

The Bosun's Call



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NAA ACT Section Contingent—ANZAC Day 2022



The Naval Association of Australia's ACT Section contingent approaching the Reviewing Officer's Position on the North Western side of the Australian War Memorial during the ANZAC Day March. The unusual route for the march is a result of the alterations being progressed at the AWM which includes the Parade Ground being excavated for an underground extension of the Memorial.

The Chief of Navy, VADM Michael Noonan AO RAN with his Flag Lieutenant, highlighted the con-

tingent and marched with it. His normal place in the national commemoration of ANZAC Day is with the VIP's overlooking the Parade Ground.

A group of ex– HMAS *Success* Ship's Company were in Canberra for a reunion and they augmented the ACT Section's contingent. The official wreath laying part of the ANZAC Day ceremony was carried out as a part of the daily Last Post Ceremony held in the Memorial's Ceremonial Courtyard.

Events coming up

5 May Last Post Ceremony 80th Anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea

31 May Last Post Ceremony Loss of HMAS Kuttabul PO Leonard W Howroyd HMAS Kuttabul



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General Meetings Dates and Locations Programme

If the pandemic restrictions are not recycled the following program is to be followed:

5 May Eastlakes Club Gungahlin	1330	
2 Jun Eastlakes Club Gungahlin	1330	
4 Aug Eastlakes Club Gungahlin	1330	
1 Sep Eastlakes Club Gungahlin	1330	
6 Oct Eastlakes Club Gungahlin 1330		
3 Nov Eastlakes Club Gungahlin	1330	

Tables are normally 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 Alan Masters on 6281 5630 who will try to organise transport for you.

President's message

Dear all,

Due to unexpected personal and other matters David regrets that he has not written his monthly message. He has however expressed his pleasure at the support the NAA received to bolster the size of the ACT Section's contingent in the ANZAC Day march and to have the Chief of Naval fall in with the NAA for the march which was enabled by the temporary arrangements for the march.

The National Executive of the NAA National Council met in Canberra on 27 April at the East Lakes Club Gungahlin. The support generously given by the Club, which we also enjoy for our monthly meetings, was very much appreciated by the National Executive.

Yours aye,

Peter Cooke-Russell

Editor (for David)

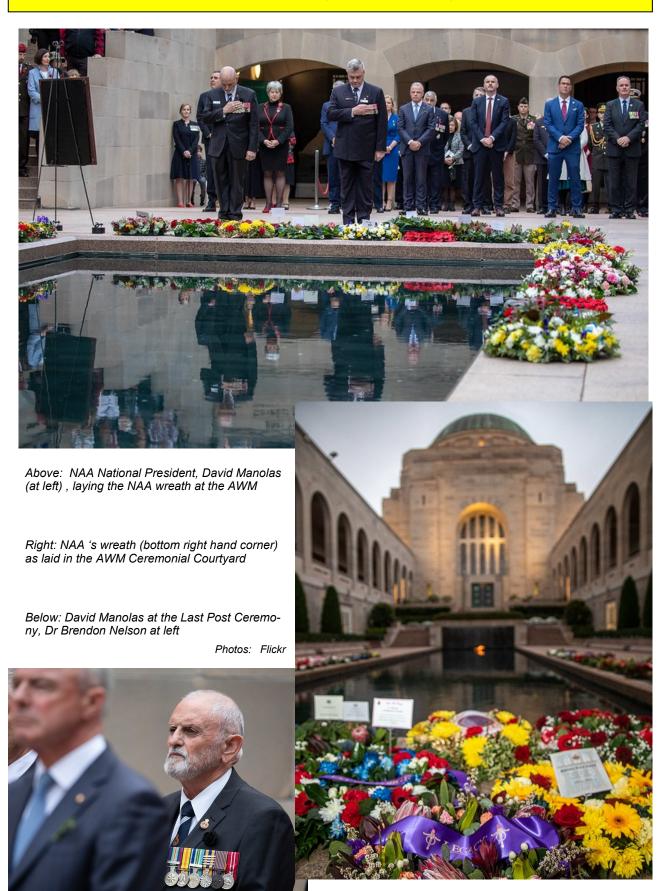
Below: NAA ACT Section President David Manolas welcoming Chief of Navy, Vice Admiral Michael Noonan AO RAN, to the NAA ACT Section contingent participating in the ANZAC Day March at the Australian War Memorial Canberra

Photo: Alex McGowan



Committee meeting Eastlakes Gungahlin 1100 Thursday 5 May 2022

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ANZAC Day March 2022 at the AWM Canberra

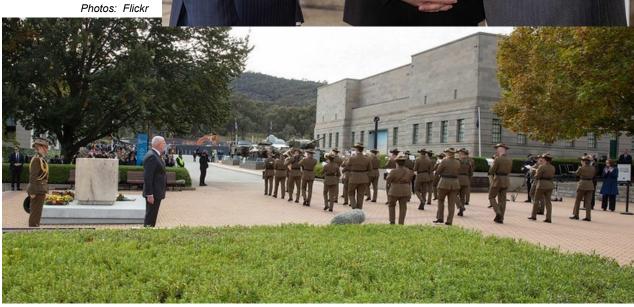


Above: "Eyes Left" as the NAA ACT Section passes the Reviewing Officer, the Governor General His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC Rtd

Right: National Patron of the NAA, HE General David Hurley, with ACT Section member Chief of Navy VADM Michael Noonan and Chairman of the AWM Board Dr Brendon Nelson

Below: End of the ANZAC Day parade as the RMC Band marches past the Reviewing Officer





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ANZAC Day March 2022 at the AWM Canberra



Right: Port quarter view of the rear of the ACT Section contingent

Photos: Flickr



Dr Brendan Nelson AO appointed to Australian War Memorial Council

Tuesday, April 5 2022

The Hon Andrew Gee MP Minister for Veterans' Affairs Minister for Defence Personnel

Dr Brendan Nelson AO has been appointed as a member of the Council of the Australian War Memorial.

Dr Nelson fills the Council position vacated by outgoing member Mr Kerry Stokes AC, who is standing down after 15 years of exceptional and dedicated service, including as Chairman for more than six years.

Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Defence Personnel Andrew Gee said Dr Nelson's appointment would allow him to continue to serve the Australian War Memorial through its historic redevelopment.

"In the seven years Dr Nelson was Director of the Australian War Memorial he worked tirelessly to ensure it remained at the forefront of our nation's story of service and sacrifice," Minister Gee said.

"He built a legacy of innovation and inclusion in his time as Director, overseeing the centenary of the First World War and the major refurbishment of the galleries which record our involvement in that conflict.

"While serving as Australia's Ambassador to Belgium, Luxembourg, the European Union and NATO, he witnessed the daily Last Post ceremonies at the Menin Gate in Ypres, and the impact this moving act of remembrance had on the community.

"It is thanks to his guidance, that we now have a daily Last Post ceremony at the Australian War Memorial, which gives all Australians the opportunity to remember and honour the sacrifice of the more than 102,000 Australians who have given their lives in service.

"His long history of service to the Australian people as a medical practitioner, member of the Australian Parliament, diplomat and business leader will also bring a wealth of experience to the Council.

"Dr Nelson served as the Minister for Defence during ADF deployments to Iraq, Afghanistan, East Timor and the Solomon Islands, ensuring a special understanding of the stories that will be told through the Memorial's redevelopment.

"His business acumen, as president of Boeing Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific, will also prove invaluable.

"Our War Memorial is sacred to Australians as a place of solemn reflection and pride in our nation's history of service. Generations of Australians have a special connection and bond to it through their own story of service and sacrifice or that of their family. I am very pleased Dr Nelson will again bring his passion and energy to it."

Minister Gee also thanked outgoing Chair of the Council Mr Kerry Stokes AC for his outstanding

dedication to the Australian War Memorial, the culmination of which is evident in the delivery of the \$500 million expansion of the Memorial.

"Mr Stokes has served on the Council of the Australian War Memorial for the last 15 years, and as Chair since 2015, playing a critical role in maintaining and developing the national-



ly significant institution," Minister Gee said.

"On behalf of all Australians, I thank Mr Stokes for his passion, leadership and vision, as demonstrated by his induction as a Fellow of the Australian War Memorial in November 2015.

"Since inception Mr Stokes has overseen the commencement of the building works for the expansion of the memorial's exhibition spaces. He has also been a major benefactor to the Memorial over many years and his passion and respect for the sacrifices made by our service men and women has been evident in the many hours he has devoted to his role as chairman."

During his tenure Mr Stokes has had many achievements, including sponsoring the 95th Gallipoli anniversary touring exhibition, This company of brave men: the Gallipoli VCs, and donating several significant medals, including nine Victoria Cross medal groups and two George Cross medal groups. He also donated to the Memorial an extremely valuable collection of First World War glass plate negatives from the Thuillier estate in July 2011.

Mr Stokes said "I have enjoyed every moment in working with the dedicated staff and council of the Memorial over the last 15 years and will continue to follow closely the progress of construction to expand the facility in Canberra over the next few years.

"The Memorial holds a special place in every Australian's heart and I am proud to have played a role in its development. I am sure Brendan will again make an important contribution in his new role", he added.

"I want to thank both Mr Stokes and Dr Nelson for their contribution to the Australian War Memorial and our nation more broadly. I wish them both all the best for the future," Minister Gee said.

The Council of the Australian War Memorial will decide who will replace Mr Stokes as Chairman. ENDS

Brendan Nelson was elected as new Australian War Memorial Board chairman, replacing Kerry Stokes on 22 April 2022

Vale Colin Walter Fitzgerald 21 May 1929 - 4 April 2022

Vale

Francis Xavier Reid 16 December 1938 – 13 April 2022

New School set up to counter modern threats

28 April 2022

Navy's intelligence and information warfare training capability has adapted to face the new challenges with the creation of the Maritime Intelligence and Information Warfare School (MIIWS) at HMAS *Watson*.

The school brings together the training of information warfare officers, intelligence officers, imagery specialists, and cryptologic and electronic warfare sailors.

Lieutenant Commander Rich Morris is the inaugural officer in charge of the MIIWS and a driving force behind its creation.

"Navy had established operational and strategic agencies for intelligence and information warfare, but there was no dedicated organisation to deliver centralised training on the waterfront," Lieutenant Commander Morris said.

"The opening salvoes of the next conflict will be in the information domain and, therefore, our trainees are the vanguard, but the tools of our trade and the vectors of attack are constantly evolving.

"We must be agile to ensure that our trainees are ready for the worst-case scenario."

Lieutenant Commander Morris went on to say that a culture of innovation in information warfare and intelligence starts with the MIIWS and will be critical to the success of the Navy and the nation.

The school was grown from Training Authority – Maritime Warfare's School of Maritime Warfare, based at HMAS *Watson*, recognising the significant importance intelligence and information warfare play in the maritime and joint warfare spaces.

Through its establishment, the school has taken important initial steps at consolidating Navy's intelligence and information warfare training workforce.

Leading Seaman Jacob Wiremu, an instructor of the basic electronic intelligence course, said he could see the benefit of centralising specialised training courses from across the country to one location.

"It will allow the free flow of information and integration of specialisations within the Navy and will improve information warfare in terms of understanding the roles and responsibilities of fellow category members," Leading Seaman Wiremu said.

"The reliability of such a new and modern training precinct is what was needed for a long time here at HMAS *Watson*.

"I anticipate it will bring a sense of awe and increased professionalism to staff and students alike."

The MIIWS will move into new secure facilities next year as part of HMAS *Watson*'s redevelopment.

Further consolidation of training will occur through 2023 and 2024, growing the powerful linkages with the national intelligence community, supporting the necessary collaborative efforts in these environments.

By PO Helen Frank

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HMAS Watson's gift to Taronga Zoo

Members from HMAS Watson turned trash into treasure recently by donating unused battle ropes, tyres and logs to animals at Taronga Zoo.

The donation was part of the base's initiative to minimise waste and become leaders in waste reduction and sustainability.

The delighted zookeepers said the equipment played an important part in providing enrichment activities, which were essential for the health and wellbeing of animals in captivity.

Most enrichment items are food-focused, but others can be used for play, housing or sensory stimulation.

Marine keeper Steph Kula explained how her favourite resident, Charlie the 300kg Australian sea lion bull, used items like the new tyre donated by Watson.

"We will place numerous frozen fish inside a tyre. This is used for food-based and cognitive enrichment and allows him to display various foraging behaviours," Ms Kula

said.

"He is a powerful lad so the fact that the tyres are very strong and durable allows Charlie to manipulate and thrash the items without destroying them."

Leading Seaman Edson Tango-Sella, Petty Officer Jessica Fisher, Leading Seaman Lara Pilton and Taronga zoo keepers with the equipment donated by HMAS Watson

Photo: Steph Kula

By Leut Kirsti Welling-Birtenshaw 9

We support those who serve or have served in defence of our nation, and their families.



Petty Officer Jessica Fisher said she was thrilled to donate to the cause and hoped it wouldn't be the last time Watson contributed to the zoo.

"I am so grateful that we could be a part of turning our trash into their treasure and we will continue to help them," she said.

"The tyres went to the marine animals and lions, the ropes to the monkeys, and the logs were being used to set up numerous activities in all enclosures.

"It was a great opportunity to make some new relationships and minimise waste at Watson at the same time. I hope we can continue to recycle some of our waste this way."

Attention at Watson is now turning to a new initiative to compost food waste for surrounding green spaces.



ADSO ALLIANCE OF DEFENCE SERVICE ORGANISATIONS

22 April 2022

MEDIA STATEMENT

ADSO POLICY OBJECTIVES 2022-2025

The Alliance of Defence Service Organisations (ADSO) welcomes the opportunity to announce its core Policy Objectives (attached) for the period 2022 to 2025. They are intended as a timely reminder to all sides of politics seeking election to the 47th Parliament of Australia that a significant portion of the veterans' community, speaking largely with a single voice, continues to seek redress of a series of key issues that are of major concern, many of which have remained outstanding for far too long.

Some have been the subject of unfulfilled promises, not the least of which includes the fair indexation of the various military superannuation schemes and the inadequacies of veterans' disability compensation payments.

In commenting on the Objectives and encouraging all sides of politics to find legislative ways to redress each issue in turn, ADSO's National Spokesman, Mike von Berg MC OAM, wished to acknowledge that the Government, with the Labor Opposition's support, had taken action on a long-held key Objective, namely, to legislate an Australian Military (Veterans) Covenant that gives formal recognition to the Unique Nature of Military Service. The wording of the Covenant still needs some work to include a non-disadvantage clause so that veterans and their families will not suffer detriment relative to any other section of the Australian community.

Together with all sections of the veterans' community, ADSO is nonetheless disappointed that seemingly all sides of politics have thus far remained completely silent on any veterans-related policies that they plan to address going forward. Policy released by both the Government and the Opposition should at minimum give recognition to the immensity of the advocacy and welfare work, and the vital role the wider ex-service community plays in support of veterans and their families. That community is almost without exception volunteer-based and lacks completely any financial help beyond the meagre amounts available to each Association separately under the DVA Grant-in Aid scheme.

ADSO calls on both sides of politics to acknowledge the contribution of the ex-service entities in the community, including ADSO, by funding their work more appropriately in performing their welfare functions on behalf of Government and DVA, and the broad Australian veterans' community.

ASDO wishes to acknowledge the excellent work of the on-going work of the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide. An interim report due later in the year will likely be revealing as to the extent of the problems at hand.

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Note: Further information on ADSO's policies from 2022 to 2025 are located in the April National Bosun's Call in the NAA website

NAA – ACT SECTION 77th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Held at the Eastlake Gungahlin Club on 3 March 2022

Meeting Opened.

The President declared the meeting open at 1402.

Present.

Members, 15 in number being present, were listed in the attendance book.

Apologies.

Apologies were received from John Small, Mike Hardwick, Glen McNamara, Tony Vickers, JJ Harrison, Rick Hannan.

Minutes of 76th AGM.

The minutes of the 76th AGM held on 4 March 2021 were detailed in the February 2022 Bosun's Call. These were taken as read.

Motion: The minutes of the 76th AGM be accepted.

Moved: Dennis Lyons Seconded: Peter Cooke-Russell Carried.

Business arising from minutes of 76th AGM.

Nil.

Reports.

President:

In looking over all that has come our way since the 2021 AGM, I am so very grateful for the way in which we have all exercised duty-of-care for each other and ourselves. Whatever is to become of covid precautions into the future, we can give thanks that we have had the means and support to weather the storm thus far. We can be justifiably satisfied and proud of the way in which we have remained on-watch and met our NAA Care, Camaraderie and Commemoration objectives in these troubled times. We are delighted to see some new members within our ranks, welcome and thank you for your support. May I extend to you all a 'Bravo Zulu' on a job so very well done.

There is much that we see in the national media and the Navy News that tells us of the outstanding work our Navy is undertaking on behalf of our nation. From our own personal contact with serving members, we learn much of what it is that they are undertaking and in all their endeavours we wish them a 'fair wind and a following sea', and pray they will return safely to the company of their loved ones and enjoy respite in friendly surroundings. We are resolutely proud of all their efforts be it at sea or ashore, in training or on operational service or humanitarian duties off-shore, or here at home.

As we look ahead, I wish to acknowledge the support and the thoughtfulness of The Chief of

Navy wherein the Naval Association is very much a part of the Navy Family. There is much we can all look forward to in our collective enterprises and ongoing efforts to watch over the needs of our members and those serving, and the enjoyment and life enriching benefits inherent in 'naval fellowship'. I wish you all every joy and happiness in the coming year and extend my congratulations to the incoming Section Committee. It has been a privilege to share in your ongoing fellowship, thank you.

David Manolas

President

Secretary.

The impact of COVID has lessened the secretarial workload. Several meetings were cancelled due to COVID restrictions, as was the case with some ceremonial activities. Much of the workload results from National Council attending to requests from some very active Sections. At the local level the workload is constant but not so demanding. It is plainly obvious to all and can be confirmed from a look around the room, that there is a need for a younger team to run the Section or a rethink be undertaken on the level of support we can give to those activities we feel an obligation to address.

We must acknowledge the Section is well served by the Bosun's Call and is greatly indebted to Peter Cooke-Russell for his excellent work in the production and distribution of it. To many members it seems to be a good reason to renew membership.

Alan Masters

Secretary

Treasurer

The financial report for the year ending 31 December 2021 shows our funds remain in a healthy state. However, it is worth noting that we continue to operate at a loss, and this has been the case for several years. It is a matter of fact that our income is almost entirely dependent on subscriptions, and these are falling each year. The production and postage of the Bosun's Call and the payment of capitation fees to the National Council exceeds our subscription income. We are committed to continuing support to several charities with funds that were transferred to the general account from The Charitable Fund but there will be a need to monitor the number and amounts donated in years ahead. A cost saving this year was that of travel for our delegates to attend National Council meetings. These were conducted by ZOOM.

Minutes of NAA (ACT) 77th Annual General Meeting held at the Eastlake Gungahlin Club on 3 March 2022

Alan Masters

Treasurer

Membership Registrar

The Section ended the year with 79 members, made up of:

64 full members,

- 10 Honorary members,
- 1 Associate member,
- 3 Club members, and
- 1 Honorary Life Member.

Two members crossed the bar and 6 were archived. The trend is downward for membership numbers, a phenomenon common to many organisations.

Peter Cooke-Russell

Membership Registrar

Appointment of Honorary Members

In accordance with constitutional requirements, the following are to be appointed Honorary Members for 2022:

The Honourable Sir William Deane, Patron VADM M. Noonan RAN, Chief of Navy CAPT J. Hutchison RAN, Commanding Officer, HMAS Canberra CAPT M. Ort USN CMDR M. Mazoub, RN CMDR M. Collinson, RNZN Mr M. Anderson, Director AWM Mr D. Blake Mrs M. Hare

Motion: The above named persons be appointed Honorary Members for 2022.

Moved: K. Reid-Smith Seconded: A. McGown Carried

Election of Office Bearers

The President vacated the Chair and invited Harry Beardsell to be the Returning Officer for the election of office bearers. He declared nominations received by the Secretary were in order and as there were no positions being contested, he duly declared the nominated persons elected to the positions as listed:

President David Manolas Vice President Alex McGown Secretary Alan Masters Treasurer Alan Masters

Committee Peter Cooke-Russell, Dennis Lyons, John Small, Joe Slaats, Kate Reid-Smith and Stewart Gordon.

Appointment of Auditor.

Harry Beardsell has indicated a willingness to continue as the auditor in 2022.

Motion: Harry Beardsell be appointed auditor for the 2022 financial year.

Moved: A.Masters Seconded: A.McGown Carried.

Next AGM.

The next AGM will be held on 7 March 2023.

There being no other business the President closed the meeting at 1435.

Alan Masters

Secretary

Free mental health care through DVA

29 April 2022

The past two years have been challenging for all Australians, including our Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel, veterans and their families; and now is the time to make mental health a priority.

All current and former full-time members of the ADF can get free mental health treatment. So can reservists who have completed disaster relief service, border protection service or were involved in a serious training accident. This is called non-liability mental health care. It means there is no need to prove your condition is related to military service and no need to submit a claim for compensation. It covers treatment for any mental health condition.

A Veteran White Card is used to pay for treatment under non-liability mental health care arrangements. Many veterans have White Cards that already cover non-liability mental health treatment. To check if your White Card covers mental health treatment, or to apply for a non-liability mental health White Card if you don't already have one, you can use DVA's MyService app, email <u>nlhc@dva.gov.au</u>, or call DVA on 1800 VET-ERAN (1800 838 372).

If you have mental health concerns, talk to your General Practitioner in the first instance. Your GP may refer you to a mental health practitioner, such as a psychologist or psychiatrist. Before your appointment, make sure the practitioner will accept the DVA Veteran White Card for payment.

Further information is available on the <u>Free mental</u> health care for veterans page of the DVA website.

All current and former ADF personnel and their families also have access to free and confidential counselling and support through Open Arms – Veterans & Families Counselling. This life-saving support is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling 1800 011 046.

Minutes of NAA (ACT) General Meeting held at the Eastlakes Gungahlin Club on 3 April 2022

The meeting was preceded by a presentation on the role of the Defence and Veterans Legal Service. The presenters were Aline Damaj from Legal Aid ACT, and Allan Joyce, a Restricted Member of our Section, who assists veterans in drafting and submitting claims to the DVA and appeals to the VRB.

- **Meeting started** at 1400 with the Odes recited by David Manolas.
- **Present:** 15 members as per attendance book and 1 visitor.
- Apologies: J Small, M. Hardwick, JJ Harrison, J. Coombe, K. Reid-Smith
- **Minute of Last Meeting.** The minutes of the general meeting on 3March 2022 appeared in the April 2022 edition of the Bosun's Call. It was considered there was no outstanding business from that meeting.

Motion: The minutes of the General Meeting held on 3 March 2022 be accepted.

Moved: Joe Slaats. Seconded: Peter Cooke-Russell. Carried.

Reports.

- **President.** The President welcomed Alaric O'Neill to his first meeting and Ray Horne, a visitor. Birthday wishes were extended to those celebrating in April.
- Vice President. Advised members of Last Post Services in April and invited any member to lay the NAA (ACT) wreath.
- Secretary. Business as usual.
- **Treasurer**. Little change in the state of the finances.
- Membership. We have 49 financial members,

15 restricted members and 14 still to renew their subs, bringing the potential membership to 78.

Welfare. Shipmate JJ Harrison had another fall, but he is slowly getting better.

Motion: The reports be received.

Moved: Stewart Gordon. Seconded: Dennis Lyons. Carried.

General Business:

- ANZAC Day. There will be a modified march this year; but the Dawn service will proceed and will be a ticketed event. The usual commemorative service will not occur, but the commemorative address will be screened at the Reid Oval near the AWM. At this stage, the march, organised by the RSL (ACT) will proceed but in a modified format.
- National Executive Meeting. This will be held at the Eastlakes Gungahlin Club on 27 April 2022 and members are invited to join the Executive for lunch at 1200.
- **Medals for Injured Personnel.** The report on this matter has been submitted to the Government and we await their decision.
- **Next Meeting.** The next meeting will be on Thursday, 5 May 2022 at Eastlakes Gungahlin Club starting at 1330 following lunch starting at 1200.

Meeting closed at 1430.

Alan Masters Secretary / Treasurer NAA (ACT)

Changes to DVA Veterans' Home Care Program Lawn Mowing Services

The DVA Veterans' Home Care Program (VHC) provides veterans and war widow(er)s help at home. These services are to help clients stay independent, not to solve complex care needs which are met by My Aged Care or the NDIS.

The Repatriation Commission has recently agreed to the provision of non-safety related lawn mowing services (i.e., routine mowing) under the program. Additional lawn-mowing must still fit within the 15 hours per year service limit for home and garden maintenance. All other home and garden maintenance services, including general garden clean-up, still needs to be safety-related and is included in the overall 15 hour limit.

This should be welcome news to beneficiaries who live in their own homes. If you have a Gold Card, you are eligible. If you have not used this service before, simply call the VHC Assessment Agency directly on $\underline{1300\ 550\ 450}$ to get started.

Extract from ACT Legacy Newsletter - April 2022

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS38 for 2022

Action to renew membership for 2022 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 2022 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.
- Payment using the mail system. Please do not send cash through the mail system. Cheques can be forwarded to Membership Registrar, 4 McEachern Crescent, MELBA ACT 2615. Receipts will NOT be mailed to payers.
- 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 CON-TACT DETAILS SUCH AS HOME ADDRESS, E-MAIL ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBERS PLEASE ADVISE THE MEMBERSHIP REGIS-TRAR.

Social Program

Fish 'n Chips is on the program, Snapper has reopened . $% \left({{{\bf{n}}_{\rm{s}}}} \right)$.

2022

- Fish 'n Chips CYC 1200 19 May 16 Jun Fish 'n Chips CYC 1200 7 Jul Mid winter Christmas Lunch 21 Jul Fish 'n Chips CYC 1200 18 Aug Fish 'n Chips CYC 1200 15 Sep Fish 'n Chips CYC 1200 20 Oct Fish 'n Chips CYC 1200 17 Nov Fish 'n Chips CYC 1200
- 1 Dec Christmas Lunch

Social Secretary

Position vacant, a volunteer for the job is needed.

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Information on health services may be obtained from DVA. The contact numbers for health care providers requiring further information or prior financial authorisation for all States & Territories are listed below:

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Telephone: 1800 VETERAN (1800 838 372)

International callers:

+61 2 6289 1133

POSTAL ADDRESS FOR ALL STATES AND TERRITORIES:

Health Approvals & Home Care Section epartment of Veterans' Affairs

GPO Box 9998

BRISBANE QLD 4001

DVA WEBSITE:

http://www.dva.gov.au/providers/alliedhealthprofessionals

DVA email for prior financial authorisation: health.approval@dva.gov.au

The appropriate prior approval request form can be found at: https://www.dva.gov.au/providers/ servicesrequiring-prior-approval

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT

For information about claims for payment visit: www.dva.gov.au/providers/how-claim



A Happy Birthday to you May 2022

- 8 Stewart Gordon
- 10 JJ Harrison
- 10 Louis Wallington
- 15 Alex McGown
- 16 Tiger Lyons
- 16 Lofty Greig
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