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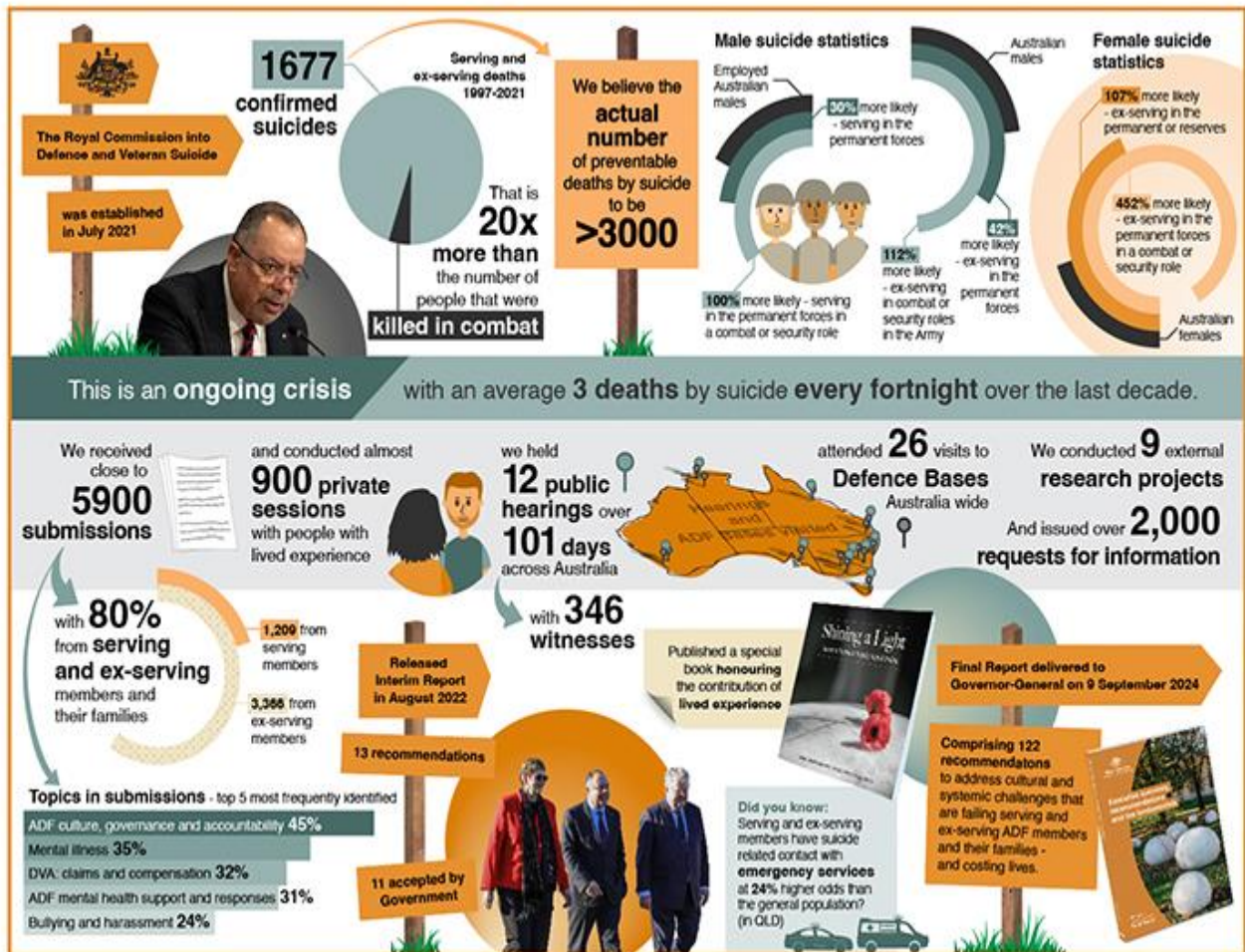
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October/November 2024 Newsletter

Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide

The Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide was established in July 2021 and concluded in September 2024 when the Commissioners delivered the Final Report.

Here are those three years of inquiry at a glance.



The Final Report was delivered to the Governor-General on 9 September 2024, comprising 122 recommendations to address cultural and systemic challenges that are failing serving and ex-serving ADF members and their families and costing lives.

A copy of the link to the recommendations is:

[Final Report | Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide](#)

This is a watershed moment when the Government will either for the first time take positive action to help veterans at risk or yet again resort to fine words but little or no concrete steps to improve the situation.

We now await the Government’s response

Veteran Games



Our two teams acquitted themselves very well and were placed 7th & 9th. This was a creditable outcome bearing in mind the object of us bringing the members together was to foster connection and relationship rather than winning an athletic event. The events of the Games were fiercely contested and those who took part either as contestants or spectators were overwhelmingly positive on their experience. We look forward to next year when we hope

more sub branches will sponsor teams to expand the number of participants.

The Committee wishes to thank our teams' members who were required to fund their own registration as participants, buy the team shirts, pants & boots and caps as well as meet their living costs whilst away.

A link to documentary on the 2024 Games is here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YBx2M-kbhWg>

Remembrance Day Services – 11 November 2024

At 11AM on the 11th Month of 1918 the First World War came to a conclusion. To mark this occasion, the bugle will sound out at the Ringwood Clock Tower and the Eastland Town Square to recognise the 106th end of the First World War and to honour those men and women who gave their all for our freedoms in that and subsequent wars.

All are welcome to participate in these services which will be followed by a light lunch at the Sub Branch Club.

