

Retired and Former Police Association of USW Inc. (Established 1931)

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-Invitation to Join

Our organization was established in 1931 and is concerned with the improvement of conditions and quality of life for all former Police and Police widows. In 2019 we added the words 'and Former' to our title.

In 1966 we were active in gaining the Police widows' pension and in1989 we were successful in raising the minimum, and obtaining annual pension increases in line with the CPI. From 1990 to 1995 we mounted a campaign resulting in both the Federal and State governments reimbursing retired members with overtaxed lump sum long service leave. In 1996 we worked with State Super to introduce process, which reduced the time for the start of the Widows pension. We can arrange for one of our members to attend when notified of the husband's death and assist in completion and submission of the forms. We successfully convinced the State government to reclassify the Police pension to allow all members to claim the 15% taxation rebate from 1 July 2000. In late 2007 we convinced the Minister of Police and the Commissioner of Police to backdate the award of the NSW Police Medal to all retired NSW police who qualify, irrespective of when they retired. These are just some of our achievements. On behalf of Retired Police Australia wide, we have now successfully petitioned the Federal Government to revise the issue criteria for the National Police Service Medal, backdating it from 30/10/2008 to 14/02/1975, when the National Medal replaced the Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

We currently have a membership approaching four thousand, and twenty four Branches being; Brisbane & Northern Suburbs in Qld, Central Coast, Central Tablelands, Coffs Harbour, Hornsby, Hunter Region, Dubbo District, Gold Coast Qld, Illawarra, Kiama, Manning Great Lakes, Macarthur, Murray River, New England, Northern Beaches, Northern Rivers, Peel, Parramatta-The Hills, Penrith and Blue Mountains, Mid North Coast, Riverina, South Coast, Southern Highlands, Southern Tablelands, Sydney, Water Police Sub-Branch, and Wide Bay, Qld. These Branches conduct regular meetings and organise social activities.

Our journal, the **RFPA Gazette**, is produced each quarter and distributed to all members. It contains information regarding members, Branches and Committee of Management activities including representations made on your behalf, items of interest and stories from the past. All office bearers perform their duties on an honorary basis to keep fees to a minimum with membership subscription currently at \$28.00 per year, or \$26.00 per year if paid by automatic deduction from the Police Bank or State Super.

It is appreciated that some members cannot attend regular meetings or functions but membership gives strength to this organization, a forum to seek advice and make representations as well as the opportunity to keep abreast of matters of mutual interest. We look forward to your association with us and you can be assured of a cordial welcome at our meetings.

Enclosed:

- 1. Application for RFPA membership.
- 2. Authority to Deduct forms for either State Super (\$1.00 per fortnight) if you are in receipt of a Police pension OR
- 3. Authority to Deduct for Police Bank (\$26.00 on 1 July each year).

Jan Lovell, State Secretary



APPLICATION FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP:

The Secretary

Retired and Former Police Association of NSW Inc. PO Box 201 Hawks Nest NSW 2324

Dear Sir,

I wish to become a member of the Retired & Former Police Association of NSW Inc.

* My annual membership fee of \$28.00 is enclosed.

OR

* I have completed the 'Authority to Deduct' from my **Police Superannuation**.

OR

* I have completed the 'Authority to Deduct' from my Police Bank account.

	Branch.
Postcode:	
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Date of Discharge:	
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(* Delete words not applicable)