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ALBION PARK RSL SUB BRANCH

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Presidents Address

I wish to thank Branko Maksimovic, Bill Dean, Paul Roberts and Paul Holland for their efforts over the last two weekends giving our Memorial a face lift for the coming ANZAC ceremonies. Volunteers are getting scarce and this Sub Branch is indebted to those who step up regularly.

We need younger volunteers urgently particularly in the lead up to the regular Ceremonies being Anzac Sunday, Anzac Day, Victory in Pacific and Remembrance Day. Give us a call and we will make up a roster of able body volunteers. We appreciate that you may be working however an input of just a couple of hours makes a big difference.

Maguarie Day Club

Do you feel like getting together with our social club? The Maquarie Day Club meet every Monday from 10am to 2pm at the Albion Park RSL Memorial Club. Activities include gentle exercises, quizzes and games, entertainment and guest speakers. Morning tea and lunch is provided and a door contribution is required. Transport can also be arranged. The club is open for all members of the community, and Sub Branch members are encouraged to join in. For further information please call Dorothy on (02) 4257 6670.

ANZAC Sunday

This year's ANZAC Sunday service will commence in Mood Park for the unveiling of a WWI memorial. Following this we will conduct our normal march to the Darcy King Memorial Garden where we will continue the ceremony.

1:00pm – Unveiling service

1:30pm - Form-up

1:45pm - March to Club

2:00pm - Memorial service

ANZAC Day

4:30am – Dawn Service
7:10am – bus to Shellharbour
Service Departs
8:15am bus returns
9:00am – bus departs for
Wollongong March
10:00am – Wollongong
march
11:30am – bus returns to
APRSL

Next General meeting

First Wednesday of the month (04 April 2018)

ANZAC Sunday Information

Transport for our elderly non-walkers will be provided from the Albion Park RSL Memorial Club at 12:30pm, where they will be transported to Mood Park by the courtesy bus. The South Coast Vintage Car Club will then provide transport for the non-walking members back to the Darcy King Memorial Garden for the rest of the service. If you would like to book a seat for this please contact Vice President Robyn Hanckel on 0400413958 or email the Sub Branch.

ANZAC Day Bus Information

Due to changes in compliancy members who wish to board the bus on ANZAC Day are required to provide some next-of-kin and medical details. Forms for this information are provided with this newsletter, please complete them and return them to the Sub Branch via mail or email to allow processing.

SECRETARIES REPORT

The State Branch (ANZAC HOUSE) has asked me to update you on their present rulings. First we still are not able to fund raise. Apparently State is working feverishly on a new 'Constitution' and a 'Strategic Plan'. These two important documents will not be ready for the May State Congress and it is likely that a 'Special Extraordinary Congress' will be held in September or October this year to deal with these topics.

There has been a State Council Direction to the effect that the wealthier Sub Branches will have to donate 28.5% of their surplus income for 2016 to a Sub Branch Support fund controlled by ANZAC HOUSE. The poorer Sub Branches will be eligible for financial assistance (on merit) caused by the current 'no fund raising' ruling.

Peter Ellis

Honorary Secretary

ANZAC Day Dawn Service, 2017

