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Presidents Address

Members,

We are pleased to inform you that at our AGM on the 4th of October 2017 a new committee was elected to lead our Sub Branch into a bright future. Your new Executive Committee is fully committed to working together and listening to our members. We want to represent you all in the best way possible and ask that you support us by engaging with us if you have any issues that you want to talk about. We look forward to our next General Meeting and hope to see many of you there to help us improve our Sub Branch.

Thankyou

Mr Oliver Staggs

APRSL Sub Branch President

Important Dates

Remembrance day service
– Saturday 11th November,
starting at 10:30 am

Sub Branch Christmas –
Saturday 9nd December,
lunch or dinner depending
on interest

Last Post

Keith Smith

Barbara Jones (war widow)

New Executive

President - Mr Oliver Staggs

Vice President - Mr Wayne
Burgess

Vice President - Ms Robyn Hanckel

Honorary Secretary - Mr Peter Ellis

Honorary Treasurer - Mr Beau
Byers

Welfare Officer - Ms Deborah
Hamilton

Committee Members

Mr William "Bill" Dean

Mr Paul Holland

Mr Robert Minns

Mr Branko Maksimovic

Some of our members may be unaware, but the Sub Branch has a website and a Facebook page. We share information on both of these platforms, particularly media releases and information from RSL State or RSL National. Information on Sub Branch history, and photo galleries are also available. Anyone wishing to share information through these platforms are welcome. The website can be found at www.albionparkrsl.org.au and our Facebook page is [Albion Park RSL Sub Branch](#).

Next General meeting

First Wednesday of the month (1st November 2017) ¹

Mood Park Update

A number of years ago a grant was awarded to our Sub Branch from DVA to establish a WWI memorial in Mood Park. This project stalled when we were placed into administration. With the raising of a committee this project has now been taken up and is pushing ahead. A draft report has been submitted to Shellharbour Council, and with its approval we will then be able to commence final planning. A local company, Ironbark Design, have been consulted and have provided us with quotes and designs for our project.



Volunteers Needed

We are working on cleaning out the storeroom and cataloguing all property in possession of the Sub Branch. Volunteers are welcome to help us with this if they are available.

From here we are consulting other local companies to assist us with concreting and finding a suitable base rock for the monument. Any members wishing to assist with this project please don't hesitate to contact me.

I will make myself available 30 minutes before our next General Meeting with all information, quotes and concept art to discuss with any members seeking clarification or wishing to pass on their thoughts.

Beau Byers
Honorary Treasurer

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I would like to commend and congratulate the many volunteers that ensured our Sub Branch delivered its services to Veterans and Community during State Branches restrictions on our former executive. The new executive and committee's job has been made much easier because of their hard work.

State Branch and National Office are under intense scrutiny at the moment. This strife is not about what the many RSL Sub Branches do in their day to day functions at a local level. No doubt many changes generated by State Branch will occur in the near future and we will keep you well informed as they take place.

I am looking forward to taking up the reins of Honorary Secretary again after an absence of many years. Although this new executive is mainly younger and quicker on their feet I should survive because at least I can type faster than them.

I apologise for not being at the November general meeting and the Remembrance Day Ceremony. I did not expect to take up the role of Honorary Secretary and I will be unavailable.

Peter Ellis
Honorary Secretary



Sunrise, ANZAC
Day 2017, Darcy
King Memorial
Garden