Gellibrand St, Kew

ALMA & JAMES D'ARCY, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill

JOHN DONALDSON, ESTIA Health, 879 Plenty Road, South Morang

NOEL & LOIS DUNN, BUPA, 296-304 Springvale Road, Donvale

ALMA GEORGE, Broughton Lea, 9-17 Broughton Road, Surrey Hills

RHODA GORDON, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury

GORDON HANG GONG, Alexandra Gardens, 42 Old Warrandyte Road, Donvale

SUSIE HALL, Rathdowne Place Aged Care, 497 Rathdowne St, Carlton

KEN HAZELWOOD, Regis Lake Park 40 Central Rd, Blackburn

PAULINE HIRONS, Blue Willows, 74 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood

KATHRYN HOLMES, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth

NORMA IRELAND, Eva Tilley, 110 Burke Road, Balwyn North

NORMAN JARMAN, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill

CARMEL JOHANSEN, Opal Gracedale, 205 Warrandyte Rd, Ringwood Nth

WILLIE KLOMP, Dutchcare, 736 Mt Dandenong Rd, Kilsyth

GEORGE LEONDAS, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill

GARRY LEVEY, Broughton Lea, 9-17 Broughton Road, Surrey Hills

DON MC DONALD, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill

DON MCKIRDY, Inala, 220 Middleborough Road, Blackburn South

NOEL MC MAHEN, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury

BETTY MADDOCK, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury

ALEX MAGNER, Blue Cross, 48 Dorking Road, Box Hill

BERYL MAINON, Arcare Surrey Hills, 18 Florence St, Surrey Hills

MAURICE MATHERS, Grand Cedar 61-63 High Street Road, Ashwood

MARGERY MAXWELL, Newman's on the Park, 33 Newman's Road, Templestowe

NOEL OUTHRED, BUPA Donvale, 296-304 Springvale Road, Donvale

FRED PIKE, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Avenue, Canterbury

LOIS PRICHARD, Arcare Surrey Hills, 18 Florence St, Surrey Hills

MYRA SPENCER, Faversham House, 27 Shierlaw Ave, Canterbury

BARBARA STRUDWICK, Nellie Melba ACF, 2 Collegium Ave, Wheelers Hill

EDNA TANDY, Alawarra, Inala, 220 Middleborough Rd, Blackburn Sth

DAVID TAYLOR, Blue Cross, 250 Waterdale Rd, Ivanhoe

JOHN VALENTINE, Emerald Hill, 215 Napier Street, South Melbourne

PHIL WALTER, Regis Lake Park, 40 Central Road, Blackburn

LANCE WARD, Arcare, 75 King Street, Templestowe

BOX HILL RSL ANGLING CLUB

FISHING REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2020

On Thursday 3rd December 2020, 12 members of the Box Hill RSL Angling Section set off at 07:00am on a fishing charter from Hastings marina.

On a beautiful morning with calm seas, we fished a couple of spots, but the target species (whiting) were few and far apart. Although some members were able to catch some. We were also pestered by small toadies and undersized flathead.

Another move put us onto some fish and again some members were doing better than others when the tide hit low point, and everything stopped.

As they say about fishing and tides, no run, no fun.

After about 20 minutes and a mid morning BBQ (sausages in bread), the tide had turned and started moving again, but again we were pestered by the toadies and little flathead.

With another move and about an hour left, we managed to get onto a fairly good school and most people managed to catch a fish or two.

As we headed back to the marina after five hours of fishing, the deckhand cleaned our 41 whiting and bagged them with most members taking home three fish each and a few had four each.

A prize of a rod and reel, for the biggest fish was won by Graeme Fernandes with a whiting of 44cm.

All in all, everybody had a good day, and were thanked by the charter operator for our support.

Everybody is looking forward to the next one, probably in January

Graeme Furmston

Event Coordinator



Charles Kook holding up a few of our catch



Members fishing

Box Hill Day Section

Happy New Year to all. Unfortunately, because of number limitations, we were unable to meet in January. This was a great disappointment but let's hope things will improve in the not-too-distant future. Hopefully we can resume our meetings in February. We are blessed when you look at the situation world-wide and every effort we make is worthwhile, even though it may not seem so at the time.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to our members who have not experienced the best of health recently.

Day Section resumes Tuesday 9th February, and new members are always welcome.

For further details, contact:

Mary Simpson: Telephone 9077 9784 or
Martin Dickenson: Telephone 9898 4638

Mary Simpson

Co-ordinator

BOWLING SECTION

Well, what a time we have had these past months; thank goodness we have crossed the bridge and are now starting to enjoy a bit of freedom, with no lockdown, plus the reduced use of face masks, seeing a little more of family and friends, and the bonus being the enjoyment of getting back to the RSL and its facilities.

The bowlers are now back playing on their home green, and loving it.

Social bowls started back on the January 7th. It was great to see bowlers reunite with friends for a roll up, a friendly chat and a few beers after the game.

Round 5 of the Saturday Pennant resumed January 9th, with Tuesday Pennant starting round 5 on the 12th. The completion of Pennant will finish later than normal this year due to the Covid shutdown pre-2021. All players are keen to get cracking, looking forward to the competition again with winning games in mind.

Due to the RSL closure, we were fortunate enough to be able to play our first four rounds at another venue, but, as we all agree, there is no place like home.

During our absence from playing at home, the Green has been maintained by the Green director and garden crew, and is, apart from looking good, rolling perfectly, that is if you direct the bowl correctly in the first place.

The 2020-2021 Club Championships are currently being held with participants eager to compete and claim the crown for this year's competitions. Good luck to all.

Last year's winners and runners up were finally able to receive their trophies and prize money at our final Christmas gathering dinner held at Eastern Bell restaurant on December 6th.



Here we have Hennie Pasveer and Peter Leonard, winners of the Mixed Pairs, pictured accepting their winnings given by Club Championship Organiser Peter Houghton, who also happens to be the winner of the 100 up.



Peter Forbes winner, and runner up Neville Frostick of the Open competition.



Winners of the Ladies Pairs Jan Durham and Cheryl Frail.



Peter Forbes being congratulated by Club President Dennis Arnel for his President Cup win.



Here's Peter reading out the club winners and runners up.

Note the wonderful Christmas hampers on the left of Peter. These were put together by Cheryl Ryan and Cheryl Frail for our raffle held on the night, where over \$600 was raised for our bowling club. Great effort and a big thank you to members for participating. Everybody had a great night.

I hope everyone has recovered from Christmas and New Year celebrations; I think it may have been a bit low key for a few of us this time round due to the hard times leading up to the festive season.

So here we are, keep safe and healthy, and here's to a better year for everyone.

Helen Harrington

Bowls section

Women's Auxiliary

Hello ladies,

Well, it really is goodbye to 2020 and much welcome to 2021 (we hope).

Our first meeting resumes February 22nd at 10.30am. Looking forward to catching up with everyone.

Our committee has been changed around: Helen Jones standing for Secretary, Therese Street to do all the social work (I'll call her my Social Secretary), Doreen to do the buying for gifts etc, Maxine to do the trading table, Jill to continue with mini Tatts and Pat to remain as our Treasurer (and a great one).

We just paid the Sub branch around \$1800 for flags etc which is a pretty good effort seeing we haven't been able

to do the work we normally do, so a big thank you to all our members and committee for a very special effort prior to 2020 to enable us to have this sort of money available.

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year. We personally had a different New Year deciding to do an afternoon tea with Maureen and Peter Leonard then we could be home about 7.30 (as they say things aren't what they used to be) ha, ha.

Our Christmas was spent with the family which is all Bob and I want and need.

Well everyone, stay safe and healthy see you in February.

Joan Clarke

Honorary Secretary



BILLIARD AND SNOOKER

Firstly, must thank the management in opening the Billiard & Snooker room early December considering the government's constraining limit on numbers in the RSL. That gave a lot of us to catch up for a game, lunch and camaraderie over all during Christmas. The committee also got together discussing for the New Year moving forward.

On 17 Jan, we had our AGM and the attendance was overwhelming. Tremendous interaction by almost all with ideas and suggestions which will have a flow on effect in the coming months. We also gladly welcomed three new members. Along the same lines, we invite more to join and utilise the wonderful facility to the maximum, especially lady members who can give our one and only lady player some company.

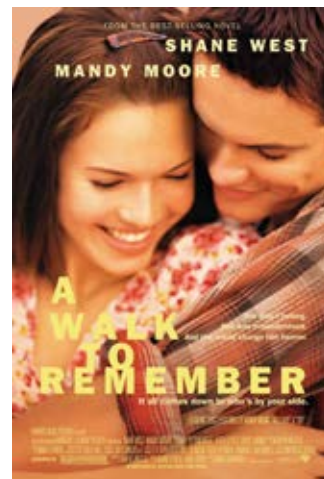
All tournaments in VBSA start in a few weeks and I take this opportunity to wish the very best for our teams playing in four different circuits.

Suresh Alphonse

President

2021 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

- Annual memberships for Service, Affiliate or Social for F/Y 2021 will be \$20.00.
- Community memberships are unchanged at \$2.00.
- Memberships need to be paid by the end of January 2021.



**FREE
MOVIE
FOR MEMBERS**

**Thursday 25th
March, 2021 10.30am**
Presented by Ray Wall

The movie for Thursday March 25, 2021 will be "**A Walk to Remember**". A movie made in 2001 which runs for 101 minutes rated PG.

Synopsis: "The story of two North Carolina teens, Landon Carter and Jamie Sullivan, who are thrown together after Landon gets into trouble and is made to do community service."



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY 7th FEBRUARY 2021 AT THE BOX HILL RSL - TOP DECK AT 11.00 AM FOLLOWED BY A FINGER FOOD LUNCH AT BAR PRICES ONLY

The VVAA State Vice-President Mr Brendan Kincade will attend the meeting and the lunch.

The Committee would appreciate as many members possible to attend. 2020 has been a year to forget, we have done very little as a Sub-Branch. This revamped AGM is to kick start 2021 along hopefully to have a better year so we can socialise and enjoy each other's company.

The Agenda - Committee Nomination forms and the Minutes of the 2019 AGM will be following.

Rod Burgess

Secretary

No Rest for the Knitters

Well the last year has been strange and different for us all, hasn't it? But while some things changed, some stayed the same.

Early in December, last year, the Box Hill RSL Knitting Group got together for our annual Christmas lunch after not meeting for nine months. It was lovely to see everyone again.

While we weren't able to meet up as a group during Victoria's lockdowns, we kept in touch by phone and SMS and we were as busy as ever knitting and crocheting beautiful items for charity.

Last year we clocked up just over 3,800 volunteer hours and produced 272 number of items.

These achievements were tinged with a little bit of sadness as we lost one of our long standing and beloved members, Bettina Pollard, in November last year. Bettina had been knitting all through the year even while dealing with health issues



Clockwise from top right: Karen Holt, Yvonne Yodgee, Hazel Mourney, Bettina Pollard, Dorothy Conway, Vilma Dodd, Laura Yodgee, Maree Ritchie and Viti Keys.

and many hospital stays.

Two of our members, Vilma Dodd and Hazel Mourney, also lost their husbands, Laurie and Desmond, over the last year. We send them all our deepest sympathies.

We are all looking forward to getting back together and planning out our year while we continue to create items for our various charities.

We always welcome new members. Come and join us and help us to create beautiful and useful items like hats, gloves, scarves, knee rugs and baby clothes for charity. We have some amazingly talented knitters

and crocheters who can help you brush up on your skills too. Please express your interest to Faye in Welfare on 9897 6780.

Wishing you all a wonderful 2021.

Laura Yodgee



The full collection of items made during Victoria's lockdowns.



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