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Australian Defence Force
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ON PATROL

Patron

His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd)

From the CCOMM's desk...

As the beginning of the year rapidly slips away, I want to share with you the great anticipation and confidence I have that 2019 will be a very successful year serving our Defence Force and veterans. Among these are:

1. New opportunities to serve veterans, not only those still serving, but also those who have retired from the ADF. This is a new initiative, very much in its infancy, but Everyman's is committed to following this through and hoping in time to make a significant contribution to the needs of these veterans in the years to come.
 2. Overseas deployments - The ADF have appreciated the efforts of Everyman's and the Sallyman to support military personnel on deployment in the Middle East Region. For a small organisation, it is not always easy to provide a volunteer to deploy for 4 months at a time. We have now reached a point where reluctantly, we may not have a REP available for our next rotation. Please be praying for the circumstances of REPs hoping to deploy, and also for new REPs coming into Everyman's to support the military at home, releasing other REPs to support those on deployment.
 3. We were pleased to appoint a new Everywoman's REP Leane DABITZ, whose accreditation came through at the very end of 2018. Leane will be assisting REP Adrian STEEN at Defence Force School of Signals at Simpson Barracks Melbourne, where a large number of young ladies are serving. We have a great need for more Everywoman's REPs to support and care for the young women in the ADF.
 4. The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo (REMT) is returning to Sydney, Australia this year. We have approval from Brigadier level to have our Brew Trucks at the ready, particularly our very own REMT vehicle donated by the Tattoo to Everyman's as a result of their last visit to Melbourne in 2016. We will be "Brew Running" to serve our ADF bands as they practice for the event and to support them with a "chat with the Everyman," Bibles, and other literature that they may want to access.
- Please consider contributing to our infrastructure and personnel needs this year. Our Brew Truck fleet is in constant need of replacement and repair. Our need for faithful dedicated new REPs is always very great. Please contact us if you feel moved to support Everyman's. God's richest blessings to you all.

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Everyman's Admin

When I give to a charity, I want my donation to go to the cause I donated to, right to the coalface of the work that the organisation is undertaking – right?! I think we all feel much the same, don't we? The administration of a company must be undertaken by paid staff. For a charity, there is compliance with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission (ACNC) and the fundraising authorities in each state and territory of Australia. We undergo an audit each year, not because we have to, but because we want to be absolutely transparent with our management of your donations.

An organisation with an effective administration team will have effective workers at the coalface, which is, of course, our whole purpose! When the administration is allowed to falter or fail, they may inadvertently take the whole organisation with it.

At Everyman's our administration functions on 36 paid hours of professional administrative support each week and approximately 15 hours of donated and/or volunteer time. As the level of engagement and support to the ADF grows, so too does the level of administrative support required to maintain the integrity of our organisation. This is where you can help Everyman's!

Your donation to fund a new part-time position at Everyman's will help the REPs on the ground get out on exercise, stock up the Rec Centre and the Brew Truck, and engage with ADF members and veterans to have those important conversations about who Jesus really is.

In the end, we all want the same thing and that is to support our servicemen and women and to share the Good News with them! Please help us to help those who serve the members of the ADF, who lay their lives on the line every day, for the freedom we enjoy at home.



*Admin Support Officer,
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EWS LOCATIONS

- RAAF Base, AMBERLEY, QLD
- Kokoda Barracks, CANUNGRA, QLD
- Gallipoli Barracks, ENOGGERA, QLD
- Victoria Barracks, PETRIE TERRACE, QLD
- HMAS Kuttabul, HOMEBUSH, NSW
- Navy Accommodation, STRATHFIELD, NSW
- 17 Brigade, RANDWICK, NSW
- Blamey Barracks, KAPOOKA, NSW
- Gaza Ridge Barracks, BANDIANA, VIC
- Latchford Barracks, BONEGILLA, VIC
- Simpsons Barracks, MACLEOD, VIC



White Ribbon Day Wagga Wagga

The ADF had a big presence at the White Ribbon Day Walk at Lake Albert, Wagga Wagga in 2018. Demonstrating concern regarding violence against women is given significant emphasis by the members of the ADF.

Pictured at left are Chief of Staff, Army Recruit Training Centre, Lt Col Duncan FLINDLE and Assistant Commissioner George THOMAS at the end of the 5km walk.

REP Frank Tottingham ***RMC - Duntroon***

Watching the Hand of God work throughout 2018 encouraged me that the work of Everyman here at RMC is truly God's will and work – especially at times when I was busy beyond what I could do alone. And also because more and more I spend time looking after Veterans who are no longer serving. Many have great memories of the Everyman and Sallyman, but there are still those who know nothing about the work we do, and it is always a joy to share our work with them, as I minister to them.

May the Lord help us continue this work as best we can for the sake of Christ! Such a privilege to serve.



REP Frank Tottingham

What will happen to Everyman's when you're no longer here to support our work?

In 1940 a number of Christian business men had a heart to share the Gospel with the soldiers answering the call to enlist during WW2. They knew many of them would not return to Australian shores, so there was a sense of urgency with their mission. In these very early days, Everyman's was supported mostly by Christians and churches. In more recent times the diggers themselves, both serving and retired, and the RSL sub-branches right around Australia have been generous in their support.

We have seen in recent years a change in the number of supporters - both individuals and organisations. In recognition of this, the Board established a new company, Everyman's Welfare Service Capital (EWS Capital). The purpose of EWS Capital is to establish an income stream for the work of Everyman's in future years. This may be through the purchase of rental properties, or alternative sound investments.

You can help with your donations, large or small. You may consider including Everyman's in your will, or by adding a codicil to your existing will. If you are interested to see the work of Everyman's continue to support future generations of servicemen and women, please contact us at HQ for details.

Peninsula Palms Retirement Village, Rothwell, QLD



Our apologies to Mr John CHARLETON and Mrs Ella MORSE (nee McMurray) pictured at left, residents of Peninsula Palms Retirement Village, Rothwell, QLD, who were incorrectly named in the November 2018 On Patrol. Thank you to the staff and residents who contacted us to let us know. Please accept our sincere apologies for the error.

REP Kristian Kemper Latchford Barracks



REP Kristian Kemper enjoys a chat with soldiers on exercise

100th Anniversary of the Signing of The Armistice ACOMM Richard Gibson at Scarborough QLD



ACOMM Richard Gibson at the special event held at Jamieson Park, Reef Point Esplanade, Scarborough, QLD to commemorate the centenary of the signing of The Armistice by France, Germany and Great Britain.

At the end of last year Everyman's were invited to attend a special event organised by the Brisbane North RSL District and the Redcliffe RSL Sub-Branch to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the signing of The Armistice by France, Germany and Great Britain.

It was the beginning of the end of WW1. The commemorative event included a re-enactment of the signing, starring students from Grace Lutheran College at Rothwell, sounds of cannon fire, a skirmish, military vehicle displays, camels, a WWI campsite and a fly past.

ACOMM Richard Gibson attended with a fully 'bombed up' brew truck. He reported on a wonderful day with perfect weather. It was an early start for a Saturday but he found it was well worth the commitment.

Once the brew truck was set up, many people wandered over for a chat.

One veteran who had seen many years of service shared a story with Richard about a time when he was on deployment. His unit was hidden in some long grass on a hill when they heard a vehicle approaching at a very slow pace. They all thought they were about to do battle with the enemy, hand to hand, when the vehicle stopped just below their position. With adrenalin pumping, they were all set to go, when they heard a voice call out in English, "Come on guys, where are you? I have some Cokes and biscuits for you!" All eyes were focused on the grass where the voice was coming from, when out popped the Everyman's Rep carrying Coke's and biscuits! The veteran said, "We don't know how he found us, but mate, it was the best can of Coke I have ever had! Thanks!" he said, "I've never forgotten what you guys did for us back then."

We often hear stories like this. In the heat of the moment, there is not a lot of time to spend saying thank you, but when the years have passed and there is time for reflection, we find we often have a serviceman or woman share with us just how much it meant to have the Everyman's REP with them when the going got tough. Good work Richard (...some people get all the tough jobs)!!

More ways to give..... It's now possible to set up regular (or one-off) Direct Giving from your own bank account straight into ours! The details you need are:



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