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## Guy Barnett, Minister for Veterans' Affairs

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### Dig deep and show your support during Legacy Week 2023

Tasmanians are encouraged to give generously during Legacy Week as it celebrates a major milestone in this year which is the Centenary of Legacy.

Legacy started here in Tasmania as the former Remembrance Club in Hobart by Tasmanian-born Major General Sir John Gellibrand in 1923.

Minister for Veterans' Affairs Guy Barnett said that in Tasmania, approximately 1500 widows, widowers and children are supported by Legacy Hobart and Legacy Launceston with an estimated 33,000 legatees registered across Australia in 2023.

"The National Legacy Week Appeal has been running since the 1940s and is a time for all Australians to show their support for the widows and children whose loved ones have served our country," Minister Barnett said.

"During Legacy Week, dedicated volunteers and members of the Australian Defence Force will be selling badges and receiving donations.

"In 2023, during Legacy's Centenary, there are some special centenary badges and bears available.

"The Centenary of Legacy has seen a range of national and Tasmanian commemorative and celebratory events that have been held to mark the 100 years of 'Keeping the Promise' through voluntary service and support to the families of veterans.

"In the coming weeks the Legacy Torch will arrive in Tasmania from its starting point of Pozierres in France. I had the privilege to attend the start of its journey as part of the Frank MacDonald Memorial Prize Tour in April this year."

Minister Barnett urged all Tasmanians to dig deep and support the great work that Legacy is doing in this year a Centenary of Legacy.

Legacy Week in 2023, will run from 27 August to 2 September.