

Elizabeth & Salisbury Sub Section
of the Naval Association of Australia [SA] Inc.
(Elizabeth Navy Club & RAFA 1200 Club)

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The Bar will not be open Saturdays if the Club is booked for a Club Function, or Private Hall Hire

All Membership Fees are Due as from the 1st Jan 2009 fees for Membership renewals are as the following:

Ex- Naval Members	\$25.00	Associate Members	\$20.00
Club Members	\$20.00	Sport Members	\$10.00

A Joining Fees of \$5-00 applies to all New Members, Except Sports Members whereby a Fee of \$2-50 applies

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Well here we are well & truly into the new year of 2009. By all reports they say it will be a tough road ahead with the world plunging into a recession, but by the middle of the year we should start to see our way out of the doom & gloom. For my part I'm only too pleased that I'm not a part of the work force with so much uncertainty going on. GMH being the single largest employer in our region only a few weeks ago had a federal govt offer that was supposed to see them through some tough times ahead, but already their workers are feeling the pinch with scheduled shut downs, half pay weeks so on & so forth. The only thing one can say to all that is that if this year ahead is anything like last year for us at the club, then it will be a good year. We finished off last year in reasonably good shape. The work parties carried out lots of maintenance, the gallery of pictures have had a make over, & so to all those who took part in these activities I thank each & every one of you for your time, efforts & in some cases donations of goods towards the jobs that were carried out.

Speaking of donations of goods etc, to all who donated goods towards the garage sales we conducted last year, I thank you all too & especially the ladies who organized the garage sale days for they also contributed with cake stalls as well as other items. The cake stalls certainly proved very popular indeed. All the money raised went towards giving the kids a good xmas party with a wild life expo to entertain them, & then father xmas appeared with heavy laden sacks to distribute gifts to all the kids. We look forward to the same continued support again this year. So what's happening at the club this year? Included in with your newsletter will be a laminated calendar of events, which includes all the dates for the Friday Meals, 4 scheduled garage sale dates, the **Captain Waller Dinner** which again this year will be a **Lunch** time affair as well as the **Trafalgar Dinner** also being a **Lunch** time affair, & the RAFA Club will be holding there Battle of Britain festivities during the daytime also. It also includes **Anzac Dawn Service**, which this year is on a Saturday. The last Friday meal will be the 3rd Friday in November with Xmas Lunch on the last Sunday in November. The Kids Xmas party will finish off the year for the events & that will be the second Sunday in December.

This year we have an extra 8 Ball team at our club & for the first time since I can remember we have one of the 2 teams at our club every Wednesday evening through out the entire season, We also have the Carpet Bowls team at the club on Wednesday evenings, but as there is only the 1 bowls team they will naturally be away on some of those evenings, so unlike last year our Wednesday evenings will be a busy time.

Speaking of 8 Ball I understand the players involved in the Woody Woodman Trophy challenge enjoyed the new format which was organized by Robin Wood & I congratulate the winner Garth Walton who I believe defeated our erstwhile Secretary - Robin Wood.

Last year on December Jan & I attended the TS Stuart Cadets Unit & I presented the Captain Waller Shield to the Best Cadet at the unit. Speaking of the cadets they have performed some very valuable service to us over past years in assisting our ladies out in the kitchen on 2 occasions each year firstly the Captain Waller Dinner & then the Trafalgar Dinner & so my thanks are also extended to them & there team of instructors, in particular Geoff Parkhouse, & also to their parents committee who organized our Anzac Dawn Service Breakfast.

Our Kitchen volunteers, amicably lead by Jan Fry with assistance from Jenny Brinkley & Kathy Barnes, last year performed some very valuable service in providing the Friday evening meals. Unfortunately we were forced to increase the price of the meals by \$1 for the main meal & 50cents for a dessert taking them up to \$6 & \$2 respectively. We were reluctant to increase the prices but economics became the master with our cost prices increasing we were left with no choice in the matter. Jan insisted in keeping the takeaway frozen meals down at \$5 each meal because the loss factor with wastage was minimum. Speaking of the frozen meals Jan made up quite a large batch in December so there was plenty on hand to carry through over the xmas & new year holiday period, which has proven to be quite popular with many availing themselves of these during this period. The ladies will commence the meals again on 6th Feb.

I will take this opportunity to thank those who held the fort in my absence during my rehab period after my knee replacement operation last November through to the current time, in particular the Secretary, Robin Wood & my wife Jan who has had the task of driving me everywhere I wanted or needed to go.

The new years eve function while not greatly supported in numbers again this time was none the less enjoyed by those who did attend, & the bar take was proof of that.

Now for the year ahead, after the success of last years 2 Lunch Time annual Dinners, the Captain Waller & Trafalgar Dinners the Navy Club Committee decided that as we seem to have finally struck the right note in time & structure that suits most of our members we will stick to the same time zone & hope that everyone will again support the club on all the planned events for 2009.

Finally I hope that all ex Navy Members in particular will this year consider attending our AGM in March & seriously consider what contribution they can give. By contribution I mean consider a position on the Committee. The Committee is the most vital position of the club for without a committee there is no club for it is the most fundamental thing of being a club. The current committee is the same members who have served for quite some years now & an injection of new members to the committee is vital because without that we risk becoming complacent & stagnant in our thinking & attitude as well. So please give it some serious consideration.

In each newsletter I will include the forthcoming events for the 3-month period ahead.

They are here now with as much information as has been planned to date.

Friday Meals will recommence on Feb 6th & 20th & continue on the 1st & 3rd Friday each month from then on. We commence taking orders from 5-15pm & last orders will be at 6-15pm. If you have a party of 6 or more advanced notice is required if you wish to be seated together other wise it is pot luck where you sit. This also helps us with catering requirements. To book a table ring Jan on 8252 1351.

On Saturday 14th Feb will be the 1st of 4 Garage Sales we will conduct throughout the year. We are currently collecting items for this & if you have anything you no longer want or need we will be only to pleased to have it. Any clothing items must be in a clean & wearable condition. All other items must be clean & in working order. Storage space at the club is very limited, so it would be very helpful if you are able to hang on to items until closer to the time, but please let us know if you have items to donate. It goes without saying that we definitely do not have the space to store larger items so these things we can not accept until much closer to the actual time of the garage sale before bringing them to the club. In certain circumstances where a member is living on there own & does not have transport, if you contact me I may be able to organise collecting items from you. We will conduct a 2nd Garage Sale on May 23rd.

The Captain Waller Lunch will be held on Saturday 28th Feb. Cost is \$15-00 per person with a 3-course meal. Guests will include the Naval Officer Commanding SA & the State President of the Naval Association & their partners. Bookings are essential & will close on the Sunday prior being the 22nd Feb. This is our single most important function for the year & while dress rules apply they are much more relaxed than what they used to be. While we do not insist on the wearing of a dinner suit & tie it is requested that you be dressed in a manner befitting the occasion & memory of the man in whose Honour we hold this function. (Men – Trousers & open neck shirt, & If desired Medals may be worn also). Captain Hector McDonald Laws Waller, Commanding Officer of HMAS Perth 1, was lost in action with his ship along with half of his crew on the evening of 28th Feb & 1st March 1942, this is exactly 67 years to the day when we will commemorate them with this function.

Anzac Day this year is Saturday 25th April & as usual we will have Dawn Service at the club. The Service will commence at 6-00am as usual. We anticipate the cadets will supply the usual catafalque party (Honour Guard) & we will also approach their parents committee about doing the usual breakfast as a fundraiser for the unit.

For the club - Keith Fry – President/Treasurer

THIS IS WHY “CLEAR” INSTRUCTIONS ARE NECESSARY PEOPLES!!!!!!

There is a factory in Northern Minnesota which makes the Tickle Me Elmo toys. The toy laughs when you tickle it under the arms.

Well, Lena is hired at The Tickle Me Elmo factory and she reports for her first day promptly at 8:00 am.

The next day at 8:45 am there is a knock at the Personnel Manager's door. The Foreman throws open the door and begins to rant about the new employee.

He complains that she is incredibly slow and the whole line is backing up, putting the entire production line behind schedule.

The Personnel Manager decides he should see this for himself, so the 2 men march down to the factory floor. When they get there the line is so backed up that there are Tickle Me Elmo's all over the factory floor and they're really beginning to pile up.

At the end of the line stands Lena surrounded by mountains of Tickle Me Elmo's. She has a roll of plush Red fabric and a huge bag of small marbles.

The 2 men watch in amazement as she cuts a little piece of fabric, wraps it around two marbles and begins to carefully sew the little package between Elmo's legs.

The Personnel Manager bursts into laughter. After several minutes of hysterics he pulls himself together and approaches Lena .

'I'm sorry,' he says to her, barely able to keep a straight face, 'but I think you misunderstood the instructions I gave you yesterday...'

'Your job is to give Elmo two test tickles.

Sorry about taking out the pictures but they would have taken up far too much space & Ink,

I'm sure you're imagination can fill them in quite well

This above item came to me via member Harold Heslop who received it from Eddie Nicholls. Thanks Guys

Forwarding of emails to multiple addresses at the same time.

Those who are in the know would agree we do not want our email address passed all over the world for hackers & scammers to get hold of, so when you forward a message on, before sending it, Delete all previous addresses & any unwanted text right down to the text you want to send, you'll also find at the bottom of the text message there is a heap of text you can also delete. (There's nothing worse than receiving an email with pages of address & then just a small amount of text is what the message is really all about.) Then if you are sending to multiple people instead of putting all names etc in the cc box put your pointer on the cc box, move to the left, over the little book icon next to cc, & click with your right mouse button, select those people you wish to include the message to, & put them into the Bcc box, that's "Blind Carbon Copy" doing this prevents everyone's email addresses from being scattered all over the globe & eventually ending up in the hands of some hacker in who may try to steal your identity & money etc. The above method of using Bcc is with **Outlook Express** as your email program, but I'm sure most other email programs would be similar to this.

“Just a little tip to help stop Hackers & Scammers”

Try it out the next time you forward on a joke or some other email you have received from a friend