



TOUKLEY RSL SUB-BRANCH *Newsletter*



NEW SUB-BRANCH MEMBERS

Vale

NIL

Welcome to the following new sub-Branch Members:

Service

Maxwell Dixon

Craig Haggerty

Auxiliary

NIL

Sub-Else

NIL

Internment of Ashes

John Carruthers – To be advised

Lest We Forget



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**Sub-Branch General Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month,
At 10.30am, upstairs in Club Toukley RSL, with the exception of January.
All Members are invited to attend.**

Remembrance Day	Tuesday 11th November – 11am
Sub-Branch Committee Meeting	Monday 17th November – 10.30am
Sub-Branch General Meeting	Monday 1st December – 10.30am
Merchant Mariners Day – Norah Head	Saturday 6th December – 10.40am
Sub-Branch Christmas Party	Sunday 14th December – 11am
Sub-Branch Committee Meeting	Monday 15th December – 10.30am
Reminder – There is no General	Meeting in January 2026



Presidents Report:

Ian Collier
President

RSL Congress at Tamworth, attended by Ian Collier and Mike Humphries. Comments received by all this was the best Congress ever held. The second day “question and answer”, was very entertaining enjoyable.



Nasho's BBQ at Mackenzie Park Budgewoi.

Well attended by Nasho's from Newcastle and Gosford branches, along with our Central Coast Sub-Branch.





Upcoming Bus Trips:

- **31st October – Fort Scratchley – Newcastle, then onto Hexham Bowling Club for lunch (booked for 12.15pm) at your own cost; there will be a brief morning tea stop (at your own cost) on the way to Fort Scratchley. The bus will depart the front of the ARY at 8.00am. Christine- Co-Ordinator is organising this outing.**
- **28th November – Morpeth Village visit, then Cessnock Leagues Club for lunch at your own cost; there will be a morning tea stop on the way to Morpeth (at your own cost). The bus will depart from the front of the ARY at 8.30am. Christine - Co-Ordinator is organising this outing.**

RSL NEW BADGE FROM 17TH OCTOBER 2025.

The RSL have changed the badge slightly:

Previous Badge since 1990



New Badge effective 17th October 2025



RSL Australia is adopting the measured and cost-efficient approach to implementing the RSL Badge change. RSL Sub-Branches are encouraged to avoid the unnecessary expenditure in accordance with the King's wishes.

Implementation is based on a “staged approach” with digital assets changing first, and signage and physical badges and merchandise changing gradually as part of routine replacement of physical assets. The ADF is adopting the same grandfathering plan to minimise the costs and the graduated implementation of their badging.

Auxiliary Report:

Remembrance Day

Memorabilia were ordered, checked and ready for Remembrance Day stall which is commencing on the 5th of November through to the 10th of November in the foyer of the ARY club.

Additional Information

The Articles which have previously appeared in a Toukley Sub-Branch Newsletter on John Doalman – Veteran, and Rose Millwood – Auxiliary Member, have been sent to RSL NSW for inclusion in the upcoming State Auxiliary newsletters.

The next Auxiliary meeting is scheduled for the 5th of November where rosters for the Remembrance Day stalls and assistance with the Remembrance Day service will be finalised.

Christine Sellers

Auxiliary Co-ordinator

Keeping your Sub-Branch Details Up to Date

If you have recently moved, or your details have changed, please let the Sub-Branch Office know so that we can update your address and contact details.

This information is required so that we can send any correspondence to the correct address.

Also, if you know of a member who has moved, either to another area or to an Aged Care Facility, please notify the Sub-Branch Office.



WANTED NEW MEMBERS National Servicemen's Association Central Coast Sub-Branch Toukley - monthly meetings held 3rd Sunday every month except December, regular social luncheons for members, family and friends, BBQ's, Bus trips to places of interest. Membership forms available from our Membership Officer Bobby Byrnes on 0400 352 811 or email robertbyrnes7@bigpond.com

Volunteers required for Vietnam Veterans Park at Gorokan. The Vietnam Veterans Park located on the left-hand side of Wallarah Road just as you drive over the Toukley Bridge towards Gorokan is maintained by the Vietnam Veterans group. The group would appreciate some assistance if anyone has a few hours to spare. They meet on a Wednesday at 9.30 every five weeks in winter and about every 2 weeks in growing season. If anyone has some spare time please contact Steve Edmunds on 0428 093 726 or email at sheenasteve21@gmail.com



Birthdays this month

Neil	Shepherd	2
Eric Noel	McDonald	7
Mark Stephen	Osborne	8
Joan	Kennedy	9
Rodney James	Butchart	11
Wayne Geoffrey	Howes	11
Helen Amelia	Sullivan	11
George Walter	Johnston	12
Bevin Jonathan	Tonacia	13
Noel Gavin	Lonergan	14
Robert John	Byrnes	15
Thomas James	Jones	15
Emma Jade	Kelly	15
Gerardus Henricus	Van Baast	16
John William	Reilly	17
Anthony	Hanson	18
John	Doalman	20
Edward	Heath	20
Phillip Henry	Clements	21
Shane Terry	Czemerys	21
Virginia	Prescott	22
Steven Raymond	Spinks	22
Kevin	Foley	26
Peter George	Whybourn	30

Puzzle Corner



Trivia Questions:

1. What does “www” stand for in a website browser?
2. How long is an Olympic swimming pool (in meters)?
3. What countries made up the original Axis powers in World War II?
4. Which country do cities of Perth, Adelaide & Brisbane belong to?
5. What geometric shape is generally used for stop signs?
6. What is the fear of dogs?
7. What shows emotion, surprise or emphasis at the end of a sentence?
8. Who named the Pacific Ocean?

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Helping Veterans and Their Families

We are located at 203 Main Road, Toukley. We are available at Toukley on Tuesday morning from 08.00 till midday by appointment, and on Thursdays from 08.00 till midday for interviews and as a drop in coffee centre to meet others and relax.

We are available to assist serving and ex serving veterans and their families in their interaction with DVA as Advocates. We have available;

- **Four Advocates to assist with claims advice and general advice on DVA requirements.**
- **Wellness officers to assist with,**
 - **Counselling**
 - **Mental health contacts**
 - **Seeking appointments with Medical Practitioners**
 - **Homelessness**
 - **Widow and widower rights and entitlements.**

If you have worn the ADF uniform for more than one day, or are the family of such a person, you may have entitlements that you do not know about. Drop in and let us help you.

We look forward to meeting you.

Emergencies	000
Open Arms	1800 011 046
Lifeline	13 11 44
Kids Helpline	1300 224 636

Welfare Report August 2025



TOUKLEY RSL SUB-BRANCH

WELLBEING/VISITATION OFFICERS' MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE SUB-BRANCH

OFFICER	NUMBER OF VETERANS/FAMILY VISITS	HOURS	KILOMETRES TRAVELLED	PHONE CALLS	TRAINING HOURS	FUNERALS Interments
Michael Humphries	6	18	30	8	0	1
Roy Norman	10	32	70	35	0	0
Mick Henly	2	60	200	11	40	0
Christine Sellers	4	15	125	1	0	0
Ian Collier	1	10	30	5	0	1
TOTALS	23	135	455	61	40	1 IN TOTAL

Puzzle Corner Answers



Answer 1: World Wide Web

Answer 2: 50 meters

Answer 3: Germany, Italy, and Japan

Answer 4: Australia

Answer 5: Octagon

Answer 6: Fear of dogs

Answer 7: A period or exclamation point

Answer 8: Ferdinand Magellan

TOUKLEY RSL SUB-BRANCH

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