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## Legacy Widow's Prayer

Let us be genuine  
with one another,

and see in each the  
best that we can find.

So many lives depend  
on us for brightness,

Lord, keep us brave  
and help us to be kind.

## The Ode

Fear not that you  
have died for naught,

The torch you threw  
to us we caught,

And now our hands  
will hold it high,

Its glorious light will never die.

We'll not break faith with  
you who lie on many a field.

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## **STORY BEHIND THE PIN**

In the last Legacy Times, there was an error in our article *'The Story Behind the Pin'*. Please see the correct version below:

Private Edward Henry Martin was a part of the 3rd Brigade 11th Battalion AIF.

He was living and working in Geraldton when war was declared and travelled to Perth with other young men to enlist. His low Service Number of 804 shows he was an early recruit.

Private Martin was part of the initial Gallipoli landing and was wounded twice on April 25, in the back and knee. He was evacuated to the 1st Australian General Hospital Heliopolis on 30 April.

His service record shows he returned to duty in June but then repatriated to Australia on the 15th of August from Suez on the Themistocles. He was eventually discharged with "nervous debility", now mostly known, and connected to as PTSD.



He married Eleanor White in 1928 and they lived in North Perth.

Private Martin sadly passed away in 1956 aged 68. Eleanor joined the Perth Legacy Laurel club up until her passing in 1978. Her Laurel pin was found by her granddaughter whose mother, Mrs Helen E M James OAM kept it safe all these years.



# President's Address

## Peter Emmett

As we finish another successful Legacy Week, I'd like to thank the Legacy WA staff and all those Legatees, beneficiaries and volunteers who gave their time to assist on Badge Day and at various fundraising events around Perth. Fundraising remains one of the main challenges for Legacy, so we're very thankful to everyone who's helped out this year.

As always, the delivery of services to our beneficiaries remains our main focus. It's been great to see some major events happening such as Christmas Jingle in July and the Junior Legacy family weekend in Busselton, along with regular activities such as Laurel Club meetings and assistance to beneficiaries when required. Again, it's our hard-working Legatees and Legacy House staff who make sure these activities can continue to be delivered – thank you all for your hard work.

It feels like the year is almost over, but we have so many more activities planned – the main focus being the Legacy WA and RSL WA Better Together ball in December. After the success of our first Ball in 2022 we're really looking forward to this year's event which

assist in raising much needed funds, raising awareness of the important work of Legacy and the RSL and continuing to strengthen the bonds and working relationships between our two organisations.

Take care everyone, and I hope to see you at a Legacy event sometime soon.

Yours in Legacy,

**L/ Peter Emmett**  
President Legacy WA



# CEO's Address

## Matt Granger

Hello Legacy WA,

It's a pleasure to write this article for the latest Times as we have some good news to share.

The events team have done a stellar job throughout the year, highlighted by Legacy Week fundraising on your behalf assisted other staff and a number of Legatees. From rattling the buckets at Henderson shipyards at 5 am on Tuesday morning to collecting at the Perth Blues Club that same evening at the Charles Hotel until late, the street collection on Thursday, Bunnings collections across Saturday and numerous third-party supporters, we've raised over \$64,000 for the week.

We recently held a meeting of the Laurel Club representatives at the SAS Resources Trust house behind Campbell Barracks. It was well attended, and the resounding feedback that it was a success. Some important outcomes were:

- The various weeks/11-day blocks set aside exclusively for Widows' Camps will now be



open to all Widows as combined camps; no longer a specific 'Laurel Camp' or a 'Lillies Camp'. Some of the camps were seeing a dwindling number of attendees, some Lillies wanted to go to a Laurel Camp and vice versa; so, combining them makes good sense. I also asked that all camps be set at a seven-day length: until I was told that the 11 days matched the timing for buses to and from. Perfectly good reason, so we agreed to keep those camps that length! These camps will not be open to families with children as they have their own camps.

- The camp calendar will be reviewed and set to the same blocks each year, much like the Annual Children's Camp is set for the second week in January regardless of what those dates are, as this will give us all some certainty around when your favourite camp is going to take place. The team will publish the calendar in the next Times.

- You, our beneficiaries, will continue to stay at the camp at no cost while we receive grant funding and other guests pay a modest sum to Legacy WA. Your dedicated camp periods will be free of other paying guests and kids: but if you choose to go and stay at other times you may well be sharing the camp with paying guests.

In addition to the Widows camps, we run two 'Beneficiary with Disability' camps now: one for families with children under 18 and one for older beneficiaries. This is in addition to the 'Family Camp' that was recently completed. Considering the amount of use it sees, your camp caretaker Peter does a tremendous job and I'd like to acknowledge his efforts to provide such a great facility.

Time to break out the frocks and black tie! The joint ball with the RSLWA will be run this year at Crown on the 2nd of December. We will have discount tickets for Legatees. More information on how to get tickets will come.

If you've visited Legacy House recently, you'll have noticed that it's had quite a bit of maintenance done. We've had volunteer Neil painting, patching, fixing and tidying up. He's done a great job and is interested in becoming a Legatee to help with beneficiaries in the east as he lives out that way.

I hope you're all doing well as we look forward to warmer weather.

Kind regards to all,

**Matthew Granger**  
CEO Legacy WA



# 56<sup>TH</sup> Legacy Militaria Auction

Legacy Auctions raise thousands of dollars every year with **15% of all proceeds going to help our war widows and families.**

Some individual items have raised thousands. Bring your objects in and support a great Australian tradition. **You could be sitting on a fortune!**



Turn your militaria into **CA\$H**  
& help a good cause!



**Sunday 15th October from 10am**  
**The Wattle Room, Claremont Showground**

More information to follow. To keep up to date,  
follow @LegacyWA on Instagram or Facebook.

For more information contact **John Burridge**  
on **0417 189 883** or **john@jbma.com.au**



# General News

## ***Congratulations Jan McLeod***

*Contributed Jenny Knight*

Whilst in Canberra our National President shared with us a letter from Government House in Canberra which stated, in part ... the Governor-General and Mrs Hurley (National Patron's) would like to provide your organization with a Governor-General's medallion for presentation to a member of your team who has contributed in some significant way to your efforts ... The medallion is a gift and it is up to your organisation to determine who to present it to. At our Canberra meeting, National Council decided to present the Governor-General's Medallion to Mrs Jan McLeod.

Jan has been a member of Australian War Widows WA since 2010. She was State President from June 2014 – June 2021; she is currently the WA Vice-President; and until recently was the National Senior Vice-President of Australian War Widows. This title is given to the longest serving State President at the time.

Jan is the war widow of the late Private Neville John McLeod of the 1st Battalion, Malaya. Her mother, Mrs Phyllis Dhue, was a WW2 war widow and also a member of AWW WA.

Jan has represented AWW on the DVA Deputy Commissioner's Consultative Forum and RSL Unit and Kindred Organisation. She is also

President of Legacy's Menora Laurel Club and is a member of the Partners of Veterans' Association.

Jan, your service and contribution to Australian War Widows have not gone unnoticed. Congratulations!



# New War Memorial Baldivis

After nearly five years of planning, the Baldivis War Memorial Friends & Supporters Group are excited to announce that the memorial is now completed.

Drive in Baldivis, the memorial honours all service people. The memorial is also dedicated to sailor Arthur Peter Knight and the crew of HMAS Armidale.

Located in the lovely Settlers Town Square on the corner of Clyde Avenue and Arpenteur



# Korean War Memorial

In July this year, the Korean War Memorial Committee unveiled their new memorial. The ceremony took place on the 70th Anniversary of the Armistice of the Korean War.

A big congratulations to the committee who worked incredibly hard putting this together.

The Memorial was established to commemorate the courage and bravery of Korean War Veterans. The memorial is in Kings Park, it is worth the visit.





# Legacy Spotlight's

Each issue of the Legacy Times, we highlight a Volunteer, Legatee and Beneficiary to show the work and achievements they have done for Legacy WA.

This issue we introduce you to Sharon, a new volunteer for 2023 who juggles both school and fundraising. Then Tonya, who has spent the last year as a Legatee, and was a junior beneficiary herself. Last but not least Kat, a

junior beneficiary who has been with us for years and is in her final years of her university degree.

The spotlights provide a great insight to who exactly is a part of our Legacy Family.





## Volunteer Spotlight Sharon

Sharon Kappen is a Year 8 student who has started volunteering with Legacy WA this year. She has gone to various markets and stalls selling merchandise to raise money and build awareness for the cause. Sharon's parents have encouraged her to raise the bar and maximise her energy, and she is achieving that by stepping out of her comfort zone and pursuing her first volunteer role at just 13!

Sharon has loved that volunteering prepares her for the future by helping her learn valuable life skills like communication and time management. She set up her first fundraising campaign at Champion Lakes which saw generous contributions flow in from rowing club members. Sharon was able to raise nearly \$500 back in March from this event.

After starting off so well at Champion Lakes, she then went on to fundraise at Bunnings Harrisdale during our annual Anzac Appeal and then set up her own stall at the Piara Waters Marketplace. Between fundraising at various activations and reaching out to close family and friends, she managed to raise nearly \$1900 by the end of July.

Sharon's most memorable volunteering moment so far was selling an Army Teddy to another kid who was going to gift the bear to their grandfather who is an Australian Army Veteran. Sharon grew up hearing stories about her great-grandfather who had served in the Royal Indian Air Force from 1943-1947. So while

she doesn't have a strong personal connection to Legacy, she shares our mission of supporting the families of veterans which is close to her heart.

Volunteering for Legacy has given Sharon a great opportunity to interact with various people from diverse backgrounds. Just like the little kid buying a teddy for their grandfather, Sharon has been able to meet many other kind-hearted people who would share their own stories and connections to Legacy with her.

We at Legacy are grateful to Sharon for trusting us for her first volunteering experience and for doing such an amazing job. Not only did she come out of her shell but she helped us raise funds and spread awareness so we can continue to support our beneficiaries. Once again, we are sending big thanks to Sharon and her mum Nisha who supported her along the way.





## *Legatee Spotlight* *Tonya*

Tonya has been a Legatee for over a year now but her connection to Legacy far surpasses that. Becoming a junior beneficiary at nine after the passing of her dad, she grew up attending the Annual Children's Camp down in Busselton and other various activities.

After graduating high school, she studied for a Bachelor of Business at Curtin University and then went on to work in the tax office for 10 years before moving on to business advisory and taxation compliance as a tax accountant. Tonya is now married with two lovely adult children and is able to spend her spare time giving back to Legacy and doing the things she loves; organising events and helping those in need.

Tonya has a great passion for helping others, so being able to join Legacy and provide other families with the help and experience that Legacy gave her growing up was an amazing opportunity. She takes pride in getting to know all current junior beneficiaries and their families and loves her role as a family advisor. Being a family advisor really allows for her to be a part of the family's support network as someone they can talk to and that they can rely on for help when needed.

One of Tonya's favourite things about being a Legatee is seeing new kids being welcomed with open arms into the Legacy family. Being able to witness the kids create lifelong bonds and come out of their shells by meeting kids in similar situations and realising that they aren't alone on this journey is to Tonya the true spirit of what Legacy is all about.

Tonya loves to get involved when she can at various fundraising events, camps, and Junior Legacy activities. She always participates with a smile on her face and is ready to take on any task that comes her way. She is an amazing addition to the Legatee family, and we hope to continue to work with her to help our beneficiaries and create more memorable experiences for them.





## Beneficiaries Spotlight Kat

Kat 'Kathleen' Gibson has been a junior Legacy beneficiary since she was 11 years old. Her mother learnt about Legacy WA when they returned home from Germany after residing there for a year and a half. Kat's father passed away when she was eight years old. He was a Flight Sergeant in the Royal Australian Airforce for 25 years as an Aviation Firefighter before being medically discharged.

Kat is now 22 years old and studying a Bachelor of Nursing, with a year left in her degree. She is planning to move on to a Masters of Midwifery once she has finished. She also balances her studies whilst working at an aged care facility as a Carer.

While Kat is not studying or working, she loves to spend time with her friends and family. She also volunteers at Legacy events when she can. You may have seen her dressed as 'Ace' our Airforce Bear at the West Coast Fever Anzac Round Game. Kat's greatest achievement so far is having been able to build her own house, which she now resides in with her greatest treasure, her dog Marnie.

When Kat was younger, Legacy WA assisted by helping pay for her education fees and now helps her with her current university education. Kat also grew up attending the Annual Children's Camp and other various Junior Legacy activities. Most of those who attended those camps would remember Kat as the

person who was always ending up in the medic room. She recently went back to the camp as the medic assistant, so things haven't changed much. The kids' camps allowed Kat to bond with kids who had gone through a similar experience and make lifelong friendships.

Legacy WA sent Kat to Canberra in 2019 to lay a wreath on behalf of Legacy WA at the Anzac Memorials Anzac Day ceremony. Being able to do this was one of Kat's favourite memories about Legacy. Kat would love to let new junior beneficiaries know that they aren't alone and to enjoy their time at the camp and other activities as they will grow and meet so many new people along the way.



# Community Fundraising and Events

## Army Art

In May, we saw the 48th Army Art Event and for the third year in a row, Legacy WA was the partnering charity.

Army Art showcased so many beautiful pieces done by some incredible artists.

We greatly appreciate the work that Army Art does and we are very happy to be involved with an organisation that understands the importance of supporting Australian Defence Force families.

In addition, thank you to the volunteers who attended the show across the weekend to sell merch.

We look forward to continuing this relationship in the future.



## Swanbourne Primary School

On the 31st of August, Swanbourne Primary School hosted a free dress day for students with a gold coin donation going to Legacy WA.

Their school community includes many Australian Defence Families, so the Legacy WA cause is very close to their hearts.

The fundraiser was organized by Nic Kemp the Defence School Mentor and the student leaders, with an amazing response from the school.

They managed to raise \$506 and spread awareness within the school community about all Legacy WA does. Thank you to the Swanbourne Primary School Community for your support!



# Defence Health Lunch

On the 18th of July Defence Health hosted an awareness lunch for Legacy WA at the Ostro Eatery in Rockingham.

The lunch was attended by representatives from multiple ex-service organisations and members from the ADF, CEO Matt Granger, Vice President Legatee Brett Dowsing and

James Erwin whose children are Legacy WA Beneficiaries. L/ Dowsing and Jame both had amazing speeches at the lunch.

The lunch was organized by Edan McCabe who has now joined the Legacy WA team in a Community Services role!



# Invictus Australia WA Launch

Vice President Legatee Brett Dowsing and board member Cath McMahon were privileged to attend the launch event for Invictus Australia's WA branch on the 23rd of August.

We are very excited to see Hannah Laws take on her new role as regional manager of Veteran Engagement and wish her and Invictus Australia the best of luck here in WA. Keep your eye out for upcoming Invictus events in our state soon!

*"Invictus Australia encourages and enables veterans and their families to connect with their communities through sport. The benefits are not only gained through competing or playing, you can volunteer, referee or spectate. People can find out what's happening by joining our WA Facebook group or signing up to the Invictus Australia newsletter."* Hannah Laws





# Amalgamated Melville Homing Club

Thank you to the Amalgamated Melville Homing Club for donating \$4,200. For years the club, formally known as Pigeon Racing, has been proud supporters of Legacy WA and their donations help us specifically with the up keep of the Busselton van used by many of our beneficiaries.



# 13th Brigade Open Day

Thank you to Cath, Kim and Tracey who volunteered at the 13 Brigade Open Day.

The team sold merch, took donations and spread the message about Legacy. On the day \$1,137.40 was raised for Legacy WA.

# Chief of Army Symposium

Legacy WA was honored to be invited to fundraise at the Chief of Army Symposium that took place at Anzac House on the 30th of August.

She engaged with almost everyone in attendance and raised \$703.50 all in one evening.

Legatee Tracey Halliwell attended on behalf of Legacy WA and had an amazing evening.

Thank you so much L/ Halliwell, you did such a great job representing Legacy WA!

# Freedom of Entry

In early September, Legacy WA attended the Freedom of Entry event in Rockingham. It was a great day that saw so many of our community members come together.

On the day, we raised a total of \$862.40 for Legacy WA. Thank you to Legatee Steve Dachs who came down and helped Lauren and Scarlett sell merch and spread our message.





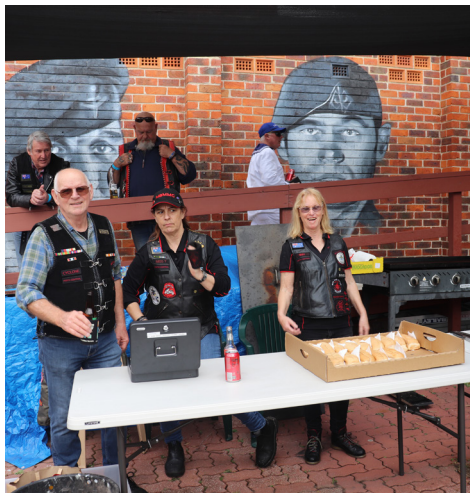
# Military Brotherhood Legacy Ride

On the 16th of September, the Military Brotherhood Motorcycle Club hosted their annual Legacy Ride. This year the event started down in Mandurah with a BBQ breakfast set up in the RSL and Coast FM joining us across the road, playing good tunes and engaging with the riders.

All funds raised from the ride went directly to Legacy WA. This included the entry fee, both BBQs, raffle tickets, winning auction bids, and our merch stall. In total \$12,618.10 was raised on the day! That number could not be achieved without the Military Brotherhood and their community coming together to support us.

They started at 10:30 and over 80 participants took off towards Bassendean RSL. Once the riders arrived at Bassendean, they were greeted by live music, a sausage sizzle, an auction, and a raffle of some incredible donated goods.

Over many years the Military Brotherhood has raised close to \$40,000 for Legacy WA during their rides, so we are all extremely grateful for their continued support. Legacy WA looks forward to continuing this in future years to come.





## Unconquered Karney Armstrong

Karney Armstrong's journey to the Invictus Games 2023 is a testament to her unwavering spirit and resilience. She joined the Royal Australian Navy in 2007, serving as a medic and completing numerous deployments before her medical discharge in 2018.

Karney first applied for the Invictus Games in 2017 after speaking with a previous competitor. Although she was unsuccessful, Karney persevered and is excited to be a role model for her sons, Hadley and Spencer, showing them that with determination and positivity, you can achieve your goals.

Karney is joined at the Games by her father and Spencer, who will be cheering her on as she competes in archery, athletics and table tennis.

As beneficiaries of Legacy WA, Hadley and Spencer attend the Annual Children's Camp whose values echo that of Karney and her teammates.

The Invictus Games is an international sporting event that serves as a platform to raise awareness and recognition for ill-health veterans while supporting their path to rehabilitation. This year, the Games are unfolding in Dusseldorf, Germany, with 550 competitors representing 21 nations participating in 10 sports.

The Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Matt Keogh says "Not only does Invictus Australia support veterans and members of the ADF to showcase their sporting skills on the global stage, it's also

an organisation focused on assisting veterans on their journey of recovery and connecting them and their families with the broader community after they leave service."

Since its expansion to Western Australia in August of this year, Invictus Australia has been working with its sporting partners to build a calendar of events. These are designed to engage the WA veteran community in a variety of sports, offering them the physical, mental, and social benefits that they provide.

Karney, along with her sons Hadley and Spencer, has already immersed herself in Invictus Australia's local engagement program. Along with other Legacy families and members of the veteran community, they recently participated in a lively day of bowls.

With an exciting lineup of upcoming events including Parkrun, True Grit, and Dragon Boating, Karney is looking forward to staying connected to both sports and her community long after the Invictus Games conclude.

Invictus Australia's events are open to anyone who has served or is serving, in the Defence Force and their family members. If you would like to get involved sign up for the Invictus Australia newsletter at [www.invictusaustralia.org](http://www.invictusaustralia.org) or the Invictus Australia - Western Australia Facebook group to find out more.





# Legacy Week

This Legacy Week was extremely successful. Over 22 activations were run and together, over \$64,000 was raised for Legacy WA!

Our annual Legacy Week Street Appeal was again a great success, with over 80 volunteers turning up and \$32,000 was raised on the day.

Throughout the week we had 130 volunteer spots that we needed to cover, our volunteers were made up of:

- 4 Board Members
- 18 Legatees
- 62 Volunteers
- 8 Staff Members

## **BHP**

This year, BHP conducted their own fundraising efforts for Legacy Week. Through their own online communications, their staff raised a total of \$278.28 for Legacy WA. Thank you to all the staff at BPH who made this happen.

## **BAE Henderson**

On the 29th of August we kicked off Legacy Week bright and early with the events team (Scarlett and Lauren) and CEO Matt heading down to BAE Henderson at 5:30am to fundraise with arriving staff.

A big thank you to all of those who did multiple events throughout the week! It was truly inspiring, and we couldn't have run and attended these events without your efforts.

This year for Legacy Week we saw several community members getting involved and holding their own fundraising events for us.

Thank you to all who gave up their time or resources to help us this Legacy Week. We look forward to doing it again next year.



The reception and atmosphere was great, and we raised \$1,181.50, which was a great start to one great week of fundraising!

## **RAAF Base Curtin**

Corporal Mark Cole with the Royal Australian Air Force up at RAAF Base Curtin fundraised for us up in Derby this Legacy Week. He set up a table in front of the Woolworths for a few hours each night after work. He managed to have all the stock sold by Wednesday!

With the fantastic support from the local Derby community and Mark's great effort he managed to raise \$1055.04 for Legacy WA. Big thanks to Mark and the Derby community for all your support!

## **Alan Byrnes**

Alan Byrnes in Kununurra fundraised for us during Legacy Week by setting up a table in the local shopping center.

raise \$2851.60 on behalf of Legacy WA. Thank you to Alan and the Kununurra community for coming together and supporting us every year!

With help from the local community and the tourists stopping through, Alan managed to

## **Legacy Night at the Perth Blues Club**

This Legacy Week, The Blues Club of WA conducted their annual fundraising night for Legacy WA. CEO Matt Granger and his friend Wayne manned the merchandise table.



A special thanks to Peter Heeney for arranging the evening. On the night, we sold \$858 worth of bears and pins. In addition, The Blues Club made a donation of \$1,500 to Legacy WA.

## **Australian Army Band with Chris Murphy**

On Saturday the 09th of September the Australian Army Band with special guest Chris Murphy held a fundraising night for Legacy WA. The night was full of good music and good food.

Thank you to our volunteers Legatee Tracey and volunteers Hannah and Neale who represented Legacy WA.

It was extremely successful and \$2572.50 was raised.

Thank you to Legatee Peter Heeney for organising and running the event and thank you to the Scarborough Sporting and Community Club for their ongoing support.



# Street Appeal

This Legacy Week we held a very successful street appeal and in total, we raised over \$32,000 on the day! A huge effort from all involved.

A big thank you to the student from Lumen Christi College who came down to shake tins and sell merch and of course, get into the bear suits.

In addition, we had approximately 60 uniformed volunteers attend, all significantly contributing to our fundraising efforts.

Like always, thank you to the Legatees and staff who came down on the day to help and ensure things ran smoothly. We rely heavily on community support to execute events like the Street Appeal and greatly appreciated all of the support that we received.





# Bunnings

## ***Bunnings Midland***

Who doesn't love a sausage sizzle! This Legacy Week we had a team of dedicated volunteers head to Bunnings Midland to cook up a storm.

It was a very successfully day and in total the team made over \$3,000.00 which is a lot of sausages!

Thank you to Dazza, Bob, Judy, Isabel, Ruby, Murf and Viv for their efforts with the BBQ.

We also had some Cadets volunteer and sell merch at Bunnings Midland as well. In total they raised \$1707.00



## ***Bunnings Mindarie***

At Bunnings Mindarie we had Legatee Steve and Legatee Leanne shake tins, sell bears and pins.

Together they raised \$674.20, a great outcome for the pair!

## ***Bunnings Geraldton***

The Geraldton Legatees ran a stall at Bunnings Geraldton this Legacy Week.

They managed to raised \$727.45. An amazing effort from our Gerladton team, big thanks to all involved!

## ***Bunnings Busselton, Bunbury and Australind***



Our Southern superstar Legatee Russell Monk set up various stalls at Bunnings Busselton, Bunbury, and Australian over Legacy Week.

He managed to raise \$2,654.65 over four activations (Busselton twice) ! Thank you, Russell, for a fantastic result.



## ***Bunnings Harrisdale***

Legatee Tonya and Legatee Will headed to Harrisdale Bunnings to sell merch and collect donations.

In total they raised \$1197.50, huge effort.



## ***Bunnings Cannington***

Peter Gleeson and Veronica Killner were at Bunnings Cannington. We received some lovely feedback from the Bunnings team members about how great it was having Peter and Veronica in the store.

In total, \$607.40 was raised on the day.



## ***Bunnings Subiaco***

Legatee Ian, Legatee Owen and Legatee Peter were at Bunnings Subiaco during Legacy Week.

The team raised \$583.45 on the day, a great effort by all.



## ***Bunnings Innaloo***

Legatee's Roddy and Sally Van Rooyen took care of Bunnings Innaloo, selling lots of teddies.

In total, \$676.20 was raised on the day.



***Interested in volunteering for  
Legacy WA***

*Email Lauren  
events2@legacywa.com.au  
for more information!*



YOU'RE INVITED  
TO THE

# Christmas Jingle

DECEMBER

TUESDAY

5TH

11:30 - 2:30

2023



**South Perth Civic Centre**

Crn South Terrace and  
Sandgate Street,  
South Perth



Please RSVP to your Laurel Club Leader  
by 13th November

or

If you are not a member of a Laurel  
Club, please call Legacy House

9486 4900

# Jingle in July

Earlier this year Legacy WA held our annual Jingle in July lunch in South Perth, again seeing an impressive turnout and great success. A highlight of the day was the guest appearance from the bears and of course Santa!

A huge thank you to all who were involved in making the jingle run smoothly. Peter Heeney, Brett Dowsing, Angie Stoll, Steve Stoll, Kim Doherty, Warrick Rankin, Josie Piccin, Sally Sturgess, Ian Mcnee, Duncan Warren, De'Arne Prosser, John Scott, Jeff Edwick, Kim Farmer, Jan Applin, Keith Jones, staff member Tracey, Kathryn, Joanna, Lauren, Emily, Scarlett and

our wonderful volunteer Neil. From the setting up to serving the meals and packing down we couldn't have done it without you! We are excited to do it all again soon!

Our next jingle will be held on the 5th of December with more details to follow. We hope to see as many smiling faces as we did this time.

***Please remember that if you require transportation to the jingle we can help! We have buses and taxis ready, just let us know when you RSVP.***



# *The Better Together Ball*

*Hancock Prospecting and Roy Hill join as Major  
Sponsors of the 2023 Better Together Ball*



RSLWA and Legacy WA are thrilled to announce that Hancock Prospecting, this year joined by Roy Hill, will return as major sponsor of the Better Together Ball for 2023.

The Better Together Ball is one of RSLWA and Legacy WA's major fundraising events of the year that supports our veterans and their families in Western Australia through advocacy and welfare services.

The money raised helps ensure our veteran community are fully supported once they leave the defence force, a vital need recognised by the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide.

RSLWA chief executive officer Vince Connelly said he was extremely grateful to Hancock Prospecting and Roy Hill for signing on as the major sponsors of the 2023 Better Together Ball.

"Hancock Prospecting has been a very long term supporter, and Roy Hill a more recent supporter, over many years of our veteran community, beyond us, and we are beyond thankful for their continued generosity to sponsor this year's ball. We are especially thankful for their Executive Chairman's long support of our veterans, and her leadership in driving that veterans be offered and welcomed to good positions in the companies she leads," he said.

"The Better Together Ball is one of RSLWA's

biggest events, and one that we look forward to each year. It's an opportunity to raise funds for both RSLWA and Legacy WA, by bringing together our veteran community and supporters for an evening full of fun and lively entertainment."

Legacy WA chief executive officer Matt Granger said they were excited that Hancock Prospecting and Roy Hill have come on board as the Platinum Sponsor for the Better Together Ball for 2023.

"With their support, RSLWA and Legacy WA are able to continue providing services and support to our Veterans and their families," he said.

"It is great to see that our Major Sponsors continuously supports and uplift our Veteran community, especially in Western Australia, so it is with great pleasure that they join us on this journey where we can all work better together towards our common goal."

The Better Together Ball will be held at the Crown Austral Ballroom on 2 December 2023, tickets to the event are \$250 (+GST)

Members of the public are welcome to attend the black-tie event, along with RSLWA and Legacy WA members and serving ADF personnel.

Further information about the event can be found on our Facebook page or call the office for assistance.



# THE BETTER TOGETHER BALL

## 2023

**RAISING FUNDS FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**MAJOR SPONSORS**

**HANCOCK PROSPECTING**

**ROY HILL**

**2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER, 2023 • 6.30pm - MIDNIGHT**

**CROWN BALLROOMS 1 & 2**

# Community Services

## Meet the CSO Team!



We have had some changes in the Community Services team over the last month. Kathryn Robbins has taken the role of Community Services Team Leader as Tracey has moved into Operations. We have two new Community Services Officers: Joanna Cooper and Edan McCabe. Meet the team:

### ***Kathryn Robbins***

I am excited to have this opportunity and consider stepping into this role a great privilege. In my time at Legacy, I have seen the many benefits our support provides and the difference we can make. I am passionate about delivering quality service to our Beneficiaries and Legatees. I look forward to working more closely with you all. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us, if we cannot assist, we will help you find a solution.

### ***Joanna Cooper***

I started with Legacy in Reception, my skills and background knowledge were quickly recognised and when the opportunity arose to join the Community Services Team, I jumped at it.

I am a mum of a 10 year old daughter and a forever shedding beagle. I have 15 years of Defence life experience as a spouse and know all the highs and lows that come with it. I know how necessary these support organisations are and am excited to be able to give back to our Veteran community.

### ***Edan McCabe***

Hello, I am Edan. I am the wife of an ill-health Veteran who served for 17 years with 6 operations to Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait, and Papua New Guinea. Together, my husband (Sam) and I have 4 beautiful, loud, and entertaining boys who keep us on our feet.

I am very proud of the sacrifices Sam, those serving, Veterans' and families have made to protect our country and the freedom we have living in such a beautiful Country. I am passionate about being there for the Beneficiaries and supporting them through the different chapters we face in life. Legacy encompasses my core values and passion, and I am excited to meet and get to know you all.



## *Junior Legacy - Leeuwin Adventure*

Summer Voyage from Albany to Fremantle  
2023

*By Jared Morrison*

### **DAY 1**

On the 22/01/2023 we gathered outside the Leeuwin Ocean Adventure office in Fremantle at 05:00am boarding a van to take us to Albany Town Jetty. We arrived at Albany Town Jetty at around 10:00am. We were greeted by the previous voyages coming into Albany the past day. Throughout the remainder of the day, we were put into our sleep quarters, giving talks about life on board for the next 8 days & our equipment. We were divided into four watch groups. Blue Watch, Red Watch, Green Watch & White Watch. I was put into Green Watch, we named our watch group "KERMITS".

### **DAY 2**

On the 23/01/2023 we departed Albany at 06:00am making our way through Shoal Bay & Frenchman Bay out to the Indian Ocean by passing Michaelmas Island & Breaks Island. Two groups had breakfast & two groups would get ready for the day then they rotated around. Throughout the day we lowered the sails and adjusted into different positions. In the afternoon we came across a big pod of

Dolphins swimming around all sides and in front of us before swimming off to the northwest.

### **DAY 3**

On the 24/01/2023 we were all woken up by the sound of music & voice "It is time to get up". Before we started the day everyone was required to participate in the exercise. It involved walking around the deck & stretching. After the morning exercise, two watch groups were sent to breakfast & the other two groups went off to get ready for the day. Throughout the day we were changing the angles for the yards to catch the wind. We were also given free time to climb the Fore Mast, Main Mast & Mizzen Mast.

### **DAY 4**

On the 25/01/2023 we sailed our way along the south coastline and arrived outside of Bunker Bay. All watch groups were given the roll-in to fill in a different sail. We were given the roll-in fill in the Main Staysail, Nock Staysail & Main Sail, while the bosun's crew dropped the anchor. After dinner we had quiz night, we were divided into groups with other people to get to know one another.

## DAY 5

On the 26/01/2023 "All shore that's going a shore". After our morning exercise & breakfast, everyone had to assist the Bosun's crew in preparing and deploying the Rory's. Once arriving on Bunker Bay Beach we set up a tent using the Rory's oars & tarpaulin. We also set up a cricket set & volleyball net. After lunch we stayed for 2 hours, then we packed up and made our way back to the ship. Then set sail making our way to the coastline. During our night watch, we were able to see Rockingham fireworks celebrating Australia Day.

## DAY 6

On the 27/01/2023 we arrived north of Rottnest Island. Afternoon dinner the crew announced they were handing the ship over to us. We had to work together to sail the ship into Fremantle port. Amongst ourselves we had to nominate a Captain, First mate, Two Navigators, 4 watch group leaders. After we were done nominating the volunteers we were free to roam around the deck to study & practice.

## DAY 7

On the 28/01/2023 we began our day with our normal activities and chores only this time were in charge of everything. With the support and guidance of the Leeuwin crew, we performed a number of techniques & manoeuvres. Once we

performed it a number of time's was "TACKING". With communication, patience & teamwork we successfully sailed into Fremantle port. Folding in the sails & dropping anchor. After our fine dinner, we were given a talk about our performance and how well we did. We even broke a Leeuwin record for how much tacking we did in one day. We were assigned back to our regular group to perform a skit act. Every group had to come up with a performance, our act was "The Hokey Pokey (Leeuwin Remix)". It was a good night.

## DAY 8

On the 28/01/2023 it was a beautiful sunrise, and I heard the dock at work, cargo container ships departing the port. After our fine breakfast, we began our fine cleaning of the ship. We were given the role of scrubbing the deck. We had to use a hose & brush to scrub the deck, This cleaning job was the best job. As we made our way into the docks we were greeted by our family & friends. Before we departed the ship we were all given a certificate of achievement.

Over all the experience was educational, exhilarating and fun. I would like to thank Legacy WA for granting me the opportunity to undertake the adventure.

## Rockingham Laurel Club Birthday

On the 24th of August, the ladies of the Rockingham Laurel Club came together and were joined by special guests, Legatees, the Laurel Club Convenor, Jan Applin, and the Community Services Team Leader Tracey Hamel to celebrate their 32nd Birthday.

The RSL excelled with a scrumptious roast lunch and the ladies then enjoyed a slice of the birthday cake cut by Beryl Gorfin and Dot Sorfield.

Congratulations Rockingham Laurel Club on this milestone! Check out the Laurel Club News for more information from Barbara.





# LEGACY CHRISTMAS



## PUDDINGS



Are you interested in ordering a Christmas pudding this year?

Fill in the order form below and return it to:

**Legacy House**  
**1130 Hay Street West Perth 6005**

This Christmas Pudding is based on an exclusive recipe to Legacy so you can enjoy a unique quality dessert for Christmas lunch or dinner!

Please note this product contains Gluten, Milk, Egg and Soy. It is processed in a facility that also processes products containing Peanuts and Tree Nuts.



### Contact and Delivery Information

Name:

Address:

Email:

No. of Small Puddings:  at \$10 each

No. of Large Puddings:  at \$15 each

Total Pudding Order: \$

Pick Up or Delivery (at a cost):

### Payment

Name on Card:

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_ / \_\_

Puddings are available for pick up at Legacy House (1130 Hay Street West Perth).

Any questions or inquiries email Lauren at [events2@legacywa.com.au](mailto:events2@legacywa.com.au)



# Laurel Club Meetings

Laurel Club	Date	Time	Location
<i>Albany</i>	Second Tuesday	02:00PM	Albany RSL 14 Stirling Terrace Albany
<i>Bunbury</i>	First Thursday	09:30AM	RSL Hall Spencer Street, Bunbury
<i>Floreat</i>	Last Friday	10:30AM	Parklands Retirement Villa <i>Contact Betty</i> (08) 9384 2436
<i>Geraldton</i>	First Monday	10:00AM	Birdwood House 46 Chapman Rd Geraldton
<i>Kalamunda &amp; Districts</i>	Second Friday	01:00PM	Jack Healey Centre 21 Mead St Kalamunda
<i>Mandurah-Murray</i>	Third Monday	01:30PM	Mandurah RSL Unit 5/20-22 Rouse Rd Greenfields
<i>Menora</i>	First Wednesday	10:00AM	War Widows Guild 15 Plantation St Menora
<i>Midland &amp; Districts</i>	First Wednesday	12:00 noon	Bassendean RSL 10 Kenny Street Bassendean
<i>Northern Districts</i>	First and Third Thursday	09:00AM	"Mildenhall" Dun Craig Senior Citizens Club 49 Beddi Road Dun Craig
<i>Perth</i>	Fridays	09:00AM	ANZAC House 28 St Georges Terrace Perth
<i>Rockingham</i>	Fortnightly Thursdays	10:00AM	Port Kennedy RSL Cnr Paxton Way & Helmshore Way Port Kennedy

# WIDOW'S CAMP REGISTRATION FORM

I would like to attend:

Widows Camp #4  
6 - 17 Nov 2023

Widows Camp #1  
9 - 20 Feb 2024

## Name of registered widow

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Landline: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Next of kin

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional requirements

Do you require the use of a commode, walker or gopher?  No  Yes, a commode  Yes, a walker  Yes, a gopher

\*Please note there are limited supplies of these items at Legacy Holiday Camp and any aids must be requested at the time of registration to ensure your needs can be met.

## Transportation

Will be making your own way to the Widow's Camp  No  Yes

If YES please provide your vehicle registration number: \_\_\_\_\_

## Community

Do you want a call from Legacy WA Community Services?  
*E.g. pensions, wills, POA, social activities, special aid?*  No  Yes

Mail to Legacy WA, PO Box 1983, West Perth BC WA 6872

# BUS INFORMATION

If you wish to travel with TransWA please provide either your Gold Card, Seniors Card or Pension Card number so arrangements can be made by Legacy WA on your behalf.

For those wishing to use their free TransWA pass which is included with your Pension Card, please book directly with TransWA as Legacy WA is unable to make this booking on your behalf.

**Please note these dates and times are managed by TransWA & South West Coach Lines and may change.**

Gold Card no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Seniors Card no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Pension Card no.: \_\_\_\_\_

## Departures

Departure Points	Sun-Fri	Sun-Thurs	Fri
East Perth	<input type="checkbox"/> 9:00am	<input type="checkbox"/> 12:15pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:00pm

### Arrival Points

Cockburn Central (Stand 7)	<input type="checkbox"/> 9:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> 12:45pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:45pm
Busselton	<input type="checkbox"/> 12:48pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 3:55pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:57pm

## Return Journey

Departure Points	Sun	Mon-Sat	Mon-Fri
Busselton	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:12pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:05am	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:50pm

### Arrival Points

Cockburn Central (Stand 7)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:02pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:22pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:02pm
East Perth	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:30pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:00pm	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:30pm

## South West Coach Lines - Daily

Departure Points	Morning Route	Afternoon Route
Perth Elizabeth Quay Busport	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:20pm
Perth Airport - Domestic Terminal (T3/T4)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:00am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:50pm
Perth Airport - International Terminal (T1/T2)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:10am	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:00pm
Cockburn Central Station	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:40am	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:35pm
Bunbury Bus Station	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:30am	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:25pm
Busselton Terminal	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:15am	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:20pm

## Return Journey

Departure Points	Morning Route	Afternoon Route
Busselton	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:40am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:25pm
Perth Elizabeth Quay Busport	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:45am	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:00pm

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_



# NEED A HOLIDAY?

## Look no further than the Legacy Busselton Camp

Starting in 2023, resident Western Australian Legacy beneficiaries and their dependants or carers who are registered with, and recognised by, Legacy WA can stay at the camp free of charge while we are in receipt of funds from the ANZAC Day Trust. This includes:

- Any Beneficiary with children in our database can stay for free. Any other family members who join them are required to pay.
- Widow and carer: both stay for free.
- Able-bodied widow or beneficiary taking some friends to the camp. However, the widow/beneficiary stay for free and their friends have to pay.

Make your booking through the online system as current practice. Payment at the time of booking must take place to ensure the 100% discount. Once your stay is completed, submit a claim to Legacy House.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact the office.



# Laurel Club News

## Meet Jan - Laurel Club Convenor



I first joined a Laurel Club in 2013 and greatly appreciated the collegiality, the social outings and the support that this group provided. When I was asked if I would like to take on the role of Laurel Club Convenor I did so without hesitation. My hope is to assist beneficiaries in gaining opportunities for social connection and support.

I have visited all the clubs in the metropolitan area and I'm planning to get another meeting

before the end of the year. Next year I'm hoping to be able to visit our Laurel Clubs in country areas. Attending these meetings has been a wonderful experience. Listening to the stories of beneficiaries brings about the realisation of the interesting lives people have lived. So many inspirational women.

During August a meeting was held at SAS House where representatives of clubs were invited. It is expected that this will be an annual event. This is a great opportunity for the clubs and Legacy office staff to interact. It gives the office staff time to explain any new procedures and for the clubs to air any issues affecting them. At the moment, the office is working on developing a database of all beneficiaries and to that end we are asking everyone to complete the membership forms and return them to the office.

Prior to my retirement, I worked in education for 43 years with 30 of those years being as a primary school principal. Since retirement, I sing in a choir and do some volunteer work with a couple of organisations.

*Jan Applin*

## Vasse

Greetings to all from all the ladies from Busselton.

We had our Annual General Meeting in June at the Busselton RSL. All executive positions were declared vacant Gwen Scaddan was again game to take on the Presidents Spot. Linda Button, Secretary and thankfully Daphne the money job, Treasurer.

We continue to have monthly outings for lunch at local eateries and always have a very enjoyable catch up. Welcome back to Daphne

Holgate who has thankfully overcome serious medical challenges. Congratulations to Legacy for all their dedicated service for 100 years.

Best regards to all Legacy ladies.

Stay safe everyone. Looking forward to warmer weather.

*Linda Button*  
Secretary

## Northern Districts

Greetings to all Laurel Club members, the Northern Districts have been busy with our active social calendar with monthly lunches and a bus trip down south. Our lunches are held on the second Thursday of the month at different venues in the northern suburbs, including the Sovereign Arms in Joondalup, and the Craige and Girrawheen Taverns. On the last bus trip we enjoyed a nice drive in the country and lunch at the Byford Country Club. A big thank you to Rosie and Barbara who organise our outings.

On a sad note, we lost one of our long time Legatees, Mike Ruffin. For many years Mike attended our meetings, helping out setting up the tables, always happy to have a chat and tell a few jokes. Mike also made arrangements for members to attend the Remembrance Day services at North Beach and kept us informed of any changes in Legacy House. Our condolences to his family. Mike was a well liked and respected Legatee. You will be missed. Vale Mike Ruffin.

Our members also recently attended the Christmas in July Jingle held at the South Perth Civic Centre. A big thank you to all the volunteers who made the day very special. A special thanks to our Legatee Jeff Edwick who did a great job of looking after us. Our other Legatee, Keith Jones, also attended but was unable to do as much as he would want to, as he was recovering from a recent knee operation.

I must make mention of the great entertainment provided by Mr Peter Delle Costa, who played all the songs we know and love. Also a big thank you to the MC, Legatee Peter Heeney who did a great job, including a moving tribute to Legatee Merlene Robbins. I am sure every widow present thought of Marlene and how she is missed.

Here is another gem from Murphy's Law, "In case of doubt, make it sound convincing".

Cheers,  
*Pamela Murphy*

## Rockingham

Hello to everyone,

Our first outing was a lunch to honour us for Mother's Day at the local Steel Tree; which we all enjoyed. Thanks to our Secretary Jan for organising and to Kim for managing to sort out

the bill, subsidised by the Perth Office.

Our next meeting at the local RSL was our fundraiser for cancer research, The Big Morning Tea. We held a door prize raffle and a well-stocked raffle as well. Happy to report that we

raised \$317 and backed it up from club funds and were able to send a cheque to the Cancer Foundation for \$600. A mighty effort and thanks to the club members who helped in every way.

In June we held another fundraiser, a Bring and Buy, which was one we had not held for a while. Club funds swelled to the tune of \$203. We were able to send the excess items to a local charity shop as well.

A plaque to memorialise our late member, Daphne Dover, who passed away a short while after reaching her 100th birthday, was obtained and Daphne's was added to our memorial board in the foyer of the Port Kennedy RSL.

We welcomed a new member in July, Debra Zubrzycki who has attended regularly and has settled into our friendly group here. Welcome, Debra (at long last)!

Fifteen of our members joined with the ladies from Mandurah to attend the Christmas in July Jingle in South Perth, another nice day out for us. Once again, our "pocket rocket" Lola, danced up a storm and got several rounds of applause and a couple of our group got happy birthday mentions.

We held our own Christmas in July lunch on the 27th and was enjoyed by us all, once again the bill was paid by the Perth Office, so thank you again. As always, Patricia made another cake, which was delicious.

Also in July, we had a speaker organised, that had to be cancelled, so we held a short quiz all about music, which went better than I thought it would. At the same meeting, members were asked to bring along baby and wedding photographs. Thanks to the ladies who did, it was very interesting.

Our AGM in August saw the committee stay basically the same, the only change being our Tea Lady, Eleanor who resigned and her place was taken by Stephanie. As usual, our regular helpers Mick, Judy, Patricia, and June were thanked for their help during the year; it is so much easier to enjoy the meetings when

we get help when needed. Our membership number has reached 30 which is very encouraging.

We held our 32nd birthday lunch at our last get-together. A lovely lunch catered for by the RSL and a lovely, iced birthday cake made by Patricia with the iced Legacy logo provided by Lea, thanks to you both.



The cake was cut by our two members who turned 95 this year, Dot Sofield and Beryl Gorfin, who had previously been given a potted plant as well.

We have had the usual ailments that abound and are pleased to see Kim back again after a very heavy cold.

Our Secretary, Jan Wilcock is currently enjoying a trip around Europe. We are hopeful that she has missed the fires that are prevalent there.

Our President, Ann, was missing from our July lunch as she had a very important function to attend in Perth. Ann's husband Fred was a Korean Navy Veteran and she and her son Andrew went along as special guests. The 20 remaining Australian Korean veterans from all states attended. Ann was presented by the Korean Ambassador with a beautiful, boxed medal, which she proudly brought so that we could all see it. Also attending were Mark McGowan, Roger Cook, Reece Whitby, Basil Zempalis, Matt Granger, and the Police Commissioner. 300 people, including Ann and



Andrew, went to Frasers for a delicious lunch. A very special day for Ann and Andrew, went to Frasers for a delicious lunch. A very special day for Ann and Andrew and all the other 20 Veterans as well.

With only a few more meetings for this year, before we start thinking about Christmas, we are hoping that members will provide some prizes for our raffle in November, the decision has yet to be made as to who we will be donating to as our 'Christmas Goodwill. It will

be to a local charity as usual, and I am sure we shall raise a fantastic amount, as we did last year. Always good to give to others at times like this.

In closing, see you all at the Jingle in December. I wish all the other Legacy clubs and the staff at HO ... a happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Stay safe and well.  
Regards,  
*Barbara*

## Perth

The Friday Group meet weekly in RSLWA HQ in the restaurant area and are very well cared for by restaurant staff member Courtney. She has everything set up for the ladies and has their favourite coffee waiting for them on arrival. Huge thanks to Courtney.

Members attending our club has decreased to consistently five. We still have over ten members; however, some are now in nursing care and not in the best of health.

I still try to maintain contact with members and will continue to complete any administrative issues that arise for the club members.

We have had only one outing this year and we thank Legatee Peter Heeney for organising the trip to Swan Valley's Chocolate Factory and Lavender Café. We will be having more outings in the very near future.

We thank the Community Services team at Legacy WA and all staff members for caring for us during 2023. Legatee Heeney and Annie Cowan attended the Annual Laurel Club Forum



at SAS House and gained a lot of informative information on Governance, budget, and future administration of Laurel Clubs.

Merry Christmas and safe travels over the festive season to all Legacy WA beneficiaries and staff.

*Audrey Rideout*

## Lillies

It is the time of the year that we have members travelling overseas and interstate and all very excited, some already have bookings in for next year. At the moment all I can say is bring on the warm weather.

We still have our members getting together for lunch fortnightly alternating North and

South of the river, these are great occasions to welcome new members. In June we had an enjoyable lunch at the Henley Brook Tavern.

July we had our annual Xmas in July at Yanchep, this is always enjoyed by all as we stay overnight and the atmosphere is great, they had a full house this year which made for lots

of fun.

August we all got together for lunch at the Wembley Golf Course (no, not to play). We enjoyed a lovely meal overlooking the course and on a beautiful sunny day.

I know quite a few of the ladies are looking forward to our camp in October, golly when you mention the months we are now on the homeward run to xmas, it all goes so fast. I for one am going to enjoy watching the footy finals first, it is such a pity there are no WA teams in it, never mind next year fingers crossed.

I know there are times of the year, Birthdays, Anniversaries, and special occasions you share with your loved ones, they never seem to get easier but please remember there is always someone around you who knows what and how you are feeling reaching out with a phone call to anyone in your group can help and we are all good for a hug, please don't hold back.

Until next time all have fun, stay well, and stay safe.

*De'Arne Prosser*



## Menora

We meet at the Australian War Widows Hall at 15 Plantation Street, Menora on the first Wednesday of the month. All Legacy widows are welcome.

Several widows attended the opening of the beautiful Korean War Memorial at Kings Park, there was a large crowd in attendance. Following the service there was a lunch at Frazer's restaurant with many Korean and Australian dignitaries as well as invited guests

with a connection to the Korean War. At the end of the lunch, the widows whose husbands served in Korea received a beautiful medal. All the ladies really enjoyed the jingle in July this year, as usual, the lunch was lovely and it's good to catch up with the other clubs. The giant service bears were a hit with everyone.

*Jan McLeod*

## Kalamunda

Greetings,

We enjoy wonderful get together times on the first Friday of each month at 1PM at the Jack Healey Community Centre. Here we have laughter, storytelling and hear of arrangements made for our next outing.

We are going ... where?! Exciting. We enjoy our bus outings to lunch with Warrick who is usually our bus driver.

Thanks Jan Applin for visiting us; it was lovely to see you and we hope you enjoyed your time with us all. We enjoyed the shared stories,

fellowship and finished a lovely afternoon with tea, coffee, sandwiches and biscuits.

We have just welcomed two new members – wonderful.

Each meeting we bring flowers, fruit to share and enjoy a lovely afternoon with tea, coffee and biscuits. We live in a beautiful place in the hills.

Keep smiling – see you soon.

Regards,  
*Hazel Atkins*

## Midland & Districts

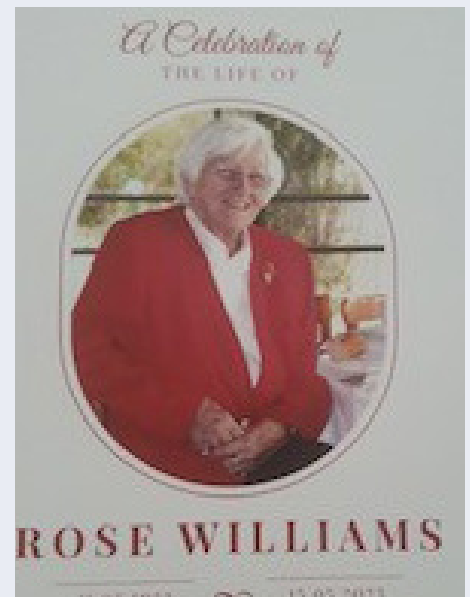
Our group met for a special lunch on Wednesday 7th June at The Bayswater Hotel. There was a big group of 25 which included Tracey Hamel and Jan Applin. Our lunch was to say farewell to our staunch member Margaret who leaves us on 1st July to live in Adelaide. Tracey presented Margaret with a special certificate for all the efforts she had put in for Legacy. We wish Margaret and her family well on their new endeavour.

We also farewelled our Legatee Steve Reece as he has now retired and thanked him for all his help and friendship. Good luck in retirement Steve.

Many thanks to Tracey and Jan for coming and being part of our day.

On a very sad note, one of our lovely ladies passed away last month and we send our condolences to her family, especially to her daughter Debbie.

*Cheers,*  
*Vicki Bates*



## Mandurah/Murray

Hello widows and Legacy family.

Mandurah/Murray club has not done a lot lately but looking into my records I just would like to congratulate the following members who have supporting our club for 20 years:

Evelyn Lanigan who joined in 2002 and has attended most meetings until recently due to ill health. She also loved to come to the camp. Thanks to Evelyn and her daughter Yvonne who is doing a great job looking after her.

Con Holmes joined in 2000 and was our president for many ears and willing supporter of the widows. Unfortunately, Con can't attend due to ill health, but we send best wishes and thanks for all she did for us.

Anne Dunlop joined in 2003 the same year as me and I doubt that Anne has missed too many meetings or outings. Anne was also our president and was always on the committee. Thank you Anne for your dedication and support.

Mildred Underwood joined in 2003 and still attends our meetings and outings when she can. Many thanks Mildred for all your support.

Many thanks to all the ladies who come and join us every month. The club had a lovely lunch at Sunbreakers in May and then enjoyed the July Jingle. Thank

you Legacy for a great day, it was good to catch with old friends.

Sadly, we lost Eva Roach who would have been 100 in December this year and no relation but my dear friend from camp Ronnie Roach who get me to be liason officer 23 years ago. Ronnie would have been 99 in November. We will miss both these ladies.

We are saying farewell to Joy Berry who is moving to Perth and having health issues. Good luck and thank you for your input to our club. Best wishes to Valma Hutchinson who is in hospital and any others who are not travelling so well.

Yvonne and I attended the Laurel Club meeting in July at Swanbourne, nice to meet ladies from other clubs and have a chance to raise any issues. I am looking forward to catching up with widows in November at the camp.

Hope all are keeping well and best wishes to all.

P.S. Don't forget meetings 3rd Monday of the month 1:30PM at RSL Mandurah

*Barbara Keillor*  
Secretary

## Albany

Our most recent meeting saw 16 of our ladies enjoy afternoon tea at the September monthly get together at the Albany RSL. They were joined by Legatee Eloy, Legatee Maxwell and Legatee Hood.





# 100th Birthdays

*Celebrating our lovely ladies milestones.*

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Happiest of birthdays to the following ladies:

*Mrs Cecilia Murphy - 100  
Mrs Bertha Kay - 104  
Mrs Margaret Wallis - 102  
Mrs Hilda Hunter - 100  
Mrs Jeanie Herbert - 101  
Mrs Hazel Hall - 103  
Mrs Joan Toccock - 104  
Mrs Doris Smith - 100  
Mrs Ruby Edwards - 103*

*Mrs Eileen Christon - 101  
Mrs Christina Panos - 100  
Mrs Dorothy McNabb - 101  
Mrs Hilda Medley - 101  
Mrs Josephine Winstone - 101  
Mrs Una Abbot - 101  
Mrs Laurel Nazzari - 100  
Mrs Mary Worsnop - 102*



## Doris Smith 100th

She welcomed the arrival of her great-grandchildren Blake, Aidan, Robert and Agatha. Dot lived in the family home in Victoria Park for 96 years, and at the age of 98 moved to join the residents of the Aegis Karalee family. She continues to pursue her artistic talents every day through colouring-in.

Dot has a great character and loves her family and friends, and especially the love of her home in Victoria Park. She sees the optimism and beauty in simple daily things such as a neatly kept garden, it be a beautiful rose bud or a sunny day. Dot is a fun loving woman with a hint of mischief and is always determined to get something done. She is resilient, creative, artistic and independent.

Doris (Dot) Smith was born on the 18th of June 1923 in Carlisle, Perth. She was the fourth born child to Joshua and Gladys Bracey alongside siblings Alfred, Lorna and Roma. Her mother Gladys passed away from childbirth complications in 1925 when Dot was only two years old.

Dot lived an interesting life, she had a brush with death as a result of an accident around the age of six, she became a dressmaker at 15, and a few years later made uniforms for the soldiers in World War Two as a part of the war effort. She loved ballroom dancing and met her husband Douglas (Doug) Smith at a dance hall. They married on 29 January 1949 alongside her sister Roma and her beau Sam in a double wedding ceremony.

Together they had two sons, Murrary and Mark. Over the years, as well as enjoying and spending time with family, her interests included:

- Preparing yummy meals for her family
- Gardening (including many orchids and roses)
- Overseeing modernisation and improving of the beloved family home in Victoria Park
- Watercolour painting
- Making cement garden ornaments.

Dot was thrilled of the arrival of her three grandchildren Melinda, Scoot and Lochlan. She is proudly Western Australian to the core and witnessed the inaugural West Coast Eagles Premiership at the MCG in 1992. Sadly, her husband Doug passed away after a battle with cancer in 1998.





## Laurel Nazzari 100th

Badges and Engraving for many years.

Scarborough Tennis Club had the honour of her membership for several years and was still playing in her 80s.

Her secret to longevity is, to play sports, enjoy life and be kind to everybody.

Happy 100th Birthday Mrs Nazzari.

*Contributed by Peter Heeney*

I had the pleasure to present a bunch of colourful flowers to a colourful 100-year-old War Widow, Mrs Laurel Nazzari on 11 August 2023 in preparation for her milestone birthday on 12 August 2023.

Over seventy family and friends gathered at Meath Mews, Community Lifestyle Village in Trigg to support her and indulge in some beautiful foods and refreshments. Tomorrow she will celebrate her 100th at Fraser's Restaurant.

Mrs Nazzari was born in North Perth and lived most of her life in Scarborough, Western Australia. She worked at the Royal Hotel in North Perth and at Sheridan's



## Kathleen French 103rd

1988 to enjoy the quiet life and a year later he passed away. Ken served in Borneo.

Before she knew it, she became a great-great grandmother and is still going strong! Peter and Kathleen talked of many things and of various subjects, but one thing is for sure that is that Kathleen is still as sharp as a tack, loved dearly by her clan and is enjoying life.

Happy birthday Kathleen.



Kathleen French, '103 Not Out'. Peter Bruce, our camp caretaker down in Busselton went and visited her for her birthday. Kathleen and her husband moved out to Busselton in

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