

DUNEDIN RSA WELFARE TRUST UPDATE



March 2012

TIMES ARE TOUGH SO WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE YOU RECEIVE YOUR FULL ENTITLEMENTS.

If you are on a War Disablement Pension please make sure you are getting reimbursed for your medical costs and any transports costs associated with that pension. Veterans Affairs will also reimburse for a number of things, medical alarms, home help, physiotherapist and podiatrist just to name a few. Please make sure your War Disablement Pension is reassessed as we need to ensure you can transfer to a Veterans Pension once you reach 70% (being on a veterans pension ensures your partner is looked after upon your death).

Disability Allowance through Work and Income – this applies to quite a few in the over 65 age bracket - anyone needing to go to the GP or needing medication, anyone that cannot do their own gardens and lawns and windows cleaning – it covers heating costs, transport, medical alarms and consumables such as hearing aid batteries, vitamins, and incontinent pads.

The allowance is income tested, but if your annual income including superannuation/benefit is under \$41,966 for a married couple or \$28,843 single you would qualify. **Now a married couple's superannuation is around about \$30,000 a year and you are allowed to earn another \$10,000+ in interest (from savings) or wages. So think about whether you might be entitled to this allowance.**

Dunedin RSA Welfare Trust can refer those over 65 to a free hearing assessment at Southern Audiology-If you are think you need a hearing test please

give Lynn a call.

HOSPITAL & REST HOME VISITORS WANTED

The Dunedin RSA Welfare Trust is still looking for special people to visit our veterans & ex service personnel and their widows in rest home care. This could be once a month or every two months depending how much time you would like to devote to it. Our Veterans enjoy these visits and a chat and they especially enjoy getting a bag of lollies.

Glaucoma New Zealand free public meeting

Mercure Hotel 310 Princess St Dunedin 17th March 10am – 11.30 – OPEN TO ANYONE- learn more about glaucoma- questions & answer time- tea & coffee provided

Dunedin RSA Welfare Trust can issue

Otago Regional Council Taxi Vouchers- If you think you might qualify for this scheme there is just a very small assessment to be done.

“Essential information for older people”. A great little book

It covers a raft of information from rest home care, villages, staying at home, entitlements, home support, rates rebates, enduring power of attorney, meals on wheels and other vital stuff.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A BOOKLET SENT OUT PLEASE PHONE THE RSA OFFICE

DUNEDIN RSA & MOSGIEL MEMORIAL RSA

FORMAL PRESENTATION

NEW ZEALAND DEFENCE SERVICE MEDAL

The New Zealand Defence Service Medal recognises non- operational and operational military service in the NZ Armed Forces by New Zealanders since 3 September 1945.

Eligibility includes: Regular Force (Navy/Air Force) Territorial Forces (NZ Naval Reserve, RNZNVR, Territorial Forces Army, Air Force Reserve, Territorial Air Force

Compulsory Military Training (CMT) National Service (NS)

A Formal Presentation of the NZDSM

WILL BE HELD AT THE MOSGIEL MEMORIAL RSA,

6 CHURCH STREET, MOSGIEL ON THE 21ST APRIL 2012 AT 2PM.

Medals to be worn. Refreshments will be served.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR NZDSM PRESENTED AT THIS FUNCTION, WOULD LIKE TO APPLY FOR THE MEDAL OR FOR MORE INFORMATION

Sally Turner, Dunedin RSA on 466.4886, Email: finance@dn-rsa.org.nz



Dunedin Returned and Services' Association (Inc)

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 28th March 2012 AT 10.30 AM

VENUE: HMNZS TOROA , 211 ST ANDREW STREET , DUNEDIN

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