

the WWII seven Williams brothers

and Gypsy Hill, the Island's Emergency Services, King Island Council, King Island Courier, King Island Radio, King Island Club, O'Connor and Archer families for their historic vehicles, King Island Pony Club, King Island businesses including the Post Office, Bugler Damien Summers, Piper Robert Cruickshank, Tim Leo and his drummers Pete Cole and Alex Perry, Kelly Lancaster, Paul and Marise, Wade Roskam, and our special volunteers who run the stalls, organise the breakfast, serve refreshments, clean up, raise and lower flags, and do a myriad of other tasks; parade participants, wreath layers and those who attend the services. We thank you all.

Dave McKerrow rose very early to see there was a welcome blaze in the fire drum.

We are grateful to the King Island Council employees who delivered and retrieved the fire drum, as well as the road closure signs (erected by Graeme and Pete) and saw that all grassed area were neatly clipped. Song sheets and wreath placement were supplied by Robyn Barwick.

The Committee and members of the King Island RSL Sub branch thank everyone who contributed in some way, and who honoured our defence forces with your attendance. We welcome members of the community who have family who have served or who are serving, and offer their respect by supporting the continuance of the RSL through Affiliate Membership.

We also know there are Islanders who have served in the Australian Defence Force and are not members of the Sub branch. Our final word is for you - you are most wel-



come to join at a time of your choosing, you will never be pressured, but we are here if

you need support. Lest we forget.

—KING ISLAND RSL SUB BRANCH

King Island to benefit under Labor’s Royal Flying Doctor policy

A Shorten Labor Government will invest \$7 million into future-proofing the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Tasmania giving the King Island community the confidence the service will continue operating at an enhanced level, said Member for Braddon Justine Keay MP.

"Labor's investment will go towards the upgrade of the RFDS base at Launceston Airport – with improved facilities increasing the capacity of the RFDS to service Tasmania," said Ms Keay.

"The Liberals have cut health and hospitals in Tasmania – ripping \$35 million

out of Tasmanian hospitals and locking in huge future cuts.

"Labor is prioritising health – because we think Tasmania deserves better than the neglect of the Abbott-Turnbull-Morrison Government."

"This is a much-needed investment in a service that is integral to Tasmania. The current base was built by the RFDS just over 20 years ago, from donations and fundraising, and is critical for remote communities including those living on King Island who don't have easy access to hospital services," Ms Keay said.

Labor's investment will fund the con-

struction of a new base including:

A fully integrated helicopter, aeroplane and ambulance service.

A new ward of up to 12 beds able to hold patients in the event of a natural disaster, pandemic or infectious diseases outbreak.

Upgraded facilities to meet the national accreditation standards and the RFDS aero medical standards.

Facilities for the staff who are required to be on site 24/7.

This announcement builds on Labor's existing investments in health in Tasmania – including \$30 million to address elective

surgery waiting lists, a \$15 million mental health hub in Launceston and \$4.5 million to ensure regional and rural Tasmanians have better access to medical specialists.

"Labor will also restore the Tazreach program that supported health specialists to visit King Island, saving people the need to travel for some health related appointments," said Ms Keay.

"Tasmania is hurting under the impact of the Liberals' cuts - under State and Federal Liberal Governments the state's elective surgery waiting list has ballooned to more than 9,000 patients," she said.



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A fair go for King Island

- ☒ Restore access to more local specialist medical care on King Island - that was axed by the Liberals.
- ☒ Invest over \$230,000 into King Island District School to give children the best possible education.
- ☒ Funds to improve mobile phone black spots on King Island.
- ☒ Investing in the Royal Flying Doctor Service that services King Island.