

# V.V.A.A. National Presidents Notes

## January 2016

Recent events have indicated there will need to be a further review and adjustments to the V.V.A.A. Merchandising service, Peter Fox as the current manager has indicated there needs to be changes and all options are under consideration.

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The Debrief magazine has been printed and should be in the mail, if you have not received a copy by mid-February contact your state branch or sub branch secretary.

The future production and distribution of the Debrief magazine will be the subject of discussions over the next months.

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The nominated for the DVA Hearing Services Working Party on behalf of the V.V.A.A. has been accepted and the first meeting is scheduled for early March 2016. Any concerns regarding provision of hearing aids etc. should be forward to me as soon as possible.

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During February I will be attending meetings related to the Advocacy Training and Development Program, the original timetable for implementation is on track and details will be distributed as they become available, planning and implementation of a training program for 2016-17 is a priority at the moment.

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During February I will also be attending a meeting of the Australian Defence Service Organisations in Melbourne, policy developed by this group and presented to government as the view of a large portion of the ex-service community has shown to have better results than individual representations.

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I have received two nominations for the position of V.V.A.A. representative on the Department of Veterans Affairs National Aged and Community Care Forum and those nominations will be lodged early February as requested by the department, details of appointments will be distributed as soon as announced.

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During February and March most state branches and sub branches will be conducting their annual general meetings and reviewing executive positions and future options, to those that have served I thank you, to those that will carry on into 2016 I appreciate your support. At the same time nominations for national executive positions will need to be considered.