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JULY 2025 NEWSLETTER

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NOTICE OF NEXT GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY 17 JULY 2025 TO BE HELD AT 11.00 AM
ON LEVEL 2, 5-7 BARRACK STREET, SYDNEY
(Light luncheon and refreshments served afterwards)

Normal Agenda Items plus:

Guest Speaker: MAJ (AAC) Stan Beaman, RFD, BA(Hons), Dip Ed.

Topic: A Soldier's Story: World War I. (with PowerPoint)

COMBINED SERVICES AND MASONIC RSL SUB-BRANCHES
EXCURSION TO VICTORIA BARRACKS
HISTORICAL TOUR OF VICTORIA BARRACKS
(not including the museum)

DATE: THURSDAY 24 JULY 2025

BOOKING REQUIRED:

Phone Stan Beaman on 0414 903 900.

No later than **Thursday, 10th July**

Meet at the Pass Office on Moore
Park Rd (not Oxford St).

Meet in time for an 10:45 am start at the gate. Allow time to check in, so **arrive by 10:30 am.**

You'll need photo ID, such as a driver's licence. I will get these details beforehand where possible.



GETTING THERE:

Light Rail from Central Station (Chalmers St), with L2 (Randwick) and L3 (Kingsford) leaving every six minutes and stopping along ANZAC PDE near ALLIANZ Stadium and Moore Park Rd. 300m.

Bus route 396 travels from Elizabeth/Liverpool Sts near Museum Station, stopping as above. Self-drive – parking may be an issue. Probably need to park on the street.

Taxi/Uber

LUNCH Paddington RSL, Oxford St at noon or shortly afterwards. Across the road. We will leave Victoria Barracks by the front entrance gate on Oxford St. I will book for lunch according to the number attending.

BACKGROUND INFO:

The tour of Victoria Barracks takes place and is conducted by a team of retired servicemen.

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Stan Beaman

Organiser

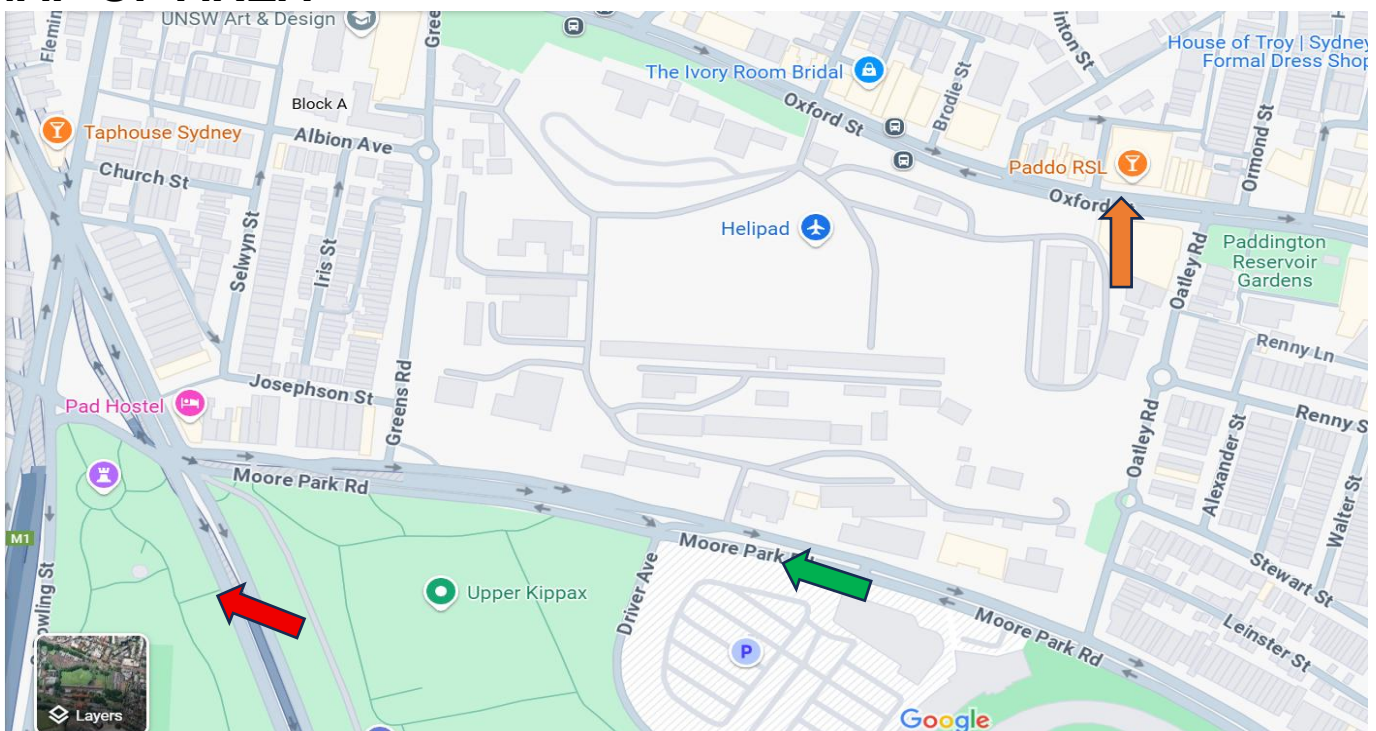
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FOR ENTRANCE:

In order to expedite our passage through the Pass Office, we will collect these details from you: Name, Address, Phone No, ID Number (eg Drivers Licence or other).

MAP OF AREA



KEY



Bus/Light Rail Stop (approximate) on ANZAC PDE



Pass Office/Entrance



Paddington RSL

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HONORARY CHAPLAIN, THE REVEREND ANDREW NIXON, WHO WILL BECOME THE ARCHDEACON OF VETERANS.

This is an inaugural Tri Service position. Although posted to this position, Andrew does remain as a Senior Police Chaplain in his fulltime position, our sub-Branch Honorary Chaplain, and a senior Navy Chaplain by rank.

There will be a Service of Collation (installation) at St Andrew's Cathedral conducted by the Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith, Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia on Monday 28th July 2025. There will be light refreshments after the Service.

Sub Branch members who wish to attend are most welcome but should contact Ron Hack (mob. 0407 065 781) by 17th July to be registered. Members attending should be seated by 2.00 pm.

Dress is:

For serving members: *Ceremonial Service Dress (Navy W2; Army Order 1B; RAAF CD1)*

For others: *Lounge suit or equivalent with full size medals.*



The Reverend Andrew Nixon with Daniel Caffery at the previous Pre ANZAC Commemoration Service this year.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TWO NEW TRUSTEES - ELECTED AT THE GENERAL MEETING ON THURSDAY 29th MAY 2025.

Congratulations to William (Bill) Forsbey and Alexander (John) Ekert to the positions. They both have had extensive experience in Committee positions including both being President of City of Sydney RSL sub-Branch in the past. We look forward to an effective team with Geoffrey Graham continuing as the other Trustee.

VISIT TO NSW PARLIAMENT - MONDAY 19 MAY 2025

A Wonderful time was had. Over 30 people attended. We were shown around the first parliament in Australia. There were a number of colourful stories about the evolving democracy as well as visits to both Chambers. In the pictures we see the Legislative Council and the Strangers Restaurant where we had lunch afterwards.





FUTURE ACTIVITIES

ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S LUNCH

The Barracks Restaurant, Thursday 4 September

12 Noon for 12.30 pm.

A notice for bookings will be issued later.

General Meeting TBA

Guest Speaker: LT COL Andrew Lam

Topic: Cyber Security and threats posing your laptops and mobile phone

Birthday Celebration Month of August 2025



Mr.	Arnold
Miss	Burke
Mr.	Caffery
Mr.	Ekert
Mr.	Lowe
Mr.	McCutcheon
Mr.	Tait
Mr.	Waters
Mr.	Williamson
Miss	Xardia



Birthday Celebration Month of September 2025

Happy Birthday



Mr. Alaimo

Mr. Crutchley

Mr. Osborn

Mr. O'Sullivan, AM

Mr. Pretty

Mr. Richardson

Mr. Stephenson

Birthday Celebration Month of October 2025

Mr. Bradford

Mr. Hsu

Mr. Johnson

Mr. Lawrence

Mr. Love

Mr. Nugent

Mr. Wessels, CSM



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