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[RAAFA Pine Rivers and Sandgate Branch – Unitywater Competition](#)



Attachment

Dear Principal / Community Entrant.

Senior School & Community Word/ Lyrics Competition
For
75th Anniversary of RAF Spitfire Crash 19th April 1944 Memorial Service
Saturday 27th April 2019.

RAAF Association Pine Rivers and Sandgate Branch is holding a Service to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the RAF 548 Squadron Spitfire crash over the Young's Crossing area on the 19th April 1944. Two pilots died in the mid-air collision killing both Squadron Leader William Wright and Sergeant Alan Chandler. The memorial service will commence at 8,30am on Saturday 27th April 2019 with a memorial luncheon held at Norths Leagues and Services Club at noon.

As part of the commemorations, it is intended to conduct a competition at senior school level and open community level for competitors to put forward words or lyrics to best describe their thoughts of the Uniwater portrait. (Portrait on right)

All schools and the community are cordially invited to participate in this competition.

The name of the competition is '*RAAFA Pine Rivers and Sandgate Branch & Unitywater 548/549 RAF Spitfire Squadron Competition*'

The true meaning of the portrait is peace, which not only belongs to 548/549 Squadron but to all Servicemen and Servicewomen who trained in Australia and went to war and those who paid the supreme sacrifice so we may all live in peace at home. We have a young lass playing with a toy, a model of the Spitfire aeroplane that flew within this area and a young lad of a different culture also happily playing with the girl and picking Poppies, a symbol of peace the World over.



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Each school will be required to select their best student's submission and forward it to the judging panel by 16th April 2019. Community entries shall be returned to the panel by the same date.

All care will be taken in withholding author's privacy during judging.

The conditions of competition are enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact the Branch if you have any queries.

It is appreciated that school curriculums are extensive and time constrained, but the efforts of all who trained here and those who paid the supreme sacrifice are a vital and extremely worthwhile means of linking our present communities directly with the experiences and sacrifices of our forebears.

The Branch is vigilant in being the Guardian of our history so that it may be handed down to future generations.

Kind regards

Phil Symonds

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