



# Canterbury Hurlstone Park RSL Subbranch

6<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## Newsletter

This newsletter is to try and keep you updated on the operations of your Subbranch. As you would appreciate, your Committee have been working behind the scenes to ensure that all will be in readiness for when we can start holding Member's Meeting and social activities. As of today, there is limited opportunities due to COVID restrictions however there might be light at the end of the tunnel for early 2021.



## VALES

The following have passed in 2020:

- 17 Feb - Jack Mercer aged 97
- 16 Apr – Stan Pendall aged 95
- 24 May – Van Phuoc Phan aged 67
- 27 May – Raymond Childs aged 81
- 27 May – Neale Ward aged 96
- 21 Jul – Sydney Piggott aged 93
- 29 Sep – Neville Ward aged 87

**Commemorations** – There are plans to hold a Remembrance Day Commemoration starting at 10:45am, 11 Nov. You are more than welcome to attend however the Club will be enforcing whatever the current COVID restrictions are on the day.

**AGM** – We are required to hold an AGM in 2020 so with this and the restrictions in mind, we will hold a modified AGM (date TBC) so as to take the Oath on behalf of all our members, present the 2019 Financials and confirm the new Committee Members for 2020. As attendance will be limited, I can confirm that to establish a Quorum, we need the Committee Members plus 12 Subbranch Members. This AGM should take around 15mins from start to finish as there are no Items for Business to be discussed. Please indicate if you would like to be in attendance.

**Financials** – As you would expect, our Investment Portfolio with BT has been reduced due to the pandemic however our balance has bounced back over the last couple of months. We have continued to support DefenceCare with our monthly donation, so all is not doom and gloom.

## General News



The Subbranch still have 13 WWII Veterans that are going strong and with the help from our President, Ken has ensured that they all received their 75th VP Commemoration Medallion.

Although the 90th Anniversary Celebration of the Subbranch did not take place, the Commemorative Book has been evolving and is currently with the proof-readers where the next step will be the printing. Dr Brendan Nelson AM, has kindly offered to pen the Forward. All Members will receive a copy once the book is produced.

## Current Membership Numbers:

176 Members

3 Life Members

13 Auxiliary Members

2 Associate Members

Welcome to Manuel (Manny) Martin who is our newest member of the Subbranch.

**2021 Membership Fees** – Fees can be paid from Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The \$35.00 fee can be paid in person at the Club, by contacting the Club on 02 9559 0000 quoting your credit card details or by posting a cheque to the Subbranch. Please quote on the back of the cheque your RSLNSW Number, Name and email if applicable.

*Membership cards do not have an expiry date so please retain your current card as no replacement will be issued.*

**Museum** - The Club has indicated that work will commence on establishing the Museum in early 2021.



The delay on this was due to other priorities during the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds have been and continuing to be raised through the Museum Contribution Fund.

Congratulation to the following Members that have received their 50 Year Membership Certificates:

Hugh Hutton

Norman McGhie

Paul Sharp

## **2020 Board Election Information**

### **Voting opens at 12pm 5 October 2020**

The RSL NSW 2020 Board Election is an important opportunity for eligible members to have their say in the composition of the Board of RSL NSW over the next 3 years.

Candidate profiles are available to view on the RSL NSW website.

## **How to Vote:**

Eligible service members are being asked to complete two ballot papers. (One ballot is for president and the other is for the remaining seven elected director positions).

Voting can be conducted as follows:

1. by Mail (see instructions below); or
  2. via an online voting portal (see instructions below).
- Please vote carefully as you cannot change your vote once you have cast it.

### **Voting by Mail**

Ballot papers will be included in the next issue of Reveille. Carefully follow the voting instructions provided on the ballot papers and return them to the Returning Officer in the reply-paid envelope included in the voting pack.

*\*The last date for **postal votes to be mailed is 10 November 2020**. If you miss this date, you can cast your vote online (see instructions below).*



### **Voting Online (Vote button will not be live till 12pm 5 Oct)**

To cast your vote online go to the RSL NSW website <http://bit.ly/RSLNSWV> click on the “Vote Now” button which will take you to the Link Market Services

voting portal or go directly to the Link Voting Portal <http://bit.ly/LinkVotingPortal>. When on the voting portal, follow the prompts to cast your vote.

*\*Votes cast online can be submitted up until 5pm, 24 November 2020 (AEDT).*

If you have any questions about the conduct of the election, please call the Returning Officer’s RSL NSW Election Information Line on 1800 260 668 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday.

If you have any questions about your eligibility to vote, please contact RSL NSW Support Unit on 1300 679 775 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday.

The 2020 Board Election is being conducted in accordance with the Board Election Standard Operating Procedure .