

Out in the shed with Ted.

Ted McEvoy

Kitchen Fires.

The UK fire brigade has produced a dramatic video (30-second, very short) about how to deal with a common kitchen fire ...oil in a frying pan. It's a real eye-opener!! I never realized that a wet dishcloth can be a 'one size fits all' lid to cover a fire in a pan!

<u>NEVER</u> pour water onto a grease or oil fire, it can be disastrous if you do. At the UK Fire Fighting Training school they demonstrate this outdoors with a deep fat fryer set on fire. An instructor would don a fire suit and using an 8 oz cup at the end of a 10-foot pole toss water onto the grease fire.

The result always gets the attention of the students.

The water, being heavier than oil, sinks to the bottom where it instantly becomes superheated and turns to steam. The explosive

force of the steam then blows the burning oil up and out. Out in the open it can become a thirty foot high fireball that resembles a nuclear blast.

Inside the confines of a kitchen, it is complete carnage. The fire ball hits the ceiling and then spreads out to fill the entire room.

Another big NO NO is never throw sugar or flour on a grease fire (though we can't think why you would). One cup of either thrown onto an oil or grease fire creates the explosive force of two sticks of dynamite.

As they say in the classics, DO NOT TRY THIS AT HOME!!!

Watch the video and don't forget what you see. Tell your whole family about it.

Talk about Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder! I recently came back from a tour of duty in Afghanistan. Having not seen my wife for several months, I was looking forward to a night of hot passionate sex with her. Unfortunately she came out of the shower with a towel wrapped round her head, so I shot her.

DFRB/DFRDB Facts

The average DFRB/DFR superannuation entitlement, after paying a compulsory 5.5% of salary for over 20 years plus, was \$22,092 pa (JUN 09).

The maximum Age Pension will give you an annual income of \$18,228.60 (with the Pensioner Supplement). The additional maximum fortnightly rent assistance of \$111.80 will push this figure up to a handsome \$21,135.40.

So after paying normal tax and compulsory superannuation for 20 years (5.5% of salary), and being shunted all over Australia and sometimes Overseas on Active Duty, an Ex Digger is ahead by a paltry \$956.60 pa above what would be provided by the Age Pension (to which you would not have contributed).

Great isn't it??

Recently Robert Oakenshott, the independent member for Lyall, NSW (around Port Macquarie) rose to introduce a debate in the house on ADF DFRDB – you can read it <u>HERE</u>, or if you prefer, you can download a PDF version of it <u>HERE</u>.

Put succinctly the Labor party will do absolutely nothing to improve or rectify the many deficiencies that exist in our military superannuation arrangements. Will the Coalition do anything different? First you have to note that whilst in government for 11 years they did nothing. Now they would have us believe that once they are in power they may do something.

See <u>HERE</u> and <u>HERE</u>.

Draw your own conclusions.

AND

I got this from Rick Tyan

"Please read the <u>attached letter</u> from my Federal Member of Parliament - Don Randall JP MP for Canning in WA, on the Coalition's Policy on DFRDB Military Superannuation recipients over the age of 55 years.

The policy also includes DFRB Military superannuants over the age of 55 years.

With the forthcoming election (soon to be announced) we anxiously await the Labor government's policy (if any) which is yet to be announced.

I have to give Don Randall MP due credit as Don has always responded to my concerns over a number of issues during these past few years. At times I have been unhappy about Coalition policy but in this instance they have opened the door for us with a much fairer indexation on our military superannuation."



AND

Richard Orr sent this, it's a letter from Wayne Swan, the Federal Treasurer. Note that the date on the letter is 30 June 2010 – after the Rudd political assassination. NOTHING HAS CHANGED IN THE LABOR CAMP – but remember both the Liberals and the Greens have

promised a fair go for military superannuants with effect 01 Jul 2011 if the Libs achieve government in the forthcoming election. You can read the letter HERE. Make your vote count!!

You can search all the parks in all your cities You will never find a statue to committees

Disability Pensioners and Medicines.

The TPI Federation's policy has always been, and remains, that disability pensioners at whatever level should not be required to pay for medication. To require them to pay out any amount – whether by copayment or otherwise – for medication or treatment for incapacity arising from their service is a breach of the conditions they agreed to when they enlisted. In simple terms the Government agreed that if service personnel were injured as a result of their service they would be looked after and the nation would meet the cost of all necessary health care.



The TPI Federation recently wrote to the Pharmaceutical Costs Review and you can read and download a copy of their submission <u>HERE</u>

What needs to be invented, urgently, is a phone with a built in breathalyser.

HP or not to be.

An American soldier in Iraq had an HP 4 in 1 printer which stopped working. He contacted HP tech support for help to fix it. HP told him that he would have to pay them for the advice. He wasn't a happy chappie, see <u>HERE</u> (sound up)

Slo Mo camers.

Slow motion cameras have come a long way over recent years, some of them are able to take images at the phenomenal rate of 675,000 frames per second. A normal PAL television is shown at 25 frames per second and high definition TV is 60 frames per second.

If you've got Real Player on your computer you can see an excellent example of slo mo <u>HERE</u>. If you don't have Real Player – my advise, GET IT......it's free and you get it <u>HERE</u>

Solar storms causing problems with GPS and ADS-B??

Space scientists tell us that solar storms are on the rise and affect satellite-dependent technologies like GPS and ADS-B. We all know what GPS is, but what is ADS-B??

ADS-B is radically new technology that is redefining Communications, Navigation and Surveillance in Air Traffic Management today. Already proven and certified as a viable low cost replacement for conventional radar, ADS-B allows pilots and air traffic controllers to "see" and control aircraft with more precision, and over a far larger percentage of the earth's surface, than has ever been possible before.

"ADS-B" is an acronym that stands for

Automatic It's always ON and requires no operator intervention.

Dependant It depends on an accurate Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) signal

for position data.

Surveillance It provides "Radar-like" surveillance services, much like Radar.

Broadcast It continuously broadcasts aircraft position and other date to any aircraft or

ground station equipped to receive ADS-B

How Does It Work?

Far different from radar, which works by bouncing radio waves from fixed terrestrial antennas off airborne targets and then interpreting the reflected signals, ADS-B uses conventional GNSS technology and a relatively simple broadcast communications link as its fundamental components.

Also, unlike radar, ADS-B accuracy does not seriously degrade with range, atmospheric conditions, or target altitude and update intervals do not depend on the rotational speed or reliability of mechanical antennas.

Then they simultaneously broadcast their position and other data to any aircraft, or ground station equipped to receive it

Ground Stations then transmit the aircraft's position to Air Traffic Control

In a typical applications, the ADS-B capable

aircraft uses an ordinary GNSS (GPS, Galileo, etc) receiver to derive its precise position from the GNSS constellation, then combines that position with any number of aircraft discretes, such as speed, heading, altitude and flight number. This information is then simultaneously broadcast to other ADS-B capable aircraft and to ADS-B ground, or satellite communications transceivers which then relay the aircraft's position and additional information to Air Traffic Control centers in real time.

ADS-B works at low altitudes and on the ground, so that it can be used to monitor not only aircraft, but vehicle traffic on the taxiways and runways of an airport as well. It is also

completely effective in remote areas or in mountainous terrain where there is either no radar coverage, or where radar coverage is restricted by problems with elevation, or line of sight.

It is also bi-directional and capable of sending real-time Flight Information Services ("FIS-B"), such as weather and other data to aircraft. In some areas, conventional non-ADS-B radar traffic information ("TIS-B"), can also be uplinked as well.

ADS-B is relatively inexpensive technology, and costs about 90% less than equivalent radar coverage, also, unlike radar, both the footprint and power requirements for ADS-B are quite small, allowing an ADS-B ground station to be installed in even the most remote areas.

Aviation News spoke with Joseph Kunches, a scientist at <u>NOAA</u>'s space weather prediction center, to determine the nature of the threat of the Solar activity to GPS, and you can hear the interview <u>HERE</u>.

SEX.

Sex is good for you – it's official. So says the Sex Fairy

Vung Tau update.

I was in Vung Tau in the middle of April and took the following pics of the old Villas. As you can see, the old Airmens' villa is currently being demolished to be replaced by a dunno??? Probably a new hotel/resort. The Villa Anna is still in good nick.

Vung Tau and surrounds are undergoing rapid redevelopment - especially around Ba Ria.

"Radar Hill" now only has one antenna standing - the other was in such a bad state that it fell over during a heavy storm some years ago.

A cable-car now runs from the beach front to the top of Radar Hill where an "Eco-tourist" complex is under construction. I'm also hearing that a big resort is also planned for the site.

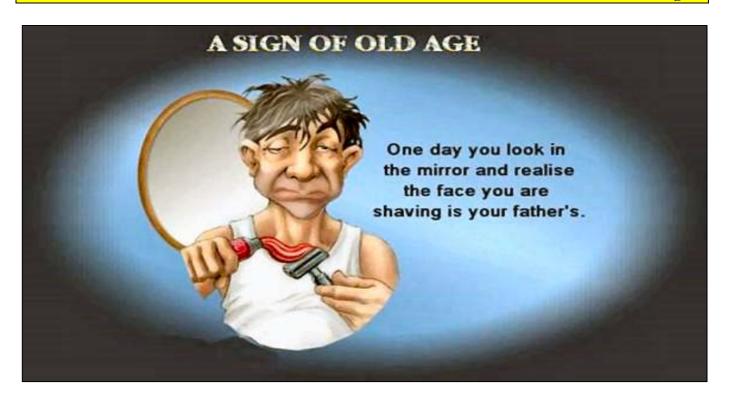
"Back Beach" is just about chocka with hotels and resorts. Progress sigh!!!!!!!!!!

Have a look, you can see the pics <u>HERE</u>

There are only two four letter words that are offensive to men - 'don't' and 'stop', unless they are used together.

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More Sex.

See here.

Seniors Club.

If you're aged 60 or over, you are eligible to join the Seniors Club Online. It is free to join, and includes heaps of benefits, such as:

- \$8 Movie Tickets at any Event, Greater Union or Birch Carroll Coyle Cinema any day.
- For every 10 movies you see you get 1 free.
- Exclusive Candy Bar Discounts at the theatres.
- Free Breakfast with eligible stays at Rydges Hotels and Resorts.

Seniors Club Online has been created and is operated by <u>Amalgamated Holdings Limited</u> (AHL) - Australia's Premier entertainment, hospitality and leisure organisation. It's FREE to join and you can do so <u>HERE</u>.

Allow about 2 weeks for your card to arrive via the Post.

A young bloke had just got his driver's license and over dinner one night he thought he'd put the big question to his dad as to when he could borrow the car.



His dad said he'd make a deal with him: 'You bring your grades up from a C to a B +, study your Bible a bit and get a hair cut. Then we'll talk about the car.' The young bloke thought about it for a moment or two, decided it wasn't a bad deal and they agreed on it.

After about six weeks his father said, 'Son, you've brought your grades up and I've observed that you have been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed you haven't had your hair cut.'

The boy said, 'You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that too, and I've noticed in my studies of the Bible that Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair...and there's even strong evidence that Jesus had long hair.'

To this his father replied, 'Yeah – but did you also notice they walked everywhere they went?'

USAF Missile guidance principles

How a USAF missile knows where it is !! If you ever get confused about anything involving engineering, this quote from the Air Force is a great guide to solving all engineering problems. Note: This is an actual quote from an Air Force training tape on how guided missiles locate themselves and get to the target.

Who knew it was this simple?

Listen carefully <u>HERE</u> – we'll be asking questions later!!!

A man walked out to the street and caught a taxi just going by. He got into the taxi, and the cabbie said, "Perfect timing. You're just like "Brian!

Passenger: "Who?"

Cabbie: "Brian Sullivan. He's a guy who did everything right all the time. Like my coming along when you needed a cab, things happen like that to Brian Sullivan, every single time."

Passenger: "There are always a few clouds over everybody."

Cabbie: "No not Brian Sullivan. He was a terrific athlete. He could have won the Grand Slam at tennis. He could golf with the pros. He sang like an opera baritone and danced like a Broadway star and you should have heard him play the piano. He was an amazing guy."

Passenger: "Sounds like he was something really special."

Cabbie: "There's more. He had a memory like a computer. He remembered everybody's birthday, especially his wife's and their anniversary. He knew all about wine, which foods to order and which fork to eat them with. He could fix anything. Not like me. I change a fuse, and the whole street blacks out. But Brian Sullivan, he could do everything right."

Passenger: "Wow. Some guy then."

Cabbie: "He always knew the quickest way to go in traffic and avoid traffic jams. Not like me, I always seem to get stuck in them. But Brian, he never made a mistake, and he really knew how to treat a woman and make her feel good. He would never answer her back even if she was in the wrong and his clothing was always immaculate, shoes highly polished too. He was the perfect man! He never made a mistake. No one could ever measure up to Brian Sullivan." Passenger: "An amazing fellow. How did you meet him?"

Cabbie: "Well, I never actually met Brian. He died. I'm married to his bloody widow."

Trailer Plugs.

If you've just bought a trailer, in order for the stop and tail and indicator lights to work, the trailer has to be hooked up to your car's electrical system. Trailers come with either a round 6 or 7 pin plug or a flat 7 pin plug and when you had the tow bar fitted to the car, they either installed a 6 or 7 pin round or a 7 pin flat socket, into which you hook up the trailer. Murphy's Law ensures it's not uncommon for your car to have the flat socket and the trailer to have a round plug — and as everyone

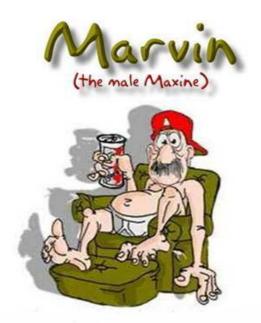


knows, a round plug will not go into a flat hole, so what do you do??

It's pretty easy to buy the bits and make a "conversion" cable, provided you know which wire goes where. Luckily, there is a web site which shows you just that, you can see it HERE.

World Cup

After Nigeria was eliminated from the world cup the Nigerian goalkeeper apologised and then personally offered to refund all the expenses of fans who travelled to South Africa. He said he just needs their bank details and pin numbers to complete the transaction.



When I was a kid, I used to pray every night for a new bike. Then I realized that God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked Him to forgive me.

Sales Pitch

Several years ago, Rockwell International decided to get into heavy duty transmission business. They were at a recording studio and getting ready to tape their first introduction video. As a warm-up, the professional narrator began what has become a legend within training the industry. Remember, this bloke doesn't know the first thing about heavy duty transmissions, he is just a professional presenter. He should have won an academy award for his stellar performance.

This is strictly off the cuff, nothing is written down. I think you will enjoy this "once in a lifetime" performance from this bloke. Click HERE

Poor Grandad.

Click **HERE** to read a poem about poor old Grandad......

The famous Olympic skier Picabo Street (pronounced Peek-A-Boo) has retired from active sport and works for a non-profit organisation which encourages young women to become active in sports. She could never get a job working in the Intensive Care Unit of a large metropolitan hospital. Imagine if she were to answer the phone - Picabo, ICU.

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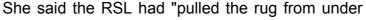
To March or not to March.

Recently, Bill Gaynor, the WA state president of the RSL refused a women's association from marching in the 2010 Perth Anzac Day march. Although the WA Premier, Colin Barnett, urged

the RSL to reconsider the ban and allow supporters to march behind the diggers, the ban stood.



Association president Sandra Cross (left) said this year's decision to bar them has outraged many veterans and their partners. "Some of our veterans were so upset and disgusted with the response from the RSL that they sent in resignation letters and have declared that they will not participate in this year's march," she told The West Australian newspaper.



us" in a public and derogatory way, implying the group was trying to force its way into the march.

But Bill Gaynor (right) said he had seen no evidence of resignations from the RSL and how many might boycott the march would be seen on the day. "If people are boycotting on an issue like this they need to think about why they are marching. They should be marching to honour our fallen and pay their respects to the veteran community."

He said "Qualification to march is that you are a veteran or that you are representing a deceased veteran and these people don't fit that protocol, they are a support group." He said a carer could push a veteran's wheelchair in the parade and partners of deceased veterans could also march wearing their partner's medals. He told AAP the decision to allow the partners' group to march last year was "unfortunate". "The invitation was issued in error and that's caused considerable embarrassment to them as well as us. We'll be redressing that as soon as possible. There is a reason for this, the march is becoming too big and something really has to be done."

Mr Gaynor said the RSL would have a debriefing session after the march and look at whether veterans wanted to review the matter. What do you think???

You can read some reaction in the WA newspaper HERE

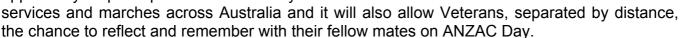
VETERANS GIVEN CHANCE TO COMMEMORATE ANZAC DAY TOGETHER.

Australian Veterans have the chance to commemorate ANZAC Day together as a result of a new partnership between the Returned Services League of Australia (RSL) and Greyhound Travel. To launch this new partnership, Greyhound is offering all Australian Veterans free travel to and from ANZAC Day services and reunions Nation-wide. Veterans can travel any time a

day or two each side of Anzac day, on Greyhound buses anywhere in Australia (check with Greyhound for details).

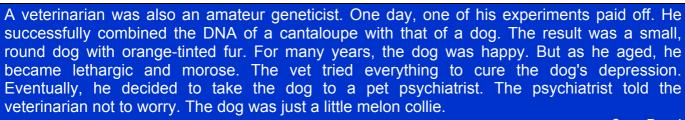
The new partnership between the RSL and Greyhound Travel would provide great benefits to Australian Veterans and RSL Members.

Free travel will give all Veterans the opportunity to participate in ANZAC Day



If eligible, to claim your free travel, call Greyhound on 1300 GREYHOUND (1300 473 946) and introduce yourself as a Veteran and book your travel. At check-in ensure that you have your medals and photo identification with you.

The RSL, and all eligible Veterans, greatly appreciates the wonderful support of Greyhound Australia.



Sorry Rupe!

Photorec

Bugga - you've just accidentally deleted those precious, one-in-a-lifetime pics from your digital memory card...!!!! "What do I do now?" I hear you ask yourself.

Well, there is a FREE solution. Visit <u>THIS SITE</u> and download PhotoRec. PhotoRec will analyse your memory card and will recover those precious pictures.

If you are a bit technical and want to see how it works, visit **HERE**.

I've given it a test drive and it works just beaut...!!!

PhotoRec is file data recovery software designed to recover lost files including video, documents and archives from hard disks, CD-ROMs, and pictures from lost digital camera memory cards. PhotoRec ignores the file system and goes after the underlying data, so it will still work even if your media's file system has been severely damaged or reformatted.



PhotoRec is free - this open source multi-platform application is distributed under <u>GNU General Public License</u>. PhotoRec is a companion program to <u>TestDisk</u>, an application for recovering lost partitions on a wide variety of file systems and making non-bootable disks bootable again. You can download them from this link.

For more safety, PhotoRec uses read-only access to handle the drive or memory card from which you are about to recover lost data from.

Important: As soon as a pic or file is accidentally deleted, or you discover any missing, do NOT save any more pics or files to that memory device or hard disk drive; otherwise you may overwrite your lost data. This means that while using PhotoRec, you must not choose to write the recovered files to the same partition on which they were stored.

Did you hear about the bloke who went out with an Eskimo woman.

All went well until she broke it off.

RAAF Health Records.

Now that you (we) are getting older, you might like to have a copy of your health records from when you were in the RAAF. If so, you can obtain a copy by writing to:

Department of Defence Health Records Queanbeyan Annex 4 Canberra ACT 2600

Solar Panels.

There has been a bit of confusion concerning solar panels used to supply electricity for use in a private household. In some instances, some of these panels generate sufficient power to allow the owner to sell some back to the household electricity supplier. Where confusion has arisen in the past is what happens to the funds received from selling this power, should the receipts

from the sale (these funds are called "Feed-in Tariff") be brought to account for the purposes of the pension income test.



The Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Jenny Macklin has issued a statement which clarifies the situation.

If the receipts from sale are paid to the householder as a credit on their electricity bill, then they will not be assessed.

However, if the receipts are paid to the householder as a direct payment, (cheque or EFT), then they are assessed as income when calculating the pension.

Further information can be obtained from Centrelink on 13 2300 or at www.cengtrelink.gov.au

Dog For Sale, free to good home. Excellent guard dog.

Owner cannot afford to feed him anymore, as there are no more drug pushers, thieves, murderers, or molesters left in the neighborhood for him to eat. Most of them knew Jethro only by his Oriental street name, Ho Lee Schitt.

See a photo of Jethro **HERE**

"TOWEL HEADS"

Recently I received a warning about the use of this politically incorrect term, so please note:

We all need to be more sensitive in our choice of words. I have been informed that the Islamic terrorists, who hate our guts and want to kill us, do not like to be called "Towel Heads" since the item they wear on their heads is not actually a towel, but in fact, a small folded sheet.

Therefore, from this point forward, please refer to them as "Little Sheet Heads".

Thank you for your support and compliance on this delicate matter.

Ho hum normal flying conditions for the dear, old Caribou...!!!!!!!!!! See HERE

A Scotsman walking down the street sees a woman with absolutely perfect breasts. He approaches her and says, "Miss, would ye let me bite ye breasts for \$100?"

"Are you nuts?!!!" she replies, and keeps walking.

He turns around, runs around the block and gets to the corner before she does. "Would ye let me bite ye breasts for \$1,000 dollars?" he asks.

"Listen; I'm not that kind of woman! Got it?, get lost!!"

So the Scotsman runs around the next block and faces her again; "Would ye let me bite ye breasts just once for \$10,000 dollars?"

She thinks about it for a moment and says, "Hmmm, \$10,000 dollars; O.K., just once, but not here. Let's go to that dark alley over there. "

So they go into the alley, where she takes off her blouse to reveal the most perfect breasts in the world.

As soon as he sees them, he grabs them and starts caressing them, fondling them slowly, kissing them, licking them, burying his face in them, but not biting them..

The woman finally gets annoyed and asks, "Well? Are you gonna bite them or not?"

"Nah", says the Scotsman.... "Costs too much..."