



Dr R.G. (Rod) Bain MB.BS, FFARACS, FFARCS FRCA, FANZCA, JP

Birth

Mackay, North Queensland.

Education

Primary, Secondary and Tertiary at Queensland Schools and University.

Medical Specialty Training

Royal Colleges of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care in both UK and Australia.

Particulars of Service and post Service

Dr Bain served in the Royal Australian Navy from 1966 to 1973. The major portion of his time was spent in sea going appointments. In 1969 he served ashore with the RAAMC. at 1st Aust Field Hospital in Vung Tau, SVN. In 1970 he served with the USN 7th Fleet and in 1972 he became the Principal Medical Officer on HMAS Sydney returning our troops from SVN.

Discharge from the RAN was followed by a number of years of medical specialty training at several of the leading teaching hospitals in Australia and the UK. Commenced setting up the Department of Anaesthesia at Westmead Hospital in Sydney 1977, but chose to begin Private Practice on the NSW Central Coast and not stay with an academic life. Retired from fulltime medical practice at the end of 1999 but remains registered to practice in NSW. In 2000 he developed his own private company and several other interests in Art Gallery outlets which were all recently sold thus giving him more time to spend with ex-service matters.

Campaign Medals, Decorations and Awards

Vietnam Medal

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The Australian Active Service Medal

The Australian Service Medal

Australian Defence Medal

RAS Badge

Length of ESO Memberships and official positions held

Dr Bain joined the Gosford RSL sub-branch in 1997 while reducing his full-time specialist career at the local hospitals and in private practice. He became sub-branch pensions/welfare officer in 1998, positions he still holds.

- * Central Coast District Council Delegate from 1998 to 2003.
- * State Congress Delegate 2000-2003.
- * He was elected a State Councillor RSL (NSW) in 2004
- * At 2008 State Congress he was appointed NSW RSL Vice President Southern Country for an initial term of three years.

Dr Bain holds a number of Committee appointments on RSL (NSW) State Council and is a past (2006) Board member on several Aged Care facilities in the Central Coast area. In addition the Department of Veterans' Affairs has appointed Rod to a number of its National Committees these include:

1. Operation Life Program Committee for suicide prevention
2. MATES a committee reviewing Veterans' Pharmaceutical requirements
3. MHPE a committee to enhance the physical wellbeing of veterans
4. VVFHS the committee controlling an \$11.5M research program to study the Intergenerational Health Effects of Service in the Military

Dr Bain also belongs to the Vietnam Vet. Assoc. of Aust. and the Naval Association of Aust.

He is also the Medical Advisor to AVADSC as well as the National Naval Assoc. Representative on that Committee.

He is a regular guest speaker at different ex-service groups' functions who seek clarification on various Federal Legislation matters relating to veterans.

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