



## Sub Branch Hours

### Monday

9am to 12noon

### Wednesday

9.30am to 12.30 pm

Join us for a cuppa

Other times by appointment please.

Friday 3rd of month

Sundowner at 6pm

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# STAND EASY

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## "The Last Post"

Reportedly, it all began in 1862 during the American Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Ellicombe was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia . The Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land. During the night, Captain Ellicombe heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or Confederate soldier, the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention. Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward his encampment.

When the Captain finally reached his own lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier, but the soldier was dead. The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light, he saw the face of the soldier. It was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the South when the war broke out. Without telling his father, the boy enlisted in the Confederate Army. The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full military burial, despite his enemy status. His request was only partially granted. The Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral. The request was turned down since the soldier was a Confederate. But, out of respect for the father, they did say they could give him only one musician. The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. This wish was granted. The haunting melody, we now know as 'The Last Post' used at military

<b>The words are:</b>	Day is done.	Fading light.	Thanks and praise.
	Gone the sun..	Dims the sight.	For our days.
	From the lakes	And a star.	Neath the sun
	From the hills.	Gems the sky.	Neath the stars.
	From the sky.	Gleaming bright.	Neath the sky
All is well.	From afar..	As we go.	
Safely rest.	Drawing nigh.	This we know.	
God is nigh.	Falls the night..	God is nigh	



I too have felt the chills while listening to 'The Last Post'  
But I have never seen all the words to the song until now.  
I didn't even know there was more than one verse. And I also never knew the story behind the song and I didn't know if You had either so I thought I'd pass it along.  
I now have an even deeper respect for the song than I did before. Remember Those Lost and Harmed While Serving Their Country.  
Also Remember Those Who Have Served And Returned;  
And for those presently serving in the Armed Forces.



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## “FROM THE PRESIDENT’S PEN”:



### President’s Pen June - July 2013

#### To fallen and departed comrades - LEST WE FORGET

Since our last newsletter we have had the biggest event in our calendar come and go. ANZAC Day 2013 and the lead up to it was incredibly busy for our Sub Branch.

Because ANZAC Day falls within the second term school holiday period our participation involved attending services at several primary schools, nursing homes, Harris Park Tennis Club, Perth Football Club, City of Fremantle and the Town of Victoria Park Dawn Service. To all Members who made themselves available to attend these a very big thank you.

Our own ANZAC Eve Service continues to attract more and more members of the local community which is pleasing to us all. A very big thank you to the Naval cadets from the Gallipoli Squadron who provided the Catafalque party and support.

Progress is being made as far as our Memorial Wall is concerned with meetings for the design and position of the wall at the Sub Branch between the Sub Branch, TVP and Building Belongings.

During this period the National President of the RSL, Rear Admiral Ken Doolan, AM (RAN Retd.) together with our State President, CEO and Vice President attended the Sub Branch and addressed 45 delegates from other Sub Branches on the direction and future of the RSL.

At our last two General Meetings we have had visiting Presenters from COTA address the Members on issues affecting their lives and ways to deal with them, and we hope to continue with this for the future.

As winter approaches I would ask that Members take care during this time and if the Sub Branch can assist with any problems they may have, we are only a phone call away.



**ANZAC  
MEMORIAL**

**Come along for a pleasant social evening. Bring a Asian themed plate of food to share. Tea and coffee will be available.  
Beer, wine & soft drinks available from the bar.  
Great night to catch up with old friends and to meet new friends.  
Raffle on the night .**

**Time: 6pm to 9pm**

**Date: Friday 21st June 2013**

**Contact person: Jacquie 9361 8802 or 0432 201 440**

**WHERE:  
East Victoria Park  
RSL Sub Branch**

**RSVP IS REQUIRED FOR  
THE EVENING BY MONDAY 17th June 2013**



# MEMBERSHIPS

## 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](mailto:rslevp@iinet.net.au) to change or update your details.

## OUR CURRENT COMMITTEE:

**Patron:** Mr Ben Wyatt, MLA  
Mr Frank O'Connor  
Mr Steve Irons, MP

**President:** Kelvin Liddiard

**V/ President:** Trevor Freestone

**Memberships:** Jack Matthews

**Property/Assets:** Gary Dawson

**Property/Maintenance:** Dave Keating

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Jacquie Liddiard

**Wardens:** Harry Crijns  
Jürgen Kahlfeld  
Bob Devereux  
Bill Hofert-Smith,  
Lorraine Patrick  
Dick Garrett

**Committee:**

## "HAPPY BIRTHDAY"



Jurgen (Yogi)	Kahlfeld	12/06
Jacquie	Liddiard	16/06
Peter	Varley	30/06
R	White	08/07
Robert	Hines	10/07
Norman	Allpike	28/07
Elvie	Crococ	12/08
Betty	Garrett	26/08
Murray	Fairclough	28/08
Wendy	Jupp	31/08
Helen	Oakley	08/09
Julian	Smith	19/09
Jack	Matthews	20/09
Kevin	Duckworth	22/09
Geoff	Howell	28/09
Frank	Day	30/09



A man walked into a cafe, went to the bar and ordered a beer.

Certainly, Sir, that'll be one cent.'

One Cent?' the man exclaimed.

He glanced at the menu and asked: 'How much for a nice juicy steak and a bottle of wine?'

'10 cents,' the barman replied.

'10 cents?' exclaimed the man. 'Where's the guy who owns this place?'

The bartender replied:

'Upstairs, with my wife.'

The man asked:

What's he doing upstairs with your wife?'

The bartender replied: 'The same thing I'm doing to his business down here.'



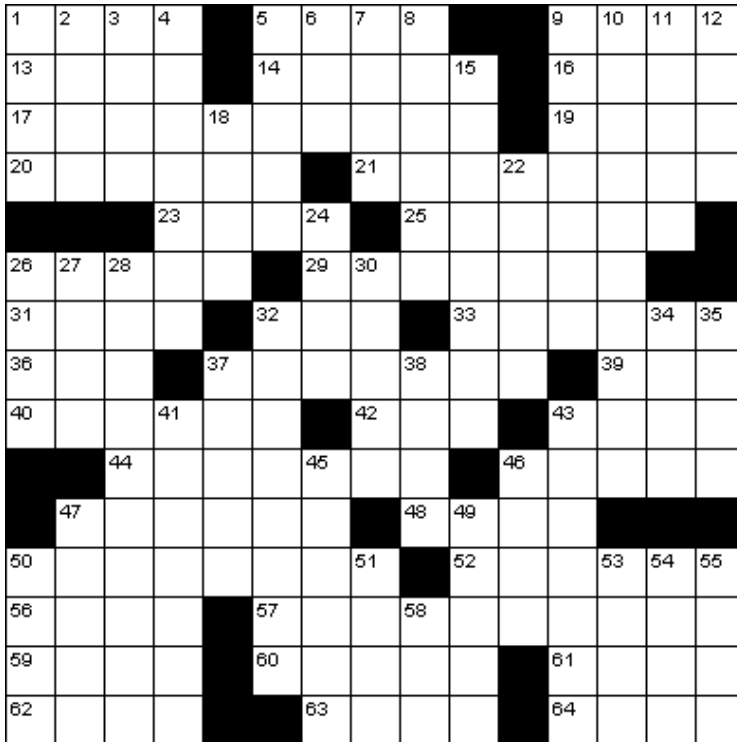
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**CROSSWORD: Across:**

1. Scarlett's plantation
5. Chows down
9. Strong current
13. Ancient Greek coin
14. Pursue furtively
16. Pueblo pot
17. Pastry in Paris
19. Antares, e.g.
20. "Odyssey" setting
21. Symbols of welcome
23. Tofu source
25. Police command
26. "A Room With——"
29. "Moon River" composer
31. Telescope part
32. Goal
33. Glacier Bay
36. Fido or Fluffy?
37. Eccentric
39. Dance specialty
40. Coins
42. Spreading tree
43. Heap
44. Salon supplies
46. Bad habits
47. "American Pie" singer
48. "Dulce et Decorum Est" poet.
50. "Tom Jones" author
52. In
56. Hawkeye Pierce Portrayer.
57. Firmly fixed
59. Congregate
60. Polish off
61. Burden
62. Latin being
63. Small amounts
64. Counting-out starter.

**CROSSWORD: Down:**

1. Pith helmet
2. Blind as ——
3. "Goodbye Columbus" author.
4. Smith & Jones, maybe.
5. Bacon product
6. Goddess of recklessness.
7. Edible root
8. Don quickly
9. Actress Arquette
10. Unselfish
11. Grip firmly
12. Auditory equipment
15. Don't panic
18. Barge-like boat
22. "Jurassic Park" actor
24. In the thick of
26. Salzburg setting
27. #2
28. Mediates
30. Fossil resin
32. South Australia's capital.
34. Leafy vegetable
35. Crude dudes
37. Lubricated
38. To boot
41. Arrange the sheets
43. Tiny aperture
45. Group of nine
46. Disallow
47. Trumpeter Davis
49. Distorts
50. Renown
51. "\_\_\_\_\_ grip!"
53. Plains Indian
54. Middle figure
55. Swirl
58. Alehouse

## Youth

Youth is not a state of life. It is a state of mind, alertness and imagination, strength of feeling, victory over cowardice, and triumph of adventure over sluggishness.

No one becomes old because of years that passed – one becomes old, because one has parted with ones ideals.

With advancing years the skin becomes wrinkled but with the loss of enthusiasm the soul gets wrinkled. Sorrow, doubt, lack of self-confidence, fear and despair are the long years which draw the head towards the ground and draw the upright spirit into the dust.

Whether seventy or seventeen, in the heart of every human rest the desire towards the wonderful, the uplifting wonder when viewing the stars in the sky and the enduring thoughts and "things", the fearless endeavour, the insatiable childish inquisitiveness, what tomorrow will bring, the unbound pleasure and joy of life.

You are as young as your optimism, as old as your doubts; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fears; as young as your hops, as old as your despair.

As long as the message of beauty, joy, courage, the wonders of the Earth, Infinity, and other human reach your heart, you will remain young.

Only when your wings hang low and the inside of your heart becomes covered with the snow of pessimism and the ice of cynicism, and only then you have really become old.





# LIVING MEMORIES HISTORY PROGRAM

## LIVING MEMORIES

### Members of the East Victoria Park Sub Branch

The Sub Branch has started to compile a booklet with a photo of and a brief summary of the life of each of its members, thus enabling us to put a name to a face we see or meet and know the person we are talking to.

To enable us to do this we need to know the facts to write about, we are looking at two methods of doing this.

1. You can jot them down and send them to us, they will be written up to suit the layout of the intended booklet, and you will then be shown the copy for verification, have your head and shoulders photo taken and that's it.

2. One of the Committee will call and have a talk with you jotting down the required information and taking the photo then come back with what he has written for verification and approval. What we need for you to do is send a head and shoulders photo, include with it your full name, where and when you were born, rank and service number, along with a brief outline of where deployed, your involvement with the RSL. We would also like you to include a brief outline of your school years, marriage, work years and enlistment in a service and your life up till now. Please ensure you add any funny or interesting things that have happened during your lifetime.

**FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES PLEASE RING  
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Full Name : Anthony Robert WHITTING

D.O.B : 20 March 1964, Brisbane Queensland.

Service with R.A.A.F with 2 Airfield Defence Squadron (2AFDS - Airforce Infantry) and left with the rank of Corporal Service Number A130041, enlisted 1984, discharged 1990.

Prior Military Service with 9 Royal Queensland Regiment (Private - Army Reserves) and the Air Training Corps (Cadet Sergeant).

Service History : Basic Training RAAF Endinburgh (S.A), 1 Ground Defence Security Flight RAAF Amberley Ipswich (Qld), posted to 1Rifle Flight RAAF Richmond (NSW), Promoted to the rank of Corporal in 1986 after playing silly buggers running around Australia after being involved in various tri service excises and posted to RAAF Endinburgh as instructor for several Recruit Courses, Tri Service instructor at Australian Defence Force Academy (Canberra), Service instructor for Technical apprentices at RAAF Wagga Wagga (NSW), Bush Craft/Weapons instructor at RAAF Townsville, RAAF Darwin and Tindal (NT). Qualified as Loadmaster/Gunner on Iroquois/Blackhawk and Chinook helicopters. Undertook several overseas deployment with Australian Army (8/9 RAR - 2/14 RAR) at Airbase Butterworth Malaysia during mid to late 1980's.

Left the Airforce after 2AFDS was disbanded by government cost cutting and commenced service with the Western Australian Police 1990 to present, hold the rank of Sergeant and have served in both metropolitan and country areas. Have been the Officer in Charge of several police stations such as Cunderdin, Kellerberin, Onslow, Katanning, Palmyra and Brookton. Currently stationed at Police Communications in Midland.

Presently awaiting memberships with the 7 Wing Air Force Cadets RAAF Pearce (Instructor) and Royal Australian Air Force Association. Happily married to my wife Rosa and have three children to an ex wife, 2 sons Andrew 19yrs, Cameron 16yrs and daughter Stephanie also 16yrs. Grew up in the other side of the country in Brisbane and went to Coorparoo State and then High Schools until leaving in 1982. My family still reside over in Brisbane and we regularly fly across in the silver bird to darken their doorsteps. Presently still working towards gaining my Private Pilot's licence in General Aviation (ongoing project of over 30 yrs now) and hope to finally achieve this as we have now finally stopped moving about in the country side.



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**East Victoria Park**  
**RSL Sub Branch**

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

(check your diary in case of changes)

**Committee:** **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 1630 hours**  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at 1630 hours**

**General:** **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at 1000 hours.**

**AGM:** **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at 1000 hours.**

## Next Social Event:

**Sundowner:** **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 1800 hours - TBA**



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And small ships  
Some ships go to sea  
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Here's to thee and me**



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