

The

# Bayside Buzz

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Welcome to Edition 10 of the Bayside Buzz,  
G'day all as we head into Midyear 2021.

## Bereavement Notice



The following bereavement notice was conveyed by Ian Cuthbertson to our shipmates from our President Graham Hargreaves.

*It is with the deepest of regrets that I convey to our shipmates, members, and friends of the passing of our much-loved NAA member, Mr Ken Fuller.*

*Ken passed away during Sunday night 20 June in his own home and in his own bed after a short stay in Greenslopes Hospital. This is a sad blow for his family and our Naval and RSL organisations as we were very much on the verge of celebrating his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in August.*

*Ken is gone but never to be forgotten. We will continue to liaise with the family and offer all the support we can at such a difficult time.*



**Ken's Funeral: 1000 Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021 at GEORGE HARTNETT FUNERALS 127 RUSSELL ST CLEVELAND.**

There is limited parking at the funeral venue so please leave that parking area for the family and use street parking.

A poppy service will be conducted, Chief of Navy, Vice Admiral Noonan will be represented, medals to be worn

A family interment will follow at cemetery,  
Wake: 1200 in the Gallipoli Room at the Redlands RSL

**Rest In Peace  
KEN**

## This Edition of the Buzz

I cover the period March 2021 thru June 2021 and include functions, information, news, and points of interest from members participation and upcoming events and proposed activities (maybe) for 2021.

Thanks to Ian Cuthbertson for the report on ANZAC Day 2021 at the Redlands RSL

With restrictions easing and only the one three-day lockdown recently for our area and state borders open (Stand by though, they were when I wrote this) its feeling more and more like the norm. The Vaccination program has commenced bringing further relief to our situation albeit a tad slow.

Again I thank those regular contributors to the content of this issue, however still requesting any input of interest to our readers, your stories are sure to be of interest to someone in our association.

### Executive Committee 2021

**President** Graham Hargreaves  
**Vice President 1** Ian Cuthbertson  
**Vice President 2** Chris McKay  
**Secretary** Ian Bowyer  
**Treasurer** Barbara Sellars

### Non-Executive Position

**Membership Officer** Jo Lambert  
**Wellbeing Officer** Neil Torkington 0499582699

## RUOK

If you do require help, assistance or just someone to have a chat to please use our wellbeing officers or executive committee. They can help and provide advice and assistance to you.



## ANZAC DAY

### **Thanks again to Ian Cuthbertson for this report on ANZAC Day 2021 at the Redlands RSL**

My day started at 0430 at the Gunfire Breakfast with other veterans in the main lounge area of the RSL Club (with the obligatory tot of rum of course). After the breakfast all the veterans then fell in outside the Club to march to ANZAC Centenary Park for the Dawn Service where the crowd number was estimated to be around 10,000 members of the public which was great to see.

The Dawn Service was very solemn and respectful to the fallen and to those who have returned, served, or are still serving. The wreath laying ceremony showed the thinning ranks of our veterans as the WWI and WWII wreaths were laid by "younger veterans". Next year I will make sure I am not near the pipers whilst they play during the wreath laying, I do have some Scottish blood in me but not that much!

After the Dawn Service we adjourned to the Club for some comraderie where the odd beer was drunk, stories told and Sylvia Burgers consumed (ask Glenn Williams about that one). This year the RSL Club had a photographer set up to take photos of everyone or in groups which we took advantage of. We left the Club at 0830 for a rest before the Main March.

The RAAF led the march this year as it was their centenary year and we were second. Whilst mustering for the march we shanghaied a LCDR to lead the Navy contingent and 3 cadets from TS Norfolk to carry our banner and the White Ensign. The Navy numbers were particularly good this year with several ex-Sailors joining us behind our banner. Once again, the public crowd numbers for the march were great, noticeably more than recent years.

Again it was a terrific Main Service, with all the usual ceremonies, prayers, and wreath laying (not near the pipers this time) with a RAAF F 18 Fighter Jet flyover and interesting address from a female RAAF Officer whose father also served in the RAAF. Both National Anthems were very well sung by our singer but her rendition of Amazing Grace with a guitar solo piece was just simply outstanding. Feedback after the march was that people thought that it was a recording and not her singing live.

Once again post the Main Service we mustered in the Gallipoli Room to discuss what we forgot to discuss during comraderie after the Dawn Service. As the day progressed our numbers dwindled, the 2 up ring was going off all day and the beers changed to rum.

I got an Uber home around 1800. Another ANZAC Day done and dusted thank you to all Bayside Members who attended.

Before I sign off, I want to say how good the TS Norfolk cadets were at both the Dawn and Main Services on Catafalque party duties, being our banner and Ensign bearers and the participation in the Main March. Thank you and congratulations boys and girls you all did an outstanding job.



**The NAVY Contingent  
Flags and Banner of the Bayside Subsection proudly  
carried by TS Norfolk Cadets**



**Ken Fuller RIP**

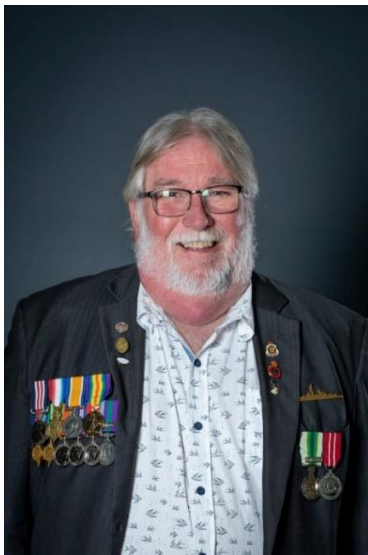


**Bayside President Graham Hargreaves and Grand  
Children**





**Cathy Beadley**



**Ian Cuthbertson**



**Gordon and Margaret Smith**



**Len Hoppe**



**Chris Robinson**

### **TS Norfolk Certificate of Appreciation**

A Certificate of Appreciation has been awarded TS Norfolk by Bayside for their excellent support and effort to the ANZAC Day march Naval contingent and catafalque Party. John Tranter and Col Saxby attended the TS Norfolk Parade on the 10 June where Col presented the certificate to the CO and thanked the cadets and congratulated them on their performance.



**TS Norfolk Ships Company with the Award Certificate**



**Col with the CO TS Norfolk and Award Certificate**

**Young people forget that we old people had a career before we retired.....**

Charley, a new retiree-greeter at Wal-Mart, just could not seem to get to work on time. Every day he was 5, 10, 15 minutes late. But he was a good worker, tidy, clean-shaven, sharp-minded and a real credit to the company and obviously demonstrating their "Older Person Friendly" policies.

One day the boss called him into the office for a talk. "Charley, I have to tell you, I like your work ethic, you do a bang-up job when you finally get here; but your being late so often is quite bothersome." "Yes, I know boss and I am sorry and am working on it."

"Well good, you are a team player. That's what I like to hear."

"Yes sir, I understand your concern and I will try harder."

Seeming puzzled, the manager went on to comment, "I know you're retired from the Armed Forces. What did they say to you there if you showed up in the morning late so often?"

The old man looked down at the floor, then smiled. He chuckled quietly, then said with a grin,

*"They usually saluted and said, Good morning, Admiral, can I get your coffee, sir?"*

### **NAA Meeting Lunch your costs**

- **Beer \$3.00**
- **Wine, Water & Soft Drink \$1.00**
- **Meals \$5.00**



*TWO members of CDT 1 inspect the corroded fin of the squid projectile.*

**Now, if I start running, try keeping up**



**History – The Stores Basin Singapore with a few Ships alongside**



# *Bayside Sub Section Annual Ladies Dine In Night*

*to be held in*

*The Gallipoli Room, Redlands RSL  
on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
at 1830 for 1900 (7:00pm) start*

*Dress: Gentlemen: Mess Dress, Suit or Jacket & Tie  
(medals – optional)*

*Ladies: Mess Dress, Appropriate Cocktail or Evening  
Attire (medals – optional)*

**Payment by EFT (preferred) or cash**

**RSVP and payment by: Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021**

**BSB 124012 Acc 10122839**

**Replies/inquiries: [ikme@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ikme@bigpond.net.au) or 0492 896  
044**

## *The 'Tingira' Boys*



In 1911 the ship 'Sobraon' was purchased by the Commonwealth Government for £15,000 and fitted out as a boys training ship for the fledgling Royal Australian Navy (RAN). The ship was commissioned as HMAS 'Tingira' (an aboriginal word for "open sea") on the 25th of April 1912, and moored in Rose Bay, Sydney. Up to 250 boys between the ages of 14 1/2 and 16

could be trained at any time. Between 1912 and 1927, 3,158 boys were trained for naval service.

'Tingira' trainees were well regarded in the early years of the RAN and many went on to serve in war. Some ex-HMAS 'Tingira' boys were involved in Australia's first naval battle in late 1914 in WW1, when HMAS 'Sydney' sank the German raider 'Emden' off Cocos Island.

Enlistment of boys was normal practice for the Navy and several died on service during WW1.

The Australian War Memorial's Roll of Honour for WW1 has five boy sailors' names who died while serving on HMAS 'Tingira'.

'Tingira' was decommissioned in 1927 and eventually scrapped.

Teenage trainees at the RAN's Junior Recruit Training Establishments (which operated at Fremantle naval base HMAS 'Leeuwin' from 1960 to 1984 and HMAS Cerberus 1963-1965) wore shoulder flashes bearing the name 'Tingira' as a historical link with the training ship.

*Lest We Forget.*

**The spread of COVID-19 is based on 2 things**  
**How dense the population is, and**  
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**More travel news from Rod and Jo Lambert, thanks for your input**

Rod and Jo recently returned from 3 months on the road thru Qld, NT, SA Vic, and NSW. They enjoyed the trip even the recent Quarantining in NSW caravan parks prior to returning to Qld because of their travelling thru Victoria during that states outbreak of COVID.



**ANZAC Day Uluru**



**Living the dream at the Rock**

### **NAA Letter of Condolence sent to HM the Queen - 15 Apr 21**

Please be advised; a Letter of Condolence from the Naval Association of Australia (NAA), was dispatched (via Australia Post – Priority Mail) to Buckingham Palace today, 15 April 2021, on the passing of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. The protocol in such instances is that the contents of the letter and any reply, are deemed to be Private Correspondence and are not made public. Thank you for your understanding in this regard.

The duke had been a Life Member of the NAA since 1956 and we have been immensely proud of his connection with our Association.



**NAAQLD sectary Helen Yench signing a letter of condolence at QLD Government house on behalf of Queensland**

**BAYSIDE SUB-SECTION BANK DETAILS**  
**Wynnum ex-naval men and women's social club.**  
**BSB 124012**  
**ACC 10122839**

### **More from Rod and Jo Lambert on their living the dream tour**



Some may remember the old 4.5 Turrets, this one at West Head with Missy Moo guarding the gate. Missy is the travelling mascot for “Shipside Grey Nomads” and Rod and Jo were her guardians on this trip.

### **Bayside wins Sunshine Coast shield – second year running**

The Bayside Sub Section of the Naval Association of Australia (NAA) has won the Sunshine Coast shield for the second year in a row. The shield is awarded to the Sub Section with the newest members each year. Our President Graham Hargreaves was presented with the shield at last month's Queensland State AGM by the National President David Manolas.



**L-R David Manolas (NAA National President), Graham Hargreaves (Bayside Sub Section President) and Marg Dean (QLD Membership Registrar)**



You may have seen a recent article on this topic in the Bayside Bulletin.

Ian Cuthbertson (aka Mr Vice) provided an input to the Bulletin for publication. The following provides relevant information and a precis of Ian's input to Journalist Emily Lowe's questions.

*Hi Ian, I am a journalist from the Redland City Bulletin. We are interested in running a piece about your recent win of the Sunshine Coast shield (congratulations by the way!). I have just got a few questions for you if you would not mind answering so we can get some of your comments in the story. Would be great to have the responses before the end of tomorrow if possible.*

- *How does it feel to win the shield again?*

*As a Sub Section we were delighted to win the Sunshine Coast shield for the first time at the last AGM but to win it again this year will be a proud achievement for Bayside Committee and Members (we have our meeting on this Saturday 5th June so I will be letting the members know about our win then)*

- *What does it mean for the Bayside Sub Section?*

*Committee and members reaping rewards for all the hard work and effort, with an aim of attracting younger Veterans to our membership*

- *What does the Naval Association of Australia have to offer?*

***The NAA pursue four pillars that underpin our mission:***

- *Care (welfare) for the diverse and crucial support of Navy and ex-Navy men and women,*
- *Commemoration by maintaining the legacy of past service and sacrifice.*
- *Navy Cadets, by assisting youths to become better citizens through support to the ANC.*
- *Camaraderie, to meet and socialise with like-minded Navy and ex-Navy men and women.*

- *What are the benefits of being involved?*

*DVA representation, advice, and advocacy/welfare assistance/employment assistance/social and formal gatherings*

- *How do you go about getting new members, and what can people who would like to become members do?*

*Contact us via Redlands RSL/NAA website/word of mouth/ at our monthly meetings at 1200 on the 1st Saturday of the month(except January) at the Redlands Veteran Centre opposite the Redlands RSL*

- *What is unique about the Bayside Sub Section, and what is your favourite thing about being involved? (This might be a bit of a tricky one!)*

*To me it is all about the friendship and helping each other up and when required, I enjoy the camaraderie, the group outings and socialising with likeminded veterans & their families*

**Thanks Ian, I looked forward to hearing your response!**

**Kind regards,**

**Emily Lowe (Journalist)**

## **Welfare Visit**

**Thanks for this input received from Neil Torkington.**

Neil and Norm paid a visit to ST Vincent's Hospital 2nd June to see Mr John Snow ex RN who served on HMS Columbine in WW2. They were there a day after his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday and spent an hour with him and shared some birthday cake.



**Neil and Norm enjoy their visit and Birthday cake with John**

Following the visit Neil received the following from John's daughter Pat,

*"Thank you so much for visiting dad, especially for his big day, 95 not out. He has had a really good time and will remember this one. I will send the photo onto family".*

BZ Neil and Norm

### **JACKS service for Korean War Remembrance**

June 24 Bayside members (below) Bernie, Ray, Ian, Jim, Sandy, and Joe attended the service at Jacks dedicated to the memory of the Korean War. A special day for our long serving member and past President Bernie Daley who served on HMAS Shoalhaven during that conflict. Well done Burnie.



### **2021 Reunion Information**

#### **Daring and FESR shipmates**

The combined Daring and FESR Ships Reunion will be held 1-3 October 2021 at Coffs Harbour Ex-Serviceman's Club.

#### **Contact at**

Email: [d154shipsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:d154shipsoffice@gmail.com)

Mobile: 0403243795

Registration closes 1 August 2021

#### **Maroochydore All Navy 22-24 October 2021**

This function **Has been cancelled**

#### **Ballina All Ships Reunion**

For 2021 **Has been cancelled**

## **Bayside Date Claimers and Heads Up 2021**

*Please note, we are all hopeful our planned functions can go ahead in 2021. However, they are all subject to confirmation at the time pending the status of Covid19.*

### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS THIS FUNCTIONS ARE HAPPENING SOON**

#### **Ladies Lunch**

#### **Saturday July 3 – Redlands RSL**

**Last call Ladies** - you need to let Ian Cuthbertson know by Wednesday 30 June if you are attending. Seats will be booked and subsidy of \$20 pre attendee distributed.

#### **Bayside Dinning in Night**

#### **Saturday August 14 Redlands RSL**

Our Dinning In night committee are currently working on the details for this evening. Information as it becomes finalised will be provided at the Monthly NAA meetings.

**The Executive will accept raffle donations  
for the Ladies Dine in Night (14 Aug.) at  
any time.**

### **Remembrance Day**

#### **November 11**

Redlands RSL Service in Cleveland, and other Redlands sites, check your local club news for service times and details.

### **Bayside Christmas Party**

#### **Saturday 4 December**

The December meeting and Christmas will be held on Saturday 4 December. Venue is yet to be decided. The Christmas party will follow the (short) meeting which commences at 1100.



### **Thank You**

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PHOTOS ETC COMING IN**