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CUMBERLAND PRESIDENT'S HAND OVER



Local RSL NSW stalwart, Greg Read, last week stepped down as President of the Cumberland RSL sub-Branch. At a grand ceremony in the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel in Sydney, Greg Read handed over the President's 'Hammer and Block' to the in coming President, James Batkin.

"As a charity, we have to move with the times. I see good times ahead for all past and present Australian Defence Force members who join the RSL" said Greg Read. 'I'm taking a break from administration and will now step back into the membership fold at Cumberland'.

James Batkin is no stranger to the role of President as he was the President of the Lidcombe RSL sub-Branch for over a decade before joining the Cumberland group.

"I know there is plenty to do as we go forward into a new era" said James. "I look forward to leading our local sub-branch. With our ageing community and membership at Cumberland, we have to look for new initiatives and directions."

"We have a good team at Cumberland and with other sub-Branches in our district, we will work as a united group" said James.

"My work started last Monday with a meeting with the new NSW Police Superintendent Commander Simon Glasser, at the Auburn command post. Then I'm working with some 'out of town' sub-Branches to see what assistance we can give them as we seek to provide services for exservicemen and women across the state of New South Wales."

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