### **RSL CQ DISTRICT NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2024**

## **District Matters**

Over the coming months the district will organise new stationary & upgrade existing policies & procedures to reflect the name change, upgrade of uniforms (shirts), honour board for the district office, district office rebranding & I will continue to upgrade our web site & Facebook.

## **Christmas Hampers**

37 hampers were distributed by RSL CQ to our members who met the criteria from RSLQ.

# **Christmas Gifts**

RSL CQ Branch provided Christmas puddings to 40 members/guests at our November Council Meeting as a token of our appreciation for their services.

## **Other Matters**

Marian Sub Branch conducting a First Aid Course on the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024 and 27 members throughout the District attend.



#### **Presentation of 100Year Old Certificate Norman Waterson**



Barry Vains (Associate Director) has been working on two projects.

RSL National Awards and the Building Facilities Assistance Program.

The Building Facilities Assistance Program will be included in the budget in February and implemented early this year.

RSL State Branch will no longer cover the ongoing expenses associate with the Allied Health Program as they believe it does not fall within the Charitable Objects Fund guidelines.

The district will continue to cover the cost of this program out of our own budget; however, it will be reviewed periodically depending on the district's available finances.

### District Council meetings for 2024

23 /03/24 – AGM & DC Meeting, Gracemere & District Sub Branch

18/05/24 – Farleigh and Northern Beaches

20/07/24 – Emu Park

21/09/24 - Mackay

16/11/24 - Clermont

#### <u>District Executive meetings for 2023</u>

03/02/24

02/03/24

27/04/24

29/06/24

31/08/24

26/10/24

#### RSL Capricornia and Rockhampton Combined Services Sub Branch merge

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

## **On Going Matters and Reminders**

District Website/Facebook Website address is www.rslcgdistrict.com.au .

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

#### **Dental and Allied Health Support Program**

A reminder that the District operates on a calendar year basis and all applications need to be in before the 31<sup>st</sup> December in the current year. District would prefer if you are able to, lodge your claim within one month of treatment.

Dental = \$ 3 132.60

Hearing = \$1 250.00

Optical = \$299.00

#### **Live Life Alarms Program**

Number of new applications, renewals and spending = \$457.00

Upgrade = 1

Total expenditure = \$457.00

#### **Emergency Welfare Spending**

Spending YTD = \$550.00

## Sub-Branch Support Program

Funding is available for 2024 through this program for those Sub-Branches in financial need. Please refer to program policy and guidelines. A formal application is required.

TOTAL YTD = NIL

# **LiveLife Alarms Program**

The forms are available on the district web site.

There has been a significant increase in the annual fee for the alarms.

The annual increase was effective from the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 and it is now \$75.00 per annum paid by the consumer unless other arrangements have been made by your sub branch for reimbursement.

Number of new applications, renewals, and spending YTD 0 recharges & 0 new applications.

# **District Charitable Objects Fund**

The fund will continue in 2024 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 \$10,000.00

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.

NOTE: COF applications will NOT be paid retrospectively. Quotes have to be provided on the application otherwise the sub branch will have to meet the out-of-pocket expenses.

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

Phillip Luzzi

**District President** 

#### THE LAST POST

Membership ID	First Name	Last Name	Owner	Last	Deceased Date
2486596	Gerard	Pearce	Emerald Sub Branch Inc.	SM2024	17/01/2024
1033791	Jamie	Boyd	Emu Park Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	10/01/2024
1013757	Alan	Munster	Emu Park Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	25/01/2024
1535195	Rodney	Cameron	Farleigh & Northern Beaches	SM2023	26/01/2024
1558308	Thomas	Wallace	Mackay Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	6/12/2023
1760995	Barry	Dean	Mackay Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	7/12/2023
1571494	Mure	Farquhar	Springsure Sub Branch	SMLIFE	
1006452	Richard	Homewood	Yeppoon Sub Branch Inc.	SMLIFE	17/01/2024

# **Office Hours**

The District Office is located at 214 Victoria Street Mackay.

Office Hours are Monday to Friday 8.00am – 3.30pm

The District Secretary can be contacted on 07 4957 4165 or 0432 124 514 and email address cq@rslqld.org

RSLQ Advocate is Tracey Victor. For an appointment with an Advocate, please call 134 775.

