



President: Michael von Berg MC OAM

From the RARA-SA – Week Ending Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023  
Fridays From 1600hrs to 2100hrs At 13 Beatty Street, Linden Park  
[www.rarasa.org.au](http://www.rarasa.org.au) refers for all news and information

### **This Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023**

From 1500hrs – Committee Meeting – Apologies to Secretary Jim Stopford please – [jbstopford@bigpond.com](mailto:jbstopford@bigpond.com)

From 1600hrs traditional Evening Camaraderie over Evening Drinks, in addition to tea and coffee being available with bar snacks from 1730hrs (Appreciation as always to WO2 Caterer Colin Abel) - followed at 1800hrs by the *Stand Fast* incorporating the reciting of *the Ode* and the *Traditional Refrains*.

### **Next Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2023**

RAR - 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Birthday Celebration


Incorporating a visit by Alpha Coy 7 RAR prior to their UK deployment early next year

1600hrs - refreshments and bar snacks – 1715 hrs Welcome by RARA-SA Vice President Rod Graham followed by :

- Talk on the history of the Regiment by Military historian and author Lt Colonel (Ret'd) Fred Fairhead
- Cutting of the 75th RAR Anniversary cake
- Farewell Address by 7 RAR XO Major Rupert Hindle to those Alpha Coy members present who are deploying to the UK early next year to train the Ukrainians.

1800hrs - The *Stand Fast* including the *Reciting of the Ode* and the *Traditional Refrains*.

### **Annual Remembrance Poppy Appeal 2023**

Our sincere appreciation to 7 RAR's CO Lt Colonel Levon 'von' Lambert, RSM WO1 Allan Ashman and all ranks for their excellent and invaluable support at this year's Annual Remembrance Poppy  Appeal. In particular, the personnel tasked; for their excellent dress, conduct and bearing during the Appeal. A credit to all. \$6,500.00 has been raised so far



Left – Cpl Nathan Jurgs and Pte Richard Tirmes – Walkerville Shopping Centre  
Right – L/Cpl Frank Tropiano and Pte Jake Mitchell – North Adelaide Shopping Village



**Many 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Happy Returns to Michael von Berg MC OAM**

Photograph at the RARA-SA last Saturday - Left to Right - Blue Mulby patrol commander, later RSM SASR; John Lea-Smith Plt Sgt, retired Major; Tony Twaites machine gunner seriously wounded, later Tasmania University, MvB, platoon commander; Ray Ferrier, forward scout, Australia Post; Jacka Aitken, sig/batman, banking official; Bobby Brandt, patrol member, later PJI parachute school; Bob "Dogs" Kearney, patrol commander, later Captain, author, historian, story teller, cofounder "Trojans Trek". Ray and Jacka outstanding national servicemen



**RSL-SA Garden of Remembrance  – North Terrace, Adelaide**


Vice President Rod Graham (L) with RSL-SA's Keith Harrison (R) after setting up RARA-SA's crosses prior to Remembrance Day. Rod is now "keeper of the plastic mallets" (as shown) used to insert the crosses.

**Army News - [www.defence.gov.au/news-events/news/2023-11-07/remaining-vigilant-top-end](http://www.defence.gov.au/news-events/news/2023-11-07/remaining-vigilant-top-end)**


**Below Left - RARA-SA (Burnside) RSL Sub Branch Remembrance Day  Service**

At the Regis Aged Care, Linden Park on Remembrance Day November 11<sup>th</sup> - L to R: Teena Yeow, Regis Age Care / Sub Branch Secretary Greg Dwiar / Pipe Major Peter Hewlett / Mal Allen






## 75<sup>TH</sup> RAR CELEBRATIONS KEY INFO SHEET





<p><b>RAR Colour Parade</b></p> <p><b>Time:</b> 1100 – 1230, 23 Nov 23</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Australian Parliament House Forecourt</p> <p><b>Parking:</b> Parliament drive, Capital Hill ACT 2600 (underground car park – priority to elderly) And 21 Queen Victoria Terrace, Parkes ACT 2600</p> <p><b>Dress:</b> Suit with Medals</p>	<p><b>RAR Dinner</b></p> <p><b>Time:</b> 1800 – 2200, 23 Nov 23</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Australian Parliament House</p> <p><b>Parking:</b> Parliament drive, Capital Hill ACT 2600 (underground car park – priority to elderly) And 21 Queen Victoria Terrace, Parkes ACT 2600</p> <p><b>Dress:</b> Coat and Tie</p> <p><b>Cost:</b> To be confirmed (QR Code coming soon)</p>
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RAR Infantryman Dinner – 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Of The Royal Australian Regiment - <https://rarfoundation.org.au/>

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