



RSA

NELSON



November 2024 NEWSLETTER

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Office hours

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- Barry Pont

The next RSA committee meeting will be held at 4 pm in the Rugby room on 15 Nov. Minutes of previous meetings are available in the office.

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.

Member feature this month is Rowan Macdonald

I joined the Regular Force in 1956 at Papakura, instructing CMT until mid-58, then posted to 2NZ Regt in Jan 59 leaving NZ for Malaya in Sept in the first advance party.

Operations in the jungle from Feb 60 Based in Perak near the Thailand border operated the A510 radio and a WS62 direct to Taiping about 100 miles. I was posted to Papakura on my return to NZ and then to Waiouru as a Sgt Instructor at School of Signals in Jul 62. Took command in Jan 64 of 31 Medium Radio Sub Troop a unit formed to communicate from the battalion overseas (Singapore) to NZ. Towards the end of my posting we were mobilised for a month with parent unit 249 Sig Sqn at Kangaw Barracks Singapore. Posted to 2 Communication Zone Signal Squadron Jan 66. Next posting to School of Signals in Oct 68 and responsible for all signals operator trade training. In Dec 71 I was the Communications Warrant Officer (CWO) to 28 ANZUK Bde Sig Sqn I Singapore. Returned to NZ and posted to 2 Comm Z Sig Sqn as SSM and WO1 in Dec 73 at Linton. Commissioned as Lieutenant and Quartermaster on 5 Jan 76, remained in unit as the Quartermaster before posted as Officer Commanding Southern Signal Troop and Camp Commandant Addington Military Barracks in Christchurch Nov 76 In charge of all South Island Army communications, responsible for the initial training of female operators and 120 camp personnel. Promoted to Captain. This posting was one of the three best appointments that I had, the others being Troop Sgt of 31 Med Radio Sig Tp and CWO at the School of Signals. Being able to put my training and responsibility for the training of all operators in RNZ Signals to full use. On 4 Feb 78 after 21 years and 203 days I left the service as a Captain.

Women's Section

Usually we meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month. 2-4pm at Broadgreen Le Cren Room. Nov will be a Christmas luncheon.

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



1 Dec - Subs will be due

Service, Returned, & Assoc 18-89 yrs old - \$50

Total for couple - \$75.00

Widow of Serviceman - \$35.00

Cash only in the office

Upcoming dates

13 Nov - singalong with ukes @ club night

10 Dec - VANZ rep visiting to answer queries 2pm

Veteran Affairs Case Manager will be in Nelson. This has all been booked up

18 Dec - Christmas and volunteer BBQ

Office will be closed from 24 Dec to 13th Jan

No club night Wed 25, 31 Dec, 7 Jan 2025

Lest We Forget

Bruce Weaver - past president

Bernard Redshaw



Remembrance Support Advocacy

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



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