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NATIONAL COUNCIL PRESENTATION

During the National Conference held in Canberra on 7th September there was a Special Ceremony performed in the absence of the recipient who was unable to attend due to ill-health. The absentee was stood in by his longstanding friend and Sub Branch President to receive the award. Earle Jennings the National President presented to Robert Brown on behalf of Norman Mallard the Prestigious Barry Vicary Medal in recognition of Norm's dedication and service to the National Servicemen's Association of Australia as a founding member, working on committees to obtain the ANSM and Defence Medal, served as President, Treasurer an Secretary of his Southern Highlands Sub Branch, NSAA National Councillor . Norm Mallard was the main instigator in reforming and getting the current NSW Branch operational following the expulsion of the old Branch. As the formation President and current Branch Treasurer he has definitely earned this rare award following in the footsteps of the Association founder, Barry Vicary. Norm received his ultimate recognition in the presence of many notable guests attending the October meeting of the Southern Highlands Sub Branch. State President, Barry O'Keefe presented the award to a very surprised Norm.

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2018 MEMBERSHIP

In consultation with the Membership Officer (Norm Mallard) it is recommended that ALL Membership Fees be paid to a Member's Sub Branch. The Sub Branch will issue a receipt and enter the Member's name in a list of Paid Members for forwarding to the State Branch.

If a Member has any alterations to his Membership Records they shall be entered on a Renewal Form as will a New Member on a Membership Application. This new record will be transmitted by Email to the State Secretary and the Membership Officer for recording in the Member Register. The fees received by the Sub Branch shall be banked by Direct Deposit in the NAB State Bank Account (on top of this page) and the Members Paid List Emailed to State with copies emailed to the Treasurer/Membership Officer and Secretary for recording.

Should a Member not be able to pay his/her Sub Branch then the Fees can be deposited in the same NAB State Branch account AND his/her Name and Membership Number placed on the deposit slip for recording by the bank and Branch for identification

The Fees for 2018 remain the same at Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) and are cheaper than the expelled Affiliate mob. Our Members pay a membership Levy to the National Council from these fees while the Affiliates do not.

Fees can and must be paid by the 31st December to remain financial. By paying on time the State Committee can then budget for 2018 and pay the required Insurance premiums to keep the Association operational.

NSW NASHO WEBSITE

The NSW Website has been well received since its introduction in late March with many enquiries being received.

Some items need correcting or adding to give a better picture of what and who we are but at least it is coming up on a Google search.

This Newsletter will be available on the Website and Renewal Forms are also available.

It would be greatly appreciated for items to be provided to go up on the web-site. An early history of the NSW Branch has been prepared by Frank Boissett and will become available once the hand-written copy has been transferred into print.

The Website will appear on your computer screens after you type in:

www.nashonsw.org.au

***A lone sniper was just about to assassinate Donald Trump.
 Just at the last moment, one of the President's bodyguards spotted him.
 He immediately shouted "Mickey Mouse! Mickey Mouse!"
 A shot rang out and Trump fell dead.
 As his aides gathered round the body, one of them asked the bodyguard why he
 had shouted "Mickey Mouse"
 'I'm sorry' he said "I meant to shout.....***

"Donald, duck!"

TRIVIA of Sorts

Each Sub Branch has received copies of the National President's recent Bulletins which are being made available to all their members. If you would like a copy they will become available on the NSW Website nashonsw.org.au or by requesting from the State Secretary.

The latest edition has a photo of Norm with his Barry Vicary Award (*our equivalent to a DSM ??*) The publication also mentions the results of getting the money (nearly \$19K) owing from the former Branch, now known as the NSW National Servicemen's Association and Affiliates. Additional information available from the ACNC (Australian Charities & Not-for-profit Commission) web-site reveals the financial positions of the Affiliates since they were expelled.

Finance Period	Net Assets	Liabilities	Donations In	Total Income	Total Expense	Donations Out
2012/2013	\$123,704	\$0	\$4206	\$71,138	\$86,296	\$4150
2013/2014	\$120,803	\$515	\$3,200	\$62,200	\$58,300	\$2,300
2014/2015	\$81,837	\$0	\$1,561	\$64,945	\$98,439	\$2,753
2015/2016	\$6,898	\$0	\$3440	\$66,310	\$45,976	\$3,128

The above chart indicates to you how the Affiliate has accounted for the finances since it was expelled. At the time of expulsion in December 2012 the assets totalling \$134,771 with the equipment valuation of \$9,246. Membership income for 2013 was \$55,106 and 2015 \$48,211.

In the last Nasho News it was mentioned that a new bank account had been opened but it took three months to do so because of problems associated with the Expelled branch. The same happened after closing the Telstra phone account and getting a better service with Optus. Our problems continued when our Branch was told by Urban Growth that Ron Brown would be the only one to represent the NSAA because he signed the paperwork when the Defence Department handed over Bardia Barracks to Landcom (Urban Growth). Wait there is more! The NSW RSL will not respond to our requests to change the address but prefer to keep the Lakemba address as their preferred Nasho representative.

Tweed Valley-Murwillumbah Sub Branch has presented its Life Membership to Col Hulme for getting the Sub Branch to where it is today. Congratulations to Col! Tweed Sub Branch will place a plaque to commemorate the successful 1917 Light Horse Battle of Beersheba on the Murwillumbah War Memorial on the 11th November.

Mid State Sub Branch has got itself into the newspaper with its project of laying memorial pavers in the Bathurst War Cemetery. These pavers are the same as laid in South Australia.

Oxley Sub Branch is enquiring about obtaining Nasho bronze plaques for grave headstones or walls. Would any member like to obtain one, then please advise your Sub Branch or the NSW State Office so that they can be sourced.

Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.

I changed my password to "incorrect" so whenever I forget it the computer will say, "Your password is incorrect."

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.

I'm great at multi-tasking--I can waste time, be unproductive, and procrastinate all at once.

Fancy Dress

A man with a bald head and a wooden leg is invited to a Xmas fancy dress party. He doesn't know what to wear to hide his head and his wooden leg, so he writes to a fancy dress company to explain his problem.

A few days later he receives a parcel with a note:

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a Pirate's outfit. The spotted handkerchief will cover your bald head and with your wooden leg you will be just right as a Pirate.

The man is offended that the outfit emphasizes his disability, so he writes a letter of complaint.

A week passes and he receives another parcel and note:

Dear Sir,

Sorry about the previous parcel. Please find enclosed a monk's habit. The long robe will cover your wooden leg and with your bald head you will really look the part.

The man is really incandescent with rage now, because the company has gone from emphasizing his wooden leg to drawing attention to his bald head. So he writes a really strong letter of complaint.

A few days later he gets a very small parcel from the company with the accompanying letter:

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a tin of Golden Syrup. We suggest you pour the tin of Golden Syrup over your bald head, stick your wooden leg up your arse and go as a bloody toffee apple.

2018

This is advanced warning that 2018 will be a busy year and the NSW Branch will be looking forward to early payment of your Membership Fees.

This year will be Election Year and the current State Committee will be standing down. This is where you become involved. Age is catching up with us all and it is now the opportunity that the younger members think about nominating for the Committee and put new blood into the Organisation.

Since 2013 the Committee has adopted a modern approach by doing much of its work from Home and in regional areas. The Affiliate's Ron Brown/George Sachse said it would not work and have been proven wrong.

The new Association Act has confirmed the new technology and it is now all systems go!

While the current Committee have not indicated their intentions as to their re-nominating there are still vacancies to be filled to meet compliance. It would be desirable to have at least one from each of the current Sub Branches to nominate. There has been options put forward but have not been proceeded with.

The reason for this early Notice, is to able to give each of you an opportunity to consider your options. Also, the Nominations have to be advertised, Nominations received and a Ballot Paper sent to each Member and returned before the May AGM.

REMEMBER!! NO NOMINATIONS, MAYBE NO NSAA ASSOCIATION IN NSW