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Congratulations for Life Membership Award



Mal Allen (centre) receiving congratulations for his 2RAR Life Membership Award at the Royal Australian Regiment's Christmas drinks and dinner. He is seen with Nathan Ross, ex-2RAR; Lt. Colonel Roland Spackman CO 7RAR; WO1 John Craig RSM 7RAR (ex-2RAR) and Scott Jeffrey ex-2RAR. Continued page 2.

Club ANZAC Dawn Service

Monday 25 April at RSL, 13 Beatty Street, Linden Park.

The Piper will "Pipe in the Dawn" parading along Beatty Street from 0610hrs with the Service at 0620hrs.

Tea / Coffee and Rum (Gunfire Concoction) and toast available following the Service.

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ANZAC Rosemary Appeal

The Sub Branch will again conduct the ANZAC Rosemary Appeal at the Walkerville Shopping Centre, Walkerville Terrace, Walkerville, and the North Adelaide Village Shopping Centre,, O'Connell Street, North Adelaide, from Tuesday April 18 to Sunday 24. April.

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With gratitude

Sincere appreciation as always extended to the Shopping Centres' Management, Colliers, and CBRE, in addition to 7RARs CO Lt Colonel Roland Spackman and RSM WO1 John Craig and all members of the Battalion for their ongoing excellent support, in addition to local residents and Sub Branch volunteers.

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Mal's dedication acknowledged with 2 RAR award

The executive committee on behalf of all members congratulated Malcolm "Mal" Allen on his award of Life Membership to the 2 RAR Association.

Mal received his award at the RARA happy hour in SA by the Commanding Officer and Regimental Sergeant Major of 7 RAR.

Citation

Mal joined the Army in 1971 as a National Serviceman and served in 2RAR until 27 March 1973 when he left the Army.

He assumed the responsibility as the 2RAR Association South Australia Representative more than two decades ago.

During that time, Mal maintained a close relationship with the 2RAR ex-servicemen.

As the South Australia representative, he spent much time supporting and advising ex-2RAR members in that State.

Mal has attended many funerals of 2RAR men no matter where they were held in the Adelaide region providing a link between the Association and the family of the deceased member.

In more recent years Mal has been able to drape the casket with a small 2RAR flag and after the service present the flag to the family.

Mal has been instrumental in organising the ex-members of 2RAR in Adelaide for the march on ANZAC Day which has been always well organised.

Mal would ensure the Association banner was always ready for the occasion.

He has also held wider responsibilities to the Royal Australian Regiment Association through the South Australian organisation.

He attends all of the committee meetings of the RAR Association in SA and is conscientious and dedicated in the conduct of those duties.

He also writes the weekly update for the RARA (SA) and is very active in assisting in any of the commemorative events (Covid permitting) and our annual ANZAC Day March.

He is loyal and supportive of the RARA (SA) and its objectives and a valued member of both Associations.

He is characterised by his exceptional organisational skills, his big-heartedness and generosity of spirit.

He is dedicated, clear thinking and passionate about helping others.

He is persistent, enthusiastic, and tireless in his work and in his commitment to the Association.

Mal has exemplified a steadfast and unwavering commitment to 2RAR and the 2RAR Association.

His tireless efforts in support of the Association have been "Second to None".

The Association is pleased to recognise the services of Malcolm Allen and appoint him to Life Membership from this day forth.

His Inscription on his Modern Day Soldier reads:

**Presented to Malcolm Allen in recognition
of his appointment to Life Membership
of the 2RAR Association.**

October 2021



RSL-SA President Cheryl Cates presenting Mal Allen with his 2022 Australia Day Certificate and Medallion for services to fundraising at RSL-SA's annual ANZAC Rosemary and Remembrance Poppy Appeals.



Lt Colonel Patrick Forbes MC (Korea), aged 91, the Senior 2RAR-SA Officer who was unable to attend the presentation, with Mal a few days later.

AGM sees Committee status remain the same

The RARA AGM on March 13 saw all Committee members remain in office the same as last year.

Among those who attended was Fred Clarke who spoke to Penelope about RSL Care in relation to accommodation for ex-servicemen.

As a result Ryan Ollwitz provided the information about the organisation which appears on page 8.

FROM THE COMMAND POST

Thankfully slowly we are getting back to a bit of normality during the still Covid pandemic. Hopefully the Association and importantly our licensed club is able to operate at more realistic levels because that and membership are our only sources of income.



Being mindful most of our membership is in the critical age demographic and perhaps with some comorbid conditions, we must all still be observant and in particular hand washing and other common-sense measures ensuring our safety.

We must congratulate The Hon Peter Malinauskas MP the new Premier of South Australia and his Labour team for his recent election win and forming a new Government.

We wish the Premier and his Cabinet and Ministers all the very best over the next term in governing for all South Australians. Although we are apolitical it would be remiss of me in not mentioning the outstanding effort and hard work of Cressida O'Hanlon, the Labour candidate for the seat of Dunstan, where she gave the ex-Premier a run for his money. It surprised many, except those at the coal face, who expected a close race. Cressida is the wife of Col. Jim O'Hanlon, one of our valuable members. All the very best Cressida for your future political endeavours.

Our new Veterans Affairs Minister threw the "cat amongst the pigeons" in Canberra last week, where he threatened to resign his portfolio and Cabinet if his requested budget for the department was not met.

A pretty serious issue pre-election and we should all be very grateful for the moral courage and integrity shown by The Hon Andrew Gee to ensure DVA has the tools and the resources to do its job.

DVA currently has some 60,000 claims waiting to be processed and I find it somewhat incredulous and disingenuous to see Federal Ministers from the Prime Minister down hand-wringing and shoulder shrugging and principally ignoring veterans claims processing being so far behind when we know late and delayed claims processing is one of the triggers for PTSD and veterans suicide and has been raised over and over in the current running Royal Commission.

It just shows how far removed PM and Cabinet and bureaucrats in Treasury are from the real world and what is creating so much pain in the veterans' space. Well done, Minister Gee. We have your back!

At National level we have made a submission to the Senate Inquiry into the Afghanistan War and our views on it. It can be read online.

Perhaps the next time we decide to send our young men and women to war there should be a solid debate in the Lower House where this decision is based on a broader process than a few MPs and mandarins sitting around a table making what for some are life altering decisions, of death, wounding, PTSD, and moral wounding affecting veterans and their families in particular.

The Parliament has a responsibility to look after our veterans and families when they return from war. Perhaps being cognizant of this responsibility Parliament will take a more critical look at committing our young men and women in the ADF to war in the future.

Michael von Berg MC OAM. President
Royal Australian Regiment Association



Australian Government

Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal

DHAAT/OUT/2022/158 DHAAT INQUIRY

Dear Mr von Berg

24 January 2022

I am writing to let you know that the Tribunal's report of its inquiry into recognition for members and families of members of the Australian Defence Force who are injured, wounded or killed in or as a result of service has now been published.

Recognising their sacrifice can be accessed at www.defence-honours-tribunal.gov.au

In letting you know this, I want to very specifically thank you for the contribution made by yourself and all the other 220+ individual veterans, members of their families and ex-service and related organisations who made written or oral submissions to us.

Some submissions were brief expressions of a

personal desire for recognition of the sacrifice the individual felt they or their loved ones had made through service. Others were more extensive analyses of the complex web of issues raised by our terms of reference and offered often detailed proposals for the many different categories of affected veterans and families. In every case, however, these submissions brought a perspective that was invaluable to us in understanding the very personal impact that recognition, or the lack of it, may have on veterans and their families.

It is now a matter for the Government to consider our report and to make decisions on the recommendations we have made.

With thanks and all best wishes.
Stephen Skehill, Chair of the
Defence Honours and Awards Appeals

2022 ADELAIDE ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE MARCH GROUP 7



Overview

The 2022 Adelaide ANZAC Day Commemorative March will be held in a COVID environment but with a few restrictions unless the pandemic worsens.

The March will be preceded by a Dawn Service at the Adelaide National War Memorial, North Terrace with the immediate area around the Memorial restricted to invited guests who will place tributes. There will be no limit on others observing the Dawn Service. Dawn Services will be held at RSLs around the State and also there will be the Light up the Dawn Services held including one at the RAR RSL, Linden Park.

A service will be held at the Cross of Sacrifice. North Adelaide, after the March.

This year the World War 2 units and formations banners, flags and roundels have been consolidated from three groups to one and hence our Group (RAR, ASASR and Commando Regiments) will be re-numbered to Group 7.

Keith Payne VC will be in the March; travelling behind the Grand Marshals in a light vehicle and will drop out of the March after passing the Vice-Regal Saluting Point and join the Governor of South Australia at the saluting Point.

Group 7 in the Commemorative March

Our assemble Area is shown on the diagram and is on the southern side of North Terrace from Pultney Street to Frome Road.

Our Order of March will be:

President RAR Association SA Party.

RAR battalions in order of seniority; 1 RAR, 2 RAR, 3 RAR, 4 RAR, 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 7 RAR, 8 RAR, 9 RAR, 2/4 RAR, 5/7 RAR and 8/9 RAR.

ASASR.

Commando Regiment

Group 7 vehicles.

Bands between 2 RAR and 3 RAR and 9 RAR and 2/4 RAR.

The Key Times for Group 7 will be:

8.00 am Banners delivered to the Assembly Area and unit representatives in the Assembly Area to assemble their banners and rally their members as they arrive.

9.00 am All members marching in their Unit Assembly Areas.

9.15 am Units formed up (six abreast) in their Assembly Areas.

9.30 am. Step Off of the first elements of the March followed by Group 7 very soon afterwards. Last year we stepped off at 9.50 and this year we have moved forward in the March.

Our spacing between units will be 20 paces or 10 m.

Paying of Compliments – at the points below banners are to be lowered and all marchers EYES RIGHT with gentlemen wearing non-military headdress removing same. National Flags are not to be dipped.

State War Memorial, North Terrace.

South African War Memorial, corner North Terrace and King William Road.

Vice-Regal Saluting Point, King William Road.

In addition units may pay compliments level with their own memorials on the Pathway of Honour.

Our Route will be along North Terrace and King William Road before wheeling half-right onto Sir Edwin Smith

Avenue then halting at Pennington Terrace where units will disperse and repack and reload their banners and flags onto the RAR Assoc. SA vehicle.

7 RAR in the March

7 RAR will be marching in Group 13 and will be providing two guards and a colour party.

Descendants

Descendants may march in the March in Groups 15-19. They should be dressed in a dignified manner and must be at least 12 years old. Descendants are encouraged to wear their relatives' service medals on the RIGHT breast.

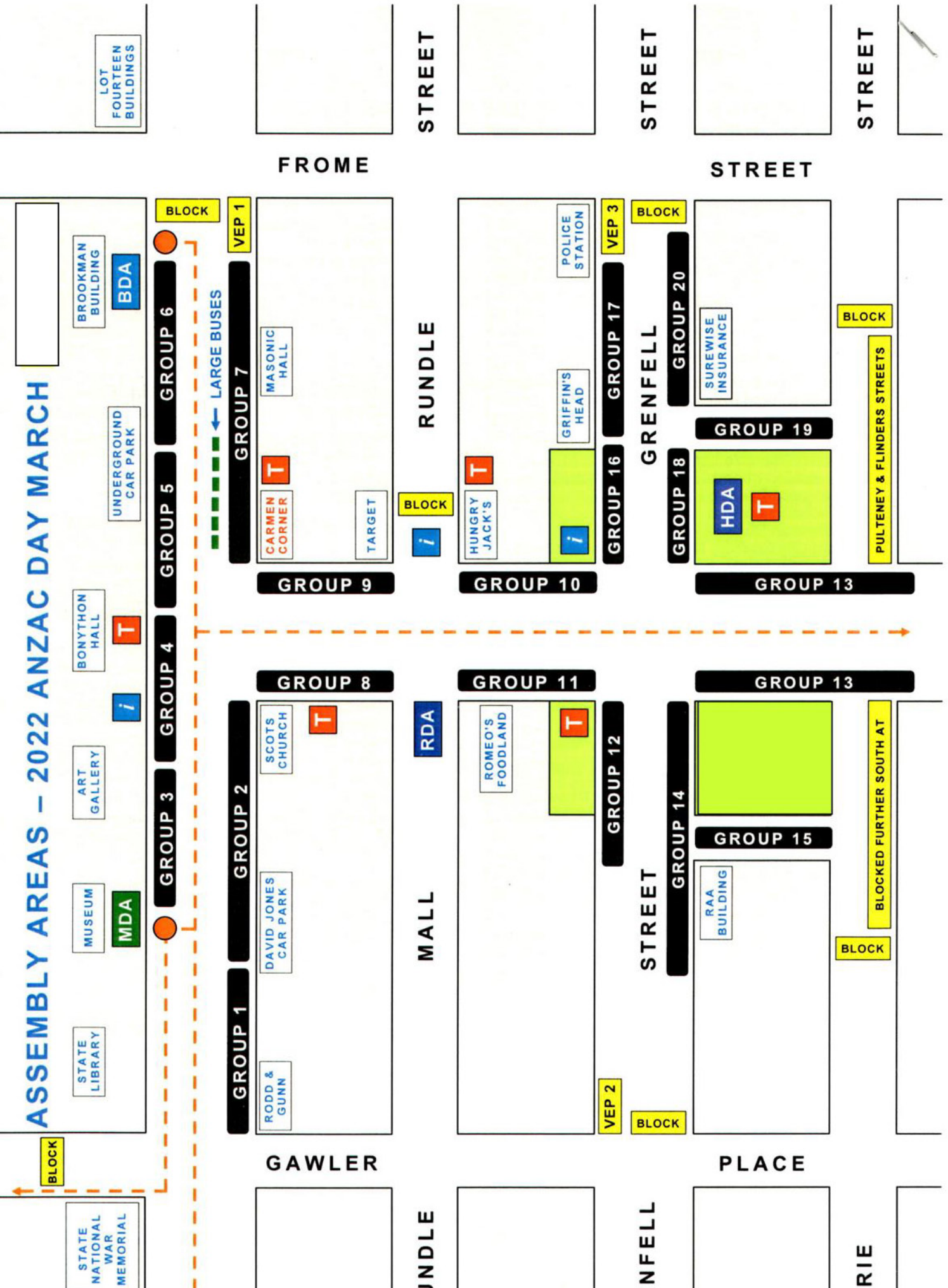
Post March Reunions

The RAR Assoc. SA will be gathering at the Old Lion Hotel in Melbourne Street, North Adelaide.

Questions about the March

These should be addressed to the Ceremonial Manager RAR Assoc. SA Adrian Craig, as.craig9rar@bigpond.com or 8263 4784.

ASSEMBLY AREAS – 2022 ANZAC DAY MARCH



Gadigal name pushed aside by minister in train station debate

Mohd Kamran March 3, 2022, News.

Plans to name Sydney's new underground metro station after the Gadigal nation have been railroaded by New South Wales Transport Minister David Elliott.

Metropolitan Aboriginal Land Council proposed the name 'Gadigal Railway Station' in August 2021 in recognition of the people of the area where the underground station would be situated.

The name received sign-off from former Transport Minister Andrew Constance and was handed over to the Geographical Names Board of NSW (GNB). The GNB hosted a one-month consultation period in October for the name. They received 120 submissions on the proposal with the majority in support.

Due to objecting proposals, GNB handed all 120 submissions on the proposal back to the department of transport, for comment before final approval. They did not receive a response.

However, on February 21, GNB received a proposal of an alternative name and a request to defer the Gadigal Railway Station name.

Mr Elliott, who was appointed state transport minister in December, has instead proposed naming the station after Captain Reginald Saunders – Australia's first Indigenous commissioned army officer.

Metro LALC chief executive Nathan Moran said they had received no warning of the Minister's intention to introduce an alternative name and were under the assumption Gadigal was supported.

Mr Moran said the decision to defer away from Gadigal after extensive consultation was a "waste of public funds". "There are many Blackfella names across the city, you look around from Woollahra to Bondi. We are very proud to point them out to people who think it's new or controversial," he told NITV News.

"We do this because we want to get our language words



returned, but if we can not get that, we want at least dual naming."

According to Mr Elliott, the name was inspired by his thinking the state had not honored Captain Saunders appropriately.

"As Veterans Minister, I'm concerned we have not honored Reg the way we should. So, my vision is for the station to include a large 'story board' of Captain Reg Saunders MBE," he told NewsCorp.

But Mr Moran, whose grandfather served in World War II, contested that claim. He said the Minister's decision to prioritize a particular individual over a culture, came down to the colonial priority of individualism.

"Working with mainstream, they want to seek out individualism. As a culture, we are not into martyrs.

"Our culture is plural and to point out one person in 80,000-years of lineage is just not feasible," he said.

"It's not right to say that one person at one point is more important than any of us, prior or into the future."

The LALC did provide a list of individual people who would "acknowledge the first recorded First People of that place".

"I hope one day people realise that we actually do know the appropriate way to acknowledge and pay respect and honor our people when it comes to war and those who have served," Mr Moran said.

"But when it comes to naming a station, which is where people come together, and gather, I do not think the acknowledgment of those who participated on behalf of the colony in war is cultural. It's contemporary."

GNB will consider Mr Elliott's alternative name at a meeting on March 8.

At the time of going to press no finalisation available.

A little background to Reginald Saunders

In 1945 the most famous Aboriginal soldier in the Australian Army was hunkered down in New Guinea when a radio broadcast the news the Japanese had surrendered. It brought an end to the Second World War. Reginald Saunders, or Reg, continued to lead his men on mopping up pockets of stubborn resistance by the defeated enemy.

With the end of the war, he had achieved a major victory for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Nine months earlier, the 24-year-old made headlines around Australia as the first-ever Aboriginal man to be commissioned as an army officer, finishing near the top of his class. And his legacy still matters today.

"He broke down a lot of barriers and opened a lot of doors for Indigenous people inside the army and outside in the general community," his great-granddaughter Breanna Humes told SBS News.

"It's definitely relevant to my generation especially because of the Black Lives Matter movement," the 19-year-old said. Reg Saunders was the first Aboriginal officer in the army.

He was born on a mission in western Victoria and joined

the army in 1940 before the federal government fully instituted a ban on Indigenous people in the defence force.

He was following a warrior tradition stretching back to the Australian frontier wars, fighting not for king but country.

His great uncle served in the Boer War, his father Chris in the First World War, and he was named after his uncle William Reginald Rawlings who fell in France and was awarded the Military Medal.

That's part of being a Gunditjmara warrior, mostly all our people have fought in every war that Australia has fought; the Crimean, the Boer," said his eldest daughter, Aunty Glenda Humes.

"He often would talk about the wars we were involved in. He grew up with a history of what a warrior was."

Saunders served in one of the toughest battalions in the AIF the 2/7th Battalion of the 6th Division. Cont. next page.

But racism wasn't an issue, his youngest daughter, Aunty Judith Standen, said.

"Racism wasn't so clear in the army, they say, 'We're all the same colour, we're all green'"

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Physical resources and stamina tested



Left: Captain Saunders leading his company in Korea during March 1951.

Above: Reg with his wife and daughters.

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After fighting in Greece, he survived the sinking of his troopship in the Mediterranean, evaded capture for a year by the Germans after the disastrous Crete campaign before being rescued by a submarine and returned to Australia for officer training.

"To Aboriginal people, he's a hero, and to non-Aboriginal people, he's also a hero," Auntie Judith said.

And to his family, he's a superhero, absolutely," added Auntie Glenda.

Breanna Humes is inspired by the achievements of her great-grandfather. Source: SBS

At his daughter's house in the Queensland city of Toowoomba, his daughters showed Brianna their father's photos, mementos, and, for the first time, newspaper articles from 1944.

"Lt R.W. Saunders says he is proud to be the first full-blooded Aboriginal to be commissioned into the Australian Army," said a Melbourne Herald editorial.

"The physical resources and stamina of the original Australian has been attested.

Their mental capacity has been more in question mainly among people who know next to nothing about them.

"Actually it has been frequently demonstrated that an Aboriginal of normal intelligence, when all things are more or less equal, can lift himself to the standard of his white brethren.

"The case of Lt Saunders emphasises this truth."

There is much more about Reginal Saunders online which makes fascinating reading.

Future of 3 RAR Old Faithful AUSTRALIA Association in members hands

Many of you will know me but for those who don't I am the Patron of the of 3 RAR Old Faithful AUSTRALIA Association.

My association with 'Old Faithful' began when I graduated from the Royal Military College in December 1948 and was posted to 3 RAR (previously 67 Inf Bn) in Japan as part of the British Commonwealth Occupation Force (BCOF). I was a platoon commander for 18 months. Then a platoon commander and then an Intelligence Officer in 3 RAR in Korea from 1951 to 1952. In 1969 I was appointed CO 3 RAR and at Woodside and commanded the battalion on operations in Vietnam in 1971.

They are my credentials for being selected as Patron and consequently writing this letter to all the present membership and Facebook followers.

3 RAR Old Faithful AUSTRALIA Association will fold and collapse this year if there isn't an influx of younger members to take the reins from the existing committee. The existing committee will reduce to two members at the next AGM.

The association has more than 350 members (Australia wide) and is financially sound. It operates out of the RAR



Club Rooms in Beatty St, Linden Park, SA. The constitution is incorporated in SA. It could operate through the internet. As the President, Jeff Barrett, said "we need volunteers from members or new members, to step up by the end of June 2022 or the association will fold and collapse.

"If it collapses, all funds will be dispersed in accordance with the constitution, 'In Touch' will cease and there will be no more services in Adelaide for 'Kapyong' 'Vietnam Day' or 'Maryang San'.

A separate Facebook page will need to be setup in addition to the existence of some six or seven independent 3 RAR groups already established. How confusing will that be? Is this what you want?

If not call Jeff Barrett on 0451 265 269 now and nominate for the committee.

We are not a 'pack of bastards' for nothing!

Warmest regards
Peter Scott, Col, DSO (Retd)
Patron - 0405 771 267

KAPYONG COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE SUNDAY 24 APRIL 2022

On Sunday 24 April 2022 the 3rd Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment Association SA, will conduct its annual Kapyong Commemorative Service within the RAR Association SA clubroom at 13 Beatty Street, Linden Park.

For its actions at Kapyong the 3rd Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment (3 RAR) was awarded the United States Presidential Unit Citation.

The Battalion lost 32 killed, 53 wounded and three were made prisoners of war - one of whom, Private Horace 'Slim' Madden GC was awarded the George Cross posthumously.

The Service will also commemorate all of the Australian war dead from the Korean War 1950-53.

The Service will commence at 11.00 am and should take 50 minutes and will be followed by a light lunch. As a mark of respect to our war dead, current service and ex-service members are requested to wear decorations and medals. Current serving members are requested to wear Service Dress 1B.



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If you feel you have any symptoms of cold or flu, please be mindful of the other guests. If you attend, please take a mask, and abide by any directions of the South Australian Health service under COVID-19 regulations. Questions on the Service should be addressed to the Ceremonial Officer Adrian Craig on 8263 4784 on as.craig9rar@bigpond.com



This plaque is at Christ Church Cathedral, corner of Duke and Victoria Streets, Grafton, NSW. It was dedicated on Monday April 19 1956.



Captain Reg Saunders shakes hands with a South Korean soldier at Kapyong in April 1951. Reg was a company commander during the Battle of Kapyong and Officer Commanding MMG PI during the Battle of Maryang San, both in 1951.

Photos: Australian War Memorial.



A group of soldiers after the Battle of Kapyong from 4 Platoon B Company led by Lt Len Montgomery, shown in a slouch hat.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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General J. van Fleet, General Officer, 8th US Army, inspects members of the 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (3RAR), when bestowing the presidential citation in recognition of the unit's action at Kapyong,

Vale:

The Australian Federal Police has advised former Commissioner Major General Ronald Alwyn Grey AO DSO (Retd) died on 20 January 2022 at the age of 91.

Major General Grey was appointed as the second Commissioner of the AFP in February 1983 after a distinguished 35-year career in the Australian Defence Force.



Major General Grey played a significant role in expanding the AFP's International Liaison Network from four to 12 countries during his tenure. The network now has AFP representatives in 33 countries and continues to play an important part in the AFP's mission to combat serious organised crime.

He endorsed a drive to modernise police methodology, with his term as Commissioner including the introduction of significant legislative reforms in the areas of telephone interceptions, proceeds of crime and cash transaction reports.

The AFP undertook Operation Lavender during his tenure, a drug seizure that culminated in the arrest of 20 offenders in August 1985 and the dismantling of a major criminal enterprise involved in drug trafficking.

Major General Grey also led significant reforms in ACT Policing which resulted in reductions in property-related crime and the expansion of the Neighbourhood Watch program.

AFP Commissioner Reece Kershaw said Major General Grey was critical in leading the early development of the AFP into the world-leading law enforcement agency it is today. He served five years as Commissioner during the organisation's formative years.

"It was during his tenure that the AFP significantly expanded the number of officers in offshore liaison roles to better combat the criminal threats targeting our country, and his emphasis on the value of criminal intelligence to target organised crime is a legacy that continues to this day.

"The AFP and Australia owes Major General Grey a great deal of thanks for ensuring the safety of the community we live and work in.

"I extend our condolences to Major General Grey's family at this sad time, but also our appreciation for everything he did for this country throughout his accomplished career." Many Thanks

Keep Well & Travel Safe
"Keeping the Spirit Alive"
Regards Greg Decker
Secretary RARA National

Tony Callus passed away at Ashford Hospital in Adelaide during the early hours of Thursday morning, 10 March 2022.

Born on 24 November 1948 at Hamrun Malta A, Tony served with 1 Pl 'A' Coy 3 RAR during the Battalion's second tour of South Vietnam in 1971.

Tony was a long time loyal member of 3 RAR 'Old Faithful' Australia Assn (formerly 3 RAR SA Assn), joining in 2013.

Our sincere condolences are extended to Tony's wife Paula and family and to his friends and ex-service mates. He will be very sadly missed by all who knew him.

Tony's Funeral Mass was held on Thursday March 17, in St. David's Catholic Church at Tea Tree Gully.

The committal at Enfield Memorial Park followed by a wake at the Walker's Arm Hotel.

Donations were received for the Bravehearts Foundation.

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The Association has been advised of Jack Catton's recent passing on Thursday 3 March 2022, aged 91 years. Jack was born in Sale Vic on 08 May 1930.

A Veteran of the Battle of Maryang San, Jack had a long and distinguished service career serving with 3 RAR in Korea, 2 RAR in Malaya and Borneo, and 4 RAR in South Vietnam (first and second tours).

Our sincere condolences are extended to Jack's wife Dawn and family, and to his friends and ex-service mates. Jack's Funeral Service was held on Thursday 10th March 2022 at Lakeview Chapel, Albany Creek Memorial Park, Bridgeman Downs, Queensland.

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Paul Wells has advised the Association of Roy Edmund Dakin's sad passing on Sunday 13 February 2022.

Born in England on 27 November 1945, Roy served overseas with 2 Pl, A Coy during 3 RAR's first tour of South Vietnam 1967- 68.

Our sincere condolences are extended to Roy's family, friends and ex service mates, he will be sadly missed.



RSL Care offers affordable Emergency Accommodation

About ARVL

RSL Care SA's Andrew Russell Veteran Living (ARVL) is a veteran's housing program which aims to ensure ex-service personnel in South Australia have the opportunity to access appropriate and affordable housing solutions.

ARVL provides housing options for veterans in two ways:

1. Through an emergency accommodation program designed for those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness
2. An affordable housing portfolio designed to provide long term affordable housing solutions.



About RSL Care SA

RSL Care SA is a proud not for profit charitable care provider serving the ex-service and wider community of South Australia for more 100 years. Our mission is to support veterans, their dependants and the broader community through a range of integrated retirement living, aged care and support services.

We offer residential aged care (nursing homes) at the War Veterans Home in Myrtle Bank, Morlancoiurt in Angle Park, and we are building a 72 bed facility called Romani in Murray Bridge. We have retirement living at Sturt

Village in Marion, Hamilton Village in Glengowrie, War Veterans Retirement Village in Myrtle Bank and Waterfall Estate in Murray Bridge, in addition to properties within the ARVL program.

Emergency Accommodation

ARVL's emergency accommodation consists of 10 units, in the suburb of Sturt, designed to provide temporary accommodation for veterans who are homeless, at risk of homelessness or in need of transit accommodation.

Our program operates with an adapted housing first solution and our primary goal is to focus on housing pathways to assist veterans in securing permanent housing.

Additionally, while residing in our emergency accommodation, we develop individualised case plans to assist veterans to actively work towards addressing their own situation of homelessness by engaging with external support agencies and relevant Ex-Service Organisations.

RSL Care SA will provide a fully furnished one bedroom unit or bedsit (as pictured below). The length of stay at ARVL will be determined on a case by case basis and will be in alignment with personal circumstances and housing needs.

Eligibility for Emergency Accommodation

To be eligible you must be a former member of the Australian Defence Force who:

- Is homeless, at risk of being homeless or in need of transit accommodation
- Is able to live independently
- Does not have any serious behavioural or drug and alcohol issues or dependence
- Does not have any children or pets that would need to reside with them on a permanent basis
- Is willing to continue medical and psychological treatment as advised by practitioners
- Is willing to engage with support services identified in the individual case plan.

RSL Care SA applies a tiered approach when considering those who apply for accommodation based on service history, risk factors, the veteran's needs and housing availability. Unfortunately we cannot help all that apply; equally some applicants will prove to not be suitable for the type of accommodation offered. In all cases we endeavour to assist veterans to access the most suitable housing options for their circumstances.

Affordable Housing

ARVL's affordable housing portfolio consists of affordable units (predominately one bedroom) and the houses designed to provide long term housing solution for ex-service personnel and their dependent. The unfurnished units are targeted to applicants with the ability to live independently, meet all tenancy obligation and are on low to moderate income.

ARVL's affordable housing portfolio::

Angle Park

- 5 x one bedroom units
- 2 x three bedroom semi-detached houses
- 1 x three bedroom house

Campbelltown, Eastick Village

- 16 x one bedroom units
- Walleroo, Warmington Square

- 7 x two bedroom units
- Walleroo, Darby & Joan Cottages

- 8 x one bedroom units

Eligibility for Affordable Housing

To be eligible you must be:

- an ex-serving member
- a spouse/partner of an ex-serving member
- or a dependent/s of an ex-serving member

Inquiries: Program Manager 0488 137 570 or

www.rslcaresa.com.au



2021 Trojan's Trek insight,
Arrived for the flight as said,
Stomach twisted and confused,
Battling the thoughts in my head.

Don't want to have the thoughts,
Don't want the nightmares I see,
Looking to find some peace,
I'm just trying to be free!

Moolooloo's rolling hills that surround,
Evening sunlight beautiful and real,
Supporting the load we share,
Positive honesty is the deal

The loss, despair, self-hate,
Sleeping in the swag at night,
Isolation and wide awake,
The black dog takes another bite!

Triggered by a word, sound or smell,
It's my choice for what to be,
If you say so,"
Changing my words to positivity!

We climbed mountains
Positivity in temperament,
I know in seeing the chance
Amazing to do in complement.

It's now worth admitting
While scratching gently on my brain
That my wife was right in asking
Go and ease the pain.....

What it comes down to,

Understanding the journey in the head,
Visiting The Flinders Rangers
It's not as easy done, as said.

Choco 21
OCTOBER 13, 2021

Fred's new book definitive history of 6RAR over 8 years

This book of 160 pages tells the story of 6RAR from the day it was raised on 6 June 1965 until the end of its second tour of duty in Vietnam when established as one of the finest battalions ever to go to war.

"This history is about no ordinary soldiers but Infantrymen who served in the Sixth Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

"Whether they served in the barracks or on the battlefield they have all contributed to the making of this story.

"In the beginning the Army created the Sixth Battalion and St George, the Patron Saint of Soldiers was most pleased with what he saw.

"The finest Infantry Battalion I have ever seen"

Brig SP Weir DSO, MC. Comd 1ATF, 25 April 1970

Vietnam Operations described in detail are:

First Tour: Enoggera, Hobart, Long Tan, Vacluse, Finding 'Dodo', Ingham, Tamborine, Bribie and Portsea.

Second Tour: Lavarack, Mundingburra, Long Tan, Burnham, Marsden, Gisborne and Townsville.

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