

# Victorian Branch Inc. Military Historical Society of Australia



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## Aims of the Victorian Branch Inc MHS

The MHS was established in Melbourne in 1957. Its aims are the encouragement and pursuit of study and research in military history, customs, traditions, dress, arms, equipment and kindred matters; the promotion of public interest and knowledge in these subjects, and the preservation of historical military objects with particular reference to the armed forces of Australia.

## Branch Meetings

Victorian Branch Inc. meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month (except December) in the Carnegie Room of the Oakleigh-Carnegie RSL, Drummond Street, Oakleigh, at 8 pm. Details of meetings are published in the member's quarterly newsletter '*Despatches*' and on the Branch website [www.mhsavictoria.com](http://www.mhsavictoria.com)

## Branch Activities

The Branch welcomes guests, both men and women, to many of its branch activities; intending members are invited to attend any meeting. Branch activities include topical presentations by expert speakers, field trips, dinners and seminars, collecting militaria and quiz nights as well as ongoing research projects and joint activities with affiliated organisations. The Branch also hosts major events such as its annual Commemorative Oration, book launches and exhibitions.

The Branch is affiliated with other like-minded associations, such as the Royal Historical Society of Victoria, the Aviation Historical Society of Australia (Vic), the Naval Historical Society of Australia (Vic) and the Anglo-Boer War Study Group.

## Subscription

From 1 July 2011, an annual subscription of \$45 entitles the member to join in with all Branch activities and to receive '*Sabretache*', the quarterly Journal of the Society, as well as '*Despatches*' the quarterly Branch newsletter. A 'corresponding member' category exists for those members who live outside of metropolitan Melbourne or who for whatever reason, are unable to attend Branch meetings.

## Interests and Engagement

All military history interests are welcome, especially interest in any aspect of Australia's military history and heritage. Members of the Branch come from all walks of life and backgrounds. All interests are regarded with respect and consideration; positive discussion is always supported.