RSL CQ DISTRICT NEWSLETTER JULY 2023

District Matters

The District name change was implemented on the 1st July by RSL QLD, however RSL QLD has formally introduced some changes. The documentation to finalise the name change has been forwarded to the Office of Fair Trading for final approval.

I have been informed by RSL QLD that the outcome from Office of Fair Trading regarding the name change whether it is approved in its current application will not affect the board's decision to implement the name change.

The District web site is currently being upgraded to reflect the changes; however, this will be a slow process due to the amount of work to facilitate this change.

Stationery and re branding will also be addressed, and these changes will commence in a timely manner.

Barry Vains OAM has been appointed by the district as an Associate Director and will be attending the next Council Meeting to give an outline of his role in the organisation.

Other Matters

State Congress was held on the 24th June and was attended by 190 delegates.

Ms. Wendy Taylor was successful in her nomination for Deputy President / Deputy Chair.







The PBI was endorsed at State Congress.

The definition of PBI status is: -

A Public Benevolent Institution (PBI) is one of the categories or 'subtypes' of charity able to be registered with the ACNC. Public Benevolent Institutions can apply for charity tax concessions and may be eligible to be endorsed as a deductible gift recipient.

District Council meetings for 2023

22.7.2023 - Rockhampton RSL

16.9.2023 - Mackay RSL

18.11.202 - Emu Park RSL

District Executive meetings for 2023

26.8.2023, 28.10.2023

RSL Capricornia Rockhampton Combined Services Sub Branch

The Department of Fair Trading will advise when the process is completed.

On Going Matters and Reminders

<u>District Website/Facebook</u> Website address is <u>www.rslpfhdistrict.org.au</u> has been changed to <u>www.rslcqdistrict.com.au</u>. Either domain name will connect you with the RSL CQ Web Site.

Sub Branches are encouraged to keep providing details of events, photographs, to President, Phil Luzzi, or District Secretary, Lynette Phillips, for placing on the district website and Facebook page.

Dental & Allied Health Program

The program will continue in continue into 2023 and will be budgeted for accordingly.

The budget for the Allied Health Program has been increased to \$1250.00 per person per calendar year.

As of June 2023, total expenses were. Dental \$10,627.75

Hearing \$4,199.90 and Optical \$7,546.45

TOTAL EXPENDITURE = \$22,368.83

First Aid Kits

Sub Branches are responsible for the replenishment of their first aid kit. There a number of organisations available who will check and restock you kits for a service fee and the cost of the replaced items; however, you can organise some responsible person in your sub- branch to carry this procedure on a regular basis.

LiveLife Alarms Program

The program will continue in 2023 has been budgeted for accordingly, however the process has been reviewed and the sub branches have been made aware of the new procedures and the guidelines are available from the district secretary as well as the revised application forms.

The forms will also be available on the district web site after the website has been upgraded.

Number of new applications, renewals, and spending YTD 5 recharges & 2 new applications.

TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR 2023 \$1,279.00

District Charitable Objects Fund

The fund will continue in 2023 with a further \$100,000 of funds being allocated by RSL Queensland to the District. Please note that applications are limited to a maximum amount of \$10,000 and applications cannot be retrospective. All applications need to be on the application form and be in accordance with the guidelines.

Sub Branch financials **MUST BE PROVIDED** as well as **QUOTES** for the functions, trips away and any other event, before any application can be considered.

Sub-Branches need to ensure they familiarize themselves with this documentation before an application is made. Sub-Branches are encouraged to come up with worthy projects and apply for funding.

The COF process has been reviewed by the State Council of District Presidents and a number of changes to the existing policy has been reviewed. The new application forms are available from Lynette Phillips (District Secretary) or on the district website under resources

Sub-Branch Support Program

Funding is available for 2023 through this program for those Sub-Branches in financial need. Please refer to program policy and guidelines. An application needs to be made on application form.

TOTAL YTD = NIL

Emergency Welfare Spending

TOTAL YTD = Nil

Phillip Luzzi

District President

The Last Post

Membership ID	First Name	Last Name	Owner	Last Financial Year	Deceased Date
2440543	Norman	Peacock	Gracemere & District Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	27/01/2022
2441953	Kenneth	Mathers	Gracemere & District Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	1/02/2022
1538604	Kenneth	Rowlands	Gracemere & District Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	22/06/2023
2438654	John	Lacey	Mackay Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	5/06/2023
1021270	John	Arnold	Yeppoon Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	2/06/2023