

# NORTH BONDI RSL

Dear Fellow Members,

Many of you have reached out over the last few days seeking a view on the true nature of our Club. So, it is timely to share a few points of why we are a social venue and an RSL Club.

Over a third of our members are female! And while a lot of people associate RSL clubs with the older male generation, our community pushes to capture diversity in culture, gender, experience and Service because we cater for a broad range of people and make everybody feel welcome.

You can often come down to the Club and join the mothers groups with the kids or in the evening have dinner with your family. The fabric of the Club is to serve and help our members and their guests enjoy every visit – we treasure our role as a local venue that meets many needs while retaining our identity as a social space with strong links to our RSL heritage.

Importantly, you may be aware that our Anzac Day service is one of Australia's finest and is attended by over 10,000 of you and it is supported by all levels of our leaders and nearby residents. It stands as one of the most recognisable images of Anzac Day as we all look to the sea over North Bondi and remember those that have served before us and honour those that continue to serve. Likewise, our unbreakable bond to the Sub Branch is in direct evidence as you walk through the front door and pause to see the displays of our past and more recent history.

Clearly, we want to continue to grow and ensure the essential mix of RSL traditions, local residents, visitors, and social enjoyment is in equal measure and there for all to enjoy. Your North Bondi community is indeed diverse, and we aim to continue to promote that - female representation both in our membership and on the Board makes sure that we have the right mix for future success.

Please come down on Saturday between 10am and 6pm to vote – you must have been financial on or before 23 June to have your say.

Long may we continue to grow and truly represent the North Bondi community.

Stay safe.

**Martyn Bell**

President