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News From Lara RSL Sub Branch

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From the President

Hello everyone. Winter has passed us by and we are now heading into warmer weather, meaning we should now be looking at some Sunday afternoon family get togethers. Despite the cold nights over the winter period I think our Friday night attendances have been really good and I hope this continues into the Summer period, although I did notice some really big mosquitoes buzzing around. A couple of weeks ago we had our formal unveiling of the 'Geelong Rifle Club' photo montage. Our official guest was our local State MP John Eren who performed the unveiling. Also in attendance our Councillors together with teachers and staff from Lara High School, Lara Primary School, Lara Lake Primary School and Little River Primary School. Bruce Challoner gave a small presentation on the significance of the Geelong Rifle Club to the Lara District.



We currently have two major grant applications in progress for funding approval, these being the extension of the Museum, a \$250,000 project to be funded by the City of Greater Geelong and a Victoria Remembers \$7,500 for additional display cabinets. No news yet on approvals. Additionally, I have mentioned the 'solar panels'. At this stage we are set to go but of course we are facing the normal Council delay of processing through the 'planning permit' phase and whilst we managed to avoid the payment issue of the permit it still has to tick all of the boxes due to the building's heritage listing - more news later.

Vic Robb has been working flat out on the Veteran's Health Week special 'Thankyou for your Service Day' scheduled for Saturday 26 Oct 2019. A BBQ and get together of all of the district's veterans from ADF, Police, Fire, Ambulance, CFA, SES and Prisons and their families. We hope you can make it along.

Thanks again for your patronage and assistance during the period and as I normally do will catch up with you when we meet again.

Cheers, Bob

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Next Meeting

2pm, Friday 4th October
2pm, Friday 1st November
2pm, Friday 6 December

Useful Links

news@lararsl.com.au —
Newsletter contributions, photos, articles, etc. —
feedback@lararsl.com.au —
Suggestions, feedback etc. Is it just too big for the suggestion box?

Riddle Me This

Everyone has it but no one can lose it. What is it?

~Answer next issue

Last Month: If King Kong went to Hong Kong to play ping pong with Ding Dong, what did they put on his coffin? *A lid*

In History

Dec 3, 1854: The Eureka Stockade took place.

Oct 1, 1908: Henry Ford’s Model T, a universal car designed for the masses, went on sale for the first time.

Nov 6, 1917: The 3rd battle of Ypres concluded after five months as Australian and Canadian troops took Passchendaele. The advance, measuring just 5 miles cost at least 240,000 soldiers.

Oct 2, 1918: The 3rd Light Horse Brigade of the Australian Mounted Division Charged Ottoman forces 17 miles North of Damascus and captured 2000 Ottoman troops.

Nov 11, 1918: Armistice Day, the day we commemorate the end of World War 1. Note: After World War 2, it was changed to Remembrance Day in the Commonwealth of Nations.

Dec 29, 1928: Donald Bradman’s first international cricketing century.

Nov 4, 1942: Japanese bomb Darwin but are halted on Kokoda Trail.

Coming up

13 Oct	Lara Rotary Community Market
26 Oct	Thank you for your service day; see following page. Please spread the word. Launch of Poppy Appeal. As always, volunteers are needed for selling of poppies, badges, etc. Please let Karen know ASAP if you are available.
11 Nov	Remembrance Day
Dec	Christmas Lunch, time and date TBA.
TBA	Reverse Raffle to be drawn, prize details below. Lazy Sunday afternoons, weather permitting as it starts to warm up.

News

A big thanks to Little River Primary School for their recent donation of \$25.

Welfare

As a registered charity, we are required to provide welfare assistance in areas including but not limited to aged care accessories, health & medical expenses, mobility, vehicle and transport expense etc. Please see Vic Robb immediately with any concerns. All matters treated in strict confidence.

Renovations

Bar area and kitchen are now complete. A big thank-you to all who assisted with preparations for painting of the hall. More cabinets are planned and preparations for installation of solar panels are under way.

Reverse Raffle Prizes

- Hi Sense Smart TV
- Sorento car ferry with one accommodation (one night) in Sorento
- Gold class cinema/food/ beverage package

Friday night

As many have noticed, food on Friday night has returned and consists of light food that requires heating only. It would be appreciated if those able to do so would assist with cleaning up. If everyone does this just once in a while, it becomes much easier for everyone.

Member Draw

Last Friday of every month. To win, you need to be financial and in attendance at time of draw. Prize is a \$50 Coles voucher, which jackpots each month until someone wins it.



Australian Government
Department of Veterans' Affairs



VETERANS' HEALTH WEEK

"Thank you for your Service Day"



Saturday 26 October 2019



Lara RSL

Rotary



As part of Veterans' Health Week, Lara RSL is hosting the "Thank you for your Service Day" commencing at 11.00am. At this event we will acknowledge and thank members and veterans for their Service, commitment, sacrifice and courage in ensuring the safety of our community and country. We will also acknowledge their families for their support.

We welcome current and retired members of ADF including Reservists and Cadets, Victoria Police, Australian Federal Police, Protective Security Officers, Border Force, Prison Officers, CFA, Ambulance, SES & MFB. Medals to be worn. Family members welcome.



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**Awards will be presented to deserving recipients
BBQ lunch and refreshments
Poppy Appeal will be launched
Guest: John Eren MP for Lara.**

Further details from Karen: krobb@lararsl.com

For more information about Veterans' Health Week visit www.dva.gov.au/vhw

Editor

Are there any supporters missing from this page. Do you know anyone who should be on this page or would be interested in supporting us. Support comes in many ways, from vouchers in our weekly raffle to substantial grants that permit the renovations seen in the last 12 months.

Do you have a suggestion but don't know how to approach it, who to see? We have a suggestion box in the main lounge, and all feedback is welcome. Too big for the suggestion box? Send an email to; feedback@lararsl.com.au. Committee meet once a month and will review all submissions.

References:

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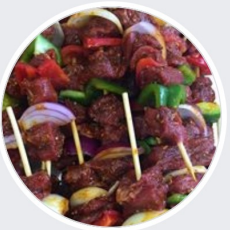


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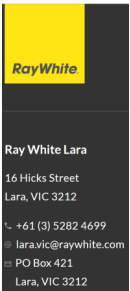
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