



**THE LIONS CLUB OF
WEST PENNANT HILLS CHERRYBROOK INC
ANZAC COMMEMORATION DINNER 2022**

WHEN & TIME **WEDNESDAY 20th APRIL 2022 6.30 FOR 7.00**

WHERE **WEST PENNANT HILLS SPORTS CLUB 103 New Line Rd, West Pennant Hills**

COST **\$50– Delicious 2 course meal. Drinks at own cost**

RSVP **To assist with catering arrangements RSVP and payment is required by
13th April 2022 To: Peter Butler noreen.peter@bigpond.com (0411 174 905)**

Our traditional warm welcome and great fellowship is assured. All serving and ex-servicemen may wear their medals.

GUEST SPEAKER

COLONEL AND JUDGE DOUG HUMPHREYS OAM



Doug Humphreys is a Judge of the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia. He was appointed to the Court in March 2019. In 2018, he was the President of the Law Society of NSW. He has previously held positions as Principal Member of the Veterans Review Board, Principal Registrar of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal and Director Criminal Law, NSW Legal Aid.

He joined the Army Reserve in 1976. He was commissioned in 1979 in the RAInf. He later transferred to the Australian Army Legal Corps. He currently posted as the Senior Reserve Officer, Army Command Legal Panel with the rank of Colonel. In 2016 he was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia for his work as a lawyer in a range of legal organisations.

His subject tonight is The remarkable story of Charles Melville Macnaghton; an Australia officer at Anzac .

BOOKING SLIP – ANZAC COMMEMORATION DINNER 2022

Please complete and forward via email to Lions Peter Butler - noreen.peter@bigpond.com (0411 174 905)

Name/ Club (please print): Phone contact Email

Address : Post Code

Special Dietary Requirements (if any)

We wish to book forpeople at \$50 each \$ / Tables of 8 at \$400 each.

Payment details: Bendigo Bank: BSB 633-000 Account number: 177090495

AS AN EXTRA SPECIAL FEATURE OF THIS YEAR'S DINNER WE WELCOME OUR HONOURED GUEST

PRIVATE DENNIS DAVIS

now one of the few remaining survivors of the WW2 Siege of Tobruk -veteran of the famous 9th Division AIF



We are indeed privileged to have Dennis, who is in his 102nd year, as our special guest . He will give a short talk on his experiences of his wartime service. Dennis became one of the legendary *Rats of Tobruk* and this campaign lasted for 269 days (from 10/4/41 to 27/11/41). Dennis was one of the many drivers responsible for delivering vital supplies, ammunitions and troops to major battle sites along the line. It was very dangerous work driving in open spaces without much protection.

Dennis migrated to Australia from the UK in 1938. Two years later, distressed at the news of the evacuation of Dunkirk, he enlisted for war service at Paddington NSW. He served in five theatres of war, *Tobruk, El Alamein, Borneo, New Guinea campaigns and Syria-Lebanon on peace keeping duties* During the tough Tobruk campaign, Dennis learnt the value of friendship. The three men fighting alongside him assured him that it would all sort itself out, and it did. When he served in the New Guinea campaign fighting the Japanese battle action conditions were very tough. He experienced an attack of Malaria and spent some time in hospital.