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February 2025 NEWSLETTER



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The next RSA committee meeting will be held at 4 pm in the Rugby room on 19 Feb. Minutes of previous meetings are available on the RSA website.

Wednesday Evening Club Night

Every Wednesday members meet and greet at The Stoke Rugby club rooms in the Green Meadows Community Center. 4pm til 7pm. Shitehawk and announcements are made at 5:45pm and the tribute to the fallen is recited at 6:00pm with a moving bugle accompaniment by Mason.

Women's Section

Usually we meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month. 2-4pm at Broadgreen Le Cren Room.

Upcoming Events

**PURPLE POPPY DAY - SUNSET SERVICE 5.00PM
SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2025**



REMEMBERING ALL ANIMALS THAT
SERVED IN WAR
NELSON RETURNED AND SERVICES
ASSOCIATION
LAWN CEMETERY - MARSDEN VALLEY -
STOKE - NELSON

Wear something purple - Animals welcome

George's War: Following My Father's Journey.

The Nelson Provincial Museum Pupuri Taonga o Te Tai Ao warmly invites you to the opening of our upcoming exhibition ***George's War: Following My Father's Journey.***

Date: Friday, 28th February 2025

Time: 5:30pm onwards

Venue: Nelson Provincial Museum, 270 Trafalgar Street, Nelson

Drinks and light refreshments will be provided

George's War: Following My Father's Journey is an intimate and poignant exhibition by local artist Sue Heydon, exploring her father's harrowing experience as a WWII prisoner of war.

Please RSVP by 21st February for catering purposes

Finding Private Webber book launch

Thurs 6 March 5-7pm

Fairfield House 48 Van Diemen St

Guest speaker - Brigadier Sean Trengrove MVO,DSD,ED

RVSP by 27 Feb at angf126@gmail.com

[Reuniting Lost- Found Medals & Medal Mounting](#)

We return medals to families or if you need some medals mounted then contact Brian or Ian at medalsreunitednz@gmail.com or go to their website at: www.medalsreunitednz.co.nz

[VANZ Support](#)

The V I P supports you to remain independent in your own home. As long as you have Qualifying Service (Reg Force, CMT, NS, Territorial Force if you served before 1 Apr 74) you don't need to have a service related condition. Support can include things like mowing your lawns, cleaning your gutters, washing the outside of your house, clean windows, 2 hrs /week house cleaning and gardening.

Nelson RSA website:

www.nelsonrsa

**Bank Account Number NBS
03 1354 0038318 00**

For membership fees

A Tuku25 free Event 'The Biggest Kiwi in the World'

Sunday 23 March 2 p.m Elma Turner Library

We are delighted to partner with Nelson Public Libraries to launch 'The Biggest Kiwi in the World' a children's picture book about a fascinating part of our WW1 history. We learnt from author Colleen Brown about 'The Bulford Kiwi : the Kiwi we left behind' at our February 2019 meeting and the picture book arising from this research is a beautiful blend of history, storytelling, and family connection. Colleen will read from her book and talk about how it came together - a truly Nelson region endeavour, with illustrator Emma Lay from Takaka, financially supported by the Motueka Memorial RSA and with one of the heroes of the book's family living in Nelson.

A very appropriate ANZAC gift for every age and stage.

Colleen will also be speaking at the Women's section meeting in March.

May 11th - AGM (Mothers day)

Needed/wanted Committee members

Some of us are getting worn out! (Barry has been on the committee for 36 yrs) Please note that the meeting day and times are flexible and can be changed for those that work. Nominations are due by end April.

Lately there has been some controversy around the money collected on Poppy day and where it goes,

Let me assure you that Nelson RSA's Trust ensures that

The Poppy Day Trust account is used exclusively for the welfare of our returned members

Remembrance

Support

Advocacy



Big Poppies for vehicles \$35.00 from the office

The Veggie Guy Stoke at 520 Main Road Stoke, will give anyone showing their Nelson RSA card a 5% discount

Auto Battery, they will give you a 34% discount on your scooter batteries if you show them your Nelson RSA card. 126 Tahunanui Dr

Tom Sherwood Ltd our new Accounting firm

Many thanks to **Mega Mitre 10**, Junction corner for all their support



Your RSA membership card offers various discounts in these retailers :

Vero	Resene
BMC Lawyers	Melo Yelo E-bikes
Flagmakers	Big Shield Outdoor cleaners
Heartland Bank	Thrifty Car rental
Avis	Bella Vista Accom
Babich Wines	Senior Move Management
Public Trust	Trooper Wine
Noel Leeming	Bunnings
Placemakers	Ideal Electrical
Repco	Beaurepaires
Office Max	And more



SOPHISTICUTZ HAIR DESIGN - Kim Smith is owner and our bartender on Wed nights
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