SAFETY CATCH DARRA SEPT 2023

For your welfare, information, entertainment



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WALLY'S PASSING:

Wally was found deceased at his home on August 14th. He served in Vietnam from 8 June 1966 to 14 June 1967 with the 6th Battalion C Company as a Corporal. He joined the RSL in July 2010.

He was born in Germany on August 4th 1944, and came to Australia at the age of 6 with his parents Michael and Maria. He was an only child. His mum was born in 1914 and had him at age 30. His dad was 2 years younger than his wife. He lived with his parents until they passed away, with his mother the last to go at age 78. He worked at Hastings Deering. He always had a cheerful disposition, and was a pleasure to have a yarn with.

His funeral will take place at the Ukrainian Byzantine church at Woolloongabba on September 14, and he will be interred with his parents, at Mt Gravatt. I hope you can join with us in showing respect for him and what he did for Australia. You already have the funeral notice.

Being the Secretary, Treasurer, Editor and general dogs body for the Sub-Branch, it's starting to become too much for me doing it alone. I really enjoy working with people such as yourself. You contribute a different point of view, approach things creatively and generally make the organisation more full of life and ideas. It would be great if we could be a group of team members who contribute to each other. I am sure you are not part of the RSL for selfish reasons.

We could develop a lot more social activity, like many other Sub -Branches do. Don't let this Sub—Branch fade away.

You are invited to join in and give a hand.

A common statement is "I don't know how to do—such and such". We all have different talents. You wouldn't have been accepted into the military if you were dumb or lazy Some of us don't know how really clever we are. So, use your talent to help others in our Sub-Branch. Don't be reticent. There is training available to help you. And it can be fun.

Apologies for no stories etc. this month. I simply ran out of time to research articles for this Newsletter.



A precis of—The objectives of the RSL:-

- Provide for the sick, helpless, wounded, aged, vulnerable destitute and needy among us
- Perpetuate close ties and kind ties among us.
- Maintain a proper standard of dignity and honour.
- Preserve the memory and records
- Encourage loyalty to Australia
- Protect the good name of serving members
- Encourage members to serve Australia
- Provide welfare to the sick, helpless and needy members.

Are you actively contributing to the objectives of this Sub-Branch?

Our Board members are ensuring we are meeting the qualifications and ability to be a Board member. Peter is off to Governance training and Ted to Welfare training. All Board members will need to attend Governance training before next year's board elections. I have attended 2 training sessions so far, and have nominated for a third. We want to be part of a modern RSI, that ensures Darra continues as an efficient Sub - Branch, and complies with the relevant obligations as a not for profit charity.