

Media Release

Andrew Broad

Member for Mallee

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MR DUDLEY MARROWS TURNS 100

Federal Member for Mallee, Andrew Broad has taken time in parliament this week to wish a happy 100th birthday to Mildura's very own World War II hero, Mr Dudley Marrows.

Mr Marrows who was a member of the No. 461 Squadron in the Second World War will celebrate the milestone this Friday December 8.

Mr Broad praised Mr Marrows in leading the attack that led to the sinking of German U-boats in WWII, and after doing so dropped a life raft to save 15 lives of those on-board.

"Mr Dudley Marrows' squadron flew flying boats that could land on the sea, they were supporting the attack on U-boats that were essentially stopping the food supply into Britain," he said.

"Whilst flying one of the planes, Mr Marrows sank the U-boat *U-461* and played a pivotal role in helping take out 6 U-boats with his squadron," he said.

Mr Marrows is Mildura's most decorated World War II pilot and due to his service has been awarded Distinguished Service Order (DSO) and the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFO); he has also been recognised as a Knight of Legion of Honor.

"This Friday we will remember your service and everything you have done for Australians, you are a giant of our country. Happy Birthday."

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