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55/53 Aust. Inf. Bn. Association  
(*"The Mice of Moresby"*)

*(In Association with the 55<sup>th</sup> and 53<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Battalions 1<sup>st</sup> A.I.F.)*

**SECRETARY'S NEWSLETTER**

**LEST WE FORGET**

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| A W ABRAMS   | D S ASQUITH  | DJ BRUNTY     | J W CLIFFORD |
| H E COX      | A E DWYER    | W A DONALDSON | H W HALL     |
| J J HERLITHY | C F JOHNSON  | A L KERR      | H C MCKAY    |
| F RAND       | C R ROBINSON | D S SHEARER   | R C WILDING  |
|              | F L WISHART  |               |              |

To the families of our "Fallen Comrades" we extend our sincere sympathies and assure them that when we are gathered together

**WE WILL REMEMBER THEM**

**SECRETARIE'S REPORT** Another year has passed and I take this opportunity to thank the president and committee members for their support during this time and also thank those members who have helped with news and articles that can be used for Orderly Room Gossip.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** was held at Auburn RSL Club on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2005 at 1100 hrs and attended by eleven members, apologies received from ten members unable to be present. Although the business of the association was able to be carried out it was disappointing that so few members were interested enough to be present and show their support for the committee and leave everything to so few. As this was an election year for officers and committee the following positions were filled;

President: P Peter Wright  
Vice President: Clyde Parsons  
Secretary/Treasurer: Trevor Harper  
Committee: Ray Gentles, Charles Jennings; John Symonds; Hugh Eadie; Clarrie James;  
John Pringle & Beverley Dawson.

A review of the past year was made and the present was pleased to advise that all matters were attended to and a successful year had been completed.

**HOWEVER**, the treasurer pointed out that some members had NOT made any contribution by was of a donation to association funds.

**DONATIONS** have been received since 1 November 2005 from members:

James Alexander; Frank Bilson; Albert Burling: Stan Carlon; Arthur Constantine; Charles Cover; Robert Davis; Jack Dunn; Fred Denny: Hugh Eadie: L Fireth ? : Ken Fitsimmons: Neville Flynn, Ivan Glover: Trevor Harper: R Harris: P Hobson; Clarrie James; Charles Jennings: Jim Longbottom: Hector Lowe: Clem Pagett: Jack Price: Charles Renouf: Ken Richards: K Roberts: Keith Shepherd: Jack Stevens: John Symonds, Earl (Barny) Thorburn, Clem Tretheway and George Wearne.

**Support Group:** B Dawson, C Parsons, A Perry

**Associates:** G Whitfield, J Myers, J Newbold, David O'Loughlin.

**Auxiliary:** J Bourke: J Cave: J de Jager: V Hall: G Johnson: M McLeod: M Quinn: E Summerfield, J Tulloch.

Some other members contributed generously during the period before October 2005 and their contributions were acknowledged in previous newsletters. If you made a donation since 1<sup>st</sup> October and your name does not appear please advise the treasurer so that the matter can be investigated.

**ANZAC DAY** assembly point at the time of writing this newsletter will be as usual in Bligh Street; but members are advised that the unit representation of the "first off" marchers is inevitably getting fewer, it is advisable to consider arriving at our assembly point just a little earlier so as not be too late to take part. We will again be supported by members of the 2/17 RNSWR "Echo Coy" as the banner party.

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

At the committee meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2006, the number of members required to form a quorum at the AGM, was reviewed and it was decided that as attendance and support was difficult to meet the constitution number of 10, that the number be reduced to **FIVE** (5).

**NOTICE OF MOTION** is hereby given to members that this motion will be put to members at the Anzac Day Luncheon.

**NEWCASTLE LUNCHEON** will be held at Hamilton RSL on first Wednesday in April, a great opportunity for a get-together. We have fewer opportune do so as the years go by. It is essential that the number attending is known for catering purposes.