

Southport RSL Sub Branch Newsletter

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From the President's Desk

Sub Branch Accommodation. For going on two years now you have been reading in our Newsletters that we were having multiple meetings with representatives of the Bowls Club, with a view to getting a License Agreement that gave us a reasonable length of occupation. We could then justify the considerable sum of members money that we were to spend on the proposed office fit out.

How things have changed.

There was a second story going on with regards to our planned offices and our efforts to get our plans through council. This effort ran into a major blockage when our Certifier would not sign off on our plans because of an issue with the fire safety compliance of the Bowls Club. This is no longer an issue for us. The fire compliance issue was unresolvable, therefore any plans to complete a fitout were torpedoed because of that unachievable issue.

Only a few days after sending out the November Newsletter, a series of meeting were held with some new members of the Bowls Club Board which culminated in an agreement being reached to continue our presence in the Club.

We will not be occupying the top floor as we had wished but will, instead, be located on the ground floor of the Club at the western end. For those that can remember when the Sub Branch first moved to the Bowls Club, we were in the Club's board room. That is where we will be

again. However, we will also be using what was the manager's office.

The intention is to set the board room up as a Sub Branch office and then use the manager's office for the Veteran Support Centre. To make all this look like an RSL, we have been given permission to install several display cabinets outside the offices. There will not be as much memorabilia on display as we previously had but it will be done tastefully. The remainder of our memorabilia will eventually be farmed out to other organisations.

All of this is going to take a while to get set up, so don't expect to see much change until the early part of 2024.

Vacant Position Sub-Branch Treasurer

The person must be computer literate and be competent in the use of Microsoft Word and Excel.

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