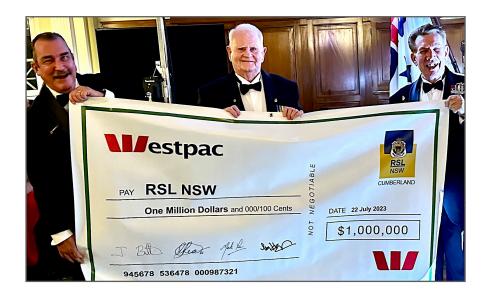
CUMBERLAND DONATES THE BIG CHEQUE



It is not everyday that you see someone handing over a cheque for one million dollars. Such a generous gift was made recently when RSL NSW Cumberland handed over that amount to RSL NSW to implement the RSL Strategic Plan.

And that was only the first instalment. Cumberland is giving in total two million dollars, to reform and revitalise the statewide charity that has cared for veterans and their families for over a century.

Times have changed. The RSL faces the challenge of ageing membership, out-of-date programs and a mountain of red tape. The RSL NSW Strategic Plan is the road-map to turn the organisation around and directly address the needs of younger ex-servicemen and women.

The cheque for one million dollars was presented to RSL NSW President Ray James during Cumberland's hand-over dinner held in the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel in the city.

Outgoing President Greg Read and incoming President James Batkin joined to make the presentation and to express RSL NSW Cumberland continued support for the Strategic Plan.

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