



BUNDABERG DISTRICT WOMEN VETERANS
Formed 1967 as: BUNDABERG & DISTRICT EX SERVICEWOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Chests Out

Women Veterans, proud to have served our nation.

9/2025 SEPTEMBER



COUNTRY GETAWAY 2025

CHESTS OUT—proud female veterans staying in touch for 58 years

Association Information

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BUSINESS INFORMATION: Incorporation IA13064

NFP Charity ABN 78362718229 Public liability Insurance Miramar -132848-Q \$20M

See website for constitution, by laws, business plan and other important documents.

MEMBERSHIP: Service Member \$10; Associate \$15 per year. You may pay for more than one year. Please be sure to alert treasurer of your transfer of money. Your secretary has a record of your advance payments—contact her to check your status.

Financial year: 1Jan to 31Dec. See website 'about us' for eligibility and to download an application form.

Bundaberg District Women Veterans

COMMITTEE 2025-26

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Activities:	Activities Officer or coordinators
Bookings:	Coordinator or Treasurer
Commemorations	Commemorations Officer
Policy, Procedures	Jenny Waldron or Leone Wilson
Strategic Planning	President

General Appointments

Activities:	A/Off (VACANT). Assist: Jenny Waldron, Glenda Everton-Brocklesby, Annette Newsham, Jeannie Roberts
Assist. Secty	Leone Wilson, Jeannie Roberts; Gloria Kilpatrick
Awards:	President, Vice Pres, Shirley Watson,
Commemorations:	C/Off (VACANT), Assist: Angella Hillis, Jenny Waldron, Leone Wilson
Commun.& Prom:	Media: President, Assist: Sheryl Parker
Financial Auditor:	Lynne Pollock, Sheona Webster-Gorrie
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Legacy Liaison:	Sheryl Parker, Lynne Pollock
Library:	Annette Newsham
Line Dancing:	Sharon Barsby, Assist: other dancers
Newsletter :	Leone Wilson, Assist: Jeannie Roberts
Property Officer:	Lynne Pollock, Assist: Sharon Barsby
RSL Liaison	Dannielle Brearley, Gloria Kilpatrick
Social Media:	Jeannie Roberts, Assist: Jenny Waldron
Ten Pin Bowls:	Lynne Pollock
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Current Life Members

Leone Wilson OAM
Shirley Watson
Kay Derome
Jennifer Waldron OAM
Sharon Barsby

HOW TO PAY:

Electronic Funds Transfer & Direct Deposits:

Bundaberg District Women Veterans Inc. Westpac Bundaberg: BSB 034122 A/c 637419

PLEASE INFORM SECTY or TREAS.

CASH: You can pay cash at a meeting—Please assist the Treasurer by having the correct money.
If you need a receipt let the treasurer know.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Congratulations were the order of the day for this month's general meeting and will be recorded in the minutes, however I missed another very important mention, that being Terrie-Anne Howard and Deb Bratt who travelled to Gayndah to take part in a 42km walk to acknowledge the 42 lost in Afghanistan. Well done Terrie-Anne and Deb!

The other accolades were to our award winning author Patricia Collins and to Jenny Waldron (see page 4).

It was wonderful to have long time member Megan Stegman present at the September meeting—it is a while since we last caught up with Meg but hopefully, we will see her again soon.

Our Associate membership has grown by one—welcome to Roslyn Blackwood, daughter in law of our new WWII member, Mavis.

RECRUITING

Members, now is a good time to encourage former servicewomen and those still serving to join our association. Our by-laws contain a clause which allows any membership application approved after 30 September to cover the remainder of the year and all of the next year.

A member approved at October's meeting would therefore be financial to December 2026 and would also be able to attend our Christmas function at the subsidised 'members' price', plus join in at Line Dancing and Ten Pin Bowls at member's rates.

An electronic membership application form can be sent to you or downloaded from our website. Hard copies can be printed at the Lodge.

RSL RAFFLES

There was wonderful response to the call for volunteers to assist with the Friday evening raffles at the RSL. We have a team and even better, we have enough attending to make each Friday a social outing of friendship and fun. Gloria Kilpatrick has booked a table for each Friday 3, 10, 17, 24 Oct and many will staying for dinner.

ACTIVITIES

Booking for Hervey Bay closes 30 September.

Bookings for Christmas lunch at the RSL Club, \$35 members, \$45 guests, may be made now. There is a booking sheet at the Lodge.

Picnickers! Get your hamper ready for Sunday October

12. Glenda Everton-Brocklesby suggests meeting down by the zoo at 1130 Hrs.

2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The activities sub committee are now considering your suggestions—thanks to the contributors. The results will be put to the management committee in October.

2026 COMMITTEE

Just a couple of months to when we look for next year's committee. If you wish to know what is involved, ask one of the current committee members. We need a president and also commemorations and activities officers. Members with experience will be able to mentor.

60th DIAMOND REUNION 2027

The management committee approved the concept plan for the 60th Anniversary Reunion. The reunion sub committee have been given the go ahead to begin work on the various aspects of a three day event which will include a welcome function, the celebration luncheon and a service and farewell morning tea.

The reunion sub committee invites any member with an interest in assisting the planning, to become a part of the committee.

COMMEMORATIONS

Notices of commemorations are sometimes received pretty late. Members, particularly with relative service, wishing to attend specific events may like to advise us in anticipation. We could then check with those members first when seeking volunteers.

Remembrance Day 11 November is around the corner. Please let the secretary know if you wish to attend the Bundaberg or other area's service and lay a wreath on behalf of our association. Representatives will be decided at October's committee meeting.

WELLBEING

Sheryl Parker attended a Community of Practice bi-monthly meeting and has left information at the Lodge regarding a new home help service for eligible gold card holders and also business cards for assistance with sleep disorders by a DVA approved provider.

RSL's Planning Ahead workshop—hopefully you have received the email providing details of this session on 8 October at the RSL Club. It is well worth going.

Take care

Leone

Hervey Bay shares Friendship September
*A single rose can be my garden,
A single friend, my world.*



J M WALDRON OAM

Jenny Waldron's big day at Government House, 11 September 2025.

Jenny was presented with her Medal of Australia in the general division of the Australian Honours and Awards for service to veterans through Bundaberg District Women Veterans, Bundaberg RSL Sub Branch and also assistance to Burnett Heads Memorial Park Committee plus promoting the interests of service women in general.

Jenny is pictured here with the Governor of Queensland, Her Excellency the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM following receipt of her Award

Members present at Government House witnessing the investiture were Sharon Barsby, Lorraine Houlihan and Jennie Promnitz.

Congratulations Jenny; thank you for your work toward the wellbeing of our members.

Photo is courtesy Queensland Government House. More photos on our Facebook page.



P COLLINS Acclaimed Award Winning Author

Patricia Collins, pictured with son Terry at the State Library of NSW History Awards ceremony 5th September where her book *Rock and Tempest* was named winner of the Anzac Memorial Military History Prize.

Patricia's tribute to fellow Navy personnel who endured much in the aftermath of Cyclone Tracy contributes greatly toward recognition of their extraordinary work.

Congratulations Patricia.

A photo of the book and trophy can be found on our Facebook page.



Wellbeing Activities

All of our activities are for the wellbeing of members



LINE DANCING IS GOOD FOR YOU

Physical Benefits

Cardiovascular Fitness:

The rhythmic and repetitive movements increase your heart rate, providing an effective aerobic workout and improving stamina.

Balance and Coordination:

Learning new steps and changing directions challenges your body to maintain stability, leading to better balance and coordination.

Flexibility:

Line dancing involves movements that can improve your range of motion and overall flexibility, especially when combined with warm-up and cool-down stretches.

Strength and Endurance:

The resistance of your own body weight and the extended periods of movement build muscle strength, particularly in the legs, hips, and core, while also boosting overall endurance.

Low-Impact Exercise:

It's gentle on the joints compared to high-impact activities, making it suitable for older adults and those with certain orthopedic conditions.

Mental and Cognitive Benefits

Reduced Stress and Anxiety:

The combination of music and movement can trigger the release of endorphins, which help to elevate mood and reduce stress.



Inclusive and Accessible:

As a partner-free activity, it's easy for people of different abilities and backgrounds to participate, fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment.

Improved Memory and Cognition:

Learning and recalling complex dance routines strengthens brain function, improving memory and cognitive skills.

Delayed Cognitive Decline:

The mental challenge of line dancing, which involves remembering steps and coordinating movements, can help to delay cognitive decline and is considered beneficial in preventing diseases like Alzheimer's.

Social and Emotional Benefits

Community and Connection:

Line dancing is a group activity that encourages social interaction and camaraderie, helping participants to form new friendships and a strong sense of belonging.

Increased Confidence:

Mastering new steps and routines provides a sense of accomplishment, boosting self-confidence and self-esteem.

Combats Loneliness:

For older adults or those experiencing isolation, line dancing provides a supportive social network and an opportunity to connect with others, improving overall well-being.

WEDNESDAYS FROM 1200-1300 Hrs (noon to 1pm) Coronation Hall (airconditioned) 71 High Street, Walkervale.

Coordinator: Sharon Barsby

**REMEMBER! All of our activities/get togethers need to be
SMELLS-free**

Perfumes, aftershaves and other strong smelling products affect the health of many members. Please do not wear scented products to meetings or other activities, even outdoor activities.

THANK YOU

**If you are 65 or over
register now:**

my aged care

1800 200 422

www.myagedcare.gov.au

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



RSL FRIDAY RAFFLES

FRIDAY 03, 10, 17, 24 From 1630 with draw at 1900 Hrs

A couple of members are required to sell tickets, announce winners and hand out the prizes.

These tasks can be shared. The rest can just enjoy the great company.

Why not have an evening off and enjoy a meal at the club with mates?

Let Secretary Mez know if you plan to attend and dine, to ensure enough room has been booked!

PICNIC IN THE PARK—SUN 12 OCT

Alexandra Park—BYO Lunch. Meet near the Zoo at 1130 Hrs.

UKULELE LESSON—TUE 14 OCT

The Lodge, 1000 Hrs to 1200 Hrs Members \$10, Guests \$20. includes lunch.

There was one place available, check with Jeannie if you wish to go.

Coordinator: Jeannie Roberts.

HERVEY BAY LUNCHEON— SAT 18 OCT 25

Full reunion weekend details are available at the Lodge

Saturday lunch, depart Bundaberg Coaches 0930 RSVP by **30 Sep**

60's attire—flower power and bell bottoms. Members \$70 guests \$85

Coordinator: Jenny Waldron

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON—MON 17 NOV

Members \$35, Guests \$45

Booking sheet available at the Lodge

CUPPA CHAT

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

Check page 7 for dates

Informal get together at the Lodge from around 1000 Hrs

Arrive and depart as you wish. Bring a plate (optional)

Check page 7 for meetings and all other regular activities

BOOKING FOR AN ACTIVITY

PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO ASSIST WITH PLANNING.

The RSVP date is the last date for cancellations to receive a refund.

The easy way to book is via the clipboards at the Lodge, otherwise contact coordinator, activity officer or secretary. Contact details and payment info can be found on page 2

IMPORTANT:

Please advise any special diet requirements when booking for a function.

All bookings are to be confirmed by payment. (see page 2 for payment options)

Watch for any updates to these activities.

If, unfortunately, you need to cancel a booking, please advise the coordinator.

OUR DIARY 2025

Please check page 10 for Commemorations



SEP	Mon	29	Ten Pin Bowls	Bundy Bowl & Leisure Centre, 1030 for 1100 Hrs
OCT	Wed	01	Cuppa Chat	Lodge from 1000 Hrs
OCT	Wed	01	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
OCT	Fri	03	RSL Raffles	Bundaberg RSL Club from 1630 Hrs
OCT	Wed	08	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
OCT	Fri	10	RSL Raffles	Bundaberg RSL Club from 1630 Hrs
OCT	Sun	12	Picnic in the Park	Alexandra Park—BYO lunch
OCT	Tue	14	Ukulele Lesson	Beginners class at Legacy Lodge 1000-1200 hrs M\$10 G\$20
OCT	Wed	15	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
OCT	Fri	17	RSL Raffles	Bundaberg RSL Club from 1630 Hrs
OCT	Sat	18	Hervey Bay Lunch	Depart Bundy Coaches 0930 Hrs
OCT	Mon	20	Meetings	Lodge, Committee 1200 Hrs (all welcome), General 1300 Hrs
OCT	Wed	22	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
OCT	Fri	24	RSL Raffles	Bundaberg RSL Club from 1630 Hrs
OCT	Mon	27	Ten Pin Bowls	Bundy Bowl & Leisure Centre, 1030 for 1100 Hrs
OCT	Wed	29	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
OCT	TBA		VHW	Veterans Health Week activity
NOV	Wed	05	Cuppa Chat	Tom Quinn Café 1000 Hrs—buy your own
NOV	Wed	05	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
NOV	Wed	12	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
NOV	Mon	17	Christmas Lunch	RSL Club, Terrace Room M \$35 G \$45
NOV	Wed	19	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
NOV	Mon	24	Ten Pin Bowls	Bundy Bowl & Leisure Centre, 1030 for 1100 Hrs
NOV	Wed	26	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
DEC	Wed	03	Cuppa Chat	Lodge from 1000 Hrs
DEC	Wed	03	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
DEC	Wed	10	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs
DEC	Wed	17	Line Dancing	Coronation Hall 71 High St Walkervale 1200 Hrs

DIAMOND REUNION INFO



Look for this logo—it will herald information about our Reunion in 2027
 You can begin now by logging in these dates on your mobile phone calendar
Friday 16, Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 July 2027



Welcome to Mavis with a cuppa, 3 Sep
Our newest service member, centenarian
Mavis Blackwood, WRANS WWII
A young 102—now 103 as at 15 September
Left with Glenda T, Sheryl and Jeannie and
below with daughter Roslyn. Roslyn is our
newest associate member.
Welcome to both.



Now, lets see, I make that zero from a possible fifty! Yes, zero! Any complaints must be in writing!



Afghanistan Veterans Remembered

Saturday 30th August 2025, five Ex-Service Women (pic below) L-R Maureen Howard - WRAAC, Barb Clyde - WRAAC, Deb Bratt - WRAAC, Terrie-Ann Howard - RASigs Army and Colleen Corben - WRAAC., participated in a fundraiser walk supporting the 42 for 42 Afghanistan Memorial Garden in Brisbane which pays tribute to those who served during Operation Slipper in Afghanistan remembering the sacrifice and suffering of veterans. The Inaugural "Jacob Snowy Moerland" Memorial Walk occurred in Gayndah, being the home town of Jacob Moerland an Engineer who sadly lost his life whilst serving with 2 CER in 2007.

Commencing at 0645hr on a cold morning we walked 500m laps around an oval. With our heads high we were all very proud to represent Ex-Servicewomen. Walking continuously we heard the echo of Memorial stories for those who sadly lost their lives, may they RIP. Ongoing friendships formed and as did some blisters on our feet. I did hear of some tender and aching body parts in the following days, but it was for a very good cause and all funds raised will continue to support the maintenance of the Memorial. We hope that next year we may have other Ex-



Service women join us to form a couple of teams and make a weekend of it in Gayndah.

Above is an edited version of a letter from Terrie-Ann Howard. Mark your calendar and watch for notices for the 2026 walk.

Afghanistan War Service
1000 Hrs Buss Park, Tue 7 Oct.

WAR NURSES MEMORIAL PARK PARTIAL CLOSURE

BRC is undertaking work on their large tank and part of the park is closed off until around April 2026. the toilets will not be accessible. The memorials and playground area will remain open.



INTERFET/Peacemakers Service, 20 Sept

Pictured below are Megan Penstone (Drop-in Centre), Gloria Kilpatrick, Dannielle Brearley and Shirley Watson.



Commemorations

THE IDIOT REPORT

Number One Idiot

I am a medical student currently doing a rotation in toxicology at the poison control centre. Today, this woman called in very upset because she caught her little daughter eating ants. I quickly reassured her that the ants are not harmful and there would be no need to bring her in.

In conversation she happened to mention that she gave her daughter some ant poison to eat in order to kill the ants. I told her that she better bring her daughter into the emergency room right away.

Number Two Idiot

Early this year, some Qantas employees on the airfield decided to steal a life raft from one of the 747s. They were successful in getting it out of the plane and home.

Shortly after they took it for a float on the river, they noticed a Coast Guard helicopter coming towards them. It turned out that the chopper was homing in on the emergency locator beacon that activated when the raft was inflated. They are no longer employed at Qantas.

Number Three Idiot

A man, wanting to rob a downtown Commonwealth Bank, walked into the Branch and wrote this, "Put all your munny in this bag."

While standing in line, waiting to give his note to the teller, he began to worry that someone had seen him write the note and might call the police before he reached the teller's window. So he left the Commonwealth Bank and crossed the street to the Westpac Bank.

After waiting a few minutes in line, he handed his note to the Westpac teller. She read it and surmising from his spelling errors that he wasn't the brightest light in the harbour, told him that she could not accept his stickup note because it was written on a Commonwealth Bank deposit slip and that he would either have to fill out a Westpac deposit slip or go back to the Commonwealth Bank. Looking somewhat defeated, the man said, "OK" and left.

He was arrested a few minutes later, as he was waiting in line back at the Commonwealth Bank.

SMILE



Number Four Idiot

A motorist was caught in an automated speed trap that measured his speed using radar and photographed his car. He later received in the mail a ticket for \$240 and a photo of his car. Instead of payment, he sent the police department a photograph of \$240. Several days later, he received a letter from the police that contained another picture, this time of handcuffs. He immediately mailed in his \$240.

Number Five Idiot

A guy walked into a little corner store with a shotgun and demanded all of the cash from the cash drawer.

After the cashier put the cash in a bag, the robber saw a bottle of Scotch that he wanted behind the counter on the shelf. He told the cashier to put it in the bag as well, but the cashier refused and said, "Because I don't believe you are over 21." The robber said he was, but the clerk still refused to give it to him because she didn't believe him.

At this point, the robber took his driver's license out of his wallet and gave it to the clerk. The clerk looked it over and agreed that the man was in fact over 21 and she put the Scotch in the bag. The robber then ran from the store with his loot.

The cashier promptly called the police and gave the name and address of the robber that she got off the licence. They arrested the robber two hours later.

Idiot Number Six

A pair of Sydney robbers entered a record shop nervously waving revolvers. The first one shouted, "Nobody move!" When his partner moved, the startled first bandit shot him.

Idiot Number Seven

Brisbane: Seems this guy wanted some beer pretty badly. He decided that he'd just throw a brick through a liquor store window, grab some booze, and run. So he lifted the brick and heaved it over his head at the window. The brick bounced back knocking him unconscious. It seems the liquor store window was made of Plexi-Glass. The whole event was caught on videotape.



. My mind is like an internet browser. At least 18 open tabs, 3 of them are frozen, and I have no clue where the music is coming from.

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07 4153 4599

Open Mon & Thu mornings,
ESO BBQ's lunchtime 1st Sunday

WELLBEING

Jude Binder

Bundaberg Legacy

07 4152 5958

DVA

1800 838 372

Mates4Mates

mates4mates.org

Open Arms—

Veterans & Families Counselling

1800 011 046

Safe Zone 24/7

1800 142 072

Lifeline 24/7

13 11 14

www.lifeline.org.au

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

Dannielle Brearley	02
Gloria Garbutt	05
Ann Amos	07
Sam Morgan	11
Gloria Kilpatrick	16
Ethel Bourke	21
Ken Parker	21

Happy Birthday!

The Green Thing

In the queue at the shop, the cashier told the old woman that she should bring her own bags because plastic bags weren't good for the environment.

The woman apologised and explained, "We didn't have the "green" thing back in my day.

The cashier responded, "That's our problem today because the former generation did not care enough to save our environment!"

He was right, that generation didn't have the green thing in its day.

Back then, they returned their milk bottles, lemonade bottles and beer bottles to the shop. The shop sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled. But they didn't have the green thing back in that customer's day.

In her day, they walked up stairs, because they didn't have an escalator in every shop and office building. They walked to the grocery shop and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time they had to go two miles.

But she was right. They didn't have the green thing in her day.

Back then, they washed the baby's nappies because they didn't have the throw-away kind. They dried clothes on a line, not in an energy gobbling machine burning up 220 volts - wind and solar power really did dry the clothes. Kids got hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing.

But that old lady is right, they didn't have the green thing back in her day.

Back then, they had one TV, or radio, in the house - not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a handkerchief, not a screen the size of Wales. In the kitchen, they blended and stirred by hand because they didn't have electric machines to do everything for them.

When they packaged a fragile item to send in by post, they used a screwed up old newspaper to cushion it, not polystyrene or plastic bubble wrap.

Back then, they didn't fire up an engine and burn petrol just to cut the lawn. They used a push mower that ran on human power. They exercised by working so they didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity.

But she's right, they didn't have the

green thing back then.

They drank from a fountain when they were thirsty instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time they had a drink of water. They refilled their writing pens with ink instead of buying a new pen, and they replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull.

But they didn't have the green thing back then.

Back then, people took the tram or a bus and kids rode their bikes to school or rode in the school bus instead of turning their mums into a 24-hour taxi service. They had one electrical socket in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And they didn't need a computerized gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 2,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest Pizza Hut.

But isn't it sad the current generation laments how wasteful the old folks were just because "they didn't have the green thing back then"?



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