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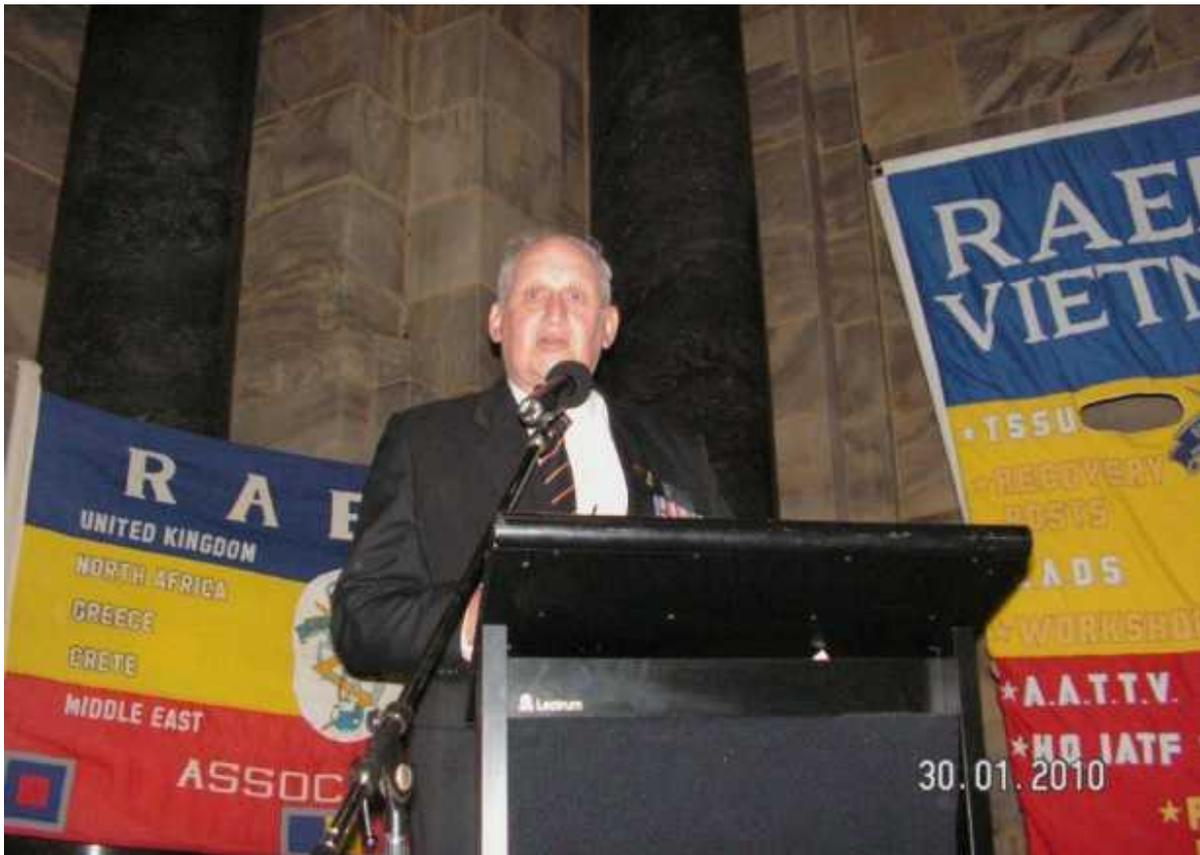
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**Association President MAJ John Boothroyd RFD ED (Retd)
speaking at the Shrine of Remembrance on 31 January 2010**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

How times flies! Six months has gone in a flash but time always goes quickly when you are busy

The Annual Birthday Dinner was a great success thanks to Peter's and Leonie's efforts and the members who supported this activity. Many old memories were relived and new comrades made.

In January (just) we held a Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Remembrance which was well attended and conducted (see separate report)

On 13/14th February, the Committee held a meeting in Pyalong at Dave Maddick's home which was well attended with both country Chapters and the Vietnam chapter in attendance along with the Col/Comdt Brian Jones. Thanks for making the effort fellows and to the ladies who produced an excellent lunch and evening meal, and to those who stayed overnight and enjoyed the BBQ breakfast at the Goulburn Caravan Park. A special thanks to Sandra Williams who organised the breakfast. Special thanks to Peter and Leonie who stayed in the boudoir in Dave's shed.

Please continue to support our activities with the Anzac reunion and March in April, followed by the Presidents Luncheon on the 23rd May to which all members are invited to honour our widows. The widows will be the guests of the President.

At our recent committee meeting the Col/Comdt made us aware of the changes affecting the Army and at meetings with the OC 3 Comm Rec Coy and Oakleigh Barracks staff his comments were reinforced. In short, assistance to the Association will decline and we will have to be more self sufficient.

To this end we have purchased a photo copier which is capable of producing the Lightning Flash and can be connected to a computer in the future.

We have made a submission to Dept of Veteran Affairs for a grant to obtain Laptops, Printers and Filing Cabinets to improve communications and to reduce costs. We will advise the results of this application when the Minister has made his decision.

Arte et Marte

John Boothroyd
President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Our last Committee meeting was held at the home of Dave Maddick our Seymour President. In attendance were our Col/Comdt Brian Jones, members from our Seymour, Bandiana and Vietnam Veterans Chapters who were invited to observed the proceedings.

Special mention of appreciation should be given to the members' wives who were also in attendance for the support given and the preparation of lunch and dinner.

The Col/Cmdt informed members of the changes in the CORPS and a rundown on the formation of a National Association, how all Associations will have representation on a rotation basis and explained the difficulty in the units gaining funding.

The committee and members in attendance wish to thank Dave and Sonnyia for their Hospitality on the day

Arte et Marte

Alan Rogers
Secretary

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The new Executive is keen to tidy up the area of unfinancial members. The plan is to get all our members up-to-date with their dues.

Several reminders have been posted out as a prompt to those who may have slipped in payment of their annual membership fees.

We are always on the look out for new members. It is so easy now to access membership forms from our excellent new web site. Just Google or Bing "raeme.vic" and you will find our site – enter the web address: www.raeme.org.au/vic

This may help you guide potential new members to the association. I know it is a common saying but you only get out of an organisation what you put into it. Putting in some new members would be a good place to start.

Gus Allen
Membership Officer

WELFARE REPORT

Sick List

Peter Bassett	<i>Heart</i>
Ken Beatty	<i>Prostate Cancer</i>
Laurie Burley	<i>Part of Finger Amputated</i>
James Carnes	<i>Cancer</i>
Dawn Driscoll	<i>Re-Hab after Hospital</i>
Mal Drechsler	<i>Hernia Operation</i>
Dennis Edwards	<i>Cancer Treatment</i>
Rex Foord	<i>Prostate Cancer</i>
Paul Mills	<i>Leukaemia</i>
Margaret Oakley	<i>Stomach Virus</i>
Ross Smith	<i>Prostate Cancer</i>
Ed Sullivan	<i>Parkinson Disease</i>
Bruce Williams	<i>Cancer Treatment</i>

From Queensland

Ian Bannerman	<i>Stroke</i>
Steve Evans	<i>Brain Bleed</i>



MAJOR Don Cockerell (Retd)
(South Australia)
 8th January 2010
(12th Intake Army Apprentice)

SGT Keith Jones (Jonesy)
(Queensland)
 12th January 2010

Alice Kermonde
 Partner of Ken
 17th January 2010

PILGRIMAGE to SHRINE

31 JANUARY 2010

A most enlightening day which commenced with a tour of the Shrine by a volunteer guide which made it very meaningful? This took about one hour and concluded in the Sanctuary where our Remembrance Service took place.

Rev John Brownbill a Padre from 1 RAR conducted the service at both the Sanctuary and the Memorial Tree. Unfortunately the RAEME tree had succumbed to the drought along with 103 other trees on the Shrine Reserve, so we utilized the RAASC/RAC tree which is adjacent to where our tree was.

This was opportune as the President of the RAASC Association attended our service and was most complimentary on how we conducted our Pilgrimage and would like to utilise it in their future services.

The finger food luncheon was enjoyed by about 60 people although the motor bike group from Vietnam stayed with tradition and went to the local hotel.

Unfortunately they did not get to the service in the Shrine due to a traffic hold-up on the Westgate but did attend the tree ceremony.

After the ceremony I was approached by two American tourists who were most impressed by the conduct of the ceremony in such a magnificent building which they said there was nothing like it in America

Thank you for all those who attended (70+) and to those Committee Members who contributed so much on the day.

Arte et Marte

John Boothroyd
President

Let's hear from you!
Deadline for August 2010 Flash
Monday 16th July 2010

Items to Pat Marley,
pat@patmar.id.au
or Aranka Illia
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**12TH INTAKE ARMY APPRENTICES
50TH ANNIVERSARY OF GRADUATION
12 DECEMBER 1959**



The 50th Anniversary of the Graduation of the 12th Intake Army Apprentices took place on the weekend 11/12/13 December 2009.

Of the 103 Apprentices of the 12th Intake who graduated, 36 attended, most with partners.

A "Meet & Greet" was held at the Rosebud RSL on the evening of Friday 11th December.

We gathered at mid-day Saturday at the Balcombe Gates and adjoining Mace Oval, parking on the then-hallowed Parade Ground (now a car-park) at the time our Graduation Parade was held 50 years ago to the day.

On Saturday evening we had our Anniversary Dinner at the Rosebud Country Club, with slideshows of photos of our three years at the Army Apprentices School.

12th Intake Army Apprentices who are members of the RAEME Association of Victoria include Mal Drechsler, Bob Fuller, Stan Kimel, Dave Maddick, John Scully and Pat Marley.

The 12th Intake web-site is here:

www.12th.patmar.id.au

Pat Marley

Editor

(12th Intake Electrical)

CALENDER of FUNCTIONS 2010

Shrine Remembrance Day 31st January 2010
Shrine Forecourt 1000hrs

Pre-Anzac Day Reunion 24th April 2010
SEMC 270 Hutton Rd Keysborough
1200hrs to 1600hrs
BBQ luncheon; drinks at bar prices
For Catering Purposes:
RSVP NO LATER THAN 16TH APRIL 2010

Anzac Day Dawn Service 25th April 2010
Venue Clayton RSL
After March - Vic Barracks Sgt Mess to 1530hrs

Mafia Dinner 7th May 2010
Victoria Barracks Sergeants' Mess
For further information contact
Secretary Alan Rogers
Tel: (03) 9704 6700
Mobile: 0422 8 88 851
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Presidents Luncheon 23rd May 2010
Widows as President's Guests
SEMC 270 Hutton Rd Keysborough
RSVP NO LATER THAN 17TH APRIL 2010

Annual General Meeting 29th August 2010
Clayton RSL BBQ Luncheon 1100hrs to 1600hrs
Drinks at bar prices

Coach Trip to Wagga Wagga
October 30th, 31st, November 1st, 2nd
(*maybe also November 3rd*)
Details in August Lightning Flash

Bandiana Birthday Dinner / Committee Meeting
Date 5/6th November 2010

Annual Birthday Dinner 26th November 2010
East Malvern RSL (*to be confirmed*)

*Note dates and locations may change
due to unforeseen circumstances*

SEYMOUR-PUCKAPUNYAL CHAPTER

Saturday 13 February 2010, saw the RAEME Association of Victoria (RAV) Committee of Management (C of M) hold their February meeting at the home of David and Sonnyia Maddick, near Seymour.

Twelve of our C of M attended, including Andy Turner from Bandiana who brought with him George Reid, his secretary and Brian 'Buck' Jones, the Col.Comdt. Victoria and Tasmania region. Ten members of the Seymour / Puckapunyal Chapter also attended. Seven wives also joined their husbands to add culture and maintain the dignity of the gathering.

The meeting could almost have been called cosmopolitan as we had in addition to the RAEME members, one RCEME member, Dick Duncan, Seymour Chapter, and a former REME member and his wife, out here on holidays and guests of Bruce Williams, and who couldn't get enough photos of kangaroos in the wild.

The meeting took the form of a get together for lunch and fellowship followed by the monthly (C of M) meeting, followed by more fellowship and an evening BBQ. Those members who stayed on into the evening enjoyed a get together around a Camp Fire, more fellowship and reminiscing (No lies were told?).

Congratulations and hearty thanks go to the ladies who worked so well together to provide a light salad lunch, and trimmings for the evening BBQ. Not to mention the yummiie sweets. Thanks also to the cooks, David Maddick, Stan Kimel, Dennis Clarke and Alan Rogers.

Throughout the day, all up 32 people attended and an enjoyable time was had by those attending.

Breakfast for those members who stayed overnight at the Goulburn River Caravan Park Seymour, and at David and Sonnyia's, was served by the ladies with Bruce Williams as chef extraordinaire. It was unfortunate that the Tank Museum was not open this weekend.





RAEME Viet Nam Veterans Southern

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Vice- President: Ross Smith H 5983 1647

Secretary: Dennis Meek H 9798 3452 M 0409
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Treasurer: *Nominations Sought*

Meetings

Our last meeting was held at Bendigo in November. We were made to feel most welcome by both the RSL President Cliff Richards and VVAA President Rex Willis, who are members of the RAEME Family. The RSL is a credit to its members, particularly the Museum which includes a "Centurion". If ever you are in Bendigo plan a meal at the Bistro and take in the Museum. At the meeting conclusion a RAEME Viet Nam plaque was presented to the RSL.

Our next meeting is to be at the Ballarat RSL at 2 Lyon Street Ballarat 4th March at 10.30hrs. Could you please inform us if you are attending for our catering arrangements. Cliff Richard's son Anthony manages the Ballarat RSL.

Tours

We have made some inquiries of a possible tour of the Thales Bendigo ex ADF factory that employs four hundred people and produces 110 – 120 vehicles a year.

This is the company who manufacture the "Bushmaster" for the Australian and Dutch Armies. Thales Australia have plans to develop a "Baby Bushie" the Hawkei named after a species of Australian death adder – *Acanthophis hawkei*. The baby brother to the "Bushmaster" is a seven ton, 4WD, monocoque-hull personal carrier that boasts the same successful protection capability as the Bushmaster.

ANZAC Day

Formation point for the March will be in the same position as 2009 in Collins Street West, between Swanston and Elizabeth Streets. Vice-President will have the RAEME and the 106 Fld Wkshp banners at our location. The 1 Fld Wkshp Banner will be in Hobart Tasmania for the Re-union March.

Remembrance Day

We thank RAEME Association Committee for the arrangements of the RAEME Pilgrimage to the

Shrine. Staying within the confines of The Shrine reception area and Crypt after the tour, with what appears to be a much improved air-conditioning system.

Following the service at The RAASC tree [RAEME tree is being replaced] and back to the reception area for some finger food and drink. No waiting for food and refreshment as is usually the case at the hotel.

Dinners

The RAEME Association will again be holding their dinner at the end of November.

It is always a night to look forward to.

The RAEME Association Bandiana Chapter are holding their annual dinner on Friday November the 5th. A great opportunity to catch with some old mates, have a look at the Museum, fishing, or water sports at Hume Weir or just enjoy the twin city hospitality.

Viet Nam Veterans Commemorative Walk & Museum

The Mitchell Viet Nam Veterans are to be commended for their initiative with Seymour VVAA in this project. Similar to the Museum at Fairhaven it will need our support to make it a success. There are raffle tickets available through the various VVAA branches.

Books

Mud and Dust Australian Army Vehicles & Artillery In Viet Nam

by Michael K. Cecil
The book outlines the range of vehicles, artillery, plant equipment, armoured vehicles. A few stories and photos from some of our Bluebells. It does not cover infantry weapons, marine or aircraft. It also lacks in a few areas related to mine clearing and some of the other equipment kindly donated by US Forces and also some of the service work carried out for the Vietnamese Civilian Authorities, but generally not a bad coffee table book.

Golf Day

A number of VVAA, ESO, RSL and Legacy Groups hold Golf Days. It was suggested at the last RAEME Association meeting that we could organize a day. We welcome input from our members regarding this activity.

Reunion Notices

1 Field Squadron Workshop – Hobart Tasmania 23rd – 25 April 2010

For information contact: John & Claudia Walker
Phone 03 6257 5100

Email johnandclaudia@intas.net.au

Mobile: John 0439 639332

Bruce & Jill Davey Mobile 0419 572924

1st Armoured Regiment C Squadron LAD

Adelaide South Australia

October 2011

For information contact: Alf Lee Phone 08

8294 9138 Mobile 0407 223800

Email alfredlee@three.com.au

102 Field Workshop _ Koonda Koondrook

Victoria

30 September 2011

For information contact: Noel & Una Lake – Phone =

5456 9246

Email koonda@activ8.net.au

17 Construction Squadron Workshop

October 2011

For Information contact: Eddie Ermanis – Phone =

9436 1406

Email ed.ermanis@optus.com.au

106 Field Workshop – Adelaide South Australia

15th-16th October 2010

For Information contact: Phil Bond – Phone = 07

3263 8222

Email philbond@bigpond.net.au

1 Div Workshop S&T – Harvey Bay Queensland

30th July – 1st August 2010

For information contact: Graeme Hanlin – Phone =

07 5495 5430

Email gravyh@bigpond.com

A student became lost during a solo cross-country flight. While attempting to locate the aircraft on radar,

ATC asked, 'What was your last known position?'

Student: 'When I was number one for takeoff.'

**ACTUAL EXCHANGES BETWEEN PILOTS
AND CONTROL TOWERS**

Tower: 'Delta 351, you have traffic at 10 o'clock, 6 miles!'

Delta 351: 'Give us another hint! We have digital watches!'

Tower: 'TWA 2341, for noise abatement turn right 45 Degrees.'

TWA 2341: 'Centre, we are at 35,000 feet. How much noise can we make up here?'

Tower: 'Sir, have you ever heard the noise a 747 makes when it hits a 727?'

From an unknown aircraft waiting in a very long takeoff queue: 'I'm bloody bored!'

Ground Traffic Control: 'Last aircraft transmitting, identify yourself immediately!'

Unknown aircraft: 'I said I was bloody bored, not bloody stupid!'

O'Hare Approach Control to a 747: 'United 329 heavy, your traffic is a Fokker, one o'clock, three miles, Eastbound.'

United 329: 'Approach, I've always wanted to say this..I've got the little Fokker in sight.'

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PRE-ANZAC DAY REUNION
24th APRIL 2010

THE PRE-ANZAC DAY REUNION IS TO BE HELD AT
SOUTH EASTERN MASONIC CENTRE
270 HUTTON RD KEYSBOROUGH
Melway Map 94 D2

BBQ LUNCHEON
DRINKS at BAR PRICES
AMPLE PARKING

TIMING: 1200hrs to 1600hrs

Come and reminisce with old buddies and enjoy old times.

For Members who are coming by train, arrangements are in place
to be picked up at Dandenong Station.

Contact Alan Rogers Phone (03) 97046700 prior to the day

When at Dandenong Station ring any of the following mobile numbers to arrange pick up:
John Boothroyd 0419 502 040; Bruce Williams 0418 104 895; Alan Rogers: 0422 888 851

After reunion arrangements are in place for transport back to Dandenong Station

A charge of \$10.00 per head will be collected at the Door
President John Boothroyd looks forward to your company
RSVP no later than 16th April 2010

Arte et Marte

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I _____ will be attending with _____ Guests
The PRE-ANZAC DAY REUNION at 270 Hutton Rd Keysborough
Will require pick up from Dandenong Station Yes / No

FOR CATERING PURPOSES PLEASE RETURN TO

E-mail raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com

or post to The Secretary RAEME Association (Vic) Inc PO Box 2118 Fountain Gate 3805



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ANZAC DAY
25th APRIL 2010

**ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE WILL THIS YEAR BE HELD AT THE
REMEMBRANCE CATAFALQUE CLAYTON RD CLAYTON
MEMBERS TO MEET AT CLAYTON RSL at 0530hrs**

**Carnish Rd Clayton
Melways Map 79 D2
Clayton Railway Station opposite RSL
(Closer than Huntingdale Station is to Oakleigh Barracks)**

**Time 0545 at the REMEMBRANCE CATAFALQUE in CLAYTON RD
Followed by Gunfire Breakfast 0630hrs at CLAYTON RSL**

**Gold Coin Donation
Plenty of parking with no time restriction**

After March at Victoria Barracks Sergeants' Mess until 1530hrs

***Members wishing to go to Sgts Mess *must* provide their names to Bruce Williams or
Dennis Clarke by the 10th April 2010 as we must provide all attendee's names to
Victoria Barracks for Security purposes.***

Licence or valid identification will be required to gain entry into Victoria Barracks

**Contacts Bruce Williams Phone (03) 9561 8354
Dennis Clarke Phone 9848 8396**

**email bruce.w1@bigpond.com
e-mail eastern.auto@optusnet.com.au**

TO ALL MEMBERS WITH INTERNET ACCESS

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ON OUR WEB SITE**

www.raeme.org.au/vic

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A Username and Password will be required to log-in to certain “Members-Only” secure pages. Username and Password will change each Membership Year, and will be provided to each Member with the receipt for Association Membership subscriptions each year.

If you have slow internet download speed, or otherwise wish to continue to receive the Lightning Flash by mail, please advise the Secretary by e-mail raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com or by post to **PO Box 2118 Fountain Gate 3805**

If you have changed your e-mail address in the last 2 years please notify the Secretary by e-mail raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com or by post to **PO Box 2118 Fountain Gate 3805**

For members without internet access, the Lightning Flash will continue to be posted by mail.

Your assistance in this matter will be appreciated as it will save the Association a considerable amount in postage costs.

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March August November

If you have any comments or queries, you can use a web-based Form on our web-page www.raeme.org.au/vic

Links to this Form appear on the “Home” page and also on the “Contact Us” page.



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PRESIDENTS LUNCHEON

23rd May 2010

South Eastern Masonic Centre

Melway: Map 94 D2

Timing: 1200hrs to 1600 hrs

Cost \$30.00 per head

Widows to be Guests of President

Drinks at Bar Prices

Ample Parking

Smart Casual Dress

MENU

PUMPKIN SOUP

ROAST CHICKEN

ROAST POTATOS

ROAST PUMPKIN

PEAS

GRAVY

FRUIT SALAD/APPLE STRUDEL

ICE CREAM

TEA/COFFEE

Please Notify of Special Dietary Requirements

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Return with Payment

I _____

Will / Will Not be attending the Presidents Luncheon

Please find enclosed payment \$_____ for _____ persons

Guests: Names: _____

RSVP by 16th May 2010 to Secretary, PO Box 2118 Fountain Gate 3805

Note: Due to catering arrangements; Returns after this date, unfortunately, cannot be accepted.

PROPOSED GOLF CLUB

Your Association is looking to form a social Golf Club, to do this we need interested members who are prepared to form a committee to run and organise Golf day dates, courses, handicapping etc.

It would be expected that the Golf Club would become self sufficient in due course.

This is an excellent way to form comradeship amongst members.

Members interested should contact the Secretary in the first instance by email raeme.assn.vic@bigpond.com or phone (03) 9704670

Assistance in forming our Golf Club can be arranged through several contacts who have extensive experience in this area

VIETNAM VETERANS' COMMEMORATIVE WALK

All who served in Vietnam deserve recognition in perpetuity for service to the Nation. It is proposed for that recognition to be provided by the construction of a Commemorative Walk.

Through the initiative of the Mitchell Sub-Branch of the Vietnam Veterans Association of Australia and the Mitchell Shire Council comprehensive plans have been produced. This project has the support of the Vietnam Veterans Association of Australia, both Federal and State, and the Returned and Services League of Australia.

The concept has a 300m pathway leading visitors through a series of walls inscribed with the names of all 62,100 personnel who served in Vietnam. Set in a landscape of native trees and grasses that resemble "Rubber Trees" and "Rice Paddies" will be areas of contemplation.

See the web-site www.vvaavic.org.au/mitchell.asp for more details of the project

PDF Documents detailing the project will be available for download from the Association web-site www.raeme.org.au/vic (navigate to "Notice Board")

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● Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers committee members Andrew Turner and John Colville are preparing for the annual remembrance service. Picture: KYLIE GOLDSMITH

Comrades Vow Support to Widows of the Corps

BY ELIZA ADAMTHWAITE

WIDOWS of the Corps of the Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers are encouraged to attend an annual remembrance service at Bandiana next Thursday.

Retired Major John Colville, a RAEME committee member, said the organisation was keen to make contact with any widows who had lost touch with their husbands' comrades and families.

He said the corps wanted to look after current members, retired members and widows alike.

"At the moment we have about eight widows attending events but we're encouraging the RAEME association in Victoria to find out where the other widows are living," he said.

"They've gone through being an army wife and the husband has passed away and they just tend to fade into the background.

"It's unfortunate but that does happen in a lot of cases. •

"So what we're trying to do now is encourage them to attend these functions."

He said RAEME was able to provide support in various ways for such women if they were in need.

"We are trying to look after those who served and their widows and we are also looking at the present generation to join so the tradition will keep going," he said.

"The remembrance day is a day to take all of that and remember it."

Mr Colville, who served in both the British and Australian armies for 42 years as a mechanical engineer, said the service was an important function for members of the Corps living in the area.

"We put up a memorial for all past craftsmen and we then thought it was appropriate that every year, now that we have people across the world, that we remember them as a corps," he said.

"What generally happens is that you get the Anzac Day and Remembrance Day events but the corps have now started to remember their own members so we have a personal touch."

The remembrance service will be held at Craftsman Memorial, opposite the Army Museum at Bandiana, on Thursday, February 4 at 6pm.

A party of soldiers from Latchford Barracks will perform a guard around the monument; RAEME president Andrew Turner will open the service; Army Chaplain Andrew Margetson will lead proceedings; and Deputy Head of the Corps, Lieutenant Colonel Todd Ashurst will speak, in his position as Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor of the Army School of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering at Latchford Barracks.

Following a wreath laying and the closing of the service, it is traditional for those gathered to catch up for refreshments at the Blazing Stump Hotel.

Widows who require transport to attend the service are encouraged to contact the president Andrew Turner on (02) 6056 1946.

(Border Express 27/1/2010)



RESERVE FORCES DAY MARCH
SUNDAY 4th JULY 2010
THE SHRINE St Kilda Rd
1000hrs to 1200hrs

The Reserve Forces Day Council (VIC)
All Reserve (CMF) members are invited to attend this day.
The intention of the Day is to be a Parade, not a March.

This day will be open to all Army, Air Force and Navy Reservists.

It is just over 60 years since the Reserve (CMF) Forces were reformed and the celebrations this year will pay special tribute to those Reservists who have served overseas since the end of WWII and have been awarded a medal for that service.

More details will be inserted on our Web Site:
www.raeme.org.au/vic as they come to hand.

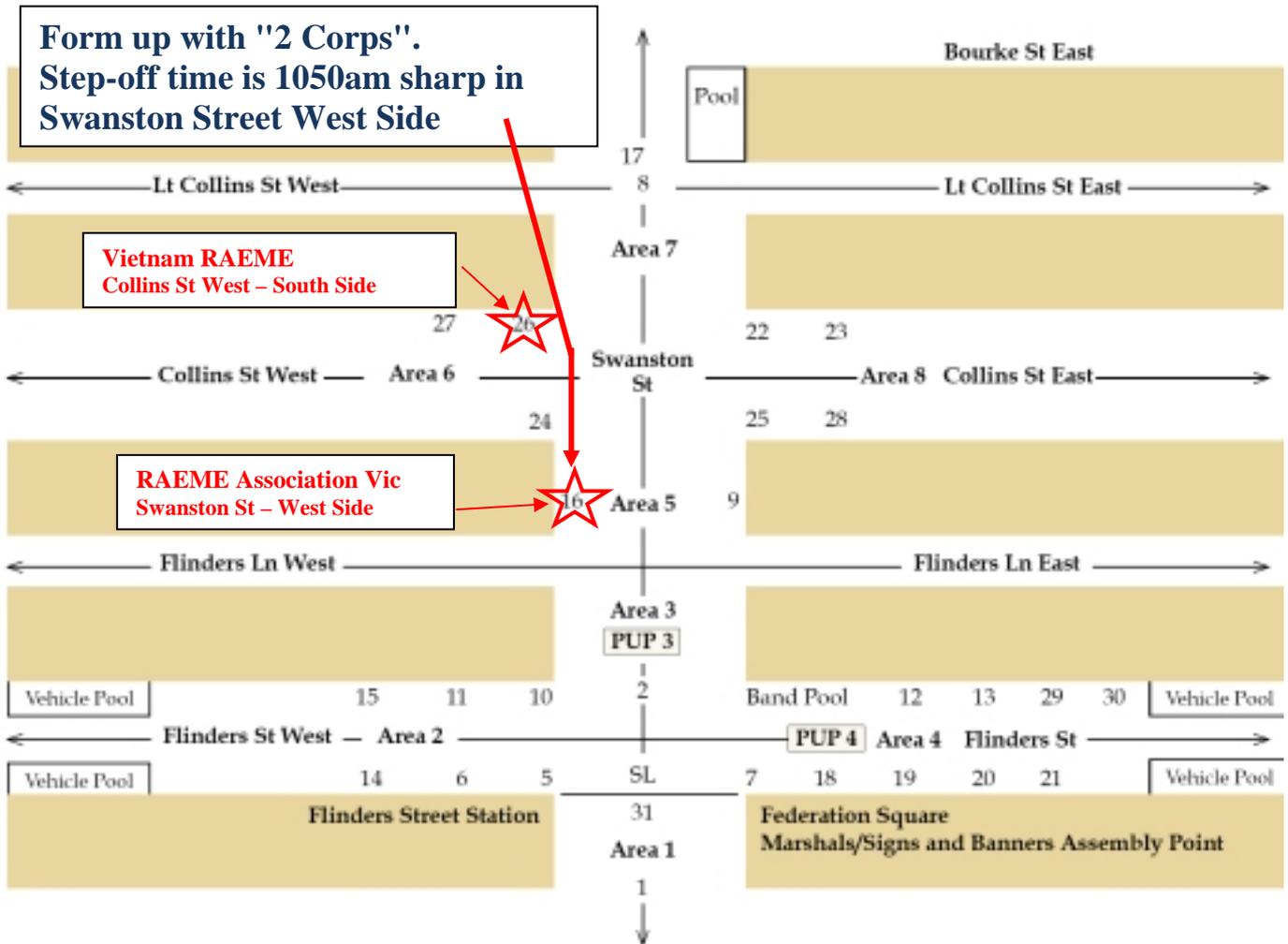
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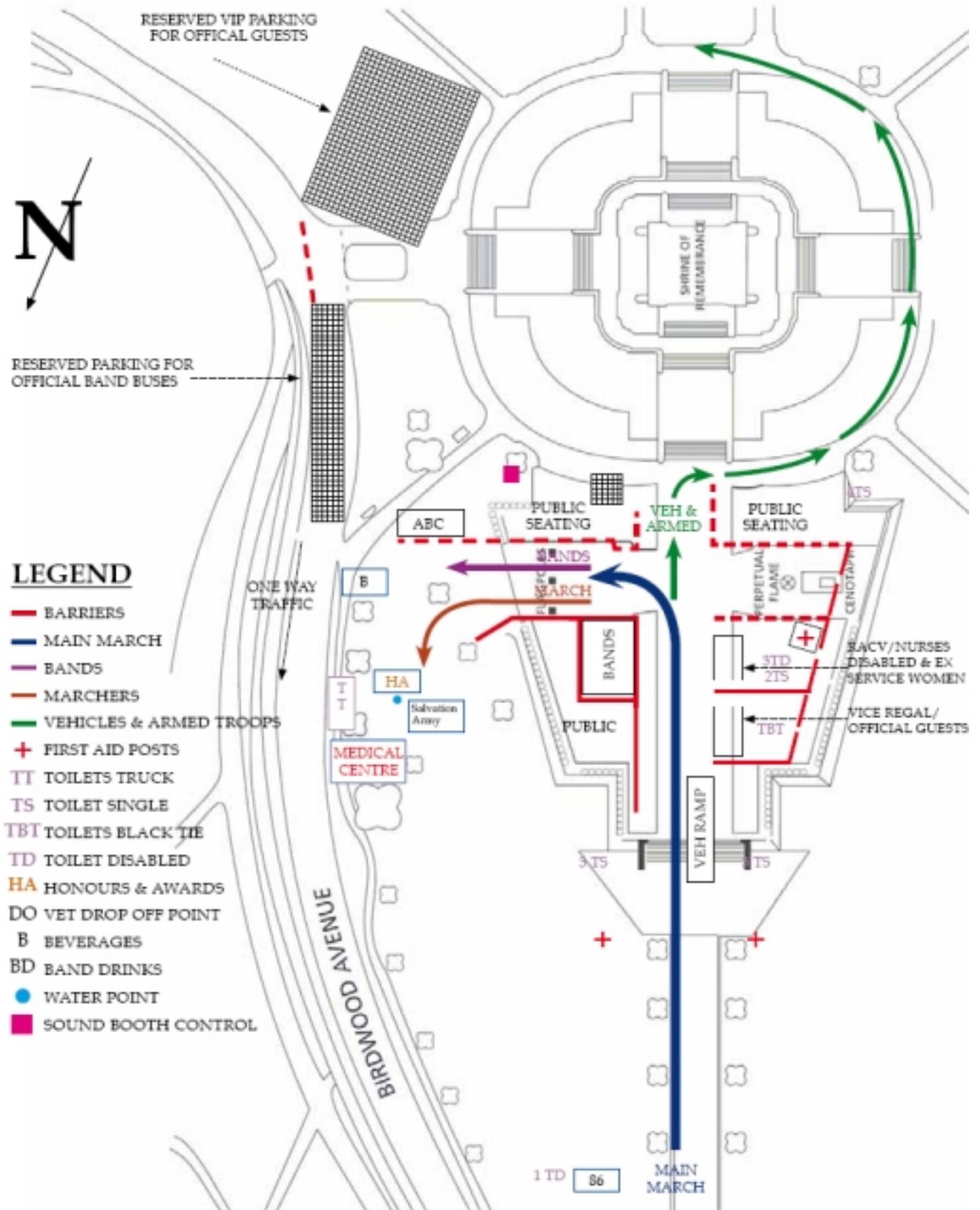
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ANZAC MARCH ASSEMBLY PLAN 25 APRIL 2010



ID	GROUPS	ACROSS THE START LINE (SL)			
1	Disabled Pers	0845	17	Air Force	1050
2	Offical Party	0900	18	RAAF SE Asia	1100
3	Boer War & WWI	0905	19	RAAF Europe & ME-	1110
4	New Zealand	0915	20	RAAF SW Pacific	1120
5	Women's Services	0920	21	Post 1945 ers	1125
6	Ancillary Services 1	0925	22	Vietnam 1	1130
7	Navy	0930	23	Royal Australian Regiment	1140
8	Army Group	0935	24	Vietnam 2	1150
9	2AIF, 1 Corps	0940	25	Post 1945 Defence Service	1155
10	6 Division	0955	26	Peacekeepers & Peacemakers	1200
11	7 Division	1010	27	Post 1990 ers	1200
12	8 Division <i>St Kilda Rd</i>	1020	28	Ancillary Services 2	1205
13	9 Division <i>to</i>	1025	29	Commonwealth Forces	1210
14	3 Division <i>Sterine</i>	1035	30	Allies	1215
15	5 & 11 Divisions	1045	31	Marshals	1225
16	2 Corps	1050			

SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE SITE PLAN – 2010



LEGEND

- BARRIERS
- MAIN MARCH
- BANDS
- MARCHERS
- VEHICLES & ARMED TROOPS
- + FIRST AID POSTS
- TT TOILETS TRUCK
- TS TOILET SINGLE
- TBT TOILETS BLACK TIE
- TD TOILET DISABLED
- HA HONOURS & AWARDS
- DO VET DROP OFF POINT
- B BEVERAGES
- BD BAND DRINKS
- WATER POINT
- SOUND BOOTH CONTROL

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Reservists have been volunteering since the part time forces were reformed after WWII, just over 60 years ago, from the United Nations Missions, Korea and onwards to serve on overseas operations. There were many who served in SVN and CMF Observers and UN operations.

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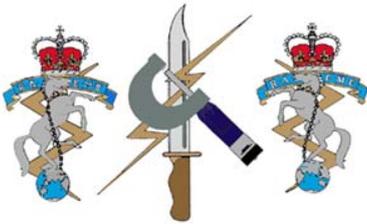
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