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SA NT

NATIONAL PATRON GENERAL THE HON. SIR PETER COSGROVE AK CVO MC [RET]
SA NT PATRON HIS EXCELLENCY THE HON. HIEU VAN LE AC GOVERNOR OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.



NOTICES

VALE

Nil Return

HOSPITAL

Marian Kelly

Joe Kelly

Brian Selby

RAP

Bernie Boxer

Di Davies

BIRTHDAY

Ansel Mathews

Don Cameron

WELCOME

Points of Interest...

- ◆ Legal Advice
- ◆ DVA
- ◆ Christmas 2020
- ◆ Reunion 2021
Sarawak Trail
- ◆ AUTO AIR Service



SELAMAT HARI KRISMAS

A VERY MERRY 2020 CHRISTMAS



AND A HAPPY, SAFE 2021 NEW YEAR

VETERANS' HOME CARE

Veterans' Home Care [VHC] is a program funded by DVA. It provides a small amount of practical assistance to help eligible veterans continue to live independently in their homes.

The following services are a **based on assessed needs** with limits....

DOMESTIC HELP includes Internal House Cleaning, Unaccompanied shopping and bill paying.

PERSONAL CARE for a maximum of 90 minutes per week for assistance with Showering and Toileting, Getting In and Out of bed, Eating.

RESPITE CARE up to 196 hours per financial year for In-Home Respite and short-term away from home Respite. There is no co-payment charged for Respite Care.

EMERGENCY SHORT-TERM RESPITE for up to three days in home if the carer suddenly becomes unable to provide care.

SAFETY-RELATED Home & Garden Maintenance for changing Light bulbs, Smoke Alarm Batteries, Cleaning Gutters and Windows.

COSTS are capped as: Domestic Assistance \$5.00 per week. Personal Care \$5.00 per hour. Safety Related: \$5.00 per hour capped at \$75.00 per year.

Contact the Veteran Home-Care Assessment Agency on 1300 550 450 for all services.



TOTALLY & PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED EX-SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

QUOTE " All three reviews have found that there is insufficient evidence to support a broad increase in the TPI payment. While I can appreciate this is not the outcome the TPI Federation had hoped for, the government has exhaustively investigated their claims and responded positively to all the recommendations put forward by Mr Tune" The Hon. Darren Chester MP.

Mr Tune's review is the third assessment into issues raised by the TPI Federation around the TPI Payment, the previous two being from KPMG and the Productivity Commission.

The Government has accepted Mr Tune's recommendations.....

The 2020 / 2021 Federal budget will provide increased support for veterans living in rented accommodation [item 15.1 Productivity Commission] and an additional \$25.9 Million for some additional support overall.

LEGAL ADVICE

In the event of the need for any legal representation and advice, members may wish to make inquiries with Mr Tim White, a currently serving RAAF Reserve officer at Tindall, Gask, Bentley Lawyers 76 Light Sq. Adelaide.....
Ph: 08 8212 1077 and 08 8322 2755
E: jswift@tgb.com.au

SARAWAK 2021 AND 2021 PLAN B

As we go to print it is still touch and go whether or not the Australian contingent will be able to attend the planned Commemoration and opening of the Memorial Garden at Kg Gumbang in late August. Australian govt medical authorities are still in favour of keeping international travel bans in place, except for New Zealand till there is a definite removal of infections.....

Committee member Vicki Crannaford has proposed we conduct the 2021 Sarawak commemoration in Adelaide as the *plan B* for Sarawak, to ensure the purpose of our joint plans with Kuching do go ahead...and as a possibility, we may be able to organise a ZOOM connection to see each site in real time...
Bagusla....

INCERTA CERNITUR

People who defend your name when you're not around are the most loyal friends you could ever have.

DVA ADVOCATES

Members may be aware that training by DVA for Advocacy credentials from ESOs has been stopped without notice in South Australia only. Those members currently in courses and ready for course completion have wasted months of their time and their good will. All volunteers....

The attached letter to the Minister is the result of discussions by the current SA Consortium of ESOs and which the SA & NT Branch is an active member.

Any response from the Minister will be advised to members....if we get one.....

SA & NT Branch

MEMBERSHIP

In addition to

Ordinary Membership,

our Branch includes..

Associate Membership

for Family and friends over 18 years of age.

Social Membership

for those interested in joining and helping us, and also

Junior Membership

for family and friends under 18 years of age.

Ordinary membership is for ex-service personnel, and those currently serving in the ADF, who have served in the prescribed areas during WW2, the 1948-1960 Malayan Emergency, the 1962-1966 Indonesian Confrontation, all service post 1966 to the present day, and

**RIFLE Coy
Butterworth**

Annual subs are:

**\$20.00 for Service, Associate, and Social Membership,
\$5.00 Junior members.**

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Everyone is very welcome to join us and enjoy our functions.....

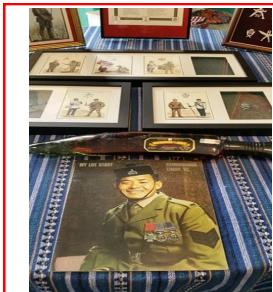
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**ANNUAL SUBS DUE
from 1 January except
for members
joining between
1 Oct and 31 Dec**

S A & NT BRANCH COMMEMORATION LUNCH

Because of the continuing Chinese COVID-19 restrictions, the decision was taken to combine the planned SA NT annual dining function together with the 25th anniversary of the formation of the NMBVAA Inc, albeit, as a scaled down function.

L-R Eddie Liew, Don Cameron, Brian Selby, Jing Lee MLC, Paul Rosenzweig, Dipak Dhamala

**MEMBERS AND GUESTS****QUOTEABLE QUOTES**

**"IF YOU CAN'T MAKE 'EM
SEE THE LIGHT....**

MAKE 'EM FEEL THE HEAT"

R. Reagan

DVA CONTACT

The phone number for all DVA requirements is
1800 838 372

AVOCA HOTEL

The Avoca is owned and operated by RSL SA.... OPEN from 0900 - 0300 with gaming, dining and full bar facilities, large bottle shop and has various function and meeting spaces for hire.

RSL members enjoy a 15% discount on all dining and beverage choices.

Special functions can be arranged for groups e.g. Wine and Cheese tastings

Mia and Amy are the gurus
Ph: 08 8293 1183

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2020

Was commemorated on 11/11/2020 as a combined service at the Glenelg Memorial Moseley Square, Glenelg by the SA & NT Branch and the Plympton-Glenelg RSL



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Original pics and documents will
be returned to the sender.....



RAF Victor bomber low and
level over the Peninsula during
Operation "CHAM".....1965

DIARY NOTE

The 55th Anniversary plans for
Sarawak in August 2021 may be
cancelled due to international
travel restrictions.....



Mk1 SWB fully restored is
available at auction for
AUD\$30K- AUD\$45K

ASSOCIATION AIM

COMRADESHIP for those who served in Malaya, Sabah, Sarawak, Singapore, the Thai-Malay Border, Brunei, the MALAYAN EMERGENCY, the INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION, Deployments post 1966 and with the Rifle Company Butterworth.....

To ASSIST members in times of need.

To REMEMBER with Pride, Respect and Gratitude, those who made the Supreme Sacrifice in the line of duty and to ensure those who fell are represented on ANZAC Day in Australia and Remembrance Day abroad.

To PROMOTE the Association and it's Aims.

To STRENGTHEN TIES with Malaysia and Singapore.

**THE NATIONAL MALAYA & BORNEO
VETERANS' ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA
INCORPORATED**

NOTES AND PICS

AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION
150TH ANNIVERSARY
CAR STICKER



The Australian Artillery Association has created a Car Sticker to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Artillery in 2021 now available for purchase.

The Car Stickers have been produced at a size that enables the small background Artillery badges to be distinguishable on the sticker which measures 15.5 cm wide by 10 cm high.

The Car stickers are priced at 1 for \$5.00 buy 2 for \$10.00 and get a 3rd one free plus postage of \$1.10.

For more information and to place your online order and pay for your Car Sticker visit:

<http://www.australianartilleryassociation.com>

SUMMER HEAT REMOVED

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Chris Howard
Mention the SA & NT Branch
Chris is a member.....
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Thank you to Nicolle Flint MP
Federal Member for Boothby
for providing the printing
facilities for the SA NT Branch
Terima kasih....



****ANNUAL Subs****

Due from 1 January

Please fwd \$20.00 to
Jenny Cameron
21 Gordon Ave
St AGNES SA 5097

Terima kasih...