



The Bosun's Call



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Navy appeals for public help in honouring maritime war dead

Relatives of Navy World War One fallen members are being asked to search through family photo albums to assist in compiling an updated Roll of Honour, listing Royal Australian Navy personnel who gave their lives in the Great War.

300 Navy members died during the first World War. While some wore Royal Navy uniforms, they were among the first naval officers and sailors to fight on Australia's behalf.

It's a little known fact that the first Australian serviceman to die in World War One was an Australian sailor. Able Seaman William 'Bill' Williams was shot during an Australian raid on a wireless station at Rabaul in German New Guinea. The submarine *AE1* and its crew of 35 were lost soon afterwards and only found in late 2017.

HMAS *Sydney* suffered four casualties during a sea battle with the German Raider *Emden* in November 1914. RAN members also played a significant role at Gallipoli, with the submarine *AE2* penetrating the Dardanelles on 25 April 1915, and four RAN Bridging Train personnel dying during construction of wharves and piers at Suvla Bay in 1915.

In the most detailed examination of Australia's maritime war dead yet conducted, the RAN Naval History Section is casting its net wide to ensure that each individual Navy casualty is properly recognised.

"Understandably, World War One saw Australians focus more on the Army as so many of their loved ones fought and died ashore," Senior Naval Historical Officer, Mr Greg Swinden said.

"The Royal Australian Navy had only been formed in 1911, but despite its small size, the contribution during the war was significant."

"It's important to recognise that the war continued to devastate our population for some time after the



Able Seaman Bill Williams, who died after being shot during an Australian raid on a German radio post on Rabaul on 11 September 1914. AB Williams was the first Australian to die in World War I.

guns fell silent," Mr Swinden said.

"Our timeline begins in August 1914 and runs until 31 August 1921 – the same period acknowledged by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission."

"Of the 300 names on our list, only about 25% are identified with a photo so far. We are hoping their relatives can assist us in sourcing imagery. With their help we can create a fitting tribute to our Navy war dead."

Any imagery of a RAN member who died in WWI should be sent to: navalhistorysection@gmail.com

Events coming up

6 Dec Christmas Lunch Gungahlin Lakes Golf Club 1200

18 Dec Last Post Ceremony AB Diver Keith Jervis

16 Jan -Last Post AWM AB Arthur Ladlow HMAS Goorangai

28 Feb Last Post AWM CAPT HML Waller DSC RAN HMAS Perth to be laid by Peter Cooke-Russell and Jack Aaron



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General Meeting & AGM Dates and Locations

Programme

2019

7 Feb Kaleen Sports Club	1330
7 Mar Kaleen Sports Club	1330
7 Mar Kaleen Sports Club	AGM On Completion of GM
4 Apr Kaleen Sports Club	1330

Tables are booked for drinks and lunch in the host club from 1200 prior to the meeting.

If you need assistance getting to the meeting and/or functions, call Peter Cooke-Russell on 6223 2364 who will try to organise transport for you.

President's Note

G'day

The November F&C was well attended and a nice lunch and conversation was had by all. Even the weather was kind. One day our weather will make up it's mind.

Peter Cooke-Russell, JJ Harrison and myself attended the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the AWM. The National President, Terry Makings, laid the wreath for the NAA. I attended the Last Post Ceremony.

On Friday 23rd, I attended the Torrens school assembly with CMDR Rachel Thompson from HMAS Canberra 3. The school was presented with the ships crest and photo.

The AGM will be held at the March Meeting. All positions are open including mine.

May I wish all shipmates a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2019.

Yours aye

Alex



*HMAS Barcoo
aground
Glenelg Beach
SA
11 March 1948*

**Committee meeting
Kaleen Sports Club
1130 Thursday
7 February 2019**

Deputy Chief of Navy highlights growth opportunity

HMAS KUTTABULL

The Deputy Chief of Navy, Rear Admiral Mark Hammond has held the first in a series of Leading Seaman Forums, in a move designed to engage sailors in ways to improve Navy's workforce.

"There's no point me sitting here in my role, writing policy and trying to shift the direction of culture within Navy if I don't understand what the issues are at deck plate level," DCN said. "Having a conversation with some of our most junior leaders will hopefully sharpen my focus upon contemporary issues that perhaps aren't front-of-mind for me."

RADM Hammond has explained this approach in a letter to every Leading Seaman. DCN concedes it's been an interesting social experiment.

"As one of the most senior officers in Navy, when you sign over two and a half thousand letters to some of the most junior people in Navy inevitably there are a lot of people out there with a view," DCN said. "But this is a genuine attempt from me to understand what the deckplate issues are for contemporary Leading Seamen.

"Together we get it right 98% of the time – I need their help with fixing that 2% who stray away from our Values and Signature Behaviours."

Since his promotion to DCN in March, RADM Hammond has asked all ranks to come up with solutions to Navy's current and future workforce challenges. He says competition from the private sector will continue to force Navy to change with the times.

"When I first joined 31 years ago, our main armament was a 4.5-inch gun, and missiles were relatively new to the fight. Today everything depends upon technology and we are increasingly depend-

Deputy Chief of the Royal Australian Navy, Rear Admiral Mark Hammond, AM, RAN, listens to Leading Seaman during a forum at HMAS Stirling in Western Australia.



ent upon the intellectual capability of the modern sailor.

"The sailor of today is diverse, complex, in high demand and highly capable and we need to make sure that we keep that front of mind."

CMDR Fenn Kemp (author), LSIS Tom Gibson (photographer)

HMAS STIRLING

Deputy Chief of Navy, Rear Admiral Mark Hammond, AM, RAN paid a visit to HMAS *Stirling* and Fleet Base West recently for the latest in the series of Leading Seaman Forums being delivered across Navy.

Speaking to a large gathering of Leading Seamen from Stirling and west-based ships and submarines, RADM Hammond highlighted the important role their rank played in Navy's structure.

"When I first came into this job as DCN, I was reminded of the unique position our Leading Seamen hold," he said.

"I'd board a helicopter and a leading hand would give a safety brief and strap me into my seat, or walk onto a ship and it was a leading hand at the top of the gangway, or head up to the bridge and a leading hand was running the bridge routine.

"And even when you walk into Chief of Navy's office, it's two Leading Seamen who are the first people you see.

"That's when it hit me that you and your cohorts actually run the Navy and are the face of Navy; this gives you an incredible opportunity to define how Navy is perceived and how effective we are at conducting operations.

"That's the reason I signed more than 2700 letters to all of you; because I recognise the positive impact that leading hands had on my own career and continue to have on the careers of all young sailors."

RADM Hammond said another reason behind the push to engage sailors of Leading Seaman rank was in order to get people talking about the issues facing the current generation of sailors.

"In my recent Facebook post I was asked what I would say to someone who was considering leaving Navy, and my response was 'let's have a conversation and find out what the issues are behind that decision'," he said.

"But it's not because we're losing large numbers of people, in fact, our separation rate is the healthiest

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Navy engineers and technical sailors to become masters of their own careers

More exciting change is coming for the Royal Australian Navy's uniform engineering personnel. The Naval Engineering Career Continuum (NECC) which goes live on 29 October 2018, is set to completely redefine how our military members view, and ultimately, direct their own careers.

Chief of Navy, Vice Admiral Mike Noonan, recently said that Navy's people and culture is at the top of his priority list and that "without the right people, supported by an inclusive and accountable culture, we will not be able to achieve Navy's mission."

The NECC is one mechanism that Naval Engineering is employing to accomplish this objective.

The NECC is designed to allow the Navy to deliver self-sustaining Areas of Employment (engineering officers) and Career Pathways (technical sailors) for the Navy engineering community, while taking into consideration individual developmental goals and career aspirations, as well as Navy's requirements.

Deputy Chief of Navy highlights growth opportunity

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it's been for years and we don't have a problem in that area; what we have is a growth opportunity.

"We actually have a mandate to grow Navy by another 1000 people in the next four years, the last time we did that was during the Vietnam War.

"But we just don't want all of this growth to come through recruiting; it's much better to grow Navy through a combination of recruiting and retention.

"And this can only be done by opening up a dialogue which is what we are trying to do through these forums."

RADM Hammond said he was receiving plenty of feedback from previous forum participants, and encouraged the current group of attendees to keep the conversation going in their respective workplaces.

LEUT Gary McHugh (author), LSIS Ronnie Baltoft (photographer)

Deputy Chief of Navy, Rear Admiral Mark Hammond, AM, RAN, leads a discussion with Royal Australian Navy Leading Seamen at HMAS Kuttabul, Sydney.

NECC personnel are currently carrying out information sessions around Australia informing military members of their obligations and how this will benefit them in their future careers. These sessions began in August and so far have been delivered in five locations across the country to more than 1300 engineering officers and technical sailors.

NECC manager, CMDR Des O'Neil says "feedback received from the engineering officers is they wish they had the Areas of Employment earlier in their journey to assist them."

NECC will use Engineer Mastery Assessment (EMA) for its engineering officers and Technical Mastery Individual Assessment (TMIA) for each of its technical sailors in order to measure Engineering and Technical Mastery. This will then allow platform managers onboard ships to view the current skill capability of their crew, and identify any skill gaps early on.

Petty Officer Craig Dudley, who recently attended one of the information sessions, said that he could also "use the TMIA as a heat map, allowing departments to see where each rank and trade sit in terms of Technical Mastery (TM), giving us an indication of technical skill levels which Navy hasn't been able to quantify before."

From October 29, all engineering officers and technical sailors will have a month to complete an initial TMIA or EMA so that a baseline of Engineer and Technical Mastery for the Navy engineering workforce is established.

For more information you can review the [NECC website](#) on the DRN, or contact the NECC team at NECCcorro@drn.mil.au.



An edited extract of a report from DFWA to the Australian Council of Public Service Retiree Organisations (ACPSRO) AGM 10 October 2018

Introduction

Political turmoil in the Veterans' Affairs and Defence Personnel portfolios appears as common as that with the office of the Prime Minister - three MPs have now having held those portfolios in the last six months. Perhaps the last seat churn was fortuitous because Michael McCormack as DVA Minister gave every sign that his interest in Defence/Veterans Affairs matters seemed to be close to zero. Almost certainly the change to Darren Chester MP was as good an outcome as the veterans' community could have hoped to have happened.

Why? In part because Minister Chester in his wisdom re-employed the same senior advisors as those that functioned under Minister Tehan - there then was no need for a lengthy getting-to-know-you campaign to re-built trust in the office of an important Minister who had Cabinet-level status.

That trust quickly bore fruit when a series of early meeting with the Minister, inclusive of both the outgoing and incoming Secretary Department of Veterans Affairs, could be easily arranged. Those meetings culminated in a critically important one on 23 May to brief him not only on DFWA/ADSO veterans' objective but on our long-held strategy for an Australian Military Covenant. Perhaps somewhat surprisingly, not only did the Minister agree to move forward on the Covenant but he strongly reaffirmed the **'Unique Nature of Military Service'** being the basis for it. As Kel Ryan is DFWA's National President and the National Spokesman of ADSO, he was tasked to work with the new Secretary DVA to make it happen by 11 Nov 2018.

The culmination of long years of lobbying effort predominantly by DFWA bore witness to a Media Statement on 27 October 2018 by the Prime Minister himself jointly with the DVA Minister that the Government 'recognises and respects veterans' through a number of initiatives, including the plan to adopt an Australia Veterans/Military Covenant. The Opposition promising the same. *(A copy of that statement is at page 8 of this newsletter).*

KEY ISSUES

Collaboration

As an indication of how far the notion of **'collaboration'** between major ESOs on key issues progressed, DFWA was joined at the critical Covenant meeting with the Minister by the National President RSL himself. He fully endorsed what was being proposed.

Arguably, the strength of the combined voices of DFWA/ADSO and the RSL speaking as a single

voice played an influential final part in convincing the Government to proceed with the Covenant initiative. The initiative had been an almost decade-long corner stone part of DFWA's strategic aspiration championed by its long-serving immediate past National President, David Jamison. The 'light at the end of a long tunnel' is a welcome sight.

The efforts of DFWA/ADSO/RSL and some sections of the wider ESO community to collaborate and work together are not only being lauded by all sides of politics but is recognised as a strength by the DVA, senior levels within the ADF, and by such organisations as the Defence Ombudsman and even CSC.

Built on a series of 'Compacts' that have been signed by 22 ESOs, including Legacy Australia and RSL National, a national ESO collaborative framework is in the process being put into place. That framework will be better placed to support serving and former ADF members and their families. Dis-jointed and penny-packeted support efforts will potentially be a thing of the past.

Such defused efforts hardly ever lead to satisfactory policy outcomes, nor satisfied the need for better advocacy arrangements in place at the moment.

The ADSO Alliance

DFWA is an inaugural member of the **Alliance of Defence Service Organisations (ADSO)**. The Alliance was formed in July 2010 because of the desire of five original ex service organisations to more closely work together in a cooperative and coordinated manner. The inaugural five were: Defence Force Welfare Association (DFWA), Naval Association of Australia (NAA), Royal Australian Air Force Association (RAAFA), Royal Australian Regiment Corporation (RARAC) and the Australian Special Air Services Association (ASASA).

ADSO now stands at 18 member organisations with the following also joining since the inaugural five: Australian Federation of Totally and Permanently Incapacitated Ex-Service Men and Women (TPI), Fleet Air Arm Association of Australia (FAAA), Partners of Veterans Association of Australia (PVA), Royal Australian Armoured Corps Corporation (RAACC), National Malaya and Borneo Veterans Association Australia (NMBVAA), Defence Reserves Association (DRA), Australian Gulf War Veterans Association (AGWVA), Australian Commando Association (ACA), War Widows Guild of Australia (WWG), Military Police Association Australia (MPAA), Australian Army Apprentices Association, Women Veterans Network Aus-

An edited extract of a report from DFWA to the Australian Council of Public Service Retiree Organisations (ACPSRO) AGM 10 October 2018 (continued)

tralia (WVNA), and Combat Support Association (CSA).

The objective of ADSO is to provide a stronger voice on issues impacting the conditions and well-being of currently serving and former members of the ADF. Its major functions are to:

- Improve communication, cooperation and collaboration between member organisations;
- Gain mutual advantage from varying expertise levels of each member organisation;
- Ensure for each issue being pursued, the appropriate organisation is identified as the 'lead organisation' for coordinating the actions to be undertaken by the Alliance; and
- Help spread the workload and ensure the resources of the Alliance members are used to produce the most effective results.

The DFWA's National President, Kel Ryan, is ADSO's National spokesman.

Banking and Finance Sector Royal Commission

Following the call by DFWA on 12 Dec 17 to include Commonwealth Superannuation Commission (CSC) in the Terms of Reference of the Banking Royal Commission, a joint ADSO/RSL Media Statement was issued on 11 Jan 18 calling for inclusion as well. In the event, the Government refused, proffering the excuse that 'CSC was not only already well-regulated but also subject to greater scrutiny and accountability than other funds by Acts of Parliament and through oversight by a Senate Estimates process'.

In other words, there was *'nothing to see'*. Needless to say, the 'nothing to see' and 'well regulated' excuses were applied to the Banking and Finance sectors as well before the Government's hand was forced by the Opposition to hold the Royal Commission.

Events and emerging evidence have proved that confidence in both sectors was at best misplaced. A DFWA campaign continues but success at this late stage seems unlikely.

Productivity Commission Inquiry

DFWA separately and ADSO jointly applied a massive effort to make two quality submissions by 13 July 2018, the due date. That submissions are on the Commission's web site. The Commission will continue to accept inputs into 2019 after it releases a draft report in December 2018. The final report is not due until mid-2019. There is a lot of water to flow under the so-to-speak bridge from now until then

Senate Inquiries 2017 - 2018

The number of Senate Inquiries mounted over the last 12 months has been unprecedented. These inquiries stretched the resources of DFWA to draft responses, coordinate inputs, and to finally make submissions. Except for the Submission to the FADT Committee's Inquiry into the Defence Report 2017 -18 (which was an entirely DFWA response) most were ADSO joint ones.

The following is a summary of the Submissions made:

- Submission - Senate FADT Committee's Inquiry into **'Suicide by Veterans and Ex-Service Personnel'**.
- Submission - Senate FADT Committee's Inquiry into **Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Digital Readiness and Other Measures) Bill 2016**.
- Submission - Senate FADT Committee's Inquiry into **Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation Amendment (Defence Force) Bill 2016**.
- Ministerial - **Treasury Laws Fair and Sustainable Superannuation Act 2016**.
- Submission - Senate FADT Committee's Inquiry into the **Draft Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Omnibus) Bill 2017**.
- Ministerial - **Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2017**.
- Ministerial - **Royal Commission into Banking and Superannuation D CSC Inclusion**.
- Submission - ANAO) audit to **examine whether the Department of Veterans' Affairs is efficiently delivering services to veterans and their dependents**.
- Submission - Productivity Commission Inquiry into **Compensation and Rehabilitation**.

Each Submission represents a collaborative effort and is the result of exhaustive analysis, drafting and redrafting using the experience of the ADSO membership group. It was and continues to be achieved on a 'shoe string' and often at the behest of DVA and the Government of the day. The experience has been hard won, often over decades, by men and women who seek no remuneration and respond only to the needs of fellow veterans and their families.

Alf Jaugietis
Executive Director DFWA

THE HON SCOTT MORRISON MP
PRIME MINISTER

THE HON DARREN CHESTER MP
MINISTER FOR VETERANS' AFFAIRS; MINISTER FOR DEFENCE PERSONNEL; MINISTER ASSISTING THE PRIME MINISTER FOR THE CENTENARY OF ANZAC

JOINT MEDIA STATEMENT

Saturday, 27 October 2018

RECOGNISING AND RESPECTING OUR VETERANS

Veterans and their families are at the centre of a fresh package of initiatives from our Government to recognise their vital role and service to Australia. We understand the home front is just as important as the front line.

Our Government will develop an Australian Veterans' Covenant that will be enacted in legislation, so the nation can recognise the unique nature of military service and support veterans and their families.

Like the United Kingdom Armed Forces Covenant, the Australian Veterans' Covenant is for the Australian community to recognise the service and sacrifice of the men and women who commit to defend the nation and pledge their commitment to support veterans and their families.

As part of this Veterans' Covenant, a new Australian Veterans' Card and an Australian Veterans' Lapel Pin will make it easier for all Australians to recognise and respect the unique contribution that veterans have made to Australia and for our veterans to reconnect with others who have served.

As we have seen throughout the Invictus Games and in the lead up to the Centenary of Armistice, Australians want to acknowledge and show respect for our veterans who have given so much in their service.

Businesses, government and community organisations can also play their part in recognising and respecting those who have served. The card and the pin can help these organisations identify veterans when they aren't wearing their uniform or medals, so they can offer discounts and extra support.

The new Card and Lapel Pin will for the first time enable everyone across the nation to recognise and acknowledge the unique nature of military service and support the more than 300,000 veterans in Australia and their families. The Prime Minister will be writing to businesses and communities to urge them to recognise the service of our veterans.

In addition to the record \$11.2 billion annual support our government delivers for veterans and their families, we will invest \$11.1 million in these measures to deliver a national approach to recognise veterans and will further consult defence and veterans' communities in coming weeks.

We will also deliver \$6.7 million to develop the SoldierOn Fussell House accommodation facility to be co-located at the Concord Repatriation Hospital in Sydney that the NSW Berejiklian Government is investing more than \$340 million to rebuild. This includes the National Centre for Veterans Health - an Australian first, state of the art centre for specialised health care for veterans.

Named for Lieutenant Michael Fussell who was serving with the Special Operations Task Group in Afghanistan when he was killed in action by an Improvised Explosive Device detonation, the facility will house up to 40 veterans and their families at a time and will especially benefit those from regional and rural areas when veterans are getting treatment.

Our Government will also invest \$7.6 million for the Kookaburra Kids Defence Program to boost their targeted support to children of ex-serving defence force members who are experiencing mental health issues due to their service.

The Kookaburra Kids Defence Program was first supported by our government with a \$2.1 million injection in a pilot program in NSW, the ACT, Queensland and the NT for 569 children, and this extra investment will see the program expand into Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia for 1,750 children.

As a country we can always do more to recognise and back in our veterans. Our government is committed to setting Australia up to support the veterans of today and tomorrow.

Media contacts:

Prime Minister's Press Office: (02) 6277 7744

**Minutes of NAA (ACT) General Meeting on 1 November 2018
at Kaleen Sports Club, Kaleen.**

Fallen Comrades. The Ode was recited by shipmate JJ Harrison.

Meeting opened. President, Alex McGown, opened the meeting at 1340.

Attendance and apologies. 15 members were in attendance and 2 apologies were noted.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the 6 October 2018 meeting as appearing in the Bosun's Call were accepted..

Motion: The minutes of the 6 October 2018 General Meeting be accepted. Moved: Alex McGown Secoded: Ken Cartwright Carried.

Business arising from the minutes.

Nil

Reports.

President's report. Nil

Vice President. Dave Manolas attended WRAN Commemoration at HMAS HARMAN on 21Oct18.

Secretary / Treasurer. Nil to report

Membership. Nil to report.

Social Bev informed the meeting that there was a good turnout at the last Fish and Chip lunch. Next fish and chip lunch will be 15 Nov. Following discussion of a proposal put by Bev regarding future Christmas raffles that no tickets for the raffle be sold, instead all those members who attend any of the NAA ACT Division monthly meetings or issued apologies during the year thereby contributing to the raffles, be automatically given a ticket into the draw for each attendance. The proposal was accepted unanimously.

KOC/VVCS Nil to report

Welfare. All seems to well on the welfare front.

General Business.

Old Wreath. Tiger Lyons informed the meeting that the old wreath was slightly waterlogged following hail shower on 21 Oct.

President advised the meeting on need to pay some outstanding bills as soon as Alan returns from his holiday.

Reports. Moved by President that reports be accepted. Seconded by Graham Quinn. Carried.

Torrens Primary School. The president advised the meeting that he had spoken with a WO in Navy re proposed presentation to Torrens Primary School. It was decided that a ships plaque be presented to the school when decision is confirmed.

The president then went on to advise the meeting of the outcomes of the agenda items discussed at the National meeting held at the beginning of October. The agenda items were outlined in the September issue of he Bosuns Call.

Raffle The raffle was won by Ken Cartwright

Next Meeting. The next meeting will be on 7 February 2019 at the Kaleen Sport Centre at 1330.

Meeting Closure. The meeting closed at 1430.

APJ Vickers
Acting/Secretary
NAA (ACT Section)
10 November 2018

**Notes from the meeting of NAA (ACT) Committee on Thursday, 1 November 2018
at Kaleen Sports Centre, Kaleen.**

President, Alex McGown, opened the meeting at 1200.

The president gave a report on the National Meeting held at the beginning of October. Further discussion would be held at the following General Meeting

Meeting Closure. The meeting closed at 1230.

Anthony Vickers
A/Secretary
NAA (ACT Section)
10 November 2018

**NAA ACT Section
Nomination Form
2019 Committee Elections**

Position

Nominee

Proposer: Name (Block Letters)

Signature

Seconder: Name (Block Letters)

Signature.....

Date:.....

Endorsement by Nominee

Nominations are to be delivered to
The Secretary, s
NAA ACT Section

not less than 7 days before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting to take place; ie by 1.30 pm Thursday 28 February 2019

Subscription and Records Update 2019
Annual Subscription for 2018 **\$38.00** (Due now)

Surname.....

Given Names

Signature

Please complete the following details to bring our records up to date

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS 2019

Action to renew membership for 2019 can now undertaken in a number of different ways. The following, in order of preference for the Treasurer, are listed below, but any of them can be utilised. The use of e-banking provides for ease of payment and your bank records act as your receipt.

The annual subscription for 2019 is \$38

1. Direct transfer of funds to the NAA (ACT Section). Using e-bank facilities, transfer funds to Naval Association of Australia –ACT Section Account **BSB: 633 000 . Account Number 162 834 097** *Please ensure you have identified yourself as the payer in order that the Treasurer can correctly credit your payment.*

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3. Direct payment to Treasurer. The Treasurer will gladly accept cheques or cash from members at General Meetings. A receipt will be given to payers.

IF YOU HAVE CHANGED ANY OF YOUR CONTACT DETAILS SUCH AS HOME ADDRESS, E-MAIL ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBERS PLEASE ADVISE THE MEMBERSHIP REGISTRAR.

Social Programme

December 6th Christmas Lunch in lieu of meeting at The Lakes Gungahlin Golf Club

Bev Joce
Social Secretary

- **Please note that all lunches are scheduled for 12 noon until approx 2 pm you may stay later if you prefer**
- **We have recently been advised that if we sit on concrete area or indoors at the Yacht Club we are not to BYO our drinks. To have our own BYO we must sit out at the picnic tables on the grass area...**

or sit on the grass if you prefer????

- **If you have any suggestions for other outings throughout the year please mention them to Bev or Alex**



HMAS Barcoo at Glenelg after the storm with HMAS Warrego in attendance awaiting to tow Barcoo off the beach on 20 March 1948



A Happy Birthday to you in December 2018 and January 2019

December

Gail Keddie

January

Leonard Timbrell

James Sandison

David Manolas

Merle Hare

and

Keith Smith



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