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NEW LIFE FOR WAR MEMORIALS ACROSS NSW

Minister for Citizenship and Communities Victor Dominello has announced a new round of grant recipients under the NSW Community War Memorials Fund.

Mr Dominello said 12 war memorials in towns and suburbs across NSW will be upgraded and maintained, thanks to more than \$84,000 in NSW Government funding.

The Community War Memorials Fund was established to help protect and restore war memorials across NSW and grant applications are open twice a year.

“As we move toward the start of the Centenary of Anzac (2014-2018), it is more important than ever that we ensure our community war memorials stand proud and strong around the state,” Mr Dominello said.

“These 12 unique monuments to the brave servicemen and women that sacrificed their lives help us to remember their selfless contribution to our country.

“I believe we have a responsibility to preserve and rejuvenate these war memorials as a means of demonstrating that their sacrifices have not, and will not, be forgotten,” Mr Dominello said.

\$5,045 has been granted to replace the honour roll and names of the fallen on the Ulmarra and District War Memorial while \$10,000 has been allocated to replace broken tiles and stop vandalism at the Woodward Park Memorial in Heathcote.

“Last week I visited the Ulmarra Cenotaph with the Member for Clarence Chris Gulaptis MP and can attest to the high esteem in which the monument is held in the local community,” Mr Dominello said.

“I encourage any community which needs funding for their local memorial to consider making a submission under this program during the second round of grants later this year,” Mr Dominello said.

Grant applications are considered by a State War Memorials Committee, comprising representatives of the NSW RSL, NSW Government Architect’s Office and NSW Veterans’ Affairs (Office of Communities).

Applications must be for the repair or conservation of a war memorial commemorating Australia’s military heritage and located within the State of New South Wales or of direct and substantial relevance to the State.

Funding is also available for memorial places, landscaped spaces, sculptures, honour boards and plaques. For more information, including application forms, please visit: veterans.nsw.gov.au/community-war-memorials-fund.

A full list of the first round of 2013-14 grant recipients follows.

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2013/2014 GRANT RECIPIENTS

	Grant recipient	Project	Funding	Electorate	Link
1	Inverell RSL Sub Branch	Inverell War Memorial Cnr Lawrence & Evans Street, Inverell Laying pavers in area adjacent to the Inverell War Memorial.	\$9,900	Northern Tablelands	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/inverell-war-memorial
2	Grong Grong War Memorial Progress Association	Grong Grong Hall Replicating the WW1 Honour Roll outside the Hall in polished black granite and inscribing names in 23 carat gold. Plus, fixing the fallen Honour Roll inside Hall.	\$3,920	Murrumbidgee	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/grong-grong-world-war-two-honour-roll
3	Greater Taree City Council	Taree War Memorial Clock Tower Fotheringham Park, Taree Fabricating, installing, painting a balustrade to rear of the Memorial including incorporation of "Rising Sun" symbol in design.	\$4,220	Myall Lakes	http://warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/taree-world-war-1-memorial
4	Thirroul RSL Sub Branch	Woodward Memorial Park Replacing broken tiles surrounding the WW1 Memorial; fencing around Cenotaph to prevent vandalism; stabilising sunken pathway to Memorial; and installing drop down bollard to prevent cars entering Memorial precinct.	\$10,000	Heathcote	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/woodward-memorial-park-ww2-monument
5	Hornsby Shire Council	David John Willis Boer War Memorial Becroft Fencing around the site, as well as restoring and repairing the sandstone retaining wall, and planting.	\$10,000	Epping	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/david-john-willis-memorial
6	Belmont RSL Sub branch	Belmont War Memorial Relocating the Memorial from Belmont Mall to Cullen Park Belmont (involving site preparation, slab/bollard, erecting the monument and supplying power.	\$10,000	Swansea	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/belmont-war-memorial

7	Woronora River RSL Sub Branch	Woronora War Memorial at Woronora Removing cement render, water proofing the Memorial, and replacing render with sandstone.	\$5,000	Menai	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/woronora-war-memorial
8	Cowra RSL Sub Branch	Cowra Cenotaph Cleaning and painting the flagpoles, recoating the Rising Sun Badges, replacing the missing lead from 40 letters, and reducing decolourisation of the white marble.	\$3,747	Burrinjuck	http://warmemorialregister.nsw.gov.au/content/cowra-and-district-war-memorial-honor-roll
9	Kiama Municipal Council	Memorial Arch at Hindmarsh Park, Kiama Stabilising works to correct the leaning Memorial Arch involving installation of deep micro piles around perimeter, construction of ring beams around arch and connecting to micro piles, and demolition and reconstruction of existing concrete steps.	\$10,000	Kiama	http://warmemorialregister.nsw.gov.au/content/kiama-war-memorial-arch
10	Nambucca Heads RSL Sub Branch	Nambucca Heads Cenotaph Producing and installing 7 plaques to mark the Boer War and conflicts since WWII.	\$2,643	Oxley	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/nambucca-heads-war-memorial-cenotaph
11	Bowraville RSL Sub Branch	Bowraville War Memorial High Street, Bowraville Replacing concrete surrounds of memorial, regrouting of memorial, cleaning and polishing of plaques, renovating the steps, and managing traffic.	\$10,000	Oxley	http://warmemorialregister.nsw.gov.au/content/bowraville-war-memorial
12	Ulmarra RSL Sub Branch	Ulmarra and District War Memorial Replacing roll of honour for 1914-18, re-erection of the historical statement monument and names of the fallen from 1939-1945.	\$5,045	Clarence	http://www.warmemorialsregister.nsw.gov.au/content/ulmarra-and-district-war-memorial