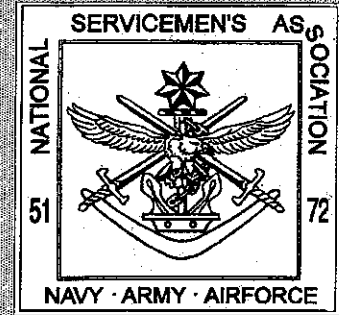


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BRISBANE SUB-BRANCH

NATIONAL SERVICEMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 25 JULY 1993

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

All positions will be open for the Brisbane Sub-Branch Committee at our Annual General Meeting Sunday 25 July. The meeting will be held at the Ram's Retreat, 8/9 Battalion, Wardell Street, Enoggera at 11.00 hours. Bring your families for a BYO Bar-B-Q to follow. Drinks can be purchased at the bar.

Any financial member can nominate themselves or other members for a position on the Committee. This year there will be nomination forms for those members who live out of Brisbane and who can't be at the meeting so they can have a say and nominate for the Committee. This is YOUR Association. Now is your chance to elect who you want to run the Association for the next 12 months.

One of the many things to be discussed will be changing our Brisbane Sup-Branch to the QUEENSLAND BRANCH of the NATIONAL SERVICEMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA. If you want this to change Please circle 'Yes' or 'No' on your nomination form and return them to the Secretary.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my Committee for all the effort they have put in over the past 12 months.

VICE PRESIDENT John Sinclair. Thanks John. John is very dedicated to his job and I haven't met a prouder Nasho than John. John drives from Bli Bli on the North Coast to every function and meeting we have. He has made my job very easy.

SECRETARY. Tony Wallis. Tony has put in two years of hard work for the Association. Nothing was too much trouble for him, but because of business commitments Tony won't be available for Committee next term. He will be hard to replace. I would like to wish you all the best old mate. Thanks again, Tony.

TREASURER. Peter Ryan. A treasurer's job is never easy especially in a growing Association, but I feel Peter has worked very hard and long. I only hope you don't keep ringing me up at all hours of the night!! Thank you Peter.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS. Ian Wight, Kyn O'Rourke and Leo White. Their input into the Committee has been very helpful specially Kym's organisation of our first Dinner Dance. Thanks Ian, Kym and Leo.

Looking over the year it's hard to pick the most rewarding time. So much has happened. First I must thank our Patron Dick Johnson. When I approached Dick I did not know what he might say, but he was happy to take on the important role as Patron. Thanks Dick.

There was the Rowland Williams Memorial Shell kindly donated by Ruth Williams to our Sub-Branch. This shell can be won by any member for outstanding achievements to the Association. We still have full support from Powers. This Company is only too willing and pleased to help us whenever they can.

This year we started to have our General Meetings at South Bank Parklands. They have been a great success, the facilities there are A1. Our next South Bank BYO will be Sunday 28 November.

Our Dinner Dance at the Yeronga Services Club in February was a great night. I only hope the new Committee will continue this function. The raffle that was supported by Surfair, Sunshine Coast was a major fund raiser last year. Surfair has kindly donated this prize again this year. Tickets are enclosed with your newsletter.

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They also serve who only stand and wait.

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Our Association is growing very fast. There is a new Branch in South Australia with Mr Don Richards at the helm. It won't be long before there are Branches all over Australia.

This brings me to ANZAC Day. What a day it was. There was new and old members marching. Then back to the Crest Hotel for lunch. I only hope those members who could not get there can come along next year. It was there that I received the honour of being named NASHO OF THE YEAR and received a certificate which has pride of place in our home. I can only be as good as the members.

THANKS TO ALL

KEN COATES

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, here is my last report of the year. The last 12 months for me have been very special. Being part of a Committee of dedicated men and women has been a privilege.

Looking back we have had some very memorable days. Like our first Dinner Dance, thanks Kym.

This year going down to Canberra for the opening of the Vietnam memorial was a turning point in my life. It made me aware there are a lot of men and women still suffering. In the coming years I will be getting more involved securing a future for all ex National Servicemen.

After 24 years I've finally decided to join an RSL and with their help I can see our Association growing in numbers as the work gets around that we are not going to be defeated. We should all try and stick together as our Association grows stronger.

In our member's list we have some intelligent and worthy members. Let's put our best foot forward and support our organisation. I hope in the future even if I'm not on the Committee that I'll be able to put my say forward as an ordinary member. I am proud to be a Nasho and our cause is for real so stick together.

YOUR VICE PRESIDENT
JOHN SINCLAIR, PROUD NASHO.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

It is hard to believe another year has gone. It seems the last AGM was only last month, not last year. As you have already read in Ken's report, I have decided to stand down and allow somebody else to have a go. I feel it's important that there be some movement on our committee every so often.

What have we gained in the last couple of years? I feel we have a much stronger and numerous group now. The Association has marched on two ANZAC Days giving us heaps of TV coverage plus we ended up with our own band, (mind you, 1st Division thinks it's theirs but we know better). Our numbers are now over 300 and growing and there's cash in the bank as well, as well as product to sell.

Ken, John, Peter, Ian and Kym have been great to work with. We have bounced ideas off one another and came up with our dinner dance, after ANZAC Day get together, polo shirts, caps, stubbie holders etc.

We will be presenting to you at the AGM our attempt to reorganise our association as the Queensland Association rather than the Brisbane Sub-Branch. We hope this will bring back into the group a lot of the original Toowoomba members who signed up back in 87-88 when Barry and Denise formed the Association.

Once more, thanks everybody for having me as your secretary and I hope to see you at future meetings.

MEMBERSHIP

TONY

Since our 1993 ANZAC Day march we have had another thirty ex Nashos join our Association from far and near. Two of these ex Nashos did their National Service in England and New Zealand and we extend to you a hearty welcome.

Rather disappointing though is several ex Nashos who joined our Association and have failed to renew their 1993 membership and are therefore not financial. Come on men, it's only \$10.00 per year subscription.

We are growing from strength to strength but we do need your support therefore, please renew your lapsed subscriptions so that you can join us on July 25th as the Association's AGM. We look forward to seeing you there.

IAN WIGHT
COMMITTEE MEMBER.

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BUSINESS FOR AGM

Some of the important business to be discussed at our AGM is:

1. Election of new Committee for 93/94 year
2. To have our Association Incorporated.

Why Incorporate?

The main benefit on Incorporation is that it provides protection to members of an Association. Members of non-Incorporated bodies face the possibility of being sued as individuals. The creation of a separate legal entity through incorporation usually prevents this happening.

3. Change our name from Brisbane Sub-Branch to the Queensland Branch.

Because of our growing Association and Nashos all over Queensland wanting to be members we no longer should be the Brisbane Sub-Branch.

4. To reintroduce National Service for our unemployed youth.

National Service in the nineties. What do you think? Bring your thoughts and ideas to your AGM.

ROCKHAMPTON ASSOCIATION

The Rockhampton Ex. National Service Association was formed in Rockhampton in March 1988. Its members at that time was made up of persons who completed their National Service in the 1950s, however, we now have members who were called upon during the 1960s.

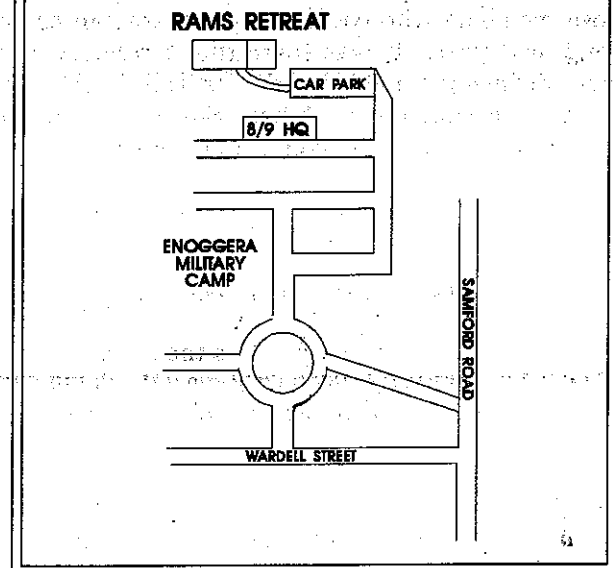
We embrace all persons who completed this service. Our membership includes (50) ARMY, (2) NAVY, AND (6) AIR FORCE.

We first marched as a separate unit on ANZAC Day, 1988. Due to a splendid effort our Banner was completed in time to be displayed on ANZAC Day 1989.

Special mention must be made of Geoff Clements who served with the RAF both in England and other countries and George Lipshies who served with the Panzer Division in the West German Army as a member of the NATO Forces. George is now an Australian citizen and a Justice of the Peace. Country of origin is not important to us, what is important is that our members were Nashos and served their country.

Our Association is based on a common bond and friendship. Our monthly meetings, held on the second Sunday of each month at the ANZAC Club are

MUD MAP FOR AGM VENUE



KEN COATES

WHO BEST
BEAR HIS MILD YOKE, THEY SERVE
HIM BEST;
HIS STATE IS KINGLY: THOUSANDS AT
HIS BIDDING SPEED,
AND POST O'ER LAND AND OCEAN
WITHOUT REST;
THEY ALSO SERVE WHO ONLY STAND
AND WAIT

JOHN MILTON (1608-1674)

well attended as is our turn out on ANZAC Day, the Dawn Service and Remembrance Day.

The Annual Dinner Dance held in August of each year is well attended by members and many kindred Associations. Annual Dinner No. 6 is to be held on the 28th August.

No less than five of our members currently serve on the Committee of the Rockhampton Sub Branch of the R.S.L.A., an organisation which has given us their utmost support. The support we also receive from the ANZAC CORNER, is second to none. NASHO'S CORNER an area set aside in the Club, boasts two very fine cabinets and an equally fine display of memorabilia.

We hope this information is of interest to all your readers and members. We wish you all every success in the future and extend a hearty welcome to any Nasho to come and visit us in Rockhampton.

Stewie Robinson. PRESIDENT.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ross Lockwood & Co Accountants of Wynnum will be our Auditors again this year. Unfortunately they will not be ready for this Newsletter, but copies will be available at our AGM or I will send copies to members on request.

Our annual raffle has been bought forward to August this year. We will be sending a book of 10 tickets to all members. If for any reason you do not want the tickets or you can't sell them please return them as soon as possible to the Secretary so we can offer them to other members who may be able to sell them.

Two nights accommodation for 2 people has been donated by Mr Eric Stettner, Manager of Surfair. The dinner for 2 at the hotel will be paid for by the Association. This brings the value of the prize to \$250.00. The prize must be taken before 24 December 1993.

I must thank all those people who have helped me sell football doubles over the year. They know who they are. There is now plenty of National Servicemen merchandise available to purchase. Next year we hope to have more items with our insignia on them. This has been a great year financially. Thanks to all our members we will only get bigger, better, best.

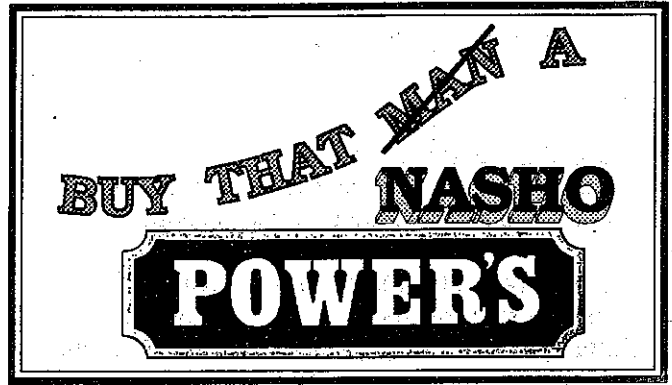
PETER RYAN

EDITOR'S NOTES

Hello again. Thanks to all the members for their stories and photos over the first year of the Nasho News. Please keep them coming. Because of the quality of the Nasho News it's the biggest cost to the Association. To offset some of the cost we are looking for business people to advertise in our newsletter and where possible please use the services of our advertisers by obtaining quotes from them as they are supporting the Association with their ads. Some of them are Nashos also.

Tony received a letter from a member Ted Plant in Maryborough. His letter is published in this edition. If any member wants to write about anything or have thoughts about the Association they want published I would like to hear from them. Some members told me on ANZAC Day that our newsletter is Numero Uno and they look forward to reading it.

PETER RYAN

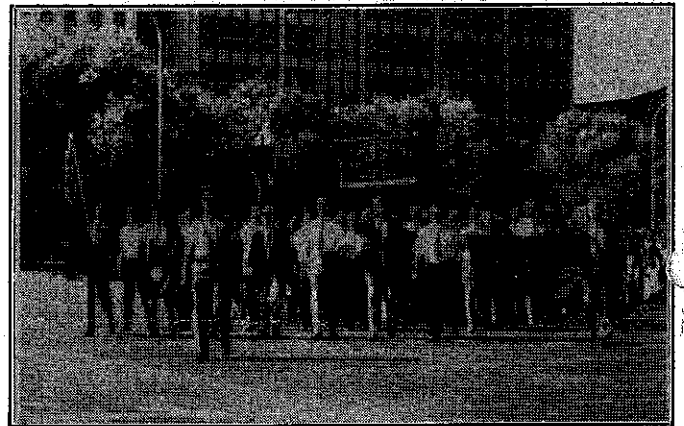


SOUTH AUSTRALIA

In Adelaide this year for the very first time, National Servicemen from the 50's to the 70's marched in the ANZAC march through the streets of Adelaide as a separate identity. Until now we have never been permitted to do so and it took a lot of lobbying to gain the necessary permission.

This was finally given only 5-6 weeks prior to the march and as we have no representative body at present, it took a lot to inform enough to present a worthwhile cross section of men to parade on the day. Final tally was 200 men, which under the circumstances I believe was quite reasonable. Next year the number will at least be double. Our inaugural meeting will be Sunday 25th July, the same day as your AGM.

DON RICHARDS, KADINA S.A.



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LETTER FROM A MEMBER

Tony. Thanks for an enjoyable ANZAC Day. If at all possible I'll be back for next year and possible a meeting or get together or so.

Received membership card the other day and on looking at it thought "I'll have to tell someone about this".

Nasho was 1st Intake, Wacol 1956 and the coincidence is that my allotted Company No (D Coy) was D234. The membership card you people sent me is No 234.

Try to work out the odds on that. All the best,

TED PLANT.

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- If the enemy is in range, so are you.
- Don't look conspicuous. It draws fire.
- If it's stupid and it works, it ain't stupid.
- When in doubt, empty your magazine.
- The easy way is always mined.
- Try to look unimportant. They may be low on ammo.
- Teamwork is essential. It gives them something else to shoot at.
- Never draw fire. It irritates every one around you.
- Anything you do can get you shot - including doing nothing.
- Never share a foxhole with anyone braver than you.
- If your attack is going really well, it's an ambush.
- No battle plan survives contact with the enemy.
- Your weapon was made by the lowest bidder.
- The only thing more accurate than enemy incoming fire is friendly incoming fire.
- When you have secured an area, don't forget to tell the enemy.
- Make it tough enough for the enemy to get in and you won't be able to get out.
- If you're short on everything but the enemy you're in a combat zone.
- The enemy invariably attacks on only two occasions - when you're ready for them and when you're not.
- A sucking chest wound is nature's way of telling you it is time to slow down.

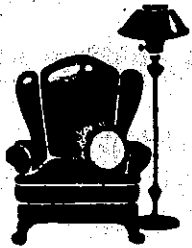
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