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At time of printing the member's draw is at **\$5,750.** Remember that you need to be present in the Club on Thursday to be eligible to win..

AND

If you wish to dine on Members night—book your table early!



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Official Newsletter of the Caulfield R.S.L. Sub-Branch Inc. & Caulfield R.S.S.& A. Club

Message from the President

As many of you would be aware by now, the Flying Saucer Club will not be returning to the Caulfield RSL in 2018.

A joint statement was released on November 23rd, which read:

"After recently celebrating our 5th birthday in August of this year, it is with great sadness that we announce that The Flying Saucer Club will not be continuing to operate at The Caulfield RSL in 2018.

Unfortunately, we have come to a point where we have outgrown the ageing RSL Dining Room with its limited capacity and are needing to find a new home.

After 5 and half years of hard work, we are all due for a well-earned break and will be taking a short holiday at the beginning of 2018. If anyone is aware of a suitable room that could become Flying Saucer's new home, please email—[in-fo@flyingsaucerclub.com.au](mailto:info@flyingsaucerclub.com.au).

New Year's Eve will be our final show at the RSL and thus a massive farewell party! Come and support your local live music venue one last time.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Caulfield RSL, the Committee, Man-

agement and Staff for all of their support over the years, especially those that were prepared to take a risk with the Flying Saucer in the first place.

Thank you also all the amazing artists who have graced our stage over the journey. Most of all, we would like to thank you, the music lovers, our supporters, we couldn't do it without you!"

Mark, Theresa, Sam and The Flying Saucer Club Team.

Caulfield RSL President Colin Bradley responded "It has been a pleasure having The Flying Saucer Club and all the amazing bands at our Club for the last 5 years.

Their weekly shows have attracted a growing following and, unfortunately, the infrastructure in our aging building is unable to cope with any further expansion.

Mark and his team have lined up some amazing acts for the rest of the year, and I urge everyone to take the opportunity to enjoy the Flying Saucer Club at Caulfield RSL throughout the rest of November and December.

On behalf of the Committee, Management and Staff of Caulfield RSL, I wish them all the best with their future endeavours."

The Committee and Management see this as an opportunity to explore all other options for the use of our dining room, along with the music venue option.

For the last 5 years, we have had little opportunity to serve meals in our dining room on Friday and Saturday nights (other than a single seating of Flying Saucer Club patrons).

People who have been in the Member's Bar for a quiet drink on those nights or to watch football and other sports have not been able to hear the games.

We will be looking at **all** options for using this space from January onwards and will keep you posted.

I wish you and your families all the best for the festive season and new year.

Colin Bradley
President
Caulfield RSL



New Zealand Sub Branch News

The Caulfield RSL

Committee

President

Colin Bradley

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President

Bob Larkin

Vice President

Russell Phillips

Treasurer

Graham Cook

Secretary

David Labrum

General

Committee

Geoff Goldsmith

Jacey Octigan

Shauna Phillips

General Manager

Rocky Rinaldi

Following their AGM on September 24th, a committee was not formed for the New Zealand Sub Branch.

A Special General Meeting was held on November 26th, where a new Committee was voted in, consisting of:

President: Danny Allen

Vice President: James Hohepa-Smith

Secretary: Sandra Ash

Treasurer: Sharon London

General Committee Members:

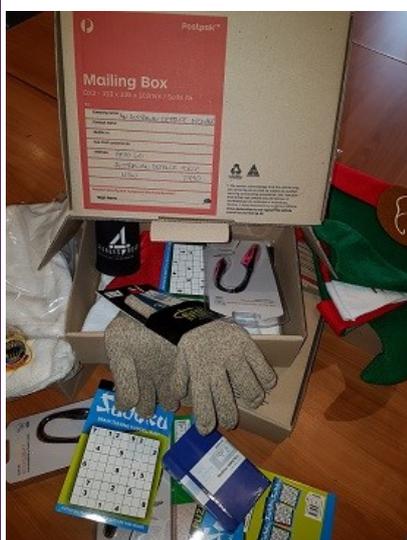
Sonya Boloski, Lauren Kelly, Reginald Miller and Gabriel Raukura.

The meeting moved a vote of thanks to the outgoing President, Ross Himona, who was also thanked for his work by Caulfield RSL President Colin Bradley.

Overseas Christmas parcels

Thanks to everyone who donated to our appeal to send parcels to our troops serving overseas this Christmas.

With the kind support of local businesses - Hattams and Guardian Pharmacy - and donations taken across the bars - we were able to arrange 6 care parcels to be shipped to the troops in time for Christmas.



The boxes contained a variety of non-perishable goods, which included winter apparel, sunscreen, book reading lights, toiletry bags, puzzle books, headphones along with some RSL & Caulfield RSL merchandise.

You can still support troops overseas this Christmas by sending them an email at supportthetroops@defence.gov.au

Vale

Frank E Reed

Late Aust. Army
Passed away 11th
September
Aged 92

Vivian Harold Charles Campbell

Late Aust. Army
VX94510
Passed away 9th
November
Aged 92

Rest in Peace

Remembrance Day

A very warm day greeted attendees of our Remembrance Day service.



Thank you to all who attended and laid wreaths.

Poppy Appeal

We are grateful to everyone who took the time to volunteer to sell poppies for the annual Remembrance Day Appeal.



At the time of printing, we had collected just under \$10,000 from poppy sales. 50% of this money goes to our welfare fund, with the remainder returned to ANZAC House for their state-wide welfare projects.

Thanks especially to the following collectors who made a significant contribution to the appeal:

- Jimmy Bell & Friends of Elwood RSL—\$1,120.55
- 1st Elwood Scouts—\$3,359.35
- Wesley College—\$717.00
- NZ Sub Branch members—\$1,451.55

Thanks to Appeals Officer David Labrum, Colin, Sarah, Shauna, Graham and Cosmo for sweating over a hot BBQ at the Bunnings sausage sizzle, selling over 600 sausages on the day. The day raised \$1,600 for welfare.

Lions Club Cakes

If you are looking for a Christmas Cake this year and want to support a worthy cause, we are selling Lions Club Christmas Cakes.



The 1kg cake costs \$13 and the 1.5kg cake costs \$17

To purchase, see our bar staff

RSL Branch & Friends of Gallipoli Inc. invite you to a ceremony to mark the end of the war in Gallipoli at the Shrine of Remembrance Wednesday 20th December from 12 noon.

The event will be preceded by the presentation of the FOGI award at the Australian-Turkish friendship memorial at 11am.

RSL Rewards

Renew your membership before 22nd December and go in the draw to win a Hyundai i30.

You can also purchase a triennial (3 year) membership before the 1st February for a chance to win \$5,000

You can pay over the bar, using cash, card or points or via our website via credit card — www.crsl.com.au

Remember—any points earned prior to 1st January 2017 will expire on 31st December, so consider using your points to renew. Members who don't renew by 31st January will have any RSL rewards points expire.



Good things come in threes!

Renew with a Triennial (3 year) membership before 1st February 2018 and you could WIN \$5,000!

Winner will be drawn at 9am on 1st February 2018
For Terms & Conditions visit rslrewards.com.au



Good Coffee for a good cause



Following an meeting set up by CRSL's Laurence Quinn, we are working towards teaming up with a group of young Vets who are making a difference in East Timor.

In early 2012, four Australian soldiers were sent as part of a peace keeping force to help with the stabilisation of Timor-Leste.

After 30 years of

neglect, coffee that was originally planted by the Portuguese some 200 years ago, was discovered by the peace keepers in remote villages, as they patrolled the area.

The now 'wild' coffee that grows in the mountain regions of Maubisse and Aileu is thriving. The former soldiers have helped local growers harvest the coffee independently, receive a fair and equitable price for their product and support their local community.

The coffee is 100% pesticide free and tastes great!

On Saturdays, we will welcome their coffee cart to the 4 Court.

If you'd like to learn more about Wild Timor Coffee - or donate to their social programs in East Timor - see their website:

www.wildtimorcoffee.com

Veteran's Lunch



Our Veteran's lunch was held on Sunday December 3rd, and received a great turnout.

Afghanistan veteran and CRSL Staff member Laurence Quinn gave a moving speech about his time in the Army.

We were fortunate to be joined later in the afternoon by Vietnam Vet Normie Rowe, who was at the Club for a fundraising Flying Saucer Club performance. Despite having a cold, Normie was very generous with his time, talking and taking photos with everyone who asked, and reciting The Ode in the Member's Bar at 6pm. Thanks to all the Veterans and their families for attending our lunch, and to the kitchen and bar staff for their work in pulling it all together.

Club opening hours over the Festive Season

Upcoming Opening hours for Caulfield RSL over Christmas/New Year

Sunday 24th December—Xmas Eve—Open from 10am to 10pm

Monday 25th December—Xmas Day—CLOSED

Tuesday 26th December—Boxing Day—Open from 10am to 10pm

Wednesday 27th December—Saturday 30th December—Normal opening hours

Sunday 31st December—New Year's Eve—Open from 10am till late

Monday 1st January—New Year's Day—Open from 10am to 10pm



Upcoming events

Member's Christmas Party—Friday December 15th

Contact Us

If you have a comment or story you would like to submit to **FURFS**, or you have a business and would like to offer discounts or specials to your fellow **CRSL** members, then drop us an email at furfs@crsl.com .au or **Furfs Caulfield RSL** 4 St George's Road Elsternwick, 3185



Join us this Friday for our Member's Xmas party, Happy hour is from 4pm till 9pm. Free raffle draws at 4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 Complimentary finger food Swipe your card and get a ticket to place in the barrel to win!

Christmas Eve lunch and dinner

**Christmas Eve
LUNCH & DINNER
At
Caulfield RSL**

Sunday December 24th

Lunch from 12 noon

Dinner from 5.30pm

2 courses - \$18
3 courses - \$28

Book your table today
9528 3600

Christmas Menu

Entrée
Choice of:

Prawn Cocktail
Australian prawns served with cocktail sauce on a bed of crispy lettuce

Watermelon and feta salad
Served with mint and cucumber yoghurt

Main Course

St George's Christmas Roast
Roast turkey and leg of ham, served with twice cooked seasonal vegetables, turkey gravy and cranberry sauce

Dessert
Choice of:

Pavlova
Served with passionfruit curd and fresh Australian fruit

Plum Christmas Pudding
Served with butterscotch sauce and ice cream

... and, returning in May 2018 ...

