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### Congratulations to the NORTHERN BRANCH (83 Members)

On 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 the Northern Branch completed 18 years of monthly meetings at the Riverside Hotel Motel for Lunch and Fellowship on the first Wednesday of each month (12 noon).



The meetings at the Riverside Hotel Motel are regularly attended by about 20 retired officers and their wives and it becomes a wonderful opportunity to regularly meet your retired workmates.



Next meeting is or Wednesday 1st November

These meetings are in addition to the two meetings at the Riverside Golf Club for Mid Year and Christmas.



The Christmas Luncheon (cost \$35) is at the Riverside Golf Club on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. (cost \$35 & RSVP to Jim Byrne mobile 0419 331 490) by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December)



The Christmas Luncheon is on December

The Wednesday 13th December

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### MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT DAVID



Hello once again and I hope this newsletter finds you all in good health and content with life.

I had the chance to attend the Northern Mid Year function in July and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to get together and meet former members and their families. A fantastic function, which was well organised by Jim Byrne and his family.

I want to highlight family here and comment on the excellent assistance given, by Jim's wife and daughter to organise this important event. Their planning and commitment on the day ensured everything went so smoothly really made the day thoroughly enjoyable.

This is just another example of the commitment our wives, partners and families continue to show and for which I am particularly grateful, as no doubt we all are.

By the time this newsletter is circulated, Police Remembrance Day will have been and gone. In my view this is the most significant event on the "police calendar".

On behalf of the Retired Police Association I have the privilege and honour of laying a wreath at the formal ceremony conducted at the Tasmania Police Academy. For me, this is a meaningful opportunity to reflect on those members who passed away during their service with Tasmania Police and it is with pride I do so on your behalf. Thank You.

Again, thank you for your support and hope to see vou soon.

> David Plumpton President

### **2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

In accordance with Section 20 of the RPAT RULES, Section 22 requires the Secretary to give at least 14 days' members are advised that the Annual General Meeting notice to members via the newsletter of items for will be held at the Police Academy Auditorium at discussion. In order for the Secretary to comply with this 1100 hrs on Tuesday 5th December 2017.

The purpose of the meeting is to confirm the minutes of the 2016 AGM, to elect office bearers for 2018 and to receive from the committee and the auditors' for the 2017 financial transactions The meeting may also transact special business of which the appropriate notice is given.

requirement, members are advised to notify the Secretary of any items they wish to discuss at the AGM. These items should have been forwarded to the Secretary or Executive Committee members in sufficient time to be included in this newsletter which is the last publication for the year.

> (Syd McClymont) Hon. Secretary

### **NOMINATIONS FOR 2018 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POSITIONS**

Nominations are now open to financial members of the Forms for this purpose are available from the Secretary. RPAT who wish to be considered for election to the **Executive Committee.** 

Section 33 of the RPAT Rules permit any financial member of the Retired Police Association to nominate for election. The application must be in writing and signed Editor's comments - Executive Committee consists of:- President; written consent of the candidate.

This form must be submitted to the Secretary at least ten (10) days prior to the 2017 AGM.

> (Syd McClymont) Hon. Secretary

by two members of the Association together with the Three vice Presidents (South, North, North-west); Secretary; Assistant Secretary; Treasurer and minimum of six Committee Members; Are you interested—I know that some members will not be continuing.)

'If at first you don't succeed, do it the way your wife told you!'

#### **FLAMES OF FEAR**

FLAMES OF FEAR is a book written by Roger McNeice about Tasmanian Bushfires including the 1967 disaster.

It is available to RPAT members for \$50 plus \$14 postage. (normally \$75 in bookshops)

If you are interested please contact Roger McNeice on email rvmn@internode.on.net or phone on 0408 279 276



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#### **Southern Branch**

#### Members 282

#### RPAT PARTNERS' NIGHT—ACADEMY CANCELLED.....BUT...

Unfortunately the 2017 RPAT Partners Night, scheduled for the 10th of November, has been cancelled.

As previously advised to make the event viable a An alternative lunch time function has been scheduled minimum of forty members / guests were required to for 12noon, for 12.30pm, on Tuesday 19th December 2017. attend. The nominated closing date for expressions of interest / payment for the function has now passed and saw only four paid confirmations and four other expressions of interest, well short of the required forty attendees.

As a consequence, the RPAT Executive has had to make the decision to cancel the proposed event, allowing sufficient advice to be provided to the booked musician and Academy staff of this outcome.

This is a regrettable situation but follows on from the same event being cancelled last year, also due to a lack of patronage. Interest in this particular function has not been present in recent times and will be something the RPAT Executive will examine when programming functions and events for 2018

### **COMMISSIONER'S LUNCHEON**

Commissioner of Police, Mr. Darren Hine cordially invites members to the annual Christmas luncheon to be held at the Police Academy on

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017

commencing at 12 noon.

Members wishing to attend should rsvp to Vice President Tom Lahl.

(0409 320 683 or tomlahl1@bigpond.com) Committee Member Michelle Powell

(pmpowell@bigpond.com)

or Secretary Syd McClymont

(0407 847 718 or smcclymont@bigpond.com,)

no later than Monday 20th November 2017.

Cost is expected to be \$25 per head.

The policeman stood and faced his God, Which must always come to pass. He hoped his shoes were shining. Just as brightly as his brass.

"Step forward now, policeman. How shall I deal with you? Have you always turned the other cheek? To My church have you been true?"

The policeman squared his shoulders and said, "No, Lord, I guess I ain't, Because those of us who carry badges can't always be a saint.

I've had to work most Sundays, and at times my talk was rough, and sometimes I've been violent, Because the streets are awfully tough.

**B**ut I never took a penny, That wasn't mine to keep.... Though I worked a lot of overtime When the bills got just too steep.

#### **ALTERNATIVE LUNCH TIME FUNCTION FOR** RPAT MEMBERS AND PARTNERS

The venue will be the Glenorchy RSL and this function is open to RPAT members and their partners. Guests may also be invited. This function is not numbers dependent and will proceed regardless.

Members will be able to order their own meals from the extensive list of counter meals. A limited quantity of refreshments will be provided. Additional drinks may be purchased at bar prices.

If you are attending please RSVP by noon on Wednesday 13th December to allow us to notify the Club for catering purposes.

RSVP's can be forwarded to the Southern Vice President. Tom Lahl, (0409 320 683 or tomlahl1@bigpond.com) or Secretary Syd McClymont (0407 847 718 or

smcclymont@bigpond.com)

#### POLICE ODE

As the sun surely sets: dawn will see it arise, for service, above self, demands its own prize.

You have fought the good fight: life's race has been run, and peace, your reward, for eternity begun.

And we that are left, shall never forget, rest in peace friend and colleague, for the sun has now set.

We will remember.

#### We will remember.

Hasten the dawn.

Police Ode written in 1995 by WA Police Chaplain Barry May

And I never passed a cry for help, Though at times I shook with fear. And sometimes, God forgive me, I've wept unmanly tears.

I know I don't deserve a place Among the people here. They never wanted me around Except to calm their fear.

If you've a place for me here, Lord, It needn't be so grand. I never expected or had too much, But if you don't.....I'll understand.

There was silence all around the throne Where the saints had often trod. As the policeman waited quietly, For the judgment of his God.

"Step forward now, policeman, You've borne your burdens well. Come walk a beat on Heaven's streets, You've done your time in hell.'

Author Unknown

### WOMEN IN POLICING — 100 YEARS



the ranks of Tasmania Police.

It brings the Police numbers to 1218. These 19 men and women will now spread out across the state and protect. It is wonderful to see Tasmania Police leading the way the community.

This day was also an opportunity to celebrate 100 years of women in policing in Tasmania.

The last two police graduations have seen 19 women

On 15th September 19 new graduates passed out from the graduate out of 39 inductees and this graduation has Tasmania Police Academy in Rokeby to officially joined seen both a female dux and a female runner-up, which is true recognition that Tasmania Police is an excellent career path for women.

> with over 400 female police officers and numerous women employed in specialist roles.

> Guest of honour at the graduation was Retired Inspector Lyn Jones

The Veteran's and Community Wood Centre Shed has doubled its membership during this year and is doing some very good work for the Community via Bunnings and others. Our support has

come from various organisations such as Probus, Seniors, schools and Rotary etc. We are being well received.

Our produce has been upgraded and we are doing some very good work, supplying various shops in and around Launceston, Ross, Elizabeth Town just to name some.

We are arranging a Meet and Greet Day for the Northern (Invermay) Store. It runs from 10am to 3pm. (The South and West Sheds already had their Meet and Greet Days).



Reps from the different tool making industries will be present. We'll have a stall for our display and info for persons who are looking for a shed in their area. Raffle, and gifts on the day, plus free lunch, coffee etc.

Bunnings (like us) have just completed a large wooden book for Book week and it'll remain at the store for Dads and others to read to their children. Good promotion for our shed.

Please Note: A welcome note to all past and present Police Officers to call in and have a cuppa,, look at our woodwork, metal work, electrical shop and enjoy the Sheds on Tuesday, 14 Nov 2017, at Bunnings North friendship the guys provide. (Tuesday/Thursday 10-4pm.)

> The Shed is located at No. 1/33 Nunamina Avenue (located next to the Kings Meadows Indoors Bowls Club). (David Brooks, Coordinator)

THE MORSE CODE: When you rearrange the letters becomes; HERE COME DOTS

#### HAVE YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES CHANGED?

As you are most probably aware the RPAT maintains a comprehensive database of its members details including name, address, phone numbers, email address, partners details and any RPAT initiated funeral preferences you may have.

Over time some of these details can vary. If you have any changes can you let your local RPAT Executive Committee member know and they will pass it on; or send the information to <a href="mailto:rpatas1@gmail.com">rpatas1@gmail.com</a> so we can properly maintain the database and your contact details.

#### **EMAIL ADDRESSES**

The RPAT has for some time now maintained regular contact with its members using a group email system to alert members to upcoming events, news and health issues regarding fellow members.

The email updates allow for more timely advice to members than that allowed by this Newsletter which is restricted to its quarterly publication.

The use of emails has also allowed the RPAT to save almost \$1,500 a year in postage for those members who receive the Newsletter by email.

If you currently receive this Newsletter via Australia Post, but do have access to an email address we could use to keep you better informed and on a more timely basis, please forward your email address to the RPAT email address rpatas1@gmail.com or contact one of your local RPAT Executive Committee Members and they will pass your email address on.

Why do banks charge a fee on insufficient funds when they already know you're broke?

### TASPLAN SUPER MEMBERS

The Police Association of Tasmania (PAT) has advised the RPAT of some issues with people not realising that when a recent changeover to Tasplan (as a part of RBF processes) occurred, the previously nominated RBF beneficiary would not transfer over and effectively expired on 31 March 2017.

Members who were transferred from the RBF to Tasplan Super on 1 April this year were advised that the RBF death benefit nomination would cease on 31 March 2017 and that a new nomination would need to be provided to Tasplan Super. The PAT / RPAT have been advised that some members are unaware of this requirement. Therefore it has been determined appropriate to remind Tasplan members of the need to specify a nominated beneficiary.

For more information call Tasplan Super on 1800 005 166, or, refer to the significant event notice mailed (in February 2017) to members transferring to Tasplan.

Please note that this reminder has been emailed to all RPAT members, including those covered by the RBF Contributory Scheme, as we are unaware which superannuation schemes members belong to and accounts they hold. This information is only relevant to Tasplan Super members and can be disregarded by other scheme members.

#### **Services Guide**

#### Hospitality

#### Gretna Green Hotel.

Contact Phil and Colleen Sharpe on 6286 1332

#### Hospitality

Wilderness Hotel. Derwent Bridge.

Contact Dave and Carol Fitzgibbon on 6289 1144

### How did he break his collarbone??

first response was, "Where did this guy live?"

Now reassured that I was never related to him by marriage, this really is too hilarious not to share.

The way my friend told it, this guy pushed his motor cycle from the patio into his living room, where he began to clean the engine with some rags and a bowl of gasoline. When he had finished, he sat on the motor cycle and decided to start it to make sure everything was still OK.

Unfortunately, the bike started in gear, and crashed through the glass patio door with him still clinging ro the handlebars. His wife had been working in the kitchen. She came runing at the noise and found him crumpled on the patio, badly cut from shards of broken glass. She called 911, and the paramedics transported the guy to the emergency room.

So far the story is humorous -- in that this is what you get for being a big enough lout to bring your motorcycle into the house "kind of way."

But here is where I really split a gut.

My ex-husband had this annoying habit of bringing old Later that afternoon, after many stitches had pulled her carburettors and things into the house to work on. So, husband back together, the wife brought him home and last week, when my friend called to tell me this story, my put him to bed. She cleaned up the mess in the living room, and dumped the bowl of gasoline in the toilet. Shortly thereafter, her husband woke up, lit a cigarette,

and went into the bathroom. He sat down and tossed the cigarette into the toilet, which promptly exploded because the wife had not flushed the gasoline away.

The explosion blew a hole through the bathroom door. The wife heard the explosion and her husband's screams.

She ran into the hall and found him lying on the floor with his trousers blown away and burns on his buttocks.

The wife ran to the phone and called for an ambulance. The same two paramedics were dispatched to the scene.

They loaded the husband on the stretcher and began carrying him to the street. One of them asked the wife how the injury occurred.

When she told them they began laughing so hard that they dropped the stretcher and broke the guy's collarbone.

Talk about instant karma.

(Submitted by Kim Smith)

# QUEENSLAND NEWS (Or The Day Tasmania was empty)

On the 24 August 2017 a RPAT lunch was held at the One more Queensland lunch is Alexandra Headland Surf Club in Queensland for RPAT members and their guests.

A total of thirty attended the lunch comprising many local RPAT members and others currently holidaying in Queensland. This was the best patronised Queensland function to date.

year optimises the number of RPAT members in the area avoiding the Tasmanian Winter. attendees, Kate Fitzgerald and Jock McJannett, were both apologies for health reasons on this occasion.

Guests on the day included former Police Minister, Geoff Pearsall and former Department Legal Officer, Brian Morgan.

programmed for 2017 and will be held on the 23 November 2017 at the Geebung-Zilmere RSL Club.

This is a suburb just to the North of Brisbane City and therefore avoids the congestion and limited / expensive parking in the City itself. There is Clearly the date of this lunch at this time of the free parking adjacent to the Club which is also only a short walk from the railway station.

> The Clubs address is 323 Newman Road Geebung. All RPAT members and their guests are most welcome to attend this function.



Members and guests in the Photo (from left to right) are:

Peter and Kerrie Gibson, Julie and Geoff Pearsall, Paul Gray, Leo Hutchings and Elaine Jenkins, Dale Watson (front), Tony Grungeiger (partly hidden), Brian Morgan, Jo Green, Grant Bligh, Garry Richmond, Julie Eastwood, Marguerite Groves, Derek Singline, Syd McClymont, Mark Beech-Jones, Pat Grooves, Gary Eastwood, Patricia and Hans Vervaart, Meriel and Tony Yapp, Gwen Gray (seated), Delma Maroney (Ken Maroney absent - photographer), Sally McClymont, Dale Watson and Chris Ellis

How many eggs are there in a French omelette? Just one, because one egg is un oeuf.

#### **Services Guide**

#### The Shed

David Brooks is Co-Ordinator of The 'Shed' (Veterans and Community Wood Centre) located at No. 1/33 Nunamina Avenue (located next to the Kings Meadows Indoors Bowls Club).

David can be contacted on 0400 518 924 or email vcwc@outlook.com.au All members are invited to call in and see his group at work.

#### **RPAT Merchandise**

For a wide range of RPAT merchandise such as shirts, ties and caps contact :-

> Committee Member Andy Beasant on (0409 030 142)

> or email akbeasant1@bigpond.com

#### **Police Association of Tasmania Offers**

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# NORTHWEST BRANCH (58 Members)



On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 29 members of the Northwest Branch met at the Bass and Flinders Motel at Ulverstone for Lunch and to enjoy each others company.

Member Kevin Wills presented NW Vice President Rockie Lee with a gong and gavel to help him run the meetings. Rockie soon proved that by banging the gavel on the lectern he got attention quicker than using the gong.

Next Function for the Northwest will be a Barbecue at Turners Beach on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 11:00am

**Walking up** to the fabric counter a pretty girl said "I would like buy this material for a new dress. How much does it cost?

"Only one kiss a metre replied the male salesman with a smirk on his face.

"That's fine" said the girl. "I'll take 10 metres."

With expectation and anticipation all over his face he measured the cloth, wrapped it up. Then teasingly held it out.

The girl snatched it away and pointed to the old geezer standing beside her, and smiled: Grandpa will pay the bill.

**A man walks** along the street with a cabbage on the end of a dogs lead.

A passer by asks "why have you got that cabbage on the end of that dog lead?"

"Oh, is it a cabbage? I thought it was a collie!"

I never wanted to believe that my dad was stealing from his job as a road worker. But when I got home all the signs were there.

A man visited his lawyer and told him: my neighbour owes me \$500 and he won't pay up. What should I do?

Do you have any proof he owes you the money? asked the lawyer.

Nope replied the man.

Ok then write him a letter asking him for the \$5,000 he owes you, said the lawyer.

But it is only \$500 replied the man.

Precisely. That's what he will reply and then you will have your proof, the lawyer said.

An old man was sitting on a park bench, looking very sad.

I asked him: "What's the matter?"

He said "I have everything a man of my age could wish for, a lovely new bride in her 20's, new car, lovely home and good health."

"Then why are you sad I asked?"

He replied: "I can't remember where I live!"

### **Services Guide**

#### Two Double Bedroom Cabins (WA)

(one with full kitchen; other with en suite only) & space for caravans at 10 Savannah Way, Derby WA. (20 Km from Derby just off Gibb River Road. (Google grid reference 17.319 123,764.)

RPAT member Mike Titherington ph 0408 485 372 or email mikeandapples@gmail.com also on facebook under homesite album.

#### **Wood and Gardening Supplies**

Contact Gary Hurst on 0408 136 835

#### Hyway Tours.

If you need a tour bus for any function give Greg Hyland a ring on 0407 871 757 or 6424 1656.

Name Tags can also be obtained by contacting Greg on (03) 6424 1656 or his email -gshyland3@bigpond.com

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### APPOINTMENT WESTERN DISTRICT POLICE COMMANDER

The crime rate and impact of social media in the North-West are two challenges the new Western District police commander has set his focus on.

Tasmania Police appointed Western District police commander Jonathan Higgins into the role and he hopes to bring some different ideas to the table.

Commander Higgins was brought up on a farm in the Northern Midlands outside of Launceston and has taken on many roles throughout his 19-year career.

drug investigation before I moved to Hobart in late 2014 bounce ideas off, and address issues. and went to human resources, where I was promoted to inspector," Commander Higgins said.

"I graduated in Launceston in 1999, did a couple of years is not acceptable. on the Launceston watch, went to George Town for a couple of years and then into CIB and drugs between 2002 and 2014.

"I've got a counter terrorism background as well, I'm nationally trained as a senior investigating officer and certainly the HR side has been a real eye opener."

He said his new role would involve managing the whole western district and he hoped to make an impact during his time here.

"My role will be two city commands, central west which goes through from Ulverstone to Queenstown and includes all the country areas in between and it's 237



sworn staff and a large number of state services.

"I hope to bring some different ideas into the future, the district itself is travelling really well from a police perspective ... the most enticing thing, I think, is to become a part of it."

Having never worked in the western district before, Commander Higgins said he was looking forward to the challenge and highlighted some issues he would focus on.

"Some of the challenges with crime.

With my investigative background I hope to bring some "Most of that has been in criminal investigation and of that to our district management group as well to

> "The crime rate hasn't had any large increases or anything but I suppose from my point of view any crime

> "So I'll try and look at how we can stem any crime trends at all and protect the community."

> He also highlighted how the public could assist the police in the future with the growing trend of social media a big factor.

> "I think social media is now just a part of life so it's another tool that we can use in policing.

> "If members of the public want to express opinions or advice I think it's better to have that communication than none at all.'

#### FAMILY GROUP



Photograph taken at a recent Northern RPAT Function of Janet Smith (left) and family.

Janet is the wife of the late retired Inspector Charlie Smith.

It is wonderful to see families of past RPAT members are still enjoying the company of our police family.

A 71 year old man is having a drink in a Chicago bar.

Suddenly a gorgeous 19 year old girl enters and sits down a few seats away.

The girl is so attractive that he just can't take his eyes off her. After a short while the girl notices him staring and approaches him.

Before the man has time to apologise, the girl looks him deep in the eyes and says to him in a sultry tone.

"I'll do anything you'd like. Anything you can imagine in your wildest dreams, it doesn't matter how extreme or unusual it is, I'm game. I want one dollars. And there's another condition."

Completely stunned by the turn of events the man asks her what her condition is.

"You have to tell me what you want me to do in just three words."

The man takes a moment to consider the offer from the beautiful woman. He then whips out his wallet and puts ten \$10 bills in her outstretched hand.

He then looks her square in the eye and says slowly and clearly

"Paint my house".

#### **GREEN HOTEL** = TEST YOUR OBSERVATION SKILLS **GRETNA**



On Sunday 23rd September 17 Retired members met for Question to test your skills lunch at the Gretna Green Hotel with Phil and Colleen Has the editor put the same picture in twice? If they are Sharpe being mine hosts.

I understand that they all had a great time.

Ray and Bob, two Irishmen were standing at the base of a flagpole looking up.

A woman walked by and asked what they were doing.

"We're supposed to find the height of the flagpole," said Bob, "But we don't have a ladder."

The woman said "Hand me that wrench our of your toolbox."

She loosened a few bolts then laid the pole down. She It was a good decision because I fell off bike seven times then took a tape measure from their toolbox, took a measurement and announced "Eighteen feet, six inches" and walked away.

Ray shook his head and laughed. "Ain't that just like a Miss-know-it all woman?" he said

"We need the height and she gives us the length."

different—what is the difference?

Send your answer to the editor (address on bottom of back page of this newsletter.)

#### IT COULD ONLY HAPPEN AT GRETNA

I went to the Gretna bottle shop on Tuesday afternoon on my bike. I bought a bottle of rum and put it in the basket. As I was about to leave, I thought "What if I fell off the bike. The bottle would break."

So I drank the rum before cycling.

on the way home.

Johnny is stopped by the police in Gretna for speeding and asked to show his licence.

Johnny replies in a huff: "I wish you guys would get your act together. Just yesterday you took my licence away and then today you expect me to show it"!!



### **MEMBERSHIP & WELFARE**

**Total Members 469** 

Life/Honorary Members—7; Members 462
Associate Members 11

Members by location

Southern 2802 Northern 83; Northwest 58; Interstate/Overseas 46;

**New Members** 

Alwyn Archer: Robert Batge: Nick Beattie: Trevor Hoodless: Paul Lucas; Robert Willis:

Annual Dues are (payable by 1st January):-

Members \$15; Associate Members \$5; Family Membership (husband & wife) \$20;

**Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) Payments** 

When you make EFT Payments you need to make sure your identity is included with the payment.

**Deceased members:** 

Kelvin Reynolds; Ronald Saunders; Julie Shadbolt; Reginald Webb

I have decided to change calling the bathroom "The John" and have re named it Jim. I feel so much better saying I went to the "Jim" this morning.

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. You know we haven't met as yet.

# Ye Old Traffic Polite Men

#### Hi All Members

You are invited to attend our next function.

47 RPAT Members attended last year

The next function is:

PLACE: Black Buffalo Hotel,

Federal Street North Hobart.

DATE: Monday 20th November 2017

TIME: 11.30am

COST: Gold Coin. All profits from this function will be donated to Prostate Cancer Research. (\$1,000 has been donated so far from our functions.)

#### LUCKY DOOR PRIZES:

SO WRITE IT DOWN.

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#### **MONDAY 20 November 2017**

**RSVP** Thursday 16 November 2017 to:-Leo Hutchings 03 6247 2291; Mob.0418 103 719 or hutchie8@bigpond.net.au

<u>or</u> Brían Bíck

03 6239 9380 or <u>cireldo1@bigpond.com</u>

EVERY BODY IS WELCOME

### **Diary Dates 2017 (& 2018)**

18th October (Wednesday—1:30pm)

Executive Meeting, Hobart

1<sup>st</sup> November– (Wednesday noon for 12:30pm) Northern Branch monthly meeting at Riverside Motor Inn

10<sup>th</sup> November (Friday 16:30pm for 7:00pm)

CANCPartners Night at Police Academy

20th November (Monday) 11.30am

Ye Old Traffic Police Luncheon, Black Buffalo Hotel North Hobart

**23<sup>rd</sup> November** (Thursday 11.30am for 12md )

Queensland RPAT Lunch

Geebung-Zilmere RSL Club, Zilmere (Brisbane)

5<sup>th</sup> December (Tuesday 11:00am)

RPAT Annual General Meeting followed by Commissioners Lunch at Police Academy.

6<sup>th</sup> December– (Wednesday - noon for 12:30pm) Northern Branch monthly meeting at Riverside Motor Inn

13<sup>th</sup> December (Wednesday 11:30am for noon) Northern Christmas Luncheon at the Riverside Golf Club Includes Northern Branch AGM. (partners welcome).

19<sup>th</sup> December (Tuesday—noon for 12:30pm)

Luncheon at Glenorchy RSL

3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 (Wednesday - noon for 12:30pm) Northern Branch monthly meeting at Riverside Motor Inn

4<sup>th</sup> February 2018 (Sunday starting at 11am)

Northwest Barbecue at Turners Beach

### GOTTA LOVE LITTLE BOYS

Two young boys walked into a pharmacy one day, picked out a box of tampons and proceeded to the checkout counter.

The man at the counter asked the older boy, 'Son, how old are you?'

Eight,' the boy replied.

The man continued, 'Do you know what these are used for?'
The boy replied, 'Not exactly, but they aren't for me. They're for him. He's my brother.

He's four. We saw on TV that if you use these you would be able to swim and ride a bike.

Right now, he can't do either one.'

What's the difference between an optimist and a pessimist?

An Optimist only wears a belt.

A Pessimist wears a belt, suspenders, and carries safety pins.

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. You know we haven't met as yet.

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