

# THE FURPHY

ARMADALE SUB-BRANCH OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



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Part 2

*The Price of Liberty is Eternal Vigilance*



# RULES TO PICKING THE PRESIDENT'S JESTER

**TICKET SALES** \$2.00 PER TICKET, ONLY 100 TICKETS PER DRAW

## **RULES**

1. This will run over a maximum of 26 weeks starting on the 25 September 2017. The draw will only have 52 cards with Jester shown each draw.
2. Only **one card per winner** is turned over.
3. **Two draws each week** on the day of the draw.
4. Ticket holders must be present on the time of the draw and if unclaimed at the time of the draw, a redraw will be conducted within 5 min after the second draw of the night.
5. Winnings are paid on the night.
6. The single **JESTER** wins the **JACKPOT**.
7. **Each suite Ace, King, Queen and Jack** is also a winning card amounts are listed below, and wont jackpot, these are a standard fixed amount.
8. If there are **NO winners for the night** the prize **money will JACKPOT by \$100.00 per draw.**
9. \$50.00 from each draw will be placed into a kitty for the end of year Adult Xmas Party.
10. Once the Joker has been picked the Card Deck will be re-set and jackpot will start over at \$100.00.

### **Prize money payout**

<b>Jester</b>	<b>= Jackpot</b>
<b>Ace</b>	<b>= \$20.00</b>
<b>King</b>	<b>= \$15.00</b>
<b>Queen</b>	<b>= \$10.00</b>
<b>Jack</b>	<b>= \$5.00</b>



# MILITARY HISTORY FOR OCTOBER

## **Pete's View of a Past Member**

Last Sunday was extremely cold and the air was so crisp, my fingers tingled. It was just around lunch time and my body craved for a warm hearty meal. I entered the club and there was a large crowd gathered for the same purpose. I instantly went to the *Spitfire Grill* and ordered the Sunday Roast. Finding a table with friends from the Brotherhood, our conversation varied with solutions of world problems and jokes.

A large Honour Board fixed to the wall displayed a date and name of all past presidents and Secretaries, one name that intrigued me, Spencer Gwynne, 1947, who had the post Nominal DCM. So that is seventy years ago. I reflected to my mates that I wasn't even born, we then started talking about how things have changed since we were kids, like having our milk delivered by horse and cart, as well as the dunny man changing the bin for the outside loo.

I thought I would write an article about Spencer Gwynne DCM for the "*Furphy*", so who was Spencer Gwynne?

### **SPENCER GWYNNE DCM.**

Spencer Gwynne was born 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1891 in Adelaide SA, moved to Western Australia in 1905. He enlisted into 10<sup>th</sup> Light Horse on 1<sup>st</sup> October 1914 at the age of 23. He embarked for Gallipoli in February 1915 from Fremantle, Spencer fought at Popes Hill, Walkers Hill and the Nek before going to Egypt in January 1916. Gwynne was promoted to Sergeant 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1916 for his actions which resulted in him being awarded the DCM. Spencer Gwynne was the Sergeant of the Australian Guard of Honour when General Allenby entered Jerusalem.

**10th Australian Light Horse Regiment.** They were part of the 3rd Light Horse Brigade of the Australian Mounted Division. Sailed from Fremantle 7/2/1915. They were involved in the disastrous attack at the Nek in Gallipoli and Hill 60 and suffered significant losses.

They served in Romani, Maghdaba, Gaza 1 and 2, Beersheba, sweep to Jerusalem (including entering Jerusalem), Es Salt/Amman 2, Megiddo sweep, Damascus. They were the first Australians to enter Jerusalem, and the first regiment to enter Damascus. Like the 4th Light Horse regiment, they were also given swords and made into conventional cavalry before the Megiddo sweep. They won 106 military awards.





## 413, Lieutenant Spencer Gwynne DCM

### 10th Light Horse

Portrait of Lieutenant Spencer Gwynne, DCM. The then Sergeant Gwynne was awarded the DCM for his part in the rescue of LT A.U. Martin, who had his horse shot beneath him during the attack by the 10th Light Horse Regiment on Turkish Forces at Magdhaba.

Mentioned in Dispatches – 6th July 1917

Recommended for Distinguished Conduct Medal – 24th December 1916

Awarded Distinguished Conduct Medal – 21st August 1917

#### **Citation:**

*“For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He gallantly went to the assistance of his troop officer, whose horse had been killed. He set a fine example to all ranks.”*

**Post War:** In 1920 in the Katanning district, Spencer married Florence Mary Dival.

An article in the press gave the results of the annual election of Woodanilling Road Board members, with Spencer one of two elected for the West Ward. In 1925 Spencer was Chairman of the local Returned Soldiers Reunion.

"Mr Spencer Gwynne was appointed secretary to the Woodanilling Roads Board. Spencer resigned this position in Sep 1932 in order to take up the position of Secretary to the Mingenew Road Board.

An article in relation to the suicide of a Police Constable in Mingenew lists Spencer as identifying the body having known the deceased (a fellow member of the 10th Light Horse Regiment).

Mr Spencer Gwynne was appointed as secretary-engineer for the Armadale Road Board, and on 23 Aug 1940 Spencer was elected as the President of the Armadale RSL.

In early 1942 Gwynne was called up for military duty, overseeing all units of the Bunbury Volunteer Defence Corps, based at Pinjarra. On 22 Jan 1943 Spencer was promoted to Captain in the Army.

In May 1946 Spencer gave the RSL notice that he was retiring from his position as Armadale President. However he remained with the Council until 1956. Florence died 30 Dec 1998 in Thornlie aged 100.

The major recreation reserve in the City of Armadale is named Gwynne Park in his honour, and the name is also remembered with the Gwynne park Primary School, and Gwynne Park Education Support Unit.



## DALE COTTAGES

Dale Cottages are often in need of part time workers in the following fields:

- \* Nursing \* Drivers \* Carers
- \* Handy Men \* Gardeners

If anyone would like to offer their time and services it would be very much appreciated.

Please contact Stacey Dowding at Dale Cottages  
Contact details: 9399 5393 and [csc@dalecottages.org](mailto:csc@dalecottages.org)

### Dale Cottages **“Village Home Open”**

Every Wednesday 11am – 2pm

Obligation free and includes a

Cottage and Apartment inspection,

Village Tour and a Take Home Information Pack

9497 3200 or [vma@dalecottages.org](mailto:vma@dalecottages.org)

# GETAWAY OUTDOORS



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**5/2938 Albany Hwy Kelmscott**

**Ph: 08 9495 4444 Fax: 08 9495 4344**

**For all your camping, fishing and outdoor needs.**

**All RSL members are welcomed to a 10% discount on presentation of their membership card on excluding fridges, generators, GPS's, kayaks and sale items.**

## **See you out there!!!**



## SMART SAVER MEAT PACKS

Shop 19 (Next to Woolworths)  
Vale Shopping Centre  
393 Warton Rd, Canning Vale



**The MANSE RESTAURANT**  
31 CHURCH AVE  
ARMADALE  
9399 6078

**GARY SMITH**  
Chef/Proprietor

- Award Winning Restaurant
- Fine Dining
- Family Friendly
- Functions and Catering
- Gift Vouchers Available



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10 Prospect Road, Armadale  
9498 4400

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**KELMSCOTT**

2938 Albany Hwy  
Kelmscott WA 6111  
Ph: 9390 0080



On presentation of your RSL Membership Card 10% discount off the price of your main meal will be offered.

We thank Dr TONY BUTI MLA, Member for Armadale, for his annual contribution towards the postage costs of the Furphy



# *Armadales RSL Merchandise*

## *Special Sale Prices*

### *(For old stock only)*

<b>RSL Stickers</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Badges &amp; Lapel Pins</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>
<b>Stubby Holders</b>	<b>\$5.00 or 3 for \$12</b>
<b>Key Rings</b>	<b>\$5.50</b>
<b>Caps</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>
<b>Scarves</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Bar Runners</b>	<b>\$26.00</b>

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING  
ARMADALE RSL SUB BRANCH**



# Age Friendly Expo

**For the young and young at heart**

**Thursday 26 October 2017 9.30am - 1.30pm**

**Jull Street Mall, Armadale and Armadale Shopping City**



**This free Age Friendly Expo is a celebration of both Children's and Senior's Weeks and is inclusive for all age groups.**

**Come and see Jull Street Mall and Armadale Shopping City come alive with various activities including: information displays, live entertainment, interactive experiences and demonstrations. You can also meet representatives from businesses, community groups, organisations, schools and government departments.**

**This event is brought to you by the City of Armadale in partnership with Armadale Shopping City and New Spring Church.**

