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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 7.30 p.m. Friday, 6th February, 1970
at ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVAL HOUSE, Grosvenor St., Sydney**

MESSAGE

Later this year a quarter of a century will have passed since victory — the victory for which our Battalion worked and fought for almost six long years — marked the end of World War II.

Since this victory we have seen many changes — changes in techniques, in ideas, in methods of living, in patterns of behaviour, and in other fields. Among all this change, however, the quality of our people has remained constant, and our young people are as sound and reliable as our young people have ever been.

Unfortunately, but inevitably, the ranks of those who fought in the First and Second World Wars are thinning out. As the years pass by, and new years break upon us, we must continue to encourage our younger generation, and to do what we can to give them the inspiration that will enable them to meet the

challenge of the future and overcome the difficulties that will confront them.

As I have mentioned previously, the members of our several Fourth battalions are justly proud of what we have been able to do through our Association of Fourth Infantry Battalions, and we gratefully acknowledge the splendid part played by our President in connection with the forming and the progress of this Association. There are other ways by which we, acting individually or at times collectively, can assist in handing down our fine Australian tradition to those who are following us.

While expressing complete confidence in the future of our wonderful country, may I wish all former members of our old Battalion, and all those near and dear to them, happiness and contentment throughout the new year that is now with us.

— Ivan N. Dougherty.

1970 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the 2/4 Infantry Battalion Association will be held at Royal Australian Naval House, Grosvenor Street, Sydney at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, FEBRUARY 6th, 1970.

Business

1. To confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
2. To receive and consider the Annual reports.
3. To receive and consider the Accounts and Balance Sheets for the year ending 31st December, 1969.
4. To consider a committee recommendation to increase the number of committeemen.
5. To elect Office Bearers for 1970.
6. To elect an Honorary Auditor.

7. General Business.

Members are requested to make a special effort to attend our most important administrative meeting of the year. Our patron, Sir Ivan, is making the time to attend. Will you?

George Stack, Honorary Secretary.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for 1970 fall due on 1st January. Your executive committee would appreciate an early remittance from those in a position to do so, to avoid prejudicing the Bulk Postal Rate benefit.

Send \$2.00 to ALLEN LINDSAY, 104 HOLT ROAD, TAREN POINT 2229.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1969 will surely be recorded and remembered as being the Best Year in our Association's History, and I am very proud and honoured to have been your President in this truly wonderful and memorable year.

Looking back over the year, we have had a very comprehensive range of activities, the result of which has brought us all so much closer together, not only as Association Members, but as families and friends, with our Association gaining so much strength and lustre, and the ties with our friends and families of the Association of 4th Infantry Battalion firmly established.

Our 1969 Calendar commenced with the 6th Division March and Reunion in January, and I was very honoured to again be A.D.C. to Sir Jack Stevens. He was a very fine man and had a high regard for our Battalion. His sudden death in May was a sad blow to us all.

In February a representative group comprising myself, **Russ McWilliam, Athol Heath, Bill MacLennan** and **Reg Angel** visited 4Bn. R.N.S.W.R. during Exercise "Jabberwok" at Putty, and the enthusiastic welcome, hospitality and respect that we received from all ranks made us very proud that we are directly associated with these fine young men. Our visit, and the close ties that we have with this Bn. also impressed the Task Force Commander, **Brigadier John Gilchrist**, and the Regimental Colonel, **Maj. Gen. P. A. Cullen**.

In March, the Assn. of 4th Inf. Bns. held a Social Evening at Ashfield R.S.L. — an enjoyable and successful evening with a "Repeat" organised by **Peter Cook** at his club, The Arncliffe Scots Club in December.

ANZAC DAY was without any doubt, the **BEST EVER**. With a need to change our venue due to circumstances beyond our control, your Committee had many problems to overcome, and this included our decision to change our catering arrangements. The result was that unforgettable Re-union in the atmosphere of 17 Bn. R.N.S.W.R. Drill Hall, and a "new look" in our catering that gave added dignity to this very special day of ours. How wonderful it was to have **Nedda and Marge Kenna** with us for that week-end — and what a week-end it was!!

On the Saturday, after **ANZAC DAY**, an official party with Nedda and Marge, visited the Manly and Warringah area and in addition to official welcomes by the Mayor of Manly, and the President of Warringah Shire Council, the party visited several Ex-Service Clubs, including Lunch with the President of the Harbord Diggers Club. The Hospitality and Courtesies extended to us everywhere was overwhelming, and the day concluded with the group being the guests of **Bill and Gwen MacLennan** in an atmosphere of relaxation, and final refreshments before calling it a day. The tour was planned and organised by **Phil Smith** who did a magnificent job, and later presented copies of "White Over Green", signed by **Nedda Kenna**, to the Mayor of Manly, the President of Warringah Shire and all Clubs concerned, as our token of thanks for their Hospitality and a significant reminder of Nedda's visit. What more fitting climax

to Nedda and Marge's visit to us than for our Association to be the guests of 4Bn. R.N.S.W.R. on the Sunday, in the atmosphere of the Kenna Club at "A" Coy. Sutherland, and the 4th Bn. Memorial at Arncliffe — a Memorial erected by men of 4Bn. R.N.S.W.R. in Honour of, and to the Memory, of the men of 4 Bn. A.I.F. 1914-1918 and 2/4 Aust. Inf. Bn. A.I.F. 1939-1945. A wonderful ANZAC week-end that we will remember for many years.

In May we had a wonderful family day outing at Woy Woy — a boat trip on the Brisbane Waters and barbecue with **Chas and Phoebe Adams** our hosts ably assisted by **Frank Frizell** and **Bob Lane**.

In July we were proud to see 3 members of 4Bn. R.N.S.W.R. selected to attend Prince Charles' Investiture as Prince of Wales, at Carnarvon Castle, Wales, and to take with them the Battalion's Colours, which carry Battle Honours of our own Battalion.

In September 4Bn. R.N.S.W.R. held their Annual Shoot for the "2/4 Aust. Inf. Bn. Assn. Marksmanship Trophy" which was won by "B" Coy. for the 2nd consecutive year. The Shoot was held at Long Bay Range, following which we (and our wives were guests of the Bn. for a barbecue lunch and refreshments.

October was the month for our Country Re-union and once again we had the pleasure of participating in another wonderful gathering, this time at Port Macquarie. How can we ever adequately thank our Members, their wives, families and friends for the work, worry, planning and time given to organising these weekends, to ensure the success of our Re-unions, and the Happiness and Pleasure of all who attend them. We go from success to success with our Country Re-unions, ANZAC DAYS, and Ladies Nights, and with continued sound planning, and organisation we will maintain, and improve, the high standards that have been achieved in these three major functions of our Association.

November saw all 4th Bn. represented on Parade for the Remembrance Day March, Wreath Laying and Smoko of the Association of 4th Infantry Bn. headed by the magnificent Band of 4Bn. R.N.S.W.R. and a uniformed party from that Bn. The Parade, led by **Major Gen. Sir Ivan Dougherty** was a sight to see, and to be proud of. This Association is now firmly established — it is the Association of the future, and deserves maximum support from our Members. If the "Bridging of the Generation Gap" is a problem — factual or imaginary — then the Comradeship and understanding that has been developed, and exists within this Combined Association is an outstanding example of how this problem can be overcome, and our Association can be very proud of the part it has played in bringing this about.

December brings us to our Ladies' Night, and what a wonderful evening it was. This is our last Social Function of the year, and represents our way of showing our Gratitude and Thanks to the Ladies for the encouragement, support and tremendous help given by them to us over the year. It is planned as our major social event, to enjoy the company of our wives, families and friends in the atmosphere of the approaching Xmas, and a New Year. It is the function that brings us so much closer together as a "Family",

and builds the strength and character, of our Association. A wonderful evening in the company of wonderful people.

The year has also brought its share of sadness and we shall deeply miss our Comrades who have passed on. Similarly we share the anxieties and sorrow caused by illness and accident to our Comrades and their Families, and pray that the New Year brings you comfort and a return to Good Health.

In conclusion, I cannot adequately express the Thanks and Gratitude that I owe to you all for the support, encouragement, and assistance given to me by you as Committeemen and Members and I do hope that the things that we have promoted, achieved and participated in during the year has brought as much pleasure to you and your families as they have to Marge and me.

So many of you have done so much in the interests of our Association that to list the "Credits" would assume the proportions of a Nominal Roll but my Report would not be complete without specifically mentioning three — Russ McWilliam, Bill MacLennan and Dick Latimer, all of which have given sterling, generous and untiring service to our Association. Russ has carried the dual role of Senior Vice-President and Editor since he "temporarily" assumed Editorship of "W.O.G." until "somebody takes over". That was over 3 years ago, and in that period we have seen our Journal become Pictorial, and with a high standard of reporting of our own and allied activities and interests. Demands of business now requires Russ to hand over "W.O.G." to a new Editor, and on behalf of you all, I extend our Sincere Thanks to him for a job well done and to Barbara for the help she has given to produce "W.O.G." It is now up to somebody within our Association to come forward and take on the job — the need is URGENT.

Bill MacLennan earns our Thanks and Gratitude for his assistance, support and generosity in all our activities. Supported by **Gwen** and his family, Bill has done much to strengthen our Association.

Dick Latimer has been a tireless and conscientious Welfare Officer, and assisted by **Enid**, has done a magnificent job in maintaining contact with our Members and Families who have suffered ill health. To both Dick and Enid, I extend our Thanks and Gratitude for the wonderful work you are doing.

To you all and your families — to the next of kin of our Members — to the C.O.'s, Officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the two serving 4th Bns. to the Members and Families of the Assn. of 4th Infantry Bns. I wish you Good Health, Good Luck and Prosperity in 1970.

Harry Gfedited, President.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT

Once more a year has passed and, as in 1969, by the time this reaches the pages of "W.O.G." 1970 will be on its way, with one and all hoping for the best in the days that lie ahead.

As we enter a new decade, we can look back with pride, for the 2/4th has achieved its purposes in keeping men of the Association together in friendship and, in some small way, bridging the generation gap

with our close association with 4 R.N.S.W.R., and our united front with the combined 4th Battalions.

This is helping to promote tradition and background for 4 R.N.S.W.R. members in a country that does not seem to care in some ways regarding reminders of long ago, and what they meant and mean in our present way of life.

Our membership roll remains at the 530 mark, of which some 50 plus are complimentary as a mark of respect for those no longer with us — others are complimentary for service rendered.

The year 1969 was one of our best. Our three main functions all being record breakers; **Anzac Day**, **Port Macquarie**, and **Ladies' Night**, the latter exceeding all expectations.

During 1969 **Reg Angel** retired as Hon. Treasurer and from Anzac House due to ill health. His sound advice and help with welfare matters will be sadly missed. Due to his advice the Benevolent Fund is in a very sound position. Our finance is now in the capable hands of **Allen Lindsay** — we are fortunate to have good men ready to come to the fore. **Dick Latimer** is a busy man doing a good job visiting R.G.H., keeping in contact with all patients there, and if possible elsewhere.

Once again my thanks to the two "girls" in the back rooms — my own wife Marjorie and Barbara McWilliam — matters would be much harder without them.

To our Patron, the President, my fellow committee men, all members of the Association, and their families, from Majorie and myself a wish for 1970 that we may all enjoy good health and happiness — they are our "stay" for what lies ahead.

Sincerely, **George Stack**, Hon. Secretary.

HOW TO BURY AN ASSOCIATION

- Don't attend the meetings!
- If you do attend, come late!
- If you ever do attend, find fault with the officers and the other members, and sit back and talk to the man next to you about the weather!
- Never accept office; it's easier to criticise than to do something!
- Get sore if you are not appointed to a committee. But if you are appointed, don't attend meetings!
- If you are asked your opinion on some matter, just tell them that you have nothing to say — then after the meeting, tell everyone how things ought to be done!
- Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary — but when other members roll up their sleeves and do it all, howl about how the Association is being run by a clique.

LAST POST

4Bn. A.I.F.: 483 **H. A. Clark**; 6782 **J. E. Pascoe**; 1136 **J. Squire**; 4787 **S. F. Bingle**; 2635 **N. H. Hielman**; 2062 **H. Ivimey**; 1055 **J. P. Ryan**; Sir Roy Mc Kerihan.

2/4Bn. A.I.F.: NX70012 **B. T. Harrison**; NX22531 **F. McKay**; NX13302 **N. May**; NX9515 **G. A. O'Brien**; NX9513 **H. Murphy**; NX156465 **W. King**.

"We Will Remember Them."

THE 1970 COUNTRY REUNION

The Annual Country Reunion this year will be held at WAGGA WAGGA under the capable stewardship of **Bob "Dagwood" Jackson** and his committee. Locals already enlisted include **Harry Lindsay, Perc. Dalla, Joe Comins, Max Sydenham, Pat Cuzner** and **Bill Cozier**. We will be keeping you posted about developments from next issue onward but for now just remember — **WAGGA WAGGA for the 1970 Country Re-union in October.**

COCK'S COLUMN

In The Mail Box:

From **Sir Ivan Dougherty**: "When I was at Casino recently, six of our old 2/4th Comrades-in-Arms came down from Kyogle to the function I was attending. **Aub Priest** was one of them and he was presented with a Legacy Certificate of Appreciation for a donation made to Legacy by his Sub-branch, the Bonalbo Branch. The others were **Jack Chaseling, Bob Gardener, Chas. Grove, Doug. Grove** and **Ian Wallwork**." Thank you Sir for your time and trouble in writing me.

From **John Copland**, Ryde: "Just a few lines to tell you how grateful we were for the very lovely flowers brought down by **Dick and Enid Latimer**. It was a wonderful thought of the Association.

"**Eileen** has been heartened considerably since the start of her illness by the constant thoughts of her friends and the organisation to which we both belong.

"I am coming on famously but she has gone down steadily since Christmas. Every good wish to you all for the coming year and again 'Thank You' very sincerely." Our Thoughts are with you John and Eileen.

From **Mrs. Maude Rayment**, Petersham: "I've just come back from Ettalong and Ron showed me your letter regarding the pars in last issue of 'White Over Green'. Please don't take it to heart — everyone will understand it was a printing error — I, least of all, was not at all perturbed. I think you do a mighty job as it is and the column is a pleasure to read. Ron loves to hear from all his mates. Keep up the good work.

"Glad to say my health has improved and will try and make for Ladies' Night. Regards from Ron and self." Thank you Ron and Maude — all the best for 1970.

From **Mrs. Wilma Johnstone**, Newport Beach: "I read your kind remarks to **Ken Andrews** in the November issue of 'White Over Green', and thought I should advise you that Ken's wife (my sister Joan) died in Wingham hospital on 13th October. It was a very sad illness.

"Ken and my husband **Norman Johnstone** were pals in Adelaide where we all met and Norm and I are making a return trip with our family (5) this Xmas and hope to meet Max Rungie (Norm's best man) and any of the other 2/4'ers on the way across the Sturt Highway and back through Melbourne.

"I always read W.O.G. with great interest and have often tried to prompt Norm into attending your meetings but as he travels from Newport to Panania and back each day to work, he shuns any further travelling!!

"With all good wishes for the further success of the magazine and the Association and good wishes to you and yours for Xmas." Thank you Mrs. Johnstone. We'd like to see Norm on Feb. 6th.

From **Dick "Pop" Williams**, Birrong: "In a recent issue of a popular journal an article appeared which will be of interest to many 2/4'ers. It was written by **Rob Filmar** on a trip to India; he writes in part — 'When it is time to head on (from Singapore) the best bet from here is to book aboard the **S.S. Rajula** a veteran British-India steamer which heads for Madras in Southern India. She's been 42 years on the run and takes more than a week to make the trip, under the happiest crowd of officers ever to ring an engine room bell. Regards to all" Many thanks Dick for this information — I appreciate what you're doing, keep up the good work. It brought many memories back to me of our trip home on the old S.S. Rajula. Our old mate **Jack "Brig" McAtamney** also sent me a cutting of this article — many thanks also "Brig".

From **Reg. "Pommy" Cole**, Padstow: "Sorry I am unable to attend the meetings — they fall on the same night as my Union meetings and as I am State Treasurer I must attend. Ran into **Dick Pinson** not so long ago and had a yarn. See **Charlie McIvor** of Liverpool occasionally. My best regards to all for 1970."

From **Max Nerney**, Urbanville: "As promised I'm enclosing the verse on the Bowls match. Couldn't work **Harry Whitman** or **Ian Wallwork** into it by name but did the best I could. Regards to all;" — and here is the verse:

The Battle of Port Macquarie

When the "Fourth" held their reunion
We played bowls at Port Macquarie
And though we had som "drop-outs"
The six who played weren't sorry.
Our captain-coach, one **Gordon Chrisp**,
In shame should bow his head,
For while we battled on the green
Our coach still snored in bed.
Jack Houston, he was **Vic Forbes'** lead,
And played against **Max Nerney** —
He had no trouble beating Max
But struck some strife with "Ernie".
The seconds were a mighty pair
Who played with real "Fourth" spirit —
If they didn't take the "jack"
They always finished near it.
Vic Forbes used all his playing skill
Used wind and draw and drag,
But when they totalled up the score
Wal Potts said: "In the bag."
And so they went back to the bar
Those teams of **Forbes** and **Potts**,
To decide who was the best and worst
By simply drawing lots. **Max Nerney**.

North British News: Ken Moses from "down under" called in and left a message in Eileen's notebook to say he hoped to see me at the Ladies' night. Thanks Ken but I had prior commitments at Portland, **Jack Heaney** and **Gordon Chrisp** had a natter, Gordon leaving early for the meeting.

Jerry "Fangs" Coughlan called in and I'm sorry to report, has a broken wrist. Hope it is on the mend mate.

Jack Gaffney, Ken Webb, Jim "Happy" Davis, and Keith "Sailor" Harvey had been reported in attendance. **Jim Davis** had recently seen **Terry Sparks, Vic Francis** and **Bill Duffy**.

Xmas and New Year Greetings were extended to all by **Ted McCaffery, Joe Rognini** and **"Porky" Williams** who ventured in for a short session.

Others to call in and contact Eileen or myself included **Ken Northrop**, down from Glen Innes for a week, **Don Ellicott** late of Bourke, **"Bookie" Rae** on a business trip from Newcastle where he is Sales Manager of a local Radio network, **Morris Wilson, "Brick" Bradford, Tex Richards** (who gave Eileen his subs to pass on). **Don Ellicott** was waiting for me when "Bookie" Rae arrived. Eileen re-introduced them after all these years (Thank you Eileen). They had a good old yarn in which I enjoyed participating. Still others to call in who have not been acknowledged included **Jack Maloney**, Bowraville, **Tom Provians**, our Qld. V.P. who came in with committeeman **Harry Wright**. **Jack "Cheaky Charlie" Keating, "Dasher" Deacon**, and another member of our committee, **Dick Latimer**.

Les Killeen called in and asked if we could help locate his brother **Clem** for him — where are you Clem? Les also enquired for **Colin Campbell**. Les I'm sorry to say had been burnt out and was staying temporarily at Goulds Hotel, 700 George St., Sydney. Hope everything is working out for you Les.

A note in Eileen's book from **Joe Lowe**, Auburn, mentions that he saw **Aub South** of Windsor who looks very well. Glad to hear from you Joe and about you Aub. Sorry I missed **Wal Taylor** from Cootamundra. Better luck next time Wal. The same applies to **"Blue" Pinder** who nevertheless enjoyed himself without my presence. I was sorry to miss **Roy McAdam** from Mannum, South Aust. I would appreciate a note with some news Roy. **Joe Rognini** reports having met **Ernie Jones** and **Frank "Sadie" Sadler** in Dubbo — had a night out with Ern who would like to hear from **Tom Hayley "C" Coy**. Ern's address is: 15 Palmer St., Dubbo. Drop me a line about Tom Hayley please Ern.

Bruce Stewart up from Wagga paid his subs. Bruce had recently seen **Joe Crawford, "Jock" Cummin, Perc. Dalla** and **Stan Blacksley**.

Colin Campbell back from more than a year's touring in Queensland with a beard that reminded me of an old print of **Ben Hall**.

Roy "The Silent One" Moores from Adelong up to the Repat. reports having seen **Clem Roddy** and **Rupert Chapman** at Tumut.

General News: **Peter Cook** reports calling in to see **Frank Pohlmann "A" Coy.** at the Oceanic B.P. station, Coogee. Peter recalls that Frank was 2/4 representative at the Phillipines landing with Macarthur's men. Frank relates that when he heard Field Marshall Blamey was in Manila he reported to him. Blamey remarked that he was under the impression that he was the only Australian in the Leyte landing. Frank rejoined "A" Coy. in New Guinea after that.

"Home on the Range" — Bill "Snow" MacLennan picked me up and whisked me off to the Long Bay Rifle Range for the Annual Inter-company shooting match conducted by 4 R.N.S.W.R. for the 2/4th Bn. Trophy. Had a most interesting time and enjoyed the evident rivalry and interest in the match by young soldiers. "B" Company won the trophy for the second year in succession. Besides Bill and myself **Harry Gjadsted, Russ McWilliams, Harry Wright, Reg. Angel** and **Peter Cook** were in attendance. We were invited to have a shot with the new F.N. rifle which I reckon is a great improvement on the old .303. My thanks to **Cpl. Terry Trenear** who was my tutor on the F.N. and the other N.C.O.'s who advised our members in the practice.

After the shoot we were invited to an open day at Bn. H.Q. at Arncliffe Depot. On the way **Peter Cook** took us to his club — Matraville R.S.L. — to sample the "scenery". The club door attendant **Mr. Jack Hawkins** mentioned having seen **Jack Keating, "Squizzy" Taylor**, and **Bill "Tiger" Hayes**. I also met a friend of **Colin "Bunny" Burrows**, one **Bob Natoli**.

At Arncliffe we had a delightful barbecue lunch being joined by a bevy of beauties in **Marjorie Gjedsted, Gwen MacLennan, Hilda Wright, Gloria Lindsay**, with **Denise**, and her friends **Peter Hewin** and **Barbara McWilliam**. It was a very pleasant Sunday afternoon. After the presentation of Trophies we wandered round the grounds inspecting the troops at work and in competition. Our sincere thanks to **Lt. Colonel Sharp**, Officers, N.C.O.'s and men of 4 R.N.S.W.R. for their hospitality.

Queensland News: Thanks to **Tom Provians**, our Qld. V.P., for the following items of news handed to me at Port Macquarie Reunion: **Fred Catley:** Contacted, but no response at time of departure for Port Macquarie; **Harold Cox:** Still in Ipswich and going well; **Bruce Cork:** Having a run of "Outs" — Baby was badly burnt and then he had the colossal hide to tip Wifey off the tailboard of the milk truck and she received a fractured skull. All improving and father becoming expert at household chores; **Ken Franklin:** Going very well but business keeps him away from the "Do"; **Laurie McCosker:** Alive and well and with the Brisbane contingent; **Norm MacIntyre:** Has changed very little — despite intentions couldn't make the grade but sends regards to all; **Kevin Peacock:** Located as S.M. at Mt. Isa and will be on his hammer soon — as long as he does not get on mine; **Jack Reynolds:** At last report doing well; **Duncan Russell:** Doing as only Duncan could under the circumstances and sends regards to all; **Harry Sundstrom:** Now in the Phillipines and really liking it. Will be arranging membership for him; **Bill Sumpter:** Would love to make Port Mac. but has responsibility of Mother-in-Law who is very ill so sends his very best; **Winston (Wink) Walker:** All apologies had arranged to come but got tied up with work — going well and sends regards to all; **Jim Whittaker:** From all reports going well; **Chris White:** Grapevine assures me he is quite well; **Ted Werne:** Given up the smokes and putting on weight in the wrong places — assures me that the smokes are the only pleasurable pastime he has given up. Regards to all from 4 R.A.R. Enoggera.

2/4 INFANTRY BATTALION ASSOCIATION
GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1969

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	\$		\$
Balance at Bank 1-1-1969	875.56	Functions, details as per supporting state- ment	593.59
Association Fees received	367.00	Printing costs, W.O.G., etc.	586.27
Subscriptions W.O.G. received	367.00	Stamps, Postage and Telephone	74.58
	734.00	Floral tributes and classified advertise- ments	31.20
Sales of Badges, Car Stickers and Ties	33.15	Rent — Royal Aust. Naval House	50.00
Bank interest credited	10.62	Deposit — Manressa Hall — Anzac Day, 1970	10.00
Donations received	111.10	Subscription 6 Div. Association	10.00
		Donation R.N.S.W.R. Colour Party Appeal	50.00
		Balance at Bank 31-12-1969	358.79
	<u>\$1,764.43</u>		<u>\$1,764.43</u>

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FROM FUNCTIONS
DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1969

FUNCTIONS	Income \$	Expendi- ture \$
Ladies Night 1968 (Income included in 1968 accounts)		204.14
Annual Meeting — Refresh- ments		19.95
Anzac Day (incl. Anzac Week- end	675.00	933.55
Country Reunion — Port Macquarie	924.80	1,028.60
Combined Smoko	36.00	62.25
Ladies Night — 1969	272.80	253.70
	<u>\$1,908.60</u>	<u>\$2,502.19</u>
Excess Expenditure over in- come transferred to General Account	593.59	
	<u>\$2,502.19</u>	<u>\$2,502.19</u>

BENEVOLENT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1969

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	\$		\$
Balance at Bank 1-1-1969	1,715.96	Hospital Comforts	40.60
Donations — Woy Woy outing	20.40	Funeral expenses	101.20
— Sundry Members	51.50	Benevolence	100.00
	71.90	R.S.L. Permanent Building Society	1,500.00
Tin Hat Collections at meetings	226.93	Balance at Bank 31-12-1969	396.70
War History Sales	106.00		
Bank Interest Credited	17.71		
	<u>\$2,138.50</u>		<u>\$2,138.50</u>
Assets on Hand			
R.S.L. Permanent Building Society — In- vestment at call	1,500.00		
Plus interest accrued to date	59.20		
	<u>\$1,559.20</u>		

Auditors Certificate

I hereby certify that I have audited the above
statement and found the same to be correct.

H. H. STAFFORD, Auditor.

Signed:

H. E. C. GJEDSTED, President.
A. F. LINDSAY, Treasurer.