



## Castle Hill & District RSL Sub-Branch

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### Presidents Address

As we move into the next three years the focus for the sub-Branch, along with RSL NSW, is on supporting Veterans and their Families. A Veteran is anyone who has put on the uniform of the Australian Defence Force or our allies. A Veteran can be currently serving in and still in uniform, whether a regular or reserve member, be transitioning to civil life or who has long since “hung up their boots”.

The RSL supports all Veterans and their Families in many ways, whether they be members of the RSL or not, including by providing Welfare and Wellbeing services, Compensation support, Camaraderie activities, and by conducting and being involved in Commemoration and Community events. This is already taking place through our sub-Branch, or through RSL Veterans Services or through our network of support organisations such as the expanding network of Veterans’ and Families’ Hubs around the state, such as in Nowra, the Riverina and the Hunter, with more coming on board.

We are becoming more involved with our community, including through activities, Sports, Art, Music. Although some Commemorative events remain Veteran focused, we are expanding into activities that involve the family such as sports and family focused gatherings bare foot bowls and other activities.

If you are a Veteran and live in the Castle Hill and surrounding areas, I encourage you to get involved with our RSL sub-Branch and help to support fellow Veterans and their Families. It is easy and costs you nothing, except a bit of your time and energy, to the level you can commit.

**Cheryl Hill**

President