On Sunday the 22nd July 2012 the Sub-Branch held their 70th Anniversary Gurney Dinner.

There was a pleasing turn up of guests, with one of the most important guests being Mrs Val Perkins who is a direct descendent of Private Arthur Stanley Gurney. The evening began with a Service and the Laying of Wreaths in commemoration of this great VC recipient.

Afterwards guests were welcomed into the clubhouse, aptly known as ‘The Gurney Club’. Pre-dinner drinks were served and there was a great deal of mingling and chatting with old friends and new.

Before long guests were invited into the Dining Room and asked to take their places at the beautifully laid & decorated tables.

A wonderful 4-course meal was provided and enjoyed by all.

The usual formalities did take place—speeches by the guests of honour, the traditional ‘Passing of the Port’ and much more.

After the meal and the formalities guests were welcomed back into the bar area of the club where further drinks were made available along with coffee, tea and cheese platters.

It was a very pleasant and well organized event as was ascertained by the many positive comments received on the night and after.

For more on the Gurney Dinner please see page 4 of this newsletter.

Henny Crijns...
Greetings to you all

Normally during the winter month’s activities organised by clubs, etc tend to diminish due to weather conditions and other factors. I am pleased to be able to say that the EVP Sub Branch has not followed this trend. As you will see by the content of this issue of our newsletter we have continued to have quite a number of activities. A big thank you goes to those members who continue to help out on these occasions.

October once again sees our AGM (Sunday 28th at 10am) on the calendar and I would ask all members to consider accepting a position on the committee. The Sub Branch is only as strong as the membership will allow it to be. All positions will be declared vacant at this time.

Also in October, State Congress will be held in Perth and our Sub Branch is allocated two delegate positions. It would be interesting this year with the proposed changes to the management of the RSL Australia wide.

The Sub Branch continues to attract community groups and organisations wanting to hire our facility for various types of functions. If you haven’t attended for a while call in on a Monday or Wednesday morning between 0900 and midday (9am to 12 noon) for a chat and a cuppa and meet some of our committee and members while they are there.

Remembrance Day is also not too far away with volunteers being required to give some time distributing poppies for a donation to the worthy cause of our servicemen and women. If you can help out please call the Secretary for further information on 9361 8802 (leave message if no answer).

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L-R: President RSL EVP Kelvin Liddiard; Vice President RSL EVP Trevor Freestone; Property/Maintenance David Keating; Patron Frank O’Connor; Assets Gary Dawson; Vice President Harry Crijns.

Front: Editor Newsletter Henny Crijns & Secretary/Treasurer Jacquie Liddiard.
MEMBERS DETAILS

Email is a great way for the Sub Branch to update you on events or other items of interest whereby we don’t have the time to mail out. Please contact the Memberships Officer Jack Matthews on 9361 9793 OR rslevp@iinet.net.au to change or update your details.

RAFFLE WINNERS

The raffle for the ‘Christmas in July’ Sundowner went extremely well with a lot of members receiving prizes—some winning more than others:

- Mr & Mrs Lawrence x 4
- Mr & Mrs Cocks x 2
- Mr Gary Dawson
- Mr Harry Crijns
- Mrs Mave Ladner
- Mr Geoff Howell
- Mr Graham Piggott
- Mrs Lorraine Patrick

- Mr Duckworth
- Mrs Heather Legg
- Mrs Maria O’Connor
- Mrs Helen Oglie
- Mr Dave Keating
- Mr Don Keeley
- Mr Kel Liddiard

A BIG THANKS TO ALL MEMBERS WHO WERE KIND ENOUGH TO DONATE PRIZES TOWARDS OUR RAFFLES.

OUR CURRENT COMMITTEE:

- Patron: Mr Ben Wyatt, MLA
- President: Kelvin Liddiard
- V/President: Trevor Freestone
- 2nd V/President: Harry Crijns
- Memberships: Jack Matthews
- Property: Gary Dawson
- Secretary/Treasurer: Jacqui Liddiard
- Warden: Rob Devereux
- Committee: Dick Garrett
- Newsletter: Frank O’Connor
- Editor: Henny Crijns

Vale:

Kim & Jason by Jason W. Koteckl

12 Aug—Mrs E Crocos
12 Aug—Mrs L Latto
26 Aug—Mrs L Garrett
28 Aug—Mr M Fairclough WX2629
4 Sept—Mr G Whitby 315877
8 Sept—Mrs H Oakley
19 Sept—Mr J Smith 577778
20 Sept—Mr E Matthews 2/4063
28 Sept—Mr G Howell 544496
30 Sept—Mr F Day 3/3849

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

That’s your life-long dream? Yeah! Well today...

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The Gurney Dinner
22nd July 2012

‘The Last Post’

‘The Beautiful Wreaths’

‘Mrs Val Perkins & Brigadier Geoff Hand’

‘Mr John Latto toasting the ladies’

‘Mrs Jacquie Liddiard & President RSL EVP Mr Kelvin Liddiard’

‘Brigadier Geoff Hand & Hon Steve Irons MP Federal Member for Swan’
“CHRISTMAS IN JULY AT THE GURNEY CLUB”

‘Christmas in July’ at the RSL in the East Victoria Park turned out to be one very happy, colourful and enjoyable time. The hall was decorated so beautifully—nothing was forgotten. All the guests were given a Christmas hat to wear including the special ‘Quartet’ who came to play some wonderful music on their brass instruments. The caterers produced a great 3-course Christmas meal which was enjoyed by all.

The raffle was quite a success with 19 prizes on offer. The Lawrence family made a killing winning a total of 4 prizes. It was a very good Sundowner with every one leaving at the end of it quite happy and quite sated. Thanks to the Liddiards for the great job of decorating, Harry Crijns for the great dinner music and the caterers for a great meal. Well done. HC

Everyone getting into the spirit of ‘Christmas in July’

Centre with large hat Dave Keating really looking the part.

The decorations were great. Every inch the Christmas feel.

Mr & Mrs Cocks with their Christmas in July look.

The ‘Quartet’ provided some excellent Brass Instrument music.
Ex-service men & women, enquire today to see if you are eligible for....

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LOCATIONS:
Arena Joondalup
Melville Recreation Aquatic Centre

VETERANS’ HEALTH WEEK:
The Department of Veterans’ Affairs (DVA) will co-ordinate the 4th annual Veterans’ Health Week (VHW) between Monday 22 and Sunday 28 October 2012.
VHW aims to raise awareness of, and encourage participation in, activities that promote and maintain the health and wellbeing of veterans, their families and carers.
A number of events will be organised across Australia throughout the week that will focus on enhancing social inclusion for veterans. DVA recognises that working together with ex-service organisations can help overcome barriers to social inclusion for individuals and the community.
This year in particular, DVA is calling on the veteran community to consider how they can involve others who they think would benefit from reconnecting and feeling included.
Up-to-date information about VHW will be available through a variety of channels such as the VHW website at www.dva.gov.au/vhw.htm as well as Vetaffairs and other newsletters......

A boy went to war in 1914 and left his bike chained to a small tree. He never made it home, and his family left the bike by the tree in his memory. This is that tree today.

SHARE
this if it’s one of the best monuments to our fallen soldiers that you have ever seen.

FREE Information Sessions Coordinated by DVA volunteers:
MENS HEALTH THROUGH VETERANS AFFAIRS:
But Women are also invited as they some times make the men listen!!!
It is hoped at this stage that the first meeting and speaker at the RSL EVP Sub-Branch will take place on the second Wednesday morning in August 2012 (8th August 2012) time TBA.
If you are interested to be a part of this please keep in contact with the office for confirmation of the date and time:
Tel: 93618802 or 0432 201 440
HOW ABOUT SOME PUZZLES:

**SUDOKU**—The rules:
Each row must have the numbers 1-9 occurring just once. Each column must have the numbers 1-9 occurring just once. And the numbers 1-9 must occur just once in each of the 9 sub-boxes of the grid. ENJOY...

![Sudoku Grid]

**CODEBREAKER:** To play the game:
Each letter has been replaced by a number. Work out which letters the numbers represent.

![Codebreaker Grid]

**FREE DOUBLE PASSES TO THE MOVIES**
The Luna Palace Cinemas in Leederville, Northbridge, Fremantle, Nedlands & Mosman Park.
The Luna Palace Cinemas in Northbridge are offering several free double passes to members who ring into the RSL EVP office with their expression of interest—Telephone: 9361 8802.
On the 23 August they will begin screening the movie ‘Wunderkinder’ & 5 x Double passes are offered for this show (& when patrons use these Wunderkinder tickets they can get a 2 for 1 to see the movie ‘Lore’).
On the 20th September they will begin screening the movie ‘Lore’ - see offer above.
Also showing but you will have to check with the cinema for date & times is the movie ‘In Darkness’ & the Luna Palace Cinemas are offering 2 x double passes for this movie.
So all in all at this point in time they are offering a total of 7 x double passes (5 for Wunderkinder’ & 2 for ‘In Darkness’).

(1). **WUNDERKINDER** tells a tale of 3 exceptionally musically talented children, who develop a deep & genuine friendship, extending beyond their different religions & nationalities. The 2 Jewish children Larissa & Abrascha are both virtuosos—one on the piano & the other on the violin. Hanna, a young German girl, is also extremely gifted. Living in Poltava/Ukraine in 1941, they all share one great love: music. Their world is one of curiosity, joy & talent. But when the Nazis invade the Soviet Union, they & their families face mortal peril. Due to the insanity of grown-ups at home & abroad, their world is turned upside down, & they are suddenly no longer allowed to be friends.

(2). **LORE**—the long awaited follow-up to her exquisite ‘Somersault’, Australian director Cate Shortland’s adaption of the novel The Dark Room by Rachel Seiffert is a sensual & complex story that explores the tribulations faced by the young in the aftermath of WWII. When their Nazi SS parents are taken into Allied custody, 5 siblings are left to fend for themselves. Teenaged Lore, the oldest, takes charge, & the children set out to join their grandmother in Hamburg, some 900 kms away. Along the arduous journey, the children encounter a populace suffering from post war denial and deprivation, and for the first time are exposed to the reality & consequences of the parents’ actions. With food hard to come by & the journey becoming ever more dangerous, the children meet Thomas, a young Jewish survivor who helps them negotiate their way through tricky situations. Lore is both repulsed by & attracted to Thomas. All that she has been taught leads her to believe that he is the enemy, but his industriousness, generosity & physicality prove alluring.
A coming-of-age tale set against the backdrop of a changing world, Lore shows new life emerging out of darkness with great intelligence and subtlety.

(See over for the synopsis for ‘In Darkness’.)

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IN DARKNESS— From acclaimed director Agnieszka Holland, In Darkness is based on a true story. Leopold Socha, a sewer worker & petty thief in Lvov, a Nazi occupied city in Poland, one day encounters a group of Jews trying to escape the liquidation of the ghetto. He hides them for money in the labyrinth of the town’s sewers beneath the bustling activity of the city above. What starts out as a straightforward & cynical business arrangement turns into something very unexpected, the unlikely alliance between Socha & the Jews as the enterprise seeps deeper into Socha’s conscience. The firm is also an extraordinary story of survival as these men, women & children all try to outwit certain death during 14 months of ever increasing & intense danger. Agnieszka Holland has made a name for herself in recent years in the US directing high-end television series, including episodes of The Wire, Cold Case, Treme & AMC’s The Killing. In Darkness is Poland’s 2012 Oscar candidate for Best Foreign Language Film.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: (check your diary in case of alterations)
Frid 17th Aug 2012 6 pm Sub-Branch Get-Together Theme: The Olympics
Mon 27th Aug 2012 4 pm Sub-Branch Committee Meeting (Committee only)
Sun 9th Sept 2012 10 am Sub-Branch General Meeting
Frid 21st Sept 2012 6 pm Sub-Branch Get-Together Theme: Springfeast
Mon 24th Sept 2012 4 pm Sub-Branch Committee Meeting (Committee only)
Frid 20th Oct 2012 6 pm Sub-Branch Get-Together Theme: Halloween
Mon 22nd Oct 2012 4 pm Sub-Branch Committee Meeting (Committee only)
Sun 28th Oct 2012 10 am Sub-Branch AGM
Frid 9th Nov 2012 9am-3pm Sub-Branch Poppy Day Collections — Vic Park
Frid & Sat 9th & 10th Nov “ “ Sub-Branch Poppy Day Collections — Vic Park area & manning of BBQ at Officeworks - EVP.
Sun 11th Nov 2012 10.45 am Sub-Branch Remembrance Day Memorial Service.

“DON’T FORGET TO PLACE THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY”

SPECIAL NOTICE:
Dear Sub-Branch Members:
I collect used postage stamps from around the globe. I have received a request from schools in Russia to help children with their world studies.

General Dwight
D. Eisenhower

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