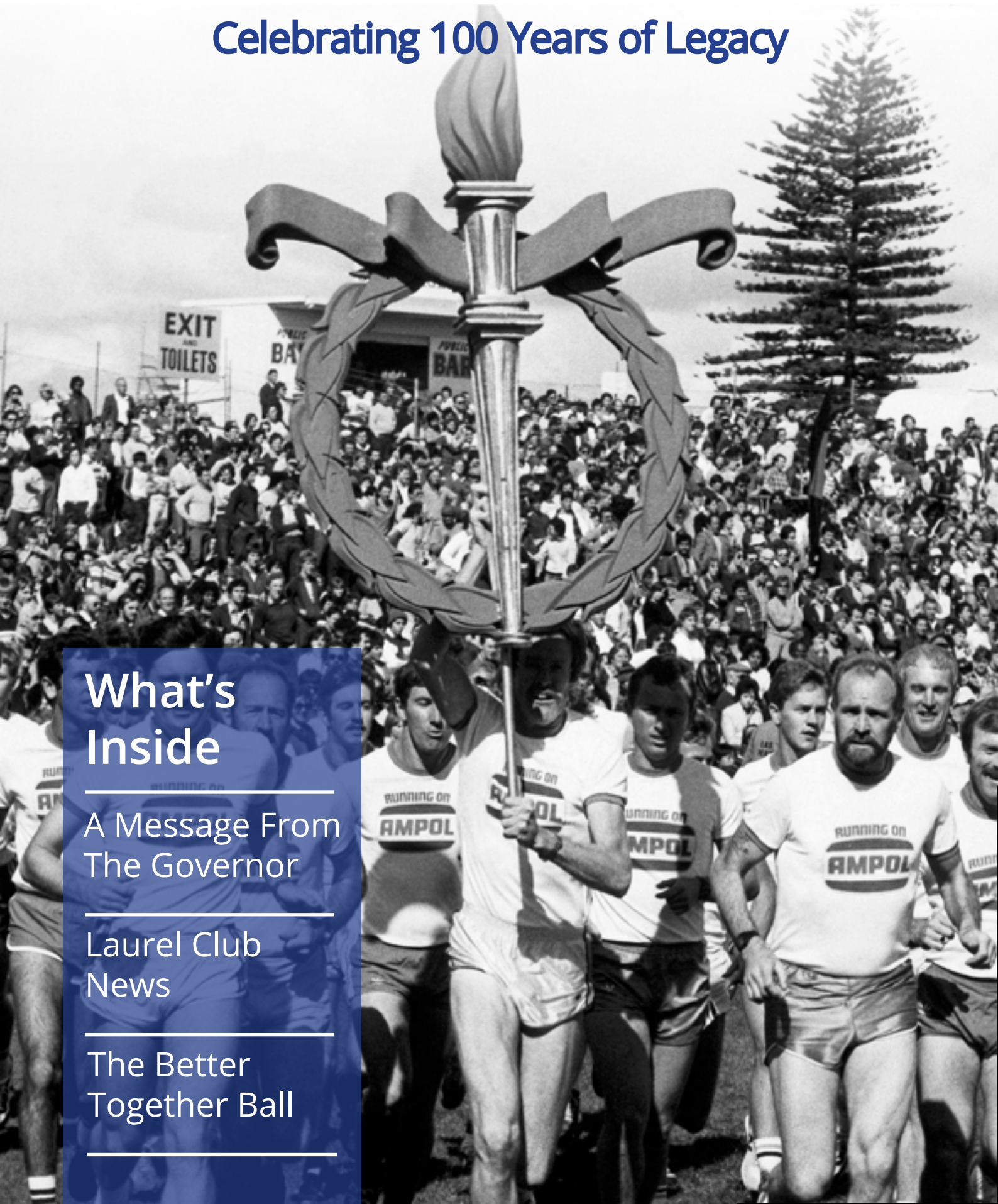


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Legacy Widow's Prayer

Let us be genuine
with one another,

and see in each the
best that we can find.

So many lives depend
on us for brightness,

Lord, keep us brave
and help us to be kind.

The Ode

Fear not that you
have died for naught,

The torch you threw
to us we caught,

And now our hands
will hold it high,

Its glorious light will never die.

We'll not break faith with
you who lie on many a field.

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President's Address



Peter Emmett

I write to you all hoping that you all have had an enjoyable holiday season with friends, family and loved ones. Though this time of year is hard on many, I am reminded of the family and community we have created within Legacy WA.

It was a great honour to be elected again in 2022 as the President of Legacy WA, and more so as we are entering the centenary year of Legacy Australia. Monday 23rd of January will officially start the countdown for Legacy WA being 100 days until the torch reaches Western Australian soil, touching down first in Albany. Whilst details are still being finalised, please continuously check your emails and social media (@LegacyWA) for updates and community events that may be going on in your area. On the 6th of May, we will be hosting a community day at Wellington Square in Perth.

The Better Together Ball was held in November where I shared the stage with RSL WA President Duncan Anderson to open the inaugural ball. A wonderful night all around, and it was enjoyable to see some Legatees and beneficiaries attend the night. The purpose of the ball was to raise awareness and funds to support Legacy WA and RSLWA coming together to 'work better together' with the joint vision of supporting our veterans and their families. With auditing still being finalised, I am pleased to see the night has been fruitful for all the hard work our Legacy WA staff have put in.

I have been asked a few times when the 'Cape to Cape for Legacy WA' will be happening in 2023. I can confirm that we will be moving it to later in the year to ensure we do not distract from the work going into the Legacy Centenary Torch Relay. Dates are being decided to ensure a smooth sailing trek. The 2022 trek was a highlight for me, walking 130km to raise much-needed funds.



Heading into 2023, I would like to reiterate the focus Legacy WA has for the future:

- Remain focused on caring for our beneficiaries,
- Looking forward to how we can continue to provide high-quality services, and
- How we can do better for our beneficiaries within an ever-changing social and financial environment.

I'd like to close by wishing everyone a prosperous year and look forward to seeing us all celebrate this wonderful year to come.

Yours in Legacy,

L/ Peter Emmett
President Legacy WA

CEO's Address



Matt Granger

Hello and welcome to 2023! I hope that the holiday season has treated everyone well.

I can confirm that the Albany Legatee Group was successful in establishing the new Laurel Club in Albany. Jean Webb has taken on the challenge after the Australian War Widows closed their operation in Albany. We look forward to working with Jean and the ladies down south.

As noted in my last address, beneficiaries have an opportunity to enjoy additional social activities this year as we still have funds to expend from the Anzac Day Trust. I encourage all beneficiaries to consider what they might like to participate in and reach out to

Legacy WA with suggestions. Activities may include theatre, movies, or a special lunch. This opportunity is not limited to the Perth metro ladies but is for country beneficiaries too. Contact the Community Services Team with any suggestions: tracey.hamel@legacy-wa.com.au or 9486 4900.

In early December, I was fortunate to attend the Korean War Memorial Groundbreaking in Kings Park hosted by the Perth Korean War Memorial Committee. The memorial is due for completion in July 2023 and I intend to bring all Korean-era beneficiaries to Perth, including country folks, and accommodate them for the service. More information is to be sent out in the coming months.

The 'Better Together Ball' was successfully conducted on the 12th of November. Very encouraging feedback from those who attended, and all asking if we'll be doing it again in 2023. That is the plan and we'll be kicking off the working committee in the New Year. I went to lunch with the Lillies in late November and was very pleased to have one of them tell me that she'd had a great time as she hadn't put on a ball dress in over 25 years. We are grateful for Defence West support (a state-government body) as they kindly donated the table for our 10 widows who were drawn from a basket of applicants for a seat.

Starting in 2023, resident Western Australian Legacy beneficiaries and their dependants or carers who are registered with, and recognised by, Legacy WA can stay at the camp free of charge while we are in receipt of funds from the ANZAC Day Trust. This negates the problems and differences of opinion regarding 5-, 7- or 10-day entitlement to the camp. Possible scenarios include:

- Any Beneficiary with children in our database can stay for free. Any other family members who join them are required to pay.
- Widow and carer: both stay for free
- Able-bodied widow or beneficiary taking some friends to the camp: the widow/beneficiary stays for free and the friends have to pay.

The procedure for booking will be:

Make your booking through the online system (payment via card for all attendees) as current practice. Payment at the time of booking must take place as we've no way to manage 100% discounts at this phase. Once your stay is completed: submit a claim to Legacy House. We will have a Claim Form created soon that will show the names and numbers of the beneficiaries/children/carers as well as the account into which Legacy will pay the reimbursement.



By the time this has been published, our 2023 Kid's Camp would have wrapped up. We expect 103 kids to attend, which will see 47 kids fly over from east, New Zealand and even the United Kingdom.

In order to maximise the provision of support to those families in most need, Legacy WA has begun the process of developing a system of 'tiered support', based on the system used by most other capital city clubs. The policy will be scaled at three tiers of support based on individual family needs. We will be rolling it out via training to those Legatees who have family liaison responsibilities, and your Legatee will be responsible for meeting with the family and discussing the finer details of the policy.

Kind regards to all,

Matthew
CEO Legacy WA



Matt Granger and Peter Emmett with Minister Paul Papalia

Legacy Centenary Torch Relay

Veterans' Affairs News



Legacy Australia is celebrating 100 years! To commemorate this moment, one of the significant parts of the centenary is the Legacy Centenary Torch Relay presented by Defence Health. It will be a six-month campaign to pay homage to and acknowledge veterans' families, saluting their sacrifice.

The relay begins on Anzac Day, 25th April 2023, in Pozieres, France and will travel to London, England, where it will continue its tour throughout Australia - the first stop, Albany, Western Australia.

The torch will touch down in Albany on the 3rd of May 2023 and we will be celebrating its arrival in Perth with a community day on the 6th of May. More information on this will be shared in the coming weeks.

Veterans' Catalogue Now Live!



Veterans' Catalogue is an innovative web application designed to alleviate the complexities of finding the right services or support available to defence members, veterans and their families here in Australia. By creating a single online repository with smart search features, veterans and their families are empowered to find and connect with the services they need when they need them.

Scan the QR Code to download the app.



Australian Government
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Anzac Portal
anzacportal.dva.gov.au

Look through the Anzac Portal to uncover the experiences of the people who have served Australia in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations. The hardship of overseas service extends to the family and friends they leave behind

To find out more, head to: <https://anzacportal.dva.gov.au> or scan the QR code.



Merry Christmas to our veteran community



Win \$5,000 for school: Vietnam War theme



Friendships and love in wartime



Matt Granger and Brett Dowsing at the Korean Armistice Service 2022

Meet our new Vice President! Brett Dowsing

On Saturday 5 November 2022, I was honoured to be voted in as the Vice President of Legacy WA to relieve Ian McNee following his five excellent years in that and other senior Legacy positions. Having only been a Legatee for a little over a year, I am now committed to try to meet these leadership obligations along with maintaining my contributions to the basic duties of Legatees – looking after veterans’ widows/widowers and their children. When I joined Legacy it was to commit to only doing the latter, nevertheless, I hope my capabilities will now assist in taking our organisation forward both in our care services to veterans’ families and in our staff’s supporting abilities.

By way of background, I grew up in country WA and in colonial Papua New Guinea before joining the Navy as a 15 year old in 1969. Following training as an officer, my early career was largely spent commanding sea-air rescue boats and patrol boats, and piloting helicopters. My mid-career years were spent in

policy directorates of Navy Headquarters and my remaining period largely in international diplomacy (Timor-Leste, USA, Republic of Korea and Mongolia) and higher command positions. Over my career, I’ve been fortunate to have held five commands (three boats, a helicopter squadron and Fleet Base West), and achieved my final rank of Commodore as Senior Officer in Western Australia before retiring at the commencement of 2020.

Since retiring, I have been fortunate to also be a board member of the Veterans Review Board, Royal Australian Air Force Association – WA and Bravery Trust; position holder in the Naval Officers Club and the Naval Historical Society; on the committee for the Korean War Memorial Project and the Australian Naval Cadets Foundation; and am also a practising Justice of the Peace. A week after being elected Vice President of Legacy WA, I was honoured in being inducted as the Warden to the State War Memorial and will hold this position through to Remembrance Day 2023.

Sonia and I recently celebrated 40 years of marriage and are proud parents of two adult daughters and grandparents to two grandsons. I have a Masters in Science and Technology, a Graduate Diploma in Strategic Studies and enjoy reading, good food and wines, and travel.

With Sonia still part-time working as a Defence civilian for another few years and having a passion for veterans and their families, Legacy is a natural alignment for me through to our mutual retirement and possibly beyond. While all ESOs bring a degree of expertise to the community, I am a strong advocate for ensuring that our attributes are coordinated and effective in the timely provision of services to those in need, be it complex assistance, advice or just camaraderie. To achieve this I will certainly be encouraging Legacy and all ESOs to focus primarily on our recipients

rather than on ourselves as I believe this is the common aspiration of all veteran and family support services. In this, I seek to be an example and have fun doing so.



Governor's Address



*A message from His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson APM
Governor of Western Australia*

As Legacy Australia enters its centenary year, I was extremely proud and honoured to accept the invitation of being Patron of Legacy WA. It is a wonderful organisation having done so much for so many people, both individuals and families over the many years of its existence. To be in a position, and then being able to accept the role of Patron of such a well-regarded organisation, is indeed a great privilege.

In my former position as Commissioner of the Western Australia Police Force, I was involved in the establishment of WA Police Legacy some 30 years ago where it was evident that a similar organisation to Legacy was urgently required within the Force. WA Police Legacy has grown to be a well-respected and valuable addition for the families of deceased police officers and in no small way Legacy WA contributed to that success with both organisations working closely together to this very day.

I have a strong family connection to those original ANZACS with five of my great-uncles serving in Gallipoli and France. Three of those great uncles never returned and lie in the fields of the Somme. I well recall my grandmother's pride and deep loss when she spoke of her three brave brothers.

I have always admired the wonderful work that is undertaken not only here in Western Australia but throughout the Commonwealth. I note that 43,000 individuals and families are supported by a network of 3,600 volunteers across the nation, this is remarkable in that so many people take the time to look out for others. It is particularly admirable that those who have faithfully served their country are providing this ongoing assistance.

I look forward to being able to contribute to Legacy WA through my patronage and wish you all continued success in this Centenary Year for Legacy Australia which should be celebrated with enormous pride.

Without the wonderful volunteers and staff, the successes that are achieved daily for the many people and families requiring ongoing assistance would not be possible and your commitment should never be underestimated.

I extend my very best wishes to you all for the year to come where no doubt service above self will be the continuing underlying theme.

The Hon Chris Dawson APM
Governor of Western Australia





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Beneficiary Spotlight Marlene Robbins

For the past 69 years, Marlene has been an indispensable member of the Legacy Family, joining when she was just 10 years old as a ward. Throughout this impressive journey, including being a part of the Torchbearers for Legacy, Marlene has flourished, having remarkable achievements in both her personal and work life.

From 1994 until 2018, Marlene was responsible for organising one of Scarborough's biggest calendar events, the annual Christmas Carols. Due to its outstanding reputation, the event quickly became an iconic event in Western Australia. The event was praised for bringing people together through great

music and a spectacular view. The carols were to raise money for Legacy, in which raised in excess of \$115,000.

Legacy WA has been extremely lucky to have Marlene's knowledge and unique skill set to manage and organise numerous Legacy events over the years. As many readers would know, Marlene has been responsible for planning and executing Legacy's annual Christmas Jingle, which brings together our Beneficiaries for an end of year celebrations. Each year the events get better and better, which is all a credit to Marlene and her hard work.



"Marlene is a pillar of the community, and the carols are just one of many things that she does to benefit others"

Chronicle Scarborough

In the late 1990's, Marlene was a key advocator in shaping the future of Legacy WA when she became the first female Legatee in the Perth region. This milestone set the tone for Legacy WA and helped create the inclusive community we now enjoy. This was a great achievement as Marlene fought her way through a male-dominated workplace.

Marlene has not only committed her time and energy to ensure all Legacy Beneficiaries receive the appropriate support, but she has also been a vital part of so many Legacy events that without her, wouldn't have been possible. Marlene is a true inspiration to the people she meets, and her passion and dedication continue to benefit so many Legacy families.





Legatee Spotlight Peter Heeneey

“Legacy has been my life, I love assisting those families that have had their partner/father make the supreme sacrifice”

In this edition of the Legacy Times, we would like to draw your attention to a well-respected individual who is essential to Legacy. As Peter Heeneey has recently concluded an eight-year role as the National Director representing Western Australia, we would like to highlight some of Peter’s personal and career highlights over the years.

Peter Heeneey was born on 06-Dec-1948 in Carlton Victoria. Peter spent his early years attending Collingwood Technical School. In October of 1968, he was enlisted in the Australian Army where he was a qualified Operator Work Study Member for the Mechanical Engineers Institute. During 1970 and 1971, Peter saw active service in South Vietnam with the 2nd Battalion the Royal Australian Regiment. Peter retired in 1996 with the Rank of Major.

Peter’s Legacy journey started in 1981 when his Regimental Sergeant Major took him to Legacy in Townsville where he was inducted as a Legatee. Since then, Peter has been involved with Legacy clubs in Melbourne,

Albury, Yarra Valley and Perth where he has held multiple positions including Presidency. Peter was on every committee, including committees that no longer exist, including Country Legacy. Whilst being the President in 2008, Peter was commissioned to the “Widow and Children Statue” that is currently in Fremantle, Monument Hill. Peter was the first President of Legacy WA when Perth and Fremantle amalgamated and was involved in inducting the first female Legatee into Legacy in Western Australia in 1994.



When he isn’t working with Legacy, Peter is kept busy with the Korean War Memorial Committee where he is the secretary/ treasurer. The memorial will be unveiled on the 27-July-2023 so make sure you keep an eye out!

A very proud moment for Peter Heeneey was singing at Domain Stadium in Perth on the 24-Apr-2016 during the Dockers and Carlton ANZAC Day game. Check out Peter’s performance through the QR Code.

Peter Heeneey has been a vital part of the growth and success that Legacy continues to experience. We would like to thank Peter for his ongoing support, dedication, and the knowledge that he provides Legacy. Legacy will be forever grateful for the enormous role Peter has played in our success. We look forward to seeing what is next for Peter.





Volunteer Spotlight Daryl 'Dazza' Walton

Daryl Walton, best known around the office and Legacy WA as Dazza, has been volunteering with Legacy since 2015. He has been shaking tins at every Legacy Street Appeal since he started and become one of our most reliable volunteers. Legacy is close to his heart, he loves being around people to hear all their stories and to put a smile on their faces.

If you haven't seen Dazza out for Legacy Week it is probably because he is hiding in one of the bear suits, his favourite being Bosun the bear. Speaking of Bosun the bear, be sure to check out the Facebook page Bosun the Navy Legacy Bear's Adventures!

Dazza was in the Navy for five and a half years as a Cook and then transferred to the Air Force for three years. Since leaving the Australian Defence Force, Dazza has had many jobs but, for the past 16 years, he has enjoyed being a Postie for Australia Post. Every Christmas he dresses up as Santa Postie and gives out lolly bags to all the kids on his delivery routes. Dazza has participated in the Perth Bikers Christmas Charity Ride since 1998 and the Mandurah one for 12 years.



He is also a member of the Military Brotherhood Military Motorcycle Club. As a club, they have been doing charity rides for Legacy and other for many years. The Legacy Charity Ride began with the South Branch and has since grown every year with more branches participating in the ride. Unfortunately, Dazza was unable to participate in this year's ride but was integral in the planning and execution of the event. Next year, we will hopefully see him out there in a Bosun the bear helmet that was kindly created by friends.

The Cancer Council is also a charity that is very close to Dazza's heart. In 2017 he heard about Daffodil Day while his close friend Steve at the time was battling cancer. Steve surprised Dazza at his first Daffodil Day after having chemo that day, Steve, unfortunately, was never able to participate in another Daffodil Day. Dazza has been committed to the cause and has put on his yellow suit and gone out every year in memory of his dear friend. During the height of Covid back in 2020 Dazza did a 44km charity walk that took him 11 hours to raise money for Daffodil Day, which he achieved by raising a total of \$14,000 for the walk. In 2019 he won the Stonehaven Award for all the charity work he does, and in 2020 he was nominated for the Australia Day Community Citizenship Award and made it all the way into the top 10. It is clear to see that Dazza is a valuable volunteer to many charities which is why he is our volunteer spotlight for this issue.



Dazza has recently made it out of heart surgery and is on the mend. We wish him all the best in his recovery and hope to see him out again supporting Legacy in the following years to come.





New Legatees

Legacy WA had 13 new Legatees come on board in 2022.
We would like to welcome:

- Janice Applin
- Stephen Aspinall
- Stuart Campbell
- Isabella Coenen
- Steven Danaher
- Tracey Halliwell
- Hugo Kalkman
- Peter Kershaw
- Catherine Marsden
- Tonya Tueno
- Thomas Van Rooyen
- Sandra Van Rooyen
- Jean Webb

If you are interested in becoming a Legatee, please email:
membership@legacywa.com.au



Meet Our New Board Member Leanne Shepherd

As a widow and a Legatee since November 2018, Leanne brings to the Board a different perspective and practical input based on her own family's personal experience dealing with the loss of her partner Frank, together with those of the families and widows that she supports. Her involvement with Legacy WA motivated her to recently study Counselling with majors in Grief & Loss and Mindfulness Therapies, to assist her in better supporting those who have lost a loved one and promote well-being and healing.

Leanne has over 30 years of experience as a Paralegal and in middle-tier management positions within the Legal Industry and is currently a Senior Paralegal and Human Resources Manager for Dywer Durack Lawyers. She has been involved in Liquor Licensing matters for the past 15+ years and also has significant experience in Civil Litigation matters (i.e. Workers' Compensation, Public Liability and Medical Negligence) up to trial. As a HR Manager, she is involved on a daily basis with planning, recruitment, payroll and performance management, together with co-ordinating the ongoing compliance of Quality Practice Accreditation with the Law Society.

Leanne was previously on the Mindarie Senior College Board 2018/2019 as a parent representative, contributing to school governance, community involvement and planning objectives aimed to achieve the best outcomes for students.

As an active listener who understands the importance of building rapport and trust and values collaboration, Leanne will offer useful contributions with respect to strategic planning, governance and compliance-related matters.





Community Fundraising and Events

Walk to Work Day at Garden Island

On the 7th of October, alongside other ex-service organisations, the Legacy team travelled down to Garden Island to promote healthy lifestyles within the defence community for their annual Walk to Work Day. It was a lovely day outside in the sunshine forging new relationships with like-minded individuals. A highlight of the day was the amazing Navy Band who provided exceptional entertainment for the day.



Rock 4 Legacy



What a night! On the 15th of October, we headed down to the Charles Hotel for the annual Rock for Legacy. We were extremely lucky to have Rick Steele and The Hot Biscuit Band along with Black Rose to perform on the night. It was a night full of excellent music and a great crowd. A special thank you to our wonderful volunteers; Peter Heeney for all his assistance leading up to the event and Marlene and Tyler on the night. We had the bears jump on the dance floor and battle it out with an air guitar competition.



Militaria Auction

The 54th Militaria Auction was held on Sunday 16th of October. Hosted by the amazing John Burrige, the day was a success raising \$12,810.60 for Legacy WA. The next auction will be held on the 5th of March. So go have a look in your back shed, dig through your closet and see if you can turn your militaria into cash!

For more information about the 55th Legacy Militaria Auction, contact John Burrige on 0417 189 883 or john@jbma.com.au.



BAE Golf Day

A tee-rific day at the Chequer's Golf Club in Bullsbrook for the annual BAE Golf Day. In late October, the team headed up for a day of socialising and raising money for Legacy. A massive thank you to all the wonderful people at BAE, especially Graham Bertolini and Toni Bennett, who organised the event along with Chequers Golf Club. The day was very successful, and we look forward to next year when we meet again.



Maritime Day

Fremantle Ports Maritime Day on October 29th 2022 was a highly successful day, attracting a large crowd with many different displays on the water and inside the terminal. Our team had a great day in Fremantle and raised over \$2,000.00 for Legacy WA.



Soldiers Cup

A huge thank you to Kevin, Tim, Rob and Graeme who once again organised the annual Soldiers Cup. The team had a very successful day out and managed to raise \$549.00 for Legacy WA. We appreciate all their hard work and efforts for Legacy.



Million Dollar Lunch

Perfect Events hosted Legacy WA at Anzac House for a Million Dollar Lunch. We were joined by influential business leaders with an aim to kick start the promotions for our upcoming torch relay. It was a lovely day with a great lunch and an incredible view of the river. We thank everyone who came and donated on the day, it was lovely to network and meet some new people.



BAE Remembrance Day

We had a bright and early start for Remembrance Day! BAE Henderson asked us to come down and fundraise from 5:30am-7:30am. After spending the morning sending bears off to loving homes and selling pins for the BAE Staff to wear with pride, we raised over \$1,300 all in one morning's work. Thanks, BAE Henderson and Cris Italiano, for having us down there and we cannot wait for the next early morning start with you.



Torchbearers Legacy Narrogin



We would like to thank the Torchbearers from Legacy Narrogin for their generous donation of \$6,500.

David Baker came into the office to present this cheque to our Community Services Team Leader Tracey to accept.



Want to get involved? Email events@legacywa.com.au to see how!

Kids Camps	7th - 16th January
Widow's Camp #1	10th - 20th February
Funcats	13th February
Militaria Auction	5th March
Widow's Camp #2	10th - 20th March
Southside Scooterist	12th March
Lillie's Camp #1	22nd - 29th March
Daisies Camp #1	24th - 26th March
Widow's Camp #3	3rd - 13th April
Anzac Day Street Appeal	19th April
The Legacy Centenary Torch Relay in Albany	2nd May
Torch Relay Community Day	6th May
The Legacy Centenary Torch Relay goes up North	7th May
Legacy Week Street Appeal	31st August
PWD Adult Camp	23rd - 26th October
Lillie's Camp #2	26th - 31st October
PWD Family Camp	2nd - 6th November
Daisies Camp #2	3rd - 5th November
Widow's Camp #4	6th - 16th November

THE BETTER TOGETHER BALL



12TH NOVEMBER 2022
RIVER VIEW ROOM, OPTUS STADIUM



What a night! Together with RSLWA, we hosted the inaugural Better Together Ball in the River View Ballroom at Optus Stadium. It marked a moment for the two leading ex-service organisations coming together to work towards the same goal, empowering and supporting veterans and their families for a prosperous future.

RSLWA and Legacy WA have worked tirelessly over the last few months to make this night possible, and the positive responses we have received so far is gratifying. As you are all aware, there is a growing need in the Western Australian community to support veterans and their families, and we are here to work together with them.

Jennifer and James, one of our beneficiary families, were kind enough to share a few words with the crowd in a video we produced a few weeks before the event. Thank you for sharing your experience and time with us! If you would like to see the video, here is a QR code to scan:



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Community Services

Junior Legacy

Bowling Activity



By Legatee Tonya Tueno

On 30 October a group of Junior Legacy kids and their parents took on the pins and lanes at Strike Bowling Karrinyup.

The strikes and spares were few and far between, but the spirit of competition was fierce. Most importantly all bowlers aged 5 to 50 (and a little above) had a great time.

The bowling was challenging, and bump bars provided some help for the smaller kids (and Tammy apparently). Some even tried bowling backwards to get a better score. Notable results from Tom, Lyssy and Rob who all scored games of 100 and above.

The competition helped everyone work up an appetite and lunch soon followed. The bowlers were treated to pizzas, chicken strips, fruit platters and cool drinks, with lots of chatter about how they went in their games.

The staff at Strike in Karrinyup were fantastic, the facilities were great and the food was yummy.

Junior Legacy Xmas Party

By Legatee Tammy Davy

The annual Junior Legacy Christmas party is a very popular event for our beneficiaries, we hosted 125 guests at Adventure World on Sunday 27 November 2022.

Everyone, no matter what age, enjoyed the day at the park swimming, water slides, go carts, dry rides and some relaxing... there is so much fun stuff to do at Adventure World!

We all came together for a lunch break where we had special visitors from the North Pole join us to spread the festive cheer. Santa and his elves handed out Christmas gifts and lolly bags to all the children, there were smiles all around :) The kids received sleeping bags with the Legacy logo and their names printed on them, which will be super handy at the January camp.

Seeing our beneficiaries having such an enjoyable time is truly rewarding. We also received a lot of gratitude from our beneficiaries, including the lovely message below:

We had such a great time yesterday that location was perfect as it was so quiet away from everyone was actually very relaxing.

Thank you again for putting together such a great event allowing me to actually spend a great day out with the kids. Something that doesn't happen very often.

I will forever be indebted to Legacy for all that you do for our family xx



Camps

Widows Camp #4

The final Widows camp was held in November and 19 Ladies attended. This year was a special one as the Liaison Officer, Barbara Keillor celebrated 23 years as the camp Liaison Officer. Congratulations and a huge Thank you to her for all her hard work and dedication to her fellow beneficiaries and to legacy WA. I know the ladies had a little celebration at the camp and I know they all appreciate everything Barbara continues to do for them and Legacy WA.

For more anecdotes and pictures, please head to the Laurel Club News section.





Beneficiaries with Disabilities Camp

By Legatee David Durant

On the weekend 25-28 November 2022, Legacy conducted a camp for Beneficiaries with Disabilities. The aim of this camp was to engage with our beneficiaries with disabilities, giving them a sense of belonging to Legacy. The aims are to build individual character, confidence, and skills through a range of recreational activities, to support social development and sustain the participants.

On the camp there were 3 Beneficiaries 2 Carers and 2 Legatees, a small group. The people at the camp enjoyed themselves, with activities such as cricket on the grass, and a trip to the Chocolate Factory and the Candy Cow. We took an excursion along the Buselton Jetty on the train and to the underwater observatory, with fishing in the afternoon, on the Legacy Camp foreshore. One person caught a fish which was scaled, gutted, filleted, and eaten as an aperitif before dinner,

which the beneficiaries enjoyed.

We had a barbecue, and a make-your-own Pizza night, using the Pizza oven. Sandwiches and bacon and eggs for breakfast were enjoyed by all. I would like to thank the Carers and Legatees who made the camp a success.



Community Service News

Melbourne Cup Luncheon RSL Fremantle Laurel Club

Kathryn and Tracey attended the Melbourne Cup Luncheon with the Fremantle Laurel Club and guests were, Pat Blunt, Sheila Lloyd, Patsy Brown, Jean Bailey, Ann Laurenson and Legatee Fittcock, Legatee Marlene Robins and Kathryn and Tracey from Legacy House.

A few of the RSL members were also there. Legatee Fittcock organised for the best hat award (I still think I had the best hat on the day).

A yummy lunch and some nice cool drinks went down well. The lovely Legatee Robins won the major Sweep on the day,



Rockingham Laurel Club Christmas

Tracey and Hannah were invited to join the Rockingham Laurel Club for a festive Christmas lunch. As always, the ladies turned out in style and the RSL in Port Jennedy served up their usual 5-star Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. The ladies held a

raffle and a door prize and everyone enjoyed the catch up.

The Ladies of the Rockingham Social Club annually raise and donate to charities and this year they chose The Salvation Army and the

Cheque for just over \$900 was proudly accepted by Homeless Advocate for the Rockingham area, Mr Owen Farmer.



Inaugural Albany Laurel Club Luncheon

15 Legacy beneficiaries joined the Inaugural Albany Laurel Club Melbourne Cup Luncheon and meeting. Laurel Club meetings provide ongoing social connection and friendship for Legacy Widows and Widowers. As the date coincided with the Melbourne Cup, all attending were asked to wear a hat. The Cup Draw for the sweeps were drawn by Jean Payne, the winner of

the Best Decorated Hat.

The beneficiary's ages ranged between 67 to 98 and two of our ladies will turn 100 next year.

Introductions were made for the RSL Albany Sub-branch President, Helen Tasker, and the close connection with Legacy and welfare at the RSL, Helen finished by giving

a risk management tour of our clubroom. This was followed by a lovely morning tea and organising the sweeps for the Melbourne Cup.

Legacy Beneficiaries agreed by a vote to unanimously prefer a Social Club with the interaction between Legacy Beneficiaries and The Australian War Widows.

Christmas Hampers

With the support from Coles DC who kindly donated over \$6,000.00 worth of goodies and Rapid Relief for donating 40 food boxes, we were able to give Christmas hampers. We would like to say a massive thank you to Sally Sturgess, Jeyda Aktepe, Jack Sturgess, Margaret Burrige and Julie Burgoyne who took time out of their day to come to Legacy to pack the hampers, your help is greatly appreciated.



Junior Legacy Christmas Gifts



This year, Junior Legacy were given sleeping bags as Christmas gifts. Thank you to all the Legatees and staff who made this possible and delivered the goodies.

The Phillips Family loved their presents! Ella, Byron and Charlie are pictured here with their gifts.

Data Cleanse

Thank you to all the beneficiaries taking our calls over the last year which enabled us to ensure we have all your correct details and made available legacy WA's services.

The Community Service team has come to the end of the 655 direct referrals from the data cleanse. These direct referrals allowed the team to ensure our beneficiaries had access to our services and offer support and guidance on a variety of issues. Other issues included DVA referrals and general information, information about My Aged Care and other resources

surrounding living independently, referrals for ACAT assessments, referrals for monitored personal alarms, internal referrals for Pension enquiries.

The team organised 105 referrals to our future documents Solicitor for wills and Enduring Power of Attorney's and Enduring Power of Guardianships.

We referred 427 beneficiaries to Legatees who will look after the welfare of their allocated widows. The remaining beneficiaries who were contacted had plenty of support which included

family and friends or were in Aged Care facilities and had minimal needs, thus did not require a legatee.

The Community Service Team set up a call-back system for a beneficiary who did not require a welfare Legatee to visit on a regular basis but would like a welfare check on a regular basis. 130 beneficiaries requested this service and Legatee's have started actioning the welfare checks.

If you feel that you need anything from Legacy WA or want to update your details, please call us at Legacy House on 9486 4902.

Coming Up in 2023

The Junior Legacy Kids camp will take place from the 7th-16th of January. There will be children from overseas, interstate and local children attending this year as Covid 19 restrictions have ceased. There will be over 100 children attending.

The Junior Legacy Funcats Day will be held on February 13, more information to follow.

The Widows Camp # 1 will be held from the 10th -20th of February.
The widows Camp # 2 will be held from the 10th- 20th of March.
The widows Camp # 3 will be held from the 3rd -13th of April.

Remember to send in the application in the Legacy Times.

Lillie's Camp #1 will be held from 22nd -29th March.

All beneficiaries wanting to attend must complete the registration form and send it to Legacy House. This is for the health and safety legislation requirements required for all beneficiaries attending the camp. This will become a policy in early 2023 and must be adhered to.

Christmas Jingle

The annual ladies' Christmas Jingle was held on the 6th of December at the South Perth Civic Centre. A lovely Christmas lunch was served and delivered by wonderful Legatees and volunteers with big smiles and a cheery Christmas spirit. Each one of our ladies and guests received a 2023 diary and an iconic Legacy Christmas Pudding.

Marlene, alongside Scarlett, Lauren and Emily from Legacy House, planned the day for weeks to ensure that the day was nothing less than perfection.

Again, thank you to all those who came to set up, serve and pack up - we could not have put on this day without you. We wish everyone a lovely festive season!



Laurel Club Meeting

Times and Locations

Laurel Club	Date	Time	Location
Bunbury	First Thursday	9:30am	Bunbury RSL Hall
Floreat	Monthly on Friday <i>Contact Betty (08) 9384 2436</i>	10:30am	Parkland Retirement Village (where we used to meet)
Fremantle	Fortnightly Tuesdays	10:30am	Bicton Palmyr RSL 30a Foss St Bicton
Geraldton	First Monday	10:00am	Birdwood House 46 Chapman Rd Geraldton
Kalamunda & Districts	Second Friday	1:00pm	Jack Healey Centre 21 Mead St Kalamunda
Mandurah-Murray	Third Monday	1:30pm	Mandurah RSL Unit 5/20-22 Rouse Rd Greenfields
Menora	First Wednesday	10:00am	War Widows Guild 15 Plantation St Menora
Midland & Districts	First Wednesday	12:00 noon	Bassendean RSL 10 Kenny Street Bassendean
Northern Districts	First and Third Thursday	9:00am	"Mildenhall" Dun Craig Senior Citizens Club 49 Beddi Road Dun Craig
Perth	Fridays	9:00am	ANZAC House 3/66 St Georges Terrace Perth
Rockingham	Fortnightly Thursdays	10:00am	Port Kennedy RSL Cnr Paxton Way & Helmsshore Way Port Kennedy
Vasse	Second Wednesday	10:00am	Busselton RSL Hall 10 Rosemary Drive Busselton



WIDOW'S CAMP REGISTRATION FORM

I would like to attend:

Widow's Camp 1:
10-20 Feb 2023

Widow's Camp 2:
10-20 March 2023

Name of registered widow

First Name: _____ Middle name: _____ Surname: _____

Date of birth: _____

Residential Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____ Landline: _____

Email: _____

Next of kin

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Additional requirements

Do you require the use of a commode, walker or gopher? No Yes, a commode Yes, a walker Yes, a gopher

*Please note there are limited supplies of these items at Legacy Holiday Camp and any aids must be requested at the time of registration to ensure your needs can be met.

Transportation

Will be making your own way to the Widow's Camp No Yes

If YES please provide your vehicle registration number: _____

Community

Do you want a call from Legacy WA Community Services? No Yes

E.g. pensions, wills, POA, social activities, special aid?

Mail to Legacy WA, PO Box 1983, West Perth BC WA 6872

BUS INFORMATION

If you wish to travel with TransWA please provide either your Gold Card, Seniors Card or Pension Card number so arrangements can be made by Legacy WA on your behalf.

For those wishing to use their free TransWA pass which is included with your Pension Card, please book directly with TransWA as Legacy WA is unable to make this booking on your behalf.

Please note these dates and times are managed by TransWA & South West Coach Lines and may change.

Gold Card no.: _____ Expiry Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Seniors Card no.: _____ Pension Card no.: _____

Departures			
Departure Points	Sun-Fri	Sun-Thurs	Fri
East Perth	<input type="checkbox"/> 9:00am	<input type="checkbox"/> 12:15pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:00pm
Arrival Points			
Cockburn Central (Stand 7)	<input type="checkbox"/> 9:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> 12:45pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:45pm
Busselton	<input type="checkbox"/> 12:48pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 3:55pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:57pm
Return Journey			
Departure Points	Sun	Mon-Sat	Mon-Fri
Busselton	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:12pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:05am	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:50pm
Arrival Points			
Cockburn Central (Stand 7)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:02pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:22pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:02pm
East Perth	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:30pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:00pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:30pm

South West Coach Lines - Daily		
Departure Points	Morning Route	Afternoon Route
Perth Elizabeth Quay Busport	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:20pm
Perth Airport - Domestic Terminal (T3/T4)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:00am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:50pm
Perth Airport - International Terminal (T1/T2)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:10am	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:00pm
Cockburn Central Station	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:40am	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:35pm
Bunbury Bus Station	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:25pm
Busselton Terminal	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:15am	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:20pm
Return Journey		
Departure Points	Morning Route	Afternoon Route
Busselton	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:40am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:25pm
Perth Elizabeth Quay Busport	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:45am	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:00pm

Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____



Save The Date

55TH Legacy Militaria Auction

Legacy Auctions raise thousands of dollars every year with **15% of all proceeds going to help our war widows and families.**

Some individual items have raised thousands. Bring your objects in and support a great Australian tradition. **You could be sitting on a fortune!**



Turn your militaria into **CASH** & help a good cause!

Sunday 5th March from 10am
Centenary Pavilion, Claremont Showground

More information to follow. To keep up to date, follow @LegacyWA on Instagram or Facebook.

For more information contact **John Burrige** on **0417 189 883** or **john@jbma.com.au**





Legacy WA Updates

Legacy Busselton Camp

Electric BBQ Cooktops

Visitors at the camp have been using portable gas BBQs that are well past their used by date. They are dirty and some of the burners and faulty. Furthermore, they present a safety risk if people leave the gas bottles turned on after use as gas can leak and pool in corners and confined areas.

Rather than replacing them with domestic BBQs with a short used by date, we have opted for commercial BBQs complete with built-in safety features – including an automatic shut off if left inactive.

Unlike older commercial BBQs, these will reach 'sizzling' temperatures quickly

and are designed with food hygiene, cleaning and cooking performance in mind. The BBQs are able to quickly heat a full plate of food in a single cooking cycle. Low-powered BBQs can take twice as long while consuming the same power meaning energy efficiency is a tick too.

This will bring the number of commercial BBQs to three and will meet peak demand requirements at camp. The two new additions will be installed adjacent to an existing commercial BBQ.

While the initial cost outlay will be more than domestic BBQs, they will be cost effective over their lifetime (10

years plus) and Legacy WA will not incur any financial impost as they will be covered by grants awarded specifically for the camp.



Arborist

Poorly maintained trees are a liability and safety concern. Pruning and removing the large trees located in bushland at the camp can be dangerous if not done by a professional who will also ensure council regulations are not breached.

Therefore we hired an arborist to address the manage-

ment and care of the trees and vegetation at camp. The scope of work included pruning the high-traffic - quadrangle, playground and entrance.

All foliage was mulched and timber was left on site as fire-wood rings.

Thankfully, the costs of these

professional services were covered by grants awarded specifically for the care and maintenance of the camp.

Donated Seat of Remembrance

"Rest a while and remember all those who have served"

This beautifully constructed bench has been generously donated by Thomas Fabrication and Southside Scooter Club. We have moved the bench to the campsite thanks to Keith Burbridge where the perfect spot is still being decided.



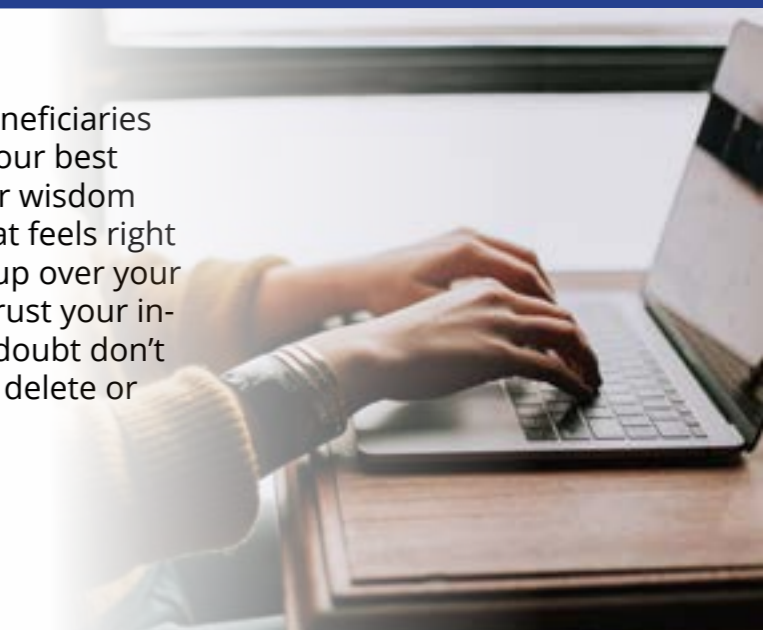
Legacy House

Cyber Security

The threat has proven to be very real as demonstrated by recent breaches suffered by Optus and Medibank Private.

As such Legacy WA have taken steps to roll out measures to strengthen data protection with the help of our IT provider and networks who also advise the Australia Defence Force.

We remind all beneficiaries to be cautious. Your best protection is your wisdom and sense of what feels right and wrong built up over your lifetime. Please trust your instincts. When in doubt don't take the risk and delete or hang up.



Human Resources | Training and Development



Changes to Work Health and Safety legislation came into effect in March 2022 harmonising most of the Australian states and territories. The training was rolled out via our Learning Management System. This included the working-from-home policy and assessment for staff.

Volunteers will also need to conduct training in the future to meet our compliance obligations.

Our main database is called CRM. Training is being conducted for those who need standardisation or initial training.

Safety and Risk Management

The Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) Not-for-Profit Governance Principles document outlines various principles of good governance, which the Board uses to inform their approach. Principle 5 - Risk Management - requires 'Board decision making to be informed by an understanding of risk and how it is managed.

Operations continues to work with the risk assessment group to identify and map risks plus more recently, incidents, in order to inform the Board, and other stakeholders plus improve health and safety.



Grant Submission



Grant funding continues to be an important focus for Legacy WA.

An Anzac Day Trust second year allocation is expected soon. The Stan Perron Grant was also successful, and the Telethon Grant 2023 is being considered by their trustees.

The 2023 Australia Day Community Grants submission is being considered.

RPS Group Donates IT and Office Equipment

Legacy WA is the grateful recipient of a wide variety of second hand equipment generously donated by the RPS Group after the company moved offices recently.

The list of donated items is a treasure trove of goodies including over 50 computer monitors and stands, keyboards, smart TV, a paper folding machine, binder and supplies, conference camera and speakers, stationery (staplers, paper products, pens, calculators, lever arch folders, trays), footstools and kilometres of cables and adapters. We even found a painted terracotta pot that will brighten

up Legacy House and encourage someone to bring in an office plant.

The haul was made possible by RPS employee, Sandi Newman-Laws, who coordinated every one of a number of steps required before we could make arrangements for collection and transport in early November 2022.

RPS supports Legacy Nationally via a number of other initiatives throughout the year.

RPS was founded in 1970 and shares a dream of creating an environmental planning practice dedicated to making the world a better place, rais-

ing awareness on the importance of balance to protect the environment itself and the welfare of the people living in it.



An enormous thank you to Legatee David Durant and ex-Legacy WA employee, Tyler Eisenhauer for providing the brawn on moving day. They certainly made a daunting task look easy.

Beneficiary Data Base Cleanse

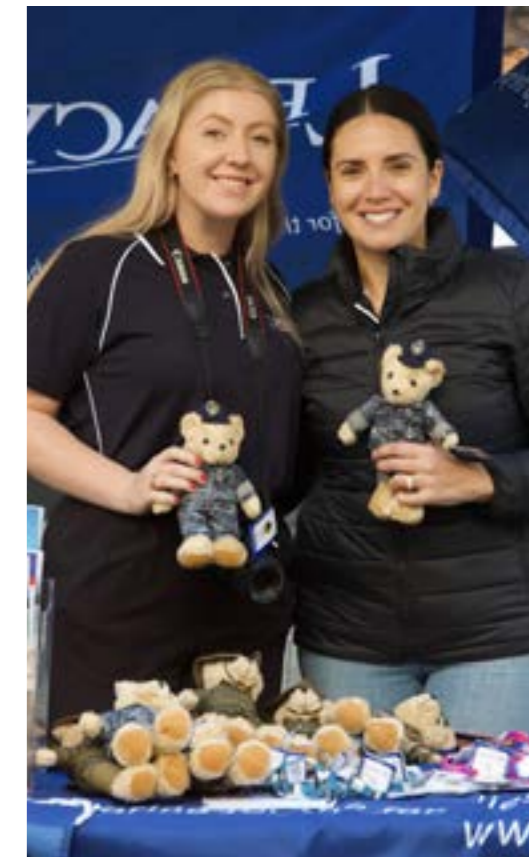
It was a marathon but the cleanse is finally finished!! This was the third time the data cleanse had been attempted in recent memory, the most recent attempt commenced in November 2021. Legacy WA is still trying to locate around 300 beneficiaries who have not responded to calls or letters asking them to update their details.

We have also conducted thorough investigations and at times, found Legatees willing to door knock on the last known address of lost widows. However, if there are no leads, we are planning to inactive these widows. They

can always be reactivated later if contact is made with Legacy WA.

With an accurate database, the Board and management can make informed decisions about plans moving forward and the allocation of resources.

As a result of the data cleanse, we have discovered a large number of Legacy ladies who require assistance from our in-house community services team. The additional pressure on resources has meant the team has grown to one full-time and three-part employee.



100TH Birthdays

Celebrating our lovely ladies milestones.

Photo by Aleksandra Sapozhnikova on Unsplash

Una Abbott



Mrs Una Abbott celebrated her 100th birthday on August 2nd, 2022. She had two parties, one with 30 friends from Ocean Gardens Retirement Village (OGRV), where she lives and the other with 60 family members. This included her four daughters, six of her nine grandchildren and three of her four great-grandchildren.

Una was born in Tambellup and grew up on 'Lyndhurst' with her 5 siblings and parents.

She joined the WAAF as a cypher clerk and was sent to Melbourne for the duration. After the end of the war and returning to Perth she completed her nursing at Royal Perth Hospital and married Eric Abbott (ex RAN) in Katanning 1953.

She and Eric moved into OGRV in 1990 with Eric passing away in 1994.

Una was a Legacy Camp Leader for a number of years and her secret to longevity is keeping busy, socialising and watching what you put in your mouth!



Craig Bramley presented Una with a lovely bunch of flowers on behalf of Legacy WA.

Vera Holmes



Vera Joan Holmes was born 5th November 1917 at Subiaco Hospital. She celebrated her 105th birthday at her home with family members. She is still living independently at Hollywood Village.

At the time her parents lived in Bruce Rock running the post office and general store. Vera had one sister Dorothy that was born in 1923, and passed away this year at the age of 99.

Vera lived in Perth until she married her husband Syd Holmes, an old childhood friend, and then she moved to Sydney where she worked in offices, mainly for construction companies. She returned to Perth when her husband fell ill. He died approximately 30 years ago.

When Vera was asked about her life she said "I never look back, only forward."

Gwen Walter



Mrs Gwen Walters is with her daughter, Karen and another widow, Mrs Phyllis Old Field (Sister-In-Law) who also turned 100 in April this year.

Gwen Amelia Catherine Waters was born in Kalgoorlie in 1922. She celebrated her 100th birthday with a party full with many of her friends and family.

She grew up in Kalgoorlie with three sisters. Her first job was working in the office of a dress shop called Fashion House. Sometime later she joined the Air Force where she met the lover of her life, Harry Walters.

Together, they had two daughters. The eldest daughter sadly passed away early this year. Her family has grown to five generations.

Gwen enjoys embroidery, knitting and crossword puzzles. Her favourite memory is special holidays with her husband Harry and all the family.

The advice she would give to her younger self would be to “work hard and enjoy life”.

Jean McKensie



Mrs Jean McKensie was moved over to Perth by her daughter recently during a gap in Covid.

As a child, Jean moved around the state with her parents. Her father was employed by the PMG.

She met and married her husband, and they went on to have a beautiful daughter, Margaret. Jean’s husband was in the Second World War and was a prisoner of war in Changi. He died in 1962. This led them to move in with Jean’s mother.

Jean went out to work to support her and her daughter, working in haberdashery, and managing a wool shop.

She belonged to Legacy Laurel Club, her local Seniors Club and loves to go shopping, play Yahtzee and to dance.

For her 100th birthday, she had a High Tea and went for a lovely dinner with family.

Josephine Dwyer (nee Uhe)



Born 2nd December 1918, Exeter, South Australia, the eldest of three girls (Phyllis and Audrey both dec). Jo was born and bred in the Port Adelaide heartland, and still follows the Port Adelaide Magpies and Port Power.

Josephine’s Dad was a member of the First Light Horse and as such the family was transferred to Mt Gambier in SA when she was a teenager. Jo loved the life in Mt Gambier and had quite an exposure to life in the services from her beloved dad. She enjoyed horse-riding and going to the beach.

Jo joined the RAAF as an Aircraft woman in 1941 and served for 4 years. She was stationed at Williamstown, NSW where she was involved with aircraft plotting, signalling, switchboard and even driving trucks! She was also involved with VAD nursing.

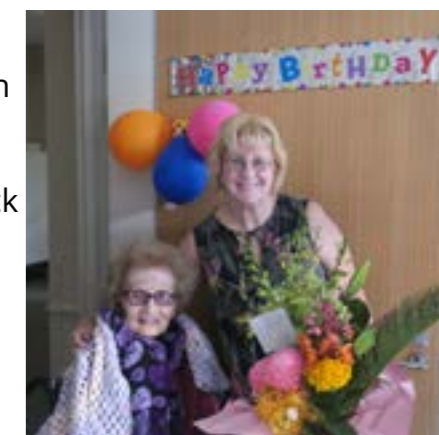
After being demobbed in 1945 Jo found employment in Adelaide. She enjoyed travelling and was a frequent visitor to Perth, loving the sea cruise from Adelaide to Peth, on the steamers that used to follow the coast.

She met her husband, Bob in 1953 and they were married 6 months later. Bob had served in the Army as part of the BCOF. They lived in the beachside suburb of Brighton in Adelaide and had two children, Robert and Melanie.

In 1976 the family moved to Perth due to Bob’s work. They enjoyed travelling – both around WA and a couple of trips overseas - and Jo continued with her love of ten pin bowling, playing the piano and gardening. She continued with ten pin bowling until she was 98! Although Robert has never married, Melanie has two children and Jo now has 3 great grandchildren.

Bob passed away in 2015 and Jo lived with her daughter Melanie for 5 years. She has now moved into Alice Ross King Centre, Bullcreek where she continues to enjoy her crossword puzzles, activities at the Centre and loves family visits.

She celebrated her 104th birthday with a picnic lunch by the lake at the centre followed by cake and pink champagne. On arrival back to her room there was a beautiful bunch of flowers sent to her by Legacy. She was absolutely delighted.



Veronica Russell

Mrs Veronica Russell was born in Moora. She left there at the age of 25 and ran the post office in New Norcia. Her parents ran the General store in the same town.

Veronica married at age 30 in 1950 and went on to have 8 children.

Her husband was a builder and Veronica qualified as a certified public accountant working at the GPO in Perth and doing the books for her husband's business.

They built a house in Joondanna and the children attended St Keirans school. Veronica was very active in the school doing the accounts and helping out where needed. Mrs Russell and her husband were both very active in helping at Vinnies.

In her later years, Veronica would walk distributing advertising leaflets and using the money she earned to give her grandchildren pocket money. She has 21 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

She attributes her long life to being active, aqua aerobics and keeping her mind active with reading and doing the daily crosswords in the paper.



Legacy Widows Luncheon

By Legatee Wayne Hood

One of the most enjoyable events in any given year, for me, is hosting the Legacy Widows Luncheon for those lovely ladies I am privileged to assist. On Friday, the 25th November I had the pleasure of the company of five Legacy Widows at this year's luncheon. We all met at the Plantagenet Hotel, Mt Barker WA, where we were treated to a beautiful meal prepared and served by the Proprietors and staff of the Hotel. Attached is the photo from the day including the staff of the Hotel, Darryn, Indie and Maria, fellow Legatee Stuart Campbell, myself and the 5 lovely ladies, Bev, Roze, Lyn, Ronnie and Gloria. Unfortunately, the Flu resulted in four other ladies not being able to attend on the day. Along with a Christmas card each lady received a Legacy pen and Christmas pudding four pack.

"Since 1923 Legacy has kept a promise to help the families of our fallen heroes, so far we've helped over 100,000 and stand ready to support a new generation of Australians who continue to serve in great danger".

"Should the unthinkable happen Legacy will be there, but we can't do this on our own".

On Friday, 21 of April 2023, we will be holding our annual badge day and urge you to give generously, all contributions, no matter how small, are greatly appreciated.

Wayne Hood
Legatee

Laurel Club News



From Marlene



As mentioned at the jingle, due to ill health I am resigning from my position as Widows Convenor. This has been my greatest pleasure in life getting to know so many beautiful ladies (as I call them "my girls") and have made so many beautiful friendships. You have inspired me to age gracefully and to accept all that comes. My sincere thanks for nearly 20 years of your friendship. I am going to miss you all but feel confident in leaving you in the capable hands of Legatee Jan Applin who has kindly

offered to take over from me.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff I have worked with at Legacy over the years and the many Legatees who look after the Laurel clubs without whose help I couldn't do my best.

I am not going anywhere so I will still be calling to see you all and meet up with you for lunch.

Thank you, everyone. Love you all

Geraldton

Hello dear readers.

It was with very heavy hearts that we said farewell to our very respected and long-serving member Freida Moses. A life well lived and always in our memory. Our lives are sadder without her presence, however, the time had come and we know Freida is watching over us. Safe journey our dear friend.

"When we lose someone we love, we must learn not to live without them but to live with the love they left behind."

We conducted the mandatory Melbourne Cup sweep – 2 in fact both with a \$5 horse purchase. In sweep one the winner galloping past the post first riding "Gold Trip" was Pat Clarke who was also the rider of the last horse "Camorra". Coming second past the post was "Emissary"

ridden by Legatee Max Jones. Also showing off was Kay Eastough riding "High Em-ocean" into 3rd place. And still at the barrier is "Launa Flare" for Leah Hayward and "Point Nepean" for Doreen Leeman. These ladies got the engraved wooden spoon to mark the occasion.

The second sweep saw Barbara Salmond riding "Gold Trip" into first place with Paula's daughter Dale

riding "Emissary" galloping into second place and not too far behind was Paula Warren trying to catch her on "High Em-ocean" but only managing 3rd place.

Dianne Mckay was the unlucky jockey on "Camorra" who struggled as the last past the post. Two starters still at the barriers are "Lunar Flare" for Marg Piper and "Point Nepean" for Brenda Ellis. An engraved wooden spoon was presented to these two riders.

"The way I see it is... if you want the rainbow... you gotta put up with the rain"

We are continuing to have excellent attendance at our monthly meetings. In the last few months, we have had a sausage sizzle gathering.

Many thanks go to our resident Legatee Roy and BBQ master chef who was very ably assisted by Max Jones. We had a coffee and cake morning, and our Melbourne cup presentation meeting was helped along with a savoury finger food morning tea.

Sincere thanks go to the wonderful members who so willing ensure our not so mobile members get to our meetings. We are blessed to have such wonderful support from you. No names....you know who you are.

"Difficult roads always lead to beautiful destinations"

We are having our Christmas Lunch on Monday 5th December 2022 commencing at 11am for pre-lunch drinks and award presentations. Lunch will be served at 12.15pm. I sincerely hope that we again can have a remarkable attendance and look forward to the enjoyment of our members as we share this occasion.

"Did you know"???????

There are times when (in my case, more often than not) it takes about 30 plus years for the penny to drop....I say this because after decades of struggling with getting the fitted sheet on right first time.... (I always manage to get the long side at the foot of the bed and have to begin the exercise all over again).... however....I have been in-

formed (when having a long drawn out grizzle to a friend) that the tag sewn into the elastic hem and placed on the right hand side indicates the shortest side. Well blow me down on a sunny day with a hot feather...it works... bed making frustration gone.

"In case you are wondering...I am not a sweet old lady...just a battle tested warrior queen who endures testing times...how-ever...touch my wine and even google won't be able to find you"

Dear readers as the year draws to a close please travel safe, enjoy your celebrations and let's all talk again in 2023.

"As we get older and perhaps a bit clumsy it is because the floor hates us, the table and chairs are bullies and the walls get in our way."

That's it precious people, the wind is blowing, the washing machine is calling and the soup pot is boiling over demanding attention!!!

Cheers for now, warm thoughts,
Barb

Bunbury

Even though Club activities have been fairly quiet these past few months Bunbury Club Members are leading very active and full lives.

It was a happy occasion to catch up over an early Christmas Lunch at the Parade Hotel with Grace Lloyd now 101

years old joining us, along with her lovely daughter Coleen Clifton and Laurels Marjorie Firth, Marie Cross and Maria Denton. Best wishes to everyone for the festive season and may the New Year bring you good health and many happy memories.



Perth

The 2022 Jingle was just wonderful. So good to catch up with old friends.

I hear from Annie Sterling (previous member) from time to time. She has settled very happily with her daughter and son-in-law in Victoria and has found a Laurel club

nearby with quite a good number of members so there is quite a lot going on. She still wishes the weather was warmer but I guess she will get used to the cold as time goes on.

We of the Perth club still hope to welcome any new

ladies. Anzac House is conveniently central.

All good wishes for 2023
Audrey Ridout

Vale Betty Rochford



Betty's husband Frank, a World War Two veteran who served in Darwin, with 3 Australian Bulk Petroleum Storage Company. Frank Passed away on the 19th of December 1999 of Cancer and Legatee Ted Philp conducted the initial contact on 13 January 2000, at which time Betty was registered as a beneficiary of Legacy.

Betty loved being involved in Legacy and helping all the other widows under there care. She attended her first camp at Busselton in 2000 and was the Liaison Officer for her Friday Laurel Club and other widows from 2009 until 2019, when due to failing health Betty decided to resign from the position.

Betty lived by the Legacy Widows' prayer which is:

*Let us be genuine with one another,
And see in each the best that we can find,
So many lives depend on us for brightness,
Lord, keep us brave and help us to be kind.*

Rest in Peace Betty and condolences to her family and Friends.

Rockingham

As we come to the end of another year, that has had its moments. A very mixed year I have to say, where some of the time we seemed to justmuddled through !!!!

Firstly this was our 31st year down here in Rockingham and we hosted a birthday lunch for all the members and a couple of ladies whose club had folded, Matt Granger and Marlene and ladies

from the office in Perth. The meal was excellent as usual, catered for by the chefs at Port Kennedy RSL. We also got to see and handle the replica torch which was shown to the ladies.

Our legatee, Kim Farmer took time off for a trip with her family and came back refreshed and ready to get back to do what she does extremely well, liaise with Perth

on our behalf, organise the badge day sessions and turn up at every meeting and lots more.

We have had the usual run of ladies being unwell sadly. Currently, Val Bastow is once again in the hospital and waiting for some decision on where she will continue to live in the future.

Brenda Goodwin is now in Shoalwater Nursing Home but has attended a recent function with us.

We had a visit from 'LIFE LIVE IT' occupational therapists giving a talk and demonstrations on gadgets and services available.

We enjoyed the occasional game of bingo and yet another couple of quizzes ... WHAT AM I ? ... and ... "I AM IN THE KITCHEN " The latter being the most popular I think. More next year!

Our meeting on the 22nd of September was cancelled due to the extra Public holiday in respect of the death of the Queen. The following week a group of 14 mem-

bers attended the funeral of our past president Pauline Vernon, who passed away in Shoalwater Nursing Home. The Vernon family hosted a get-together at Port Kennedy RSL and stories and memories of Pauline were very evident. Pauline worked hard for the Laurels club and we who knew her, miss her.

We have only one new member recently, Ann Paterson, who gave us a very interesting talk on her life before coming to Rockingham for family reasons. Ann has settled in well and has attended every meeting since joining...

Our fundraising effort for Christmas this year took place in November.

Donations were collected from the members and we held a special raffle, raising over \$400 in total we added to that from club funds to be able to donate \$900 to the Rockingham Salvation Army for the homeless in our area. This coincided with our own Christmas lunch, a very pleasing effort and a very happy representative, Owen Farmer, thanked the ladies for their generosity.

We are looking forward to the jingle in South Perth. And in closing ... on behalf of the Rockingham ladies, wish all other legacy ladies and the staff at the head office .. Season's greetings and best wishes for 2023; which we hope will be healthy and happy.

Kalamunda and Districts

We are looking at a beautiful tribute to the men and women who served this Country.

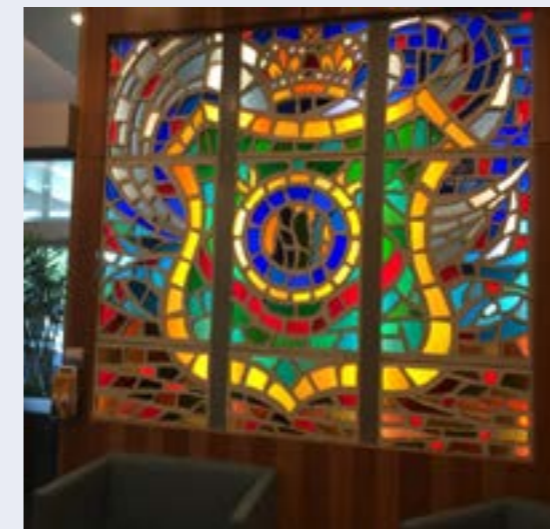
This day we will share our first visit to ANZAC HOUSE since it reopened. Our invitation to a tour and lunch has been looked forward to by our Club.

Most of us remember the many times we came here with our men - happy times. So we can share this with the other Laurel Club Members who are visiting with us and came here to dances often in more youthful times. They still meet each Friday. Lunch was delicious and we

were treated like Princesses. We were glad to be here today and glad we were there too.

Thanks for a wonderful day,

Annette Twist



Mandurah

Hello to all our Legacy friends,

Mandurah club has been busy during the Xmas period.

October meeting we had OT ladies showing the aids we can obtain from them.

Our Legatee Frank Clayton resigned after giving over 30 years of service. We presented him with a gift at our Xmas function which he and Margaret attended. Congratulations and thanks Frank from us all.

November we had another great camp, thanks to Yvonne and all the ladies who keep feeding us.

Many thanks to Peter who goes out of his way to make everything run smoothly. Thanks so much for giving my gnomes a proper building. I'm sure all the gnomes are jealous. We had a wonderful trip to Gnomesville and pie at Dardanup. Peter also took ladies to Simmons, around the coast and to our

Remembrance Day service in Busselton and afterwards to Senior Citizens for lunch.

Many thanks to Fay Merritt who put on tea to celebrate my 20 years of being the camp liaison officer.

Thank you for the lovely mugs and great to have Win Palmer with us who supplied a lovely cake.

Many thanks to Legacy who surprised me at the jingle with a certificate. Thank you Legacy for allowing me to meet and look after such a great lot of ladies. I have made many friends and have loved every bit of my time at camp. Lots of great memories and friends.

Thanks again Legacy for the bus and day out at the Jingle. Mandurah club had 25 ladies and one man enjoy our Xmas lunch which we did ourselves and was a great success. Thanks to my sisters for all their work and lovely food. Thanks to Yvonne who makes shortbread and puts a lot of

work into everything, and thanks to Edith and Lyn who made the angels and dressed up as elves and always helped.

Congratulations to Joy King who turned 90 on 8th Dec.

Finally Merry Xmas to all and a safe healthy new year.

Many many thanks to Marlene who has worked tirelessly for us widows.

Must also thank Mandurah RSL who has supported us all year. Thanks to Jeanette and the staff.

See you all in 2023
Barbara Keillor



Fremantle

I start with the sad news of the passing of Thelma Nash and Verna Carey our much loved and cherished members of our Club.

Our social meetings are still enjoyed by our merry band of ladies who give me lots of cheek with beautiful cheeky smiles on their faces.

A few meetings ago we visited the wonderful volunteers at the North Fremantle Social Farm on Thompson Road North Fremantle to enjoy the outstanding community garden growing all sorts of vegetables and flowers over

a chat, cake and a cuppa. It was a great time appreciated by all as something different to do.

Those of us who were able to attend the Christmas Jingle thoroughly enjoyed the day with lots of laughter and meeting other ladies and making new friends. We all express our sincere thanks to Marlene, the Legacy staff, CEO, Legatees and Board members who attended and volunteered their time to ensure that the day was a great success.

Although our numbers are

down, those who are able to make our fortnightly social meetings are keen as mustard to continue meeting in the new year as we prepare for our final catchup for 2022 on Tuesday 20 December at the BicPalRSL.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and please stay safe and healthy.

Until next year God bless,

Rob Fittock
Legatee
Legacy WA



Lillies

Well, here we are nearly at the end of another successful year, just to recap over the year.

July, we had our annual Xmas in July at Yanchep Inn, we are always made feel so welcome up there. In October we had 13 ladies travel down to Busselton for their annual R & R getaway, and an extra few days in November were taken for a trip to Pemberton, it was enjoyed so much that we may see if we can squeeze

another one in down there next year.

We had a small group of Lillies attend the inaugural RSL/ Legacy Ball at Optus Stadium.

Each month we seem to be getting quite a few ladies coming together for our lunches held both North and South of the river alternately, by doing this regularly gives the new ladies a better chance to blend into the smaller group. I would also

like to thank the hardworking committee of the Lillies for all the work they do throughout the year.

From the Lillies, we would all like to wish both the staff at Legacy and all the Laurel Groups a very Merry Xmas and a Happy, Healthy and prosperous New Year of 2023.

Stay safe and well and beat that darn Covid De'Arne



A great time was had by all the Lillies that attended the Legacy camp at Busselton this year.

Cheral, one of the Lillies had made a beautiful mosaic plaque which was placed in the garden and looks great.

There was a lot of chatting as we sat around the fire pit that Peter had lit for us which of course led to lots of eating and drinking as well.

Our annual camp lunch was held at the Eagle Bay Brewery and was attended by everyone. The food and camaraderie were excellent and enjoyed by all. Lillies went in all directions

exploring the area, walking on the beach and shopping.

There was also a lovely barbecue, cooked for us by our great camp manager Peter.

Some Lillies went to Pemberton for a couple of day in November for a little break.

We all went on the tourist train for a trip through the forest and to a beautiful water fall, where we could walk around and take lots of photos.

After all the touristy things we would gather outside our rooms and chat for ages then head into the hotel for dinner.

A really nice couple of days.



Northern Districts

Christmas Greetings to all Laurel Clubs,

By the time this is published, Christmas and the silly season will have been and gone for another year. I sincerely hope all members of the Legacy family had a wonderful and happy Christmas.

We continue to maintain our monthly lunches on the second Thursday of each month at different venues throughout the northern suburbs. Our activities through spring included lunches at Anzac House, Joondalup TAFE, Boulevard Café in Woodvale and the Currambine Tavern. All lunches remain a very enjoyable social occasion and continue to be well attend-

ed (despite our decreasing numbers). So once again, a big thank you to Rosie and Barbara, who do all the hard work organising our outings and we all look forward to the activities they have organised for us in the New Year.

We again commemorated Remembrance Day at the Charles Riley Memorial Reserve in North Beach. As in previous years, the North Beach RSL presented a very moving and well organised service. Following the service, we had lunch at the North Beach Bowling Club, enjoying a meal with the each other and the local RSL members.

Well that's it until the next



magazine. Keep safe, and a few more words of wisdom from Murphy's Law,

"You will remember that you forgot to take the rubbish out when the garbage truck is two doors away" (I think most of us have been guilty of that happening once or twice over the years).

Cheers, Pamela Murphy
Northern Districts Laurel Club



Menora

Marlene mentioned that this year would be her last year organising the Jingle. We all appreciate the work she has done and cannot thank her enough.

Merry Christmas to all the Legacy Widows and all the

lovely helpers that made this year's Jingle a great success. The Menora ladies all had a great time and enjoyed the day. We are looking forward to celebrating again in the coming year.

The weather has been strange this year so I am hoping that we will have nice weather for Christmas.

Cheers for now,
Jan McLeod
President Menora Laurel Club.

Floreat

Floreat Laurel Club have been meeting at the Scarborough Community centre since the pandemic. We have been having regular outings to keep the ladies interested. We attended Jingle on the 6th of December and everyone had a great time.

We are returning to Parkland Retirement Village (where we used to meet) on Friday 27th January at 10.30 am.

For enquiries please ring Betty on 9384 2436

Yirra-Kurl Prints For Sale

Last year on Australia Day, the Legacy WA team came together with some of our lovely ladies to collaborate on this art piece with Yirra-Kurl Aboriginal Artists Deborah Newenham and Kristy Spillman. The traditional painting includes several features that tell the story of Legacy WA.

We have prints (framed and without) available for sale with half of the proceeds going straight into supporting our beneficiaries.

Unframed prints are \$100, 500 x 500 framed prints are \$450 and 1m x 1m prints are \$650.

Please contact events2@legacywa.com.au if you are interested.



Word Search Summer Time!

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