

**RSL Maleny** 

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Regular Events Yoga (Mondays)

Bingo (Tuesdays)

Seniors Fitness Tues & Thursday 8.30-9.30am. \$5

**Bingo – Tuesdays** Open 10.00 am Games 10.30 -12.30

**Diggers Bar** Fridays: Bar open from 4.30pm. Meals from 6pm.

**Club Acoustic** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of month

## NEWSLETTER

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## SEPTEMBER 2019

Dear Members

On Vietnam Veterans' Day (18 August) we conducted a brief service attended by only a handful of people. One of our active members, Roly Rowsell, was in Longreach for their service and placed a tribute on the Cenotaph in remembrance of all veterans who served in Vietnam. See his comments below.

The RSL Office is being refurbished: Paint, new carpet and reorganised shelving. Until next month, stay safe and well. Clarke Alexander



From Roly Rowsell at Longreach

18 August 2019:

Good morning! Sunday. Clear skies and warm. Battle Long Tan day/Vietnam Veterans Day. Service in Longreach is at 10 am. I will be laying a Bouquet of flowers on behalf of the Lady who was from the Gold Coast and in her early years had been a entertainer with a touring party.

Also a book which I am laying for the Veterans from my sub Branch of the R S L at Maleny. Then I will go to the Longreach RSL for my confession session being as I am away from home.

Just leaving the hotel and dreading the walk, when a BIG 4wd pulled up beside me and the lady offered me a lift.

She mentioned that she had heard I was going to a Service for the Battle of Long Tan! I said 'yes'.

She then told me she was in a touring show many years ago for Australian Troops in Vietnam..

5 minutes later: I had just drawn from ATM some \$200 for the weekend and she shoved \$50 in my hand and asked that I get a bouquet of flowers and lay them on Sunday on behalf of the touring parties that went to Vietnam. Like a fool, I did not get her name. There are some great people around.

I did enjoy the trip to Longreach by train and return. Will do it again one day.