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Bayside Buzz

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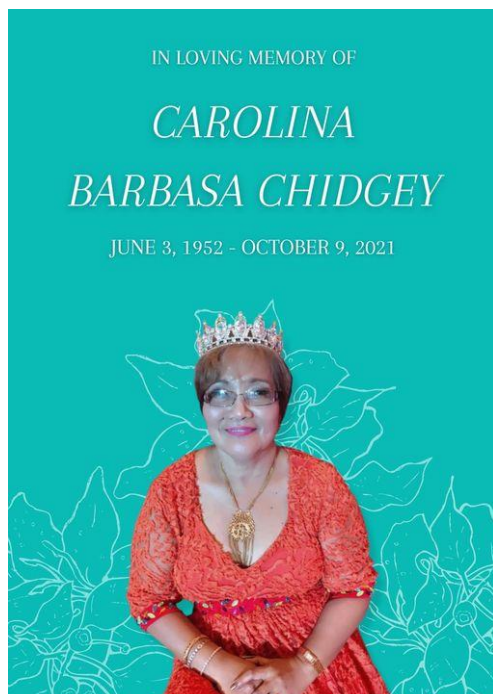


Bereavement Notice Carolina Barbasa Chidgey RIP

The following bereavement notice was conveyed by Ian Cuthbertson to our shipmates.

It is with great sadness and the deepest of regrets that I have to inform our members of the passing of Noels beautiful and much loved wife Carolina.

Unfortunately Carolina succumbed to her illness at 0345, October 9, 2021, and most upsettingly before Noel could take her home to the Philippines to be with family.



Dear Noel, from your shipmates at Bayside, please accept our deepest sympathy and prayers at this very sad time, our thoughts are with you and your and Carolina's families.



Several our bayside members attended the beautiful Memorial Service for Carolina

Welcome to Edition 11 of the Bayside Buzz,

In this edition I cover the period July 2021 thru November 2021 and include functions, information, news, and points of interest from members' participation and upcoming events and any proposed activities which are now down to Remembrance Day November 11, and our Christmas meeting and Party for 2021.

Thanks to my regular contributors for your input in particular Ian Cuthbertson, however I am seeking more input, your stories are sure to be of interest to someone in our association.

Check out Ray's invite to the NAA All Ships/end of year smoko under Date claimers and Heads up towards the back page. This is an opportunity to catch up with mates, have a beer and chat to close out 2021 and is excellent value at 10 bucks a ticket.

Update to our Executive Committee

Members please note the change to your Executive Committee. At our September meeting Ian Cuthbertson (acting secretary at the time) informed the meeting Ian Bowyer would be standing down from the Secretary position. Ian Cuthbertson then put a proposal to the members that he resign from the Vice President position (1), and that position be abolished and he fill the role of Secretary. That proposal was put to members and accepted and passed. Chris McKay remains as Vice President.

Executive Committee 2021

President Graham Hargreaves

Vice President Chris McKay

Secretary Ian Cuthbertson

Treasurer Barbara Sellars

Non-Executive Position

Membership Officer Jo Lambert

Wellbeing Officer Neil Torkington 0499582699

RUOK

Members if you 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.

NAA Meeting Lunch your costs

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

PAYMENT

Containers for payment are placed in the Kitchen area. There are separate containers for Lunch and Drinks.

July Ladies Lunch Redlands RSL

Due to Covid restrictions and mini lockdowns this activity was postponed for the July and August meetings. Our Secretary finally lucked out and the Lunch was held in conjunction with our September meeting. All feedback from the lunch at the RSL was positive and much appreciated by our ladies.

Our male members devoured a banquet of Fish and Chips arranged by Ian (from the local Fish and Chippery) and enjoyed by all.



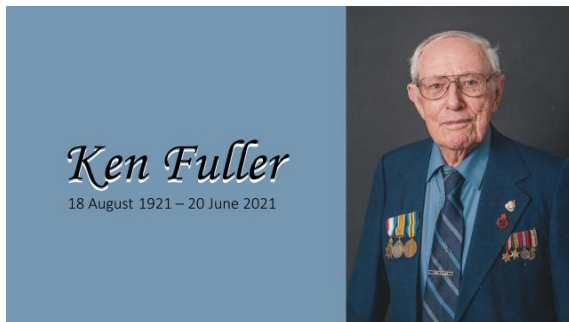


A break from Covid restrictions allowed our ladies to enjoy their annual lunch at the RSL

August Annual Ladies Dine in Night

Sadly this was another casualty of our planned functions for 2021. We were all holding our breath that Covid would not influence this night, but that was not to be.

You may not be aware that this was to be a very special occasion having been moved forward from October to celebrate and coincide with our beloved senior member Ken Fullers 100th birthday. Sadly Ken passed away on the 20 June. Several VIP messages were received in his honour.



Dignitary Messages received in Honour of Ken

The following messages were received and were intended to be read at the Dining in night. They were tabled and read to members at the July meeting

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

BAYSIDE SUB SECTION NAVAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

Greetings to the Bayside Sub Section on the centenary of the Naval Association of Australia's founding. You are part of a magnificent tradition of service and sacrifice.

I honour the veterans who have served our country. Men and women, who have demonstrated courage, selflessness, duty, and respect; and who through their service, have demonstrated their love of community and country. Care, commemoration, cadets, and camaraderie — the four pillars of the NAA — are a tribute to the past, strength for the present and a herald of the future. The NAA's decades of diligent work in the interests of serving and veteran members of the Royal Australian Navy uphold an ethos of mateship. The Bayside Sub Section is a tremendous example of this community and friendship in action. I know you had hoped to honour the 100th birthday of Kenneth E. Fuller. Sadly, he passed before you could. Still, we remember and celebrate the generation of which he was a part. His wartime service in the Royal Australian Navy, and heroic actions on HMAS Australia at Leyte Gulf in 1944, are a testament to his love of our country. I extend my condolences to his family, and friends in the Bayside Sub Section and Redlands RSL Sub Branch. In his sunset, you honoured him; in his death, you will remember him. Congratulations to all on 100 years of living out your great motto — Once Navy, Always Navy. The Hon Scott Morrison MP Prime Minister of Australia August 2021

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MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND

On behalf of the Queensland Government, I send congratulations to the Bayside Sub Section celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Naval Association of Australia (NAA).

The NAA is a distinguished organisation supporting people who have served, and continue to serve, this country with valour and dignity.

It is important to remember and honour the past, and to assist those men and women who are creating a proud Royal Australian Navy future.

The dedication of the Bayside Sub Section is an inspiration to Queenslanders and was personified by Mr Ken Fuller, who sadly passed away on 20 June 2021.

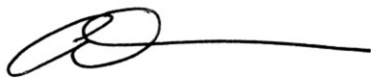
Mr Fuller, who would have celebrated his 100th birthday on 18 August 2021, was an active and supportive member of the Bayside Sub Section, and of the Redlands Branch of the Returned and Services League of Australia.

Mr Fuller served onboard HMAS Australia, the flagship of the Australian Pacific Fleet in the Second World War. He was seriously injured on 21 October 1944, at the Battle of Leyte Gulf during a Japanese dawn air attack. Captain Emile Dechaineux was mortally wounded at his post and, despite his own serious injuries; Ken Fuller helped to carry his Captain to the treatment area below.

I send my condolences to Mr Fuller's family on the passing of such a loyal and distinguished Australian veteran. The mateship, wellbeing and community spirit of its members are at the heart of Bayside Sub Section activities.

The organisation will continue to underpin the values of the NAA, and honour the glory of the Royal Australian Navy, into the future.

Best wishes for an enjoyable and successful centenary event.



ANNASTACIA PALASZCZUK MP

PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND

VICE ADMIRAL MICHAEL NOONAN AO, RAN

On behalf of the Men and Women of the Royal Australian Navy, I am writing to convey my sincere condolences to you on the passing of your father, Ken, just short of his 100th birthday. I want you to know that his dedication to duty as a young sailor in 1944 is not forgotten.

I am advised that when HMAS Australia was hit and her bridge ablaze with burning fuel Ken, together with other shipmates, carried his Commanding Officer and other casualties down to the medical centre below the bridge. On his second rescue trip below, a medical officer advised Ken that he had been severely burnt on his arm and leg. Yet, he continued to act with great courage and selflessness that day and continued to do so until his duty to those more seriously injured was done.

Our Navy is proud of Ken and his shipmates' record during the hard battles that HMAS Australia fought before and during the Philippines Campaign. Such deeds continue to inspire us to live up to the outstanding example set for us by Ken's generation of sailors when they went to war.

VICE ADMIRAL MICHAEL NOONAN AO, RAN
Chief of the Navy

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR OF QUEENSLAND

It is a great honour, as Queensland's 26th Governor and Patron of the Naval Association of Australia Queensland Section, to acknowledge the Association's centenary.

One hundred years is a major achievement for any organisation, especially one which draws so heavily on the dedication and commitment of members and volunteers.

This reflects the defining feature of the Naval Association of Australia since it was formed in 1920 — the coming together of former and serving Naval personnel for the purpose of mutual benefit. I congratulate the Bayside Sub-Section for so publicly acknowledging this important milestone through this centenary dinner.

I further thank all members for acknowledging and honouring the immense contributions of Mr Kenneth Fuller, who would have turned 100 on 18 August 2021. In life as in death, his remarkable lifetime of service continues to be a source of immense pride and inspiration for Association members and for the wider community.

His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC CVO
Governor of Queensland



By Col (Editor)

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF THE NAVY

Having served on the Executive committee for several of these dinners I have been involved and am very aware of the time and effort devoted by individuals to ensuring they are successful. In fact the dinner has an excellent reputation and is legendary throughout the Queensland NAA community. So I take the opportunity here on behalf of our members to thank the committee and those additional NAA members that contributed time and effort that started back in January this year. All sadly to no avail, however it's all there for 2022 to be bigger and better. **BZ committee and helpers**

BZ Jim and Sue on behalf of your shipmates.

I would also like to shout out a special mention and acknowledgement to Jim and Sue Kearns for their support assistance and caring that they provided Ken over the years from the time Ken became a Bayside member and after his passing.

**Barefoot Bowls Veterans Health Week
Manly Bowls Club**

Courtesy of a Veterans Affairs Grant around 18 of our finest barefoot bowlers enjoyed Saturday the 23rd October on the green, well for at least an hour anyway which wore most of us out. Cost for green and equipment hire including luncheon and refreshments were at no cost. Sodas, Juices and a very nice lunch followed and the 3-4 hours were a nice change enjoyed by all.



The Club Pro shows us how it's done, pity it didn't register with most of us



Jim and Barb show their style



Ian obviously paid attention



One hour later, time for a (long) break and refreshment, this is a very strenuous sport



Lunch proved very popular, tasty food and a cool spot to enjoy it and refreshments of course

Members out and about

Folks I for one enjoy reading these members submissions and am very happy to receive and publish likewise content, so please don't be shy sending me input. These examples may give you some ideas for your future travels.

Day trip to Marburg—lan and Kay, Jimand Sue

Thanks for your input

Thursday 16th September Kay and I along with Jim and Sue Kearns went on a drive to Marburg, just off the Warrego Highway past the BP stop at Blacksoil.

We had a coffee and snack at the BP and went onto the Emu Farm where we saw paddocks of you guessed it emus. Each paddock was of different style with ones being well vegetated and others quite barren. There is a shop onsite with all sorts of emu products from meats, eggs, paintings to oils, lotions and souvenirs but it was all very pricey. The farm is in the process of moving to Harrisville to continue their business.

At the township of Marburg we visited the local “new age” shop in an old church building, needless to say Jim and I brought nothing! As well as the Op shop and an Antique shop which had lots of stock that brought back memories of days past.

The Marburg Hotel was a typical country pub in both appearance and service with a generous counter lunch and a cold beer (does it get any better). We drove home via Rosewood, Willowbank and past RAAF Amberley looking for other future road trip venues. All in all it was a terrific outing and we are looking forward to our next one. Worth a look. Cheers lan



**Jim, Sue and Kay
Lovely to see you are not letting Covid tie you down**



The Marburg Hotel



Apparently, this is Jim's mate

Trip to Tin Can Bay - Rainbow Beach –Rod and Jo Thanks for your input

We travelled to catch up with my sister and brother-in-law - stayed at Standown Park Gympie for a couple of days and did the Mary Valley rattler which we thoroughly enjoyed. Headed to Tin Can Bay for about 3 days / fed the dolphins and explored Rainbow Beach and Inskip Point - storms almost every day but luckily, we weren't badly affected. Nice time away. Cheers Jo



Rod gets to feed the Tin Can Bay Dolphins



Catch up with family



Home Base for the Express



The Mary Valley Express in all her glory

Office bearers 2022

Members are reminded several of our current committee have indicated they will be stepping down at the AGM in February 2022. Please consider nominating or proposing other members for all positions.

Membership fees for 2022

Please pay attention to forthcoming notification from our treasurer regarding annual membership fees which are due by the AGM in February. Preferred payment method is by Direct Credit to our NAA Bank account.

BAYSIDE SUB-SECTION BANK DETAILS

Name - Bayside NAA Sub Section

BSB 124012

ACC 10122839

Note Account name change, BSB and Account number remain the same

Bayside Date Claimers and Heads Up2021

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

Remembrance Day November 11

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



Thank You

IF YOU HAVE PROVIDED INPUT AND IT'S NOT IN THIS ISSUE, I KEEP A LIBRARY FOR FUTURE PUBLICATION SO KEEP YOU DITS, TRAVELS, PHOTOS ETC COMING IN

**Invite from NAA Queensland Section
President**

**All Ships / NAA end of year break up
November 25 @1130,
check out the details below and come and
join in the comradeship**



NAVAL AUSTRALIA OF AUSTRALIA Queensland Section INC

End of Year Smoko [Snacks & Bar]

Ship Inn – Southbank

25th November 2021 11:30

On completion of Monthly Commemorative Ceremony
[Attack Class Patrol Boats]



Raffle Tickets 3 for \$5.00

- 1st Prize – Bottle Bundaberg Liqueur
- 2nd Prize – Navy Golf Umbrella
- 3rd Prize – 2 x \$30 Harvey Norman Gift Cards

Drawn 25th November 2021

Ticket No

\$10.00 ticket

includes lucky door prize

Dress code S3 with ribbons

All Ships / NAA end of year break up

Shipmates, please find notice of the All Ships / NAA end of year break up. The beer garden at the SHIP INN has been secured for this event! It would be appreciated for sub sections and or individuals could pre pay bank acc below with Reference ship inn, Access to the food platters and drinks will be by wrist band issued on the day upon. Please promulgate within you community all welcome!

Payment will also be available on the day (not preferred option)

BSB 064-011

ACC 1001 5884

Bayside Christmas Party Saturday 4 December

The December meeting and Christmas will be held on Saturday 4 December at the [Memorial Hall Smith St Cleveland](#). The Christmas party will follow the (short) meeting which commences at 1100.

Riddle for seniors... Here is the situation:

You are on a horse, galloping at a constant speed.

On your right side is a sharp drop-off; on your left side is an elephant travelling at the same speed as you.

Directly in front of you is a galloping kangaroo and your horse is unable to overtake it. Behind you is a lion running at the same speed as you and the kangaroo.

What must you do to get out of this highly dangerous situation?

Answer

Get off the merry-go-round and go home;

You've had enough excitement for one day...