



# BATTLING ON



**The Coral-Balmoral Cup pits elements of the Australian Army School of Armour against US teams, at Puckapunyal, Victoria.**

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## DEPARTED COMRADES

At the going down of the sun we will remember them.

### VALE - LEST WE FORGET



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#### NEW MEMBERS

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**THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTER  
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# NOTICES

## COMMITTEE VACANCIES

We currently have the following vacancies on the Committee:

Assistant Secretary - Attend the office Wednesday & Friday

Assistant Treasurer - Assist the Treasurer on Fridays

Committee Member x 1 - One day per week

Hours are 0900hrs - 1230hrs

All Committee are required to attend meetings on the 2nd Monday & Tuesday of the month (except January)

Please contact the office if you are interested.

## NEW ADDRESS

Please take note that our new address is:-

Suite 1, 11 Brodie-Hall Drive Bentley

Our postal address and phone number remains the same -  
PO Box 2035 Rossmoyne WA 6148 Ph:(08) 9332 4999

## PAYMENTS

Remember our new banking details are:

**CommBank BSB: 066-173 Account # 10526120.**

We have a credit card facility IN OFFICE ONLY. Other methods of payment can be made by cheque, money order, bank transfer or cash.

## GENERAL MEETINGS

We have a General Meeting each month on the 2nd Tuesday (except January). Please note that these meetings will be held at The Hub, 2 Brodie-Hall Drive Bentley, starting at the new time of 1000hrs. There is a \$50 door prize, \$200 money raffle & meat raffle to be won each meeting. A meal will be provided after the meeting.

## INK CARTRIDGES & BATTERIES

If you have any printer ink cartridges or batteries of any kind, including lithium batteries from hearing aides etc, drop them off to the office during business hours, so we can take them to be disposed of correctly.

## TPI WEBSITE - [www.tpiwa.org.au](http://www.tpiwa.org.au)

Please log on with your badge number (Wxxxx) and birth date format (xxxxxxx). If you have any problems, please contact the office

## CONCESSIONS WEBSITE

For concessions that members can receive using the DVA Gold Card, visit [www.concessions.wa.gov.au](http://www.concessions.wa.gov.au)

## FUNERAL ATTENDANCE

If you would like a TPI representative to attend your funeral, please let your next of kin know to notify the office. Also, if you would like a death notice in the paper please ensure the office is informed.

## WELFARE OFFICER

If you are an accredited Welfare Officer and would like to help out, please contact the office.

## LEGAL ADVICE

Due to our Solicitors M6:8 Legal only representing the Association, if members need legal advice please contact Roupheal and Associates Solicitors on (08) 9361 1772.

## PARKING PERMITS

**Reminder:** Parking permits expire on the 31st December each year. If you require a permit please complete the application form on page 26. If you require a TPI window sticker please include \$3.50 and a Stamped Self Addressed Envelope. Please note that you must be financial to apply for a parking permit. If you purchase a new vehicle, please return your current permit so you can be issued with a new one.

## JOONDALUP HOSPITAL PARKING

Please take note of changes to parking at Joondalup Hospital. You can find the new parking changes on page 26.

## HILLARYS BOAT RAMP PERMITS

Any member requiring a boat ramp parking permit for Hillarys Boat Harbour please apply by filling out the form on page 26 before **18th September 2025**. You must provide your vehicle registration number and your boat trailer registration number. These permits will only be issued twice a year being for April and October. If you don't get it in by the dates requested you will have to wait for the next batch. If you have any queries regarding these permits please contact the TPI office and **NOT** Hillarys Boat Harbour or City of Joondalup.

The City of Joondalup Rangers will be patrolling this area and issuing fines for any breach of conditions.

## BATTLING ON ARTICLES

Members are encouraged to contribute articles and/or anecdotes about life experiences or travels you may find amusing or interesting for other members to read. However, there is no guarantee all articles will be published.

Please forward to the Editor at [battlingon@tpiwa.org.au](mailto:battlingon@tpiwa.org.au).

## MEETINGS

10th June 2025

8th July 2025

12th August 2025

9th September 2025

General Meeting @ 1000hrs

General Meeting @ 1000hrs

General Meeting @ 1000hrs

General Meeting @ 1000hrs

# WA PRESIDENTS REPORT

Following the April AGM, we still have some Committee vacancies that we need to fill, so if you would like to help, please let the office know or please turn up to the May Meeting and volunteer.

Following the April Federal Congress, Scott Jeffrey from South Australia has been confirmed as the interim President. Nominations for the Position of President will be called in July for a two-year period until September 2027.

I was elected interim Vice President until the AGM in September. Brett Grosser from South Australia was elected as the Interim Treasurer.

With the new "Harmonisation Legislation" due to come into effect from First of July next year, there will be a Sub Committee established as to how we formalise the TPI Associations and the Federation to cope with the changes to the new DVA structure under MRCA.

As the TPI Association of Victoria have indicated they would like to re-join the Federation, the consensus was that we should invite them to send an observer in September.

Following discussion about broadening the Membership base to encompass other TPI Social Groups, the Directors agreed we should consider holding Congress at venues other than Canberra, with the possibility of holding next March in Townsville. The NSW Directors advised they will hold discussions with the Association in Newcastle, and as the Secretary will be visiting Townsville, he will talk to Members there.

## ANZAC DAY



Thanks goes to our member, Peter McNeill, who attended Kings Park to represent TPIWA.



TPIWA Vice President, Ray Pearce, attended ANZAC Day at Menin Gate

# FEDERATION PRESIDENTS REPORT

As this marks my inaugural report since my election as the President of the TPI Federation in March 2025, I am honoured to serve as your Federation's President.

In assuming this role, I have witnessed both the exemplary aspects and challenges within the TPI Federation and the broader Veteran Community.

On behalf of the Federation, I participated in the Ex-Service Organisations Round Table (ESORT) on March 25, 2025. It was gratifying to engage in collaborative, constructive, and meaningful discussions with various other Ex-Service Organisations (ESOs). Given that this was my first ESORT meeting and I had limited opportunity to research topics beforehand, the Federation refrained from submitting proposals. This decision proved timely, as the Federal Election was called three days post-meeting, placing the government in 'Caretaker Mode.'

Following the ESORT, both the Federation's Secretary, Mr. Shayne Eades, and I have been engaged in modernising our ICT platforms to ensure we can aid and access to all Federation members, while maintaining current access methods such as postal mail and telephone. This will be an ongoing effort to guarantee that all members can contact the Federation as needed. However, I would like to emphasise that most issues should initially be directed to your state directors, who will escalate them to us if necessary.

Between April 9 and 10, 2025, the Federation held its March/April Congress. During this congress, we elected Mr. Colin Benporath, a Director from Western Australia, as the Federation's Vice President, and fulfilled all fiduciary responsibilities as mandated by our constitution.

Additionally, at this Congress, the directors deliberated on strategies to engage 'younger Contemporary Veterans' and reviewed the current requirements for the SRDP Gold Card under MRCA and the Gold Card under MRCA. It was noted that the criteria for obtaining a MRCA Gold Card are more stringent than those for a MRCA SRDP Gold Card.

Consequently, it was resolved to establish a Sub-Committee to examine 'Member Engagement' requirements and the modernisation of the Federation. We are exploring ways to reintegrate associations and social clubs, such as those in Townsville and Newcastle, into the state associations and, by extension, the Federation. I envision the Federation advancing significantly in engaging 'Contemporary Veterans' and pursuing modernisation.

Should you have any inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me directly or through your state directors.

Yours in Service

**S.R. Jeffrey, JP**  
President  
TPI Federation of Australia

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16 April 2025

# FREE TRAVEL FOR CARERS



Deputy Premier

Treasurer, Minister for Transport, Sport and Recreation

Our Ref: 72-536874

Mr Leslie Anderson  
[leslie.anderson@parliament.wa.gov.au](mailto:leslie.anderson@parliament.wa.gov.au)

Dear Mr Anderson

## FREE TRAVEL FOR CARERS OF VETERANS WHEN USING SMARTRIDER

Thank you for your correspondence dated 14 February 2025 further outlining your suggestion to implement a SmartRider card that allows for free travel for veteran companions or carers. The Minister for Transport, the Hon. Hon. Billie O'Connell MLC, has asked me to respond.

Transperth has explored options for free travel for veteran companions. After consulting with the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), it has been agreed that while DVA does not include companion status in its automated data exchange process with Transperth, it can provide a letter confirming Veterans with a companion must be granted "Attendant Status".

Transperth is willing to accept this letter as proof of eligibility and will issue a modified Veteran SmartRider card, noting on the card that the Veteran companion can travel for free, consistent with the conditions of the existing Companion Card as detailed below:

- The Veteran SmartRider card must still be tagged on and off.
- The companion must be travelling with the Veteran to receive free travel.
- The Veterans Companion SmartRider card must be presented when requested by Transperth staff.

Transperth is in the process of finalising details for the new card and will inform you of the next steps to apply for the card once completed.

Yours sincerely,

  
DEVITA CROWLEY  
CHIEF OF STAFF

27 MAR 2025

Level 14, Dumas House, 2 Havelock Street, West Perth, Western Australia, 6005  
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Carer's travelling with a Veteran currently have specific days/hours they can travel free. The new card will allow use any day/any time as long as they are accompanied by the Veteran.

NOTE: Transperth as advised that now you will receive a new "Veteran's & Companion Free" card which will include your companions details.

You will be required to contact Transperth Call Centre on 13 62 13 or visit the Elizabeth Quay Bus Station to provide your DVA Gold Card. A new card will be printed and sent in the mail.

Please show above letter until this new system is in place.

# DVA TRANSPORT

## How to make a booking

To book transport you can either:

- book online using MyService
- call 1800 550 455.

If your health provider is registered with our online services, they can request transport through their online account.

## Booking after hours or weekend travel

If you need travel after hours or on the weekend, you must arrange it with us during office hours. If you do not, you will need to make your own arrangements and claim reimbursement from us.

## Specific travel arrangements

A medically required attendant can travel with you for booked transport. Tell us when you make your booking that you are travelling with an attendant.

We can arrange a wheelchair-accessible vehicle if you tell us when you make your booking.

## Where we will take you

We can take you to all approved treatment locations if you are a Veteran Gold Card holder who is any of the following:

- aged 80 years of age or over
- legally blind (regardless of your age)
- suffering from dementia (regardless of your age)

If you are a Veteran Gold Card holder aged 79 years or younger, we can take you to attend treatment if you meet both of the following conditions:

- you are travelling to a specific treatment location
- you have 1 or more of the specific medical conditions

## The specific treatment locations

- former Repatriation General Hospitals
- public and private hospitals, including outpatient services
- providers of prosthetics; surgical footwear and orthotics
- Office of Hearing Services accredited providers
- medical specialist rooms
- radiology, imaging and pathology services

## The specific medical conditions

- psychosis
- hemiplegia
- ataxia
- respiratory insufficiency severely limiting independent activity
- cardiac failure severely limiting independence
- recent coronary occlusion severely limiting independence
- peripheral vascular disease severely limiting independence
- amputation severely limiting independence
- arthritis severely limiting independence
- recent surgery severely affecting your capacity to use public transport
- conditions that would cause you to be gravely embarrassed or that are unacceptable to other passengers on public transport e.g. incontinence of bladder or bowel, severe deformity or disfigurement
- significant trauma or
- frailty that severely limits your independence

## What you can receive

We may pay for a taxi or hire car provider to take you from your home to your closest practical provider (CPP). If you live a long distance from your closest treatment provider, we may provide you with a prepaid flight or rail transport. This is only when it is clinically necessary and the most suitable and economical means of transport. Contact us if you want to see a health provider who is not your CPP and who is more than 50km (one way) from your home. You may need to arrange your own transport and seek reimbursement from us. We will consider your CPP when we assess your claim.

## Travel to specific treatment locations not covered under BCWD

Travel to specific treatment locations does not include:

- dental providers
- allied health services (other than those included)
- optical dispensers
- Open Arms — Veterans & Families Counselling

## How much you pay

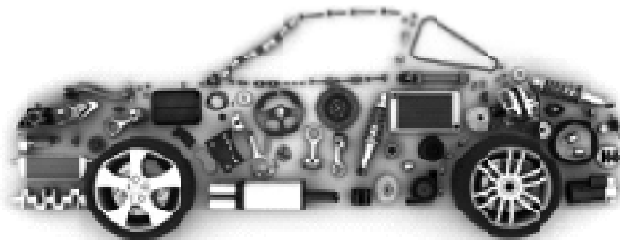
If we book your transport, there will be no charge to you.

# GST EXEMPTION

## CAR PARTS

If you are eligible to purchase a car GST-free, you are also entitled to purchase certain car parts GST-free, including items such as:

- batteries
- disc brake pads
- tyres
- oil filters
- petrol filters
- liquid petroleum gas (LPG) conversion kits
- spark plugs
- water and fuel pumps
- radiator hoses
- windscreens
- head and tail-light globes



Items that are not car parts are not GST-free, these include:

- oil and grease
- paint
- hydraulic fluid
- radiator or petrol additives
- refrigerant gas
- brake fluid
- petrol



Accessories are not car parts and are not GST-free, these include:

- spoilers
- mudflaps
- pin striping
- roof racks
- CD players

Parts that are not specifically for cars are not GST-free. For example, parts specifically for trucks, vans, buses, motorcycles and other machinery.

For further information, or to download a GST Exemption form, go to:

<https://www.ato.gov.au/Forms/Exemption-of-GST-on-a-car---disabled-veterans/>

## PLANNING AHEAD

For the benefit of all veterans who think that their time is approaching, the Committee is happy to suggest a plan you may like to implement or suggest to your spouse/next of kin or executor of your estate.

First and foremost, there is a Planning Ahead kit. The Planning Ahead kit can be found on the DVA website <https://www.dva.gov.au/documents-and-publications/planning-ahead-kit>. This is a guide to putting your affairs in order and is a detailed checklist for your next of kin. The planning ahead checklist is also available from the TPI office. At your demise, your next of kin should advise DVA and the TPI office as soon as possible. DVA will let your next of kin know what assistance is available to them financially. The TPI Association has a Funeral Fund for members. For each year you have been a member, your next of kin will receive \$100, to a total of \$1000, to help towards the TPI members funeral costs. Please make sure that you have notified the TPI office of your next of kin details. The TPI office will notify Legacy of your passing if you have a surviving wife/partner and they will be in touch in due course. Should you wish to bring your Will up to date, John Roupheal is our legal advice expert and he is available on 9361 1772.

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## Who can access the Booked Car with Driver service?



Australian Government  
Department of Veterans' Affairs

**VETERAN CARD HOLDERS WITH ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS ACT 1986 WHO ARE:**

- ✓ Aged 80 years or over OR ✓ Living with dementia (any age) OR ✓ Legally blind (any age)  
OR ✓ 79 years or younger **and** meet one or more of the specified conditions

### **SPECIFIED CONDITIONS FOR VETERAN CARD HOLDERS 79 YEARS OR YOUNGER**

- **A chronic or temporary condition that makes using public transport challenging.**  
Including but not limited to frailty, incontinence.
- **Any mental or physical condition that severely limits independence.**  
Including but not limited to respiratory issues, amputation, arthritis, cardiac disorders, vascular disease, paralysis, significant muscle control or coordination issues, significant mental disorders, psychosis.
- **Recent surgery or treatment that makes travelling by public transport difficult.**

Veteran White Card holders who meet the above criteria must be travelling for treatment of a condition covered by their card to access BCWD.

To discuss your access or to make a booking, call 1800 550 455.



[www.dva.gov.au/bcwd](http://www.dva.gov.au/bcwd)

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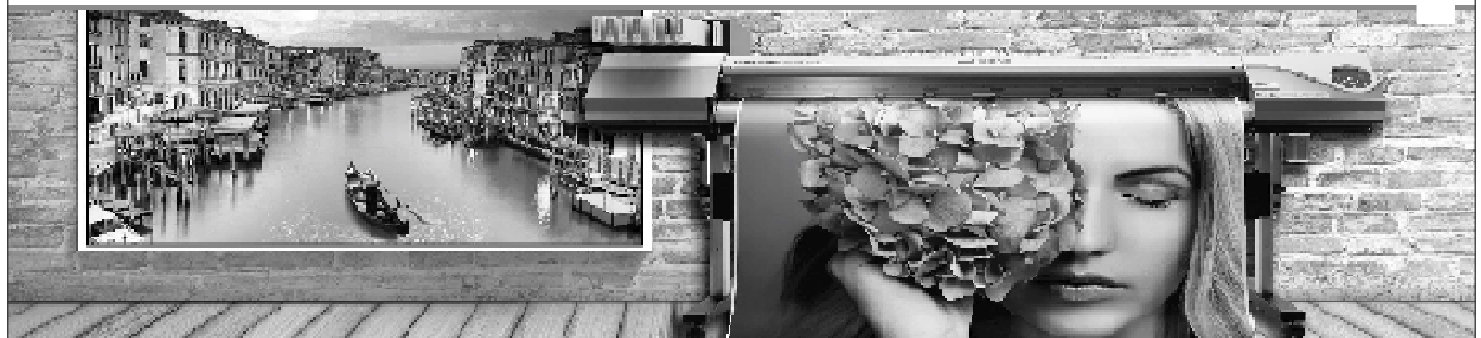
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# RAAFA SHORT STAY APARTMENT/ROOMS

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RE: Use of Motel Units by TPI members



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I am delighted to provide the following information in the form of the attachments to outline both a clear process for TPI in relation to management and conditions in relation to the bond and also the booking process for your members.

We have **Short Stay Apartments/Rooms** at Bull Creek, Meadow Springs and Merriwa and bookings will need to be made through the correct location.

Bull Creek accommodation charges \$125 Mon - Fri & \$135 Weekends/Public Holidays. Merriwa accommodation charges are \$70 per night, including a continental breakfast. Meadow Springs motel accommodation charges are \$75.00 night, includes a continental breakfast. (Prices quoted are current, and are subject to review) We will ensure that our staff are aware that bookings from TPI members for the use of these facilities is approved by RAAFA.

TPI Members will need to settle their account on vacating the motel units. Bonds are covered via the existing arrangements between TPI and RAAFA

RAAFA is pleased to be able to extend this facility to your members as part of the ongoing positive relationship between our two Associations

Yours sincerely  
Tonia Zeeman  
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

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# REGIMENT BARES ITS TALONS Capt Brittany Evans

Courtesy of: <https://www.armynewspaper.defence.gov.au/army-news/may-15-2025/flipbook/2/>



An M1A2 Abrams main battle tank from 2 Cav provides security during the D Sqn raising ceremony at Lavarack Barracks. Photo: Cpl Riley Blennerhasset

Cpl James Foschi, of 2 Cav, with Courage off parade during the ceremony at Lavarack Barracks. Photo: Pte Jessica Grey



Army has consolidated its heavy armour capabilities in Townsvill to bolster operational readiness and align with the National Defence Strategy.

This underpinned the formal establishment of D Sqn within 2 Cav on January 20, a milestone for the RAAC.

On April 23, 2 Cav officially welcomed its second tank squadron at the T4 Raising Ceremony, signifying the first time in the corps' history that a regiment has two tank and cavalry squadrons positioned in the same location.

CO Lt-Col Josh Higgins said the transformation rounded out the order of battle.

"This places us as one of the first pieces on the chess board in the 3rd Brigade's armoured realisation," Lt-Col Higgins said.

"We now have 36 of the world's best tanks, complementing the combat reconnaissance vehicle capability we have."

OC D Sqn Maj Jodie McCart said the commitment to raising the new squadron would set up future successes.

"I'm incredibly privileged and honoured to raise the squadron with the men and women behind me, and bring this new platform into service," Maj McCart said.

"It is a huge responsibility to get it right because of the legacy it will leave, for not only me and the people that we are doing this with, but also to make sure we set up the brigade in good order."

The ceremony showcased the regiment's capabilities, featuring a logistic resupply operation that was interrupted by a simulated attack – demonstrating an effective response from combat units in coordination with the main battle tanks.

Lt-Col Higgins likened the regiment to its feathered mascot, Courage, symbolising strength and vigilance.

"Our unit mascot is the wedge-tailed eagle, a bird of prey," he said.

"The other squadrons in the unit represent the eyes and ears, and now finally we have the talons of the bird of prey."

D Sqn is postured to undertake further progression training throughout 2025 in preparation for its role within the Army's armoured amphibious brigade.

# REUNIONS

REUNION: 17-21 November 2025

HEADQUARTERS 1<sup>st</sup> AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE AND  
D&E Platoon  
*Painters Island Holiday Park, Wangaratta, VIC*

Australia's involvement in the Vietnam war from 1965 – 1972 has had a lasting impact on all the servicemen and women who served. HQ1ATF and its sub-unit Defence and Employment (D&E) Platoon, the longest continually serving Infantry Platoon in South Vietnam, served from 1966 – 1972 and encountered much enemy action during those years.

Formerly held every two years, from 2024, HQ1ATF Association reunions will be held every November and 2025 will remember 54 years since we closed the gates of Nui Dat. This four day event is an important part of the Association's efforts in the healing process which is achieved through the continual networking of members and also importantly their partners and carers. With objectives to improve health and well-being and to reduce social isolation, the biennial reunion plays a significant role.

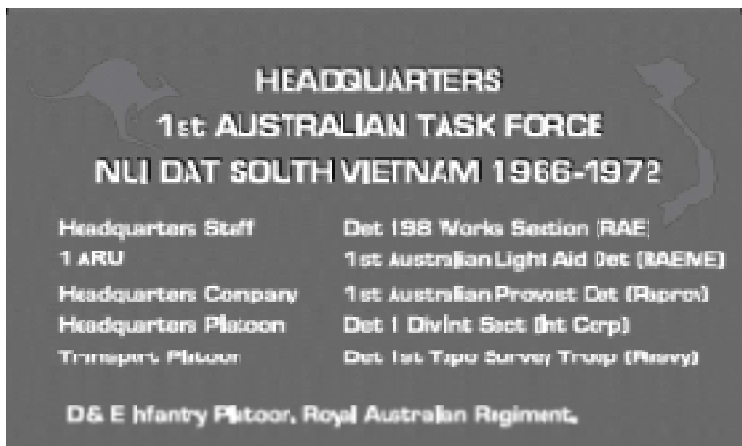
There will be ample time for members and families to spend time together over the four days of the reunion. On Wednesday 19 November a tour of the region, including the King Valley, will be undertaken, with a visit to the Ned Kelly Museum, followed by lunch at the Gracebrook Winery.

**The Commemorative Dinner will be held on Thursday 20 November 2025 at the Gateway Motel Restaurant in Wangaratta. The dinner will be preceded by a Dedication Service at the RSL Memorial, (outdoors) located at 2 Templeton Street, Wangaratta. The service, at 5 PM, will be open to the public.**

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Thank you  
Tony Brown

## Defence families recognised on International Day of Families

15 May 2025

The Australian Defence Force has reaffirmed its commitment to families, signing a new ADF Family Covenant to mark International Day of Families.

The new covenant reinforces Defence's pledge to support ADF families by helping them balance the demands of service life, with the needs of their family. It acknowledges the vital contribution ADF families make to enhance Defence capability by:

Recognising the challenges and opportunities presented through military life.

Honouring the inherent strength and capacity of ADF families, and their commitment and sacrifice in support of ADF members.

Committing to the support of ADF families, providing timely access to the right support and information, at the right time.

Pledging to enhance the wellbeing of our ADF families by actively listening to their emerging needs.

Pledging ADF leader support and accountability to the ADF family support network.

Chief of the Defence Force, Admiral David Johnston AC, RAN, signed the covenant and acknowledged the resilience and dedication of ADF families in supporting their loved ones during their service to our country.

"This International Day of Families, we celebrate and thank families for performing a pivotal role in the wellbeing and support of their loved ones in the Australian Defence Force," Admiral Johnston said.

"The unwavering strength and commitment of families contributes directly to the Australian Defence Force's mission, capability and culture.

"The ADF Family Covenant is an agreement that recognises this vital and unique contribution and pledges Defence's commitment to supporting and enhancing the wellbeing of families."

Defence Member and Family Support services focus on providing information, support and solutions to assist individuals in crisis management, problem solving and developing active coping strategies and resilience.

The Defence Member and Family Helpline can be contacted any time for family welfare, support services and access to targeted programs on 1800 624 608 or visit <https://www.defence.gov.au/adf-members-families>

Media note

Media can access imagery/vision at: <https://images.defence.gov.au/assets/Home/Search?Query=7%3AS20242621&Type=Metadata&Search=S20242621>

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## Golf

Jim decided to tie the knot with his long time girlfriend.

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"Honey, I've been thinking. Now that we are married I think it's time you quit golfing. Maybe you should sell your golf clubs."

Jim gets this horrified look on his face.

She says, "Darling, what's wrong?"

"There for a minute you were sounding like my ex-wife."

"Ex-wife!" she screams, "I didn't know you were married before!"

"I WASN'T!"

Two businessmen in the centre of Queen St Auckland were sitting down for a break in their soon to be new shop.... as yet, the shop wasn't ready, with only a few shelves set up.

One said to the other, "I bet any minute now some old pensioner is going to walk by, put their face to the window, and ask what we're selling. You know these senior citizens are such nosy parkers."

No sooner were the words out of his mouth, when sure enough, a curious old woman walked to the window, had a peek, and in a soft voice asked, "What are yo selling here?"

One of the men replied sarcastically, "We're selling arse-holes."

Without skipping a beat, the old dear said, "Must be doing well then....only tow left."



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For MyAccount users who travel overseas, a new online facility to advise DVA of travel dates will be available.

Significantly, for both DVA clients who are MyAccount users, and for the wider veteran and ex-service community, a new online facility will present the three existing claims for initial liability (VEA, SRCA and MRCA) and made the fully electronic. This initiative gives claimants an online process for selecting the desired form, completing the required details, uploading supporting documentation, and provides claimants with a claim reference number.

"Lodging a claim form online provides convenience to existing and prospective DVA clients" a DVA spokesperson said, "and the in-built guidance that supports online entry of claim details makes it easier to ensure that all relevant information can be provided."

As always, the services available online through MyAccount will not replace traditional means of communicating with DVA. You can still contact DVA by phone, fax, email, mail and face-to-face.

Visit [myaccount.dva.gov.au](http://myaccount.dva.gov.au) for more information and phone 133 254 (local) or 1800 555 254 (regional) during business hours Monday to Friday to enable your account.

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They were so courteous, helpful, friendly and professional.

I especially appreciated Dylan's help. I know that your staff are so wonderful as they have you for their role model. You lead by example. May you be granted many more years of life to do good and make this world a wonderful and better place.

You are so blessed to have 'all your marbles'. I would love that now, yet alone when I am older. You do so many things, I love the fact that you fly under the radar doing what you can when you can. You don't trumpet what you do and ask for any accolades.

This is truly a sign of a humble, good man. May you continue to be such.

It has been a pleasure and privilege in knowing what I do of you Mr Hughes.

*- J. Troy - Spearwood -*

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# John Hughes

Dear John, I would like to commend the service of one of your used car salespeople in your Victoria Park Yard. The salesman's name is Michael. I was looking for a replacement vehicle for my Hyundai Veloster and was unsure what to purchase. He was very accommodating, personable and available in assisting me with my purchase of a demo Hyundai Kona Electric. He ensured that the process of purchasing the vehicle was as apprehension-free as possible and I believe that he was fair to me and your company in regards to settling the price of the vehicle and the trade-in. After my dealings with him I would recommend your company to others looking for a new or used vehicle.

**F. Elsegood - Manning**

Don was friendly, knowledgeable and not pushy, making the whole experience easy and enjoyable.

**A. Bettridge - Subiaco**

I found the whole experience easy, Paul was great, he took the time to help me find the car that was perfect for me. He was patient and made the whole process easy. This is the second car I've bought from the John Hughes Group and I highly recommend them.

**G. Moses - Edgewater**

Ahmad and the team were incredible to deal with. They were very supportive and informative, making sure I found the car that fits me.

**H. Chisholm - Strathalbyn**

A huge compliment to both Wes and Stephen for fantastic support and customer service. Two genuinely nice men who were so friendly and welcoming. Very professional and honest which is so refreshing. The car wasn't handed over until it was absolutely perfect and that was very appreciated. Compliments to both.

**A. Mulvaney - Rivervale**

Ben was professional and lovely to deal with. He made the process clear and easy, as I had never bought a car from a dealership before. Would recommend Ben to others!

**K. Robb - High Wycombe**

I had a great experience with John Hughes Chery. Dean made the process easy and helpful. He was polite and professional, gave me plenty of information and followed up with me in a reasonable time.

**M. Tricht - Madora Bay**

Your salesperson was friendly, polite, respectful, accommodating and not pushy for a sale.

**J. Lin - Harrisdale**

My family and I visited John Hughes in Victoria Park just to have a look to see what car we would like. Miki was the first salesman who greeted us with a friendly manner even interacting with our 8 year old son. Miki was extremely helpful and considerate when it came to our opinions. He did not pressure us into our purchase and offered a loan car for use while we waited for our finance approval. We will definitely be a returning customer in the future.

**K. Stewart - Eden Hill**

This is the first time I have ever given any used car salesman a top score. Marshall was great, non pushy, listened to our requirements, made suggestions and was extremely professional. I would not hesitate to go to Marshall again.

**A. Osborne - Hilbert**

Had yet another great experience with John Hughes. We are third time returned business as we always feel secure in the product we are buying and the genuine service we receive. Paul, our service consultant did a great job looking after us with the purchase and follow up after the sale. Thank you again for another great experience!

**A. Penn - Belmont**

I just purchased a car from John Hughes and I couldn't be happier with the experience. My salesperson, Miki, truly went above and beyond to ensure everything was seamless. From start to finish, the service was nothing short of outstanding. It was a very smooth process and I luckily got to take the car away the day I looked at it! I would definitely recommend John Hughes to anyone looking for a new car!

**J. Mckinlay - Cloverdale**

Just purchased a new vehicle from John Hughes. Dealing with the salesman, Vince, was an absolute pleasure! He is extremely patient, I never felt pressured to make a decision, and most importantly he is a professional.

**K. Bakewell - Safety Bay**

It has been a wonderful experience, I could not believe how much detail is in the Chery and what do I say about Jules. He was very professional, he knew everything about the car and more. He also made you feel comfortable and made sure you understood things.

**S. Smith - Oldbury**

Awesome experience with buying a car, Dean was great, he wasn't pushy and allowed us to take our time to decide what was best for our family. Highly recommend John Hughes when looking at buying your next car.

**K. Raven - Champion Lakes**

A huge thank you to Han and the team at John Hughes pre-owned for helping me choose a lovely vehicle after an accident a couple of weeks ago. Han was very approachable, friendly and had good knowledge of cars. Would definitely recommend him to others in the future. Made a very anxious time choosing a replacement vehicle that much calmer.

**H. Murrison - Byford**

I purchased my Chery EX from John Hughes. I dealt with Dean and from the test drive all the way through to the handover and he has made it a seamless experience. Dean was very professional, courteous and would always get back to me in a timely manner.

**A. Malik - Kewdale**

We felt that Locklyn was very pleasant to deal with and felt very comfortable. He explained everything with absolute precision. This very young man came across as a very professional amateur. My opinion is that this is one guy you need in your organisation long-term. Thank you, John. Hopefully we will be back quite soon to look at purchasing another vehicle.

**R. Shipley - Huntingdale**

I recently bought a car from John Hughes and was assisted by Paul. He was a massive help in finding me the type of car I was looking for. He and Trevor in finance make the purchasing process easy and smooth. I would highly recommend them!

**J. Rennie - Halls Head**

We had such a great experience through John Hughes and will definitely be a repeat customer. Michael was our car salesperson and he really went above and beyond in his role. The whole process took less than 24 hours until we got the car! I've been in customer service roles before so I don't give praise lightly. Any queries or questions we had he was only a phone call away and would get back to us within a few minutes. I especially like how he and others there praise John Hughes, you don't get that often in workplaces which really shows how much the staff are well taken care of. I would highly recommend buying through John Hughes.

**J. Ordell - Woarooloo**

My partner and I had the pleasure of dealing with Han from John Hughes when buying our new car. Han was very helpful right from the start and answered any and all questions. He went above and beyond to make sure we made the right decision and made the whole process a breeze. We couldn't be happier with our purchase and would highly recommend John Hughes.

**K. Heerden - Bushmead**

I purchased a Chery Omoda 5 from Dean and he was amazing. I am so in love with my new car! It really has exceeded all of my expectations. It is awesome. Thanks Dean and John Hughes!

**N. Jordan - Karrinyup**

After buying four MG's over the last eight years I can honestly say the service I have received during this period has been exemplary. My latest purchase was no different and Julliano, my consultant, was at all times knowledgeable, non pushy, and someone I would be happy to deal with again. Well done!

**T. Russell - Two Rocks**

I recently purchased a new family car with the exceptional help of Miki. He was extremely welcoming to myself and my family, making the process smooth and without issue. If you are looking to buy a car with peace of mind, seek out Miki. I couldn't have recommended him enough. The way customers are treated is the reason John Hughes is the best in the West.

**D. Mangini - Yangebup**

Went looking for a demo Cerato after seeing some on the John Hughes website. It was my first auto and I was a little nervous, but the salesman Mitchell was so helpful, not at all pushy like a car salesman of the 1980's. Went for a test drive and discussed the best options for me and within one week I'm now driving my near new Cerato. So lucky to have found John Hughes.

**C. Connolly - Gooseberry Hill**

I recently purchased my car at John Hughes, I went through the test drive and inspection and then the purchase with a lovely sales guy called Han, who made me feel at ease, gave me an honest opinion and arranged transfer and collection. I am so happy with my purchase and the ease of buying. Thank you Han.

**P. Lucas - Shoalwater**

A massive thank you to Mitchell and Tamika for making buying a car an absolute pleasure. Mitchell was non pushy and honest in his communication, whilst Tamika worked her magic with the finances saving our family heaps of money. Again, thank you both and I highly recommend that people consider John Hughes.

**P. O'Malley - Thornlie**

I purchased a Chery Omoda 5 GT from Dean, the service I received from him was excellent. His dedication, professionalism and commitment to providing exceptional customer service is highly appreciated. I honestly think he should be awarded salesman of the year.

**R. Oliveria - Bertram**

Miki is an absolute legend! I want to thank Miri and Geoff in finance for a wonderful experience purchasing a used Corolla. Miki has a fantastic personality and that made the entire experience stress free and enjoyable. He's bubbly and jovial and very meticulous and efficient with details. He answered all of our questions well and offered great advice. I would strongly recommend Miki to friends and family. The service culture at John Hughes is truly impressive.

**R. Andrew - Thornlie**

John, you're a credit to your word. Han, the salesperson that looked after me was excellent. He followed your policy, not pushy, but very respectful to me. He listened to my needs and went above and beyond to get me a car that I wanted. Because of his professional manner I bought a car within an hour of first getting to your sales yard. The sales manager was also very professional. My brother is now looking at your yard for a car and I will be taking my mother there in the future to purchase a new car. I will be back to buy another car from you.

**D. Cahill - Langford**

Michael is an absolute legend! Made my whole experience fantastic. I was apprehensive about purchasing a car for the first time and his knowledge, experience and good humour really made everything a breeze. Highly recommend John Hughes. Great team. Shout out to Tamika in finance for the fabulous service also.

**D. Ferre - Beckenham**

Justin was really professional and gave us space to decide in our own time. He was a breath of fresh air compared to the usual pushy/predatory sales people I've come across at other places. I would 100% deal with him again.

**B. Tonga - Bassendean**

Everything in this world today seems to be hard, but the whole process at John Hughes was easy, pleasant and efficient, as it was the last time I purchased a car from you. Will definitely recommend you to others.

**K. Allen - Glen Forrest**

Michael is a personable, friendly and professional salesman. It was a hot day and he offered a cool office in which to wait and a cold drink. He was not pushy but encouraged us to appreciate the features of the car and outlined the desirable aspects of a prompt purchase. The other staff with whom we dealt were also friendly and efficient.

**P. Mazzucato - Merriwa**

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**C. Robertson - Gosnells**

I went to John Hughes to look for a new car this weekend. Tam was so helpful and assisted me every step of the way. He made the whole process smooth and went so fast. He assisted me with finding my perfect car making the process seamless.

**T. Parkey - Forrestfield**

Hi John, hope this email finds you well. I just had to let you know that the service I have received from Marshall has been great. Throughout the process he has been extremely professional and genuine. He's also been so respectful throughout all communications. I initially placed an inquiry for a vehicle and the following morning, about an hour before I was due to see the car, Marshall called to advise the vehicle had been sold the previous day, he let me know he would try and find me another. Within an hour he called advising he found one, but better. Once the finance was secured and finalised Marshall personally dropped the car to my home. He is the bomb, honestly he is gold, everything he has done from the moment I made the enquiry to securing the car, has been dealt with in the most positive professional upbeat manner, nothing was too much trouble for him. Honestly I wish everyone I dealt with was like Marshall.

**J. Shaw - Noranda**

Dear John, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for sorting out my daughter's car, and at the same time thank you for the service you have given me over the past 50 years. I bought my first car from Skipper Chrysler just over the Causeway for myself just before you purchased the business. I have since dealt with you and purchased vehicles for myself and my family, I have also recommended people to you over the years. I remember an address you gave at the Osborne Park business lunch some years ago about drive, innovation and business integrity. You always do the right thing for people as long as they are not being unreasonable. You have always shown compassion and gone out of your way to make sure we were satisfied with the service. I don't usually write letters of this nature but I felt that I just would like to let you know personally after all these years.

**A. Shuttleton - Two Rocks**

Dean was excellent. He was extremely friendly, knowledgeable about the different vehicles available and took the time to understand what we were looking for. I appreciated his customer service, patience and low-pressure approach. Overall, I had a positive experience working with Dean and would recommend him to others in the market for a new car!

**A. Spragg - Perth**

Adam from Rockingham dealership is the nicest and least pushy salesman I have had the pleasure of dealing with. He even offered to assist me with moving the baby seat when I picked up the car.

**M. Jones - Wellard**

Our journey started with Wes from used cars to Neil from new cars. We also met with Kirsty and Guy while Neil was on a break. Each person was friendly and helpful. Neil was great explaining everything and helping us along the way.

**J. Frings - Byford**

I had a great experience, everything was super easy and my new car is amazing!

**S. Love-Nally - North Perth**

Tam was honest, courteous and incredibly helpful. He made organising a new car easy. I always heard John Hughes had a good reputation but my interaction with this bloke made it undeniable.

**D. Hershowitz - Glendalough**

Matt was an amazing salesperson. He was efficient, knowledgeable and very easy to communicate with. I love my new car and he made the overall experience exceptional. My family has said they would come back to see Matt when looking for their new cars.

**R. Noack - Guildford**

The sales person was great at communicating and informing me on every process.

**M. Strydom - St. James**

Tam was the salesman helped me with the purchase of the MG ZS. He helped us last time with the purchase of a new Lancer 5 years ago. He was the best salesperson I have ever purchased a car from. We have always received great service at John Hughes!

**W. Wilton - Brookdale**

Natalie was straightforward, helpful and patient. She answered all our questions and worked through various options, and she was never pushy.

**I. Pitty-Pladdy - Ashfield**

Not only was Ben great with the sale, his after sales response and service has been nothing short of amazing. We could not recommend Ben and your company enough! Very, very satisfied customers!

**H. White - Byford**

I recently had the pleasure of purchasing a Kia, and I couldn't be more pleased with the experience, all thanks to Mario! From the moment we walked in, he made us feel welcome and at ease. His professionalism, knowledge, and friendly demeanor made the whole process smooth and enjoyable. He took the time to understand our needs and was incredibly patient, answering all our questions thoroughly. It's rare to come across such genuine and kind service and he truly went above and beyond to make sure we were completely satisfied. I highly recommend him if you're looking to buy a car - he's absolutely fantastic!

**F. Raza - Balga**

Ross was courteous, friendly, and professional without being pushy. He responded to my text messages without being pushy. Ross is young, which was refreshing. He treated me respectfully and spoke highly of John Hughes.

**T. Gunnell - Nedlands**

This is the third car I have purchased from John Hughes, but my first brand new car. Kirsty was fantastic and made the buying experience enjoyable! I am happy with the car and with the service I have received so far. Thank you John & Kirsty.

**C. Sgro - Greenfields**

I would like to thank Alan who helped me decide the car that suited my interest. He made the entire process so easy and was very helpful. He is the reason I would refer anyone that wants to get a car in WA to John Hughes.

**D. Karki - Tuart Hill**

Gareth was fantastic to deal with. Helpful, honest and not too pushy.

**K. Chan - Forrestfield**

Fantastic service and communication from Andrew, he went above and beyond, super helpful with every question I had!

**D. Champness - Butler**

Matt was so great! Did not fit the stereotype of a car salesman. Was not pushy, gave us space and helped us find exactly what we were looking for.

**D. Price - Pearsall**

Thank you to Lewis for your kind and professional manner and the whole team at Wanneroo for a personable and professional service.

**B. Pretty - Madora Bay**

Alazar went above and beyond and made me and my partner feel so welcome, he's an asset to your company.

**M. Harrison - Jindalee**

Amy was friendly, courteous and very helpful. She knew her product and didn't try to pressure us at all. We felt extremely comfortable in taking our time to make our decision.

**R. Black - Leeming**

Dean provided amazing service, he was very friendly and made the process easy, quick and smooth.

**J. Hatch - The Vines**

Just picked up my new 2019 Hyundai Kona from John Hughes used cars in Welshpool and I am so happy with it. Marshall was kind and patient and overall a great help with the car sale. He organised trading in my previous car which made things so easy!

**T. Gerard - Scarborough**

Steven is very professional and attentive. He went above and beyond, starting from decision making and getting through all the process and after sales. Needless to say, we have never experienced this level of service from any salesperson and we've got the very best deal. We will recommend Steve and John Hughes dealership to our families, friends and everyone we know.

**D. Notopuro - Bentley**

I had a great experience with Matthew. I was nervous initially about choosing and buying the car but he made me feel comfortable and put in effort to help me find a car that was what I was looking for and within my budget. I would definitely recommend him.

**S. Sureish - Dianella**

I am writing to let you know that I went into your used car sales yard and was greeted by a young lovely gentleman, Jonah, on his first day working for you. I said I was looking for a MG second hand car, after showing us a couple we then proceeded to walk across the road where we were then greeted by a lovely young salesman, Lewis, who showed me the car, and I fell in love with it straight away. Both salesmen were so courteous and never once pushy, which I really liked. In my experience with John Hughes I will definitely be referring people to your car yard. I wish Jonah all the best with your company as I couldn't have asked for a more less pressure welcome, which is just the way I like it.

**J. Gunstone - Swan View**

I enquired about a Pajero Sport with a different dealer who never followed through. I went online with John Hughes and enquired about the new car. Kirsty responded the next day and she was absolutely amazing, friendly and easy to talk to. She organised the new car and helped us to get a rental car. Everyone who we spoke to at John Hughes were all friendly and helpful. The whole experience was amazing. We will definitely recommend John Hughes and Kirsty to anyone who is searching for a car. We will be going back there to find a car for the wife.

**A. Chalcraft - Ellenbrook**

We went into John Hughes Wangara. Lewis and the team were amazing, we had a low budget and the future to trade in for a newer vehicle. Thank you. The staff and service were excellent, helpful, listened, we will be back and recommend to all of our family and friends.

Love, love driving my car, feels like home again.

**M. Bain - Aveley**

Just wanted to pass on to John some feedback about our experience with Juliano at Chery. He's a gem! Went above and beyond to make our purchase a streamlined and belated experience. We've bought a lot of new cars from different places over the years, and we haven't had such attention to detail previously. Great to see from the next generation coming through.

**D. Wassell - Palmyra**

I am satisfied with the services provided by John Hughes as they were quick and professional. The communication was professional and did not delay any process. Marshall dealt with my application process and he was polite and very professional. I am grateful for the service and delighted with the car.

**J. Singay - Mount Lawley**

Dean was very truthful and honest about his views on the Chery, knowing he drives a vehicle that he sells always makes it even easier. It puts trust in the salesperson and trust in the brand. He was very informative along the way. He was also patient when I was tossing up in the hour-long thought about putting a deposit down.

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# VETERANS' HEALTH

## Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS)

The Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS) provides eligible veterans, war widow(er)s, and their dependants access to a wide range of pharmaceuticals and dressings at concessional rate. The RPBS also includes access to all items listed in the Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits available to the general community.

## Veterans' Home Care (VHC) Program

If you are a Gold Card or White Card holder living at home, you may also be eligible for services such as domestic assistance and respite care delivered through the 'Veterans Home Care (VHC) program to help you maintain functional independence in your home.

## Coordinated Veterans' Care (CVC) Program

The Coordinated Veterans Care (CVC) Program is available to Gold Card holders who are living at home and are at risk of being admitted to hospital due to congestive heart failure, coronary artery disease, pneumonia, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, diabetes or as a result of other complex care needs.

## Veteran Health Check

The Veteran Health Check is an opportunity for veterans to access a comprehensive health check with a General Practitioner (GP). It is specifically designed for veterans and can help you optimise your health and wellbeing. Early intervention and targeted referrals can help you enjoy better health outcomes and manage our health during transition to civilian life.

There are two types of Veteran Health Checks you may be eligible for:

If you left the ADF before 30 June 2019:

You are eligible for the One-off Veteran Health Check, which has been designed specifically for veterans and is available to all former serving ADF members.

If you left the ADF from 1 July 2019:

You are eligible for the Annual Veteran health Check each year for the first five years after leaving the ADF.

For more information please visit the DVA website: [www.dva.gov.au/veteranhealthcheck](http://www.dva.gov.au/veteranhealthcheck)

## Heart Health Program

The program runs for 52 weeks and includes regular physical activity sessions tailored to the needs and fitness level of participants, and monthly health education modules. The Heart Health Program is free and is open to all returned veterans and peacekeepers who have not previously participated in the program.

All participants require medical clearance from their GP before beginning.

For more information please visit: [www.veteranshearthealth.com.au](http://www.veteranshearthealth.com.au) to check eligibility or call 1300 246 262.

For more information about what DVA services and programs are available to you, visit the DVA website: [www.dva.gov.au](http://www.dva.gov.au)

## What Type of Health Services are NOT funded by DVA

DVA does **not** fund alternative therapies which include: acupuncture and acupressure\* - aromatherapy - art therapy - equine therapy - homeopathy - hypnotherapy and hypnosis - massage or therapeutic touch\* - meditation - music therapy - reflexology and relaxation therapy - reiki - tai chi - yoga.

\*Note: Massage services **may** be funded when provided by a Medicare Australia registered physiotherapist, chiropractor or osteopath as part of a treatment plan (upon referral by a GP). Acupuncture can only be funded when delivered by a GP registered with Medicare Australia to deliver that service.

<https://www.dva.gov.au/health-and-wellbeing/treatment-your-heh-conditions>



**Veterans' Home Care (VHC) Program**

Help you maintain functional independence in your home.

Services include: domestic assistance, respite care, and more.

For more information, visit [www.dva.gov.au/vhc](http://www.dva.gov.au/vhc)

1800 555 264

[general.enquiries@dva.gov.au](mailto:general.enquiries@dva.gov.au)

# HOSPITALS & HOME CARE

Due to the privacy legislation our Hospital Visiting Volunteers are having difficulty in obtaining details of any TPI's who are patients in the various health facilities. We therefore ask TPI's, their wives or Carers to advise the TPI office on 9332 4999 if the TPI has been admitted to a facility for a period of more than one day. On receiving your advice we will pass on the information to our Hospital Visiting Volunteers. It would also be helpful if we received advice when the TPI has been discharged from the facility. Alternatively give the form below to your nurse or ward clerk.

To whom it may concern

Please call the TPI office on 9332 4999 and inform them that I \_\_\_\_\_

Member number W \_\_\_\_\_ would appreciate a visit from a qualified TPI Hospital

Visiting Volunteers, whilst I am in your Facility.

Thank you

## TIER 1 HOSPITALS

Albany Hospice, Attadale Private Hospital, Bethesda Hospital, glengarry Private Hospital, Hollywood Private Hospital, Joondalup Private Hospital, Mercy Hospital Mount Lawley, Mount Hospital, Mount Lawley Private Hospital, Peel Private Hospital, St John of God Health Care Bunbury, St John of God Health Care Geraldton, St John of God Health Care Subiaco, St John of God Hospital Murdoch, Waikiki Private Hospital & Westminster Day Surgery.

The following people are available to visit all the tier one hospitals in the Perth Metropolitan area:

Len Farmer JP... phone 0437 924 595 ..... Bunbury Hospital

Ken Laffer... phone 0474 969 877..... Hollywood & St John of God Subiaco & St John of God Mount Lawley Hospitals

David Trezise... phone 9295 3559 ..... Hollywood Hospital

John Rankin ... phone 0438 264 371 .... Hollywood Hospital

Ian Bourne... phone 0411 222 021 ..... All Areas

These members would appreciate a phone call if you wish them to visit you in hospital. They will also be visiting the various hospitals as per normal so if you are unable to phone please do not forget to tick the box on admission paperwork for a visitor to see you.

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## VETERANS' HOME CARE

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Veterans' Home Care is a DVA program that helps veterans and war widow and widowers with assessed low care needs to remain living in their own homes. It provides a range of home support services including: **Domestic Assistance** - assistance with essential tasks which the eligible person is unable to carry out. **Personal Care** - assistance with daily self-care tasks such as eating, bathing, toileting and dressing. A Community Nursing assessment may be required for those needing higher levels of care.

**Home and Garden Maintenance** - tasks such as replacing light bulbs, but not including major home repairs, tree felling, or routine cosmetic or ornamental gardening services unless there is a safety hazard. and **Respite Care** (in home and emergency respite and approved residential respite) - temporary relief provided to the carer of a veteran or war widow or widower or a veteran or war widow or widower who is a carer.

To be eligible for a Veterans' Home Care assessment a person must be:

- a veteran of the Australian defence forces; or
- an Australian mariner; or
- a defence or war widow or widower of a veteran of the Australian defence forces or an Australian mariner, and have,
- a Repatriation Health Card - for all conditions (Gold Card); or
- a Repatriation Health Care - for specific conditions (White Card).

## MEN'S HEALTH PEER EDUCATION PROGRAMME

(An initiative of the Australian Government]

Sponsored by the "Department of Veterans Affairs" and co-ordinated by MHPE volunteers promoting healthy lifestyles for Australian veterans and contemporaries of the ADF and other Community Emergency Services. Our aim is to increase awareness of men's health issues and to encourage men to manage their own health & well being. Healthy Lifestyles, Depression, Dementia, PTSD and Cancers.

"MEN'S HEALTH MATTERS" Contact - [www.dva.gov.au/mhpe.htm](http://www.dva.gov.au/mhpe.htm)

Mens Health Peer Education is a group of Volunteers working through Veterans Affairs trying to get the health message and information out to ex-servicemen and women and their friends and partners.

Eric Aitkins [jennifer8kins@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer8kins@gmail.com) Mob: 0419 954 972 or contact Veterans Affairs

# RAAFA Club

Phone: 9311 4460

## Trading Hours

### Monday

9:00am to 7:00pm

### Tuesday

9:00am to 6:00pm

### Wednesday

9:00am to 7:00pm

### Thursday

9:00am to 6:00pm

### Friday

9:00am to 10:00pm

### Saturday

11:00am to 6:00pm

### Phone Reservations at the Club

To ensure we provide the best service possible, we kindly ask that you contact us by phone during our non-peak hours:

8:30am – 10:30am & 2:30pm – 6:00pm Mon-Fri

This will help us avoid long wait times and assist you more efficiently.

During these times, our team will be better able to address your queries promptly.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.  
Simone Elton-Bott Club & Functions Manager

### ASK ABOUT OUR CHEF'S SPECIALS

#### ENTRÉE

Soup of the day & warm roll 9

Garlic Bread 10

Mashed Avocado  
grilled sourdough, whipped cottage  
cheese, greens & pomegranate molasses 17

Frawi Cocktail  
cabbage lettuce & lemon wedge 18

Apartalis (fl)  
Japoi sauce, rocket & shaved parmesan 15

Crispy Chicken Carriage Bites  
sticky honey sesame & Japanese mayo 16

Lamb Pita Pocket 19  
slow cooked shoulder, pickled cucumber,  
tamaio, lettuce & tzatziki sauce

Aini Gourmet Sausage Rolls  
& boneo dumpling 14

#### SIDE:

Garden Salad 6

fries with aioli & green tomato relish 9

Steamed Seasonal Vegetables  
with garlic butter 8

Seasoned Wedges  
with sour cream & sweet chili 10

#### MAINS

Fish + Chips 24  
Beer battered or grilled with fries, golden  
salad, tartare, pickled onions + fresh lemon

Grilled Market Fish of the Day 36  
Saffron rice, peas, broccolini & herb potato

Garlic Prawns (9) (fl) 29  
Grilled with garlic butter, shrimps rice &  
garlic salad

Roast of the Day (fl) 25  
Roast potatoes, pumpkin, steamed  
vegetables + rich gravy

Pie of the Day 19  
Choice of mash + vegetables or fries + salad

Curry of the Day (fl) 24  
Steamed basmati rice, crispy papadum +  
mango chutney

Snapper Taco 24  
Grilled snapper, tomato, shaved cabbage,  
sour cream & crispy fried shallots

Seafood Platter 30  
Battered fish, salt + lemon pepper sauce,  
crumbed prawns, tartare, salad + fries

Chicken Satay Skewers (3) (fl) 23  
Steamed rice, vegetable & side parrot sauce

Lemon Pepper Calamari 23  
Tartare, garden salad & fries

Friday (fl) 19  
marinated tomato, basil, mozzarella,  
baby spinach, fries & side salad

(fl - Flourless)

#### SALADS

Classic Caesar Salad 16  
Topped with egg, mushrooms, bacon &  
shaved parmesan  
Add: chicken + 9

Greek Lamb Salad 14  
Tomato, cucumber, olives, feta &  
yoghurt dressing

Sweet Potato & Quinoa Salad (fl) 20  
Lemon roasted, green goddess dressing  
with smoked cashew & nuts  
Add: chicken + 8

#### BURGERS + SANDWICHES

Angus Beef Burger 24  
Cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato,  
beetroot, onion, milk bun & fries

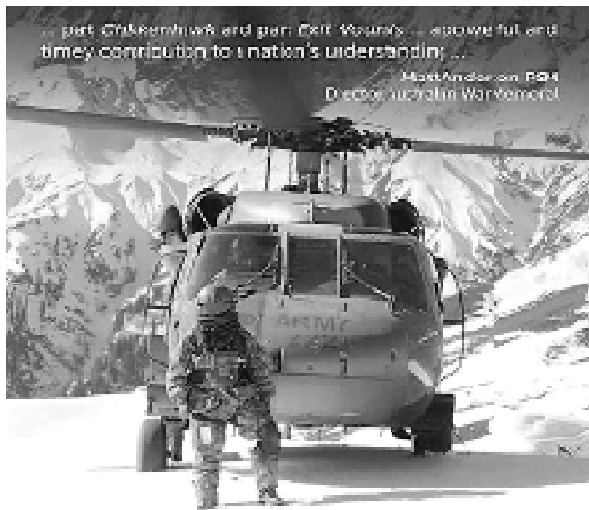
Steak Sandwich 24  
Caramelised onion, cheddar cheese,  
lettuce, tomato, garlic mayo, borkib bun  
& fries

BLT Sandwich 20  
Bacon, lettuce, tomato, avocado + fries

Roast - Graw Roll 18  
Roast of the day & fries

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## BOOK REVIEW



### STOP SCREAMING I'M SCARED TOO

An Australian Soldier's Story  
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Stop Screaming I'm Scared Too  
Author Rod Henderson Big Sky Publishing Paperback 352pp  
Reviewer LS Nadav Harel  
Rating 5/5

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Terms & Conditions for the display of parking permits.

All parking permits must show Car Make and Registration number

**Please Note: Two vehicles may be nominated, only one permit will be issued**

**If you purchase a new vehicle during the year, you will need to return your current permit before being issued with a new one.**

TPI Members are responsible for ensuring that their permits are valid and displayed properly (Permits expire on the 31st December each year) and a TPI window sticker is displayed on each vehicles front windscreen (TPI window sticker is available from the office at a cost of \$3.50)

There is no cost for the Parking Permit. **Permits are not to be used in No Standing, No Parking, Loading, Disabled Bays, Bus or Taxi Zones. Improper use of the parking permit may result in a fine. \*\* PHOTOCOPIES ARE NOT PERMITTED\*\***

## CITY OF BUNBURY

City of Bunbury car parks and ticket machine zone on-street parking are FREE without the need to obtain and display a parking ticket. Further, when a time restriction is applicable to an on-street park bay, the permit holder will be entitled to park within that bay for half an hour over the time displayed on the parking sign

**NO FREE PARKING AT CENTREPOINT SHOPPING CENTRE**

## CITY OF FREMANTLE

Council Car Parks are FREE

FREE Street Parking - 3 hours Maximum

**NO FREE PARKING AT WILSON CAR PARK**

## CITY OF MELVILLE

Apply to the Rangers Office at City of Melville Council Offices. All parking regulations, signage and by-laws must be adhered to. Only City of Melville residents/rate payers can apply.

## EAST FREMANTLE BOAT RAMP

Parking is FREE at all times

All local parking regulations, signage & by-laws must be adhered to

## HOLLYWOOD HOSPITAL

### PLEASE NOTE CHANGES

All Parking must be paid for now. Claim through DVA with the D800 form or online at MyAccount. Remember to keep your receipts for a minimum of 3 months.

## HILLARYS BOAT RAMP

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All parking regulations, signage and by-laws must be adhered to

Please refer to Notices on page 4 for cut-off dates

## JOONDALUP HOSPITAL

### Carpark 1 (P1)

Park in car park, your rego will be scanned when entering. When leaving the hospital go to the main reception and show your DVA card and request a QR code for the carpark.

When exiting the carpark, scan the QR code and it will provide free exit from the carpark.

**Carpark 4 (P4) - Maximum 5 hours**

**Carpark 12 (P12) - Unlimited**

**Please display permit clearly**

## PARKING PERMIT APPLICATION

(TPI WINDOW STICKER REQUIRED \$3.50)

### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Please supply a parking permit for Bunbury, East Fremantle Boat Ramp, Fremantle & Joondalup Hospital.

Please apply to the Dept of Planning & Infrastructure on my behalf for a Hillarys Boat Ramp Parking Permit. (YOU MUST HAVE A BOAT)

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## YOUR WILL MARRIAGE OF TESTATOR/TESTATRIX

If you marry after you have made a Will, your marriage will have the effect of cancelling your Will unless a special section has been put in it, or for the will of a person who dies on or after 9 February 2008, there is other evidence to show the Will was made when you were contemplating marriage.

This could result in a legal argument over your estate that could end up in the courts.

If, when you make your Will, you are about to get married, you should include a statement that says you wrote your Will "in contemplation of marriage", and you should name the person you intend to marry. If you then marry that person, your Will is not cancelled.

People who have married after making their Will should get advice from a lawyer to find out if the Will is valid and should consider making a new Will to include the changed situation.

**Divorce of Testator / testatrix**

If you get divorced or your marriage is annulled on or after 9 February 2008 your Will is cancelled unless a contrary intention is expressed in your Will or there is other evidence showing this intention.

So if you do not want your Will cancelled when you get divorced you should state this in your Will. If you then get divorced your Will is not revoked.

If you were divorced before 9 February 2008 your Will is not cancelled when you divorce. You may want to consider making a new Will to include the new situation.

Short of rotating legal articles, I now need to know from you, the members, what areas you may want me to provide information on.

**LEGAL ADVICE**  
For legal information or advice, please contact  
**John Rouphael**  
Phone: 9361 1772

# CLUBS WITHIN CLUBS

## TPI Group Albany

### NEXT MEETING - 3RD JUNE 2025

4 of us attended the Premier Hotel. Most took advantage of the Seniors discount meals.  
I banked \$20 towards our Christmas do.

Severina will host our next meeting at the White Star Hotel.  
Make sure you let Severina know you will be attending.

11:30am at the venue.

We need members to put their hand up to host July to October.

Don't forget \$5.00 towards 2025 Christmas lunch

Date	Venue	Host
3 June	White Star Hotel Stirling Terrace, Albany	Severina 0417 929 317 or 9841 7236
1 July	TBA	TBA
5 August	TBA	TBA
1 Sept	TBA	TBA

Cheers: Mo  
E: mojen@bigpond.net.au  
M: 0419 922 364



### TPI and Vietnam Veterans' Wheatbelt Group

Phone : Mr Colin Turner 0429 150 847

### The Partners of Veterans Association of Australia Inc.

Phone : 1300 553 835



## Learn more

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# CONCESSIONS & DISCOUNTS

PLEASE DO NOT ABUSE THESE GIVEN PRIVILEGES!

## CINEMA NEWS

The following cinema groups allow a concession discount for TPI Gold Card Holders, but it must be noted that some Theatres change the stipulation on their concession. Show your Gold Card at Greater Union, Hoyts and Reading to get 1 ticket for \$1.

**Palace Cinemas at Raine Square & ACE Cinemas**  
Produce your Gold Card for 1 free ticket.

**Hoyts Theatre Group**

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Kalbarri	<del>\$240</del> \$165	<del>\$270</del> \$195
Preston Beach	<del>\$180</del> \$145	<del>\$210</del> \$175

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# CONCESSIONS & DISCOUNTS

## STATE CONCESSIONS

### Synergy & Horizon Power

Residential customers are allowed a rebate on supply charges, account establishment fees and reduced fees on meter testing. More if you have dependant children.

### Spectacles Subsidy Scheme

Discounts are available only if not claimable from DVA

### National Parks

Rebates on Park entrance fees, camping and attractions

### Annual Free Trip Scheme

For those living in the North West, two free trips per year

### Drivers Licence

Free for Gold Card holders

### Motor Vehicle Licence

100% exemption on vehicle licence fees and stamp duty (Insurance component is not exempt)

### Purchasing a Vehicle

When purchasing a vehicle you are not only GST exempt but Stamp Duty as well. (Conditions apply. Speak to your salesperson)

### Secondary Assistance Scheme

Clothing allowance and Education Program allowance

### TAFEWA or Registered Training Organisation and TAFEWA

Adult Community Courses Fees and Charges; concessions available

For further information please visit:

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## INTERNATIONAL CONCESSIONS

### Hire Car Companies

Hertz Phone 13 30 39 or book online, and quote national discount program number 1251957 prior to leaving Australia. When overseas you need to log onto [www.hertz.com](http://www.hertz.com). The national discount program entitles financial members of the TPI Association special concession rates throughout Australia and Overseas. However you will be required to present your financial membership card when picking up the vehicle. It is recommended that anyone who intends to travel overseas should consider joining the Hertz Gold Card Club as your 10% discount will be honoured when making a booking. Additionally your reserved vehicle will be available as soon as you arrive and you won't need to line up, this can save you considerable waiting time.

### Disability Permits

In the US your disability permit is recognized when displayed in a vehicle.

### Restaurants

Dennys Restaurants in the USA are located in all major cities and provide excellent budget meals for Senior Card holders.

### Hotels & Motels

If you look at your RAC Card you will find a logo "show your card and save". This is your key to discounts at many participating countries. Refer to the RAC website.

## CAR RENTAL

### Hertz Car Rental

Phone: 13 30 39 and quote cdp 1251957

### Europcar Car Rental

Phone: 1300 13 13 90 and quote 50025501

### Budget Car Rental

Qantas Frequent Flyers can get a good discount

## AUTOMOTIVE

Contact the office for a letter of introduction for the following dealerships:

Ford Motor Co Fleet Discount

Hyundai Fleet Discount

Kia Fleet Discount

Mitsubishi Fleet Discount

Nissan Fleet Discount

Subaru Discount

Suzuki Fleet Discount

Volkswagen Fleet Discount

Please supply the following information:

Your name and Badge Number

Dealership name

Salespersons name

Salespersons phone number

Salespersons email address

If purchasing a vehicle through John Hughes you do not require a letter of introduction. You must produce your Gold Card and current TPI Membership Card.



## CONCESSIONS - PRIVILEGES ARE NOT A RIGHT

Very few concessions listed in this book are legislated; rather they are made available by businesses in the private sector, and by all tiers government in recognition of the special place TPI members hold in our society. In short, it is the good corporate citizen's way of appreciating and thanking us for our service to our nation and its people.

Sadly, rare though it's been, these privileges have been occasionally abused by members, particularly with respect to travel and parking concessions. Such selfish action by individuals not only jeopardises our concessions, they also, by their deeds, show contempt for those who support us and for fellow TPI members.

Members are reminded that if a concession listed is no longer available, you should take the following action:

Advise the provider that the error will be brought to our attention (show them the listing in the book, chances are you may get the concession after all)

Notify the Battling On Editor through the office of the change (give your contact details)

At all times remain calm, if you feel as though you may get into an argument, walk away and ring the TPI office for assistance.

# CONCESSIONS & DISCOUNTS

## OTHER SERVICES

### AAABRAKES & CLUTCH WORKSHOP

Unit 1/15 Gillam Drive Kelmscott  
Mob: 0419 934 142 Ph: 9390 0277

### AUSTRALIA ZOO

1638 Steve Irwin Way Beerwah QLD  
Show your DVA TPI embossed Gold Card for 50% off an Adult Ticket price and if you are also a holder of a PCC Card as well as your DVA TPI Gold Card you will receive 50% off a Pensioner Ticket price.  
Ph: (07) 5436 2000  
[www.australiazoo.com.au](http://www.australiazoo.com.au)

### AUTOCARE BULL CREEK

Discount on installation on Fuelmate, average of \$50.00 per hour  
Mob: 0423 435 564

### BEAM

Gold Seal Rustproofing  
John Pilatti (Manager)  
Ph: 9325 1399  
[www.beamrustproofing.com](http://www.beamrustproofing.com)

### BELMONT WASHERS

Washing Machine Sales and Repairs  
Mob: 0407 771 759

### BOB JANE T-MART

Tyres and suspension  
1800 000 364 for your local branch

### CARTRIDGE WORLD BULL CREEK

Shop 6a/110 Parry Place Shopping Centre Bull Creek  
Ph: 9313 6655  
Email: [bullcreek@cartridgeworld.com.au](mailto:bullcreek@cartridgeworld.com.au)

### DVA REGISTERED PODIATRIST

Suite 5/210 Amelia Street Balcatta  
All foot problems addressed including nails, corns and callouses  
Orthotic shoe supports  
Medical grade footwear assessment and prescription  
All DVA Gold card and TPI card holders welcome  
Ph: 9344 8399

### FUELMATE

5% discount on purchase of Fuelmate, a high performance fuel catalyst, and save up to 20% on fuel consumption.  
Mob: 0412 399 553

### HIGHLIGHT FLOORSANDING

10% Discount off laying of timber and cork floors and sanding and polishing to all TPI members and their families.  
Ph: 9335 6313 Mob: 0419 967 576

### JOHN HUGHES

New & Used Cars  
61 Shepparton Road East Victoria Park  
Ph: 9415 0077

### OSBORNE GRAPHICS CTP

Prepress Bureau Services - Scanning - Large Format Posters  
Digital Retouching - Film & Bromide Imaging  
Ph: 9446 9330

### QANTAS CLUB & CORPORATE TRAVEL

Join the Qantas Club at corporate travel rates  
Contact TPIWA on 9332 4999 for details

### SPECSAVERS OPTOMETRIST BOORAGOON

Garden City Shopping Centre  
125 Riseley Street Booragoon  
Ph: 9316 3058  
[www.specsavers.com.au/booragoon](http://www.specsavers.com.au/booragoon)

### SUCCESSPRINT

Business Stationery - Flyers - Business Cards - Letterheads  
Ph: 9345 3601

## ACCOMMODATION

### INTERNATIONAL

#### Victory Services Club - London England

63-79 Seymour St, London, W2 2HF England  
Easily accessible from all London mainline stations. The club has over 191 rooms including single, twin, double and family rooms. A variety of rooms are available in the Memorial and Centenary wings, including nine fully disabled-friendly suits. Full details and application forms are available at [www.vsc.co.uk](http://www.vsc.co.uk)

### AUSTRALIA

#### APIWA

TPIWA members save with Mates Rates when booking an APIWA Holiday Home.  
Call to book on (08)9325 7425  
Refer to page 29 for further information

#### COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC)

With the greatest appreciation and thanks to the CWA, they have agreed to allow our association to publish and share with them their Country Accommodation facilities.  
PLEASE DO NOT ABUSE THIS PRIVILEGE  
Country Units are in :-  
Esperance  
Phone CWA Residential 9321 6041  
Email: [esperancecwaunits@gmail.com](mailto:esperancecwaunits@gmail.com)  
[www.cwaofwa.asn.au/accommodation.htm](http://www.cwaofwa.asn.au/accommodation.htm)

#### RAAFA MOTEL UNITS

Bull Creek Ph: 9311 4488  
Merriwa Ph: 9400 3640  
Meadow Springs Ph: 9582 5375

#### STANDOWN PARK

91 Radtke Road Goomborian QLD 4570  
Out from Gympie towards Rainbow Beach  
Run and owned by ex Vietnam Vet. The park is well serviced.  
Big rigs taken. 2hrs - Brisbane 30 mins - Beach  
Dogs allowed - Dump Point  
Ph: (07) 5486 5144

#### TT (SPIRIT OF TASMANIA)

TPI & EDA have no restriction on concession bookings.  
Produce current TPI Membership Card and DVA Gold Card when paying and collecting tickets.  
Ph: 1800 634 906



# ACCOMMODATION

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE PHOTOCOPIED

## RETREAT COTTAGE APPLICATION

TPI Association WA  
PO Box 2035  
ROSSMOYNE WA 6148

I wish to make an application for the rental of the Retreat Cottage at Point Peron.

From Friday .....to Friday.....

My second preference is for the period.

From Friday.....to Friday.....

Rent is \$200.00 per week plus a \$100.00 bond. Please note that the bond will be returned once the key has been returned and the cottage has been inspected.

\*If you are seeking accommodation in the School Holidays (drawn by ballot) please indicate whether you have children or grandchildren currently attending school. Preference will be given to applicants in this category during school holidays. This ballot closes 6 weeks prior to holidays.

**\*Occupancy is from 2.00pm Friday to 10am the following Friday. The only exception to this must be confirmed in writing from the Committee.**

**\*Pets are not allowed**

\*I understand if there are more than two applicants for the same period, a ballot will be held.

Upon advice that my booking has been confirmed by the Association a deposit of \$100.00 is to be forwarded to the office.

I understand that I must advise the office at least seven (7) days prior to my booked date if I will be unable to take up occupancy. Failure to do so will render me liable to forfeiture of the rental paid.

When making application, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope for reply.

Name.....

Address.....

.....Postcode.....Phone No.....

Date.....Badge No.....

Number of Tenants.....(For statistics only)

Banking Details

Account Name.....BSB:.....Acct#.....

**I understand that the TPI Association WA cannot be held responsible for loss of or damage to my property whilst I am renting the Retreat Cottage. I will be held liable for any damage done to the Retreat Cottage during my stay and I am responsible for the conduct of others staying at the cottage during the rental period.**

Signature of Applicant.....

## GROSVENOR FAMILY BIODYNAMICS

Gorton Drive MYSTIC PARK VIC 3519

Mandy and Rick Grosvenor own and run a certified biodynamic (chemical free) fruit farm at Kangaroo Lake which is between Kerang and Swan Hill in north west Victoria. They have available a self-contained cabin that they would like to offer respite accommodation to Returned Service personnel who may need somewhere restful to recover for a variety of reasons.

The farm is 47 acres in size and being right beside the lake is a very peaceful place to be, with extensive walking tracks, and is a popular fishing spot.

The cabin measures approx. 8m x 5m; has its own bathroom, kitchen, queen size bed & soon to be installed 2 bunk beds, air conditioning, heating, and driveway. It's completely lockable, safe and private. It does have 2 steps (with handrails), but once inside is completely level.

Although people staying would be self-contained, Mandy and Rick are more than happy for them to pop inside for a coffee and some company when they need it, they also have a very friendly dog who would never say no to a walk if the person felt like company, and a couple of fenced paddocks if they just want to go and play with a ball or frisbee with him. There is also a large shed with lots of tools, and they are happy if people want to potter in there to avoid boredom.

There is no local public transport, but they are happy to assist with taking them to the supermarket or chemist as required.

**Please note:** November to March on some days during harvest time gas fired scatter guns are used to scare away birds in a non-lethal manner and that if hearing what sounds like gunfire would hinder your recovery, it may be better to come at a different time of year. They are not used every day, only when the bird population tries to consume the farm's income. They nickname them sharefarmers.

There is no cost to rent the cabin only a contribution of \$10 per week towards the electricity bill.

For bookings and further inquiries please contact Mandy and Rick  
Mob: 0414 620 803

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/GrosvenorFamilyBiodynamics](http://www.facebook.com/GrosvenorFamilyBiodynamics)



# ACCOMMODATION

## WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**POINT PERON TPI** (Motor Vehicle Required)  
Retreat Cottages Memorial Drive Point Peron  
Two units available. Half hour drive from Perth City.  
Close to the beach. Required to bring your own linen, pillows,  
blankets/sleeping bags, toiletries and food.  
Contact TPI Association WA  
Ph: (08) 9332 4999  
Email: tpiwa@tpiwa.org.au

## BUSSELTON LEGACY CAMP

For Information please contact the TPI Office

## AMBLIN CARAVAN PARK - RAN - BUSSELTON

583 - 585 Bussel Highway Busselton  
Ph: 9755 4079  
www.amblin-caravanpark.com.au or www.ranccf.com

## NEW SOUTH WALES

### ETALONG BEACH TOURIST RESORT

Cnr Ocean View Road & Schnapper Road Ettalong Beach  
15% discount on production of current TPI Membership Card  
www.ettalongbeach.net

### FORSTER HOLIDAY VILLAGE

1 - 5 Middle Street Forster  
Ph: (02) 6554 6027  
Fax: (02) 6555 3413  
20% discount to the ex-servicemen and women  
www.forsterholidayvillage.com.au

### RAMON DEED VETERANS RETREAT

PO Box 397 Dareton NSW 2717  
Scout Road Dareton NSW 2717  
Caravan and Camping Facilities, Club Rooms & BBQ  
Call Di and Barry on (03) 5027 4447

## QUEENSLAND

### ALARIC HOMESTEAD VETERANS RETREAT

Quiet bush retreat 100kms North West of Quilpie  
Homestead has 6 bedrooms, phone & TV  
Very low nominal fee charged per day  
Caravans and camper trailers can be parked for a low fee  
Ph: (07) 4656 4740 Bookings essential  
Email: alaricretreat@bigpond.net.au

### AMAROO HOLIDAY FLATS MAGENETIC ISLAND

Situated on the hillside of Geoffrey Bay Arcadia  
Fully airconditioned - self contained  
Supply own linen - Close to shops  
Ph: (07) 4725 3842  
Email: admin@nqahr.com.au  
www.nqahr.com.au/Resorts/amaroo.html

## MOTELS

Southern end of the Gold Coast are the most reasonable  
Also Refer to online "DEFENCE HOLIDAY CENTRES"

## CLEARWATER NOOSA

295 Weyba Road Noosaville  
Not available during school holidays  
Ph: (07) 5449 9333

## COCKSCOMBS VETERANS CAMP

Set in the hills on the southern side of Mt Wheeler  
Outside with a swag or camp stretcher or in fixed accommodation in  
Uc Dai Loi (log cabin) or Andawakey House  
Ph: (07) 4927 9070  
www.veteranretreat.tripod.com

## VICTORIA

### RYE Mornington Peninsula

The three units situated at 34 Daly Street Rye are self contained,  
with shared laundry facilities, waling distance to a lovely beach and  
many shops. Contact TPI Victoria for mor information.

### WAHGUNYAH Murray River

The three units situated at 25 Blanche Street are excellent.  
Bookings can be made through Ray Bolitho at Head Office  
Ph: (03) 9329 8844

### CLARION SUITES Gateway

1 William Street Melbourne 3000  
This is a four and a half star hotel located on the banks of the Yarra,  
directly opposite Crown Casino.  
Best Rate of the Day for booking on our website or directly with the  
hotel.  
Ph: (03) 9296 8888  
Fax: (03) 9296 8880  
Toll Free: 1800 351 288  
www.clarionsuitesgateway.com.au

### ST KILDA

Alrae bed & breakfast  
5% off for Credit - 10% off for Cash  
Book direct, off peak  
Ph: (03) 9527 2033  
Email: alrae2@bigpond.com  
www.visitvictoria.com/alrae

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

### REX HOTEL

172 Richmond Road Marleston  
Booking on production of current TPI Membership Card  
Receive 10% discount for meals on production of TPI card  
Ph: (08) 8443 8188 (ask for Terri)

## TASMANIA

### RYDGES HOTEL

Cnr Argyle & Lewis Street Hobart  
Full Corporate Rates  
Ph: (03) 6231 1588  
www.rydges.com

### TASMANIA VETERANS RETREAT

House accommodation in the remote Central Highlands area  
20 mins from Bothwell  
Ph: (03) 6224 0881

# TPI STATE OFFICES

## ACT

Mon - Fri 9:00am - 5:00pm  
 PO Box 450  
 Erindale ACT 2903  
 Ph: 0417 291 546  
 secretary@acttpi.org

## NSW

Mon - Thurs 9:00am - 4:00pm  
 Level 4/55 York Street  
 Sydney NSW 2000  
 GPO Box 4429  
 Sydney NSW 2001  
 Ph: (02) 9235 1466  
 admin@tpinw.org.au

## QLD

Wed & Fri 10:00am - 2:00pm  
 90 Enoggera Road  
 Newmarket Qld 4051  
 Ph: (07) 3352 5090  
 secretary@qldtpi.org.au

## SA

Mon - Fri 9:30am - 12:30pm  
 171 Richmond Road  
 Richmond SA 5033  
 Ph:(08) 8351 8140  
 office@tpi-sa.com.au

## TAS

Tues & Thurs 9:00am - 12:30pm  
 Horrie Gorringe Stand  
 North Hobart Football Oval  
 Argyle Street  
 North Hobart Tas 7000  
 Ph: (03) 6231 3900  
 tpitas@outlook.com

# PENSION OFFICER

To arrange an appointment with a Qualified Pension Officer that operates out of the Pension/Advocate Office on the RAAFA Estate next to TPI Office at Bull Creek.

This Office is manned:

Mondays: 10am-2pm  
 Tuesdays: 10am-2pm  
 Wednesday: 10am-2pm  
 Thursday: 10am-12pm  
 Friday 10am-2pm

Appointments can be arranged by phoning 9311 4235 during the above hours.

Graeme Bland  
 Pension Office Co-ordinator

# T.P.I SHOP

When ordering please quote product code and include postage.

## BELT BUCKLES CAR BADGES HAT BADGES LAPEL PINS

AIRFORCE	RAA	ICB	ICB
RAA	RAAC	RAA	RAAF
RAAC	RAEME	RAAC	RAE
RAAF	RASIGS	RAEME	RAN
RAASC		RAR	RAR
RAEME		RASIGS	RISING SUN
RASIGS		RISING SUN	TPI
			VV

NOTE: Badges and Buckles are only available in the listed services

## MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM

ITEM (CODE)	QTY	COST	
			TPI Association PO Box 2035 ROSSMOYNE WA 6148  Phone: (08) 9332 4999 Email: officeadmin@tpiwa.org.au
POSTAGE			NAME: _____
TOTAL COST			ADDRESS: _____
<b>POSTAGE:</b> Please include the following postage costs: Stickers Sm \$1.50 Lg \$3.00 Other Items \$10.00 Maximum Postage \$10.00			_____ _____ PHONE: _____

# T.P.I SHOP



ST4RIBLGE - \$5.50 - ST4RIBSML - \$3.50



ST5RIBLGE - \$5.50 - ST5RIBSML - \$3.50



STVVLGE - \$1.00



STMALBORN - \$3.50



STVVDAMNPROUD \$3.50



STLEAVE \$5.50



STTHANK \$5.50



STRAR \$3.50



STARMY \$3.50



STRAN \$3.50



STVV3RBN \$3.50



STAWV \$3.50



STRAAF \$3.50



STICB \$3.50



STREACTSERV - \$2.50



Poppy  
\$5.00



STUBBIE HOLDER  
\$8.00



STTPI \$3.50



T.P.I Hats  
\$20.00



TPI SHIRT  
\$40.00



TPI PLAQUE  
\$35.00



TPI TIE PINS  
\$8.00



LAPEL PINS  
\$10.00



RISING SUN



RAAF



RASIGS



RAAC



RAASC



RAEME



RAE



RAA



ICB

- CAR BADGES (CB) \$28.00
- BELT BUCKLES (BB) \$33.00
- LAPEL PINS (LP) \$10.00
- HAT BADGES (HB) \$15.00



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RAN

## BELT BUCKLES





# John Hughes Volkswagen

SUPPORT THE DEALER WHO SUPPORTS YOUR ASSOCIATION

## 2024 AMAROK TDI600 STYLE 4X4 3.0L TURBO DIESEL

# FROM \$62,990 DRIVE AWAY\*



- > 3.5 tonne towing capacity
- > 17" alloy wheels
- > Under engine protection plate
- > 10.0" display screen
- > 8.0" digital instrument cluster
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- > 9 airbags
- > Side steps
- > Towbar
- > Dynamic stability control
- > Adaptive load control
- > Trailer sway control
- > LED headlights
- > 405 Nm of torque

With a rugged, ready to work exterior combined with the kind of features and comforts you would expect to find in a luxury car, the VW Amarok redefines utility.

**Contact our sales team for relaxed, supportive and friendly advice both during and after the purchase of your selected vehicle.**

\*Drive away price includes dealer delivery, twelve months concessional registration, GST & Stamp Duty exempt for TPI card holders only. Metallic paint extra charge. Prices subject to change at Volkswagen's discretion.